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[16] 15 "	83-96	" "	TURAMA.		13.2.29-18.2.29.
[17] 16 "	97-107	" "	TURAMA (SOSOGO GO)		N/A
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# PATROL REPORT.

KIKORI

STATION NUMBER.  
1. 28/9

STATION.  
A. Liston Blyth

REPORT OF A PATROL made by  
Purazi and Turama to  
for the purpose of  
Settling Outstanding matters and inspecting Camp

6th July 1928

Left Station on

16th July 1928

Returned to Station on

Nil

2 and 4 crew

Number of Carriers employed

Number of Police taken

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge

Kismet A Liston-Blyth

Villages visited  
GAURI. KAIMARI. AIVE. AKOMA. IKINU. Saw Hill. Kaniboo.Turama Camp.

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Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

19/7/28

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Officer in charge of station.

Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	Crew QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.					Returned.	Remarks
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used.	Government Cost.		
Rice	80	40		20	60	16 8	20	passenger
Biscuits	50	20		10	30	15	20	
Meat	20	36		4	40	1 6 8		
Fish	10	10			10	2 10		
Sugar	little					6		
Tea		6	2		2	7	4	
Soap		10	2		4	6	13	V Cs etc
Tobacco		2 doz	12		6	18	8	6
Matches		4 gals				2	3	2 launch
Kerosene								
Tents								
Flies								
Lamps								
Buckets								all equipment ordinary launch equipment
Kerosene Cans								
Knives & Sheaths								
Knives, 18in.								
Knives, other								
Belts								
Pouches								
Print								
Twill								
Handkerchiefs								
Beads								
Mirrors								
Axes								
Half Axes								
Tomahawks								
Fuel							11 12 0	
							15 11 1	
						TOTAL £		

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

PATROL REPORT NUMBER ONE OF 1928-9

By

A Liston-Blyth

Relieving Resident Magistrate

i/c D.D.

I wished to make certain of certain facts and also clear some outstanding work, prior to finishing off the Annual Report, and I therefore left Kikori on the 6th July at 1<sup>st</sup> noon on the "Kismet" I was accompanied as far as Aird Hill by Mrs Liston-Blyth and also Mr Champion, who has been very seedy, and I thought a week end at the Mission would do him good. I also had aboard Mr McLean Johnston of the New Guinea Oil Company, and Mr Radford of Handley and Clay, both of whom asked for passages as the weather is awful for canoe work.

I took on board also cargo and two police EBANI and MARIKOPA for police camp, as I intend visiting there before returning home.

Arriving at Aird Hill I landed Mrs Liston-Blyth and Mr Champion, leaving the power dinghy there for their use to get home.

Proceeding we reached GAURI village, at present no V.C. and camped for the night, the village as usual was good.

On the 7th we got an early start and ran down to the saw mill where I made enquiries as to the work waiting for me and arranged to do it coming back, from here to KAIMARI, where we stopped for an hour of the four V.C. one only was present, I told him I would be back very shortly and to have his cases etc ready, going on we ran down to KANIBO, Handley and Clay's plantation, and arrived in time to anchor for the night, Mr Radford left the vessel here.

Next morning I went on thro the URIKA creek to the Mission where I landed mails and saw Mr Moir Smith the Missionary arranging to call coming back. I went on to the ALELE and landed Mr McLean Johnston in the small creek leading to OROKOLA at about three pm, I heard he got home next day. I had intended returning to Mission that night but on trying to go the engine refused to start and by the time I got her going I could not have got into the URIKA creek, so I remained the night. On the 9th we had some trouble starting and got away late proceeding I visited AIVE village no V.C. and found it excellent.

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9th July Cont. Going on from here we ran into KAPAI V C AIMAI I a few minor repairs were needed here nothing at all serious. from here I ran on to the Mission, arriving at about 12 30 pm I requested Mr Moir Smith to give me advice as to what was causing me the trouble with the engine, she has been sticky all day, he confessed he knew nothing of Kelvin sleeves but came down and we attempted to find out her disease as she is back firing and playing up generally, worked on her till 6 pm, when we went to the Mission where I spent a pleasant evening.

On the 10th we went down again and after various attempts got the engine running well again on all four cylinders, she seems to need a new vaporiser. Going on I visited AKOMA V.C. MAIKAI who is a useless man and has he has not reported for months and his village was not as good as it ought to be I removed his uniform and intend recommending his discharge. Going on to IKINU V C BAI EVO O this village was excellent and the road thro the plantation to KERIMI as good as ever. From here I went on to KAHIBO where I anchored and went ashore to attend to labour matters. This was about 2 30 pm, I was kept busy on labour matters signing on boys etc till a late hour in the evening. I went aboard about 10 pm rather weary. On the 11th I overslept and did not get away till 7 am when I went on to KAIMARI, where V Cs AUWA IVAA, and OMARA reported EI BIA is in gaol at Kikori, the village was very fair a new dubu in KAURAVI quite good there were several minor disputes to settle.

I arrived here at 8 15 am and left about 10 am for saw mill reaching the latter place 1 15 pm, after I had had some lunch I went up to the Mill where Mr Mackinnon the Manager met me, and from then till 7 pm I was engaged on labour work, checking deposits etc I then asked Mr and Mrs McKinnon to dinner aboard and after dinner returned to the Office where I worked till 11 pm.

On the 12th I left on the direct run for the camp we however encountered heavy seas outside Port Romilly and I ran into the Goarabari entrance anchoring for the night off BABAI at 8 15 pm.

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On the 13th I wished to start early to avoid sea but rising at 5 am the engine refused to start altogether, I worked on her till 1 pm, and then despaired as the magneto appeared to be harmed in some way and magnetoes are things I dont profess any expert knowledge of I was also suffering from a very severe cold and cough and that did not tend to make working on her a pleasure, as I knew the G M O was somewhere about I sent a canoe with a note to try to find him and get him to bring ALELE and tow us home, I sent the boys ashore for a meal and a spell, after I had had a cup of tea I could not rest so decided to have another go at the magneto, took it adrift and found two starting pawls broken, and the magneto shaft stuck, after some trouble got it free and working and replaced it when I was delighted to find it worked again, called engine boy LOTE and we started her up, but then found whilst she fired she fired backwards, further investigation showed a sleeve chain had gone and Number one sleeve and Number four were opening simultaneously, this too was a job I had never had before thes sleeve engines are quite different to ordinary, but I was determine by now so we dismantled the sleeve in trouble, put on new chain, and at six pm were delighted to hear once again the full roar of all four cylinders. Just as well as at 9 pm canoe returned with message from G M O that he could do nothing as his engine was hors de combat.

On the 14th we left at 6 15 am and proceeded to Camp, off Morigio Point about 15 miles from land, I heard the old familiar sound and realised that once again my stuffing boxes had torn adrift, I made straight across for the western bank of the Turama, adding to the journe to the camp. but most highly desirous of getting as quickly as possible somewhere near something like dry land, bailing her out and pumps going ran into the GIBU creek at 1 15 pm, to find both officers away at UMADAI, and the Lance Corporal and two A C in charge, I sent a canoe up to UMADAI asking the Officers to come down explaining I could not come up as I had to beach launch and get at shaft, put launch on beach to wait for low tide, went ashore when I thought I had hit Kikori again from near and far canoes were coming in, I was met on the wharf by 11 Village Constables, and it seemed hundreds of people, and they knew my name, how I dont know and called it out and were most effusively friendl a greater cahnge to the GIBU as I first knew it could not be imagined clearings along it large DUBUs and permanents ones too, decent villages

Patrol Number 1 1928-9 cont

all speak eloquently of the work accomplished by Mr Middleton assi  
by Mr Champion.

At about 1 am the " HOURI" arrived from UMADAI with Mr Austin &  
Mr Middleton aboard, I gave them their mail and then all went to  
bed.

On the 15<sup>th</sup> I was ashore by 7 40 am and Mr Austin and I went in  
the affairs of the camp, it was decided that the time had come to  
go up the river, and form a camp at UMLDAI and arrangements were  
made for the camp to move to KESUMUBU to remian there a fortnight  
when I would come down again and the camp would then go to WARLAD.  
for a month after which the officers are of the opinion that it ma  
be withdrawn, i.e. end of August.

In the afternoon I went to launch now high and dry and  
removed the broken stuffing boxes, and fitted a new stern tube  
new shaft, new stuffing boxes and new propellor.

Returned to the House and again for rest of evening disc  
camp affairs and future arrangements. All gear not now wanted  
was put aboard the Kismet as the remainder of the stay will be  
under canvas.

All evening people were coming in and they seemed to  
delight in coming and telling us all their family history etc  
certainly the people here seem to have learnt their lesson.

At night we had a exceptionally high tide floated  
Kismet off, the house was surrounded with water, canoes came to  
the back steps, and I fancy that the camp is just being shut in  
time as the spit on which it stands is rapidly disappearing.

On the 16th I took aboard all spare gear and also Int  
GMAI who has had his wife here and she is very ill and left for  
Kikori at about 8 15 am, a splendid run engine and new shaft etc  
hole at Babaguina ran alongside ALELE and gave the sick woman to  
G.M.O. and reached Kikori at 8 pm. wher Mr Champion I was glad  
to find quite recovered, of course again I had missed the sea pl  
visit but I have a relic in a mail dropped for me at the Camp  
tied in one of my own handkerchiefs, the first Air mail I have  
had dropped for me more especially in my own handkerchief.

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GENERAL

There is little I can say that has not been said in letters  
the work done by the Camp has been very good and I have no doubt  
we can safely close it at the end of August.

A bald statement such as this report can convey no  
real idea as to how I was impressed with the complete change in  
the general atmosphere in the people in touch with the camp.

I only regret that as I have all the Annual returns &  
see to that I could not stay there longer. Mr Middleton is not  
at all well and now that Mr Champion is better it is my intention  
to take the latter down next trip and bring the former up for a  
change he has had five months of rotten water and discomfort and  
for the short time the camp will now remain I think Mr Champion can  
carry on.

*MB.*

Relieving Resident Magistrate

# PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.  
3/28-9

**Kikori** STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by **A Liston-Blyth** to  
**Puarari Delta** for the purpose of  
**general inspection and distributing monies.**

Left Station on **5/8/28** Returned to Station on **16/8/28**

Number of Carriers employed **nil** Number of Police taken **1 and 3 crew**

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge **Kismet A.L.B.**

Villages visited **see body of report**

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2242/12.21.—2,000

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date **17/8/28**

*A Liston-Blyth.*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Officer in charge of station.

Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.					Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carried by <del>TECHNICAL</del> Crew	Others.	Total Used.	Government Cost.		
Rice	120	15	40	12	67	14	5 3	prisoners etc Others passengers
Biscuits	50	6	24	6	36	18	1 4	do
Meat	15	4	8	---	12	12	3	
Fish	15			10	10	6 8	5	60
Sugar	30	8	8	2	12	3 3	18	
Tea	little					1 0		
Soap	4 bars	8 oz	2 bars	1	3	1 8	½	others launch itself
Tobacco	7	6 stk.	1 lb	3 lbs 4 oz		10 6	1	Others P.N.P. for station
Matches	2 doz	2 bx	8 bx	4 bz	14 bx	7	10 bx	others launch lights
Kerosene	4	used primus stove and navigation lights			3 gals	4 6	1 gal	
Tents								
Flies								
Lamps								
Buckets	all this gear is part of launch equipment.							
Kerosene Cans								
Knives & Sheaths								
Knives, 18in.								
Knives, other								
Belts								
Pouches								
Print								
Twill								
Handkerchiefs								
Beads								
Mirrors								
Axes								
Half Axes								
Tomahawks								
Fuel						16 12 8		
						TOTAL £	22 3 7	

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RESIDENT MAGISTRATE DELTA DIVISION

REPORT OF NUMBER THREE PATROL FOR 1928-9

By A. Liston-Blyth.

Obj et:- To take Mr Middleton P.O. on transfer to the Alele passage to OROKOLA, and to visit villages pay out sum of £72 odd in V.C. pay and deceased natives a/c's etc.

5th August. I left Kikori per "Kismet" at 10pm, with Mr Middleton aboard and also Mr Radford of Kamibo, who had been at Kikori on labour and asked for a passage to save the canoe journey. A.C. DORO who is under orders for Port, will accompany Mr Middleton to Kerema to assist the officer with carriers etc, and from there proceed to Port Moresby. My object in leaving at this hour was to get a good tide thro the Urika creek tomorrow, in which I was doomed to disappointment, for in the Aird Hill passage Number one pump gave way completely, a quite new one, luckily I had the old one aboard and replaced it and we got away again but it meant we had been delayed over two hours, thus losing chances of tide I wanted, result also we had to battle against the tide most of the night instead of having it with us half the time. We passed thro KAIMARI at 10 am, and I left word for V.C.s to meet me on return, and to bring relatives of certain deceased natives in for pay. I had a rather wrteched night as it turned into rainsqualls and wind, and as the coxswain BADU had to be left behind sick it meant being all night on the top deck at the wheel. On arrival at KANIBO we found our last hope of a tide thro the URIKA gone, the next tide will be nearly midnight tonight the 6th, and so I deecided to wait over, give mechanic LOTE and incidentally myself a spell, and also go into some matters with Mr Radford. I was met here by Interpreter OMAI who has been down here a day or two making some enquiries.

Told him to report aboard. I got Mr Radford to give me a list of all the property belonging to Mr Treloar deceased which might be here, for the use of the Curator. I was kept busy till 8 pm when I went aboard to sleep. Mr Middleton not too well.

Patrol 3 1928-9 cont:

7th August. Got away about 8 30 am to convey Mr Middleto~~ny~~ going through Urika Creek towing large canoe and carriers to take Mr Middleton up the back creek to Orokola. Got into this creek about 1 pm and having lunched put Mr Middleton, A C DORO and his gear into canoe and they left for Orokola, we went to APIOPI, V C IBUKUNA, here I paid the V C, and also some deceased boys' relatives the village was very fair, some repairs were needed to the resthouse, I here dealt with a case of refusing to carry reported by the E.M.A. proceeding we went to KAPAT V C AIMAI, who also looks after KEREWA MAIPUA, paid the V.C. attempted to trace certain natives for whom I have money but without success, inspected both villages they are both not bad at all but again the rest house needed some attention, however the timber is on the ground to do this, the plantation on URIKA belonging to these folk is suffering from sea encroachment very much.

Slept at KAPAT.

8th August. Proceeded early am on falling tide and reached Mission about 7 am, had breakfast, and spent morning at Mission inspected three mandates, who were really mandated to Orokola branch, but in absence of European Missionary there are now at URIKA, delivered mails. Leaving we went on to AKOMA, at present no V C, selected a man for the position who will be recommended in due course.

Paid out some W.N.L. & D.N. money, village quite good, going on we went to IKINU, V C BAI-I, found the rest house needed attention, walked thro to KIMIRI, the coconuts are doing well and the people do a brisk trade with Handley and Clay's place at MANIBO. No cases and no complaints. Went on to Kanibo where I found 21 time expired labour who had come by last Papuan Chief to Kikori, but whose money had not arrived waiting for me

Patrol Number 3 of 1928-9 cont.

8th August. Spent the evening in paying these men and collecting their taxes. I invited Mr Radford aboard for dinner and slept at the creek anchorage. Intend Inspecting Kanibo tomorrow.

9th August. Ashore early and inspected labour and houses etc, had not a complaint, Inspection report to C.N.A. I then took a walk thro the plantation it is rapidly getting washed away Leaving at Noon had considerable difficulty getting up the Baroi river, in fact I think that this passage will be a thing of the past before long as it is silting up and the banks are increasing, we stuck for about an hour and a half in a place where previously there was water enough, one bank is now getting trees on it and forming an island. Proceeded to UKIARAVI, where V C KIMILI AUWA of BAROI RAVI, BAIA KAURI of AIRAVI and UKUNUKUA, MAIARE of KAIRIMAI and IPAI AKO of AIRIA PENAIRU reported themselves and were paid, I then inspected the various sections, AIRAVI has the rest house in it, the roof required repairs, one native ordered to repair his house, one small bridge required repairs. UKUNUKUA the platforms here required attention, all the people were away sago making. AKIARAVI some of platforms required attention otherwise very fair. ORUMAKU nothing in this section called for comment. AIRIA PENAIRU part of platforms required repair KARARAVI bridge leading to village needs attention. BAROI RAVI, the best all round section of the village KAIRIMAI two men ordered to repair houses. On the whole well pleased seeing the length of time between visits due to the Turama Camp. Spent eveing paying relatives deceased labour and trying to locate certain deserters.

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10th August. Left at 6 am, good deal of difficulty in small creek running dead slow for two hours then full sped and reached KAIRI at 10 am. V.C. KAIRI of AIKAWARAVI, AKIA AUWA of ONOPURAVI, BAI-I KAIRI of RAVIKOPORO, AIKO VAI-I of MAIPENAIRU reported also KOIWI MAURI of ~~RAVIKEAU~~ and OKAIKENARU and KAIRI AUWA of RAVIKEAU, paid the V.C.s. Inspected sections AIKAIWARAVI has rest house in it, KAIRI complains that the people would not repair the ravi, gave them a month to do it in, otherwise good. ONOPURAVI very fair one house ordered to be repaired, RAVIKOPORO quite good no complaints. MAIPENAIRU one small bridge to repair, on the whole good. Heard several native disputes. Paid W.N.L. & D.N. A/C. Leaving here we reached KAIRU at 6 pm. V.C. MAMA of PIRAVI and KAURI of PIRAVI reported, paid them, they asked for another V.C. for the tird ravi, saying that all other places had a man for each ravi and that they needed one. Left inspection till morning.

11th August Inspected the sections, APIRAVI has the rest house which was in good shape, there were some repairs to platforms needed and two men ordered to repiar houses, PEAVI was in fair order the platforms are not too good here however, told them to get them straightened up before my next visit which I hope to make before going on leave, then paid out some W N L & D N A/C obtained two recruits for the A.C. When we had finished this the tide was too low to permit us to get out and we had to remain the night.

12 th August. Left at 5 45 am and reached KANIBO at 7 30 am I had to remain here waiting for tide to get thro KAIMARI passage.

Patrol Number 3 cont.

Leaving at 3 20 pm we reached KAIMARI at 4 20 pm, a good run.

V.C. OMARA or KOI I reported and V C AUWA IVA A of APIRAVI. V C

EBIE of KORORAVI is in gaol at Kikori. I paid the V.Cs and sent  
for a deserter by name EVA. Paid out some W.N.L& D.N.A/C monies.

13th. Spent morning at KAIMARI inspecting various sections they were  
quite good and save for some minor repairs called for no comment  
instructed V Cs to have some snags removed from the Kanibé Passage  
held a Court for Native matters and left at 2 pm arriving at the  
Saw Mill at 4 30 pm, where I found the Ronald S loading timber, which  
prevented me doing any labour work this evening. I spent the  
evening getting my report up to date etc. etc.

14th. Left at 8 30 am, the Ronald S still loading and visited EVARA V C  
KOIVI, there was no rest house, the village was fair, but the native  
plantation was very poor, this V C is useless and has disobeyed there  
standing orders. 1 to keep a rest house, 2 to report every three month  
and Kikori, 3 refusing to bring up official mail from Saw Mill.

He was prosecuted and received two months I H L and will be duly  
recommended for dismissal. I have selected another man to replace him.

From here we ran to GRAVI V C KAIVIRA which we found very good and  
also his second village, AKIARAVI, paid V C and some W N L & D N A/C  
and returned to saw mill where I found Ronald S had gone, the afternoon  
I spent inspecting buildings and the labour here. Report to C H A.

15th. Left with Mr Mackinnon manager for the Baroi logging camps arriving  
at old camp about 8 am and having breakfasted inspected same and the  
Labour report to C H A. Thence to the upper camp in course of erecting  
fine site with good buildings going up. Inspected labour here.

Returned to saw mill at about 1 30 pm, and held a Court of Petty  
sessions. Left Saw Mill for Kikori at 5 pm, good run to Aird Hill  
a record in fact taking only 7 hours instead of usual 9, but here  
we struck and awful rain storm and at 1 am I had to anchor as we  
could see nothing.

16th Up anchor at 5 am and went on to Kikori in almost blinding rain  
and having to crawl did not arrive till 8 30 am when Mr Lowell  
reported all correct. Again I missed the seaplane visit.

*C. J. Watson B.C.M.*  
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Patrol Report No. 8 of 1928/9.

Acting upon instructions received from the A/R.M. I left Kikori in the M.L."Houri" at 6-30 a.m. on the 19th.October for the purpose of making a General Inspection of all villages in the Urama and Gairibari districts. With me in the launch were A.C's DE-EA and BATI, Interpreter OWAMU and my cook boy. We had not gone ~~xx~~ very far when the clutch began to slip and it was some time before we were under weigh again, arriving at IRIMUKU (V.C.DUBAI) 8-5 a.m. Village in good order, steps to be made for wharf. Left at 8-20 a.m. and arrived DAKUA (V.C.KAIPI) 9-40 a.m. Village excellent, everything that could be desired. There were three beautiful new canoes here which had just been completed, being sixty-six feet long. Left 10 a.m. and arrived KUMUKUMU (V.C.MARURU) 10-25 a.m. Village very tidy, R.H. etc. good. Left 10-40 a.m. and arrived Aird Hill 11-25 a.m. Discussed with Mr. Butcher the land which had to be bought at KIRIBARI for the L.M.S. Left 2 p.m. arriving SAMOA (no V.C.) at 2-5 p.m. Village in good order. Selected DUDU for recommendation as V.C. of this village. He is a very strong man but his character is not all that could be desired ; however it would be difficult to select on/who has a good character and also great influence over his people, they very seldom run together. Left 2-25p.m. and arrived AUAPEROME (V.C.KEWAI) 3-40 p.m. Village, R.H. etc. good. Left 4-10 p.m. up Tare Creek to HIDUA arriving 5-45 p.m. This village was absolutely deserted and there were no signs of habitation whatever. Where they have gone to I have not the slightest idea. Arrived SIVIKARI (V.C.HUAI) at 7 p.m. The V.C. of this village was away and practically all the people. There were a number of AI-IDIA people here for the purpose of making canoes. It is only a very small village but has a good situation.

SATURDAY, 20/10/28.

Left at 7-30 a.m and arrived GAURI (V.C.ORO) 11-55 a.m. after a very rough trip. The V.C. and practically all the people were away hunting. I deemed it very unwise to attempt a crossing to

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OMAMERI owing to the very rough seas prevailing. The hunting party arrived back at 11 p.m. amidst great cheering and rejoicing, it was a fine spectacle. At midnight about fifteen people from MAIRAU and OMAMERI with their respective V.C's paid a call and informed me that the KINOMERI people had come to their fishing place in the morning and began a fight with them. I told them to get back to their village after they had poured forth their woeful tale as I would be along there in the morning. I eventually got rid of them at 3 a.m.

SUNDAY 21/10/28.

V.C. ORO reported and I inspected the village, ordered him to get it cleaned at once. Floor of R.H. to be repaired. Left 7-5 a.m. and arrived OMAMERI (V.C. BOME) 8-45 a.m. Village filthy and kitchen to be built for R.H. On to KINOMERI (V.C. NOMA), village dirty, V.C. is going to build a new R.H. New steps needed for the wharf. Three men here asked to be made Councillors,-KAIHA, ANAMAKU and IOMU ; it is a big village and I think they need three Councillors as the three mentioned have great influence over their village people. Told the V.C. to take them to Kikori on his next visit. On to AIBIGAI (V.C. KIMIRI-TOPI), village filthy. R.H. is in course of construction and is on the bank of a small creek some distance from the village itself, about half a mile ; pity it wasn't two miles away. Case of wife stealing reported here. The next village visited was MAIAKI (V.C. KAI-E-A), village filthy, cannot be improved very much owing to the situation,-in mud. Another case of wife stealing reported here. On to TOVHEI (V.C. MOREGI), village good, no need for a R.H. here as this village is just across the small creek from KINOMERI. Arrived back at KINOMERI 6-30 p.m. When visiting all these villages I told them that there was to be a big dance at KINOMERI in the evening and that every one had to come as the Government wanted all the URAMA people to be friends. Some pigs were

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slaughtered and paid for by me with a tomahawk for each pig. There were no fewer than sixteen cases brought to me and practically all of them were for very petty offences, so I decided to ask them all that if a dance was arranged and pigs were killed would they all be friends again and quit this incessant quarrelling; they heartily agreed to this. They began to roll up at 7 p.m. and at 9 p.m. there were at least seven hundred dancing. Unfortunately their Darimo was an old one and would not accommodate this surging mass of yelling humanity. Of course the only other suitable place for the dance to be held was practically under the Rest House. At about midnight I lined them all up and gave everyone a small piece of tobacco each. They were immensely pleased with this and then to my consternation one of the seven V.C's present informed me that all the people had told him that I must be pleased with the dancing as every one had been given a little tobacco and that they were going to continue till the sun came up. My visions of/little sleep quickly vanished. However at 2 a.m. I was nearly driven frantic so I got hold of a Councillor from OMAMERI and he took me down to his village where I had an undisturbed sleep.

MONDAY 22/10/26.

