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RAFA	March.	1st.	Police duties continue the same as mentioned in last Months WAR DIARY. Authority received from A.P.M. A.I.F. that all police that have done satisfactory work will be promoted to the rank of ER/2/cpl.	Sub
	March.	2nd.	1st. and 2nd. Brigade police detachments made up of men who have applied for early repatriation .	Sub
	March.	3rd.	Nothing to report.	Sub
	to			
	March.	9th.		
	March.	10th.	Orders Issued by A.A. & Q.M.G. relative to embarkation to Australia of 1st. and 2nd. Regiments with one Section of the 1st. L.H.F.A. and it was agreed that six other ranks of Divisional police should accompany them.	Sub See Ap I&2
	March.	11th.	Duties of 1st. Brigade detachment (the remaining four other ranks) limited to controlling the watering and ablution area and their own Brigade area, D.H.Q. and 2nd. Brigade detachments to assist in patrolling the main roads in the vicinity of 1st. Brigade area. Unrest amongst native population in Egypt reported.	Sub Sub
	March.	12th.	1st. and 2nd. Regiments with one Section of the 1st. L.H.F. Amb. and six police embarked for Kantara on the 12th. Inst. and embarked for Australia on the 13th. Inst.	Sub
	& 13th.			
	March.	13th.	Nothing to report.	Sub
	to	15th.		
	March.	16th.	Ten Horses transferred from D.H.Q. detachment and Ten Horses from 1st. Brigade detachment to Australian Remount Depot MOASCAR, four police horses from 2nd. Brigade being transferred to remounts under Brigade arrangements.	Sub

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	March. 17th.		<p>It was found that the Ist. Brigade police could carry out duties dismounted with the assistance of mounted area patrols of other detachments.</p> <p>D.H.Q. Detachment were under strength in men, and over strength in horses, and just a sufficient number of horses were kept to carry out necessary duties and at the same time be prepared for any emergency.</p>	<i>Sub</i>
	March. 18th.		<p>Owing to unrest in Egypt N.Z. brigade detailed for duty, entrained for Kantara.</p> <p>On arrival of N.Z. Brigade at Kantara the duties of police were mainly Brigade area patrols and maintaining camp discipline, N.Z. Brigade was situated on the west bank of the Suez Canal some 2½ miles out, south of the town of Kantara.</p> <p>It being thought that the disturbance in Egypt might cause unrest amongst the Bedouin population, three of D.H.Q. Detachment with three of a picquet and an interpreter visited Bedouin encampments around divisional area and warned mukhtars that on no account were natives to go beyond the limits assigned to them.</p>	<i>Sub</i>
	March. 19th.		Nothing to report, every thing quiet.	<i>Sub</i>
	March. 20th.		B.H.Q. entrained for Kantara.	<i>Sub</i>
Kantara	March. 21st.		<p>On arrival at Kantara D.H.Q. Detachment supplied a dismounted patrol to keep natives from encroaching on the camp area, and a mounted patrol through Kantara to N.Z. Brigade area.</p> <p>D.A.P.M. worked in cooperation with D.A.P.M. Kantara.</p> <p>D.H.Q. camped on the east side of the Suez Canal about 250 yards from Kantara Station.</p> <p>D.A.P.M. reported gambling at Empire club Kantara to D.A.P.M. Kantara, imperial soldiers running the tables.</p>	<i>Sub</i>
	March. 22nd.		<p>N.Z. Brigade Headqtrs. moved to Tanta.</p> <p>Tanta was fully policed by M.M.P. and units stationed there</p> <p>The duties of N.Z. police detachment involved a brigade area patrol and maintenance of camp discipline.</p>	<i>Sub</i>

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Kantara			Contd. ----- 2nd. Brigade arrived at Kantara from Rafa and was situated in the area approximate to that occupied by N.Z. Brigade . -----	<i>Sub</i>
	March. 23rd to 24th.		Ist. Brigade (less 2 regiments etc.) arrived at Kantara from Rafa and camped 2nd. Brigade area. The duties of police were mainly camp discipline. -----	<i>Sub</i> See App II <i>Sub</i>
	March. 25th.		Nothing to report. -----	
	March. 26th.		2nd Brigade moved to Damanhour . The duties of the police involved a patrolling of the town and its approaches to prevent troops entering the town , and they worked in company with a brigade picquet . -----	<i>Sub</i> See App III
	March. 27th. to 29th.		Nothing to report . -----	<i>Sub</i>
	March. 30th.		<sup>Reported</sup> D.A.P.M. to A.I.F. Hdqtrs. Cairo , to interview A.P.M. A.I.F. relative to the early repatriation of divisional police , making applications for same , the handing in of divisional police horses etc. -----	<i>Sub</i>
	March. 30th.		D.H.Q. Detachment to supply two other ranks for Kantara Theatre when necessary. -----	See App III <i>Sub</i>

