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5th. Light Horse Regiment, Army Form C. 2118.
2nd. Light Horse Brigade,
Australian Imperial Force.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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For month of February 1917.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Ge'eila.	2nd. 3rd. 8th. 9th. to 21st. 22nd. 23rd.		<p>Regiment left Ge'eila, arrived Moseifig with rest of Brigade en route Mas'aid Mazar. <i>PN</i></p> <p>Arrived Mazar. <i>PN</i></p> <p>Left Mazar and arrived Bardawil. <i>PN</i></p> <p>Arrived Mas'aid, and camped in oasis near beach. <i>PN</i></p> <p>Regiment engaged in training, furnished occasional patrols towards El Burj and to the South. <i>PN</i></p> <p>Left Mas'aid and arrived Sheikh Zowaiid. <i>PN</i></p> <p>Regiment took part in reconnaissance towards Khan Yunus, force consisted N.Z. Brigade and the 2nd. L.H. Brigade. Left camp at Sheikh Zowaiid at 0100. This Brigade in support to New Zealand Brigade? While latter Brigade engaged enemy about two miles South of Khan Yunus this Regiment posted as flank guard on their right rear facing Shellal. A few shots exchanged with enemy's patrols, no casualties to this Regiment. Regiment acted as left flank guard to force on return to Sheikh Zowaiid. Regiment with rest of Brigade went into camp on beach North West of Sheikh Zowaiid. <i>PN</i></p>	
	27th.		<p>Brigade left camp at 0600 marched to El Badari (15 miles East) and formed screen in that district, covering various parties making military reconnaissances. On march out Regiment furnished one Squadron right flank guard and one Squadron left flank guard. While various parties engaged on their tasks, the Northern flank of area, 10 miles in length, was covered by "A." and the Southern flank of area, 12 miles, by "B." Squadron. Brigade withdrew at 1430. While extended over flanks as above, a few shots were exchanged with enemy cavalry patrols. No casualties to this Regiment. Lieut. Hicks made a reconnaissance report on the South West quarter of the area. <i>PN</i></p>	



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