Left KINOMERI 7 a.m., clutch slipping badly. Arrived MAIRAU (V.C. UBUA) 8-25 a.m. R.H. good, village in fair order. Could not take the launch round into the open sea to the creek leading to KIVAUAI. Walked some distance along the beach and picked up a canoe at a small creek and arrived KIVAUAI (V.C. EVURU) 11-30 a.m. R.H. good but village dirty. A few cases were brought before me here V.C. was but they were told to take them to Kikori. Left 12-30 p.m. and arrived at launch 2-35 p.m. There was a big sea running when we left at 2-5 p.m. and after being tossed about like a cork we arrived KIRIBARI (V.C. KOA-KOA) at 3-40 p.m. The R.H., barracks etc. here are good and the village excellent, - even better than DARUA. I here purchased an acre of land for the London Mission Society.

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TUESDAY 23/10/28.

Left KIRIBARI 6-30 a.m. and the V.C. of this village asked me if I would inspect a place called BERAIBARI as he wanted some of his people to stay there so as to prevent the KEREWA people from stealing his coconuts. This place has one parime and about nine houses and is beautifully situated. However I informed him that the matter would be referred to the R.M. and in the meantime his village was not to split up. Left here 8-30 a.m. and at 1 p.m. when about a mile off BABAI the engine stopped and I could not get her started again so we had to retire gracefully and were towed in by canoe arriving BABAI (V.C.BAIAI) at 2-30 p.m. Quite a nice village, everything in good order. Worked on the launch in the afternoon and while trying her a bolt came out of the shaft coupling and was ejected over the side. I was very lucky that this bolt did not hit me in the face, it was a close call. This is the very same thing that happened to Mr. Middleton some months ago down on the Turama when the bolt came out and hit him over the eye causing a nasty gash.

WEDNESDAY 24/10/28.

Sent A.G.BATI to Kikori per canoe at 4-30 a.m. for a new bolt for the shaft coupling and with A.G.DE-FA and Int.OWAMU I left BABAI at 7 a.m. per canoe and arrived at OREBARI (V.C.MORIGI) 8-20a.m. in very heavy rain. Village fair, - a mud swamp. Fourteen men arrested here for gambling and sent to Kikori. Instructed Left at 9-25 a.m. and a few minutes after sighted the "TAMATE" with the Rev. MR. Butcher at the helm gliding majestically by. I envied him a little in his up to date cruiser and we in our out of date canoe. Arrived DUNUMUBU (V.C.KARO) 9-50 a.m. Everything in fair order. Instructed V.C. to take four men to Kikori who had been gambling. Arrived UBUA (V.C.HAI-AI-IA) 12-50 p.m. R.H. and village good considering position. Instructed V.C. to take the ten men to Kikori who had been gambling. A case of coconut stealing also reported here. Left at 1-40 p.m. and while rounding BABAI Point we were nearly swamped by the huge waves, - just having time to reach the shore.

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Walked along the beach and arrived BABAI 4-40 p.m. A.C.BATI arrived back with bolt at 7-30 p.m.

THURSDAY 25/10/28.

Worked on launch from 5-30 a.m. till 6-15 p.m. Managed to get the engine to start but as soon as the load was put on the engine would peacefully "die". Could not spend any more time on the launch so put her on blocks clear of the water.

FRIDAY 26/10/28.

Left BABAI 6-30 a.m. per canoe with all hands and gear arriving AIMAHAI (V.C.MURO) 8-30 a.m. V.C. away. Kitchen and latrine to be built for Rest House. Village dirty, in mud swamp. Left 9-25 a.m. and arrived DOPIMA 10-15 a.m. (V.C.UNIA) village as clean as could be expected. Rest House good,- steps to be made for wharf. DUDUMO asked to be made a Councillor. Case of coconut stealing sent to Kikeri. Fifteen men arrested here for gambling and sent to Kikeri. Left DOPIMA 1-25 p.m. and arrived KEREWA 2-15 p.m. (V.C.DAVIMAU). Village dirty, ordered to be cleaned at once. Left 3 p.m. and arrived GORO (V.C.PATOA) 3-15 p.m. This V.C. greeted me with great ceremony, he had his arm-chair on the wharf with a cushion, rug and two coconuts placed beside the ~~chair~~ for me ; it reminded me of home. No doubt he thought that this would compensate for the state of his village which was filthy.- it didn't. A new Rest House is in course of construction. A case of adultery reported here and was sent to Kikeri. Left 4-50 p.m. and arrived MUBUGGA (V.C.KIMORI) 4-45 p.m. Village good, a little cleaning to be done under the houses. The Rest House at this village is excellent, by far the best I have yet seen. Even fire wood was neatly stacked in the kitchen ready for my use. Unfortunately I was unable to take advantage of this convenience. Left 5-40 p.m. and arrived AI-IDIA (V.C.AITOWAI) at 6-15 p.m. Village dirty, but this is caused by the high tides which bring the refuse right up into the village. There is a very fine

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Rest House here. Latrine to be built. Left at 7 p.m. and arrived DOPIMA at 10 p.m. We took a short cut through a small creek but got lost about six times; had we gone down the river past KEREWA we would have arrived at about 8 p.m.

SATURDAY 27/10/28.

Left DOPIMA 7 am. and inspected Dopima Plantation. It is quite a long trip from Dopima. On reaching the open sea I got out and walked along the beach while the carriers took the canoe round the point into another small creek. There was a big sea running, the canoe being half swamped while three carriers were washed overboard by a huge wave. I noticed that I was not the only one who was walking along the beach. <sup>a</sup> Heavy rain since leaving Dopima and the plantation was practically under water. The place needs weeding badly and have instructed the V.C. to see that this is done. The plantation is producing very little copra indeed, having only three and a half copra sacks full for about three weeks, there being a scarcity of nuts. Arrived back DOPIMA village noon and was there greeted with my mail. Left 1-30 p.m. and arrived PAI-AI-A No.2 (V.C.KAINA) 4-40 p.m. Everything in good order. PAI-AI-A No.1 (V.C.OGINAU) A little cleaning to be done, otherwise all in good order. Left 5-25 p.m. and arrived NAGORO (V.C.KARAKEVOR) 6-10 p.m. The V.C. has been away from his village for some time past and has been living at a small village called MOINAMU. Village in disgraceful condition, ordered to be cleaned immediately.

SUNDAY 28/10/28.

Owing to the scarcity of water in the small passage I was unable to leave NAGORO till 7-30 a.m. Arrived at small settlement of MOINAMU and told the V.C. of NAGORO to report at Kikori immediately. Arrived BAUBAUGUINA (V.C.GIGOVI) 2-30 p.m. There is no excuse for this village to be in such a state of untidiness as it is situated on high ground. Village people were

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at once put to cleaning up the village. Went on to the small village of PAILI (no V.C.), village in good order. MA-ARU asked to be made a V.C. for this village. Left 3 p.m. and arrived MUMURIA (V.C. WARUTAI) 4-45 p.m. Village good. Told the V.C. to bring the three boys that had been gambling to Kikori the next morning. Left at 5 p.m. and arrived Kikori 5-50 p.m.

*C.Champion.*  
P.O. Kikori. 5/II/28.

S U M M A R Y.

The villages visited, taken as a whole, were quite good. I think the best village I visited was KIRIBARI (V.C. KOA-KOA); certainly, this village is on excellent ground, but the V.C. must be highly commended upon the cleanliness of his village.

It will be seen as per body of report the big number of cases which were brought before me, unfortunately for the A/R.M. at Kikori, I had no jurisdiction to take these cases and consequently he was besieged with many villagers.

I regret to say that the launch did not serve me well on this trip. We had fine weather while we were using the launch but as soon as we began in canoes we got the rain, and plenty of it too.

I think that the URAMA people have now come to their senses and decide to quit all the quarrelling that has been going on of late. The dance was a great success and had the desired effect.

*C.Champion*

P.O. Kikori. 5/II/28.

Enc the G.S.

P.M.

Patrol Report forwarded. The launch "Houri" was used on this trip as it had served so well on the P.O.'s last trip to GAWPI dist. Also the old engine boy of the Kismet had left just before the R.M. went away and I was not sure whether the comswain who<sup>'d</sup> was to run the engine could do the trip without supervision.

*J.*  
A.R.M.D.D.

# PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.  
**9/28-29**

Kikori

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by L.Auster A.R.M.D.B. to  
Purari Delta for the purpose of  
General Inspection

Left Station on 1/11/28 Returned to Station on 10/11/28

Number of Carriers employed ..... Number of Police taken 2

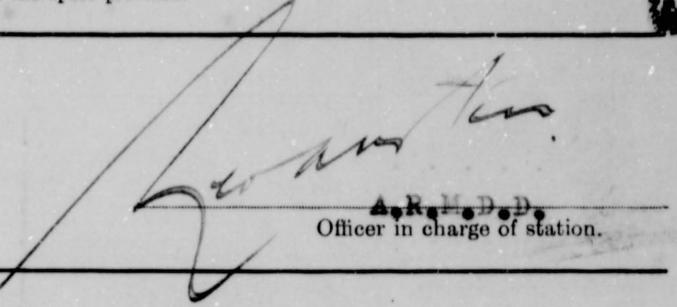
Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge "Kismet" L.Auster i/c

Villages visited KAIMARE..IKINU..AKOMA..KAPAI.KERIWA..APIOPI..AIVEI..  
RAVIKEVAU..IARE..RAVIKEVAU(1)..OKIKENAIRU..KAIRU..UKIARAVI..  
KOIARAVI..Sawmill..AKIRAVI..ORAVI..KORAVAGI..

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Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 12/11/28
  
A.R.M.D.B.  
 Officer in charge of station.

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Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.					Government Cost.	Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carr. CROW	Others.	Total Used.				
Rice	200	15	40	45	100	1	2 11 100		
Biscuits	40	20 6	24		30	15	• 10		
Meat	20	4	8	6	18	12	• 2		
Sugar									
Tea									
Soap	1 bar				1	7	•		
Tobacco	37	12 stk	40 stks	6 lb	7	16	4 30		
Matches									
Kerosene	4	use primus stove & navigation lights			3	4	6 1		
carbads	qty				2	3	•	night travelling	
Flies									
Lamps									
Buckets									
Kerosene Cans									
Knives & Sheaths									
Knives, 18in.									
Knives, other									
Belts									
Pouches									
Print									
Twill									
Handkerchiefs									
Beads									
Mirrors									
Axes									
Half Axes									
Tomahawks									
engine fuel						12 9 8		see log 10/28-29	
						TOTAL £			
						16 3 6			

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

REPORT OF A PATROL TO THE PURARI DELTA

By A.R.M. L.Austen

1928

- 1st Nov. Left Kikori in launch "Kismet" at 9.45 a.m. with boatscrew two A.Cs and a Village Councillor EAVI and his wife from UMAIDAI village (Turama River). EAVI is accompanying me on the round trip so as to see villages under Governmental control. Arrived Aird Hill at 11.20 a.m. and went ashore to fix up various matters with Rev. Butcher of L.M.S.
- 2nd Nov. Left Aird Hill at 6.45 a.m. and reached "Vanapa" lying disabled in Kaimare Creek. The "Vanapa" has on board the half yearly stores for Kikori and Daru. She has broken her crankshaft and is awaiting the return of it from Port Moresby. Took on board some Mobil oil and some benzine. Unable to get at various cases urgently required owing to amount of stores on "Vanapa". She is loaded to the hatches, and with much deck cargo. Reached KAIMARE Rest House 3.20 p.m. and went ashore. Rest House and platforms and many village houses all in want of repair. Gave villagers a warning to have all fixed up within 2 months. Many minor cases of civil claims. Worked until 9 p.m.
- 3rd Nov. Again at work from 6 a.m. until 9.50 a.m. when left. Anchored at IKINU village at 12.55 p.m. Dealt with many cases. R.H. half built. Ordered several houses to be repaired here and at AKOMA. On again at 3 p.m. Reached URIKA landing at 4.15
- 4th Nov. SUNDAY. Many V.Cs and villagers came to see me.
- 5th Nov. Left URIKA at 6.15 a.m. Anchored ?~~KAPAI~~ 7.30 dealt with a number of cases. On again at 9.30 a.m. Anchored API. OPI 10.15 a.m. Rest House ordered to have a door. a barracks to be built. O.N.M. held. On again at 11.30 Did not go to KOREBI as all have gone to AIVEI. The former village having been almost washed away. Anchored AIVEI at 11.55 a.m. Many minor troubles fixed up. On again at 1 p.m. Anchored RAVIKEVAU No. 2 at 2.18 p.m. Village had also platforms. Given a month to have fixed up. Rest House "non est". Several minor troubles fixed up. On again at 3.15 p.m. through U.UHAIRA passage. Too many branches overhanging for "Kismet" smashed a pane of glass in steering enclosure. Anchored IARE village 4.25 p.m.

About 700 people assembled to witness payment of £5 for best plantation of 1927/28 to AIKAWA.RAVI division of IARE.Total population of IARE estimated a few years ago as 1576.

Worked many hours on minor civil troubles mostly claims of armshells and pigs unpaid ,also in C.N.M.

(th Nov. Left IARE by canoe at 8 a.m. and visited RAVEKEVAU No.1 and OMIKIRAIU villages. The former in a disgusting state.Ordered several villagers into Kikori for neglect to repair their houses.V.C.states they will not listen to him. Returned to IARE. Left IARE in "Kismet" at 2.30 p.m. Arrived URIKA 5.23 pm Many villagers waiting to fix up various minor claims .

7th Nov. Left URIKA 9 a.m. Anchored KAIHU at 10.45 a.m. Many houses ordered to be repaired. Several minor cases as well as one under criminal code. Witnesses in latter ordered to meet me at Sawmill. Left KAIHU at 3.25 p.m. owing to state of tide did not reach UKLARAVI (KORIKI) until 6.25 p.m.

8th Nov. Very busy from 6 a.m.until 3.45 a.m. arrested an elderly man on a murder charge.Seems rather a brutal case especially as man has been in gaol years ago for murder.Witnesses to meet me at Sawmill. Left UKLARAVI at 8.45 a.m. anchored KOLARAVI 10.3 a.m. More village houses in need of repair. Villagers previously would not supply a crew to take V.C. to Kikori when he has cases.They say it is too far and dangerous in bad weather.Told V.C. to bring in certain men for not keeping platforms and houses in order. Later at the Sawmill these men came to me and asked that they be not tried in C.N.M.and promised to listen to V.C.s orders in future. There was no doubt about it they were in earnest I gave them one more chance,as I think the warning will have a salutary effect, and they are not as sophisticated as many of their neighbours.Left UKLARAVI at 10.45 a.m. Reached Sawmill at noon.A large crowd of natives waiting to see me.Sent them to EVARA for the night.Left SAWMILL with manager to inspect native Labourers at Logging camp.at 2.10 p.m. Arrived Logging Camp 5.15 p.m. A happy and contented crowd under a N.D.bossbox All very healthy.Left Camp at 6 p.m. arrived Sawmill 8.30 p.m

9th Nov. Hard at work from 6 a.m.until 2.52 p.m.In C.N.M.,C.P.S. and fixing up minor matters.Picked up a Kapakape woman who had

married a Koriki Native Labourer in P.M. and had taken her to his village. Soon after her arrival her threw her away for one of his own women, and she has been more or less destitute since living with the bossboy at the sawmill. She is anxious to return home. I consider D.D. boys should on no account be allowed to take C.D. women to their villages. It means that eventually these C.D. women become prostitutes.

Left Sawmill 2.52 p.m. Anchored AKIRAVI 4.55 p.m. Villagers from Two AKIRAVI villages and ORAVI came in and I handed out the £5 prize for 1927/28 to AKIRAVI for the best garden. AKIRAVI is situated on splendid high ground. The only really good ground seen on the trip.

10th Nov. Left AKIRAVI at 7.5 p.m. and anchored at KORAVAGI 8.35 p.m. Village people have left the proper village owing to deaths and made a new village on the banks of the river on swampy ground. A most unhealthy position. Ordered them either to return to their old village or else seek out some better site. Several men ordered in to Kikori for medical treatment. Left KORAVAGI 9.16 a.m. I forgot to mention under yesterday's date that I received a message from the Captain of "Vampa" stating he was expecting "VaiVirf" that day and expected to be able to reach Kikori about the 11th or 12th.

### SUMMARY OF THE PURARI PATROL

This is the first patrol I have done to the Purari so perhaps I cannot speak with authority, but the following has impressed itself on my notice. From Kikori to the first Purari village is about 75 miles, without being able to visit a single village en route. If one takes the G.O.P.I route it is very much farther. This means that the Purari villages when visiting Kikori have a round trip of at least 150 miles. Is it any wonder that the villagers refuse to act as carriers to the V.C. on his threemonthly visit. During the S.E. season it is dangerous crossing the PIE and ERA estuaries in a canoe. It was only last year that an A.C. was lost coming back to Kikori in a canoe.

The Purari tribes have a complicated system of exchange and these payments due are sometimes a long time outstanding. If they are not fixed up there is trouble. While I was at the sawmill word came to me of trouble at Kimiri. I did not visit this village as it lies some distance away from IKINU and the V.C. told me that all the villagers (only a small community) were away in the bush sago making and would not be back for a day or two. This trouble which ended in a fight may result in a Central Court case. It was over some minor payment in the exchange of a pig. The matter was not brought before me, and the two parties tried to settle it themselves. During the trip I listened to over 70 cases of exchange payments. A very very tiring work, as the matter usually seems so trivial to one not sympathetic with Papuan ways, but yet behind it all lies the fabric of their social life. One cannot afford to pass the matter by lightly.

The Purari villages are badly in need of repair. The district in my opinion requires visiting at the very least three times a year each patrol lasting one whole month. In villages of such dimensions as Kaimare, Ukiaravi, Iare and others one could spend a week in each without any trouble.

The Purari with its 10,000 inhabitants is a watertight compartment of the Delta Division, and we should realize the long distance and the troublesome seas that intervene between it and the Government station.

*J.A.*  
A.R.M.D. 11/11/28

# PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

22/29-29

**Kikori**

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by **A. Listen Blyth & C. Champion.** to  
**Name and Barei Rivers** for the purpose of  
**Inspection Saw Mill and Logging Camp. Court Petty Sessions etc.**

Left Station on **3/12/29**      Returned to Station on **6/12/29**

Number of Carriers employed **10**      Number of Police taken **2 & Crew**

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge **Kiamet A.L.B.**

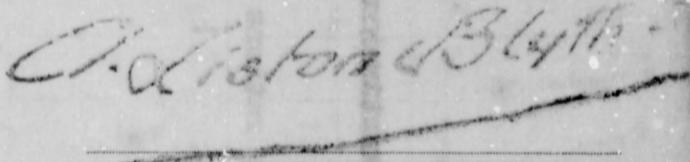
Villages visited **Port Romilly Saw Mills. Logging Camp. Kaimari. Gauri.**

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2087/11.23.—1,800.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date **7/12/29**


Officer in charge of Station.

Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.					Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used	Government Cost.		
Rice	██████			20 lbs		4 2		
Biscuits								
Meat								
Sugar								
Tea								
Soap								
Tobacco		1 15	3 15		4	9 0		
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								
<b>Fuel as per Log</b>						5 12 11		
					TOTAL £	6 7 10		

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

DHEEDEBANX D E L T A

PATROL REPORT OF PATROL NUMBER TWELVE FOR 1929/30

by

A. Liston-Blyth F.M. and Claude Champion P.O.

December 3rd. It being time for the quarterly inspection of the Port Romilly Saw Mills, and also there being some Petty Sessions cases there I understood, I decided to make a trip and take the F.O. with me for further experience in this work. There were also one or two land matters to fix up. We left therefore in the "Kismet" at nominally 9.30 p.m. accompanied by A C BATE and KAKORA, the vessel's crew and fice returning time expired prisoners. I say nominally because three minutes after starting the shaft coupling slipped and it was actually ten minutes past ten when we got away.

It was a lovely night darkish but clear, and we had a very good run as far as GAURI, after that however we experienced some difficulty, TAI-I the proper coxswain has been sick and off duty for the last two trips, and it was lucky that IOTE my own old boy had returned from a spell as he was able to act, however he had not been to the sawmill for some time, and we mistook the turning below GAURI, and when we discovered this and retraced our steps I suppose about five miles, we found that we had lost the tide and could not get through the small passage, at 3.30 am therefore we anchored for the balance of the night, we were able to get away by 6.30 am and had another good run to the sawmill, arriving at about midday, Mr Mackinnon the manager came to the wharf and told us that all his labour was at the logging camp, and so we could not see them today. However he had a site he wanted to purchase for a store about an hour and half away, as the "Kismet" could not get to it, he offered the "Houri" and I decided to fill in the time till we could go on to the logging camp by getting this settled, & had some depositions to type so I sent Mr Champion with Mr Mackinnon to settle the land matter in the "Houri" and I remained aboard, first however I spent some time with the engineer on the shaft which has again started to leak rather badly, this commenced this time on Mr Austen's late Thrama trip. After this I spent the rest of the afternoon in typing out some reports and other papers I had with me and also interviewing the EVARA people (the nearest village) and others who came in to see me.

from Orokola side and having been three daysroughing it thought he was in the height of civilisation when I offered him my cabin to have a shave and a change in.

Soon after this Mr Windham the ass't at the mill came running down to us and warned us to keep under cover, he said the blow down valve on the mill boiler had broken and whilst there might be no danger everyone to keep under cover till he got steam off the boiler. Nothing however did happen. The "Houri" with Messrs Champion and Mackinnon returned at 7.15 pm having arranged the land matters they went up on.

Patrol 1B cont.

December the 5th. A most regretable incident disturbed us when we were having early morning tea at 6 pm. a native named BALOAIKA came down to the boat and reported that Mr McKinnon had assaulted him he ceratinly had a beautiful black eye, I got Mr Champion to take a statement and later a complaint was laid before me and I was really angry that such a thing could happen when we were there I fined Mr McKinnon £5 and costs. This is regretable as he has an excellent name with labour and is known as a "good boss", an unfortunate spasm of bad temper I presume. At about 8 am we left for the logging camp, Mr McKinnon with us, this is said to be 24 miles up the Baroi, but altho we had the tide and therefore did about 10 miles an hour I reckon it about 20 only. Arrived here Mr Champion inspected the buildings etc, and we then went to where the labour was actually logging, the labour was inspected and I held a Court of Petty Sessions on four deserters. From here we returned to the mill where Mr Champion completed his inspection of buildings etc, his report to C N A will be duly forwarded. Two labour were signed on. Leaving the saw mill at about 4 pm we had an excellent run to KAIMARI arriving soon after 6 pm. From here I sent a message by V C OMARO to Mr Radford at Kanibo telling him I was here for the night if he wanted anything done, and that unless he did I was not coming to Kanibo this trip.

Evening very unpleasant mosquitoes awful.

6th December. Immediately after early morning tea the P O went ashore to see if certain orders, given by him when in charge of the Kaimari camp had been carried out, I endeavoured to get further information in the AKI MARI case ( committed). The V C came back from Kanibo and informed me that Mr Radford was leaving at daylight to come over to see me.

I forgot to mention that whilst at the saw mill we had to get the water circulating pipe re brazed as it had given way at the flange and was pouring water into the engine room, this was done and so far is satisfactory, the repairs cost one guinea.

" Brana" arrived at 7 30 pm with Mr Radford. Mr Champion held a C.N.M.

Got away about 8 30 am and in theINI passage we overtook Mr Duke struggling along in a canoe, we picked him up and ran him to GAURI his destination, left orders here for Biri leaf for station and then on to Kikori arriving after a long push against tide at 7/15.9 m.

*C. Victoria Blyth*

Resident Magistrate

# PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

13/28-9

**Kikori**

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by **A. Liston Blyth** to  
**Puarari District** for the purpose of  
general duties.

Left Station on 24/1/29 / Returned to Station on 29/1/29

Number of Carriers employed nil Number of Police taken ~~and~~ 4 crew

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Kismet. A.L.B.

Villages visited Saw Mill. Kanibe. Oru. Ukiaravi. Kairu. Iari. Kaimari.  
EVARA. AIKIARAVI (2) KORAVAGI GAURI

**Refer to Divisional Map.**

- (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.
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2242/12.21.—2,000.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 30/1/29

Officer in charge of station.

Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.					Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used.	Government Cost.		
Rice								
Biscuits								
Meat								
Sugar								
Tea								
Soap								
Tobacco								
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								
Fuel							8. 9 10	
							8. 9 10	
						TOTAL £		

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DELT A DIVISION

REPORT OF PATROL NUMBER THIRTEEN FOR 1928-9

by  
A.Liston Blyth R.M.

On return to station I read thro reports and found that matters were not too good in the PURARI District, I therfore decided to visit that district as soon as possible. I therefor left on the "Kismet" at about 10, 30 pm on the evening of the 24th, I took with me the usual crew, and A.C.AGOTTI who had a canoe in tow with ten prisoners returning home , Doctor Leigh who had been up to see my wife was taken to BABAGUINA. From there I went direct to the Port Ronilly Saw Mill arriving at about 11 am, after having had to wait a bit in the INI passage for the tide. After seeing Mr Mackinnon and discussing several matters with him, I went on to KANIBO, where I found that Mr Radford had left for Kikori.

I therfore started for HAIRU, and eventually anchored at ORU (V.C. KARA AVIA). I remained here the night and went into several minor matters the village was cleen the rest house not good orders given re repairs. Leaving here the morning of the 25th I proceeded to UKIARAVI, V.Cs MAIARE. BAIA KAURI and IPAI AKO, the village was in fair order and I went into some matters which the A.R.M. had reported to me as needing attention Leaving here I went on to HAIRU, V.Cs AWA OWE. MAMA RAKEA and KAIRI MAMA, the houses ordered to be repaired by the A.R.M.

