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**Title: 9th Australian Light Horse**  
**Regiment**

March 1919

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Lieut & Adjutant.  
9th.L.H.Regiment.

Signature of Commanding Officer.....  
Lieut/Colonel.  
9th.L.H.Regiment.





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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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9th. Light. Horse Regiment.  
3rd. Light Horse Brigade.  
Austrialian Mounted Division

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information Page 1. Vol. 66.	Remarks and references to Appendices
	MARCH	1919		
RAFA.	1st.		Usual Camp Routine. Afternoon Personnel from the Regiment attended 2nd L.H. Bde. Races.	
	2nd.	1400.	Commenced transporting baggage by camels and waggons to Railway Station.	Ref. Map. Rafa.
		1800.	Regiment marched dismounted to RAFA Station and entrained. 1. OFF. 670/Rs. on the Baggage train. 11. Officers 174.0/Rs. on the Troop train.	1/125000.
	3rd.	0300.	Baggage train moved out. Main Troop train following 2 hours later arriving at platform near Canal KANTARA East. 1230. Baggage train proceeded over canal bridge on to Egyptian State Railways. Regiment crossed to the West bank of the canal the first time since July 1916. Lunched at Mrs. Chisholms' and entrained at 1445 and moved 1520 arriving at MOASCAR at 1620. Took over 4th L.H. Bde. Training Regiments' Camping area.	Ismailia.
MOASCAR.	4th.		Cleaning and re-organizing Camping area. Severe KHAMSEEN blowing.	
	5th.		Re-Organizing camp area.	
	6th.		5. Officers 74.0/Rs. arrived from TRIPOLI (rear party).	
	7th.		9 Rides 33 Draughts drawn from Aust. Mtd. Divn. Lieut KILDEA proceeded to CAIRO on leave. Major DARLEY. 3 O/Rs. on duty to Kit Stores GHEZIREH.	
	8th.		C.O <sup>S</sup> Inspection. Arrangements made to send 1000 all-ranks per week from the Division on 3 days leave to CAIRO. First party to leave on 15th. inst.	
	9th.		Voluntary Church Services. Syllabus of Training issued copy attached.	Appendix 1.

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MOASCAR 9	10th			2nd. Lieuts. R. C. ELEY and L. S. DRISCOLL joined up from Cadet School. Major DARLEY and Lieut KILDEA returned from CAIRO. These Officers brought the first news of the disturbances which had broken out in CAIRO amongst the Civilian Population.			
9	13th			Major H. M. PARSONS, D. S. O. Commanded the Regiment from 22/2/19, to 12/3/19, during the Temporary absence of Lieut/Colonel W. H. SCOTT, C. M. G. D. S. O. Commanding AUST. DIVNL. GROUP. Advanced AUST DIVNL H/QRS, and 3rd. L. H. BRIGADE. Lieut/Colonel W. H. SCOTT, C. M. G. D. S. O. resumed command of the Regiment 13/3/19.			

