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1st A.I.F.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	Jan 1 & 2	- 16	On transport "Grampian" en route to Alexandria.	
	3-1	- 16	Arrived Alexandria. Entrained for Tel-el-Kebir.	
	4-1	- 16	Arrived Tel-el-Kebir. All details of the Brigade with the exception of one Section made up from the Brigade in camp and details at Alexandria superintending the disembarkation of guns and vehicles. Col. Christian resumes command, and Major King resumes command of 3rd Battery.	
	Jan 5 to Jan 31	- 1916	Battery training (all branches) commencing from elementary recruits drill and progressing in stages to Battery Manoeuvres.	
	Jan 14		Rehearsal parade held near the lines of Arabi Pashas defence works for the inspection of the troops by General Sir A Murray tomorrow.	
	Jan 15		Inspection by General Murray of the whole A.I.F. encamped at Tel-el-Kebir. Guns and all vehicles on parade as far as the amount of equipment would allow. Remainder of the men dismounted. A march past was held at the close of the inspection.	
	Jan 17		A class of instruction for signallers and telephonists formed in accordance with the following. B.H.Q. I Off. 12 OR - 1st Bty I Off 23 ORs 2nd Bty I Off 23 ORs - 3rd Bty I Off 23 ORs - 1st BAC I Off 23 ORs. Hours of parade 0630 - 0730, 0900-1200, 1400-1600 Battery manoeuvre commenced, necessary changes of equipment made in order to allow each Battery 2 days at Battery manoeuvre per week.	
	Jan 26		The following postings and transfers were made - Major Lucas from 1st DAC to command 1st Bty, Major Thompson from 1st Bty to 1st DAC. Capt Richardson from 2nd BAC to command 1st BAC. Capt Kingsmill from 1st BAC to 3rd Bty.	
	Jan 28		A mounted picquet of 1 Officer two N.C.Os and 18 men detailed for police duty at El Querin village, commencing with the 2nd Bty and following by Units every three (3) days.	
	Jan 29		All base kits returned to the store.	