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E.R. Oldham, R.M.

TURAMA RIVER

Establishing a temporary Police Camp

16/7/23

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A.K. "Nivani" E.R. Oldham.

Napai, Delta Division. UMAITAI Villages (2).

(For Map see previous patrol to the TURAMA River)

		<u>Stores</u>			<u>Total</u>	<u>Ret</u>
	<u>Used</u>					
Rice	200 lbs	Police	40 lbs.	Others Boatscrew	30 lbs	70 lbs 130 lbs
Biscuits	50 lbs.	"	14 lbs.	"	8 lbs	22 " 28 "
Meat	48 lbs	"	12 lbs	"	8 lbs	20 " 28 "
Sugar	30 lbs	"	4 lbs	"	4 lbs	8 " 22 "
Tea	3 lbs.	"	1 lb.	"	1 lb	2 " 1 "
Soap	4 Bars	"	1 Bar	"	3 Bars	4 Brs. Nil
Tobacco	20 lbs	"	1 lbs	"	11 lbs	12 lbs 8 lbs
						Cost £1/8/0. 10 lbs p. of sago and coconuts.

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Matches	2 Dz.		Nil "	"	1 dz.	1 dz. 1 dz.
			Cost 4d.			
Kerosene.	4 Gals. "		1 Gal.	-----	1 Gal.	5 Gals
			Cost. 2/2			

Flies 2 Returned.
 Lamps 2 "
 Buckets 1 "
 Knives 18 in. 2 Returned.
 Tomahawks 2 "

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Report of Patrol to the TURAMA River, W.D. for the purpose of Establishing a Temporary Police Camp.

16/7/23. Left DARU in A.K. "Nivani" 4 a.m. with Mr. A.R.H. Rentoul and 12 A.C. for WABUDA Island. Reached TORO PASS 6 a.m. and anchored for tide. Away again 8 a.m. Arrived WABUDA 7 p.m. and dropped anchor for the night.

17/7/23. Left WABUDA 4 a.m. Sea moderate. Arrived mouth of Kikori River 6.30 p.m. and dropped anchor for the night.

18/7/23. Left anchorage 6 a.m. and reached KIKORI Station 10.30 a.m. Found that the Acting Resident Magistrate had left early this morning on patrol. As Mr. Patrol Officer Sannuers could not give me the information required in connection with the TURAMA massacres I sent for Mr. Johnstone who arrived back late in the evening. During the day self and Mr. Rentoul questioning witnesses and gathering information regarding the TURAMA District.

19/7/23. At KIKORI. Crew of "Nivani" employed cleaning boat and repairing mainsail. Obtained information regarding the TURAMA District from Mr. Johnstone, and made arrangements with him to send a patrol to EVISINEMI, D.D., and other villages on the Delta Division side of the TURAMA. Mr. Johnstone elected to go on patrol himself. As I did not consider that Mr. Rentoul, who is new to this sort of work, should be alone for the time being, I also arranged that Mr. Johnstone should stay with him for a while. Mr. Johnstone will also obtain any witnesses from the D.D. required by Mr. Rentoul, and engage canoes and carriers from the D.D.

20/7/23. Left KIKORI at 6 a.m., and anchored at NAMAI village, GOARIBARI, 12 noon. Extra passengers taken on board at Kikori - Mr. A.R.H. Johnstone, 5 A.C., and two witnesses in pending Court case. Two canoes and 24 carriers engaged at NAMAI for use at TURAMA Police Camp. Met whaleboat here from DARU with Court Interpreter SARAU in charge. Sent whaleboat canoes and carriers to DADEBI village, MORIGIO Island, to pick up V.C. SENI and an eye witness to the massacre at GEBEMIRI. As nothing to be gained by proceeding any further to-day remained anchored off NAMAI for the night.

21/7/23. Left NAMAI 6 a.m. for UMAIDAI. When off MORIGIO Island picked up whaleboat and canoes and proceeded up TURAMA River.

Anchored off left bank of River below UMAIDAI Island 11 a.m. so as

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21/7/23. to allow whaleboat and canoes to catch up also on account of not being able to take "Nivani" across river until high tide. Canoes and whaleboat reached "Nivani" 1.30. Fair sea running. At 2.15 despatched Messrs. Johnstone and Rentoul in whaleboat and canoes with 17 A.C. to right bank of river with instructions to keep close in and reach UMAIDAI if possible unseen. Unable to get "Nivani" across for another hour or so as river too low. Tide coming in however. Arranged to be at UMAIDAI if possible when Messrs. Johnstone and Rentoul landed. Sufficient water 3.30 so left anchorage, crossed river, and reached UMAIDAI 4.50, five minutes after the police party had landed. The UMAIDAI did not see the whaleboat or canoes approaching their village and were much surprised when the party landed. The people immediately made for the bush firing two or three arrows while running away. A.C. MARIA received ^{an arrow} through the fleshy part of the testicles, and a Village Constable was slightly wounded in the arm. The police were immediately sent after the people and eight men and a number of women and children were brought back to the village. Seven men were detained under a strong guard as it is suspected they had something to do with the raid at GEBEMIRI. All arrows found in the houses were confiscated and destroyed. Found that the majority of the people belonging to the village were away canoe making and gardening, but were expected back to-night. Nobody arrived however. Instructed Mr. Rentoul to establish a camp here until all the men required in connection with the massacre at GEBEMIRI were arrested. Mr. Johnstone has sent for the EVISINEMI people with the object of trying to get the UMAIDAI people to make friends with them. There appears to have been some doubt as to whether the WERAIDAI people had anything to do with the GEBEMIRI massacre. I am informed, however, by one MOKORO who is a WERAIDAI man, that the WERAIDAI people had a great deal to do with it. Messrs. Johnstone and Rentoul camped ashore also all the A.C. with the exception of two on the "Nivani" doing guard duty with the boatscrew. Issued instructions to Mr. Rentoul and went off to "Nivani".

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22/7/23. Took a statement from MOKORO of WERAIDAI and from one of the captured UMAIDAI men early this morning. At 10.45 I left for TERI Creek, where most of the WERAIDAI people were said to be canoe and sago making, with Messrs. Johnstone and Rentoul and 10 A.C., leaving the balance of the A.C. (9) and prisoners in charge of Corporal PANDAVA. Arrived at a small village consisting of five houses and a number of shelters 2.30. When approaching village heard a party canoe making. Unfortunately a dog with ~~the~~ party disturbed them and they rushed back to the village and started to blow a conch shell warning all the people of danger. After a scramble through mud and water the village was reached and a number of men women and children caught including SOGIE one of the principle men concerned in the GEBEMIRI massacre. Mr. Rentoul, who had charge of the right party, reached the main village. When near same one or two arrows were wildly fired but no damage was done, and five men caught. Six men were also caught at the shelters and a number of women and children, but beyond being alarmed and trying to run away they did not cause any trouble. In all eleven men were caught. After explaining to them that they need not be afraid we got them to call out to their friends to come in. They called out but no one came. At 4.30 we left TERI Creek, and arrived at UMAIDAI or KESE as the village appears to be called 8 p.m. The women and children were taken back to the main village and sent to their houses. They are quite content and not at all frightened. Messrs. Rentoul and Johnstone camped ashore and self on "Nivani" for the night. When the people ran away from the village yesterday it was found that a number of them had gone overland to the village on TERI Creek. The man SOGI-E was in the village when the party landed.

23/7/23. Issued final instructions to A.R.M. Rentoul and left for Kikori 7 a.m. as tide on the turn, to pick up prisoners and witnesses. Four of the men caught found to be concerned in the GEBEMIRI massacre being taken to DARU. Arrived at Kikori 7.30 a.m. and anchored for the night. Found that Mr. R.R.M. Bastard had taken over the charge of the Delta Division.

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24/7/23. Left KIKORI 11 a.m. with tide. On board 22 prisoners, 11 witnesses, two A.C. and 6 Barama men who took whaleboat to UMAIDAI. Anchored NAMAI village 5 p.m. As weather fine and good moon left NAMAI 9 p.m. for DARU.

25/7/23. At 3 a.m. when near WABUDA weather very rough and strong wind blowing. Shipped some big seas which trickled through the leaky deck of the "Nivani" and nearly put engine out of action. Engine kept running under difficulties. As weather appeared to be getting worse decided to put into MAIPANI. Sails of "Nivani" in bad state. Passed between DIBIRI and NAVIU Islands 6 a.m. The wind now died down as suddenly as it has started so continued on to IPISIA which was reached at 6 p.m. and anchored for the night.

26/7/23. Under way 4 a.m. and arrived at DARU 12.30 p.m.

I do not think that Mr. A.R.M. Rentoul will have much difficulty in arresting all the men required in connection with the massacre at GUBEMIRI, and I see no reason why the Lower TURAMA District should not be brought under thorough control within a very short time. The "Nivani" will be leaving for KIWAI Island and the Lower Fly in a few days time with Mr. Cridland in charge for the purpose of collecting taxes. Mr. Cridland will work his way to the TURAMA so as to arrive there on about the 15th August for the purpose of bringing to DARU all prisoners Mr. Rentoul may have arrested. Also if all is well with Mr. Rentoul Mr. Johnstone will be instructed to return to his Division.

R.M., W.D.
28/7/1923.

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PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

N^o 2 / 1923-24

TURAMA POLICE CAMP. STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by Mr A.C. Rentoul to
the TURAMA RIVER for the purpose of
establishing a Police Camp, and for other objects as
detailed at commencement of Report.

Left Station on 7th July 1923 Returned to Station on On patrol still.

Number of Carriers employed 26 Number of Police taken 14

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge District Whalebout & 2 canoes

Villages visited MESUMUBU, TEKE (Old) TEKE (New), SIDIHOKOMO
WISOBU, GIGI, MIOGODIA & IAINU (UMADAI)
UTAI, PIAREA, SARAGI, GA-IA & WARIOMENA
(WARIADAI).

- (1) A sketch map of the district patrolled should accompany the report, showing, as nearly as possible, the positions of the places visited and a copy is to be made for filing on the station. The map is to be furnished whether the patrol is in a well-known district or not. If the patrol is over a route for which a map has already been sent in, a second map is not necessary. A reference to the previous report will be sufficient. If the patrol is over a route of which part has already been included in a map, a suitable sketch should be sent to enable the other places to be added to the previous map. For uniformity the map must occupy one of two sizes of paper—either the size of a half-sheet of ruled foolscap or the size of a whole or double sheet.
- (2) In the body of the report the name of the village should be followed by the name of the V.O. The number of houses and the population, as nearly as possible, should also be stated. The customs of the natives should as much as possible be noted and reported.
- (3) The Patrol Report is to be enclosed in this jacket, which, properly filled in, is to be sent to the Government Secretary immediately after each patrol.
- (4) The space below is not to be written in.
- (5) The cost of the patrol must be shown within, in the space provided.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date RESIDENT MAGISTRATE

21 AUG 1923

Daru, Western Division
PAPUA

J.R. Blakman

Officer in charge of station.

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REPORT OF THE TURAMA RIVER POLICE PATROL 1923. No. 1.

Personnel. Mr. A.C. Rentoul A.R.M. W.D. and following Police:-
Cpl: BOXIMA. L/Cpl. UMBEGABA. A.Cs. AGABA. BUBURA. OURE. DARIBI.
KAPA. PASU. URUPUA. IAWOGA. YAGIBA. KAU. KIAI and MAJIA.

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Mr A.R.M. Johnston A.R.M. D.D. with 1 Cpl. and 4 A.Cs. co-operated on behalf of Delta Division as from 21/7/23 to 7/8/23.

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OBJECTS. (1). To establish a Police Camp on right bank of Turama
(2). To carefully patrol all villages of the DORIKOMA, UMADAI, and WARADAI tribes.
(3). To thoroughly bring under Government Control all the villages and tribes of the lower TURAMA R.
(4). To arrest 70 men of the UMADAI and WARADAI tribes by 20/8/23.

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FOREWORD.

In attempting to carry out above instructions, I would respectfully point out that so far as the bringing under Government control of these intensely elusive people goes, the proper course would of course be the establishment first of all of a permanent base, and then a careful and slow patrol of all the villages, leaving gifts behind and that sort of thing, when people run away, and by our general conduct eventually gain the confidence of these tribes. Unfortunately the fixing of a due date for the capture of 70 men gives no time for such a policy, and arrests will have to give precedence over anything. This I suggest will make the subsequent task of pacification harder and more protracted, as initial arrests will antagonise these people from the start.

1923.

21/7/23. A.K. NIVANI, TURAMA River, W.D.

Under instructions from R.L. W.D. at a point 2 miles S of the main UMADAI village, left in District Whalebent with Mr A.R.M. Johnston and 14 A.Cs, our object being to visit this village (KESUMUBU), and apprehend as many of the "wanted" men as possible. Junctioned with two large canoes bearing our GOARABARI carriers (26), and transferred an H.C.O and 5 A.Cs to each canoe. These went 100 yds ahead of us close in to bank, and "NIVANI" followed up behind. From the reputation of the UMADAI people it was not anticipated that our reception would be a cordial one, so all precautions were taken to avoid bloodshed

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Landed the 2 N.C.Os and 8 A.Cs a quarter of a mile from village to approach from flank and proceeded with remainder to landing, our arrivals being simultaneous. Our reception was a hostile one, and unfortunately A.C. MARIA and V.C. R-KRI of Depima (D.D.) received arrow wounds, the former in sacrum, and latter in shoulder. A.Cs remained well under control, and no reprisals were made. Four prisoners were apprehended and a number of women and children held for interrogation and protection. We had decided to establish our first camp right in the heart of the UMADAI headquarters, as it is evident that are the source of most of the troubles on this River. From "RIVANI" all gear was brought ashore and Mr Johnston and self made our first headquarters at end of Long House, from which we shall be able to get in touch with the inner life and habits of these turbulent people.

The village consists of two duhus and various smaller women's houses.

22/7/23. SUNDAY. Left at 7.30 a.m. in two canoes with R.E.W.D and Mr A.R.M. Johnston to visit country behind KESUMBU. The events of this successful day will no doubt have been recorded by the R.E. W.D.

23/7/23. MONDAY. A.K. "RIVANI" with R.E. W.D and 4 prisoners left at 7.30 a.m. for KIKORI. Sent out screen of 2 N.C.Os and 6 A.Cs to apprehend any stragglers and report if any women could be found suffering hardships in the swamps. Spent morning with A.R.M. Johnston interrogating prisoners with the object of gaining as much local knowledge as possible. With triple interpretation the task is an arduous one, and verily these people are true descendants of ANANIAS. Village cleaned up and latrines erected, as a pattern for other TURAMA villages to follow. Women made a little sago for carriers and prisoners. Raining heavily.

24/7/23 TUESDAY. The UMADAI are beginning to come around to the view that the Government are here to stay. After a long consultation with a number of them, it was agreed to send delegates to the concealed UMADAI, and one SO-ONA was despatched on this mission in a single canoe. Pulled up whaleboat and covered same with birf. It will not be of much use to me in this river of tremendous tides & bores, and I shall have to do my best in single canoes. A launch would be a Godsend, and make the job infinitely easier - the Turama not being the nicest place in the world to operate in the S.E. season.

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Personnel now consists of

4 V.Cs
4 Prisoners
26 Carriers
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also 44 women and children, and very little sago to feed them all. It is fortunate that so many women and children have remained to seek our protection in this so inclement weather, as they would have had a wretched time in the swamps. They are now in the houses cooking a little sago, and seem quite happy.

25/7/23 Wednesday. Four canoe loads of UMADAI had been absent at WARADAI, and these returned to-day knowing nothing of our arrival. Startled by sight of whaleboat, they retired hurriedly in spite of our efforts to reassure them. Swiftly pursued by canoe, they leapt ashore only to meet police party sent to intercept them. They showed fight, and unfortunately A.C. OURE (Daru) was wounded by arrow in knee, but dropping his rifle grappled with his men and secured him with his hands. I would recommend this A.C. to notice for his splen restraint. In fact the behaviour of all the A.Cs this week in trying circumstances has been beyond all praise. Owing to the wretched nature of this District it is inevitable that A.Cs must sometimes get out of view, but their conduct has been admirable. Four prisoners secured to-day.

