

and which will also be more convenient to his private Affairs, especially as he is Speaker of the House of Assembly in this Province.

Capt. Howe, late of His Majesty's 104th, and Capt. Aldridge, late of His Majesty's 40th Regiments, applied to serve in this Regiment upon Half Pay only, and without Claim of Rank. Mr. Tonge, now Adjutant, and on Leave from the 60th, has also offered his Services upon the same Terms. As these Gentlemen are highly respectable in this Province, and pre-eminently distinguished for their Military Accomplishments, and may be of the greatest Service in forming a new-raised Regiment, and no Expence incurred by Government thereby, I have thought it exceedingly beneficial for the King's Service to employ them in raising and disciplining the Regiment, until His Majesty's Pleasure is signified, upon their having Commissions respectively. The Ensigns upon Half Pay, resident in this Province, are generally married, have Families, are settled upon Farms, and of such an advanced Age, that it would be exceedingly detrimental to them to leave their respective Situations, and join the Nova Scotia Regiment. It will therefore be necessary for me to nominate Gentlemen properly qualified, who, being free of Incumbrances, will serve on Half Pay, until His Majesty's Pleasure is known. In the Nomination to the other Commissions, I shall most attentively endeavour to justify the Confidence you are pleased to honour me with, both in the best possible Economy, and in recommending for Commissions from the sole Motives of the most upright Duty to His Majesty's Service.

With the utmost Deference I entreat your favourable Recommendation for His Majesty's most gracious Permission to call this "The King's Nova Scotia Regiment," an Honour which the Regiment will endeavour to justify by their unremitting Fidelity and emulous Exertions in His Majesty's Service.

N^o 4. Extract of a Letter from Lieut. Governor Wentworth to Mr. Secretary Dundas; dated Halifax, 28th May 1793.

THIS Town being left with so small a Garrison, and Apprehensions prevailing among the Inhabitants for the Safety of the Place, I have exerted every possible Diligence to recruit the Regiment, which now exceeds Three hundred and Thirty. Two hundred and Sixty-nine of them are in this Garrison, and completely fit for Duty; the Remainder are on Recruiting Parties, or on their Way to join the Regiment.

It has been absolutely necessary to augment the Levy Money, which I will use my utmost Endeavours to average as low as possible; and I trust, in a short Time, to have the Honour to report the Regiment complete, and a fine Body of Men, as the present Numbers are.