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PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

~~11921~~
11921-22

KIKORI

STATION.

REPORT of a PATROL made by H.L.C. Johnston Patrol Officer toGOARIBARI DISTRICT

for the purpose of

Completing the Native CensusLeft Station on July 11th Returned to Station on July 16thNumber of Carriers employed 30 Number of Police taken 4Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge "KIKORI" H.L.C. Johnston.Villages visited APEWA, BABAI, DOPIMA.

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1190/4.19.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date

19. 7. 21

R. A. Woodward

Officer in Charge of Station.

REPORT OF A PATROL TO THE GOARIBARI

DISTRICT TO COMPLETE CENSUS

MONDAY JULY 11th. Left the Station in the Launch "KIKORI" at 1.20.P.M. with 4 A.Cs and one cook, and after a short and uneventful run reached APEWA V.C. BAMIGI at 4.P.M. After finding that all the people had returned to the village in accord with instructions given the V.C. at Kikori a few days ago, I took and completed this census by 7.P.M. Inspected the village and am pleased to report that APEWA has at last come into line with most of the other KEREWAWA villages, and there was no room for complaint. New wharves have been erected, and a substantial Rest House has also been put up. Camped.

TUESDAY " 12th On trying to start up the Engine this A.M. I found that one of the Battery jars had cracked, and that the contents had leaked away. This effected all the other cells and even after removing the affected jar I could not get the Engine to start. Despatched 2 A.Cs to the Station to get a duplicate and started to drift down to BABAI, but the tide turned and we had to anchor. About 6.P.M. about 100 BABAI people met us, as they were returning from their gardens, and after being told that we wanted to get to BABAI, every Canoe became eager to have a part in the towing of the Launch, and with much wasted effort, and plenty noise they eventually landed the Launch at BABAI, at 9.30.P.M. At 10.50 the A.Cs arrived back from Kikori with a new Cell, a very good trip indeed. Camped.

WEDNESDAY " 13th After installing the new Cell, I spent the day in taking the Census of GEBABARI and DUMUMUBU, who had come to BABAI for that purpose as I did not want to anchor the Launch off those villages in this S.E. weather as they are very exposed. At 4.P.M. I marked out some new houses for the New Village here. The people seem to be very keen, and it will be a good example to the other KEREWAWA people.

THURSDAY JULY 14th. Completed the PABAI Census by 8.30.A.M. and got under weigh by 9.A.M. The Engine was far from satisfactory, they^{re} making the run across the bay to DOPIMA somewhat of an anxious Journey. However she kept going and we arrived at DOPIMA V.C. E-ERI at 10.30.A.M. Here the Schooner "LOTUS" was anchored. Mr Shafto the European aboard wrote me that he had all the Gov't cargo aboard and wanted to ship it to KIKORI by Canoe as he had no power to get the Schooner up the River. I suggested that if he were going to do this it would be a good deal safer to anchor at the mouth of the River as the present weather would make it dangerous to send loaded canoes across. He decided to do this and went over to the KIKORI mouth to anchor. I completed the AIMAHA Census by 3.30.P.M. These people came here under my directions, as owing to the condition of the Engine I did not think it advisable to go across. The rest of the Afternoon was spent in adjusting several matters needing attention and holding C.M.M.. Camped.

FRIDAY JULY 15th. Finished the DOPIMA Census by 11.A.M. and got under weigh after some Engine trouble and ran across to the mouth of the Kikori River. It was my intention to call in and inspect the villages of DUBUMUBU and GEBABARI, but the weather made this impracticable. After lunching aboard the "LOTUS" and seeing all the Cargo away ran up the river and arrived at the Station at 7.P.M. Whilst crossing from DOPIMA to The KIKORI River The dinghy broke away and in turning to get some the Launch shipped portion of a sea over the hood that made immediate and constant bailing necessary to keep the Engine going. Attached is a summary of the Census taken to date, which is still incomplete as a number of the people were away and unable to return at time of taking same.

W. J. ...
Patrol Officer

PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

2/1921-22

KIKORI

STATION.

REPORT of a PATROL made by R.M. Woodward, Bq Rth to

Suwai Delta, villages

for the purpose of

Distribution of houses of Native Labourers & general inspection of villages.

Left Station on July 21st Returned to Station on August 4th

Number of Carriers employed _____ Number of Police taken 5.

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Launch, KIKORI. - R.M. Woodward.

Villages visited TAIMURU, KAIMARI, IKINU, AKOMA, KEREMA, API-ORI, KAPAI, KURUPI, IARI, RAYI-KEYAU, OKAIKENARI, KAIRU, ORU, PIARIKAKARI, UKIRAVI, KAIRAYI, EYARA, AKIARAVI

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1100/4.19.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 11.8.21

R.M. Woodward

Officer in Charge of Station.

REPORT ON VISIT OF INSPECTION TO PURARI DELTA

Thursday July 21st.

Left Kikori at 11-30 a.m. with 5 A.C. and two discharged A.C. for return to their villages in the G.D. Some difficulty in getting the engine to start but eventually got away and arrived at AIRD HILL in two hours time. Landed two cases of tobacco previously borrowed. During the afternoon Mr Butcher very kindly assisted me in putting the engine in order and, as it was raining hard on completion of this work I decided to spend the night here.

Friday 22nd Inspected the two mandated children at the Mission and found them both to be contented and well cared for. Left at 9-15 a.m. Still raining heavily and engine giving trouble again owing to the absurd system of ignition. Went straight through to VAIMURU which was reached at 4-30 p.m. Interviewed V.C. AVAI who informed me that the majority of the people were absent making sage.

Saturday 23rd

Village found to be in very fair order but very wet after recent heavy rains. The latrines previously instructed to be built, seem to be more of a success than I had anticipated. New Rest House in course of erection. One section of this village known as KEME were all absent and that part of the village found to be neglected. I was informed by the V.C. that these people had made a new village on the PIE R. close to their sage lands and that they only came down to VAIMURU at KAIVA-KUKU ceremonies. Under the circumstances I think it far better that these people should leave VAIMURU all together. The V.C. was accordingly instructed to go to the PIE R Village and bring all people to UKIARAVI in four days time so that I could interview them there. Arrived KAIMARI at 1 p.m. and inspected the village which was in good order. The bridge joining two portions of the village previously ordered to be built by Mr Johnston had not been completed so all available men were set to work under police supervision and by nightfall had almost completed this work.

Sunday 24th

Held Court N.M. and settled some minor disputes. V.C. EAPI of this village wishes to resign on account of old age. Another suitable man was selected to take his place. Left at 10-45 a.m. for BAROI Plantation intending to inspect the Native Labourers employed there but on arrival I found the whole ton of them had gone to their villages for the week end. Arrived at IKINU at 2-30 p.m. A fight had recently taken place between men of this village and the MARIKAKARI people (formerly KOREPENAIRU) I accordingly sent an A.C. to the latter place to bring the accused to Court. Held Court N.M. During the afternoon Mr G.H. Murray arrived here on his way to GOARIBARI to inspect some land.

Monday 25th

Mr Murray left at 10 a.m. in canoe for KAIMARI. Held Court N.M. all morning and inspected IKINU and KIMIRI villages during the afternoon. Both found to be in good order, likewise the track between the two. V.C. IVIA of AKOMA was sentenced to imprisonment on being charged with adultery and after inspecting his village I am of the opinion that he is useless and accordingly recommend his dismissal. After leaving AKOMA I called in at URIKA Mission to deliver letters and borrow a case of benzine as Station supplies are exhausted. Arrived at KEREW (MAIPUA) at 8 p.m.

Tuesday 26th

Held Court N.M. Village very nice indeed, being on good soil in a grove of coconuts it lends itself to cleanliness. Had nothing to complain of here except the latrine which had been erected for the convenience of visiting Officers. This consisted of a flimsy hut some six feet above the ground with a small pit 18" deep dug in the soil below it. Ordered this to be destroyed and another house erected on the river bank. Proceeded to KAPAI (MAIPUA) on the PANAROA mouth and found all in order here. The V.C. - WARUPI, being still in Gaol. Returned to launch again and left for API-OPI passing the old site of MAIPUA village en route. One of the Ravis of the old MAIPUA Village joined forces with the API-OPI people when the old village was vacated. They have now formed a picturesque and pleasantly situated village on the coast. The houses have in parts been placed rather irregularly but this will be remedied in time.

3.

I am convinced that the MAIPUANS are much better off than formerly from a health point of view as their villages are now all on good dry land. I have for some time past prevented segregation and only sanctioned leaving the old village provided that all people made a new village on some approved land. During my leave however each Ravi went its own way with the result that there are now four separate villages. During the afternoon I visited KURIPI, the last of the MAIPUAN villages which is situated at the mouth of the AIVE River. This village has not yet been completed but the site chosen has good soil and is close to the sea. Some of the people seem disinclined to live here as they have commenced building houses and have left them and decamped to the AIVE. Despatched one A.C. to bring these people to API-OPI to which place I returned towards evening.

Wednesday 27th

Held Court N.M. after which I left for IARI. Shortage of fuel made it necessary for me to omit going to RAVI-KEVAU on the Purari R. On arrival at IARI I despatched messengers to summon the V.C. of RAVI-KEVAU to IARI. Held Court during the afternoon and later proceeded to RAVI-KEVAU (IARI) in the launch. Village found to be in a bad state platforms and fences being out of repair and high grass growing in the vicinity of the houses. A number of men of this village were sentenced to imprisonment for neglecting the village. One of these escaped from custody shortly after being sentenced. Leaving the launch here I went through small creeks per canoe to OKAIKUNAIRU which was found to be in good order. Returned again to launch and having placed all prisoners on board commenced the return to IARI. Just after starting one prisoner dived overboard and made for the shore. A.C. KOIVI promptly followed after him but failed to catch the escapee. I accordingly left two A.C. at the village to arrest both prisoners who had escaped from custody. They were both caught during the night and brought to IARI.

THURSDAY 28th

Held Court N.M. and inspected the village. Platforms in exceptionally good condition. The more I see of this village the less hopeful

I become of ever being able to improve the living conditions of the people. Living as they do in ~~the~~ an expanse of semi-liquid mud it is a wonder the inhabitants are as healthy as they are. Despatched 16 prisoners under escort per canoe to UKIARAVI and shortly after left in the launch for KAIRU. Held Court N.M. at this village and settled a few minor domestic disputes. Inspected portion of the village which was in exceptionally good order. Evidently the punishment of a number of men on the last visit here has had the desired effect.

Friday 29th

Dealt with further cases awaiting attention and inspected the rest of the village then left for ORU at 9-45 a.m. One case awaiting trial here. Told the V.C. to take parties concerned to UKIARAVI. Arrived UKIARAVI at noon after being delayed some considerable time by the launch running aground on a sand bank. V.Cs of IKINU, KAIMARI and VAIMURU all waiting here with various matters for attention. Held Court N.M. all the afternoon. The V.C. of VAIMURU had brought all the KEME people here as instructed and they were unanimous in their desire to permanently leave VAIMURU owing to the fact that all their food supplies were on the PIE R - some considerable distance from VAIMURU. The new village is situated on good land on the banks of the PIE R. and they will probably be better off here than in the mud and swamps of VAIMURU. I accordingly gave my consent to the KEME people remaining here and instructed the V.C. to destroy the old houses of these people at VAIMURU. During the afternoon the G.M.O. arrived in the "Kismet" with a letter from P.O. Johnston and I gathered that the G.M.O. was on his way to Port Moresby. After some conversation with the G.M.O. it was apparent that he was quite unfit for duty and I did my best to induce him to go to Port Moresby but he appeared unwilling to do so. I accordingly, with his consent, despatched an A.C. to VAILALA with a wireless to the G.M.O. The "Kismet" then proceeded to IKINU.

