

*Polar Regions in the Twentieth Century*

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The police maintain peace, relieve distress and administer the law. Among their varied duties are service as postmasters, coroners, custom officers, game wardens and fish inspectors. Duty at posts is supplemented by service in the field. To visit and aid remote encampments, no journey is too long, no cold too severe. No pains are spared to relieve distress, to ascertain resources, to enforce law.

Policeman Joy sledged one thousand and three hundred miles from Bache Peninsula westward to King Christian Island — duplicating the trip of MacMillan — to locate game and discover possible nomads.

To prevent possible famine, caused by deflection of route by migrating caribou, Eskimos of Baffin Land and the region around King William Land have been supplied with nets and other fishing gear for obtaining food. Besides introducing a new occupation, the authorities foster practical education. It extends assistance for the maintenance of the Eskimo Mission schools at Lake Harbour and Cumberland Gulf, Baffin Land. The remote arctic islands are practically without medical attention, but efforts are being made to alleviate the situation. It is planned to station a permanent doctor at Pangnirtung, Baffin Land, who will do much patrol work. Doctor Livingston, 1926-1927, traveled two thousand and five hundred miles to render aid and give advice to