UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND, etc.

COLONIES, PROTECTORATES AND MANDATED TERRITORIES

(1934).

1. 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).
St. Helena and Ascension.

THE BAHAMAS

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... ... ... ... 11,400 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1935) ... 65,000

The Bahamas have no Military Forces, and the Local Forces consist only of the Police Force, which is liable for military service.

POLICE.

Its duties are of a purely civil nature, but statutory authority has been given for employment of the force on military service. The training of the force is of a semi-military nature. The force has an establishment of 129 officers and other ranks, armed with rifles. The officers are Europeans, the men are negroes.

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

BARBADOS

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... ... ... ... ... ... 400 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1935) ... 185,000

1 See also page 140: "Oversea Police Forces".
The local forces in Barbados consist of the following:

**Military forces** .... The Barbados Volunteer Force.

- Volunteer Reserve.
- Cadet Corps.
- Barbados Rifle Association.
- Barbados Police Force.

**MILITARY FORCES.**

*The Barbados Volunteer Force and the Volunteer Reserve.*

The force, which consists of 3 infantry companies armed with rifles and Lewis guns and has an establishment of 20 officers and 236 other ranks, is liable for service within the Colony only, and may be called out in aid of the civil power. Members are enlisted for three years.

The reserve consists of officers and men who have served for at least three years in the active Volunteer Force. The annual training includes 5 parades, annual inspection parade and range practices.

**Cadet Corps.**

The Cadet Corps, of which there are three companies, is attached to the Volunteer Force. Boys must be 12 years of age. The corps is armed with carbines. Cadets have to attend not less than three-fourths of the total number of drills (20) ordered for each term, and fire annual range practice.

**Barbados Rifle Association.**

The Barbados Rifle Association has an unlimited establishment. Members are not liable for military service. Practice shoots are arranged twice a month.

**POLICE.**

The force may be employed as an armed body on military duty in the island. It consists of mounted, foot and harbour police armed with rifles and Lewis guns, and has an establishment of 412 officers and other ranks. Terms of enlistment are for three years.

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**BERMUDA**

**AREA AND POPULATION.**

| Area     | ... ... ... | 50 sq. km. |
| Population (XII. 1935) | ... ... | 30,000 |

The local forces in Bermuda consist of military forces only, viz.:

- Militia.
- Volunteers.
- Cadet Corps.
- Police.

**MILITARY FORCES.**

*Militia.*

The Militia is liable for service in defence of the Colony.

The force consists of one battery with an establishment of 5 officers and 111 other ranks, with headquarters at Bermuda. The enlistment is for four years with re-engagement by periods of 2 years up to the age of 50.

The Militia is liable for training each year, and the system is the same as that laid down for the Territorial Army.
Volunteer Rifle Corps and Volunteer Engineers.

The corps is liable for service in Bermuda only. The Rifle Corps consists of four companies and a machine-gun section with an establishment of 15 officers and 282 other ranks. The Volunteer Engineers consist of one fortress company with an establishment of 3 officers and 33 other ranks. Voluntary enlistment is for two or four years, with possibility of re-engagement for 1, 2, 3 and 4 years.

Cadets.

The Bermuda Cadet Corps is a semi-military organisation which is allied to the Volunteer Rifle Corps. The permanent staff attend camp and instruct at schools.

BRITISH GUIANA

AREA AND POPULATION.

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<th>Area</th>
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<td>Population</td>
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The local forces in British Guiana consist of:

- Military forces
- Militia and Reserves
- Police
- British Guiana Police

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. The strength of the force is maintained primarily by volunteers, but should the numbers so obtained be insufficient, the deficiency may be made good by ballot. The Militia is liable for service in the Colony only. Men are enlisted for three years.

The force comprises one machine-gun company, two companies of infantry and a band, with an establishment of 17 officers and 222 other ranks.

The machine-gun company consists of Europeans and Creoles. Of the infantry, one company is composed of Europeans and Creoles, and the other company of Creoles and West Indians. The infantry is armed with S.M.L.E. rifles and Lewis guns.

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.

POLICE.

The police force is available for service in defence of the Colony against external aggression and for the repression of internal disturbance. The enlistment is for three years. The force consists of mounted and foot police with an establishment of 720 officers and other ranks armed with swords, lances and rifles. Trained men receive, on an average, 2 days' military training in each week.
BRITISH HONDURAS

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... ... ... ... 22,300 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1935) ... 55,000

The local forces in British Honduras consist of:

Military forces ... ... British Honduras Defence Force.
Police ... ... ... ... British Honduras Police Force.

MILITARY FORCES.

In emergency the Governor may call out the force for service within the Colony. The force consists of four platoons of infantry, including machine-gun sections. It is armed with rifles and Lewis guns.

POLICE.

The police is an armed semi-military force and is employed for the repression of internal disturbances and the defence of the Colony against external aggression. The force has an establishment of 121 officers and other ranks armed with rifles. The enlistment is for two years. Military training is limited to the use and handling of arms.

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... ... ... ... 15,000 sq. km.
Population (1935) ... 3,000

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. The strength of the force is maintained primarily by volunteers, but, should the numbers so obtained be insufficient, the deficiency may be made up by ballot. Enrolment is for two years.

The establishment of the force has not yet been decided upon, but in 1934 it was organised as 2 infantry platoons, 1 artillery detachment, 1 machine-gun section and 1 signal section with an establishment of 129 officers and ranks. The force is armed with rifles and Lewis guns.

The present time no reserves are maintained.
JAMAICA

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 11,500 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1935) . . 1,122,000

The local forces in Jamaica consist of:

Military forces . . . . The Jamaica Militia Artillery.
                  The Jamaica Engineer Corps.
                  The Kingston Infantry Volunteers.

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

MILITARY FORCES.

(a) The Jamaica Militia Artillery.—The corps (113 officers and other ranks) consists of one heavy battery, and is liable for service in Jamaica only. The strength of the force is maintained primarily by volunteers, but, should the numbers so obtained be insufficient, the deficiency may be made up by ballot. In emergency the Governor is empowered to call out the militia for active service. Enlistment is for three years.

(b) The Jamaica Engineer Corps.—In emergency the Governor may call out the force for active service. The enlistment of volunteers is for three years. The corps is armed with rifles and has an establishment of 35 officers and other ranks.

