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Ordnance

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November 1914



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| I 3 | Place and Time. | | Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached. |
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| 15 th Nov | Colombo | <p>There was also a shortage (or rather a loss through fair wear & tear) of halters on two transports. Purchase was effected at Albany but no opportunity afforded of issuing to the SOUTHERN. In accordance with instructions I presented as how to arrange for a supply if possible of Army Groom Hooks as well as active service & also of various stores. The main items asked for were halters, Government mauling & hurricane lamps. In future occasions these might with advantage be supplied in anticipation prior to embarkation. Mauling hammers not very quickly & the lamps get broken & hooks very quickly. Halters</p> | |

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| Dt | Place and Time. | | Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached. |
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| 16 th Nov | Cherms | <p>in large numbers are usually maintained & the best that can be done is to supply what come from & getting for the soldiers to make up. Asst Coy I met Major C.A. FISHER, Coy Cyclist & thanks to his courtesy I was put into the way of obtaining my requirements. With the assistance of S. Q. R. S. RICE, Army Ordnance Corps the matts & lamps, etc etc were purchased from the authority local contractor for Army stores. I arranged with Major Fisher to take the stores on charge in his account in the usual manner & hereby the War Office of the transaction.</p> | |

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| D | Place and Time. | | Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached. |
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| | | <p>In App 10 I show the stores supplied. No great difficulty was encountered in maintaining the stores, the only complication lay in the fact that as soon as the bulk had been completed another was received. It would be well to look ahead & let their requirements be known provision is a simple matter. Distribution was effected to the various transports between 11pm & 6.0 am of 16th - 17th Nov. The state of the sea in many cases rendered it undesirable to make any attempt to go on board. I have therefore no receipts & have made issue from my lists on a certified voucher.</p> | |

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| Date | Place & Unit | | Remarks or references to Appendices or attached |
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| 30 Nov ¹⁹¹⁴ | | Arrived at SUEZ. By order of A.D.C. proceeded to CAIRO arriving 11 p.m. (Original of above entry will be found on page 1 of diary for month of December 1914 and bound with that month.) | |

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 Sir
 Liam Watson, A.I.F. App II
 Transport A 3
 "Orvieto"
 2/11/14

Received from Major Austin
 the sum of One hundred and
 thirty-three pounds ten shillings
 and ten and Postcards to the
 value of fifteen pounds
 nine shillings + two pence.

Cash £133. 10. 10
 Cards 16. 9. 2

 £150. 0. 0

J. J. G. Ward
 Field Cashier
 2/11/14

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Appendix III

Appendix No 3

Diary of stores. A.I.F.

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Stores obtained in Colombo for issue to various transports.

D.A.Q.M.G.

In accordance with instructions I have to report that I obtained from the C.O.O., Ceylon, the stores in the attached list "A".

These stores were distributed to the various transport as per list "B" between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. of the 16th-17th instant.

Major,
D.A.D.O.S.,
Australian Imperial Force.
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ISSUE VOUCHER.

RECEIPT VOUCHER. 31

† 1914 15 Account.

† Account.

Station ColomboNo. 21 Dated 16/11/14

No. Dated

† To be filled in by the Accountants issuing and drawing the Stores respectively.

Issued by D.A. D.O.S., A.I.TTo Troopships as per attached listNo. and Date of Order Issue Order 600 Beylon 16/11/14

| Ledger Folio. | DESCRIPTION OF STORES. | * Total No. | S. | R. | U. |
|---------------|----------------------------------|-------------|----|----|----|
| 47 | Lamps, hurricane, complete | 12 | | | |
| 47 | " " globes | 48 | | | |
| 45 | Kerosene, gallons | 64 | | | |
| 45 | Disinfectant, Jeyes, gallons | 10 | | | |
| 39 | Rope, manilla, 2 1/4 in coils | 2 | | | |
| | " " 1 1/2 " " | 2 | | | |
| | " " 1 " " | 2 | | | |
| 45 | Soap, yellow bars lbs. | 100 | | | |
| 45 | Wick lamp, 5/8 yards | 12 | | | |
| 54 | Matting, cocoanut, yards | 1100 | | | |
| 38 | Sacks, 3/4 in, lbs | 7 | | | |
| | " " " " | 3 | | | |
| 46 | nails, wire I G 1 1/2 in lbs | 7 | | | |
| 10 | Web jute 2 in yards | 400 | | | |
| 39 | boardage, cotton, 1 1/4 in fthms | 440 | | | |
| | " " " " | 320 | | | |
| 54 | Paper, latrine, packages | 200 | | | |

* This column should be filled in (and not those headed S., R., and U.) by Officers when returning Stores.