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MILITARY INFORMATION.

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Field Service Regulations, Part I. (reprint 1914).
Field Service Pocket Book
Manual of Field Engineering
Manual of Military Law
Musketry Regulations
Treatise on Ammunition.

A SHORT MILITARY VOCABULARY, INCLUDING TECHNICAL TERMS AND DEFINITIONS.

- Abatis**—An obstacle formed of trees or branches picketed to the ground with their points towards the enemy.
- Accountrements**—Comprise belts, pouches, bandoliers, mess tins, haversacks, water bottles.
- Alignment**—Any straight line on which a body is formed or is to form.
- Banquette**—A place upon which men stand to fire over a parapet.
- Batter**—The slope of the face of a structure which is not vertical.
- Bivouac**—An encampment without tents or hutments.
- Basin**—A small area of ground surrounded or nearly surrounded by hills.
- Base**—A place where the Line of Communication originates. The area where the advanced depôts are situated, and where supplies are issued to field units, is called the advanced base.

- Billets**—Billeting troops in houses, buildings, etc. It has the disadvantage of dispersion. Close billets is where some troops are billeted and the remainder bivouac. Close billets partly overcome the disadvantage of dispersion caused by billeting.
- Ballistics**—The science of hurling projectiles in the air. Exterior ballistics deal with barometric pressures, temperature, wind, etc. Interior ballistics deal with temperature of the gases raised by the charge after firing, temperature of the charge before firing, air spacing, etc.
- Camp**—An encampment comprising tents or hutments.
- Crest-line**—Where the top of a hill appears to meet the sky.
- Cover**—Cover from view or fire of the enemy. Cover to be effective must allow of the free use of the rifle.
- Cossack Post**—A "group" in outpost mounted troops.
- Column**—Bodies of troops formed one in rear of another.
- Calibre**—The diameter of the bore of a gun or rifle in inches, measured across the lands.
- Counterscarp**—The side of a ditch of a work nearest the parapet.
- Col**—A gap or break in a ridge of hills.
- Cone of Fire**—The dispersion of the trajectories of a number of projectiles fired at a given range simultaneously.
- Copse (or Coppice)**—A small wood comprising young trees and undergrowth.
- Dead Ground**—Ground which cannot be covered by fire.
- Distance**—The space between men or bodies from front to rear.
- Dressing Station**—A place where wounded are collected and attended by the field ambulance.
- Deploy**—To increase frontage.
- Defile**—A portion of a road which troops must pass on a narrow frontage, i.e., a bridge, a mountain pass.
- Echelon**—A formation of successive and parallel units each on a flank and to the rear of the unit in front. A suitable formation for advancing under artillery fire.

- Embrasure**—A channel through the parapet of a work through which a gun is fired.
- Escarp**—The side of a ditch nearest the parapet.
- Epaulment**—A small parapet to give cover to a gun in action.
- Fire-Enfilade**—Firing at troops from a flank of their position.
- Fire, Frontal**—Firing at the front of a target.
- Fire, Oblique**—Firing at an angle inclined to the front of the target.
- Fire, Reverse**—Fire directed against the rear of a target.
- Fire, Grazing**—Fire which is parallel or nearly so to the ground.
- Fire, Plunging**—Fire which has a steep angle of descent (the reverse of grazing fire).
- Fire, High-angle**—Fire at all angles of elevation exceeding 25 degrees.
- Fascine**—A bundle of brushwood.
- File**—Two infantrymen, a front rank man and his rear ranker.
- Fold in the Ground**—A slight hollow caused by the regular lie of the ground being broken.
- Gradient**—A slope represented by a fraction, i.e., $\frac{1}{8}$ represents a vertical rise of 1 unit to 8 horizontal units.
- Interior Slope**—The inner slope of a parapet between the crest and the banquette.
- Indirect Laying**—The method of laying a gun when direction is obtained by an aiming point and elevation by a clinometer.
- Interval**—The lateral space between units measured from flank to flank.
- Incline**—A movement by which troops are advanced and moved to a flank simultaneously.
- Knoll**—A low hill standing by itself.
- Loop Hole**—An opening in a wall through which a rifle can be fired.

- Mining**—Tunnelling underground towards the enemy.
- Plotting**—The process of placing on paper field observations and measurements.
- Profile**—The outline of a section of a parapet at right angles to the crest.
- Plateau**—High lying flat country. An elevated plain.
- Patrol**—A body of men sent out to reconnoitre.
- Revetment**—Material formed to support at a steep slope an earth wall.
- Re-entrant**—A gully or valley in the side of a hill. Also used to express a sag or bend in a line of entrenchments.
- Reconnaissance**—Means of gaining information with regard to the enemy or the resources and features of the country. Reconnaissance may be either strategical, tactical, or protective. Strategical reconnaissance means locating the enemy, their strength, and the direction of their march. Tactical reconnaissance means ascertaining the dispositions of the enemy, the position of his reserves, and seizing tactical points. Protective reconnaissance means keeping the enemy under constant observation and preventing his obtaining information.
- Refilling Point**—Places where ammunition columns are refilled from ammunition supply parks and supply columns.
- Sap**—A trench formed by extending the end towards the enemy.
- Serrefile**—Officers and men riding in rear of a squadron in line.
- Salient**—A prominent projecting feature of the country. Also used to describe a bulge or projection in a line of entrenchments.
- Starting Point**—A place named in operation orders which the head of the main body will pass at a given time.
- Strategy**—The method by which a commander seeks to bring the enemy to battle.
- Tactics**—The method by which a commander seeks to destroy the enemy in battle.
- Trace**—The outline of a work in plan.

- Train**—Hitherto known as the second line transport. It consists chiefly of the supply waggons of a unit in the field not required in action.
- Task**—The amount of work to be executed by a man during a stated time.
- Trajectory**—The path described by a projectile during its flight in the air.
- Traverse**—A bank of earth left to provide cover from enfilade fire and to localize the burst of shells.
- Terreplein**—The surface of the ground inside a work.
- Vedette**—A sentry of mounted troops.

AERONAUTICAL TERMS AND THEIR MEANING.

- Aeroplane**—A flying machine heavier than air.
- Aviator**—The pilot or driver of an aeroplane.
- Biplane**—An aeroplane with two sets of main planes one above the other.
- Monoplane**—An aeroplane with one set of main planes.
- Nacelle**—The car of a balloon or dirigible. An enclosed shelter for the pilot of a biplane.
- Staggered planes**—A biplane or triplane in which the upper planes are set in advance of the lower.
- Tail-plane or Empennage**—Supporting surfaces composing the tail.
- Tractor machine**—An aeroplane having its propeller in front.
- Triplane**—An aeroplane with three sets of main planes one above the other.

Common Expressions.

- A machine "rising" is said to be "climbing."
- A machine descending without the engine running is said to be "gliding" or "volplane."
- A machine descending too steeply is said to be "diving" or "vol pique."

A machine descending too flat and so losing flying speed is said to be "doing a pancake."

A machine "banking" describes the angle taken up by the planes when turning.

Balloon Terms.

Rigid—A term applied to a dirigible balloon whose envelope is provided with a stiff framework to keep it in shape.

Semi-rigid—A term applied to a dirigible balloon which maintains its shape partly by the assistance of a suitable framework.

MUSKETRY NOTES.

The use of elaborate tables for wind, movement, effective beaten zone, penetration, etc., is not recommended, but it is desirable to have a ready reference for convenient ranges, which should be memorized.

The following tables have reference to mark VII. ammunition:—

Effective Beaton Zone.

Range 500 yards	..	E.B.Z. 7 ft. x 350 yards
" 1000 "	..	" 14 ft. x 180 "
" 1500 "	..	" 22 ft. x 150 "

The permissible error in sighting elevation is equal to half the depth of the E.B.Z.

Trajectory Table.

Range 500 yards	..	Highest point 2.3 ft. at 300 yards
" 1000 "	..	" 17.8 ft. at 600 "
" 1500 "	..	" 69 ft. at 900 "

Wind.

For head and rear winds no allowance need be made for ranges under 1000 yards. For ranges exceeding 1000 yards

add or deduct from the sighting elevation 50 yards in the case of a strong wind.

For right-angle winds allow—

	Mild (10 miles per hour).	Fresh (20 miles per hour).	Strong (30 miles per hour).
300 yards	.. 1 ft.	2 ft.	3 ft.
500 "	.. 2 ft.	4 ft.	6 ft.

For oblique winds allow half above.

Movement.

Up to 500 yards range, aim should be taken:—

Per each 100 yards of range.

About 1 foot in front of a man walking.

" 2 feet in front of a man doubling.

" 3 feet in front of a horse trotting.

" 4 feet in front of a horse galloping.

Aim in front of an aeroplane six times its length, and at the nose of an airship.

To Raise Point of Impact.

Range 800 yards	..	6 ft.	} Increase the sighting elevation 100 yards.
" 1000 "	..	10 ft.	
" 1500 "	..	27 ft.	

Grouped Ranges.

Range	Rifle	Field Art.	Heavy Art.
Distant	.. 2800 to 2000	6500 to 5000	10000 to 6500
Long	.. 2000 to 1400	5000 to 4000	6500 to 5000
Effective	.. 1400 to 600	4000 to 2500	5000 to 2500
Close	.. 600 & under	2500 & under	2500 & under

Penetration Table.

The following table gives the maximum penetration of the pointed bullet in various materials (any rifle):—

Steel plate, best hard	$\frac{7}{16}$ in.
" ord. mild or wrought iron	$\frac{3}{4}$ "
Shingle	6 "
Coal, hard	9 "
Sand (confined)	18 "
Brickwork (cement mortar)	9 "
" (lime mortar)	14 "
Hard wood	38 "
Earth (unrammed)	40 "
Soft wood	58 "
Clay	60 "
Dry turf or peat	80 "

In order to obtain proof cover a percentage must be added to above figures.

Ramming earth reduces its resisting power.

Dangerous Space.

Is the distance between the first catch and the first graze. Its extent depends upon:—

- Firer's position,
- Height of the object,
- Flatness of the trajectory,
- Conformation of the ground.

Dangerous space decreases as the range increases.

Barometric Pressure and Temperature.

Rifles are sighted for the following conditions:—

- Normal barometer, 30 inches.
- Normal thermometer, 60 degrees.
- Still air.
- Horizontal line of sight.

When the barometer rises or the thermometer falls more elevation is required, and conversely, when the barometer falls or the thermometer rises less elevation is required.

To correct:—

For every inch the barometer rises or falls add or deduct $1\frac{1}{2}$ yards per 100 yards of range.

For every degree the thermometer rises or falls add or deduct $1/10$ th of a yard per 100 yards of range.

The barometer falls 1 inch for every 1000 feet altitude.

Ammunition.

A shrapnel shell contains 374 bullets of a total weight of nearly nine pounds. The width of the area of ground struck by the bullets of an effective shrapnel shell is about 25 yards. The length of the forward spread of the bullets at effective range is about 200 yards.

The radius of the explosion of a high explosive shell is about 25 yards.

Mark VII .303 Cartridge weighs 386 grains.

Bullet (cupro-nickel envelope) weighs 174 grs.

Charge, Cordite M.D.T. 39 grs.

Muzzle velocity, 2440 feet per second.

Cordite—Its constituent parts consist of:—

Guncotton, 65%; Nitro-glycerine, 30%; Mineral jelly, 5%.

Its chief advantages over gunpowder are:—

- It is practically smokeless,
- It is not affected by dampness,
- It will keep indefinitely,
- It is slow burning and will not explode unless the gases are confined.

Ammunition Supply in the Field (Infantry).

Every infantryman carries 120 rounds ammunition.

Regimental ammunition reserve carries 100 rnds. per man.

Art. Brigade ammunition reserve carries 80 rnds. per man.

Divisional Ammunition Column carries 50 rnds. per man.

At the ammunition supply park there should be at least 100 rounds per man.

All reinforcing troops must carry extra ammunition into the firing line.

Judging Distance.

The probable error to be expected in judging distance is 15%. With the aid of range cards this may be reduced to 10%. The probable error to be expected from range finders is 5%.