Saturday 30th

V.C. of UKIARAVI reported here to-day and stated that his village was in good order. Inspected UKIARAVI. The portion of the village controlled by V.C. BAIA was in fine order and this V.C. is undoubtedly an energetic man. Right through the village there was evidence of

a desire to carry out instructions of visiting Officers. There must be several miles of platforms through the village and the work of keeping these in repair is very considerable as all goru palm has to be transported from the PIE and BAROI Rivers. A death occurred in the village during the night and in course of inspection I came to the house of the deceased. The deceased was a comparatively young man who apparently had died from blood poisoning occasioned through a huge ulcer on his leg. When asked why this man had not gone to IKINU Hospital for treatment his relatives informed me that he was afraid of the white man's "Mura-mura". Probably this is one of many deaths that could have been avoided by the application of simple remedies. The house where the corpse was laid out instate on a piece of broken canoe, was literally packed with women each plentifully besmirched with mud and all endeavouring to simulate a grief for the departed which they did not feel. The effluvia of both the corpse and the 60 odd women collected around it made it necessary for me to beat a hasty retreat. I told the V.C. to see that the body was interred as soon as possible rather than to delay this for the usual dancing and lamentation which invariably precede a funeral in this District. Left UKIARABI at 11 a.m. and proceeded to MARIKAKARI, an offshoot of the KOREPENAIRU people. There is no V.C. here consequently the place was somewhat neglected. Gave instructions for further improvements to be made and warned the people that they would be punished if such were not carried out by next visit. On arrival at IKINU again I found the G.M.O. here and he seemed a little better than yesterday but I decided to adhere to the arrangements made with him and go as far as NOME to await a reply to my wireless. Arrived at the ALELE mouth and anchored at 6 p

day 31st

Spent the day overhauling engine, cleaning pistons etc. Work not quite completed by nightfall. During the night had a nasty experience - a large log carried by the swift current struck the launch and got foul of the anchor chain. The launch was carried out of the creek into the main river and I feared that it would be carried out of the river onto the bar. Fortunately I managed to rouse the police

who were camped ashore and after some difficulty the chain was freed from the log but the launch still continued to drift with the tide. Spent two hours in a frenzied endeavour to complete the assembling of the engine by the light of a hurricane lamp but had to give it up. By that time the tide had slackened off sufficiently to enable the police to tow the launch back to her anchorage with the dinghy.

Monday Aug 1st

Finished the engine and after waiting until 3 p.m. without any reply to my wireless I decided to continue the patrol as there was no food or water for the police at this point. Arrived at MAIPUA at 6 p.m.

Monday 2nd

Kismet arrived in the morning. G.M.O. apparently worse so decided to remain here for the day in the hopes that some instructions would arrive from G.M.O. Held Court N.M. and took census of the village. No reply to wireless at 5-30 p.m. so G.M.O. who seemed to have recovered, left for return to the Station.

Monday 3rd

Left at 6-30 a.m. and made a non-stop run to KAIARAVI. Inspected village and punished V.C. for neglect of duty and deliberately misleading me as to the condition of the village when he reported at UKIARAVI. Arrived EVARA at noon and held Court N.M. and inspected the village which was in good order. In the afternoon I went by track to AKIARAVI (40 mins walk) one section of the village in a bad state and all people of this portion had vacated the village on hearing that the Government was in the vicinity. Left 2 A.C. here to bring offenders to Kikori then returned again to EVARA.

Monday 4th

Left at 6 a.m. and arrived back at the Station at 8 p.m. having been stuck on a sand bank close to Kikori for 2 hours.

Ag R.M.
11/8/21

On arrival at the Station I learnt that the G.M.O. had returned the previous night and was comparatively well again.

PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.
4.1921-22

ZIKORI

STATION.

REPORT of a PATROL made by **H. L. O. JOHNSTON.** P.O. to

PURARI DISTRICT

for the purpose of

ASSISTING THE G.M.O. and ENFORCING REGULATIONS.

Left Station on **September 27th** Returned to Station on **October 15th.**

Number of Carriers employed **20** Number of Police taken **2**

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge **LAUNCH "KISMET" G.M.O.**

Villages visited **UKIARAVI. IARI. MAIPUA. IKINU. AKOMA. KAIRU. KAINARI. OHU. BAINURU. KIVAUMAI.**

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Date

Oct. 17th 1921

Rao

Officer in Charge of Station.

P.O. Johnston.

KIKORI.

Will you please hold yourself in readiness to accompany the G.M.O. to the Purari to-morrow (27th) in the Kismet.

The principal object in your accompanying the G.M.O. is to assist him in taking precautions against the spread of influenza and he has suggested the advisability of confining the Purari people to the limits of their own District for a time. That is to say, no people are to go across the ALELE into the G.D. and similarly none to come this side of the ERA River. Any other suggestions that the G.M.O. may make to you in this connection please endeavour to carry out. Please therefore instruct V.C. accordingly.

Whilst in the Purari please endeavour to carry out an inspection patrol of as many villages as possible - means of transport will be left to your own discretion. Please also inquire into the matters already indicated to you i.e. alligator skull at KAIMARI and sale of masks etc.

If you can manage it an inspection of VAROE plantation should be done and a commencement of a new census in some of the smaller villages.

Ag R.M.
26/9/21


REPORT OF A PATROL TO THE PURARI DISTRICT TO

ASSIST THE G.M.O. AND ENFORCE NATIVE REGULATIONS.

- SEPTEMBER 27th. In accordance with instructions contained in your minute of the 26th Ins't I left the Station accompanied by 2 A.C in the Launch "KISMET" with the G.M.O. Ran down and anchored off some BAIMURU gardens on the PI-E River. Learnt that there was no sickness here.
- SEPTEMBER 28th. Left at 7.A.M. and steamed in to UKIARAVI V.Cs MAIARI-E, BAIA-KAURI, and AKO-IPAI. After seeing the people and warning the V.Cs that should they hear of any sickness at the next village to all vacate the village we left and steamed round to IARI V.Cs KIAI-IA, URIPA, and BAI-I-AKIA. Here the G.M.O. looked at some people but apparently there was nothing serious enough to necessitate the people leaving the village at this juncture. Warned them all as at UKIARAVI. Steamed on from here to MAIPUA V.C. WARUPI, and camped.
- SEPTEMBER 29th. Heard here that there was sickness at the mission at URKA so the G.M.O. was desirous of pushing on to IKINU, which was done. Found that there was sickness at the village and the people were duly warned to remain and not to walk about in the rain. After a short stay here pushed on to KAIMARI arriving there at 4.P.M. There was apparently no sickness here but I was unfortunately without an Interpreter so could do very little in the way of advising the people. Sent a canoe from here to BAIMURU to bring the V.Cs and some men to receive money. Camped.
- SEPTEMBER 30th. Early this A.M. the BAIMURU V.Cs arrived also Ex A.C. AUA-MAKU who acted as my Interpreter. I was now able to make the people whom I had assemble, thoroughly understand that as there was a sickness at IKINU and AKOMA that they would be better away in their gardens in small communities. This they appreciated and within an hour there was not a soul in the village. The G.M.O. then decided to return to IKINU which was done and after a short stay he decided to proceed up stream and warn the top villages to clear out now that the sickness was known to be in the PURARI. We ran up and camped near KAIRU in the URKA River. From here I despatched V.C. WARUPI back to MAIPUA to warn all the people to clear out, and also the KAIRU V.Cs visited the Launch and reported all clean. They were instructed to go to their gardens also. WARUPI is also to warn IARI.
- OCTOBER 1st. Left here and ran round to ORU V.C. BAI-I-KOIVI. This was also clean, so the people were warned to take up their abode in the gardens. The V.C. here was instructed to take my message to KAIA-RAVI. From here we again visited UKIARAVI, and after I had told all the people about the disease, and warned them to get away to their gardens, this large village was empty in an hour.
- OCTOBER 2nd. At UKIARAVI.
- OCTOBER 3rd. Left at 9.A.M. and ran down into the BAROI River where I took advantage of the time waiting for tide etc to carry out an inspection of KANIBO Plantation. Camped.
- OCTOBER 4th. Left 11.A.M. and ran round to IKINU. Camped.
- OCTOBER 5th. Left 10.A.M. visited MAIPUA. Here I found that my instructions had not been carried out, and that there was a large number of people in both villages, also a little sickness. Warned them all what precautions to take. camped.
- OCTOBER 6th. Self and G.M.O. visited APIOPI. Sickness here warned all people. met A.C. KEARI here en route from Kerema with mail. He was very ill. Took him back to MAIPUA. Visited KORUPI no sickness, returned to MAIPUA and camped.

- OCTOBER 7TH. Left MAIPUA at 3.P.M. taking A.C.KEARI who is very bad in a canoe. Arrived IKINU 5.P.M. A.C.KEARI died at 7.P.M. Camped.
- OCTOBER 8TH. At IKINU. Self ill. Most of the boats crew ill also.
- OCTOBER 9th as yesterday.
- OCTOBER 10TH as yesterday.
- OCTOBER 11TH Self a little better today. remained on launch.
- OCTOBER 12TH As yesterday.
- OCTOBER 13TH Left with the consent of the G.M.O. at 11.A.M. and met a KAIMARI canoe in the BAROI River. Left the G.M.O. and went on to KAIMARI. Camped.
- OCTOBER 14TH. Left KAIMARI and proceeded via URAMA to the site of the old village of MAIRAU. Camped on the beach.
- OCTOBER 15TH. Left and after a strenuous day arrived at station at 7.P.M.

During the course of the patrol I was unable to carry out any Magisterial work, or inspections as my whole attention was centered upon getting all the people out of the villages. A.C.KOIVI had to be left at IKINU as he was too unwell to accompany me back to the station.


Patrol Officer D.D.

PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

6-1921-22

KIKORI

STATION.

REPORT of a PATROL made by P.O's Johnston and Saunders to
Carrying out a general inspection of the villages in for the purpose of
the Lower TURAMA River and Paibuna, and exploring the right arm of
the TURAMA.

Left Station on November 23rd Returned to Station on November 30th 1921

Number of Carriers employed 10 Number of Police taken 10

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge "KIKORI" H.L.C. Johnston.

Villages visited AI-IDIA, DOPIMA, NAMAI, DADEBI, KARAGU-E-HERI, IA W, GIBIDAI,
KA-NABOI, KIBHEI, KEM, PAI-IA, NAGORO, BABAI, UBUA, DUBUMUBU, GEBABAI,
GORO, YASOA.


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119/4.19.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date

7/12-21


 Officer in Charge of Station.