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	MARCH, 1919.		Page.3. Vol.66.	
MOASCAR.	11th.		Orders received that no Officers or O/Rs. to proceed to CAIRO until further orders.	
	12th.		Information received showed that disturbances among Population in CAIRO was extending.	
	13th.		Usual Routine.	
	14th.		Usual Routine. Divisional Leave party to CAIRO cancelled (Extract R.R.O.1200 Dated 15/3/19.)	
	15th.	0900	G.O.C. Australian Mounted Division (Brig.Gen.G.de L.RYRIE. C.B. C.M.G. V.D.) addressed the 3rd Light Horse Brigade Reference Discipline. Capt. PARRY Regtl. Medical Officer proceeded by train to KANTARA to embark on H.M.T. EURIPIDES. for Australia.	
		1945	Information received that inhabitants had attacked a train travelling between CAIRO and KANTARA Disturbances at ZAGAZIG extending 3 Offs. 50. O/Rs. each from 8th and 10th Regts, proceeded by train to ZAGAZIG. Telegraphic communication with CAIRO cut.	
	16th.		Voluntary Church Services. (At 2145 information received that Civil disturbances had commenced in ISMAILIA. Inlying PICQUET turned out mounted and proceeded to ISMAILIA. 2. Officers 50 O/Rs, "B" sqdn. standing-to ready to move dismounted at short notice. Disturbance ended at 2250 at which time the Mounted Picquet returned to camp. Information received that serious disturbances were taking place in ZAGAZIG area. Detachment of 10th Regt. forced to fire on a large crowd before they would disperse. Railway Lines torn up in many places between CAIRO and MOASCAR.	
		1500	3. N.C.O.S. 12. O/Rs. proceeded by Motor lorry to QUASSASSIN to guard the Lock there. 1. Sqdn 8th L.H. Regt. ordered to fit out mounted and proceed to ZAGAZIG 17th inst. 1. Mounted 9th L.H. Regt. to proceed following day.	
	17th.		Remainder of 8th L.H. Regt ordered to proceed dismounted to ZAGAZIG. 9th L.H. Regt to be ready to move at short notice.	Ismailia.
		1000	Orders received that 9th L.H. Regt (Less Mounted Squadron 150 Strong 76 All ranks *A* Sqdn. 74 All ranks "C" Sqdn.) would entrain for ZAGAZIG at 1100. Hurried preparations were made and at 1115. 13. Offs. 128. O/Rs. 9th. L.H. Regt and remainder of 8th and 10th L.H. Regts. entrained at MOASCAR	



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	MARCH, 1919.			Page 4. Vol. 66.
MOASCAR.	17th		<p>on a Construction Train .Lieut/Colonel W.H.SCOTT.C.M.G. D.S.O. Commanded xtrain.Mounted Sqdn. and rear parties being left behind.</p> <p>After the dull routine of MOASCAR camp life all ranks were keen for a bit of excitement.</p> <p>Arrived at ABU<sup>3</sup>HAMMAD without incident.</p> <p>At Kilo 46 Railway line and telegraph wires had been destroyed.Gangs immediately set to work to repair breaks.</p> <p>4.Offs. 50.O/Rs."B"Sqdn.marched back from here to ABU-HAMMAD as reports received stated that the Christians there were in danger.</p> <p>At 1930 break in railway and main telegraph line repaired and train proceeded toward ZAZAZIG. Lieut.EDGERLEY 14.O/Rs."C" Sqdn.being left to guard canal bridge at Kilo.46.</p> <p>Arrived ZAGAZIG without incident at 2100.Disentrained and bivouaced near Supply Depot.12 O/Rs. sent back as train guard to MOASCAR</p>	ISMAILIA. Bil-Beis. Lower Egypt 1/100000.
ABU-HAMMAD				
ZAGAZIG.	18th.	0100	<p>Capt.McDONALD M.C. with 120/Rs.moved out mounted to KAHR-SAGR to rescue influential Greek family who were reported to be in danger.</p> <p>Several small Guards were mounted locally thus absorbing all available men of the Regiment except 7.Offs. 24.O/Rs. (Duty men and Specialists).</p>	Bil-Beis.
		1000	<p>All available personnel of the Brigade marched dismounted through the streets of ZAGAZIG for the purpose of making a demonstration before the inhabitants.No Turkish flags were observed.</p> <p>The inhabitants were quiet and orderly;but sullen;in a few cases friendly.</p>	
	19th.	0200	<p>Capt.McDONALD.M.C.returned having escorted the Greek family back safely to ZAGAZIG.On the way out he came upon a party of inhabitants wrecking the Railway.These he dispersed by firing a few shots,killing one.</p>	
		1000	<p>Moved to new Bivouac area near Turkish Prison Barracks. Rear parties from MOASCAR joined up. Mounted Sqdn.marched in about 1900 and bivouaced with Regiment.</p>	
	20th		<p>As all tentage and Camp equipment had been brought from MOASCAR by rear parties a very comfortable camp was soon made.</p> <p>A large Sporting Pavilion in vicinity was taken into use as an Officers Mess. A second Pavilion in the Greek Sporting Club Grounds adjoining was used as a cook house and mess for the meh.</p> <p>A fine Tennis Court was available for use.</p> <p>At Kilo 40.ISMAILIA line a post of 4 of the 10th.L.H.Regt had been rushed by a large crowd during the evening of the 19th.inst.Allmembers of the post were beaten into unconsciousness and</p>	



