I. WEST INDIES, THE AMERICAS AND ISLANDS IN THE ATLANTIC

The Bahamas.
Barbados.
Bermuda.
British Guiana.
British Honduras.
The Falkland Islands.

Jamaica.
The Leeward Islands (Antigua, St. Kitts-Nevis, Dominica and Montserrat).
Trinidad and Tobago.
The Windward Islands (St. Lucia, Grenada and St. Vincent).

THE BAHAMAS

AREA AND POPULATION

Area ........ 11,406 sq. km.
Population (1-1-28) 59,294

Local Forces.

The Bahamas have no Military Forces, and the Local Forces consist only of the Police Force, which is not liable for Military Service.

POLICE

Its duties are of a purely civil nature, and there is no statutory power authorising the employment of the Force upon Military Service, although the training is of a semi-military nature. The Force, which has an establishment of 1 officer and 125 other ranks, armed with S.M.L.E. rifles, is under the control of a Commandant. Headquarters are at Nassau. The officers are Europeans, the men are negroes, of whom 60 per cent are recruited in Barbados.

Enlistment is for six years, with re-engagement thereafter for periods of five years up to twenty-one years, after which re-engagement is for one-year periods up to a maximum of thirty years.

BARBADOS

AREA AND POPULATION

Area ........ 430 sq. km.
Population (31-XII-26) 169,385
Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Barbados consist of the following:

Military Forces . . . . . The Barbados Volunteer Force.
Volunteer Reserve.
Cadet Corps.
Barbados Rifle Association.

Police . . . . . . . . . . Barbados Police Force.

MILITARY FORCES

(a) The Barbados Volunteer Force.

The Force, which consists of 3 Infantry Companies with an establishment of 20 officers and 284 other ranks, is liable for service within the Colony only, and may be called out in aid of the Civil Power.

The Reserve consists of men who have served at least one term of enrolment in the Volunteers.

(b) Cadet Corps.

The Cadet Corps, of which there are three Companies, is attached to the Volunteer Force. Boys must be over 12 years of age.

(c) Barbados Rifle Association.

The Barbados Rifle Association is composed of Volunteers, Police and Civilians. It receives assistance from the Government in the form of free ammunition, but is not under obligation to serve in a military capacity.

BERMUDA

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . 50 sq. km.
Population (1926) . . . 30,113

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Bermuda consist of:

Militia.
Volunteer Rifle Corps.
Cadets.

MILITARY FORCES

(a) Militia 1

The Militia is liable for service within the Colony only.

The Force consists of one heavy battery with an establishment of 5 officers and 106 other ranks, with headquarters at Bermuda. The voluntary enlistment is for six years.

1 This corps is now undergoing reorganisation.
(b) Volunteer Rifle Corps.

The Corps is liable for service in Bermuda only. The Corps consists of four Companies and a Machine-Gun Section with an establishment of 15 officers and 282 other ranks. Voluntary enlistment is for four years, with re-engagement by periods of two and four years up to the age of 50. Only white men are embodied.

(c) Cadets.

The Bermuda Cadet Corps is a semi-military organisation, closely allied to the Volunteer Rifle Corps.

BRITISH GUIANA

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . 231,749 sq. km.
Population (31-XII-27) 387,470.

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in British Guiana consist of:

Military Forces . . . . . . Militia (Infantry, Artillery and Reserve).
Police . . . . . . . . . . British Guiana Police.

A. MILITARY FORCES

Militia.

Every male person who is a British subject between the ages of 18 and 45 years, and who possesses certain qualifications, is liable for service in the Force, and must register his name. The strength of the Force is maintained primarily by volunteers who are on the register, but should the numbers so obtained be insufficient, the deficiency is raised by ballot. The Militia is liable for service in the Colony only. Men are enlisted for three years.

The Force comprises one company of Artillery, two companies of Infantry and a Band, with an establishment of 15 officers and 173 other ranks.


The Reserve consists of men who have served for three years in the Active Militia. Members of the Reserve can leave the Colony at will; besides this, a great number of them are employed in the interior and country districts, so that at most not more than half of the total number would be available for duty.
The Police Force is a semi-military body. It is available for service in defence of the Colony against external aggression and for the repression of internal disturbance. The Force consists of Mounted and Foot Police. The establishment of the former is 50 other ranks, and of the latter 20 officers and 741 other ranks.

**BRITISH HONDURAS**

**AREA AND POPULATION**

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<th>Area</th>
<th>22,268 sq. km.</th>
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<td>Population</td>
<td>(31-XII-26) 48,584</td>
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**Local Forces.**

The Local Forces in British Honduras consist of:

- Military Forces: British Honduras Defence Force.
- Police: British Honduras Police Force.

The Police Force is liable for Military Service.

**A. MILITARY FORCES**

*Volunteers.*

A Bill has been drafted providing for the establishment of a Defence Force in British Honduras. The Defence Force will consist of such platoons of infantry, including machine-gun sections and other units as the Governor may determine.

**B. POLICE**

In case of imminent danger of invasion or other grave emergency, the Governor can order that the Police Force shall become liable for Military Service and shall serve in any part of the Colony. Headquarters are at Belize, and the Force, which has an establishment of 2 officers and 137 other ranks, is distributed throughout the Colony. Men are natives of the Colony or of the British West Indies, and enlist for periods of one year.

**THE FALKLAND ISLANDS**

**AREA AND POPULATION**

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<th>Area</th>
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<td>Population</td>
<td>(31-XII-27) 3,786</td>
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**Local Forces.**

The Local Forces in the Falkland Islands consist of:

- Military Forces: The Defence Force (Active Force and a Reserve Force).
- Police: The Police Force. (This Force is unarmed and not liable for Military Service.)
MILITARY FORCES

Every British male subject resident in the Colony, between the ages of 18 and 41 years, is liable for service in the Defence Force. The Defence Force is liable for service in the Colony only. Enrolment is for 2 years. The establishment of the Force has not yet been decided upon but in 1927 it was organised as one company of infantry. At the present time no reserves are maintained.

JAMAICA
AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 11,526 sq. km.
Population (31-XII-26). 936,927

Local Forces.
The Local Forces in Jamaica consist of:

Military Forces . . . The Jamaica Militia Artillery.
The Kingston Infantry Volunteers.

Police . . . . . . . . . . . . . Jamaica Constabulary.

The Jamaica Constabulary is liable for Military Service in case of invasion and has an establishment of 23 officers and 1,049 other ranks.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) The Jamaica Militia Artillery. — The Corps (108 officers and other ranks) consists of one heavy battery, and is liable for service in Jamaica only. Enlistment is for three years with re-engagement for a further period of three years.

(b) The Kingston Infantry Volunteers. — The Corps, which consists of one company with an establishment of 6 officers and 200 other ranks, is constituted under the Volunteer Force Law of 1914, and is liable for service in Jamaica only. Enrolment is for three years.

B. POLICE

The Force is partly under military organisation and discipline but is essentially a civil body.

THE LEEWARD ISLANDS
AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,860 sq. km.
Population (1926-27)¹ 123,412

Local Forces.
The Local Forces in the Leeward Islands consist of:


¹ Virgin Islands, 1921.
Cadets ........ Dominica Grammar School Cadets.
Police ........ Leeward Islands Police Force.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) Active Forces. — In case of emergency, the Governor may by proclamation call out all of the Defence Forces for active service. There is no definite period of enrolment, and members, except when on active service or when the compulsory service provision is in force, may quit the Corps upon giving three months' notice.

