On Sept. 30, 1931, the strength of the Force was 59 officers, 1,154 non-commissioned officers and constables and 138 special constables, or 1,351 all ranks, with 215 horses and 500 dogs. The increase in the uniformed force during the year was 90, or 7 p.c. Including special constables the increase was 106. The number of applicants for engagement was 3,249. The details of the strength and the fluctuations of strength since 1920 are shown in Table 19.

13.—Strength and Distribution of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police on Sept. 30, 1931, with Totals on Sept. 30, 1920-31.

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Schedule.	Headquarters Staff.	Maritime Provinces.	Quebec.	Ontario.	Manitoba.	Saskatchewan.	Alberta.	British Columbia.	Yukon.	Northwest Territories.	Baffin Island.	Ellesmere Island.	North Devon Island.	Chesterfield Inlet.	On Loan.	Canada.
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Section 9.—The Civil Service of Canada.

Organization.\(^1\)—Prior to 1882, appointments to the Civil Service were made directly by the Government. In that year, a Board of Civil Service Examiners was appointed to examine candidates and issue certificates of qualification to those successful at examinations. Appointments, however, were still made by the Government.

The Royal Commission of 1907, appointed to inquire into the Civil Service Act and its operation, reported in favour of the creation of a Civil Service Commission. In 1908 this body was appointed, consisting of two members appointed by the Governor in Council and holding office during good behaviour, but being

¹ Revised by Wm. Foran, Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Ottawa.