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of

8th.LIGHT HORSE REGIMENT. A.I.F.

for

A P R I L 1919



G. J. Dale

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Commanding, 8th.L.H.Regt.

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Lieutenant,
Compiling Officer, 8th.L.H.Regt.



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
MINET el GAMH.	April 1st.		<p>Regimental Orderly Officer Lieut V.J.Dorman. Major Y.H.Walker.M.C. 20 Officers and 95, Other Ranks, mounted proceeded to MIT GHAMR on command and come under orders of G.O.C. ZAGAZIG. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength 29. Officers 512, Other Ranks <i>J.P.</i></p>	
"	2nd		<p>Regimental Orderly Officer 2/Lieut: J.E.Chapman.D.C.M. Capt. T.S.Austin and two troops relieved at SHIBLANGA by LEISCHESTER Regt. and returned to Head Quarters MINET el GAMH. Sub-sector now held by Regt ZAGAZIG exclusive SHIBLANGA exclusive. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength. 29. Officers 513, Other ranks. <i>J.P.</i></p>	
"	3rd		<p>Regimental Orderly Officer 2/Lieut: V.J.Dorman. F.G.C.M. composed as under assembled at Regimental Headquarters for the purpose of trying by F.G.C.M. such persons as may be brought before them:- President:- Major C.Bleechmore. 9th L.H.Regt. Members :- Capt H.McDonald. 10th.L.H.Regt. Lieut L.Lawry. 3rd.M.G.Sqdn.</p> <p>Lieut: Lunn. and one troop returned to Regiment from ZAGAZIG . From 2400 the Regiment came under the command of G.O.C. BILBIES. Owing to expected disturbances all leave to Villages cancelled for the 3rd & 4th instants. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength 29, Officers 513. Other ranks. <i>J.P.</i></p>	F
"	4th.		<p>Regimental Orderly Officer. Lieut C.F.Newman. Lieut C.Streeter. and one troop on command returned to Headquarters MINET el GAMH. One officer and 20, Other ranks patrolled villages seven miles SOUTH WEST. One Native taken prisoner who had stolen a rifle. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength 29, Officers 513, Other ranks. <i>J.P.</i></p>	2



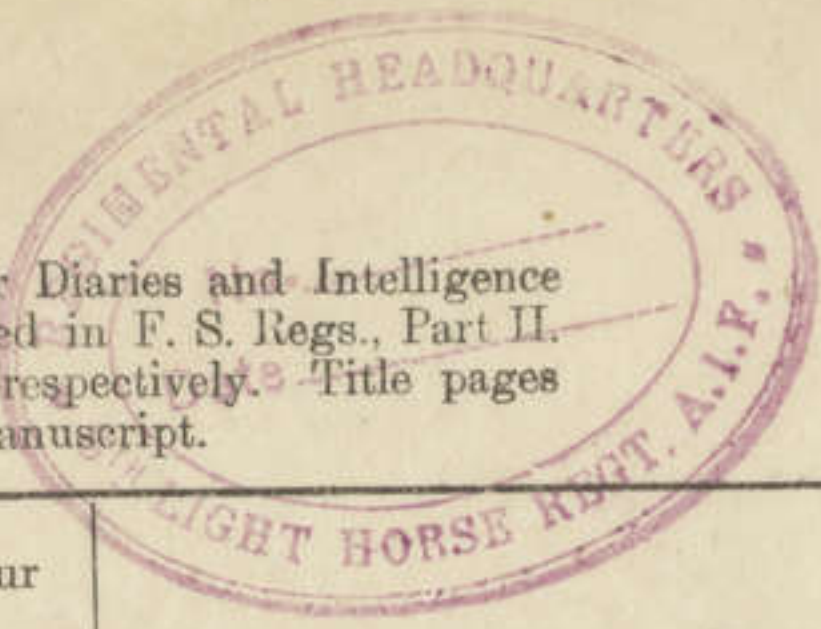
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MINET el GAMH	April 5th.		Regimental Orderly Officer. 2/Lieut: C.Chapman.D.C.M. Mounted patrols visited villages 6 miles south, natives appearwd friendly. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength 29.Officers 513,Other ranks. Lieut M.L.Mitchell. returned from hospital and is taken on strength. <i>L.P.</i>	
"	6th		Regimental Orderly Officer.Lieut M.L.Mitchell. Major Y.H.Walker.M.C.***** and two troops returned from MIT GAMR. Situation Quiet. Mass was celebrated at Regtl. Hd. Qrs. at 0700. Effective Strength. 29.Officers. 513,Other ranks. <i>L.P.</i>	
"	7th.		Regimental Orderly Officer.Lieut:A.H.Currington.D.C.M. Mounted Patrols Visited Villages 6.miles SOUTH.EAST. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength.30.Officers. 514,Other ranks. <i>L.P.</i>	
"	8th.		Regimental Orderly Officer.2/Lieut:V.J.Dorman. Cricket match was played on the Regimental Cricket ground Officers versus Other ranks resulting in a win by two runs for the other ranks. Three Officers and 72.Other ranks proceeded mounted to BILBES.on command. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength.30.Officers 514,Other ranks. <i>L.P.</i>	
"	9th.		Regimental Orderly Officer.Lieut:C.Streeter. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength.30.Officers 514,Other ranks. <i>L.P.</i>	
"	10th.		Regimental Orderly Officer.Lieut.C.F.Newman. 24. Other ranks marched in from details and are taken on strength. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength.30.officers 514,Other ranks. <i>L.P.</i>	



