

89.—Caps, Forage, R.M. and R.M. Band—New Pattern.

(B. 1517/31.)

A new pattern Forage Cap has been introduced for general issue to all ranks Royal Marines and Royal Marine Band (except Divisional Bands), below the rank of Staff Sergeant.

2. While a simultaneous issue of the new pattern cap is desirable, it is essential in the interests of economy that existing stocks of the old pattern should be used up as early as practicable. To meet the situation, therefore, all issues until the next annual clothing will be of the old pattern.

3. At the next annual clothing, due in April, 1933, all ranks embarked or who are likely to embark during the ensuing twelve months are to be issued with the new pattern cap and compensation in lieu will not be payable. To all others, issue of the cap will be of the old pattern.