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Naval & Military Club. } B.C.A.

Mostly English passengers on board, but a good many Italians
& Egyptians going to Port Said.

J. M. McClellan
Nawasha.

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Oct 25th

Pharing Cross Hotel.

London

Left Harms-ton at 2, 3. & reached King's Cross at 5, 15. Dined with F. Bates, Jack Turner & Vera Chaplin at the Inford & Cambridge Club. Audrey turned up late at the hotel, which is dirty & uncomfortable.

Oct 26th

In train.

Left Pharing Cross station at 2, 20 & reached Folkestone about 4 - Met Steven & Vera Chaplin saw us off - had a smooth crossing in the "Inward" & landed at Boulogne about 5, 40. Off at 6, 30. in a comfortable corridor train.

Oct 27th

Grand Hotel.

Venice.

Custom House people woke us at 4, 30 & we changed at Paris at 5, 30 a.m. Still misty day & could see none of the scenery till we passed through the St Gotthard tunnel. Changed at Milan at 8 & waited till 6 - Sunday found one of his trunks had been put off at Lucerne, so had to go back for it. Got to Venice at 12, 45 & went to the hotel in a gondola. Customs would not let my rifle pass because they were nailed up in a wooden case. Let them through without duty when they saw them.

Oct 28th

S. S. "Bohemia".

Adriatic Sea.

Went to St Mark's Square & other places & embarked at 2, 30 - by gondola - on the "Bohemia" - an Austrian Lloyd boat of 5000 tons. Seems fairly comfortable & clean. Apparently not more than two other shooting parties aboard, but a good many Uganda officials, who made very merry after dinner.

Smith, Mackenzie & Co
Mombasa.

A. Allidina Firera (agents at Mombasa)
Uganda. (Kampala - Karamoja - Uganda.)

~~Brindisi~~ ~~to Port Said~~ 950 miles from Brindisi to Port Said.

J. W. Keligan
Nyeri.

A. J. M. Jollyer
Nairobi.

E. Gray
Nairobi.

Captain Riddell
Nairobi.

J. Tritton
Nairobi.

R. Seymour
Rift Valley Hotel
Nairobi.

J. B. Rinsworth
Mericho Fort.

Oct 29th

S. S. "Bohemia"

Adriatic Sea.

Run = Dull & smooth - land & islands on starboard. Got to Brindisi about 9 & left at 11 p.m. Picked up a few passengers.

Oct 30th

S. S. "Bohemia"

Adriatic Sea.

Run = Got into a strong S.W. gale early this morning & had to slow down in consequence as there was a big sea. No use for breakfast & lunch but had dinner - only about 8 people at it. Passed Cephalonia about 9 & sea got smoother. Off for Fu at midday.

Oct 31st

S. S. "Bohemia"

Mediterranean Sea.

Run = 288. Much smoother. Off Fuete at midday & passed it about 9, 30 - a desolate rocky mountainous country with apparently hardly any houses or villages & what few we could see, perched high up on the hills.

Nov 1st

S. S. "Bohemia"

Mediterranean Sea.

Run = 310. A beautiful warm sunny day & quite smooth. Played "matador" all day. Apparently going slow so as not to arrive at Port Said too soon. Out of sight of land all day.

Nov 2nd

S. S. "Bohemia"

Port Said.

Run = 239. Anchored at Port Said about 4, 30 a.m. & immediately began to coal. Went ashore after breakfast & bought a helmet, some cigarettes, etc. Back on board to lunch but did not leave till 4, 30 p.m. Went very slowly through the canal with the usual big search light on the bows. Saw a lot of white geese & flamingoes on the lakes on each side of the canal. A lovely moonlight night & the desert looked very weird - the sand looking like snow in the moonlight.

A. J. Key
Eldama
Babai

The Marquis Paul de Moynold
Nairobi

Captain Gustave
Mombasa.

Average Rainfall.

Mombasa	34 inches.
Babai	35 " .
Nairobi	42 " .
Fort Hall	51 " .
Lake Victoria	50-80 " .

Average Temperature

Mombasa	79.8.
Nairobi	64.4.
Naiwasha	52.

Nov 3rd

S.S. "Bohemia"

Suez.

Got to Suez at 7, 30 & anchored till 9, when we proceeded down the Red Sea - the shores on each side very barren & mountainous. Very hot, but a strong S. breeze made it more or less cool in the morning, but later it was very beastly indeed.

Run = 32.

Nov 4th

S.S. "Bohemia"

Red Sea.

Run = 330. Very hot & hardly any breeze at all & that from the aft. No land in sight & most people slept & sweated placidly all day long.

Nov 5th

S.S. "Bohemia"

Red Sea.

Run = 325. Dead calm & very hot & muggy. Off Suakin at midday. Two water wagtails flew on board & stayed for some time in the afternoon. Everybody beginning to "grouse" about the food, etc, etc.

Nov 6th

S.S. "Bohemia"

Red Sea.

A strong S.W. gale got up in the night & there was quite a big sea on. The wind was, however, horribly hot & sticky & as the port holes had to be closed, it was quite unbearable down below. Passed some desolate rocky islands about midday with light houses on the two end ones.

Run = 313. Impossible to imagine how anybody could exist in such places.

Nov 7th

S.S. "Bohemia"

Aden.

~~Run~~ Run = 321. An awfully hot stuffy night. Passed Perim about 6 - delightfully cool breeze - & got to Aden at 2. Landed & drove up to the "Junks", which are worth seeing. Off at 10. p.m. P.S. "Macedonia" here. The "Junks" are said to have been made by Solomon to catch the rain - nowadays there is none at Aden. Fooded all the afternoon & evening.

Native names for animals.

Manatee	Kongoni.
Antelope	Topi.
Gnu	Kyumbo.
Quail	Nyumu.
Whispering	Shan.
Waterbuck	Kuru.
Redbuck	Pochi.
" Kudu	Kyama.
Impresso	Impresso.
Grant's Gazelle	Grant.
Thomson's "	Tommy.
Reynolds's	Miboko.
Zebra	Punda Mili.
Hyena	Fisi.
Antelope	Buni.
Monkey	Mbaga.
Elephant	Jembo.
Snake	Mvoka.
Gambel's	Kanga.
Roan	Kollongo.
Table	Trambi.
Styx	Keroa.
Bushbuck	Mbawalla.
Lesser Kudu	Mungu.
Eland	Popu.
Buffalo	Mbogo.
Rhinoceros	Faru.
Lion	Simba.
Leopard	Chi.

Nov 8th

S. S. "Bohemia"

Indian Ocean.

Run = 155. A lovely day with a strong cool breeze from the W. Quite chilly out of the sun & an extraordinary cool day for this part of the world, which from all accounts is generally damnable & utterly beastly.

Nov 9th

S. S. "Bohemia"

Indian Ocean.

Run = 310. Passed Cape Guardafui at 5 a.m. — a long low strip of land projecting into the sea & supposed to be like a crouching lion. On the south side, some very lofty cliffs, which looked very fine with the rising sun on them. The remains of a French ship, wrecked last year, is in the bay. The people on board were attacked by Somalis but eventually rescued by a German man of war. Lost sight of land about 5.4 p.m. Very smooth & fairly cool. King's birthday was celebrated by very sweet champagne at mid-day!!!

Nov 15th

S. S. "Bohemia"

Indian Ocean.

Run = 309. A lovely day with a very cool breeze & no hotter than an autumn day in England! A tremendous lot of flying fishes to be seen all day — some look to be nearly $\frac{1}{2}$ lb, but most are very small. One flew through Fulton's port hole — it had just the colouring of a mackerel on its back, its belly was white. Mouth very small & looks as if used for sucking. Its wings start from just behind its gills & go as far down its length as the commencement of its tail & are divided into three parts — very like a dragon fly's wings in appearance. It is a moot point whether they use them as a bird uses its wings or as aeroplanes & one cannot tell by watching them. Their distance of flight varies very much — from just a few yards to sometimes almost 400 yds — when they are hit by the sea, they invariably end their flight — though occasionally their tail — divided into two parts — the upper much the longer — skids along it.

x = seen by us in East Africa.
 xx = killed " " " " " "

First line of Horn measurements from Rowland
 Ward's book, 1904 - second line from ditto 1896.

East African Game.

xx Hippopotamus (Hippopotamus amphibius)
 (common.) Tusks = 41 x 8 (malformed) - length round outside curve.
 31 x 9 - 30 x 9 - E.A. = 27 x 8 - 19 ins.

xx Rhinoceros (Rhinoceros bicornis)
 (common.) Horns = 53 - 47 x 22 ins. (to 20 x 8.) - length on outside curve.
 44 - 41 - 38 x 21 - 38 x 24 - 38 x 19 ins.

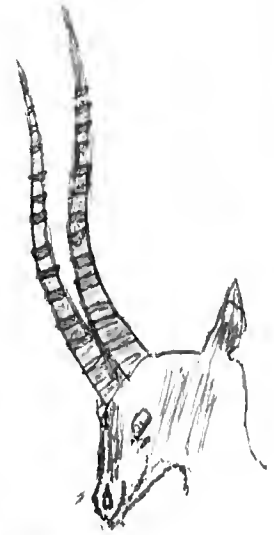
xx Synpala antelope. (Rhyceros melampus)
 (common.) Horns = 30 - 29 - 28 (to 24 ins.)
 30 - 21 x 25 - 21 x 27 ins.



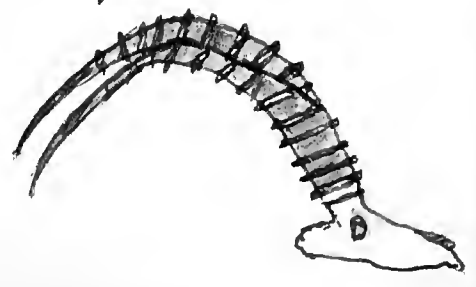
xx Grant's gazelle. (Gazella granti)
 (common.) Horns = 29 ins. (to 23 ins.)
 30 - 28 x 6 - 27 x 6 ins.

Grant's gazelle (Ammodorcas darbei)
 (not in B.E.A.) Horns = 13 - 12 ins. (to 9 ins.)
 11 x 4 - 11 x 5 - 10 x 4 ins.

xx Thomson's gazelle (Gazella thomsoni)
 (common.) Horns = 15 1/4 ins. (to 14 ins.)
 15 x 4 - E.A. = 13 x 4 - 12 x 4 ins.



Sable antelope. (Nephotragus niger)
 (very rare.) Horns = 50 ins (Bersteland) (to 44 ins.)
 46 - 44 x 10 - 43 x 9 ins.



Nov 11th

S.S. "Bohemia"

Indian Ocean.

Run = 332. A beautiful morning with a cool breeze but the ship
telling a good deal. Not a sign of a young pine today to be
seen.

crossed the line at 10. p. m.

Nov 12th

S.S. "Bohemia"

Indian Ocean.

Run = 294. Smooth & calm a very little breeze. Busy packing up
most of the day.

Nov 13th

Grand Hotel.

Sumbawa.

Anchored off Melindini about 6 a.m. & about 8 went ashore with
our baggage to the customs. Not much bother about it, but
rifles & revolvers detained to be marked. Went in a trolley -
the only means of conveyance in Sumbawa - along a narrow line
for about two miles to Sumbawa & the Grand Hotel. Quite
low lying land but very luxuriant foliage much resembling
that of India, especially the bougainvilleas, which are very
brilliant. The Mangabour are rather like those in Rangoon.
Not but a cool breeze blowing from the sea. The manager of
the E.A.E. syndicate, which also runs this hotel, seems to
have made all preparations for our safari, but has not got
down a Alder's things through the customs. Went to the Bank
& opened up an account with them through my letter of credit
for £1000. Went to the shop, which is very prettily situated
opposite an arm of the sea, bought several things in the way of
Hotel only moderate & very like an Indian one. Found the
freight of one of my 450's broken clean off - packed by Hollands.
No chance of mending it & no spare sight.

xx Roan antelope (*Neotragus leucophaeus*) - (*Neotragus equinus*)
 (very rare.) Horns = 37 - 35 ins. (to 26 ins.)
 33 - 31 x 9 - 30 x 7 ins.



xx Beisa antelope (*Oryx Beisa*)
 (scarce.) Horns = 40 ins. (to 34 ins.)
 36 x 5 - 36 x 6 - 35 x 6 ins.

East African oryx (*Oryx capensis*) - (*Oryx capensis*)
 (scarce.) Horns = 33 - 30 ins. (to 26 ins.)
 30 x 5 - 24 x 5 - 28 x 6 ins.



x Bushbuck (*Tragelaphus sylvaticus*) (*scriptus*)
 (common.) Horns = 18 - 17 ins. (to 10 ins.)
 15 x 5. E.A. = 13 x 6 - 11 x 5 - 11 x 4 ins.

Greater Kudu (*Strepsiceros kudu*)
 (not in B.E.A.) Horns = (round curve) 57 ins (to 47 ins.)
 (except one or two) 49 x 8 - 52 x 9 - 53 x 9 ins.
 Klaus.

Lesser Kudu (*Strepsiceros imberbis*)
 (rare.) Horns = 33 ins. (to 30 ins.)
 32 - 30 x 6 - 31 x 6 ins.

xx Giant (*Oryx capensis*) (*Taurotragus oryx*)
 (common.) Horns = 31 $\frac{5}{8}$ x 10 ins. (to 26 ins.) - length straight line.
 (in places.) 31 x 10 - 25 x 10 - 24 x 6 ins.



xx Waterbuck (*Kobus ellipsus pygmaeus*) - (*Kobus defassa*)
 (common.) Horns = 31 ins. (to 26 ins.)
 28 x 8 - 27 x 9 - 27 x 8 ins.

Nov 14th

Grand Hotel.

Mombasa.

Up early & interviewed our headman with Horn. Got rifles stamped & through the customs & got licenses (Rs. 900 each, including an extra eland & a Buffalo). Called on the Commissioner in the afternoon. Settled to go to Haiwaka & on to the junction of the Guasi Nyeri & Neri rivers. Terribly hot in the morning.

Nov 15th

Grand Hotel.

Mombasa.

Busy all the morning getting things ready for tomorrow's start for Haiwaka. Went to see Jackson - the deputy commissioner to try & get leave to go north of the Guasi Nyeri river, but was unsuccessful. Havel, Ruston, Browning, Bowring, Gardner & Grey dined with us at the club.

Nov 16th

in train.

Awfully hot & very busy settling up matters. Left Mombasa at 11 with 42 men - 1 headman, 4 gunbearers, 2 personal servants, 4 askari & 31 porters - the latter dressed in the most hideously coloured jerseys one could imagine. Passed through a well wooded undulating country. Four people in our carriage, but luckily an empty 2nd.

Nov 17th

Seymour's Hotel.

Haiwaka.

Got into the Kapiti & Pitti plains early & saw a lot of animals, chiefly kartebeeste, but also wildebeeste, zebra, giraffe, Thomson's gazelle & ostriches & one reedbuck. After Nairobi passed through a cultivated district & up a very steep incline & then down into the Rift Valley & got to Haiwaka about 6.30. Just rooms for us in the hotel - a very small corrugated iron building. No food or tents for the porters. Very cold indeed all the day & put on a great coat - an extraordinary sudden change after the heat of Mombasa.

XX Kartbeeste. (*Bubalis caama*.)
 [*scarc.*] Horns = 25 ins. (to 22 ins.) length on front curve.)
 24 x 10 - 23 x 10 - 23 x 11 ins.



XX Jackson's Kartbeeste (*Bubalis jacksoni*.)
 [*common.*] Horns = 24½ ins. (to 21 ins.)
 24 x 10 - 23 x 11 - 22 x 10 ins.



Swayne's Kartbeeste (*Bubalis swaynei*.)
 [*not in B.E.A.*] Horns = 20½ ins. (to 17 ins.)
 20 x 8 - 18 x 8 - 17 x 8 ins.

XX Loke's Kartbeeste (*Bubalis cokei*.)
 [*not in B.E.A.*] [*common.*] Horns = 20 ins. (to 17 ins.)
 19 x 9 - 18 x 4 - 18 x 8 ins.

Senegal Kartbeeste (*Bubalis senegalensis*.)
 [*not in B.E.A.*] Horns = 26 ins. (to 18 ins.)
 14 x 6 - 19 x 7 - 18 x 6 ins.

Hunter's antelope (*Bubalis huntleri*.) - (*Demochilus huntleri*.)
 [*very rare.*] Horns = 26½ ins. (to 20 ins.)
 26 x 22 - 24 x 21 - 24 x 20 ins.

XX White-Bearded Brindbill. *albojubatus*.
Jackson's Wildebeeste (*Connochaetes taurinus albojubatus*.)
 [*common in places.*] Horns = 29 - 28 ins. (to 24 ins.)
 21 x 5 - 20 x 5 - 19 x 5 ins.

XX Dinker antelope. *grimmii*.
 (*cephelophus grimmii*.)
 [*common.*] Horns = 6 ins.
 4 x 2 - 3 x 2 - 3 x 1 ins.

Nov 18th

Seymour's Hotel.

Haweska.

Went down to the station & found that none of the baggage sent off from Mombasa on the 15th had arrived & might not do so for several days!!! Engaged 20 more porters for 3 months, making 60 porters in all. Went for a row on the lake - a very big one & very pretty scenery. High mountains all round except on this side where there is some low lying land sloping down from the hills. Two men from S. Africa - Macdonald & Powell - came in - they had been making a report on the country for the S.A. government.

Nov 19th

Seymour's Hotel.

Haweska.

No stores from Mombasa - called on the sub-commissioner & stew - the head of the police, who was down with fever. Started at 12 & towed to the island - a very strong wind got up & it took us all our time to get there & back, which we did at 6, 20 after having just an hour on land. Got quite close to some hippopotami & photographed one at a distance of about 30 yds. Swarms of boats, reeves & divers on the lake, but very few ducks. Very primitive hotel this - wood & corrugated iron - generally no locks on the doors & no windows that will open. Quite cold all today but rowing with my sharks turned up has badly blistered my arms.

Nov 20th

Seymour's Hotel.

Haweska.

Wrote letters & cleaned rifles all the morning. Twenty loads of rice arrived from Mombasa this morning, but nothing else during the day. After lunch went on the lake & Lindsay shot a goose & 2 ducks - all three of unknown species - at least to us. A wire came to me yesterday & the clerk had made "N.C. Cockburn" into "Kecack Beirn". Heavy shower of rain this evening.

Kirk's antelope. (*Oreotragus Kirki*)
(not in B.E.A.) Horns = $3\frac{1}{2}$ ins.

$$3 - 2\frac{3}{4} - 2\frac{1}{2} \text{ ins.}$$

XX Oribi antelope (*Oribia scotaria*)
(rare in parts.) Horns = $7\frac{1}{2}$ ins. B.C.A.

$$4\frac{5}{8} \times 1\frac{3}{4} + 4\frac{3}{4} \times 2 \text{ ins.}$$

XX Steinbuck (*Oreotragus traquairi*) - (*Thaephueros campestris*)
(common in B.E.A.) Horns = $5\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
(rec'dt my pen) Hear.

$$5 \times 2 - 4 \times 1 \text{ ins.}$$

XX Wapiti (*Oreotragus oreotragus*) - (*Oreotragus saltator*)
(scarce.) Horns = $4\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
 4×2 ins.

