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Chief for Period Nov 4th to November 7th

for Schried

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
~~Starwood~~, Mombasa,
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

15th December 1916.

SECRET.

Sir,

With reference to my Secret despatch of the 8th instant, I have the honour to forward herewith, for your information, a copy of a Résumé of the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief's War Diary from November 4 to November 17 1916.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

A. C. B. B. B.

GOVERNOR.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

WALTER HUGH LONG, M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

Secret of Dec 18/1916

EAST AFRICAN FORCE.

RESUME OF WAR DIARY from 4th November to 17th November 1916
(incl.).

4th November 1916. 1st Mounted Brigade instructed to move with all speed from Morogoro to Iringa.

3rd S. A. Infantry Brigade ordered to place strong posts at Kikomi, Njukwa's, Kissanga.

Intelligence Section states that on General Northey's front Madibira Mission is reported to have been re-occupied by the enemy on November 1st.

5th November. In the Kilwa area, acting on information in captured documents which states that enemy intend attacking our posts in this area, the G.O.C.-in-Chief has ordered the L. N. Lances to remain at Kilwa instead of going to Lindi. The 40th Pathans will also move to Kilwa from Lindi. Arrangements are being made to reinforce the Lindi garrison.

Intelligence Section state that on General Northey's front it is fairly definitely ascertained that the bulk of the enemy's Tabora forces are concentrated at Ngominji, with a detachment at Madibira and a small post at Buini, 3 miles South of Malangali.

6th November. 1st Division. - The 2nd E. A. Brigade proceeds to Dar-es-Salaam on 7th instant en route to Kilwa. The division will now consist of 2nd and 3rd E. A. Brigades (3rd Brigade consists of troops at present at Kilwa, and 1st E. A. Brigade will now come under command of G.H.Q.).

7th November. The Portuguese Forces took Newala on 26th October after heavy fighting. The enemy abandoned fortified positions, which they blew up, and retired in a N.E. direction. One gun was captured, also hand bombs and explosives. Enemy is being pursued N. and N.E.

8th November. Yesterday, in the Iringa area, an aeroplane located a large enemy force proceeding along road in the direction of Malangali. The aeroplane was subjected to heavy machine gun and rifle fire.

9th November. One of our aeroplanes was totally wrecked at Iringa on 7th instant.

10th November. No reports of changes in the situation have been received.

11th November. No reports of changes in the situation have been received.

12th November. No reports of changes in the situation have been received.

13th November. The G.O.C., 1st E.A. Brigade, reports that the enemy trenches near Dakawa were shelled yesterday and their pickets sniped at night. One askari and 19 porters deserted from the enemy.

14th November. 1st Division reports enemy at Mtumbel Jini and that Paluchis, less detachment at Kitambi, have been ordered to attack them.

2nd Division reports that S African M. C. C. was compelled to evacuate Muhange Mission on the 12th instant owing to superior enemy force.

1st E. A. Brigade reports enemy party at Mssunga on 13th. Patrols investigating.

15th November. 1st Division reports enemy have retired from Mtumbel Jini but still occupying Pungutini.

2nd Division reports that supports have been sent to cyclist patrol at Lukigeta which is being pressed by enemy. Mounted regiments are operating against enemy patrols at Nsutsa.

1st B. A. Brigade reports enemy opened fire on our trenches at Dutumi on 14th instant but it was immediately stopped on our replying.

16th November. We shelled enemy trenches opposite Dakwa on night of 15th instant.

Aeroplane bombed Kissangeri on 13th instant.

17th November. Aeroplanes bombed Madbeira on 15th and Kibesa this afternoon.

General Northey reports that Malangali was relieved on 12th instant. The enemy on November 8th delivered three assaults on the garrison which were all beaten off with heavy losses to the enemy.

Two Europeans and nine enemy blacks were picked up dead, and eight Europeans, 18 wounded and unwounded native soldiers were captured, together with one machine gun, 72 enemy carriers, 15 mules and donkeys, and fifty head of cattle. 40 cases of ammunition, some shells, and quantity of stores were destroyed by fire. Enemy force dispersed to Eastward in disorder and in small parties without kit or carriers. Our casualties in garrison and relief force, one killed and five wounded.