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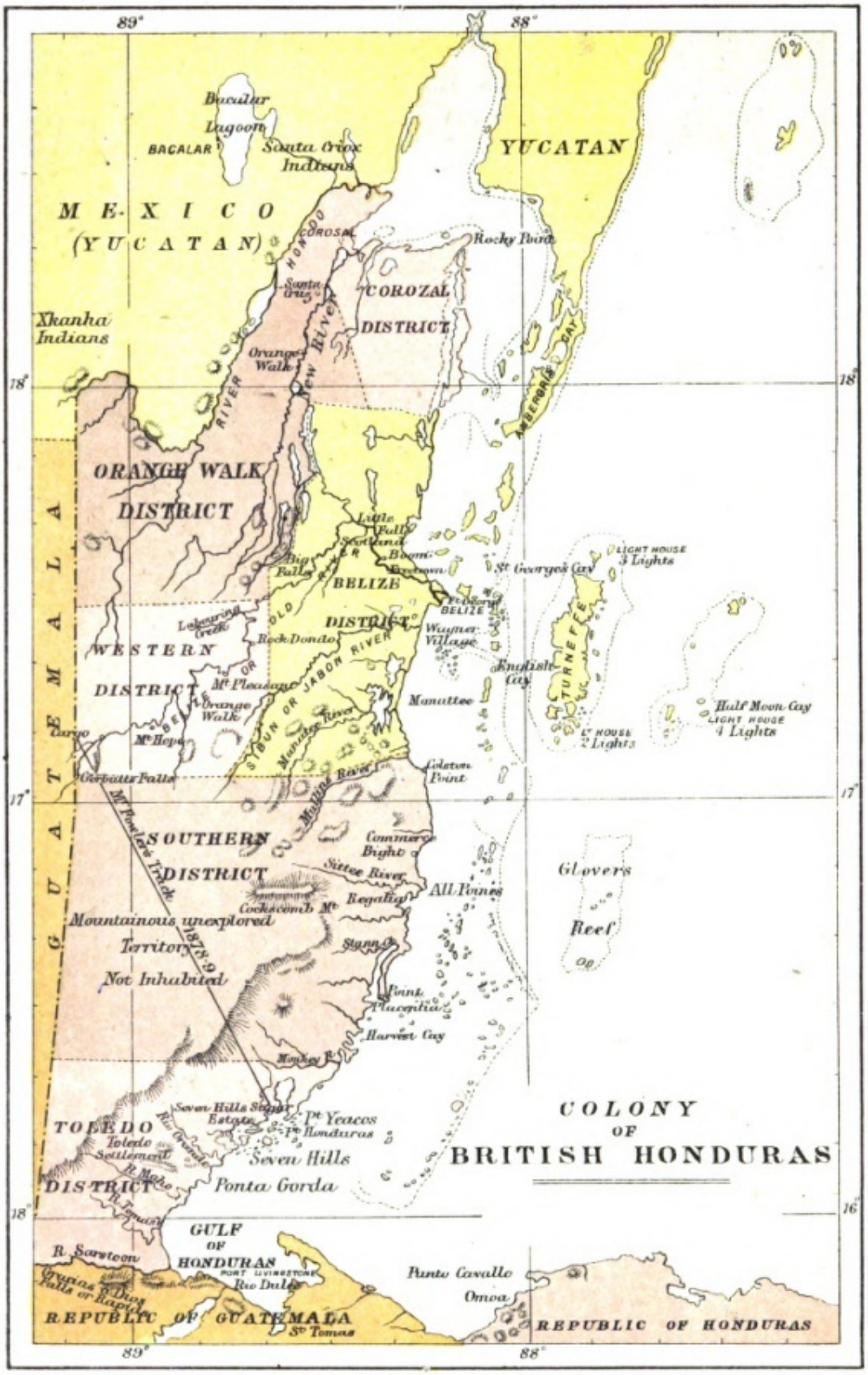

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COLONIAL POSSESSIONS.

AREA AND POPULATION OF THE COLONIES AND POSSESSIONS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE WORLD.

Name.	Area in sq. miles.	Obtained by	Date.	Population.
In Europe:				
Gibraltar,	2	Conquest,	1704	25,000
Malta, &c.,	122	Treaty cession,	1814	163,000
Heligoland,	¾	Treaty cession,	1814	2,000
In Asia:				
India (incl. Burmah),	1,569,540	Conquest, Transfer from East India Co.,	Begun 1757 – 1858	260,000,000
Ceylon,	24,702	Treaty cession,	1801	2,760,000
Cyprus,	3,584	Convention with Turkey,	1878	187,000
Aden and Socotra,	3,070	(Aden) Conquest,	1839	40,000
Straits Settlements,	*circ.* 1,500	Treaty cession,	1785-1824	500,000
Hong Kong,	32	Treaty cession,	1841	160,000
Labuan,	31	Treaty cession,	1847	6,000
British North Borneo,	31,000	Cession to Company,	1877	150,000
In Africa:				
Cape Colony,	212,000	Treaty cession,	(Finally) 1815	1,122,000
Natal,	24,000	Annexation,	1843	425,000
St Helena,	47	Conquest,	1673	5,000
Ascension,	38	Annexation,	1815	200
Sierra Leone,	3,000	Transfer from Company,	1807	62,000
Gold Coast,	16,620	Conquest and cession,	1663-1871	520,000
Mauritius, &c.,	1,063	Conquest and cession,	1810, 1814	372,000
In America:				
Canada Proper,	370,488	Conquest, Treaty cession,	1759-60 – 1763	3,345,000
New Brunswick,	27,174	Treaty cession,	1763	322,000
Nova Scotia,	20,907	Conquest, Treaty cession,	1627 – (Final) 1713	442,000
Manitoba,	123,200	Settlement,	1813	*circ.* 135,000
British Columbia, &c.,	341,305	Transfer to Crown,	1858	60,000
North-West Territories,	2,585,000	Charter to Company,	1670	58,000
Prince Edward Island,	2,133	Conquest,	1745, 1756-63	110,000
Newfoundland,	40,200	Settlement, Treaty cession,	*circ.* 1550 – 1713	162,000
British Guiana,	76,000	Conquest and cession,	1803-1814	260,000
British Honduras,	7,562	Conquest,	1798	28,000
Jamaica,	4,193	Conquest,	1655	581,000
Trinidad,	1,754	Conquest,	1797	155,000
Barbadoes,	166	Settlement,	1605	171,860
Grenada, &c.,	125	Treaty cession,	1763	42,403
St Vincent,	140	Cession,	1763	40,548
Tobago, St Lucia, &c.,	465	Cession and conquest,	1763-1803	94,000
St Christopher, Nevis, and Anguilla,	153	Settlement,	1623, '25, '50	57,000
Dominica,	292	Cession,	1763	30,000
Montserrat, &c.,	85	Settlement,	1632	17,000
Bahamas,	5,794	Settlement,	1629	45,000
Bermuda,	41	Settlement,	1612	15,000
Falkland I., and St Georgia,	6,870	Treaty cession,	1770	1,543
In Australasia:				
New South Wales,	310,938	Settlement,	1787	930,000
Victoria,	87,884	Settlement,	1834	970,000
South Australia,	903,690	Settlement,	1836	320,000
Queensland,	670,000	Settlement,	1824	315,000
Western Australia,	978,300	Settlement,	1826	35,000
Tasmania,	26,215	Settlement,	1803	140,000
New Zealand,	104,000	Purchase,	1840	580,000
Fiji,	7,423	Cession from the Natives,	1874	140,000
New Guinea (British	88,457	Annexation,	1884	137,500

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