(c) The Kingston Infantry Volunteers.—The corps, which consists of one infantry company and one machine-gun platoon with an establishment of 7 officers and 200 other ranks, is liable for service in Jamaica only. Enrolment is for three years.

POLICE.

The force is essentially a civil body. Law 39 of 1914, however, renders it liable to military service in case of apprehended or actual invasion. The enlistment is for a term of five years and the establishment is 1,106 officers and other ranks. The force is armed with rifles, bayonets and revolvers. Men undergo a six months’ course of training in drill, musketry and police duties.

THE LEEWARD ISLANDS

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,800 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1935) . . 138,000

The local forces in the Leeward Islands consist of:


Cadets . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Dominica Grammar School Cadets.

Police . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Leeward Islands Police Force.

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:

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<th>Force</th>
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<tr>
<td>Antigua Defence Force (1 company of infantry)</td>
<td>43</td>
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<tr>
<td>St. Kitts-Nevis Defence Force (1 company of infantry)</td>
<td>40</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dominica Defence Force (1 company of infantry)</td>
<td>40</td>
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Total | 123 |

The force is armed with rifles, Lewis guns and 2 Vickers machine-guns. The Presidency of Montserrat maintains no active defence force at present, but only a Defence Reserve.

(b) Defence Reserves.—St. Kitts-Nevis and Montserrat.—The reserves are practically rifle clubs, whose affairs are managed by committees, and whose members are liable for enrolment in the defence forces in case of need. In no case is there any fixed period of enlistment, and members, except when an emergency has been proclaimed, may resign by giving three months’ notice.

(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.

POLICE.

The force, which has an establishment of 155 officers and other ranks, is under a Chief Inspector of Police and is armed with rifles. Beyond the performance of ordinary police duties, the force can be utilised for the defence of the Colony against external aggression. The enlistment is for three years.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area | 5,100 sq. km. |
Population (XII. 1935) | 440,000 |

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.

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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<th>Force</th>
<th>Officers</th>
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<td>Light Horse (1 troop)</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>58</td>
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<tr>
<td>Light Infantry (1 company)</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>136</td>
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<td>Reserve</td>
<td>48</td>
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(b) Volunteer Reserve.—The reserve, which is composed entirely of Europeans and has an establishment of 203 all ranks, may be embodied by the Governor.
in case of actual or apprehended invasion or internal disorder. Enlistment is for three years. Members are not required to undergo any annual training, but periodical rifle meetings are held.

(c) Cadets.—There is a cadet force in the Colony with an establishment of 8 officers and 180 other ranks.

POLICE.

This force, which has an establishment of 914 officers and constables, armed with rifles, machine-guns and Lewis guns, is intended for police duties but may be used for defence of the Colony in case of emergency. The enlistment is for three years.

THE WINDWARD ISLANDS

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area .... 1,300 sq. km.
Population (XII, 1935) .. 206,000

The local forces in the Windward Islands consist of:

Military forces .............. Volunteers (Grenada Volunteer Corps, St. Lucia Volunteer Corps, St. Vincent Volunteer Corps).
Rifle Club .............. Grenada—St. George’s Rifle Club.
Police .............. Grenada Police Force.
.......................... St. Vincent Police Force.

MILITARY FORCES.

(a) Grenada Volunteer Corps.—It consists of 1 infantry company with an establishment of 5 officers and 82 other ranks. The enlistment is for three years. The corps is armed with rifles and one Lewis gun.
(b) St. Lucia Volunteer Corps.—This force, which comprises one company of infantry and a Lewis-gun section, is armed with rifles and one Lewis gun. The enlistment is for three years.

The force has an establishment of 5 officers and 98 other ranks.
(c) The St. Vincent Volunteer Corps consists of one company of infantry, with an establishment of 3 officers and 53 other ranks, armed with rifles and one Lewis gun. The enlistment is for three years.
(d) Reserve.—At the present time no reserves are maintained.

POLICE.

The police forces of St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Grenada have an establishment of 203 officers and other ranks. The Grenada Police Force is armed with rifles, 1 Lewis gun and 1 Maxim gun. The St. Lucia Police Force is armed with rifles and 2 Lewis guns. The St. Vincent Police Force is armed with rifles. The police forces are liable for military service in the event of invasion.

ST. HELENA AND ASCENSION

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area .... 200 sq. km.
Population (XII, 1935) .. 4,000

There are no local military forces in St. Helena and Ascension. There is an unarmed police force with an establishment of 1 sergeant and 7 constables.
2. EUROPE

Cyprus.—Malta.

The Channel Islands.

CYPRUS

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... 9,300 sq. km.
Population (VI. 1936) .. 367,000

The local forces in Cyprus consist of the Police Force. Personnel is enlisted for five years. The force is not liable for military service.

The establishment is 725 officers and other ranks, armed with rifles, pistols and Lewis guns.

MALTA

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... 300 sq. km.
Population (VI. 1936) .. 259,000

The local forces consist of:

The Royal Malta Artillery (regular troops).
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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<th>Officers</th>
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<td>Headquarters and 3 heavy batteries</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>417</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.

(c) Establishment:

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<td>Permanent Staff</td>
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<td>Militia</td>
<td>92</td>
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</table>
The King's Own Malta Regiment.

(a) Constitution.—Enlistment is voluntary. The unit is not liable to service outside the Colony.
(b) Terms of Service.—4 years on first enlistment.
(c) Establishment:

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<th>Permanent Staff</th>
<th>Officers</th>
<th>Other ranks</th>
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<td>Others</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>636</td>
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The Channel Islands

Area and Population.

Area: 800 sq. km.
Population (IV. 1931): 142,000

The local forces consist of:

- The Royal Guernsey Militia.
- The Royal Militia of Jersey.

The Royal Guernsey Militia has an establishment of 1 infantry company not exceeding 250, armed as regular infantry. Service in the militia is compulsory for all inhabitants of the island between the ages of 18 and 25. The militia is, however, actually recruited by voluntary enlistment, the number of volunteers far exceeding the number of vacancies. The terms of service are: 3 years with the colours and 6 years in the reserve.

The Royal Militia of Jersey has an establishment of 1 infantry company and 1 machine-gun company (14 officers and 257 other ranks). Enlistment is voluntary; the first engagement is for five years. The militia is liable for service in the island only.

3. Africa

(a) East Africa

(Colonies, Protectorates and Mandated Territories).

East Africa Military Forces in general.

Kenya Colony.
Nyasaland.
Uganda.

