

I hope, therefore, that you will become a member, and will invite others to do the same. Membership is open to all who have borne, or bear HIS MAJESTY'S COMMISSION, and any officer who cannot afford a subscription can register as an Associate Member, thus obtaining the full benefit of the Association.

In addition, the great (but, I trust, temporary) distresses arising out of the War must be relieved.

The need is great, for there are to-day 33,000 disabled officers, 10,000 officers' widows, 8,000 officers' orphans, 15,000 children of disabled officers, and 25,000 unemployed officers, who are still paying the penalty of the War.

I have been greatly assisted in my appeal to the general public, by officers coming forward to help their comrades in distress. Already over 17,000 officers and ex-officers of the Navy, Army and Air Force, have become Members of the Association, and a number of regiments have joined regimentally.