

formance of military duty. Regulations to be made for this purpose from time to time by the commanding officer of the battalion, subject to the approval of the Commander of the Forces in Canada.

7th. After 20 years' service in the Royal Canadian Regiment, soldiers to be entitled to their discharge on the same pension as if they had continued to serve in the line.

8th. The general officer commanding in Canada to be *ex-officio* colonel of the Royal Canadian Regiment, with an annual addition to his pay of 200*l*.

9th. The clothing to be provided by the public, without any allowance to the colonel.

As the principal feature in the establishment of this corps is to counteract the crime of desertion from the regiments of the line on the frontier, the Royal Canadian Regiment should not be removed from the frontier posts in Canada to other parts of the command, except only in such cases as the exigencies of the service may indispensably require.

(signed) *Fitzroy Somerset.*

Horse Guards, 27 August 1840.

Sir,

Horse Guards, 26 November 1840.

Your letter of the 9th September, $\frac{102190}{41}$ has been unacknowledged hitherto, by reason that the information required could only be obtained through the Lieutenant-general commanding in Canada, to whom the necessary instructions regarding the preparatory arrangements for the formation of the Royal Canadian Regiment had been transmitted on the 27th August.

I have now the honour to acquaint you, that a despatch, dated the 26th October, has been received from Sir Richard Jackson, enclosing a return showing the number of men of the regiments named in the margin, who have volunteered their services upon the terms announced to him; but that the nominal lists which had been specially required by me, and intended to show the numbers, age and character, as well as service of the volunteers, would be forwarded as soon as the whole had been received from the several regiments under his command, and which have not yet arrived.

The Lieutenant-general has also transmitted a paper containing certain questions put by officers commanding corps, relative to the terms upon which soldiers are to be received as volunteers for the Royal Canadian Regiment, and which being chiefly, if not altogether, of a financial description, it is not in my power to answer without previous reference to you.

I therefore enclose herewith copies of the several papers above-named for your consideration, and shall be glad to receive your decision upon the several questions at your earliest convenience, as no further progress can be made towards the formation of the Royal Canadian Regiment until these points shall have been finally determined upon.

The Right Hon. T. B. Macaulay.

I have, &c.
(signed) *Hill.*

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My Lord,

War Office, 26 December 1840.

THE General Commanding-in-Chief has transmitted to me a letter, of which I have the honour to enclose a copy, covering copies of a despatch from Sir Richard Jackson, relative to the volunteering from regiments of the line for the formation of the Royal Canadian Regiment, and at the same time, requesting my decision upon several questions put by officers, commanding regiments, relative to the terms upon which soldiers are to be received as volunteers. I subjoin copies of the questions thus submitted to me, the answers which I consider must be given to them according to the terms upon which it has been decided that this battalion should be raised, and some remarks which have suggested themselves to me, and to which I have the honour to request your Lordship's attention before any reply is sent to Sir R. Jackson's communication.

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