Tanganyika Territory.
Zanzibar Protectorate.
Somaliland.

East Africa Military Forces in general.

i. Composition.

The military forces in East Africa consist of:

(a) The King's African Rifles (2 brigades) comprising:
1 battalion, stationed in Nyasaland Protectorate and Western Tanganyika.

1 See page 204.
1 battalion, stationed in Tanganyika Territory (permanently).
1 battalion, stationed in Northern Frontier district of Kenya.
1 battalion, stationed in Uganda Protectorate and the Turkanu district of Kenya.
1 battalion, stationed in Nairobi (Kenya), general reserve.
1 battalion, stationed in Tanganyika Territory (general reserve).
(b) The Somaliland Camel Corps.
(c) A reserve to the King's African Rifles.
(d) A reserve for officers.

Establishment:

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<td>Signal section</td>
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<td>Battalion</td>
<td>12</td>
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<td>Supply and Transport Corps</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td>Somaliland Camel Corps</td>
<td>13</td>
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1 Included in the total of native other ranks are the Vickers and Lewis gun-porters, clerks and other non-combatants.

2. ORGANISATION, COMMAND AND ADMINISTRATION.

(a) King's African Rifles.—The King's African Rifles 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 (except the battalion stationed in Tanganyika Territory, subject to the orders of the Secretary of State for the Colonies). In each group of colonies, the troops are under the orders of the Governors.

The term of enlistment is for three years, with periods of re-engagement for three years each up to a maximum of nine years colour service, followed in each case by six years' service with the reserve.

British 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 a term of service in the active force, and are transferred to the reserve for six years. In the event of an emergency, reservists may be called up for permanent duty with the active force and may be employed either within or without the Colony or Protectorate concerned. Personnel of the reserve attends annual training with the active force for a period not exceeding thirty-one days.

The reserve of officers consists of ex-officers permanently resident in East Africa.

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 (XII. 1935) .... 3,097,000

The local forces in Kenya Colony consist of:

Military forces .... 3rd and 5th Battalions, King’s African Rifles.
Reserve, King’s African Rifles.
Signal Section.
Supply and Transport Service, King’s African Rifles.
Defence Force.

Police .... Kenya Police.

MILITARY FORCES.

ORGANISATION, COMMAND AND ADMINISTRATION.

(a) 3rd Battalion King’s African Rifles.—The 3rd Battalion consists of 2 rifle companies and 1 machine-gun company.

(b) 5th Battalion.—The 5th Battalion consists of 2 rifle companies and 1 machine-gun platoon.

(c) Reserve, King’s African Rifles.—A reserve, limited to an establishment of 300 men, is maintained in the Colony as a reinforcement in an emergency.

(d) The Signal Section is organised into one wireless section and one visual signalling section.

(e) Supply and Transport Service, King’s African Rifles.—This is a locally constituted corps for service with the military forces of Kenya and Uganda. It is now wholly mechanised.

(f) Defence Force.—The Defence Force is based on the compulsory service of British subjects of European race between the ages of 18 and 50 years, and the voluntary service of others who are qualified in regard to race or origin. The Colony is divided into 9 Defence Force districts, each district being commanded by a district commandant. Some of the districts are organised in battalion formations and mounted units.

An air unit of the Defence Force has been inaugurated consisting of a squadron of 4 flights and a headquarters flight. The force is liable to be called out for active service for the defence of the Colony. Arms and ammunition are supplied by the Government, and consist of rifles, bayonets, machine-guns and Lewis guns.

POLICE.

The force, which has an establishment of 1,749 officers and other ranks, 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 term of the first engagement is not more than three years.

NYASALAND PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area .... 124,000 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1935) .... 1,603,000

1 In process of formation.
The local forces in Nyasaland consist of:

Military forces 2nd Battalion King’s African Rifles (less one company in Tanganyika). Reserve, King’s African Rifles. Volunteer Reserve (European).

Police Nyasaland Police.

MILITARY FORCES.

(a) 2nd Battalion King’s African Rifles, which consists of two companies of infantry and one machine-gun company (4 guns).

Reserve.—A reserve is maintained on the basis of 25 per cent of each battalion recruited in Nyasaland.

(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. The Volunteer Reserve is armed with rifles. No establishment is laid down, but every district of the Protectorate that can enrol not less than 10 members is recognised as a section. There are eight such sections.

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 514 officers and other ranks, 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.

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<th>Area</th>
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<td>Population (XII. 1935)</td>
<td>3,661,000</td>
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The local forces in Uganda consist of:

Military forces 4th Battalion King’s African Rifles (less a company headquarters and 3 platoons in Kenya). Reserve, King’s African Rifles.

Police Uganda Police Force.

MILITARY FORCES.

The 4th Battalion King’s African Rifles consists of two rifle companies and of one machine-gun company.

Reserve.—The reserve has a strength of 150 other ranks.
POLICE.

The force, which has an establishment of 1,055 officers and other ranks, is armed with rifles and pistols. 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. The period of enlistment is for not more than three years.

ZANZIBAR PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION.

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<th>Area</th>
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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 544 officers and other ranks. It is armed with rifles. The British Resident is empowered to employ the police force as a military force in the defence of the Protectorate in the event of war or other emergency. The men are enlisted for three 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 PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION.

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<td>Population (estimate)</td>
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The local forces in Somaliland consist of:

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

MILITARY FORCES.

(a) The *Somaliland Camel Corps* consists of one camel company, one pony company and one mechanised company. Each troop contains 1 Lewis gun. The machine-gun troop of 4 guns is included in the mechanised company.
(b) The *Somaliland Camel Corps Reserve* has an establishment of 150 other ranks.

POLICE.

The police force is armed with rifles and Lewis guns and has an establishment of 559 officers and men.

Enlistment is for six 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.
## (b) WEST AFRICA

### West Africa Military Forces in general.

**Gambia.**  
**Gold Coast.**  
**Nigeria.**  
**Sierra Leone.**

### West Africa Military Forces in general.

#### I. 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 native troops trained and armed like the regular army. All units are armed with rifles and Lewis guns. The Gold Coast and Nigeria Regiments and Sierra Leone Battalion are armed with Vickers guns, and each has a pack battery of 3.7-inch howitzers. The Gold Coast and Nigeria Regiments have a section and a battery of 3.7-inch howitzers respectively and a light mortar section each.