The establishments for the various Defence Forces are:

- Antigua Defence Force (1 company of infantry) ........ 50
- St. Kitts-Nevis Defence Force (1 company of infantry) .... 80
- Dominica Defence Force (1 company of infantry) .......... 40

Total .................. 170

The province of Montserrat maintains no active Defence Force at present.

(b) Defence Reserves. — Antigua, St. Kitts-Nevis, Dominica and Montserrat.

The Reserves are practically Rifle Clubs, whose affairs are managed by Committees, but whose members are liable for enrolment in the Defence Forces in case of need.

(c) Cadets. — There is a Cadet Corps in the Island of Dominica entitled the "Dominica Grammar School Cadets", which has a strength of about 30 boys.

B. POLICE

The Force, which has an establishment of 6 officers and 148 men, is under a Chief Inspector of Police and is armed with S.M.L.E. rifles. Beyond the performance of ordinary police duties, the Force can be utilised for the defence of the Colony against external aggression.

Officers are Europeans; other ranks are coloured and black West Indians.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

AREA AND POPULATION

Area ........... 5,118 sq. km.
Population (31-XII-26) 387,470

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Trinidad and Tobago consist of:

- Military Forces . . Volunteers (The Trinidad Light Horse; the Trinidad Light Infantry and Reserve).
- Volunteer Reserve.
- Cadets.
- Police ........ Trinidad Constabulary.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) Volunteers. — The Volunteers are liable for service within the Colony only. The enlistment is for three years. The Force, under its own officers, is
subject to the orders of the Commandant of the Local Forces, who is also Inspector-General of Constabulary.

The strength of the Force is as follows:

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<td>Light Horse (2 troops)</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>86</td>
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<td>Light Infantry (1 company)</td>
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<td>121</td>
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<td>44</td>
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(b) Volunteer Reserve. — The Reserve which is composed entirely of Europeans and has an establishment of 256 all ranks, may be embodied by the Governor in case of actual or apprehended invasion or internal disorder. Enlistment is for three years.

(c) Cadets — There is a Cadet Force in the Colony with an establishment of 5 officers and 150 other ranks.

B. CONSTABULARY

This Force, which has an establishment of 19 officers and 877 constables, is armed with S.M.L.E. rifles and Maxim machine-guns, and is liable for employment in the defence of the Colony as a Military Force.

An Ordinance dated September 24th, 1920, authorised the establishment of a Police Force for duty in connection with the Government Railway.

THE WINDWARD ISLANDS

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . 1,349 sq. km.
Population (19-II-27) . 177,450

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in the Windward Islands consist of:

Military Forces . Volunteers (St. Lucia Volunteer Corps; St. Vincent Volunteer Corps).
Grenada — St. George's Rifle Club.

Police . . . . . St. Lucia Police Force.
Grenada Police Force.
St. Vincent Police Force.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) St. Lucia Volunteer Corps.¹ — This Force, which comprises one Section of Mounted Infantry, one Company of Infantry and a Machine-gun Section, is armed with Ross rifles and Maxim and Lewis guns, and is liable for military service within the Colony only. Headquarters and all Units of the Corps are at Castries. Men, who are natives of the West Indies (negro or mulatto), enlist for three years.

¹ Although not formally disbanded, this Force does not exist for practical purposes at the present date (1928).
The Force has an establishment of 5 officers and 98 other ranks.

(b) The St. Vincent Volunteer Corps is liable for Military Service within the Colony only. The Force consists of one Company of Infantry, with an establishment of 2 officers and 40 other ranks, armed with S.M.L.E. rifles. Men who enlist for three years are either white, black or coloured West Indians.

B. POLICE

(a) St. Lucia Police Force. — The Force has an establishment of 2 officers and 59 men, armed with M.L.E. rifles. The Force is liable for Military Service.

(b) Grenada Police Force. — The Grenada Police Force (1 officer and 88 men) is now liable to be called on for Military Service.

(c) St. Vincent Police Force. — This Force, which has an establishment of 2 officers and 52 men, armed with M.E. rifles, is liable for Military Service within the Colony.

2. EUROPE

CYPRUS. — MALTA.

CYPRUS

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . 9,282 sq. km.
Population (31-XII-26) 335,000

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Cyprus consist of the Police Force.

Effectives:

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<td>Foot Police</td>
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MALTA

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . 316 sq. km.
Population (31-XII-27) 228,575
Local Forces.

At the present time the Local Forces consist of:
- The Royal Malta Artillery.
- The Royal Engineers (Militia), Malta Division.
- The King's Own Malta Regiment.

The Royal Malta Artillery.
(a) Constitution. — This is a Regular Corps of the British Army and is not liable for service outside the Colony.
Enlistment is confined to Maltese.
(b) Terms of Service. — As for the Regular Army.
(c) Establishment:

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<td>Headquarters and 3 Heavy Batteries</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>421</td>
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The Royal Engineers (Militia), Malta Division.
(a) The Corps is not liable for service outside the Colony.
Enlistment is voluntary and confined to Maltese.
(b) Terms of Service. — Enrolment is for three years. Re-engagement is permitted for periods of three years up to the age of 30.
(c) Establishment. — The officers are included in the establishment of the Fortress Company R.E., of the regular garrison.

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The King's Own Malta Regiment.
(a) Constitution. — Enlistment is voluntary. The Unit is liable to service outside the Colony.
(b) Terms of Service. — 1 year with the Colours; 7 years with the Reserve. Re-engagement is permitted by periods of 1 year at a time for service with the Cadre.
(c) Establishment:

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<td>(1) 800</td>
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3. AFRICA

(a) EAST AFRICA (COLONIES, PROTECTORATES AND, MANDATED TERRITORIES)

East Africa Military Forces in General.

Kenya Colony. Tanganyika Territory.
Nyasaland. Zanzibar Protectorate.
Uganda. Somaliland.

1 Establishment not yet decided.
East Africa Military Forces in General.

I. Composition.

The Military Forces in East Africa consist of:

(a) The King’s African Rifles comprising:
   1st Battalion, stationed in Nyasaland Protectorate.
   2nd   →   Tanganyika Territory.
   3rd   →   Kenya Colony.
   4th   →   Uganda Protectorate.
   6th   →   Tanganyika Territory.

(b) The Somaliland Camel Corps.

(c) Supply and Transport Department in Kenya Colony.

(d) A Reserve to the King’s African Rifles.

(e) A Reserve for officers.

Establishment:

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<td>2</td>
<td>477</td>
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<td>Somaliland Camel Corps</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>385</td>
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<tr>
<td>Supply and Transport Corps</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>240</td>
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1 Included in the total of native other ranks are the Vickers and Lewis gun-carriers.

2. Organisation, Command and Administration.

(a) King’s African Rifles. — The King’s African Rifles, which are constituted under similar Ordinances in Kenya Colony, Uganda, Nyasaland, Tanganyika and Somaliland, are administered and trained under the Colonial Office by an Inspector-General with one Staff-Officer, with Headquarters at the Colonial Office. The King’s African Rifles may be called upon to serve in any part of the world. In each Colony or Protectorate, the troops are under the orders of the Governor and quite independent of the troops in the other territories.