Articles.	Quantity taken on patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.					Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total used.	Government cost.		
Rice	500	100	100	-	200	2 10	300	
Biscuits								
Meat								
Sugar								
Tea								
Soap								
Tobacco	7 Lbs	2Lbs	3 Lbs	1 Lb	6 Lbs	12 6	1 Lb	
Matches								
Kerosene	1 Gal	$\frac{1}{2}$ gal	$\frac{1}{2}$ gal	$\frac{1}{2}$ gal	1 Gal	2 .	2 -Gal	
Tents								
Flies	2						2	
Lamps	2						2	
Buckets	2						2	
Kerosene Cans								
Knives & Sheaths								
Knives, 18in.	2						2	
Knives, other								
Belts	7						7	
Pouches								
Print	19 Yds						19Yds	
Twill								
Handkerchiefs								
Beads								
Mirrors								
Axes								
Half Axes								
Tomahawks	15						15	
						TOTAL \$	13 46	

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

Patrol Officer Jehnsten.

Kikeri.

Please be prepared to leave on a patrol to the Paibuna and Turama River Districts on Monday next unless otherwise advised in the meantime.

The objects of this patrol are-

- (1) General inspection of PAIBUNA Villages and Lower Turama Villages including those on the Right Bank of the Turama.
- (2) Inquire into alleged assault case reported by V.C. of HARAGU and , if possible, arrest offenders.
- (3) Explore the right arm of the Turama and endeavour to get into touch with all communities both on the river and occupying the country adjacent thereto. Carriers will probably be required so it would be advisable to obtain them from the Lower Turama Villages. Probably the right arm of the Turama will give access to the people known as GIMINI-KAIRI previously visited by the late H.J.Ryan. This Officer's report is commended to your notice as some of the information contained therein may be of use to you. Should you come across any people on this river or in the vicinity please endeavour to compile vocabularies and obtain details of customs etc or any material of anthropological interest. The question of adequate interpreters is of course left to your own discretion.

In the event of your finding that the influenza epidemic has spread to the lower Turama villages the work of exploring the right arm of the Turama will have to remain in abeyance until such time as this work can be done without the risk of ~~introducing~~ spreading sickness.

Patrol Officer Saunders ~~will~~ and 10 A.C. will accompany you. Being Senior Officer you will of course be in charge of the patrol.

[Handwritten signature]
19.11.21

REPORT OF A PATROL CARRIED OUT FOR THE PURPOSE
OF VISITING THE VILLAGES SITUATED ON MORIGIO
ISLAND, AND TURAMA, AND RAIBUNA RIVERS.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22nd. Acting in accord with instructions contained in your minute of 19-11-21, I left the station in the divisional Launch "KIKORI" accompanied by Patrol OFFICER Saunders, and 10 A.C, at 10.A.M. Ran down to the mouth of the Kikori River and had lunch at 1.P.M. At 2 P.M. departure was made, after I had instructed the Serg't BEOTO to remain and wait for the tide, and then with the 6 A.C, to proceed to UBUA and obtain 10 carriers after which to meet me at AI-IDIA where I intend to camp. Ran across and called in at DOPIMA where all were too sick with Influenza to be of any use, so hurried round to AI-IDEA, V.C.HRI, where after learning that all were down with the prevailing sickness went across and camped at NAMAI, V.C.IMA. Here there were no cases, so allowed the Police to camp ashore, after warning them not to associate with the villagers. During the night the Serg't arrived and stated, that all the UBUA people were sick and that he had per-force obtained carriers at the next alive village, AIMANA.

WEDNESDAY NOV 23rd. After looking the carriers brought by the Serg't over ^{thoroughly} and assuring myself that none were showing symptoms of Influenza, departure was made at 6.45 A.M. and a non-stop run made to MORIGIO by 9.30.A.M. Here after trying to get the launch into DADEBI creek and failing, owing to a falling tide, Mr Saunders and self visited the village of DADEBI in the canoe. The village is now situated on the left bank ~~of the creek~~ about 200 yards up the creek, and consists of a large DUBU some 200 yards long, with the usual womens houses numbering 4. At present it was deserted, and had been for some days. After a short stay we returned to the launch, and leaving the canoe to follow, steamed round to the north of the Island

After proceeding a little distance a canoe was noticed approaching, and eventually we came up with it. The occupants 2 in number proved to be DADEBI people and showed no signs of fear, which in truth they had every reason to, as most of the visits to their places of abode during the past year, have been for the purpose of making arrests, and most of them have been made at night. I learnt from these boys that there had been many deaths of Influenza in DADEBI and on MORIGIO generally and that they had now gone to live for the time at their haunts on the Left bank of the TURAMA. After waiting for the canoe for an hour or two, I despatched the Sergt in charge, to the new village I had seen about a year ago on the northern end of the Island, to see if the HARAGU people were there, as this was the place I was led to understand they were now occupying. The DADEBI boys inform me that they are not there now. Taking 4 Police we departed to the left bank of the TURAMA arriving at 4.30 at some gardens, where AVOKA and others were met. It was seen that the MORIGIOS were scattered all along the bank, and it was also apparent that Influenza was very bad amongst them. I learnt of 7 deaths here but have no doubt that there were more. There seemed to be peace and quietness amongst them, and no fear of the Gov't was evinced. After seeing that the Police erected a fly away from these infected with the disease camped.

THURSDAY NOV 24th. Early this A.M. the Serg't arrived and reported that there was no people at the village of HARAGU. I then sent AVOKA across to ascertain if they were at another small place he knew of and told him to bring the V.C. To IAWA, as I now intend to visit the PAIBUNA villages and if I find them clean, the people spent up there will serve as one of isolation, and all being well when I return, the exploration of the new river can be gone on with. We got under weigh at 9.30 and arrived at IAWA at 1.10, where lunch was partaken of, and word sent to the R.M. for fuel. Left V.C. IMA here to bring the HARAGU V.C. up the river after me, and got under weigh at 2.17 P.M. Started a traverse of the PAIBUNA, and continued as we went

entering the IAMU creek at 5.P.M. Continued up this creek and made a traverse en-route, anchored when the creek narrowed much to allow the passage of the launch, at 6.P.M.

FRIDAY Nov 25th.

Lea. [redacted] in charge of A.C'S USIRA and GAI-EBU and with the balance of the police and carriers proceeded up stream to GIBIDAI, arriving at 8-30/A.M. Here, where on all former occasions, a tumultuous welcome was extended to the Gov't silence reigned supreme, the reason was not far to seek, as it was found after entering the Village that there were only some few men present, and they were in the grip of the prevailing sickness. It was ascertained that most of them had deserted the village and gone to the gardens, but that all were down with the illness. I kept the Police and carriers well apart and after staying a short time, walked over to KA-MAHOI, a small village belonging to a different tribe, lying approx 3 miles E.E. of here. On arrival at KA-MAHOI a similar state of affairs prevailed to that of GIBIDAI. All that were present were ill and those that were absent were said to have the disease. It was reported that 2 deaths had occurred here. After duly warning the people as to the best course to adopt in regard to the prevention and cure of the trouble, and to keep well out of the rain etc, etc. we left and returned to GIBIDAI. During the afternoon a visit was paid to the old burial place of the GIBIDAI tribe, which was situated on the side of a Lime Stone hill some 1/2 of a mile from the village. The cemetery consisted of two Lime Stone caves, and these were used for the purpose of depositing the bones of the deceased. It would indeed be a gruesome sight if one happened on the spot un-awares, as apart from the human bones, there were hundreds of skulls, neatly laid out in rows, and others placed high up on the walls. There were some articles of trade such as a hurricane lamp, and net bag for instance placed with some of the remains, and I would have liked to have obtained the beliefs, and legends attached to this spot. I obtained the information that it was thought that as the people originated from the lime stone, that by

retains remains to the caves, that their re-entry to
the they sprung would be facilitated. It appears
that takes place, the body is ~~placed~~ (or
as the all you now was) placed on a platform to decompose
after which the bones were taken by the eldest women of the
village and placed in the caves by them. Further informati-
-on could not be had as the one man able to give the above to
me had to retire too sick for further conversation. I should
have liked to learn their belief in placing the European and
other articles with the bones. The same custom prevails in
MAWATTA W.D, only that the latter people are buried in graves
and Sewing Machines, Lamps, and many other things placed on top.
Camped here for the night after placing all the carriers and
Police on the opposite side of the creek.

FRIDAY Nov 26th. After thoroughly warning the people again we left and arrived
back at the launch at 8.A.M. and got under weigh half an hour
later. When we got to the mouth of IAMU creek at 11.A.M.
we found that the tide was adverse, and as I wanted to complete
the traverse of the PAIBUNA I decided to run up tomorrow so
the afternoon was spent at the mouth of the river.

SATURDAY " 26th. Left at 5.30 A.M. and after a non-stop run arrived off the
mouth of ORE creek at 9.30.A.M. Proceeded right up to the
village in the launch, and found what people were there in a
deplorable state with Influenza, there had been no deaths yet,
but it appeared to me that they had just got the disease, as
at GIBIDAI and other places visited heretofore. I intended to
try and get across to a new village from here but decided not
to with Influenza here, as the risk of further spreading the
trouble was too great, and on the other hand there were no
guides available. All I am told have the disease, and are in
garden places. There seemed no good object in remaining longer
here so departure was made after a stay of an hour. Here again
the carriers were kept apart as also were the police.
Ran down with the tide and again anchored in IAMU creek when the
tide became adverse, at 6.P.M.

MONDAY Nov 28th.

and ran down some 5 miles to TURAMA creek. Such at the mouth and Mr Saunders and self for some 2 miles and arrived at PEPEHA & These people have lived here for the past .s, and up to that time were a small tribe living in the Sago swamps between the PAIBUNA and TERAMA rivers They were the enemy of all men, and Vice a Versa. They are now law abiding people and live in peace with all others. Their village consists of one DUBU about 100 yards long and 5 smaller houses. Wharves have been erected throughout the village and they are quite in line with other villages of the KREWA tribe. Unfortunately, at present they were in a sad plight with Influenza, and this small community which does not consist of more than 60 souls, had lost 5 from the scourge. The rest seemed to be suffering badly and I gave them the best advice I could under the circumstances, which was to keep within their houses etc. After promising them another visit returned to the launch and ran down to IAWA where ~~some mail was received~~ a mail was received from the R.M. After learning that the HARAGU V.C. had not yet arrived, I decided to abandon the exploration of the TURAMA Right Arm in accordance with your instructions, and left and ran through to AI-IDIA passing KEME on the way. At IAWA 10 deaths have occurred and at KEME 4. AI-IDIA have had 4 deaths.

TUESDAY NOV 29th.

Decided to run across this A.M. to HARAGU to ascertain the whereabouts of the people of that village, left at 6.A.M. cruised round the southern portion of MORBIO and passed the deserted village of HARAGU, and after not seeing any signs of life in the vicinity of NEABO and the TURAMA bank returned to GOARI V.C. HEBOI at 11.30. Visited the village and found all people away, and the village in good order. The rest of the afternoon was spent in visiting the villages of NAMAI, AI-IDIA, MURAGOA, GORO, KREWA, and DOP and inspecting them and ascertaining the number of deaths that had occurred in each, which appears in the attached list.

Met I

DOPIWA. Camped.

WEDNESDAY NOV 30th.

the villages of BABAI. DUBUMUBU. GEBABARI.


U. reported all well, but as was the case with the villages the people were all away in accordance with instructions issued by the R.M. for the prevention of the spread of Influenza. I spent the day visiting the site of the proposed GOARIBARI plantation with Mr Murray, and after returning to the station village, started off and ran up to the station reaching there at 10.P.M.

OBSERVATIONS

It was apparent that the KEREWA tribe had suffered badly with the Influenza, but that they were on the improve.