Aids.—The barley-corn pattern foresight covers a man

Standing, at about ..	600 yards
Kneeling, at about ..	300 "
Lying, at about ..	200 "

The knife blade pattern foresight covers a man

Standing, at about ..	400 yards
Kneeling, at about ..	250 "

Another method is to decide mentally the maximum and minimum distance, then to take the mean as correct.

For long ranges endeavour to locate a point about half way, then another point at half that distance, and so on until you obtain a unit of measure that you can estimate the distance of.

When the flash of a rifle is visible it is useful to remember that sound travels at 1100 ft. per second, therefore every beat counted (at the rate of 11 beats in 3 secs.) will represent 100 yards of range from the flash.

Distance is Underestimated.

Looking over featureless country.
Looking upwards and downwards.
In bright and clear atmosphere.
When sun is behind the observer.

Distance is Overestimated.

Looking over broken country.
When kneeling or lying.
Looking over a valley.
Looking down an avenue or defile.

NOTES RE FIELD MESSAGES, REPORTS, ETC.

Messages should be addressed by the title of the unit in the accepted abbreviated form, viz:—To O.C. 3rd. Bat. N.Z.R.B. The writer is held responsible that any unauthorised abbreviations are understood.

Names of places and persons should be written in block capitals. Numbers should be written in words. Full stop AAA. The hour of 12 should be followed by "noon" or "midnight." A night should be thus described:—Night 23/24 Sept. When bearings are given they should be true bearings, and so stated. Any words of an indefinite nature, such as "dawn," "dusk," "should," "may," "if possible," should be strictly avoided.

Messages should be clear, concise, definite, relevant, accurate.

In reporting on an enemy, it is of vital importance that information be given in the following respects, viz:—

- Place from which the observation is made.
- Time of the observation.
- Approximate position of the enemy when seen.
- His approximate strength and composition.
- His formation and the direction of his march.

It is of much greater importance that a message should arrive in time than that it should be long or elaborate.

Be sure to retain a copy of your message.

TIME AND SPACE.

In moving to a starting point it may be taken that all troops march at the rate of 100 yards a minute.

Rate of movement in the field are approximately as follows:—

Arm.	Yards per minute.	Minutes required to traverse 1 mile.	Miles per hour.
Infantry—			
Usual pace ..	98	18	3
Mounted Troops—			
Walk	117	15	3½
Trot	235	8	7
Gallop	440	—	—
Trot and walk ..	—	—	5

The Length of a Pace—

In slow and quick time is ..	30 inches
„ double time	40 ”
„ stepping out	33 ”
„ stepping short	21 ”
„ side step	15 ”

The spaces required for the various arms in column of route are:—

Headquarters of units, 2 yards per riding horse.

Mounted troops in section, 1 yard per horse in the ranks.

Mounted troops in half-sections, 2 yards per horse in the ranks.

Infantry in fours, ½ yard per man.

The following distances are left between units:—

In rear of an Infantry Company ..	10 yards
„ a Squadron, battery or other unit not specified ..	10 ”
„ Cavalry regiment, Brigade D.A. or Infantry battalion ..	20 ”
„ Cavalry or Infantry brigade ..	30 ”
„ a Division.. according to circumstances	

USEFUL HINTS AND INFORMATION.

To find approximate true north with a watch.—In the northern hemisphere, hold the watch face upwards, point the hour hand at the sun, and bisect the angle between the hour hand and twelve o'clock. The line so found will point to the south.

In the southern hemisphere, point the line from the centre of the dial to twelve o'clock at the sun, and bisect the angle between this and the hour hand. The line so found will point to the north.

To calculate the approximate bearings of a point from a watch.—The circular face of a watch is equal to 360 degrees, being divided into 12 hours each hour equals 30 degrees. As the distance between each hour on the dial is divided into 5 minutes, each minute, therefore, shows 6 degrees.

To find the scale of any map having a representative fraction (R.F.)—Divide the denominator of the R.F. by 63,360, this gives the number of miles to the inch; thus if R.F. is

$$\frac{1}{80,000} \text{ then } \frac{80,000}{63,360} = 1.263 \text{ miles to the inch.}$$

To find the number of inches to the mile, divide 63,360 by the denominator of the R.F.: thus if the R.F. is

$$\frac{1}{80,000} \text{ then } \frac{63,360}{80,000} = .792 \text{ inch to the mile.}$$

Magnetic Variation.

London	15 deg. W.
Paris	13½ ” W.
Berlin	8 ” W.
Brussels	13 ” W.
Cairo	10 ” W.
Wellington	16½ ” E.

German Magazine Rifle.

The rifle in use in the German army is the Mauser 1898 pattern, with a calibre of .311 in. It has no cut off. Weight 9 lbs., with bayonet 9 lbs. 14 ozs.; length, 4 ft. 1.4 in., with bayonet 5 ft. 9.75 in. It is sighted to 2200 yards, carries a rimless cartridge 431 grs. with a pointed bullet. Magazine carries 5 cartridges. Muzzle velocity 2800 F.S. Nitro-cellulose powder.

French Lebel Rifle.

Weight, 9 lbs. 3½ ozs., with bayonet 10 lbs. 1½ ozs.; length, 4 ft. 3.12 in., with bayonet 5 ft. 11.84 in. Calibre .315. It has a rim cartridge weighing 415 grs. with round nosed bullet. Magazine carries 8 cartridges. Muzzle velocity, 2380 F.S. Sighted to 2200 yards.

MILITARY LAW.

(From King's Regulations and Army Act.)

Powers of a Commanding Officer.

A Commanding Officer may, subject to the soldier's right to elect, previous to the award, inflict the following minor punishments on a private soldier:—

- (a) Detention not exceeding 28 days. If the C.O. is below Field rank he can only award 7 days' detention except in the case of absent without leave. If the absence without leave exceeds 7 days the detention awarded may equal the number of days absent not exceeding 28 days altogether, but if the days of absence do not exceed 7, detention can only be awarded up to 7 days.
- (b) In the case of drunkenness, a fine not exceeding 10/., as to which the following rules should be observed:—

- (1) For the first offence, no fine.
(2) Second offence, 2/6.

- (3) Third and every subsequent offence, 5/., but if the third or subsequent offence occurs within six months of the preceding offence, 7/., and if within three months, 10/.
- (c) Deductions of pay arising from absence without leave, or deductions to make good loss or deficiency arising from loss or damage to arms, clothing, supplies, etc. (*vide* A.A. sec. 138).
- (d) Field punishment not exceeding 28 days.
- (e) Confinement to barracks for not more than 14 days.
- (f) Extra guards and picquets.

A Commanding Officer cannot award imprisonment.

A Commanding Officer can also award deductions from pay for certain offences committed on active service in addition to awarding detention (*vide* sec. 46 A.A.).

He can admonish, reprimand or severely reprimand N.C.O.'s.

Powers of a Company Commander.

- (a) Confinement to barracks not exceeding 7 days.
(b) Fines for drunkenness (*vide* scale for C.O.).
(c) Extra guards and picquets.
(d) Forfeiture of pay where same is automatically forfeited under Pay Warrant.

He can admonish or reprimand a N.C.O. below a sergeant. (See K.R. 484, 485, 486, 111/114, 501, 909, 986.)

A soldier always has a right to demand trial by Court Martial except for minor punishments, which can be inflicted by a C.O. or Coy. Commander.

Courts Martial are of four descriptions, viz.:—
Regimental, District, General, Field General.

On active service a Field General is convened, and is governed by Rules of Procedure 105/120.

DETAIL OF A BATTALION FOR ACTIVE SERVICE.

Lieut.-Colonel, commanding ..	1	} Field Officers.	
Major (2nd in command) ..	1		
Adjutant (Captain) ..	1		
Quartermaster (Captain) ..	1	} Regimental Staff	
Company Commanders (1 Major, 3 Captains) ..	4		
Company 2nd in command ..	4	} Company Officers	
Platoon Commanders ..	16		
Machine Gun Officer ..	1		
Sergeant-Major ..	1	} Warrant Officer	
Regt. Q.M.-Sergeant ..	1		
Sergt. Instr. of Musketry ..	1		
Orderly-Room Sergeant ..	1		
Sergeant-Bugler ..	1		
Armourer Sergeant ..	1	} Staff-Sergeants	
Pioneer Sergeant ..	1		
Sergeant Cook ..	1		
Transport Sergeant ..	1		
Signalling Sergeant ..	1		
Sergeant Shoemaker ..	1		
Company Sergt.-Majors ..	4		} Company-Sergeants
Company Q.M.-Sergeants ..	4		
Platoon Sergeants ..	16		
Sergeants (1 m. gun sect.) ..	17		
Lance-Sergeants ..	8		
Corporals (1 m. gun sect.) ..	41	} Rank and File	
Buglers (or Drummers) ..	16		
Pioneers ..	8		
Privates (m gun sect. 14)	828		
Drivers (Regt. transpt 29 A.S.C. 10)	39		
Medical orderlies 2 R.A.M.C. 5..	7		
Total—30 officers, 1 warrant officer, 59 sergeants, 939 rank and file. Total—1,029 all ranks.			

COMPOSITION OF A DIVISION ON A WAR FOOTING.

	Officers.	Other ranks.	Total.
1 Headquarters ..	15	67	82
3 Infantry Brigades ..	372	11,793	12,165
1 Hdqrs. Div. Artillery ..	4	18	22
3 Field Artillery Brigades ..	69	2,316	2,385
1 Field Art. How. Brigade	22	733	755
1 How. Battery Am. Column ..	6	192	198
1 Div. Am. Column ..	15	553	568
1 Hdqrs. Div. Engineers ..	3	10	13
2 Field Companies Engineers ..	12	422	434
1 Signal Company ..	5	157	162
1 Cavalry Squadron ..	6	153	159
1 Divisional Train ..	26	402	428
3 Field Ambulances ..	30	673	703
Total ..	585	17,489	18,074

NEW ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

Rank and Badges.

Pay.

	per day.
Colonel (crown and two stars) ..	30/-, field allow. 5/-
Lieut.-Colonel (crown and one star) ..	25/-, " " 5/-
Major (crown) ..	21/-, " " 5/-
Captain (three stars) ..	17/6, " " 3/6
Lieutenant (two stars) ..	12/-, " " 3/-
Second Lieutenant (one star) ..	10/-, " " 3/-
Adjutant ..	5/- p. day addit'nal
Field Cashier (if below Captain) ..	5/-, " "
Medical Officer ..	10/-, plus pay of rank
Dentist ..	10/-, " "
Veterinary Officer ..	10/-, " "
Chaplain ..	Pay of rank
Warrant Officer (crown and wreath)	" "
Regt. Sergt.-Major (crown on fore-arm)	9/-, field allow. 1/6
Regt. Q.M.S. (4 chevrons and star) ..	9/-, " " 1/6

Rank and Badges.	Pay.
Squadron, Battery, Company Sergt.	Per day.
Major (crown and crossed rifles) or Q.M.S. (3 chevrons and star) ..	8/- " " 1/6
Sergeant (3 chevrons) ..	7/- " " 3/6
Lance-Sergeant (3 chevrons) ..	6/6 " " 3/3
Corporal (2 chevrons) ..	6/- " " 3/-
Bombardier or Lee-Corp. (1 chevron)	5/- " " 2/6
Sapper, Gunner, Private, Trumpeter (crossed trumpets), Bugler (crossed bugles)	5/- " " 3/-
Pay Clerk	8/- " " 4/-
Orderly Room Clerk	7/- " " 3/6
Cooks	2/6 addl. " 1/6

Deferred pay is payable on return to New Zealand, but may be allotted.

All commissioned officers who are mounted, 1/6 per day grooming allowance.

An outfit grant of £25 is paid to all commissioned officers.

A separation allowance of 1/- per day is paid to wives of all married N.C.O.'s or men, also 9d. per day for each child under 14 years of age.

FOREIGN MONEYS AND THEIR APPROXIMATE ENGLISH VALUE.