P.R. 9. had in the majority of cases been repaired the rest house was in fair condition, enquired into seveal outsanding matters in one matters a case of EVO O accused of murder I was unable to obtain witessses this trip will send A.C. for them later EVO O having denied charge.

Leaving HAIRU I went to IARI and here met Mr Littlechild, I had picked a woman badly mauled by alligator and he assisted me to dress her foot.

V.Cs KAIRI. BAI KAIRI, AKIA AUWA and KIRO VAI- I all repoted the former was told to take witessses need in case of KAIRI OWOWI accused of murder to Kikori rest house good, village good and just inspected by Mr Little child. Again leaving I proceedd to URIKA Mission which we reached at about 6 30 pm. Went up and SAW Mr Moir Smith who is very urgent on the formation of a substation some where.

Patrol 1. cont

in this district. I agree with him it is needed. Remained the night at URIKA. On the morning of the 27th I left the Mission at about 9 am and proceeded to AKOMA, V C KOIVI MAURU, the repairs ordered by the A R M are practically complete, ran over to IMINU, V C BAI I EVOI, the rest house here reported on by A R M is nearly done and material to complete it on the ground, walked thro plantation to TIMIRI, village rather dirty they complain of heavy rains lately, they are collecting nuts to make copra. From here I went to KANIBO again and landed some cargo that the Mission had given me for this place. Mr Radford not yet back, went on to KAIMARI arriving at about 1 15 pm. V.C. EBIAI, AUWA and OMARA reported walked round some minor repairs alone needed, EBIAI was starting for Kikori and had one or two cases so I sent him on with them.

I then ran on to Saw Mill arriving at about 6 30 pm. on the 27th I was engaged till 9 am on labour work, when I left and proceed to AKIARAVI and ORAVI, both under V C KAIKIRI these villages were in good order. I heard a couple of minor disputes and went on to KORAVAGI, V C KAURI AUWA the people are returning to the old village site see A R M report No 9 V C was away and there were no cases reported. Leaving we proceeded to GAURI V.C. ORAU arring at 8 pm. Rest house good what I could see village fair no cases reported. Left 10 15 pm and reached Kikori, 2 am the 29th.

General.

Practically evrything in the A R M 's last report has been fixed but I am firmly of the opinion that we should have a substaion in the Purari more especially as we are now extended to the west. No more staff would be needed or police.

The engine ran well and gave no trouble.

R.M. 29/1/29

# PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

15/28-9

KIKORI

STATION

REPORT OF A PATROL made by A. Liston-Blyth to  
Tuarama for the purpose of  
taking down A.R.M. and general.

Left Station on 13/2/29      Returned to Station on 18/2/29

Number of Carriers employed nil 20 for A.R.M. Number of Police taken nil 1 for I.R.M.

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Kismet A.L.B.

Villages visited AI IDIA, GABABA, BUDEVU, NEMETI, GIBU camp, KESE,

BANORA, DADEBI, DOPIMA.

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2242/12.21.—2,000.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 19/2/29

*A. Liston-Blyth*  
Officer in charge of station.

**A.R.M. Map with Police Camp Reports.**

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The Hon. The G.S.

Spelling.

I have your letter No 431/ A 123 I am sorry  
I have been quite a time here, and I dont profess to talk  
Motuan, but I do Police Motuan, I have never heard any other  
remark than " Taubada deheri gubu ia mai "

I am really sorry that it has taken over ten  
years service for me to find that I am ignorant.

C. A. Trotter Blythe

R.M. 6/4/29

D E L T A

P.R. 15/28-9

REPORT OF PATROL NUMBER FIFTEEN FOR 1928-9

By A Liston-Blyth R.M.

Object:- To take A.R.M. to Turama and to visit certain villages.

Having received rumours that the Wariadai had raided the Oberi in conjunction with the Kairi peoples of Hauwaboboi, and that another murder had taken place at Umada, I decided to send the A.R.M. down to the Turama to investigate the above, and incidentally to allow him to get on with his thesis on the Turama peoples.

I wished to go down myself for a first visit there after leave and I am strongly of the opinion that the Kismet with her present engine should not do long trips without a European, which was borne out by events on this patrol, I also wished to bring the Kismet back.

I left therefore on the 13th February at 1 30 pm on the Kismet accompanied by the A.R.M. Corp'l PORUTA and six A.G. we towed ~~from~~ the Government canoe, the motor dinghy and a canoe with returning Morigio peoples in it.

We ran into AI-IDIA to allow the crew the opportunity of cooking food, I had intended going on to GABABIA, Morigio for the night, and with the intention left at 7 45 pm, but a heavy Guba came up and with the tow it was not safe to cross the open estuary, so I turned back and we spent the night at AI-IDIA.

Leaving early the morning of the 14th, we picked up two more Morigio canoes, and thus towing four canoes and dinghy we went over to GABABIA, V C INU, every one away making sago no one here at all, V C MAIMARI of DADEBI came along and told us his village the same, got rid of the Morigio canoes and passengers, from here we went on HARAGO, V C NASO, found this village as usual clean and neat, and people very busy re roofing, here the A.R.M. selected certain carriers for his patrol, and also paid out some W N L & D N A/c monies.

We left the A.C here to bring on the carriers to the GIBU camp by canoe as I wished to go down to BARO first before going up river

Crossing over the river we arrived at BUDEVO, V C NAINERI, I was amazed here, as the last time I was here there were only one or two little huts, used for fishing, now in a comparatively short radii are the permanent villages of BORA, MAPOLA, SAROME, MAGIWE and AIRAGU, people flocked to us from all sides, and we found the most friendly, all the VCs have gone up to GIBU camp to meet us having heard the launch was coming. Picked up several Village Captains and went on to GIBU, the change here is marvellous, on my trip to arrest the Murderers prior to the police camp the village was non-existent, now these are villages all long and canoes moving about freely. Arriving at the GIBU Base camp found it had been kept in good order by the neighbouring peoples, NEMETI and PARAVI, we met

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met

here the undermentioned V.Cs  
KOKI of POIMEA ( Bell Point)  
SABOI of BARO  
HANERI of BUDEVO  
DAMAI of MAPOLA  
AUNI of MAGIWE  
ABARI of AIRAGU  
KOIKIA of PARAVI  
SOGOMI of NEMETI.

These men to their great pleasure received pay to the end of December.

last. Another pleasant surprise was to find that the KEARU people see raids on them in Turama Police camp journals, have come down and have put up a Darimo and village at ABEGEMA Point.

A.R.M. making enquiries re alleged raid on OBERI.

On the 15th we went on towing various V Cs and the carriers and A C wh had as instructed met us at GIBU last night, stopping at KESEMUBU, V C SOGIO, still further pleasant surprises awaited me, to begin with we took the " Kismet" alongside a decent wharf and tied up, imagine this in the uncivilised Turama! R.M. and A.R.M ashore conducting investigation found nothing in the Umadai case, the other raid took place all right as the A R M will conduct the operations enquiry left in his hands R.M. busied himself with various V Cs etc. From here we went on to BANORA V C NAINA, arriving in a blinding rain storm, some of these people are alleged to have been implicated in the OBERI raid names being EGANI. GIWORI. DOSEA. NARI and HABI, there is no doubt that as all fighting is stopped on the river, the young bloods who wish to get renown now think the OBERI their only fair game, in the hopes probably we will not hear of it. Landed A.R.M. police and stores he will start operations from here, and indeed did thid very night leaving at Mid-night to raid certain koomabaties for the wanted men.

On the 16th I had intended leaving for Kikori, but when we rang down for stand bye at 5 45 am the engine refused to start, investigation showed the magneto spindle stuck as it did before, R.M. worked on this from 6 am to 12 noon and at alst got it free and working, then found that when it did stick it had caused the sleeves to jam and all time was out worked till 6 pm, found spare sleeve chains would not grip, A.R.M. rett unsuccesful at 10 am. R.M. completely rained a pair of trousers and shirt.

On the 17th up at 5 am and went to work again, by 12 noon I had new chains in and engine again timed and at 12 30 pm left for Kikori arranging with A R M to leave for here again on the 8th prox. As I said above, I do not think that this engine can be trusted with natives alone on a long trip, had this happened without me they would never have got home, they could not time the sleeves if they tried.

Going down river picked up V C INU and Councillors PEGA SAMAI and KAKAPI. anchored at GABABIA and investigated small cases. Heavy storm and rain all night rolling terribly.

Left eraly 18th went up to DADEBI, investigated some small matters took V C MAIMARI with whom I am not satisfied with me and left for Kikori arriving at 3 15 pm.

Petworth, 16. Sept. 1931



A.M. D.  
As you will see  
I am now  
on the River  
having completed the  
major part of the  
task. To-morrow we  
leave for DUGEME etc.  
and will be at  
Ghitteri on Tuesday  
at 1/30 for certain Hill  
you please send the  
check book over to my  
house as it contains  
my private papers etc.  
Will you please pay owners  
billed you under your K.N.A.

2.

One of my carriers APRUGU  
I am returning as he  
is hardly able to walk  
He can wait till Saturday  
& I will pay him all  
at the one time. After  
is a list of gear I am  
returning. All well.

Brown & Son P.O.

7/2/30.

Later: His Agent & V.L.V also  
go with his case. Carried  
cleared out as a considerable  
sum to whose name  
at BARBER 7/20 26.

- 16 1/2 Rice Paddo (accounted)
- 3 mail bags
- 1 broken box (Borneo)
- 5 water bottles
- 4 bone soap.
- 8 gal. kerosene
- 2 empty tins (Koroneus)
- 3 W. tea.
- 1 billy can (Borneo)
- 20 nos. ammunition (Kiau)
- 3 blankets.

Baranggolo.  
21/1/30



Air Mail No. 16. No. 3

Cant No. 6  
NEWAGER 17

I am sending  
Loc. 16. Koin back to you  
with 29 carriers who have  
all been paid. Will you  
please pay the cabane  
carriers. Will you please  
collect from him air  
bonhant, fly & two  
cartridges. I forgot to  
mention that H.C. Evans  
had a bonhant also.  
Inconceivable to say how  
long we will be away.

Changian 4/2/40

Pattal 10/16.

Card No. 4.

R.M. D.D.  
I am sending back  
AC. ERARI as his hand  
is very swollen & today  
the knee began  
to swell up. It caused  
ice packer to keep  
him. He is taking  
10 carriers back with  
him but they have  
all been sent. I would  
be pleased if you  
would say the crew  
which takes him  
to Kino Sia & charge

Oct 10 1907

2. to this hotel. And returning  
a week later with the  
R.C. I am now caught  
beyond JAH's village border  
(wh) and I will do my  
best to get to Shwee to  
try to-morrow evening.  
KEWARI & PONI, my two  
guides & interpreters  
tell me that the road  
from New Racta to  
these three tribes has  
nowanden widened  
is much better &  
closer than the road  
from JAH to Sam

3:

Going to make arrangements  
at point to return to  
either see go to the  
to see. H.C. Howitt  
informed me that the  
village of Sosokha  
been broken up & the  
village people are  
at Matooko so  
they say they want  
to fight the Day & don't  
want the Govt. to  
interfere. There may  
be some limit in it,  
however it would take  
long to find out. Weller  
has been very scarce.

4.

Hane seen practically  
no village since. Saw  
returning a sago seller  
purchase from the  
village of Kero Kasi.  
Keme has is now est down  
seen burnt down. The  
carriers have been  
feeling the journey some  
heat; most of them  
have raw shoulders.  
Everything is O.K.  
with us. Please give  
my kindest regards  
all at Tigo &  
Please collect Chamorro,  
P.O. Contingents.  
from Salina, Saturday 1/2/20

DELT A

INTERIM PATROL REPORT No 16 1929-30

by A Liston-Blyth R.M.

I have long wanted the DIKIMA-SOSOGA patrol of 1926-7 to be followed up, and decided to get it thro before the rains again start. Mr Champion P.O. with L Cpl PORUTA, A G BATE, AGOTI, VEARO, EVARI, KAKORA, MAINU, KOIVI, PA ARU were detailed for this work.

On the 24th at daylight, L/Cpl Corporal KAU, with A G BATE and VEARO, were sent to Gorabari to collect the necessary carriers for the overland portion of the trip and take them to PAI AI A. to await launch and rest of the party. Mr Champion spent the intervening time arranging his loads etc etc.

On the 25th the "Kismet" took on all cargo for patrol amounting to about three tons of stuff. On the 27th we left on the "Kismet" to run down to PAI AI A. Taking the remainder of the patrol party with us.

I took also the Medical Assts LEKA to examine carriers.

After afir run down river we arrived at PAI AI LA POIKA, at abt 2 p.m. we had some trouble with Number two cylinder again as we did on patrol with His Excellency. On arrival Corporal KAU reported with more than the r required number of carriers, and whilst the P.O. with the aid of the M.A inspected and selected the best I had a look at the village, it was bad a change from my last visit.

The M.A. found nine V D cases among the men, these with others for not repairing platforms and houses. the Corporal was told to take to Kikori to meet me.

Having selected all told about 60 carriers, we got them in four large canoes, and after the usual muddle at starting we got away at 3 20 pm, L/Cpl PORUTA was left to bring up one canoe load in another canoe as the first would not tow. We anchored at 5 pm, off a koomabati and landed the carriers and police to sleep.

On the 28th, we got away at 6 am, and as the L/Cpl had arrived with his canoe we had another in tow. Proceeding up the river we still had trouble with No 2 cylinder, and we did not reach the IBA creek till 9 30 am. here all the goods were transferred by canoe to the village about twenty minutes up the creek and after seeing them all off I went up to the village in the motor dinghy and found that V C BEBE was here, his rest house was excellent bu the bridge built by Mr Chance had fallen down and a large log took it's place. After seeing that the P.O. had all he needed I left again on the dingy and rejoined the vessel.

Interim Patrol 16 cont.

Left the IBA creek at 12 30 pm with falling tide, but again had a deal of trouble with No 2 cylinder, we had to stop a few moments off PAI AI A, to try and adjust same, at KEREWIA I was surprised to find a canoe come off to meet me, this had the Corporal in it. left to arrest( see ante ) why he was here I could not make out he should have gone to Kikori by the canoe passage, he had made no arrest and had even left the V D behind, I sent him back to get the men wanted and went on, we evenetually reached KIKORI at 8 45 pm and tied up.

It w as a poor trip as the engine misbehaved all the time.

The cost of fuel will be part of patrol 16.

*G. Weston Blyth*

Resident Magistrate

29/1/30

Patrol No.16 of 29/30.

R.M.D.D.

The following is a list of all rations etc. taken by me for the above Patrol.

I,500 lbs.	Rice	150 m.	50	Shotgun Cartridges
50 "	Biscuits	20 m.	280 rds.	Cartridges .305
80 "	Meat	x	6	Fishlines (small)
30 "	Sugar	x	1 tin	Fossiline for rifles
5 "	Tea	3 m.	3 lamp	Wicks
I2 "	Soap	3 m.	2. 3 c.	Batteries
50 "	Tobacco	x		Rifle flannel
I0 doz.	Matches	4 doz. m.	30	Blankets
5 $\frac{1}{2}$ gal	Kerosene	29. m.	10	Water Bottles
20 lbs	Salt	x	2 prs.	Leg Irons
I	Tent	x	32 "	Handcuffs
4	Flies	x	1	Billycan (Police)
4	Lamps	x	1	Protractor (Round)
2	Kerosene Cans	x	1 set	Drawing Instruments
2	Lamp glasses	m.	1	Aneroid Barometer
I2 I6"	Knives	6 m.+2	1	Prismatic Compass
I2 6"	"	4 m.	1	Palm
3 V.C.	Belts		3	Sail Needles
3 "	Jumpers			Twine (small quantity).
3v "	Sulus			
3 "	Cummerbunds			
3 "	Pouches			
3 "	Books			
I box	Fishhooks	x		
I7 yds.	Turkey Twill	24. m.		
6 lbs.	Beads			
I2	Mirrors	4 m.+1		
3 $\frac{1}{2}$	Axes ~	lost. > m.		
I2	Tomahawks ~	4 m.+3		

I am also taking with me Patrol Reports No.13 of 25/6, No.13 of 26/7 and No.22 of 28/9; No.22 has no map but am taking the two maps contained in the other two Patrol Reports.

*No 16  
of patrols  
O.I.B*

*Brandon*

P.O. Kikori.D.D.

24/I/30.

D E L T A

The P.O.

SOSOGO Patrol.

I will be pleased if you will prepare for a patrol to the IKOBI, SOSOGO, DIKIMA Districts, being ready to leave as soon as possible after the next steamer.

This patrol is for the purpose of following up Mr Chance's No 13 of 1926-7. Mr Austen started on this but was unable to complete it.

- i/ Carriers will have to be obtained from Goarabari and when you have worked out your loads despatch your N.C.O. and two A.C. at least three days prior to the start to collect them at PAI AI IA.
- ii/ Select your police, one N.C.O. and 7 men, including MAINU, and let me have list for approval. Police should take water bottles.
- iii/ Patrol reports No 13. 25/6, No 13 26/7 and 22 28/9 should be carefully read and if you wish taken with you.
- iv/ You will be taken by "Kismet" with canoes of carriers in tow to IBA (Iossa), thence all is overland, you will return from LAHU thro the new tribe reported by Mr Austen, thence to DUGEME, AVISINOMI, to KAMOI and home thro GIHITERI and BIDION , see MR Chance route on map.
- v/ Please do your best to get in touch with the FOI-I, see Mr Chance report, if you do so declare an amnesty and endeavour to get chief FOI-I-MABU to accept clothes.
- vi/ Collect any new curios you may find.
- vii/ Turn up V C records of that part and take pay and a few suits of clothes for paying and renewing where necessary, make V C in new tribes if you can. Take a few books with you.
- viii/ Read my original instructions to the A R M in last mentioned report which I think covers all you need.
- ix/ I should say you will be about a month be prepared for delays owing to roads and creeks however.
- x/ Pay off carriers as you no longer require them or better send them in with list and pay due to this office, you will then not have to carry so much trade.
- xi/ Anything you are not clear about see me.
- xii/ Keep a tight hold on the police when near the FOI-I country.

Please initial and return duplicate.

R.M. 10/1/30  
*AKG.*

Am.  
seen by po.

10/1/30

DELTA DIVISION

P.R.10/28-29

REPORT OF A PATROL TO THE TURAMA RIVER D.D.

by L.Auster A.R.M.

R.M's Instructions: A.R.M. to proceed to Turama and get in touch with the so called OBERI and adjust the trouble reported between the WARIADAI and them.

1929

Feb 13th. Left in Kismet with R.M. for the Turama. L/Cpl PURUTU, A.Cs DEEA AGOTI, SIPO and KOROVAILA and local A.Cs SAWOLA, AIHI, and BEAI, to accompany patrol. Anchored at AI.IDIA

14th. Left AI.IDIA and called at GABABIA, and DADEBI and then on to MARAU, where paid out wages due Mr. Coghill's deserters to next of kin. On to GIBU camp, passing BARU villages en route. All Baru V.Cs and councillors visited GIBU. Paid all Baru V.Cs to 31/12/28 with the exception of DAIWA of IBUA, who has been transferred from Daru register. Sent word for him to visit Kikori and get V.C uniform as understand same has not yet been issued.

A.C. DDEA at GIBU whom I had sent on ahead to obtain certain interpreters and 4 carriers from PEPEHA. My anthropological investigations have led me to believe that PEPEHA and OBERI speak one language. This will clear up the mystery of the PEPEHA which for so many years has caused much discussion.

Picked out special carriers from MARAU and DORIOMO including all ex A.Cs from Gibu camp. My A.C. detachment is so weak I must rely to a certain extent on good carriers. I have only two dependable A.Cs besides the Corporal, SIPO being untried in this division as a patrol A.C. V.C. EDDEA of DORIOMO and V.C. OKA of PEPEHA also to accompany patrol. The Timber canoe from Kikori is also here to be used on this patrol.

15th On to UMAIDAI village of KESH (V.C. SOGIO and V.C. BASAKA of EWAIMIA). Paid V.Cs to 31/12/28. Rest House in splendid order. Investigated alleged charge against V.C. SOGIO and MESU of EWAIMIA of having murdered an OBERI man. Found the whole charge groundless. None of UMAIDAI concerned in raid. To a man they

P.R.18/ had turned down the invitation of HAWOIBOBO village to accompany the raiders. UMAIDAI state they have given up murdering. They want to live quietly in their villages, and want to be harried no more by the Government.

On to WARIADAI village of BANORA (V.C.HAINA). Learnt 5 men of this village had accompanied the OBERI raiders. None of these men in village, all having fled some days previously. A scouting party sent out at 7 p.m. Self left with another party of 3 A.C.s and carriers to carry out a raid on SARAGI, at midnight. Drenching rain reached SARAGI 4 a.m. Raid most successful, in that the whole village was enclosed before they awaked. Found none of SARAGI had accompanied the raiders. Here as at UMAIDAI they apparently had had a lesson and turned down the invitation. Returned BANORA.

16th. Sent out scouting parties again. One wanted man was brought in ~~raided~~ and from him I learnt the names of all who ~~had accompanied~~ the OBERI. From information obtained KUTO, KIRIWO and HAWAU.U are the prime movers in the trouble. Only one OBERI man murdered on the raid.

17th Scouting parties out again. Afternoon a number of men who were living in the bush were brought in. One was a wanted man, others had no charge against them. All were told to stay in village until after I had left.

Local A.C. AIHI brought in his second father HAWAU.U. This man belonged to HAWOIBOBO. He was to have been made a Village Councilor. No excuse for him participating in raid. He had been warned many times at BAHI camp. Unfortunately HAWOIBOBO got off scot free during the BAHI camp, as there were no arrests to be made there so no impression had been made on this village as at SARAGI, and UMAIDAI. Taxed HAWAU.U with having gone on the raid which he stoutly denied. An A.C. drew attention to a certain bark he was chewing, and I asked HAWAU.U the reason for chewing this (?Mascia bark). He caved in and admitted having accompanied raiders. Ordered him to be arrested on a charge of murder. This finished AIHI. He was of no further use on the patrol. AIHI is only very young and is a/ local A.C. of but a few months standing.

18th Corporal and party sent down to deserted villages of PIAPIA and KOA, but returned without success. Other party to westward. No r

ex A.C. and ex Interpreter MAINU arrived from AVISONEMI district, having been sent for. At last I am able to get unbiased information. Learnt that one wanted man was over among the Wamuri river "Kairi" people.

19th Left in timsem canoe for Hawoi. Reached SARAGI at 10.45 a.m. Taxed V.C.GAI with concealing whereabouts of GIWORA. He had previously been sent over ~~xxxxx~~ to Wamuri but returned stating the man was not there. GAI was lying. Could see it by his twitching. Eventually he fell off the bank into the water. "Ah" cried Mainu "His guardian spirit has left him". When GAI got up on the bank ~~xxx~~ again, looking ~~try~~ sheepish and now calm cool and collected, pointed out that the Government was stronger than his guardian spirit as shown by his falling into the water. He would go over to the Wamuri again, but this time accompanied by MAINU, who belonged to the same language group as the Wamuri. They were not to come back without GIWORA.

On to HAWOIBOBO village. Hearing this put A.Cs and carriers ashore to surround village. Self waited for a time and then up river openly in canoe to draw attention towards myself. Only one man in village got away. Others all taken. Two attempted to swim river but were caught in midstream. Investigating, found four men concerned in the raid whom I arrested. Others I let go. Learnt that most of the people concerned in raid were away in bush somewhere. 6 p.m. a small party returned from BANOMA. V.C.FAIMA previously given very strict orders that he must help in arrests of BANOMA. It is very difficult. The two V.Cs of BANOMA and SARAGI are not helpful. The V.C. of HAWOIBOBO has just returned from hospital and still cannot walk well. We have just to depend on our own work.

20th. Arranged for a night raid on a bush camp but it rained so torrentially at midnight deferred going until 8.40 a.m. 10.50 a.m. sighted a canoe. It put into bank and A.Cs and carriers gave chase. All returned except SAWOKA. One man arrested but allowed to go as not concerned. Waited until midnight for SAWOKA having previously sent A.Cs back to HAWOIBOBO to look for him. 1.30 a.m. left for IBANIO bush camp. Reached it at 4 a.m. but drew a blank. Deserted.

21st Feby. 8.45 a.m. return down stream. Met canoe with MAINU and GAI with GIWOMA from Wamuri. SAWOKA also there. Said he had followed tracks which led him back to HAWOIBOBO, where he had arrested a man who afterwards got away.

Several Wamuri Kairi came along with MAINU. They also had been invited to participate in the raid on the OBARI but had refused saying they did not wish to live like pigs again in the bush.

Went up DUPA creek and overland to limestone ridges but no new tracks. Lunched and then on to KOMOI creek otherwise known as KOMIWU. Erected camp a couple of miles down this creek. Then sent an A.C. to last night's camp to watch river and at a certain time to leave for Hawoibobo. He will quietly collect all canoes at village. Myself with party will return overland and make another raid hoping to collect some wanted men who may have returned. Difficult journey trying to follow the track in the dark. Everything turned out as I wished except that no new arrests were made. However came across a woman who gave a little scrap of information.

22nd Returned to KOMOI on bore at 3.30 a.m. Resting. A.C.s carriers and self are all dropping with fatigue.