XX Reedbuck (*Lepicapra arundinosa*)
(common.) Horns = 18 ins. J.A.

$$15 \times 0 - 14 \times 7 - E.A. = 10 \times 4 - 8 \times 5 - 8 \times 4 \text{ ins.}$$



Elephant.

(scarce.)	Length of tusks	Weight
	$\frac{ft}{10} - \frac{ins}{2}$	$\frac{lbs}{226}$
	9 - 10.	247
	9 - 5.	184.
	9 - 4.	160
	9 - 4.	110.

XX The Topi. (*Damaeus jimela*) - (*Damaeus corrigum jimela*)
(common in parts.) Horns = 19 - 18 ins. (to 17 ins.)

Nov 21st

Seymour's Hotel.

Kawasha.

Nothing arrived by the train last night. Wrote letters & was bothered about complaints re size of the men's tents all the morning - am getting deadly tired of this place. Heavy rain most of the afternoon, but went out on the lake - no duck about. So our great joy our baggage, etc, arrived tonight about 7.

Nov 22nd

Seymour's Hotel.

Kawasha.

Busy all the morning getting stores, tents, etc, into loads. A green tent & two Bell tents have by some mistake arrived instead of two green tents. Funningsham came in from 5 months safari & gave us some very useful advice - he has shot for years in this country.

Got one goose on the lake in the evening. Engaged a Masai from 'Chaplin' at Rs. 12. to act as guide & extra gunbearer to me. He wants to work his way back to his home.

Nov 23rd

In camp (morning)

19march E. Kawasha.

Got porters of about 10, 30 & after settling up with Seymour, started on our two mules about 11, 30. Went almost due north up a hill & then through a wooded tract of country to the foot of a hill, where we encamped near a water hole. In about 2, 30. After tipping & undraining & I started out with the Masai & gunbearers & walked through the jungle. I got a shot at a frog & I at a dek-dek with a Perdon at about 120 yds, but both were unsuccessful.

Had to send back for flour & baking powder & also found that the big "d'ad" lamp had nothing to hold the wick, so is useless.

Heavy showers all day & a dull uninteresting country to march through.

Abbot's duiker. (*Rephalophus* ^{gradia} ~~Abboti~~)
Horns = 3 ins.

Mersey's duiker (*Rephalophus* ~~Merseyi~~)
Horns = $3\frac{1}{2}$ ins.

Uganda duiker. (*Rephalophus* ~~Ugandensis~~)
[not in B.E.A.] Horns =

Maggard's Oribi. (*Ourebia* ~~Maggardi~~)
[not in B.E.A.] Horns = 5 ins.

Reuman's Steinhok (*Raphicurus* ~~Reumanii~~)
[not in B.E.A.] Horns = $5\frac{1}{2}$ ins.

Thomas's Jobe. (*Jobus* ~~Thomasi~~)
[rare.] Horns = 24 ins. Uganda.

Bohor. (*Fenicapra* ~~Bohor~~)
Horns = 13 ins.

Banded Gazelle. (*Idata*)
[not in B.E.A.]

Nov 24.

In camp. (morning)

Below Urdare Mts.

Off about 7 & marched up a small hill & then over an undulating plain with several streams in it till 12, when we stopped & waited for the porters & decided not to try & cross the Urdare mountains as it was too late & a very steep climb. Three Englishmen, one named Long, came in to camp last after we arrived from Nyeri. Went out about 4 & saw a Gopoi, tossed a dindrey woa & eventually got it after some trouble. fokei Gubelis & horus =

Nov 25.

In camp. (morning)

Urdare Mts.

Off soon after 7 & had a very steep climb up the Urdare Mts. the latter part through impenetrable bamboo forest. Then over an undulating down like country with occasional woods & several streams & down through miles of bamboo forest again - generally descending, till we reached the camping ground at 5. It soon began to rain & the coolies struggled in very slowly, so I slept in dindrey's tent & he in the foot of a bell tent - the big tent & other things, including the coolies' box & tea kettle, got arriving till 2 a.m. Had dinner of sardines & a good deal of whiskey. My pyamas wet through, so an uncomfortable night generally & everything scattered about in hopeless confusion. No more long marches - this must be 20 miles & a climb of 2500 ft.

Nov 26.

In camp. (morning)

Nyeri Fort.

Off about 8 & marched down a gradual descent into a big well wooded undulating plain which reached right up to Mount Kenia on the E. & N.E. & the d'Arnyia escarpment on the N. Nyeri most hospitably entertained us at the Fort & gave us a house to live in - he talks of coming on safari with us.

Fanning's Bush Buck (*Tragelaphus Rouweyi*)
Horns = 12 ins.

Bongo. (*Tragelaphus eurycerus*)
(1 killed!!!) Horns = 31 ins. W.A.

Speke Sitatunga (*Demonstraxus Spekei*) - (*Gayella Spekei*)
(not in B.E.A.) Horns = 12 ins

Selous' Sitatunga (*Demonstraxus Selousi*)
(not in B.E.A.) Horns = 11 ins.

Sape Buffalo: (*Bos capensis*)
(scarce in B.E.A.) Horns = 47 - 45 - 44 ins. (greatest width outside.) - (to 39 ins.)

* Neumann's Kortebeeste. (*Bubalis neumannii*)
(scarce in B.E.A.) Horns = 21 - 20 - 19 ins. (length on outside curve.) - (to 18 ins.)

xx Lion. (*Felis leo*)
(not very scarce but nocturnal.) Tail = 9 - 11 ins - 9 - 8 ins. (total length before skinning.)

* Leopard (*Felis pardus*)
(common but nocturnal.) Tail = 7 ft - 2 ins. to 5 ft. " " " " " "

xx Wart hog. (*Phacochoerus aethiopicus*)
(common.) Upper tusks = 12 ins - 11 ins - length on outside curve.

xx Sheekh. (*Lynaeus jubatus*)
(scarce.) Length = 5 ft - 4 ins. (Somaliland.)

Nov 27th

In camp.

Iyeri Fort.

After lunch tried my .375, .450 & Mannlicher at 100 yds, but with a bad result, each rifle seeming to shoot differently & the .375 not extracting properly. Played cricket in a net - on matting - some of the boys threw very well. N. is only 27 & has charge over between 300,000 & 400,000 natives.

Nov 28th

In camp.

Iyeri Fort.

One of our men killed a jr fighting in the bush by Peligan's orders. Tremendous downpour of rain, so could do nothing. Got 10 more porters making our caravan up to 71 men all told.

Nov 29th

In camp (marching)

N. Iyeri Fort.

Busy in the morning settling up matters & engaged another Masai to show us the way to the junction. Safari left about 11, we had lunch with Peligan & started off about 2 across a very "park like" country for about 10 miles & found the camp pitched in a hollow near a stream. Amisi says he saw a lion close here as they were coming in, but it vanished at once. Rained when we got in so did not go out. Peligan hopes to come out tomorrow. He & many others in this Protectorate - are doing the work of collectors with assistant-collector's pay - a mean way the government has of keeping down fees. He has 60 askaris under him & they seemed a very smart body of men & drilled well. There are generally small expeditions going on somewhere about which we hear nothing at home, but the Masai seem quite played out & are no longer a danger. It is, however, quite unsafe to go over the duma, which is only a few miles away. What with native & game reserves there is very little country left to shoot in.

XX = killed.
 X = seen.

Game license - £50.

To kill

Elephants (tusk ivory not less than 60 lbs.)	2.
XX Rhinoceros	2.
XX Hippopotamus	2.
XX Zebra	2.

Antelopes & Gazelles

Class A.

XX Kudu (Leurotragus)	1.
XX Oryx (gemsbuck cabotis or lucia)	2.
Sable (hippoboscos)	1.
XX Roan (")	1.
Kudu (strepsiceros)	2.
XX Topi (damalisus jimela)	2.
XX Neumann's Hartbeest (Habealis Neumannii)	2.
Bongo (Boocercus eurycerus isaaci)	1.
X Solibi & other fur monkeys	2.
Red-Forks (oryctopus)	2.
XX Pheetah (cynaelurus)	2.
Red dwarf (proteles)	2.
X Stick (male only)	2.
XX Inarabout	2.
Egret of each species	2.

Antelopes & gazelles

Class B.

Theropithecus (Dorcatherium)	10.
XX Topi (Subsahara only)	8.
Other species than Class A.	10.
(XX Thompson, XX Grant, XX Hartbeest, XX Impala, Bushbuck, XX Waterbuck, XX Reedbuck, XX Duiker, XX dik-dik, XX Wildbeest, XX Vlei, XX Klipspringer.)	

Nov 30thN.E. Aberdare Mts.In camp.

Off about 6 & walked to the top of the galea & on due E. through scrub with open spaces till we come to an open plain on which were a few Zebres. Saw nothing else, so came back towards camp above a thickly wooded galea & came across a dik-dik, which I shot at about 50 yds with the Mannlicher. Saw nothing else except a waterbuck doe & calf. d. came on top of a thorn, which promptly vanished & was not seen again. Had for too many men out - about 6 to cut up whatever animal I might shoot. We heard a lion roar, but a long way off. Back in camp about 9. Peligan came in about midday & soon a Masai chief who arranged a lion drive for us the day after tomorrow. Heavy rain, so not out till late. Went up west & saw a lot of game - Zebres, kudu, sign, antelopes, etc. - but too far off to get near. Missed a zebu in morning at about 200 yds & the others a zebu & a kudu. Quite open plains to the W. of this camp.

Dec 1stIn camp / morning.Impala Hill.

Off about 7, 30 & marched with Peligan N.W. through scrub & afterwards over an open plain. Got a shot at an impala at about 70 yds, facing me, & missed him, ditto as he went past, but by an awful flare got him through the neck at about 150 yds. Horns = 2' ins. & 2' ins spread. Jumped in a hollow below a hill. Went up a hill due W. & walked about in some nasty thick scrub, where it would have been awkward if a thorn had appeared - we heard something coming once, but it turned away. Saw some waterbuck but could not get a shot. d. stalked some zebra but put them off towards us, but we missed them morning at about 300 yds. He also had an unsuccessful go at a good waterbuck, but got a dik-dik. I got an impala on the way home - about 70 yds. Horns = 29 ins & 10 ins ^{spread}. He was feeding in some scrub & I only saw just the top of his back. Very easy.

Special license - Rs 75 - for following.

- 1 Giraffe.
- 1 Buffalo.
- 1 Eland (extra)

No license required for lions, leopards, crocodiles, etc.

Uganda Railway.

Railway from Mombasa to Kisumu = 584 miles.

Elevations of stations -

Mombasa	70 ft above sea	- distance from Mombasa
Voi	1830	" " 103 miles.
Kuu	4860	" " 267 "
Atthi River	4850	" " 311 "
Nairobi	5450	" " 327 "
Naiwasha	6230	" " 391 "
Nakuru	5950	" " 449 "
Urgon	6820	" " 474 "
Isiolo	7940	" " 484 "
Kisumu	3650	" " 584 "

From Nairobi to Njiru = 15 miles & line ascends from 5450 ft. to 6700 ft.

Cost = £6,000,000.

Height of Mount Kenya = 18,570 ft.
" " " Kilima-njaro = 19,202 ft.

Dec 2nd

In camp.

Simpala Hill.

Left about 8 & marched with Heliquin to a river bed, which the
 Kikubus drove - N. on one side & S & W on the other walking about
 300 yds in front of the river. After about two hours of it - under a
 scorching sun, we checked it as there were no signs of lions. Pattee
 was of work at first as we expected a lion to come out every
 moment, but we soon got wintered. Afterwards I tried to get
 near some Koryoni, but could not - N. got two ducks & an impala
 on the way home & S. a water buck of 24 ins. Saw two rhinos with
 small horns in an open plain in the morning - awful looking beasts.
 No game except zebras to be seen in the open.

Dec 3rd

In camp. (marching)

At about 7,30 - Heliquin going back to Nyeri - & marched N.W. over a
 flat bare plain. Saw four cheetahs, but though we pursued them for
 some time, we could never get near them. Shot a "Tommy" at well
 over 300 yds - horns = 13 ins. In at 11 & camped near a river.
 After tea the men saw some waterbuck about a mile from
 camp, so I went after them & after crawling a bit, got within
 200 yds of the buck. Made a careful shot at him & thought I hit him,
 anyhow he jumped round & then stood still. Empty'd the
 magazine at him & put in another clip & with the 300 yds sight-
 up had four more shots at him ^{making 4} - the last - knocking him over.
 He had only two bullet marks in him - one high above the heart &
 the other near his tail. Horns = 26 ins. Went N.W. afterwards,
 but only saw two dik-dik & a rhino with a very small horn
 & a long way off. Saw a big lion's tracks about 2 days old
 & some animals on the horizon, which the men said were
 zebras, but which I thought oxen. I got a dik-dik & a quinea
 fowl.

Furningham's map of good places for land, etc. near junction of Guasi Nyero & Guasi Karok.

..... indicates probable course of the Agere Nyuki, which is omitted in all maps.

S. limit of game reserve starts from junction of Guasi Nyero & Karok & goes W.N.W. to source of the Kungatani.



Dec 4.

In camp. Marching.

Off at 7 & marched through a scrubby country at first & then over a very flat open plain with a lot of Zebra about. Had a shot at one but missed it. Hit a "Tommy" - think we are over-estimating the range generally. Then crossed through several patches of wood - marking deer v. all the time - & a small river - name unknown - & camped at 2 o'clock by a water hole. A tremendously heavy downpour of rain came on & fairly flooded the place. Saw an ox on the march, but nothing else except Zebra & "Tommys". Went out after tippi paralleled to the river & missed a dik-dik about 150 yds away - too wet to sit down. Soon afterwards heard several grunts in a bush about 20 yds away, which the men said was a lion, but we neither saw it nor its tracks afterwards, though we cast all round. Heard one roar some distance away as we were going back to camp. Saw an impala & a water buck, but they were "off" before I could shoot - as they do generally in scrub.

Dec 5th

In camp.

As usual called late & not off till nearly 7. Went about deer 3. through scrub and occasional open spaces. Saw some impala but before I could make out their heads, they were off, also a water buck lying down, but he too was off before I could get a shot in. After a time saw two cheetah, which at first we thought were lions, & pursued them for a long time, missing one at about 200 yds. After they vanished went back to camp. I. back late, having got a "Tommy" & missed some impala & meeting a rhino, which charged away from him. After tippi went out on my own, without the Masai to lead the way, but saw nothing for a long time & then suddenly walked on to four cheetahs. Missed the first but hit the last & whilst looking most carefully for him, walked right on top of him. Luckily he did not charge, so got in another shot. He dragged himself out & I retched him. Wmisi handed my .450 to a Mikuhi whilst skinning him & he must have shaved up the safety bolt, for on Wmisi lifting it up, it went off - trigger must have caught in a twig.

List of Safari (men taken from Mombasa)

Jura bin Sadiq	Headman.	35 rupees a month.
Ramathan bin Suma	gunbarah. (w.l.)	30 " " "
Mamisi bin Ali	" (A.C.C.)	30 " " "
Kantqa bin Amis	"	30 " " "
Aherasi bin Sulmi	"	30 " " "
Mamisi bin Suma	Boy. (w.l.)	25 " " "
Ide bin Ali	" (N.C.C.)	25 " " "
Gusaf bin Sulman	cook.	25 " " "
Mwasa bin Mohamed } & 30 porters.		10 " " "
Four askaris.		12 " " "
Total 43 men. (Swahilis).		

Also took 22 Mikuku porters from Nairobi for 3 months & two Masai guides & 10 more Mikuku porters from Nyeri.

Dec 6th

In camp. (marching.)

Off at 7 & marched through a scrubby country till 10, when we camped near a river - the same we have been going along for some days. Saw a big herd of impala on the way, but could not get a shot at them. Fished after tiffin - a branch, a piece of string & a hook with a piece of meat on it - & caught some fish up to 2 lbs, a cross between a chub & a barbel. Also some hideous looking beetles with flat heads & long suckers attached. I shot a pig just outside camp, which the Miskus only would touch. Went out N.E. & had an easy shot at a water buck, but only broke the poor beast's leg. Immediately afterwards, saw what we took to be a din-din. Hit it & when we got up to it, saw it was a waterbuck calf. Tried hard to find the wounded water buck, but could not. Went on & saw a cheetah in the open plain - shot a good many times - under, over & round him - but he took no notice till I hit him in the head - a disgracefully odd bit of shooting & he turned out to be only half grown after all. Saw 13 giraffes & some zebra in the distance. I got an impala.

* several cat

Dec 7th

In camp. (marching.)

In Ngare Nyuki.

Off at 6.45 & marched through scrubby low trees & occasional open plain to the river due E, which we reached at 1 & which turns out to be ^{Ngare Nyuki} the ~~Ngare Nyuki~~ & not the Great Marsh, so we are quite out of our course. Missed a "bomby" - I got one - on the march & came across three bays (Piers), one of which after much shooting, I got. A fine head of 28 ins. Saw zebra & kongoni on the way, also two rhinos, which we walked close up to, but each had very small horns. They heard us talking, but could not make us out & eventually went away. Went out late as the men had had a long march. Had a snap shot at a running hyaena in long grass, which I missed & saw nothing else but five impala does.

x from England - though it would save trouble ~~to get~~ to get every thing from a firm like Newland & Jarlton of Nairobi, but prices are very high in B.E.A. & quality not good.

Equipment for 3 months Safari in East Africa.

- x 3 Suits of Khaki - two fairly thick & one thin - lots of pockets - double breasted thickness at knees & elbows - no waistcoats necessary.
- x 2 pair Putties - much cooler & nicer than leather leggings - will tear thorns.
- x 3 pair untanned leather boots / Real! as soft as possible - will get soaked through most days owing to the heavy dew - 2 pairs.
- x 3 flannel shirts - usual thickness for home wear & removable collars - Khaki colored.
- x 12 pairs thick socks - one for nearly always wet through, owing to dew, early every day.
- x 3 pair drawers - thin - 1 fordigan jacket for early & late in the day!
- x 3 pair pyjamas - thin, as it is quite cold at night - 1 sweater - to Kullton at the sack.
- x 2 pair gloves - very useful when crawling amongst thorns & rough grass.
- x 12 handkerchiefs.
- x 1 pair rubber boots - in use in camp in wet weather.
- x 1 pair mosquito boots - Lawra & Alder - useful alright.
- x Mosquito curtains for bed - house flies are an awful pest - very few mosquitoes.
- x 1 Burberry slip-on or mackintosh - necessary up to middle or end of December.
- x 1 Pith Helmet - a waterproof cover - a tin case to keep it in.
- x 1 Double derai or light helmet - in use early or late in the day.
- x 1 pair shippers - leather.
- x 2 Bath towels - quite enough.
- x Boo-laces - dubbin - castor oil said to be better & can be used to dose natives too.
- x Nails for boots - learn how to put them in.
- x 1 Khaki or flannel suit to change into at night.
- x 2 Belts - leather - to carry pipe, watch, etc, etc - 1 cartridge belt.
- x 1 small leather dressing case - brushes, tooth brushes, etc, etc.
- x 1 sponge bag - ordinary & rubber sponges.
- x 1 tin Bath - will carry boots, etc, etc.
- x 1 despatch box - for papers, money, etc.
- x 1 cartridge bag.
- x 1 Dirty Linen Bag - will hold anything.