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MINET el GAMH.	April. 11th.		<p>Regimental Orderly Officer. Lieut M.L. Mitchell. Mounted Patrols Visited Villages 12, miles SOUTH EAST. natives appeared friendly. Officers versus N.C.Os at cicket, resulting in an easy win for the Officers. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength. 30, Officers 523, Other ranks. <i>AP.</i></p>	
2	12th.		<p>Regimental Orderly Officer. 2/Lieut V.J. Dorman. Large demonstration was held by the natives, about 20000 marched through the streets and was in order until one Ghaffir accidentally shot himself, The Ghaffirs thinking their comrade had been shot from a Greeks house immediately turned their fire in that direction. Our troops soon restored order, but not until through inaccurate shooting the Ghaffirs had wounded several of their comrades. Mass was celebrated at 0700 at Regimental Headquarters Situation Quiet. Effective Strength 30, Officers. 536, Other ranks. <i>AP.</i></p>	
"	13th.		<p>Regimental Orderly Officer. 2/Lieut J.E. Chapman. D.C.M. Mass was celebrated at 0700. at Regimental Headquarters. Mounted patrols visited Villages six miles SOUTH. and found all in order. Cicket A. Squadron. Versus B. Squadron. resulting in an easy win for A. Squadron. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength. 30, Officers 538, Other ranks. <i>AP.</i></p>	
"	14th.		<p>Regimental Orderly Officer. Lieut: C.F. Newman. Promotions. To be Lieutenants:- 2/Lieut. A.D. Callow. 2/Lieut. L. Julian. M.M. Mounted Patrols Visited vilages 10. miles EAST MINET el GAMH. Natives appeared friendly. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength 30. Officers 542, Other ranks. Capts McGrath and Mc Credie and Lieut Newman proceeded to Cairo on leave. <i>AP.</i></p>	
"	15th		<p>Regimental Orderly Officer. Lieut. M.L. Mitchell. Mounted Patrols visited Villages 8. miles SOUTH WEST MINET el GAMH. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength. 30, Officers 539, Other ranks. <i>AP.</i></p>	4



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MINET el Gamh.	April. 16th.		Regimental Orderly Officer. 2/Lieut. J.E. Chapman. D.CE. Capts MC. Grath. McCREIDIE. and Lieut C.F. Newman. returned from Giro. Mounted Patrols visited Villages 8.miles SOUTH EAST. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength. 30. Officers 538, Other ranks. <i>J.P.</i>																									
"	17th.		Regimental Orderly Officer. 2/ Lieut .V.J. Derman. Major H.J. Shannon. D.S.O. on command to Military Court ZAGAZIG. Mounted Patrols visited Villages 12.miles S. SOUTH EAST. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength. 30 Officers 540 Other ranks. <i>J.P.</i>																									
"	18th.		Regimental Orderly Officer. Lieut C.F. Newman. Cricket. Officers versus Other ranks. Mounted Patrols ? Visited Villages 8 Miles NORTH EAST. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength. 30, Officers 540, Other ranks. <i>J.P.</i>																									
"	19th.		Regimental Orderly Officer. 2/lieut. V.J. Derman. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength. 30, Officers 533 Other ranks.																									
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"	21st.		Regimental Orderly Officer. 2/Lieut. J.E. Chapman. D.C.M. On account of the Arabic Festival of SHEM el NESSM. reveille was at 0430. Mounted Patrols visited Villages 8, miles SOUTH WEST. and found all in order. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength. 30. OFFICERS. 532, Other ranks. <i>AP</i>																						
"	23rd.		Regimental Orderly Officer. Lieut. C.F. Newman. Mounted Patrols visited Villages 7, miles SOUTH EAST. The detail of Officers mentioned below assembled at Headquarters 9th. L.H. Regt for the purpose of trying by F.G.C.M. the undermentioned accused persons, and such other persons as may be brought before them:- <table data-bbox="900 1083 2487 1379"> <tr> <td>President.</td> <td>Major H.B. HAMLIN</td> <td>10th. L.H. Regiment.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Members</td> <td>Capt. J.M. McDONALD.</td> <td>9th. L.H. "</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Lieut R.F. MANN.</td> <td>8th. L.H. "</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Waiting Member.</td> <td>Lieut A.G. Burns.</td> <td>9th. L.H. 2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Accused Persons.</td> <td>No. 3386. Tpr. Myer Bell.</td> <td>8th. L.H. "</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>No. 1793 " Ernest James Beard.</td> <td>8th. L.H. Regiment.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Prosecutor.</td> <td>Capt T.S. AUSTIN.</td> <td>8th. L.H. Regiment.</td> </tr> </table> Situation Quiet. Effective Strength. 30 Officers, 532, Other ranks. <i>AP</i>	President.	Major H.B. HAMLIN	10th. L.H. Regiment.	Members	Capt. J.M. McDONALD.	9th. L.H. "		Lieut R.F. MANN.	8th. L.H. "	Waiting Member.	Lieut A.G. Burns.	9th. L.H. 2	Accused Persons.	No. 3386. Tpr. Myer Bell.	8th. L.H. "		No. 1793 " Ernest James Beard.	8th. L.H. Regiment.	Prosecutor.	Capt T.S. AUSTIN.	8th. L.H. Regiment.	
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"	23rd.		Regimental Orderly Officer. Lieut M.L. Mitchell. Marched in and taken on strength from hospital and Details 18, Other ranks. Mounted Patrols visited Villages 10, miles NORTH. EAST, Situation Quiet. Effective strength. 30, Officers 543, Other ranks. <i>AP</i>																						