The term of enlistment is for six years, with periods of re-engagement for three years each up to a maximum of eighteen years.

Officers, Warrant Officers and a certain number of N.C.O.s are seconded for service from the Regular Army.

(b) Reserve. — A Reserve for the King’s African Rifles was formed under the King’s African Rifles Reserve Force Ordinance of 1914, consisting of men who have completed the term of service in the King’s African Rifles, and who enlist in the Reserve. Reservists enlist for three years, and may engage for a further period of three years. Reservists may be called up in aid of civil power or on permanent service in case of emergency and for training not exceeding thirty-one days in any one year.

Each Battalion has its own separate Reserve.

3. Training.

The King’s African Rifles are trained continuously on the lines laid down for the Regular Army.
KENYA COLONY

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . 583,000 sq. km.
Population (1926). . . 2,736,517

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Kenya Colony consist of:

Military Forces. . 3rd Battalion, King’s African Rifles.
Reserve, King’s African Rifles.
Supply and Transport Services, King’s African Rifles
(Headquarters and two Districts).
Defence Force. 1
Police. . . . . Kenya Police.

A. MILITARY FORCES

I. ORGANISATION, COMMAND AND ADMINISTRATION.

(a) King’s African Rifles. — The troops in the Colony are under the command of an O.C. Troops.
3rd Battalion King’s African Rifles. — The 3rd Battalion consists of six companies, including one platoon of Mounted Infantry, a Depot, and 2 Machine-gun Sections.
(b) Reserve, King’s African Rifles.— A Reserve, limited to an establishment of 500 men, is maintained in the Colony as a reinforcement in an emergency.
(c) Supply and Transport Service, King’s African Rifles. — This is a locally constituted Corps for service with the Military Forces in Kenya Colony only. It comprises mechanical (light Ford lorries), ox, donkey, and water transport units.
(d) Defence Force. — The Defence Force, which is now being formed, provided for a force based on the compulsory service of British subjects of European race, and the voluntary service of others who are qualified in regard to race or origin. The Colony will be divided into Defence Force districts, and in each district there will be a district commandant, such section leaders as he may deem expedient, and a Local Defence Committee.

B. POLICE

The Force, which has an establishment of 27 British officers and 2,077 men armed with S.M.L.E. rifles and Webley pistols, is a civil institution both as regards organisation and duty in time of peace. It can, however, be employed as a military Force when called upon by the Governor to discharge military duties. The Force is under the control of the Governor and is commanded by a Commissioner. Members are mostly natives of Africa, with a few Indians. The term of engagement is for three years.

NYASALAND PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . 124,947 sq. km.
Population (25-IV-26). 1,293,391

1 In process of formation.
Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Nyasaland consist of:

Military Forces . . . 1st Battalion King's African Rifles.
Reserve, King's African Rifles.
Volunteer Reserve (European).

Police . . . . . . . . Nyasaland Police.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) 1st Battalion King's African Rifles, which consists of two companies of infantry, one Machine-gun section (4 guns) and a depot Company, is stationed at Zomba. For information regarding King's African Rifles, see East Africa, Military Forces in General.

Reserve. — A Reserve is maintained with an establishment of 200 and 376 other ranks for service in the 1st and 2nd Battalions, K.A.R., respectively.

(b) Volunteer Reserve. — In the event of war or serious disturbance threatening the Protectorate, the Governor may call out the members for service within the Protectorate. Enrolment is for a period of three years.

B. POLICE

The Force is liable for Military Service in defence of the Protectorate against external aggression and for the repression of internal disturbances. The Force, which has an establishment of 14 officers and 500 men, armed with M.L.E. rifles, is under a Chief Commissioner, and may consist of Europeans and natives, the period of enlistment for the latter being two years, with re-engagement for periods of one year.

UGANDA PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . 242,700 sq. km.
Population (31-XII-26) 3,136,946

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Uganda consist of:

Military Forces . . . 4th Battalion King's African Rifles.
Reserve, King's African Rifles.
Volunteer Reserve (Uganda Rifle Corps).

Police . . . . . . . . Uganda Police Force.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) The 4th Battalion King's African Rifles consists of three Companies of three Platoons each, a Machine-gun Section and a Depot. Headquarters, Depot and 1½ company are at Bombo, and a-half company at Entebbe, with the remainder of the Battalion distributed on the Northern Frontier.

Reserve. — The Reserve has a strength of 750.

(b) Volunteer Reserve. — The Force may consist of Corps the minimum strength of each of which is not less than fifteen members.

The establishment of each District Rifle Corps is 100 all ranks.

In the event of war or disturbance threatening the Protectorate, the Governor may call out the members for service in the Protectorate.

Enrolment is for three years.
B. POLICE

The Force, which has an establishment of 26 officers and 1,232 native other ranks, armed with S.M.L.E. rifles and machine-guns, was commanded and superintended up till February 1922 by an Inspector-General.

When a declaration of the existence of a state of war has been made, the Force may be called upon to serve with regular troops in the defence of the Protectorate.

TANGANYIKA TERRITORY

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . 937,634 sq. km.
Population (1926) . . 5,000,000

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Tanganyika Territory consist of:

Military Forces . . . . 2nd and 6th Battalions King's African Rifles.
Reserves, King's African Rifles.

Police . . . . . . . Tanganyika Police Force.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) *The 2nd Battalion King's African Rifles* consists of three Companies and 1 Machine-gun Section. Headquarters and 2 Companies are at Tabora, and there are detachments of one Company at Massoko and Iringa.

*Reserve.*— A Reserve, limited to 376 other ranks, is maintained in Nyasaland for the 2nd Battalion.

(b) *The 6th Battalion King's African Rifles* consists of four Companies, 1 Machine-gun Section and a Depot. Headquarters, Depot and one Company, plus 2 platoons, are at Dar-es-Salaam, 1 company at Arusha, 1 company at Sonega and 2 platoons at Mahenge.

For further information regarding King's African Rifles, see East Africa, Military Forces in General.

*Reserve.*— A Reserve, limited to 400 other ranks, is maintained for the 6th Battalion.

B. POLICE

The Force, which has an establishment of 62 officers and 1,793 other ranks, and is armed with S.M.L.E. rifles, is under the command and direction of a Commissioner of Police, subject to the orders of the Governor. The Force can be employed as a Military Force when called upon by the Governor to perform military duties.

ZANZIBAR PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . 2,642 sq. km.
Population (1924) . . 216,790
Local Forces.

There are no Military Forces in Zanzibar Protectorate. The Police Force is organised on the lines of an armed constabulary and has an establishment of 6 officers and 584 other ranks. It consists of 4 Companies and is under a Commandant with headquarters at Zanzibar. The British Resident is empowered to call upon the Force to discharge military duties in the event of an emergency. The men are enlisted for 3 years for service in the Protectorate only.

The Force is exercised daily in the use of arms and every member fires an annual musketry course.