Dec 8th

In camp. (marching)

On Igore Nyuki:

late last night found our tents full of ants - however by dint of putting unders in the trenches round them & pyrethrum inside, we banished most of them. Off at 7.15 this morning parallel to the Igaronenki - saw four signs on the way & d. after a long crawl got one - head only 20 ins. He put those bullets into it before it dropped. Could find no trace of the rapier so had to leave the flesh. In camp at 3 - apparently still some distance from the Igore river - but found out later that the ~~Pyrethrum~~ ^{Igore Nyuki} & Igore join about a mile from the junction of the latter with the Igore horse whilst we were told they joined at least 20 miles from the latter. Saw some impala, girra & oxys in the evening, but did not shoot as their heads were small - missed a dik-dik.

Must have crossed the Igore today.

Dec 9th

In camp. (about 2 miles east from the ~~Pyrethrum~~ ^{Igore Nyuki} - Igore Nyuki - horse junction.)

Off soon after 6 & went along the Igore Nyuki. Shot at an impala & wounded him & it took nearly 3 hrs hard work to finish him off. Some across a bush during the chase, but he got into some scrub before I could loose off at him. Missed a pair what he said were 2 eland shortly after, but I could not see them. However we went on towards the place & whilst going up a hill suddenly came upon two lions & a lioness about 40 yds above us in some long grass & bushes. They stood looking at us & I had two barrels with the .450 at the right hand lion ~~knocking~~ ^{knocking} him over. The other two stayed looking at us, so I reloaded & had a go at the lioness - hitting her the second barrel. She jumped about a foot her tail up as if she meant business & I reloaded & the cartridge misfired!!! The next cartridge knocked her over & I eventually finished her with the Paradox. The 3rd lion had slunk off & the wounded one had gone into some thick stuff which I would not go into. Missed an eland on the way home. I wounded a lioness - he saw four - & got three impala. We got 3 partridges & 3 ^{girra} ~~partridges~~ ^{partridges} after tea.

* from England.

Equipment for E. Africa. (continued.)

- * Two or three tin boxes — keep out ants, etc — to carry clothes in.
- * 1 medicine chest (Burroughes & Wilcome) — Ellman — Formose Sublimite.
- * Two or three tins of Pyrethrum powder — most useful for killing flies in tent.
- * 1 Hold-all or Valise — useful for carrying bedding in.
- * 1 pair Holsters — useful for carrying maps, etc, when marching.
- * 1 compass.
- * 2 water bottles — Sawm & Alder's patent — one double size for long marches.
- * 1 folding bedstead — 3 pr blankets — 1 pillow — 2 pillow covers — 1 dining & 1 tent table.
- * 1 set of tools — in canvas case — spade — chopping & skinning knives.
- * Copper wire — string, thick & thin — tin numbered labels for heads.
- * Tail cloth needles.
- * Housewife — with thimble — thread for mending clothes.
- * Zipper wire & hyperated rivets — nails — screws.
- * Stationery — fountain pens — ink or ink pellets — stamps.
- * Toiletries — alum — arsenical soap.
- * Antichlor Basket — for two — also two metal glasses — boys are sure to break glass ones.
- * Maps — present ones utterly unreliable, but new Survey going on now.
- * Knives — 1 sheath & 1 pocket — tin opener in one, carriers & button hook.
- * 2 Watches & 1 pocket sundial — thermometer — barometer (for measuring heights)
- * 5 Sasters.
- * Toap — toilet & washing — latter Sunlight.
- * Tent & floor cloth — canvas or waterproof — tent pole straps (2). Big a tent as you like.
- * 1 Telescope — not much use, as the heat waves make it very indistinct at any distance.
- * 2 pr Goggles or (I prefer) prism glasses for the above reason; though not so powerful.
- * Keating's Insect Powder.
- * Tobacco & cigarettes — former from England — latter from Port Said.
- * Rubber soled shoes — for voyage — deck chair.
- * Hot water dishes — very useful indeed.
- * Matches — wood.

Dec 10.thOn camp.Junction camp.

By noon after 5 I went 3. by the Guaso Nyero to where I wounded the lion yesterday but could find no trace of him anywhere - the carcass of the lioness had been picked clean by vultures & jackals & nothing but the bones left. Made a long detour towards the two kopjes & had a long crawl after a "Grant," but could not get near him. Saw some gabra on the way home & had a go at one at 200 yds. Was sure I hit him but the gunbarrels said not so - went on - the jack marked man, however, stayed back & soon found him stone dead. I got an eland & two kelp's pringers, but saw no trace of his wounded lioness. After tea went out & stalked some eland but the only bull had a very bad head, so did not loose off. Got a "Tommy" coming back to camp when it was almost too dark to see.

Dec 11.thOn camp. marching.On Guaso Nyero.

By about 7 I marched up the Guaso Nyero for about two hours & selected a camping ground & then went on to spy more 3. Saw a big herd of eland & kelp's & after a long crawl got up to within 100 yds of them. As soon as I got within distance of them, the only bull I could see lay down & I had to wait a long time before he got up. Set off a whole clip at him & four shots hit him & he galloped about 300 yds & fell dead. Horns = 26 ins. in length & 10 1/2 ins. span across. Hit him twice whilst he was galloping & twice standing. I shot an impala in the head at 300 yds as we were coming back to camp. The flies are absolutely awful here - thousands of them. Pyrethrum powder is an excellent thing when they are roosting inside ones tent at night. If thrown up amongst them, it kills them in a few minutes & one can sweep their carcasses away. Went out after tea, but saw nothing except an impala. I had a go at him with d's Mauser at 200 yds & shot just between his horns - he was facing us. The backsight of his Mauser is put much nearer the sight than on my rifle & suits me much better.

* from England.

Equipment for 3 months Safari in
East Africa (continued.)

- * Sharklets - most useful & take up very little room - take plenty.
- * Brandy - 3 or 4 bottles - ditto pints of champagne - for fever.
- * Kneecaps - most essential for crawling, as the grass is awfully sharp & the ground baked like bricks a very "mobly".
- * Leather case for glasses must be big enough to hold them when opened to their extent when in use. Best to have pocket big enough to hold them without case.
- * Flash Bores - from dawn & Alder - indispensable, but hardly enough unless one gets meat as well. Fleming's Brand of tined butter is much the best, likewise ideal tin^{ed} milk.)
Have not enough for a tin^{ed} or milk.
- * Lamps - two Acety lanterns - one dord's lantern - one lantern will probably be broken or left in the train, as mine was, in which case a candle lamp will be useful.

Battery.

One .450 (cordite.) or .500.

with 50 solid & 50 s.m. solid etc.

One .303, Mannlicher or Mauser.

with 400 softnose & 100 solid etc.

One Paradox.

with 300 shot & 50 bullet etc.
(20 s.s.g. etc. for "stopping" horns, etc.)

Dec 12th

In camp.

On Quasi Pyro.

Off about 6:45 & went up the Quasi Pyro & then inland. Saw nothing, except two pig, for a long time, but eventually spied two oxen in the middle of an open plain. Had a very long & very painful crawl amongst very tough grass & thorns, which hurt my hands & knees so much that I could hardly get along - wound my puttees round my knees, which saves one skin a lot. They both lay down before I got within shot & I had a long wait - at last I started them up & had a shot at the biggest - standing still - about 120 yds away - & two at semi galloping. He ran round in a complete circle & then sat down on his haunches just like a dog & apparently bit at his tail. Thought he was settled, but as I approached, he went off & got some distance before I could get near enough to finish him. One shot through his back & another through his neck. Head = 28 1/2 ins. Three hours march back to camp. Hunt out after tiffin with a. But only saw some water buck & impala does.

Dec 13th

In camp (marching)

On Quasi Pyro.

Off at - & marched up the Pyro till 10 o'clock, when we camped. Saw some impala on the way & I had a go at the only buck at 200 yds - standing up. Hit him apparently right through the heart but he went a longish way before he dropped. A thick head of 24 ins. Find the .375 no use as the spring can't force up the cartridges into the breach - another of Holland's careless mistakes. Saw a rhino a long way off. After tea went out due E. & saw a big herd of eland - I thought the same as I got one out of the day before yesterday - in an almost hopeless place for a stalk. They picked me up crawling quite 1/4 of a mile away, so I let them settle down & tried a series of short rushes & lying down & got up to them, but could not see a good bull, so left them. Turning back saw a "grant" & had a go with the 200 yds sight up & missed - they moved on another 100 yds & stopped, so put the 300 yds sight ^{up} & to my intense surprise it was very dark - he dropped. Head = 22 ins. I got a wood hog.

Swahili Words. (numerals.)

one	moja.	once	mara moja.
two	pili.	twice	mara mbili.
three	tatu.	thrice	mara tatu.
four	n'ne.	both	zote mbili.
five	tano.		
six	sita.		
seven	saba.		
eight	nane.	first, second, third, etc.	
nine	tisa.	same as	
ten	umi.	one, two, three, etc.	
eleven	umi na moja		
twelve	umi na mbili		
twenty	ishirini.		
thirty	talathini.		
forty	arabaini.		
fifty	hamsini.		
sixty	sitini.		
seventy	sabuni.		
eighty	manmani.		
ninety	tisaini.		
one hundred.	mia.		
one thousand	alifu.		
half	nusu.		
quarter	robo.		
third	thaluthi.		

Dec 14th.In camp.On Quasi Nyoro.

Went rather late & went to the place where I saw the eland last night - they were in a hopeless position to stalk & extended over a lot of country, but I managed to get fairly close before they picked me up, by crawling down a dry water course. Could not see one well amongst the whole lot - there must have been quite 60 or 70 - so left them. Saw some oryx & "Grant". Saw nothing after tea except 3 giraffe in the far distance.

Dec 15th.In camp. morningOn Ngare Nyuki.

A thick mist, so not off till 7.30 - marched N.E. to the Ngare Nyuki. Saw a herd of eland with a good bull, lying on the side of a hill. Went round but the wind was very choppy & changeable & I had not gone far before they got it & went off to the top of the hill & stood amongst some mimosa bushes with not cover enough for a mouse to hide in. Tried to get at them by crawling in full view from several directions, but it was no good, & had to retreat & begin all over again. Crept about 300 yds & looked like getting well up to them when they suddenly bolted & I saw 2 of the males had come right on top of us!!! left them alone & went on to camp, which we reached about 12.30. It is about due E. - on the river bank - of the Three Koppes & about 3 miles N. of the last camp we had at the Ngare Nyuki. Went out to the Three Koppes - where I wounded his lioness - & then N. & E. back to camp but saw nothing at all. I went out W. & got an oryx - horns = 26 ins. We have done badly with them, but there don't seem any good heads about here. They are "Beisa" not "fallotis" - the latter has not the black spot on the foreleg - but the latter are thought to be in this part of the country.

Dec 16.

In camp.

On Ngare Nyuki.

Off soon after day break & went due W. as the wind was E. & I hoped to get a bright coming home, but after I had gone quite 7 miles it changed right round!!! Went a long way S. but saw nothing except a "Grant" which I crawled after in some distance - he was being in the middle of the open field. He got restless, so I put up the 300 yds sight & had a go at him looking straight at me, apparently shot just over him, but the next shot got him in the chest. Head = 19 ins. Saw nothing coming home. I got a rhino, saw a leopard from the three kopjes & hit an eland but did not get him - doubtless the same I was stalking yesterday when he put them off. Stalked a "Grant" after tea & got up after a long crawl, but could only see the top of his back in the long grass - a kind was watching me, so could not get nearer. Hit him - had 4 shots - & thought he was settled & carelessly went up to him, also stupidly left my glasses when I shot & had first to go back, but he suddenly bolted into the scrub & though we searched till dark, we never found him.

x found next day.

Dec 17.

In camp. (marching.)

On Ngare Nyuki.

Off at 6, 45 & marched S.E. parallel to the Ngare Nyuki till 12, 30, when we camped. Tried to stalk a kongoni on the way, but he had seen the man & was too wary. Had a fairly easy go at a "Grant", shot over him each time - standing & galloping. Went out W. after tea & had a long walk through scrub but saw nothing. Went N. on to a plain & saw some "Grant" - had a fairly easy stalk & had a go at the buck at about 150 yds. Hit him 2nd shot - they always seem to stand still for two - but it actually took me 10 more to settle him. Head = 22 ins. I. back about 4, having seen his eland apparently quite well & having got a "Grant" & found the one - dead - I wounded last night. Each head = 24 ins. He went to the three kopjes before we started & followed us on.

Game seen in the triangle formed by the Gusi Nyiro
& Ngare Nyuki.

x	Eland.	only 3 fair bulls - plenty of cows.
x	Wyx. (Beisa)	fair number, but moderate heads.
x	Klipspringer.	a few on Koppes.
x	Thompson's gazelle.	plenty.
x	Grant's "	"
	Mongoni.	scarce.
x	Zebra	swarms on plains near Nyeri.
x	Impala.	good show.
x	Waterbuck	scarce.
	Bushbuck (kinds.)	very scarce.
x	Rhinoc.	saw about 15.
x	Lions.	8 - all seen on one day.
	Giraffe.	saw about 12.
x	Ducker.	plentiful.
x	Hyena.	saw nearly a dozen.
x	Wild cat.	rare.
-	Mania.	"
x	Jackal.	not many.
	Ostrich.	very few. (not allowed to be shot.)
x	Wart hog.	few.
	Leopard.	one seen.
x	= what were killed.	
-	= shot at but not got.	

Dec 18th

In camp. / marching!

Off about the usual time & marched nearly due S. soon leaving the Ngore Nyuki & going over plains with occasional wooded valleys with streams in them. Got porters in about 2—a long & hot march. Saw some kongoni, six, & a zebra on the march & a swarm of zebra west of camp. Began to rain about 3, so stayed in camp & tried to make my .375 work. I got a zebra late & the men bringing in the flesh, got lost in the dark. However by firing guns, we got them in soon after 9, but they left most of the meat behind.

Dec 19th

In camp. / marching!

Impala Hill.

Marched across open plains & saw kongoni, thom, & cheelah— had a go at long range at the latter, but missed them. I shot a "Tommy." Got into camp about 11 & found there was no rice, so had to send in to Nyeri. Went out 11. after tea into a thick wooded valley, but only saw some impala— one of which I hit very hard with the .375. We followed the blood trail for some distance, but eventually lost it & had to give him up. Very heavy rain coming home.

Dec 20th

In camp.

Impala Hill.

Off early E. up the hill & over it— saw 3 waterbuck kinds & later two good impala. Got close up to them but could only see their horns & they bolted. Got up to them again in thick bush but they heard me & I had a galloping shot at one & hit him with the .375. Followed his blood track for two hours in the thickest of jungle, but eventually lost him. Went out S.E. after tea half way up the hill & back by the river. Only saw 3 waterbuck kinds. Had to struggle through some awfully thick jungle along low paths made by rains, but he didn't meet any or it would have been very awkward, as the jungle was too thick to get out of the path. I saw an eland, which they thought was a lion. He got an impala after tea.

Dec 20th

In camp. (marching.) Nyeri.
 Marched to Nyeri & found Keligan had gone to Fort Hall. Saw some impala on the way & just before we got to the river at Nyeri we saw a rhino about 100 yds from the road. He moved off & I followed with the .450 & had a go at him about 50 yds away. The first shot - through the heart - almost brought him down, the next - higher & more behind - did so, & I gave him one more to make sure. He was a big beast, but unfortunately his front horn was broken off. Just afterwards, as we were examining him, another suddenly appeared over a small hill about 40 yds away - there was a general scatter at first - all over the place, but I had a go at him with the .450 & highped him first shot. Front horn = 21 ins. Used solid bullets which seemed to have a tremendous effect in point of cordite. I have never seen an animal drop quicker than the second rhino did - he was half turned away when I fired & the bullet must have raked him right through.

Dec 22nd

In camp. (marching.) Top Aberdare Mts.
 Off about the usual time & marched past Nyeri fort. There the askaris on parade received us with a salute, & up a gradual, but occasionally very steep ascent, first through ordinary jungle & then through bamboo forest to the top where the country becomes very like the Hampshire downs. Got in about 5 & the safari struggled in till late - a very stiff march indeed & took a far longer time than I expected & the men did well to get in when they did. Passed a Scotch missionary on the way, but he was not interesting. A lot of porters going to Nyeri carrying corrugated iron from Nairobi & I should think nearly a thousand coes clearing the grass round the fort at the former place, so evidently it is going to be made into a big place. Heavy showers at night & very cold - must be about 9000 ft above the sea.

Dec 23rd

Went camp. Marching!

E. Alderose Mts.

Very cold early - thermometer = 35° at 5 45. Marched over a down-like country till about 10.30 when we reached the top of the Alderose. Then had a steep descent down through snow & on an awfully bad trail to the bottom - lost 2200 ft by the barometer. Then went on 1/2 hours over the plain to a river in a dark ravine where we camped. Birds all in by 2.30. Saw some Geomys & Perognathus. Very tame as soon as we got in. After tea went out towards the hills & soon found some Perognathus & had an awfully long crawl after the buck. Eventually they got on to burnt grass & I could go no further, but the buck left the others & led down to a gully, up which I was getting close to him when the men in camp began to shoot & sing. He at once began to go back to the others & I made a hurried dash in the long grass as fast as I could, sat down at the end of it & missed him clean at about 150 yds. I got a Perognathus & a waterbuck close to camp. Very cold again at night.

Dec 24th

Pied Valley Hotel.

Kawasha.

Left at 6.45 & marched on over the plain - had a fairly easy shot at a Perognathus which I missed handsomely - annoying as I want to get one of the species in this part. Soon after saw some more, but they galloped off & stopped about 300 yds away - had a go at one & he dropped like a stone. The gunbearers got hold of him, but he got away from them & went off, very grumpy at first, but going better as he went. Followed him for some time but he got further & further away & another coming into view, I put 4 bullets (Maximilian) into him before I killed him. A good head of 2 1/2 ins. Marched on & got into Kawasha about 3 o'clock. Dry mud & no herbs here, but no letters or papers. Piddell - lots of 16" Sances - also here & promises to provide us with a guide to a new country for £25 - rather a tall order, but we ought to get game we should see anywhere else.

Numbers of heads, headskins, etc, sent to Newland & Jarlton.

Imphala - 1-5-18-21.

Grant - 23-25-29.

Oryx - 11-19.

Thompson - 7-15.

Eland - 17.

Wartbeeste - 57.

Waterbuck - 9.

dik-dik - 3.