Austria Hungary—	s. d.
Unit—Krone or Crown of 100 Heller	0 10
Belgium—Same as France.	
Bulgaria—	
Unit—Lev = 100 Stotinki or Centimes	0 9½
10 Stotinki = 1d.	
Denmark—	
Unit—Krone = 100 Ore	1 1½
8 Ore = 1d.	
Gold—10 and 20 Kr. Silver, 10, 25 and 50 Ore, 1, 2, and 5 Kr. Copper—1, 2 and 5 Ore.	

Egypt—	s. d.
Unit—Piastre	0 2½
100 Pistres = 1 Lira or Egyptian Pound	20 3½
France—	
Unit—Franc = 100 Centimes	0 9½
10 Cents = 1d.	
Gold—5, 10 and 20 Francs. Silver—½, 1, 2 and 5 Frs. Copper—5 and 10 Cents.	
Germany—	
Unit—Mark = 100 Pfennige	0 11½
8 Pfennige = 1d.	
Gold—5, 10 and 20 Marks. Silver—20 and 50 Pf.; 1, 2, and 3 Mks. (Thaler). Nickel—5, 10 and 20 Pf. Copper—1 and 2 Pf.	
Greece—	
Unit—Drachma = 100 Lepta	0 9½
10 Lepta = 1d.	
Holland—	
Unit—Florin or Gulden = 100 Cents.	1 7½
5 Cents = 1d.	
Gold—10 Fl. (Ducat). Silver—½, ½, 1, and 2½ Fl. Copper—1, 2½ and 5 Cents.	
India—	
Unit—Rupee = 16 Annas	1 4
15 Rupees = £1.	
1 Anna = 1d.	
Silver—2, 4, 8 and 16 An. Bronze—½ and ½ An. Nickel—1 Anna. Paper—5, 10, 50, and 100 Rupees.	
Italy—	
Unit—Lira = 100 Centesimi	0 9½
10 Cents = 1d.	
Paper is largely in use in 5, 10, 25, 50, 100, 500 and 1000 Lire.	
Portugal—	
Unit (Paper) Escudo	3 4

Russia—

Unit—Rouble = 100 Copecks
 4 Copecks = 1d.
 Paper Notes of 1, 3, 5, 10, 25, 50 and 100 Roubles are used, with Nickel and Copper Coins for fractions of a Rouble.

Spain—

Unit—Peseta (Silver) = 100 Centimos (nominal value 9d.) (Paper)
 Gold—25 Pesetas. Silver—1, 2, and 5 Pesetas.
 Copper—5 and 10 Cents.

Switzerland—Same as France.

Turkey—

Unit—Piastre = 40 Paras
 20 Piatres = 1 Medjidie. 100 Piatres = 1 Turkish Pound Lira = 18/-

CALENDAR—1917.

JANUARY		FEBRUARY		MARCH		APRIL	
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~~at sea~~
4-1-17.

Sgt. G. A. Aubrey
19th N. F. M. B.

Sp. G. F. O.

Wellington N. F.

May you have a safe and
speedy return to N. F.
The best girl in the world,
for a wife.
A love and happy life.
And Heaven when you die
Is the wish of
G. A. Aubrey

19th N. F. M. B.
10th N. F. M. B.
no 18193.

1917

31 Days

May

1 Tues

Our whole division went out on the right flank today. We are in the 1st division ~~of~~ which consists of N of mt^a brigade two Australian brigades & one brigade of Germany so when in columns of route we reach over a few miles. We had a quiet day as when there is a fair mob out the Turks keep their distance. There has been a fair amount of shelling away over to the left on our right side. A tank came over today had a good look at our batteries fired on him, but we hit him.

2 Wed

We had a trip back to Belha today ten men from our regiment went in to get some stores. It is a sixteen mile ride but we had a good trip arrived back to Belha in time to get some stew for tea I made beef stew & it was a win. We had a grand night's sleep no "stand too" in the morning so slept on until seven o'clock.

3 Thurs

Had some porridge for breakfast after that we went over to the sea & had a swim first we have had since we were here nearly 3 weeks ago. An awful big dump on the beach several boats being unloaded & a big crowd of men working here. We got our pack-horses loaded & left for the regiment at 2 p.m. arrived back at dark I met Fred Wright today he & I were together the whole time while in I-stoo camps. He is now a driver in ^{the} divisional train.

4 Fri Stand to this morning at 3-30. We didn't go out today. Had a parade in our gas helmets, & a little instruction in the correct way to use them. Turks have dropped a note in our lines saying our gas was a failure & we didn't know how to use it, but that in a day or two they will show us as we are expecting some gas shells now. To bed & sleep. Wakened 10-30 by seeing shouting out. Enemy airplane over. It was very clear moonlight, but he didn't bomb us.

5 Sat The guns were firing on & off all night. All the men available entrenching & putting up barb wire entanglements today. Turks dropped about 20 bombs at our rail head last night had a go at the ammunition dump. & ~~dropped~~ ^{drove} ~~drove~~ We have not heard the particulars yet, but there was not a great deal of damage done.

6 Sun—4 aft Easter—Accession of King George V

We were not out today
 reports came in early with
 word that about 500 Turks
 Turks were busy entrenching
 at El Bugga. N. of buga
 with one brigade of Australians
 to leave at 4 p.m. attack
 at 9-30 & clear up round
 El Bugga. The night was
 cold & we moved up on to
 El Bugga early in the
 morning & found no Turks
 there. We never fired a
 shot returned home & a mv

7 Mon

Talbot did a lot of
 bombing at the dump at
 Belha also bombed the
 hospital there killed several
 doctors & attendants also some
 wounded. It was a bright
 moonlight night & they were
 down very low with their
 machines. We had no anti-
 air-craft guns there so the
 Turks were not afraid to
 come well down so as they
 could drop their bombs
 where they wished to

8 Tues

Our turn for our posts tonight. Nothing startling happened. But on front patrols through the day plenty of Turks but were not very close to them. They opened fire on us but at too long a range to do much damage. A stray mail came in today. Received a parcel from H. M. B. & an Ugep Witness. We are getting some very hot weather now every day a few men going to hospital.

9 Wed—Proclamation

Stand to as usual. 3-30. Had some squadron sports began 4-30 a.m. stopped 9-30 as it was getting too warm. Regimental sports in evening just ready for the Oug-of-war on horse-back & crowd gathered round when, over came two ~~large~~ Taubers. bombing. We galloped out those who were hit & those dismounted ran out scattered & lay down. They dropped 10 bombs did very little damage killed five horses only one man dangerously wounded, carried on with sports after bombing had finished.

10 Thurs

Stand too 9-30 a m then went on with sports. I am in the winning team of the regiment for wrestling on horse-back & tug-of-war. We have to compete in the brigade sports now held on the 12th unless Jacks gets in on us before then. Artillery doing a lot of shelling today.

A tank attacked one of our planes in the evening close to our camp. A bullet from enemys machine gun struck our planes engine & so he had to come down landed safely in our lines no serious damage done

11 Fri

Wakened to rather early at 2 a m orders to be ready to move out at 2-30 so a great bustle getting horse feed & our own rations as when we go out on these trips we never know when we will be back. We had a fairly quiet day as our brigade moved up. Turks fell back into their old position so only a few shots exchanged at long ranges. The heat today was hellish all the shade we could get was our horses & they keep moving about & leave a man lying in the hot sun MAIL today 9 letters

12 Sat

Very tired at stand too this morning. Brigade sports today. Canterbury regiment didn't do anything wonderful. Auckland winning the most events. Our team beaten in the wrestling on horse back, but won the tug of war. The sports started early in the morning stopped for a few hrs at mid-day finished off late in the afternoon. General thanked the troops for working so much lately in making this front secure. promised a spell very soon.

13 Sun—Rogation Sunday

Out on patrol today. Turks seem busy on their front. One good thing about them they always open fire on us at a long range & so give warning that we are coming in touch with them. Just the opposite to us. as we would not open fire on a small patrol but let them ride on very close & try & capture them. We were in early. I went to church in the evening. Ministers squatted on the ground same as us

14 Mon

Out on patrol ~~retired today~~ ~~and~~ had a fairly decent day. A few jacks captured & some came in on their own account. They sent some bullets close round us a few times today, but our job when on patrol is see what is doing & keep out of the way of the enemy for as much as possible which any fool would agree is rather a good idea. We left our post at dark arriving home 8 p.m.

15 Tues

"Stand to arms" as usual 3 a.m. This is the thing to make a man wonder ~~what~~ how much longer the war will last, as this early rising is a brute. There are no drinks of tea or then either or no supper when on duty at night. Today was very hot & an awful dust storm started at 4 p.m. & blew until dark. I think we ate more sand tonight than anything else.

16 Wed

Had a ride back to the divisional ammunition column today as mounted escort to ammunition limbers. Ten of us went & we had a good job. At 5 p.m. the whole Canterbury regiment moved out as a protecting party to 44th division who are making a new battle line along the Warden. The infantry worked all night knocking off at 4 a.m. we came back for breakfast at 7-30 quiet night: captured one solitary Turk

17 Thurs—Ascension Day—Holy Thursday

Went on a fatigue today over to the divisional train to load provisions for our regiment. Artillery did a fair amount of shooting today. One of our planes brought down but no serious damage done. Not on duty tonight but stand by arms as usual in the morning & expect to be morning. Dust storms today were the worst I have seen.

18 Fri

Left camp this morning
at 4-30 going out on patrol
again. As we were riding
through an old Bedouin camp
we spotted a big snake. One of
our chaps put a bullet in it
& then killed it with the bayonet.
It was the biggest snake I have
seen we all reckoned it was
6 ft long most of the ones I have
seen here only two or three feet.
Relieved today at dark got
back to our regiment at
10 PM. Had a good sleep
till 4 AM

19 Sat

Our squadrons on patrol
again today. A lot more Turks
about our way today & our
patrols pushed back by them.
This is the worst day I
have seen since in Egypt.
A hot wind blew all day
& dust storm so thick at
times we could hardly see.
Some of the slightly wounded
men in the Gaza fight came
back today. We have eaten
more gut & sand today
than ever before. The old men
say this one of worst storms have had.

20 Sun—Sunday after Ascension

Wakened up this morning about one o'clock to find nearly all hands awake & the dust storm still blowing, some of the fellows were sitting up & others were lying nearly buried in sand. I shook my blanket & overcoat & lay down again, nearly choked with the dust. did not go to sleep again & was glad when day light came worse night we have ever had here. Our artillery making a duce of a row the last few hours

21 Mon

Artillery fire seemed to be kept up all night. The wind went down last night so had a good sleep until stand to which was about 15 mins past 3. Half our squadron out patrolling today. & Tanks seem to be getting more check, as their patrols much further out today than usual.

22 Tues

I was a brigade galloper today & so had rather a hard day for my steed, Nancy. I have called her. We are moving away from here at 6 p.m. tonight.

I to be near the Turkish railway which runs to Beerchaba at daylight on 23rd. Our demolition party going to blow up the line & bridges there. N.Z. mtd brigade & 2 brigades Australian light horse going out to clear the way & protect the party while blowing up the bridges etc

23 Wed

Rode all night last night nearly in position at daylight. Got right through to line with very little trouble. Blew up several miles of railway & the big bridge across the Wadi. This bridge 18 spans built of stone & was in splendid order but now blown to pieces with gun cotton. Our airplanes dropped a big bomb each on the other 2 bridges & destroyed them. We burnt all the wheat & barley crops out there & burnt some large heaps of grain

24 Thurs

We got to bed at about 2 o'clock this morning didn't stir till six so had about 4 hours good sleep & not much doing through the day, but the cursed flies are so bad here it is impossible to sleep through the day.

A tube came over before dark to do some bombing but didn't do much damage as our anti air craft guns kept him well up.

25 Fri

A quiet day in our lines very hot. Plenty of dust in the afternoon but wind went down in the evening. A tube round our lines as usual by. we have two anti-air-craft guns here now so keep him from coming down & doing so much damage. Our mail came in today & I received a lot of letters & two Stago witnesses.

26 Sat—Birth of Queen Mary

Three French divisions came up here today & so we are going back in reserve on Monday, so will have a spell there. There will be no stand to arms every morning or patrols to find observation posts etc.

