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WAR DIARY IN CONNECTION WITH ORDNANCE SERVICES FOR THE A. & N. Z. MOUNTED DIVISION, FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1918.

Entry No. 1. d/1/3/18. - Stores advised, E.543, Bir Salem, ex Kantara. 16 Wheelers and Fitters report from N.Z.M.R. Bde, to I.O.M., 38th. O.M. Workshops, Ramleh, to work on Wagons of the Division. - The shortage of Headropes becoming serious, over 2,500 due on Indent, also Identity Discs. These facts were reported to A.D.O.S., D.M.C., in response to his P.L./433, in the following wire - "Headropes, 1350 outstanding. Picketing Ropes 600 outstanding. Now required 2225 Headropes, 1650 Picketing, also 3,000 Mose Bags, and Horse Shoes sizes, 3 & 4. Bulk Demand ANZ.1544, submitted yesterday" (Q.O.1033) Principal demands on ANZ.1544, d/1/3/18, in addition to above were 1966 lbs. Dubbing, 800 Bars Soap, 2,500 prs H/Shoes, demands for clothing were very small, 1500 Shirts and 1200 socks being the only large demand. The demand on Kantara for stores not supplied on Deir Seneid-ANZ.1543, d/1/3/18 - required 600 prs Boots chiefly S/7, (200 prs), S/8-(100) S/6 (160) - Australian Patt. Breeches 860 prs, Discs 650, Hats 500 chiefly small sizes, and 160 Great coats - For comparison of Bulk Demands for the month, vide Appendix "A" - In regard to Discs the following information was submitted to A.D.O.S., D.M.C.,

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DISCS IDENTITY RED.-	26/1/18.		2/2/18.		9/2/18.		16/2/18.		23/2/18.	
	Issued.	Due.	Issued.	Due.	Issued.	Due.	Issued.	Due.	Issued.	Due.
1st. A.L.H. Bde.	48	-	-	-	-	150	100	50	50	-
2nd. A.L.H. Bde.	41	-	-	-	-	142	-	142	142	-
N.Z.M.R. Bde.	44	75	-	50	-	80	-	80	80	-
Div'l. Units.	-	-	-	203	-	203	-	203	-	203
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DISC IDENTITY GREEN.-										
1st. A.L.H. Bde.	34	12	-	12	-	135	-	155	155	-
2nd. A.L.H. Bde.	12	-	-	-	-	142	-	142	142	-
N.Z.M.R. Bde.	50	180	180	-	-	50	-	50	50	-
Div'l. Units.	-	-	-	157	-	157	-	157	-	157

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Total due on demand by Units on the 23/2/18 - Red 203, Green 157. At the same date demands on Kantara were for 400 Red, and 350 Green. But on the 26/2/18, the following figures were reported short by the Brigades, 1st. A.L.H. Bde Red 447, Green 738 (subsequently reduced) - 2nd. A.L.H. Bde, Red 101, Green 157. - N.Z.M.R. Bde, Red 34, Green 29 - Div'l Units, Red 214, Green 253. Total required Red 796, Green 1177. (Issued 12/3/18) - In view of the facts that the Brigades did not demand and can therefore be considered to have been complete in this equipment at the end of January, it would appear in the great majority of cases the Discs must have been lost, and the deficiency should be accounted for.

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Entry No. 2. d/2/3/18. - Wire received from 1st. A.L.H. Brigade hastening Discs Identity and size 3 & 4 H/Shoes. One Limber from 1st. Signal Troop reported abandoned during operations and replaced from Ramleh. Dump moved from Ramleh to Ludd, 300 yds. East of the Turkish Railway, and a few yds South of the Main Supplies Road. The Depot not being opened, and the roads every way incomplete, proximity to the Turkish Line seemed to offer the only advantage in the selection of a site which in any case must be of a temporary nature. 8 Wagon Loads of stores removed. Tpr. Pepper reported to Ludd from Jerusalem. A.D.O.S., D.M.C., enquiring regarding the disposal of 40 sets C.P. Saddlery issued on loan to the Division for Remounts in October, 1917, at SHELLAL (O.M./93, d/27/2/18). It was replied that these were issued to remounts but that no check could be kept as their actual disposal, remounts being sent indiscriminately to Units, but all saddlery other than Universal Pattern was returned after operations to A.O.D. Transfer of Tpr. Fisher G.M. from 6th. L.H. Regt. (Regt'l. No. 1468) to A.A.O.C., approved. (A.A.G., A.I.F., 171/311 d/28/2/18). Corps Order 26, paras 71 to 72 issued. - Para 71, Box Respirators Question of further issue under consideration by G.H.Q., no further demand to be submitted (D.O.S O.C./4582, d/27/2/18) Para 72.- Horse Clipping Machines, all power and hand clipping machines less 2% of the latter be

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In regard to Discs the following information was submitted to A.D.O.S., B.H.C., the month, vide Appendix "A" -

WEEK ENDING :-	25/2/18		26/2/18		27/2/18		28/2/18		29/2/18		30/2/18	
	Issued	Due	Issued	Due	Issued	Due	Issued	Due	Issued	Due	Issued	Due
1st A.I.H. Bde.	48	-	100	150	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2nd A.I.H. Bde.	41	-	142	142	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3rd A.I.H. Bde.	44	75	80	80	203	203	203	203	203	203	203	203
Div. I. Units	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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1st A.I.H. Bde.	34	12	152	152	152	152	152	152	152	152	152	152
2nd A.I.H. Bde.	12	-	142	142	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3rd A.I.H. Bde.	50	180	50	50	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180
Div. I. Units	-	-	152	152	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Total due on demand by Units on the 25/2/18 - Red 205, Green 157. At the same date demands on Kantars were for 400 Red, and 550 Green. But on the 26/2/18, the following figures were reported short by the Brigades, 1st A.I.H. Bde, Red 447, Green 758 (subsequently reduced) - 2nd A.I.H. Bde, Red 101, Green 157 - 3rd A.I.H. Bde, Red 34, Green 29 - Div. I Units, Red 214, Green 253. Total required Red 706, Green 1177. (Issued 12/2/18) - In view of the fact that the Brigades did not demand and can therefore be considered to have been complete in this equipment at the end of January, it would appear in the great majority of cases the Discs must have been lost, and the deficiency should be accounted for.

Entry No. 2, 2/2/18 - Wire received from 1st A.I.H. Brigade pasterning Discs Identity and size 3 & 4 shoes. One Disc from 1st A.I.H. Bde reported abandoned during operations and replaced from Hamish. Dump moved from Hamish to Judd. 500 yds East of the Turkish Railway, and a few yds South of the Main Supplies Road. The Depot not being opened, and the roads every way incomplete, proximity to the Turkish line seemed to offer the only advantage in the selection of a site which in any case must be of a temporary nature. 3 Wagon loads of stores removed. Mr. Popper reported to LUD from Jerusalem. A.D.O.S., B.H.C., enquiring regarding the disposal of 40 sets C.P. Saddlebags issued on loan to the Division for remounts in October, 1917, at SHALIM (O.M. 195, 2/2/18). It was replied that these were issued to remounts but that no check could be kept as their actual disposal, remounts being sent indiscriminately to Units, but all saddlebags other than Universal Pattern was returned after operations to A.D.O.S. Transfer of Mr. Fisher G.M. from 6th L.H. Regt. (Regt. No. 148) to A.A.G. approved. (A.A.G. A.I.F., 17/2/18) Gorge Order 30, para 71 to 72 issued. Box Respirator Question of further issue under consideration by G.H.Q., no further demand to be submitted (D.O.S. Para 72 - Horse Clipping Machines, all power and hand clipping machines less 2 of the latter be O.C. 4582, 2/2/18)

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Entry No.2. (Continued) - returned to A.O.D. at once. (G.R.O.3581 d/26/2/18).

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Entry No.3. d/3/3/18. - Signal Squadron instructed to send Vehicles for repair including Cable Wagon to 58th.O.M.W., AMWAS. The following vehicles were reported on 1/3/18, as requiring repair- G.S.Wagons 11 (1st.A.L.H.Bde.8. 2nd.A.L.H.Bde 1. N.Z.M.R.Bde.1., Divisional Units 1.) G.S.Limbers 54½. (1st.A.L.H.Bde.26., 2nd.A.L.H.Bde.1. N.Z.M.R.Bde.18½. Div'l Units.9) Water Carts 7. (1st.A.L.H.Bde.2., 2nd.A.L.H.Bde.-. N.Z.M.R.Bde.2., Div'l Units.3.) Ambulance Wagons 7. (1st.A.L.H.Bde.4., 2nd.A.L.H.Bde.-., N.Z.M.R.Bde.3., Div'l Units.-.) Other vehicles 8. (1st.A.L.H.Bde.2., Div'l Units.6.) Total vehicles requiring repair 87½. For numbers of Vehicles repaired in Ordnance Workshops during the month Vide APPENDIX "B". Corps Order 27, paras 73 to 76 issued.- para 73- Payment Issues moved from Junction to Jerusalem. Para 74.- Re-grouping of Sections at Kantara. Para 75.- Fanatis. Attention called to Corps Order 55, re the return of 15 Gall. Fanatis. Para 76.- Transfers etc, 1468. Tpr Fisher G.M., 6th.L.H.Reg. to A.A.O.C.

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Entry No.4. d/4/3/18. - 13 Signalling Panels for Air-craft contact patrol work again required by Units and demanded by wire from Kantara (Q.O.1038 d/5/3/18.) Originally supplied in October prior to the Beer Sheba operations they were recalled from use immediately after issue and instructions issued that they were to be held by D.A.D.O.S., Owing to operations commencing immediately after it was impossible to carry these about and they were returned to the Dump, being subsequently returned to Ordnance at various dates, the last being returned at ESDUD at the end of the year. D.A.C. hasten supply of Nose Bags, Mule Shoes, H/Shoes and Headropes, none of which stores were immediately available but all hastened fairly frequently. 12 G.S.Limbers sent for repair by N.Z.M.R.Brigrade to 58th.O.M.W., AMWAS, owing to heavy press of work at Ramleh. One hind portion condemned as being beyond repair by I.O.M., and Indent submitted to replace. (Q.O.1057, d/5/3) Approved for issue N.K.3870-later large ~~xxx~~ supply of H/Shoes of all sizes except S/3 received from Deir Seneid also 3000 Nose bags, there were also received 59 No.200 Wheels and 20 No. 159, together with a number of miscellaneous vehicle parts G.S.Wagon axles, Tailboards, Brake Bars, also Ambulance Wagon Wheels. These were taken over to 38th.O.M.W., by Wagons of the Divisional Train, a certain number of Wheels however were retained for immediate issue to Units. Hastener for S/3 H/Shoes and Headropes sent to Deir Seneid (Q.O.1044) and "C.O.O., Kantara asked to send direct to Bir Salem" (i.e., not through D.S.) C.O.O., Deir Seneid wired in reply "H/Shoes (S/3) not available, due from Kantara, Headropes not available supplies expected" (D.S.895). Note. Owing to the rough nature of the ground over which operations were to take place it was decided that spare shoes should be carried by every man. This necessitated an additional demand being submitted to Deir Seneid for 600 Sets S/3, 700 sets S/4, 150 sets S/5, 100 sets S/6, with 400 lbs. spare nails S/6, and 100 lbs. S/8. (Q.O.1046, d/4/3/18). This demand was subsequently amended to read S/3- 2.000 sets, S/4 1200 sets, S/5 300 sets, S/6 250 Sets, S/7 150 sets, S/8 125 sets, " to meet demand sjust received" (Q.O.1052). Hastener for Breeches, Boots, and small sizw Hats to Kantara (Q.O.1045) who replied "issue of former proceeding, small size hats not available" (Q.O.2041).

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Entry No.5. d/5/3/18 - Issue of H/Shoes to Brigades, all demands completed with the exception of the large demands put in the day previous for ~~special~~ ~~the~~ which the special provision mentioned above had been made. Over 600 prs. were issued to the N.Z.M.R.Brigrade, the demands for this Brigade being 100% larger than the other Brigades. Issue of Nose Bags and Picketing Ropes to the Brigades, 460 Nose Bags were issued to N.Z.M.R.Bde, 1270 to 2nd.A.L.H.Bde, 500 to 1st.A.L.H.Bde, completing their requirements.