1 lioness skin & skull.

1 Rhino headskin - 59 - 2 pieces of skin - 55-59 - 4 feet - 08-01-53-03.
12 sticks.

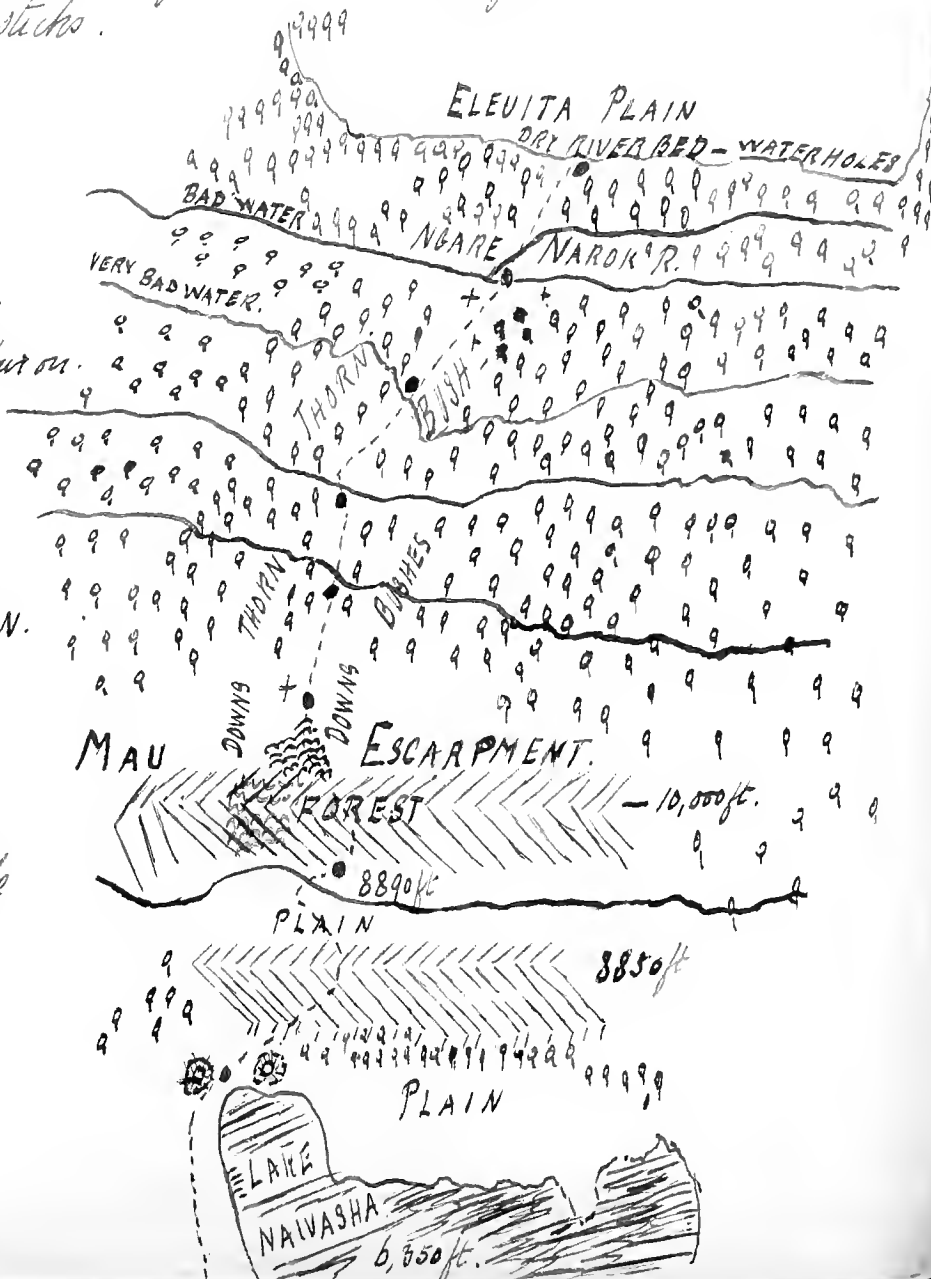
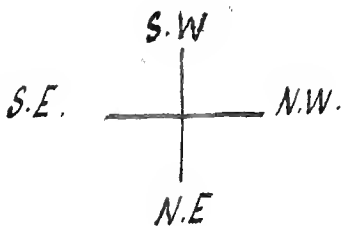
1 cheetah skin & skull.

1 carval cat skin.

Route to Eleuta Plain.

1st ^{two} camps to reach ^{at} foot of ^{mountain}.

Map I.



This track could never
be followed without a guide

Dec 25th.Rift Valley Hotel.Havasha.

Busy most of the morning paying men advances out of their wages. Had my hair cropped after luncheon & wrote letters & looked the rest of the day.

Dec 26th.Rift Valley Hotel.Havasha.

Busy packing heads, heads skins, etc. bound to Newland & Starbuck at Nairobi to be prepared for dispatching to England. Sent 4 impala - 3 Grant - 2 Oryx - 2 Thompson - 1 Eland - 1 Hartbeest - 1 waterbuck - 1 dik-dik heads. 1 lion's skin & skull, 1 rhino head skin, 4 feet, 2 pieces of skin & 12 sticks, 1 cheelam skin & skull, 1 serval cat skin. The plin drove us over to lunch at the Government farm & we had tiffin with her & Mrs King & went over the farm - a "division Red" bull from Wens of Burton there. After dinner a lot of "ushiki" from our camp came up in a very excited state & the headman complained of being assaulted by an askari who said he had found them playing cards. He was out of uniform & drunk.

Dec 27th.Rift Valley Hotel.Havasha.

Busy getting cartridges out, arranging for more food, etc, etc. Wrote to the collector about the askaris' behaviour last night & Bentley paraded the troops before us & said he would punish them. Most of the night - cattle sale.

Dec 28th.In camp. (marching.)S.W. end Havasha lake.

Up early, but it took a long time to get the porters' loads arranged & the safari did not get started till nearly 8. Riddell's Somali shepherds the way. Marched S. at first & then W. along the banks of the lake, reaching the camping ground about 3 o'clock. Saw a few zebra & some kongoni on the way. I had a shot at some Grant, but unsuccessfully.

From Kawasha to Eleuta Plain & on to Lumbwa.
 From Kawasha to top of Inau Escarpment 3 days
 " Inau Escarpment to Eleuta Plain 4 "
 (water in rivers, & thick bush.)
 Last camp ~~was~~ before Eleuta on Nyoni Porok river is
 5 miles from edge of plain.

Permanent water on Eleuta Plain over the other side on Hill (Hill's
 old camp. (see map No. II.)

From Permanent Water camp to Amalo river 1 day.
 " Amalo river (pink) to Lotek Post. 1 "
 " Lotek Post to Njilelele Mountain 2 "
 " Njilelele to junction of Amalo & Nanyarira called
 Mera river. 1 "
 " Permanent Water camp to Njilelele 2 "
 " Njilelele to junction of Amalo & Nanyarira 1 "

No water on Lumbwa Plain except on the river.

From Lotek Post to Mericho 2 days.
 " Mericho to Lumbwa 2 "
 " Lotek Post. w. Mt. Mutarakwa (4 miles) 1 "
 " Mutarakwa. w. Mt. Urboosi. 1 "
 This takes you S.W. on to Asasi Escarpment & good game country.

Dec 29th

In camp. (marching.)

W. of Kankasha Lake.

Off about 6,45 a marched down the side of the lake to the end of Southampton Water & then over a small ridge by three passes on to a plain, where I tried to get a kangaroo but failed. I & each got a Tommy - more - 15 min - after much shooting - as we are going back to our old form. After going in some way to the bottom of the second ridge, the Somali guide turned S. & after marching that way till 11,30, he announced that he had lost his way. We waited until he searched for it & he fired his rifle about 12,30 much more N. to show us he had found it. It was then too late to think of going over the next ridge - 8 hours march, so we camped in the scrub & sent the men to fetch water from a river about two miles away. I went out & hit a kangaroo, which he did not get - he got one after tea. I went out then & had a most successful stalk after one by himself - got up to about 100 yds of him & hit him first - just below the shoulder & then in the hind leg. He went up into the woods & we chased him all dark but never got him, though he lay down & we twice put him up in the thick. Had a long shot at a pig with very good turks, but only frightened him & that not much.

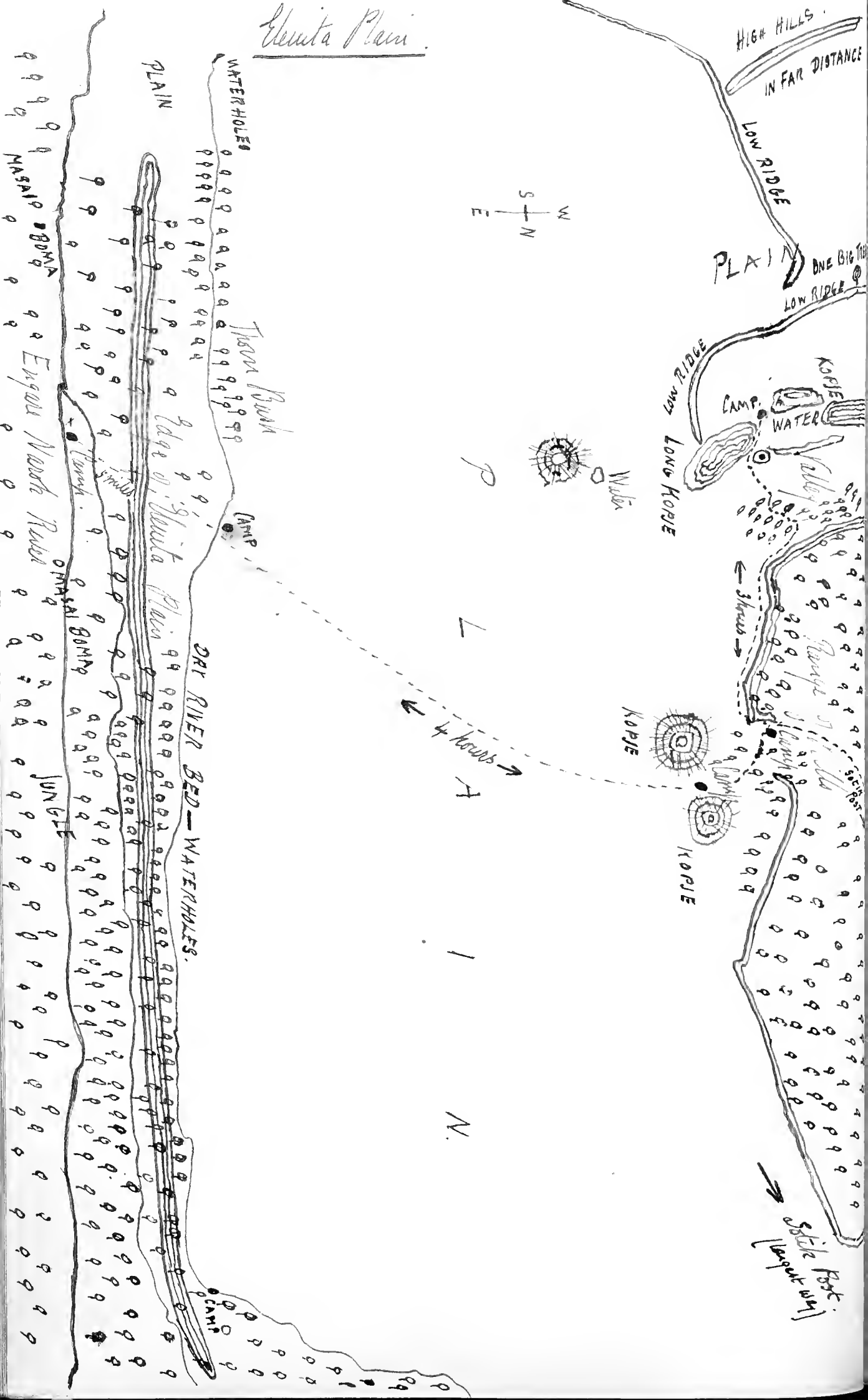
Dec 30th

In camp. (marching.)

Between 2nd & 3rd ridge. Mau Escarp.

Off about 6,45 & had a stiff climb, first through trees & then over the open up to the top of the first ridge - not counting the small hills at the bottom - going W. all the time. When we got to the top - 8,850ft - we turned due S. for a bit under the hill amongst thick trees & then S.W. over a small open plain to a little stream of running water in a deep hollow, where we camped. Peters in about 12. Gunbearers put on 1 lb of rice per diem, at which there was grumbling, but we promised to make up the extra 1/2 lb when we get to Kankasha or Dumbwa. No game to be seen up here. My right ankle going very dotty as it used to do in Moskoria. Did not go out after tea in consequence. Very chilly at night.

Eleuta Plain



Dec 31st

In camp. (marching.)

S.W. Mau Encampment.

Bitterly cold & a sharp white frost - thermometer at 6, 30 = 31°

Off about 7 & marched nearly due S. over the plain & then S.W.

through very thick jungle to the top of the Encampment - 9,500 ft -
we crossed through a gorge, so at the top it is no doubt 10,000 ft.

Then S. for a time, still through jungle, & got into an open
down like country after 1/2 hrs in the forest. Then a gradual
decline to the camping ground, which the safari reached at 2.15.

On the way 4 Kougoni suddenly jumped up & ran across us
not 70 yds away. We weren't prepared for them, but I hit one
& he soon stopped & as we wanted meat very badly for the men,
we both opened a rapid & concentrated fire on him, to which
he soon succumbed, being hit at least five times. A Masai
& three women came up & the latter seemed much interested
in us but were not possessing. A fine view over an immense
wooded valley to the S. & S.W. bounded on the S. - a very long
way off - by a high range of mountains. Showers in the evening
so did not go out. General air of depression in the camp owing to
our proceeding into an unknown country.

High Hills in Distance.

PLAIN.

LOW RIDGE ONE BIG TREE.

PLAIN

LMICK PLAINS.

1 day to Kiplelo.

Mt KIPLELO

MARA R.

KOPJE

WATER

Water

1 day to water

WOODED KOPJE

FOREST

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AMALO R.

NANURISE R.

CAMP WATER (GOOD) (CAMP)

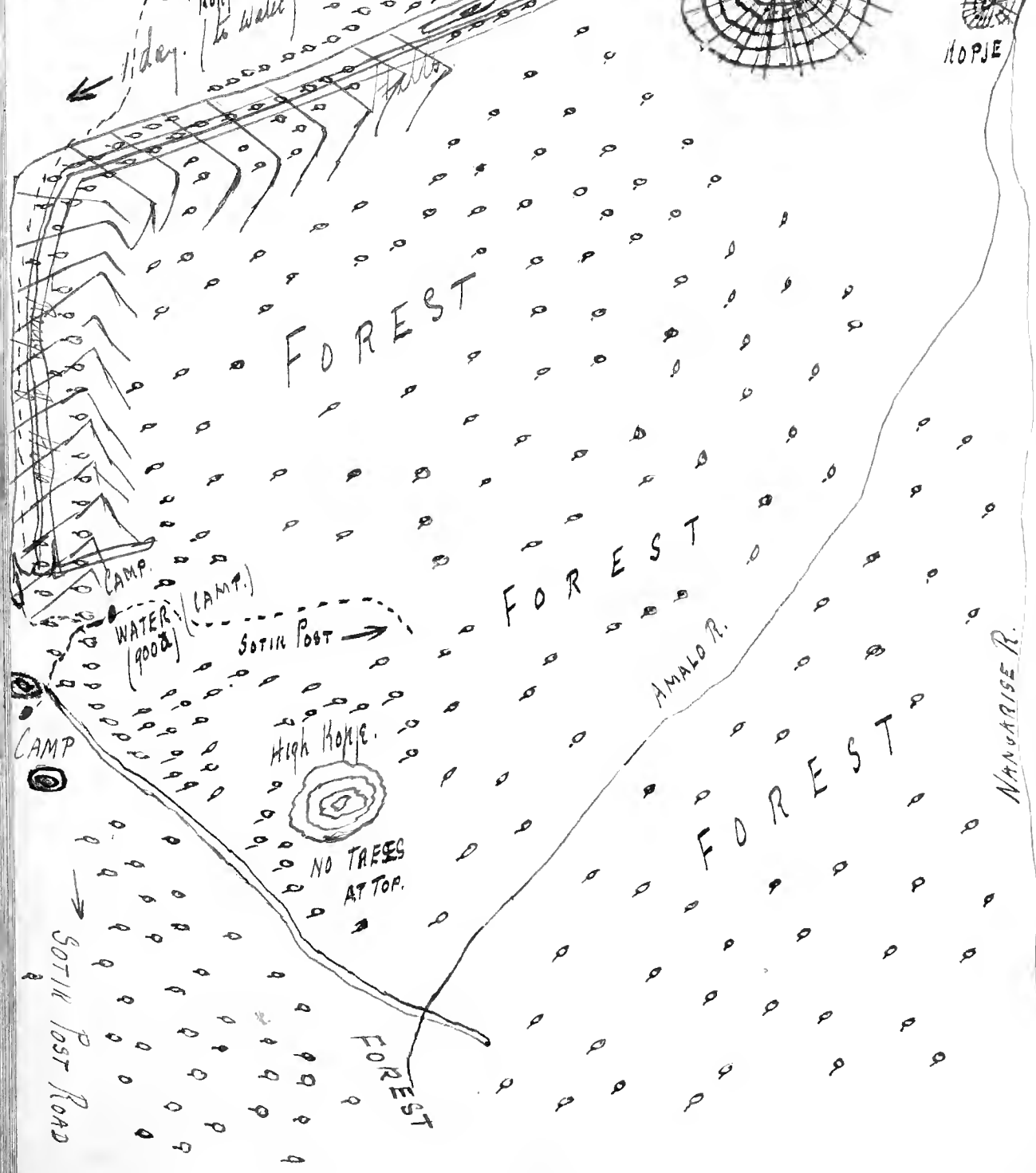
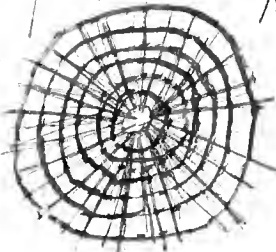
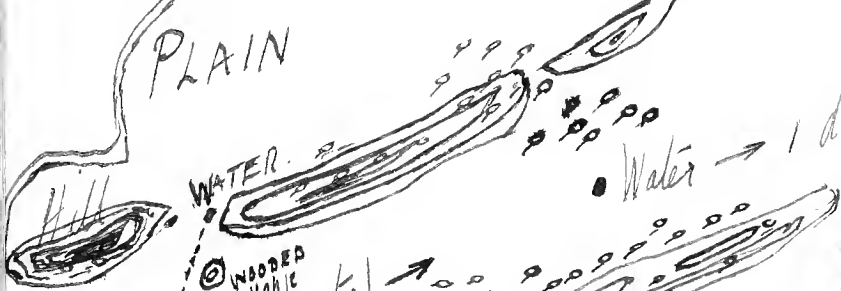
SOTIK POST

High KOPJE.