23rd *See next entry*  
*for sketch 15*  
*(AB)*

Two small parties sent out to search creeks. My workable A.C.s are now few in number as I have to guard prisoners as well. V.C. MAINA returned from BANORA with a wanted man. KOROVALA and AGOTI found a camp and collected 5 wanted ones. These people live in a shelter at night and at dawn wander through the bush (husband wife and children) returning to shelter at night. L/Cpl's party returned at 1 a.m. without result. From one of KOROVALA's crowd succeeded in getting a little information regarding whereabouts of KIRIWO. Decided no time to be lost if we were to get them before the news of today's raid reaches them.

24th Left camp at 1.30 a.m. with A.Cs KOROVALA, AGOTI and BEAI and half a dozen carriers and the guide. The lastmentioned A.C. is of little value for he torn between discipline and affection.

BEMI is connected by marriage with the Hawoibobo. Ex A.C. MAINU also accompanied me as he knows KIRIWO and KUTO by sight.

Rowed up to SENOVI creek and landed. 3.15 a.m. left canoe and started along track. 4 a.m. track difficult. 4.15 worse. 4.30 a.m. sat down to await dawn. Guide useless and scared out of his wits that KIRIWO would find out and later on make "datana". Daylight came with us more or less "bushed" No more help from guide. A.Cs KOROVIA, and AGOTI also MAINU helpful in finding tracks. Eventually 8 a.m. arrived off a long house on a hill top. Rushed it and drew a blank. Apparently not occupied for some time. Rummaging round found a pigs foot which did not smell, therefore must have been killed the day previously. A.Cs out and found a broken branch on a track. Followed track, leaving carriers at Darimo with guide. Sometime afterwards heard voices and women making sago or getting sago grubs. Saw some shelters on a hill top. Step by step climbed upwards. Hearing top a small girl came down with a bundle of goru ~~xxxxxxxx~~ palm on her back. All of us stopped. I took off helmet and turned my back. A tense moment. Suddenly she saw us and fled back without crying out. We rushed up after her. People fled down the other side. KIRIWO caught with help of MAINU and KOROVIA. Another big man GOMOIDO caught by AGOTI. Latter found GOMOIDO too strong for him and I rushed to his assistance and grabbed AGOTI's handcuffs off his belt and snapped them on GOMOIDO. Balance of men in camp away fishing etc. Rumours that KUTO lived there but had gone north only that morning. Nothing more to be done. Returned to long house. Guide escaped while carriers slept. Decided to return to camp. KUTO the ringleader, is still at large and no information that is reliable can be obtained. All prisoners lie like troopers and refuse to give any reliable information regarding his whereabouts. A.Cs dropping with fatigue of all these raids and night guards. Long house is called BAROMAI. Reached camp 5 p.m. having been 9 hours on feet and no sleep night previously.

Have now 14 prisoners to be guarded, and the 7 A.Cs and the L/Cs must do guards and also be search party.

25th Sent SAWOKA to Hawoibobo to try and get a certain man required.

A.C.DINA to BANORA to hurry up V.C.MAINA with his arrests.

Swore MAINU in as a "Special". Arranged for MAINU and A.C.KOROVAIA with two carriers (ex A.Cs) to go into the bush with three days food and look for KUTO's tracks. Very careful instructions given regarding arrest of KUTO who must be caught if the OBERI are to be left alone for the future.

*Join  
Rec'd for  
disposal  
RLB*

A.C.SAWOKA returned a few hours afterwards without his man, although given instructions to wait a couple of days at Hawoibobo. He has turned out a hopeless A.C. I had expected great things from him when I brought him out from Port Moresby, but he is most unreliable and undependable which of course throws more work on to KOROVAIA and AGOTI.

26th KOROVAIA's party got away at 6 a.m. KIRIWO at last has given a small amount of information and says KUTO is sick somewhere on the north bank of Turama but refuses any more information.

9.00 p.m. DEM arrived back with another wanted man from BANORA.

27th 3 a.m. a young boy who accompanied party to OBERI slipped handcuffs off and got away. Did not bother giving chase as he is not very much concerned in the affray and I dont want to risk losing any more.

*Releasable  
PC 07/1943*

I have only three pairs of legirons with me, and have borrowed every available V.Cs handcuffs (most of the upper Turama V.Cs have not got handcuffs). Decided to get L/Cpl away with three A.Cs and the prisoners as they are getting restless.

All PEPENA and BANUA carriers paid off up to time of reaching Morigi where new carriers will be obtained.

28th Sent to SARAGI for a large canoe. 3.45 p.m. KOROVAIA and MAINU returned with KUTO having been all over the country between Hawei and IBANIO as far north as the watershed of Hawei. A PEPENA carrier who went with them states KUTO wife is an OBERI and speaks exactly the same language as himself with hardly any dialectical difference. Just as I imagined.

6 p.m. BARU V.Cs of HEMETI and KEARU arrived with letter from R.M. and an M.H.M. case.

1st March As I cannot do more in this district and I have the main raiders, and sufficient accessories to teach these people a lesson.

what villagers there were there re raids. On to SARAGI where all people assembled and I spoke re raiding. Sweltered in the sun to BANORA. Stayed there for tide to turn.

The old affair of the MORIGI murders when the MORIGI carriers were murdered by WARIADAI cropped up again. MORIGI people still look upon the WARIADAI as not having paid a death price for those Govt. carriers whom they murdered. The government during a fight at Wariadai paid back for these murders as well as the main ones concerned being gaoled. But this is not sufficient for MORIGI. Their custom is that a death price must be paid.

*Concluded*  
I think there were 9 carriers killed. I think it would be equitable if the Government paid a £1 a piece in trade at Govt. Store prices. After all the carriers being MORIGI and hereditary enemies of WARIADAI should never have been sent on their errand to WARIADAI. It was a grave mistake on our part ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ therefore I think the "Transport" vote should stand the death-price. Until this is done, I cannot see that we can ever make a true peace between the two tribes. Patched up it may be, but ever likely to break out again. I would suggest this death-price be given and a big BARARI dance made for the last time to which the WARIADAI could come. The Govt would be there also and the death-price given in the WARIADAI's presence. I would mention here that the BARARI dance is the dance given after the head dance (MIPA) when the heads taken are purely pay-back and when all is squared. Later on I shall give a full account of these dances.

Reached UMAIDAI 11 p.m.

2nd March At UMAIDAI

3rd " Sunday.

4th " Left UMAIDAI 9 a.m. reached KEME 4 p.m. Bad place to stay sandflies terrific. Left KEME 3 a.m. Changed carriers at PAIA Reached Kikori 6 p.m.

SUMMARY

This patrol did not visit the OBERI owing to the time taken to arrest those concerned in the recent raid on the OBERI. KUTO has been responsible for years for these raids on the OBERI. He states that some years ago when on one of these raids the OBERI in defending themselves killed his (KUTO's) father. Since then he has devoted himself in leading raids on these poor unfortunate bushmen. KUTO has never been previously arrested having always slipped away when news of the Government's proximity has reached him. There is no excuse for the HAWOIBOBO people being primarily concerned in the latest raid. They know the Government and the Government's policy, but they have not been harried from pillar to post in the same way as the lower tribes.

Perhaps after this lesson we shall have peace, unless the OBERI take it into their heads sometime to try and pay back.

The OBERI live well into the Western Division some 5 days walk from where the HOMOI breaks into two. I should imagine it is somewhere in the vicinity of the source of the Wibora a tributary of the Gama. Some years ago when at Daru I visited a village in from the Bamu near the Aworra junction, which was called MATAKALA. Looking at my vocabularies I find there is a close connection between MATAKALA and PEPEHA the differences being caused by admixture with Bamu tribes. probably therefore we shall find OBERI east of MATAKALA too. As a matter of fact I think we shall eventually find that the OBERI stretch from the WIBORA creek northwestward between the Aworra and the Turama. On the northern side of the Turama we get a distinct language group.

A patrol to the OBERI should take PEPEHA interpreters.

*W. Martin*  
A.R.M.D.P. 7/3/29

OBSERVATIONS Patrol 16

- 1/ The A.R.M. seems to have done good work under considerable handicap.
- 2/ I would draw attention to the fact that owing to our strength the ARM was much handicapped by his weakness in reliable A.C. I may say that I only retained one general service man on the station here, when the patrol went out, a letter asking for an increase in strength has been sent and this patrol appears to amply justify it.
- 3/ The grudge of the Morigi against the Wariadai, has been a festering sore in this division, ever since I have been here, I have several times mentioned it. I strongly support the A.R.M.'s recommendation and we will endeavour to make an impressive ceremony of it if granted.
- 4/ The OBERI are outside the new boundary allotted to us, are we to include them, it would seem easier for Daru to visit them on their ~~EMB~~YBAMU patrols/
- 5/ KUTO has been mentioned previously, the latest being Mr A R M Chance's patrol No 19. 26/7
- 6/ MAINU is to be taken on as Local Constable and Interpreter.
- 7/ Every endeavour will be made to visit this region again shortly, we have much other work outstanding when the EREWA patrol comes in, the following up of Mr Chance's 13 of 25/6 and visit to the SOSOGI people etc to be done, other districts require visiting and the launch is needed however I hope to get down to the Turama again this financial year and before the Annual Report.
- 8/ As stated in my letter 639/25 the tribes directly under the influence of the late police camp seem to have kept well out of this trouble.

*C. Victor Blyth*  
Resident Magistrate 7/3/29

# PATROL REPORT.

KIKORI

A Listen-Blyth STATION.

10/29-  
LOG. NO. NUMBER.

REPORT OF PATROL made by Purari to  
 attempting to learn whereabouts of EREWA party and for the purpose of  
 possibility of patrols to NAMAINA

12/3/29

20/3/29

Left Station on eight Returned to Station on 20/3/29

Number of Carriers employed Kismer A.M.B. Number of Police taken

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge as in body of report

Villages visited

**DIVISIONAL MAP. But Purari is badly marked on that.**

- (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.

2242/12.21.—3,000.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 18/3/29.

*G. Listen-Blyth*  
Officer in charge of station.

Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	& Crew Quantities Issued and Value.					Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used.	Government Cost.		
Rice	300	30	40	30	100	16 8	200	Others include V C etc
Biscuits	100	40	10		50	1 10		
Meat	20	14			14	14 6		
Fish	40		10		10	6 8 30		
Sugar	40	9	11		20	6 3 20		
Tea	24 lbs	½			½	6 2		
Soap	6	1		2	3	2 0 3		
Tobacco	30	2	13		15	1 26 3 15		
Matches	5 doz	1		1	2 6	10 3 doz		
Kerosene	4 gals				2	3	2	Launch lamps
Tents								
Flies	1					1		
Lamps		launch lamps						
Buckets		launch gear						
Kerosene Cans		do						
Knives & Sheaths		2					3	
Knives, 18in.		3						
Knives, other		nil						
Belts		nil						
Pouches		nil						
Print	Blue	8 yards			8 yards	8 0	nil	
Twill		30 yards			30 yards	1 0 0	nil	
Handkerchiefs		3					3	
Beads		2 lbs					2 lbs	
Mirrors		12			11	5 6 1		
Axes		Launch gear						
Half Axes		nil						
Tomahawks		nil						
Fuel						16 0 0		
					TOTAL £	23 0 6		

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

PATROL REPORT NUMBER EIGHTEEN FOR 1928-9

By A Liston-Blyth R.M.

The EREWA patrol not being in, and we having received a report from KEREMA, re alleged murders by people of this division, I decided to go up the PURARI, for the purpose of i/ Seeing if there was any news of the EREWA party, ii/ finding out if the people concerned in the affray could be reached by launch and water. I therefore left Kikori on the "Kismet" on the afternoon of the 12th inst, accompanied by A.C. KAITONI, KAKARI and KOROVALA, the usual boat's crew, and my own cook.

Mr Radford of J R Clay ltd asked for and was granted a passage to KANIB and he and his cook came aboard.

We reached GAURI point at dark and anchored for the rest of the night. Next day the 13th we left early and proceeded direct to KAIMARI, where we tied up to the wharf at the rest house, and V Cs EBIAI, AUWA, and OMARA reported themselves. I dealt with one or two small matters and taking OMARO with me, we went on to KANIBO, where we landed Mr Radford and his cook, from here I went on to IKINUA and here V C BAI I reported this village has greatly improved since last visit, we remained the night here, and on leaving next morning I took the V C and one carrier with me, I am taking the V.Cs to augment my police in case I have any arrests to make. We proceeded direct to KAIRU, and I would say that this passage requires careful handling of the vessel as it is narrow with over hanging branches. AT KAIRU V.Cs MAMA RAKEA and KAIRI MAMA reported, there were several native matters to adjust, I took the latter V C with me and one carrier. One or two cases in which the witnesses were not available I left to be dealt with on return trip. Going on we went to LARI, and here the V Cs AKIA AUWA, KIRO and KAIRI reported the rest house and village were very good, here I hired a large canoe for use in case we found places the launch could not go thro and took on six more carriers as crew for same. We then went on thro a small passage I am not sure of the name, it is not on the map yet to the PURARI river where we camped at a KOONABATI belonging to the MURU peop (Gulf Division). So far we have had no trouble with engine.

**Patrol 18 cont.**

On the morning of the 15th we started fairly early and went on upstream. The weather was good but the current was very strong and it took the "Kismet" underpowered as she is for the size and shape of her hull, all her time to battle against it, we bumped a log somewhere about midday but examination showed no damage, the engine began to give trouble due to excessive strain I think. The village of PAIWAI shewn on divisional map no longer exists, and I was unable to find out where the people had moved to. I was annoyed about this as I hoped to get a guide here for the NAMAINA people. We eventually anchored just before dark and made camp.

On the morning of the 16th we rang down stand by at 6 am and then we struck our usual joy, just as before the magneto and timing had slipped, why this happens, it being the third time, is beyond me, the engine each time has done the same thing, run all day the day before, been cleaned as usual after anchoring and then for no reason in the morning she has slipped out of time, I presume she gets hot the sleeve metal expands then in the night it cools and the contraction alters her a cog or two, it took me till 2 30 pm to get her going again, and then we only got her going because as luck would have it we had aboard a magneto belonging to myself out of which we took the make and break and fitted it to the "Kismet's" magneto, the Kismet's one is going in, I have already asked for a spare magneto to save this delay, as the one which plays up can be adjusted while the boat is running if we have another to keep her going. Very hot dirty and tired we eventually got away, we had some further trouble mainly we found later due to a sleeve ball having slipped, and eventually we anchored again about six pm having gone about ten miles only today.

On the 17th we started without any more trouble about 6 45 am and proceeded, we saw no signs at all of any inhabitants, and we also found the only so called traverse of the river was almost impossible to recognise it was very hot and most boring struggling against the current an average of from 2 to 3 miles per hour only, and monotonous scenery. At 5 pm we passed and were able to recognise the MACDOWELL Islands, we had been looking all day for the BEVAN rapids, and found we must have gone thro them without knowing they were rapids. Just above the McDowell Islands is a small one and in a heavy thunderstorm we anchored below this having difficulty in finding bottom.

Patrol 18 cont.

Next morning we found that the thunderstorm and rain of last night had greatly increased the current in the river, we got away and went up toward the junction of the AURE or SUWURU river and the PURARI, around about which neighbourhood the NAMAINA are said to live, it took us 3 hours and a half to get to the junction, and the "Kismet" was moving faster sideways than she was ahead, not a sign of life, it was impossible for vessel to go up further she was practically not moving, we had heard nothing of the EREWA party and found no traces of any inhabitants, I had satisfied myself that if a patrol is to go after these people the PURARI route is impracticable. Thro the HAI I route where, previously Mr Speedie attempted to cross appears to me the only way.

We therefore decided to go back and we turned about 10 am and the difference was remarkable we went back the 3 hrs and a half journey in 3/4 of an hour and we ran on down and anchored at abt 6 pm off the KAIRU creek a distance done in one day we had taken since the 14th to do coming up. At this point I paid off the IARI canoe and carriers, and I left A C KOROVAI and KAKARI to bring in the outstanding cases we had heard of going up. I also heard here that the EREWA patrol had reached the sawmill, which way they came down without our knowing have yet to learn. I had some money for ERA etc and decided to go and pay it out, however next morning on leaving I found that the extra time on the river had cut us out of fuel, I fear this will be an expensive trip for fuel consumed in ration to distance, we went direct to KANIBO where I landed and did some labour work, and afterwards worked on engine thoroughly cleaning and adjusting sleeves etc. Remained night sleeping aboard.

Next Morning we left for KAIMARI, and on arrival I went in to one or two matters, leaving again, I had some timber to pick up at the saw mill and having insufficient fuel for GOPI and ERA I decided to go there and get it, we reached there about midday remained long enough only to load timber and then proceeded and had an excellent run to KIKORI arriving about 11 pm.

Patrol 18 cont.

GENERAL

No much of a patrol I fear but I wished to know if we could work a patrol to the NAMAINA by river which I found we could not.

Further I was really anxious about the EREWA patrol and hoped to learn something of them, we have found that sooner or later the TURARI must be remapped, and this will be done when we get an opportunity.

*Victor Blyth*  
Resident Magistrate

25/3/29

To  
A/c  
KHOI.

Three prisoners, names as follows  
are being sent in under escort of DC EVARI  
leaving here by carce this evening.  
KOINIG-MARR, AKIAKAIRI, & AKODARUPA  
Warrant of Imprisonment attached. Minutes  
of Complaints to follow. Call as I have none to  
hand.

B.W. Kalikor P.O.

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MEMORANDUM

Patrol No 23. 1928-9

B.W. Faithorn Esqre

I will be pleased if you will make arrangement  
to leave with me today on patrol, lasting about ten days.

You will be left by me at IARI, as a centre, from  
thence you will inspect the Purari District, remembering the  
fact that owing to the Turama Troubles, it is nearly 18  
months since it was properly inspected.

The Corporal, A.C. VEARO (as orderly) and A C EVARI  
will accompany you, there is nothing else that we cannot  
discuss, the launch may possibly be able to meet you on  
return.

*B. W. Faithorn Blayth*  
R.M. 15/5/29

Report of a Patrol by P.O. B.W. Faithorn through the Purari, Gopi and Era districts; Delta Division for the purpose of enforcing Native Regs and matters appertaining thereto.

P/R.No 24.-28/29

15th May I have to report that acting under instructions from the R.M. D.D 1929.

I proceeded on patrol to the Purari, Gopi districts. The patrol party, consisting of self, Cpl Eau, A.C. Vearo and Evara boarded the launch "Kismet" and left Kikori at 2.30pm with Mr Radford's launch the "Brana" in tow. Arrived at Doibo at 2.45pm where the R.M. handed the "Brana" over to Mr Radford.

"Kismet" and patrol party left Doibo about 4. pm. After an hours running the engine of the "Kismet" stopped. R.M. was trying to adjust matters when "Brana" ran alongside and stood by to render assistance if necessary. At 5.30 pm as the engine trouble on the "Kismet" had not been adjusted the R.M. instructed me to transfer myself and party to "Brana" and carry on the patrol of the Purari district on arriving at Kanibe Mr Radfords Headquarters. At 6. pm we left the "Kismet" still inactive, but about midnight she passed us going strong and the R.M. shouted instructions over to the "Brana" to follow him. We eventually lost sight of the "Kismet" and missed the "Gauri" passage. Realizing the situation and not wishing to risk his new launch in unknown passages Mr Radford very wisely anchored for the night in some small creek. At dawn

16th. At dawn we resumed our journey and found ourselves well up the Marebi. We had to return to the Gauri passage and arrived off Gauri village about 12. noon. We stayed just long enough to pick up some sago for the police and crew and made direct for Kanibe. We arrived there about 9. pm and saw the "Kismet" at anchor. Reported to R.M. and camped ashore for the night.

17th. About 11am, P.O. and party went back to the "Kismet" and left Kanibe at few minutes later. Arrived at Kairu village at 2.30pm and inspected village (V.C. AWA, OVE & MAMARAKA and KAIRINAMA). The platforms were not in good condition and V.C. were instructed to put same in repair. Several dwellings were falling down and occupants were ordered to rebuild. The rest house needed reroofing and a party was put on to the work before I left. There were no cases for C.H.M. Continued on

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to IARI (V.C. BAIKAIRI, KAIRIAUWA & IRAVAI.I) and arrived there at 5.15pm P.O. and party landed and camped in the rest house. There were no barracks here and V.C. were ordered to commence work on the morrow.

18th. 6.am "Kismet" with R.M. on board departs for UKIARAVI. P.O. engaged all morning inspecting village and C.N.M. A few dwellings were in a dilapidated condition and occupants ordered to reconstruct. At 12.35 pm the R.M. returned to IARI with cases for C.N.M. 2.pm P.O. inspects village of RAVEKEVAU(V.C. KAICPA). This village was in every neglected condition. Most of the dwellings were in disrepair and the platforms rotting away, and dangerous to walk upon. There was no rest house despite the instructions of A.R.M. Austen in November last. The V.C. was away and I was informed that he seldom lives in the village but spends most of his time in the Koemabati. The V.C. was sent for and in the meantime all able bodied men present in the village were put on to carrying out the necessary work. At 5.pm the V.C.(KaiOp) reported and was sent in to Kikori for R.M. disposal. 9.pm P.O. and party embark on the "Kismet" and arrive off AIVE-Maipua Dist(V.C. KIRI) about 10.30pm and anchored for the night.

P.O. sleeps aboard. A.C. and prisoners landed and camp ashore.

19th. 7.am P.O. disembarks and inspects village of AIVE. 9.am R.M. departs and P.O. attends to Native Matters. In C.N.M. there were several conviction for offences against H.R. 11.am P.O. and party travelling by canoe visits and inspects the village of KEREWA(V.C. AIMAI) which was clean and things generally were satisfactory. Continued on and arrived at KAPAI(V.C. WAIMAI) about 2.PM. In the C.N.M. many cases were dealt with the sequel to a raid of the KAPAI people on the village of APIOPA for the killing of two pigs by a native of APIOPA. 5.pm Cpl Kau and V.C. AIMAI with 34 prisoners despatched to Kikori.

20th. Left KAPAI at 7.am and arrived at AKOMI(V.C. KOIVI) about 9.am. Village inspected and instructions issued to repair the platform running from the landing stage to the Rest House and to build barracks for the A.C. C.N.M. was held and several natives were convicted. Continued on to IKINU(V.C. BAIEVO) and arrived there at 12noon. Inspected the village and found it satisfactory; then continued on through the bush along a clearly defined track to the village of KIMIRI(V.C. EVO. EVAI). The old site is being evacuated and a new village is being erected a little nearer the foreshore. Permission to do this was obtained from the R.M.

the R.M.

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on a previous visit. At 3.pm left IKINU and arrived at Kanibe about 6.pm.

Mr Radford was at home and P.O. stayed the night with him.

1st. Mr Radford left in the "Brana" for Kikori to connect with the Jean L for Port Moresby. V.C. and Councillors from KAIMARI and KORIKI arrive with cases for C.N.M. P.O. engaged on Court Matters until 4.pm. Many convictions. U.C.AUWA.IWA of KAIMARI was convicted and sentenced for "Adultery".

2nd. 9.am C.N.M. opened and another full day dealing with Native Matters.

3rd. Patrol party travelling by canoe leaves Kanibe for Kaimari(V.C.EI.IBIAI and KAURAVI) arriving there in a drizzling rain about 11am. Having heard of the "Government" walking about great activity had been displayed in getting things done, consequently there was little to fault in this village. At 2.20pm left for KORIKI and arrived there at 6.pm in the gathering dusk. a new Rest House and police barracks with all conveniences had been only recently erected and one was able to camp in comparative comfort.

4th. 9.am C.N.M. held. 10.30am village inspected and on the whole was satisfactory. About 1.PM. moved off for Port Romilly Saw Mills, Wame River and arrived there at 4.pm. Mr McKinnon, the manager was informed of my intention to ~~make~~ <sup>make</sup> an inspection under the H.L.O. on the morrow. P.O. remained the night as guest of Mr & Mrs McKinnon.

5th. 5.am Jean L (Mr Nevett) arrives at Saw Mill. 8.30am P.O. ~~make~~ <sup>make</sup> an inspection of the Saw Mill and separate report is being forwarded to the C.N.A.

26th. P.O. and party travelling by canoe leave for KIKORI via the ERA and GOPI districts. Arrived at VIAMU(<sup>4 pm</sup>V.C.AVAI). Rest house in ruins. Continued on to the next village and camped the night in the dub<sup>y</sup> at TAUNAMOTUA same V.C. - no other accommodation being available. The V.C. was absent; the few natives present in the village were put on to preparing a site for the erection of new barracks.

27th. 6.am left TAUNAMOTUA for IMIR(V.C.AUBA) and arrived there at 9am. Inspected village and necessary instructions for improvements issued. Arrived at KIPI(V.C.ONIA) thence to MEAGOMA(V.C.WAIPAKI) villages inspected but no cases were brought before C.N.M. 12 noon lunched. 1.30P.M. and crossed over the river to UBUA(V.C.WAIPAKI). Walking along the platform to inspect the village caused a portion to collapse. Working parties immediately put on to repairing same. Continued on to GOPI(V.C.AME) and left there about 3.pm. There were no cases for C.N.M.. From GOPI it was intended

was intended

to go on to GAURI. A native of GOPI volunteered to act as pilot and said the village was close up. We left GOPI at 3 pm. 6 pm came and no Gauri was in sight. By 7 pm we were lost and after wandering in and out of several creeks till 9 pm the pilot at last confessed to missing the Gauri passage; there was nothing else to do but camp in the bush. I had 25 prisoners with me and only an interpreter to look after them; they gave not the slightest trouble. The unfortunate native from GOPI naturally came in for a certain amount of abuse for landing them in such a plight but we soon made ourselves comfortable for the night.