SOMALILAND

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . 176,000 sq. km.
Population (1928) : . 344,770

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Somaliland consist of:

Military Forces . . . Somaliland Camel Corps.
               . . . Somaliland Camel Corps Reserve.
Police . . . . . . . Somaliland Police Force.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) The Somaliland Camel Corps was raised in 1912 for the purpose of protecting the friendly tribes from raids and of repressing internal disorders, but was purely a civil body, and carried out non-military duties.

The Camel Corps has recently been incorporated in the King's African Rifles and it is administered under the same conditions. It now consists of Regimental Headquarters, 2 Camel Companies, 1 Pony Company, 1 Machine-gun Troop and 1 Depot.

(b) The Somaliland Camel Corps Reserve was formed on July 1st, 1920. It consists of one Company of 150 men, with Machine-gun Troop, and is recruited from men who have served their time in the Somali Companies. If necessary, the Company, on being called up in time of emergency, can be mounted, and full mounted equipment, etc., is available at the Depot.

B. POLICE

The Police Force, which has an establishment of 3 officers and 525 men, all of whom are Somalis or Africans from Nyasaland, is controlled by the Governor, and is under a Commandant, assisted by six officers. Warrant officers are seconded for a period of three years from their British regiments. Enlistment is for five years, with re-engagement. The Force, less a certain number of men who are required for town and district duties, is available for military purposes.
West Africa Military Forces in General.

1. Composition.

The Military Forces in West Africa, excluding Imperial Units, consist of:

(a) The West African Frontier Force, comprising the Nigeria Regiment, the Gold Coast Regiment, the Sierra Leone Battalion, and the Gambia Company.

(b) The Police in the various Colonies.

(c) Volunteer Corps and Rifle Clubs in the various Colonies.

2. Organisation, Command and Administration.

(a) West African Frontier Force. — This Force was raised in 1901, and is composed of whole-time Colonial Troops trained and armed like the Regular Army. It is administered and trained under the Colonial Office by an Inspector-General, assisted by two Staff Officers, with Headquarters at the Colonial Office.

Officers and white N.C.O.s are seconded from the Regular Army for a first tour of service in West Africa of 18 calendar months and for further tours of similar periods if recommended by the local authorities in the country.

The function of the West African Frontier Force in each Colony is threefold:

(a) For internal security.

(b) To provide a striking force to deal with inter-tribal trouble or insurrections.

(c) To provide a striking force to assist in case of trouble in any neighbouring West African Colonies.

Terms of enlistment: Six years with the Colours and three years with the Reserve, with re-engagement by terms of three years up to eighteen years with the Colours. Soldiers who have served 15 or more years with the Colours are exempt from service with the Reserve. The regimental transport is all carrier, no animals being employed.

(b) Establishment:

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Note. — These numbers include a total establishment for the R.W.A.F.F. of 107 non-combatants for clerical and other non-fighting duties.
(c) Reserve. — A separate Reserve, for all units of the West African Frontier Force, is in being and is constituted under separate and similar Ordinances for each respective Colony.

This Reserve consists of men who have completed a term of 6, 9 or 12 years’ colour service in the active force and such other ex-soldiers of the R.W.A.F.F. as voluntarily enlist.

3. Training.

The units of the West African Frontier Force are trained progressively on the lines laid down for the Regular Army. The latest manuals in all branches of training form the basis of all instruction.

4. Police. — See under the several Colonies.

5. Volunteers and Rifle Clubs. — See under the several Colonies.

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**GAMBIA**

**AREA AND POPULATION**

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**Local Forces.**

The Local Forces in Gambia consist of:

- **Military Forces**: The Gambia Company, Royal West African Frontier Force.
  - The Gambia Company Reserve.
- **Police**. The Gambia Police Force.

**A. MILITARY FORCES**

(a) The Gambia Company, Royal West African Frontier Force. — This Company, which consists of three Platoons, is charged with the defence of the Colony and Protectorate and with the maintenance of order.

It has a total establishment of 148 all ranks.

(b) Reserve to Gambia Company, West African Frontier Force. — The establishment laid down for the Reserve is 100 other ranks. They are called up for training with the active Force for one month each year.

**B. POLICE**

The Force, which has an establishment of 2 officers and 163 other ranks, armed with S.M.L.E. rifles and mountain guns, can be employed in the defence of the Colony by the authority of the Governor either within or without the limits of Gambia.
GOLD COAST

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . 203,700 sq. km.
Population (1921) . . . 2,078,043

Local Forces.
The Local Forces in the Gold Coast consist of:

Military Forces. The Gold Coast Regiment, Royal West African Frontier Force.
The Gold Coast Regiment Reserve, Royal West African Frontier Force.
The Gold Coast Defence Force.
The Gold Coast Territorial Force.

Police . . . Northern Territory Constabulary.
Gold Coast Police.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) Gold Coast Regiment (Royal West African Frontier Force). — The Regiment consists of:
Headquarters,
1 Light Battery of 3.7-inch howitzers.
4 Companies of Infantry.
1 Machine-gun Platoon.
1 Signal School.
Depot.

The Regiment is recruited principally from the Northern Territories. The total establishment is 36 officers and 1,062 other ranks.
For further information, see West Africa, Military Forces in General.

Reserve to the Gold Coast Regiment (Royal West African Frontier Force). — The establishment laid down for the Reserve is 382 other ranks.

(b) The Gold Coast Defence Force. — This force is divided into the following categories:
Class A: An active class divided into three divisions;
Class B: A reserve class which consists of two divisions.

Members of the Defence Force are subject to the same conditions as are applicable to the Territorial Army in Great Britain.
The term of engagement is to be for three years.

(c) The Gold Coast Territorial Force. — Members of the Force must, on first enlistment, be under 25 years of age, and are liable for service until reaching the age of 40 years.

B. POLICE

(a) Northern Territory Constabulary. — The Force, which is a semi-military one, with an establishment of 5 officers and 487 men, armed with S.M.L.E. rifles and Vickers guns, is under the command of a Commandant, and is statutorily liable for Military Service within or beyond the limits of the Colony and Protectorate.

(b) Gold Coast Police (including Togoland). — The Force, which is a civil one, has an establishment of 34 officers and 1,804 men, armed with S.M.L.E. rifles, M. E. carbines and 12-bore shot guns, and is liable for service only in the Gold Coast Colony and Ashanti.
NIGERIA

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . . 87,1470 sq. km.
Population (1927) . . . 18,065,740

Local Forces.

The Local Forces of Nigeria consist of:

Nigeria Regiment Reserve.

Police . . . . . . . . Northern Provinces Police Force.
Southern Provinces Police Force.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) The Nigeria Regiment (Royal West African Frontier Force). The Nigeria Regiment consists of:
- Headquarters.
- 1 Battery of Artillery (3.7-inch howitzer).
- 4 Battalions of Infantry.
- 1 Light Mortar Unit.
- 1 Signal School.
- Depot.

It has a total establishment of 3,599 all ranks.
(b) Reserve. — The establishment for the Reserve is limited to 620 other ranks.

B. POLICE

(a) The Northern Provinces Police Force. — The Force has an establishment of 25 officers and 1,195 men, and is armed with M.E. carbines.

The Governor has power to call out the Force for Military Service in case of necessity, either within or beyond the limits of Nigeria.