NO TREES AT TOP.

CAMP

SOTIK POST ROAD



1907.

26.

Jan 1st.In camp. (Marching.)2nd river S.W. Mau Escarpment

Off about 7 & marched S.W. down an open spur of the Mau Escarpment. Saw some Kougoni on the edge of a gully - I went down below & managed to turn them across & I got one. Soon after got into thorn bushes & marched down a dry river bed, losing our way several times & having to make "casts" to hit off the track again - it's quite easy to follow in some places, but in others is entirely obliterated & one has to go chiefly by guesswork. Three Kougoni crossed our path & we both opened fire & got one - probably I hit it - men ought to have a good supply of meat now. Passed two deserted Masai bomas & camped by a dirty looking stream in the bush - it runs N. & S. The Masai boy we engaged on the 30th to guide us ^{back to Nairobi} went back today. Safari in at 1.15 - heavy thunderstorm soon after & a sharp rain. I went out after tea & as usual did not look at his watch, so got caught in the jungle in the dark - we had to fire guns & he struggled in about 8 o'clock about settled.

Jan 2nd.In camp. (Marching.)5th river W. Mau Escarpment

Off about 7 & marched due W. through bush till we come to a small plain, where we lost the track for a long time. Eventually hit it off & went across two small rivers & across a ridge with a line of high trees on top of it - a good many dead ones & a distinct land mark for a long way - then on to a plain where we saw Kougoni, wildebeeste, "Tommy", "Grant", zebra, impala & pig. Stalked a Kougoni, but could not get near it - in the middle of the stalk, found I was being severely bitten by big black ants, so had to stop to remove them - so had a shot with the 300 yds sight & got him clean through the heart. Horns = 14 1/2 ins. I stalked & got a wildebeeste directly afterwards. Hunt^{ed} & camped by a stream - safari in about 1.15. Rain after tea, so did not go out. This quite awful but threw Keating amongst them whilst they were on the roof of the tent & it soon settled them.

Swahili Words.

fold	Baridi
Day time	Mtana
Forest	Mwitu
Hill	Kilima
Hot	Moto
Island	Msima
Lake	Jiwa
Noon	Mwesi
Mountain	Mlima
River	Mto
Sea	Bahari
Star	Myota
Sun	Jua
Tree	Mti
Wind	Upepo
Day	Siku
Today	Leo
Day after tomorrow	Kesho-Kutwa
Hour	Saa
Long time	Kitarubo
Month	Mwaka
Minute	Sakika
Tomorrow	Kesho
Year	Mwaka
Sunday	Jumaa jili
Monday	" tati
Tuesday	" wa
Wednesday	" kano
Thursday	Alhamisi
Friday	Jumaa
Saturday	" mosi

Jan 9thIn camp. (marching.)6th river w. Mau Euey.

Off soon after 7 & marched W. past a Masai boma, with a lot of cattle round it, to a small stream, where we camped at 10, 30. Went chiefly through bush & saw a wildebeeste & two eland - none of which we could get near, also a "Tommy". Whilst in rather open bush, we saw two leopards pulling a freshly killed eland calf up a small tree - it was already hanging from a branch about four ft from the ground. One leopard was up the tree & the other on the ground with its hind legs, & its fore feet up the trunk of the tree - facing away from us. Had a go at the latter & he fell right down on to his back but got up immediately & vanished in the scrub - followed by a volley from both of us. Went on - finding no blood trail - & soon after three Kongoni crossed in front of us & we each got one - mine a bad head. L. tried to change his rifle when we saw the leopards, so did not get a shot at the second one. After tea went out to a small plain due W. from camp, where we saw wildebeeste, eland, "Tommy" & ostrich. Had a stalk after two of the former right in the middle of the plain & crawled quite $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile over sun-baked ground - very rough & knobby - & thorny short grass. Got fairly close to them when I found they were two cows, but a bull joined them & though they kept feeding away, as ^{nearly} just as I could crawl & were very suspicious, by only going on when their heads were down, I got within 150 yds of the bull. Just as I was going to fire, he lay down, but as it was getting nearly dark, I had a go at him as he was. He got up & staggered about, so I gave him another which settled him. Then had a go with the 300 yds sight up at a "Tommy", which I missed. Wildebeeste hit through neck & body, & head = 18 lbs. Took a long time cutting him up & it was almost pitch dark when we got in - in another fifteen minutes we should have had all our work cut out to get back as the camp is in a hollow. Water so muddy that it is almost undrinkable when boiled & filtered - the worst we have hit so far. Saw elephant tracks - not very old - in the bush.

Axe
Basin
Belt
Beads
Boat
Box
Book
Bottle
Candle
Chair
Chisel
Clothes
Cooking-pot
Cup
Cup
Dish
Dust
Fork
Glass
Gun
Gunpowder
Hammer
Hat
House
Ivory
Key
Knife
Lamp
Letter
Mosquito net
Needle
Oil
Tent Peg

Shoka
Batuli
Mshini
Ushanga
Mashua
Sandukui
Thuo
Tupa
Mshumaa
Kiti
Kembuu
Kiguu
Lupuria
Kikombe
Kombe
Uwumbi
Uma
Pilawri
Bunduki
Baruti
Nyundu
Koja
Nyumba
Pembe
Kipunguo
Kisi
Taa
Barua
Chandarua
Lindano
Majuta
Mango

Vars Kesia

Jan 4th.In camp. (marching.)Rogare Karok River.

Off at 7.30 & marched through the usual thorn bushes almost due N - my gunbearer after we had gone a short way, said he heard an elephant, but we could find no traces of it, so went on. Got a "Tommy" on a small plain-head = 13 ins. & I tried to stalk a wildebeest shortly after on another plain but failed. Here our Somali guide seemed entirely out of his reckoning, but we hit the river - Rogare Karok - & a Masai boma, where the headmen told us a safari with a lady & two men - doubtless Baden-Powell, his wife & Hoey - had camped close to & hit two elephants which they did not get. They had seen nothing of Bull-Hill's safari, which should have gone on the same track as we have 10 days ago. Promised to let us know if they could find any fresh elephant tracks & give us a guide for tomorrow. The flies here are too awful & one literally has to fight with them for one's food. Four Masai boys arrived about tea time & said they would guide us to water on the edge of the Eleuta plain - the Masai seem greatly annoyed that we know the names of places about here. Went out up the river after tea, but saw nothing.

Jan 5th.In camp. (marching.)N.E. edge of Eleuta Plain.

Off soon after 7 - two Masai appeared & said two others would meet us on the road & show us the way. The Somali guide, however, said he knew the road & went off due N - he soon got into thick jungle & we were compelled to a stop & had to retrace our steps. Then went on through scrub & an open plain - a big plain all the time being on our left but we would not have it was the one we wanted - & about 12 o'clock it became evident he was hopelessly lost. He turned nearly S. & just as we were about to go back to last night's camp, we luckily stumbled upon an old camping ground with a water hole close to. Picked up a label with "Hoey" on it, so Baden Powell must have been here. Missed a kongoni en route & saw some impala. Went out 9. after tea - I & J had a shot at a pig, which we missed & then separated. I went W. & saw a kongoni, which I had almost got up to.

Pen
Plate
Road
Rope
Law
Sew / to /
Sell to /
Shoe
Soap
Spoon
Spear
Stick
String
Sword
Table
Tent
Thread
Worm
Wick
Wood
Arm
Back
Bone
Breast
Chest
Ear
Eye
Face
Finger
Hand
Heart
Knee

Kalamu
Lahari
Kdia
Kambaa
Inbomenu
Kustona
Kunya
Kiatu
Lakuni
Kuwikes
Kumo
Kimo
Kyi
Kpanga
Koya
Kema
Kyi
Ka moto
Utambi
Inti
Inkono
Inamgo
Injaja
Kijua
Kikio
Kito
Kiso
Kido
Inkono
Inoyo
Kote

Jan 6th (continued)

when the domasi who had gone to find his right road, suddenly appeared on the scene & put him off. Followed him up & got within 200 yds of him & hit him through, but rather below, the shoulder. He went away & eventually lay down close to 5 rhinos & as it was too late to go round them & 5 are rather a big order to take on together, I had to leave him & go back to camp. In the way back got up to a kongoni & had a go at him - he took no notice & I then had a mishie, but since I could shoot again, he rolled over hit right through the heart. Horns = 14 ins. I got a wildebeeste & a topi & reports lots of game more to the E. Look like being much bothered by these rhinos - have got my limit, so can only kill them now in "self defence".

Jan 6th

On camp. / marching/

E. edge Uvuta Plain.

Off at 7. & marched S.E. to the place where we imagine we ought to have encamped yesterday. I got a "Grant" on the way & after several shots I got a kongoni at 330 yds. A Lotik came in with a packet from Lumbe addressed "F. Baden Powell - 30 miles S.E. Lotik Post." No chance of finding him, so advised him to go back. Kongoni's head = 18 ins. Went out after tea after a wildebeeste & some topi close to camp - it looked an easy stalk but a kongoni picked me up, put them all off & then came back again!!! Had to crawl a tremendous long way & then came slap on top of the wildebeeste, but could only see his horns as he was the other side of a hill - another d-d kongoni picked me up on the right & bolted - the wildebeeste following him. He stopped about 300 yds away & in pure vexation of spirit I had a go at him & hit him. He galloped off a tremendous pace almost into camp & then up the slope of the opposite hill - I followed but could never get near him. Coming home met a topi & hit him too but it got pitch dark & I had to leave him - a truly sickening evening. I got a "Grant".

leg
Lip
Liver
Mouth
Nail
Neck
Nose
Shoulder
Skin
Stomach
Throat
Tooth
Tongue
Toe
Vein
Abscess
fold of
Dysentery
Fever
Medicine
Foot
Doctor
Guide
Hear
Messenger
Porter
Soldier
Tribes
Workman
Banana
Beans
Food

Guni
Kudomo
Maini
Tanwa
Ukucha
Shingo
Pua
Pega
Kosi
Jumbo
Too
Tuis
Ulini
Udole
Inshina
Jambayi
Mafia
Makara
Koma
Lawa
Mupini
Laketari
Moiqoyi
Mwungo
Mwumbe
Mwagoyi
Mwari
Mabila
Mundi
Midiyi
Mundi
Nyama

Jan 7th

In camp.

E. end Eleuta Plain.

Off at 6, 30 - Somali guide & 6 men going to Totik Port for food & an askari to Mill-Gild's camp to know how long he is going to stay there - towards our last camp & then w. over the hill. Saw a topi amongst some kongoni, & after a very wet crawl owing to the heavy dew, got within 100 yds of him & hit him twice. He galloped down into a mala, where there were a lot more beasts & vanished. We thought he had gone off with them but could not see him amongst them, but eventually I picked him up by being close to us. Head = 15 ins. Went s. & saw a good "Grant" & a wildebeeste - they were in a hopeless position, however, & though I crawled for a long way on burnt grass - most awfully painful - they fucked me up & I ran in for about 50 yds & missed the "Grant" clean. Saw some wildebeeste coming home, but they were very soon off. I not back till 2, 30, having got 2 "Tommy" - one = 10 ins. Went w. after tea & got close up to some land on the opposite slope to camp - saw some topi, but none seemed worth shooting. Saw 7 wildebeeste s. & had a more than usually painful crawl up to them - first a kongoni spotted me & put them off, & they went down towards the dry river bed - then I shot at an impala in the scrub to the E. & they went back up the hill again - I having to crawl all the time - & it was not until the sun was just setting, that I got within range of them - they were about one s in long grass & right in the sun. Had a go at what looked the biggest & he dropped, but got up, & after staggering about, went away - leaving a big blood trail. Had another go at him gallopping, but hit a "toto" just beside him, which I had to finish off & then it was pitch dark. kept the head out. Heard from Mill-Gild that they leave their camp on the other side of the plain the day after tomorrow. Shall try a big rifle, though the only 3 times so far I have fired the .375, I have not got the beasts I hit.

Honey
Lime
Meat
Milk
Pepper
Potato
Rice
Salt
Sugar
Tea
Vegetable
Dry
Empty
Hard
Heavy
Little
Long
New
Open
Sharp
Short
Sweet
Thick
Wid
But
By
For
In
Inside
Once
That
Until

Asali
Indimu
Nyama
Inyajiwa
Piliipili
Kiayi
Intele
Inunyu
Sukari
Shai
Inboga
Kisu
Tupu
Gumu
Gito
Dogo
Reju
Pya
Wayi
Kali
Tupi
Tamu
Kene
Ka
Lakini
Kwa
Kwa
Katika
Idani
Tangu
Wamba
Hata

Jan 8th

In camp.

E. end Hewita Plain.

Went out about 7 & went S. for a long way without seeing anything - eventually saw a wildebeeste & had a fairly easy stalk, but under-estimated the distance very much & missed him clean. Followed him on for about three miles, when he joined some others & I was getting fairly close to the herd. I was nearly out of shot when they moved on. I had a shot at one but missed & they moved on again. I saw S.

Went out W. nothing & knees are

No. THE EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

A License under the provisions of the Outlying Districts Ordinance 1902 to enter a closed district.

Name of Licensee W. H. A. Sydney

Address 12 C. Cockburn

Description of closed Likiepia

District which Licensee Burai reserve

may enter hereunder

Surety (if any)

Conditions upon which to report to

this License is granted Collector, Burai

vicinity of Kamurati station.

No shot under license.

Place of issue N.S.A.

Date of issue 22 2 07

Date of expiry 28 2 07

riedly & missed home. No more - 375. beetle & a "front" - etc, there was crawling & my - & duck.

Jan 9th

In

W. end Hewita Plain.

Went out about 7 & went towards S. not get a right did not after some we saw

for. J. S. G. M. Cullen Sub-Commissioner.

across the plain the way a did - the two ropes very small calf - & yelling, & way up wind & in the spring

we were intending to camp at ~~as~~ moved on about two miles to where Hill-fild had been - camp fires still burning, so he must have left this morning. Went out E. after tea. but saw very little - a stalk at two wildebeeste was spilt by a lot of young kargoni, who galloped about all round me - but after got within 150 yds of a kargoni bull. Hit him first shot & then had 14 more at different ranges before he dropped. There were 6 in the side opposite to which he dropped on, & 2 bullets in the skin from the other side, making at least 8 bullets in him altogether. I got a bad injury to my ^{kargoni} ~~hand~~ - his head = 17 lbs. men not back till 8!!!

Honey
Lime
Meat
Milk
Pepper
Potato
Rice
Salt
Sugar
Tea
Vegetable
Dry
Empty
Hard
Heavy
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Long
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Jan 8th.In camp.E. end Eleuta Plain.

Off about 7 & went S. for a long way without seeing any thing - eventually saw a wildebeeste & had a fairly easy stalk, but under-estimated the distance very much & missed him clean. Followed him on for about three miles, when he joined some others & I was getting fairly close to them, when some zebra, very near me, barked & they moved on. I had a go with the 300 yds sight up very hurriedly & missed again, with a galloping "frant" on the way home. No more. 375.
 I saw swarms of game to the N. & got a wildebeeste & a "frant".
 Went out W. after tea, but though I saw a lot of beasts, there was nothing I could get near worth shooting without crowding & my knees are so sore I must give them a rest. I got 3 ducks.

Jan 9th.In camp. (marching.)W. end Eleuta Plain.

Off soon after 7 - bitterly cold - & marched W. across the plain towards two kopjes. Saw very little game on the way & did not get the chance of a shot, but close to the two kopjes & right in our way, was a cheu with a very small calf. I did not like to shoot at her, so tried shouting & yelling, & after some time, she suddenly galloped away up wind & we saw her no more. Water seemed scarce in the spring we were intending to camp at, so moved on about two miles to where Mill-child had been - camp fires still burning, so he must have left this morning. Went out E. after tea but saw very little - a stalk at two wildebeeste was spoilt by a lot of young kengou, who galloped about all round me - but after got within 150 yds of a kengou bull. Hit him first shot & then had 14 more at different ranges before he dropped. There were 6 in the side opposite to which he dropped on, & 2 bullets in the skin from the other side, making at least 8 bullets in him altogether. I got a bad injala & ~~injala~~ ^{kengou} - his kengou head = 17 lbs! men not back till 8!!!

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Jan 10th

In camp.

E. ind. Savata Plain.

Off at 7 & marched S. through the woods below the hill for two hours, but saw nothing but a few kongoni & some impala. Went down to the scrub on the plain & had an easy stalk at a wildebeeste - about 150 yds of had a go at him, but the cartridge seemed to "kijiji" off & I thought the bullet had not gone out of the barrel - however it had & the wildebeeste departed too. Went W. & saw a "grant" & after a longish crawl, got him. Head = 22 1/2 ins. I got two wildebeeste - a cow & a bull. After tea went S.W. across the plain & eventually saw a wildebeeste - had an awfully long crawl - mostly on my "tummy" - & tore my knickerbockers in several places, fairly skinned my knees & ran innumerable thorns into my hands, but at last got within range. Doomed off & missed him but got him 2nd shot & thought he was going to collapse. However two d-d kongoni appeared on the scene & galloped past him & he went right away to the edge of the next hill - I thought I hit him twice as he went away - but it was nearly dark & hopeless to go after him, so had to leave him & hope to get him tomorrow. Very little game on this side of the plain & altogether I think it rather a poor considering the time - 10 days - it has taken to get here. It will take 5 more days to get back to Dumbwa & 7 days from there to Rawasha. Peters back this morning with food from Sotik Post, where Hill-Hill's safari has gone to. They say he got 3 rhinos, 2 topi & 3 wildebeeste here. Anyhow they seem to have driven all the game away - especially rhino, - there must have been any amount here before they came, judging from their tracks, etc. Had a bath composed of liquid mud & dead flies.

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Jan 11th.

In camp.

W. end Uvula Plain.

Went at 7 & went S.E. over the plain but saw nothing for a long time.
 Eventually came across a wildebeest & proceeded to crawl after him.
 but as he was feeding & wandering away & always had Korymbi;
 "Grant" or "Tommy" between him & me, I spent 3 hours very
 painfully & in vain - at last a "Tommy" put him off effectively,
 so I had my revenge. Head = 14 ins. Saw nothing after tea.
 S. out all day & got a korymbi, topi, diiker, "Tommy", hyaena &
 hare without ever crawling at all.

Jan 12th.

In camp. (marching.)

Kopje camp.

Went about 7.15 & marched under the hill S.W. & then across the valley -
 up which the path to Mt. Kijele goes - to a spring between the
 two kopjes at the N. end of the valley. Shot an impala - head
 = 25 ins - & a kackal on the way & missed a topi. In at 11.
 S. shot a goose close to camp & when he went to pick it up, was
 attacked by some mongoose - one of which jumped up & bit him
 in the wrist. Went E. after tea & climbed over a small wooded
 kopje & on the other side saw a topi lying down apparently asleep.
 Made a most careful stalk but he heard or saw me & jumped up -
 had a hurried shot at him facing me & missed, he went on & stopped
 about 200 yds away & I got him through the heart. Head = 17 ins. Went on
 & saw a wildebeest more S. - it looked an easy stalk but ended in
 a more than usually painful creep on my stomach, in which I
 entirely demolished my knickerbockers - however I eventually got
 about 150 yds away & he then lay down, but soon got up, & I hit
 him rather too high & too far back. He was very very sick but it
 took me some time to settle him. Head = 17 1/2 ins. Had a long shot
 at a "Grant" coming home, which I missed completely. S. got an
 impala & a waterbuck in the valley.