26/7/23 Thursday. Self and Mr A.R.M. Johnston with 14 A.Cs and 23 paddlers in 2 canoes entered SIDIKOROMO Creek at 8.30 a.m. and proceeded along N.W. branch reaching village of KOBORU (5 houses) quite deserted. From information gleaned from a prisoner handcuffed to a V.C., we gathered that the missing UMADAI had taken refuge in GIBU Swamp. Retraced our way and landing at SIDIKOROMO sago village proceeded overland in a S.W. direction, through hopeless country in steady rain to find the GIGI shelters deserted, although traces of very recent habitation were seen. Re-embarked at 4.15 p.m. and returned to camp, when we were delighted to find that SO-OHA had brought in 4 more of the UMADAI "wanted" including BAIORU Chief and a man of much influence.

We are trying to get the UMADAI women to resume their normal village life. They are daily occupied making a little sago for which they are paid, but it is hard to convince them that their movements are not restricted. However they will get over that.

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26/7/23(Thursday). This is a very poor sago country and impossible for a large party to depend on that article alone, so my Police rations are being dipped into for carriers & prisoners, as they are the only food supplies I have.

27/7/23(Friday). BAIGURU offers that if I send him in a canoe handcuffed to a V.C with only a small Police guard, he will persuade most of the people to return. Decided to try the experiment and despatched party with Cpl BOKINA in charge in direction of GIBU. Scheme completely successful and 14 more UMADAI came in including 4 more wanted men. This nibbling policy must have an effect on these people and augurs well for the future. Village resuming normal life around us. Women and children now circulate freely, and little urchins conduct pitched battles with tiny bows at the feet of our sentries. Obtained vocabulary of the UMADAI. Here now at its maximum, presenting a magnificent sight at nightfall. One huge crescent shaped wave advancing irresistibly up river followed by a succession of other unbroken waves each diminishing in size.

28/7/23 Saturday.

After a long interrogation of prisoners both Mr Johnston and self are convinced that the UMADAI are the most abandoned liars it has been our ill fortune to meet. These animal like people will detail the most fantastic stories and when confronted with proof of their untruthfulness sigh wearily and confess that they have been lying.

At Mr Johnston's suggestion this morning I agreed to again try the efficacy of appealing to the UMADAI. Men women and children to the number of over 100 assembled outside the long dubu. Mr Johnston a much more fluent Motuan scholar than myself explained our position through interpreters. In strong and unmistakable terms they were assured that we had come to stay, and alter the present condition of affairs on the Turama. The prisoners rolled their heads as though agreeing with every word. BAIGURU chief of GU stood up in the centre of them and led the popular movement for peace. They agreed to appoint two of their number to carry their wishes to the rest of the UMADAI, and these accompanied by V.C INAI-I of Harago left at 1 p.m.

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with word that we would give them until Tuesday to come in themselves. It is very difficult for us in the absence of any dependable witness to identify these men when they do come in. On calling the name on one warrant two men immediately pointed out each other as the man wanted, and it was only after long examination that one admitted to the name, even then one felt that he only did so to end the discussion.

29/7/23 SUNDAY. All A.Cs and carriers resting after a strenuous week. It will not be possible to form a more permanent camp until the UMADAI arrests have been cleared up. We are already in the best place to get in touch with them.

30/7/23 MONDAY. Police and carriers in bush obtaining further timber for Rest House. Prisoners and guards cleaning up village and burning rubbish. It is our hope to make UMADAI a pattern from which other river villages may take an example. One SAIBI an Evasanini witness and party arrived. They tell me this is the first occasion that a canoe from opposite bank has visited UMADAI. There are now 5 UMADAI villages represented in this one spot.

31/7/23 Tuesday. Our waiting policy was rewarded this morning by the appearance at 6.30 a.m. of 15 large UMADAI canoes bringing in a wonderful gathering of men, women and children. So that they would not lose their nerve at the last minute everything was allowed to carry on normally. A.Cs stood quietly by on guard over the various gangs. At last the first canoe grounded - a moment's hesitation and its occupants hurried ashore. A succession of arrivals followed until the clearing was thronged with the UMADAI. Then the work of executing warrants commenced, and after a long examination by both Mr Johnston and self it is disappointing to have to record that only six more warrants could be executed owing to lack of any means of identification. Arrest of prisoners are our first duty, and the present method of encouraging the UMADAI to bring themselves in is being justified every day, especially in view of the difficulties experienced in arresting even one prisoner on a previous occasion. It is our intention in two day's time to break new ground by transferring to the main UMADAI village, about 30 miles up stream and commence operations there.

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1/8/23 Wednesday.

KARI of DADDEBI a well known man on the river, who had been in UMADAI for several days with his people, suggested to me that he should leave for WARIADAI & tell the people not to run away when the Government came. A UMUDAI man named WAREA volunteered to go too. I asked KARI if it was safe for him to go, and he laughed, assuring me the WERIADAI were his friends. Thought it a good idea to send word by this channel, and gave him some trade to give to the WARADAI chief. This party (KARI, WAREA & paddlers) left for up river this morning and will explain to the WAFADAI that it will save them a lot of trouble, and their women and children much suffering, if they elect to meet the Government and talk about the EVASENEMI affair. Mr A.R.M. Johnston down with fever.

2/8/23 Thursday. UMADAI village now normal and I am leaving behind Cpl BOKIMA and 5 A.C to complete Rest House and bring in prisoners that BASAKAI has promised. Left for WARADAI in whaleboat with all prisoners, gear, and four canoes. Mr Johnston unwell. Made slow progress against tide and falling duck and rain compelled us to camp at PIARIA considering that our approach to the WARIADAI should be made by daylight.

3/8/23 Friday. While embarking at PIARIA this morning a DEDDEBI canoe belonging to KARI arrived with the distressing news that only that morning at SARAGI (Waradai) after a quiet day at the village a number of WERIADAI had arrived at the village with one KUBIGA (on Warrant) and attacked KARI's party, killing KARI himself and seven MORIGIO men. The others had sped down river to tell Government, while some HARAGO men who had been staying at the village had been assisted to a canoe by a friendly WARIADAI man. At once proceeded up stream meeting three WARIADAI canoes, which fled at our approach.

Reached SARAGI the main village at 11 a.m. and after the bad tidings proceeded with caution. Raining steadily as we approached, and much hampered by our prisoners. Transferring all these to whaleboat we left them under guard, and self and Mr Johnston in separate canoe approached the village bow on.

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When 200 yds from village a man arose from a canoe and walked casually up the steps of long house. His presence and the dead silence around caused a V.C to warn me of a possible ambush, so fired a few shots over trees on both sides, and immediately landed. Two headless and mutilated corpses sitting upright hands on knees greeted us, and on entering Long House found same unoccupied with fires still burning. Jaw bone with flesh and teeth attached, found in canoe, and two un-identified heads freshly cut were subsequently found at back steps. Set double guards and carriers cutting scrub on both sides to give better field of vision. Prisoners all safe, but much disturbed at tragedy, fearing a "pay back" on themselves. Reassured them. I am very concerned over the brutal murder of these men to-day, and am holding an Inquest when I can find some witnesses.

4/8/23 Saturday. Carriers clearing scrub. Establishing a Camp alongside village of SARAGI which is a few hundred yds South of bifurcation of Tarana R. Rations issued. Cpl BOKIMA and A.Cs whom I had sent for on hearing of the tragedy arrived safely, being accompanied by over 20 UMADAI men who wanted to work for the Government! Gave them the freedom of the camp, and they departed well pleased with small presents. Raining all day.

5/8/23 Sunday. Leaving Mr Johnston in charge of camp left with I/Cpl UMBEGABA & 9 A.Cs to make an examination of the country between SARAGI and the KOMIHO Creek. Raining steadily. Track tangled sage swamp & logs. No guide being available had to rely on compass entirely. Passed through garden with rough shelter, and heading E of S got into impossible country with no tracks. Bearing to S & E picked up a number of tracks all tending toward headwaters of KOMIHO Creek, and on following one track bearing on the canoe making village of WARIONERA absolutely deserted, but tracker stated that tobacco had been picked only this morning. Further on found canoe making depot with two fine canoes on the stocks. These were painted inside and out with three color "whorls", but of a different pattern to those of the UMADAI, having decorated triangles inserted between each pair of whorls. On way down River found the bodies of three

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of three headless and mutilated Merigio men. Secured these with lawyer vine, and sent back burial party from camp. Whalboat safely landed above high water mark as Bore is expected soon.

6/8/23.
Monday.

Sent patrol down river last night to see if they could detect any lights or sounds of village dogs. Nothing seen or heard. Merigio canoe sent down river with word that we require sage supplies. My food supply is causing me great anxiety as the character of the sage up here is poor and I cannot contrive to live on this inhospitable district. Consequently have had to dip in heavily into my Police rations (2 months) to feed prisoners and carriers as my party must be fed and supplies of sage from Merigio are very scanty, when they do come. They are evidently afraid to come this far now.

Mr A.R.M. Johnston far from well & I want him to go back to KIKORI, but he does not like to leave me alone.

7/8/23.
Tuesday.

Leaving Mr Johnston unwell in camp as/1f and I/Cpl with 8 A .Cs set out in two canoes on a reconnaissance. I into left Branch and after passing GA-IA village (so close to steep bend - self on right bank and other canoe on left - suddenly ran into a newly painted brand new canoe propelled by about 25 paddlers with painted faces and decorated hair. There was no hesitancy about these people for on sighting my canoe they immediately concentrated on it, uttering hoarse cries and churning up the water with their paddles as they swept down on us. There was no time or opportunity to parlay, so I increased speed with the idea of cutting them off and this brought us closer. Both canoes were now travelling at full speed and when about 20 yds off half of their paddlers stopped paddling and seized their bows and arrows (the fashion on this River being to fire at close range and then capsize the opponent canoe). My unarmed paddlers & my 5 A.Cs were standing as fully exposed, so they were in a very dangerous position at so close a range. Just before the WARADAI came into action I gave an order for a volley over their heads and as the shots echoed on the silent river, the wall of warriors dived as one man and clambering ashore plunged into the swamp like wallabies.

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From time of meeting until their empty canoe (63 feet long) collided with ours not more than two minutes could have elapsed, so there was little time to parley. Canoes heard paddling around bend and by this time disappeared, and nothing further seen on this trip. Picked up canoe on way back and "docked" it at SARAGI. Arrows found in canoe cassowary tipped (removable), bows strong black palm, and wooden fighting clubs.

Mr A.R.M. Johnston at last yielded to my advice and went down stream last night with 2 A/Cs and 15 paddlers on his way to Kikori. He is a sick man. He will send along any rice the Station can spare to relieve the situation here to be returned to Kikori stock. I trust the R.M. W.D will approve of my asking under the circumstances.

I am extremely grateful to Mr Johnston for his never failing information, support and encouragement on this patrol and very much regret his departure. He is arranging with Mr P.O. Saunders to co-operate with 5 more A.Cs which will bring my party up to required strength.

9/8/23. Thursday. Self down with fever. Rest House almost completed. Carriers cutting scrub. Raining all day.

10/8/23. Friday. Still far from well. 2 latrines erected. Raining and very cold.

11/8/23 Saturday. Feeling fitter. Despatched Col PANDAVA (D.D) & 4 A.Cs with paddlers to UMADAI to bring up any sage available & advise Mr Saunders of our exact position. Carriers & A.Cs cleaning up camp. Two inches of arrow point extracted from A.C. OURE's leg this morning. Health of all party now normal. Bore heavier at noon.

12/8/23 Sunday. Proceeded up main TURAMA R with L/Col UMBEGABA & 9 A/Cs. Small canoe depots ~~deserted~~ deserted, no canoes met with, and no signs of life. Since camp established not a single canoe has passed up or down river. Prisoners exercising in sun under close supervision.

13/8/23 Monday. In view of food shortage left at 2 a.m. in whaleboat with 2 canoes and all personnel complete to meet R.M.W.D on 15th inst at UMADAI as arranged. Examined PIARIA & UTAI villages and found recent signs of habitation - a week old perhaps. Anchored at 10 a.m. at MOGODIO (UMADAI) to escape Bore and placed whaleboat

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in small Creek. Cpl PANDAVA(D.D) reported with a number of DADEBI people who had little sago but the willingness to make some. Food is a great and absorbing problem here.

Went on and examined village of IAMU(unoccupied) the UMADAI as is their custom having evidently decided to abandon the river bank for their inland recesses, until the Government has gone and all troubles blown over. I shall have to patrol far inland for the balance of my prisoners. Reached KESUMUBU at 4 p.m after taking 13 hours to come 30 miles per whaleboat.

14/8/23 Tuesday. Cleaning up old camp and getting things straight. Have now two depots at convenient stages on river, where Officers and A.Cs can be housed (KESUMUBU and SARAGI) - this will be a convenience in the future.

15/8/23 Wednesday.

A.Cs and carriers improving old village. Building jetty. Awaiting arrival of "NIVANI" due to-day. V.C of UBUA D.D from Kikori(5 days) arrived to-day with letter from R.M. D.D regretting unable to loan any rice at present and withdrawing Cpl.PANDAVA. A.Cs ISORA and IEKI, also V.C SENI on whom I was relying for my new sago supply. No mention of Mr Saunders. This is disappointing, however one becomes accustomed to even disappointments on this River. I shall also return the large GOARABARI canoe borrowed from DELTA Division and 16 paddlers & V.Cs, which were so kindly offered me at the outset by A.R.M. D.D. and of which I was very grateful to avail myself, as unfortunately I could not find any other means of the river to supply either V.Cs.

I have 5 bags of rice left. but am hopeful of a supply of sago from the DADEBI people to-night. My personnel is now reduced to 14 A.Cs and 11 Carriers, which is rather small for the big job ahead, but I shall carry on to the best of my ability.

At 7 p.m. left on a night visit of inspection to country KESUMUBU and to the S, with the hope of getting in touch with some of the "wanted" UMADAI. Left in 2 canoes with Cpl BOKIMA & 9 A.Cs - inspected various Creeks & backwaters, which led only to deserted villages. Blocked by timber in darkness

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of all the WERIADAI whom he can at the moment call to mind, irrespective of the fact that they were present at the massacre or not.

I would respectfully suggest therefore that the it be left for the arresting officer accompanied by his witnesses to pick out the actual murderers and accessories from information received on the spot.

I propose leaving at once for an inland patrol in search for the remainder of the UMADAI, that will probably take a week, and on my return I trust the "NIVANI" will arrive with rice to carry with me as reserve rations on my patrol to the WARADAI people.

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STORY OF THE EVASENEMI MASSACRE.

From fragments which can be gathered from various sources, it appears that in or about February last a dance was being held at UMADAI (KESUMUBU) village, which has long borne an unsavoury reputation on the TERAMA.

At Kesumubu were a number of WARIADAI men from the North, and after the dance it was suggested by some of the UMADAI that as a number of new dances had been completed by both tribes, it would be a good idea to go and obtain a few heads to "blood" the new dances, the whole of these people's social system being based on such ceremonial.

The idea was well received by the WARIADAI and some unfortunate people of the EVASENEMI (D.D) tribe near the Darsid Hills were chosen as an easy source to secure the necessary trophies. These people, it appears had incurred the wrath of the UMADAI by slaying a stray Umadai, and though many years ago, the incident had never been forgotten.

Fortune favoured the UMADAI for there happened along a canoe from HARAGO (D.D) with the V.C on board. They also agreed to accompany the party, and it was considered excellent tactics to send the V.C on ahead to assure the EVASENEMI that the Government were coming and not to run away.

