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STRENGTH AND COMPOSITION.

7. *Its Strength.*—Its strength varies from time to time, according to the requirements of the Fleet, and is distributed as follows, viz. :—

One Division, Royal Marine Artillery, Head-quarters at Eastney.

Three Divisions, Royal Marine Light Infantry, Headquarters at Chatham, Gosport and Plymouth.

One Recruit Depot at Deal.

One Royal Naval School of Music; Headquarters at Eastney.

8. During the Great War of 1914–1918 the following Royal Marine Units were raised :—

	Raised.	Disbanded.
Royal Marine Submarine Miners - - -	1915	1919
Royal Marine Labour Corps (France) - -	1917	1919
<i>Royal Naval Division :—</i>		
Divisional Engineers—1 H.Q., 3 Field Coys.	1914	*1917
* Transferred to Royal Engineers in 1917.		
Divisional Train - - - - -	1914	1919
Medical Unit—3 Field Ambulances - -	1914	1919
Ordnance Unit—One Company - - -	1914	1917
Cyclist Company—One Company - - -	1914	1917
Home Service Labour Corps - - - - -	1917	1919
Royal Marine Engineers - - - - -	1918	1919

9. The following Units were provided by the R.M.A. and R.M.L.I. :—

<i>R.M. Artillery :—</i>	Raised.	Disbanded.
Howitzer Brigade - - - - -	1915	1919
Siege Batteries - - - - -	1915	1919
Anti-Aircraft Brigade - - - - -	1915	1919

R.M. Light Infantry :—

Four R.M.L.I. Battalions (Chatham, Portsmouth, Plymouth and Deal) were raised in 1914, which were amalgamated into the 1st and 2nd Battalions in 1915 and into the 1st R.M. Battalion in 1918.

<i>R.M.A. and R.M.L.I. (composite) :—</i>	Raised.	Disbanded.
Special Service Battalion for service in Ireland - - - - -	1916	1916
3rd R.M. Battalion for service in Eastern Mediterranean - - - - -	1916	1921
4th R.M. Battalion for service at Zeebrugge - - - - -	1918	1918
5th R.M. Battalion for special service in connection with Mines - - - - -	1918	1919
6th R.M. Battalion for service in North Russia - - - - -	1919	1919