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Instructions for Police and Special Constables in the event of a Hostile Attack or Landing.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor has directed that the following duties shall be immediately undertaken by the Police and Special Constables in the event of the alarm signal for assembly, described in Government Office Confidential Circular Letter D.R. 5612 of the 16th February, 1915, being given. The Chief Constable will have Orders prepared in advance, ready for immediate issue and execution by Inspectors.

1. The Chief Constable will cause Police and Special Constables to be detailed to definite localities to insist on the civilian population keeping in their houses, to render assistance to the *wounded, and to summon the fire brigade if required.

2. Information must be sent by telephone, motor, or bicycle to acquaint the neighbouring villages.

3. Special Constables and other selected persons owning light vehicles, motors, motor cycles, and bicycles must be warned confidentially in advance to assemble their vehicles at their local Police Station on the alarm signal being given.

4. Petrol or motor spirit which cannot be carried in cars must be destroyed, and not left behind for the use of the enemy.

5. All firearms, explosives, and ammunition (as contained in the list preserved at the Police Station) will be collected and conveyed to a place to be decided on. On no account must any non-combatant person be allowed to retain on his premises any firearm of any kind, or any ammunition or explosive.

6. All licensed premises and clubs must suspend the sale, supply, and consumption of intoxicating liquor.

7. When the approach of the enemy is ascertained, in the absence of instructions, people must remain in their houses or collect in houses away from the roads.

*Doctors will remain in their houses ready to attend any cases taken to them.

By order,

B. E. SARGEAUNT,
Government Secretary.

Government Office,
Isle of Man,

25 February, 1915.