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TUESDAY, 9 FEBRUARY, 1937

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 2nd day of *February*, 1937.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 30th day of January, 1937 (P.M. 1351/36), in the words following, viz. :—

“Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted, *inter alia*, that all pay, pensions or other allowances in the nature thereof payable in respect of services in Your Majesty's Naval or Marine Force to a person being or having been an Officer, Seaman or Marine therein, or to the widow or any relative of a deceased Officer, Seaman or Marine, shall be paid in such manner and subject to such restrictions, conditions and provisions as are from time to time directed by Order in Council :

“And whereas by Order in Council dated the 25th day of June, 1925, we were empowered at our discretion to award pensions and allowances to the widows, children and other dependent relatives of Officers of Your Majesty's Naval and Marine Forces on the scales and under the conditions contained in the Schedule annexed thereto :

“And whereas by Order in Council dated the 7th November, 1924, we were empowered at our discretion to award pensions and gratuities to widows and allowances to children and certain other dependent relatives of Petty

Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and men of the Royal Navy and Marines and of the Reserve Forces on the scales and under the conditions contained in the Schedule annexed thereto :

“And whereas we deem it desirable to modify in certain particulars the conditions under which pensions may be granted to the parents of Officers and men of the Naval and Marine Forces :

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction the amendments to the said Orders in Council set out in the annexed Schedules A and B, and to empower us at our discretion to apply these amended regulations to the parents of Officers, Seamen and Marines whose deaths are directly attributable to the conditions of service after the 30th September, 1921, with effect from the 11th January, 1937.

“The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in these proposals.

“SCHEDULE A.

“Clause 16 of the Schedule to Order in Council of 25th June, 1925, to be cancelled and the following substituted therefor :—

“1. If an Officer dies in circumstances which would have qualified his widow, or child, had he been married, for a pension or allowance at the attributable rate, his parent or parents may be granted an annual allowance subject to such