A parcel mail came in today & our section did pretty well & we live while the parcels last.

27 Sun—Whit Sunday

Other troops have taken over our job now so not much doing today getting ready to move tomorrow.

An order has just come round to say we have to find patrols for tomorrow so we will have a big day as we are going out early in the morning on day patrol getting our surplus gear here in the evening & riding back 8 or 10 miles into the reserve where we are to have a spell.

May

5th Month

1917

28 Mon

Reveille 3 P M

Doing the front patrol today
 & plenty of Turks, cruising
 about, but patrols are never
 strong enough to fight but
 just go out to observe them.
 Turks usually open fire at
 long distances, & so as a rule
 don't do very good shooting.
 One man in our patrol hit in
 the shoulder today, but he
 managed to ride in most of
 the way until met with
 a sand cart.

1917

31 Days

May

29 Tues

We arrived in this camp
 last night very tired & now we are here
 they find there is going to
 be a shortage of water so
 we are moving again today
 to where we are nearer to
 water. We are settled again
 & are going to rig up hives
 here as we expect to stay
 in this camp for about 10 days.
 We have received orders to dig
 in a bit here so as to have
 more protection if bombed.

30 Wed

We are not doing much now except looking after our horses. We take them to water twice a day. The watering places are about four miles from here & it is a very dusty ride, but each man takes two horses & so we only have one trip by taking the horses turn about. A taula came over this afternoon, but two of our battle planes went to meet him. He did not wait for trouble turned & went for his life.

31 Thurs

Two of the fellows who came over in the 19th mtd & are now in the Camel Corps were over to see me today. Their company is at present camped about 3 miles from where we are & they are supposed to be having a rest. They are very tired of the camels & would much sooner be in a squadron with horses. Brought enough water home today to do some washing carried it in my nose bag from water trough.

1 Fri All the New Zealanders are being issued today with high velocity rifles, & are handing in our old ones. Our regiment rode over to Khan Afenut in the morning it is a small native town on our new ^{railway} line & we have a large dump there. We got our new rifles & also new bayonets there & so should be able to do something wonderful the next battle we are in

2 Sat The place we left was heavily bombed today & the Germany that relieved us a lot. a good many horses & several men. We had an easy day today & went forward with bombs or shells.

Part of this diary back to New Zealand today up to May 1st 1917.

3 Sun—Trinity Sunday—Birth of King George V

The whole brigade rode over to Khanyunus today taking all our gear & blankets & put the lot through the steam turnout there to kill the vermin.

Every thing is packed into a closed trucks & steam turned on from the engine.

It is a good way of getting rid of lice without burning the clothes.

4 Mon—Bank Holiday

Turks came round our way today with their planes & did a little bombing. Missed our regiment, but wounded a man or two in the Auckland regiment. We have never been caught in a heap since the lesson we got on April 19th. Our squadron bought a bull off the Bedouins & we killed & dressed him tonight so fresh beef for us tomorrow if Walker from Hakataramea wounded in the eye today.

5 Tues

Two planes over today bombing. Our 16th Camel Corps had one man killed & 20 wounded & lost something over 40 camels.

New Zealand mail came in today 3 or 4 days earlier this time than usual.

Three of the seriously wounded men in the Camel Corps died today.

6 Wed

We were bombed again today, but Turks had no luck got no hits. Four big bombs fell between our ~~regiment~~ regiment & the Auckland regiment. We made a bit of a shooting range today & did some shooting to try our new rifles. All thinks they are good rifles except some of the bad shots who are never to blame themselves, but always shake a bad rifle.

7 Thurs—Corpus Christi

Went over to the camel
pops in the evening
& saw most of the
fellows who came over in
the 19th mtd. Two were
wounded with the bombs
that were dropped a few
days ago & a few are
away in hospital all

8 Fri

Reville 4 a m
Left for the beach at
7 a m. arriving there about
10 a m. We are camped
less than $\frac{1}{4}$ of mile from
the sea & where we water
the horses is only a few
minutes ride from our line.
Had two swins in the
barn today & we have
had nothing better for a
long time.

9 Sat

Had a lovely day
we took all our horses in
for a swim in the morning.

The sea was a bit rough
& we had great sport with
the horses in the breakers.

Our horses are having an
easy time now & are
getting in good condition.

10 Sun—1 aft Trinity

Went to Khan
Yunus today with seven other
fellows. We led over three
horses each for men to ride home
on. They were returning to
the brigade after being in
hospital. Khan Yunus is a
miserable show so we didn't
stay there long.

We spent the rest of
our spare time on the
beach bathing.

11 Mon

A fairly quiet day in the rest camp. Had three swims in the sea.

A heavy bombardment started at 8 o'clock, several miles in front of where we are camped.

Our infantry made a night raid on the Turkish trenches. The shells killed a good no. of turks & our infantry captured several outposts in the shore & also the guns there. The raids in the other parts of the line were not so successful.

12 Tues

We took all our horses into the sea for a swim in the morning. They look nice & clean & as if they had been extra well groomed after the swim. I was on a water escort in the afternoon with eight muggers & 16 camels. My job was to ride round with the camels & see muggers kept water pans clean & show them where it had to be unloaded. Wrote letters in my boxes in evening.

13 Wed

Our regiment went for a ride along the beach in the morning to exercise the horses. They are looking well now & getting very fit with the spell.

Our whole regiment had a dental parade at 1-30 p.m. After that I saddled my steed "Nancy" & rode over to see a mate.

Fred Wright, He is a driver in the divisional transport their camp is about two miles from ours

14 Thurs

Swimming parade for our horses in the morning also had a swim our selves

We were practicing throwing live bombs in the afternoon bright men were picked to be bombers for the squadron

Two bombers for each troop I am one for our troop.

Y. C. B. A. gave a concert in evening

Was a very good affair & we enjoyed it very much. Funds there & plenty more

15 Fri

A ride along the beach for exercise in the morning also did some shooting on the beach, targets along the edge of water so as bullets go into the sea. Had a swim in the afternoon stayed in all the time we had off which was about two hours.

Taubes came over in evening our battle planes went up after them, taubes turned & went for home so we didn't see any fighting.

16 Sat

Cleaned all our saddles, bridles, bandoliers & rest of our gear in the morning. We were inspected at 12 o'clock by Major General Beaurel who is an Australian general. Went to the beach for a swim in the afternoon also did some washing & writing. If the C.A. gave a bit of an entertainment in evening competitions in bus eating & loyng & small prizes for winners. I won a loyng event received for it a fountain pen so have two.

June

6th Month

1917

17 Sun—2 aft Trinity

to packed our
horses on the beach from 8
till 9. Then pulled down our
our bivvies as we are leaving
here tomorrow & our surplus
gear is going away on the
pack horses today.

We went on bombing practice
in afternoon. Had a swim
after tea & went to church.
Captain chaplain Wilson the
preacher. He is an Oamaru
man & I know him as I
met him at Taylors in
Oamaru.

Notes

1917

30 Days

June

18 Mon

Pavellia 4 a.m.

Left our camp at the beach at 5-30 a.m. & are now camped in the 2nd line. The day has been a scorcher & no sea to swim in out where we are at present. We are also in the rotten desert again & about four miles through it to water so far no washing or drinking water here.

Sent diary from May 1st to June 17th away today.
Last part of sent letters on June 9th 1917

19 Tues

Attaching horse feet
 today had a quiet morning
 An airplane duel in the
 afternoon. Two of our battle
 planes attacked a taube
 that had been causing
 our lines. Our planes
 succeeded in bringing the
 taube down. An English
 mail in today I received
 a parcel from my sister
 in Shanghai. Everything
 it in good order.

20 Wed

A quiet day in the
 camp today. Our squadron
 were out & had some
 practice with hotchkiss
 machine guns. The day
 was very hot & so we
 did as little as we possibly
 could. The flies are an
 awful pest here through
 the day they have had
 enough to make a sweet
 sugar. Everything we get
 is full of flies.

21 Thurs

An other hot day
 We always seem to have
 something to do. Went
 bombing in the morning
 & bayonet fighting in the
 evening. We have nearly
 four miles to ride to water
 twice a day and all the
 the way in thick dust.
 A couple of tanks over in
 the evening & our planes
 went up after them but
 they were soon all too
 far away for us to see
 what was doing.

22 Fri

We did some bayonet
 fighting this morning in the
 hot sun. Our sergeant was
 the instructor & he knows
 very little about bayonet
 fighting & so there was
 more arguing than anything
 else. I saw some of the men
 of the camel corps in the
 evening. Two of the fellows who
 came over with us. They said
 all their company have been
 medically examined & doctor
 says 75% are medically unfit
 for service.

23 Sat—Birth of Prince of Wales

Went out to a rifle range in morning to do some more shooting & get used of how our new rifles carry.

If the camel transport leave enough water in a reservoir here every day to allow us to have one gallon a day for each man for washing purposes. This is real decent & we hope they keep it up. I had a bath with my 1 gallon today & tomorrow I am going to wash some clothes

24 Sun—3 aft Trinity—St. John Baptist

We are going to have reveille at 4-30 for the rest of the summer so we are up bright & early feed our horses & have breakfast over about 8 o'clock. I am back from watering about 2 o'clock. Today we had a kit inspection & are to carry less gear on our horses in future & from this out we are not carrying overcoats

25 Mon

Had very little sleep last night owing to ear ache which I have never had on my life before. Went to our regimental doctor & he sent me away to Field Ambulance. The doctor there examined my ear again & ordered hot fomentations. This place is going to be worth staying in for a day or two by the look of things at present. Plenty to eat books to read & nothing to do.

26 Tues

Left our Field Ambulance Hospital at 10 a.m. today in a red cross car for Anzac Clearing station. Examined here again by two doctors who ordered more hot fomentations, but they haven't told me yet what is the cause of the trouble so I have come to the conclusion they don't know. The hospital here is not quite so good as the one I have just left. Australians, New Zealanders & Geomanry here.

27 Wed

This is a much better place than it promised to be on first arriving.

The staff all Australians & pretty rough but good fellows. The food is good & so far we seem to get plenty of it. I wish they fed us as well in the field. There are 12 men in each big tent. 9 Australian, 2 Germany & myself.

28 Thurs

Nothing startling has happened here today. We have put in the time in the same old way doing some reading & writing and having some arguments.

Two taubes flew over us about five o'clock they were very high up. Our machines were out also but as far as we could see nothing doing

29 Fri

We spent an other very quiet day here. Three Australians discharged & their places filled with Yeomanry. Two tanks over in the afternoon. our planes were out but missed again.

I haven't noticed the heat so much since being here as these big tents are lovely & cool when opened up. We are not a great distance from the sea here & often get a cool breeze from
there

30 Sat

Same as usual today. I am getting tired of the life here now so I am going to see about going back to the regiment tomorrow with them should be some good news by now. Word of the 10th peace conference to be held early in July decided at our hospital today & many of the chaps very excited about it. The harvest has a good news of peace work making in fact about yet. Dig it

1 Sun—4 aft Trinity Guns seemed to be going most of the night & still rocking away more than usual. Left Anzac clearing station at 10 a.m. arrived at our field ambulance before 12. Had lunch there & a horse was sent over for me at 2 p.m. so back to the regiment again. Have got my own horse & gear back again. The mail arrived here yesterday so I received mine today. Very pleased to get this mail as we had not had a mail for a month.

2 Mon Very hot today but not much doing. Had a bath & did some washing with water that is brought up on the camels. In future & while the present number of camels are available one gallon of water is allowed to each man per day. so if this last we will be able to keep our clothes & also ourselves clean.
 clean. of our

3. Tues

We are going out on a stunt tonight leaving our lines at 11:30 p.m. & going to Beersheba should be there by daylight.

Had an attack practice in the morning & did a good lot of shooting so we should be in good order if there is much doing tomorrow. ~~is~~ going to bed at 8 p.m. tonight so as to have 3 hrs. in by 11 p.m.