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	MARCH. 1919.		Page.5. Vol. 66.	
ZAGAZIG. <i>81</i>	20th		<p>their arms stolen . One of these 10th Light Horsemen subsequently died.</p> <p>0345 Mounted Squadron under Major BLEECHMORE moved out to E.2.Wusef Pasha and other villages in the vicinity, North of Kilo 40. This Squadron had orders to demand the return of the stolen arms. If arms not returned to arrest the leaders if discoverable. No trace could be found of the arms. The Headmen of 3 villages and Gaffirs were therefore arrested and escorted back to Zagazig. Several inhabitants of the village of Ez.1 BR.HAS.EL.TARZI.were particularly hostile. Squadron returned to Regtl.Headquarters about 0900.</p> <p>1700 Lieut Driscolls Troop (Mounted Squadron) proceeded to BILBEIS. Regiment took over protection of of Railway ABU EL AKDAR exclusive to ZAGAZIG inclusive. Posts each 10 all ranks each were placed along line approximately 1½ Kilos apart. Proclamation issued(copy attached) warning all inhabitant of ZAGAZIG they must not be inx the streets of ZAGAZIG between the hours of 2100 and 0430 unless in possession of a pass issued by the Military Authorities. Movements of inhabitants between villages an d towns between the hours of 1900 and 0500 was prohibited. Order received that an unlawful assembly of inhabitants was an assembly of more than 10. Firearms not to be used to disperse same unless absolutely necessary. 4 Officers 50 O/Ranks B.Sqdn and Lieut EDGERLYS' Party rejoined Regiment.</p> <p>0430 Lieut A.G.BURNS with one mounted Troop proceeded to MIT GHAMR to rescue Britishers there reported to be in danger.</p>	Appendix. 2.
<i>82</i>	21st	1100	<p>Disturbance occurred in ZAGAZIG. Lieut KILDEA with Mounted Troop proceeded to the MUDIRIA (Police Barracks). Lieut WAGGS Troop proceeded to Greek consulates. Lieut KILDEA'S Troop encountered large crowds of inhabitants who refused to disperse. He accordingly charged with swords drawn A native attempted to unhorse a member of the Patrol, another member of the Patrol went to his assistance when the native jumped into an adjoining canal, and failed to re-appear. Shortly after this incident a Gaffir (Native Policeman) pointed his rifle at a member of Lieut KILDEAS' Patrol in readiness to shoot . Another member of this Patrol quickly ran his sword through the Gaffir who escaped into some adjoining shops. Lieut WAGGS Troop encountered no opposition. The distur- bance soon died out both Troops returning to Camp about 1300. Regiment took over protection of Railway Line ABU AKDAR(exclusive) to ZAGAZIG(Exclusive) ZAGAZIG (exclusive) to BILBEIS ( exclusive) Regimental Distribution State copy attached. Two Mounted Troops patrolled streets of ZAGAZIG each for one hour during the night to enforce proclamation.</p>	Appendix. 3.

