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War Diary 18th AHSO Capt J. H. Brewer OC 7

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Date. 1915	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
DEC 1	AT SEA	Heavy thunderstorm 2 ships sighted to day.	
2	-	Approaching Guardafui at night passed Cape 11pm	
3	-	Cool in Gulf of Aden. Dr. Green lodged complaint against Sgt. McMillan 31 st - Case dismissed. Troop Vacc. for smallpox	
4	-	Dr. Frankson in Hospital (first case) for Rhue. Fever	
	-	Passed ADEN 6.15am, PERIM Island 1.30pm MOCAM 5pm Awarded	
	-	all Pythones totalling £7.50	
5	-	In Red Sea warm S.E. wind	
6	-	Cool N.E. 2 nd Full Inspection of Rets	
7	-	passed DOULAIS L House 12 noon. Issued landing blankets. Held	
	-	board on loss of Mess Deck gear.	
8	-	Entered Gulf of ADEN (am) passed Mt Sinai 5am. Cool N.W. wind	
	-	passed SUEZ Light ship 7.30pm Dropped anchor 8.15pm	
9	SUEZ	Ship moved to new anchorage at 9.10 am. Dr. came on board tonight	

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War Diary 18th AASC Capt J. H. Baynes

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Date. 1915	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
Dec 10	SUEZ	Naval Officer RD came aboard. Went ashore with Chief Officer	
		Capt. Craig + Passer. Posted mail at TELAVIV. Reported to MAJOR	
		WOOD E.O. received instructions to be ready for disembarking	
		on Sunday Dec 12 th hospitals etc	
11 th	v	Ashore at TELAVIV with LIEUT. WALKER went to E.O. Office with	
		papers of Nos of Horses + quantities of baggage	
12 th	v	disembarked today started Ham. trucked Horses + men left	
		wharf at 4 pm for SUEZ. Convalescent Camps arrived 5.45 pm	
		that horse No 31905 on end of wharf bet off ordend owing to having	
		blind staggers. 50ff. 108 men + 217 horses disembarked	
13 th		hired D th Mgr. of arrival also BARNELL Rec ^d wire from B.M. to proceed to	
		ISMAHIA. during night 39 horses broke away owing to stampede	
		Caused by Camels + bad ropes.	
14 th		wire from B.M. to report to S+T ISMAHIA 24 horses still missing	

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War Diary 18th ANSC Capt J. M. Baynes C.O. 9

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Date. 1915	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
Dec 15	SUEZ	A flight from ISMAILIA arr ^d back 5.45 pm reported to Major Duesbery S+J. rec ^d orders Re supplying post on Canal. Rang up Redman at Serapeum found he had been there since 12 th - supplying 29 & 31 st All troops at Camp SUEZ attacked Komunpirawis 47 taken to Hospital	
16	"	Rec ^d orders to train for EIN SHOSSEIN on 17 th	
17	"	Left SUEZ 9.45 am 100 Patata hancers loaded horses & Party of 58 th Ind. Rifle. loaded baggage. 2 off. & 27 men 18 th ANSC. 1 off & 35 men 31 st Inf. & 1 Vet. off. embarked on train & 188 Horses arr ^d EIN SHOSSEIN 12 noon. baggage taken on Camels, men walked 2 1/2 miles to SERAPEUM arr ^d 3.50 pm. hired DARNELL to bring remainders of Co. from HELIOPOLIS	
18	SERAPEUM	Visited DEVERSOIR post in launch. S+J informed me that a supply base would probably be found there. Rec ^d 1 st Aust mail today	

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War Diary of 18th ANSC Capt J H Dugan Co. 10