4 Wed

Left our lines at 11:30 p.m. & brigade moved off at mid-night. A lovely moonlight night & two mld divisions went out. We halted in a small gully near Beersheba at 5 o'clock fed our horses & had breakfast. Took our gear off & unsaddled horses & some of us were having a sleep awakened up very suddenly by shells coming over. We had to get our gear on & on the move. Turks artillery had got right on to us. We arrived back to our lines at mid-night. Our divisions 11 casualties
10 wounded ~~1~~ killed

5 Thurs

We are not doing much today men & horses very tired. Horses had to do the Pessotela stunt & back without water so were 30 hours without a drink. Very much tucked up & possibly don't have got to do on the move again tomorrow. Just as we arrived here last night there was a total eclipse of the moon which is full now & the sky was clear so total eclipse I have seen. Very hot today.

6 Fri

Reveille 7 a.m. Shifted camp today back to Tel. El. Farca. A roasting hot day & we are going on out posts tonight. Left our line at 6 p.m. crossing Wadi to look up on out post position and mull on eastern side of Wadi. My relief from 10-30 to 12 mid-night. Two sections of us started on patrol at 8 P.M. returned to out post 4-30

7 Sat

Returned to our lines in time for break-fast golly tired. Spent the day in the camp. We have a long way to go to water as usual so tired a day there uses up a good deal of our time. Wrote a couple of letters today.

Word this evening to be ready to move out at 3 a.m. tomorrow morning. The new general Sir Athaby is going to have a look round this front tomorrow.

8 Sun—5 aft Trinity

Rowell 3 a.m. 1917
Left our lines at 4 a.m. watered our horses at Wadi 4-15 a.m. The job we were on today was to hold a line north of Beer-shiba. We were in position at 8 a.m. & remained there the whole day. We had to keep our horses saddled the whole day & had not a bit of shade so put in a bucket of a clay sun was a scorcher. Dukes sent over a few shells. We moved back in our lines at 11 p.m. Watered our horses at 10-30 very dry

9 Mon

Was midnight before we got into our blankets last night & we stood to arms at a little after 3 a.m. this morning. We have received word again today to be ready to leave camp tonight at 10-30 going to surround the wells near Benschke & expect to capture Turkish cavalry that is in the habit of watering there about 3 or 4 a.m. I got to sleep tonight about 3 p.m. reviled 10 p.m. We got away from camp about 11 p.m. The moon was up then & a lovely night.

10 Tues

Our squadron was advance guard we halted three miles from wells dismounted left horses there with horse holders & went rest of way on foot. All went well with us we were in our position before 2 a.m. lying along the ridge with fixed bayonets & several machine guns with us. We had strict orders not to fire to use our bayonets if necessary. All this wonderful scheme ended a failure Brigade headquarters & Auckland regiment lost their way & riding too far up. Turks evidently heard them ^{we got} ahead the one did.

11 Wed

Went to arms at 8:15
 Breakfast 5 a.m. Left after breakfast to go on patrol. were out all day returned to lines at 7 p.m. Had a quiet day a few patrols of Turks about. We captured five Reddums & brought them in to Head Quarters.

We had a much better day than usual as we carried enough wood & water with us to make a drink of coffee. Houses had a dry day as no water until we returned at night, for them.

12 Thurs

Went to arms at 8:15 a.m. Our work is not going out today. After dinner led three horses to a small place about four miles from here to bring men back to brigade. These men are returning from hospital. We got back to our lines at 4 p.m. Orders then to be ready to lead off at 6 p.m. We are going out for the night & are supposed to capture some Turkish outposts not far from Calvi.

13 Fri

Had a rotten night, reading best part of the night out squadron lost its way this time & we were hours longer in getting onto our position than what we should have been. Our night out was not much of a success we captured no Turks & returned home a little late for breakfast 8 a.m. Had an easy day which we consider we need as we have had a fairly busy time lately.

14 Sat

Had a spell today & not going out tonight so will have a decent sleep unless something extra turns up. Five of our aeroplanes went out over the Turkish lines yesterday morning & only three returned. One was brought down by Turkish ^{anti} air craft gun. It is not known yet what has become of the other plane. Our aviators fly much lower when observing than the Turks & so are more easily hit. Turkish aviators are afraid & keep very high up.

15 Sun - 6 aft Trinity

Had a good sleep last night no stand to arms in the morning. A very heavy bombardment last night. The Welsh troops captured a Turkish outpost. Twenty Turks killed were had our own killed & wounded. We have had an easy day & may perhaps go out tonight. At 10 went to church parade in the evening & at 9:30 p.m. set. Teluk had become much cluttered than way to us than last week. We have had a good sleep.

16 Mon

No stand to arms. A quiet day in the camp. Artillery doing a fair amount of firing on the left but are not concerning us much. We are going out early tomorrow morning in the direction of Beer Sheva. We are going out as a covering party to artillery officers who are going to take ranges out there.

17 Tues

Rovilla 2 a.m.

Breakfast 4-30 a.m.

Moved off from camp at 5 a.m.
 Rode on until our advance
 guards came in touch with
 Turkish scouts. We camped
 on a hill on right bank of
 Wadi & 8th Squadron on the
 left. After we had had some
 lunch & fed horses, our patrols
 pushed on further. We brought
 in a mob of Bedouins with
 their camels, donkeys & goats. Some
 of the boys had babies with them

18 Wed

A good deal of shelling
 last night & today. We have
 had a spell in the camp
 all day. We were supposed to
 have gone into the trenches
 for ten days, but now only
 one New Zealand regiment
 is required so Auckland have
 gone & so we with Wgtons
 have to go on with out-ports
 and patrols.

19 Thurs

No stand to arms
 Revell 5-30 a.m. Turks
 have taken up a position on
 hills near camp & are shelling
 our railroad. All mtg regiments
 called out in a hurry today to
 attack the Turks & drive them
 out of their positions which we
 did after being shelled & bombed.
 One man killed in battle & 3 or 10 wounded.
 We lost a good number of horses
 my mare & leg wound in the
 shoulder a splinter from a tree
 catching her. We returned to
 camp at 12 p.m. but again

20 Fri

at 12-30 ~~do~~ ^{no} time to
 sleep. We drove the Turks back
 on to their old line & we held
 the hills today which they were
 shelling us from yesterday. The
 casualties in our regiment yesterday
 were Major Bruce wounded Lieut. Wilson
 killed Lt. Swings ^{was} wounded 5 p.m.
 Surgeon killed & about 12 men wounded.
 Our regiment returned to camp at
 5 p.m. had our tea & fed horses.
 scabbled up again 6 p.m. went
 out on out spots now all very
 tired today has been a blazing
 hot day.

21 Sat

Stood to arms at
 3 a.m. on our outpost
 Went out on patrol at
 3-30 a.m. returned to outpost
 4-30 a.m. Our troop returned
 to camp for breakfast
 spent the day in camp in
 our bivouacs. When I was on
 post last night, one fellow,
 Claude Thornton, got up &
 started to get his horse ready to
 move in his sleep. He went
 back & lay down when I spoke
 to him but was up again on next
 mans shift on same job

22 Sun—7 aft Trinity

No stand to
 arms this morning Revilla
 5-30 a.m. Cleared up our
 lines & did a few odd
 jobs about the camp
 We are going out on a
 stunt early tomorrow
 morning. Same direction
 as usual somewhere near
 Beercheba. I have a new
 mount & an awful rough
 brute. he is my own mare
 has gone to the veterinary
 lines & won't be fit for
 work for a long time

23 Mon

Raville this morning
 2-30 a.m. Fed our horses
 had breakfast & led off
 the lines at 4 a.m. We
 got well up towards the
 Turkish position at Beersheba
 at 7-30 a.m. & halted there
 We found two new wells today
 so watered our horses. Turks
 shelled us but did us
 no harm. Shooting was poor
 today. We withdrew from our
 position at 2 p.m. & got home
 before dark. Didn't have as bad
 a day as usual

24 Tues

Had the best sleep
 last night that I have
 had for sometime. Raville
 not until 5-30 a.m.
 gave our horses a spell
 today & had spells
 ourselves. A very hot
 day but we don't notice
 it so much when we
 have burrows to get into
 for shade. Managed to
 get some work
 done today

25 Wed

The tanks came over our camp twice today & had a good cruise round, but the anti-aircraft guns kept them up a good height. We were in lines all day. Our squadron went out on out post at 6 p.m.

We were on a post near Haza & very close to a Turkish redoubt. This is the most dangerous post we have been on as we were in close range of the enemies guns & right up amongst their posts & only one way back through the Wadi
 That ~~is~~ easier cut-off

26 Thurs

We got very little sleep last night. We left our post at daylight & got back through the Wadi without any mishaps. Trucks kept up a heavy fire most of the night. Their machine guns rattling all night. We arrived home in good time for breakfast tired & dusty. A very dusty day & also very hot & with flies & dust we didn't get much of a sleep. Went to bed after "hay up" which is on at 8 p.m.

27 Fri

Had a good sleep last night. A heavy bombardment on in the direction of Gaza but didn't worry us. We have had a spell in the camp today & expect to go out tonight.

28 Sat

Reveille. 3-15. To stand to arms first time for about a week. Breakfast 4 a.m. Saddle up & led off lines at 5 a.m. Went out on patrol towards Beersheba not much doing today returned to camp at 7 p.m. On picquet tonight going out early tomorrow morning.

29 Sun—8 aft Trinity

Stood to arms at 2-15 a.m.
Went out in same direction
as yesterday. The heat was
not so bad today as usual
as a cool breeze sprang up
about 9 in the morning.

We had a battery of artillery
out with us today & when
Turkey sent over a few shells
our guns opened out &
silenced the Turkish guns.

We withdrew early morning
home 4 p.m.

30 Mon

Reveille same time as
yesterday morning. Left our
lines at 4-30 a.m. Went
out today as escort to some
big guns 60 pounders which
were bombarded a Turkish
re-doubt. We were more in
the direction of Gaza today.
We had a quiet day watch-
ing our shells bursting in
the Turkish lines. The guns
pulled out at 6-30 p.m.

We arrived home about
8 p.m. getting yolly tired.

31 Tues

I took to 9-15 a.m.
 Breakfast ~~6 a.m.~~ 6 a.m.
 We are having a spell in
 camp today & as we have
 been out three days in success-
 ion we can do with a rest
 today. The days have been
 very hot & so takes the energy
 out of the best of them.

Going to bed early
 tonight & hope to
 have a decent sleep.

1 Wed

I took to at 3-15 a.m.
 Another day in the camp.
 280 new men up for the
 New Zealand brigade today.
 men of the 22nd, 23rd & 24th
 regts. We had tea at 4-30
 left lines at 5-30 to go
 on out post. All the fresh
 men up had to go out
 also so they have not had
 much rest after their long
 journey up through the
 desert & having to come
 most of the way in an
 open truck

2 Thurs

Had a fair night on post as we were not disturbed. The night was warm & we slept well when not on watch. We stood li at 3 a.m. & returned to camp at 6 a.m.

Had a spell in the camp through the day. Went over to the divisional train in the evening & got my camera.

A small mail came in today. I received two letters one from Nell R. & one from Annie. First mail for nearly 6 weeks.

3 Fri

Woke to it 3-15 a.m. We had an easy day in the camp. Had a sleep in the afternoon & did some writing. Pulled down our covers in the evening & packed up as we are shifting in the morning. We are going to take over some trenches that are about five miles from here & are at present manned by Australians.

4 Sat Reveille 3-30 a.m.

Breakfast 4-30 p.m.

Moved off from our old camp at Tel. G. L. Fara 7-30 a.m.

arriving at our new camp

at 10-30. We had a very hot

hot sun up as day was extra hot. Took over the trenches

and went on day post at 12 o'clock

Our party relieved at 7 p.m.

got a drink of tea and something to eat at 7-30 very soon

after that spread out the sleeping bag and turned in until stand to

5 Sun—9 aft Trinity Flood to ground at 3-45

Left our drink for watering at 8 a.m. arriving there at watering place about 10 a.m. It is a distance of about 8 miles from here so

we grazed horses water. to p.m. and watered again and then returned

to our camp. 4-30. After tea

our troop relieved the day post and we were on duty for the night

Mail came up today first decent New Zealand mail

that we have had for five weeks. Communicated yesterday.