  Officers, warrant officers and N.C.O.s are seconded from the regular army for a first tour of service in West Africa of eighteen 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 fourfold:

  - **(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.
  - **(d)** To provide a nucleus for expansion in case of war.

  **Terms of enlistment:** Six years with the colours and three years with the reserve, with re-engagement by terms of six years up to eighteen years with the colours.

- **(b)** *Establishment:*

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**NOTE.**—These numbers include a total establishment for the R.W.A.F.F. of 705 carriers, and 107 non-combatants for clerical and other non-fighting duties.
Colony, protectorate, and mandated territories.

(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, such other ex-soldiers of the R.W.A.F.F. as voluntarily enlist and reservists who have been permitted to re-engage. Men who have completed 15 or more years’ colour service in the active force are exempt from reserve service. Members of the reserve are called up for one month’s annual training with the active force.

A European Reserve Force is maintained in Sierra Leone, the Gold Coast, and Nigeria, to provide a reserve of officers and British warrant and non-commissioned officers for the R.W.A.F.F. in an emergency.

3. Police.

See under the several colonies.

4. Volunteers and Rifle Clubs.

See under the several colonies.

Gambia

Area and Population.

Area ... ... ... ... 10,000 sq. km.
Population (1935) ... ... 198,000

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.

Military Forces.

(a) The Gambia Company, Royal West African Frontier Force.—This company consists of three platoons.

(b) Reserve to Gambia Company, West African Frontier Force.—The establishment laid down for the reserve is 60 men. They are called up for training with the active force for one month each year.

Police.

The force has an establishment of 127 officers and other ranks, armed with rifles, and can be employed in the defence of the colony by the authority of the Governor either within or without the limits of Gambia in any part of Africa. The men are enlisted for five years. The military training consists of squad drill and firing instruction.

Gold Coast

Area and Population.

Area ... ... ... ... 204,000 sq. km.
Population (VI. 1935) ... 3,231,000
The local forces on 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**
  - Gold Coast Police.

### MILITARY FORCES.

**(a) Gold Coast Regiment (Royal West African Frontier Force).**—The regiment consists of:

- Headquarters.
- 1 light artillery section.
- 2 infantry battalions (4 rifle companies and 1 support company).

**Reserve to the Gold Coast Regiment (Royal West African Frontier Force).**—The establishment laid down for the reserve is to be decided by the Governor. Reservists are called up for training with the regiment for 3 weeks each year.

**(b) The Gold Coast Defence Force.**—This force is divided into the following categories:

- **Class A:** An active class, the members of which undertake to acquire a good standard of training.
- **Class B:** A reserve class which consists of cadets who undertake to qualify in some specialised subject and cadets who do no training in peace time but are available for duty in war.

Members of the Defence Force are subject to the same conditions as are applicable to the territorial army in the United Kingdom.

**(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. In the event of war, or an emergency arising within the limits of the Administration, the force may be embodied by the Governor and called out for actual military service, either within or without the limits of the Administration. In peace time, members of the force must pass the recruits' drill and weapon training course laid down, and perform the annual training. The establishment of the force is 16 officers and 440 other ranks, organised into 3 companies.

### POLICE.

**Gold Coast Police (including Togoland).**—The force, which is a civil one, has an establishment of 2,010 officers and other ranks, armed with rifles, and is liable for service only in the Gold Coast Colony and Ashanti. It is not liable for military service. The recruits receive an elementary military training, and are instructed in musketry and drill. In 1932, over 400 members of the police had previously served in the Gold Coast Regiment.

### RIFLE CLUBS.

The rifle clubs with a membership of 130 are affiliated to the Gold Coast Rifle Association.
NIGERIA

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area .... 877,000 sq. km.
Population (1935) .... 19,101,000

The local forces of Nigeria consist of:

Military forces .... The Nigeria Regiment, Royal West African Frontier Force.
                 .... Nigeria Regiment Reserve.
                 .... The European Reserve Force.

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

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).
6 battalions of infantry, each of 2 rifle companies and a support company.
1 signal training centre.
Depot.

(b) Reserve.—The establishment for the reserve is limited to 1,200. Reservists are called up for annual training at a military station.

(c) European Reserve.—The European Reserve Force consists of a general reserve and certain localised units. The total establishment is 330 officers and 386 British warrant and non-commissioned officers. Those belonging to the general reserve are liable to be called on to do 14 days' training with a unit during every period of 2 years. There is also a Class B of the reserve who are not liable to be called on to train in peace time, but they may be called up in time of war or emergency.

POLICE.

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 force in the southern provinces and in Kano, Zaria and Kaduna in the northern provinces is employed principally on civil police duties. The remaining detachments are more of a semi-military nature. Training in police duties and infantry drill is continuous throughout the year. The annual weapon training course consists of instructional practices and standard tests. There are also field firing-practices.

The Nigeria Police has an establishment of 3,994 officers and other ranks and is armed with rifles.

SIERRA LEONE COLONY AND PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area .... 71,000 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1935) .... 1,890,000
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.
- The Sierra Leone European Reserve Force.

Police
- Sierra Leone Police Force.

**MILITARY FORCES.**

(a) *The Sierra Leone Battalion* (Royal West African Frontier Force).—The battalion consists of headquarters, two companies and a machine-gun platoon.

(b) *Reserve to the Sierra Leone Battalion* (Royal West African Frontier Force).—The reserve to the Sierra Leone Battalion is chiefly composed of men from the following tribes: Kono, Mende, Temne, Limba, Kissi, Northern tribes and Koranko.

(c) *The European Reserve.* — The European Reserve consists of Class “A” members who are eligible for service with any of His Majesty’s Forces within or without the limits of Sierra Leone, and Class “B” members, who do not train in peace, but who, in the event of war, are liable to serve in any military capacity in defence of Sierra Leone, whether within or beyond its limits.

**POLICE.**

The establishment is 272 officers and other ranks (African). The force, which is not statutorily liable for military service, is armed with rifles. Enlistment is for a first period of five years. The force is exercised in the handling of arms and squad drill and fires a short course in musketry.

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**THE MANDATED TERRITORY OF SOUTH WEST AFRICA :** See under Union of South Africa.

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**SOUTH AFRICA**

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

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**BASUTOLAND**

**AREA AND POPULATION.**

- Area .. . . .. . . . .. 30,000 sq. km.
- Population (V. 1936) .. 562,000

There are no military forces in Basutoland.