The first people met with were a man named SAIBAI, his three wives and small son. He heard the V.C speaking reassuringly and halted, but at that moment a certain man of the UMADAI rushed up and SAIBAI fell in surprise. "What did you come for?" The Umadai answered "For you" and fired point blank the arrow grazing the head of SAIBAI, who fled for his life. From a safe hiding place he saw his women and little son butchered. Later two of their skulls were found by our party at KESUMUBU.

Of course the large party who went included quite a number of canoe boys, who saw nothing of the massacre, and also some old men whose infirmities would prevent their taking active part, but without whose presence no party would consider itself complete, so that the number of men who actually committed the crime is probably much smaller than the large number of Warrant would lead one to believe.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE URADAI PEOPLE.

A sago eating people of forbidding appearance. Sloping foreheads, hair drawn back into mass of small ringlets plaited with grease and clay. Beards worn by all older men. Fibre harness (ESRAGODI) worn crossed across shoulders, chest and back with a girdle of the same material, from which a short length of tapa cloth (SIRURA) is worn suspended as a covering. In some instances an abdominal band of outer bamboo is also worn. A short fringe of fibre is attached to rear of girdle.

Weapons. Black palm bow and arrows mostly having a very tapering point which breaks off in a wound and turns septic. A throwing spear is also used, but not very common. A woven rattan gauntlet is worn on left forearm.

Women are scantily garbed in a girdle of grass wisps drawn between the legs and attached behind. Their hair is worn rather long and brushed back in a kind of "bobbed" effect. These women appear quite happy for such people, although their lives must be one endless round of sago making and fishing.

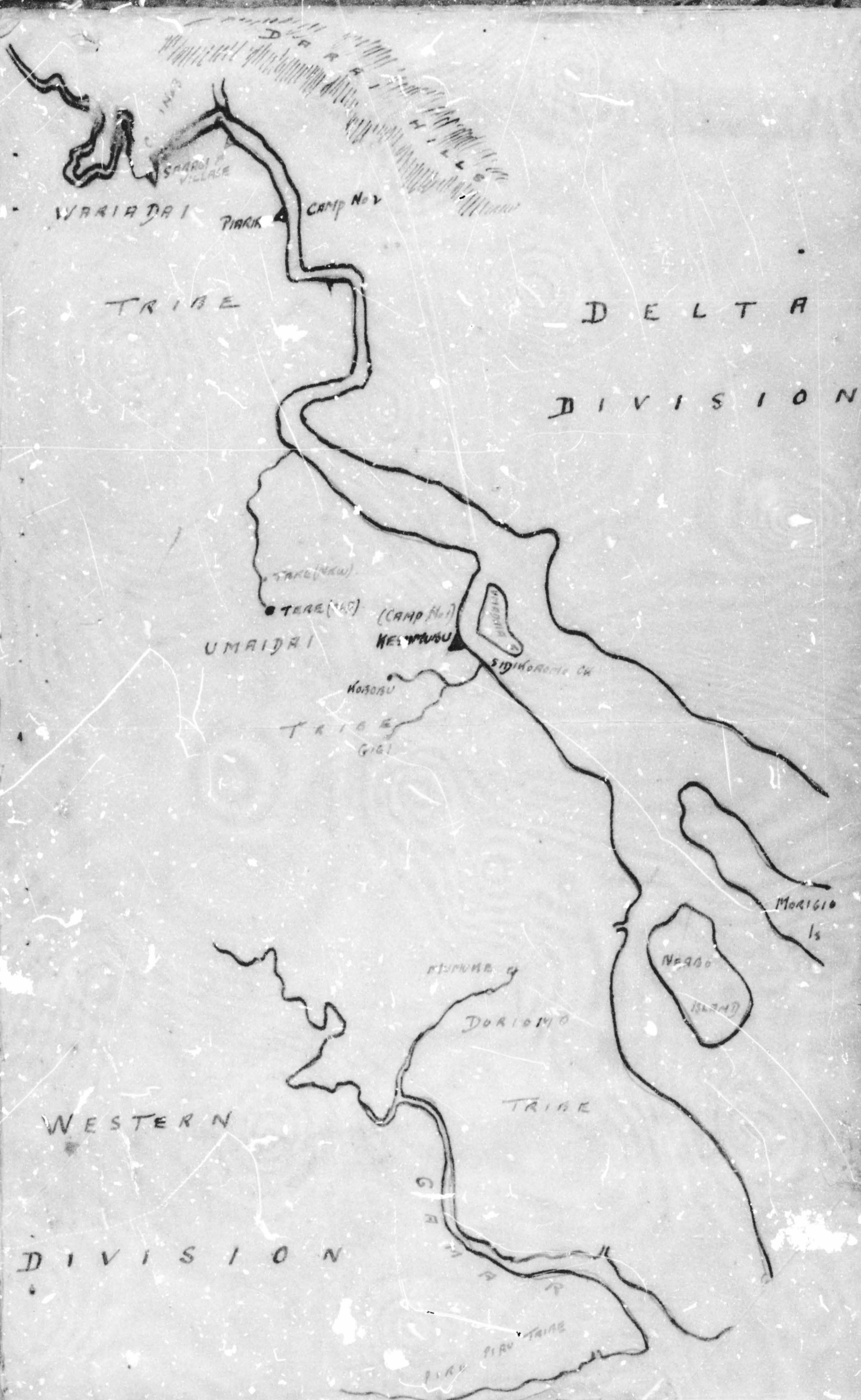
Diet consists mostly of sago, but a few gardens containing taro and bananas of a poor quality were seen in the back Creeks. Fish are caught by means of a cone shaped fish trap of remarkable ingenuity. This cone of plaited rattan about four inches high contains several lengths of an ugly creeper barbed at regular intervals, and these being attached to the inside of cone with barbs pointing upwards form an easy place for a fish to insert his head in search of bait at top of cone, but an almost impossible place from which to withdraw once the thorns have gripped his scales. These traps are hung on lines in the water and are inspected at intervals.

Canoes Single canoes of a good type are manufactured & used, the inside and outside being decorated with the colored "aboris" as seen at Georabari, and in one instance a brand new canoe was seen bearing a totem mark (a turtle) painted in three colors - red, white & black - on inside forward. Canoes range up to 70 feet long, their open stern being protected by the usual dab of black mud.

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PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER
2-23/24

REPORT OF A PATROL made by H. J. C. JOHNSTON, A.R.M. at TURAMA RIVER W.D. for the purpose of Assisting the A.S.M. W. D. in making arrests

Left Station on July 28th Returned to Station on August 9th
Number of Carriers employed 15 Number of Police taken 5
Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge "SIVANI" W.A. MATHIAS
Villages visited MAHAI (W.D.) URAHAI & HIRIYAI (W.D.)

- (1) A sketch map of the district patrolled should accompany the report, showing, as nearly as possible, the positions of the places visited and a copy is to be made for filing on the station. The map is to be furnished whether the patrol is in a well-known district or not. If the patrol is over a route for which a map has already been sent in, a second map is not necessary. A reference to the previous report will be sufficient. If the patrol is over a route of which part has already been included in a map, a suitable sketch should be sent to enable the other places to be added to the previous map. For uniformity the map must occupy one of two sizes of paper—either the size of a half-sheet of ruled foolscap or the size of a whole or double sheet.
- (2) In the body of the report the name of the village should be followed by the name of the V.C. The number of houses and the population, as nearly as possible, should also be stated. The customs of the natives should as much as possible be noted and reported.
- (3) The Patrol Report is to be enclosed in this jacket, which, properly filled in, is to be sent to the Government Secretary immediately after each patrol.
- (4) The space below is not to be written in.
- (5) The cost of the patrol must be shown within, in the space provided.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.
Date 22nd August 1923.
[Signature]
Officer in charge of station.

For route taken see Divisional map

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Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.				Government Cost.	Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used.			
Rice	120	80	40		120	1 3 4	111	
Biscuits								
Meat. Fish	20	20	.		20	12 6	111	
Sugar								
Tea								
Soap								
Tobacco	8 lbs	2 lbs	2 lbs		4 lbs	9 4	4 lbs	
Matches	1 doz	1 doz			1 doz	8		
Kerosene	1 gal	2 gal			1 Gal	1 2		
Tents								
Flies	2						2	
Lamps								
Buckets								
Kerosene Cans	1						1	
Knives & Sheaths	8						8	
Knives, 18in.								
Knives, other								
Belts								
Pouches								
Print	10 yds						10 yds	
Twill								
Handkerchiefs								
Beads								
Mirrors								
Axes								
Half Axes								
Tomahawks	4						4	
TOTAL						2 4		

NOTE.—When an article such as a tent is issued, but is returned for future use, the value should not be entered.

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REPORT OF A PATROL TO TURAMA RIVER W.D.
TO ASSIST A.R.M.W.D. IN ARRESTING
DEFAULTERS AT UMAIDAI & WARIADAI

FRIDAY JULY 20th. In accordance with a request from the R.M. W.D contained in his letter No.21/1923, I left in the A.M "NIVANI" at 6.A.M. Five A.C. accompanied me. Arrived and anchored off NAMAI, V.C SIVIORI, at 11.A.M. Here, A.C. SIWAGA who was despatched the previous day from Kikeri to get carriers and V.Cs - met the patrol. 24 carriers and 9 V.Cs from the D.D. were selected to accompany the Patrol. From here I despatched V.C. SIVIORI to EVASENIMI to bring the man SAIBI who is the sole survivor of the EVASENIMI raid- to UMAIDAI and meet me there. I am in hopes that he will be instrumental in making peace with these people.

SATURDAY " 21st. Steamed up the TURAMA and anchored below UMAIDAI at 2.P.M. Here Mr. Rentoul and self left with 2 parties in two canoes and the whale boat and landed at UMAIDAI at about 4.P.M. A few arrows were discharged by some of the inhabitants, and 1 A.C. and V.C. received small but not serious wounds. The Police were under the control of Mr Rentoul and self, and no shots were fired. 7 men were arrested and the others fled. A number of women were also found and elected to remain in the village.

SUNDAY " 22nd. R.M. and A.R.M.W.D and self proceeded up river to a place called TERE where a further 11 men were arrested and a number of women and children brought to camp.

MONDAY " 23rd. "NIVANI" left for Daru at 7.A.M. A.R.M. and self interrogating captured men

TUESDAY " 24th. A further two men were captured today, from a party that were returning down river, and who were not aware of our presence.

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WEDNESDAY July 25th. Yesterday an UMAIDAI man was sent out to warn the people that we did not want to fight them, and that we only wanted certain men and also that we were going to remain until we got them. Remained in camp.

THURSDAY " 26th. A.R.M. and self left camp at 9.A. m. with 14 A.C and 23 paddlers and visited several small garden shelter but without finding any people. On our return to camp we were surprised to find that our message of the 24th had resulted in 8 men of UMAIDAI coming in themselves. Two of these proved to be under warrant.

FRIDAY " 27th. At Village. Police party despatched under guidance of BAIGURU, one of the men that voluntarily came in yesterday. They returned in the evening with 13 men and 9 women, and many children. Bore passed 8.20. P.M.

SATURDAY " 28th. Bore passed this A.M. A.R.M. and self further interrogated people brought in yesterday. All the people present were collectively told the policy of the Gov't and after the position had been explained 2 representative UMAIDAI men chosen by the others in company with the HAKAGU man INAI-I (who has been recommended as V.C were sent to bring in more people.

SUNDAY " 29th. Waited in camp

MONDAY " 30th. In camp. SAIBI the EVASENIMI man arrived with V.C. SIVIORI. He was quite ready to make peace now that the Gov't had taken the matter in hand.

TUESDAY " 31st. At about 11.A.M. 11 canoes were noticed coming down river and they proved to be all the remainder of the people of TERE one of the UMAIDAI villages. Men, women, children and dogs comprised the party. It was a pleasing sight indeed to see these hitherto wild folk coming to make their peace. The wanted men were searched, and the position explained to them. They were quite resigned and realised that they had done wrong. There is quite a large population at UMAIDAI now and village life goes on as usual. There are some more wanted men still out and another party was sent for them.

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WEDNESDAY Aug 1st. At UMAIDAI. At their own request a number of the older men spoke to us and told us that they were now at peace with the Government. I had SAIBI up at this juncture and the position was thoroughly explained. A party left for WARIAIDAI to explain that the Gov't would come later and explain the position to them, and tell them what had happened at UMAIDAI. KARI of DADDEBI requested that he accompany the party, as he was friendly with the WARIAIDAI people.

THURSDAY " 2nd. Left UMAIDAI with whale boat and 3 canoes, for WARIAIDA taking prisoners with us. Prior to departing the men remaining at UMAIDAI broke all the arrows that had been collected when we landed, as a sign of their sincerity regarding the peace. Proceeded up river and failed to reach WARIAIDAI by nightfall so camped at a deserted village of that tribe called HEMI, but on the map PIARIA.

FRIDAY " 3rd. At 7 A.M. a canoe was seen approaching down river and shortly afterwards a number of DADDEBI men that had accompanied the party sent on the 1st arrived and imparted the information that 9 of the party that had gone had been killed at SARACI. It was stated that the people had set upon them at daylight. KARI was stated to be amongst those killed. This was indeed a disappointment. Shortly after another canoe arrived with a few more DADDEBIS and confirmed the previous report. Self and A.R.M. took 6 A.C. each and a canoe and started up river with the whale boat and other canoes coming behind. We landed at SARACI but there were no people, although two recently decapitated bodies of DADDEBI men were found. These were recently buried. WARI-PA our UMAIDAI man that came with the party has not put in an appearance. Remained in village and sent for the remaining Police left at UMAIDAI.

SATURDAY " 4th. Held an inquest into the death of the bodies found At 9 P.M. our remaining Police arrived from UMAIDAI

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They were accompanied by a number of UMAIDAI paddlers and in addition two more WARI-RA men that had come in after we left. WARI-RA was also brought back, he having been found floating down the river the night before.

SUNDAY Aug 5th. Self in camp ill, A.R.M. Renault patroled the vicinity and returned in canoes that he had found. He saw no people. Three Corpses were found today in the river.

MONDAY " 6th. In camp ill. UMAIDAI people despatched to village

TUESDAY " 7th. A.R.M. left camp at 9.A.M. and returned at noon. He came in touch with some WARIAIDAI people, who descamped after some shots had been fired and left a large canoe. After discussing the position with the A.P.M. it was decided that I return to KIRORI and send food out as no sage is to be had here and as there are 26 prisoners to be looked after not much in the way of arresting can be done until he be relieved of these. My health for the past 7 days has been gradually getting worse. I took 2 A.C. and 15 paddlers with 4 V.C. which further relieved the food situation, and started down river at 5.P.M. Arrived at the station at 2.A.M. on the morning of the 9th Inst. After discussing the position with the R.M. it was decided that as the A.R.M. V.D. had sufficient food to carry him over till the arrival of the "KIVAYI" on the 15th Inst't, that he wait till the arrival of that vessel and if necessary send round then.

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A.R.M. D.D.

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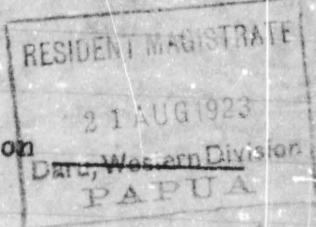
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DARU STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL MADE BY - A.R.M. Cridland to
Fly River Estuary and Turama Rivers.
for the purpose of Collecting 1922/23 Tax etc. etc.

Left station on 6th August, 1923. Returned to Station on 20th August, 1923.
Number of Carriers employed nil. Number of police taken. 3.
Name of vessel used and of officer in charge. A.K. Nivani. A.E. Cridland
Villages visited. DEWARE, SEWERIMABU, DOUMORI, PAGONA, BAIMA,
WARIABADORA, DAMIRA, GOWABURA, SAGERA, PURUTU, GESOA, DAMARATAM, ABOURATS,
IPISIA, OROMOSAPU, SAGUANI, SAMARI, GEBU.

