

HONG KONG REINFORCED.

Some of the last pictures to be taken in Hong Kong by our cameraman in the Colony before the big flare-up in the Pacific, show the arrival of the first Canadians ever to come to the Far East for duty. On the outbreak of hostilities, this eastern-most outpost of the British Empire instantly rejected the Japanese ultimatum to surrender, and girded itself to fight the invaders. With the fall of Kowloon, the strengthened garrison on the island (which Tokyo gives as at least 5,000 British, Canadians and Indians, with 2,000 local volunteers) set about its gallant task.

Beleaguered Hong Kong straight-way suffered the full fury of powerful land, sea and air forces - and hit back.