**POLICE.**

The force is liable for military service. Its duty is to maintain order in the territory. In time of war or other emergency, the force, which has an establishment of 312 officers and other ranks, armed with carbines, Maxim, Vickers and Lewis guns, may be employed as a military force at the discretion of the High Commissioner. The training is confined to instruction in drill up to and including platoon drill, mounted escorts and guards of honour.
BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... ... ... ... 712,000 sq. km.
Population (V. 1936) ... 266,000

There are no military forces in the Bechuanaland Protectorate.

POLICE.

The force has an establishment of 266 officers and other ranks, armed with rifles, revolvers and 2 Maxim and Lewis guns. In time of war or other emergency the police force may be employed as a military force. The engagement is for one year (native police), renewable from year to year.

NORTHERN RHODESIA PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... ... ... ... 746,000 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1935) ... 1,378,000

The local forces in Northern Rhodesia consist of:

Military Forces ... ... Northern Rhodesia Regiment.
Police ... ... ... Northern Rhodesia Police Force.

The Northern Rhodesia Regiment.

The force is organised as a battalion, but at half strength, consisting of a training depot, 2 rifle companies and 1 machine-gun company. The establishment is 395 officers and other ranks. Men (African rank and file) are enlisted for a period not exceeding 6 years, with subsequent re-engagement for 1 to 3 years.

Military training is continuous throughout the year. The force is organised and trained as an ordinary infantry regiment.

POLICE.

The force has an establishment of 424 officers and other ranks armed with rifles.

In case of war or other emergency, members of the force are liable to be employed for police or military purposes. The enlistment of the native rank and file is for four years. Recruits are trained in both military and police duties.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... ... ... ... 389,000 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1935) ... 1,289,000

The local forces in Southern Rhodesia consist of:

Military forces ... ... The Defence Force.
... The Cadet Force.
Police ... ... ... British South Africa Police.
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, and liability to compulsory training.

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, which consists of two cadre battalions which are armed with rifles, Vickers machine-guns and Lewis guns, is recruited primarily on a voluntary basis and corresponds to the British 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 19 and 60 years of age (both inclusive) is liable to render personal service in a combatant capacity in time of war. Every citizen between 19 and 22 years of age (both inclusive) 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. All schoolboys between the age of 13 and date of leaving school may be required to undergo training in a cadet unit. All the above liabilities are at present enforced against persons of European descent only. The territorial active force is liable to the following maximum amount of training each year: 60 hours for the recruits and 40 hours during any other training year. In addition, one period of continuous training lasting not more than 14 days.

The establishment of the permanent force (1933) is 32 officers and 508 other ranks (British South Africa Police and Permanent Staff Corps). The establishment of the territorial active force (1933) is 34 officers and 466 other ranks. The territorial force reserve and the reserve of officers have no establishment fixed.

(b) Cadets.—The corps is not part of the defence forces of the colony. There is no fixed establishment, but units exist in seven schools. The training includes physical exercises, military formations, rifle shooting, etc. An annual course of range practice is fired, and an annual camp is held. No schoolboy is permitted to attend this camp until he reaches the age of 14. Cadet units are armed with rifles and Lewis guns.

POLICE.

The force, which is a semi-military body, is responsible for the preservation of peace and is liable to be employed on police or military duties within or beyond the borders of the Colony. Enlistment is voluntary for a term of three years. The B.S.A. Police has an establishment (1933) of 1,430 officers and other ranks, (486 European police and 944 Native police). Europeans are armed with rifles, Vickers and Lewis guns; natives are unarmed except for police purpose.
SWAZILAND TERRITORY

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area .... 17,000 sq. km.
Population (V. 1936) .... 146,000

The local forces in Swaziland consist of the Swaziland Rifle Club and police.

RIFLE CLUB.

The Rifle Club consists of 272 members (British), who are provided with S.M.L.E. rifles by the Government.

There is no military training. Each member signs an undertaking to serve in case of emergency anywhere in Swaziland.

POLICE.

This force has an establishment of 130 officers and other ranks. British members are armed with rifles and revolvers. They are also trained in the handling and use of the Lewis gun. Natives are armed with the Martini Henry rifle. In time of war or other emergency the force may be employed as a military force anywhere in South Africa at the discretion of the High Commissioner.

The enlistment is for 21 years for British European rank and 12 months for natives. European recruits undergo a six months' course of training; no special military training is performed thereafter, but the force is exercised in squad drill and range practices.

4. ASIA AND ISLANDS IN THE INDIAN OCEAN

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

ADEN

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area .... 200 sq. km.
Population (II. 1931) .... 51,000

ADEN PROTECTORATE LEVIES.

The Aden Protectorate Levies are organised into 1 infantry company and 1 machine-gun troop, armed with 40 Vickers guns. One section of each of the 4 infantry platoons is armed with a Lewis gun. The establishment is of 200 officers and other ranks. The rank and file of natives enlist for a period of 4 years.
Note.—No armed forces whatever are maintained within the limits of the Aden Protectorate. The above unit, although available for employment in the Protectorate in an emergency, is primarily intended for the defence of Aden and is stationed in the Aden Settlement Area, which is British territory.

CEYLON

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area .. .. .. .. .. 66,000 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1934) .. 5,637,000

The local forces in Ceylon consist of:

Military forces .. .. Ceylon Defence Force (including cadet battalion).
Police .. .. .. .. Ceylon Police Force.

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, and the enrolment of men between 41 and 50 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.

In case of emergency the Governor may call out any corps for active service within the limits of the Colony, 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.

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POLICE.

The police force is an armed body, but is not liable for military service.
The establishment of police is 3,119 officers and rank and file.
The police are armed with carbines, rifles and revolvers.
HONG-KONG

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... ... ... ... ... 900 sq. km.
Population (VI. 1935) ... 966,000

The local forces in Hong-Kong consist of:

Military forces ... ... Hong-Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.
Police .... ... Hong-Kong Police Force.

MILITARY FORCES.