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REPORT OF A PATROL TO THE FLY RIVER ESTUARY & TURAMA RIVER BY A.R.M. CRIDLAND.

Objects.

(1) Collecting 1922/23 Tax. (2) To bring in prisoners from Turama River camp. (3) Return Mr. A.R.M. Johnstone from Turama police camp to D.D. (4) Purchase land for Trading Stations. (5) Obtain 13 recruits for A.N.C. (6) Purchase sago for Daru station. (7) General inspection.

6th Aug.

Under instructions from R.M. left Daru at 3 p.m. in A.K. "Nivani" with 26 time expired prisoners on board. Encountered heavy S.W. wind and adverse tide. Reached Tora Pass 9-30 p.m. Crossed over and anchored inside 10-30 p.m.

7th.

Left anchorage 7 a.m. and proceeded to MIBU to ascertain from Mr. Cowling (Manager) if the taxable natives of WADODA, OROMOKOROMO had disposed of the copra they had made to liquidate their tax Mr. Cowling having told Mr. A.R.M. Rentoul and myself when last here that he was prepared to purchase same. Arrived MIBU 11 a.m. Found Mr. Cowling convalescing after a rather serious illness. He will, however, be leaving in his cutter in a few days time to purchase all copra waiting for him. Left MIBU at 3 p.m. for DEWARE but had not proceeded far when we had the misfortune to run aground on a mudbank. Remained fast till 5 p.m. when we came off with the tide. No damage done to vessel. I am informed by the Coxswain that this shoal was formerly marked by a beacon erected by the DEWARE people but it has apparently been washed away. On my arrival at DEWARE I will instruct the V.C. to erect a new one. There being no safe anchorage between DEWARE and MADIRI I decided to return to MIBU and make an early start on the morrow. Anchored MIBU 5-15 p.m.

8th.

Up anchor at 7 a.m. and headed for DEWARE arriving at 8-30 a.m. Collected tax from 5 natives who were absent during previous visit, and paid out 2 family bonuses. Also adjusted minor domestic troubles. Inspected village and instructed the people to cut down some young coconut trees in the village plantation which had been planted much too close together. Showed them the correct distance apart to plant nuts in future. The V.C. having left for Daru a couple of days ago I told the head men of the village to erect a

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	<u>Police Outlines</u>	<u>Stores</u>	<u>total paid</u>	<u>Good cost</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Rice	6 mats.	4 mats.	4 mats.	11-6-8	(2 mats handed to Mr. Reardon)
Beans	16 lbs	16 lbs.	16 lbs.	7-8	
Meat.	16 lbs.	16 lbs.	16 lbs.	6-8	
Soap	4 bars	4 bars	4 bars	2-6	
Tobacco	6 lbs	6 lbs.	6 lbs.	14-0	(4 lbs used for purchase of soap)
Matches	16 boxes	16 boxes	16 boxes	8	
Reserve	2 lbs	2 lbs.	2 lbs.	1-15-0	(1 tin handed to Mr. Reardon)
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new beacon on the shoal near MIBU and also to assist the SUI people in erecting a new rest house at MIBU as the present house is gradually being washed away by the erosion of the river bank. Left for SEWERIMABU 10-30 a.m. arriving 2 p.m. Went ashore to mark out and purchase $\frac{1}{2}$ acre land applied for by Papuan Industries Ltd. as a Trading Station. Also collected tax from absentees when village was last visited. Left for Madiri Etn. 4-30 p.m. arriving in heavy rain 7 p.m.

9th.

Ashore all day signing on native labour for Madiri Etn. and typing out C/S. Quite a number of local natives are working here as casual labourers. This is practically the only means the natives belonging to the villages of PAGONA, GAIMA, BORA, WARIA-BADORA & DAMIRA have of paying their tax money, as these people possess very few coconuts and at the present time little or no recruiting is being done in the district. Mr. Freshwater (Mgr.) informed me that he can always find employment for all casual labour offering.

While walking through the plantation I could not help being struck by the stunted growth and sickly appearance of both rubber and coconut trees in comparison with those of the Eastern end of the Territory. This seems to be due to the swampy nature of the land here and lack of lime in the soil. Left Madiri at 5 p.m. for DOUMORI arriving 9-30 p.m.

10th.

Ashore all the morning at DOUMORI collecting tax and paying out family bonuses. No tax defaulters. Noticed several people here wearing clothes on the upper part of the body. There seems to be a craving amongst the coastal natives to become possessed of some article of European apparel which once put on is invariably worn until it falls to pieces. Have instructed all V.Cs to tell the people that clothes must not be worn on the upper part of the body and if any are found doing so again they will be punished. Explained to them the reason for this. Left DOUMORI for PAGONA at 12-30 p.m. arriving 2 p.m. Thence on to GAIMA and ABC Is. where we anchored for the night. This island is the home of thousands of Torres Straits pigeons and at dusk the trees are literally white with roosting birds.

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11th.

Left for BORA at 6 a.m. arriving 7 a.m. Went ashore and collected tax and paid out family bonuses. There are 14 families here each with 4 or more healthy looking children. The energy of these people is also displayed in the well built 'long' house just completed and in the quantity of sago made for trading purposes. Purchased 40 bundles of sago for DARU. Proceeded along the coast to WARIABADORA arriving at 1 p.m. Collected tax and paid out bonuses. This village consists of 2 dilapidated looking houses and is quite a contrast to the last village visited. Suggested to the V.C. that he should follow the example of the BORA people and build a new long house. This he readily agreed to do and promised to have it completed in two months time. I fancy he is rather jealous of the progress made by the BORA people compared with his own lack of initiative. Continued along the coast to the village of DAMIRA and GOWABURA, thence on to SAGERA, anchoring at 6 p.m. Most of the taxable natives of these 3 villages are away working at MADIRI Pitn. as casual labourers and as soon as their term is completed will come in to DARU & pay their tax.

12th.

Left SAGERA 11 a.m. for PURUTU arriving 1 p.m. Only one or two old men in the village the rest of the people being away at the sea village inland. Told them I would call again in about 5 days time on my way to the TURAMA. Left PURUTU for GESOA 2-30 p.m. arriving 6 p.m. Rained heavily all day.

13th.

Ashore at GESOA collecting tax and paying out family bonuses. This village is almost hidden by a thick belt of young mangrove along the foreshore and on my asking why it had not been cut down I was informed that they had done so once but the sea had encroached to such an extent that some of the houses were in danger of being washed away. I therefore made a note to this effect in the V.C. Register for the guidance of officers visiting the village in future. Continued on to DAMARATAM at 10 a.m. arriving 12-30 p.m. Collected tax and paid out bonuses. No tax defaulters. Also held C.N.M. A fine new 'long' house is nearing completion at this village.

It was my intention to proceed direct to AGOBARA (Kiwai Is.)

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from this point, but on being informed by the V.C. that the AGOBARA people were away fishing at ASCURA Is. I decided to call in there en route. And went off ABOURA Is. at 5 p.m. waiting for tide. Sent Jimmy ashore and found the people I require. Went inshore and anchored up a creek 7-50 p.m.

14th. Ashore collecting tax and paying out bonuses. V.C. OBERA of AGOBARA informs me that all his men people came to ABOURA Is. to escape the big 'sick' (Influenza) on Kiwai Is. He intends remaining here for some weeks and will then return to his village. A temporary village has been erected at their plantation on the island. All the people appear to be well. Left ABOURA for IPISIA 10 a.m. arriving 2-30 p.m. Collected tax during the afternoon and paid out bonuses. Also marked out and purchased $\frac{1}{2}$ acre land near IPISIA village applied for as a Trading Station by Papuan Industries Ltd. Spend a miserable night yawning in the trough of the heavy seas which roll in at high point.

15th. Collected tax during the morning from OROUSAWI and paid out family bonuses including 1 claim by a mother of 11 children which must be somewhat of a record. Also adjusted minor domestic troubles. Left for SAMARI at noon arriving 3 p.m. The people from the adjacent villages SAMARI and SAGUANI had already assembled having no doubt heard of my arrival on the other side of the island. Went ashore and collected tax. No defaulters.

16th. Ashore all the morning collecting tax and paying out family bonuses. It here became necessary for me to leave the rest of the tax collecting till some future date and proceed direct to the TURAMA River to pick up any prisoners Mr. A.R.M. Rentoul may have and return to Daru by the 20th instant, on which date His Honour the D.C.J.C. had arranged to visit Daru in connection with the TURAMA murderers. With this object in view I left GIBU at 1 p.m. Anchored for the night off KAMARA'YAN village at 7 p.m.

17th. Up anchor 8 a.m. and headed for the TURAMA River arriving at Mr. A.R.M. Rentoul's camp at 6 p.m.

18th. Mr. A.R.M. Rentoul typing his report and handing over prisoners.

19th. Left for Daru 4 a.m. Anchored for the night at ABOURA Is.

20th. Up anchor 5 a.m. and continued on to Daru arriving 6 p.m.

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PATROL REPORT.

No 4 of 1923/24.

DARU STATION.

REPORT OF PATROL MADE BY -Patrol Officer Logan
to the Turama River .

Left Station on 27th August 1923. Returned 24th September 1923.

Number of carriers employed. Nil. Number of Police taken 6

Name of vessel used and of officer in charge. A.K. Nivani

L. Logan

Villages visited. PURUTU, DAMOROKOROMO, OROKOROMO, WADODA, MAIPANI

and three Government Camps on the Turama River.

DAMARATAM.

Forwarded to Government Secretary on

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No 4 / 1522/24

REPORT OF PATROL TO THE TURAMA RIVER BY L. LOGAN.

27/8/23. Received instructions from the R.M.W.P. to proceed to the Turama river police camp with stores and six additional police for Mr A.R.M. Rentoul, also to return eight time expired prisoners to their homes and buy as much sago as possible en route to the camp for Mr Rentoul.

Left Daru at 6.45 a.m. in the A.K. "Nivani" with six police, eight time expired prisoners and the usual number of crew. Arrived at Tore passage 11.30 a.m. and put interpreter Saru ashore to get a crew to bring back the whaleboat from the Turama river camp, was not successful so continued on and managed to get the men required from Gibu, Arrived at Mibu 5.10 p.m. where I landed four time expired prisoners and anchored for the night. Wind S.E. tide against us all day, under power and sail. Sea very choppy and engine running badly, the boat required pumping out twelve times during the day. Miles 37

28/8/23. Left Mibu 4.30 a.m. passed Saguan 8.40 a.m. and arrived at Damaratan 4.45 p.m. anchored waiting for the tide to turn before trying to proceed across to Damorokoromo, in the meantime inspected the village and found everything in good order. Left again at 5.30 p.m. but had to proceed up to Purutu island and anchor there for the night as the sea was too rough to get into the passage at Damorokoromo. Wind S.E. with showers all day, under power and sail. Sea very rough, engine running badly and the magneto nearly put out of action by the water getting in through the deck near the engine room. The boat was pumped out fourteen during the day. Miles 74

29/8/23. Off again at 6 a.m. arriving at Damorokoromo 8 a.m. when I landed two time expired prisoners and proceeded up to Oromokoromo arriving there at 8.30 a.m. and was informed that all the people were out making sago for the Government at Wededa so continued on and arrived there at 9 a.m. when I found all the people doing as I had been informed so anchored to buy all sago possible for the Turama police camp. Wind S.E. raining all day, boat pumped out five times during the day. Miles 18

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3/8/23. Left Wadoda 1 a.m. with the tide and was well on our way towards the Gama river at 9 a.m. when the engine got jammed and would not work so had to sail back some distance and anchor as the wind and tide were against us. Off again at 1.45 p.m. under sail only, dismantled the engine and found that the trouble was a broken piston ring, replaced same and was under power and sail again by 5.15 p.m. soon after that time very heavy seas nearly put the magneto out of action our decks being awash most of the time before getting into the Turama river, during the afternoon the rope that controls the steering gear gave way and the jibboom got cracked a good deal more than it was before I left D. The mainsail also started to tear but we could not repair this as we never had any canvas on board. Arrived at No 1 camp Turama river at 11.45 p.m. found that Mr A.R.M. Rentoul had left a message in a bottle saying that he could not wait any longer for the "Nivani" so had gone up the river and would I bring all stores up to him. Left again at 11.55 p.m. and travelled all night arriving at No 2 camp 6.30 a.m. 31/8/23 found that Mr Rentoul had gone again so continued on up towards No 3 camp but had to anchor as the "Nivani" touched bottom and the tide was taking off. Continued on again at 1.30 p.m. but had to anchor again at 4.30 p.m. on account of low tide and sandbanks. Wind S.E. yesterday and to day. rained hard both days, sea yesterday very rough, engine as mentioned above. The boat required pumping out eight times during the two days. Miles 136

1/9/23. At anchor, as this morning we found ourselves dry the tides seem to be taking off and at high water we cannot cross the river. Wind S.E. raining all day. engine not working. Miles Nil

2/9/23. Sunday at anchor so had the bilge cleaned out and after the boat had been pumped out we got eighteen kerosene tins of water from it this is the result of the pump pipe not being long enough to reach the bottom of the boat and when out in a rough sea causes the place to swell like a dead house especially as the "Nivani" carries sage and this gets into the bilge not saying anything about the prisoners who are packed down forward and make water there being too lazy to come up on deck when they want to do so. Wind S.E. rained all day. Miles nil

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- 3/9/23 Mr A.R.M. Rentoul arrived during the morning in the whaleboat handed over all stores and the additional police to him. Crew cleaning the boat, crossed over the river into deep water 8 p.m. Wind S.E. showers all day. Miles 1
- 4/9/23 On our way down river at 10.25 a.m. against tide arrived No 2 camp 11.20 a.m. off again 11.35 a.m. and anchored at 1.15 p.m. on account of low tide, continued on at 6.30 p.m. against tide and arrived at No 1 camp 11.15 p.m. when we anchored for the night. Wind S.E. with showers all day. Miles 23
- 5/9/23 Left No 1 camp at 8 a.m. for Harago against tide arrived there 11.30 a.m. anchored, sent interpreter Sara to Daru with the whaleboat. Wind S.E. fine all day, boat required pumping out three times during the day. Miles 22
- 6/9/23 Left Harago 5.30 a.m. against tide for the Gama river with two canoes in tow, left canoes at Bell point and continued on could not get into the Gama river as we could not find the passage and after getting a good swamping with the heavy seas and finding ourselves in one fathom of water we decided to get out of it before we lost the boat and returned to the Turana river arriving there at 5 p.m. when we anchored for the night. Wind S.E. fine all day, boat pumped out nine times during the day. Miles 50
- 7/9/23 Off again at 7 a.m. towards Neabo island against tide arrived there at 8.30 a.m. off back again towards No 1 camp at 8.40 a.m. and arrived at Harago 11.15 a.m. left again against tide 12.30 p.m. with two canoes in tow and anchored in 1 fathom of water at 3.30 p.m. waiting for the tide to turn, off again at 4.30 p.m. and anchored for the night 7.15 p.m. Wind S.E. fine all day, boat pumped out eight times. Miles 50
- 8/9/23 Small bore passed 5.30 a.m. off towards Gibu creek 6.30 a.m. against tide arrived there and anchored six miles up the creek at 8.45 a.m. with two canoes in tow. Mr A.R.M. Rentoul left on patrol. Wind S.E. fine all day. One A.C. sick and is passing blood put him ashore and isolated him. Miles 9
- 9/9/23 Sunday, at anchor sick A.C. about the same, boat fumigated, Mr Rentoul returned during the afternoon. Wind S.E. with showers. Miles nil

