

British Army
1st Battle of Gaza
26/27 March 1917

Eastern Force: Lieutenant General C.M.Dobell

5th Wing Royal Flying Corps
Organization unknown

53rd (Welsh) Division: Major S.F.Mott

158th (North Wales) Brigade: Bt. Lt. Colonel C.S.Rome

5/Royal Welsh Fusiliers
6/Royal Welsh Fusiliers
3/153rd Rifles
4/11th Gurkha Rifles
1/Hereford

158th Light Trench Mortar Battery

159th (Cheshire) Brigade: Colonel J.H. du B. Travers

4/Cheshire
7/Cheshire
4/Welsh
5/Welsh

159th Light Trench Mortar Battery

160th (Welsh Border) Brigade: Bt. Lt. Colonel V.L.M.Pearson

7/Royal Welsh Fusiliers
2/4th Royal West Kent
2/10 Middlesex Regiment
2/4th Queens' Royal West Surrey
4/Royal Sussex Regiment
160th Light Trench Mortar Battery

Mounted Troops:

53rd Division Cyclist Company

CCLXV Artillery Brigade:

A Battery
B Battery
C (H.) Battery

CCLXVI Artillery Brigade:

A Battery
B Battery
C (H.) Battery

CCLXVII Artillery Brigade:

A Battery
B Battery
439th Battery

Attached:

53rd Divisional Ammunition Column
436th (1/Welsh) Engineer Field Company
437th (2/1/Welsh) Engineer Field Company
72nd Company, 3rd Sappers and Miners
53rd Divisional Signals Company
No. 53 (Machine Gun), MGC. (Nos. 158, 159 & 160 Cos.)
53rd Divisional Train (Nos. 246-249 Cos, RASC)
53rd Mobile Veterinary Column
1/1st Welsh, 113th, 170th, & 171st Indian Combined
Field Ambulances

54th (East Anglian) Division: Major General S.W.Hare

161st Brigade: Bt. Colonel W. Marriott Dodington

4/Essex

5/Essex

6/Essex

7/Essex

161st Light Trench Mortar Battery

162nd Brigade: Bt. Colonel A.Mudge

5/Bedfordshire

4/Northampton

10/London

11/London

162nd Light Trench Mortar Battery

163rd Brigade: Lt. Colnoel T.Ward (relieved April 1918

by Lt. Colonel A.J>McNeill)

4/Norfolk

5/Norfolk

5/Suffolk

8/Hantsfordshire

163rd Light Trench Mortar Battery

Mounted Troops:

HQ & A Sqn, 1/Hertsfordshire Yeomanry

CCLXX Artillery Brigade:

A Battery

B Battery

C (H.) Battery

CCLXXI Artillery Brigade:

A Battery

B Battery

440th Battery

CCLXXII Artillery Brigade:

A Battery

B Battery

C (H.) Battery

Attached:

54th (East Anglian) Divisional Ammunition Columns

484th (2/East Anglian) Engineer Field Company

486th (2/1/East Anglian) Engineer Field Company

495th (1/Kent) Engineer Field Company

54th (East Anglian) Divisional Signals Company

54th (East Anglian) Divisional Train (Nos. 921-924
Cos, RASC)

54th (East Anglian) Mobile Veterinary Section

2/1st, 1/2nd & 1/3rd East Anglian Field Ambulances

Reserve:

52nd (Lowland) Division: Bt. Colonel W.E.B.Smith

155th (Seaforth Scottish) Brigade: LT. Colonel J.B.Pollok

4/Royal Scots Fusiliers

5/Royal Scots Fusiliers

4/King's Own Scottish Borderers

5/King's Own Scottish Borderers

155th Brigade Machine Gun Company

155th Light Trench Mortar Battery

156th (Scottish Rifles) Brigade: Bt. Colonel A.H.Leggett

4/Royal Scots

7/Royal Scots
7/Scots Rifles
8/Scots Rifles
156th Brigade Machine Gun Company
156th Light Trench Mortar Battery
157th (Highland Light Infantry) Brigade: Bt. Col. C.D.Hamilton Moore
5/Highland Light Infantry
6/Highland Light Infantry
7/Highland Light Infantry
5/Argyll & Sutherland Highland
157th Brigade Machine Gun Company
157th Light Trench Mortar Battery

Mounted Troops:

52nd (Lowland) Division Cyclist Company

CCLXI (II Lowland) Artillery Brigade:

A Battery
B Battery
C (H.) Battery

CCLXXII (III Lowland) Artillery Brigade:

A Battery
B Battery
438th Battery

CCLXIV (V Lowland) Artillery Brigade:

422nd Battery RHA
423rd Battery RHA
C (H.) Battery RHA

Attached:

52nd Divisional Ammunition Column
410th (2/Lowland) Engineer Field Company
412th (2/1/Lowland) Engineer Field Company
413th (2/2/Lowland) Engineer Field Company
52nd Divisional Signals Company
Pioneer Battalion, 5th Royal Irish Regiment
211th Machine Gun Company
52nd Divisional Employment Company
52nd Divisional Train
1/Lowland Mobile Veterinary Column
1/1st, 1/2nd & 1/3rd Lowland Field Ambulances

Desert Column: Lieutenant General P.W.Chetwode

Australian & New Zealand Mounted Division: Colonel E.W.C.Chaytor

1st Australian Light Horse Brigade: Colonel C.F.Cox

1st New South Wales Regiment
2nd Queensland Regiment
3rd South Australian & Tasmanian Regiment
1st Australian Light Horse Signal Troop
1st Australian Machine Gun Squadron

2nd Australian Light Horse Brigade:

5th Queensland Regiment
6th New South Wales Regiment
7th New South Wales Regiment
2nd Australian Light Horse Signal Troop
2nd Australian Machine Gun Squadron

New Zealand Mounted Brigade

Auckland Mounted Rifles

Canterbury Mounted Rifles
Wellington Mounted Rifles
Otago Mounted Rifles
No. 1 New Zealand Light Horse Signal Troop
1st New Zealand Machine Gun Squadron

18th Brigade, RHA

Inverness Battery
Ayr Battery
Somerset Battery
Brigade Ammunition Column

Divisional Troops:

Australian and New Zealand Field Squadron
1st Signal Squadron, Australian Engineers
Australian and New Zealand Mounted Divisional Train
Nos. 32, 33, 34 Companies, Australian ASC
No. 4 Company, New Zealand ASC
1st, & 2nd Light Horse & New Zealand Mounted Brigade
Field Ambulances

Imperial Mounted Division: Colonel H.W.Hodgson

3rd Australian Light Brigade: Colonel J.R.Royston

8th Australian Light Horse Regiment
9th Australian Light Horse Regiment
10th Australian Light Horse Regiment
3rd Australian Light Horse Signal Troop
3rd Australian Machine Gun Squadron

4th Australian Light Horse Brigade: Lt. Col. J.B.Meredith

4th Australian Light Horse Regiment
11th Australian Light Horse Regiment
12th Australian Light Horse Regiment
4th Australian Light Horse Signal Troop
4th Australian Machine Gun Squadron

5th Mounted Brigade:

14th Australian Light Horse Regiment
15th Australian Light Horse Regiment
16th Australian Light Horse Regiment
5th Australian Light Horse Signal Troop
2nd New Zealand Machine Gun Squadron

19th Artillery Brigade, RHA

"A" Battery Honourable Artillery Company, RHA
"B" Battery Honourable Artillery Company, RHA
Nottinghamshire Battery, RHA
Brigade Ammunition Column

Divisional Troops:

2nd Field Squadron, Australian Engineers
2nd Signal Squadron, Australian Engineers
Australian Mounted Divisional Train
Nos. 35, 36, 37, & 38 Cos, Australian ASC
5th, 8th, & 9th Australian Mobile Veterinary Sections
3rd, 4th & 5th Light Horse Field Ambulances

Imperial Camel Corps: Bt. Lt. Colonel C.L.Smith (relieved

June 1918); Bt. Lt. Colonel C.S.Rome
1st (Anzac) Battalion (4 Australian Cos)
2nd Battalion (4 British Cos)

3rd (Anzac) Battalion (4 Australian Cos)
4th (Anzac) Battalion (2 Australian & 2 New Zealand Cos)
2 Detached Companies (British)
No. 26 Machine Gun Squadron (late Scottish Horse)
Hong-Kong and Singapore Mountain Battery, RGA
Brigade ammunition Column
Field Troop, RE
Signal Section, RE
Detachment, RASC
Australian Camel Field Ambulance

Artillery:

R section, 10th Heavy Battery, RGA (2-60pdrs)
R section, 15th Heavy Battery, RGA (2-60pdrs)
R section, 91st Heavy Battery, RGA (2-60pdrs)

Other:

11th L.A. Motor Batteries
12th L.A. Motor Batteries
7th Light Car Patrol

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