6 Mon

Stood to as usual 3-15
Spent the day at the redoubt
Nothing startling happened, a
very hot day, but we are
not badly off for water
here as we are able to use
a little out of the reserve
tanks

7 Tues

Up on the trenches last
night my watch from 1 till
2-30 relieved at 7 a.m.
came out of redoubt for
breakfast. Went back again
in afternoon very quiet there
& job getting monotonous

8 Wed

I took to at 3-15 a.m.
 Had a little seran & saddled
 up & of us had to ride
 about 10 miles to load
 our horse feed & rations
 We left here at 12 o'clock
 & returned at 10 had the
 rest of the day off.
 Went up to the redoubt
 at 6 p.m. we are in
 reserve tonight so should
 get a fair sleep

9 Thurs

We were the reserve
 yesterday last night & had
 a good sleep until stand
 to arms at usual time
 Did an hour work on
 the trenches shoveling out
 sand from 4-30 till 6-30
 Had a good time the
 remainder of the day as
 there wasn't much doing
 Expect another good sleep
 tonight. Today has been
 very hot & flies made
 themselves an awful pest.

10 Fri

Left the trenches at 2-30 & saddled up for watering. We had an awful dusty trip down today & was also very hot. Jack Boag carried some boards with us, and also a billy & cocoa so had a couple of very good cups of cocoa each. Also had a good wash in the Wadi. Returned to camp at 5 p.m. Went into the no-doubt at 7 p.m. Was out on a listening post in front of trenches

11 Sat

Came off our post at day-light left no-doubt at 6 a.m. are going to be relieved by Australian Light horse today. Packed up & moved off for Um Fel-El-Fara at 10 a.m. and arriving there about mid-day. Another very hot day. Going out tonight to raid a Turkish ~~out post~~ ~~out post~~ ~~out post~~. All our men are wearing brass-rod bands round each arm & white patches on their backs. Our brigade are suffering from the same sores. Arrived trenches at 11-30 p.m.

12 Sun—10 aft Trinity

Our position opened
fire at 12 mid night to prevent
Turkish reinforcements getting
up to redoubt. A mistake was
made by 6th Squadron one of the
hotch-kiss gun sections opened
fire on our 6th Squadron
killed 3 horses & wounded two
men Trooper Sheehan & L/Plt Gold.
I was one of the men on escort to
ambulance cart & we arrived in to
field ambulance at 5 a.m. Sheehan
died shortly after arriving in &
Gold not expected to last long
Both wounded in stomach

13 Mon

Stood to at 9 p.m.
Had a rest in camp today
as we are going out near
Baersheba to assist in blowing
up of railway bridges
Left camp at 6 p.m. rode
until 12 mid-night. Our
Squadron was screen for the
brigade so we were out as
scouts all night. We had
a fairly quiet night. Quailed
& New Zealand field ^{part}brook
lost their direction & when
they did find bridge it was
to near day light to blow

14 Tues

it up as they would
then let Turkey know we were
in the vicinity & they would
have shelled us as we were
in a dangerous place & close
range of the Turkish artillery.
We will have to make an-
other trip to Beer Sheva
to finish this job.
A decent mail came in
from New Zealand today
& I received mine letters.
Had no sleep last night
so turning in early tonight.

15 Wed

We are having a spellⁱⁿ
our camp today so spent most
of the day writing some of the
letters I owe. We are going
out on some forty eight hour
stunt they say so a chap
is going to lose some more
sleep. Sgt. Pruttigohn a man
body man left his today going
on leave to N.Z.

Reveille tonight at 11-30.
Had a drink of tea &
saddled up leaving camp
an hour later 12-30. ~~11~~ AM

16 Thurs

We rode from 12-30 to 6-30 p.m. We fed our horses & had breakfast which we enjoyed after a 5-hour ride. Part of our regiment engaged with a Turkish company in the morning. Turks fell back in the afternoon. We remained in position until dark then withdrew moving back to camp at mid-night fairly tired, but had an easier stint than we had expected. We got a few hrs good sleep.

17 Fri

Packed up our bits of belongings today & left for Khan Yunus at 12-30 p.m. We took over the dump guard there at 6 p.m. We had a very hot & dusty ride over & it took us nearly four hrs. We are going to guard the divisional supply dumps for a week & then going to join up with our brigade again which will be camped on the beach before then.

18 Sat

We rode our horses over to the beach this morning & had a swim which is first for 2 or 3 months. The day was very hot so we enjoyed it. Our brigade shifted today from Tel-El-Fara to the beach they called at the dumps for our horses & we are pleased to be rid of them for a week. When we have finished, our week on guard our horses will be sent over for us to get back to the brigade for

19 Sun—11 aft Trinity

This is the largest dump in Egypt all kinds of army provisions are stored here & nearly 1000 native employed loading & unloading & stacking grain hay etc & every other thing required to keep the army in rations. There are camel transport corps loading up from day light till dark. A person on first coming into the dumps would wonder how the black mob was worked & controlled.

20 Mon

Spent the most of the day in our bivy did some writing reading & sleeping. Went on guard at 8 p.m. until 11-30 p.m. then finished for the night. We slept in the dump & were awakened very early by the tedious row ^{ed} the muggers on the Canal transport corps. They start loading at 3 a.m. & the place is busy then until dark at night. French soldiers on guard here. They are much harder on muggers than us.

21 Tues

Came off guard at 7 a.m. had an easy day in our camp. Did a little reading writing & sleeping. This guard is a good job & we all say it will do us for the duration of the war. Plenty of firing going on in the direction of Gaza but we are well behind the scenes now & like the rest here think they sound very well in the distance.

22 Wed

A quiet day in the
dumps nothing startling
happened did some
writing & some more
"rest the back"

23 Thurs

Another quiet day on
the dumps guard in
writing resting reading sleeping
except when on guard
We will be sorry to leave
this job as plenty "mungaroo"
here.

24 Fri

Our last day on guard at the dump. Our horses came over at 5 p.m. We were relieved by Australian Light Horse they should have turned up at 8 p.m. but did not arrive until 7-30.

We arrived on beach where brigade is camped at 9 p.m. Our lines are very close to the sea-shore.

25 Sat

Reveille 6 a.m.
Horses to groom & feed this morning. First grooming. We have done for a week.
Break-fast 7-30
Take our horses up the beach for exercise at 8-30 give them an hour return to lines 9-30 Then horses for a swim. after which we can go for a swim ourselves. Groom water & feed horses again at 4 p.m.
Received 2 letters from Moascar Camp

26 Sun - 12 aft Trinity

Just the same thing as yesterday. Rode up the beach in the afternoon to where the Imperial Camel corps is camped to see some N.Z's I know three most of them are very sick of the camels I would like very much to get back to horses again. Church parade in the evening I would have gone had I not been on horse frequent as I have not been to church for some time.

27 Mon

Reveille 5-30 this morning & breakfast 6-30. We were up about an hour earlier than usual this morning as we are going to do some shooting at targets we have up the beach. Only fired 10 rounds each. It took us till nearly mid-day to get the guns and ammo out of the trench and we had with squads.

28 Tues

Reveille same time as usual this morning exercised horses in the morning & gave them a swim in the afternoon.

Went up to see some fellows I knew in the camel corps in the evening.

A heavy bombardment in the early hours of the morning but we are well out of range here.

29 Wed

Reveille 6¹⁵ a.m.

Took our horses up the beach for exercise from 9 till 10:30. Then we had a swim ourselves.

A mail came in today received a good mail from Ethel & letters from Shanghai two from Moascar.

Had a spell in the afternoon. Did some writing in the evening & had a swim at 10 that night. Bright moonlight & very warm.

30 Thurs

Reveille 6 a.m.

Cleaning gear today saddles,
bundles, wallets, bandoliers, boots
& everything that could be cleaned.
We are having an inspection
tomorrow by General Chatter.

The polishing up we are
expected to do we wouldn't
think there was a war on
here. A heavy bombardment
on tonight over in direction
of Gaza.

31 Fri

Reveille 6 a.m.

A parade fully dressed today
for the inspection. Times
riding pants, putter bandoliers
& all on. It was a hot
day & we cursed the general
inspecting the division.
He got past at 11 a.m.
After inspection we were very
glad to get the gear off
& in for a swim.

Several of the fellows of
know in the camel corps
came down for a yarn in evening

1 Sat

Reveille 6 a.m.
 On Camel escort today
 bringing in water in fascines
 finished this job at about 10 a.m.
 Went in for a swim also
 gave our horses a swim
 Musketry parade in afternoon
 doing same thing as in Foston
 Camp nearly two years ago.
 Had some sport on the beach
 in the evening wrestling on
 horse back etc. afterwards
 took a ride up to Camel Corps

2 Sun—13 aft Trinity

Reveille 6-10 a.m.
 Exercised our horses on
 the beach in the morning
 also gave them a swim in the
 sea. Did some bombing
 practice in the afternoon
 & a blooming rifle inspection
 in the evening.
 Wrote a letter & went to bed.

3 Mon

Rivelle watering feeding
exercising horses all as
per usual

Paraded sick today with
a sore throat so stayed in
my hovee during the afternoon.
Joss. Dungay came over in
the evening we went over to
the Y. L. B. A. & managed
to get a cup of cocoa which
was lovely.

4 Tues

Same performance as
usual

Another inoculation today
how many I have had since
I've been in the army I
don't know as I've lost count
A swollen army & a sore
head to go to bed with
tonight. Would enjoy a cup
of Y. L. B. A. cocoa tonight
but don't feel like walking
down for it.

5 Wed

Came old thing as usual
this morning

Went on guard at 1 o'clock
over two Bedouin prisoners. In with
two other fellows & remain on for
24 hrs. Bedouins have nets with
them & are supposed to go
fishing twice a day early in the
morning & in the afternoon
Officers of each squadron to
get firm about getting the fish
All three of us turned in
at 10 p.m. and trusted to
the Bedouins honesty

6 Thurs

Up at 5 a.m. this morning
to go fishing with our two
Bedouin prisoners. Didn't get
very many fish returned for
breakfast at 7. The Bedouins
won't fish any more until
the sun gets over the sea as they
say. That is 3 p.m.
I got away with what fish the
Bedouins caught in the morning
Tommy Chapman cleaned & freed
them & we had fish for tea
They were very small, but
very tasty.

7 Fri

Reveille 5-30 this morning
gas helmet parade before break-
fast Exercised horses up
the beach from 9 till 10-30.
Paid today drew the large sum
of 30/-

Went to a lecture in the
evening on South African War
by an Australian chaplain.

The lecture was very interest-
ing & the lecturer a very funny
old chap. I met for Druggery
there & we managed to get
a cup of cocoa also from
M & D which was good.

8 Sat

We had brigade sports
today wrestling on horseback.
Cup-of-war on horse back. &
a few other events. in fact.
No one seemed to take a great
deal of interest in the sports
this time & so they weren't a
very great success.

Canterbury 1st & 2nd in Aug. was
"Nancy Lee" my mount ^{that} was
wounded on July 19th returned
from veterinary lines today her
wound not thoroughly better yet.
If am going to ride her again

9 Sun—14 aft Trinity

Reveille 6 this morning
 Exercised horses up the beach
 from 9 till 10. After exercise gave
 horses a swim in the sea but it
 was far too rough high breakers
 coming over knocking several horses
 and men over. Had a little mail
 in today three letters from North
 Island so expect more mail from
 South Island. Went to YWCA
 in evening had a cup of
 cocoa with for Dungey

Bed 10 PM

10 Mon

Reveille 5 a m
 Breakfast 6
 Went out on sand hills &
 did a little target shooting
 returned to camp at 10 a m
 I had a swim in sea. I
 was brigade messenger at 10
 night took my horse & P
 blankets down into brigade
 headquarters at 10 PM
 until 12 a m. I pack
 had the mosquitoes for 10
 breakfast and 10
 I had a very good night

11 Tues

As easy day in camp after being on brigade messenger last night. Handged in my rifle today and getting another new one issued. Did some writing in the afternoon and went over to the 8th Squadron in the evening. The sea has been very rough the last few days. So rough swimming has almost been impossible and big breakers give a fellow a rough time.