It was again noticed that these villages in the PAIBUNA and TURAMA districts were in the middle of an epidemic, and were suffering badly, and would probably be worse before they were better. The following list shows the number of deaths in each village visited.

DADEBI (MORIGIO)	6
IAWA (PAIBUNA)	10
GIBIDAI "	Nil
KA-MAHOI "	2
KIBENI "	Nil
PEPEHA "	5
KEME "	4
AI-IDIA (KEREWA)	4
GOARI "	nil
NAMAI "	2
MUBAGOA "	5
GORO "	1
KEREWA "	3
DOPIWA "	10
BABAI "	3
DUBUMUBU "	3
GEBABARI "	4
UBUA "	nil
PAI-IA "	4
NAGORO "	4


Patrol Officer
D.D.

PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

7/2921/22

Kikeri

STATION.

REPORT of a PATROL made by H.M. Saunders P.O. to
UTUTI and SIREBI Villages. Also to Aird Hill and for the purpose of
KIBIRI.

General inspection, and to make inquiries about firemaking and get
information about canoes.

Left Station on 12.12.21 Returned to Station on 15.12.21.

Number of Carriers employed 9 Number of Police taken 5

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Canoe H.M. Saunders.

Villages visited As per report.

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Date

20.12.21R. Woodward

Officer in Charge of Station.

Patrol Officer Saunders.

KIKORI.

During my absence from the Station I should be glad if you would please pay a visit to the UTUTI and SIREBI Villages and others on the Kikori River also to the villages near AIRD HILL and the KIBIRI Villages below the Station. Apart from the objects incidental to ordinary patrolling I should be glad if you would make inquiries into the method of firemaking at the various villages visited and endeavour to give a detailed account of the method used giving native names for each article. Please also note time taken to make a flame and information as to whether the methods are still in use and details of ceremonies, superstitions & tales with regard to firemaking or the origin of firemaking.

At the same time please endeavour to obtain the following information re canoes

- (1) Different names for various kinds of canoes and paddles
- (2) Description of method of construction of canoes ~~xxxxxxx~~.
- (3) Native names for all parts of canoes & paddles and material used and an account of the method of preparation of the material.
- (4) Approx sizes of largest and smallest and number of men able to be carried in each.
- (5) Is the ownership individual, family or communal.
- (6) Are canoes traded. if so give prices paid in trade
- (7) Describe any ceremonies, feasts or superstitions in connection with canoes.
- (8) Who acts as captain of the canoe.

Ras.

AG R.M.
7/12/21

Report of a patrol carried out for the purpose of visiting UTUTI and SIREBI villages, also to villages near AIRD HILL, and the KIBIRI villages.

Monday. December.12th. Acting on orders dated 7.12.21. received from you.

I left the station at 9.a.m. Five A.C. accompanied me. Reached MATI at about midday. V.C. KOHOMERI reported. Villages was clean, and there had been very little sickness. Inquired into methods of fire making. (See attached paper) Carried on to UTUTI, and found village deserted. A.C. PATOA discovered ^{and} some people in a garden village and by evening a good number had come in. They tell me that they had had influenza, and owing to some deaths, they had become frightened, moving to their garden villages on that account. They were returning however as they considered the sickness had passed.

Tuesday. December.13th. Left UTUTI at about 7.a.m. with the tide, reaching the main SIREBI village in an hour or so. The village was deserted. A.C. Pekima, a local constable of the SIREBI tribe, said that they were probably in a garden village up the Sirebi river, so we proceeded there. On arrival, there was still no sign of the natives. Proceeded upstream for some miles and searched about for them until late afternoon, then returned to UTUTI with the tide.

Wednesday. December.14th. Got under way at 7.a.m. and visited MOICIA, most of the inhabitants were away making sage and fishing. The village was in satisfactory order. Called at IRIMOKO and found all correct. BULIWAIA the next village on the way to the Aird Hill villages was in a very filthy condition. Gave the people orders to clean it up, and burn the various ruins of houses about the place. The V.C. who was away, I sent for

and told him exactly what I wanted done. Reached UMUKUMU at 3.p.m. Left gear there for making camp, and went on to KAKAIPU, which I found left in charge of two old caretakers. They told me that there had been a lot of sickness and 10 deaths had occurred. I sent A.C. JIGORI to find the V.C. and returned to UMUKUMU. I found there an interesting figure in the shape of a very old gentleman, with whom I discussed the origin of firemaking but failed to get much information.

Friday Dec 15th. A.C. Jigeri returned with V.C. EKE of KAKAIPU, I instructed him to clean his village, and to tell his people to return as the sickness had passed. Left at 8 a.m. and went to DIMARI. There is a good new Dubu here and a new house for women under construction. Visited TAPAKARI, but the people were away fishing. Returned to Station arriving about noon.

Frank Saunders

Patrol Officer
D.D.

Fire making at MATI, UTUTI, and SIREBI Villages.

Method at MATI called EBANIBADIATO. At SIREBI called HOULI. A soft, light weed called OREI is split down the centre, and a wedge inserted, so as to keep the split open. About the centre of the piece of OREI a ring is cut with a shell. The stick is placed over a dry husk of coconut, a flexible band of bamboo passed round the cut in the stick, and the firemaker standing over the stick, with his foot on the stick, pulls the bamboo backwards and forwards through the cut. Almost immediately smoke is seen to issue from round the cut, and soon a spark is seen on the tinder which is blown into a flame. The bamboo appears to break fairly often owing to the friction, but if all goes well a fire is made in about two minutes.

Legend in connection with firemaking at MATI.

HIDO first brought fire to the Kikeri River. He first appeared at BORIOU, then he took a canoe and went down the river, leaving fire wherever he called. He suddenly disappeared and no one knew where he went to.

Canoes at MATI, UTUTI, and SIREBI.

	Names of parts.	
English.	Gearibari.	Sirebi
Bow.	Wadi	Ohu-Urapu.
Stern	Wapu	Den.
Steersman.	Wapu-Keuri.	Teure-Wahite.
Crew.	Wame-Akumute.	Ohgibiri-Maite.
Man who sits at the end.	Kemimedi.	Maite.
Paddles.	Aibi.	Lali.
Weed made from.	Eridi.	Abige.

Canoes are traded and sold. There does not appear to be a captain, but the head of the gun takes charge. There is no ceremony on the occasion of launch of a new canoe.

PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

8/21-22

KIKORI

STATION.

REPORT of PATROL made by

Rt. Woodward. Pq Rth

to

Purari District.

for the purpose of

General inspection of villages - execution of warrants
& distribution of H.N.L. notices.

Left Station on

Dec. 8th

Returned to Station on

Dec. 18th 1921

Number of Carriers employed

-

Number of Police taken

6

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge

Launch KIKORI - Rt. Woodward.

Villages visited

OMJAUERE, YAIMURU, KAIMARI, MARIA-KAKARI, IKINU,
KIMIRI, AKOMA, KAPAI, KEREMA, APTOPI, KURIPI, RAVI KEVAU,
(PURARI), RAVI KEVAU (IARI), IARI, OKAIKENAYRU, KAIRU, UKIARAVI
EVARA, KORAVAGI, AKIARAVI, O. RAVI

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Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date

29.12.21

Rt. Woodward.

Officer in Charge of Station.

Articles.	Quantity taken on patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.				Government cost.	Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total used.			
Rice	80 lb.	30 lb.	-	-	30 lb.	7 6	50 lb.	
Biscuits								
Meat	9 lb.	9 lb.			9 lb.	10 .		
Sugar	6 lb.	6 lb.			6 lb.	2 .		
Tea								
Soap								
Tobacco	9 lb.	1 lb.	-	8 lb.		18 .	-	
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 £						27 6		

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REPORT ON PATROL TO THE PURARI DISTRICT

ember 8th

Left Kikeri at 10 a.m. in the launch "Kikeri" with 6 A.C. also Mr G.H. Murray and two personal attendants and a large amount of impedimenta belonging to this Officer which was packed into one of the large Station canoes. The objects of the patrol are firstly the general inspection of villages, execution of warrants and distribution of Native Labourers wages and also to take Mr Murray part of the way to OROKOLO. Arrived at OMAUMERE at 5 p.m. and anchored. Inspected the village and found it much improved since my last visit. Ten deaths from influenza reported here.

ember 9th.

I was fortunate in picking up A.C. KOIVI here - this A.C. was making his way back to Kikeri per canoe having been detained in the Purari for over a month by G.M.O.'s instructions. A portion of the cargo was transferred to KOIVI'S canoe and a start was made for VAIMURU at 7-15 a.m. with two canoes and the dinghy in tow. Fortunately ERA Bay was as smooth as a millpond and we arrived safely at VAIMURU at ⁹⁻⁴⁰ ~~10-15~~ a.m. Found A.C. MARIA here. He had been sent to VAILALA with mail about three weeks previously and apparently had availed himself of the opportunity of having a spell in his village. Village in good order and no cases for attention. The V.C. gave me the names of 5 men, 7 women and one child who had died during the influenza epidemic. Left VAIMURU at 11-50 a.m. and arrived at KAINARI at 1-30 p.m. Held Court N.M. and took statements from certain returned native labourers formerly in the employ of the Anglo Persian Oil Co. Village in very good condition. Two Lakatoi and one native cutter here purchasing sage - on this account a large proportion of the people were absent from the village. Was successful in purchasing a huge crocodile skull as instructed. Thirty-five deaths reported from influenza. Disposed of further cases awaiting attention and left at 9-15 for BAROI Plantation. Mr Murray also got away from here in

ember 10th.

canoes for OROKOLO. Visited BAROI Plantation and found that all recommendations of the previous inspecting Officer had been carried out. From BAROI I visited the newly formed village of MARIA-KAKARI an offshoot of the KOREPENAIRU people. There is no V.C. here and on inspecting the village I found that my previous instructions relative to building of new houses had been disregarded in some cases. Dealt with some of the offenders and left an A.C. here to bring others on to IKINU. Two deaths reported here. Left at 2-40 and arrived at IKINU at 4-30 p.m. Interviewed the V.C. and inspected the villages of IKINU and KIMIRI, the latter being about half a mile distant along a good track. Both villages in excellent order. In the two villages 13 deaths were reported.

