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Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,
1914-18 War

Supplies & Transport

Item number: 25/14/8

Title: 1st Australian Divisional Train

June 1915 Including diary of Major F H Francis, No
4 Coy



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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
3-6-'15	Amzac	Invalided with sprained back	
to		and sent to Alexandria -	
-	T. H.	Capt. Henley left in Command	
30-6-'15		with Lt Savage as acting Adjutant.	
		Capt Henley carried on this diary till my return -	

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Date. 1915.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
6. June	Iraqi	Trailer No 340 arrived with portable stores Lt. G. A. Pike in charge. Stores allotted by Army Corps half to each Division. Each unit sent ^a representative in person.	
10	Sulawesi Capt. H. H. H. H. H.	Lt. G. A. Pike left for Alexandria with proceeds of canteen.	
16		B Depot heavily shelled. Lot of stores damaged.	
19		Canteen stores arrived & sold on track at Suva in charge.	
22		Water lighter pierced by shell & sunk. Got water from N.Z. Depot to supply the troops	

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1915 June 25	Tringa	10m	Beach heavily shelled. One 4 1/2" shell hit store damaged quantity of stores.	
29	Submarine Cable Station		Sea very rough. Beach swept by seas, great difficulty with transport owing to narrow beach. Lighter of stores broke away & went ashore & damaged stores. Piers, boats & washed away	

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Diary of Maj F H Francis,
No 4 Coy, AASC

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~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices															
1915.																			
June 5th. Sat.			<p>Shifted camp further W. Placed in charge of 3rd Bde. Details as follows :-</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">Off.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">O.R.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Total</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Horses.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>H.Qs. 3rd Inf. Bde.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">21.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">22.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">32.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>9th Bn. Detls.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">24.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">25.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">63.</td> </tr> </table>		Off.	O.R.	Total	Horses.	H.Qs. 3rd Inf. Bde.	1.	21.	22.	32.	9th Bn. Detls.	1.	24.	25.	63.	<p>21 R 11 D. 14 R 49 D.</p>
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1918 Sat June 5 th	MEX.	10 th Bn. Details	Off 2	OR 49	Total 58	Home 33	14R 19D
		11 th " "	2	30	32	62	14R 48-D
		12 th Bn.	1	39	40	59	18R 28 D 18P
		1 st Lt. Bde HQs.	1	14	15	50	38R 12D
		4 th a.s.b.	2	106	108	189	13R 116D
		Totals	10	283	293	428	
		Officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Francis 4th a.s.b. 1st Lee 9th Bn. 1st Harcombe 10th Bn. 1st Wall " " 1st Priestley 11th " " 1st McKennon 11th " " 1st Mullins 12th " " 1st Belcher 1st Lt. Bde HQs 1st Nison 4th a.s.b. 1st Baker (rel. off) 4th Bde HQs 				


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1915 Nov 20	Mex A. for	<p>Trapi Matson Director Remounts, came & inspected horses of 3rd Bde. Made general charges against all & sundry of neglecting horses, because they were poor. Capt Baker A.A.V.C. especially came in for blame, although the poor chap has only been in charge of them (like myself), since 6-6-15, & notwithstanding that on 8-6-15, both Baker & myself, seeing horses were poor, went carefully into the matter. We found that they had not been getting full feed from supply depot, as bales of Dries, supposed to weigh 180 lb was found to be only 120 lb, & bags of</p>	



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1915 June to May		braw, supposed to run to 120%, only went 65/70%. This reported in writing, & the idea was scouted by Camp Comm, but eventually acknowledges to be correct, for today, weights was reduced by Suppl officer, & we got some- thing approaching the proper pattern. The Suppl officer, & ourselves, having no scales took contractor's weights, & protest as far as we were concerned, was met with rejoinder, that those were the weights given us, & that's all you will get. Malson directly charges Mullins (12 th) & Baker (Wal ² officer) in front of D.P. with neglect,	

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1915 Thursday 10th Mex		a change I will take up warmly - the idea was that other brigades horses were in good condition & considered to be the same, no account of re-iteration of the fact that the 3rd Bde horses had been on board ship twice as long as other horses in the B. F. had had climatic changes that other horses had not had, & had several changes of food & location (the latter by being shung about 4 times) which other horses had not had.	
Friday 13th	MEX 1015 am	Inspection of horses by Camp Comd. Major Jones, & A.D.S. by Mr. Nelson. Horses declared satisfactory	

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