1st.A.L.H.Bde. moves out from Richon to KURIET EL ENAB, via Ramleh, on route for RAMALLAH, working with XX Corps. 1st.A.M.G.Squadron report 4 Limber Perch Brackets broken. These were at once repaired at 38th. O.M.W., Ramleh, the ~~xxx~~ work being completed in the early hours of the morning. The breakdown of these four limbers was an incident of negligence on the part of this unit. All Units have been instructed to notify the number of vehicles requiring repair, and the work of repair had been completed prior to the move of the Brigade, preference in fact being given to the vehicles of the 1st.A.L.H.Brigrade. The following wire had been sent on the 4th. addressed ANZACS, repeated 1s

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Entry No.5. (Continued) 1st.A.L.H.Bde, "All vehicles of 1st.A.L.H.Bde, sent for repair have been ~~examined~~ repaired and removed except 2 Limbered G.S.Wagons, and 1 Ambulance Sand Cart, which will be ready for removal tomorrow, 1000, 5th." Corps Order No.28, Paras 77 & 78 issued. Para 77.- Gloves for Machine Gunners approved at the rate of 1 per H/Gun ~~xxxx~~ Para 78.- Amendment to Clothing Price List (G.R.O.35960)

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Entry No.6. d/6/3/18. - Inspection of Hotchkiss and Vickers Guns of N.Z.M.R. and 2nd.A.L.H.Bdes, less 7th.L.H.Reg't. and Auckland Mtd.Rifles, by Lt.Honour, Assistant Inspector of Armourers. Units were visited in the following order.- N.Z.M.G Squadron, W.M.R., C.M.R., and in the afternoon 5th.L.H.Reg't., 6th.L.H.Reg't, and 2nd.A.M.G.Squadron. Auckland Mtd.Rifles being at JERICHO, and 7th.L.H.Rget. being on the march from NALIN could not be inspected, whilst the 1st.A.L.H.Brigade had marched out the day previous. All the guns inspected were found to be in good condition and parts well kept, nickell ing however in the barrel was a fairly frequent occurrence, and evidence to some extent of laxity on the part of the Regimental Armourers. the 2nd.A.M.G.Squadron had no Armourer, the work being carried out by an N.C.O., the previous Regimental Armourer was transferred to the A.F.C., inspection completed 1630. Regarding nickelling this could be avoided by cleaning the barrels immediately after use. Approval received for the issue of Tents Telegraph to Signal Troops of Mounted Brigades, the authority of D.D.O.S., O.E./031, d/11/3/18, being held to be applicable (A.D.O.S., O.M./9/32, d/6/3/18). Regarding the supply of Vehicle parts some trouble was experienced. A large quantity of parts were demanded by I.O.M., 38th.O.M.W., and to obtain these D.A.D.O.S. visited Deir Seneid and obtained an I.O. for such parts as were available at the Depot, cancelling the items from the Workshops demand. Kantara refused to supply the remainder direct, but eventually it was agreed to supply to the Division all available parts and for the Division to hand them over to the Workshops to be utilised on Divisional vehicles. The chief difficulty lay in the supply of axles for G.S.Limbers and Brakes. The follow wire from I.O.M. to Kantara explained the position "Items demanded by D.A.D.O.S., Anzacs, on his Q.O.1057, for 38 O.M.W. have been demanded from SENEID on my 144/38, 136/18, 128/38, and Indents should have been passed to you from SENEID, Seneid now say they cannot issue, matter is urgent, please supply, addressed Kantara, repeated D.A.D.O.S., Anzacs," 38/369, d/6/3/18, in reply to M.K./3870. It was seen therefore that the action taken really involved a hastener for stores due on Workshop Indents, the hasteners being submitted by the Division for whom the stores were to be utilised. **CAPT.**

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Entry No.7. d/7/3/18. - Truck advised with Dubbing, Soap, H/Shoes, Headropes. 8 Limbers repaired and removed from Latron by the N.Z.M.R. Brigade, 3 more to be completed on the 9th, 1 condemned beyond repair by the I.O.M. Demands received for Very's Lights and Flares. Not obtainable from Seneid or Ludd, "should be drawn from either LATRON or SARONA A.D.O.S., P.L./455" Stock however was nil at Latron and it was not possible to visit Sarona. In the previous month the same difficulty had arisen, and on the 8/2/18 the following letter was sent to A.D.O.S., D.M.C., "Indents are being forwarded constantly to me by Units who state that supplies are unobtainable through the usual channels, the O.C., Ammunition Dump, Ramleh, has made a few issues, but states he holds no stock of No.1 Green or Illuminating, and under stands other sizes cannot be obtained at present, please advise where stores may be drawn" Instructions were received in reply to this, O.M./165, d/9/3/18, that Indents were to be returned to Units who take up what action they considered necessary with their Headquarters. Indent submitted for 30 sets Camel Packsaddlery for 1st.Signal Squadron (Q.O.1064) This P/Saddlery had been previously issued in December but returned to A.O.D. as the Unit was not in possession of the camels at that time. Divisional Troops notified to send in to Ramleha all vehicles needing repair and overhaul (Q.O.1066) Indent submitted for 3 Water Carts Mk.V1, to replace Australian patt. carts, for 6th.L.H.Reg't, D.A.C., and Anzac Receiving Station. The value in weight saved by the Australian patt. carts is outweighed by the fact that no spares exist in the country, and once the wheels get out of repair they cannot be replaced and the carts are rendered useless " Issue of 3 Water Carts approved and will be despatche dimmediately Flats are available N.K.3925 Kantara" The following received

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Entry No.7. (continued)- from A.D.O.S., D.M.C., O.M./154, "as Deir Seneid Depot closing down, in view of the view to LUDD and as the Depot at LUDD will not be opened till the 18th.inst., at the earliest no further demands should be made on Deir Seneid except for such stores as necessary to complete your Units for any operations" VI  
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Entry No.8. d/8/3/18. - Truck advised from Seneid. I.O.M. asked to supply Brakes complete for 24 Limbers G.S. (Q.O.1079) These were originally on the vehicles but removed many months previously as far back as the Canal in many cases, as not required. Question raised; can a Unit demand a complete Brake Gear or any other parts not allowed on Mo.Store Table, but necessary for the repair of the vehicles, or should not repairs be done in the workshops- how far should a Unit with Wheelers on its establishment be allowed to demand, on the other hand the workshops do not hold complete Brakes which are naturally expected to be on the vehicles when issued, saving might be effected if Regimental establishments could be made more elastic to allow for tradesmen being attached, it would also be necessary to allow tools and material in this case, but, time would be saved and the workshops not overcrowded with vehicles that need very slight repairs" No trace discovered of the missing stores for 1/1 Ayrshire Battery including a telescope (C.W.P.A14/539) These were despatched in truck E.70, d/23/1/18, from Belah where they had been off loaded, but were not to be traced (since received). Request submitted to Descorps for a reserve of stores to be sent to JERUSALEM for the Division, covering Nose Bags, H/Shoes, Picketing Gear and expendable stores. Box Respirators to be drawn from Troops, less 10% to be retained for Drill purposes, O.M./174. d/9/3/18. "G.S. inform all Respirators to be withdrawn and returned A.O.D. less 10% for Drill purposes. May Units be instructed to return all S.B.R. to Brigade Ordnance today Q.O.1082." to ANZACS. No demands for these have been accepted since 27/2/18, in accordance with D.O.S., O.C./4552, but all Units were actually complete at that time, a consignment of 1100 being received at ~~the end~~ the end of February. All S.B.R. and Steel Helmets collected and returned to LUDD. Stores advised in truck E.1086 from Deir Seneid. CAPT.  
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Entry No.9. d/9/3/18. - Issue of Headropes, H/Shoes, Oil, Dubbing and Soap to Brigades to complete each Brigade Bulk Demand up to 9/3/18. Over 2000 prs H/Shoes issued to N.Z.M.R. Brigade. The stores for the 1st.A.L.H. Brigade were set apart to be sent forward to JERUSALEM, at first available opportunity. Return of all 15 Gall. Fanatis in possession, in lieu of 200 12½ Galls, the allowance per Division, in accordance with Descorps Q.O.6, d/11/2/18. Application submitted to A.D.R.T. on suggestion of R.T.O., LUDD, for truck accomodation to take stores to the 1st.A.L.H. Brigade at JERUSALEM, was not approved, Following wire sent to Brigades "Gas Respirators are to be returned to C.O.O., LUDD, or R.O.O., JERUSALEM, 10% to be returned to Brigade Dumps, Helmets Steel must be returned to Brigade Dump or to C.O.O., LUDD, who may arrange to hold these pending decision as to further action (Q.O.1087). Camel P/Saddlery for 1st.Signal Squadron hastened again by wire from Deir Seneid, also Boots and Breeches from Kantara ".....as Division moves away from Railhead immediately please despatch stores, as otherwise it will not be possible for Units to collect, all stores should be sent JERUSALEM, (Q.O.1091). "A" Group closed at Deir Seneid and moved to LUDD, and no issues to be made for a few days. CAPT.  
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Entry No.10. d/10/3/18. - 12 Sets G.S.P/Saddlery issued from LUDD to complete 2nd.A.L.H. Brigade to full establishment, also 9 sets on loan to each Regt., for use of the Medical Officer. Stores despatched from Kantara in Truck E.719. 2 G.S.Wagons report Bir Salem to remove all 1st.A.L.H. Brigade stores to LUDD. Issue of smaller bulk stores to Brigades. Bulk Demand received by wire from 1st.A.L.H. Brigade Ordnance, includes 116 Boots, 336 Breeches, 110 Jackets S.D., 700 Bags Nose, 600 sets H/Shoes etc, all Bulk Demands to be submitted, not later than the 12th. In confirmation of previous wire the following was sent to the Depots at Seneid and Kantara, "Consign stores Anzac Division Jerusalem via LUDD, after midnight tonight" no representative will be at Bir Salem nor will transport be available after tomorrow Q.O.1084"

In view of the impossibility of getting railway transport application was made by the Division through Descorps, to D.I.M.T., G.H.Q., for 6 Motor Lorries "to take Ordnance stores for 1st. and other Brigades from LUDD to JERUSALEM, Tuesday, weight 12 tons. (Q.O.1085 to Anzacs) There will be no rely satisfactory system of dealing with the

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Entry No. 10. (continued) - supply of Ordnance stores to Units in the Field, until Motor Transport is supplied, and dem-  
for this meet with a readier response. The most satisfactory scheme would be to allot 4 motor lorries permanently to each  
Division for the purpose as is done in FRANCE. Ordnance stores is not so primarily and immediately necessary as Supplies,  
are equally essential for the well being of Troops, and demands for Transport to convey these to Units should be met without  
delay. The four G.S. Wagons at present allowed are entirely inadequate and unsuited to conditions prevailing in a Mounted  
Division.

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Entry No. 11. d/11/3/18. - Stores advised in Trucks 2241 and 2788. Two cases of Emu Plumes received at LUDD. Following  
stores to be sent out by camels to 1st. A.L.H. Brigade. - S/Horse S/4 sets 230, S/5 sets 60, S/6 sets 120, S/7 sets 70, 100 lbs  
No. 6 nails, 200 Shirts Flannel, 160 prs. Socks, 500 Nose Bags, 250 Great Coats, 500 Picketing Ropes, 130 Headropes, 150 prs  
Spurs, and the following instructions sent to the B.W.O. "30 camels leaving for you Wednesday with Ordnance stores convoyed  
by Price. On arrival Price is to return immediately to R.O.O., JERUSALEM". 600 Nose Bags issued 2nd. A.L.H. Brigade also  
12 sets G.S.P/Saddlery. In view of the pending operations it was decided to utilise ~~and~~ the 4 Ordnance wagons of the Train  
from and including the 12th. General Staff submit demands for extra Signalling equipment, Air-craft. As not authorised  
the following wire was sent to Descorps and repeated Kantara "Required by General Staff Panels Signalling Aircraft, 1 per  
Regt, 2 per B.H.Q., 1 for D.H.Q., total 16 inclusive of those now due. Strips 18" by 10' - 108, Flags Signalling Air-craft  
108, can these be supplied. G.S. Wagon issued to 7th. L.H. Regt. to replace one broken that morning, replaced from D.A.C.  
who held one surplus. N.Z.M.R. Bde. asked to supply information as to the number of Boots repaired Regimentally 1st. to  
14th. March, and 1st. January to 1st. March, no reply received.