Game seen on the Uvita Plain.

* Kudu - 2 kinds.	Plentiful.
* Wildebeest.	Plentiful.
* Grant's gazelle.	Not many.
* Thompson's "	Plentiful.
- Eland.	Two herds - no good skulls.
* Topi.	Plentiful.
Zebra.	A fair show.
* Sompala.	Scarce - three lots seen.
* Waterbuck.	Scarce - only 1 seen.
Reed buck.	Scarce.
* Dik-dik.	Scarce.
* Rhino.	None seen from one hill - all small horns.
Giraffe.	Two lots seen.
* Fox or cat.	Three seen together.
Ostrich.	Plentiful.
* Jackal.	Several seen.
* Warthog.	Plentiful.
* Hyena.	Few.

* = killed.
 - = shot at but not killed.

Jan 13th.

In camp.

Kopje camp.

Off soon after 7 & went E. up to the long Kopje at the beginning of the big plain. Could see no signs of the redbucks the Kikuhus saw yesterday, so went on ^{under the long Kopje} & saw a wildebeeste & a "Grant" with some tops. Had a fairly easy stalk, as for a wonder they were in broken ground, & as the "Grant" would not get up, had a go at the wildebeeste. Kit hani & I thought I had settled him, so had a go at the "Grant", which I hit twice & settled. Head = 24 1/2 ins. & 23 1/2 ins. spread. In the meantime the wildebeeste had gone on, nearly falling over several times as he went & lay down some distance away very sick indeed. Loosed off at him again at about 200 yds & broke his leg & as he had had his other shoulder broken by the first shot, he could not go on. Points of his horns badly worn away & only measured 15 ins. Going back to camp, saw a wart hog, & got him running - directly afterwards, Amisi said there was a Neumann's wildebeeste to my right & it certainly looked like one, but was not. Was just shot of him with the 200 yds sight up & he "offed" it, but stopped about 100 yds on & I got him. Head = 15 ins - a lucky shot through the heart. After tea went out N. but saw nothing worth shooting except a wart hog which suddenly appeared from nowhere & "charged" towards me. Sat down & had a shot at him which got him just behind the heart & then missed him clean & then hit him in the lower tush - all the while he was at 50 yds off. Eventually settled him with the "Paradox". d. out from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. & got a porcupine, a wildebeeste & a "Grant" kind, which he mistook for a bush buck. His men seem very sick at the long "trips" he takes them & apparently get much chaffed by my men. Settled to move tomorrow towards Jotik Post. d. had a go at some eland, but missed the bull - from his account a moderate one. "concert" by the Kikuhus tonight - one man sang a solo & then all joined in the chorus. Got so bed 100 yds away. A Shikwind blew down two tents this afternoon.



Jan 14thAmalo river.In camp. (marching.)

Off at 7.15 & marched across the plain - where I missed an easy shot at an eland with a very poor head & got a serval cat galloping all it knew - past our old camp & on N. mostly through jungle, in places very thick indeed, but luckily no thorns, over the watershed into a fine hilly wooded valley where we camped. In at 3 & safari at 4.

Jan 15thLotik Post.In camp. (marching.)

Off at the usual time & marched through very dense jungle - sometimes one had almost to go on one's hands & knees to get along - with one small plain where there were 4 topi; the only game we saw all day, mostly due N. Then up a cultivated valley & over a high hill, from which we could see a long way - the country all round for many miles seems covered with mimosa trees & we could see no signs of any game - & over a ridge & camped below Lotik Post - a so-called "fort" garrisoned by about a dozen askaris & consisting of a few huts surrounded by two strands of barbed wire & a ditch. No signs of any guard when we arrived at 2. Safari - for which we twice had to wait for an hour - in at 3. The British flag floats proudly in the "fort" above us, but so far there have been no signs of any garrison.

Jan 15thIn camp. (marching.)

Off as usual nearly due N. soon crossing a bebbian river - which we suppose is the Kanguara - by a wooden bridge. Went through an undulating country with mimosa trees & high grass guided by one of our Swahilis, who has lived in this part for 5 yrs. He lost his way once but we luckily met a Lotik woman who put us right. In at 12.30 & safari at 1.30. Very close & muggy. Did not see a sign of any game. Thunderstorm before dinner & a good deal of rain.

Jan 17th

In camp. (marching)

S. of Kericho.

Off rather late & marched due N. over a most monotonous country - very steep hills & valleys with streams at the bottom - with very thick scrub & grass all the way. No signs of any game at all. In at 1 & safari at 3. Heavy rain & a thunderstorm before they got in. Deadly dull as one cannot leave the road as the scrub is so thick.

Jan 18th

In camp. (marching)

Kericho.

Off late & marched through the usual monotonous country - first down one steep descent into a valley, across a stream, & then up a steep ascent & immediately down another, all the time in thick scrub & desperately hot & muggy - till we got to Kericho at 11.15. Found a collector there named Anisworth, brother of the Nairobi men, who entertained us hospitably. It seems a very nice station on an open hill & quite clear country all round & a very good bungalow & garden. It appears ever since we left the Mau Escarpment, we have been in closed country & ought to have got the Commissioners' leave to be in it or we could have been arrested & brought back at any time. Don't think any notice will be taken of it, however.

Jan 19th

In camp. (marching)

Dumbwa.

Set up very late with Anisworth last night, so got up equally late this morning. Marched along a very good cutroad & gradually got into an open down-like sort of country, but saw no game - it seems very thickly populated. Safari passed us at Kiffin & got into Dumbwa at 3 - the same time as we did. Busy getting our mail & "pochis" from the station. A. has decided to march with the safari tomorrow - I go by train to Nairobi & he will hit us off at the next station if he can. Two Dewey R.E.'s in from Kericho - v.c.'s - they saw buffalo & sable at Kiffin. Left my 375 with Anisworth at Kericho - he is to take it to England in March & get it valued by Jeffrey's & pay me for it then.

Heads & headskins sent to Newland & Jarlton -

2 Topi - 69-43.

2 Wildebeeste - 47-33.

2 Grant - 65-57.

2 Tommy - 49-39.

6 Martebuete - 27-31-35-37-41-45 - 27 & 41 to be set up.

1 Wart hog - 51.

2 " " tusks.

1 wood cat skin.

1 Impala - 53.

Left to Newland & Jarlton to pick out the three best Masai heads
& three of different species. (all sent eventually to Bowland Herd.)

Total - with those sent on Dec 27th.

4 Thompson's heads & headskins.

5 Impala " " "

5 Grant " " "

2 Oryx " " "

1 Eland " " "

4 Martebuete " " "

1 Waterbuck " " "

1 Sucker " " "

2 Topi " " "

2 Wildebeeste " " "

1 Wart hog " " "

1 Rhino headskin - 4 feet - 2 pieces of skin.

1 Cheek skin.

2 Serval cat "

1 Lion "

Jan 20th

In train.

L. & the safari off about 7.30 - he intends to join the train at the next station. Wrote letters all the morning & read papers. De Longueville & Phillips - M.A.P.'s - came to the camp & I went up to tiffin with them in the fort. Left an hour late - at 4 & picked up Lindsay at Londiani - he had hit an ostrich & missed a red buck on the march. Got to Nakuru at 9 & dined there. Percival came in after dinner.

Jan 21st

Rift Valley Hotel.

Nawasha.

Train left Nakuru at 4 a.m. & reached Nawasha at 7. Busy packing up loads, etc, to send to Newland & Jertton. A very interesting Boer turned up from Nakuru - he had fought against us all through the war & was full of information. His name was Joubert & he was a member of the Volksraad & a commandant. Said the Boers had at the most 70,000 men in the field & had 3784 actually killed, & if, instead of all investing daddy's mite, they had gone straight into safe policy, the war would have been going on now, but he admitted we had too many guns & men. Says the Boers will settle down quietly with a strong government. Father Plunkett, Roberts, Beutley & the Serjeant Instructor came in after dinner & we had a cheery evening & much talk. Riddell has got - & sent - another mug at the same price to Uvita Plain.

Jan 22nd

In train.

Busy packing chop boxes all the morning, getting cartridges out - of which I have not many left - etc, etc. Off at 5.50 - an hour late - & got to Nakuru about 9. Had dinner at the dark bungalow & slept in the carriage - all trains, except those running in connection with the boats across Lake Victoria Nyanya, stop the night, for some unknown reason - formerly falling rocks made the line dangerous at night - at Nakuru. Riddell's Somali guide was in the train.

Trains from Hono to Kawaiaka —

Saturdays — 2. a. m. — goes through.

Sundays — 7. 30. p. m. }

Tuesdays — 7. 30. p. m. } stop night at Kakuau.

Jan 23rdIn camp.Hyoro.

Left Nakuru at 5.45 & got to Hyoro about 7. Found the stapari there but there was a general strike on—both the Shakilis & Pikuhus wanting a days' rest & the former wishing to go home. It appears when they saw Piddell's Somali, who came with us by train to show us the Buffalo place, they thought they were in for another trick like the one when we had the other Somali, i.e. over the Pran Encampment, & were frightened at the idea. The last lot of Pikuhus struck because they had no blankets—the idiots never asking for them when we started & would have given them, but waiting till now when we have nearly finished our trip. However they have marched 9 days on end & as we can't get any porters here, we made a compromise with them & decided to stay here a day—a beastly camp with no shade at all & all the ground round it taken up by settlers, so no shooting to be done at all. Delamere has most of the land round here & from what one can see, seems to be cultivating it in by far the most up to date way one has seen so far. It is a big flat plain surrounded by high hills—Whidby's land runs up to it on the S. Delamere is just going to be tried for fraud—what the exact charge is I can't make out, but it is something to do with the transfer of some land & his buying back a deed in which he had guaranteed to pay someones expenses in a certain trial. He seems much disliked by all the officials, who say he tries to "boss" the Shade country, & from all accounts he does so. They say he makes use of his right—as a peer—to go into a court of justice with his hat on & such like things. He & Whidby seem great rivals & both seem about equally disliked, but especially by all the official class. Country awfully dried up here as the short rains failed—everywhere the grass is being burnt & in places the jungle too—the priso nearly always die out at night—probably owing to the dew. Fraser came in to tea on his way back from Londiani.



Jan 24th.In camp. (Marching).Man Encampment.

Left at 7.15 & marched S.E. over the plain & through scrub - after an hour the track passes a prairie of sand in a sort of pit & then goes almost due S - & then into very dense jungle. Which eventually turns into bamboo forest, in which were several old buffalo tracks. A gradual ascent all the way up to the top & over ^{at 12.} that open grades running into thin jungle. Lumped on a hill side, with a good stream of water below. My right ankle very painful after two hours marching, so did not go out after tea - & the stormi went out about 4, but saw nothing except old buffalo tracks.

Jan 25th.In camp.Man Encampment.

Left at 6 & went with 2" down the valley, but saw nothing. Eventually found a fresh track leading away from a stream & followed it for a long time in very thick jungle - the men said they heard a buffalo get up & go away, but I heard & saw nothing. Saw no other animals, but thought we heard a Mandaribo. There must be plenty of buffalo here at times, as there are a lot of old tracks about. It seems any odds against watching up to a buffalo in the jungle - it is a wonder how such a big beast ever gets along the narrow & low paths it does, in many places one has to bend almost double to get under trees - one can't help making a noise & as it is generally impossible to see more than a few feet in front of one or on either side, I can't see how one can tell whether it is a bull or a cow if one did get near it. Went out after tea to try & get a fuguia or a dik-dik, as we are sick of tinned meat, but only got a long shot at a fuguia which I missed. Think buffalo hunting is a very over-rated amusement & don't think I shall stay here much longer - it is bitterly cold at night - we must be 8000 ft above the sea - & the stormi wants us to sleep in the open one night!!!

Jan 26th

In camp.

Man Encampment.

A wet morning so not off till 6, 20. Went down the N. valley for a long way & through a lot of very thick jungle but saw no buffalo or any thing else - found some droppings of the former which looked fresh, but the rain may have caused that. The Somali guide up so late that he never caught d. up - he is an idle slob & kept us waiting yesterday. Somalis may be good men, but they have far too much side & swagger for one & seem to think themselves sheets above the other natives. Rusted my ankle & did not go out after tea - it seems hopeless expecting to get anything here.

Jan 27th

In train.

Off about 7, 15 & marched down to Koro by the path we came - in about 11, 30 - as we found a train leaving at 7, 30 tonight for Kwisna, we settled to go by it & let the safari men - they ought to get to Kwisna in four days from here. Put up a corvid cat on the top of the Encampment in the open, she rolled away & I got her at about 100 yds - a lucky shot. At the bottom put up a Bush buck in the scrub, it stopped about 300 yds away, but putting up the 200 yds sight by mistake, I missed it. Saw some "Tommy" near the station, but as it is all private ground about here, did not shoot. An American called Porter arrived at the station, having got a good buffalo - the only one he saw - about five miles from Koro. He had been out three months & practically had never left the railway, yet had done extraordinarily well, getting amongst other things, elephant, Greater Koodoo & roan, besides nearly every thing we have got. Left Koro at 7, 30 & dined at Nakuru, where we found Braden Powell & Moe. They had gone in at Dumbwa & the reverse way to which we had gone through the Sotik country, coming back over the Man Encampment to Kwisna & had done well. Had a very festive evening & did not get to bed - in the train - till midnight.

Jan 28th

Peft Valley Hotel.

Kawaska.

A very wet night & morning - got to Kawaska at 7 & went up to the hotel, which was very much "as usual." Several settlers came in during the day - one dirty looking ruffian turning out, when he spoke, to be a well educated gentleman - you can't judge by appearances in this country. After tea drove out with Seymour in his mule back board towards the west to try & get an impala - saw three but none seemed worth shooting. Coming back, we tried to drive round a tree which had fallen across the track, but ran up a high bank - Seymour shot out on to the hole & I, trying to grasp him, fell out between the body of the cart & the wheel, but kept a firm hold of Lindsay - we were all sitting on the seat & hung there. The mules bolted & matters looked awkward - if I had let go, I should probably have got my arm through the wheel, & if either of the mules had kicked, they would have probably have settled Seymour. However they eventually stopped, & beyond very seriously bruising my knickerbockers & bruising my back a good deal, no damage was done - lost the sight-protectors of my rifle, which I dropped.

Jan 29th

Peft Valley Hotel.

Kawaska.

I & I started out about 10 & went on the lake in Seymour's boat - Anderson landing us two men - down the N. side. Saw a hippo after some time in a small bay, but tried to get too close to him & he dived & did not come up again. Soon after came upon a big school & opened fire on them with a .309 & a Paradox, but the boat wobbled so much & they came up for so short a time that only one was hit. Went back towards Kawaska & saw a hippo which looked as if he had been hit & had a go at him with the .309. ^{xx} Got him in the head & he sank at once & bubbles came up for a long time from the place, so no doubt he was killed, but as they do not float for two or three hours, we had to leave him, but shall send tomorrow.

xx found dead next day.

Jan 30thPerfolk Hotel.Nairobi.

Left Nairobi at 7 & got to Nairobi at 12 - met Piddell on the platform, put off on safari with a very young Yankee, who had offered him £100 if he would skew him a lion in four days. Piddell said he had two Tommies sleeping by one! Busy all the afternoon with Rowland & Jarrett & they agreed eventually to go with the latter to Nakuru & Solai. But Chaplin, Selamere, Major Ross. D.S.O., etc. at the Perfolk & had a cheery evening - other people had a very cheery one.

Jan 31stIn camp.Nairobi.

Busy all the morning - very wet - buying things, etc., & left Nairobi at 12, reaching Nairobi at 6. Found the safari there & our tents up. The men got the hippo yesterday & brought its head back - good tusks. Settled to sell our mules tomorrow at the monthly cattle sale - reserve = P.S. 300 - we gave P.S. 500. Ten weeks ago, but now of course "mules are cheaper". Major Whittle here - has done well in B.E.A. & Uganda - also nearly 20 settlers, who have to sleep all over the place & it is d-d uncomfortable - lucky we have our tents. Hippo hit through back of skull - the bullet - .303 - going right into its brain. Our plans seem in a state of chaos just now - we have marched our safari all the way down from Umbura to Nairobi & now are intending to practically train them all the way back!!! It is a great waste of money & time, but there seems no plea to go to S. of Nairobi, except beasty hot & unhealthy places like Voi & Nui & Simba, & the other alternative is the Athi plain, where one is eaten alive by ticks. One gets a chance of G. Woodoo, elephant & buffalo up by Solai - also of roan - so it is worth a trial, but a Yankee - shell - had gone there. Today & will get his punch of the ground. Porter escaped being pinned in killing his third elephant - said he mistook him - or he - in one he had wounded. An Englishman would probably have been pinned P.S. 750.

Sent to Reuland & Toulton -

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| 1 kippo skull. | numbered | 73. |
| 2 pieces of kippo skin. | " | 75-73. |
| 1 red buck head | " | 75 55. |

Feb 1stIn camp.Kawirua.

Busy all the morning re-engaging kikukus & paying stores off who would not come on to Hakuru - about 20 agreed to go. Hules sold at auction - mine for Rs. 375. & Sunday's for Rs. 400. Seymour bought both. Arranged with Husband to buy our camp outfit when we have finished with it. Sent 2 tin boxes & a .450 rifle in care to the Colonial Stores at Fombasa to await my arrival there. I went out after night. I got a cow & arrived back at 10.30. This head hunter was accused of stealing meat from the hotel but Seymour does not want to press it.

Feb 2ndLake Bungelwa.Hakuru.

Very busy all the morning getting stores, etc, etc & packing up. Mill-hill came in with his safari from dumbera, having done fairly well in the Tokik country. Just before it was time to go down to the station, the Swahilis appeared in a body & said unless they had rice to eat - they would not go on. It was impossible to get more porters & as it appeared they had been promised rice, we compromised by giving them 2 days flour & 1 day's rice. Off about 0 - they in train - & got to Hakuru about 8.30. Went to the lake bungelwa & left the safari to shift for itself.

Feb 3rdIn camp. (marching.)S. end Likipia Escarpment.

Off late as we had to buy posho & send some letters for money off & marched up the railway & over a plain to Fommeri Juma, who gave us a drink & showed us some young ostriches. Went on - N - past Fomengai, an extinct crater 22 miles round, but quite low - to the foot of the Likipia Escarpment & got in at 1 with the safari. Three settlers - James, Imuto & another came in & stayed some time. Went out with Hoy & missed a small reedback - an awkward shot in the bushes. I got a bad reedback.