12 Wed

Best Meldrum came up to my house last night and we went to a concert in the YMCA given by an Australian party of 1st Light Horse brigade. A very good concert just meant for men. An easy day in the camp as very little doing. I scued with another new rifle today and I have had in 6 months. Received two letters and three papers today. Went to some boxing that was on in evening. I was a second for Bob but was beaten.

13 Thurs Reville 5th this morning
I was on canal escort in morning
bringing water from tanks
to cook house. We do the boring
myself in the work. I marked
this job at 11th 30

I spent the rest of the day
in my house reading Ulagu Witness

Went over to 8th Squadron
lines in evening for chat with
some of the fellows I know
there. I didn't return to my
own house until 11 p.m.

14 Fri Reville 5th 30 this morning
to recess horses up the bank
in the morning. Cleaning up
camp in afternoon for inspection
by General Shewell (an Australian)
after had to clean our sad dug
& gear so we cursed the inspection
A small parcel mail came in
today just we have had for
many weeks. I received a parcel
from my sister in Ulagu &

15 earlier to day some letter
waiting in evening when for
Dungy came over & so talked
to him rest of evening

15 Sat

Percelle 5:30 a.m.
 Up early to get ready for
 an inspection by General
 Shucell. He is an Australian
 & often caused us a chore
 of a lot of work getting things
 polished up to please him.
 Our inspection over at 11 P.M. &
 we were very pleased to get
 out of our uniforms & bandoliers
 & get us for a swim.
 & lots of boxing contests in
 the evening & some very good
 contests. Chaplain Aldon from Camau
 line keeper.

16 Sun—15 aft Trinity

Percelle 6 a.m.
 Exercised horses up the beach
 in the morning & also swimming
 horses sea was lively & calm.
 Had rather a quiet day in
 the camp another swim in the
 afternoon. Church parade in the
 evening which I didn't manage
 to get to. Spent the evening
 over at the 2nd South Canterbury
 lines. A few new men came
 up today some up to the
 20th reinforcement but none
 of those I knew.

17 Mon

Rivelle 5-30

Packed up our gear today as we are shifting camp to Abba Sen wells to go on duty for a week. These wells are kept clean & filled so. Left the beach at 1 p.m. arrived at wells 6 p.m.

Had a shower of rain through the night not enough to make us very wet. Only one troop on this job 28 men so we expect to be better than when with the regiment.

18 Tues

Rivelle 5. This morning

Took over water guard from Custacham at 6 p.m. 6000 gallons per hour are pumped from the main pipes into the tanks. Pumps were kept going from 6 o'clock in morning until 12 midnight for the day one ~~thousand~~ eight thousand gallons so some gambo horses make 9 men 9 quonah than thirst here each day. The dust today was damnable & so thick could not see anything but great dust clouds.

19 Wed

I left at the water tanks
 & four men had to stay on duty
 till midnight until pumping stopped.
 Engines started pumping again
 at 6 a.m. Four fresh men came
 on at 9 a.m. I relieved our
 section, so we expect to be able
 to suit the back for a few
 hours. Wind got up in the
 afternoon & the dust was some-
 thing hellish to say the least
 of it. Everything we had
 for tea was full of sand &
 P.M. 8-30 p.m.

20 Thurs

Had a good sleep &
 wind went down through the
 night. Revell b for a m.
 Arthur Clifton came over to see
 me in morning was very
 surprised to see him as I did
 not know he was in Palestine.
 He is in the Auckland regt.
 We put in an easy day gave
 our horses a little exercise.
 They are in good condition
 now & very fit as they have
 had a few weeks spell.

21 Fri

Pavelle 5-30 a.m.

Rode along the pipe line to the Sitta to see if any packages at fairly long side, all in good order. Went over to our brigade camp in evening. Nothing startling on there so came home to our own camp early.

Expect to go on leave in a fortnight so called home today for a time.

I have landed a new camera today from Arthur Chifton our ensign.

22 Sat

Pavelle 6 a.m.

In ground all the water taps today, only on for 6 hrs so not a bad job.

The did a little boning in the evening until dark.

After that our troops all set round the camp fire blowing what they were going to do when the war was over. Each set one

giving their opinion of when peace would be declared majority said

war would run on until the end of 1918

23 Sun—16 aft Trinity

Reveille 6 a.m.
 If I didn't keep this diary
 written up I wouldn't know the
 date nor day of the week.
 I was quite surprised when I
 started writing here today & saw
 it was Sunday. I rode over to
 where our brigade is camped,
 in the evening to see some of
 the fellows there & get some
 stories from the canteen. I met
 Ted Brown (school teacher) there.
 He is in the field ambulance &
 seemed pleased to meet some one
 he knew as he is just out of school.

24 Mon—Dominion Day—Bank Holiday

Reveille for
 me at 9-30 a.m. as I had
 last shift on horse packet.
 I have rest of day now the
 tanks, but it's a very easy job.
 Received a mail from M. to
 today but I have had for
 some time 14 letters.

25 Tues

Reveille 6-4 AM

We are moving over to the
regiment today so pulled down
our boxes in the morning

7 packed up a little ready
for the shift. We are to be
rejoined at 4 o'clock so as to
get back to brigade for the

Australians around at 4-30

late as usual as we get over
to our own regiment again
about six, but was in time for
a busy day. Went to

bed 9 PM. Jolly tired as we
are lazy now. a - dept

26 Wed

Reveille 5 AM

to go & do some shooting
I was on Porter's machine gun
so missed the shooting.

Leo Ryan a lieut. in Auckland
Regiment came down to see me
in afternoon was pleased to see
him as first time we have met
in Egypt. He has just returned
from Gallipoli was very ill

A parcel mail came into camp
today & I saw well this time
three good parcels. One was a plum
pudding which we had for tea first
stuff I've tasted in this land

27 Thurs

Reveille 5-30 this morning
 A very heavy dew last night &
 blankets & clothes a bit wet this
 morning for those who haven't got
 browned up. Had a lecture by one
 O.C. in the morning on discipline
 in the firing line. He is a poor
 speaker so lecture wasn't much.
 Went over to A.M.P. lines
 in evening to have a yarn
 with Leo Ryan. He is a grand chap &
 I spent a pleasant evening
 there.

28 Fri

Reveille 5 for A.M.P.
 Watered our horses before
 feeding this morning.
 Had an inspection today
 by General Allenby. He
 seems a very decent & a
 general said our horses
 were looking well & had
 no fault to find with
 us. Had a football
 match before tea & our
 team beaten.
 A heavy bombardment set on
 our front today & we think
 the guns sound well at a distance.

29 Sat—St. Michael—Michaelmas Day

Reveille 5-20

Not much doing today a little practice in musketry in the morning one of those rotten dust storms today & dust blowing everywhere. Did some writing in the afternoon & a football match in the evening.

Tom there came over in evening for a cigar. He is on the 10th Canterbury regt. & came into camp in the same day as we also arrived out here with me ~~same~~

30 Sun—17 aft Trinity

Reveille 5:30 a.m.

Another very quiet day & a bit more dust. A little more mail came on today & letters from Shanghai & one from Moascar Camp. Went to church in the evening—preacher was Capt. Wilson from Lancers & the best speaker we have out here.

A full moon now & we are expecting a visit any night by Turkish planes & for them to do some bombing. Our lines are very close to our own aerodrome.

1 Mon

Reveille at 30 a.m.

A fearful day for dust so thick you couldn't see just like a heavy fog only 100 times more disagreeable. Paulsen did not come over last night, but were over early this morning. Our anti-air-craft guns kept them up very high & they didn't bomb. Tucker rotten today as we are using up our iron rations. This takes place about once a month.

2 Tues

Did some shooting today with gas helmets on & in a gas cloud not too much gas though mostly smoke bomb.

I transferred today from 1st Squadron to 2nd Squadron. They are more Ulago & 5th Canterbury men in here than in any other squad, & I'd sooner be in with men from my own part of the country.

I stufed my gear over in the afternoon & am now set in a new troop with new horse saddle & gear.

3 Wed

Bright squads are doing the
 get fanny that we had yesterday
 but it is not going and yet
 another lot today and there is
 nothing very pleasant about it
 Had a ride round the other
 squadrons to give the horse I
 have some extra work. He is
 supposed to be an pithier
 is very flash, but will do
 me for a month. I had to
 leave camp in the night. The
 General's tent came down
 on the night but didn't look
 as guns kept them high up

4 Thurs

Main Body men are
 parading before the General
 today to see when they are
 going on leave to N.Z.
 Our tanks came over today
 & we expected to be bombed
 but our anti-air-craft
 guns kept them to high up
 The main Body men & NCOs
 have returned from their parade
 their leave to N.Z. is off it
 for sometime so they are very
 disappointed & have called
 General Chatter some ugly names

5 Fri

Reveille same time as usual this morning.

At nine o'clock orders came to turnout at once full marching order, with unexpended portion of days rations, so a duss of a rush getting gear food feed for horse etc.

Rode out about 5 miles feed our horses & returned to camp

before tea. We cursed the heads for taking us out for nothing as we will have plenty of stunts when we get to the front line next week!

6 Sat

The N.Y. Brigade moved out towards Wadi again today. A brute of a day for dust but as we were flank guard we didn't get the dust half so badly as those in the columns. We considered this was another day wasted wearing out horses & men before they get to the front line.

A small mail came in today. I received two parcels from home & some papers. Made a cup of cocoa in evening scored a small box with which we sealed up.

7 Sun - 18 aft Trinity

Recalls 6 a.m.

Or very quiet day in the camp today very little doing. Jacks airplane over, but our guns kept them well up & no bombs dropped. Did some washing in the afternoon & went to church service in the evening. & afterwards over to 10th squadron lines to see Walter & Ned. scored some supper there and returned to my own house at about 10 p.m.

8 Mon Recalls 5-30 a.m.

Not much doing except that our machine brought a tank down & machine was not badly damaged & neither of the turbochargers were hurt, but both captured & brought in by our patrol. Enemy's machine has also been brought in & is now in our aerodrome. Got Ginger my horse shot today & he was very bad to shoe. blacksmiths could not get near him & refused to shoe him until he was thrown. & he got a cough him

9 Tues

Revels 4-45 a.m.

We were out on an attack scheme today & had some tough gallops & jumps over Bedouin fences which are made of earth walls. We joined up with Australians for the day & had quite a good outing - brought our horses home very tired after so much galloping. I killed a snake on our way home cut it half through with my bayonet. It was 4 ft long.

10 Wed

Revels 5 a.m.

After breakfast there wasn't much doing so I with another chap rode over to the aerodrome to see the plane that was brought down a few days ago. It is a splendid machine an excellent Scout built this year 1917. The aviator was the dead flier on this front & said he had been here three years. He was a German with the rank of Captain. No more excitement for the rest of this day. Bed. 9-30/17

11 Thurs

Reveille 5-9 a.m.
 We are watering our horses very early again now & so having an early reveille & also early breakfast for the rest of the week.

Four enemy planes came over our camp this morning but did not bomb us our anti-aircraft guns kept them high up in the air & also kept them going at a great speed.

We had a very easy day in the camp, but was a very dusty afternoon.

12 Fri

One of us went out on a field day. Left our camp at 5-30 a.m. & returned 3 p.m. The dust was very thick at times & we were attached to Quasthane who did a lot of galling about & we returned to camp ^{base} very tired. A mail came in from St. J. today & I received 5 letters. Latest written was July 2nd. We had a brigade concert at night & went up to march, in fact it was a very poor affair.

13 Sat

Pereville 5-30

No much doing today went to watering place with Old Hunter Morris & did some washing, so well be nice & clean for tomorrow Sunday. Spent the rest of the day by having a sleep & going to water the horses. On quiet tonight but lucky enough to draw first shift so won't loose much sleep

14 Sun—19 aft Trinity

Pereville 5 a.m.