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21	22nd	2000	Population quiet, No disturbance reported. Lieut BURNS with Troop returned from MIT GHAMR. Copy of Patrol Report attached.	Appendix 4-
		1900	1 Ford Box Car and 1 Motor Cycle issued to Regiment.	
		0530	1 Mounted Troop Patrolled Railway Line to ABU EL AKDAR concentrating there, and returning to Bivouac in the early morning.	
22	23rd	1800	Lieut KILDEA with Mounted Troop moved to FAQUS. Lieut DRISCOLL with Mounted Troop returned from BILBEIS. Lieut AIKMAN returned from attachment DESCORPS CAMP . TRIPOLI.	
23	24th	0630	Lieut WAGG with 10 O/Ranks Mounted Squadron proceeded to FAQUS.	
		1430	Lieut KILDEA with Troop returned from FAQUS having rescued a few Greeks.	
24	25th	0530	Capt LUXMOORE.M.C. with 2 Troops from Mounted Squadron left to reconnoitre SIMBILLAWEIN .	
25	26th	2100	Lieut KILDEA 4 O/Ranks patrolled streets of ZAGAZIG. Mounted Squadron ordered out and proceeded to Railway Station ZAGAZIG. A large fire was observed in vicinity of Railway Station. A few minutes later orders were received for Mounted Squadron to proceed to Railway Station ZAGAZIG . All other available men to stand to. The main Railway Station Building ZAGAZIG was ablaze. Lieut/Colonel SCOTT proceeded by motor to the station and assumed command, Gangs were soon at work subduing the fire, and at about 2300, had extinguished the fire. Half of the main building was destroyed. Cause of the fire unknown. Divisional escort Troop returned. Capt LUXMOORE with two Mounted Troops returned from Reconnaissance of SIMBILLAWEIN. Copy of Patrol Report Attached. ( 27th.inst).	Appendix 5.
26	27th		Usual Routine.	
27	28th		Chap.Rev.R.C.TURNER returned from DAMASCUS Leave.	
28	29th		Lieut AIKMAN and 24 O/Ranks from "C" Squadron relieved the Gurkhas Guard at ABU EL AKDAR Station 10 O/Ranks B.Squadron relieved the 3rd M.G.S. personnel at No.4. XXX Post BILBEIS Line.	
29	30th	0900	Voluntary Church Services .	
30	31st		Usual Routine Situation quiet.	
			Summary of Fluctuations for month copy attached,	

*Handwritten signatures and initials: J. Scott, G. H. H. G.*

31st Strength as at 31st 250 of 399 O/Rs.

2353 Wt. W2514/1454 700,000 5/15 D. D. & L. A.D.S.S./Forms/C. 2118.

Appendix 6-



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9TH LIGHT HORSE REGIMENT.  
FOR  
MARCH. 1919.

LIST OF APPENDICES.

<u>NO.</u>	<u>SUBJECT.</u>
1.	SYLLABUS OF TRAINING.
2.	PROCLAMATION ISSUED.
3.	REGIMENTAL DISTRIBUTION STATE.
4.	Patrol REPORT.
5.	PATROL REPORT.
6.	SUMMARY OF FLUCTUATIONS.

ACTIVE SERVICE



To: Commanding Officers.  
 8th.L.H.Regiment. 3rd.L.H.Field Ambulance.  
 9th.L.H.Regiment. 3rd.Signal Troop.  
 10th.L.H.Regiment.

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3RD.LIGHT.HORSE BRIGADE. SYLLABUS OF TRAINING.W.E. 15/3/19.  
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Day of week	Hours.	Nature of work.	Remarks.
<u>REVEILLE.0630.Daily.</u>			
Monday. 10/3/19.	0700-0730. 0930-1030. 1030-1130.	Physical exercises. Troop Drill under Troop Officers. Squadron Drill.	To include Rifle exercises.
Tuesday. 11/3/19.	0700-0730. 0930-1030- 1030-1130.	Bayonet exercises. Troop drill. Squadron drill by Troop Officers.	Squadron Leaders to supervise.
Wednesday. 12/3/19.	0700-0730. 0930-1130.	Physical Exercises. Route March.	
Thursday. 13/3/19.	0700-0730. 0930-1030. 1030-1130.	Physical Exercises. Troop Drill. Squadron Drill.	
Friday. 14/3/19.	0700-0730. 0930-1130.	Bayonet Fighting. Route March.	
Saturday. 15/3/19.	1100.	C.O!'s Inspection.	

1400-2130.Daily Leave 10% allranks. Organized Games forremainder.

The Duty Regiment will thoroughly practice Guards and Sentries on the morning previous to their tour of duty.

DRESS. For early morning parades : Fatigue.dress.  
 For all other parades: Drill order.