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			<p style="text-align: center;"><u>SUMMARY OR CHARGES BY DIVISIONAL POLICE.</u></p> <p>-----</p> <p><u>CHARGES AGAINST SOLDIERS OF THE DIVISION.</u></p> <p>One charge of 'stealing from a comade 'preferred by D.A.P.M. against a member of the Ist.L.H.F.Amb.</p> <p><u>CHARGES AGAINST CIVILIANS &amp; NATIVES.</u></p> <p>Nil.</p> <p><u>DISCIPLINE</u></p> <p>The discipline of the police has been very satisfactory The discipline of the troops of this division generally speaking has been very good.</p> <p>There has been no interference with civilians by troops of this division.</p> <p><u>DUTIES OF POLICE.</u></p> <p>In consequence of brigade units being scattered over different parts of Egypt and coming under other commands, the duties of brigade police have been confined to wherever Brigade Hqtrs. were situated.</p> <p>-----</p>	<p>Sub</p> <p>Sub</p> <p>Sub</p> <p>Sub</p>

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## LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.	Subject.
I	EMBARKATION OF 1st. & 2nd. REGIMENTS. (1st. Brigade)
II	NOMINAL ROLL OF POLICE PROCEEDING TO AUSTRALIA.
III	POLICE DUTIES ON BRIGADES.

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APPENDIX I.

Ist.L.H.BRIGADE .

It has been decided that the Ist. and 2nd. Light Horse Regiments will proceed to AUSTRALIA on the 'ULIMORIA' and a proportion of the Brigade police should proceed on that transport.

In addition to the above one Section of the Ist. Light Horse Field Ambulance is also to proceed. This section is not to exceed 50 O/ranks, the officers are being detailed by the D.D.M.S., A.I.F. in EGYPT.

On receipt of this Memo. please wire urgently the total number of officers, Sergeants, and o/ranks in each regiment also the number of Brigade police you intend to embark, and the number of the Ist. Light Horse Field Ambulance, Sergeants and other ranks.

These troops will embark on the 13th. inst at KANTARA train timings will be issued you later. As advised by telegram the G.O.C. Ist. Bgde. and the A.D.C. will embark on this transport.

All equipment of those proceeding will be handed in prior to departure. except one blanket, water bottle and haversack.

If sand bags are issued in lieu of Sea kit bags before departure, haversacks will not be taken.

D.A.D.O.S. will make arrangements for this equipment to be handed in at place of embarkation.

(Sgd.) Michael J. Bruxner.  
Lieu. Col.  
A.A. & Q.M.G.  
A. & N.Z. MOUNTED DIVISION.



APPENDIX .II.

Nominal Roll of Police who proceeded to AUSTRALIA with the 1st. And 2nd. Australian Light Horse Regiments,

No.	I433	Sgt.	G.O.JONES	(N.S.W.)	
..	942	Cpl.	J.E.GALLOGLY	) Q. )	Ist. Regiment.
..	313	..	J.C.HAWLEY	( VIC .)	-----
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No.	I721	Cpl.	E.H.PENDLEBURY	(VIC. )	
..	I613	..	S.A.TREMAINE	( S.A.)	2nd. Regiment.
..	II97	..	S.A.SPARRE	( S.A.)	-----
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*J. W. Carr*  
 Capt.  
 D.A.P.M. A. & N.Z. Mid. Division

APPENDIX III.

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P O L I C E D U T I E S .

D.H.Q. Detachment.  
Kantara.  
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A dismounted patrol on D.H.Q. area , a mounted patrol through Kantara to divisional units area , and duty at Kantara theatre when necessary.

Ist. A.L.H. Brigade Detachment  
Kantara.  
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Brigade area patrols, maintaining camp discipline.

2nd A.L.H. Brigade Detachment.  
Damanhour.  
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Patrolling the town of Damanbur and its approaches to prevent troops entering the town.

N.Z. Brigade Detachment,  
TANTA.  
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Brigade area patrol and maintaining camp discipline.

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*John Cant* Capt.

Capt.  
D.A.P.M. A. & N.Z. Mtd. Division

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