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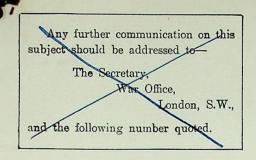
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War Office, London, S.W.

/5 November, 1921,

DORT Commandant

To have just had printed the first post-var "Return showing Establishment, Strangth, Organization and Training of the Local Forces of the British Deminions, Colonies and Instructorates (exclusive of India and Egyps)", This publication, last printed in 1915, is compiled from the annual returns received from the Deminions and Colonies dated dist. December, 1920.

- 2. The "Return" is an exactingly useful book of reference for the War Office and is meant to give complete information regarding the local forces, including police, of the various portions of the Empire. Outside the ar Office, it is the only source of information regarding the constitution, etc., of the Local local local af the Empire.
- 3. It is realised that the information may, in some cases, require expanding, and may even be at foult in some details. Histokes, where they exist will most likely be found in the details given under the headings of "Organization" and "Training end Efficiency". We are envious, however, for our next year's edition to be sorrest in every detail. I am, therefore, sending you the portion of the book which affects you and would be exceedingly obliged if you could let me have any corrections or additional details as remarks the "Organization" and the "Training and efficiency" paragraphs. The figures relating to strongths and establishments of course some out of the annual returns you send in.
- 4. ...lthough the annual returns ressived maye in thomselves very complete information, difficulty in some cases was experioneed in the compilation of the present edition on the following points:-
 - (1) Dotails of Organisation, etc. This was due to the fact that in some eases the Tar Office was not in possession of a semplete set of Ordinances and in few cases did we possess the latest Tules and Regulations in force. I should be glad, therefore, if you would let me have a list of the Ordinances which have been promulgated since 1914, as well as a copy of the latest Rules and Regulations more especially as regards training and the requirements for "officiency" of the verious forces in your Golony,
 - (ii) In a few cases the details of training carried out in 1920 were lacking.
 - (iii) It will holp us also if in Tarm "B", the number of mechine guns, Lewis guns, rifles, etc., were entered under the heading of the various units to which they are allotted.

Yours sincerely,

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FALKLAND ISLANDS. Volunteers. Falkland Islands Volunteers— Infantry—1 company.		d down.	1	71	M.L.E. rifles.	M.L.E. short rifles, Mk. I. (130). M.L.E. long rifles, Mk. I. (15). 303 Maxim (tripod mounting, Mk. I.) (2). 12-pr. Q.F., Mk. I. (1). 2-5-inch R.M.L., Mk. I. (2). 9-pr. R.M.L. (2). All received from home government.	A small un- armed police force is maintained in the colony; it is not liable for mili- tary service.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Military Forces.

CONSTITUTION, ORGANIZATION, COMMAND AND ADMINISTRATION.

The Folunteer Force is constituted under the Volunteer Ordinance No. 5 of 1893 (amended by Volunteer Active Service Or once No. 4 of 1915). Volunteers are not liable for service beyond the limits of the colony without their consent. When on active service or undergoing training with His Majesty's regular forces, volunteers become subject to the Army Act where such Act is not inconsistent with the local Enactment. [It is laid down that no officer or volunteer shall for any offence be subject to the penalty of death.]

The volunteers are organized as any infantry company; included in the company is a Maxim detachment. A commandant of the force is appointed by the Governor. Half the force is recruited from the town of Stanley (headquarters) and half from the shepherds in the country districts. Men are British and may quit the service on giving 14 days' notice.

TRAINING AND EFFICIENCY.

1. For the instruction of the Volunteers a permanent instructor is retained.

2. For efficiency, recruits in their first year are required to attend 30 drills, complete a course of musketry and attend any annual inspection. Men in their second and subsequent years are required to attend 12 drills, a course of musketry and inspection. If absent from inspection both recruits and trained men are obliged to attend 2 extra drills.

The annual musketry course is 165 rounds per man and 200 rounds per machine gun.

POPULATION AND MILITARY EXPENDITURE.

Estimated population on 31st December, 1917	 		 3,241
Expenditure for year ended 31st December, 1920, amounted to	 	• • •	 £864

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The Commandant,

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Stanley, Falkland Island

WAR OFFICE.