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7/3/19. W.Palmer. Capt.  
 (Copy at Australian Mounted Division) Brigade Major, 3rd.L.H.Brigade.



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# ORDER UNDER MARTIAL LAW

No Person other than one holding a pass issued by Military Authorities will be in the streets of Zagazig between the hours of 9 p.m. & <sup>4.30 a.m.</sup> 5.30 a.m.

Any person so found will be immediately arrested.

By Order of the G. O. C. No 1 Section

W. B. ROBERTS L. COLONEL

Post Commandant

Zagazig

20 March 1919

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بمقتضى الاحكام العرفيه

كل شخص يتواجد بشوارع مدينة الزقازيق بين الساعة ٧ مساء و الساعة ٥ و نصف صباحا بدون تصريح من السلطة العسكرية يقبض عليه في الحال

بامر الجيرال فومندان القسم الاول  
و. ب. روبرتس

الزقازيق في ٢٠ مارس سنة ١٩١٩



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*appendix 2*

FROM THE BRITISH ARMY:-

To the Budirs, Omdars, Sheikhs, and inhabitants of the villiages.

Warning is given that if there should occur the least damage to Railway lines, Roads, Telegraph lines or other lines of communication the village in the boundaries of which ~~the~~ the damage occurs will be held responsible and will be obliged to pay compensation.

No inhabitant may leave his village after 7 p.m. and whoever approaches the Railway line after this hour will be shot.



BY ORDER

The commander in Chief.

## DISTRIBUTION, 9th.L.H.REGIMENT.

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ZAGAZIG-BIL-BEIS. ZAGAZIG-ABU AKDAR. AREA. 21/3/19

BIL-BEIS. O/FFS. O/RS. TOTAL. HORSES.

1. MOUNTED TROOP. Strength. 1 32 33 34.

## ZAGAZIG - BIL-BEIS. Railway Sector

O.C. Sector Major B.B. RAGLESS.

No.	Post.	Kilo.	3rd.M.G. Personnel.	O/FFS.	O/RS.	TOTAL.	HORSES.
No.1.	Post.	Kilo.61½.	}		10	10	
No.2.	"	" 60.			10	10	
No.3.	"	" 58½.		1	10	11	
No.4.	"	" 57½.			10	10	

~~BRIDGE OVER CANAL "S" OF ELASHMUT.~~

No.5.	Post.	Kilo.56.		1	10	11	
No.6.	"	" 54½.			10	10	
No.7.	" and Sqdn.H/Qrs.	BORDEIN about		2	18	20	
No.8.	Post.	Kilo.53.		1	10	11	
No.9.	"	" 51½.			10	10	
No.10.	"	" 50			10	10	
No.11.	"	" 48½.			10	10	
No.12.	"	" 47.			10	10	
No.12.	"	" 45½.		1	10	11	

TOTAL:- 6 128 134 52

## ZAGAZIG - ABU AKDAR. ISMAILIA Line.

O.C. Sector Capt. J.M. McDONALD. M.C.

NO.1.	Post.	Kilo.37 1/3		1	11	12	
No.2.	"	" 38 1/3			11	11X	
No.3.	" and Sqdn.H/Qrs.			1	13	14	
No.4.	Post.	Kilo.39½.		1	10	11	
No.5.	" 400yards West of AKDAR in touch with Ghurkas.				10	10	

TOTAL:- 3 55 58

## REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS &amp; 2 MOUNTED TROOPS.

NEAR PRISON BARRACKS ZAGAZIG.

Mounted.		4	72	76	78
Dismounted. Including S.Q.M. Sgts Sick in lines.		7	76	83	
1. Mounted Troop ZIFTA. Reconnaissance Expected to return afternoon 22nd inst		1	30	31	32

TOTAL:- 12 178 190 110

GRAND TOTAL:- 22 393 415 144.



*[Signature]*  
Lieut/Colonel.  
Commanding 9th L.H. Regiment.