December 11th V.Cs of KAIRU and AKOMA arrived with cases for attention. Held Court N.M. and distributed W.N.L. medicines. One small flat-bottom dinghy found here alleged to have been washed up on the Baroi beach. Crossed the PANAROA R. and visited AKOMA Village. Found that previous instructions re building new houses within the village fence had been disregarded. All such offenders were absent from the village so leaving one A.C. to bring them on to MAIPUA I left for that village at 1-30 p.m. and after one hour's run arrived at KAPAI - the first of the MAIPUA Villages. Here I learnt with no little regret that the V.C. - WARUPI - formerly an A.C. at KIKORI for many years had succumbed to the influenza. Ten other deaths also reported. Distributed W.N.L. medicines and executed a KEREMA warrant. Village in excellent condition. Whilst here I heard that the son of the late WARUPI, now one of the wealthiest natives in the District, had been removed from this village by V.C. KORE of ARIHAVA and was now at the latter place. Seeing that KORE belongs to an entirely different tribe and bears no relationship to the late V.C. WARUPI, it seems somewhat suspicious that this man should have taken upon himself the role of guardian to the sole heir of the deceased V.C.. From here went to KEREWAWA (MAIPUA) and found that the V.C. of this village - IPARA - was also dead. Selected a suitable man to look after both villages as they are within b

Seven males and two females reported to have died from influenza in this village. Inspected the village and found it in excellent condition. Previous instructions re latrine not carried out but this is excusable on account of the V.C. being dead.

ember 12th

A.C. arrived with AKOMA offenders who were dealt with. Several more complaints were lodged here against V.C. KORE of ARIHAVA. It appears as if this V.C. came to KEREWA Village some time ago with two of his co-villagers and made all the people, including the women and children, "fall in", after which KORE examined each in turn as to whether he or she had committed any offence. One man appears to have questioned KORE'S authority whereupon the V.C. severely assaulted him with a piece of wood. The people examined by me all declared that KORE was quite "kava-kava" - possibly this is an instance of a recurrence of the "Orskele madness". In any case I intend to go further into the matter as V.C. KORE seems to have exceeded his duty in coming into the Delta Division at all. After purchasing a few curies here as instructed I got away at 10 a.m. and arrived at API-OPI an hour later. This village seems to have suffered considerably from the recent heavy seas and several houses had been washed away. Held Court N.M. and distributed W.M.L. money. Four men and three women reported to have died from influenza. In the afternoon, the sea being suitably calm, I went outside and round the coast to KURIPI (MAIPUA) at the mouth of the AIVE River. Arrived here at 3 p.m. Paid over wages of certain deserters and despatched an A.C. to ARIHAVA to summon V.C. KORE to attend Court on the following morning. Selected a suitable man to be recommended as V.C. of KURIPI and API-OPI. Village in good order. Seven men and six women reported to have died from influenza.

ember 13th

Held Court N.M. - V.C. KORE convicted of assault and fined 22 in default 4 months H.L. Corporal despatched to ARIHAVA with the V.C. to collect the fine. During the morning one A.C. arrived from KEREWA with 3 V.D. cases for Hospital. Deserters and witnesses returned to KEREWA with this A.C. Left at 11 a.m.

arrived at RAVI-KEVAU at 1-30 p.m.. Paid W.N.L. monies and inspected the village. Apparently the V.C. - AVAIA- is incompetent for the village, precincts of the houses and the V.C.'S house were in very bad condition. Thirteen offenders dealt with including the V.C. who was sentenced to two months imprisonment. His dismissal is recommended and another suitable man was selected for the position. Sixteen deaths reported from influenza. Left at 3-40 and arrived at IARI at 5-15 p.m. Paid W.N.L. monies and inspected portion of the village. One C.D. Lakatel here purchasing sage.

ember 14th.

Held Court N.M. all the morning. In this village the names of 63 natives were given me as having died during the influenza epidemic. V.C. of RAVI-KEVAU (IARI) reported here and stated that his village was in good order and that there were no cases for attention. This man is continually sick and on this account wishes to resign. Being quite useless I intend to recommend his discharge. Another suitable man selected for the position. Village found to be in fair order but practically submerged on account of the high tide. Left at 12-30 p.m. and arrived at OKAIKENAIRU at 1-30 p.m.. Held Court N.M. and inspected the village which was found to be in good order. One man recruited as Local Constable for the Kikeri Detachment of A.C.. Left at 3-30 p.m. and arrived at KAIRU at 6 p.m. Seven deaths reported at OKAIKENAIRU.

ember 15th.

Held Court N.M. and inspected the village which was practically submerged. Twenty deaths reported here. From here proceeded to ORU where several cases were awaiting trial. V.C. reported to have killed his wife. After spending a considerable time examining alleged eye-witnesses. I found that the woman had died from influenza and that the two witnesses examined had both been telling lies.. Both sentenced to imprisonment for giving false evidence. Six deaths reported here. Got under weigh at 12-30 leaving one A.C. here to bring witnesses etc from KAIARAVI to UKIARAVI. Arrived at UKIARAVI at 1-45 p.m. and found the

sage and cutting canoe logs for the Haruabada natives who were here in two lakateis. 47 men and 34 women reported to have died from influenza. Village found to be in far from good order but seeing that most of the people were away little could be done in the matter. V.C.s ordered to get the village put into good order as soon as the people returned.

December 16th

Held Court N.M. and left at 8-20 a.m. and proceeded up the BAROI River to Mr Lett's Business Area situated about 18 miles from UKIARAVI. My object in going here was to see Mr Maddecks and to find out from him particulars of some KUKU-KUKU people he is reported to have come across at the source of the BAROI. Unfortunately Mr Maddecks was absent and not having sufficient fuel with me, it was impossible to go further. I remained here waiting for Maddecks until dark then returned down stream again and arrived at EVARA at 9-30 p.m.. The banks of the BAROI River at the highest point reached seem to be very fine from an agricultural point of view. The soil is a rich loam and judging by the garden at Maddeck's house, almost anything will grow here. Such land would be very suitable for native plantation purposes but I fear that it is too far from any village to be a success in that way.

December 17th

Inspected EVARA and punished a number of the people for not attending to the cleaning of the village. This village is situated on good dry land so there is no excuse for neglect. There seems to be quite a large area of good land in the vicinity of the WAME River and it seems possible that an area could be selected as a village plantation. Just at present, however, I am somewhat doubtful as to the best crop to grow as the existing coconut trees do not seem to flourish. Left here at 9 p.m. and arrived at AKIARAVI at 11-30 p.m. Village in very good order and no complaints. Visited O-RIVI which is about a mile below AKIARAVI. Here I managed to purchase

two rather fine KAIWA-KUKU masks which I packed on the launch for shipment to Kikeri. Left at 2 p.m. and arrived at KORAVAGI at 4 p.m. and inspected the village. Six deaths from influenza reported here. Village in very fair order although the people seem to have misunderstood my former instructions and have built new houses outside the village fence the excuse being that were the houses to be placed inside the fence the refuse from food etc would fall down onto the ground within the fence. Distributed W.M.L. money and proceeded down the creek to the mouth and there anchored to allow the police to have their evening meal ashore. Proceeded on at 7-30 p.m. by moonlight and went through to the Western side of URAMA where anchor was dropped at 1-30 a.m.. A move was made next morning (the 18th) at 7-30 a.m. and eventually arrived back at KIKORI at 1-30 p.m.

SUMMARY OF DEATHS REPORTED DURING THE INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

<u>Village</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
VAIMURU	5	8	13
KAIMARI	24	11	35
MARIA-KAKARI	2		2
IKINU	8	5	13
AKOMA	8	3	11
KAPAI	8	3	11
KEREWI	7	2	9
API-OPI	4	3	7
KURIPI	7	6	13
RAVI-KEVAU (Purari)	13	3	16
IARI	43	20	63
RAVI-KEVAU (IARI)	3	1	4
OKAIKENAIRU	6	1	7
KAIRU	8	12	20
ORU	4	2	6
UKIARAVI	17	34	51
EVARA	8	3	11
KORAVAGI	2	4	6
TOTALS	207	121	328

Ag R.M.
29/12/21

PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

10/21/22

KIKORI

STATION.

REPORT of a PATROL made by H.M.Saunders Patrol Officer toGOARIBARI DISTRICT for the purpose ofGeneral InspectionLeft Station on 2.1.22 Returned to Station on NI 8.1.22Number of Carriers employed --- Number of Police taken 8Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Station Launch H.M.SaundersVillages visited As per Report

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Date 10.1.22.*Rau.*

Officer in Charge of Station.

Articles.	Quantity taken on patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.					Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total used.	Government cost.		
Rice	400	20				10	200	
Biscuits								
Meat								
Sugar								
Tea								
Soap								
Tobacco	3 lbs			3 lbs.	3 lbs.	12	-	
Matches								
Kerosene								
Tents								
Flies								
Lamps								
Buckets								
Kerosene Cans								
Knives & Sheaths								
Knives, 18in.	2			1	1	3	1	
Knives, other								
Belts								
Pouches								
Print								
Twill								
Handkerchiefs								
Beads								
Mirrors								
Axes								
Half Axes	2			1	1	3	1	
Tomahawks								
TOTAL						€	180	

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

Patrol Officer Saunders

KIKORI.

Please be prepared to leave on a patrol to the Gearibari District on Monday next the 2nd January - in the Station launch.

The following villages should be visited - APEWA, DUBUMUA, UBUA, GEBABARI, BABAI, AIMAHA, DOPIMA, GORO, KERENA, MUDAGOA, AI-IDIA, GOARI, NAMAI, KEME, IOWA, PAIA-A, NAGORO - and thoroughly inspected. Please note past instructions in the U.Cs Registers and deal with any cases where such instructions have not been carried out. Any instructions you give should also be entered in the Registers. In particular please note condition of platforms and wharves, the prevalence of rubbish and refuse around the houses also fences if any, and deal with any offences brought to your notice.

Whilst at DOPIMA please visit the land set aside as a village plantation and report on the work done thereon as ordered by Mr G.H.Murray. Neglect to perform work on village plantations is a punishable offence under the Native Plantations Ord.

All people have been previously warned to congregate in their respective villages at every new moon for the purpose of doing necessary work. Neglect to do so may be punished under Reg 116.

The following amounts will be handed to you for distribution to the next of kin of the under mentioned deceased labourers. Please distribute and obtain receipts on forms provided.

As verbally intimated please attend to purchase of skulls, paddles and native food also hire of canoes.

R. Woodward.

AS R.
30/12/21

For distribution.

ELAI of IOWA

c/s 2 KIK

26. 18. 4

KAI of APEWA

c.s 200 KIK

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Report of a patrol to the GOARIBARI District.

2.1.22

Acting on instructions received by you, I left the station in the station launch at 1015, accompanied by 5 A.C. Arrived at APEWA at 1430. Found the village deserted, so sent A.C. KIMAVI to KOOMUBATI to bring the men to me, as the village was dirty. Proceeded on to BABAI, arriving there at 1600. Very few people in the village owing to the majority being in KIKORI gael. A Gubu in the evening blew the rest house away.

3.1.22.

Held C.N.M. in the forenoon, and dispatched A.C. ISONA to KIKORI with men convicted. Left for DUBUMUBU at 0800, arriving at 0930. Found the village deserted and in a very filthy state. Sent A.C. to bring absent natives of workable age to me at UBUA. Moved on to GEBABARI, found village clean, platforms in good condition, and all correct. Left about 1400, and arrived UBUA at 1530. Engine running and in after cylinder, V.C. DAIVI reports that the Ag.N.M. gave him leave, to allow the people to be out of the village during the period of the New Moon as ordered by Divisional Standing Orders. A.C. KIMAVI arrived with DUBUMUBU natives. Chartered a big GEBABARI canoe to be used in connection with the FAMBIRIGI Patrol. Rest house blown away by Gubu.

4.1.22.

Held C.N.M. and sent V.C. DAIVI away to KIKORI with sentenced natives. Left UBUA at 0930 for AIMAHA. Engine still missing on one cylinder. Arrived AIMAHA at 1100. Fixed up engine. All the people away at KALOOLA, the V.C. AIMAI has been away from the village for about 3 months, and no orders have been carried out. Left about 1500 for DOPIMA, reaching there about 1600. Village clean and in good order.

5.1.22

Visited the site picked by Mr G. MURRAY as a plantation. A lot of work has been done there, and a large number are at work taking clearing and burning off. The natives appear to have an idea that the Government has bought the area, for their (the

Governments own use, and cannot grasp the fact that the area is given back as a whole to the village, for their benefit.

