

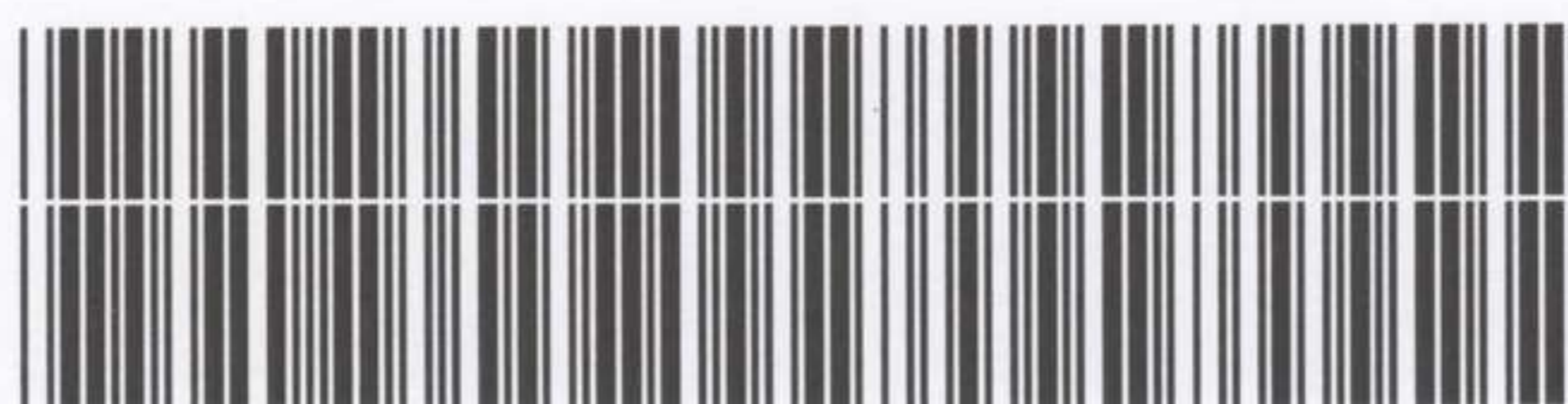
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Mazar	December	1st	A.D.V.S. visits the 2nd A.L.H. Brigade at Hod Hassaniya and Ayreshire R.H.A. Battery at Bir-el-Abd. The horses of this Brigade have fully recovered since leaving Hill 70, showing the water during this time was plentiful and the good effects of the extra 2lbs of grain in ration.	
"	"	3rd	The 3rd A.L.H. Bde at Bir-Malha, Horses fit and well.	
"	"	4th	The 1st A.L.H. Bde and 6th Mobile Veterinary Section move from Hod Amara Arnussi to Geherat.	
"	"	5th	Ayreshire R.H.A. Battery arrive at Mazar from Bir-el-Abd.	
"	"	6th	New Zealand Mtd Brigade 1st line Camels (Acoc) are overworked and are relieved by a section from C. Coy	
"	"	8th	A.D.V.S. visits New Zealand Bde and finds the horses in particularly fine condition at Mustagidda.	
"	"	9	A.D.V.S. visits 1st A.L.H. Bde at Geherat with Major Moberly D.I.C.T.C. The camels have been working a considerable time without a rest and are relieved by C. Coy. The extra two pounds of grain on trial for one month proves a great benefit to the horses of the Division and is continued.	
"	"	11	Capt Penrose A.A.V.C. reports to D.H.Q. for duty and is posted to Divisional Troops with Signal Squadron. He relieves the Brigade Veterinary officers and takes over duties of R.H.A. Batteries.	
"	"	14	A.D.V.S. visits 3rd A.L.H. Bde. Horses nearly all clipped and have shown great improvement. Major Argyle represents D.D.V.S. and visits Mazar.	
"	"	15	The reorganisation of the 1st line C.T.C. Convoy Camels takes place, each Brigade has 520 1st line Camels and 720 Convoy Camels allotted to it.	
"	"	17	Capt Geyer evacuated to hospital. Capt Murray Jones. takes over the Section and Brigade duties. A.D.V.S. visits New Zealand and 3rd Brigades, Veterinary Matters complete and animals fit.	
"	"	20	Capt E.N. Wood. reports for duty and is posted with 2nd A.L.H. Bde at Hod-Hassaniya.	
"	"	21	1st, 3rd & New Zealand Bdes move from Geherat, Malha & Mustagidda for El, Arish operations.	
El, Arish.	"	21st	Major Stafford returns to duty from leave to England.	
"	"	21st	1st A.L.H. Bde arrive East of El, Arish at daylight.	
"	"	21st	5th Mounted Brigade return to Malha.	
"	"	21st	D.H.Q. arrives at El, Arish (1230)	
"	"	22nd	1st Echelon with General Chauvel 1st, 3rd & N.Z. Bdes move from El, Arish at 0530 for La, Fahan and Magdhaba, Each Mobile Veterinary Section sends 4 men and N.C.O. with the Bdes	
"	"	23rd	The enemy are attacked at daylight and the position is taken during late afternoon. The horses have not suffered from the work and during the action, only 27 horses are killed and 32 wounded, the latter are only slight and will recover quickly.	
"	"	24th	D.H.Q. & 3 Bdes less one regiment return to their former positions.	

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El, Arish.	24th		<p>D. H. Q. move to Beach at El, Arish . 1st A. L. H. Bde one mile East of El, Arish 3rd A. L. H. Bde at Bir-el-Masaid. and New Zealand Mtd Bde at Bir-el-Masmi. The horses are on Mobile ration (Oats 12lbs Bran 3lbs) and are looking tucked up and tired but otherwise fit. Capt Geyer returns to duty .</p>	
	25th		<p>A. D. V. S. inspects 3rd A. L. H. Bde horses which were low in condition to commence with ,so show the effects of the recent operations. The horses and Camels have gone through the operations without any great difficulty .</p>	
	26th		<p>Capt L. L. Paterson reports to Cairo for embarkation to England.</p>	
	29th		<p>Capt Rait reports for embarkation to New Zealand .</p>	
	3rd		<p>The animal ration has been returned to the full rate and as a result the horses have greatly improved The weather is extremely windy and cold so that the two blankets per horse are very necessary.</p>	

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