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The Patrol left ZAGAZIG at 0515, 21/3/19 accompanied by the District Superintendent, and Traffic Superintendent of the Delta Light Railway Company. The Route lay via El-Qanayat, Miska and Dondit, it is a good Motor road, although rather narrow in places. The first and last named villages seemed very restless although ~~rather narrow in places~~ they committed no hostile acts. The Fellahin were working in the fields as usual and all made straight for the villages at the double on sighting the Patrol. The Telegraph Lines mostly interfered with are those belonging to the Delta Light Railway Company: their Railway Lines also have suffered considerably along this route. The Patrol reached the Light Railway Workshops on the East side of Mit Gamr at about 1200 on 21/3/19. Here were found a Loco-Superintendent (A Scotsman), an Englishman and his wife, and a Greek family, all connected with the Light Railway, also a British Officer and 18 Other Ranks, most of them K.A.S.C. men, and fitters employed on Military work in the Workshops. The British Officer reported a state of great unrest in and around Mit Gamr: native demonstrations of more or less hostile character were common. The natives had even gone to the extent of pulling three carriages from the workshops and totally destroying them (the carriages). Telegraph Lines and fences were also totally wrecked right up to the boundary of the workshops, on our arrival many Turkish Flags were pulled down in the Town. The Mamoor of the District who seems very friendly to the English seemed quite unable to control the people. The vigilance committee, comprised of leading men, also seemed to be well nigh powerless. There were many evidences of the uncontrolled mob. On the evening of 21/3/19 it was desired that the whole party should proceed to ZAGAZIG by train the following day. The train and this Patrol left Mit Gamr at 0900 22/3/19. As we left, Turkish flags were again ~~noticed~~ noticed flying in the Town. Our return route lay through SANTAMAI AULEILA, Diarb Negm & El-Qanayat. The first two villages seemed very hostile but a couple of revolver shots steepled them. From Kafr. El-Lebba to Ekwa the country seemed much ~~quieter~~, quieter, and the fellahin remained in the field working as we passed through at Diarb Negm we picked up a Greek family whose shops had been pillaged and burnt. At El-Qanayat where 7 lengths of Rails had been torn up I ~~ordered~~ ordered the Omdah to supply a working party of 60 men to pull the rails out of the canal where they been thrown. The train and the patrol arrived in ZAGAZIG at 1845: about 25 brakes in the line had been repaired. Undoubtedly what is needed in the district of Mit Gamr is a strong Force to lay down rules as to the behaviour of the people and have the necessary power to enforce obedience.

*Signed A S Burns*

Lieut.  
O/C. MIT GAMR PATROL.



PATROL REPORT.

APPENDIX 5

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Strength 3 Officers 60 Other Ranks of "A" Squadron 9th Light Horse Regiment.

Patrol left ZAGAZIG for SIMBELLAWAIN via EL-QANIAT at 0600 on 25/3/19.

At EL-QANIAT the natives crowded into the streets but were prevented from making any demonstration by the native police. Here no fresh damage was done to the Delta Light Railway since it had been repaired by the break down train a few days ago. The Omdah was interviewed and said the natives were now under control.

At BARNABAI the line had been freshly torn up for a quarter of a mile. The Omdah was sent for by messenger but refused to come until I sent Troops to bring him. A Native fired on Patrol here and ~~he~~ was subsequently shot, a revolver and double barrelled gun were taken from him. The Omdah was then made to bring natives and haul rails and sleepers out of Canal where they had been thrown. This work was being carried out when patrol left. A message was sent to Brigade suggesting that a Troop be sent out to see that this work was finished.

EKWA quiet. Railway was not damaged but telegraph cut.

At SAFT-ZERIEQ no damage was done to Railway, and telephone communication could be got to SIMBELLAWAIN. A halt was made here for lunch and the natives were quite quiet and peaceful.

DIARE NEGM was quiet police having complete control over natives.

