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S I T U A T I O N.

From 0600 30th October to 0600 31st October, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's artillery fired a considerable number of rounds in registering our trenches and positions in the morning and between 1500 and 1600 they shelled the front trenches of Section "A", and later CHOCOLATE HILL.

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No report received.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

In Right Section (52nd Division), enemy bombed our bomb-station N.E. of the VINEYARD, but our bombers forced them to desist. Several Turks were hit from our new bomb-station in H.11a yesterday by rifle bullets and bombs. Our bombers bombed G.11b by hand and with catapults during the day.

In Centre Section (Royal Naval Division), our bombers bombed the enemy trenches from all bomb-stations without drawing any reply; several bombs burst in the enemy trenches and others set fire to the parapet.

In Left Section (42nd Division), about 250 bombs were thrown from catapults yesterday into the enemy trenches opposite INNISKILLING INCH and the EASTERN BIRDCAGE; the bombing was very effective and damaged the enemy's trenches. Enemy shelled our fire trenches in retaliation, but only slightly damaged our parapets. Our machine-guns, located in KIMBERLEY ROAD and DOUGLAS STREET, claim to have hit 7 Turks near H.13c and H.13d.

Enemy exploded counter-mine at 2400 in vicinity of EASTERN BIRDCAGE causing slight damage to our trenches; three miners were entombed but were rescued alive.

Bombing was kept up during the night from the vicinity of the EASTERN BIRDCAGE and FUSILIER BLUFF and effectively stopped on enemy working party digging in the vicinity of the latter.

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S I T U A T I O N.
6 am.
From 31st October to 6 am. 1st November 1915.



NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's artillery showed little activity during the day. JEPHSON'S POST was shelled as usual between 1000 and 1100 and DUBLIN CASTLE about the same time.

A strong south-westerly wind caused considerable damage. The destroyer LOUIE and a dredger were driven ashore, the former near LITTLE WEST BEACH and is feared to be a wreck, and the latter just off the extremity of the break-water of WEST BEACH. One of the piers was somewhat damaged also.

A N Z A C.

No. 1 section, CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7.) to (68.B.5.),
1st Australian Division. The enemy artillery fired a few rounds from SCRUBBY KNOLL (80.V.3.) and a few from two howitzers near TURK'S HUMP 80.K.4/7., some of the latter falling near Divisional Headquarters. A new kind of stick bomb was thrown into our trenches which burst like a shell.

No. 2 section, LONE PINE (68.B.5.) to RUSSELL'S TOP
(80.N.7.) 2nd Australian Division. Some 5" shells from direction 80.K.4/7 fell into our line between WIRE GULLY (80.W.5/6) and COURTNEY'S (80.S.7.) but the damage was immaterial. Enemy digging opposite RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7.) was stopped by our machine gun fire. We had to cease work at a recently exploded tunnel near WIRE GULLY owing to the reappearance of fumes.

No. 3 section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5.) to AGHYL DERE
(92.Y.8.), New Zealand & Australian Division. 12 Turkish shell landed on East end of 3rd L.H. Brigade lines, no damage was done. An enemy bomb fell in the trenches at the APEX, causing four casualties. A party of 80 of 4th Australian Infantry Brigade landed last evening, the sea getting up prevented the remainder being disembarked.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

In Right section, 52nd Division, our bombers bombarded enemy barricade North-east of VINEYARD with catapults and dispersed a working party whilst engaged repairing it.

In Centre section (R. N. Division), some rounds were fired with the Divisional 3.7" Trench Howitzer on enemy trenches in front of WORCESTER BARRICADE, and GARLAND Mortar fire was directed on enemy trenches in front of the right flank of this section.

In Left section, 42nd Division, the enemy was bombed intermittently day and night throughout the whole sectional line and two sandbag barricades recently built on the edge of the EASTERN BIRDCAGE crater were demolished by the action of our bombers who also prevented the enemy rebuilding the barricade during the night. During the afternoon the enemy shelled DIGGLE ROAD and its vicinity in retaliation for our bombing.

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SITUATION.

GENERAL STAFF
OPERATIONS SECTION

From 0600 1st November to 0600 2nd November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

A very quiet day. The enemy's artill-llery shelled various sections of our trenches for a short time, at different times during the day. With the help of aeroplane observation our heavy battery and howitzers engaged two of the enemy's guns with effect.

A H E A C .

No.1 Section, CHATHAM'S POST, (68.G.7) to (68.B.5), 1st Australian Division. An uneventful day in this section. There was very little artillery fire during the day. 97th Siege Battery fired a series of 15 rounds at guns/68.N.9 with aeroplane observation. Three, possibly four direct hits were signalled.