From Nakuru go E. past Hemmer's farm - about 8½ miles from Nakuru station - then on up hill along well defined track past what look like mission buildings. Jump on top & go along N. till one gets in line with the crater - then in the forest below, one ought to find elephant. (Major Whitla.)

Feb 4th

In camp. marching

E. Likipie Escarpment.

W. soon after 6th & went E. along the bottom of the Escarpment, but only saw a redhuk doe, some zebres & a dik-dik. Got back to breakfast at 8 & started up the Escarpment at 9 with the safari. It took us about an hour to get up the first ridge & we stopped at James' house - a very nice place - & had some more food!!! Then went over a flat & had a steep climb over the next ridge, over another flat followed by another steep climb on to the top & then over an undulating plain to our camping ground by a small river. In at 2 & safari soon after. A. & I emptied two clips along range at two zebra, but without success, though he got one soon afterwards. After tea we had all the Swahilis & Kirikus out & drove a wooded valley, but the right hand got about a quarter of a mile in front of the left, & as most of the beaters followed one another, making a hideous noise, it was not surprising nothing came out.

Feb 5th

In camp. (marching.)

Uboloset Swamp.

W. about 7.45 & marched over an undulating down-like country - very like Hampshire - with wooded valleys, & up a small escarpment & then down into a valley in which is the Uboloset swamp or lake is - a big narrow sheet of water. Hoped to get information from two Masai herders & to camp near them, but they were diverted & the stream was dry, so had to go on to the swamp for water & to the far side of the valley for wood. However we found the swamp extended much further than we thought, so we had to camp on the open plain, as we could see no means of crossing the water. A steinbuck got up & A. & I missed it at it & I finally settled it. Very little game about but the grass has just been burnt, so that probably accounts for it. Safari in at 3 - very tired. Luckily plenty of cow dung about for fires. Walk out after tea but saw nothing. Very cold & windy.

Feb 6th

In camp. marching.

Ubolosset Swamp.

Off at 7.15, after being much disturbed by kerys in the night, & marched N.W. across the plain & crossed by a stream under the encampment. Missed a long shot at a hartbeest & hit a "Tommy" galloping - a poor head. S'p'ari in at 12. After tea went out under the hill N. but only saw a bushbuck doe. & got a paa. Saw some Mesai, who say there are no lion here now & very little of any sort of game. The worst walking in this valley that we have so far come across - the ground is evidently very wet in the rainy season & much roached by Mesai cattle & game & then gets sunbaked & is a mass of hard lumps, which make one awfully footsore & one has to look very time one steps.

Feb 7th

In camp. marching.

Aikijia Encampment.

Off late as we wanted to see if some eland, which I saw latest night, were in the valley, but they had departed. Went to a Mesai house & for a box of matches, got a man to show us the way to Iolai. Went W. first & then N. over a very undulating grassy country with thinly wooded valleys at intervals & after resting an hour, camped in a deep valley with a beautiful stream in it at 2. Two Mesai caught us just before with a request from two s'chibs - names unknown - to come to their camp - place unknown - but we went on as the whole thing was rather indefinite. After tea went N. up the side of the valley & had a very easy shot at a young Kougori - for meat - but though I thought I hit him, he went away apparently none the worse. Went on & eventually saw some zebra & a good Kougori - had a go at the latter being me & down he went, then sat up on his haunches with his back apparently broken, so I loosed off at the zebra & got one. On going up to settle the Kougori, he got up - missed him just going over a ridge - & he vanished - it was almost dark - & we had eventually to give him up. Very bad luck.



Feb 8th

crossed the equator today today.

In camp. (marching.)

Tolai Excursion.

Sent men off at daylight to find the Kouponi which I hit last night & which we were sure they would find dead. As they did not return by 8, we started off, in what the Mesai told us was a two hours march to Tolai. Went over the same undulating country for two hours & then had a steep descent ^{say Baringo lake in the distance} & on over a small plain, past a Mesai woman, down another hill & on to another small plain. Here we found we were getting much too much to the S. of Tolai lake, so left the path & struck due W. & eventually saw the lake a long way below us & a good deal to the N. Had a very steep descent down an awfully rocky path & riding a stream, camped by it at 5. Just before we saw a waterbuck & I got - after a most painful crawl - within 100 yds of it, when it lay down. As it had a fair head. I waited for it to get up, but as coming along, it suddenly unrolled up & bolted & I missed it in the bushes. The men sent to get the Kouponi turned up about 6 & said they found it very sick indeed but could not get it, so came back to camp in a tife & found we had gone!!! A good head. I don't hit anything since the tife was thrown out of Seymour's mud cart.

Feb 9th

In camp. (marching.)

Tolai.

Off about 7.30 & marched towards the lake. Saw two roan in route but something frightened them & they went off down the valley - S. Eventually they stopped on the side of a spur from the Excursion & after a long stalk we got up to them. I hit the best & knocked him over, but he got up & bolted & I wasted a good many cartridges before he succumbed. Head - 25 ins. Went out after tea with Nobby to the lake & at the end of the ridge - N. - on which we are camped, saw a herd of waterbuck with two bucks in it. Had a longish crawl to them & found the bucks lying down,

* Killed.

Game seen at Solusi.

* Waterbuck.	plentiful.
* Roan.	two seen.
Grant.	a few herds.
Kougori.	" "
Reedbuck.	" "
Bushbuck.	" "
Wart hog.	several.
Quiver.	"
Steinbuck.	"
Juba.	"
Impala.	one or two herds.
Oryx.	one seen.
Eland.	one big herd.
Rhino.	two seen one day.
* Klipspringer.	plentiful.
Shouler's Reedbuck.	"
Leopard.	two seen.
Hyena.	one or two seen.
Impala.	
Ostrich.	plentiful.

Passed the Equator today. Hm.

Feb 9th. Continued!

but after a bit they got up about 150 yds away & I had four shots at the best, hitting him each time & he dropped at the next. Head = 25 ins. N. then had a go at the other with the .450 & I hit him too & he went a short distance & sat down very sick. Went up to him & missed him running twice, but he soon went down again in the swamp & I settled him with the Paradox. A very poor head. Had an awful walk back & was eaten alive by mosquitoes & nearly lost the hats up the hill to camp & got in very late & very tired & wet through. It appears I was stalking - behind us - the same lot of waterbuck!!! He made a mistake as to the direction we had agreed to go in.

Feb 10th.

In camp.

Solai.

At 7 I went S. along the ridge but saw nothing except some kongoni & "Grant" & waterbuck kinds for a long time. Eventually spotted some impressa on the move & after a longish stalk, was not getting up to them, when I put up a duiker, which ran down the ridge - they were at the bottom - amongst them & put them off. Had a go at the buck - a good head - & seemed to hit him in the back, for he went away a tremendous pace bucking like a horse. They stopped the other side of the valley but the quibearers coming up being in the open, put them off again & the wind being all wrong, never saw them again, though I went a long way S. Very hot late on. Went out after tea N. but only saw a dik-dik, some pig, "Grant" & waterbuck kinds. I & N. went out a long way N. & saw oxen, eland, kudu, etc, etc, but only got two kippyspringer - I shooting vilely according to his own account. Their Kikaku - not having water bottles - left them & come back on their own - much to I's indignation - poor devils being 12 hrs without water!!!

Feb 11th.In camp.Solai.

Off at 7³⁰ & went due N. past the lake & along the high ridge to the end of the valley towards Mennington. Saw two leopards going along about three quarters up the ridge & 300 yds away, but they had seen us & though we tried to get nearer they went over the ridge & as it is very high & we should have made a lot of noise on the stones, we went on - came back that way at night but saw nothing of them at all. Went on & got a *Leijopithecus* & missed a *Phaner zed buck* & then crossed over the ridge N. into the next valley & turned S. Missed a longish shot at a *hongoni*, had an unsuccessful stalk after another, better after a *Phaner zed buck* & got back to camp at 6. A. got a waterbuck & a "great" neither very good & wounded one of the former, but did not get them. No water at all to be found beyond Lake Solai & we had to carry it with us.

Crossed the Equator today.

Feb 12th.In camp. (marching).Elbunyata Swamp.

Off at 7 & marched S. down the valley for about 3 hours & then turned nearly W. over a ridge & camped on a small kopje overlooking the swamp & with a view away W. to the main campment. In at 12. The whole plain simply alive with zebra of which A. got one - but nothing else to be seen. Put a deer in the head running at about 70 yds. After tea went out E. & eventually saw some *hongoni* - the wind was all wrong so made a long detour, but when I got round to the place they ought to have been in, they had gone. Came across some zebra & had a go at the biggest, which I hit, & they vanished behind a small kopje. When they came in sight one stopped at once, so thinking he was the wounded one. I settled him with the .450, upon which another dropped as well. N. & S. got a zebra each.

They say the Gwasia-Gishu Plateau is the best shooting
ground now in B. E. A.

Only the edge of the Plateau has so far been touched - one man this year
got 5 lions there in 3 days - & anybody going well into it soon
ought to have an extraordinary good shoot. There is plenty of water.

Feb 13th.

In camp. (marching.)

Proto River.

Off at 5.45 I went to a hill-gebra-which I had left last night, but nothing had been at it, so marched on about N. over a plain with stunted olive trees on it & lots of gebra. Went down a steep hill & on to a plain-saw some land-I turned W. to the Proto river & went along it till 2, when we camped. Very hot & muggy indeed. After tea went E. & hit a very good pig, but we could not get him - had an unsuccessful stalk after a "Grent", so home early to Netto. Just before we got to camp this morning, we walked over a hole & out shot a sow & three young ones-like a small earthquake. M.'s dogs went after them & he was much afraid lest the sow would settle them, but a shot turned her & the dogs caught a young one. This plain absolutely burnt up by the sun & very little signs of any game on it. M. quite incapacitated by toothache & goes to N'eme tomorrow to have two teeth pulled out-by an "Indian doctor".

around the Equator today.

Feb 14th.

In camp.

Proto River.

Off at 7 I went N. round the valley below the ridge-not much game about but saw some kongoni after a time. However the kikuyu coming behind, put them off from an easy place to get at, & I had to do a long crawl-awfully hot & the flies were maddening-to get near them. However they picked me up & I had to shoot at one end on & partially hidden in the long grass & scrub, which I missed. Going back to camp, saw another in the trees & after a short stalk, got him. Head = 20 ins. He was broadside on when I pulled but turned as I did so & got it in the chest. Quite heavy rain after tea & awfully hot & muggy, so only went out 3.30 an hour after tea. Missed two pigs with the Paradise-shot right underneath them - & got a dik-dik with the Manaliker. The kongoni was a Jackson - Bubalis Jacksoni. A small species of house fly has hats any mosquito or any other fly for power of irritation.

Feb 15th

In camp. (marching.)

Between Pevone & Pulo R.

at 7.30 a marched W. across ridges & valleys with mirissa scrub on both till we got to a stream about 11.30 & camped. a¹ got a dik-dik & a big bustard - about the hottest march we have had & all the country quite burnt up & consequently very little game about - only saw a few "Grant" & big. Went out after tea & got a dik-dik - saw several stiers but they were all does. Too many Inasai cattle about here for much game & country too burnt up too. a. full of complaints about it!!!

Feb 16th

In camp. (marching.)

Pevone.

Off soon after 7 a had a very hot & uphill march to Pevone, which we reached about 11. Jamped close to Hoy's house & had lunch with the collector - Weeks - at the Poma, which is on the top of a hill & has a magnificent view over Solai & the darkipia incampment - one can just see Nonia. After tea had a buck drive but only one was seen which escaped. Amid with Hoy & Weeks & played Bridge!!!

Feb 17th

In camp.

Pevone.

at 0 a went through the woods with N. till 9.30, but only saw two reedbucks, one of which gave me an awkward shot - could only see the top of his body as he was standing just over a hill - which I missed. Had a magnificent view to the E - Lake Baringo & the country beyond to the N, Nannington, the darkipia incampment & Nonia to the E. & the Mardores & the Mau to the S - one of the finest views I have ever seen. Went out after teppin with the collector, & of his arharis & our men & beat the woods all round the Poma. The men beat quite well & we got 4 reed buck, 2 bushbuck - all does - & 2 duiker. I got one reedbuck. We all shot with scatter guns & "J. S. 4" shot, which will kill any buck stone dead up to 40 yds & sometimes more - much to my surprise.

Passed the Equator today

Feb 18th

In camp.

Parsons.

Off at 5.45 & went S. through the woods. Saw nothing till I went up the grassy ridge. When two reedhuck looked at me over the top, but had vanished before I could get up. Went on over the ridge & saw three more reedhuck not more than 300 yds, & got to within 150 yds of them, when they suddenly bolted - could not fire before as their bodies were hidden by some ant heaps - & I saw the A-d Pitaya & Iwakilis had come right on top of me. Very angry & fired them each B.S., as it was the third time they had done it. Saw another reedhuck & a son does being just outside the wood, but they got my wind & bolted - bolted off at the buck & thought I hit him, but he went on. Followed him on & soon saw him - or another buck - standing under a tree. Got within 100 yds of him but it took me 5 shots to settle him - can't shoot at all now - the best getting him facing me nearly 300 yds away. A good head = 10 ins. After tea took the men out & had 3 drives, but saw nothing except two ducks, which did not get shot at. Dined with the collector & played Bridge afterwards. Beginning to think I can play Bridge a good deal better than I can shoot, but that is not much praise. Ten paid nothing wrong with my Mannlicher's sights since it was thrown out of Seymour's mule cart & it may be only imagination, but anyhow since it happened, I am never sure of hitting anything, & what is worse, can't find out where I am shooting. Think I have rather lost my "nerve" & am too anxious. I eventually get the things I shoot at, but with a great expenditure of ammunition. Played Bridge tonight in front of a big wood fire - pakka fire place - although within four miles of the Equator - & it was not by any means too hot.

Feb 19th.

In camp. (marching.)

Kongoni camp.

Off at 7, 30 - have put our watches on 20 mins. to suit *Protonotaria tenuis* - with a bad "head". Shooting & sitting up late are two men's occupations in this country especially. Marched over an undulating open country & got in to camp at 2 - very hot & tired. Went out & after tea & got close to some kongoni, which Lindsey must have disturbed, but they spotted us & bolted, but came back - evidently being confused by being between us both - & one stopped not 100 yds away facing me & I shot just between his legs!!!

Coming home saw a reedbuck in a small wood - boxed off & hit him hard & thought he was going to drop, but the ^{horns} jammed & by the time I got it right, he bolted into the bush & it got too dark to follow him. Thank goodness I am shooting like this at the end of our trip. Heavy rain all night.

Feb 20th.

In camp.

Kongoni camp.

Off at 7 & went E. & then S. through the woods across the stream. Saw some kongoni but three reedbuck, which I disturbed, put them off. Had a shot at one of the latter at about 50 yds & missed him clean & then went after some more kongoni, to get to which I had to go through a small wood. However they suddenly bolted & I saw the compounded *Shakiles* & *Pikuyus* following me outside the wood. Went for them, but they scattered on my approach & never appeared for the rest of the day. Went on to the plains & saw two kongoni & after a longish crawl, got the best, but his head was only just 20 ins. Got an oribi on the way home. A. & H. got a kongoni each. The collector arrived & after tiffin we went W. & had some drives, but our bag was only 3 reedbuck - all does. With 3 kongoni in camp, the men would not try to drive properly & 2 *Pikuyus* got "kibotered" in consequence.

Heads & headskins sent to Newland & Jarlton -

1 roan head & headskin	numbered	77.
1 oribi " " "	numbered	77 97.
2 duiker " " "	"	77 83-81.
3 reedbuck " " "	"	93-95-99.
1 kongoni " " "	"	87.
1 waterbuck " " "	"	79.
1 Khippspringer " " "	"	85.
1 gabra skin	"	75.
1 serval cat " "	"	91.

Total.

4 Thompson's heads & headskins	
5 Impala's " " "	
5 Grant's " " "	1 "Robertsoni"
2 Oryx " " "	
1 Gland's " " "	
4 Martbeeste's " " "	1 Jackson's.
2 Waterbuck's " " "	
3 Duikers " " "	
2 Topi's " " "	
2 Wildebeeste " " "	
1 Hart hog's " "	
1 Rhino's headskin - 4 feet - 2 pieces of skin	
1 Kheetan's skin	
3 leopard cats' skins.	
1 lion's skin & skull.	
1 Khipps' skull - 2 pieces of skin.	
1 roan head & headskin.	
1 oribi's " " "	
4 reedbuck's " " "	
1 Khippspringer's " " "	
1 gabra's skin	

Feb 21st

In camp. (Marching) Londiani.
 Very cold, so not off till 7.30. Went w. & saw two cretakers in the scrub below the koppe on the road to Londiani, but they saw us too & vanished. On the top of the koppe saw some reedbuck & after an easy stalk, got one. Head = $9\frac{1}{2}$ ins. Got a pig on the plain with the Perador, then missed a Kongoni & a reedbuck, which I could hardly see in some bushes, & got to Londiani about 11.30. Had teppi with the felle too, who had come in early, & our safari witted, who had got a reedbuck & a jackal, got in at 1. Went out over the railway after tea into the woods beyond the station & saw 3 waterbuck & one reedbuck - one moderate one I did not shoot at & the others - with fair means - did not give me a chance. Got a reedbuck with a $7\frac{1}{2}$ ins. head with the Perador at about 70 yds. & got a reedbuck after much shooting. Wound Bridge after dinner & we wore a rubber after just being beaten the last 3 nights. Packed in great coats & tugs.

Feb 22nd

In camp. Londiani.
 Off about 7 & went down the railway with W. & then S. round the woods. Saw a reedbuck & got close to him & had 6 shots at him - 3 almost hit him, but all too low - & then W. & dog "Porto" had a most exciting chase - he first got on to a hind but would not pursue her, but directly he got on to the wounded buck, he went after him well & soon got him. Head = 9 ins. Tried to stalk another reedbuck, but walked on to some does & they put him off. Went after him after tea, but he simply played with me & I eventually had a go at him at about 400 yds & was only just over him. Heard Stevenson was at Kongoni camp en route to Kericho. I had a most unfortunate day, wounding a Kongoni & reedbuck & losing & missing a very good waterbuck & several oribi & a Newmann Kongoni.

Feb 23rd

In camp.

Londiani.

Went out about 7 & went w. & soon saw some ~~the~~ reedbuck - 5 bucks all together - one of which I got, but the head only = $8\frac{1}{2}$ ins. Went on & saw some kongoni, but could get no nearer than 300 yds & I shot just over his back. Repeated the performance at 400 yds - then soon afterwards hit an ostrich in the shoulder, but though we loosed the dogs after him, we never got him. I got a reedbuck. Went out the same way after tea & saw a goodish reedbuck & had a go at him at about 120 yds with the Peradze - he finished my Manlicher cartridges - & shot about 3 ft below him. Followed him up & got within 50 yds of him after some time, & being determined not to be below him again, shot about a foot over his back. So ends my B.E.A. expedition with - as it begins - a miss. Nesterov comes in about 7 & had a "yes". Much bridge after dinner till a late hour.

Feb 24th

In train.