The term of engagement is for six years, and men may be re-engaged up to eighteen years. The Headquarters of the Force are at Kaduna, and there are twelve Provincial Detachments, varying in strength from 60 to 180 men, according to local conditions.

(b) The Southern Provinces Police Force is commanded by an Inspector-General, who has under him a Deputy-Inspector-General and a Staff Officer.

The Force has an establishment of 82 officers, 38 of whom are natives, and 2,740 men, and is armed with S.M.L.E. carbines.

The Force is divided into seven divisions, as follows: Colony, Western, Central, Owerri, Eastern, Anitsha and Cameroons Divisions. Each division is commanded by a Senior Commissioner, with one or more Commissioners or Assistant Commissioners to help him, and a certain number of native officers.

SIERRA LEONE

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . . 70,580 sq. km.
Population (1921) . . . 1,541,311
Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Sierra Leone consist of:

Military Forces . . . The Sierra Leone Battalion, Royal West African Frontier Force.
The Sierra Leone Battalion Reserve, Royal West African Frontier Force.

Police . . . . . Sierra Leone Police Force.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) The Sierra Leone Battalion (Royal West African Frontier Force). — The Battalion consists of Headquarters and two Companies, each of three Platoons, and a Signalling School, all commanded by a Major. Headquarters and one Company are at Daru. One company is at Freetown. The total establishment is 14 officers and 380 other ranks.

(b) Reserve to the Sierra Leone Battalion (Royal West African Frontier Force) — The establishment for the Reserve to the Sierra Leone Battalion is limited to 200 all ranks.

B. POLICE

The establishment is 8 officers (British) and 303 other ranks (African). The Force, which is not statutorily liable for Military Service, is organised with 4 (district) divisions stationed at Freetown and in the Sherbro District, and at Waterloo. Men are armed with Lee-Enfield rifles.

(c) SOUTH AFRICA

Basutoland.
Bechuanaland Protectorate.
Northern Rhodesia.
Southern Rhodesia.
Swaziland.

BASUTOLAND

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . 30,344 sq. km.
Population (V. 1926). . 549,000

Local Forces.

There are no Military Forces in Basutoland. The Police Force is liable for Military Service.
POLICE

Its duty is to maintain order in the Territory. In time of war or other emergency, the Force, which has an establishment of 12 British officers, 5 British and 281 Basuto other ranks, armed with Lee-Enfield rifles, Maxim, Vickers and Lewis guns, may be employed as a military force at the discretion of the High Commissioner.

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 712,000 sq. km.
Population (1921) . . . . 152,983

Local Forces.

There are no Military Forces in the Bechuanaland Protectorate.

POLICE

The Force, which has an establishment of 7 British officers, 20 British and 230 Basuto other ranks, armed with rifles and guns, is so small that, in case of war, no portion of it would be available for service beyond the borders of the Protectorate.

NORTHERN RHODESIA PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION

Area (Northern and Southern Rhodesia) . . . 1,140,000 sq. km.
Population (1926) . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2,018,913

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Northern Rhodesia consist of:

Military Force . . . Nil.
Police . . . . . . : Northern Rhodesia Police Force.

POLICE

The Northern Rhodesia Police (including officers and British other ranks) is maintained by the British South Africa Company, and the Commanding Officer, styled the Commandant, is responsible to the Administrator. The Corps, which consists of 20 British officers and 44 British and 693 native other ranks armed with S.M.L.E. rifles, Vickers, Maxim and Lewis guns, is divided into two branches, Military and Town and District Police, with Headquarters at Livingstone.

In case of war or other emergency members of the force are liable to be employed on active service within the limits of the Protectorate.
SOUTHERN RHODESIA

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Southern Rhodesia consist of:
  Military Forces . . . The Defence Force.
  The Cadet Force.
  Police . . . . . . British South Africa Police.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) The Defence Force. — The Defence Force is constituted under the Defence Act, 1926, which provides for liability of all citizens to compulsory service in defence of the Colony.

The Defence Force comprises:
  (i) The Permanent Force and its Reserves.

This Force raised by voluntary engagement is intended to provide a police force for the colony, a striking force in case of emergency and whole-time personnel for organising and training the Territorial Force.

  (ii) The Territorial Force and its Reserves.

The Territorial Force is recruited primarily on a voluntary basis and corresponds to the Territorial Army. Should, however, there be an insufficient number of volunteers, the Force is intended to be completed to establishment by ballot based on compulsory service.

  (iii) The Reserve of Officers.

This Reserve may be constituted for the purpose of providing officers for any portion of the Defence Force.

Every citizen between 18 and 60 years of age is liable to render personal service in a combatant capacity in time of war. Every citizen between 19 and 22 years of age is liable to undergo peace training in the Territorial Active Force. All citizens between the ages of 19 and 22 who are not entered in a Territorial Active Force unit shall be enrolled in Territorial Force Reserve units.

The establishment of the Permanent Force (1927) is 27 officers and 1,280 other ranks. The establishment of the Territorial Active Force (1927) is 24 officers and 450 other ranks. The Territorial Force Reserve and the Reserve of officers have no establishment fixed.

(b) Cadets. — Members of the Cadet Corps must be between the ages of 13 and date of leaving school. They are not enrolled for service.

B. POLICE

In time of peace the British South Africa Police is a Civil Force under the Administrator, and can only be employed on active service with the consent of the High Commissioner, who, through the Commandant-General, controls the Force when on active service. The B.S.A. Police has an establishment of 27 officers, 1,280 men and 390 horses, and is armed with S.M.L.E. rifles and machine and Lewis guns.

In case of an emergency, the Governor can call out the Force for active service, either within or beyond the borders of the Colony.
SWAZILAND TERRITORY

AREA AND POPULATION

Area ........ 17,296 sq. km.
Population (1927) . . . 130,000

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Swaziland consist of the Swaziland Rifle Club and Police. The latter is liable for Military Service.

A. MILITARY FORCES

Swaziland Rifle Club. — The Rifle Club consists of 396 members (British), who are provided with S.M.L.E. rifles by the Government.

There is no military training and members are not liable for military service in any manner.

B. POLICE

This Force, which has an establishment of 1 officer and 156 men (20 white, the remainder natives), and is armed with S.M.L.E. rifles, is raised for the maintenance of order and public security in Swaziland. Under the Regulations of 1920 the Force may be employed as a Military Force anywhere in South Africa at the discretion of the High Commissioner.

4. ASIA AND ISLANDS IN THE INDIAN OCEAN

British North Borneo.
Ceylon.
Hong-Kong.
Malay Peninsula:
I. Straits Settlements.
II. Federated States.
III. Unfederated States.
Mauritius.
Seychelles.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO

AREA AND POPULATION

Area .......... 80,563 sq. km.
Population (1925) . . . 258,000
Local Forces.

There are no military Local Forces in British North Borneo.

POLICE

The British North Borneo Constabulary is liable for Military Service in or beyond the limits of the State of North Borneo, when so ordered by the Governor. The Force has an establishment of 15 officers, of whom 7 are British, and 713 other ranks (Sikhs, Punjabis, Mahommedans, Pathans, Chinese and natives).

CEYLON

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . 65,608 sq. km.
Population (31-XII-26) . 5,124,992

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Ceylon consist of:

Cadets.
Volunteer Rifle Association.