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- 10/9/23 off at 8.30 a.m. passed out of Gibu creek with two canoes in tow
9.30 a.m. tide against us, arrived No 1 camp 1.10 p.m. landed police
and stores then returned down the river to Sidikoromo creek to
escape the bore. Bore passed at 8.30 p.m. and the "Nivani" was thrown
into the south bank of the creek as we could not get up the anchor,
because the winch would not work as it had four teeth missing this
has been temporarily but will not last, no damage was done to the boat
Wind S.E. dull all day. Miles 23
- 11/9/23 Off again at 6.30 a.m. and loaded stores at No 1 camp. Bore passed
9.30 a.m. when we proceeded up to No 2 camp arriving there at 12.15
when the tide turned against us, continued on and arrived at Komoi
creek 6.15 p.m. when we anchored for the night. Wind S.E. fine all day
the boat required pumping out four times during the day. Miles 45
- 12/9/23 Bore passed 2 a.m. off up creek 8 a.m. and anchored eighteen miles
up the creek at 11 a.m. Mr Amram Rentoul left on patrol. Wind S.E.
fine all day, boat pumped out three times. Miles 18
- 13/9/23 At anchor, engine overhauled and boat cleaned up in general, Wind S.E.
with showers. Miles nil
- 14/9/23 Mr Rentoul returned from patrol, off down creek 4 p.m. with four canoes
in tow anchored at the entrance of Komoi creek 7 p.m. Wind S.E. with
showers. Miles 18
- 15/ /23 Off up river with tide at 7.40 a.m. and anchored for the night in a
stream at 4.40 p.m. Wind S.E. fine all day, engine running badly and
benzine tank leaking. Miles 54
- 16/9/23 Off down river towards Komoi creek with the tide at 6.30 a.m. touched
sandbank at 7.15 a.m. no damage done off again 7.30 a.m. and arrived
at Komoi creek at 3.40 p.m. when we anchored for the night. During
the afternoon the bottom of the benzine tank fell out while the
engine was working and about four gallons of benzine was lost.
No wind fine and hot all day. Miles 54
- 17/ /23 Left Komoi creek at 6.30 a.m. as the benzine tank was repaired
yesterday afternoon with four canoes in tow and against tide all
went well until 2 p.m. when the magneto failed from then on we were
towed down the river by the four canoes till we reached No 2 camp
when we anchored for the night. Wind S.E. fine all day, boat pumped
out six times during the day. Miles 24

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- 18/9/23 At anchor, cannot proceed until the magneto is repaired spent the day trying to fix it but could not do so. Making for Daru under sail in the morning, fine and hot all day. No wind. Miles nil.
- 19/9/23 Left No 2 camp for Daru under sail only at 4 p.m. and drifted down on the tide until it turned against when we anchored. Fore passed 7 p.m. and we received a good shaking, off again at 11 p.m. with the tide and travelled all night and anchored 5 a.m. 20/9/23. Wind S.E. fine all day. Miles 33
- 20/9/23 Off under sail only 10 a.m. towards the Bam river travelled all night, fine all day. No wind. Miles 56
- 21/9/23 Arrived Natani 8 a.m. and found that all the people had gone to the so continued on. Arrived at Madeda 8.45 a.m. found that all the people there had also gone to the to make sago so continued on and arrived there at 10 a.m. when I bought all the sago possible for Daru, after doing so I made for Danorokromo and arrived there at 2.10 p.m. and loaded the "Nivani" up with more sago also held Native Court, Wind S.E. fine all day. Miles 9
- 22/9/23. Towed out of Danorokromo by four canoes at 6 a.m. and arrived at Furutu 1. . . . under sail only, anchored waiting for the tide to turn off again 6 p.m. and arrived at Auti 1 a.m. 23/9/23 fine all day light breeze. Miles 31
- 25/9/23 Sundy left Auti on the tide under sail only at 11 a.m. for Mibu, could not get into Mibu passage before the tide turned against us so had to return back up the Fly river some distance and anchor off Suni plantation. Off again 8 p.m. travelled all night. Fine day with light breeze. Miles 36
- 24/9/23 After travelling all night we managed to arrive at Mibu 6.30 a.m. when we anchored waiting for the tide to turn again. Off at 11 a.m. and anchored in Toro passage 3 p.m. on account of low tide. On our way to Daru 6.45 p.m. and arrived there under sail only 10 p.m. Fine day with light breeze. Miles 55.

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- 18/9/23 At anchor, cannot proceed until the magneto is repaired spent the day trying to fix it but could not do so. Making for Daru under sail in the morning, fine and hot all day. No wind Miles nil.
- 19/9/23 Left No 2 camp for Daru under sail only at 6 p.m. and drifted down on the tide until it turned against when we anchored. Fore passed 1 p.m. and we received a good shaking, off again at 11 p.m. with the tide and travelled all night and anchored 9 a.m. 20/9/23. Wind S.E. fine all day. Miles 33
- 20/9/23 Off under sail only 10 a.m. towards the Bama river travelled all night, fine all day. No wind. Miles 56
- 21/9/23 Arrived Matpani 8 a.m. and found that all the people had gone to lbo so continued on. Arrived at Wadoda 8.45 a.m. found that all the people there had also gone to lbo to make sage so continued on and arrived there at 10 a.m. when I bought all the sage possible for Daru, after doing so I made for Damorokoromo and arrived there at 2.15 p.m. and loaded the "Nivani" up with more sage also held Native Court, Wind S.E. fine all day. Miles 9
- 22/9/23 Towed out of Damorokoromo by four canoes at 6 a.m. and arrived at Purutu 1 p.m. under sail only anchored waiting for the tide to turn off again 6 p.m. and arrived at Auti 1 a.m. 23/9/23 fine all day light breeze. Miles 31
- 23/9/23 Sundy left Auti on the tide under sail only at 11 a.m. for Mibu, could not get into Mibu passage before the tide turned against us so had to return back up the Fly river some distance and anchor off Sumi plantation. Off again 8 p.m. travelled all night. fine day with light breeze. Miles 36
- 24/9/23 After travelling all night we managed to arrive at Mibu 6.30 a.m. when we anchored waiting for the tide to turn again. Off at 11 a.m. and anchored in Toro passage 3 p.m. on account of low tide. On our way to Daru 6.45 p.m. and arrived there under sail only 10 p.m. fine day with light breeze. Miles 55.

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PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.
No. 5 of
1923/24.

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STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by Leonard Logan to
Tari-Tari, Masingara and Mabadanan
for the purpose of
General Inspection of villages

Left Station on 10/10/23 Returned to Station on 13/10/23.

Number of Carriers employed Number of Police taken Six

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge District Whaleboat L Logan

Villages visited. Tari-Tari, Masingara and Mabadanan

- (1) A sketch map of the district patrolled should accompany the report, showing, as nearly as possible, the positions of the places visited and a copy is to be made for filing on the station. The map is to be furnished whether the patrol is in a well-known district or not. If the patrol is over a route for which a map has already been sent in, a second map is not necessary. A reference to the previous report will be sufficient. If the patrol is over a route of which part has already been included in a map, a suitable sketch should be sent to enable the other places to be added to the previous map. For uniformity the map must occupy one of two sizes of paper—either the size of a half-sheet of ruled foolscap or the size of a whole or double sheet.
- (2) In the body of the report the name of the village should be followed by the name of the V.C. The number of houses and the population, as nearly as possible, should also be noted. The customs of the natives should as much as possible be noted and reported.
- (3) The Patrol Report is to be enclosed in this jacket, which, properly filled in, is to be sent to the Government Secretary immediately after each patrol.
- (4) The space below is not to be written in.
- (5) The cost of the patrol must be shown within, in the space provided.

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Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 14/10/23.

J.M. Mabadanan

Officer in charge of station.

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Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.				Government Cost.	Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used.			
Rice	38 lbs six				38 lbs	9 .		
Biscuits								
Meat								
Sugar								
Tea								
Soap								
Tobacco	2 lbs six				2 lbs	4 10		for buying food and presents for V.C's and Councillors.
Matches								
Kerosene								
Tents								
Flies								
Lamps								
Buckets								
Kerosene Cans								
Knives & Sheaths								
Knives, 18in.								
Knives, other.								
Belts								
Pouches								
Print								
Twill								
Handkerchiefs								
Beads								
Mirrors								
Axes								
Half Axes								
Tomahawks								
TOTAL £						13.10.		

NOTE.—When an article such as a tent is issued, but is returned for future use, the value should not be entered.

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REPORT OF PATROL TO THE VILLAGES OF TURI-TURI, MASINGARA & MABADAVAN.

By L. Logan

No 5 of 1923/24.

Received instructions from the R.M.W.D. to proceed to the villages of Turi-Turi, Masingara and Mabadavan and make a general inspection of same on arrival.

Left Daru in the District whaleboat with six police with tide and under sail at 6.50 a.m. on the 10/10/23. Arrived at Turi-Turi 10 a.m. when I went ashore and inspected the village and found everything in good order and the village very clean. While there the Mission teacher told me that the young children would not go to school so I told the village constable to see that all the children went to school in future and after having a talk to the people I visited the gardens and found that the people had been hard at work burning off and getting ready to plant up the ground for the N.W. season. Left again at 10.30 a.m. for Masingara and when getting close to Mawatta at 11.55 a.m. I saw a lot of people running towards Masingara, on my arrival at Mawatta I hurried on to Masingara and there found the village in a very dirty condition I made the people clean it up at once and by 5 p.m. it looked something like a village once again. I then told the people to fall in and when they had done so I gave them a good talking to about their dirty village when some of the old men told me that they only cleaned it up when they saw the "Kivani" coming and that was plenty of time. While there Nativ Court was held and 22 natives were sentenced to imprisonment.

Left Masingara 7.30 a.m. on the 11/10/23 for Mabadavan under sail and when getting near the village I could see the people running in all directions and on my arrival I could see the reason why, the village was in a more dirty condition than Masingara and the place was like a pigsty and pig houses had been built on the sea front and the forest had been used as a small house I at once made the people fall in and set them to work cleaning up the village but it was very hard to get the old men to help and they appeared to me as if they had been drinking Gamada, with Maro.o the coxswain of the "Kivani" as interpreter I made enquiries and found that the old men as well as some of the young men had been drinking Gamada very heavy for a long time and that was the reason why the village had not been cleaned up. In the afternoon Nativ Court was held and 38 natives were sentenced to imprisonment for hav.

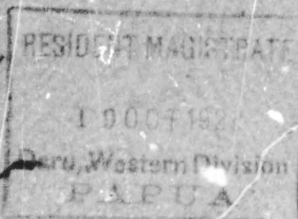
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a dirty village and 29 natives including the V.C. were fined for Gamada drinking, after court was over I visited the coconut plantation and found it needed cleaning very badly I gave instructions for the same to be done, I also visited the waterhole and found it nearly dry on account of the dry weather.

Left Mabadasaan 12 a.m. on the 12/10/23. for Daru and sailed close to the shore so that I might visit the plantations on my way back to Daru belonging to the people of Masingara and Turi-Turi, found that the plantations had been cleaned up a little and that they were burning all the rubbish. Arrived at Turi-Turi 5.30 p.m. when I made camp for the night. Left Turi-Turi 5.30 a.m. on the 13/10/23 and arrived at Daru 10.30 a.m.

Lawrence Koyan Patrol Officer W.D.



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PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

7/1923/24.

DARU Western Division STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by E.R. Oldham, R.M. to
KIXORI Government Station, RAMU River Dist. & WABUDA Isld. for the purpose of
bringing Mr. A.R.M. Rentoul and Police to DARU, inspecting villages
and coconut plantations.

Left Station on 11/12/1923 Returned to Station on 18/12/23

Number of Carriers employed 3 Number of Police taken 2

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge "A.K. BIVANI". E.R. Oldham, P.O.
Logan in charge of engine.

Villages visited Kixori Govt. Station, TORABILA, ORAPAI, DAMIROKOROMO,
OROMOKOROMO, WADODA, BINA, DAMARATAM, and IPISJA.

For Sketch Map see previous Patrols.

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- (2) In the body of the report the name of the village should be followed by the name of the V.C. The number of houses and the population, as nearly as possible, should also be stated. The customs of the natives should as much as possible be noted and reported.
- (3) The Patrol Report is to be enclosed in this jacket, which, properly filed in, is to be sent to the Government Secretary immediately after each patrol.
- (4) The space below is not to be written in.
- (5) The cost of the patrol must be shown within, in the space provided.

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Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 20/12/1923

E.R. Oldham

Officer in charge of station.

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Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.					Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others. <i>Person.</i>	Total Used.	Government Cost.		
Rice	200 lb.	80 lb.	-	100	180 lb.	1 13 9	20 lb.	
Biscuits	50 lb.	50 lb.	-	-	50 lb.	2 5	45 lb.	
Meat	14 lb.	14 lb.	-	-	14 lb.	8 9	2 lb.	
Sugar	10 lb.	10 lb.	-	-	10 lb.	3 4	1 lb.	
Tea	1 lb.	1 lb.	-	-	1 lb.	1 0	1 lb.	
Soap	3 Bx.	2 Bx.		1 Bx.	3 Bx.	1 9	1 lb.	
Tobacco	20 lb.	2 lb.		20 lb.	22 lb.	2 16 10	3 lb.	When 1 of Soap returned
Matches	1 Bx.	1 Bx.			1 Bx.	8	1 lb.	
Kerosene	1 Gal.	2 Pt.			2 Pt.	1 0	6 lb.	
Tents	-							
Flies	-							
Lamps	2						2	
Buckets	1						1	
Kerosene Cans	1						1	
Knives & Sheaths	-						2	
Knives, 18in.	2						2	
Knives, other	-							
Belts	-							
Muchies	-							
Print	-							
Twill	-							
Handkerchiefs	-							
Beads	-							
Mirrors	-							
Axes	-							
Half Axes	-							
Tomahawks	2						2	
TOTAL						5 9 6		

NOTE.—When an article such as a tent is issued, but is returned for future use, the value should not be entered.

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REPORT OF A PATROL BY E.R. OLDHAM, R.M. TO KIKORI, D.D. AND RETURN VIA BAMU RIVER.

11th. December. Left DARU 8.45 a.m. in A.K. "Nivani". On board Mr. Patrol Officer Logan in charge of engine as engine boy TOGISI suffering from some severe eye complaint. 16 time-expired prisoners and witnesses being returned to their homes on MORIGIO ISLAND, and two A.C. Passed through FORD PASS 12.30 p.m. Reached DAUKO ISLAND and dropped anchor for the night 10 a.m.

12th December. Left DAUKO 6.30 a.m. No wind. Weather very calm. Anchored off DUBUMUBA, mouth of KIKORI River 9.45 p.m.

13th December. Left DUBUMUBA and reached KIKORI Government Station 10.30 a.m. Met Mr. A.R.M. Rentoul and police from TURAMA River who have been waiting for a passage to DARU since the 27th of last month. Called on the Resident Magistrate and arranged with him to send fifteen MORIGIO men to their homes and one man to DOROMU. Mr. Patrol Officer Logan cleaning engine.

14th December. Engine in order by 5 p.m. so decided to leave for DUBUMUBA. Passengers on board for DARU Mr. A.R.M. Rentoul, 2 A.C., 1 Servant, and three native children from the WARIADAI District. Dropped anchor for the night 9.30 p.m.

15th December. Left DUBUMUBA for the BAMU RIVER District 6.30 a.m. and anchored off TORABINA (V.C. NODAI) at 4 p.m. Went ashore and visited village which was found to be deserted and in an extremely dirty condition. Went up TORABINA Creek in dinghy but could not find any trace of the people. Saw a number of young coconut trees growing on banks of creek not doing too well. The Regs. regarding coconut planting cannot be enforced here as the ground is unsuitable. At the village an attempt has been made to construct a rest house, but it looked as if the work on same had been abandoned for some considerable time. Returned to the "Nivani" at 5.15 p.m., and went on to OROBAI (V.C. WOIABI) and anchored at the entrance to SOROROKA Creek 7.30 a.m. for the night. Made enquiry regarding the TORABINA people and found they had built another village inland.