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"	25th.		Regimental Orderly Officer, Lieut C. F. Newman. Mounted Patrols visited Villages 12, miles NORTH EAST. Situation QUIET. Effective strength, 30; Officers 539, Other ranks. <i>LD</i>	
"	26th.		Regimental Orderly Officers Lieut M. L. Mitchell. Confessions were taken at R.H.Q. 1900. Regimental Cricket Competition: 1st. Round A Sqdn v B Sqdn. resulting in a win for A. Sqdn. Official Umpires:- Lieut. Bryant. Sgt Williams. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength. 30, Officers 540, Other ranks. Major Y. H. Walker. M.C. left for A? Details prior to embarking for Australia. <i>LD</i>	
"	27th.		Regimental Orderly Officer. Lieut. V. J. Dorman. Mass was celebrated R.H.Q. at 0645, Situation Quiet. Effective strength. 29, Officers 536, Other ranks <i>LD</i>	
"	28th.		Regimental Orderly Officer. 2/Lieut J. E. Chapman. D.C.M. Situation Quiet. Mounted Patrols visited Villages 8, Miles EAST. Cricket 1, st Round B, Sqdn v R.H.Qrs. easy win for R.H.Qrs. Effective Strength. 29 Officers 537, Other ranks <i>LD</i>	



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"	30th.		Regimental Orderly Officer Lieut: V.J. Dorman. Mounted Patrols visited Villages 10, Miles S/SOUTH EAST. Lieut: L. Julian evacuated to 3rd. L.H. Field Ambulance. Situation Quiet. Effective Strength, 29 Officers 531 Other ranks.	

F. J. Daley
Lt. Col.
Co. 8th Light Horse Regiment

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T. G. Daly Lieut. Col.
C.O., 8th. L.H. Regt. A.I.F.



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SUMMARY OF STRENGTH

8th.L.H.REGT

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Opening Strength.

29 Offrs.

513 o/rs

Marched in:-

Ex Hospital.
On Transfer.

1. 30
1. 48

2 Offrs.

78 o/rs

31 Offrs

591 o/rs

Marched out:-

To Hospital.
On Transfer.

1 48
1 9

1 Off.

57 o/rs.

Closing Strength.

30 Offrs.

534 o/rs.

AVERAGE EFFECTIVE STRENGTH FOR APRIL.

Officers.
O/ranks.

29. 73
529. 31

Capt/Adj. .
8th.L.H.Regiment.A.I.F.





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To Headquarters
234 Infantry Brigade,
ZAGAZIG.

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DISPOSITION OF TROOPS

MINET EL GAMH Sub-sector 2000 April 26th. 1919

Post No.	Kilo.	Strength		Remarks.
		Offs.	O/Rks.	
1.	13		12	
2.	14 $\frac{1}{2}$		15	
3.	16	2	13	MIT YAZID Station.
4.	16 $\frac{1}{4}$		10	
Headquarters.	18			MINET EL GAMH.
Mounted.		3	72	
Dismounted.		11	177	(includes 2 - 20 attached sundry personnel, A.A.M.C. etc.)
Attached M.Gun.		1	13	
5.	19		14	
6.	21		14	
7.	23	2	29	GODAEIDA.
8.	26		13	
9.	29	3	29	ZANKALUN.
10.	30		14	
11.	33		14	

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