Police . . . . Ceylon Police Force.

A. MILITARY FORCES

I. ORGANISATION, COMMAND AND ADMINISTRATION.

(a) Ceylon Defence Force. — The 1914 Ordinance provides for the formation of Town Guards in time of war or other emergency. The 1916 Ordinance provides for obligatory enlistment of all men between the ages of 18 and 41 years (other than members of His Majesty’s Forces or their Reserves or of the Police Force of the Colony) in a Volunteer Corps or the Colombo Town Guard. Men between 41 and 50 have to enrol themselves in a Town Guard. The Ceylon Defence Force is at present recruited by voluntary enlistment of persons between the ages of 18 and 40, and other British subjects of European descent are merely registered. The Force now consists of:

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In case of emergency the Governor may call out any Corps for active service and may place them under the command of officers of His Majesty's Regular Forces.

In every Corps a Reserve is formed of volunteers who have been efficient for five years (artillerymen seven years) or men who have served for six months in the Regular Army or permanent Colonial Forces. Units of the Ceylon Defence Force, as well as the Reserve, are armed with S.M.L.E. and M.L.E. rifles, machine-guns and Lewis guns.

(b) *Cadet Battalion.* — Members of the Cadet Battalion, on attaining the age of 16 years, are transferred to Passed Cadet Companies. Cadets are enrolled for service and take the oath of allegiance.

(c) *Volunteer Rifle Association.* — There is a Volunteer Rifle Association composed of members of the Defence Force and other persons. The Association has no military liabilities.

2. **TRAINING.**

In the Ceylon Defence Force the efficiency requirements are as follows:

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Mounted Rifles and Infantry Reserves: members must fire the prescribed course of musketry annually.

Members of the Artillery Reserve must attend coast camps for five days every second year.

All Cadets are required to attend thirty-six drills annually and to qualify in musketry in order to become efficient. Members who have left school also attend the camps of exercise as prescribed for the Light Infantry.

B. **POLICE**

The Police Force is an armed body, but is not liable for military service. The establishment of Police is 38 officers and 3,058 rank and file (including 33 British Europeans).
HONG-KONG

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . 1,013 sq. km.
Population (1925) . . . 874,420

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Hong-Kong consist of:
- Military Forces . . . Hong-Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.
- Police . . . . . . . Hong-Kong Police Force.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) The Hong-Kong Volunteer Defence Corps consists of:
   - 1 Headquarters Staff;
   - 1 Battery of Artillery;
   - 1 Engineer Company.

   The establishment of the Defence Corps is not fixed.

   Units are armed with S.M.L.E. rifles, machine-guns and Lewis guns and
   two 4.5-inch howitzers. Members are not liable for service beyond the limits of the
   Colony without their consent.

(b) The Hong-Kong Volunteer Reserve Association is a Rifle Club under
    the management of a Committee. The Association is composed wholly of
    Europeans.

B. POLICE

The Hong-Kong Police Force is not a military body. The Police Force
comprises British police and Indian police. The establishment of the former
is 10 officers and 246 other ranks, and of the latter 1,758 other ranks.

MALAY PENINSULA

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in the Malay Peninsula consist of the Military Forces
(Volunteers), Cadets and Police Forces in the Straits Settlements, Federated
Malay States and Unfederated Malay States respectively.

I. STRAITS SETTLEMENTS

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . 4,143 sq. km.
Population (31-XII-26). 1,003,754

A. MILITARY FORCES

There are three classes of Volunteers:

(a) Colour Service Volunteers, comprising those volunteers between the
ages of 18 and 40 years who enrol for a period of not less than
4 years' service.
(b) **Auxiliary Service Volunteers**, comprising such persons as are:

(i) medically unfit for Colour service, or

(ii) over 40 years of age, or

(iii) have satisfied the Commanding Officer that they are, for other reasons, unable to fulfil the conditions for Colour service.

(c) The **Reserve of Officers** consists of officers who have:

(i) completed not less than five years' commissioned service with the active Volunteer Force, or

(ii) have satisfied the General Officer Commanding that, by reason of previous training, they can perform efficiently the duties of officers, and by reason of age or special circumstances are unable to join the Colour service.

The Force is armed with 4.5-inch Q.F. howitzers, Vickers machine-guns, Maxims, S.M.L.E. rifles and Lewis guns, and has the following establishment:

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2. **Training.**

Under the Ordinance the following are the yearly requirements for efficiency:

A. **Colour Service Volunteers.**

(a) (i) Infantry and Field Ambulance, 18 parades.

(ii) Engineers and Signals, Machine-gunners and Artillery, 24 parades.

(b) To qualify in musketry by passing the standard approved by the General Officer Commanding.

(c) To attend an annual inspection which will be held by the General Officer Commanding or his deputy, and will count as one of the qualifying parades.
B. Auxiliary Service Volunteers.
To attend such parades or perform such duties as ordered by the Commandant to render them efficient in the duties they have elected to perform if called out.

B. POLICE

(a) Constitution. — The Straits Settlements Police Force consists of:
(i) A Regular Police Force, whose duties are to maintain law and order in the Colony, and, though armed, is essentially a civil body.
(ii) A Volunteer Police Reserve in each Settlement, composed entirely of British subjects.

(b) Terms of Service. — The Volunteer Police Reserve is liable to be called out by the Governor for active service within the limits of the respective Settlements in case of actual or apprehended tumult or riot or attack on the Colony.

Members of the Police Force, either the Regular or Volunteer, do not at any time become subject to the provisions of the Army Act.

Members of the Regular Police Force are, however, liable to be employed on service in any Malay State when the Governor deems it necessary for the preservation of law and order.

(c) Establishment. — The establishment of the Regular Police Force is:

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The Force is distributed in the Settlements of Singapore, Penang, Malacca and Labuan.

There is no fixed establishment for the Volunteer Police Reserve.

II. FEDERATED STATES

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . 71,239 sq. km.
Population (30-VI-26) : 1,476,032

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) Constitution. — Enrolment for the Malay States Volunteer Regiment is confined to persons of unmixed European parentage, and that for the Malayan Volunteer Infantry to Asiatics.

(b) Terms of Service. — There are three classes of Volunteers similar to those in the Colony of the Straits Settlements.

The first term of engagement is for a period of 2 years.

Officers on first appointment are commissioned by the High Commissioner.

(c) Establishment. — There are two Regiments in the Federated Malay States Volunteer Force — the Malay States Volunteer Regiment, which is entirely composed of Europeans and has an establishment of 54 officers and 1,552 other ranks, and the Malayan Volunteer Infantry, which is composed of Asiatics only and has an establishment of 63 officers and 1,771 other ranks. Both these units have detachments in the various States which are organised as separate State Corps.
Units:

Headquarters, F. M. S. Volunteer Force.

1. The Selangor Volunteer Force, comprising:
   Headquarters; 2 Companies (Infantry), Malay States Volunteer Regiment; 8 Platoons (Infantry), Malayan Volunteer Infantry; 1 Unit (Medical), Malayan Volunteer Infantry.

2. The Perak Volunteer Corps, comprising:
   Headquarters; 2 Companies (Infantry), Malay States Volunteer Regiment; 8 Platoons (Infantry), Malayan Volunteer Infantry.

