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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

SECRET.

22nd June 1916.

Sir,

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With reference to my Secret despatch of the 17th instant, I have the honour to forward herewith, for your information, a copy of the Resums of the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief's War Diary from June 3 to June 9 1916.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

H. Conway Beckett

GOVERNOR.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

A. BONAR LAW, M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWLING STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

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In Dispatch Received of 22 June 1916

SECRET.

General Headquarters,
East African Force,
Old Moschi,

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No. 57 G.O.

11th June 1916.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith a Resumé of my War Diary from 3rd June 1916 to 9th June 1916 (inclusive) for the information of His Excellency the Governor and the Colonial Office.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) F. E. GUEST, Major,
for Lieutenant General,
Commander-in-Chief,
East African Force.

The Chief Secretary

to the Government of British East Africa.

Copies for information to :-

The Secretary to the Government, Uganda.
Naval Commander-in-Chief, Zanzibar.
Senior Naval Officer, Kisumu.
Major Grogan, Kabale.

East African Force.

RESUME of WAR DIARY from 3rd June 1916 to 9th June 1916 (inclusive).

June 3rd.

Lake Detachment. - Report 'No change'.

1st Division. - Report 'No change'.

2nd Division. - Report 'No change'.

Intelligence reports that during the night attack on Kondoa on the 9th May it has been ascertained that Kornatzsky, a Battalion Commander, was killed, von Bock was wounded, and 125 askaris were killed.

June 4th.

Lake Detachment. - Report 'No Change'.

1st Division. - Report 'No change'.

2nd Division. - Report 'No change'.

June 5th.

Lake Detachment reports that, on the Kigazi Section of the Kagera front, Chahafi reports action with hostile Batussi at Luwengeri on the 26th May; 6 natives were killed and 900 cattle captured. Otherwise no change.

1st Division. - Nothing reported.

2nd Division. - Nothing reported.

June 7th.

Lake Detachment. - Nothing reported.

1st Division.- General Hannington's advanced troops close to Mkumbala on the evening of the 6th.

2nd Division. - Nothing reported.

Intelligence reports that our scouts visited Wilhelmsthal and found it unoccupied on the 4th instant.

June 8th.

Lake Detachment. - Nothing reported.

1st Division reports Mzinde occupied by No.2 Column (General Hannington).

2nd Division

2nd Division from Kondea reports strong fighting patrols in contact with enemy's main position on whole of front. Enemy position held strongly.

Nyasaland Force reports Magoje occupied on 3rd June. Ammunition, rifles, etc., captured. On the 7th June the advance had reached 20 miles North of Magoje. Namema garrison broke out on the night 2nd/3rd June, sustaining heavy casualties. Commandant and three Europeans were captured, and the remainder of the force retired towards Tabora, pursued by Colonel Murray.

Portuguese Force. - The Consul General at Lorenzo Marques reports that a crossing of the Rovuma River was attempted on 27th May with the assistance of a Naval Detachment. Concentrated fire from hidden machine guns compelled the Portuguese to withdraw, with one officer and eight whites killed, eight missing, and fifteen wounded. German loss estimated at six whites and thirty natives. The Portuguese maintain some islands in the Rovuma.

June 9th.

Lake Detachment. - Nothing reported.

1st Division. - Hannington's Column occupied Mombo, and Sheppard's Column engaged the enemy at Mkalamo.

2nd Division from Kondea reports that Mounted Brigade failed to dislodge enemy on extreme left and has withdrawn to defensive position. Continually in contact with enemy.

NAVAL Authorities at Kilindini report that H.M.S. Hyacinth and two Whalers closed this morning on Tanga. Whalers closed on Ras Kazone and shelled entrenchments from the distance of half mile. Enemy did not reply. Explosion was observed from the direction of the town.