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Entry No. 12. d/12/3/18. - C.O.O., Kantara wires P.L./477 through A.D.O.S., D.M.C., "562 prs Boots, 380 prs Breeches,  
despatched in truck 1280 for LUDD" and Deir Seneid advise that 1950 Headropes despatched truck 654, both despatches took  
place several days before, delayed in transit. It was arranged to forward these on receipt. With regard to the 4 z  
Ordnance Wagons instructions were issued for 1 to report to D.H.Q. at 0800 on the 13th. and 3 others at 0600 to Bir Salem  
to collect any remaining stores and proceed to LUDD. The following arrangements were made in regard to the disposal of  
Personnel - Sgt. Bracefield removing from Bir Salem, remains at LUDD, together with Tprs. Baker, Pepper and Robinson, the  
latter to act as convoy man to JERUSALEM when necessary. Cpl. Day with Tprs. Fisher and Flannigan to proceed to JERUSALEM  
with the wagons. Conductor Anderson and Sgt. Kinnear accompanying D.H.Q. In regard to the Brigades all the Brigade Staff's  
A.A.C.C. accompany the Brigades except Cpl. Boyce and Armourer Sgt. King, detached for duties at Railhead. The following  
instructions were issued to Cpl. Day "On arrival at LATRON the 3 Wagons are to join the Divisional Train, ration up, and  
continue the following day to JERUSALEM, reporting to R.O.O. On arrival a full stock list should be taken and no stores  
issued unless authority presented". Sgt. Bracefield was instructed to get in touch with Ordnance Depot and arrange for  
stores to be forwarded by rail. Stores to go forward are Wagon parts, Picketing Gear, H/Shoes etc, Clothing.  
2nd. A.L.H. Bde. wire for further quantities of H/Shoes and report damage to one Sand Cart which requires replacing.

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Entry No. 13. d/13/3/18. - A. & N.Z. Mounted Division, less 1 Brigade (1st. A.L.H. Bde. now at JERUSALEM from RAMALLAH) and  
1 Regt. of N.Z.M.R. Brigade, A.M.R. at JERICHO, move from Richon to LATRON and bivouac for the night. 3 Ordnance Wagons  
report at ~~KAN~~ LUDD at 0800, and move to LATRON following the 2nd. A.L.H. Bde. Transport, and Cpl. Day reported arrival at 1900  
with remainder of Divisional Train. Subsequent instructions received that only Headquarters Company should proceed the  
following day, the remainder with the 2nd. A.L.H. Bde. remaining at LATRON. N.Z.M.R. Brigade remain at JUNCTION STATION.  
30 camels under Tpr. Price arrive LATRON en route to 1st. A.L.H. Bde.

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Entry No. 14. d/14/3/18. - Divisional Headquarters and Divisional Units including 18th. Bde., R.H.A. Headquarters, move to  
JERUSALEM. On arrival at Jerusalem it was found that no stores had arrived, and that there was no information in regard

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Entry No. 14. D/14/3/18. - to the Reserve that was to have been sent forward. Railway traffic was dislocated and there seemed no prospect of obtaining Ordnance Stores for some considerable time. These facts were reported to A.D.O.S., D.M.C., and the Ordnance Depots at LUDD and SENEID, and an immediate supply of 600 sets H/Shoes, all sizes, 1,000 each, Nose Bags, Picketing Ropes and Headropes requested. Sgt. Bracefield was instructed to forward these by first truck after resumption of rail, but reported "no trucks available for two or three days". The 30 camels bringing stores for the 1st. A.L.H. Bde. had been left behind at LATRON, unknown to me: instructions were sent for these to come forward at once, and to meet the difficulty caused by the breakdown on the line it was arranged for 2 G.S. Wagons from the Divisional Train at LATRON to return to LUDD and pick up any available H/Shoes (Divisional Train wire D.T. 354 d/15/3/18, "In regard to the wire for stores mentioned above C.O.O., LUDD replied "Demand noted but all truckage at present available being used for Helmets" (Sun Helmets for 60th. Division in JORDAN VALLEY) All other stores will be sent as soon as possible but trucks are hard to obtain" (O.Z. 66, d/15/3/18). The situation ~~at~~ the moment was that, a quantity of clothing and other stores urgently required had actually been despatched from the Depot at Deir Seneid and Kantara some days previously but had not been reported to hand. Owing to the congestion of trucks at the Depot - for the Seneid Depot was then in the process of moving to LUDD - Transit Staff at the latter were not in possession of full information. On the other hand the breakdown on the Turkish Railway put an end to prospects of transferring stores to this line. Under these circumstances Motor Transport was asked for from XX Corps, and 3 Motor Lorries supplied to bring up Ordnance Stores from LUDD to JERUSALEM (P.C.Q.T. 725, d/16/3/18).

Suspension of all "Returns" during operations owing to the impossibility of communication with Brigades. Washers very urgently needed and hastened from C.O.O., LUDD, (Q.O. 211) also Brake Blocks not supplied by LUDD. Demands submitted by wire for 10 No. 200 and 10 No. 159 Wheels, also 10 No. 7 Draught poles, to meet emergencies. 1st. A.L.H. Bde. wire "can XX Corps Workshops accept Wagons for repair". Many wagons had suffered in the march up and in the operations around BIREH, this work was put in hand. Deir Seneid Depot closed and all communications addressed to C.O.O., LUDD. C.O.O., KANTARA advises the despatch of Panels Signalling in truck 9037 today.

Entry No. 15. d/15/3/18. - Stores advised in truck 1877 from Kantara. Approval of 12 Flags Signalling for Machine Gun Squadrons under authority D.O.S., O.C. /3679, d/15/3/18. Corps Order No. 29, paras 79 to 83, issued. Paras. - (79) Price List of Officer's Clothing. G.R.O. 3608) (80) Return of U/Stores to A.O.D. (G.R.O. 3612) (81) Pistols Very. 1" Pistols to be carried in lieu of 1½" (G.R.O. 3613) (82) Tents Telegraph approved for Signal Troops Mounted Brigades. (83) Machine Gun Vickers, Slides Tangent Sight Mk. 11. Supplies of these available and Indents to be submitted, Mk. 1. Sights to be returned.

Entry No. 16. d/16/3/18. - XX Corps advise lorries placed at disposal of Division for Ordnance stores. Sgt. Bracefield instructed to send all Breeches, Boots, Signalling Panels, H. & M. Shoes, Picketing Gear and Wheels and Brake Blocks. Tpr. Baker to accompany the two Wagons of the Train. Camels for 1st. A.L.H. Bde. arrive at JERUSALEM and are off loaded at the station. The Brigade being at BETHLEHEM and the distance too great for the camels to continue, weather conditions very bad.

Entry No. 17. d/17/3/18. - Following to C.O.O., LUDD, "Please wire if Panels Signalling have arrived, left Kantara 14th." As these were considered extremely urgent General Staff were prepared to send a car specially to collect them. Issue of Boots to Artillery Units, also 140 prs. Breeches to each Brigade, and 80 to Divisional Troops, to meet urgent cases. These were available from the 500 prs. that had been received and left at JERUSALEM after the previous operations of February in this neighbourhood. Stores advised from Kantara in truck E. 9666, and Brigades notified to collect stores on the 18th. brought up by the Lorries and G.S. Wagons from LUDD.

Entry No. 18. d/18/3/18. - N.Z.M.R. Brigade report unable to collect stores as under orders to move. In view of this arrangements were made for 2 G.S. Wagons from the Divisional Train to take out stores to the Brigade at BETHLEHEM. - left 1300.

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Entry No. 18. (continued). - W.O. Foreman instructed to hasten the Return of Vehicles requiring repair, the following vehicles reported. - 1st. L.H. Regt. - 1 Limber abandoned, 5 hind portions of Limbers, and 2 fore Portions, 2 G.S. Wagons, 2nd. L.H. Regt. - 3 G.S. Wagons. Machine Gun Sqdn. - 1 hind portion of Limber. Field Amb. - 3 Wagons Ambulance, Brigade Headquarters. - 2 Limbers. It was uncertain what would happen in regard to these vehicles as the Brigade received orders to move out on the 19th., but the failure to send in vehicles earlier rested with the Brigade. Boots and Breeches were again hastened by the 1st. A.L.H. Bde. In view of the very large demand for Boots from this Brigade I decided to issue a large number of repaired British patt. boots from the Workshops, and this number 326, was obtained from the I.O.M. and issued, a similar number of U/S boots being returned to the Boot Repair Shops. Maltese Cart and Water Cart for 2nd. L.H. Rgt again expedited. The Maltese cart had been destroyed in the BEERSHEBA operations and a Turkish patt. Cart had been utilised in lieu, but not reported. Sand carts. Owing to the very rough road many of the Sand carts on loan for the operations, suffered, and axles were frequently broken. On arrangement with the I.O.M. (Capt. Slaughter) 9 vehicles were sent in and were fitted with patent strengthened axles. On arrival of the I.C.C. Brigade in the Area, (unit attached Anzac Mtd. Division for operations) six of their Ambulance carts were reported to have broken axles. These were also repaired by the I.O.M., who ~~throughout~~ throughout shewed every assistance possible to the Division, which was only temporarily attached to the Corps. Arrival of 16 Signalling Panels and issued 4 to each Brigade including I.C.C. Bde. Following wire sent to Brigades "Indents for consolidated stores are considered cancelled. Indents for all requirements must be submitted immediately after operations. Stores required in the meantime must be wired for. Please instruct units" consolidation only affected".

Entry No. 19. d/19/3/18. - Visited 1st. and N.Z.M.R. Brigades at BETHLEHEM. Wire sent to the 1st. A.L.H. Bde. "Neither Maltese cart or Water Cart available, will be hastened." In connection with this vide wire from Kantara "Vehicles to you last night consigned C.O.C., LUDD" Issue of H/Shoes and Grease for 2nd. A.L.H. Bde. A. & N.Z. Mounted Division under orders to move night of 20th. if necessary. From A.D.O.S., D.M.C., "Wire number of Tripods H-gun received or advised from Kantara" Replied "that 108 Tripods had been advised on the 27th. February I.O., D.C. 5402, but that none had been received" 108 Flags Signalling Aircraft advised by Kantara as handed over to Air Craft Park, Kantara, for conveyance to the Division K.T. 2862.

Entry No. 20. d/20/3/18. - Tpr. Fanigan instructed to return to MOASCAR as unfit for duties. Bulk Demand submitted by wire to Kantara. Reference Q.O. 1241, d/19/3/18, following are substituted requirements ANZ. 1799. Boots Ankle patt S/4 - 10. S/5 - 70. S/6 - 180. S/7 - 300. S/8 - 250. S/9 - 100. S/10 - 50. Breeches M.S. Australian or British preferred if available, Small - 500. Medium 800. Large 500. Figures amend those on ANZ. 1799. Instructions received re Summer Clothing D.O.S., O.C./4680. Instructions have been given that you will take Summer clothing on the 15th. April, S.D. Clothing should be returned to A.O.D. as soon as possible after Khaki clothing is in possession, 2nd. Blanket should be returned by Units of D.M.C. by 15th. April."

In view of the experiences of previous operations following wire was sent to each Brigade, "Please notify Units salvage saddlery should be returned to Divisional Train Base in the field, Ordnance representative will give receipts and take charge, B.W.O's will arrange for this to be done by returning camels as opportunity offers, Q.O. 1247" In fact this was not done, considerable confusion again being caused, saddlery being returned to Mobile Vet. Sections as well as to the Dump, many days after the operations were over. In order to deal with any such questions that might arise Cpl. Boyce was instructed to proceed with the wagons of the Divisional Train from JERUSALEM to the point decided on as the refilling point for the camel convoys (JERICHO) to receive all salvage saddlery or equipment also captured stores, and to give receipts as required and in detail, equipment to be loaded on to Ordnance Wagons and disposed as subsequently instructed (Q.O. 1249, d/20/3/180"

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Entry No. 21. d/21/3/18. - Division leaves JERUSALEM on night 20/21/3/18, for TALAT ED DUMM, Sgt. Kinneer remains at JERUSALEM with D.H.Q., and Condr. Anderson accompanies Headquarters to TALAT ED DUMM. Acknowledgement sent to A.D.O.S., D.M.C., with referenece to his O.M./13/23 "Indents for Summer clothing to be submitted to C.O.O., LUDD. *J.P. Thichols* CAPT.