16th December. Sent Mr. Patrol Officer Logan to DAMIROKOROMO, OROMOKOROMO, and WADODA in canoe for purpose of inspecting coconut plantations and villages. Mr. Logan reported on his arrival back that he found the

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plantations required cleaning and instructed the people accordingly. At OROMOKOROMO a new rest house has been built also a latrine for the use of the village people. At DAMIOKOROMO a new 'long house' has been built. The villages were clean. Mr. A.R.M. Rentsoul visited OROPAI village and found same satisfactory. Mr. Rentsoul also held Court for Native Matters and C.P.S. - one MANTI recently discharged from DABU jail, after serving a sentence of twelve months for murder, again committed for trial upon a charge of WILKAI Murder. Self left 7 a.m. in canoe for BINA. Visited a number of small villages belonging to the OROPAI people which are mostly used when sage raking. Arrived at BINA 9 a.m. V.C. IRI absent sage raking. Sent for him. BINA consists of one 'long house' which badly needed repairing, and underneath same was found to be very dirty. Instructed one KIAN and ex A.C. and the people present to have the matter attended to without delay. Ordered a rest house to be built here. No court cases. At 9.30 went up BINA Creek in canoe. Saw a number of young coconut trees 2 to 3 years old on both banks of creek which appear to be doing fairly well. At 10 o'clock left canoe and went overland to find the TORABINA people. Track fair. Visited a small village of five houses belonging to the BINA people. Arrived at the new village of TORABINA 12.30. Found V.C. MODAI and his people living in a swamp. This village consists of a small 'long house' in a bad state of repair, and a number of filthy shelters. Mr. A.R.M. Rentsoul during his last patrol to this District instructed V.C. MODAI and the people, who were then living at the deserted village visited yesterday, to build a new 'long house' and a rest house, also to keep the village in a clean and sanitary condition. The V.C. who is old and useless complained that the people will not take any notice of him and want to live away in the bush and hunt all the time. Made enquiry as to why the people wished to live away in the swamp and they said they were afraid of the ANAIDAI (BAMIO) people with whom they were not then friendly. It afterwards transpired that the TORABINA people had killed some fowls and dogs belonging to the ANAIDAI people, and were afraid of a 'pay back'. The people all admitted that the V.C. had told them to build a new 'long house' and to clean village.

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Left this village with V.C. MODAI and a number of his people for the main village which was reached at 4 o'clock. V.C. INI of BIMA reported here. Issued instructions to him re keeping his village clean etc., and explained the £5 reward for the best kept village. Sent to BAHIO for two large canoes and arrived back at OROPAI at midnight.

17th December. At OROPAI. Held Court for Native Matters. Inspected village and found some had been cleaned up. Houses in good order. For some years past the OROPAI people have been living in scattered groups all over the place. Told the V.C. to try and get all his people to live at the main village, and informed him regarding the £5 reward for the best kept village. No coconut plantation or garden here. A rest house is to be built at the entrance to SORORORA Creek. Made further inquiry into the trouble between the ANAIDAI and TORABIA people and found it was all over a child belonging to the TORABIA people who had been living at ANAIDAI, and with whom the ANAIDAI people did not wish to part. V.C. KENARA of SISIANI reported all in order at his village. Left OROPAI 9.30 a.m. for WADODA, and anchored off coconut plantation 11 a.m. Visited plantation and found some required a great deal of clearing. Whilst examining plantation V.C. BANIGI and his people arrived. Instructed the V.C. and people to have plantation cleaned, and informed them all regarding the £5 reward. Village Constable KOMOGO of MAIPANI reported with a number of his people. The V.C. stated that a great many coconut trees in the plantation had been washed away and that many had died. It has long been recognised that the ground at MAIPANI is unsuitable for coconuts being sour and far too swampy. A new site for a plantation will be selected at a later date. The WADODA people are at present engaged in the building of a new village. A rest house has been built also a latrine, but it will be some time before the main part of the village is completed. The old village site is gradually being washed away. Visited old WADODA village and dealt with an assault case under the Native Regulations. Purchased a large quantity of sago from the WADODA and MAIPANI people for DARU Gaol. Informed the V.C's re the £5 for the best kept village etc. etc. Left WADODA 1.55 p.m. for DAMIROKOROMO. Passed OROMOKOROMO (V.C. KIAKI) 3.20 p.m. for tide. Left for DAMARATAM, WABUDA Island, 5 p.m. and anchored off village 9.30 p.m. for night.

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18th. December. Visited DAMARATAM (V.C. MAYABI). V.C. NABU of GRSOA reported. Mr. A.R.M. Rentoul held Court for Native Matters. Self inspected village and coconut plantation. Found the plantation to be clean and well looked after. All the good ground has now been planted up, and the people deserve great praise for the interest they have taken. Many improvements have been carried out in the village. A new 'living house' has been built, also a number of new houses after the European type properly lined. As this village is easily the most improved in the Division so far even, and in view of the interest taken by the people in their Plantation the following Councillor's have been appointed: GEPOL, BARABORDA, and AMU. Explained the £5 reward for best village, garden, and plantation etc. Purchased a fair amount of soap for DAMU Guel. V.C. NABU of GRSOA asked to be allowed to resign as he is now far too old to carry on. One NABI has been selected to fill his place.

Left DAMARATAM 9.15 for DAMU. Anchored off IPISIA (V.C. ANATE) 12.15. Nearly all the people away. This village was found to be clean and very much improved. An effort has been made to build good living houses, and a mark given to the people as a guide. Purchased coconuts for DAMU Guel. Interviewed the Mission Teacher who complained that the young children do not attend school regularly. As English taught instructed the V.C. to see they did attend, and also informed the people present. The £5 reward etc. explained. Left IPISIA 1.30 and arrived DAMU 11 a.m.

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PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER
9 of 23/24

DAEU STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by A.R.M. CRILLAND to
BORA (Fly River) for the purpose of
Purchasing sago for Darn Station.

Left Station on 21/1/24 Returned to Station on 24/1/24

Number of Carriers employed nil Number of Police taken 2

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge A.K. "Nivan" A.E. Crilland

Villages visited BORA, WARIABADORA, DAMIRA, SAGERA, DAMI ROKOROMO, OROMOKOROMO,
DAMARATAM, GOBARA.

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2243/12.91.—3,000.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 25/1/24

A.R.M. Crilland

Officer in charge of station.

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Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.				Government Cost.	Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used.			
Rice								
Biscuits								
Meat								
Sugar								
Tea	(Expended portion of weeks rations taken by crew and police.)							
Soap								
Tobacco	30 lbs				30 lbs	3-17-6	n'l.	
Matches								
Kerosene								
Tents								
Flies								
Lamps								
Buckets								
Kerosene Cans								
Knives & Sheaths								
Knives, 16in.								
Knives, other								
Belts								
Pouches								
Print								
Twill								
Handkerchiefs								
Beads								
Mirrors								
Axes								
Half Axes								
Tomahawks								
TOTAL						2	17	6

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REPORT OF A PATROL TO BORA (ELY RIVER) BY ALAN CRIDEAR FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING SAGO FOR DARU STN.

21st Jan. Left Daru 7 a.m. in A.K. "Hivand" with 2 time expired prisoners and usual native crew on board. Called in at HIRU en route and went ashore with Mr. Cowling's mail also to await the turn of the tide it being impossible to make any appreciable headway against the tide and strong current running in the river at present. Returned on board about 4 p.m. barely in time to escape one of the heaviest rain squalls I have ever experienced. The wind blew with such terrific force that a thatched house ashore was lifted bodily into the surrounding scrub. Fortunately the anchor held firmly. The storm having abated by 5 p.m. I decided to proceed to MABINI on the flood tide. Arrived at MABINI 10.30 p.m.

22nd. Went ashore with Mr. Freshwater's mail. Left MABINI 9 a.m. for BORA arriving 1 p.m. Unable to obtain sago at this village as anticipated so decided to try further along the coast. Reached MARIABORA 1.45 p.m. No sago here either, though the women were out making some. Proceeded on to DAMIRA and met with a little success - purchased 19 bundles. Continued on to SABIRA and found all the women away making sago but as it would be some days before they returned I had no alternative but to try the main. Anchored off DAMIRKOROMO 6 p.m.

23rd. Went ashore and purchased 110 bundles sago. Proceeded on to OROMOKOROMO and obtained a further 30 bundles. Headed back towards Daru 12 noon. Called in at PALARATAM en route and obtained another 50 bundles sago. Anchored for the night off AGOBARA (Kiwai Is.) at 9-30 p.m. Have warned all the people in the villages visited that I will be along again in about one week's time to collect the tax but judging by the wry faces made I do not expect to be received with acclamation.

24th. Went ashore at AGOBARA and held C.B.M. Convicted 22 natives for having a dirty village. Am also recommending the appointment of a new V.C. here. These people have been warned twice about the filthy state of their village but nothing had been done to clean the place up. The present V.C. (OBERA) does not seem

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to have any influence over his people and appears to be getting too old for his job.

Took a short cut through KIWAI Is. by way of ABHORONG Creek thus saving many miles. This creek has recently been cleaned out and at full tide has a depth of 1½ fathoms. Arrived at TORA Pass 5 p.m. and anchored to await the tide. Continued on to DARA 9 p.m. arriving 11-50 p.m.



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PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

10/23-24

DARU, STATION

REPORT OF A PATROL made by A. E. Criddle, A.R.M. to

LOWER FLY, BANI & ABANIA RIVERS for the purpose of

(as set out in commencement of Report)

Left Station on 25/2/24 Returned to Station on 24/3/24

Number of Carriers employed nil Number of Police taken 3

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge L.K. "Mivani" A.E. Criddle

Villages visited DEWARI, SEWIRIMABU, KGANU, MADANI, WEDDEVI, KIBO, BARABURA, SAHARA, ANURU, SUWANI, WERI DAI, DOUMORI, PAGONA, GAXNA, NORA, WARIABADORA, DANIHE, SONABURA, SAGERA, DAKHOMOKOROMO, OROMOKOROMO, WADCO, MAIPANT, BINA, OHOPAI, SISIAKE, HAKAU, HUNIKI, TORABINA, BANGU, NINJA, SAGON, IONA, YURIA, SIWISAMU, URUBU, BARIMO, ISAGU, KEWA, SISIPENA, KENCA, BIMARANI, KOWAVISY, DAMARAPAN, GUSDA, BOPORODAI, WAPA URA, SAGASIA, A'OBARA, IFFISIA, OROMOSANU, SAGUANE, SAMARI, IASA, GIBU, KURIRA, AUTE, SUI, PAKAMA, KATAKAI

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2249/12.21.—2,000.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 20/3/24

E. R. O. O. O.
Officer in charge of station.

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Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.				Government Cost.	Returned.	Remarks.
		Police. & Crew	Carriers. Boat	Others.	Total Used			
Rice	280lbs	280lbs			280lbs	2 12 6		
Biscuits	50lbs	50lbs			50lbs	1 3 11 1/2		
Meat Fish	112lbs	112lbs			112lbs	2 13 8		
Sugar	140lbs	140lbs			140lbs	1 17 4		
Tea								
Soap	20bars	13	7		20bars	12 6		
Tobacco	15lbs	7lbs		* 8lbs		1 18 9		* (buying native foods)
Matches	6doz	6doz			6doz	4 6 1/2		
Kerosene	1 tin				1 tin	8 7 1/2		
Tents								
Flies								
Lamps								
Buckets								
Kerosene Cans								
Knives & Sheath								
Knives, 18in.								
Knives, other								
Belts								
Pouches								
Print	10yds				10yds	7 11		(A.C. Recruits)
Twill								
Handkerchiefs								
Beads								
Mirrors								
Axes								
Half Axes								
Tomahawks								
TOTAL						11 19 9 1/2		

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Territory of Papua.

The Resident Magistrate's Office,
Daru, Western Division,
16th February, 1924.

No. P.O. 25/1924.

A.E. Oridland Esqre.,
Assistant Resident Magistrate,
M.D.

I am forwarding herewith Complaint - General Purposes -
Sworn - Book No. 36 - Unused Forms 7/100. Used 1/5. (Form 3A)
Forms of Warrant of Commitment on a Conviction where
the Punishment is by Imprisonment also enclosed.

Kindly acknowledge.

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Territory of Papua.

The Resident Magistrate's Office,
Daru, Western Division,
9th January, 1924.

No. 25/1924.

A. E. Cridland Esqre.,
Assistant Resident Magistrate,
Daru, Western Division.

I shall be glad if you will kindly make arrangements to leave DARU on or about the 14th inst. in A.K. "Nivani" for KATATAI, PARAMA, SUI etc., KIWAI Island, Lower Fly River, BAHU River, and ARANIA River for the purpose of attending to the following matters :-

1. Bringing all matters in connection with Taxation up to date for 1923. This includes the paying out of Family Bonus and the issuing of BONUS Cards.
2. Where possible collect 1924 Tax.
3. Visit all villages where there is a V.O. and pay out wages due as per attached statement.
4. Pay next of kin etc. D.H.L's and others as per statement attached.
5. Inspect all native owned coconut Plantations and report fully on same. List of Plantations attached.
6. Explain at all villages the 25 Rewards for best kept village, plantation, and native garden.
7. Inspect villages and gardens.
8. Where necessary Rest Houses should be built, and where possible village latrines.
9. Purchase as much sago as you possibly can and send to DARU by canoes. Urgent.

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List of Plantations to be visited.

		Estimated number of trees			Last Visited.
17.	BUDAGIDO			2900	22/5/22.
	SUMAI	"	"		
18.	KIMBU	"	"	250	22/5/22.
19.	MADANI	"	"	2000	22/5/22.
20.	KADADAI	"	"	700	22/5/22.
21.	KIRIO	"	"	600	22/5/22.
22.	BABABURA	"	"	600	22/5/22.
23.	NOUDURE	"	"	5000	22/5/22.
24.	PAGHIA	"	"	500	22/5/22.
25.	GOFUBUMA	"	"	450	22/5/22.
29.	SAGHRA	"	"		2/7/22.
45.	GEDIA	"	"		22/5/22.
37.	OROMBAFU	"	"	4000	16/5/22.
56.	MAIRANI	"	"	2050	15/5/22.
				2000	22/5/22.

The Plantations at MADODA, DAMIKORONG, OROMORONG, and DAMARANI were visited in December last. DAMIKORONG and OROMORONG could, however, be visited again.

The under-mentioned Plantations have not been visited for some considerable time :-

		Estimated number of trees			
15.	SNI			200	19/5/19.
16.	DEHANE	"	"	500	12/5/19.
26.	CAI'A	"	"	20	22/5/19.
27.	WAPARUS (loss)	"	"	2000	22/5/19.
28.	MARADURA	"	"	600	22/5/19.
29.	DUKE	"	"	900	22/5/19.
31.	KURIRA	"	"	500	22/5/19.
32.	IASA	"	"	250	16/5/19.
34.	GIBU	"	"	600	4/12/19.
35.	SANARI	"	"	600	15/5/19.
36.	SAGHANE	"	"	1500	15/5/19.
38.	TESSA	"	"	1000	15/5/19.
39.	APDARA	"	"	4000	21/5/19.
40.	SAGHIA	"	"	1500	15/5/19.
41.	NARURA	"	"	900	12/5/19.
42.	DORODAI	"	"	150	10/5/19.
43.	IMIRISA	"	"	1500	9/5/19.
44.	PURUTU	"	"	1000	4/5/19.
				500	7/5/19.

R.H., W.D.
9/1/24.

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For Attention.

1. When at IPISIA & Agebara inquire as to the whereabouts of ten tomahawks loaned for the clearing of Creek. Some time ago 18 tomahawks were loaned. The Ipisia people have only returned two so far.
2. Obtain Mrs. Fowling's signature to the R.C. handed you.

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No. 10 of 23/24.

REPORT OF A PATROL TO LOWER FLY, BAMU & ARAMIA RIVERS

BY A. R. M. CRIDLAND.

