

No. 9.
Sir Geo. Arthur
to the Marquis of
Normanby.
July 29, 1839.

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(Circular.)

SIR,

Emigrant Office, Toronto.

HER Majesty's Government having authorized relief to be afforded to such of the commuted pensioners who, previously to obtaining their pensions, have served for seven years and upwards, and who are in a state of destitution, I take the liberty to forward to your address the accompanying printed notices, which you will have the goodness to circulate in those parts of your district, which will be most likely to meet their notice.

As the measure is of a temporary character, and as it would be impossible to carry the benevolent intentions of the Government into immediate effect without the co-operation of gentlemen residing in the immediate vicinity of the parties to be relieved, I trust you will excuse the liberty which has been taken, in making use of your name without first obtaining your consent to act.

Enclosed I send you a printed list of commuted pensioners transmitted from the home Government. As to these names you will have only to inquire whether the parties are in such a state of destitution as to require relief, and afford it accordingly.

As to other persons who may claim relief before it is afforded, the applicant should be called upon to produce his printed papers, and in the event of his being unable to do so, he should be required to go before a magistrate, and state under oath—the number of the regiment in which he last served,—the date of his discharge,—length of service and rate of pension,—and the date and amount of his commuted allowance, as well as the number of persons his family consists of (with the age of each child); and on his producing an affidavit containing these particulars, you will have the goodness to relieve him to the extent authorized, provided you are satisfied that his circumstances render such relief necessary.

In order to save you the trouble of making out receipts, I have sent you herewith printed forms, to be executed in duplicate; and whenever you require the repayment of the amount advanced, you will please send these receipts to this office for examination and payment.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

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