Entry No. 22. d/22/3/18. - 1st. A.L.H. Bde. Details BETHLEHEM instructed to send 3 G.S. Wagons and four half limbers for repair to I.O.M., JERUSALEM. Brake Blocks urgently required by the Divisional Train and as these had not yet been received, a light car was sent to LUDD to collect whatever was available. Reported by D.A.A.G. that the Details at JERUSALEM were badly equipped with clothing, all available clothing was therefore issued to them. Approval of 2 sets P/Saddlery for carrying ~~XXXXXX~~ W.T. apparatus for Horse Artillery Brigades, D.O.S., O.C./5862, d/16/3/18. G.O.C., A.I.F., decides that the A.I.F. will not be issued with K.D. Clothing during the Summer D.O.S., O.C./4680, d/22/3/18. *J.P. Thichols* CAPT.

Entry No. 23. d/23/3/18. - Receipt of 500 Breeches, 800 Shirts, 400 Socks at JERUSALEM, also stores despatched from LUDD including Wagon parts, Clothing and Dubbing, and an advice of further Breeches and Boots from KANTARA. 2nd. A.L.H. Bde report urgent need of boots, 111prs. repaired Brit. Boots were therefore drawn from the workshops to be forwarded out by the wagons of the Train. Receipt and issue of 108 Yellow and Red Aeroplane Signalling Flags at TALAT ED DUMM, 36 to each Bde. *J.P. Thichols* CAPT.

Entry No. 24. d/24/3/18. - The Division at MAKHADET HAJLA. The operations had as their object the destruction of the HEDJAZ Railway at AMMAN. The 1st. A.L.H. Bde. was detached to the 60th. Division, and remained in the JORDAN PLAIN. The N.Z.M.R. Bde. was associated with the 60th. Division in the advance via the central road at SHUNET NIMRIM. The 2nd. A.L.H. Bde remained in the Division proceeded by the WADI NAUR to NAUR. As it was entirely uncertain where the Division would proceed, as soon as operations were over, and as it was anticipated that these would not be of lengthy duration, it seemed inadvisable either to provide a large quantity of stores at JERUSALEM or to establish a definite base of supplies at any point, rather submitting the demands and allowing the stores to remain at LUDD. Ordnance personnel accompanied the Bdes. with the exception of the N.Z.M.R. Bde. who remained at BETHLEHEM, this proved to be of great dis-service, while not practicable it is essential that the Ordnance should be represented both at Headquarters and with Brigades throughout operations in the field, this enables the D.A.D.O.S. to be constantly informed of any requirements and to make arrangements for their supply, both there is on the spot a competent authority to deal with Ordnance questions: loss; damage or replacement of Machine guns, issue of any stores, the recording and possible disposal of captured material, and a witness of the conditions under which the operations are undertaken, and to enter into the reasons that underly the demands for stores made subsequently. e.g. loss of Signalling equipment, wear and tear to certain equipment, etc. In these operations I was kept constantly informed of the requirements of the 2nd. A.L.H. Bde, while of those of the N.Z.M.R. Bde, were not reported until several days after the Troops had returned, thus the loss of Machine Guns by the 2nd. A.L.H. Bde. was reported at once, and the Guns were replaced on the field and during operations within 56 hours. A week elapsed before the M. Guns of the N.Z.M.R. Bde, damaged in action could be replaced as the facts were not reported until after 36 hours after the return of the Bde. to JERICHO, further the questions of the salvaged saddlery could have been more adequately dealt with, had the scheme outlined before the operations been carried into effect. Approval of 8 P/Saddles, 8 Poles, 32 yds. Corgage 1½", approved for Field Ambulances for improvising litters. D.O.S., O.C./4588, d/24/3/18. *J.P. Thichols* CAPT.

Entry No. 25. d/25/3/18. - Boots for 2nd. A.L.H. Bde. sent forward to SHUNET NIMRIN and handed over to the 1/1 Ayrshire Battery attached to the Bde. Regarding Steel Helmets the following wire was received from Descorps, "7000 Helmets were originally issued to your command, subsequently 3638 were returned to Ordnance LUDD, and were redrawn on 24/3/18, what has been done with the remaining 3362 Helmets" In regard to above only four thousand Helmets were actually drawn at Kilo 293. 3000 Helmets addressed D.A.D.O.S., A.M.D., were received at ESDUD but being claimed by Australian Mtd. Division were returned to C.O.O., Deir Seneid for transit to Australian Div., BELAH. *J.P. Thichols* CAPT.

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Entry No.25. (continued) - Division moves to BIRKET UM AMUD. Following captures reported by N.Z.M.R.Bde.- 4 Machine Guns, (JORDAN VALLEY) and by 2nd.A.L.H.Bde, 30 Motor Lorries all destroyed on the ~~ESSALT~~ - AMMAN Road, and 17 Rifles brought in with prisoners all Mauser patt. 1898 and the latest 1917 patt.

The following instructions received from A.D.O.S., D.M.C., re disposal of surplus and salvage saddlery D.O.S., O.C./6039, d/23/3/18. Saddlery should be handed into the R.O.O. or nearest Ordnance Depot, saddlery for remounts will be demanded from LUDD. When active operations are not actually in progress, units must keep their equipment up to authorised establishments, saddlery therefore belonging to horses that become casualties must be retained by the units until remounts are drawn to replace casualties. D.A.D.O.S. authorised to hold reserves of Bulbs and Batteries for Electric Torches, D.O.S., O.C./2618, d/28/3/18.

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Entry No.26. d/26/3/18. - The following wire sent by Sgt.Kinnear to C.O.O., LUDD and KANTARA. "Please consign stores to LUDD and not to JERUSALEM" This was in accordance with instructions given prior to leaving JERUSALEM, that stores should be cancelled to JERUSALEM as soon as it was ascertained that the Division was ~~returning~~ returning, the desire being to avoid stores accumulating in the Depot when no means of transport could be provided for their removal. 150 sets Brake Blocks due on ANZ.1820, again hastened. Issue of stores to 1st.A.L.H.Bde. Details and ~~XXXX~~ 2nd.A.L.H.Bde. Details.

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Entry No.27. d/27/3/18. - D.A.D.O.S. visits SHUNET NIMRIN on private mission from AMMAN to 60th.Divisional Headquarters. Staff Captain, 1st.A.L.H.Bde, reported that the Brigade was in no need of Ordnance stores and the position generally was satisfactory. The D.A.C. reported requirement 14 Perch Poles for Limbers, these were wired for and sent forward with motor convoy accompanied by Tpr.Price to JERICHO together with Brake Blocks, Mule Shoes and Dubbing for the Divisional Train.

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Entry No.28. d/28/3/18. - Hastener for Size 3 ~~Waxshoes~~ H/Shoes, not available at JERUSALEM and wired for to LUDD. W.O. Neville reports loss of 1 H/Gun in action- 6th.L.H.Regt. Reported to A.D.O.S., D.M.C., and new gun sent forward to R.O.O., JERUSALEM. Instructions received that the greatest economy be exercised in the demand for Service Paint, Khaki Colour, Paint should be sparingly used as a preservative and not for smartening purposes : only new parts of vehicles to be painted : only guns in the front line to be mottled, S.I.O.M.'s. instructions.

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Entry No. 29.d/29/3/18. - In the Field. 2nd.A.L.H.Brigade report 4 ~~Hotchkiss~~ Hotchkiss Guns destroyed in action. 7th.L.H.Regt 3, 6th.L.H.Regt.-1. also reported verbally by G.O.C., Brigade, 1 Vickers Gun unserviceable, also Vickers barrels required. Reported to A.D.O.S., D.M.C., (Q.O.4, d/29/3/18.) "May 5 Hotchkiss and 1 Vickers Guns, including the Hotchkiss reported on the 28th. be sent by car to SHUNET NIMRIN, 60th.Divisional Headquarters, for conveyance by ration camels to units in the Field. Corps Order, No.30. Paras 84 to 89 issued.- Para. (84). All cases Wood Packing to be returned to Ordnance, A.D.O.S., O.M./14, d/14/3/18, (85).- 2nd.Blanket to be returned to A.O.D. on 15th.February and report rendered  $\frac{1}{2}$  D.O.S., O.C./46/80, - (86).- Signalling Stores. Approval of Flags Signalling to Machine Gun Squadrons D.O.S., O.C./3679, (87).- Prices to be charged for the repair of boots. (88).- Khaki Drill Trousers to be issued to Military Police. A.S.C., R.A.M.C., under G.R.O., 3675. (89).- Bulbs and Batteries to be held by D.A.D.O.S.- D.O.S., O.C./2618.

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Entry 30. d/30/3/18. - Following from A.D.O.S., D.M.C., "Figures for Hotchkiss Guns for 2nd.A.L.H.Bde, and 1 Vickers Gun and 6 Vickers barrels sent you this morning under convoy A.S.M.Pepper" These were received on the 31st, and forwarded to ESSALT.

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Entry 31. d/31/3/18. - N.Z.M.R.Bde. have 5 Guns Hotchkiss destroyed in action, but not reported until 4/4/18. The Division withdrew from AMMAN to AIN EL SIR, and to the JORDAN VALLEY, camping at AIN E L SIR ON THE night of 31/1/4/18.

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Entry No.31. (continued) - and at NIMRIN on the night of 1/2/4/18, returning over JORDAN on the 2nd.

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In regard to the general position during the month two features stand out in prominence; in the first place the previous operations of February had produced a very serious position in regard to the Transport. Very heavy strain had been put upon the vehicles by the Hilly nature of the country, the condition of the weather, and the rough state of the roads and over a hundred vehicles required repair. This work had to be completed as quickly as possible in view of any possible operations in the near future, for there seemed to be always present the possibility that the operations of February had been partly a reconnaissance to see if the Mounted Troops could work in the mountainous country on the Right Flank, and the possibility that the Troops might be used the other side of the JORDAN. Every effort was therefore made by the I.O.M. at my personal request and it is satisfactory that all vehicles were ready to move when called upon, though naturally the repairs were not as thorough as they might have been had time allowed. It is also satisfactory to note that all vehicles that suffered in the preliminary march up from the Plain were all repaired within a few hours at JERUSALEM Workshops.

The second feature was the apparent failure of the Depot to supply the stores most urgently needed by a Mounted Division, viz.- Picketing Gear, H/Shoes, Nose Bags and Riding Breeches, and their ultimate supply just prior to the actual operations. In this connection it should be noted, however, that all demands were met in time and these demands were very heavy and entirely unexpected, thus over 10,000 prs H/Shoes were supplied during the month, over 5,000 Nose Bags, 2,000 Headropes etc., while it is also interesting to note, though further record is made in the Diary for the current month (April), that the Department has entirely re-equipped the whole Division since the operations and this in a very short period. This however belongs more properly to the records of April.

In regard to the operations. It was not expected that these would last as long as they did, but weather conditions were adverse and unforeseen difficulties arose. The Department, however, provided and replaced 6 Machine Guns during operations, and ~~xxx~~ 5 more immediately after, 500 sets saddlery were issued to remounts, and 350 sets recovered from the field. Lists of captured stores were compiled and the stores disposed of - these included 68 Rifles which were brought in by the prisoners, 14 Machine Guns of which 6 were destroyed by shell fire and could not be brought back, 14,800 S.A.A., further arrangements were made for the return of a quantity of saddlery but owing to the evacuation these had to be abandoned at the last moment.

There was therefore a considerable quantity of saddlery to be replaced, a large amount of Signalling Gear, especially Cable, which had to be left at AMMAN, while the rain and slush, the hilly limestone country, all contributed to a rapid deterioration of both clothing and equipment, the replacement of which is the subject of the next fortnight, and it may be noted here that this was rendered easy by the ready response made by XX Corps to all demands for Motor Transport, and the quickness with which the Ordnance Depots supplied the demands submitted them.

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APPENDIX "A".