- OBJECTS:
- (1) Collect balance of 1922/23 Tax.
 - (2) Collect 1923/24 Tax where possible.
 - (3) Inspect all village plantations.
 - (4) Pay V.Cs.
 - (5) Pay out W.D.B.L. monies to next of kin.
 - (6) Obtain 12 recruits for A.H.C.
 - (7) General inspection.

25th Jany. Left Laru 10 p.m. in A.K. "Nivani" with 1 time expired prisoner. Interpreter SARAU, 3 A.Cs and usual native crew on board. Reached TORA Pass 1 a.m. Crossed over and anchored inside.

26th. Up anchor 7 a.m. and proceeded to MIBU arriving 9-30 a.m. Ashore all day going into various matters with Mr. Cowling.

27th. Left MIBU 7 a.m. for DEWARE. Ashore all morning inspecting village plantation and collecting taxes. These people are commencing to build a new village on a site about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile further down stream. Explained to the V.C. the Govt. prize of 25 every year for the best kept village, plantation and garden. Continued on to BAWIKIMABU (model village). Ashore collecting taxes and paying out family bonuses. Several defaulters here were given till March in which to obtain their 1923/24 tax money. Am informing all taxable natives that they must have their tax money ready by March in each year and that they will not be given any further grace after that month.. Proceeded on to KOABU 3-30 p.m. This village looks very picturesque from the river, the whole area in front of the village being planted with ornamental shrubs, cannas &c. obtained from MADIRI Plantation. A fine new 'long house' has recently been completed and 2 latrines built out over the water as an experiment. A small jetty will also be constructed later on. Collected a few taxes and anchored for the night.

28th. Ashore paying out family bonuses and inspecting village plantation on KAUNAROTURI Creek. This plantation is quite the best I have seen in the Division, being well drained, clean and the trees not too close to gether as in most native plantations. Quite a lot of ingenuity has been displayed in constructing the drains, considering that the work has been performed with crude shovels made from the BA-URU or 'Black' palm. The drains are about 3ft.

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deep and 2ft. wide. V.C. KUMUA deserves great credit for the work he is doing. Left KOABE 12 noon and proceeded on to MADALI. Ashore collecting taxes. There is also a well drained plantation at this village though some of the trees could with advantage be thinned out. Pointed these out to the V.C. and told him to have them cut down otherwise they would never bear. A new 'long house' has recently been completed which by actual measurement is 570 ft. in length. Continued on to WADERIHIANU, collected taxes and inspected village plantation. Anchored for the night at MADIRI.

30th.

Ashore all morning on native labour work etc. Left MADIRI 2 p.m. for TIRIO. The village plantation here is badly in need of a clean up so instructed the V.C. to have this done as soon as work on the new 'long house' is finished. Seventeen deaths occurred at this small village during the influenza epidemic last year. Anchored for the night.

While at MADIRI Mr. Freshwater (Manager) related an experience he had with some of his native labourers recently which I think is rather unique and therefore worth repeating. It appears that he recently instituted a weekly prize of tobacco for the best rubber tapper with the idea of creating a competitive ^{spirit} among the boys and thereby induce them to take more interest in their work. On going the rounds one Saturday morning to inspect the work and allot the prize Mr. Freshwater was astounded to find about 250 of his best trees had been deeply scored with a tapping knife, and was still more astounded when he discovered that this act of wanton destruction was the work of a boy who invariably won the prize. On questioning the boy as to his reason for doing such a thing he informed Mr. Freshwater that the other boys had threatened him with such dire punishment if he again won the prize that in order to make certain of not winning he had damaged the trees. Needless to add Mr. Freshwater does not intend appealing to the boys 'sporting' instincts by way of any further experiments.

31st.

Up anchor 7 a.m. and proceeded on to BARAMURA. Inspected both village and plantation. The village bore unmistakable signs of a hurried attempt to clean up but the grass had been allowed to grow too long and the work was only partly completed when I arrived upon

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the scene. The plantation was in even a worse state, no cleaning having obviously been done for many months. Told the V.C. that I would be round again in about 2 months and in the meantime to have the place thoroughly cleaned up. Continued up stream 3 p.m. arriving at SAPARA 8 p.m.

31st.

On going ashore found the V.C. and a few old men the only occupants of the village, the rest of the community having gone to BARAMURA to attend a dance for which great preparations were being made at BARAMURA yesterday. Instructed the V.C. to cut down the undergrowth around village and to erect two latrines over the water. Continued on to PISARANI. It was very evident on going ashore here that the people have not yet lost their timidity for an approaching the village, although I had only the Interpreter with me, the women and children immediately took to the bush and it was only by remaining in the village some considerable time that they were eventually persuaded to return. Informed the V.C., who seems to be rather an intelligent old man, to try and persuade all the women to remain in the village when the Govt. again called. He promised to do so but explained that it was the 'fashion' of the women to run away. Proceeded on to ADURU, with which KENOJA is also now amalgamated, and anchored some distance away from the village owing to sandbanks. Came upon the village unexpectedly in a canoe and upon being sighted there was much screaming and confusion among the women who wanted to obey their instincts and take to the bush. However, after a great deal of shouting on the part of the ADURU V.C. and others their fears were calmed and they were persuaded to remain. These people are at present living in a temporary village until the new 'long house' under construction is completed. Left for SUWAMI 6 p.m. arriving 7.30 p.m. Anchored for the night.

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Went ashore and found the place badly in need of a visit, the village being almost hidden from view by the undergrowth and the 'long house' itself on the verge of tumbling down. The V.C. informed me that a new 'long house' is about to be built. Instructed him to commence work on it immediately and when completed to fence it in, the pigs having turned the present village into a quagmire.

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Told him that I would be along again in about two months time to see how he was progressing. Continued up stream to VERINAL from this village it is situated about 2 miles up VERINAL Creek and consists of 5 native style houses all in a very bad state of repair. The people however, appear to take a great interest in their gardens, both banks of the creek being planted with bananas, taro, pumpkins, oranges etc. Am recommending the appointment of a new man as T.O. to replace AGISA who died recently. The women also cleared out from this village and during my stay could not be persuaded to return. It seems strange that these people, and those visited lower down stream, should still be so timid as several boys from each village were seen to work at KIRUBA and BEKINI plantations. Was at the T.O. put it "It is their decision." One cannot help thinking however, that the men continue to do although professing to object at the intention of their womenfolk. Left VERINAL 2 p.m. and returned down stream encamping for the night at DOUMBEI.

During the day visited DOUMBEI and BAUMA collecting taxes, also inspected village plantations. Both plantations were found to be much overgrown and instructions were given to commence work forthwith. Encamped for the night opposite GAMA.

Above collecting taxes at GAMA and BORA. Observed the burning of the boys early this morning near GAMA. Rained heavily all day. While at VERINAL was informed by Interpreter SARAI that the TUMBA people occasionally come overland to visit the VERINAL for the purpose of trading, the journey I understand taking about a fortnight each way.

Left BORA 11 a.m. and continued on to MARIABODRA. Would recommend that both BORA and MARIABODRA be exempted from tax for 1931/32 owing to the taxable boys being unable to obtain employment at HADINI this year. These two villages have only sufficient coconuts for their own requirements and are therefore unable to make copra. Am experiencing some difficulty in getting the natives along this bank of the River to understand the working of the tax, many being under the impression that so long as they possess a tax receipt they are exempt from further payment. Have explained as simply as I could how the tax affects them and pointed out that they must obtain

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Told him that I would be along again in about two months time to see how he was progressing. Continued up stream to WERIDAI 9 a.m. This village is situated about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile up WERIDAI Creek and consists of 5 medium size houses all in a very bad state of repair. The people, however, appear to take a great interest in their gardens, both banks of the creek being planted with bananas, taro, pumpkins, sugar-cane &c. Am recommending the appointment of a new man as V.C. to replace AGISA who died recently. The women also cleared out from this village and during my stay could not be persuaded to return. It seems strange that these people, and those visited lower down stream, should still be so timid as several boys from each village have been to work at KANOSIA and DEKLE Plantations, but as the V.C. put it "It is their fashion." One cannot help feeling, however, that the men condone it although professing disgust at the behavior of their womenfolk. Left WERIDAI 2 p.m. and returned down stream anchoring for the night at DOUMORI.

2nd. During the day visited DOUMORI and PAGONA collecting taxes, also inspected village plantations. Both plantations were found to be much overgrown and instructions were given to commence work forthwith. Anchored for the night opposite GAIMA.

3rd. Ashore collecting taxes at GAIMA and BORA. Observed the forming of the bore early this morning near GAIMA. Rained heavily all day. While at WERIDAI I was informed by Interpreter SARAH that the FONDA people occasionally come overland to visit the WERIDAI for the purpose of trading, the journey I understand taking about a fortnight each way.

4th. Left BORA 11 a.m. and continued on to WARIABADORA. Would recommend that both BORA and WARIABADORA be exempted from tax for 1923/24 owing to the taxable boys being unable to obtain employment at MADIRI this year. These two villages have only sufficient coconuts for their own requirements and are therefore unable to make copra. Am experiencing some difficulty in getting the natives along this bank of the River to understand the working of the tax, many being under the impression that so long as they possess a tax receipt they are exempt from further payment. Have explained as simply as I could how the tax affects them and pointed out that they must obtain

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their tax money before March in each year. The work of paying out family bonuses has also been somewhat complicated owing to the custom of adoption, such adopted children having been put down as belonging to the foster parents when the census was taken and are now produced by the foster parents as their own offspring. Anchored for the night at DAMIRA.

5th.

All day collecting 1922/23 taxes at DAMIRA and GOWABURA. Would recommend that these two villages also be exempted for 1923/24 for the same reasons as BORA and WARIABADORA. In addition these people have been occupied for some months in building new 'long houses' and clearing land for village plantations and it would therefore seem an injustice to imprison them for non-payment of tax. Continued on to SAGERA and anchored.

6th.

Ashore at SAGERA and DAMIROMOKOROMO paying out family bonuses and collecting balance of 1922/23 tax. Neither of these villages were able to meet their 1923/24 tax obligations; the excuse offered was that they were waiting to sign on to the Public Works Dept., all their names having been taken by Mr. A.R.H. Rentoul and myself for that purpose when round here in August last, but owing to sufficient labour having been obtained from the N.E.D. their services were not required. It would therefore seem that their excuse is a reasonable one and under the circumstances I would recommend that SAGERA and DAMIROMOKOROMO be exempted from tax for 1923/24. At present both these villages have sufficient coconuts for their own requirements only, though they should have no difficulty in obtaining employment at MADIRI Plantation to enable them to earn their tax money for next year. Held C.N.H. Also convicted 8 natives for non-payment of 1922/23 tax. Anchored for the night at DAMIROMOKOROMO.

7th.

Continued on to DAMIROMOKOROMO and WADORA meeting with the same results as yesterday - no money for this year's tax owing to their names having been taken for the P.W. Dept. Would therefore recommend exemption for 1923/24 for these two villages. Held C.N.H. Also convicted and sentenced 8 natives for non-payment of 1922/23 tax. The WADORA people have recently built a new village on the S.E. point of NABIO Is. having been driven out of the old village by mosquitoes,

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Left WACODA 10 a.m. for MAIPANI. While paying out family bonuses at MAIPANI the following rather amusing incident occurred:-

A woman came along with 3 children to claim the bonus and upon my inquiring the whereabouts of the fourth child I was informed by the Interpreter that all four children were present. Thinking that one might be hidden behind the mother's dress, as often happens, I asked to see it, whereupon the Interpreter enlightened me by remarking 'he step inside'. No doubt the matter had been discussed in the village and it was decided that the mother was eligible for the bonus. Anchored for the night at MAIPANI.

9th.

Ashore all morning at MAIPANI inspecting village plantation and arranging for the despatch of prisoners to Daru per canoe. There is quite a large area under coconuts at this village though many of the trees are unlikely ever to bear, being planted much too close together. Marked a number of these and told the V.C. to have them cut out. Continued on to BINA and anchored for the night.

10th.

During the day visited BINA, ORORI and SISIANE. Held C.S.M. at BINA and adjusted minor domestic troubles. All these people have recently moved to new sites owing to the sago supplies in the vicinity of the old villages becoming exhausted. While walking through the 'long house' at SISIANE observed an old man smoke drying tobacco leaf. As far as I could ascertain the plant is indigenous. Proceeded on to WAKAU and anchored.

11th.

On arriving at WAKAU learned that the V.C. had taken ill about 2 months ago and died. Am recommending the appointment of another man to take his place. Held C.N.M. and returned down stream to BUNIKI. Passed 2 recently erected villages on the way which turned out to be the BAMIO and UBATI people who come out to the River during the N.W. season. The BUNIKI people have also built a temporary village on the BANU, it being likewise their custom to move on to the River every N.W. I was unable to ascertain their reason for this annual migration except that it is their 'fashion' to do so. Held C.P.S. at BUNIKI and committed a man for trial for spearing a woman. Crossed over and anchored at TORABINA.

12th.

Ashore all morning inspecting village and holding C.N.M. V.C. NOMAI of TORABINA is, I am afraid, getting too old to carry out his duties satisfactorily among these rather

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4th. Left WADODA 10 a.m. for HAIPANI. While paying out family bonuses at HAIPANI the following rather amusing incident occurred:-
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duties satisfactorily among these rather turbulent people. Suggested to him that he should retire and allow a younger man to take his place. He thereupon recommended his son, who as he seems a likely looking man I am recommending his appointment. After spending best part of the morning hearing cases, mostly adultery, have come to the conclusion that these people are the most abandoned liars I have ever met. They will calmly and deliberately lie and then when the weight of evidence goes against them admit just as calmly they they have been lying. Continued on up stream to BAMIO. The people of this village inform me that they have now come out on to the River permanently, and as the population numbers about 100 am recommending the appointment of a V.C. Most of the men have recently returned from Port Moresby and are very keen on having a V.C. and becoming 'Govt. people.' They have already built a substantial rest house and are making a start on the 'long house.' Continued on up stream and anchored for the night at MIRUA.

13th.

Ashore all morning holding C.N.M. Went on up stream to see if I could get in touch with the GAGORO and FIRIKWAI people who, I understand, have amalgamated and are now living in the fork of the BAMU and AWORRA Rivers. Reached the junction 9 p.m. by moonlight and after proceeding about 5 miles up the WOIWOI (Bamu) anchored opposite the old GAGORO village.

14th.

Proceeded about another 4 miles up the River and with the WAKAU V.C. as guide set out to find the GAGORO'S. After struggling for about an hour through dense leech infested sago swamp heard the beating of drums in the distance and shortly afterwards the village appeared in view on the crest of a small ridge. Owing to the damping our presence was unobserved until we were actually in the village when there was ~~immediately~~ immediately much confusion and shouting. With the aid of the guide I assured them of our peaceful intentions and the dancing was soon resumed. After cooling off got in to conversation with these people and learned that some 'bushmen' living further in had come to the village about a week ago and the GAGORO V.C. had captured a youth about 14

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about 14 when he had detained until the arrival of the Govt. The youth was brought forth and although he had never seen a white man before, he showed no sign of surprise or fear. He wore the usual bushman's 'harness' and had his hair bound up in rolls which hung in a cluster down his back. With the aid of another bush native speaking a somewhat similar dialect I managed to obtain a little information from him and also a vocabulary. It appears that his people really come to trade bows and arrows for knives and tomahawks but were afraid to come right up to the village for fear of being captured and killed. Naturally as soon as they were sighted by the GAGORO'S there was an immediate rush to arms and on the bushmen turning tail they were pursued and it was during the chase that the youth was captured. The GAGORO V.C. informed me that he followed the bushmen's tracks for some considerable distance but could not find their village. On returning to the "Bivaki" I got the V.C. to bring the boy along and on seeing the boat he exhibited most obvious signs of wonder mingled with fear. He was eventually persuaded to come on board and after giving him a 'square' meal I made him a present of some spirit and tobacco and told the V.C. to return him to his people, the boy having offered to show them the way. This the V.C. readily promised to do the following day as he seems anxious to find these people and trade with them. Told him to do his utmost to make friends with them and that if he found their village I would pay them a visit next trip. Also told the boy to tell his people not to run away if the Govt. came. Returned down stream and anchored for the night at IOWA.