(a) The Hong-Kong Volunteer Defence Corps consists of:
   1 Headquarters Staff; 1 battery of artillery (two 6-inch howitzers);
   1 engineer company; 1 armoured car section; 3 machine-gun companies;
   1 machine-gun troop; 1 motor machine-gun section; 1 infantry company
   and services.
   The auxiliary units comprise Army Service Corps cadre, light section
   cadre and anti-aircraft light automatic company.
   The establishment of the Defence Corps is fixed from time to time.
   Units are armed with S.M.L.E. rifles, Vickers and Lewis guns and two 6-inch
   howitzers. In case of great national or local emergency, or in case of actual
   or apprehended invasion, the Governor may, by proclamation, call out the
   corps of any portion thereof for actual military service within the limits of the
   colony. Enlistment is for a period of three years.
   There is a reserve company consisting of men of over 40 years of age or of
   trained men who have completed 3 years' efficient service. All members of the
   reserve company, except those of 50 years of age, have to carry out an annual
   training.

POLICE.

The Hong-Kong Police Force is not a military body and the Governor is not
empowered to utilise it for military service. The establishment is 1,906 officers
and other ranks. The force is armed with rifles. There are also a few Vickers,
Lewis and Thompson machine-guns, and 3-pdr. guns in launches (3 guns).
The force receives some instruction in infantry drill and musketry.

MALAY PENINSULA

I. STRAIT SETTLEMENTS

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... ... ... ... ... 4,000 sq. km.
Population (VI. 1936) ... 1,170,000

MILITARY FORCES.

Organisation, Command and Administration.

The Straits Settlements Volunteer Force comprises three classes of volunteers:
   (a) Colour service volunteers, comprising those volunteers between the
   ages of 18 and 40 years who enrol for a first engagement of four years.
(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 efficiently perform the duties of officers, and by reason of age or special circumstances are unable to join the colour service.

The force is armed with four 3.7-inch howitzers, Vickers machine-guns, S.M.L.E. rifles and Lewis guns, and has the following composition:

1 battery of 3.7-in. howitzers (4 guns).
4 battalions of infantry (11 infantry companies and 4 machine-gun companies).
2 signal sections.
3 independent rifle companies.
2 province infantry companies.
1 field company of engineers.
1 fortress company of engineers.
1 armoured car section.

**CADETS.**

The cadet corps consists of youths of 12 years of age and upwards. Each cadet must attend at least 36 parades a year.

**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 which, 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.

The first term of engagement in the regular police force is for a period of three or five years.

(c) Establishment.—The establishment of the regular police force is 4,130 officers and other ranks.

The force is armed with rifles, carbines, revolvers and swords.

There is no fixed establishment for the volunteer police reserve.
II. FEDERATED MALAY STATES

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ................................... 72,000 sq. km.
Population (VI. 1936) .......... 1,848,000

The local forces of the Federated Malay States consist of:

Military Forces ................................ Volunteer Forces (European Regiment and Volunteer Infantry Asiatic, with a proportion of European officers).
Police ...................................... The Federated Malay States Police.

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 two years.
The Volunteer Force comprises 4 infantry battalions (15 rifle companies and 3 machine-gun platoons), 1 independent infantry company, 1 independent machine-gun company, 2 sections of light battery, 4 sections of engineers and 1 signal company.
The force is armed with rifles, Vickers and Lewis guns. In addition the European Regiment has one battery of artillery armed with 3.7-inch howitzers.

CADETS.

There is a cadet corps similar to the cadet corps in the Straits Settlements.

POLICE.

Federated Malay State Police.—The force, a purely civil body, which has an establishment of 4,082 officers and other ranks, is liable for service in any part of British Malaya. The force is armed with rifles. No military training is carried out.

III. UNFEDERATED MALAY STATES

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ................................... 60,000 sq. km.
Population (VI. 1936) .......... 1,676,000

The local forces of the Unfederated Malay States consist of:

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.)
   (ii) The Johore Volunteer Infantry (under the entire control of the Sultan).
   (iii) The Johore Volunteer Engineers.
(b) In the State of Kedah .............. The Kedah Volunteer Force.
(c) In the State of Perlis .............
(d) In the State of Kelantan ...........
(e) In the State of Trengganu ........

No military forces.
Police.
The Johore Police Force.
The Kedah Police Force.
The Perlis State Police.
The Kelantan Police.
The Trengganu State Police.

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 corps is liable for service in any part of the State of Johore, the Malay Peninsula and adjacent islands. The corps is armed with rifles, Lewis guns and Vickers guns. The Johore Military Forces now possess no serviceable artillery weapons (the artillery company is trained as a rifle company).

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The Johore Military Forces Reserve Force consists of men who have completed five or more years' service in the active force. Total service in the active and reserve force is not to exceed fifteen years. 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. No member is liable for service outside the State of Johore without his consent. Officers receive their commissions from the Sultan. The corps is armed with rifles. There are three classes of volunteers:

The Colour Service Volunteers consist of men who are over 18 and under 42 years of age. They are enrolled for a period of not less than four years, with re-engagement for successive periods of one 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. The period of engagement is the same as for colour service. The Auxiliary Service Volunteers perform no training.

The Reserve Service Volunteers consist of such men as have completed their colour service and have elected to serve in the reserve. The periods of engagement are the same as for colour service.

(c) The Johore Volunteer Engineers.—Members are Europeans, and are liable to serve only in the State of Johore and also, if in time of emergency the Governor shall so order, with the concurrence of the Sultan, in any part of Malaya; or to serve in any part of the Malay Peninsula. The corps, which has an establishment of a field company R.E., and is armed with rifles and Lewis guns, 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.

There are 3 classes of volunteers:

The Colour Service Volunteers (men who are over 18 and under 40 years of age, enrolled for a period of not less than 4 years).

The Auxiliary Service Volunteers (men who are medically unfit for colour service or are over the age of 40).

The Reserve of Officers consists of officers who have completed not less than five 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.

POLICE.

The police force has an establishment of 2,675 officers and other ranks and is armed with rifles and revolvers.

(a) The Johore Police Force. Members can be ordered to serve at any place in the Malay Peninsula, but are not liable for military service. No military training is performed.

(b) The Kedah Police consists of the North, Central and South Kedah Police. The training consists of infantry drill and elementary field work.

(c) The military police in Kelantan is composed of Malays with a European officer as commandant.

(d) The Perlis State Police is a purely civil body and not liable for military service. No military training is performed.

(e) The Trengganu Police is also not liable for military service.

MAURITIUS

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area .... 2,100 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1935) .... 407,000

The local forces in Mauritius consist of:

Military forces .... Volunteer Force.
Police .... Mauritius Police Force.

MILITARY FORCES.

The Mauritius Volunteer Force has discontinued training since 1921, and, though not formally disbanded, no longer exists.