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Note.- As each Bulk Demand cancels that submitted in the previous fortnight, the columns should not be added together to show a total monthly demand. They represent normal requirements, except in those cases to which reference is made in the War Diary.

Stores.	Bulk Demand 1/3/18.	Bulk Demand 14/3/18.	Remarks.	
Boots, Austral.S/4.	10	10	No Bulk Demand Submitted On 28/3/18, owing to operations, but submitted on 3/4/18. This is a re-equipping demand.	
5.	60	70		
6.	160	180		
7.	200	300		
8.	100	250		
9.	60	100		
10.	15	50		
Breeches Cord M.S.				also 150/s, 250/m, 100/l demanded from LUDD, Brit.Patt.
Small	250	500		
Medium	360	800		
Large	250	500		
Discs Identity RED	300	175		
GREEN	300	125		
Chevrons - 1 Bar.	46	46		
2 do	60	108		
3 do	198	278		
Hats Khaki Fur Size 6½	50	50		
6.5/8	60			
6¾	225	285		
6.7/8	160	280		
7	-	100		
7.1/8	-	15		
Coats Great British				
Small	30	40		
Medium	90	123		
Large	40	66		
do Australian	-	150		
Laces Leather	1200	1550		
Leggings Leather pr				
Size 14.	30	45		
14½	50	92		
15	60	100		
15½	60	68		
16	-	10		
Puggarees N.Z. Pattern.				
Various	450	510		
<u>Section 10.-</u>				
Shoes Mule Size 12	-	150		
13	50	250		
14	-	250		
15	100	200		
16	50	100		
<u>Section.-Clo.</u>				
Jackets S.D., Aust.Small	±	40		
Medium	-	80		
Large	-	150		

Above stores from Kantara.

<u>Section.-Clo.</u>			
Boots, Brit Patt Size	5.	10	-
	6.	12	8
	7.	10	30
	8.	20	26
	9.	10	25
	10	5	-
Braces prs.		280	220
Combs Hair		94	48
Forks Table		55	148
Knives do		93	126
Spoons do		117	118
Holdalls		170	160
Housewives		100	90
Brushes Shaving		-	180

Stores.	Bulk Demand. 1/3/18.	Bulk Demand. 14/3/18.	Remarks.
Brushes Tooth	-	264	
Jackets Cardigans	50 v	50	
Dressings Field	-	500	
Jackets S.D.Brit. (Small)	15	40	
Medium	20	50	
Large	10	50	
Knives Clasp	102	120	
Puttees prs.	500	-	
Razors	170	200	
Socks prs.	1200	-	
Shirts Flannel	1500	-	
Towels Hand	800	-	
Spurs Jack prs.	450	195	
<u>Section.-1.</u>			
Bags Ration	600	1450	
Haversacks O.S.	200	200	
Braces do	250	250	
Tins Mess	100	100	
Straps Mess Tin	250	250	
Carriers Water Bottle	250	500	
Bottles Water	-	250	
<u>Section 2.</u>			
Pads surcingle	100	24	
Kettles Camp	70	20	
Buckets Water Canvas	470	1107	
Ropes Head	2225	1275	Accumulation demand
Ropes Picketing	1650	1250	
Sheets Ground	267	290	
<u>Section 5.</u>			
Bags Nose "Extra Large"	3000 on 1/3/18. 2000 on 4/3/18.	1100-6.100	demande d in month
Muzzles Horse	100	100	
Rubbers Horse	200	200	
Brushes Harness Hard	71	47	
<u>Section.-9.</u>			
Oil : Lubricating. Galls.	18	12	
Mineral do	6	18	
Rangoon	12	30	
Castor	-	-	
Dubbing lbs	1966	1800	
Soap Bars	800	1200	
Jelly Mineral lbs	30	30	
Soda lbs.	200	100	
Grease Lubricating	-	400	
<u>Section 10.</u>			
Shoes Horse Size :			
3F.	543	2000	Q.O. 1052 outstanding.
3H.	464	2000	do do
4F.	340	1200	- plus 500 additional
4H.	340	1170	do do
5F.	65	300	- plus 75 additional
5H.	70	300	do do
6F.	296	250	
6H.	260	250	
7F.	126	160	
7H.	136	180	
8F.	80	120	
8H.	56	140	
Nails H/Shoe No.6. lbs	400	400	Spare quantities
8	-	100	
<u>Section 13.</u>			
Flannelette Yds.	1200	-	

Above demanded from Deir Seneid.

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APPENDIX "B".  
 LIST OF VEHICLES REPAIRED IN ORDNANCE WORKSHOPS DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH 1918.  
 (a) - AT 38TH. ORDNANCE MOBILE WORKSHOPS, RAMLEH.

UNIT.	Nature of Vehicle Rep'd.	Number of Vehicles Rep'd.	Nature of Repairs in brief.	Date remvd. from Wkshp.	REMARKS.
Hd. Qrs., 1st. L. H. Bde.	Limber G.S.	1. Rear Portion.	Gen. Overhaul.	4/3/18.	Swingletrees, Tailboard, Wheels.
3rd. L. H. Regt.	do	1. Complete	do	do	Pole, Tailboards, Wheels, Hooks Draught
2nd. L. H. Regt.	Wagon G.S., X.	1.	do	3/3/18.	Axletree, Perches, Wheels, Timber, <del>xxx</del> <del>Rit</del> Iron Plates to secure Front Boards of locker.
33rd. Coy, A. A. S. C.	Wagons G.S., X.	2.	do	Completed	4/3/18. Tailboards, Raves, Wheels, Poles.
1st. L. H. Fld. Ambul.)	Limber G.S.	2. Complete	do	5/3/18.	Axletree. Wheels. Poles.
do )	Cart Amb. Des.	1. Complete	do	4/3/18.	Brackets, Washers.
do )	Light Amb. Wag.	4.	do	4/3/18.	Rubber tyred wheels, Swingletrees.
Hd. Qrs., 2ND. L. H. Bde.	Wagon Limber GS.	1. Complete	do	4/3/18.	Pole, Wheels, Tailboard, Hooks Draught Swingletrees.
N. Z. Signal Troop.	Limber G.S.	1 Fore Portion	do	1/3/18.	Axletrees, Boards Tail.
do	do	1 Complete c	do	7/3/18.	Poles, Spring limber hook.
3rd. L. H. Regt.	Wagon G.S., X.	1	do	1/3/18.	Axletrees, Pole, Tailboards, Bars, Perches
Wellington Mtd. Rif.	Carts Water	1	do	2/3/18.	Sockets Perch, Tugs, Bars Supp. Washers
N. Z. M. R. Bde.	Limbers G.S.	4 Complete	do	7/3/18.	Tailboards, Hooks Draught, Brackets.
do	do	1/2	do	7/3/18.	
do	Wagons G.S., X.	2	do	7/3/18.	Raves, Wheels.
N. Z. Fld. Amb.	Light Amb. Wag.	2	do	7/3/18.	Rubbers Tyres.
3rd. L. H. Regt.	Wagon G.S., X.	1	do	4/3/18.	Raves, Wheel, Tailboard.
do	Limber G.S.	1 Complete	do	4/3/18.	Limber hook, Draught hook, Pole, Bolts.
2nd. L. H. Regt.	Wagon G.S., X.	1	do	2/3/18.	Pole, Wheels, Boards Floor,
do	Limbers G.S.	3 Complete	do	4/3/18.	Tailboards, Swingletrees, Draught Hooks
5th. L. H. Regt.	do	1 do	do	8/3/18.	do do Pole, Wheels.
2nd. L. H. Regt.	Wagon G.S., X.	1	do	4/3/18.	Poles, Raves, do, Wheels.
N. Z. M. R. Brigade.	Limbers G.S.	4 Complete	Wheels.	4/3/18.	do, Pins, do, Dt. Hooks. B. Tail
D. A. C.	do	1 do	Gen. Overhaul.	8/3/18.	do, Wheels, Tailboards, Draught Hooks.
1st. L. H. Fld. Amb.	Carts Water	1	do	6/3/18.	Axletrees, Pipe Boxes, etc,
1/1 Somerset Bty.	Wagons G.S., X.	1	do	9/3/18.	Raves, B. Tail, Swingletrees, Wheels, Brake B
1st. A. M. G. Squadron.	Limber G.S.	3 Complete	do	5/3/18.	Tailboards, Brakes, Poles, Hooks Dr. Sw. Tre
Canterbury Mtd. Rifl.	do	1 do	do	7/3/18.	do, Axletrees, Wheels, Brackets,
do	Carts Water	1	do	10/3/18.	Nib Plates, Perches, Pins.
6th. L. H. Regt.	Wagons G.S., X.	1	do	7/3/18.	B. Tail, Pole, Raves, Wheels, Brake Bar.
5th. L. H. Regt.	do	1	do	8/3/18.	Axletrees, Wheels, Brakes, Raves.

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UNIT.	Nature of Vehicle Repd.	Number of Vehicles Repd.	Nature of repairs in Brief.	Date removed fr. Workshops.	REMARKS.
7th. L. H. Regt.	Wagon G.S., X.	4.	Gen. Overhaul	3 on 12/3/18. 1 waiting removal.	Axletrees, B. Tail, Brake Bars, Rave Springs, Perches, Rope W. Locking, WhB
N. Z. M. R. Bde.	Limber G.S.	2. Complete	do	Waiting removal	B. Tail, Brakes, Brackets Perch, Perch Wheels, Lynch Pins.
1st. Signal Squadron.	Wagon Cable	1 Rear portion	<del>being</del> Partly repaired only	11/3/18.	Boards Tail-7, Brackets Perch-3.
do	Limber G.S.	2 Complete	owing to Units		Bars Brake-1, Perches-1. Wheels.
do	do	3 Rear portions	requiring same	urgently.	
do	Limber Pack W/T.	2	Gen Overhaul.	9/3/18.	Wheels, Taps, Overhaul.
D. A. C.	Carts Water. Aus. Patt. 1.	1.	do	21/3/18.	Axletrees, B. Tail, Perch Bracket,
2nd. A. M. G. Sqdn.	Limber G.S.	1. Complete	do	9/3/18.	Bars Brake, Perches, Wheels-4.
Hd. Qrs., 2nd. L. H. Bde.	Wagon G.S., X.	1	do	3/4/18.	Brake Blocks, Plates Iron, Wheels, Washers, Iron round 4ft.
do	Limber G.S.	1. Complete	do	9/4/18.	Swingletrees, Pole.
2nd. L. H. Fld. Amb.	Light Amb. Spring Cart	1.	do	12/3/18.	Wheels-3. Timber 2" x 4" run 4.
N. Z. M. G. Sqdn.	Limber G.S.	1. Complete	do	12/3/18.	Axletree, B. Tail-2. Perch Bracket Bars Brake, Pole, Swingletrees.
N. Z. M. Vet. Sect.	do	1. do	do	12/3/18.	Blocks Brake, Iron Plates, Wheels, Axletree-1. Bolts-14.
2nd. L. H. Fld. Amb.	do	1. Fore Portion	do	15/3/18.	B. Tail, Wheels, Axletree, Hooks Drght
1st. Field Sqdn.	do	2 do	do	10/3/18.	B. Tail-2. Perches. Keys Limb. Hook
do	do	1 Hind Portion	do	4/3/18.	Hooks Limber -1.
D. H. Q.	Carts Water	1	do	6/3/18.	Axletrees, Wheels, Washers.
do	Spring Cart	1.	do	1/3/18.	<del>XXXX</del>
do	Limber G.S.	2. Rear Portion.	do		Brakes Complete, Brackets Perch, Pins, Washers.

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VEHICLES REPAIRED DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH 1918. IN ORDNANCE WORKSHOPS.

58TH. ORDNANCE MOBILE WORKSHOPS, AMWAS, NEAR JUNCTION.

<u>UNIT.</u>	<u>Nature of Vehicle Repd.</u>	<u>Number of Vehicles Repd.</u>	<u>Nature of Repairs in brief.</u>	<u>Date Removed from Workshop.</u>	<u>REMARKS.</u>
N. Z. M. R. Brigade.	Limber G. S.	11 Complete	Gen. Overhaul & Repair.	10/3/18.	Stores expended, Wheels -21. Axletrees No. 141 - 3. Swingletrees- 12. Poles Drght 2 Pins Draught - 3. Hooks do - 2. Stays Side Nib- 5. Perches 9 Staples Perch 9 Nib Plates 11 Tailboards repaired and renewed - 14. Bodies repaired - Fronts - 5. Sides-5. Bottoms-6. Brakes renewed and repaired -8 Tailboard Chains -12. Tailboard Keys 20.

