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# WAR DIARY

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## or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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*1st M.G. Squadron*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<i>El Amsh</i>	<i>1 9</i>		<p>The month of January 1917 has been an uneventful period - with the exception of 9<sup>th</sup> inst when the M.G. Squadron (in conjunction with the Right Division) was engaged in the raid at Rafa. Prior to the engagement the officers concerned were taken to view the enemy positions &amp; four guns were detailed with the 1<sup>st</sup> Regt. which was to open this Brigade's part of the attack - two more guns were detailed to afford protection on the left flank of the same regiment. When the 2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Regts were ordered to reinforce the firing line the balance (less one) of guns were attached to these regiments &amp; all guns assisted materially in the advance &amp; final capture of the position. Casualties - Killed O/R. <u>one</u> - Died of wounds O/R. <u>one</u> - Wounded officers 3 - O/R. <u>eight</u>. The remainder of the month occupied in fitting up guns etc; training &amp; start work on Munsheby on 30<sup>th</sup> inst.</p>	

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