Arrived back at DOPIMA about noon, and left almost immediately for KEREW. Arrived 1400, and found the village in good condition. One native came to me with V.D. and asked if he and his wife might come to hospital at KIKORI to be cured. There were no other cases, as far as I could gather. Went across to GERO, this village was in first class order, from the point of view of the standard of GOARIBARI. Went on to NAMAI, and found all correct. Owing to a threatening Gubu, went across to AI-IDIA, so as to be under the lee of the land in case of a blow. Anchored for the night.

1.22.

Inspected village and found it clean. Held C.N.M. Left for GOARI at 0830, and whilst endeavouring to get in, went ashore. Eventually got off, but could not find the channel. As the tide was falling I decided to stand out and get away. Arrived MURAGOA at 1000. Held C.N.M. and inspected village. Left for KEME at 1100, and stayed there a couple of hours. Left for IOWA at 1340, going round by sea, and arrived about 1500. Found the village on fete, owing to a BUGURA taking place. The village was very clean, and in good order.

1.22

At IOWA. Seeing the BUGURA ceremony, most interesting to one who has never seen one.

1.22

Left IOWA at 0600 for PAI-A, arriving at 0930. Village South of the creek in good order, but North of the creek very dirty. Went across to NAGORO, and found most of the people away and village in a bad condition, houses fallen down and grass, and dirt everywhere. Left NAGORO at 1330, and arrived back at the Station at 1800.

Total hours engine running 26 Hours, Petrol consumption 40 Gals.
Milage about 130 Miles.

J. W. ...

Patrol Officer. D.D.

PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

11/21-22

KIKORI STATION.

REPORT of a PATROL made by R.M. Woodward. Ag. Lt. to

Yoaibari District. for the purpose of
Inspecting DOPIMA Village Plantation & Villages.Left Station on March 6th Returned to Station on March 8th

Number of Carriers employed — Number of Police taken 5.

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Launch KIKORI — R.M. Woodward.

Villages visited BABAI, DOPIMA, MUBAGIA, KERENA, GEBABARI
DUBUMUBA, UBUA

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Date March 14th 1922

R.M. Woodward

Officer in Charge of Station.

REPORT ON VISIT OF INSPECTION TO GOARIBARI DISTRICT

March 6th

Left Kikeri in launch at 2 p.m. accompanied by five A.C. for the purpose of visiting the recently commenced coconut plantation of the DOPIMA people on GOARIBARI Island. Engine gave much trouble on account of worn out coil and commutator but managed to make BABAI Village by 6-30 p.m. Instructions were given to these people by a previous patrol to make an entirely new village on good land close to the old village. This work I found to be almost completed but the people have not yet entered into occupation as some of the houses are not quite complete. When this is done this village should be the best in the District as, being situated on good ground, the place lends itself to cleanliness - the reverse of conditions pertaining in the rest of the Kerewa Villages. The V.C. reported two cases in which men of this village had refused to build new houses within the village fence as instructed. These men will be dealt with later as they are absent from the village. Gave the people another month to complete the new village and instructed the V.C. to pull down all old houses.

March 7th

After attending to a few minor matters in BABAI, I crossed over to GOARIBARI Island and anchored the launch in a small creek on the East side. One man was despatched to DOPIMA to summon the V.C. After doing some necessary repairs to the engine and the V.C. not having arrived, I set out along the beach for the plantation which is about an hours walk from the launch. The site chosen by Mr Murray for the village plantation seems to be a long narrow strip of land running parallel to the sea coast but divided therefrom by swamp. A certain amount of work has been done in clearing the land upon which the old coconuts are growing but no new land seems to have been touched although there has been ample time to

clear the whole area. Returned again to the launch and there found the V.C. awaiting me. He reported two men for not doing work on the plantation, these I instructed the V.C. to bring to Kikori to be dealt with. Proceeded to DOPIMA Village and there collected all men in the Dubu and explained to them that if they did not work on the plantation they would be punished. Their enthusiasm seems to have waned considerably since the plantation scheme was first proposed but I think by making an example of the two men above mentioned, the others will see the advisability of carrying out this work. Inspected DOPIMA Village which was found to be in very fair order.

24th

Left early in the morning and visited MUBAGOA Village. Here everything was in order with the exception of one or two houses the owners of which were ordered to be brought to Kikori. An exceptionally good rest house has been made here in accordance with instructions given by the previous visiting Officer. From here I went to KEREWI which also was in good order with the exception of a few minor details. Many of the KAHAMOI people here attending a large dance which is being given in their honour. GEBABARI was next visited and found to be in satisfactory order. Two women reported to be suffering from venereal disease - these I ordered the V.C. to bring to Hospital. As there were about 50 men in the dubu I decided to examine them and found that 6 were apparently suffering from disease. Some of these appear to be old cases and will be dealt with under Reg 80 on discharge from Hospital. DUBUMUBA was next visited and 60 men inspected for venereal - none of them appeared to have the disease. This village is gradually being washed away and in a few months time it will be necessary to vacate the present site. I accordingly picked out a new site close by and instructed the V.C. to get the people on building as soon as possible. On leaving this village the "Sir Arthur" was sighted making her way to Kikori - this will make it necessary for me to return without delay to attend to mail and ship cargo

as there is no other Officer on the station. Made a hasty inspection of UBWA Village which was in good order and left for Kikeri at 5-30 p.m.. Arrived back at the Station at 9-30 p.m.

R. M.
Ag R.M.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary

Mad 31/1/1911

R. M.

PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

12. 21/22.

KIKORI

STATION

REPORT of a PATROL made by R. Woodward J. R. R. to
Morigio Island - Savana Kivi. for the purpose of
Effecting arrests in connection with murders
reported on Morigio Island.

Left Station on March 20th Returned to Station on March 28th 1922

Number of Carriers employed _____ Number of Police taken _____

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Launch KIKORI - R. Woodward.

Villages visited BI-IDIA, GIARI, KENE, IOWA, NAMAI, PAIA-A
ANGORO, JADEBI, NABIO, HARAGO, UMAIDAI
EREHE.

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Date

March 31st 1922

R. Woodward J. R. R.

Officer in Charge of Station.

REPORT ON PATROL TO THE TURAMA RIVER DISTRICT.

March 20th.

Left Kikori in the Station launch at 11-45 a.m. accompanied by 6 A.C. for the purpose of effecting arrest of MORIGIO natives reported to have committed murders during the past few months. Three A.C. had been despatched to MORIGIO last week for the purpose of finding out where the alleged murderers were living and if possible to arrest them. Shortly after these A.C. left the Station, HAVOKA, chief of DADEBI, arrived at Kikori and reported another recent murder. As I did not anticipate these A.C. would effect any arrests and knowing from past experience the difficulty in obtaining witnesses in this District, I decided to visit the District myself although it meant leaving the Station without a white officer in charge.

Arrived at AI-IDIA at 6-15 p.m. and anchored here for the night. From the villagers I learnt that the 3 A.C. had returned from MORIGIO and were now at GORO Village so I despatched a messenger to them and in due course they arrived at AI-IDIA. A.C. PATOA reported that he had been unable to arrest any of the MORIGIO men as they had all run away, he further stated that he had visited NABIO and there learnt that the UMAIDAI people had killed five of the NABIO men. He and the other two A.C. and some of the KEREWA V.C.s had gone to UMAIDAI to arrest the UMAIDAI people, and, having arrested two men, the others started firing arrows whereupon the police had to retire from the village. In the confusion the two men arrested effected their escape. I considered it somewhat foolhardy but nevertheless plucky ^{of} ~~for~~ these three A.C. to attempt to effect arrests in such a large village as UMAIDAI. They had exceeded their instructions and on this account I severely reprimanded them. A.C. PATOA when asked why he did that stated that he did not want to return to Kikori empty handed. This A.C. has done yeoman service in this Division and

and has effected some remarkably plucky arrests and I am inclined to think that he wanted to live up to his reputation in this respect A.C.PATOA also stated that he had seen fresh skulls in the UMAIDAI houses which were alleged to be those of the OBERA people who live in the hills higher up the TURAMA.

21st
Left KI-IDIA at 7 a.m. and proceeded via KEME to IOWA village at the mouth of the PAIBUNA River where I made inquiries into the alleged murders committed by the MORIGIO people. Left IOWA at 3-15 p.m. and crossed the TURAMA to MORIGIO and anchored at DADEBI Village at 6-30 p.m. With the exception of the Chief, HAVOKA, and a few old men, the village was deserted. Apparently a man named NAUPE of this village had killed another man a few months previously. I accordingly told HAVOKA that I only wanted NAUPE and I despatched him to bring in this man and to tell the others men that there was no need for them to vacate the village as I had not come to arrest them. On my last visit to this district I arrested 18 men of this village so I suppose on this occasion the people do not know exactly why I have gone there. I was somewhat surprised when at about 9 p.m. HAVOKA and some of his people returned bringing with them the wanted man - NAUPE.

22nd
In the morning I found that quite a number of the DADEBI men had returned to the village and I was enabled to get accurate information as to the perpetrators of two other murders committed by men of another clan of the MORIGIO people who live on the northern end of the island. I again sent HAVOKA out to bring in witnesses against NAUPE and after a time he appeared with one of the wives of the murdered man. I then enlisted the services of a number of DADEBI men and at 11 a.m. left for EREHE where the other murderers are living. HAVOKA and about 20 of his men accompanied me. On arrival at EREHE I found the place deserted - apparently the natives had seen the launch approaching and had cleared out. The Police and MORIGIO men were despatched to look for tracks in the

surrounding swamp whilst I examined the witness against NAUPE. At nightfall the police returned bringing with them a number of women and some young men but none of the wanted men. From these however, I learnt that all five of the men who had committed murder were hiding in the vicinity and that they had cleared out the previous day when they saw the launch crossing from the East bank.

23rd In the early hours of the morning, before daybreak, I despatched some of the police to a komobati higher up the island on the off chance that some of the wanted men had camped there the previous night. After breakfast I went along the East coast of MORIGIO to pick up the police who had met with no success. Returned again to EREHE and after the police had had their meal I crossed the TURAMA again and visited a settlement of the NABIO people on the left bank of the river. The balance of this tribe are encamped on the ~~the~~ PAIBUNA River. I found on inquiry that five men of this village had been killed by the UMAIDAI people about 18 months ago and it was on this account that they ~~had~~ the NABIO people - had left their village on the TURAMA and migrated to the Paibuna. Returned again to EREHE and there met the V.C. of HARAGO and some of his village people whose services I requisitioned to hunt for the wanted men.