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Date. 1915	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
Dec 19	SERAPEUM	Canal Section Det. Off. ordered all horses into Quarantine, considering	
		Khyed Mauge. 3 of 18 th ANSC horses rep ^d dead Mill of Kanakel	
20	-	CAPT DARNELL + 20 men took over from Sgt. Supply Dept at	
		ISMAILIA. Now supplying 8 th B ^d Troops 30 th at FERR'S POST. 3 rd	
		at EL FERDAN. 29 th + 31 st at MIRIAM TUSSOUM, SERAPEUM	
		HEBATA + DEVERSOIR + various small units altogether	
		about 7000 troops. Meat coming from SAID ^{underweight} bad condition.	
		Dread from SAID also bad + weight. Vegetable from ISMAILIA	
		Good + quantities from Zerg-a-zig. All transport work at	
		present being done by Launch on Canal	
21-22	~	Supplying	
23	~	Left 8.15 am FERR SHOUSEIN for CAIRO to draw Pay. went to Int Base Office	
24	CAIRO	Left 6.15 pm arr ^d ISMAILIA with £395 pay. at 11 pm stayed over Depot	
25	SERAPEUM	Arr ^d here by Launch 11 am P ^d men 1 st Pay	

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War Diary 18th ANSC Capt J H Draper Co. ||

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
1915			
Dec 26	SERAPEUM	All horses quarantined by Vet. Off. for 2 months except Riding horses by complaint supposed to be mange. Sent men for ^{lost} horses to SUEZ	
27		D ^r Bath & Bryant sent to SUEZ & brought back 2 lost horses	
		LIEUT LAW sent to ^{No 2} supply depot. Ordered 14 days supplies for Troops. TPR Walker sent to ^{CAIRO} Hospital for Appendicitis operation	
28		LIEUT LAW arr ^d back. LIEUT RUDRUM went to ^{No 2} supply depot	
		Sent W. D. Berglund to MOASCAR for 4 lost horses. Corp. Blain + 2 men sent to TEL-EL-KEBIR to look for horses	
29		LIEUT RUDRUM arr ^d back. Sgt Major Marriott brought back	
		1 lost horse from MOASCAR. TPR Walker operated on for Appendicitis on 28 th in ^{No 3} Field General Hospital at CAIRO	
30		D ^r Jambidge sent to ISMAILIA to look for truck containing News paper gifts for troops	
31		I went to ISMAILIA to inspect ^{No 2} supply depot	

J H Draper

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War Diary 18th ANSC Capt J. H. Brewer OC 7

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Date. 1915	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
DEC 1	AT SEA	Heavy thunderstorm 2 ships sighted to day.	
2		Approaching Beaudapnai at night passed Cape 11pm	
3		Cool in Gulf of Aden. Dr. Green lodged complaint against Lt- McMillan 31 st - Case dismissed. Troops Vacc ^d for Smallpox Dr. Frankson in Hospital (first case) for Rheu. Fever	
4		Passed ADEN 6.25am PERIM Island 1.30pm MOCAH 5pm Arrived all Pyrexia total 27.50	
5		In RED Sea warm SE wind	
6		Cool N & W ^{dy} Full Inspection of Ritz	
7		passed DOULAIS L Hour 12 noon. Issued landing blankets Held board on loss of Mess Deck gas.	
8		Entered Gulf of ADEN (can) passed Mt Sinai 5am. Cool N wind passed SUEZ light ship 7.30pm Dropped anchor 8.15pm	
9	SUEZ	Ship moved to new anchorage at 7.10 am. Dr. came on board tonight	

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War Diary 18th HSE Capt J. H. Bayne

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Date. 1915	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
Dec 10	SUEZ	Naval Officers & D came aboard, went ashore with Chief Officer	
		Capt. Craig & Purser. Ported mail at TEHAFIK. Reported to MAJOR	
		WOOD. E.O. received instructions to be ready for disembarking	
		on Sunday Dec 12 th hampstead	
11	-	Ashore at TEHAFIK with LIEUT. WALKER went to E.O. Office with	
		papers of No. 11 Horses & quantities baggage	
12	-	Disembarked today, started 11am. trucked Horses & men left	
		wharf at 4 pm for SUEZ. Convalescent Camps covered 5.15 pm	
		that horse No 31905 on end of wharf. Vet off ordered owing to having	
		blind staggers. 5 off. 108 men + 217 horses disembarked	
13		Wired D ^{rs} Mgr. of arrival class BARNELL Rec ^d wire from B.M. to proceed to	
		ISMAHIA. During night 39 horses broke away owing to stampede	
		caused by Camels & bad ropes.	
14		Wire from B.M. to report G.S. & T ISMAHIA 34 horses still missing	