3. The Negri-Sembilan Volunteer Corps, comprising:
   Headquarters; 1 Company (Infantry), Malay States Volunteer Regiment; 4 Platoons (Infantry), Malayan Volunteer Infantry.

4. The Pahang Volunteer Corps, comprising:
   Headquarters; 4 Platoons (Infantry), Malayan Volunteer Infantry; Malay States Volunteer Regiment (no unit has yet [1928] been formed).

(d) Command and Staff. — The Force is under the orders, command and general direction of the G.O.C. Troops, Malaya, who has the assistance of the two Staff Officers to Local Forces referred to under Straits Settlements, with Headquarters at Singapore.

(e) Training. — Colour Service Volunteers, to become efficient, must annually:
   (i) Attend 18 parades, if a trained man, and 40, if a recruit.
   (ii) Qualify in musketry by passing the standard approved for the time by the G.O.C. Troops, Malaya.
   (iii) Attend the annual inspection of their unit.

Auxiliary Service Volunteers must annually:
   (i) Attend two practices of the local defence scheme.
   (ii) Fire a musketry course.
   (iii) Attend the inspection of their unit.

B. POLICE

Federated Malay State Police. — The Force, which has an establishment of 157 officers and 4,182 other ranks, is under a Commissioner, subject to the orders and control of the Chief Secretary, and is liable for service in any part of British Malaya and the Colony of the Straits Settlements. The Force is purely a civil body. It is armed with S.M.L. rifles and Webley revolvers.

III. UNFEDERATED STATES

AREA AND POPULATION

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<td>Population (1921)</td>
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Local Forces.

The Local Forces of the Unfederated Malay States consist of:

A. Military Forces.
   (a) In the State of Johore.
      (i) The Johore Military Forces. (This is a regular regiment of the State, raised, maintained and under the entire control of the Sultan of Johore).
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(ii) The Johore Volunteer Infantry (under the entire control of the Sultan).

(iii) The Johore Volunteer Rifles. (This is a European Corps under the command of the G.O.C. Troops, Malaya).

(b) In the State of Kedah.
   No Military Forces.

(c) In the State of Perlis.
   No Military Forces.

(d) In the State of Kelantan.
   (i) The Kelantan Volunteer Rifles (British Europeans).
   (ii) The Kelantan State Volunteers (Asiatics).

(e) In the State of Trengganu.
   No Military Forces.

B. Police. —
   The Johore Police Force.
   The Kedah Police Force.
   The Perlis State Police.
   The Kelantan Police.
   The Malay Police.
   The Trengganu State Police.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) The Johore Military Forces are commanded by, and entirely under the control of, the Sultan, who is their Colonel Commandant. Officers are appointed by and hold commissions from the Sultan. Terms of service are for any period not exceeding five years, with re-engagement for periods not exceeding five years. The Force is composed of Malays, except the Artillery, which is composed of Pathans. A British officer is engaged by the Sultan as chief instructor. Discipline is governed by the Johore Military Forces Enactment of 1915.

   Establishment:

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<td>1 Signal Section</td>
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<td>1 Battery of Artillery (7-pdr. R.M.L.)</td>
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<td>97</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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The Johore Military Forces Reserve Force consists of men who have completed five or more years' service in the Johore Military Forces. The Reserve may be called out in whole or in part by the Sultan, or any Commanding Officer in any town or district, in aid of the civil power, and on permanent service, in case of imminent national danger or great emergency, by the Sultan in Council.

(b) The Johore Volunteer Infantry, which has an establishment of 21 officers and 379 other ranks, is composed of Malays, and is under the entire control of the Sultan in the same manner as the Johore Military Forces. The Corps can only be called out for active service by the Sultan, and when on active service members are deemed to be serving with the Johore Military Forces, and are subject to the same laws of discipline with certain exceptions. No member is liable for service outside the State of Johore without his consent. Officers receive their commissions from the Sultan.

(c) The Johore Volunteer Rifles. — Members are Europeans, and are liable for service in any part of the Malay Peninsula or the adjacent islands. The Corps,
which has an unlimited establishment, and is armed with M.L.E. rifles, is under the jurisdiction of the Governor of the Straits Settlements, and the officers hold their commissions from him with the concurrence of the Sultan. The Corps is called out for active service by the Governor, but, in case of great emergency in the State of Johore, it may be called out by the Sultan with the concurrence of the General Adviser to the Johore Government.

The Kelantan Volunteer Rifles. — Officers (3) and men (100) are Europeans, and may, in case of emergency, be called up on active service by the High Commissioner. There is also the Kelantan State Volunteer Corps which is in process of reorganisation.

The Colour Service Volunteers consist of men who are over 18 and under 42 years of age (40 years in the case of the Johore Volunteer Rifles). They are enrolled for a period of not less than 4 years, with re-engagement for successive periods of 1 year at a time.

The Auxiliary Service Volunteers consist of those men who have applied to be enrolled but are medically unfit for Colour service, or are over the age of 42 years (40 years in the case of the Johore Volunteer Rifles).

The Reserve of Officers consists of officers who have completed not less than 5 years' commissioned service in the Force and have expressed a desire to be transferred and of officers who have satisfied the G.O.C. Troops, Malaya, that by reason of previous training they are efficient and, by reason of age or special circumstances, are unable to join the Colour service.

The establishment for the Corps is unlimited.

B. POLICE

(a) The Johore Police Forces, which has an establishment of 35 officers and 1,087 other ranks, armed with M.E. carbines, is under a Commissioner of Police subject to the control of the Sultan. Members can be ordered to serve at any place in the Malay Peninsula.

(b) The Kedah Police consists of the North, Central and South Kedah Police, with an establishment of 22 officers and 736 other ranks.

(c) The Police in Kelantan consists of the Kelantan Police, which has an establishment of 9 officers and 411 men, and the Malay Police, which has an establishment of 7 officers and 308 other ranks.

The Kelantan Police are armed with M.L.E. rifles and the Malay Police with M.E. carbines, but neither body is liable for military service.

(d) The Perlis State Police, consisting of Malays, Pathans and Siamese, has an establishment of 3 officers and 88 other ranks and is armed with M.L.E. rifles and revolvers. It is not liable for military service.

(e) The Trengganu Police have recently been placed under the control of a European officer. The men are all Malays. The establishment is 14 officers and 266 men, armed with Snider rifles. They are not liable for military service.

MAURITIUS

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . 1,865 sq. km
Population (1-1-28) . 400,000

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Mauritius consist of:

Military Forces . . . Volunteer Force.
Police . . . . . . Mauritius Police Force.
A. MILITARY FORCES

The Volunteer Force consists of:
- Permanent Staff.
- Artillery: One Company.
- Engineers: One Company.
- Infantry: Three Companies.
- Mobile Company.
- Medical Corps: One Section.

**Note.** — The Mobile Company is formed as a temporary measure. The men are posted temporarily from other companies.

Members of the Volunteer Force are not liable for service beyond the limits of the Colony without their consent. The Corps is commanded by a Volunteer officer, appointed by the Governor, and has the assistance of a permanent staff with Headquarters at Port Louis.

The Force is composed of Europeans and non-Europeans, and is armed with S.M.L.E. rifles and Lewis guns.

