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## BRITISH IN MADAGASCAR.

Near Mid-September it was found necessary to re-open military operations in Madagascar. From Majunga come these pictures of our landing there. The rapid transport of this newsreel record from about 8,000 miles away is a tribute to our air and sea communications. Units of United Kingdom regiments were among the landing force of Empire troops which rapidly penetrated into the island. Resistance was, in the main, confined to road obstructions. It became increasingly apparent that the population was barely lukewarm to the Vichy demands for armed opposition. In fact, these scenes speak for themselves.

The half-hearted resistance by the garrison troops made the operation all the more gratifying. General Sir William Platt (one of the liberators of Ethiopia, seen here on the left), soon made it abundantly clear that this is a precautionary measure, to secure Madagascar from Axis domination. The people of Majunga were soon to witness the sequel to the towns surrender, when the British flag was hoisted over the Commandant's Headquarters. At the same time, Civil and Military authorities travelled through the streets carrying white flags. A vastly different scene would have been enacted if the Japanese had walked in.