

# 78.—Royal Marines—Reorganisation—Order of H.M. the King.

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His Majesty the King, as Colonel-in-Chief of the Royal Marines, has directed the following Order to be promulgated to the Corps:—

“It is with great regret that, in consequence of the reduction in numbers, and the necessary financial economies necessitating the abolition of one of the historic Divisions, I have concurred in the amalgamation of the Royal Marine Artillery and the Royal Marine Light Infantry.

“The two branches during their period as separate Units have each worthily upheld the traditions of the old Corps of Royal Marines from which they were derived.

“As their Colonel-in-Chief, I desire to express to them my appreciation of their former services, and I am confident that, under the new title of Royal Marines, they will continue to maintain that reputation for loyalty and devotion to duty which has ever been the pride of the Corps of Royal Marines.”