Breakfast 5-30 a.m.
We were out today on a job practicing taking & sending signals to airplanes. We rode out on to some low hills at the back of the camp & waited until our plane came over & we then sent up red ground flares which are very easily seen from the air. Officers played a football match tonight against N.C.O.'s. Barracking caused a lot of fun for N.C.O. & 2nd mil

15 Mon

Reveille 5 am

We saw a lovely air duel today & one of our planes brought a tank down it was a great sight see the falling machine coming to the earth. He fell in our lines & was an awful wreck pilot was killed & machine badly broken up.

A heavy bombardment in the infantry lines on our right our guns seemed to be doing most of the firing. Right along our position was a continual flash from guns.

16 Tues

Reveille 5-30 a.m.

Not much doing today & we are waiting now on operations ~~at~~ on other parts of the line & also saw. The enemies planes didn't come for over our line today. They turned as soon as our anti-aircraft guns opened fire.

Went over to 10th squadron in the evening & had a yarn with Walter & Neil.

17 Wed

Rivalls 5-30 a.m.

A quiet day again & put on an early time.

Went over to divisional train to see Fred Wright. In the afternoon I in the evening I rode over to Auckland and lined to see Les Ryan.

Joe Dungey went away to O.S. today

16 Thurs

Rivalls 5-30 a.m.

A rotten day for snob, but not much doing with us. we did a little shooting for practice.

Several officers & men left here today to go to Wg. The officers who are returning on duty are coming back as reinforcement officers looked the belly tonight & made a drink of cocoa before going to bed.

19 Fri

We are still wondering when
the 3rd. big attack on the whole
length of the Turkish line is going
to take place

300 prisoners were taken yesterday
These men came & gave themselves up

20 Sat

Reveille 5-30 a.m.
Packed up our surplus
gear today

21 Sun—20 aft Trinity

Riville 5-30 PM
 I was on brigade messages today so my horse was very tired at night. Had a piece of a lot of riding about to do Met Duncan Munro when on my rounds he is a major in Auckland Regiment

22 Mon—Labour Day—Bank Holiday

Riville usual time 5-30
 Shifting our camp today but we are not doing much other work at present.
 Not leaving this camp until 5 PM on Wednesday.
 Mail closed today at 2 PM so no more letters can be posted until after our start

23 Tues

Reveille 5-30 a.m.

Started cooking for ourselves today as cooks gear has all been taken in & sent to the dump to be left there until after the coming offensive.

Went over to Divisional train in the evening to see Fred Wright, & left my camera with him.

24 Wed

Reveille 5-30 a.m.

Pulled down our burros today & cleaned up the camp we are leaving here tonight at 5 p.m.

We arrived at our new camp Assani at 1 a.m. on Thursday morning after 8 hours ride.

All our surplus gear has been called in each man allowed 1 oilsheet 1 blanket & overcoat & no burros until we get settled again.

25 Thurs

Reveille 6 A.M.

As it was one o'clock when we arrived here this morning reveille was late.

We are resting in this camp for 3 days

10th squadron out on outpost tonight we are going in support in the morning

Turned onto my sleeping bag at 8-30 P.M.

26 Fri

Reveille 2 A.M.

Paddled up & moved off from lines at 2-30 a.m. to support the out post line near Beercheta Arrived in our position at daylight fed our horses & had breakfast remained out until 2 in afternoon when we were relieved. got back to camp at 4 P.M.

To bed again at 8-30
An English mail arrived to day. Received a letter from China

27 Sat

Woke to arms at 4 a.m.
An attack at 4:30 & our infantry took the Turkish post on our front & a good deal of rifle & machine gun fire on all the morning.

We saddled up & remained in full marching order, ^{cancel} move

Had a heavy shower of rain last night but it was quite dry in my water-proof sleeping bag.

28 Sun—21 aft Trinity

Woke to arms 4 a.m.
Church parade in morning 10 a.m.
A quiet day in camp

Left Assani at dark & travelled in direction of Beersheba.

We intended to travel 20 miles to-night but not sufficient water for our division there so we had to camp at some wells half way. We got to bed at 11 p.m. so had a good night's sleep.

29 Mon

Stood to arms 4 a.m.
 Rested all day & moved again
 at dark so as enemy airplanes
 cannot see our movements.
 Reached our camp before
 mid-night so got a few hrs
 sleep in before stand to arms.

30 Tues

Stood to arms at 4 a.m.
 Rested in the camp all
 day. & moved again at dark.
 An all night march took
 us right to the back of
 Beersheba. We met with
 very little resistance on our
 march only a few small post
 of Turkish cavalry which weren't
 much trouble to clear up.

31 Wed

The attack on Rerikaba began at dawn, infantry attacking from South mtd troops from east & north. The town was taken in the afternoon 1400 prisoners captured remainder of army getting out on high hills before being cut off. Our casualties were very light. Two Auckland officers I knew killed Captain Ashlin & his four who came out on the Waikanae with our remnants.

We had very little to eat today & had water to drink

1 Thurs

We had a few hours good sleep & all ready to move again at 4-10 a.m.

Cleared the hills east of Hayburn Road. Tanks retired in direction of Gaza. Our casualties were very light. Tanks bombed our brigade transport & prevented our provisions from coming up, we had very little to eat yesterday & today, but expect rations tonight. We captured some large heaps of barley from Arabs so had plenty of horse-feed. Left our post at dark, camped mid-night.

2 Fri

The attack on Beercheba began at dawn, infantry attacking from South mtd troops from east & north. Beercheba was taken in afternoon (It has happened ~~under~~ on) ^(31st written on wrong leaf)

On the move again today Pucks still falling back.

Heavy fighting at Sheria
Our casualties today were very light, but we are very badly off for water & also on short rations

Our squadron undergoing frequent tonight

3 Sat

We are going on outport again tonight so tried to get some decent water for our horses through the day, but had a long ride & no water

November

11th Month

1917

4 Sun—22 aft Trinity

Released 6th Oct. in
heavy weather here today

1917

30 Days

November

5 Mon

Wounded 17-30 miss report

November

11th Month

1917

6 Tues

Arrived Camp 10 operations on

1917

80 Days

November

7 Wed

Left Camp for Kanlata

8 Thurs

Arrived Kantara 8 a.m. ~~arrived~~
mg here for the day very busy
for m.o.

9 Fri

Staying another day here
no sleep last night
Feeling none too good

November

11th Month

1917

10 Sat

1917

30 Days

November

11 Sun—23 aft Trinity

Arrived at 24th General Hosp
Cairo today.

12 Mon

Operated on again to have
tubes put in my leg & knee
fixed up a little more

13 Tues

Another operation on
Nov 19th to have my leg off
wounded by a shell
wounded by a shell
in a trench

Left Hospital for Hotel Home
on January 3rd 1918. Had 10
days there leaving for Port
Said on the 13th. Bordered
from Port Said on Hospital ship
Glenorm Castle at noon on
Jan 14th 1918

Arrived Marseilles Jan 22nd
1918 had a splendid trip
calm sea

14 Wed

January 27th 1918

Left Marseilles for Gibraltar
Jan 27th arrived Gibraltar
Jan 31st at 8 a.m.

ailed again from there
on February 1st at 4 p.m.
Arrived Devonmouth Feb 5th
at 12 mid-day, disembarked at
5 p.m. Left this hospital at
2 p.m. for Brockenhurst. Slept night
on train en route. at 10 a.m.

Good hospital plenty "mungers"
See with 2000 of the same

15 Thurs

Arrived Brockenhurst Hospital
February 10th operated on Feb. 13th

Left Brockenhurst March 30th
arrived Watlands Park evening
of March 30th 1918.

Operated on at Watlands
Park Hospital on July 12th 1918

16 Fri

Left Oatlands Park
Hosp. on Dec 8th 1918
after being there for
8 months & 8 days

~~17 Dec~~

~~9th 1918~~
Went on board Ambulance
transport. Reaching at 4 PM
on Dec. 8th at Tilbury
Docks Thames River.

Drew out from wharf
at 3 PM on Dec 9th
& lay in stream until
1 PM that day. So sailed
from England on Dec 9th
1918 so had 10 months
& 4 days in hosp. in
the old country.
The sea is calm today &
we are looking forward to a
good trip home.

18 Sun - 24 aft Trinity

19 Mon

Dec 25th 1918

Christmas Day

We are now one days
sail from Colon, & have
had another Christmas in the
Northern Hemisphere. The day
has been very hot & our
final dinner was nothing to
write home about but we all
hope to have a letter one in
1919.

20 Tues

Boying Day we arrived in Colon. At 4 p.m. I pulled into the coaling plant at 6 p.m. Colon is supposed to be the fastest coaling station in the world has an electric plant that cost 3 million pounds.

We had two thousand tons of coal on at 10 p.m. I pulled out into the harbour that night.

Several of our men missed the boat at Colon so had to go by train to Panama where they picked us up. All turned up

21 Wed

but two. These will have to wait in America now for next New Zealand boat.

The Panama Canal reaches about 50 miles from deep water on the Atlantic side to deep water on Pacific side. Pacific entrance $22\frac{1}{2}$ miles east of Atlantic entrance. Entering from this side a boat is lifted 85 feet by three locks & into the Gatun Lake which covers 164 square miles & is 85 ft above sea level.

22 Thurs

After getting into Gatun Lake a boat sails under its own steam for 24 miles to Gamboa & then enters Culebra Cut a distance of 9 miles to Pedro Miguel. There enters a lock & is lowered 30 ft into a small lake $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles to Miraflores & then lowered by two more locks to Pacific side sea level. The canal cost $1\frac{1}{2}$ million a mile. Total cost about 75 millions. Length from shore line to shore line 40 miles

23 Fri

December 24th 1918
Sailed from Panama Harbour at 6-30 p.m. today & are making our last run towards New Zealand. Our next stop is to be Auckland & we are due there about Jan 19th 1919

24 Sat

New Years Eve 1917

We waited up to see
the old year out & new
year in & had rather
a lively time. Also had
a good supper which we
had to pay for out of
our own pocket.

Had a mid night ^{concert} ~~supper~~
& broke it up at
1-15' a.m. & then went
to bed.

25 Sun—25 aft Trinity

New Years Day 1919

A very hot day & a
quiet one on board
Had a concert on board
in the evening & after
concert we had a good
supper at our own expense
George Megget scored a
meat pie & some lums
from the saloon cooks so
we didn't go to bed
hungry tonight. We sighted

26 Mon

The Southern Cross
 tonight I first time I've seen
 it since 1916 so seems as
 if we are getting near home
 again.

27 Tues

Sunday 5th 1919
 We had a church parade
 today & a funeral at
 same time. A man named
 Cox died of pneumonia
 after four days illness
 He died at 9 a.m today
 & was buried at 11 a.m.
 He was a

FIELD MESSAGE FORM.

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1/ Mrs Percy L. Smiths *Beta*

Copy No.

19 Ford Lane

Ref. *Yangtseehoo* Place

To

Shanghai China

Date

2/ Myrtle Taylor

*Rawliti Parauy**Central Otago**Hondrus**6 Dancy Avenue**Wellington*

3/ Mrs R. Fleming

434 Baggall Road

How Sent

Signature

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Time Sent

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6/ Copy Lewis 92 Dover street
 Copy No. St Albans bk ch.

Ref. 6/9-1007. Place Sergt A J Field
 To company first Pioneer battn. Date Grand

Dorothy Gerrill

7/ 71 Musgrave Road
 New Cross.
 London S. E.

8/ Foster
 156 Onepu Road
 Lyall Bay Wellington

9/ Blophams
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To Date17536 Mick Roney 1st G.M.P.

17470 Fred Wright Divisional team

17469 Tom Muir 10th G.M.P.

46770 W McNeil

49213 Dave Aubrey

18193 Paddy Butler F.C.C.

17504 A. H. Giles F.C.C.

5-1939 Arthur Clifton } G.M.P.

49218 Donald McMillan }
16070 Colin R Campbell

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Date

Colin A. Campbell
"Melville Downs"
Fairlie.
South Canterbury
New Zealand

How Sent. Signature

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Unit

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