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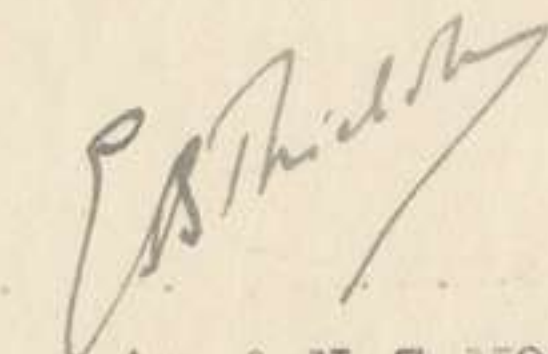
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LIST OF VEHICLES REPAIRED AT ORDNANCE WORKSHOPS DURING MONTH OF MARCH 1918.  
 (c) ORDNANCE WORKSHOPS, JERUSALEM

UNIT.	Nature of Vehicle Rep'd.	Number of Vehicles rep'd.	Nature of Repairs in Brief.	Date removed from Workshop.	REMARKS.
1st. L. H. Fld. Amb.	Carts Amb. Desert.	1.	Gen. Overhaul.	19/3/18.	New axletree, Wheels, Blocks, Clips
do	do	1.	do	20/3/18.	New Wheels, Overhauled & Reptd.
do	Wag. Amb. Light.	1.	do	do	Axletree Refixed.
N. Z. Fld. Amb.	Carts Amb. Desert.	3.	do	do	New Axletree, <del>Wheels</del> , Blocks, Clips Wheels.
do	Wagons Amb. Light.	1.	do	do	General Overhaul.
2nd. L. H. Fld. Amb.	Carts Amb. Desert	5.	do	do	New Axletrees, Wheels, Clips, Block
1st. L. H. Regt.	Wagons G. S., X.	2.	do	31/3/18.	Overhauled and Repaired.
do	Limber G. S.	2. Fore Portions	do	do	do do do
do	do	3. Hind do	do	do	do do do
do	Wagons G. S., X.	1.	do	21/3/18.	Brake Repaired.
2nd. L. H. Regt.	Limber G. S.	2. Fore Portions	do	30/3/18.	Overhaul and Repaired.
do	do	1. Hind do	do	do	do do do
3rd do	do	1. Fore do	do	8/3/18.	do do do
N. Z. M. G. Sqdn.	do	2. Complete	do	21/3/18.	do do do
N. Z. M. R. Bde. Trans.	Wagon G. S., X.	1.	do	20/3/18.	do do do

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 D. A. D. O. S., A. & N. Z. MOUNTED DIVISION.  
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STORES ISSUED DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1918. TO A. & N. Z. MTD. DIVISION.

Sect.-Clo.	1st.A.L.H.Bde.	2nd.L.H.Bde.	N.Z.Bde.	Div.Units.	TOTALS.	TOTALS.				
Stores.	Iss.	Due.	Iss.	Due.	Iss.	Due.				
Boots Aust.	389	27	150	-	192	23	83	13	818	63
do Brit.	41	-	113	-	10	-	81	17	245	17
Braces prs.	70	-	41	-	211	-	-	-	322	-
Breeches M.S	282	-	336	-	181	190	151	-	950	190
Coats Gt.Aus	104	-	4	-	-	-	-	2	108	2
do Brit	-	30	-	10	50	-	-	-	50	40
Discs I.Red.	-	-	81	-	36	-	156	161	272	161
do Green	-	-	101	-	14	-	110	187	225	187
Dressings Fd.	-	-	-	-	-	92	-	-	-	92
Hats Felt Kh.	-	67	-	134	-	305	-	94	-	600
Jacket S.D.Aus	22	68	-	-	-	-	40	-	108	-
do Brit.	-	-	-	-	20	75	-	-	20	75
Knives Clasp	61	57	2	-	70	-	18	-	151	57
Leggings Lea.	-	50	-	40	-	-	25	1	25	91
Puttees prs.	-	-	18	-	207	-	-	-	225	-
Shirts Flan.	209	-	18	-	300	-	264	-	692	-
Socks prs.	145	-	12	-	-	-	265	-	422	-
Spurs prs.	153	83	-	-	-	-	167	-	153	250
Towels hand	-	-	-	-	50	100	127	-	177	100
<u>Section 1-2.</u>										
Bott.Water	-	-	-	-	25	50	-	-	25	50
Buckets Canv.	8	56	8	62	-	322	-	-	16	440
Ropes Head	499	-	1040	-	840	-	216	-	2595	-
do Picketing	986	-	900	-	550	-	80	-	2516	-
Sheets Groun.	-	-	-	67	-	150	-	-	-	217
<u>Section 5.</u>										
Bags Nose	1181	-	2227	-	810	-	854	-	5072	-
Brushes Hrse.	-	-	-	-	120	-	-	143	120	143
do Dandy	-	-	-	-	80	-	-	-	80	-
Muzz.Horse.	-	12	-	-	-	144	-	81	-	237
<u>Section 9.</u>										
Oil : Lub.	5.	-	5	-	5	-	1	-	16	-
Min.	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	5	-
Rang.	-	-	-	-	6	6	-	-	6	6
Soap Bars	250	-	195	-	320	240	187	-	1052	240
Dubbing lbs.	-	436	300	510	240	300	78	-	618	1246
Grease lbs.	-	-	120	-	-	80	110	-	230	80
<u>Section 10.</u>										
Shoes Horse :										
3F.	169	-	450	-	60	430	60	-	939	430
3H.	135	-	360	-	60	430	60	-	615	430
4F.	267	-	389	-	700	360	96	-	1447	360
4H.	259	-	375	-	700	360	126	-	1460	360
5F.	69	-	71	-	115	75	6	-	261	75
5H.	54	-	89	-	145	75	6	-	278	75
6F.	184	-	97	-	145	25	101	-	527	25
6H.	206	-	102	-	105	25	91	-	504	25
7F.	105	-	111	-	60	20	46	-	322	20
7H.	108	-	95	-	60	20	56	-	319	20
8F.	30	-	26	-	60	-	50	-	166	-
8H.	10	-	26	-	40	-	50	-	126	-
Nails H/Shoe										
No.6.	186	-	170	-	100	100	20	-	476	100
8.	90	-	40	-	20	-	20	-	170	-
Shoes Mule :										
size 13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	-	-	14	-	80	-	75	-	169	-
15	-	-	-	-	80	-	119	-	199	-
16	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	15	-
<u>Section -13.</u>										
Blankets G.S.	-	13	-	17	-	-	-	-	-	30
Flannelette Yds.	80	-	-	-	-	540	-	62	80	602
Blankets Sadd.	-	-	60	175	-	-	-	-	60	175.

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NOTE :-

In regard to Appendix "C", figures shewn in the list of "Totals Due" should not be regarded as final as they only represent the figures unsupplied off the Bulk Demand of the middle of the month, it being impossible for units in the middle of operations to submit Bulk Demands : at the same time most of the work was done by wire and issues were made not on Indent form but on wire, chits, or even verbal statements, and therefore the corresponding list of stores "Issued" may also be amended for it may be considered as certain that storeware issued in excess of the figures shewn on Appendix "C", e.g.- Identity Discs, received by post as the Division was moving were issued to complete all demands submitted at the end of February.

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Returns of Clothing + Equipment Showing Horses <sup>ESR</sup> required 2nd L.H. Bgde + Hampshire <sup>50</sup> **MAR 1918** <sup>MAR 10 1918</sup>

Articles	BHQ	5 REGT	6 REGT	7 REGT	2nd MG	2nd FA	2nd Sigs TP	1st MVS	HAYSHIRE	BTY	TOTAL ISSUED	TOTAL DUE	REMARKS			
Clothing																
Caps S.D.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	NIL	14				
Boots Ankle (Aust) pr	8	3	5	4	11	2	27	29	8	8	6	2	39	101	29 1/3/18 10 26/7/18	
" " (British) pr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	2			
Braces pro	6	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	4	4	-	14	NIL	41		
Breeches MS pro	18	70	33	41	80	20	6	-	-	-	53	NIL	326	urgently required.		
Coats Gait (Aust)	7	-	30	10	7	2	6	2	2	2	46	20				
" " (Brit)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	NIL	10				
Discs Heavy head	12	25	-	-	5	-	-	-	15	-	NIL	57				
" " (Eun)	13	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	NIL	54				
Dressings face	7	-	-	-	-	60	-	-	-	-	67	NIL				
Hats felt	12	24	18	34	42	-	-	-	4	-	NIL	134				
Jackets S.D (Aust)	9	-	3	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	18	NIL				
" " (Brit)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	10	NIL				
Knives Clasp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	NIL	2				
Legging leather pr	6	-	14	-	-	-	-	17	-	-	NIL	37				
Putties pro	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	11				
Shirts flannel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL				
Socks pro	6	6	-	-	-	6	-	30	-	-	6	42				
Spurs Jack pr	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1				
Lowell's Hand	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	10	NIL				
<u>Section I</u>																
Bottle water	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL				
Ryckets WC	8	-	15	60	-	20	15	-	-	-	50	68				
Hoops Head	40	207	200	66	150	20	-	20	-	-	20	683				
" " Pck 1/2	40	316	30	176	50	15	20	-	-	-	NIL	647				
Sheep Grooming caps	-	-	47	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	NIL	67				
5 Day Hair	10	20	20	45	20	280	50	283	85	25	41	25	20	160	1745	most urgently required
Brushes Horse	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL				
" " Panty	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL				
Muzzles Horse	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL				
9. Oil fat galb	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	6	NIL				
Mineral "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL				
Kangaroo "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL				
Castor "	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL				

Articles	BHQ	5 REGT	6th REGT	7th REGT	2nd MG	2nd FA	2nd SIG TP	7th MS	Am Shos	BTX	TOTAL ISSUED	TOTAL DUE	REMARKS
<u>Section 9</u>													
Soap / yellow bars	-	100	25	125	-	20	-	5	-	-	130	145	
Dubbing lbs	12	340	140	160	50	20	6	22	60	NIL	810		urgently required
Grease HC lbs	-	-	10	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	NIL	
Beeswax lbs	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	1	
<u>Section 10</u>													
Shos Horse S 3F ps	-	77	-	-	36	-	-	12	-	-	NIL	125	
3H	-	52	-	-	36	-	-	12	-	-	NIL	100	
4F	-	-	-	-	36	-	-	12	-	-	NIL	36	
4H	-	-	-	-	32	12	-	12	-	-	NIL	56	
5F	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	NIL	25	
5H	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	10	
6F	-	20	-	-	36	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	56	
6A	-	20	-	-	36	4	-	-	-	-	NIL	60	
7F	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	NIL	36	
7H	-	40	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	NIL	46	
8F	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	6	
8H	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	6	
Nails HS Size 6 lbs	-	-	40	10	-	-	-	10	-	-	50	10	
" " " 8 "	-	-	25	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	30	NIL	
Shos Mule Sup pan	-	-	-	8	4	-	-	10	-	-	8	14	
" " " S 13 "	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	12	
<u>Section 13</u>													
Blankets 40	-	180	180	180	-	-	-	-	-	-	540	NIL	
Blankets 45	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	3	-	-	NIL	17	
S 6A Saddle	6	150	260	4	-	-	2	6	-	-	20	210	
S 2A Sup Horse	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	4	-	-	5	NIL	

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Merilla W.O.  
A.A.O.C.  
2nd Lt H. P. Gde.