28th. Daylight brought with it recognition of our whereabouts by OWE the interpreter who informed me that Gauri was left behind and that we would soon be at AIRD HILL. At 6.30 am Aird Hill was sighted and at 10am we reached SAMOA(V.C.DUDU). An inspection of the village was made and found satisfactory. Instructions were issued to put steps leading from the landing stage to the water in place of the ~~big~~enotched log that is there. Arrived at the L.M.S.Aird Hill about 10.45 and called on the Reverend Butcher. Stayed to lunch and left for KIKORI about 2.15 pm. The Station was reached about 5.30pm and duly reported to the R.M.

#### General

The patrol being purely a routine patrol carried out for the purpose of inspecting villages, enforcing Native Regulations and matters appertaining thereto there is very little -apart from the information contained in the diary of the report-to report upon.

I did detect a tendency on the part of the natives to drift away from their parent villages to establish themselves for unusually long periods in their Koombatis. Many of them are making permanent homes in these isolated and secluded places. I do not know whether such a practice is desirable but it is contrary to N.R.90 and it is for that reason I bring the matter to notice.

Kikori

4/6/29

*B W Fairbrother*  
Patrol Officer

OBSERVATIONS

- i/ The V.C mentioned in date 18th arrived here and complained he had been sick a long time he was warned. And a watch will be kept on him.
- ii/ The trouble at APIOPI was agin caused by a notorious bad hat and trouble maker of KAPAI, one BIAI AUA, an ex A.C. and one of the worst type of "bush lawyer" he has been a thorn in my side for years.
- iii/ the 26th AVAI the V C concerned has been brought in and has been warned, these three villages have been a source of trouble in the past thro not obeying regulations, and having the habit of clearing out as soon as a government party approaches.
- iv/ Mr Faithorn from the amount of work he brought in has done his work conscientiously, there are yet many Purari villages to be thoroughly inspected, this work has suffered in the past from a/ the Turama camp taking up so much time of the launch.  
b/ the absence of the R.M. on leave.  
c/ the absence of the MRWA patrol for so long and the absence at same time of A R M on Turama again.  
It is hoped to pay more attention to these districts in the next few months, and if it is ~~un~~feasable, to station an officer in the Purari district for two unbroken months, it being hoped that a second launch for this will be made available.
- The report reads rather sadly but I expected it.

*O. T. Jackson Blyth*

R.M. 4/6/30

**PATROL REPORT.**

STATION NUMBER.

21/28-9

**Kikori**

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by **A Listen Blyth** to**ALELE RIVER**

for the purpose of

**assisting P.O. Middleton to get home.**Left Station on **18/4/29**Returned to Station on **21/4/29**Number of Carriers employed **12**Number of Police taken **nil**Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge **Kismet. A.L.B.**Villages visited **KAIMARI. AVEI. VARE. URIKA. SAW MILL. OMAMERI**

(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.

2242/12.21.—2.000.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date **29/4/29**

Officer in charge of station.

*A Listen Blyth.*

Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.						Returned.	Remarks.
		Police	Crew	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used.	Government Cost.		
Rice	50	12		5	20	37	7	1 3	others LAHI
Biscuits	50	5			20	25	11 6	25	do
Meat	20	4			8	12	12	8	do
Sugar	4	2			2	4	1 2		do
Tea		<b>little only</b>							
Soap									
Tobacco	5	1	10	2	26	6	21		
Matches									
Kerosene		<b>Launch Navigating lights only</b>							
Tents									
Flies									
Lamps		<b>Launch gear only</b>							
Buckets		<b>do</b>							
Kerosene Cans		<b>do</b>							
Knives & Sheaths									
Knives, 18in.									
Knives, other									
Belts									
Pouches									
Print									
Twill									
Handkerchiefs									
Beads									
Mirrors									
Axes									
Half Axes									
Tomahawks									
<b>Fuel as per log</b>							5 6 9		
						TOTAL \$	7 4 5		

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

## RESIDENT MAGISTRATE      DELTA DIVISION

Patrol Report Number 21 1928-9

by A. Liston Blyth.

On the 18th April as Mr Middleton was no longer needed at Kikori I left on the "Kismet" at 10 30 am to take him as far as the Alele on his homeward trip to Kerema. At DOIBO we stopped a few moments for Mr Middleton to pick up some gear and then we proceeded to KAIMARI on the way however the frames of both pumps broke quite suddenly and we were delayed some time till I could fix matters up, not arriving at KAIMARI till 11 pm. V.C. AUWA came aboard and informed me that there were no cases, as I was here so short a time ago I decided to push on in the morning and therefore left just after daylight and ran down to KANIBO, here we anchored whilst we picked up some stores for Mr Faithorne at Kikori who was running short.

Going on we had a difficulty in the Mission creek leading to Urika as a very large tree trunk had completely blocked the passage after some trouble we cut through it and proceeded to ALVEI, V.C. KIROWAI I who reported, here we engaged a large canoe and some carriers for Mr Middleton to finish his journey on. The Village was very clean and orderly. Going on from here we anchored at the small Gulf Division village of VARE at the mouth of the back creek leading to Arihava.

Mr Middleton had lunch with me and then left for ARIHAVA by canoe the tide was too low for me to get back thro the Mission creek before dark and I would not attempt it after so I remained here. Whilst passin thro the MAIPUA District we passed a cutter from Handabada belonging to one LAHI who was looking for sago.

On the 20th I left at daylight and when passing KEREMA MAIPUA I found LAHI's cutter at anchor he signalled he wished to speak, we went over to him, and he complained that he had paid out many pots to these villagers and that they were keeping him waiting too long for the sago in return as the S.E. was starting, I collected the Village Coucillors and told them it was not fair and that they must hasten to get LAHI away.

The cutter was short of food and I gave them about 20 lbs of rice 8 lbs meat about 40 lbs biscuits and some tea and sugar. Going on we called at URIKA and dropped a mail, the Missionary was away and as I wanted to see him, and was told he was at the saw mill we went up there here I found I had just missed him, the VAIVIRI was at anchor, we arrived about 4 pm and I went up and saw the Manager. Tide being again unfavorable we waited till 4 am on the 21st when we left and ran over to URAMA where I wanted to pick up an interpreter, here we witnessed the christening race of three new canoes, quite a good race and I gave the winning canoe ten sticks of tobacco. leaving here we went on to Kikori anchoring abt 9 pm.

**Patrol 21**

**General**

One can hardly call this a patrol I wanted to assist Mr Middleton back to his division where he has been absent some time, and I was in haste to get back as the A.R.M. and P.O. at Kikori were leaving for the SOSOGO patrol on Monday morning.

*O. Victor Blyth*

R.M. 29/4/29

Delta Division

P.R. 22/28-29

Report of a patrol to the BARAKEI tribe and across to the Turama

by Leo Austen A.R.M.D.D.

Original Instructions from R.M.D.D.

A.R.M. & P.O. Faithorn to proceed from UTUTI through IOSSA, SURI and KEMERUA to the IKOBI and DIKIMA country and thence overland to the Turama.

1929

22nd April : Having sent carriers and A.C.s on ahead to the UTUTI village of EREMARI, Messrs Austen and Faithorn left Kikori in the Ogamobu launch at 8.25 a.m.

Arrived EREMARI at 10.20 a.m. and after an early lunch set off up stream for about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile and thence a short distance inland by a creek to the IBA road. 12.55 started on overland journey. It was expected that by taking this road it would save time. It does probably save the "Kismet" a journey, but it is bad for the carriers morale before they commence on the northward journey, for part of the road is very difficult. 2.45 p.m., camped beside a creek at 300 feet. Last of carriers did not get in until after 4 p.m. Country traversed was very broken limestone.

23rd April : Broke camp and on road by 7.12 a.m. Halted for a while at some limestone caves called GOMOGOSI, but they were not very interesting. 10.20 passed over the VELU creek headwaters. At noon came to a tidal swamp. Lost road and sent out scouts. They brought in an IBA man and he guided us to a sago-making place on the UTI creek which runs into the OMATI river. A.C. MAINU dispatched to IBA for canoes.

24th April . As guide said there was a road to IBA and A.C. MAINU had not returned by 8 a.m. decided to push on, but eventually was brought to a full stop by a wide tributary of the UTI. MAINU arrived with 3 canoes which were not sufficient for party. Left some behind to follow on. First party left at 1 p.m. and arrived IBA at 8 p.m. V.C. and all villagers gave us a hearty welcome and provided cooked sago and cabbage for all hands. Later on rest of party arrived excepting 2 A.C.s and 4 carriers. Arranged for a canoe to be sent for them at daybreak.

25th April : Managed to secure a few extra carriers from IBA, but did not take any married men as there was an initiation ceremony to come off

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in a few days to which invitations had been issued to PAI.IA.  
Left IBA at 8.20 a.m. 12.5 p.m. lunched at KAHUMO creek the headwaters  
of the SABUMI. We were now at 425 feet. Continued ascending the limestone  
until the old village of SARI was reached at about 600'. This was an  
original village of the IOSSA people who now live at IBA, but who had  
moved down to near the OMATTI on account of raids by the BARA tribes.  
Camped at 3.18 p.m. close to a sago patch. There are many acres of  
sago here all planted by hand. Poles for flies had already been cut so  
there was no delay in erection of camp. Rain as usual.

26th April: Broke camp at 7.15 a.m. Reached SURI at 10.50 a.m. Camped  
here to make friends, and also on account of the fact that the next  
stage was shown as 13 miles. This was found to be incorrect. These  
people had built a rest house, but it was so small that P.G. and self  
had difficulty in finding room for our two beds. Large areas of culti-  
vated sago seen down in the valley. Two A.Cs and carriers arrived  
during afternoon from IBA. As usual much bush cabbage available.

27th April: left SURI at 7.15 a.m. Crossed the TAWARE and thence up  
this stream for some time. This creek eventually meets the KWITINI  
shown on the map, but runs underground for some distance. In three  
hours time reached KIMERUA. Spent afternoon on anthropological work  
arranging these bush tribes into their proper groups.

28th April: Broke camp at 8.10 a.m. Lateness due to heavy rains. 40  
minutes afterwards passed through ground called IWESI and another 15  
minutes brought us to the KEROKARI long house. 25 minutes further on  
passed the latrine famous as belonging to IRUWAKE. From here a walk of  
35 minutes brought us to TARABOSU where grew the tree called ABAI.  
(These times are mentioned as they place certain legendary points,  
which are important anthropologically).

Reached LAHU at 12.10 p.m. and camped owing to heavy rains.  
FOIVI of this village brought along a pig as a present which was  
paid for to the satisfaction of all.

The carriers are feeling this journey owing to the nature of  
the country. The tucker boxes seem to me such unnecessarily heavy  
things. It would be far better to have three ply boxes and so save  
weight. IOSSA carriers went back from here.

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Here at this village word reached me that ~~they~~ an OBERI tribe had come across from the W.D. and massacred six natives who used to live at IBANIC near the Hawoi river but who had lately been living on the west side of the Turama. I was under the impression that they were KOMIWU river OBERI.

29th April: Rained torrentially all night and the IAHU came and informed me that it would be impossible to get on to IKOBI as the road was closed owing to floods. Made further enquiries and found this to be correct.

Decided it would be wiser to cut straight down to the Turama and over to the OBERI to stop reprisals. As I can go through three new and unknown tribes and can get guides this seems to me to be better than attempting to go to IKOBI and DIKIMA at this time of the year, which is a month or so too late.

When rain eased up a little left IAHU at 8.20 a.m. At 11.7 on the top of a divide at 750 feet, struck an interesting geological specimen of coral which is used by these people for sharpening knives and axes. I often wondered how these people obtained the razor-like edge to their steel. At 12.10 p.m. reached SIGINATU (950'), the first village of the KOBERE tribe. Found village deserted on arrival the people being away at SEWADEBI (IURUWOMO tribe) at a death feast, but later on ~~they~~ some returned and helped us carry on to the next KOBERE village of SUSUWORA (850'), only an hour away. If one looked only at the size of the dubu one would think these were large villages, but I doubt if the population of these two villages are more than 60 all told, if that. These dubus are not erected according to the size of the village but even where there are but three or four men occupying a village their dubu is large. This is to accommodate visitors at their ceremonies, who come to these parts even from KIBENI. The KOBERE told me they knew all about the Government from the BARAKEI and IURUWOMO (so-called OBERA) tribes, but they had never seen it before.

The Kerewa carriers did a certain amount of trading for palm-bows through these bush villages, tobacco is of little value as trade. Fish-hooks, red calico, tomahawks and knives of my description, and of course last but most important, BEADS (in capital letters). I would point out once again that although coloured beads are much sort after for decor

-ative purposes, the particular kind of bead required here is WHITE. No one uses coloured beads at the dances, they look very fine in the light of day, but are no earthly use during their night dances, where most of the ornaments are a light colour so as to show up and shine in the firelight. The very very small type of white bead sent out by Govt stores are not so much sort after as that which is about the diameter of a rice seed. I believe it is considered absurd the fuss I make about the size and colour of beads as no one has worried about this previously, but I believe in giving the native the trade he wants and not just pushing anything on to him. Again, when one can give these timid people things that they covet there is much more chance of getting carriers, buying food and so forth. In the Sambrigi where the people wont bring food, I think this attitude would be overcome if we had the trade they wanted, even if it meant us using armshells and breastshells as part of the trade.

30th April : At 7.47 left SUSUWORA in the rain with 7 KOBERE carriers, and crossed over the divide to the IU river which is close to the source of the OMATI. The IU is the name of the OMATI and is called so by all these bush tribes between the Kiko and the Turama. It is found in the word IURUWOMO, which means just "the people of the IU country". At the crossing the IU runs ~~through~~ through a wide gorge, but at the present time the stream was but 4 to 5 yards wide and a fathom deep. In the rainy seasons the floods come down this gorge tearing all before it and the people tell me that many have been lost crossing here as the floodwaters overwhelm travellers who may be unaware of the close proximity of the avalanche.

We climbed to the southern side of the gorge and followed a creek called SAME to its source. This rises on a plateau (1125'). Crossing this plateau we descended about 50 feet to the village of KASOROMAI of the WAI.IEMI tribe. Camped and sent out the KOBERE to look for the villagers who were away at their sago-places. Found some of these people are intermarried with the AI.IOWI - a village I visited last year from the Turama. The people are not a large tribe - perhaps 30 all told. Some agreed to accompany us to the KAURUWOMO people. The village is situated on the slopes of the KEIME valley and the creek meets the IARORO near the IURUWOMO village of BAIREIU. We are therefore still in the OMATI headwaters.

The height of the plateau above has surprised me as I did not expect

expect to reach more than 600' in crossing to the Turama. One cannot see these ranges from the Turama. The DANI Hills shut them out.

1st May : During the night the KOBERE carriers went back. Later on learnt that the KOBERE do not visit the ~~KEREWAO~~ KAURUWOMO, as the language slightly changes at WAI.IEMI. It was thoughtless of me not making deeper enquiries, but then I had not completed the dialectical divisions. Another thing that must be remembered too is that a bush carrier will carry through his own tribe as far as his boundary but behind it all, I think it is not considered the thing to carry further and thus do the next tribe out of trade which really belongs to them.

All night it rained and the wind blew a gale up the KEIME valley.

After noon the rain lessened and we set out and crossed the KEIME valley, the bottom of which was a series of rushing ~~streams~~ streams. After this we had a stiff climb of 200 feet up the BOSAMOI range and then a ~~descent~~ descent across a saddle and up to the IOTEHAU plateau which is 1275 feet above sea level. This plateau is the best piece of country seen and seems to cover a large area.

~~IOTEHAU~~ is the village of the KAURUWOMO people. It was a village of surprises. First I was astonished at the men's doorway of the dubu. It consisted of a piece of wood 8 x 3, on which a man had been carved. The doorway was an opening between the legs. It was the best piece of work I have seen west. The carver was an artist of no mean ability, and each portion of the body had been carefully carved. Even the hands and legs were quite good. The body was ornamented with ganas, armshells and breastshells

cut out of the wood, and even hair had been gummed under the arm pits. I thought I had struck some new cult, but it turned out to be the work of a much travelled man who said he had dreamt of the figure and had set to work and carved it. The artist's name was WAKI. He was away at the time but I was told he can speak KEREWAO, and IKOBI (? IOKANI).

The next surprise was to notice a pig with five toes on each foot. I put it down at a freak, but the village people told me they had bought it from a BARAKEI village where this type of pig was bred. It was considered the true village pig SISIKINI as distinguished from the bush pig KON EAI.IAU which is caught young and domesticated. I'll leave the matter at this for the present, but no doubt the next patrol to the BARAKEI will investigate the truth of these statements, and see whether the SISIKINI is a freak or

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or a special breed. After the wild dog of the Chirina, one is chary of generalizing without thorough investigation.

2nd May. Broke camp at 7.30 and continued along the plateau cultivated sago and bamboo groves. Found the sago spines sharper than usual as I slipped on ~~in~~ a log and fell into a sago tree. At 8.45 came to the broken limestone and left a note for P.O. to instruct carriers to have a drink at the waterhole as the limestone was waterless. From there the journey was heart breaking for the carriers over the broken and weathered slippery limestone which cut or scratched their feet deeply or caused them to slip. Even boots with studs seemed useless fax against slipping, and both P.O. and self barked ourselves. Up and down we travelled until we arrived at the KESUBIRI saddle (750') and from there a descent was made to the village of KOMAIO on the junction of the BORA and UWISI creeks which form the WAMURI. Both ~~the~~ ~~the~~ take their rise in KESUBIRI. KOMAIO is a village of the SEWOMO tribe, many of whom I arrested last year and brought to KIKORI, and who were sentenced to the rising of the court. They were very glad to see me and were most friendly. Of course the presence of A.C. MAINU was of value as his mother comes from AI, IOWI another SEWOMO village. These are the people who turned down an invitation some months ago to go with the WARIADAI and KUTO to the KOMIWU OBERI.

Sent for canoes from SARAGI (Wariadai) and began enquiries into the massacre of the OBERI.

3rd May. As the trip had to be made in two parties did not reach SARAGI until 6.30 p.m. in heavy rain. A rest house has been built here by V.C. GAI. Sent a messenger to IBANIC to bring down any guides to the OBERI country.

4th May. I forgot to mention that I made a V.C. at KOMAIO for the SEWOMO tribe. This will be placed before the R.M.D.D. My reason for so doing was twofold. The people had been asking for months for a V.C. and the man I wished to appoint was one who had been at Kikori for some months, and also I knew that the presence of a V.C. here was important to keep the ~~family~~ ~~mixxx~~ people together and stop them from any further raids. The man suggested as V.C. may not be the best, that is the strongest man, but he would make visits to Kikori where another one might not. The V.C. designate is named BAUBA.

By this time I had decided to allow Mr.P.O.Faithorn to go back to Kikori in case he should receive orders to return to P.M. by the "P.C." Also the carriers from Kerewa were footsore and cut about and I thought they should be returned.

I would mention here that Mr Faithorn was a splendid assistant and took entire charge of transport arrangements thereby allowing me free to prosecute anthropological work, mapping, and collecting geological specimens. If I had been by myself, much of this work would not have been done.

Mr.Faithorn and carriers with 2 A.Cs set out for Kikori by canoe.

5th May SUNDAY. No word from IBANIO. A.Cs KOROVIA and MAINU sent to find guides to OBERI. A.C BATE returned from Mr Faithorn with canoes and some carriers, from Umайдai. P.O. had a bad journey to Umайдai having struck the bore at night.

6th May. Moved camp to HAWOIBOBOP ~~opposite~~ opposite the mouth of the HAWOI A.Cs MAINU and KOROVIA returned in afternoon stating that IBANIO was deserted and had been so for some time. Sent MAINU back to KOMAIC to find some one who may be able to trace these IBANIO.

7th May. UMAIDAI carriers went back during the night. Found out that preparations were being made for a ~~some~~ ceremony at which their presence were required. Do not intend taking action as these men were mostly married and therefore it was important that they should be at the ceremony. Unless it is a matter of life and death I do not interfere with ceremonies in any way. Would rather cool my heels for a day or two

It is much more satisfactory. Carriers from KOMAIC stating MAINU had gone to AIOWI looking for some one who knew whereabouts of IBANIO people.

8th May. Set off at 8.30 for the WAMURI river and met MAINU en route. He had been unsuccessful. Sent canoe and BAUBA back once more to make further enquiries. Self had an exciting time with bore but monotony once more reigned at the village. At 6 p.m. BAUBA came back with a boy who knew the road but had a sore foot. MAINU went up after the bore with this boy to find a man called SHAWAKA who seems to be the only one who knows the road to OBERI. It turns out that the raiders were not KOMIWU Oberi but from a tribe much further to the N.W.

9th May.

9th May. MAINU returned once more unsuccessful. Therefore moved camp up HAWOI river to make a thorough search of the country. Whole country side is flooded. Camped in bush about 9 p.m. We are now at the last portion of the country where the people of IBANIC roam.

10th May. All A.Cs sent out in various directions to search for tracks. L/Cpl and two others eventually returned with SIRAWAKA. MAINU who is connected by marriage with SIRAWAKA persuaded him to come into camp and see the Government.

It appears that SIRAWAKA was not keen on Government intervention. He had intended arranging a little expedition on his own, and had persuaded the SEWOMO to whom he belongs, to keep quiet as to his whereabouts.

SIRAWAKA's story of the massacre is roughly as follows:

After the arrest of KUTO, the people of IBANIC moved to the S.W. side of the Turama to a place called DOTATA. One day a large party of OBERI from the N.W. came and killed six including women and children. He lost his two wives, and then set out to track who had done the deed. After about four days journey following the raiders tracks all the way he came to a mountain called BIWAU. This he ascended and below him saw the raiders villages which are situated on either side of a wide stream which he called KWAVI. Having ascertained this he returned to DOTATA and the whole village then crossed the river and moved to a place called SIRIKARI. He had decided to stop here until he could arrange with some friendly tribes to the west to come with him and avenge the death of his two wives.

I had a long talk with SIRAWAKA, and I showed him how powerful the Government's rifles were. I also explained to him the Government fashion, and gradually overcame his opposition until he was eager to guide the Government to the OBERI as they were stronger than his friends. I wanted him then and there to lead us, but found that he was not ready to go as some relation of his was to go through his initiation at which he must be present. Knowing how important these ceremonies are among the married people, I knew it was useless attempting to force him to go. The whole of the SEWOMO tribe then up and said that if we would wait four or five weeks they would provide what carriers they could and accompany me. I then promised them that the Government would send MAINU ahead in five or six weeks time and they were to have up to ten carriers.

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ready for me and SERAWAKA said he was content. MAINU who has been with me throughout most of my journeyings through the Turama, knows that my word is my bond, and told SERAWAKA so. As the KASIRE people look upon me as their friend, and I understand them and their ways a little, I have little fear that SERAWAKA will not wait for me, as he realises now that the payback by the Government would be better than if he led a raid in which some of his own people might be killed as had happened previously. As a matter of fact SERAWAKA said he would call on the whole KASIRE group to supply carriers, but this I was not at all anxious for him to do, though I did not say so, for I have other plans regarding the mixture of carriers whom I intend taking.

These delays suited me for I was anxious to refit before going off to the OBERI, where it might take a week or two at least to make necessary arrests. Also I had to make special arrangements for interpreters from PEPEWA whom I knew were of the same language group. Again I had promised the MORIGI to be present on the 18th at a dance to give out compensation for the murder of Morigi carriers by Wariadai and Umaidai some years ago. Yes it was much better to delay the patrol, than hurry off into unknown and unexplored country. If it had been the OBERI of the Komiwu creek it would have been a different matter.

Returned to HAWOIBODO. I had now to arrange for the arrests of two escapees from Kikori gaol who had been missing for 3 months. I had an idea they had reached home although I had been informed that a death feast had been held,

11th May. Moved to SARAGI the village where SERIAMI one of the escapees belongs. A.Cs sent out on false scents during afternoon. Eventually found a wife of SERIAMI in the village, and learned that this prisoner had returned and that he was at a place called GOTAGARI.  
12th May. SERIAMI's wife lead us a nice dance with nothing at the end of it. Returned and told V.C.G.I. he could either find SERIAMI or lose his clothes.

