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15th. Australian Light Horse Regiment.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BAALBEK SYRIA	December	a/m 1	Regimental Headquarters with A+B squadrons and Regt Transport.	
		a/m 2	Stationed in Villa Kavnam Hotel RASEIAIN NE of the town, and as the buildings and grounds were in a very dirty condition, the whole of the time between stables and grooming was taken up in putting the place in a sanitary condition.	
		a/m 3	Preparing old Turkish barns to accommodate all horses for the winter	
		a/m 4		
		a/m 5		
		a/m 6	By brigade orders Major DONOVAN with an escort of 20 men patrolled the villages of BRITAN and HURTALIE. Major GOLDENSTEDT seconded to administrative duties ZAHLE, Capt. DIXON, D.S.O. appointed O/O RAYAK detachment. Lieut. MOORE MC. TO MOLAKHA. Horses of A+B Coy and part of AA horses moved to stable already prepared. Remainder of AA horses housed in the stables of the Hotel, it was deemed necessary to put the horses under cover owing to intense cold and wet weather having set in.	
		a/m 7	Lieut. ROBSON who had been on detached duty returned with 29 reinforcements.	
		a/m 8	Weather still wet and cold. Lieut. ROBSON with 20 ORs and 25 horses proceeded to RAYAK.	
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BAALBEK SYRIA	December 9	9 a/m	not	
	10	a/m	Lieut. VENESS and 4 O/R went on short leave in Egypt - the COUSINS of RAYAK Detachment while returning with despatches received from the dispatch rider from BAALBEK was fired on from the village of NABEY ALIER one horse and one mule stolen from the stables by native robbers, this necessitated doubling the stable guard in order to prevent further robbery.	
	11	a/m	not	
	12	a/m	Lieut. BICKFORD with 22 O/R visited NABEY ALIER the village from which the dispatch rider was fired on, to make investigations but only found some rifle ammunition.	
	13	a/m	Camp Routine	
	14	a/m	Lieut. SMILES with an escort of 8 O/R went to the village of HAETH to obtain grain	
	15	a/m	Lieut. SMILES who had been on detached duty at M. TRIPOLI, returned to duty	
	16	a/m	Lieut. BUCHANAN who had been on detached duty at M. TRIPOLI, returned to duty	
	17	a/m	Brigade Sports	
	18	a/m	an escort of 20 O/R under Lieut. BUCHANAN attended the COC on his official visit to the Muskars of the District	
	19	a/m	Camp Routine	
	20	a/m	troops issued with compasses, among large supply having been received from Australia	
	21	a/m		
	22	a/m		
	23	a/m		
	24	a/m		

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BARLBK SYRIA	25		Buzade spots General Camp Routine	
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