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Light Horse

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## WAR DIARY

for month of Jan'y, 1917.

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## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
EL HARISH	1/1/17		In Camp resting horses C Sqdn furnished outposts from 0800 to 1700	JW
"	2/1/17		In Camp resting horses	JW
"	3/1/17		In Camp C Sqdn furnished outposts at 1700	JW
"	4/1/17		A Sqdn furnished outposts at 0800	JW
"	5/1/17		In Camp resting horses.	JW
"	6/1/17		One hour Sqdn Drill. A Sqdn furnished	JW
"	7/1/17		Church Parade Camp bombed by Day 7 night 3 Hoses hit - B Sqdn	JW
"	8/1/17	1600	Regt marched out with ANZAC Mt. Nebecir to make raid on enemies entrenched position near RAFA at dawn on 9/1/17. Revouaced at SHEIKH ZOWAID from 2200 to 0100 thence to about 1 1/2 miles south of position held by enemy.	JW

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RAFA	9/1/17	0600	Arrived about 1 1/2 miles South of enemies entrenched position near RAFA attack commenced at 1000 & after at 1st engagement lasting all day enemy surrendered at 1730 our casualties were 6 killed & 20 wounded (see list attached) we captured 4 guns 4 M.C. guns & about 1800 prisoners. Our force left battle front at 2200 & bivouaced at SHEIKH ZOWAID	
EL ARISH	10/1/17	0700	Force left SHEIKH ZOWAID & marched into Camp at EL ARISH at 1200	
"	11/1/17		Regt in Camp all Officers Paraded at 1000 when operations were resumed Capt. Franklin took over Adjutancy of Regt from Lt. Wasson who was posted to "B" Squadron under Major Chambers. In camp. Duty Regt. "B" Squadron took over out post line 1700 2 Tanks bombed vicinity of camp.	
"	12/1/17	0700	In camp. Out post relieved 1200. resting horses.	
"	13.1.17	07.00	General Cherrill addressed Regt. to church parade.	
"	14.1.17	17.00	Regiment went out at 1630 on report of Turkish Cavalry (all clear returned 2030) 9 off 12 NCOs Staff Ride to LAHFAN	
"	15.1.17		Duty Regt in Camp.	
"	16.1.17		Major Markwell & C Sqdn detailed Reconnaissance E of 160 to EL BURG. 30 Officers & NCOs Staff Ride LAHFAN. Regt in camp.	
"	17.1.17		5 Officers. 12 NCOs Staff Ride LAHFAN. Regt in camp.	

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EL ARISH.	18.1.17		Syllabus of training commenced. Duty Regt in camp.	
"	19.1.17		Regt in camp. Lt. Col. G.A. Bourne ISO (C/-) evacuated sick.	
"	20.1.17		Duty Regt in camp. Ofc 'C' Sgdn proceeded to Cairo on leave. 'C' Sgdn took over Outpost line.	
EL RISA.	21.1.17		Board of Enquiry re shortages after Battle of RAFA. Regt in camp. Church Parade.	
"	22.1.17		Duty Regt. A Sgdn Outpost.	
"	23.1.17		Regt in camp.	
"	24.1.17		Major Chambers + 4 Officers proceeded South on Topographical research. Duty Regt. 'B' Sgdn Outpost.	
"	25.1.17		Regt in camp.	
"	26.1.17		Regt out training as per Syllabus GSOI rode around. Duty Regt. 20 Reinforcements arrived from MOASCAR.	
"	27.1.17		4 Officers + 4 OFR proceeded to CAIRO to school of instruction. Major Chambers + 4 Officers on Topographical Research. Regt in camp.	
"	28.1.17		Duty Regt. Regt in camp. Church Parade.	
"	29.1.17		Board on articles of equipment from 1-9-16 - 31-12-16. Regt in camp. Training syllabus started for second week.	
"	30.1.17		Lieut Evans troop relieved from Survey escort. Duty Regt in camp.	
"	31.1.17		Board on Bago month of December 1916. Regt in camp.	

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