13th May. Pouring as usual. I decided to leave the L/Cpl and three A.Cs with the V.C. of Nabio to find SERIAMI. I went off by canoe to BANORA meeting A.C DREIA returning from Kikori with some stores for me. Near BANORA saw a canoe with a man and a load of women going off fishing. They paddled very hard when they caught sight of us, so I gave chase

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DEEA's canoe I sent one side and mine went the other. It was laughable to see the course of the canoe. Being rowed by women, sitting in the bottom of the canoe, the stewardswoman changed her mind every few seconds as to which way she would go. I cut the canoe off and told the man to get into my canoe and then asked him if he knew where KUBIHA ~~were~~ the other escapee was. He denied that KUBIHA had ever returned, and the women, kept interrupting the conversation to say that KUBIHA had died in the bush and never reached the village. I had had enough experience of women so told the women to go off to their fishing, which they did. The man I carried on with me across to the village, and asked him again whether he could give me any information regarding KUBIHA. He said KUBIHA was living with the DUGEME tribe near SOROBO. Whether this was so or not I did not know. At present all I wanted ~~were~~ to know was whether KUBIHA had returned, and this information I now had. My carriers took me swiftly into the bank and the two A.Cs and myself hurried up to the village. I motioned to MAINU to run round the back of the dubu while the other A.C and myself went up the front. I gathered all the villagers into the centre of the dubu, and put the question of KUBIHA's whereabouts but was informed that he had never reached the village. Within five minutes after reaching BANORA, I had the whole story out of V.C. MAINA. KUBIHA was at SOROBO. I sent MAINU off posthaste with some BANORA carriers to SOROBO to arrest KUBIHA. MAINU went as sole A.C. as SOROBO were of his tribe and there was much more chance of getting KUBIHA than if I went in with a force, for our movements would be known.

V.C.GAI came in at night wringing his hands and saying that he could not find SERIAMI. I told him what had happened here, and to go back and not play the fool any more. Poor old GAI! Was quite overcome at the crowd at BANORA. There was DEEA and his carriers from MORIGI. Two A.Cs and their carriers had now arrived from KIKORI with the compensation for the MORIGI. V.C. BASAKA of ENGIWIA and his people had come up to bid me good day, the whole dubu is filled to overflowing with friends of the Government. I could never have arranged a better setting for all this trouble, if I had worked the scheme out myself.

Sent BASAKA up to SARACI to tell them of all the happenings of today.

14th May. As I expected MAINU arrived back with KUBIHA having played

a lone hand - he had sent back all the BANORA carriers and went off by himself.

Having the situation now well in hand, and fully understanding what I was doing, I decided to leave the L/Cpl and 5 A.Cs at SARAGI to prosecute the search for SERIAMI, while I moved down to UMAILAI en route to MORIGI.

15th May. Morigi carriers and A.C. DESEA sent on ahead to EGBABIA to tell them I was coming. I spent the day at KESI correcting certain information in my thesis. I should have liked another two days as I was just finishing it off, and had ~~not~~ at last obtained the clue to marriage classes that had evaded me so long. This is the most valuable part of the thesis, but I expect I can work it out without the necessity of another visit. Gathering information for the thesis has been slow for sometimes I have been weeks without being able to add to it.

16th May. Set forth in canoes at daybreak. Managed to cross to the NABIO side without accident and breakfasted. Then on across the estuary to CABABIA on Morigi Island. Owing to foresight and quickness of one or two elders on board we were saved being swamped.

At CABABIA found an A.C. from Hikori with orders for me to proceed to IBUA on the I.D. side of the Cama and arrest those concerned in the murder of the V.C. designate. (Information sent by R.M.W.D.) Decided to attempt it, though canoe work round the estuary is risky.

17th May. Blew a gale all night with heavy rain. A.C. shot a great bush bear for the dance. During afternoon ~~by~~ <sup>in</sup> a small fleet of canoes arrived from WARE DAI and UMAIDAI, including the L/Cpl and his A.Cs and the other escapee SERIAMI. They found the escapee between SARAGI and BAWOLBOBO. Among the Wariadai, there were the V.Cs HAIMA, GAI, and WAIKI and a number of men and women from BANCRA and SARAGI. The UMAIDAI turned up in force. This is the first time in the history of Morigi that UMAIDAI and WARIADAI have been to a dance at CABABIA. The dance is being held to celebrate peace between these tribes and pay the death price to the Morigi for those carriers killed by the Wariadai and Umaidai while in the employ of the Government.

All the DABESI (Morigi village) are now here and the BACCI MERE dance commenced in the evening.

18th May. Another large pig shot and divided up. There are huge

quantities of sage made for this dance. I bought a lot and handed it over to the visitors, but this was unnecessary.

Afternoon all assembled on the foreshore to witness payments to the next of kin of carriers killed. The following were paid SAWOKA n/kin of KANE; WAIGORA n/kin of GAKIBAI; BAGEMU n/kin of EGABOI; INU & BAIA n/kin of KANA; OROU and OGARI n/kin of BETAU; DUBA & BEGA n/kin of ADAUUA; TAUMUPE (GERUEI) & KAKIRI n/kin of MARI; FAVE, WOBAI & MEALNU n/kin of UGAI. The whole of CABABIA and DADEBI were assembled as well as the Umайдai and Warisadai as witnesses. The Morigi stated they were satisfied with the death price, and that the people paid were the correct and proper next of kin. I asked for other applicants but none came forward. The recipientsxxxxx were more than satisfied.

The dance at night was not as great a success as the previous night. The single boys were angry that they all did not get presents and would not dance. Later on I went over and got things going and they all soon forgot their troubles as soon as they/got worked up to the rhythm  
19th May : UMAIDI and WARIAKI came and said goodbye early as they wanted to catch the tide before the sea came up.

Iself asked for carriers from Morigi, but a number of single boys ran off to the bush. Got them back and dealt severely with them. Of all the swashbuckling tribes in this division the MORIGI are the worst. They cause strife and discontentment setting village against village, dhan against dubu, clan against clan. No other village I know of has so many petty quarrels, I would a thousand times rather deal with an Umайдai man than

with one from either of the Morigi villages. I told them I would put down this quarrelling, and I intend to. I also told them that in future any man firing an arrow at the roof of the dubu would be charged with threatening behaviour. This is the beginning of the quarrels, and the action is taken up by both ends of the dubu usually ending a free fight. They thoroughly understand the Government, for they have been under control for years. Many have been to work and they come back bush lawyers.

Dispatched 2 A.O.s with prisoners, and with Councillor HAWOKA who is wanted in connection with an alleged case of indecently interfering with a dead body. That payment was made for the head is certain, but I told the A.O.s to call at UBUA and pick up certain men there in connection with the same matter. (This matter has been settled at Rikori. The head was cut off as alleged, but the person who started the tale is to be

dealt with before the C.N.M.)

Rough passage across to DORIOMO on Gibu creek.

Arranged for canoes and carriers for the morrow to take me to IBUA.

20th May Left in 3 canoes. Travelled up GIBU creek then through the WASIO skidway to the BIBO creek. Down this creek to the WAWI and then along this to the GAMA and down the GAMA until we reached the old site of IBUA, on the western bank of the GAMA. Owing to the fact that all tides fitted in well, we were able to make the journey to the GAMA in 7 to 8 hours in frightful weather.

Made camp in some dirty old shelters.

21st May Set off at 2 a.m. in drenching rain to raid the village of IBUA which is situated on a creek called DIBIRI. At 4 a.m. we were near the entrance to the GAMA, but we found after ~~having~~ shipping much water that it would be impossible to attempt to round the western point of the GAMA estuary and follow the open sea and turn into the DIBIRI creek. Returned to the shelters, breakfasted, and at 9 a.m. attempted once more in daylight to get round this point, but once more we were forced to return to our shelters. At 3 p.m. once again packed up and got in canoes to attempt the passage, but the wind and sea had not lessened so I returned to DORIOMO, narrowly escaping being capsized by the bore.

22nd May At GIBU camp resting. Limbs aching from the continuous wettings. Only those who have worked in the D.D. can really realise how wet one can get canoeing in the wet season. A.Cs and villagers repairing wharf and rest house at GIBU.

23rd May: Many V.Cs and Councillors and villagers came in from the BARU villages, and I fixed up several minor troubles. I was pleased that these people were now bringing their village troubles to the Govt. One V.C. wanted to prosecute a man for causing the big seas which prevented the Government going to IBUA.

24th May : Expect "Kismet" today, but she did not turn up. V.C. KOKI and several POIMIA men came in and spoke to me about the IBUA affair. They were anxious to go to ~~IBUA~~ when the seas were suitable and bring EOTU who was alleged to have killed the man DAIWA, to Kikori. I agreed and arranged with V.C. of NEMETI to provide a large canoe for KOKI, if he wanted to come to Kikori.

25th May : "Kismet" arrived with R.M. on board about noon and by 1 p.m. the vessel was on its way back. Reached Kikori by night.

P.R.22/28-29.

SUMMARY.

General (a) The following objects were accomplished on patrol:

1. General inspection of villages between Kikori and the ~~Emati~~ upper Omati.
2. Exploration of the country between the Kiko R. and the Turama which forms the source of the OMATI R. when three new tribes were visited.
3. Stoppage of reprisals on the OBERI of the country N.W. of HAWOI junction.
4. Arrest of two escapees from Kikori.
5. Concluding the peace between the people of MOROI and the Wariadai and Umaidai.

~~fix~~ (b) The state of the Turama district at the present time is satisfactory. The rumour which seems to have reached P.M. of further trouble on the Turama is unfounded. Peace reigns. Certainly the arrest of the escapees took some time, but that was only to be expected.

The OBERI: The bush tribes between the Turama and the Samu are known to the Kerewa as "Oberi". My contention is that they belong to the same language group as the PHEMIDI on the Paibuna. To the Turama the Oberi are known as PEPEHARO. The tribe concerned in the recent raid on the bush tribe who lived at IBANIO and crossed to DOMATA, have never been visited by the Govt. Their country is unknown, though I have an idea that the mountain called BIWAU is the same mountain which Mr. Ryan ~~REED~~ showed on his map as "Range of High Mountains" between the Turama and the Samu, but he has it much too far to the north. The OBERI who live near the headwaters of the KOMOI or KOMIWI creek which flows into the Turama a few miles west of ~~H~~ HAWOI junction, and whom the Wariadai raided some months ago, do not appear to have been concerned in the raid, though of course this may be something in the way of a payback. The BIWAU Oberi though well into the Western Division, unfortunately must be worked from KIKORI, for the only entrance to this tribe of which we know at present is from the Turama.

The IBUA: This village was for some time situated on the western bank of the GAMA east of SUNIKI village on the Samu. The people intermarry with the Samu tribes and with the BARU, therefore this village should be controlled from DARU and not from Kikori, for the present line of demarcation - the east bank of the GAMA forms a splendid natural boundary of the language groups of tribes, and if we start taking in the western bank of the GAMA it will only mean that eventually we will extend to the SAMU itself which

of course would be absurd. There are no villages now on the east bank of the GAMA, and if we have to control IBUA, it means a special trip to the GAMA for this one village which could be easily controlled through BUNIKI and PIRUPIRU. At present IBUA live on the DIBIRI creek which flows into the sea to the west of the GAMA, and in the present weather we cannot visit it. From BUNIKI or PIRUPIRU a patrol could easily go overland to IBUA, which is not more than a few hours march away, and in all probability there is some skidway which would allow the passage of a canoe. Certainly it would be a dirty patrol through swamp, but no doubt a road of some kind could be cut if there were none, from BUNIKI. The man killed at IBUA has been called by the R.M.W.D. the "V.G.designate". DAIWA according to the records sent us in error by the R.M.W.D. show that this man was appointed by Mr Oldham as from 1.6.27. and pay for the period ending 31/12/27 was recently forwarded to this office from Daru but we had been unable to get in contact with DAIWA the last time I visited the Turama, as the IBUA people don't like coming over to the BARU Tribes.

GEOLOGICAL. A collection of specimens from various portions of the district traversed was made in accordance with the wish expressed by Dr Richardson. The positions of the specimens have been marked on the accompanying map and the specimens will be forwarded to the Hon the C.S.

#### ANTHROPOLOGY

##### The KASERE

Between the Kikori river and the Turama river are numerous tribes <sup>bush</sup> called by the Kerewa "KAIRI"-such as the OMATI KAIRI, TURAMA KAIRI etc. All these subdivisions may be grouped into one large language group called KASERE. The KASERE are subdivided into two dialectical groups - the BARIWOMO and the SASA.U. The BARIWOMO comprise the IOSSA, the BARAKEI, the KOBERE, the WAI.IEMI, and the IURUWOMO who live between the Kikori river and the Dantal hills,- while SASA.U include the KAURUWOMO, the SEWOMO, the DUGEME, the AVISONEMI, the KIBENI, the GIBIDAI, and the KAHAMOI. The people of PAI.IA on the OMATI estuary who are usually looked upon as KEREWIA are in reality an offshoot of the BARIWOMO tribe of IURUWOMO who have greatly intermarried with KEREWIA tribes but who still attend the initiation ceremonies of the KASERE. The birthplace of the KASERE is given as IWEBI a place near the BARAKEI village of KIGHABA, and from there the people migrated west-

-ward, some eventually crossing to the Turama watershed. The SASA.U seem to have some relationship with the bush tribes to the west of the Turama known as PEPEHARO to the Turama tribes and the GBERI to the KEREWA. We do know that a certain amount of miscegenation has gone on between the SASA.U and the PEPEHARO, the PEPEHARO women having been stolen by the SASA.U during raids.

There are tribes to the west of the SEWOMO between the HAWOI river and the Turama, but at present we know little about them. From enquiries made they seem to speak a somewhat similar language to the SASA.U but they are not looked upon as belonging to this group. Possibly they belong to the PEPEHARO group with KASERE miscegenation. Unless one has been through the initiation ceremony "SU" where the initiate is taught certain secret names, one is not a KASERE. Strange to say many of the Turama tribe of NABIO visit the SU ceremony, but this is accounted for by the fact that NABIO women marry into the SASA.U tribes, though there seems to be no exchange marriages. The result is that NABIO village grows smaller.

The KIBENI, GIBIDAI and KAHAMOI tribes, originally KASERE, and still looked upon as such, are gradually absorbing more and more of the KEREWA customs, and probably losing many of their own in so doing.

I collected many more notes on the KASERE, but it is too soon to place them before you.

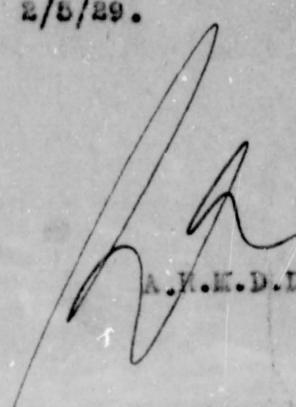
  
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GEOLOGICAL SPECIMENS

COLLECTED BY L. H. AUSTIN

APRIL/MAY 1929.

- (1) Outcrop at SURI Hill, TAWARI valley BARAKAI district, headwaters of Omati river D.D. 26/4/29
- (2) Mudstone on hill rising from ABU creek close to KEMERUA village 27/4/29
- (3) Limestone eastern side of KEMERUA hill not far from village 27/4/29
- (4) " between KEMERUA & KEROKARI villages 28/4/29
- (5) " KEROKARI village 28/4/29
- (6) " 750 ft above sea level between LAHU and SIGIATU villages on divide between KIKO and OMATI rivers 11.7. a.m. 29/4/29
- (7) Outcrop FIORA sk. flowing into IU (OMATI headwaters) 11/20 a.m.  
800 ft. 29/4/29 Seems to overlie limestone  
close to (7)
- (8) " 11.40 a.m. 29/4/29
- (9) " 12.00 a.m. 29/4/29
- (11) " IU valley, IU crossing, close to source of OMATI  
9.12.a.m. 30/4/29
- (12) " 9.45 a.m. 30/4/29
- (13) " 9.45 a.m. 10.47 a.m. 30/4/29
- (14) " southern slopes(i.e., Turama side) of KESUBHI saddle  
2/5/29.

  
A.H.K.D.B. 2/5/29

A COMPARATIVE VOCABULARY OF SOME BUSH TRIBES OF THE DELTA DIVISION, PAPUA

Situated between the KIKO River and the TURAMA River, P.D.

by Leo Austin A.R.M.

BARAKEL	KATRUMONO
LOSSA	SEFOLO
KOBERS	MUGEM
TURUMONO	

AMO.IU	KALI(O)
LINe	DU
Water	"
RIVER	"
Fire	ILIA

SUN	TOSSAMA
Moon	WASINA
Star	KUMI
Wind	ANUWU
Rain	KURI
Night	KUPUNU
Land	SAWO
Stone	ANOBIRI
Hill	
Line	
Water	
RIVER	
Fire	

English	W.A.I.LITI
	AVISONENI
	EISHEFI
	CIBIDAI
	TAHANOU

SUN	TOSSAMA	SOA	SOG	SIVIO	AIERA
Moon	WASINA	WASINA	BAIRA	ZIRAFEA	
Star	KUMI	KUMI	KUMI	KUMI	KUMI
Wind	ANUWU	ANUWU	INWU	IVUVU	KONGO
Rain	KURI	KURI	LAHAK	KAHAKA	RARHO
Night	KUPUNU	KUPUNU	KAFONO	KAFONO	RIKO DURUGI
Land	SAWO	SAWO	SAWO	SAWO	BOTI
Stone	ANOBIRI	ANOBIRI	ANOBIRI	YAKBIRI	W.NAWIRI AKABU
Hill	AMO.IU	KALI(O)	KALO	TAJO	AYABU GAMISOI
Line	DU	DU	DU	DU	XO
Water	"	"	"	"	O.U
RIVER	"	"	"	"	LOTI
Fire	ILIA	"	"	"	MOPI
					KUBANI KUMU KUMU
					KUMU
					KUMU
					KUMU
					KUMU





Log	Bo	Hai	Hai	Hai	Hai	Hai	Hai	Hai	Date
Foot	DAIBAI	KIBAI	KIBAI	KIBAI	KIBAI	KIBAI	KIBAI	KIBAI	ABA PA, SAPIA
Belly	LAUA	KAMBAU	KAMBAU	KABURU	KABURU	KABURU	KABURU	KABURU	MIROU
Breast	SULADAVU	SUMI I. RU	SIRAKI	SUMI MI	HUNU				
Milk	SUSSE	SUZENI	SUZENI	SUBIN	SUBIN	SUBIN	SUBIN	SUBIN	TOUME
Nipple	SU	SU	SU	SU	SU	SU	SU	SU	METUPU
Revol	ISIMI	UBERU	UBERU	UBERU	UBERU	UBERU	UBERU	UBERU	DUXUPU
Liver	KAMO	USU	USU	UBU	UBU	UBU	UBU	UBU	IMA
Pig	ZAI	ZONO	ZONO	KONO	KONO	KONO	KONO	KONO	NAWA; sacred = CIRONOI
Dog	KASE	ZAS(1)	KASS	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	GAZOU
Wallaby	WU. LA	(TERRERI)	TABERI	TABERI	TABERI	TABERI	TABERI	TABERI	(TERRERI)
Rat	SUMA	SUMA	SUMA	KELPARI	KELPARI	KELPARI	KELPARI	KELPARI	KEGAI KAI. AMI
Bird	DAWEA	KAI	KAI	KAI	KAI	KAI	KAI	KAI	METO
Egg	DANATANI	KAPOU	KAPOU	KAPOUOU	KAPOUOU	KAPOUOU	KAPOUOU	KAPOUOU	USU
Peather	DAWEBORO	KLIBORO	KLIBORO	LAIBORO	LAIBORO	LAIBORO	LAIBORO	LAIBORO	POKIO
Cassowary	SIGINA	SIGINA	SIGINA	SIGINA	SIGINA	SIGINA	SIGINA	SIGINA	KOIBOU
Cockatoo	(?) AIRU	SIBA	SIBA	SIBA	SIBA	SIBA	SIBA	SIBA	EA. URA
Crocodile	SIBA	(SIBIRA)	SIBIRA	SIBIRA	SIBIRA	SIBIRA	SIBIRA	SIBIRA	NUKO
Hornbill	WAIK.YOU	WAIK.YOU	WAIK.YOU	WAISU	WAISU	WAISU	WAISU	WAISU	BUGO



Village	URUBA	OBO	O-O MINI	OFO MINI	TATAU
MINI	MINI	MINI	MINI	MINI	SUGIMCI; MOTO
House	MIKSB(1)	MIIKAWA	MIIKAWA	... DIK.YA	PURIHA; CETA
"	"	-MINI	DICK	DIK	
Path	TUI	DIK.YA	DIK	DIK	
Hat	SOBORO	SOBONO	SUBORO	SUBORO	SOUBOTOU
Bug	KANOSO	KANOSO	KANASO	KAVASO	BUK.YCU BONIQU
Cane	KAZENI	KA	KA	AI	KOPAIKOU
Paddle	HOU	HOU	HOU	HOU	LAKOU OU
Club	HURLA	HOURLA	HOURS	HOURS	WODE
" Wood	KUKUPI	KUKUPI	KUKUPI	KUKUPI	
Spear	BAIA; IRATE	HUBUTERI	HUBUTERI	HUBUTERI	LEME
Bow	WATI; BESO	BESO	BESO	BESO	DEMA.IRO
Arrow	URI.A	LA	LAH	LAH	TIKI
War	KIRU	URI.AK(O)	IAGO	IAGO	BIRI; LAKJA
Two	MI.PAI	KIRU	KIRU	KIRU	...
One	TAJU	TAJAH(L)	SAVANI	WEI	EASI
Three	ZRA	ZRA	SAYANI	SAKARI	LACG.YU
Four	SIRI	SIRI	SIRI	...	MASIRAG.YU
Five	TERITABURU	TERITABURU	TERITABURU	MARINE.I- -PERIKI	MASIMASI
Be	SEGAPO	SEGAPO	SEGAPO	SEGAPO	MIPO
	HOI	HOI	HOI	HOI.JAU	YALI

Notes on the Vocabularies.

Columns 1 to 5 include what is known as the KASERE language group of tribes which are subdivided into two sub-groups Columns 1 & 2 forming the BARIWOMO tribes and Columns 3,4,& 5 forming the SASA.U tribes.

Column 2 seems to be a tribe connecting the two groups, and though from the vocabulary it seems to be more allied to SASA.U, it is considered by the KASERE themselves to be BARIWOMO.

Column 6 was included in this vocabulary as former vocabularies taken were slightly incorrect. Where words were found to have been incorrectly taken, I have as far as possible shown the former words correct meaning. It is interesting to compare this vocabulary with that taken by Mr Flint and published in A.R.1913/18 of the "KARAMI" tribe. This was not ~~made~~ obtained from any KARAMI people but from two natives of another tribe who knew the KARAMI language. This may account for certain differences noted such as the word TOKI is given as "blood" in the KARAMI, but TOKI is a clot of blood in the PEPEHA. OSOMI (Pepeha) is the front of the neck, but is shown in the KARAMI vocabulary as "face". ADURA in the latter is a "sorcerer" but at PEPEHA the word HADURA is a "bad spirit". Elbow is shown as BO, but in PEPEHA this means the "thigh". GIROMOI in the KARAMI vocabulary is shown as meaning "pig", but in Pepeha this word is used for something "sacred" i.e. set apart from daily use. Still for all these differences there is much that is more similar to PEPEHA than <sup>to</sup> any other vocabulary that has yet been taken, unless it be one I made many years ago of the MATAKALA, a bush tribe living close to the BAMU near the junction of the ANGORUA river in the Western Division. The KARAMI or as the KASERE call them the KWAKEMI, live to the west of the Hawoi river and north of the Turama. They are very friendly with the SEWOMO tribe, and also with the Wariadai villagers of HAWOIBOBG.

PRONOUNCEATION :

~~SECTION~~ The consonants are sounded as in English, but the vowels have the continental sound, where used singly; excepting O. Vowels are shortened by doubling the following consonant.

A as in Father  
E as in benefit  
I as in ravine, but Y is used to denote the continental sound.  
O as the sound of AW in claw  
OU as E " " O in note  
U as in flute

" approximating as near as possible the Ger. U  
EI is not a diphthong though very nearly, and is pronounced with a rising tone the last vowel being very short, it is very nearly but not quite the same as EU

AI ~~as~~ as I in toe  
AU as OW in how

Acute accent mark is used to denote syllabic stress.

D E L T A

Observations.

- i/ Mr Austen as usual has taken pains in his work and altho unable to follow up Mr Chance's patrol to the IKOBI and DIKIMA, it was due to the awful weather we have had lately.
- ii/ When I last took Mr Chance for the start of this patrol I towed nine canoes of carriers, in addition to heavily loading the "Kismet" to IOSSA or IESSA as it was then called, on his return which he did overland, Mr Chance told me that it was a great saving of time to take the overland route, and not round by the OMATI, however it would appear that either he came a different track to that Mr Austen followed or he was mistaken.
- iii/ It has been arranged with Mr Austen since his return that he leave in the first week of July to keep his promise to SEREWAKA 10th May entry. A letter has been written about this in re the officer to accompany him.
- iv/ It is ridiculous for DARU to expect us to take IBUA under our wing, in addition to that portion of their division we already have, even now it is most difficult with only one vessel to keep our rapidly extending "sphere of influence" properly visited and to give us any more would mean that we cannot do it, just this last part of this month, the condition was, The A.R.M "walking about" in the Western Division, the P.O. in the Parari that is both officers more than 100 miles from home and the R.M. with one boat attempting to keep in touch with both, ran the station and local work. The more we "extend" the more arduous is the task of the Officers if we do not want the other districts to "slip back". Mr Austen explains the position re IBUA very clearly and I intend sending back the R/S of this V.C to DARU as he should certainly, from position, tribal affiliations and such reasons be controlled by them not us.
- v/ His remarks on MORIGI agree with my own experience of these people the first I had to visit on taking over here five years ago, for fighting.

O. Victoria Blyth  
R.M. 30/5/29

# PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.
3/1927-8

STATION.