24th Leaving 1 A.C. in charge of the prisoner NAUPE and telling the DADABI and HARAGO people that I was going to UMAIDAI and on my return expected to find all the wanted men in custody here, I left with 8 A.C. for UMAIDAI and arrived off their encampment near KO-A creek at noon. I found that these people do not live in one village but in a collection of hamlets which were at intervals along the right bank of the river for a distance of about 2 miles. Apparently they have recently come to settle at this bend of the river as many of the houses are still in course of construction. The difficulty of arresting men in such a widely scattered community as this is obvious. On inspection

I found the place absolutely deserted and on account of the absence of fires and sleeping mats etc I concluded that the people had all decamped soon after the visit of the 3 A.C. last week, in anticipation of another visit from the Government. Police searched all creeks in the vicinity without finding any trace of these people. I had intended to explore the right arm of the Turama on this patrol but the engine ignition system has been giving so much trouble since leaving the Station that now I do not think it wise to venture into unknown waters until the new magneto is installed more especially as the bore is increasing in size each day. From past experience in this district I know the futility of searching swamp country for these people until their whereabouts is known I accordingly decided to content myself with arresting the Morigio men. I think the arrest of the UMAIDAI people would be more successfully accomplished if done in conjunction with the W.D. Detachment.

ch 25th

Left at 7 a.m. and proceeded down stream towards MORIGIO Island but, meeting the bore after about 2 hours run, had to anchor as the launch could make little headway against the flood tide. Weighed anchor again at 11.30 a.m. and ran down the West side of MORIGIO to HARAGO Village at which place we arrived at 2 p.m. engine giving much trouble all the way. On every prior occasion on which I have visited HARAGO the whole of the people have run away. On this occasion I was pleased to find quite a large number present, including women and children. Never before have I come across people having such a craving for tobacco. After giving out a few small pieces of tobacco as presents I was besieged by both men and women offering sage and in some cases snake skins for a scrap of tobacco. Snake skins, I found, are the principal article of trade amongst these people. They cannot grow tobacco so they exchange tobacco for snake skins with the Goaribari people. The latter use snake skins for their drums. The snakes sought after for this purpose are a non-venomous water snake which are found

in small creeks running into the Turama river and also in the GAMA River District. I am told that the best time to catch these snakes is whilst they are copulating. The head is held down by a forked stick and the skin cut in a circle round the neck and also at the end of the tail. The skin is then pulled off whilst the snake is alive and the snake itself is returned to the water where it soon grows another skin. The skins are then split down the centre and placed under the sleeping mats in the Daimo ~~where they are~~ in order to press them out and partially dry them. They are then hung up in the roof of the Daimo and the drying process is completed by the smoke from the fires which collects in the apex of the roof. I think these Turama River natives are the lowest type of native I have yet seen. Their ideas of architecture and canoe building are of the crudest description. The village of HARAGO consists of two long Daimos containing roughly built cubicles on either side of the interior. There are no "motos" - both men and women live in the Daimos.

Left here again at 3-30 p.m. Apparently our departure was viewed with regret by many of the inhabitants their farewell words being interpreted to me as follows " Since you cannot remain here it is better that you leave your spirits behind with us - they (the spirits) can join you later". Whilst saying this many of the people came into the river knee deep and just as the launch was moving away, they splashed water towards the launch with their hands. This, I take it, is their method of expressing "ba m'whuta". Returned to the Northern end of the island and thence back to ERERE where I had left the A.C. in charge of prisoner NAUPE. Much trouble with the engine and just managed to crawl in to ERERE on one cylinder by nightfall. On arrival I was annoyed and disgusted to find that NAUPE had effected his escape during the previous night. I was agreeably surprised, however, in finding all five of the wanted men in custody. All of these had been caught by the DADABI and HARAGO people under the leadership of Chief HAVOKA, the rest of the villagers had also returned to the village. To say they

the least of it, I think this indicates an increased confidence in the Government and after this, I do not think there will be any difficulty in arresting offenders in this district. For the future control of this district I think it would be advantageous if the chief, HAVOKA, of DADEBI Village were appointed to the position of Village Constable. He has been of very material assistance to the Government not only in this present instance but in the past and he is a frequent visitor to Kikori.

26th

After obtaining the necessary witnesses and giving presents to those men of Morigio and Harago who had assisted me I despatched prisoners and witnesses under escort to Kikori per canoe. Two A.C. were left here to arrest the escaped prisoner. With the balance of the Police I left MORIGIO and headed for Goaribari and arrived at GOARI Village at 1 p.m. Village found to be in very fair order. Placed some marks for a new fence and then left for NAMAI. I found this village almost deserted - there being only four men present. Apparently many men of this village have gone to other villages to live with the result that there are now only four houses and a Dubu-daimo in this village. This habit needs checking otherwise census which has already been taken will be absolutely useless. From here I proceeded to PAIA-A and arrived there at 5 p.m. and was informed that one KIBAU of this village, a prisoner under committal for trial for murder, had escaped from Gaol during my absence. Left one A.C. here to look for the escapee then went across the river to NAGORO and arrived there at 7 p.m.. Found a big dance in progress in the newly built dubu-daimo which is about 120 yards in length. Spent several hours looking on at this dance as with the beating of drums etc sleep was an impossibility. I counted 150 dancers in the dubu each of whom had a drum, in addition to these there must have been at least 200 on-lookers. In the morning I inspected the village which was in good order. The occupants of four houses I instructed the V.C. to bring to Kikori to be dealt with for neglecting to clean their portion.

27th

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Left at 8-15 a.m. and after a non-stop run arrived back at the
Station at 1-30 p.m.

Ag P.M.
30/3/22

The two A.C. subsequently returned from MORIGIO having recaptured
the escaped prisoner NAUPE.

Articles.	Quantity taken on patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.				Government cost.	Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total used.			
Rice	80lb.	40lb.			40lb.	84	40lb.	
Biscuits	4 lb.	2 lb.			2 lb.	16	2 lb.	
Meat	12 lb.	12 lb.			12 lb.	10	-	
Sugar	6 lb.	6 lb.			6 lb.	16	-	
Tea								
Soap								
Tobacco	8 lb.	1 1/2 lb.	3 lb.	3 1/2 lb.	8 lb.	18	-	
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 £						294		

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

REPORT ON PATROL TO THE PURARI DELTA DISTRICT

On the 14th April I left the Station in the Launch "Kikori" with 6 A.C. for the purpose of carrying out an inspection of the Purari Villages distributing wages of deceased native labourers, and attending to various minor matters in this District. Mr L.A. Flint and three A.C. on transfer to Port Moresby accompanied the patrol with the object of proceeding to OROKOLO or VAILALA and there picking up a boat bound for Port Moresby. Mr Flint's gear and the passengers were towed in a canoe. When in PAIA Inlet and only a few yards off the coast of URAMA a strong S.E. breeze sprang up causing a nasty sea which soon swamped the canoe. Fortunately with the exception of a few police plates and some of Mr Flint's cooking utensils, nothing was lost. Eventually we arrived at KINOMERE soon after nightfall and after waiting there for an hour or two for the tide, made our way through a narrow creek and anchored for the night at the MAI-AKI Rest House.

Leaving at 8 a.m. on the following day we arrived at VAIMURU at 11 a.m. Met A.C. KOIVI just leaving the village for KIKORI with three canoes containing a large number of natives concerned in various offences in this District. All returned to the village and the rest of the day was spent in holding Court and inspecting the village. The principal improvement since my last visit was a substantial bridge over the creek dividing the village into two. I found no cause for complaint except with regard to the Rest House which was of the crudest description. A new site was chosen and marks put in for a new house which was ordered to be built and completed within two months. Despatched one A.C. with 11 prisoners to KIKORI and at 9 p.m. left for KAIMARI and anchored for the night at that village at 11 p.m.

Court matters and minor disputes occupied me for several hours in the morning. The three V.C. were not displaying so much zeal in their work as could be desired consequently I informed them that their annual pay would not be forthcoming until the village

was in better condition. Arrived at MARIA-KAKARI, a new village of a branch of the KOREPENAIRU people, at 1 p.m. Very few people present but I was pleased to see that the place had been much improved since my previous visit although some of the fences and platforms had been very carelessly constructed. This village has no V.C. and in view of G.S. circular No. 385, no recommendation has been made although I have an excellent man in view. Proceeded on to IKINU and there inspected the village also KIMIRI which is about half a mile distant. Both villages are well situated on good hard ground and were found in fair order nevertheless there is still room for improvement. Amongst other matters the V.C. was instructed to clear all land between the two villages and plant coconuts in places where none are at present. This is excellent coconut land judging by the growth of the trees now growing there and I hope to gradually extend the clearing operations along the coast towards the mouth of the BAROI River; I do not anticipate, however, that there will be a sufficiently large area to warrant this land being proclaimed a Native Reserve for Plantation purposes.

Held Court for Native Matters in the morning (17th) and was about to leave the village when the long looked for boat from Port Moresby - the "Sir Arthur" - hove in view and anchored at AKOMA. I was fortunate in being able to get some private stores from the boat as I had left the Station with very little. Hearing that the Sir Arthur was going to KIKORI and thence back to Port Moresby, Mr Flint elected to return on her rather than chance getting a boat at VAILALA. Visited AKOMA Village and punished a goodly number for neglect to carry out previous instructions re cleaning the village. Left at 2 p.m. for KAPAI (MAIPUA) and arrived there at 4 p.m. Distributed W.N.L. Monies and inspected the village. This village is quite up to the standard of the G.D. / ^{coastal} villages and judging by the appearance of the inhabitants they are, in every way, better off than formerly. Camped for the night at KEREWVA Village which is equally as good as KAPAI. V.C. LORO only had one matter for attention viz that one BIAI had left the village and

was living by himself on the s. beach. BIAI, on being questioned, state that he had left the village because his son had recently died there and he was afraid lest he too die from the same cause. On further inquiry I found that there had been several deaths recently of young and apparently healthy boys. I cannot understand this as the village is perfectly clean, free of mosquitoes and in an apparently healthy locality I think it quite possible that at least some of these deaths may be due to tubercular disease.

On the following morning, the 18th, I left for API-OPI and inspected this village. The sea seems to be quickly encroaching upon the land at this point and it is only a matter of months before API-OPI village will be completely washed away. The people of this village are anxious to make a new village on the AIVE River so I accordingly went to the proposed site and marked out an area on which to make the new village. I then proceeded to KURIPI which is on the opposite bank of the river to the site of the new API-OPI Village. This village I found to be in good order with the exception of one house. The owner being absent I instructed the V.C. to bring him to RAVI-KEVAU. Eventually I arrived at the last named village at 5 p.m. and there found the Asst. Anthropologist encamped in the Rest House. /y

In the morning I inspected the village and found it in much better condition than on my last visit. I am experiencing some difficulty in getting these people to build fences inclosing the whole of the houses. They much prefer to have the fence along the front of their houses so that the rear end of the building can be used as a latrine. There is no need for this seeing that latrines have been built in this village some considerable time ago but I am inclined to believe that they are seldom if ever made use of. In a few cases I had to punish men for neglecting the precincts of their houses - these were despatched under escort to IARI. At 11 a.m. I left for IARI Mr Williams accompanying me in the launch. Arrived there at 1-30 p.m. and held Court N.M. V.Cs of OKAIKENAIRU and RAVI-KEVAU (IARI) reported

all well in their respective villages. Visited the latter village in the evening and found it in very good order - the newly appointed V.C. seems to be carrying out his duties in a creditable manner.

Next day - the 20th - I inspected as much of the village as possible - the greater part of it being submerged. Platforms and fences in very fair order and things generally as good as could be expected in such a place. After paying the V.Cs and purchasing a quantity of sage I left for KAIRU, the prisoners coming on per canoe under escort of one A.C. Arrived at KAIRU at 3-30 p.m. After disposing of the cases awaiting trial I inspected the village which was in very good order. Arrived at ORU and camped for the night at 6-30 p.m.