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 574 officers and other ranks, and is armed with rifles,
revolvers and Lewis guns. Enlistment is for a first term of three years. Re-engagement is for successive periods of three years, subject to the approval of the Inspector-General.

The training comprises that of ordinary police and military instruction in physical, squad and section drill, and elementary musketry, followed by a short course of range practices. A special armed detachment of 46 men is maintained in a state of military efficiency with a view to the maintenance of order internally.

SEYCHELLES

AREA AND POPULATION.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Area</th>
<th>400 sq. km.</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Population</td>
<td>30,000</td>
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</table>

There are no military forces in the Seychelles.

POLICE.

The force, which has an establishment of 88 officers and 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, which is armed with rifles, is not statutorily liable for military service.

5. PACIFIC OCEAN AND NORTH BORNEO

North Borneo.
Sarawak.
Fiji.
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony.
Solomon Islands Protectorate.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO

AREA AND POPULATION.

<table>
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<th>Area</th>
<th>76,000 sq. km.</th>
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<tr>
<td>Population</td>
<td>285,000</td>
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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 510 officers and other ranks. The constabulary is armed with rifles, carbines and Lewis guns. Enlistment is for a first period of five years. All recruits and the military platoon are trained at the depot, on an average, three days every week.

SARAWAK

AREA AND POPULATION.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Area</th>
<th>109,000 sq. km.</th>
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<tr>
<td>Population</td>
<td>600,000</td>
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</table>
In February 1932, the military force, known as the “Sarawak Rangers”, was amalgamated with the police, whose duty it is to perform ordinary police work and to be employed as an armed force if occasion should arise. Enlistment is voluntary and for periods of 3 years. The establishment is provisionally (1934) of 855 officers and other ranks armed with rifles and light automatic guns.

FIJI

AREA AND POPULATION.

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<th>Area</th>
<th>19,000 sq. km.</th>
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<tr>
<td>Population</td>
<td>202,000</td>
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</table>

The local forces in Fiji consist of:

- Police: Fiji Constabulary.

MILITARY FORCES.

(a) The Fiji Defence Force is constituted under Ordinance No. 13 of 1923. The Ordinance provides for the liability to compulsory enrolment and training 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. The Commandant is responsible to the Governor for the administration of the force. Members are liable for service within the limits of the Colony. Enrolment is for a period of 3 years. There are two companies in the force, one being composed entirely of Europeans and half-castes, while the other is composed entirely of Fijians. The establishment is 13 officers and 402 other ranks. The Defence Force is armed with S.M.L.E. rifles, Vickers and Lewis guns.

(b) Reserve.—The reserve consists of members who are under 50 years of age and have either completed three 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.

POLICE.

It is a semi-military body maintained for the performance of police duties and for the defence of the Colony against external aggression and cannot be employed beyond the limits of the Colony. The force, which consists of 213 officers and 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 rifles. The force is drilled in accordance with the Regulations laid down for the Regular Army.

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS COLONY

AREA AND POPULATION.

<table>
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<th>Area</th>
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<td>Population</td>
<td>34,000</td>
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The local forces in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony consist of:

- Police: Armed Constabulary.
MILITARY FORCES.

(a) Fanning Island Defence Force.—The force was 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. Members are liable for service within the limits of Ocean Island.

The establishment is 1 officer and 20 other ranks. The force is armed with rifles.

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 71 officers and other ranks, armed with rifles and pistols. Military training is limited to squad and section drill, and weapon training.

SOLOMON ISLANDS PROTECTORATE

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... ... ... ... 28,000 sq. km.
Population (IV. 1931) ... 94,000

The only force in the Solomon Islands Protectorate is the armed constabulary. The armed constabulary has an establishment of 126 officers and men and is armed with rifles. Besides normal police duties, its function is to repress internal disturbances and to defend the Protectorate against external aggression. Constables are enlisted for a first period of two years.

6. THE MIDDLE EAST

The Sudan.

The Mandated Territory of Palestine and Trans-Jordan.¹

THE SUDAN

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area ... ... ... ... 2,521,000 sq. km.
Population (1934) ... ... 5,816,000

The local forces in the Sudan consist of:

Military forces ... ... The Sudan Defence Force.
Sudanese Reserves.

Police ... ... ... Sudan Civil Police.
Civilian Rifle Clubs.

MILITARY FORCES.

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

¹ See page 204.
For military purposes the Sudan is divided into the following areas:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Area</th>
<th>Headquarters</th>
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<td>Northern</td>
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<td>Western</td>
<td>El Fasher.</td>
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**COMPOSITION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SUDAN DEFENCE FORCE (1934).**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Military area</th>
<th>Formation</th>
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<th>Officers</th>
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<td>Native</td>
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<td>NORTHERN</td>
<td>Headquarters</td>
<td>12</td>
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<td>Training Depot</td>
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<td>-</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>Mech. transp. (1 coy.)</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>5</td>
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<td>Area headquarters</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>Cavalry and Mounted H.Q.</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>Rifles 3 companies</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Engineers H.Q. and 1 company</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>School of Engineers</td>
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<td>2 M.G. batteries (motor)</td>
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<td>2</td>
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<td>CENTRAL</td>
<td>Camel Corps</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>5</td>
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<td>H.Q. 5 companies</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>13</td>
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<td>EASTERN</td>
<td>Eastern Arab Corps</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td></td>
<td>H.Q. 3 companies</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>Western Arab Corps</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td>M.G. battery (motor)</td>
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<td>1</td>
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<td>4 companies</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>15</td>
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<td>Equatorial Corps</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Total</td>
<td>72</td>
<td>92</td>
<td>24</td>
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_Terms of Service._—The fighting units are composed of irregular troops. They enlist for a period of three and six years (nine years for the mechanical transport); in each case service can be extended for further periods of three years.

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

Units are armed with 2.95-inch mountain gun, Vickers machine-gun, rifle, bayonet and revolver.

(b) _The Sudanese Reserves._—One company and 3 independent platoons of Sudanese Reserves are maintained for the purpose of providing small forces for local defence. The establishment of the company is 130 reservists. All ranks are called up annually for 30 days' training.
POLICE.

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

The approximate strength of the police is as follows:

- Foot police: 2,309
- Mounted police: 1,776
- Prison warders: 507
- Railway police: 282

CIVILIAN RIFLE CLUBS.