15th.

The IOWA people are at present living in temporary shelters along the River bank immediately below PIRIKWAI Island, having moved out from the bush a few weeks ago. Like most of the Bana tribes they never remain long in any one place, and although the population warrants it, a V.C. has not yet been appointed owing to their nomadic tendencies. Have pointed out to them, however, that if they settle down and build a permanent village on the River and all the people are living there on my next visit I will recommend the appointment of a V.C. This they have promised to do.

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Up anchor 10 a.m. and continued down stream. Entered the ARAMIA River 1 p.m. Anchored for the night at KURIA.

16th.

Up anchor 9 am and proceeded up stream all day, anchoring for the night at SIWINAMU. Called in at KENOA en route but found only a few old men in the village, the rest of the community having gone to WARIGI to purchase tobacco.

17th.

Learned at SIWINAMU the details of a murder which occurred about a month ago. It appears that two women were out setting fish traps along the river bank when they were suddenly attacked by a band of roving bushmen and killed. An old man witnessed the murder from the opposite bank of the river, and he states that the bushmen carried the bodies away with them after first having removed the heads. I tried to obtain some information as to which direction the bushmen came from, but except that it seems to be somewhere between the STRICKLAND and WOINOI, - which was generally indicated by a wide sweep of the arm - I could obtain nothing definite. None of these people know of my village within a week's journey North of the ARAMIA. Having but 2 A.C. with me and no idea where to look for these people, such an extended trip was out of the question this patrol. Continued on up stream to UMAMU and BARIMO.

18th.

At BARIMO V.C. from the inland villages of BAIA, ADILA, & DOGONA had assembled to meet the "Nivani", having heard in some mysterious way that the Govt. was out 'walking about.' They reported all well in their respective villages. Continued on up stream visiting the villages of ISAGU, KEWA & SISIPWA.

In all the ARAMIA villages visited only one case was brought forward, being rather a contrast to the BAMU which is a veritable hot bed of trouble. The GOGODARA besides being a law-abiding people are also very industrious, whereas their neighbours in the BAMU are on the whole a lazy lot who when not actually in gaol seem to spend most of their time in qualifying to get there.

At housebuilding the GOGODARA people are supreme, and as gardeners they display wonderful energy and resource in scraping the thin layer of soil into beds in which they plant yams, taro, bananas, sugar cane, tobacco &c. The GOGODARA district should

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be well worth a visit by the Govt. Anthropologist.

19th.

Left SISIREWA 10 a.m. and returned down stream. Anchored for the night at KENGA.

20th.

During my absence up the River several natives from the inland village of KEBANI had arrived at KENGA, and while asking them the usual questions about their village I unearthed what appears to be a case of grave misconduct on the part of A.C. GOWARE of the Daru detachment. About five months ago A.C. GOWARE was sent from Daru to KEBANI to obtain witnesses in a case then pending, and while at the village he told the people that the Govt. had sent him to collect the tax, and that if the taxable boys had no money they were to give him 1 snakekin and 1 bird of paradise each as payment. In all 7 natives paid in kind and 2 actually in money. I obtained statements from those who had been thus imposed upon, and the matter will be inquired into on my return to Daru. Needless to add GOWARE had received no such instructions nor is KEBANI a taxable village.

Left KENGA 10 a.m. and continued down stream. Entered the RAMU and anchored off the entrance to the DIBIRI 5 p.m. to await tide and bore. Up anchor again 7 p.m. and steamed slowly down stream to meet the up coming bore which could be heard approaching in the distance. On rounding a bend in the river a magnificent and rather awe inspiring spectacle presented itself. A huge roller extending from bank to bank could be seen sweeping irresistably along in the moonlight. All on board held their breath as it came nearer and seemed as if it would overwhelm the vessel which however rose bravely to meet it. For a moment the boat seemed to stand on end, then she mounted the crest and plunged downward as if to bury her nose in the mud. After negotiating a succession of smaller waves the bore passed on and we returned up stream and entered the DIBIRI. Anchored for the night at BIMARAMI.

21st.

V.C. DODI of BIMARAMI expressed a desire to retire in favor of his son as he feels that he is now getting to old to carry on. Am therefore recommending his son's appointment. Left BIMARAMI 10 a.m. for KOWAWISI. These people shortly intend building a new village about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile lower down stream as the present site is too swampy.

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Continued on to DAMIRPOMOKOROMO and anchored for the night.

22nd.

Up anchor 8 a.m. and headed for DAMARATAM (Wabusa Is.) arriving 2 p.m. Found great preparations being made for a dance, the whole population from the neighbouring villages of GESGA, FURUTU & WAPI having also assembled. Paid out W.N.L. monies to next of kin.

23rd.

Ashore all day collecting taxes from DAMARATAM and GESGA and paying out family bonuses. The DAMARATAM people have pulled down their old 'long house' and entirely on their own initiative reconstructed their village somewhat after the style of the model villages. Having an abundance of coconuts for making copra, and therefore plenty of money, they no doubt consider they are not one whit behind TURITURI and MABABUAN. In fact the V.C. approached me to know if the people could now wear European clothes. Pointed out the Regulations to him.

24th.

Ashore at DAMARATAM collecting taxes from FURUTU and WAPI. Up anchor 2 p.m. and headed for DOROPODAI (Kiwai Is.) but owing to adverse wind and tide had to anchor for the night at GESGA.

25th.

Left GESGA 8 a.m. and proceeded to DOROPODAI arriving 1 p.m. Laid up with sharp attack of fever.

26th.

Ashore at DOROPODAI collecting taxes and paying out bonuses. Left 2 p.m. for WAAURA arriving 3 p.m. Down with fever.

27th.

Laid up all day with fever.

28th.

Still down with fever.

29th.

Feeling much better. Went ashore during afternoon and collected taxes.

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Up anchor 7 a.m. and headed for SAGASIA, but on arrival at the village found that all the people had gone on to IPISIA. Continued on to IPISIA arriving 12 noon. Collected taxes during the afternoon from the neighbouring village of AGOBARA. A big improvement in the appearance of this village has been effected since my previous visit when all the able-bodied men were given 1 mth. imprisonment for making no attempt to keep the place clean.

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Ashore at IPISIA collecting taxes and paying out bonuses. Am still experiencing considerable difficulty, owing to the custom

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rting out the children of parents entitled to Ashore at PARAMA the adopted children being invariably produced natives away at Thurs. as their own offspring and are included in the card off only. Occasionally a family of 4 or 5 children will be brought forward by parents who, according to the Census, are obviously entitled to the Bonus, but on making careful inquiry it will perhaps be found that 1 or more of the children have been adopted.

3rd.

Ashore at IPISIA all morning holding C.N.M. and adjusting minor domestic troubles. Proceeded on to GROMOSAFU and anchored.

4th.

Ashore all morning collecting taxes &c. These people are at present living in temporary shelters on the beach, having pulled down their old 'long house' to make room for a new village which is being built after the style of the model villages. The framework of most of the houses is already up and when completed the village should be a big improvement on the 'long house' type. Continued on to SAGUANE and anchored. Despatched a canoe to Dara with A.C. recruits and prisoners.

5th.

Ashore all day collecting taxes at SAGUANE.

6th.

All day collecting taxes at SAMARI and paying out bonuses.

7th.

Inspecting SAMARI and SAGUANE villages and plantations. Canoe returned from Dara.

8th.

Weatherbound at SAGUANE. Heavy N.W. blow.

9th.

Still weatherbound. Attempted to proceed to IK IASA, but after clearing SAGUANE Point could make no further headway. Returned to anchorage.

10th.

The wind having abated somewhat, left SAGUANE 6 a.m. and proceeded to IASA arriving 9 a.m. Collected taxes and continued on to KUBIRA. Six defaulters here. Anchored at DUBUARU Is. for the night.

11th.

Up anchor 7 a.m. and proceeded to AURI. Collected taxes and paid out bonuses. No defaulters. Left again 3 p.m. for MIBU arriving 9 p.m.

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Left MIBU 10 a.m. for SUI. All taxable natives but 2 away working at Thursday Is. Paid out family bonuses. Continued on to TORA Pass arriving 3 p.m. Walked along beach to PARAMA and inspected village plantation.

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13th. Ashore at SARANA all morning paying out bonuses &c. All taxable natives away at Thursday Is. Continued on through TORA Pass and anchored off entrance to await tide.

14th. Up anchor 6 a.m. for KATATAI. Collected taxes and paid out family bonuses. Left for Daru 12 noon arriving 4 p.m.

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PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.
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No. 11 of 23/24

DARU STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by Leonard Logan to
SIGABADARA and all villages en route. for the purpose of
Making a general inspection of same

Left Station on 17/3/24. Returned to Station on 19/3/24.

Number of Carriers employed ----- Number of Police taken -----

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge A.K. "Nivani" L. Logan

Villages visited Turi-Turi, Mawatta, Masingara, Mabaduan, Sigabedara.

Map enclosed.

- (1) A sketch map of the district patrolled should accompany the report, showing, as nearly as possible, the positions of the places visited and a copy is to be made for filing on the station. The map is to be furnished whether the patrol is in a well-known district or not. If the patrol is over a route for which a map has already been sent in, a second map is not necessary. A reference to the previous report will be sufficient. If the patrol is over a route of which part has already been included in a map, a suitable sketch should be sent to enable the other places to be added to the previous map. For uniformity the map must occupy one of two sizes of paper—either the size of a half-sheet of ruled foolscap or the size of a whole or double sheet.
- (2) In the body of the report the name of the village should be followed by the name of the V.C. The number of houses and the population, as nearly as possible, should also be stated. The customs of the natives should as much as possible be noted and reported.
- (3) The Patrol Report is to be enclosed in this jacket, which, properly filled in, is to be sent to the Government Secretary immediately after each patrol.
- (4) The space below is not to be written in.
- (5) The cost of the patrol must be shown within, in the space provided.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

RESIDENT MAGISTRATE
Date 20/3/24.
21 MARCH 1924.
Daru, Western Division
PAPUA

J.R. Mahan

Officer in charge of station.

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6 REPORT OF PATROL TO SIGABADARA AND ALL VILLAGES EN ROUTE.

By Leonard Logan.

W.D.No.11.23/24.

17/3/24. Received instructions from the R.M.W.D. to proceed to Tari-Tari, Mawatta, Masingara, Mabadanan, Sigabadara and Tabatata for the purpose of making a general inspection of same.

Left Dara in the A.K. Nivani with the usual number of crew at 8.30 a.m. against tide, arrived at Tari-Tari 11 a.m. when I went ashore in the dinghy to inspect the village. On my arrival I found their village very clean and in perfect order, their gardens are the largest I have seen in the Western Division and is planted up with Bananas, Yams, Water melons, Sweet Potatoes, Pumpkins and Taro. Their small Coconut plantation was also very clean and the people still seem very busy making Copra. While there I noticed that all the people treated for Yaws showed great improvement, in most cases the sores had quite disappeared and the people seemed very pleased and said the Kurra-Kurra was proper No 1. There being no complaints or court cases I returned to the Nivani and left again for Mawatta at 12.20 p.m. arriving there at 1.30 p.m. where I found all the Mabadanan people making gardens, and houses for themselves to occupy while making their gardens, they already have one large garden planted up with bananas and have another one nearly finished, the gardens are fenced in to keep out the bush pigs. After making inquiries if there was any trouble in the village and being informed there was not, I started to walk on to Masingara. On my arrival there I found the village in a very filthy condition, with refuse strewn under the houses and long grass growing in the roads. The back of the village and their coconut plantation was also very dirty. On questioning the V.C. why his village was in such a condition, he informed me that the people refused to clean it up for him. I at once got together all the people that were in the village and got them to work cleaning it up. After holding Court for Native Matter and seeing everything clean once again I returned to Mawatta and left again at 5.5 p.m. with tide for Mabadanan arriving there at 8.20 p.m. when I anchored for the night. A very heavy storm passed over at 9 p.m. Weather during the day was fine with a N.W. wind.

18/3/24. 6 a.m. a canoe with Councillor Mako on board came out to the Nivani and informed

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By Leonard Logan.

W.D.No.11.23/24.

17/3/24. Received instructions from the R.M.W.D. to proceed to Turi-Turi, Mawatta, Masingara, Mabaduan, Sigabadara and Tabatata for the purpose of making a general inspection of same. Left Daru in the A.K. Nivani with the usual number of crew at 8.30 a.m. against tide, arrived at Turi-Turi 11 a.m. when I went ashore in the dinghy to inspect the village. On my arrival I found their village very clean and in perfect order, their gardens are the the largest I have seen in the Western Division and is planted up with Bananas, Yams, Water melons, Sweet Potatoes, Pumpkins and Taro. Their small Coconut plantation was also very clean and the people still seem very busy making Copra. While there I noticed that all the people treated for Tax showed great improvement, in most cases the cores had quite disappeared and the people seemed very pleased and said the Murra-Murra was proper No 1. There being no complaints or court cases I returned to the Nivani and left again for Mawatta at 12.20 p.m. arriving there at 1.30 p.m. where I found all the Mabaduan people making gardens, and houses for themselves to occupy while making their gardens, they already have one large garden planted up with bananas and have another one nearly finished, the gardens are fenced in to keep out the bush pigs. After making inquiries if there was any trouble in the village and being informed there was not, I started to walk on to Masingara. On my arrival there I found the village in a very filthy condition, with refuse strewn under the houses and long grass growing in the roads. The back of the village and their coconut plantation was also very dirty. On questioning the V.C. why his village was in such a condition, he informed me that the people refused to clean it up for him. I at once got together all the people that were in the village and set them to work cleaning it up. After holding Court for Native Matter and seeing everything clean once again I returned to Mawatta and left again at 5.5 p.m. with tide for Mabaduan arriving there at 8.20 p.m. when I anchored for the night. A very heavy storm passed over at 9 p.m. Weather during the day was fine with a N.W. wind.

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and informed me that all the Mabaduan people were at Mawatta. I already knew this as I had their V.C. on board but took advantage of the canoe to send to Tabatata for the V.C. Sgt Ganami and one policeman who had been sent down to see if there were any sandbanks or rocks near Tabatata at low tide, and if the Nivani could get there with safety. Left Mabaduan at 6.30 a.m. with tide and arrived at Sigabadara at 8.30 a.m., but had to anchor a good way from the shore on account of the sandbanks. On going ashore in the dinghy I found that the people had done all in their power to make our landing easy and had built a long jetty out into the sea. This jetty is made with poles driven into the mud with poles put lengthwise and filled in with earth with a top dressing of ironstone. On reaching the village I found it very clean and after showing the people how to build houses on the same principle as the Mabaduan village I returned to the Nivani as there were no complaints. During the afternoon the canoe arrived back from Tabatata with the V.C. and some of his people. Sgt Ganami informed me that the Nivani could never get to the village as there were plenty of spots (meaning rocks) and sandbanks. The V.C. said that the ground where his village is, is no good and always swampy so I asked the Sigabadara people if they would like the Tabatata people to come and make one village with them. This they said they would like as their village is only a small one, so I made arrangements for the V.C. of Tabatata to bring his people along and make one large village at Sigabadara, as the Tabatata people said they would like to come. As there were no complaints from the Tabatata people I returned to the Nivani and left again at 6 p.m. against tide for Mabaduan arriving there at 9.30 p.m. when I anchored for the night. Weather during the day was fine with a strong S.E. wind.

19/3/24. Left Mabaduan at 7 a.m. against tide for Mawatta arriving there at 12 noon, dropped the Mabaduan V.C. and loaded up the Nivani with coconuts and left again at 12.45 p.m. with tide for Daru, arriving there at 4 p.m. Weather during the day fine with S.E. wind.