The Headquarters of all units are at Vacoas, except one Company of Infantry and Band at Port Louis, and one Company of Infantry at St. Pierre.

The present establishment is 30 officers and 635 other ranks.

B. POLICE

The Force, which is not liable for military service, is subject to the control and direction of the Inspector-General, under the Governor. The Force has an establishment of 19 officers and 625 other ranks, and is armed with M.E. carbines. Headquarters are at Port Louis, and the Police are distributed throughout the Colony. Enlistment is for a term of three years, after a period of probation of six months during which recruits pass through the Training Depot. Re-engagement is for successive periods of three years subject to the approval of the Inspector-General.

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**SEYCHELLES**

**AREA AND POPULATION**

Area . . . . . . . 405 sq. km.
Population (31-XII-26) 26,397

**Local Forces.**

There are no Military Forces in the Seychelles.

**POLICE**

The Force, which has an establishment of 1 officer and 88 other ranks, is controlled by an Inspector under the Governor, and its function is the maintenance of internal order. The term of enlistment is for a period not exceeding three years. Men are eligible for re-engagement for periods of five years. The Police Force is not liable for military service.

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**PACIFIC OCEAN**

**Fiji.**
**Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony.**
**Solomon Islands Protectorate.**
FIJI

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 19,256 sq. km.
Population (31-XII-26) 171,644

Local Forces.

The Local Forces in Fiji consist of:

Military Forces . . . Fiji Defence Force (including Rifle Clubs).
Police . . . . . . Fiji Constabulary.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) The Fiji Defence Force is constituted under Ordinance No. 13 of 1923. The Ordinance provides for liability to compulsory training for 3 years in the Active Force, with a further period of 3 years in the Reserve, of all youths who are British subjects of European descent, or one of whose parents is of European descent, between the ages of 18 and 22 years, except in certain specified cases.

The Commandant is responsible to the Governor for the administration of the Force. Members are not liable for service outside the limits of the Colony without their consent.

There are 3 companies in the Force, one being composed entirely of Europeans, while the other two are mixed, Europeans, Fijians and coloured.

The establishment is 23 officers and 753 other ranks.

The Defence Force is armed with S.M.L.E. rifles, Vickers and Lewis guns.

(b) Cadets. — Cadet units are formed in connection with and attached to the Defence Force. The number of these units is such as the Governor may determine. No member of a Cadet unit is deemed to be a member of the Defence Force.

(c) Reserve. — The Reserve consists of members who are under 50 years of age and have either completed 3 years' service with the Active Force or who, with the permission of the Governor and Commandant, have been permitted to enlist directly into this Reserve.

B. POLICE

It is a semi-military body maintained for the performance of police duties and for the defence of the Colony against external aggression. The Force, which consists of 10 European officers and 208 other ranks, mainly Fijians and Indians, is commanded by an Inspector-General, whose Headquarters are at Suva. The term of service is three years. Constables are armed with S.M.L.E. rifles.

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS COLONY

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 466 sq. km.
Population (30-VI-27). 29,950
Local Forces.

The Local Forces in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony consist of:

Military Forces . . . Fanning Island Volunteer Reserve.
Ocean Island Defence Force.
Police . . . . . . Armed Constabulary.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) Fanning Island Volunteer Reserve. — This Volunteer Reserve was created by Ordinance No. 5 of 1918; the Force was, however, disbanded in 1927.

(b) Ocean Island Defence Force. — Ordinarily enrolment (for three years) is voluntary, but provision is made for compulsory service of all male British subjects, between the ages of 18 and 45 years, in case of sudden emergency, if the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific thinks fit. Members are not liable for service outside Ocean Island without their consent.

The establishment is 1 officer and 20 other ranks.

B. POLICE

The Force is under the command and superintendence of the Resident Commissioner. Besides the performance of ordinary police duties, the Force may be used to defend the Colony against external aggression. Enrolment is for a period of not less than two years. The Constabulary has a strength of 5 officers and 63 other ranks, armed with Lee-Enfield rifles.

SOLOMON ISLANDS PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION

Area . . . . . . . 38,000 sq. km.
Population (1925) . . 150,586

Local Forces.

The only force in the Solomon Islands Protectorate is the Armed Constabulary, which is not liable for military service.

ARMED CONSTABULARY

The Armed Constabulary has an establishment of 2 officers and 120 men and is armed with S.M.L.E. rifles. Besides normal police duties, its function is to repress internal disturbances and to defend the Protectorate against external aggression.

5. THE MIDDLE EAST

The Sudan.
The Mandated Territory of Palestine and Transjordan.
THE SUDAN

AREA AND POPULATION

Area .... 2,627,800 sq. km.
Population (1926) .... 7,005,966

Local Forces

The Local Forces in the Sudan consist of:
Military Forces .... The Sudan Defence Force.
Sudanese Reserves.
Police .... Sudan Civil Police.

A. MILITARY FORCES

(a) *The Sudan Defence Force.* — The Sudan Defence Force came into existence on January 17th, 1925.

For military purposes the Sudan is divided into the following areas:

### Area

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**COMPOSITION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SUDAN DEFENCE FORCE**

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Total .... | 111 | 184 | 39 | 7,320 |
Terms of Service. — Regulars and irregulars enlist for a period of 3 and 6 years (9 years for the mechanical transport); in each case service can be extended for further periods of 3 years.

Training. — The training of the Sudan Defence Force conforms to the system prevailing in the British Army.

(b) The Sudanese Reserves. — Twelve companies of Sudanese Reserves are maintained for the purpose of providing small forces for local defence. The establishment of each company is 130 reservists. All ranks are called up annually for 15 days’ training.

B. POLICE

These forces are, in principle, organised and trained as a civil and not as a military weapon.

The approximate strength of the police is as follows:

Foot Police .................. 2,950
Mounted Police ............... 2,900

PALESTINE AND TRANSJORDAN

AREA AND POPULATION

Area:
Palestine ..................... 23,000 sq. km.
Transjordan ................... 40,000 sq. km.

Population:
Palestine (1–IX–26) .......... 887,000
Transjordan ................... 260,000

Local Forces

The local forces in Palestine and Transjordan consist of:

Police ......................... The Palestine Police and Arab Legion (Transjordan Police).

A. MILITARY FORCES

The Transjordan Frontier Force is constituted under the Transjordan Frontier Force Ordinance, 1926.

The Force is not to be employed outside the limits of the mandated territory except with the special authority of the High Commissioner, who may authorise its employment in any adjacent territory when such employment is deemed necessary for the defence of the territory of Palestine and Transjordan.

Enlistment in the native ranks is for a period of three years.

Establishment:

British officers .................. 17
Local officers .................... 22
British warrant officers ........ 10
British staff sergeants .......... 4
Local sergeants ................... 22
Local corporals ................... 30
Local troopers .................... 625

The Force is organised in 4 companies. Three companies are mounted on horses, and the fourth company on camels. Each horsed company has one Hotchkiss-gun troop of 4 guns; the camel company has 3 Hotchkiss-gun troops.

B. POLICE

Palestine Police. — The force is an armed body but is not liable for military service.

Establishment: 119 officers and 1,444 other ranks.

Transjordan Police (The Arab Legion). — The Transjordan Police is organised as a dismounted urban constabulary.