

War-Office, 28th October 1819.

HIS Royal Highness the Prince Regent, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, doth hereby require and command, that all the out-pensioners of Chelsea Hospital, and all those men who are registered in the books of Chelsea Hospital, with a view to prospective pension; and also all out-pensioners and registered men of Kilmainham Hospital, resident in London, or within twenty-five miles thereof, who were discharged from their respective corps as non-commissioned officers, trumpeters, drummers, or privates, whether from the Regular Cavalry, Foot Guards or Infantry of the Line, or from the Militia or Fencibles, do personally appear at Chelsea, on such days as the Commissioners of the said Hospital shall appoint, in order that such of them as on examination shall be found fit, may be appropriated to a Royal Veteran Battalion. His Royal Highness, is however, pleased to direct, that the present Order shall not be considered as extending to the out-pensioners from the late Horse Guards, and Horse Grenadier Guards, the Life Guards, and Royal Regiment of Horse Guards, nor to such men as by the Hospital Books are now more than fifty-five years of age, or had served twenty-four years in the Cavalry, or twenty-one years in the Infantry, previous to their discharges; nor to any men discharged as privates, whose pensions are above ten pence per diem each; nor to those who have lost a limb, or their eye-sight, or are cripples, or who received a certificate of their total unfitness for further service, from any of the Officers employed at the last general examination of out-pensioners in the year 1815; nor to such out-pensioners as are now serving in the Regular Militia, as non-commissioned officers:

His Royal Highness is at the same time graciously pleased to declare, that the said non-commissioned officers, trumpeters, drummers, and private men, who upon examination shall be found fit for service, shall receive the sum of one shilling and ten pence per diem each from the time of their leaving their respective homes until their arrival at the examining station, calculating the same at the rate of ten miles for a day's march, and shall be afterwards subsisted until allotted to a Veteran Battalion, at the following rates; namely, sergeants, trumpet-majors, and drum-majors, at one shilling and ten pence; and corporals, trumpeters, drummers, and privates, at one shilling per diem each, together with the usual allowance of one penny per diem for beer money.

His Royal Highness is also pleased to Order, that every man found fit for duty shall, on his joining the Veteran Battalion to which he shall be appointed, receive a bounty of one pound five shillings, or so much thereof as shall remain after supplying him with proper necessaries; and that every man, when discharged, shall be allowed to reckon his service in the said battalion, in addition to his former service, and to receive such an increased rate of pension as the entire period of his service may entitle him to claim under the regulations now in force.

It is also His Royal Highness's pleasure, that

the men who, upon examination, shall be found unfit for any duty, shall be dismissed, and be settled with at the rate of one shilling and ten pence per diem each, from the time of their leaving their respective homes until their arrival at the examining stations, calculated at the rate of ten miles for a day's march, and shall receive also the like allowance to carry them back to their homes; and that while detained for examination they shall receive the same pay and allowances as the men found fit for duty.

Every out-pensioner appearing for examination, is hereby ordered and required to produce to the Examining Officer his instruction paper, and such out-pensioners as are not resident in their respective districts, or to whom it may be more convenient to appear for examination in any other, are hereby informed, that they are permitted to do so, provided they appear on some one of the days appointed above.

And it is His Royal Highness's further pleasure, that if any out-pensioners who are exempted from the present call under the terms of this Proclamation, shall nevertheless be desirous of volunteering their services, and shall present themselves for examination at any of the places of assembling, they shall, if found fit to serve, be received into a Royal Veteran Battalion with the same bounty, pay, and allowances as the men who are included in the call.

And it is hereby notified, that all the out-pensioners hereby called upon to attend, who shall not appear at any of the times and places herein appointed, will be struck off the books of the out-pension of the said Hospital, according to the regulations under which such pension is granted, without any prospect of being restored thereto.

By command of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty.
PALMERSTON.

N. B. It is most earnestly requested, that all Officers Civil and Military, and all Magistrates and Ministers will exert themselves in circulating the above notification in their respective districts and parishes, in order that the out-pensioners interested in the communication of it, may not suffer from ignorance of its contents; and they will also have the goodness to explain to the out-pensioners, to whom this Order does not extend, that they are not called upon to appear at the present examination.

*Royal Hospital, Chelsea,
October 29, 1819.*

THESE are, by order of the Right Honourable the Lords and others Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Royal Hospital at Chelsea, to give notice, that His Royal Highness the Prince Regent has been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to command, that all the out-pensioners belonging to the said Hospital, and all those men who are registered in the Hospital Books, with a view to prospective pension, and also all out-pensioners and registered