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	B. N. Q.	1st Regt	2nd Regt	3rd Regt	1st Bn Gun	1st Bn Amm.	Sig Corps	Med. Det.	B. N. Q.	Total Sum	Total Due	Remarks
Boots Ankle Aust.		15	5	1		2					24	
Do " British												
Braces												
Breeches cl. S.	21	51	12	6	83	17	10	2	4	9	60	151
Boots Great Aust.												
" " British									30		30	
Discs Idem. Red												
" " Green												
Dressings Field												
Hats Felt	3	23	8		26	2		5			67	
Jackets S. D. Aust.		30	6	39	13			2			90	
" " British												
Knives Clasp		26	32	13	117		4	1			118	
Leggings Leather	1	23	10	8	3			0			50	
Gaiters												
Shirts Flannel												
Socks Worsted	14	8		10							30	
Spurs Jack.	5	98	21	58	35		6	2			236	
Jewels Hand												
Section 1 Bottles Water												
2 Buckets W.C.	6		20	21		4			10		64	
Ropes Lead		150	110	100		75	10	100	30		505	
" Packing		10	10	10	75	75	45	45	25	25	250	
Ropes Fiel												
Sheets Ground												
Section 5 Bags Horse	20	20	100	100	100	80	50	50	30	30	500	
Bushes Horse									50	50	500	
" Dandy												
Chungler Horse		14									14	
Section 9 Oil Fat.												
" General												
" Hangar												
" Baston												
Soap Yellow	10	50	50	50		10		10	20		180	
Dubbing	30	120	120	60	21	77			10		436	
Grease												
Section 10 Shoes Horse 3 F		33	50								83	
3 H		20	21								54	
4 F				30	30					35		
4 H				30	30					35		
5 F												
5 H												
6 F			25	20						25		
6 H			30	20						30		
7 F												
7 H												
8 F				15	15	10	10		5	5	30	
8 H					10	10				10		
Nails 1/2 shoe size 6		36	50					5	20		131	
Shoes of size 13												
14												
15												
16												
Section 13 Flannel etc.												
Blankets 1/2					8				5		13	
" Saddle												
Rugs Horse												



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Stores	BHG		5 <sup>th</sup> LHR		6 <sup>th</sup> LHR		7 <sup>th</sup> LHR		2 <sup>nd</sup> M.S.		2 <sup>nd</sup> FA		2 <sup>nd</sup> S.T.		7 <sup>th</sup> M.V.S.		APRSHIRE		TOTAL ISSUED	TOTAL DUE	REMARKS
	I	R	I	R	I	R	I	R	I	R	I	R	I	R	I	R	I	R			
10 Shoh horse 3 F	-	-	-	77	-	-	-	-	36	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	NIL	125	
3 H	-	-	-	52	-	-	-	-	36	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	NIL	100	
4 F	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36	NIL	
4 H	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	56	NIL	
5 F	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	-	-	-	29	NIL	
5 H	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	NIL	
6 F	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	36	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	56	NIL	
6 H	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	36	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	NIL	
7 F	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	36	NIL	
7 H	-	-	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46	NIL	
8 cut	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6 cuts	NIL	
Nails N <sup>o</sup> 6 20	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	20	
8 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL	
Shoh nub N <sup>o</sup> 13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL	
14	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	NIL	
15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL	
13 7 lancelets yds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL	
Blanket 45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	17	
Blanket saddle	-	150	-	-	60	-	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	160	175	
Rugs horse	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NIL	NIL	

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Checked by  
A.D.C.  
J.M.L. H. Bgde

Week ending  
16/3/18.

Return of Clothing & Equipment  
Amounts received & issued

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2ND L.H. Bde.

Stores.	Total Received	Distributions.										Total issued	Remarks
		4th Pro	5th Regt	6th Regt	7th Regt	2nd MG	2nd FA	2nd Div	7th MVS	Hyderabad Coy.			
Clothing													
Coat Mule (Aust) prs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
" " (Brit) "	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	
Braces "	41	6	-	-	13	-	4	4	-	-	14	41	
Breeches MS "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Coat Great (Aust)	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	
" " (British)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Discs Identity Red	24	-	-	-	12	-	12	-	-	-	-	24	
" " Green	44	-	-	-	32	-	12	-	-	-	-	44	
Dressings Field	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Coat Felt.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Jackets (Aust)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
" " (British)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Knives Clasp	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	
Leggings leather pr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Puttees prs	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	18	
Shirts Flannel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Socks prs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Spurs Jack "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Towels Hand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
<u>Section I</u>													
Batteries Water	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Buckets W.C.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ropes Head	690	40	160	190	87	130	50	20	13	-	-	690	
" Decking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Sheets Ground	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Capas.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
5. Bags Horse	500	-	100	100	200	40	30	-	-	-	-	30 x 500 x	field troop
Brushes Horse	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
" Gandy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Muzzles Horse	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Oil Lub Gall.	5	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	
" Mineral	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
" Rangoon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
" Castor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Soap yellow bars	145	-	-	125	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	145	

Articles	Total Receipts	Distribution									Total Issue	Remarks
		BHQ	5 <sup>th</sup> REGT	6 <sup>th</sup> REGT	1 <sup>st</sup> REGT	2 <sup>nd</sup> REGT	2 <sup>nd</sup> DIV	2 <sup>nd</sup> BRIG	7 <sup>th</sup> DIV	Physical Pty		
9, Dublin lbs.	300	12	70	60	60	30	10	6	12	40	300	
Grease HC lbs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Reemware "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
<u>Section 10</u>												
Shoes Horse size 3F per	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
3H "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
4F "	223		73	57	50	-	20	13	-	10	273	
4H "	229		79	69	50	-	8	13	-	10	229	
5F "	43	9	-	15	-	-	19	-	-	-	43	
5H "	79	9	-	15	-	-	20	5	-	30	79	
6F "	41	7	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	20	41	
6H "	42	2	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	20	42	
7F "	75	21	-	-	-	-	20	1	12	16	75	Field Troop
7H "	49	-	-	-	-	-	20	1	12	16	49	
8F "	20	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	-	-	20	150
8H "	20	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	-	-	20	
Mails HS size 6 lbs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
" " " 8 "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Shoes Mule No.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
<u>Section 13</u>												
Blankets 4d	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Saddles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Rugs Horse	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

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Meville 100  
A.A.O.C  
2nd H Bde





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Week ending 23/3/18  
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Articles	Total Received	Distribution										Total issued
		BHQ	5 Regt	6 Regt	7 Regt	1st MG	2nd MG	3rd MG	7 Mns	Aviation Coy		
Dubbin lbs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grease 14c lbs	100	10	15	30	15	-	30	-	-	-	-	100
Reswan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Section 10</u>												
Shoes Horse 3F pr	450	3	250	90	75	15	9	8	-	-	-	450
3H	360	3	175	90	75	15	-	2	-	-	-	360
4F	90	-	-	45	25	10	10	-	-	-	-	90
4H	90	5	-	45	25	15	-	-	-	-	-	90
5F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5H	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6H	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7H	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8H	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nail 14s size 6 lbs	170	-	90	20	35	15	-	10	-	-	-	170
" " size 8 "	40	-	-	-	-	10	30	-	-	-	-	40
Shoe Mule	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Section 13</u>												
Glauette 4ds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blankets lbs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
" Saddle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Keeps Horse	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note Return for Week ending 30/3/18 Nil Return

30/3/18

Wm L. H. B. 1st Lt  
H. H. C.  
2nd Lt L. H. B. 1st Lt

Stores Issued + Due to New Zealand M.R. Brigade for period 31/3/18 to 31/3/18

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Items	BHQ		Sy Ty		AMP		CMR		WMR		MGS		MFA		Bale Foot	Vets	NZ	ASC	FD	Ty	Somet	Totals		Remarks
	I D	I D	I D	I D	I D	I D	I D	I D	I D	I D	I D	I D	I D	I D								Issued	Due	
Boots ankle Ansd lat	6	7	46		43	10	40		10	8	9	4				3	11	5	1	12		192	23	
do Boot a																				10		10		
Braces	3	3			79		36		30		30		7		3		10			10		211		
Braces	8	8	5	32	31	80	34	31	32	19	13	2	10	5	3		12	16	10	10		181	190	
Coots Covert	1	3			17		12		7		5		2				3					50		
Dresses Identity - Red																						31		
do Green																						14		
Dressings Field					50				36				6										92	
Hats Fur	4	7			67		78		65		30		28	1		5	18		2				305	
Jackets SD					5	25	10	33			5	6				4	7					20	75	
Knives Clash	6										25		9				10			20		70		
Putties		2	7		50		75		60										13			207		
Shirts flannel			100		80		80		20								8			12		300		
Shus Jack							59		21		25		36					5		21			167	
Towels H.T.							26	20			50		24				8			22		50	100	
Cap SD																								
I Bottles Water			25				10		30											4		6	25	50
II Buckets Water cans	12	6					102		92		50		20			12	10		12	6			322	
Rope Head	45	35			110		200		230		100		40			70	16						840	
do Picketing	30	12			30		192		52		120		10		40		10			50			550	
do Heel																								
Sheets Ground Cape			7				36		43		30		11	10		11	2						150	
III Baps Nose	45	27			100		150		230		85		30	28		10	20		10	65			810	
Brushes Horse	4	4					33		34		10		6			6	3		20				120	
do Wandy		5					25		50														80	
Muzzles Horse							102				40												144	
IV Oil Lubricating																				5			5	
Ranpon							6		3		3												6	6
Soap	2	2			20	50	108	50	58	50	21		25	15			30	40	8	25	50	300	240	
Dubbing	6	4			60	60	60	60	60	10	20	4	20	40	20	10	30	30	10	16		240	300	
Grease																				20		112	80	

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Items	BHD		Sps		AMR		CMP		WMP		MGS		MFA	
	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D
IX Shoes Horse 3F per					60		260	180	2	220		30		
3H "					60		260	180		220		30		
4F "					30	50	260	180	280	80	50	80	20	
4H "					30	50	260	180	310	50	50		20	
5F "							60	50				55		
5H "							60	50				55	10	
6F "									75	25	15			
6H "									25	25	15			
7F "							20	20				10	10	
7H "							20	20				10	10	
8F "													10	
8H "												10	10	
Nails H/S Nob lbs					100			50		50				100
8 "									20					20
Shoes Mule Size 14														80
15														80
Flannel etc yds.					120		180		180		60			540
Blankets G.S.														
Blankets Saddle														
Rup Horse														

Bld Dept	Vets		NZ Train		NZ Sd Co		Smdst		Totals		Remarks
	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	
									60	430	
									60	430	
					30	50	30		700	360	
					30	50			700	330	
							25	70	115	75	
							25		145	75	
					10		10	35	145	25	
					10		10	45	105	25	
					10	20	10		60	20	
					10	20	10		60	20	
					10		10	30	60		
					10		10	10	40		
									100	100	
									20		
									80		
									80		
										540	

H. S. Howell Sept  
NZ A.O.Z.



War Diary

1st L.C. Brigade

Cont. used Cards 31

- March 1<sup>st</sup> Dred from dump Bauls, 32 Axes Pick 34 Shovels 1!  
 12 Sheets Bivouac 50 lbs Soft Soap 184 Box Respirator  
 235 Laces Boot 104 Caps 40 Shirts Hammel. 40 Shirts 159 Towels  
 30 Drawers Cotton 47 Coversacks 59 Braces 21 Pair Wess 36  
 Bottles Water 40 Canine 100 Pads Suncingh. 40
- March 2<sup>nd</sup> 70 lbs Boots 6 lbs British 51 Brushes Shaving 48 Towels  
 20 Coats Great 57 Dressing Sals 80 Forks 22 knives 108 Spoons  
 37 Hats 97 Coldalls 53 Cardigan 67 Jackets Cardigan 56  
 Buckets W.C. 97 Brushes W.C. 30 Candy 1 1/2 Cutlery horse  
 5 Gals Oil Mineral 15 Castor 10 lbs Soda 30 lbs Grease 60 lbs  
 Nails 6. 290 Hammel. 5 Barrels 6. 1/2
- March 3<sup>rd</sup> Dred from Kilo 295 500 Bags W.C. 250 Papers Picketing  
 165 lbs Hogs horse 1 Pack saddle.  
 Returned to P.C.C. 295 kilo 3 Cellars Breast  
 3 Cellars head 13 Sacks Hammel. 9 Hutchins 3 Saddles h.p.
- March 4<sup>th</sup> Returned to P.C.C. Kilo 295 6 lbs Breeches head.  
 23 Jackets L.O. 99 Bags W.C. 9 Bottles Water 16 Cellars head.  
 13 Coats Great 9 Blankets saddle 35 Boots Ankle. 9 Hats felt.  
 10 Coversacks 17 Saddles W.C. 15 lbs Pegging 19 Shirts  
 15 Pistols 58 Jacket L.O. 11 Coats Great 5 Towels 24 Boots lbs  
 4 Coversacks 4 Bottles Water 30 Respirators 15 Shirts 21 Breeches  
 head 31 Blankets saddle 10 Cover Breeches 11 Covers 6 Quiv 4  
 Bags W.C. 20 Papers head 5 Bandolins 18 Pds Hammel. 46  
 Sheets Ground 9 Sheets Bivouac 11 Jackets Cardigan 4 Barrels 6. 1/2  
 23 Helmets Gas
- March 5<sup>th</sup> Brigade moved out to take part in operations  
 at Jerusalem I with staff moved out with them.
- March 6<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> Nothing to report
- March 15<sup>th</sup> Dred from Jerusalem 150 lbs Breeches head.