Held Court for Native Matters in the morning and inspected the village. Like many others in the district this village has a fence in front of the houses. The space between the fence and the river bank is very nice and clean but I noticed beneath the houses was mud and filth. High tides come over this village and this may account for water collecting beneath the houses - the pigs wallow in this and cause the same to become a quagmire. To counteract this I ordered an entirely new fence to be built in the rear of the houses. Proceeded on to KAIARAVI where I had a considerable amount of money to distribute. An excellent fence has been made since last inspection but the space inclosed thereby seemed to be absolutely neglected - much of the village being covered by an excellent growth of grass some 18 inches in height. Amongst others I found the precincts of the V.Cs house absolutely uncared for. This man together with several others, was sentenced to a term of imprisonment and elsewhere I intend to recommend his dismissal as this is the second occasion on which I have found him to be neglecting his duties. Arrived at UKIARAVI at 3-30 p.m. and was occupied the rest of the day attending to Court matters. V.Cs of KAIMARI, IKINU and AKOMA reported here as instructed.

Further cases were dealt with in the morning and the village inspected. The portion of the village controlled by V.C.BAIA is, as usual, much better than those controlled by the other V.Cs. The whole place was in a fearful state of mud and slush on account of the high

tides and recent rain. Despatched 30 prisoners to Kikeri under escort and at 1-30 p.m. left for EVARA at which place I arrived at 3-30 p.m. One A.C. was despatched to AKIARAVI to instruct the V.C. of that village to bring any cases awaiting attention to EVARA on the following morning. EVARA I found very much improved since last visit when I had occasion to punish several men for neglect to clean their village. This time two or three men were punished for neglect and I think very shortly the people will begin to realize that the instructions of visiting Officers are intended to be carried out to the letter. This village is nicely situated on good dry land so there is no excuse for the village not being kept scrupulously clean. This village has quite a large area of good land along the banks of the WAME River and but seeing that ~~that~~ EVARA is such a small village it seems hardly worth while establishing a village plantation for these people alone. I accordingly decided to commence a Village plantation for the UKIARAVI people in conjunction with EVARA on land situated on the BAROI River near the junction of this river with the WAME. The people of both villages have been instructed to commence cleaning operations on the land selected. At present I am somewhat doubtful as to the most suitable crop for such land as the coconuts in the vicinity do not ~~indicate~~ seem to bear very well. Possibly the Native Plantation Inspector would be able to suggest a more suitable crop after examining the soil and it is in anticipation of a visit from this Officer that I have ordered clearing operations to be commenced.

The A.C. despatched to AKIARAVI yesterday returned this a.m. (the 23rd) bringing the V.C. of that village and one case for attention Held Court N.M. and left at 10 a.m. for KORAVAGI taking the V.C. of AKIARAVI with me. Arrived at KORAVAGI at noon and inspected the village. Raining heavily. Apparently there has been much activity in the building line since last visit and only two men were found to have neglected my instruction re building houses within the village fence instead of outside it. Instructed the V.C. to bring these men to Kikeri as they were absent from the village. I then returned to the mouth of KORAVAGI creek at which point I propose establishing

a native plantation of the three villages of KORAVAGI, AKIARAVI and O-RAVI. In company with the two V.Cs and several village natives I inspected the land which lies at the junction of the PUA R and KORAVAGI Creek. Apparently there is a large area of good level scrub country extending from this point many miles to the Northward but I am in doubt as to whether coconuts are the best crop to plant. The two V.C.s were instructed to commence clearing and to plant passiflora a quantity of which is to be found in the vicinity of AKIARAVI Village. Left here at 4 p.m. and proceeded up the KAPAINA River for the purpose of visiting the KEEME people, a branch of VAIMURU, ^{who} ~~which~~ had segregated from the main village about nine months ago. Eventually arrived at the village, five miles from the junction of the AI-IA with the KAPAINA, at 7 p.m.

In the morning I visited the village which is pleasantly situated on good land on the right bank of the E-IA. The village consists of a Ravi and 15 houses with a population of 61 - 18 men 20 women and 23 children. These people all expressed a desire to return to VAIMURU again on account of the large number of deaths that had occurred since their migration to this point. I was given the names of 7 males and 10 females who had died in this village since leaving VAIMURU. No births were reported so it seems as if 22% of the total population had died here. Two men who had recently been sick but who had recovered were pointed out to me. Judging by the general appearance of these men and the intermittent coughing I should imagine that they are tuberculous. I gave my consent to these people returning to VAIMURU again. I gather that there is much good land in this vicinity and according to the natives such land extends from here right over to the BAROI River on the East and to KORAVAGI Creek on the South. Left here at 9 a.m. and made a non-stop run back to the Station arriving there at 7 p.m.

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Ag R.M.

PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

15
1921 - 22

KIKORI.

STATION.

REPORT of a PATROL made by H. W. Sanders, P.O. to
URAMA, GORI & ERA River Districts for the purpose of
General Inspection & Payment of V.C.

Left Station on 2nd May 1922 Returned to Station on 10th May 1922.

Number of Carriers employed - Number of Police taken 6.

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Laud Kikori, H. W. Sanders.

Villages visited GAURI, MAIRAU, OMAUMERE, KIVAMERE, TOVE-I
MAIKAI, AIBIGAI, KIVAMAI, BURARU, AMU-U, BAWI,
HUMU BAWI, MEAGOMA, KIFI, UBVA GORI, IARI, TETEHUI,
EDEKAU, GISORI, RAVI-WANA, MEMERE, OROKENAI, SEBERE
NOWAMUBA, I MEIA, VAIAMU, TIME, NARIMERE, EWA,

- (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.

FORM 59.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 1922

Officer in Charge of Station.

Articles.	Quantity taken on patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.				Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total used.		
Rice	2 B aqs. 50 lbs.				60 lbs.	12 5 20 lbs.	
Biscuits							
Meat	10 Tins	10 Tins			10 Tins	10 -	
Sugar							
Tea							
Soap							
Tobacco	12 lbs.	1 1/2	3	3 1/2	8 lbs.	1 8 0 4 lbs.	
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 £						2 10 6	

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

Resident Magistrate's Office
Kikori D.D.
April 29th 1922.

Patrol Officer Saunders.
KIKORI.

Please be prepared to undertake a patrol to the URAMA, GOPI and ERA River Districts early next week. Probably you will be able to leave on Tuesday morning next.

The following matters require attention during this patrol.

URAMA.

- (1) General inspection of all villages and dealing with any offences reported.
- (2) Payment of V.Cs to 30/6/22 (trade)
- (3) Pay wages to ex A.C. EGAVI (IPAI) of MAI-AKI. £1.10.0
- (4) Instruct all V.Cs to make sago and bring same to Station. as soon as possible.

In GOPI and ERA R Dist.

- (1) Visit all villages in these districts including AIME & EWA both of which are little known.
- (2) Pay V.C. in both districts to 30/6/22.
- (3) Inquire into offences which have been reported at KIKORI from time to time by various V.Cs, particulars attached. Some of the URAMA V.Cs were informants so they had better accompany you to the ERA R.
- (4) It is quite time now that the provisions of the N.R.O. are brought to the notice of V.Cs and people. Please, therefore instruct V.Cs to carry out any improvements in the villages they suggest themselves to you e.g. platforms, fences, bridges, Rest Houses. Issue V.C. Registers and endorse any such instructions therein. I must remind you that the GOPI Villages also those at the head of WAI-I Ok have not been long under Govt influence, consequently a considerable amount of tact will be required at first in enforcing the Native Regs. GIGORI Ravi-Wana and other vills in the ERA R in the vicinity of GIGORI have, of course, been under control for some time.

In the event of your sending prisoners to the Station under escort please endeavour to purchase sago and forward with them.

For your information the following are the names of the vills in these districts.

URAMA Dist. GAURI (PAIA Inlet) MAIRAU, OMAUMERE, KINOMERE, TOVE-MAI, MALAKI, AIBIGAI, KIVAUMAI.

GOPI AURARU, ALU-U (Goiravi) PURI, BAWI, HUMOBAWI, MLAGORA, KIFI, UBUA, GOPI, IARI, TETIHUI, EBKKAU,

ERA R. GIGORI, RAVI-WANA, MEMERE, OROKENAI, GEDEBE, NOWAMUBA, MEELA, VAIAMU, AIME, NAROMERE, EWA, KOIRAVI, MAIPUA, BARAVI.

It is hoped you will endeavour to visit all these villages. V.C.APA of GAURI or BOME of OMAUMERE are useful interpreters for this patrol.

A.C. to accompany this patrol will be detailed later.

R. Woodward
Hg Rm
29.4.22

Offences reported to have occurred in Gopi and ERA R Dist.

Reported by V.C. AKIA of GIGORI 10/4/22.
That V.C. AUAMI of NOWAMUBA had stolen the wife of BEO-O of AIME. ✓

Reported by V.C. AKIA 10/4/22.
That IABORI, vill unknown, threw a spear at V.Cs AKIA and LAUGIA of KIPI. Reason unknown.

Reported by V.C. AWAI of VAIAMU.
That he and some of his village men went to NAROMERE to get a woman named A-UBO wife of MURIGI of IODI Vill who was staying at NAROMERE with her father. The object being to restore the woman to her husband. The father wanted to give the woman to another man so when the V.C. went to get the woman (WARIMI, a NAROMERE man, threw a spear at the V.C. and others caught hold of spears but did not throw them. NAROMERE alleged to have made remarks about killing the Govt when they next visited NAROMERE. IODI Vill is at the headwaters of the creek on which VAIAMU Vill is situated.

Reported by V.C. KAIVU of MAI-AKI 22/2/22
That he and ~~the~~ V.C. EVURU of KIVAUMAI went to AIME Vill to make arrests. Whilst there the people of this village smashed a canoe of the URAMA V.C. and also assaulted with sticks the men accompanying the V.Cs. These V.C. were not instructed to go to AIME to make arrests. The two men who smashed the URAMA canoe are - KA-EA and AGAU both of IKORU (AIME). Three URAMA men assaulted are - KOIVI, AKIA, AUMU, KAUMAI.

Reported by KA-EA of MAI-AKI.
That AUMU of URAMA went to BARAVI, ERA R. with some women. Whilst at BARAVI it is alleged that GAUAGI, NARO, KAIWOI and NEABO stole mairis from the URAMA women. V.C. of MAIAKI was instructed to arrest these men (13.2.22) but has not yet done so. Probably he is afraid to go there.

Reported by V.C. MIRI of MEAGOMA 5/2/22
KAKAU, IRAIA, AIBA, ARAI, KAHURU all of AIME fired arrows at some KIPI people who went there to bring an offender to Court at KIKORI. This offender is alleged to have wounded another man with an arrow. HEPPA alleged to have wounded HARAI.

Report of a patrol made to URAMA Island and
GOPI and ERA River Districts.

In accordance with your instructions, I left KIKORI on the 2nd of May at 10.30 a.m., arriving at KINOMERE, URAMA Island, at dusk.

The next morning, I inspected KINOMERE and KOVEI, and gave instructions for all the males to fall in, to be examined for V.D., by an hospital orderly who had accompanied me for that purpose. As this, apparently was the first time they had been examined, there naturally ^{was} some demur.

However after one or two had been examined, the rest came forward, and took the proceeding as rather a joke. Left at midday for KIVAUMAI, arriving there at 3.30 p.m. Found the village in good order. Left at 4.30 for MAIRAU.

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Duplicate copy

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