Kikeri

REPORT OF A PATROL made by A Listen Blyth to  
KORIKI and Saw Mill etc for the purpose of  
enquiring into rumored trouble, fixing deposits etc

Left Station on 8/8/27 Returned to Station on 16/8/27  
Number of Carriers employed ~ Number of Police taken 3 & 2 crew  
Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge " HOURI" A.L.B. then Canoeas.  
Villages visited Saw Mill. KANIBO. U LARAVI. AKOMA. IKINU. GAURI

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2987/11.23.—1.800.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 21/8/27

  
Officer in charge of Station.

Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.						Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used	Government Cost.			
Rice	40	15	25	---	40	9 2	nil		
Biscuits	15	10	5	---	15	6 0	nil		
Meat	10	10	--	--	10	6 8			
Sugar	5	5	--	--	5	1 5			
Tea									
Soap	1	½	---	----	½	4	½		
Tobacco	25	1	5	½	6½	15 9	18½		
Matches	2 dez	½	----	----	2	10	nil	remainder wet	
Kerosene	2 gals	½	----	½	1	1 6	1		
Tents									
Flies	2	1		1	2		2		
Lamps									
Buckets	2				2		2		
Kerosene Cans									
Knives & Sheaths									
Knives, 18in.									
Knives, other									
Belts									
Pouches									
Print									
Twill									
Handkerchiefs									
Beads									
Mirrors									
Axes									
Half Axes									
Tomahawks									Includes three
etc						4 4 0		tins benzine lost	
							6 5 0	in capsized.	
					TOTAL £				

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

R E S I D E N T M A G I S T R A T E D E L T A D I V I S I

REPORT OF NUMBER THREE PATROL FOR 1927-8 B<sup>4</sup> A Listen Blyth RRM

:- To enquire into an alleged threatened raid by KORIKI people and to go into question of outstanding deposits at Saw Mills.

the 6th instant I received word from Mr Trelear trader, that the KORIKI people had threatened to raid the Kaimari people and that he fully thought there was something in it and that trouble of some kind was brewing, I therefore made arrangements to leave on patrol on the day, I also wished to visit the saw mill re certain deposits which had not been paid.

In the evening of Sunday the 7th instant the "Vanapa" arrived with labour to sign on, this delayed my start, however I inspected all recruits and took the statements from the recruiter, and decided to take a typewriter with me and do the actual signing on, en route to Port Remilly after agreeing to tow my small launch down if I would do this, I therefore embarked on the "Vanapa" on Monday the 8th at 9 am after attending to the station muster etc in the early morning, the small launch in tow. I was accompanied by A Cs EBANI, DEKADUA and EMI, all of the Kismet crew TAI I and LOTE to look after the launch. The port of Port Remilly was taken up by me in signing on the labour and typewriting contracts which with their notes amounted to some 370 signatures.

On arrival in Port Remilly I left the "Vanapa" per launch and proceeded to the Saw Mill arriving at about 10 30 pm when I slept on the verandah of the spare house maintained there.

On the 9th I went to the sawmill office and signed on labour I informed manager I would be calling on my way back when I expected all outstanding to be paid. As the "Vanapa" was due to arrive to land meant other work could not be done, I went on from here where I interviewed Mr Trelear re his report, it seemed there was a dispute and KORIKI were threatening to take the law into their own hands.

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1st cent. on and I inspected these men and took statements from Mr Trelear, several other minor matters also wanted attendi

I was employed the rest of the evening on this work.

On the 10th inst I left for KORIKI, and on arrival at UK I found that there were more able bodied men in the village than I had ever seen there before, there also seemed to be considerable excitement in the place, I fell every one in and had a very long discussion with them, the matter seen merely to be a dispute over some " crab hunting " ground claimed by both these people and KAIMARI, I omitted to mention that I had brought with me representatives of KAIMARI, who had followed thre from Port Romilly to KANIBO, after some hours of talk I setteld the matter satisfactorily I think and hope, and I strongly warned both peoples that fighting days were over and that all disputes should be brought to me. I then inspected the Village, all three V.Cs were present . MAI ARE, BAIA and IPAII, and the village was in good order.

On the 11th I returned to Kanibe, where I completed the signing on of twenty six natives. which occupied me all afternoon.

On the 12th I visited AKOMA and IKINU, Vos MAIKAI and the latter place at present there is none but a native in KOIVI is to be recommended, all orders had been carried I heard a few minor disputes, I had intended going on further to URIKA to say goodbye to the Missionaries there who are going on leave, but I found my fuel supplies too limited the small launch being unable to carry much.

The weather being rather bad I returned to KANIBO as a safe anchorage for the small boat, and I greatly regret that I did. the launch was placed in the small creek for the night and one boy told to sleep on her, I spent the evening till 10 pm typeing out Notes of Contract etc . At 5 30 a

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On the 13th inst I was wakened by LOTE who informed me that the tide had risen and that the small launch had sunk, it appeared they had tied her up so tight she could not rise with the tide. However we raised her again all right and cleaned engine, only to find that we could obtain no spark from the magneto. I spent the whole morning endeavouring to dry this out and get a result but could not, at midday I decided to be towed to the Saw Mill and see if their engineer could assist, a crew was obtained and we left in tow at 12 5 pm, I spent a most miserable time and it took us to 12 20 am (midnight) to reach the saw mill, where I promptly went to bed.

On the 14th Mr Lett and Mr McKinnen kindly spent the whole day with me in the endeavour to get the engine to go.

The whole evening till 11 pm I spent on the matter of the deposits, after signing on another boy personally to Mr Lett and doing other work. I received a month's deposits on all contracts, and the accounts of all boys were checked and verified. I decided that I would leave the launch here to be towed home by the "Vanapa" on her next trip, and go by canoe.

On the 15th a canoe and crew was obtained from VARA and I left for home, when passing EVARA the crew told me we were too heavily laden to cross the PIE, I therefore stopped here and landed all the police and some of the go to obtain another canoe and follow on. My canoe went on and we reached GAURI at 11 pm. here I found Mr Louis Clunn and Mr Swansen in the rest house, they had been to Kikeri to sign on labour but of course there was no officer with power there, they had 13 recruits, unfortunately I had no sufficient contracts left with me to do this work, and as gentlemen were anxious to make connection with a vessel I gave them the usual permit to sign on at Kairuku instead

and so they left at 11 pm.

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about 8 am on the 16th I left for Kikeri which I reached at about 2 pm, when Mr Speeie, who was on patrol when I left it who had returned reported all correct.

GENERAL

The patrol was unfortunate in two ways, one the damage to my own magnets, which however I hope to get fixed at Aird Hill, and the second in that the police canoe which followed mine capsized in the PIE, causing the death of A C EMI, it is strange that we crossed with perfect smooth weather yet this canoe which at best can only have been two or three hours behind us was overturned. A Magisterial Enquiry has been held into the matter and result forwarded.

On the other hand we did good work I think we settled the reported trouble all right and the patrol actually brought back in revenue about £31 for work done as well as fixing the deposit business up.

*H. D. Tiston & Blyth -*

RRM 21/8/27

# PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

7/27-8

KIKORI

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by A. Listen-Blyth

to

Baroi and Maipua.

for the purpose of

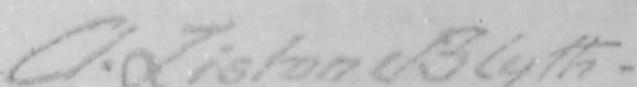
Labour work and general.Left Station on 22/10/27Returned to Station on 27/10/27Number of Carriers employed fiftyNumber of Police taken 1 and three crewName of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Kismet A.L.B.Villages visited KAIMARI, WARI EKIRI, AKOMA, IKINU,Other places. Saw Mill, KANIBO, URIKA, IVIRA

## Divisional Map

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2087/11.23.—1.800.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 28/10/27


Officer in charge of Station.

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		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used.	Government Cost.		
Rice	120	7	40	20	67	13 11 5 3		
Biscuits	40	2		8	10	4 2 30		
Meat								
Sugar	5	1			4	1 8		
Tea								
Soap								
Tobacco	20		15		15	1 16 5		
Matches	12			6		3	6	
Kerosene	1 gal	nil		nil	1 gal	1 6		navigating lights
Tents								
Flies								
Lamps	ships lamps only							
Buckets								
Kerosene Cans								
Knives & Sheaths								
Knives, 18in.								
Knives, other								
Belts								
Pouches								
Print								
Twill								
Handkerchiefs								
Beads								
Mirrors								
Axes								
Half Axes								
Tomahawks								
Fuel						10 0 4		
					TOTAL £	12 18 2		

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RESIDENT MAGISTRATE DELTA DIVISION

PATROL REPORT NUMBER SEVEN FOR L 1927-8

OBJECT:- To proceed saw mill and settle matters connected with deposits etc.

Saturday the 22nd October . I left in Kismet with ship's crew and A C Kakore, picked up Mr Robinson who has been seedy lately and whose wife considered the trip would benefit him.

Running down river had some trouble with jet the engine wont take kerosene correctly, at 3 15 pm had to anchor as the pump on number two cylinder refused to function, working on pumps till 5 pm and got running again. Arrived at saw mill at 8 30 pm, found Mr Mackinnon alone in charge and practically starving having had no boat for about two months, he told me he had word his stores were at Orokola and asked if I would give him passage to IVIRA to try to collect them, agreed to do so and arranged for all papers needed for work I wanted to do to come with us. Leaving saw mill at 6 am next morning ran down to KAIMARI and tied up at wharf, at about 9 am VCs OMARO, EI BIAI and AUWA reported, the village was good and the rest house in better shape than last visit, warned these VCs re their refusal to bring up letters addressed to me on official business.

Leaving at about 10 15 am we went on down to KANIBO where I landed mails for Mr Treloar at 11 am, I did some labour work with Mr Treloar and left again at noon arriving at URIKA at 12 35 pm, there is no European Missionary here just now, however I visited the teacher, and as I was frightened at the heavy consumption of benzine due to faulty jet I borrowed two cases as a stand by.

Left URIKA about 4 pm and at 6 pm again had pump trouble was stopped and working on this for an hour, then went on and anchored WARI EKIRI ( no VC ) at 8 pm, Mr Mackinnon sent word to OROKOLA re his goods. Self exceedingly tired having had a strenuous day on the engine. This village was in good shape and there were no complaints. Leaving at 6 am next day ran across to IVIRA the Doctor's place, as I had promised the Medical dept to keep an eye on the boys here when in this vicinity, AUKIRI the head boy was away visiting villages, there was one man in charge and about

Patrol 7 cent.

24th Oct. eight patients here, I took on board a tank which had been salvaged from the "Sir Arthur" and which belonged to OGAMAB at the request of Mr Robinson, who has been unable to get it to his house so far. Leaving IVIRA at 10 15 am we ran for a few moments and then stopped dead. took vaporiser to pieces and cleaned same a most unpleasant job, worse than chimney sweeping. Got under way about 11 am and called at AIVE village (No V C) this new village instituted when KEREWMAIPUA was practically washed away is most picturesque and very tidy no complainants at all. Left 11 45 am and experienced continuous engine trouble I myself being in a perpetual state of oil and dirt, arrived AKOMA village, V C MAIKAI, at 2 pm, this man has taken warning from the words I addressed him last visit and his village is now quite good. Going on from here stopped at IKINU, no V C at present the a man has been recommended here too there has been a great improvement.

Went on to KANIBO arriving at about 4 pm and found more labour work to attend to, having completed this worked on engine till 6 pm, sighted "VANAPA" outside bar apparently making for ROMILLY. Leaving as soon as engine work finished ran for about five minutes and stopped dead again this time it was our old trouble the shaft had seized in the stern tube, could not move it, Mr Mackinnon left in canoe for KAIMARI taking note from me to the "Vanapa" (if she should be there) asking him to come and tow me to saw mill where we could get tools we have not got to try and move shaft, at midnight the three KAIMARI V.Cs arrived with canoes and fifty paddlers as the "Vanapa" refused to come, and sent the canoes instead. Wretched time rest of night rolling about and making it impossible to do any more work. Left next morning in tow at about 5 30 am and reached KAIMARI at 9 am, "Vanapa" still here, got alongside and was able to borrow a chain spanner and eventually free the shaft, however we had to make her run by loosening all bearings and letting the whole concrete, shaft and tube together revolve. The stern tube appears too small for the shaft, whilst working on this one of the boys left his knife on

Patrol 7 cont.

the floor boards and I in getting down to the shaft tread on it and most severely gashed the sole of my foot. Took mails off "Vanapa" which left for DARU, we started again being towed, as the engine would not start, found that a sleeve had slipped probably due to jar when she stopped as shaft seized, working all the time till 9 pm when we anchored in Romilly sound as the canoes could not tow us against tide, Padlers slept in a koomabati, with my badly cut foot and the continuous work I was dead tired, Next morning left at about 6 30 am still in tow and succeeded in getting the slipped sleeve correct again and got running at 9 am arrived saw mill at 9 30 am and found the "Rena Id S" here with Mr Chester recruiting, the result was that I could not complete my work with Mr Mackinnon till evening as they had to lead ship, however as soon as the manager was free went thoroughly into all the deposits business and the manager agreed with me to retrench by doing away with his casual labour for a time. Unfortunately the money for depositors was lost stolen on last trip of VANAPA and so far the Port Office have not replaced it, gave the manager till next mail from P M to produce the cash otherwise warned I would cancel the Contracts. Left Saw mill at midnight and have pleasure in saying that I hav get the engine running beautifully again and taking kerosine, I think some of the trouble we had with that all the trip was that one of the sleeves had been out of proper time all along, had to run at half speed tho, as I said before the shaft had to revolve tube and all and I did not want to wear it down. Arrived at Aird hill at 9 am and delivered mails, Mr Butcher came aboard on official business and I was engaeaged with him till noon when we left and tied up at OGAMABU at 2 30 pm, delivered the tank and mails , picked up my wife who had been visiting here and reached Kikori at 3 30 pm, when Mr Speedie reported all correct, and I heard of the visit of the planes, which I am sorry to have missed. The Kismet will be slipped tomorrow and the tube taken out of her, there is no reason why she should not run without it till we can get a new one larger diameter. It seems from accounts I will have to get to MORIGIO as soon as I can get the shaft fixed. Today I can do no more work as my foot is very sore, I cannot get even a slipper on it.

Patrel 7 cont.

However with all the discom fort and hard work I had to do in some ways it is a good thing, as I have learnt more about the mechan(ism) and running of a Kelvin sleeve than I ever knew before, as when one has to get an engine ru nning ,one learns it much quicker than if it is always correct. My only fear now is that she may do the same again some time when we are outside, and being wthout masts we would be in a very awkward position.

This morning the 28th I am serry to say I am quite unable to walk, and therefore the work on the shaft will have to wait a day or two, the vessel is on the slip.

*C. Ticknor Blyth*

RHM 28/10/27

[G.P. 67.

# PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

8/27-8

Kikeri

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by A Listen Blyth to  
Upper Era for the purpose of  
conveying inland patrol party to base

Left Station on 6/11/27      Returned to Station on 8/11/27

Number of Carriers employed \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Police taken 2

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Kismet A L B

Villages visited GAURI. I. . AURAU. HAI I RAVIWANA GIGORI

## Divisional map

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987/11.27 — 1,800

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

11/11/27

Date

*Ch. B. M. M.*  
Officer in charge of Station.

Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.					Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used.	Government Cost.		
Rice								
Biscuits								
Meat								
Sugar								
Tea								
Soap								
Tobacco								The cost of this patrol will be included in total cost of the inland patrol of which it forms part
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 £	

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

RESIDENT MAGISTRATE DELTA DIVISION

REPORT PATROL NUMBER 8 of 1927-8

Object:- To Take Mr Speedie and party to starting point for inland patrol.

November, 4th. On this day Corp'l OKA and A.C. AUWA were sent to the GORPI district to collect carriers for the P.O.

5th. R.M. and P.O. left at 1 30 pm, on "Kismet", accompanied by the personnel of the patrol, viz A.Cs TOPI, MODOI, BORUA KEVAI A, KOROWAIA, DEKADUA, the above named two to join at GORPI, in addition the launch crew and A.Cs DE EA and KAKORA accompanying the R.M. We had aboard about three tons of cargo consisting of the rice and other gear for the patrol running down to Aird Hill we anchored and had a short talk with the Revd Butcher, delivering local mails etc, we went on to GAURI, V.C. APA, who reported, and had a meal, the village here is always good and I received no complaints.

Leaving here we went on to IARI (GORPI District) V.C. AIBARI, here the Corporal reported to us that he had 59 carriers, or 19 more than we really wanted remained the night, here V.Cs AME of GOPI, MAIKARI of UBUA, WAIPAKI of MEAGOMA and ONIA of KIPI reported, all had provided their quota of carriers and canoes.

Early next morning left for TETEHUI, leaving police and carriers at IARI, as I want to pick up V.C. POGA to act as guide to Mr Speedie, arrived at TETEHUI for breakfast and the village was found in good order the new dubu ~~com~~ stated.

V.C. POGA was instructed to try to get in touch with V.C. TONAI, of the GORAU tribe, and bring him to ERA MAIPUA to accompany the P.O. thre' the SESI country, leaving again we returned to IARI, where we picked up a tow of five canoes containing the 40 carriers required, the surplus being sent home, the village was good. Going on from here we anchored at IWANA, Era District, V.C. WAHE, who reported, and remained whilst natives had a feed, visited the village and also GIGORI, V.C. WAHE also, found that rest house needed some repairs

Patrol 8 cent.

November 7th cont. and there was some clearing to be done, instructed V C to have this done before return of P.O., who will visit this whole district coming home.

Going on from here we had some engine trouble and the R.M. had to work on engine, arrived at AURAU V C WOI-I, who reported at 4 50 pm, after a long battle against heavy current, remained night here, these people are very shy and have yet to learn the village regulations, however the place was not bad, as they were quite friendly to us. Here was picked up one KINIMADU, who has formerly acted as guide for the Government to help Mr Speedie in the SESA country.

Leaving early next morning had trouble with two cylinders missing, got them going eventually and we reached the mouth of the AWERI creek, The P.O's starting place about 8 30 am the old village of HAI-I shewn on the Divisional map

Here the patrol party was landed and camp established, I had to work on cylinders and left at 11 15 am. proceeded to AIME and inspected village thence to RAVIWANA where I held C.N.M. from here we went on to GAURI where we anchored for night

8th Leaving at daylight we had a good run to Kikeri arriving soon after nine am.

RRM 10/11/27

[G.P. 67.

# PATROL REPORT.

Kikeri

9/216 NUMBER.

A Listen Blyth STATION.

REPORT OF ~~Turana River~~ made by \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
General Duties for the purpose of

15/11/27

20/11/27

Left Station on nil Returned to Station on 3, 3 Beads crew

Number of Carriers employed Kisantu N. Police taken

Name of Vessel used Andromeda in report

Villages visited.

NOTE: An amended chart of the river has been made and will be sent  
as soon as opportunity permits to trace, sandbanks are now known

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22/11/27

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*J. Listen Blyth*  
Officer in charge of Station.

D E L T A

R E P O R T O F P A T R O L N U M B E R N o N i n e

1927-8

Object : To visit the Turama District.

15th November .

I left at about 1 30 pm on the " Kismet" for the purpose of the arranged inspection of Turama villages, I was accompanied by A Cs MARIKOPI. KAKARO. MESU and the beats crew. We towed down river two Merigie canoes of people who had laid complaints before me, we arrived at GABADIA ( Merigie) at about 8 30 pm, after a very good run in which the engine ( for once) behaved well. V C INU of this village was among them I towed.

Next morning I went ashore and was busily engaged in Court for some time, I then went pwr Dinghy to DADREBL which was found in good order, here there was one case only. I left at 2.30 pm and we started up river( TURAMA) eventually anchoring at KESUMUBU, V C SOGIO, ( Umadai) at 4 45 pm. The engine did not run well today two cylinders were missing intermittently all the time I worked till dark getting them ready for tomorrow. Next morning I was ashore interviewing V C and people, marked improvement since my last visit. less timidity and general friendship, village buildings improved, probably due to SOGIO's visit to Kikeri etc. Leaving at 11 am we went on to WARIADAI , stop ping at noon to pic up V C BASAKAI of KOA, which place I will see coming back, we passed IOSIKU and TUTUKOI and found both deserted, BASAKAI was not sure where the Wraidae now wh ere, we went on up river and eventually located V C NAINA and his people in a keemabatic named KAWO at about 3.10 pm. This is nearly opposite the old village of BANARO and on the D D side. Went ashore an had a long talk, no t here. people freindly, marked contrast to last trip, tell me OBEI have left KAMOI creek and gone fu ther west, this takes them out of my beat altogether. Bad night heavy tide an anchor dragging.

Patrol 9 cent

Next morning after a hearty farewell to these people left at abt 6 15 am, at 7 30 we met here quite a small one, but I advise people in this vicinity to keep to port, coming down, of small island met about one hour from KAWO, at 8 45 reported to me one pump choked we had to stop, and I worked till 9 45 am freeing the plunger, these pumps are too delicate to stand muddy water, the slightest silt in the water stops them, went down to KOA, before reported and went into small creek as I wished to examine propeller etc, left vessel to become high and dry at low tide and went with V BASAKAI to see his village, whether the visits of all these VCs lately to Kikeri or not have had their effect it is hard to say, this time I was greeted throughout, not with scowls, but smiles and I enjoyed a long talk with people. At low tide shaft and propeller were examined when as I feared the mud had again played havoc with us and the outer stuffing box screws were broken and we could not replace.

During evening, having stopped leak with waste we moved ship to main river, owing to the bad leak that no stuffing box cause I fear my trip will be cut short.

I had a fairly strenuous time trying to invent and fit methods of stopping leak. Next Morning I left for DORIOMO in accordance with programme but found that for all my efforts we were leaking so badly that the best place to make for was NABIO, which place we eventually reached after I had had to spend some considerable time again trying to induce the circulation pumps that their mission on earth is to pump water not mud and stick. Anchoring at NABIO V C KOVEA, I went ashore village good one small case, V C AAUKA of PEPEHA reported going aboard again at about 2 pm. I decided to try to make for KEME, the idea of DORIOMO, with a leaky vessel and one pump out of action having to be postponed, the wind seemed to be getting up, NABIO is an open roadstead, I was scared to be left there for the night with an engine I could not depend on and a leaky vessel I decided to make for KEME to my sorrow.

Patrol 9 cent

Nov 19th cont.

We went ahead and the moment we did the stuffing box gave way altogether, from then on we had boys baling, in addition to the vessels pumps in relays of four and just kept water below the floor boards, however engine seemed to be running well and my main ambition was to get vessel out of the Turama into the Gearaba i side anywhere, where we could obtain communication, etc, just off the PAIBUMA, my evil fate, which is nearly proverbial, hit us, we struck what must have been a guba of the tail of some cyclonic disturbance, ( later at Kikeri Capt Dean " VnanapA" told me he met this and broke the glasses on his nose ), the Kismet did everythin except sink, the dinghy was filled up and being so heavy broke the tow and disappeared, I made one attempt to turn to get her, but the fact that we had to shut the house door to engine room and the boys were waist deep in the cockpit decided me the Govt valued the Kismet more than a dinghy, for two hours I have never, and I have travelled and used boats in most of the world . had such a time with a shaft that I expected every moment to give way. one pump on the cylinders alone running, most of the time unable to see because being a flat scow she just buries herself, I thought that we had finished, as unusual with these gubus it ended as it began and we were able to get into KEME creek battered weary and tired four boys baling the cabin and engine room, ( consider heat) hermetically sealed for fear of water at magnete, I am sorry for engine boy, the awning leaning over our sides like a tent half blown down to my own mind I think it was a piece of the greatest good fortune combined with the steadiness of my two lads Coxswain TAI I at the wheel and Mechanic LOTE on the engine , that the Kismet did not draw her insurance dividends. At KEME found V C away at Kikeri with cases, inspected village all correct

Left next morning on two cylinders only , yesterday's ardeal having completely bust the ether pump, and the we have spares on order , of course they are " shortage" when most wanted. Struggled the only word to express it to Kikeri

Patrol 9 Cent

Spending most of the nine hours consumed in a three hour journey in nursing and putting a recalcitrant engine, and watching a shaft which refused to stay in its proper bed.

The police poor lads spent the whole nine hours in baling ship and we came alongside at Kikori like a waterfall from the bucketful of water we had pouring over our sides. I forgot to say all damage to upper works awning etc was repaired at Keme.

General

From the Administrative view the patrol what I did of it was a pleasant surprise, the visits of the VCs etc have done good the villages are better built, and are starting to look more like permanent settlements and not Keonabaties, the people have lost their fear apparently and come freely to one and talk about big troubles etc, as there has not been a raid of any sort that I knew of within the last six months I thought it wise, I stand to be corrected, to have a general amnesty for all offenders over the six months limit and therefore made no arrests. With care tact, and at least quarterly visits I see no reason why these so called "intractable" people should not be as good as our (D.D.) own ERA, GOPI crowd etc.

It is a pity but I am applying, even if only on Humane Society's Grounds to have the "Kismet" engine replaced given all their fine points, and I as an owner knew them, they emphatically not engine for patrolling in muddy water, this trip we never touched a bank, I had managed them all last time, yet pumps stopped from muddy silt, engine ran hot same, shaft seized same, their parts are too delicate, my own little 12 hp runabout has a better stronger, less intricate and more reliable pump.

