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a further and successful attempt to colonize them. Today the inhabitants are all of pure Japanese stock, with the exception of a few descendants of the early European settlers.

39. For reasons of security the Australians are likely to favour the maintenance by the United States of their present bases at Okinawa and Iwo Jima in the Loochoo and Bonin groups, and possibly the outright cession of these groups of islands to the United States. Another possible solution would be United States control over these islands through the extension of their present United Nations trusteeship agreement over the former Japanese mandated islands. The Japanese themselves are believed to favour an arrangement under which the Loochoo Islands would be administered by the United States but would eventually revert to Japanese sovereignty.

40. The island of Quelpart is populated by Koreans and presumably should come under the control of the Korean Government when the latter is properly established.

41. It would be appreciated if you would indicate what disposition of the islands mentioned above would be preferable from the standpoint of Canadian military security.