D. 298/9.14.—C.11066.

War Diary 18th ANSC Capt J. M. Dwyer Co. 9

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Date. 1915	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
Dec 15	SUEZ	Left for ISMAILIA arr. back 5.45pm reported to Major Dwyer D. J. rec. order Re supplying post on Canal. Rang up Redman at Serapeum found he had been there since 12 th - supplying 29 & 31 st all troops at Camp SUEZ attacked tomorrow morning 47 taken to Hospital	
16	"	Rec. order to train for EIN SHOSSEIN on 17 th	
17	"	Left SUEZ 9.45am 100 Patalia horses loaded horses & Party of 58 th Ind. Rifle loaded baggage. 2 off. & 27 men 18 th ANSC. 1 off. & 35 men 31 st Inf. & 1 Vet. off. embarked on train & 188 horses arr. EIN SHOSSEIN 12 noon. baggage taken on Camels, men walked 2 miles to SERAPEUM arr. 3.50pm. heard DARNELL to bring remains of Co. from HELIOPOLIS	
18	SERAPEUM	Visited DEVERSOIR post in launch. D. J. informed me that a supply base would probably be found there. Rec. 1 st Aust mail today	

D. 308/9.14.—C.11056.

War Diary of 18th ANSC Cpt J. A. Dwyer Co. 10

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Date. 1915	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
Dec 19	SERAPEUM	Canal Section Det. Off. ordered all horses into Quarantine. Considered by head Mauge. 3 of 18 th ANSC horses rep ^d dead well of Kanakel	
20	-	CAPT DARNELL & 20 men took over from Sgt. Supply Depot at ISMAILIA. Now supplying 8 th B ^d Troops 30 th at FERRY POST, 32 nd at EL FERDAN, 29 th & 31 st at MIRIAM, TUSSOUM, SERAPEUM, HEIBATA & DEVERSOIR & various small units altogether about 7000 troops. Meat coming from SAID bad condition & bread from SAID also bad & weight. Vegetables from ISMAILIA good & groceries from Zag-a-zig. All transport work at present being done by Lammek on Canal	
21-22	~	Supplying	
23	-	Left 8.15 am FER SHOSSEIN for CAIRO to draw Pay. went to Int Base Office	
24	CAIRO	Left 6.15 pm arr ^d ISMAILIA with £395 pay. at 11 pm stayed over Depot	
25	SERAPEUM	Arr ^d here by Lammek 11 am P ^d men 1 st Pay	

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War Diary 18th AAC Co. Capt J. H. Dwyer Co.

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1915 Dec 26	SERAPEDIH	All horses quarantined by Vet. Off. for 2 months except Riding horses by complaint supposed to be mange. Sent men for horses to SUEZ
27		D ^r Bath & Bryant sent to SUEZ & brought back 2 lost horses. LIEUT LAW sent to ^{No 2} Supply depot. Ordered 14 days supplies for Troops. TPT ^r Walker sent to ^{CAIRO} for Appendicitis operation
28		LIEUT LAW arr ^d back. LIEUT RUDRUM went to No 2 Supply depot sent W. D. Berglund to MOASCAR for 4 lost horses. Corp. Blain + 2 men sent to TEL-EL-KEBIR to look for horses
29		LIEUT RUDRUM arr ^d back. Sgt. Major Merritt brought back 1 lost horse from MOASCAR. TPT ^r Walker operated on for Appendicitis on 28 th in No 3 Field General Hospital at CAIRO
30		D ^r Jambury sent to ISMAILIA to look for truck containing Newspaper gifts for Troops
31		J went to ISMAILIA to inspect No 2 Supply depot

J. H. Dwyer

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