Patrol 9 cent

In conclusion I would like to express my sincere feeling of  
( it is difficult to express it) but I want it recorded that  
Coxswain TAI-I at the wheel, and LOTE at the engine should  
have it remembered that at a time when every native on the  
boat was calling on his father and mother etc, they stuck  
solid to their jobs, and I honestly believe without those  
two I would never have got the "Kismet" home.

RRM

21/11/27

# PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

13/27-8

Kikori

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by A Liston-Blyth to  
Daru and Fly River Camp for the purpose of  
getting repairs to launch, later carrying cargo

Left Station on 3/1/28 Returned to Station on 16/1/28Number of Carriers employed nil Number of Police taken nil crew onlyName of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Kismet A.L.B.Villages visited DUBUMUBU, WABODA, DARU, Fly River Camp.

#### REFER w.D. Maps.

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2087/11.23 - 1,800.

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Date 25/1/28*A. Liston-Blyth*  
Officer in charge of Station.

Articles	Quantity taken on Patrol	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.					Returned	Remarks
		Crew.	Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used		
Rice							1 3 0	130 others passengers etc
	240	70	nil	40		110		
Biscuits	50	20	---	5	25		13 0	25 ditto
Meat	20	12	--	4	16		10 8	4 do
Sugar	10	6	---	2	8		2 2	2 "
Tea	1	4	---	--	4		8	4
Soap	5	1	---	3	4		1 3	1 others washing launch
Tobacco	20	1	---	1	1	1½	3 7	18½ others V C etc
Matches	2 dz	6	---	1 dz	1	1½	7	½ others launc lamps
Kerosene	4 gl	---	---	2 gls	2 gls		3 3	2 others do and stove
Tents								
Fios								
Lamps		Launch lamps only used.						
Buckets		All launch permanent gear						
Kerosene Cans								
Knives & Sheaths								
Knives, 18in.								
Knives, other								
Belts								
Pouches								
Print								
Twill								
Handkerchiefs								
Seals								
Mirrors								
Axes								
Half Axes								
Truncheons								

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Note. — When an article such as a tent is issued, but is not used by the crew, the value should not be entered.

R E S I D E N T M A G I S T R A T E D E L T A D I V I S

PATROL REPORT NUMBER 13 of 1927-8

3rd January 1928. With the permission of the Hon. The G.S. left in "Kismet" to proceed to DARU to have boat attended to. I was accompanied by Mrs Liston-Blyth, who had an invite to visit Daru for a month. I also had on board several Morigio natives wishing to go home, running down to DUBUMBU, V.C. KALO, we anchored while crew cooked rice village has just received the prize, P.R.12. Going on thro the AI IDIA passage we anchored at GABADIA, V C INU on Morigio ~~at~~ where I landed the passengers, this village was neat and tidy, remained the night. Next morning we proceeded on towards WABODA meeting a fair sea and being delayed considerably by pump troubles, on arrival at abt 3 pm found I could get no further as I had to work on pumps, next morning the 5th we started early, met some sea, had a lot of trouble with pumps and the stern gland caused me considerable anxiety, only possible to run at half speed and we did not reach DARU till 8 30 pm. The 6th 7th and 8th though Sunday were all spent working on the launch. Myself had conversations with R M W D on Turama matters etc and arranged that he would meet me and do a joint patrol. He had a large cargo for the Fly River camp, farv too much for the Minnitonka and he asked me if I would take a portion of it for him. On the 9th a start was made, what with passengers etc both boats were very heavily laden. Some delay caused by the Minnitonka's pumps, which vessel was in charge of Mr Speedie, the R M coming with me as being the more comfortable boat to live on. Later we delayed the vessels pumps again. We took ten hours to do forty miles. Next morning an early start was impossible as we started loading all remaining space on Kismet with Biri leaf for the camp houses.

Patrol 13 cont

10th Jany. Getting away at last we went on up the river and after an uneventful run, save for occasional pump troubles on both vessels we anchored above D'Albertis Island. Next morning we started up at 4 10 but the Minnitonka had a foul anchor and delayed us and when she got away our pump stopped so we did not get away till about 6 am, another dreay uneventful run save for pumps on both boats again, and we anchored at ELANGOWAN Island after some time spent looking for water of light enough draft to let us anchor. Next morning we wished to start at 4 am and all hands were up, but visibility was poor and too much floating timber so we waited for daylight at 10 am we were again delayed minor defect Minnitonka's engine eventually reaching the camp at 3 15 pm and immediately commenced discharging, the A R M was away in the ALELE, but he arrived at 5 30 pm and was very ~~xxxxxx~~pleased to find us here with his stores and mails. Next day I was offered the chance of visiting the lagoon dwellers with the F.M. and ARM in the Alele and gladly availed myself of the chance to see something of these folk, we spent the day visiting the villages, quaint places, and I was struck with the amount of progress the A R M had made in making friends etc. Whilst I was away my crew cleaned ship which she badly needed after carrying so much biri etc. On the morning of the 15th I left as soon as I could see the timber in the river, and went down to D'Albertis Island and anchored, here I was overtaken by the Minnitonka again, with R M W D aboard, he slept on the Nismet. Leaving together next morning, we parted company at 2 pm, and I went on towards WABODA anchoring in the passage at about 8pm, leaving at 5 am we went on towards Kikori, and passed the "Papuan Chief" making for Daru but stuck on a sand bank, we arrived at Kikori at 6 pm when I was pleased to find a P O had arrived in the person of Mr Middleton, but not pleased at the amount of work waiting for me.

Patrol 13 cont

Barring continuous trouble with the pumps the launch ran well on the Fly river trip, but it is to be remembered that she is running without a stern tube and that is a source of weakness.

J. Fletcher Blyth

RRM 25/1/28

# PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.
15/27-8

**Kikori**

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by A Liston Blyth and F.O. Middleton to  
Goarabari for the purpose of  
making arrests

Left Station on 23/1/28      Returned to Station on 24/1/28

Number of Carriers employed nil      Number of Police taken 5 and crew

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Kismet A.L.B.

Villages visited DOPIMA, KERLEWA, AI IDIA, KEME, GORO, PALIA, NAGORO

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25/1/28

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*A. Liston Blyth*

Officer in charge of Station.

Articles	Quantity taken on Patrol	Crew 8 QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE					Returned	Remarks
		Policer.	Carriers	Others	Total Used	Government Cost		
Rice	80	16	-----	36	52	10 10	28	Others prisoners
Biscuits	25	10	-----	-----	10	5 6	15	
Meat	4	4	-----	-----	4	4 0		
Sugar	2	1	-----	-----	1	3	1	
Tee	1/2	1/2	-----	-----	1/2	3	1/2	
Soap	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----			
Tobacco	2	-----	-----	1/2	1/2	1 2	1 1/2	V Cs etc
Matches	1/2	-----	-----	3 bx	3 bx	2	3 bx	Lantern Lampo
Kerosene	1/2	-----	-----	1/2	1/2	9	1/2	do
Tents								
Flies								
Lamps		Launch gear						
Buckets		do						
Kerosene Cans								
Knives & Sheaths								
Knives, 18in.								
Knives, other								
Belts								
Pouches								
Print								
Twill								
Handkerchiefs								
Beads								
Mirrors								
Axes								
Half Axes								
Tomahawks								
<b>Fuel a/c Log 108</b>						2 13 5		
						TOTAL £	3 16 4	

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Patrol 15/ 1927-8

by A Liston- Blyth RRM D D

23rd January. Left on Kismet accompanied by Mr Middleton for the sake of the experience for Gorabari to make arrests in connection with reported murders of Doriomo men.

Sergt TARO and three A Cs with us, ran down to DOPIMA and anchored went ashore and we here arrested five men in connection with the raid, includudding that very foolish old man, who should have known better V C E-ERI, we retrieved here one ~~skull~~, going on to KEREWA, we arrested 13 men including V C KEMAHU and retrieved ~~another~~ <sup>three</sup> skull~~s~~, from here we went to AI I DIA, V C AIKOA, this village did not join in the raid, here I landed the prisoners and a police guard had food, and then left for KEME where I heard there was another skull, reaching KEME, V C GIROBARI, at 9 pm found that they were all dancing in DUBU, however our entry I fear stopped their pleasure and we retrieved the skull and arrested 5 more men implicated in the raid, returned to AI I DIA anchorage to sleep. Next morning after early start went to GORO, V C PATOA, where we retrieved another skull and arrested 3 men, from here we went to PAJ AI IA where we arrested 2 men and retrieved a jaw bone .

Going on we went to NAGORO where we retrieved another skull and arrested 8 men including V C IDO.

There is yet another skull to be retrieved this however is at Morigio and will be dealt with next visit there.

I am very pleased to say that the sudden descent of our party meant that we got the skulls back, other ise we never would have got them, and the loss means a great deal even more than the eventual gaol they will get to these peopl people as a punishment. Also that altho they talked very big about the fact the government was now weak as there were no white men at Kikori like before all arrest were quietly effected and the police behaved very well indeed.

Patrol 15 cont

24th From NAGORO we went back to Kikori arriving abt 4pm  
the engine ran well through out, Launch is on slip  
for cleaning and painting before Turama trip comes  
off.

I regret that I must put down this idiotic break out  
on the part of Gourabari, to the treachery of the  
Doriomo natives towards them previously as reported  
by me, and the fact that owing to shortage of staff  
~~boating facilities~~ etc etc , they had the idea in  
their heads that we could do nothing.

Before going to Daru I told them I was arranging  
with Daru to punish the Doriomo and that they must  
not dream of avenging themselves as that would only  
make them guilty too they promised they would not  
but as soon as my back was turned they apparently did.

*A. Victoria Blyth*

RHM 25/1/28

# PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.  
**18/27-8**

**Kikori**

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by A Listen Blyth to  
**TURAMA River** for the purpose of  
making further arrests in connection with alleged raids.

**13/2/28**

Left Station on

**Ten**

**18/2/28**

Returned to Station on

**Nine**

Number of Carriers employed

Number of Police taken

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge **Kismet A.L.B.**  
**AI IDIA. DADEBI. GABADIA. HARAGO. KOA. GEMARU. EBESIA**

Villages visited

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2087/11.23—1.800

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

**26/2/28.**

Date

*C. Listen Blyth.*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Officer in charge of Station.

Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE						Returned	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used.	Government Cost.			
Rice	220	100	20	50	170	1 19 0	50		
Biscuits	30	20		10	30	1 15 8			
Meat	20	10		10	20	1 10 0			
Sugar	5	4		1	5	1 1 2			
Tea	111								
Soap	1 bars	1		1	2	1 4 2			
Tobacco	2	2		2	3	7 0			
Matches	2 lbs.	1		1	1 dz	5 1 47			
Kerosene	2 gals	1		1	1 gal	1 1 1 gal			
Tents									
Flies									
Lamps		<i>Lantern gear only</i>							
Buckets		do							
Kerosene Cans		do							
Knives & Sheaths									
Knives, 18in.									
Knives, other									
Belts									
Pouches									
Print									
Twill									
Handkerchiefs									
Beads									
Mirrors									
Axes									
Half Axes									
Tomahawks									
Fuel see log						10 9 1			
							28 18 3		
						TOTAL £			

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RESIDENT MAGISTRATE DELTA DIVISION

PATROL NUMBER 18 for 1927-8.

February 13th. Left Kikeri at 6 30 am on "Kismet" accompanied by the R.M. W.D. and Mr Littlechild E.M.A. The police for the patrol were accommodated on the "Minnitonka", the party consisted of E/Cpl PORUTA, A.Cs EBANI, DE-EA, MARIKOPI TOPI, MODOI, KEVALA, ARIKI and MESU. Proceeding down river we reached AI IDIA, V.C. KAKOA at 11 am and here food was cooked for the police whilst the E M A had a medical inspection. the village was in fair order some repairs ordered. Two V D patients were sent up to Kikeri with the V.C. Going on we anchored off DABEDI Creek Morigie at 2 15 pm. The party went up the creek in two canoes and on arrival found the V.C. away, effected the arrests of several men connected with the raid on DORIOMO, also obtained heads of two of the slain, going on we went to GABADIA V C INU, landed here and arrested further persons concerned in raid and also got three more heads. The R.M. W.D. agreed with me that it was better to arrest only actual murderers as the all able bodied men appear implicated we could not leave the villages defenceless in case of a pay back.

Leaving here next morning at 7 30 am we towed two canoes of prisoners over to the mainland and then sent them to Kikeri in charge of Cpl PORUTA and A C AIKI and 2 V.Cs. Both launches proceeded up river to UMADAI, found all UMADAI villages deserted, going on further we could not get thro owing to neap tides and were compelled to anchor at 3 pm and wait for water. Left next morning at 4 30 am and proceeded to HARAGO V C INAI here we made further arrests, we then took a canoe in tow and proceeded to GEBU creek W.D. here the officers with 5 A C went up the creek by canoe to attempt to find the people but without success we went up till stopped by a timber jam. Rtd aboard and discussed matters

Patrol 18 cont.

16th February, In accordance with plans made last night we separated for the time being the R.M. W.D. with "Minnitonka" going round to search the WAIWE creek W.D. whilst I went with KI met to try again to get in touch with UMADAI.

We went up to the SIDENEROMA creek and with police I went up it as far as possible but saw no signs of the people. Returning we went down river again to GIBU to be ready to co operate with R M W D if need arose.

17th. Spent day examining creeks and sage shelters without avail

18th. Expected Minnitonka last night as she has not come decided to go and look for her, left 7 30 am and visited GEMARU deserted, and EBEBIA also deserted the last is the place where the Gearbaris were killed. Going on just off Bell Point sighted Minnitonka returning, anchored and waited for her.

Mr Oldham came aboard and we left for HARAGO, where we dropped the canoe and carriers, we then decided to go to Kikori and eat with cases sent in and discuss further movements. At 2 30 pm when outside with a strong N W and a fair sea the studs holding No 2 pump gave way, we had not tools to repair and the Minnitonka had to take us in tow, and we arrived at Kikori abt 10 pm.

Net result was fourteen murderers on the D D side arrested there are still many to get, and I am sending the P.O. down as soon as I get engine repaired.

*O. A. T. Blyth*

RHM 28/2/28

Patrol 18

Anthropology

At GEMARU, we found in the Dubu a large number of sort of medallions made of sage, and consisting of numerous holes, investigation alleged that these are called MADUBA and are used in the dance called MAURI, this dance is nothing else but a sexual orgy, and the statement is that each hole in the medallion records a sexual act, and each man has one. This ceremony was the one in progress when the Gearabaris raided the village.

I am going to try and send in one of the medallions but fear it may get broken.

*J. Weston Blyth-*

RHM 26/2/26

# PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

22/27-8

Kikori

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by A Liston Blyth in attendance on H. Sto  
Aird Hill District and Morigie for the purpose of  
inspecting villages and police camp.

Left Station on 10/3/28      Returned to Station on 13/3/28

Number of Carriers employed nil      Number of Police taken four

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge Lurabat Capt Kunson Kismet A.L.B.

Villages visited KEO. DARUA. GABADIA. DUBUMUBU. KESUMIBU. MOGODIO,

KOA.

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2087/11/28.—1,800.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 13/3/28

*J. T. T. B.*  
Officer in charge of Station.

See map sent with last Turama Patrol 18/27-8

Articles.	Quantity taken on Patrol.	QUANTITIES ISSUED AND VALUE.					Returned.	Remarks.
		Police.	Carriers.	Others.	Total Used.	Government Cost.		
Rice								
Biscuits								
Meat								
Sugar								
Tea								
Soap								
Tobacco								
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								
Fuel							7 10 6	
						TOTAL £	7 10 6	

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R E S I D E N T M A G I S T R A T E D E L T A D I V I S I O N

PATROL REPORT NUMBER 22 1 27-S

10th March 1928. His Excellency having expressed a wish to see certain villages here some time ago, I left accompanying him, on the Kismet at 12 10 pm and proceeded via Aird Hill to KEO Village KUMAKUMA, V.C. MARURU, where we landed and H.E. inspected the village. Leaving here we then went to DARUA, V.C. KAIFI where again the village was inspected, we then returned via Aird Hill to Kikoxi arriving about 7 45 pm. I then had orders to accompany His Excellency to Morigio next day, sleeping on station, on the 11th I left with His Excellency on the LAURABADA, the KISMET going on ahead to DUBUMUBU, at this village (V.C KALO) we anchored whilst H.E. inspected it.

Going on from here it was found to be too late to get across to MORIGIO before dark and both vessels therefore anchored for the night in the AI I DIA passage.

On the 13th after breakfast at 7 am, His Excellency came aboard the Kismet accompanied by Mr LOWNEY, and on her we went across to the police camp on MORIGIO, situated at GABADIA and in charge of Mr Middleton, P.O. V.C. INU was here and H.E. had a talk with him and the Councillors. Mr Middleton had had a scare of dysentery in his camp, one domestic servant having die it would however hardly appear to be dysentery, but he is taking precautions, by His Excellency's order his police were increased by two from the Laurabada, and my orderly, the UMADAI and WARIADAI being reported by the P.O. as being restive, this cautionary camp is to be augmented.

Taking the P.O. we went up the river to KESUMUBU Umadai, V.C SOGIO, not a soul there, and a similar state of affairs existed at MOGODIO further up, we then went on up to KOA, V.C BASAKAI and again found that the village was deserted the Turama political situation would again appear to be strained.

Every precaution is being taken to protect the Morigio and Goarbaris from a pay back, and whilst the camp is at present confined to guard duty, almost approaching riot duty at home, it is hoped that a proper camp under two officers will shortly be formed when some moving about and getting hold of the people can be done. We ret'd to the police camp at dusk and then set out to find the LAURABADA, which should have been anchored on the three fathom patch off Goarbari, see map, but she was not and we had a very wet uncomfortable and cold trip

Patrol 22 cont

12th March cont looking for her, the Kismet justifying her reputation as being lively in a sea way, the unfortunate P.O. being particularly susceptible.

We reached the LAURABADA at about 10 pm and had a very welcome cup of cocoa. His Excellency left me his orders for future work on the TURAMA, and we remained at anchor in company for the night.

On the morning of the 13th, the LAURABADA left at about 4 35 am and we followed at 4 45 am, the Governor's vessel proceeding to DARU, whilst I went over to MORIGIO again and landed the P.O. I then left for Kikori arriving there at 3 pm, and found all correct.

*27/8/2019 10:17*  
REK 13/3/28

PATROL REPORT

Station Number

27. 27/8

KIKORI STATION.

REPORT OF PATROL MADE BY A Listen-Blyth. to

The TURAMA for the purpose of  
taking stores to Camp, inspecting same etc.

Left Station. 22/4/28 Returned to Station on 29/4/28

Number of Carriers. nil Number of Police 6

Villages Visited. DUBUMUBU. GIBU CAMP. KEARU. and various small  
settlements.

Forwarded to the G.S.

30/4/28

*J. Listen-Blyth*  
Officer in Charge Station

Refer to R.M's map of Turama now in P.M.

260/25/28

D E L T A

Kikori 17/7/28

The Hon. The G.S.

Patrol No 27

I have your letter No 934/A 192 of the 13th ult  
and in reply would say that I did not say I had  
released them but that I thought I would have to,  
the men in question were concerned in the UBUA raid  
Gama River and since the report was written have  
all been committed. None were released as we got  
witnesses shortly after the report was written.

*Victor Blyth*

RECORDED 17/7/28

# GOVERNMENT SECRETARY.

IN REPLY  
PLEASE QUOTE

No. 934/A.192/28.



R.R.M.D.D., Kikori.

On reading Patrol Report No. 27/27-28,  
of your patrol to the TURAMA Camp, His Excellency  
minutes as follows :-

"Who are the prisoners whom the R.M. has  
released without prejudice to re-arrest?"

"What are they charged with?"

Please advise.

*H.Chamption*

G.S. 13/6/28.

*H.C.*

D E L T A

PATROL REPORT Number Twenty Seven for 1927-8

by

A Liston Blyth RRM.

I left Kikori per "Kismet" on the 22nd April at 12 noon for the purpose of taking tools, stores, etc to the Turama Police camp and inspecting same. I was accompanied by A.Cs KAKORA KAIBE, GIGA, ARIKI, BI AI, and L/Cpl PORUTA, also Medical Assistant IOVEA, whom I wished to inspect the camp.

Running down to Aird Hill I anchored for the night, as I was anxious to pick up the motor dinghy which had been down there.

On the 23rd I left Aird Hill at 5 30 am, engine not at all satisfactory, at 6 15 am we stopped, getting away again at 6 45 however by 7 15 am we had stopped dead, had to repack all cylinders, whilst so doing about noon the VANAPA came up river en route for Kikori, she had labour to sign, also on board was the new Coxswain for the "Kismet" took him aboard of us.

VANAPA went on to Kikori, at about three pm I got our engine going again and ran down to DUBUMUBU and anchored about 6 pm.

On the morning of the 24th we had some trouble starting and got away about 9 am and proceeded running slowly and missing a lot to the GIBU creek arriving at the Police Camp about 7 pm.

Mr Middleton and Mr Champion came aboard, the former reported he had had considerable trouble with the police, and absence and sleeping on guard were fairly continuous offences.

On the morning of the 25th I went ashore early and had police up and gave them a severe talking to. L/Cpl PORUTA was left with Mr Middleton, he is senior to JIGARI who had given some trouble, they will now have two N.C., the other police taken down with him, save KAKORA my orderly were also left, local ARIKI was suspended pending further investigations, local SARUA transferred to Kikori for disciplinary reasons.

A great has been done here to the camp site, and we were able this morning to bring the "Kismet" alongside a wharf to discharge, they were very pleased to get the tools I took and the few fowls I took down for them.

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Patrol 27 continued.

At about 11 am having despatched six A.C. thro the GIBU creek in canoes, I left with Mr Middleton and three others in the "HOURI" for the purpose of raiding KEARU village on the WAIWI creek, passing outside into the GAMMA we ran up to the WAIWI and at the entrance where the GIBU pa sage comes thro picked up the A.C. leaving the "HOURI" at the old temporary camp site, we went on in canoes. Having no watch I really don't know time we reached KEARU, but we successfully surprised the DUBU, hearing the inmates snoring. I should imagine about 11 pm, when we had rounded up all the sleeping inhabitants, we found to our chagrin that we had not any of the wanted men among them. We then lay on the floor to get what sleep we might, of course we had nothing with us, the floor was mighty hard.

On the morning of the 26th having again lectured these people we left for "LOUKI". I decided that the best thing to do was to leave the police we had brought at a koombati a little way down from the village, and to go back to base camp and bring up Mr Champion as I am of the opinion that if they see we are in earnest they will bring in the wanted men, if only to get rid of us.

Landed the police went on to "HOURI" and arrived at the Base Camp at 4 pm. Spent evening going thro requirements of camp etc.

On the morning of the 27th I left in the "Kismet" taking Mr P.O. Champion, his gear and extra .45s and proceeded round into the Gamma and thence to WAIWI to where we had left the A.C.s found all correct and that they had arrested one of the men who escaped, in handcuffs from the Base Camp. Mr Champion landed his gear and I left with in the motor dinghy which should be of use till my next visit.

Leaving again early the 28th, in thick fog I ran down the GAMMA making direct for Kikori, as I had finished my business with Mr Middleton last night. Off AI IDIA passage at about 2 pm we suffered again from complete stoppage, I worked on engine till 7 pm in a heavy roll, and then got two cylinders going on which we struggled into DUBUUBU and anchored at midnight, thoroughly tired out.

At 6 am on the 29th I started work again cleaning all crank cases etc etc, and got away at 7 am arriving at Kikori at 10 15 am.

PATROL 27 Cent.

GENERAL

The officers have done some good work, the camp is rapidly beginning to have a settled look, two villages have been built quite close to it, the natives in the TURAMA itself appear to it quite frequently and there is little doubt if it is left for about twelve months, and the buildings left permanently so that every year an officer can be sent there for three months at a time the river will soon get under control.

It is a pity they lost the prisoners, I think however the temporary split of the party which I arranged, means as it does, a camp on both sides of the territory of the trouble makers will soon make them realise we mean business.

The HOURI is giving excellent service and Mr Middle says he could hardly do without her.

That the raid in which I joined was unsuccesful I regret, but it seemed to me that it proved that there is no longer any fear of hostilities, so long as officers and police keep their heads.

The trouble with the "Kismet's" engine was due I think mostly to faulty lubrication, we have run out of A oil and the other seems to disagree with her, I have some on requisition.

I am glad to report both officers in good health and no serious sick at the camp. A few colds etc of course

I was unable to obtain witnessses in remanded cases at Kikori and as they have been remanded since 27/2/28 I think the only thing to do is to release without prejudice to re-arrest, it will be a good thing to have an A.R.M. there as it is as hard to get witnesses to Kikori as prisoners and when he is there committals may be done on the spot.

*H. Colton Blyth*

R.M.I  
30/4/28

PAPUA.

[G.P. 62.

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

[FORM J, No 1.

In the Court of Petty Sessions

AT

BEFORE

, R.M.

ON

, 192\_\_\_\_\_

, Complainant.

v.

, Defendant.

Charge :

\*Laid under :

†Decision of the Court :

†Fine (if any), £ ..... Receipt No. ....

†Costs of Court (if any), £ ..... Receipt No. ....

Party Costs (if any), £ ..... Receipt No. ....

\*NOTE.—Quote Section of Ordinance, or the Clause of Regulation under which the Charge is laid.

†Set out Decision of the Court.

‡If unpaid, state so.