March 16. Nothing to report

" 17 " " "  
 " 18 Dried from dump Jerusalem. 320 lbs shoes horse 227 1/2  
 quilts 11 Shes. 100 pps Breaches cord. 30 Pps Picketing 3  
 Poles Poles 100 pps Boots. Aust, British & Buckets w. canvas.  
 The above were issued to Brigade at Bethelhem

March 19 British. Dried from 10/10 Jerusalem 326 pps boots  
 from dump of Poles. Sig.  
 " 20 " " " 978 pps shoes horse. 117 pairs  
 11 Shes issued to Detach at Bethelhem

Brigade moved out from Bethelhem. Sent Sgt  
 Sullivan out to take over captured stores etc.

March 21 Nothing to report. Potatoes Jerusalem 232 pps boots for repairs  
 94 British 592 not suitable.

" 22 " " "  
 " 23 " " "  
 " 24 Dried from dump Jerusalem and issued to  
 Details 40 pps Breaches cord. 59 1/2 cutting 100 shirts  
 flannels.

" 25 Nothing to report.  
 " 26 " " "  
 " 27 Received and issued 1 lumber load of  
 touchard stores.

" 28 Nothing to report  
 " 29 " " "  
 " 30 " " "  
 " 31 " " "

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J. Pedman W.O.  
 Ordnance  
 1st Brigade

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- 10/3/18 Stones Collected for Brigade from Kilo 295 Principal items being Shoes Horse Ropes Hoop Rubber & Soap.
- 11/3/18 Consolidation Stones Collected from Kilo 295
- 13/3/18 Moved with Brigade from Wadi Heneid & proceeded to location bivouacking in that Area.
- 16/3/18 Moved from Labors with Brigade to Jerusalem
- 18/3/18. Stones Collected from Anjar Ordnance Pump Jerusalem & issued Brigade Unit same date. Chief items being the Supply of large quantities of Horse Shoes & Nails Horse Shoes
- 19/3/18. Stones Collected likewise same date Chief items being Discharging Gear Horse Shoes, Sigsbee, Clothing & Signalling Equipment. (Aeroplane Signalling Equip) ~~which were sent~~. Above stones were most urgent & essential owing to the nature of the country in which the Brigade is proceeding. Brigade at this period very well equipped.

- 1/3/18 Consolidation Stones Collected from Kilo 295 & issued to Units same date
- 2/3/18 Stones Collected Kilo 295 & issued same date.
- 4/3/18 Consolidation Stones & Vouches. Stones Collected Kilo 295 & issued to Units same date principal items as follows. Bags Hoop 1200 which were urgently required by Unit. Rope Fk 15 600 & large quantity of Shoes Horse
- 5/3/18. Stone Collected from K/295
- Inspection of Brigade Transport by Col. Stanfield
- 6/3/18. Inspection of Arms & Machine Guns of Brigade by I.O.A.
- 7/3/18 7th LH Regt returned to Camp Area from trenches after week's Road making.
- 9/3/18 Stones Collected from Judea issued same date

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29/3/18. Fighting continues:  
 Four Hotchkiss Machine Guns  
 blown up in action  
 6th L.H. Regt (1) 7th L.H. Regt (3)  
 Loss reported to DADOS by  
 wire same date also 3 carriers HQ.  
 2nd A.M.G. Squad several  
 Vickers M.G. barrels damaged  
 + new barrels (6) wired for  
 to DADOS.

31/3/18. Moved with Brigade from present  
 position back to E. Salt arriving  
 there late at night.

1/4/18. Five new Hotchkiss Machine Guns.  
 One Vickers M.G. + five Vickers  
 barrels received + issued to  
 units this Brigade, thus  
 completing losses in action  
 wired for 29/3/18:

Brigade moved from E. Salt  
 + proceeded back to River  
 Jordan area arriving back  
 late same night.

1/4/18.

Merrell wo.  
 Ordnance  
 2nd L.H. Bde

20/3/18 Moved with Brigade from  
 Jerusalem + arrived at Jericho  
 travelling at night time +  
 through most rugged country

23/3/18 Moved with Brigade from  
 Jericho Area across Jordan  
 Valley + crossed River Jordan  
 early morning 24/3/18.  
 proceeded all day + night  
 + arrived at Tel. Esur, camping  
 there all day + night.

Weather at this period  
 bitterly cold + raining all  
 the time.

27/3/18. Brigade moved from this  
 Area + went into action  
 Captives by 5th L.H. Regt this  
 day included 20 Turkish  
 prisoners 25 Turkish Motor  
 Lorries 3 Motor Cars all  
 broken up + abandoned  
 + practically useless.

Rifles 20. sent to D.H.Q.

28/3/18. Fighting continues:  
 6th L.H. Regt lost one  
 Hotchkiss Machine Gun  
 blown up in action  
 Loss reported by wire  
 immediately.



Extracts from War Diary - N.Z.M.R. Bde <sup>889</sup> ~~37~~ June  
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- March 1<sup>st</sup> Consolidated Stores drawn from Kilo 295  
→ Ramleh
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Stores from Ramleh. Auckland Regt (detached to  
20<sup>th</sup> Army Corps) drew small quantity of stores  
from R.O.D. Jerusalem. Lt Genard went to  
Bir Abbas inspected Harbonyon Coy.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Lt Genard visited Auckland near Jericho
- 4<sup>th</sup> Lt Genard returned
- 5<sup>th</sup> 30 Boxes of Horseshoes. 300 Pairs Pickets, + 460 Nails  
collected from Kilo 295 + issued
- 10<sup>th</sup> Collected 1360 lbs of Horseshoes, Nobs Head, Dublin.  
Soak oil from Kilo 295
- 11<sup>th</sup> Draw Clothing from K. 295
- 13<sup>th</sup> N.Z.M.R. Bde moved out from Aqun Kara +  
camped at Junction. A.Q.M.S. Stratford + Sept  
Trowell accompanied
- 14-15<sup>th</sup> At Junction
- 16<sup>th</sup> From Junction to Zakariya. Very wet
- 17<sup>th</sup> Bypass reached Bethlehem. B.H.Q. billeted in  
monastery
- 18<sup>th</sup> Received 2 Wagon loads of Stores from  
Jerusalem + issued to all units except AMR
- 19<sup>th</sup> Collected small quantity of stores from Jerusalem  
including 4 sets of Aeroplane Signalling Panels
- 20<sup>th</sup> Sept Trowell went to Jerusalem + arranged  
for stores to go to Auckland Regt.  
Bde moved out at 5<sup>pm</sup> <sup>fraction</sup> Armoured Q.M.S.  
Stratford obtained permission to go after some  
difficulty, but Sept Trowell ordered to remain  
with details
- 21<sup>st</sup> Collected 2 limber loads of stores from Jerusalem

# Weekly Return

N.Z.M.R. Bde

Period ending 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1918

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Items	BHQ		Syzy		AMR		CMR		WMR		M.G.S.		M.F.A.		Bde Hq		Vets		N.Z. Train		Field Hq		Somerset		Totals		Remarks				
	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D		Issue	Due		
Boots ankle	2	4	4	1	(21)*		50	44	31	27	12	14	10	11	-	3	5	6	3	3	4	1					121	114	* Separate indent not included in total		
do																													11	11	
Braces	12				(70)*		54		16		20		20			6		4				28				50	100	* } These items were sent by unit			
Breeches	1	6	1	6	(52)*		10	107	19	88	1	39	12	12	15	4	5	3	22		3	40	12			91	315	* } from P.O. Journal 1-3-18. Not included in totals			
Cots Great (Brit)				3			31		22		12		12		3		5				2		4					94			
Discs Identity Red			12		(29)*				10		50		<del>4</del> 16						20	6			36			118	36	* } Separate indent not included in total			
do Green			12		(34)*				20		50		20						14	6			4			112	14	* } do			
Dressings Field	12				(40)*		11		74		50		25										24			196	-	* } do			
Hats Fur	4		6	3	(35)*		38	79	40	47	10	<del>20</del> 19	6	<del>10</del> 9	4	6	10		12		2					110	196	* } do			
Jackets SD (Brit)				4	*		25	10	19	10	15	5	15										2			81	29				
Knives Clasp		6									25		9						10				20				70				
Puttees SD	18		7		(100)*		75		75	25	25	60							6				30			277	50	* See remarks above			
Shirts flannel	14		10		50*		80		80		42	30	10						16	20	12		6			320	-				
Spurs Jack								50		17	25		36										5		21			154			
Towels Hand			12		50*		63		43		50	25											12			170	50				
Caps SD																							58			-	58		Urgent		
I Bottles Water	6				33*		53		29		10															98			2 in stock		
II Buckets Water canvas		12		6			9		92		50		20									12		6			-	210			
Ropes Head		30		15		50*	113		142		50		30														-	430			
Picketing		30	22		100	100*	50	138	162	30	70	100	45	50													500	300			
Hell				20								30															50	-			
Sheets Ground (Cape)	5		5	7	40		20	40	40	43	15	30	20	11	10							5	20			170	152				
IX Oil Lubricating																											12				
" Mineral													5														5				
" Rangoon					6		5	6															1				12	6			
" Castor																															
Soap yellow	10		10		(50)*		50	100	100		30	50		25													300	250	* } See remarks above		
Dubbing	10				(50)*		60	120	60	80	30	30	30	30	60												250	400	* }		
Grease					(60)*		30		56			20		30													192	-			

Items	BHQ		Sig. Tm		AMR		CMR		WMR		MGS		M.F.A		Bde. Dept		Vets		NZ. Tim		Field Jf		Smsset		Totals		Remarks	
	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D	I	D		
V Bay Nose	15	30	15	15	120 <sup>+</sup> 200		200	100	200	180	140	50	50	20		20						50		45	900	460	* AMR draw direct from 1000 Jemsal 1-3-18 30 issued to Wireless Sect attached	
Brushes Horse					10		20																10		74			
Dandy					12		16								50								15		<del>200</del> 173			
Muzzles Horse								50				40		8											-	98	(1000 issued per I.V.)	
Shoe Horse 3F					30	50 <sup>+</sup>		90		120		30					30								30	270		
3H	10					50 <sup>+</sup>		90		120	20	30													30	240		
4F	10				30		90	30	30	120	10	30		30			30					10			190	240		
4H	10				30		60		30	120	10	30		30								10			150	180	M.G. Syden's Indent received too late for inclusion in Consolidated Demand	
5F					30		10		30		15	30										10			95	30		
5H							10		30		15	30		20								10		20	65	60		
6F					20					40		20					10		10					40	20	120		
6H					20							20												70	20	100	* Auckland's Demands included separately	
7F								20				20													-	60		
7H								20				20													-	60		
8F																								20	-	40		
8H																								10		20		
Nails H/Shoe No 6 <sup>th</sup>						25 <sup>+</sup>		30		50	20														-	100		
8											18														25	-		
Shoe Mule Size 13																										-	-	
14															50										150	-	* Drawn direct by A.H.P. from 1000 Jemsal 1-3-18	
15														40											80	-		
16																									130	-		
XIII Flannellette yk					150		220	60	380		120	60										15			835	120		
Blankets G.S.								7				20												6	-	33		
Blankets Saddle	6				20	25		8	12	6		3													48	12		
Rugs Horses																									-	-		

Note - This return includes all issues from 16<sup>th</sup> Feb'y to 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1918

for O.O. NZ.M.R. Bde  
H.H. Howell Sgt  
3/3/18