

# WILL NOT RECRUIT MOUNTED POLICE TO FULL STRENGTH

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## Alien Enemies Situation Well In Hand—Force Down To 900 Men

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OTTAWA, Oct. 8.—It has been decided that the situation is now so well in hand in western Canada in regard to alien enemies that it will not be necessary to recruit the Royal Northwest Mounted police up to the full strength. It was kept at all last year viz: 1,500 men.

When war broke out last August the famous redcoated force was doubled in strength in order to patrol the German and Austrian settlements. These men were taken on for only a year. Many of them during the past couple of months have secured their discharge and have been joining the overseas battalions.

The force is now down to 900 men.