In addition to the above forces an auxiliary force is at present provided by a rifle club organisation. Rifles, range material, and an allowance of ammunition are provided free.

MANDATED TERRITORIES

The territories placed under the mandate of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland are as follows:

- Palestine and Trans-Jordan;
- Cameroons;
- Tanganyika Territory;
- Togoland.

PALESTINE AND TRANS-JORDAN

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area:

- Palestine: 26,000 sq. km.
- Trans-Jordan: 90,000 sq. km.

Population:

- Palestine (VI. 1936): 1,337,000
- Trans-Jordan (1929): 300,000

According to Article 17 of the mandate for Palestine, the Administration of Palestine may organise on a voluntary basis the forces necessary for the preservation of peace and order, and also for the defence of the country, subject, however, to the supervision of the Mandatory, but shall not use them for the purposes other than those above specified, save with the consent of the Mandatory. Except for such purposes, no military, naval or air forces shall be raised or maintained by the Administration of Palestine.

Nothing in this article shall preclude the Administration of Palestine from contributing to the cost of the maintenance of the forces of the Mandatory in Palestine.

The Mandatory shall be entitled at all times to use the roads, railways and ports of Palestine for the movement of armed forces and the carriage of fuel and supplies.

The local forces in Palestine and Trans-Jordan consist of:

- Military force: The Trans-Jordan Frontier Force.
- Police: The Palestine Police and Arab Legion (Trans-Jordan Police).

\[1\] In accordance with an arrangement made between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, New Zealand and Australia, the mandate for Nauru is at present exercised by the Australian Government.
**MILITARY FORCES.**

The *Trans-Jordan Frontier Force* is constituted under the Trans-Jordan Frontier Force Ordinance, 1926-27.

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 Trans-Jordan. It was raised for military duty in Palestine and Trans-Jordan.

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

**Effectives on December 31st, 1936.**

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<tr>
<th></th>
<th>British</th>
<th>Moslems</th>
<th>Christians</th>
<th>Jews</th>
<th>Circassians</th>
<th>Druzes</th>
<th>Sudanese and Egyptians</th>
<th>Total</th>
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<td>Officers</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>2</td>
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<td>50</td>
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<td>Warrant officers</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td>—</td>
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<tr>
<td>N.C.O.s and troopers</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>407</td>
<td>210</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>121</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>818</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>31</strong></td>
<td><strong>416</strong></td>
<td><strong>218</strong></td>
<td><strong>19</strong></td>
<td><strong>127</strong></td>
<td><strong>22</strong></td>
<td><strong>44</strong></td>
<td><strong>877</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Reserve N.C.O.s and men</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>116</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>10</td>
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<td>176</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>31</strong></td>
<td><strong>532</strong></td>
<td><strong>240</strong></td>
<td><strong>19</strong></td>
<td><strong>155</strong></td>
<td><strong>32</strong></td>
<td><strong>44</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,053</strong></td>
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The force consists of regimental headquarters, three squadrons of cavalry, two mechanised companies and 6 troops reserve (dismounted). Each squadron is organised into squadron headquarters, and 2 half-squadrons, each consisting of half-squadron headquarters, 2 sabre troops and 1 Hotchkiss gun troop (2 Hotchkiss guns).

There is a frontier force reserve having a strength of 190 officers and other ranks. The period of service on the reserve is six years.

**POLICE.**

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

Strength (December 31st, 1936): 3,216 officers and other ranks.

*Trans-Jordan Police* (The Arab Legion).—The Trans-Jordan Police is organised as a dismounted urban constabulary, and a rural constabulary, of which the majority are mounted. The terms of service are three years. The establishment is 897 officers and other ranks.

The force of Palestine Police is armed with rifles, revolvers and 48 Lewis guns. The force of Trans-Jordan Police is armed with rifles, pistols and Vickers machine-guns.

**CAMEROONS**

Area ... ... ... ... \(89,000\) sq. km.
Population (1935) ... ... ... ... \(818,000\)

The Cameroons belong to category "B" of the mandated territories. According to Article 3 of the mandate, the Mandatory is forbidden to establish in this territory fortifications or military or naval bases and to give military training to the natives for other than local police purposes and the defence of territory.
POLICE.

Cameroons Province (South).

The authorised strength of the provincial police is 137 non-commissioned officers and men. The headquarters of the police are at Buea. At the head of the police is a commissioner of police.

In the Bamenda district there is also an unarmed police force of 54 natives.

Northern Districts.

In the Northern districts, the Government police are employed as escorts to administrative officers on tour. The strength of this police is about 47 men.

The Adamawa district possesses, moreover, a native police force of 50 men.

Finally, in the Dikwa district there is an unarmed police force of 56 men.

TANGANYIKA TERRITORY

AREA AND POPULATION.

Area .... 969,000 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1935) .... 5,138,000

The provisions foreseen in Article 3 of the mandate for the Cameroons apply equally to the Tanganyika Territory (Article 4).

The local forces in Tanganyika Territory consist of:

Military forces .... 1st and 6th Battalions, King’s African Rifles, and 1 company, 2nd Battalion K.A.R. Reserves, King’s African Rifles.
Police .... Tanganyika Police Force.
Rifle Association .... Tanganyika Territory Rifle Association.

MILITARY FORCES.

(a) The 1st and 6th Battalions King’s African Rifles consist of two rifle companies and one machine-gun section.

For further information regarding King’s African Rifles, see “East Africa, Military Forces in general”.

Reserve.—A reserve, limited to 200 reservists for the 1st and 2nd Battalions, and to 100 reservists for the 6th Battalion, is maintained in Nyasaland.

POLICE.

The force, which had an establishment on December 31st, 1936, of 1,796 officers and other ranks, and is armed with rifles and revolvers, 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 within the boundaries of the territory, when called upon by the Governor to perform military duties. The first term of engagement is for three years. There is no fixed period of military training.

RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The Tanganyika Territory Rifle Association is affiliated to the National Rifle Association. Membership is open to any male British subject of European extraction over the age of 16 years. There is no liability for service, but the Government affords facilities for gaining practice in the use of the rifle.
TOGOLAND

Area . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 34,000 sq. km.
Population (XII. 1935) . . . . . . . 341,000

The provisions foreseen in Article 3 of the mandate for the Cameroons apply equally to Togoland (Article 3).

There is no armed force stationed in the territory.

The strength of the police during 1936 was 63 non-commissioned officers and constables.