One mile from SIMBELLAWAIN patrol was met by Omdah Markaz and four mounted Police and escorted ~~xxxx~~ through town with much ceremony to Irrigation Rest House which was put at our disposal. Picqueting rope and fuel was provided and the Mounted and dismounted Police Picquet placed in vicinity of Patrol to keep natives at a distance who showed an intense interest in the Troops. The order and discipline of this Town was splendid. The Greek inhabitants were paraded and asked questions regarding their treatment. None of their shops had been broken and none of them wished to leave the Town. The Delta Railway had not been damaged from EKWA to SIMBELLAWAIN.

ROAD. The road from ZAGAZIG to SIMBELLAWAIN is not metalled but has a good hard smooth surface fit for motor traffick and will take cavalry in sections of fours. No bridges are damaged.

Patrol left SIMBELLAWAIN for IBRAHIMIENH via KAFR - SAQR at 0630 on 26/3/19.

TERANIS quiet and orderly. Omdah interveiwed re damage to Telegraph, Railway not touched.

At ABU EL-SHEQUQ Railway is cut and bridge damaged also telegraph down. Omdah after much pressing produced list of names supposed to be implicated in damage to bridge and railway, list is attached herewith.

KAFR SAQR quiet, police having complete control. Bridge between this Town & SHEQUQ damaged, and line cut also another break near SAQR and 2 trucks derailed.

KUFUR NEGM The inhabitants here are quiet and seem very frightened. There every sleeper is taken from line and station destroyed. Omdah given 3 days in which to return sleepers and as much material as possible. Telegraph Post found in Omdah's House.

At IBRAHIMIENH everything was quiet. Flooring of large bridge removed and telegraph destroyed. Omdah given to 0700 27/3/19 to replace flooring of bridge. Natives worked all night at bridge and Troops sent in on morning of 27/3/19 report flooring completely restored. As this damage was all done last Market day I issued orders that the Market for the 27/3/19 be cancelled. The Omdah was to let this be known throughout the District, but this morning as a number of natives had come in with produce I allowed the market to be held. Patrol camped here the night. Patrol left for ZAGAZIG via HEMIA at 0700 on 27/3/19.

HEMIA was quiet and orderly. The Markaz of Polive interviewed. He reported everything quiet and very little damage done. I gave the Chief of Police orders to send four Mounted Troopers to IBRAHIMIENH to help the Police there in case any trouble occurred at the market. The State railway is cut in 3 places between HEMIA and ZAGAZIG.

ROADS. The road from SIMBELLAWAIN to IBRAHIMIENH is bad and very narrow in places. Impassable for motor traffic. The road IBRAHIMIENH to ZAGAZIG is good fit for motor traffic and will take cavalry in sections of fours.

I wish to mention the splendid services rendered by Mr NICHOLSON, Traffic Manager of Delta Light Railway who accompanied the Patrol, without whom information would have been extremely difficult ~~to~~ to obtain.

*Signer E. H. Luxmore*

Captain.

9th Light

FLUCTUATIONS FOR MARCH, 1919.

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	Offs.	O/Rs.	Totals.
Effective Strength. 1/3/19	26	374	400
" " 31/3/19	25	399	424

Increase.

Off O/Rs

Decrease.

Offs O/Rs

From Hosp.	35
" Aust Div. Trg. Regt. 2	50
" Sig. Erg. Regt.	8
" C.T.D.	15
" Cadet School 2	

To Hosp.	1
" "A" Details	
" Kits Stores	1
" C.T.D.	
" B.H.Q. Band.	
" Cairo.	
" Moascar	
" Attached	2
" Australia	1

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ANIMALS.

Increase.

Decrease

		Died.	1 Draught.
From Aust. Div.	9 rides.	33 Drgts.	28
" 8th. L.H.	2 "	To 8th. L.H.	11 rides
" Remounts.	146	" B.H.Q.	4
		4 Packs.	7
		Bilbeis	
		Vet. Hosp.	2
		8th 10th	4
		1 Pack.	

Receipts. 157 rides 33 Drhts. 4 Pcks. Issues 24 1.

Effective Strength. 1/3/19. Nil.  
 " " 31/3/19 133. Rides 3 Packs.  
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**WAR DIARY**

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Remarks and References to Appendices



*Johns Lt  
20/3/19*