Busy all the morning packing up, paying off the Rikyas, etc, etc. Disputes with the latter - we paid them Rs. 18 for 3 months & 1 week, including backsheesh, but they disputed it & proved they were only entitled to Rs 15-8!!! They then subsided. Nesterov called en route to Dumbwa. Left Londiani about 5, dined & stayed till 3, 40 at Rakoru.

Feb 25th

In train.

Perival got in at Gil-Gil having had his tent wrecked by a thorn. I got in later. They left us at Nairobi, ditto Newland. Put Hornsby there, Boileau, etc, etc. Whilst we were having tea at Keni, a very heavy storm came on & the windows being left open, my blankets were soaked, but dried them by hanging them out of the windows. Very hot after dinner.

Total amount of game killed from Nov 23rd 1906.
to Feb 24th 1907.

Somprala	5	all males.
Grant's gazelle	5	" "
Thompson's gazelle	5	" "
Eland	1	" "
Waterbuck	3	" "
Oryx	2	1 female.
Hartbeeste	10	1 female.
Gheetah	1	male.
Serval cat	3	2 females.
Sih-dih	2	all males.
Zebra	4	" "
Phenio	2	" "
Lion	1	female.
Wildebeeste	4	all males.
Topi	2	" "
Jackal	1	" "
Wart hog	3	" "
Kippo	1	" "
Stembuck	3	" "
Roan	1	" "
Klipspringer	1	" "
Seiker	1	" "
Reedbuck	5	1 female.
O'tibi	1	male.

Total 70 head.

24 species.

including Jackson's & Stokes' Kouguis & 2 kinds of Grant = 26 species.

Feb 26th

Grand Hotel.

Mombasa.

Got to Mombasa about 10 & got my beard cut off & hair cut. Busy re-packing all the morning & arranging things generally. None of the people we came down with recognised me without my beard & at first treated me as a stranger - the man I breakfasted with here did not know me at tiffin. Awfully hot & steamy.

Feb 27th

Grand Hotel.

Mombasa.

Busy all the morning paying off our safari - gave each porter Rs. 3 as backsheesh & they all seemed quite satisfied. Gave the headman Rs. 35, the gunbearers & cook Rs. 15 & the askaris Rs. 4. Settled up our account with the Bank & packed up in the afternoon - 85° in the shade this morning & a strong breeze from the sea too. Gustave joined with us & we went to the Club afterwards, but the heat was very bad indeed, though luckily there are very few mosquitoes about.

Feb 28th

S.S. "Melbourne" - Messageries Maritimes.

Off Mombasa.

Busy getting baggage off, etc. Went with Gustave to Kilindini & after getting our baggage through the Customs, went on board the "Melbourne" about 12. She is an old boat but seems fairly comfortable. The food is quite good. I & I paid for a cabin each & I won the top & got a "cabin de luxe" on the deck - a very good one. A lot of Frenchmen on board & a few Englishmen including Trevels, Thornton, Fawcus, Hill & his wife & Watts. A bit of a pump on outside but quite a cool breeze on deck, though very stuffy below. Boat started from Zanzibar yesterday & got in to Mombasa early this morning, left at 1. Only one deck, which is used by all passengers. Was £3. at port.

Dimensions of Heads.

	<u>no.</u>	
Impala	(5)	= 29-27-25-24 ins.
Grant's gazelle	(6)	= ⁺ 24½ × 29½ - 24 - 22½ - 22 - 19 ins.
Thompson's gazelle	(5)	= 14-13-13 ins.
Eland	(1)	= 26 ins.
Waterbuck	(3)	= 26-25 ins.
Oryx	(2)	= 28½ - 28 ins.
Kartbeeste	(10)	= 21½ - 20 - 20 - 17 - 16 - 14½ - 14 ins.
Sik-dik	(2)	not measured.
Rhino	(2)	= 21 ins - second had front horn broken.
Wildebeeste	(4)	= 18-17½-16 ins.
Topi	(2)	= 17-15 ins.
Steinbuck	(3)	not measured.
Roan	(1)	= 25 ins.
Klipspringer	(1)	not measured.
Reiter	(1)	not measured.
Reedbuck	(6)	= 10-9½-9-8½-7½ ins.
Kudu	(1)	= 5½ ins.

* Bubalis Jacksoni.

+ Gazella Robertsoni.

March 1st

S.S. "Melbourne"

Indian Ocean

Run = 208. Fair breeze from the N. & not so hot. Quite smooth.
"Breakfast" on board from 0,30 to 9, dinner at 11,30, tea at 4,
& supper at 6,30. Clouded over in the afternoon & looked as if
it was coming on to blow. Wsa 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ at 10.00.
Crossed the Equator for the ninth time.

March 2nd

S.S. "Melbourne"

Indian Ocean

Run = 234. Breeze fairly fresh in the early morning & much cooler.
Now young land in sight - all day on the port side. Lost 5/- at
joker. Lots of flying fishes about.

March 3rd

S.S. "Melbourne"

Indian Ocean

Run = 242. Smooth & quite a cool breeze. Not a sight of
land all day, which is said to be unusual for the M.M.
on this route - report asserting they are lost unless they see
the shore!!! Rather potent champagne sup at dinner -
"Fawcens feat" - & lost £2-5-0 at poker afterwards. Dick dead
out - threes' often v. a "full house".

March 4th

S.S. "Melbourne"

Indian Ocean

Run = 277. Fine & smooth & a fresh breeze blowing, but awfully
hot & muggy last night. Swarms of French children on board
who are an infernal nuisance on deck. Travers' Birthday
& "pop". Won £3-0-0 at poker. A merry evening & much
gas & to bed late.

The "Mullowne" = 3993 gross tonnage & 3400 horse power.

Total tonnage of the Messageries Maritimes Co = 296582.

" number of ships of " " " = 68.

March 5th

S. S. "Melbourne"

Gulf of Aden.

Run = 302. Passed Cape Gardafui about 7 a.m. & turned W. & soon lost sight of land. Quite smooth & not so hot as usual. Saw some small whales. Uninteresting evening at poker & lost £1-0-0 - lost nearly £5. at one time but caught 2 reverses bluffing heavily on a pair of aces & I had two small hands. Very hot at night.

March 6th

S. S. "Melbourne"

Spiluti.

Run = 307. Smooth & no breeze, so very hot & uncomfortable. Got to Spiluti about 7 & were at once surrounded by swarms of boats with men selling ostrich feathers, etc, etc. Began to coal, so all port holes shut & it was hot as hell all night in the cabin. Lost £4. at poker & got black with coal dust. Passed two dhows today - the only ships I have seen since we left Mombasa. Watt went ashore at Spiluti on route to Australia.

March 7th

S. S. "Melbourne"

Red Sea.

Run = 95. Off at 4, 20 a.m. & passed Perim about 10. Began to blow & my head soon after we started but luckily from dead aft, so the boat was more or less quiet - screw racing badly though. Passed the two islands about 5. Lost £1-0-0 at poker. Most of the cabin on the port side flooded tonight by an extra big wave.

March 8th

S. S. "Melbourne"

Red Sea.

Run = 317. Wind dropped in the night & it is quite calm & very hot below - luckily a cloudy day. Won £2-10-0 at poker. Mohamed came in at poker last night.

March 9thS.S. "Melbourne"Red Sea.

Rain = 289. Blew hard in the night from the N. so had to shut my port hole so had a most unpleasant night, as it was too windy to sleep on deck. Quite a big sea on all day but the ship was fairly steady. Much cooler. Lost £4. at poker - as usual just a bit under other people's hands. People complaining of the cold though the thermometer is 70°.

March 10thS.S. "Melbourne"Red Sea.

Rain = 305. Quite calm & cool. Passed several ships early & got a sight of land on the port side & got into the Gulf of Suez about 8^{1/2} h. m. Lost £1-3-0 at poker after being £7. down at one time, but "purs" the last deal pulled me up. Got very hot again at night.

March 11thS.S. "Melbourne"Suez Canal.

Rain = 289. Quite cold. Got to Suez about 10 & waited till 12 when we entered the Canal. N.M.S. "Adriens" going in front of us. Had to tie up for a long time about 7. Lost £1-5-0 at poker.

March 12thS.S. "Melbourne"Port Said.

Got to Port Said about 6 & went ashore about 8. Walked all over the town, but there is very little of interest to see. Bought some papers & books & wired to Marseilles for sleeping berths to Paris on Sunday night. Poled till 11 & started at 11.30. Smooth but boat pitching a bit as soon as we got outside & a good deal more later on. Very cold. Won 8^{1/2} at poker after a bad game, but for some reason everyone is seedy.

A steward died today & was buried when the gale was at its
worst.

March 13th

S.S. "Melbourne"

Mediterranean.

Run = 304. Wind got up in the night & it was blowing fresh at 9 a.m. & the ship pitched & rolled a lot. Quite cold & everybody wearing thick clothes & overcoats. Won 5/ at poker.

March 14th

S.S. "Melbourne"

Mediterranean.

Run = 296. Quite a fresh breeze early, which soon after 11 p.m. increased to a heavy gale with a very big sea. We slowed down but even then took a lot of big seas on board, which flooded the saloon & "batteries," & one of them stove in the forward end of the smoking room. Wind from the N.W. to poker.

March 15th

S.S. "Melbourne"

Mediterranean.

Run = 291. Wind dropped during the night, but increased again about mid-day & blew with tremendous force in about a couple of hours, but dropped about 4 a little. Said to be the worst weather for a very long time in the Mediterranean. Got between Sicily & Italy about 8. & it became much smoother though bitterly cold. Won £3. at poker.

March 16th

S.S. "Melbourne"

Off Naples.

Run = 263. Blowing fresh early & very cold, but at midday the sun came out & it got much smoother. We are going the northern course, i.e. to the N. of Tarraca instead of between Tarraca & Tardemia. Sea got up again in the evening but nothing much. Lost £3. at poker - only 3 good hands - one "paul" & every one went out a two "full houses", which ran up against two better ones.

March 17th

S.S. "Melbourne"

Gully of Lyons.

Run = 303. Passed Uba early & ran close to Forreca about 7. A very nice view of the mountains on the N. end of the island covered with snow & the rest of the island very pretty. A moor put a very cold wind, which increased in the afternoon. Won $\frac{7}{16}$ at poker, making my total loss £5-13-6.

March 18th

in train.

Marseilles.

Got to Marseilles about 5 a.m. & went ashore about 9. Heard that Mrs Hill, who had been ill since we left Port Said, has got typhoid fever - a nice look out for the rest of us. Went to the Hotel Terminus & then walked along the shore to the "Pereire" restaurant at La Forreca, where Mr & Mrs Fawcett, Thornton, & Baughen & ourselves lunched from 12 to 4!!! Bouillabaisse & all sorts of indigestible things. Got on train at 8 - very comfortable sleeping cars.

March 19th

King's Cross Hotel.

London.

Got to Paris at 8 & instead of driving across, went round by "la furniture" & missed the 9.50 train from the Gare de Lyon. Caught the 12.0 train & got to Palais at 3.30 & went on board the "Invicta". Blowing very hard & a very rough crossing - 1 1/2 hours - the boat goes 22 knots & drove through the seas, taking most of them on board. Got to Victoria at 8, & luckily found our luggage - labelled to Charing Cross - was there too.

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Left King's Cross at 10.35 & reached Wormston at 1.30.

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	£	s	d
Lawn & Alders bill	198	7	9
Tickets London to Venice.	17	16	4
Dinner at Mombasa Club	4	0	0
Colonial stores acc ^t	165	0	0
Seymour's bill for mules, etc.	117	0	0
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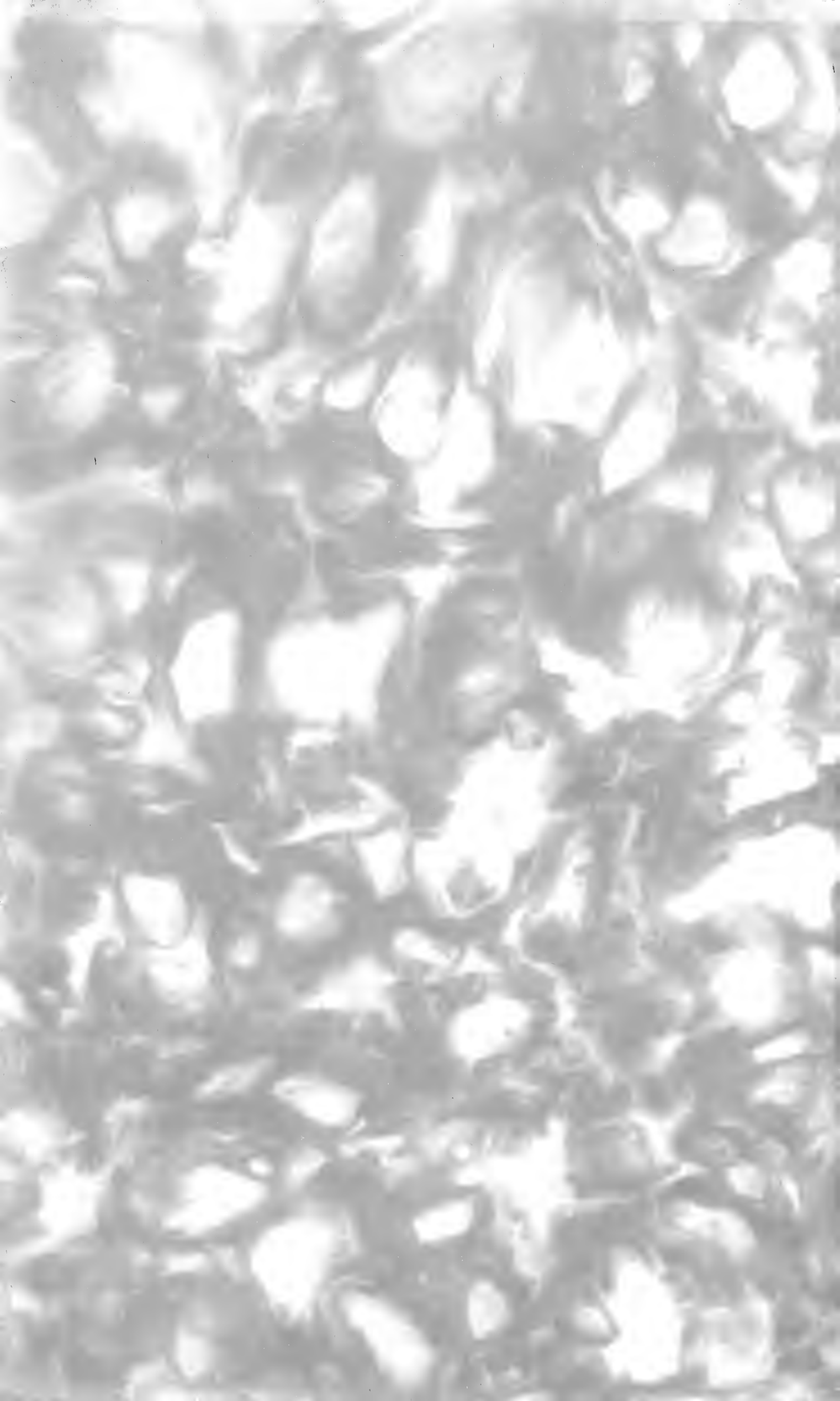
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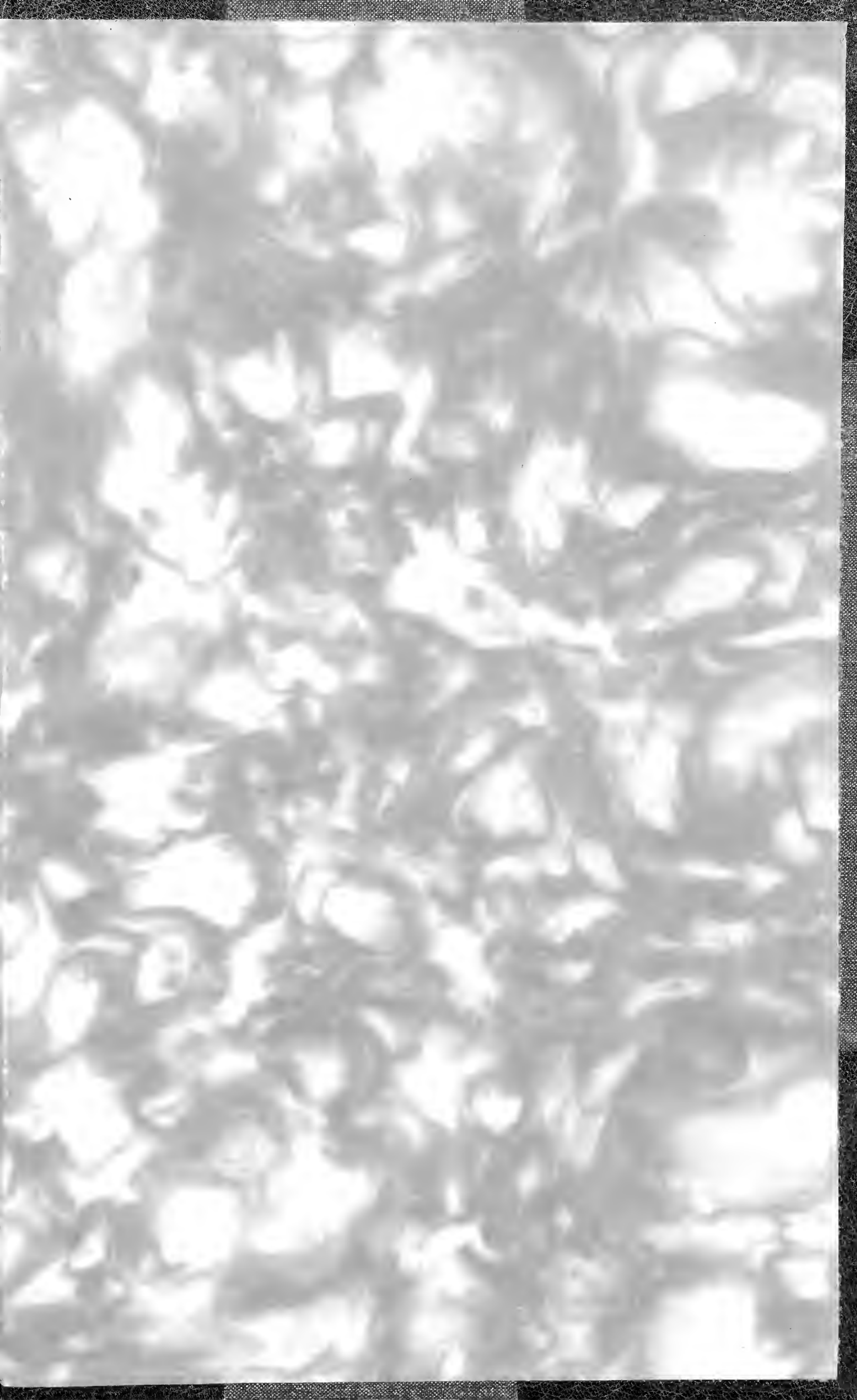
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