No.2 Section, LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (68.N.7) 2nd Australian Division. LONE PINE was subjected to a certain amount of artillery fire from a point South of SCRUBBY KNOLL during the day. At night enemy were active here with stick bombs and it is believed that one of his mortars, on SNIPERS' RIDGE, for throwing stick bombs exploded.

No.3 Section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5) to AGHYL DERE (92.Y.8) New Zealand & Australian Division. The Turks shelled the APEX, RHODODENDRON SPUR and CHESHIRE RIDGE causing 7 casualties. Our guns again demolished the overhead cover on the PINNACLE. Our guns also fired successfully on an enemy's working party in 80.F.8. 19 rounds were fired with good effect into trenches at 80.F.3.

No.4 Section, AGHYL DERE (92.Y.8) to SUSAK KUYU (92.C.7) 54th Division. A patrol from 162nd Brigade found the ridge in front of FRANKLIN'S POST occupied by the enemy in some strength.

/Turks

Turks are now rebuilding their trench near scene of recent mine explosion, but we are retarding their efforts by machine-gun fire.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Artillery, Left Group. Turkish bombing station at junction of H.12b and H.13a was fired on with very good effect. An enemy mountain gun firing from the N.W. end of H.16 was fired on and silenced.

Infantry, Right Section (52nd Division). The "B" bomb station, opposite H.11a and N. of RUSSELL'S LOOP was advanced 70 yards last night and a barricade was erected at this distance along it. The western traverse in G.11a which the enemy had built up, was blown to pieces by our hand bombs yesterday. Four Turks were said to have been shot by telescopic rifles in front of the right sub-section.

Left Section (42nd Division). Bombing with catapults was carried out actively throughout the front, part of the enemy trench near J.13 was blown in and enemy bomb-screens partly demolished. At 0653 our miners effectively exploded a small counter-mine near EASTERN BIRDCAGE. Nine Turks are said to have been hit behind J.12b by machine-gun fire from DIGGLE ROAD.

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S I T U A T I O N.

From 0600 2nd November to 0600 3rd November, 1915.

NORTHERN ZONE.

The enemy's artillery was very inactive, though portions of our line were shelled occasionally during the day, CHOCOLATE HILL and KARAKOL DAGH in particular. A few shells were fired at the beaches at night.

A.N.Z.A.C.

No.1 Section. CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.E.5).

1st Australian Division. Quiet day. At 1500 three of our catapults threw 36 bombs from RYRIE'S POST 68.G.8/6 into TURKISH DESPAIR 68.H.4/7. in 6½ minutes; bombs were distributed over a front of 100 yards and all except one exploded in trenches. Our 5" howitzers did excellent shooting against BIRD TRENCHES 68.L.6/8 at 1630 in reply to which enemy again shelled our trenches with little effect.

During the night our sniping stopped patrols. We sent out a patrol from LEANE'S 68.G.6/9 to reconnoitre old Turkish trenches; enemy were seen digging in dead ground in front of L.H. Brigade.

Enemy has constructed a double row of barb wire hurdles in front of SNIPERS RIDGE 68.B.8.. Enemy shelled our trenches, one man killed and four wounded. Enemy also threw four bombs of a new kind; they appear to be rockets with a stick of explosive tied to them, but no samples were obtained.

No.2 Section. LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.W.7).

2nd Australian Division. The enemy artillery shelled with some severity our line from LONE PINE 68.B.6 to WIRE GULLY 80.W.5/6 doing some damage to parapets which have since been repaired.

In front of LONE PINE the enemy appears to have abandoned part of his front trenches after filling them up with wire, and to have occupied new positions in rear.

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Near WIRE GULLY enemy work at night was stopped by our bombs. From C.29 (trench diagram No.3) the enemy has constructed a short new trench running East which may possibly bring fire to bear on COURTNEY'S POST (80.S/W) and QUINN'S POST (80.S.7/8). Enemy night work opposite COURTNEY'S was stopped by our rifle fire. At QUINN'S (80.S.7/8) the enemy appear to be very active underground in front of the gallery in which we are now working.

No.3 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.6) to AGHYL DERE (92.Y.8)
New Zealand & Australian Division. There was less enemy gun fire than usual, but 14 bombs were thrown into the APEX (80.K.1) causing slight damage.

A party was seen to North of 80.F.3 and the 5th Battery opened with one section on their right with the other on the left, cutting them off from cover and they accounted for almost all of them. Working party, 80.F.2, 50 strong, a few rapid rounds got several and chased remainder into another registered area where several more were caught. This was again work of 5th Battery.

No.4 Section. AGHYL DERE (92.Y.8) to SUSAK KUYU (92.C.7),
54th Division. A party of enemy digging in KAIAJAK DERE was fired on and we threw bombs with catapults, from about 92.C.1., with some effect.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Right Section. (52nd Division). Work was continued on fire and communicating trenches. Some more machine-gun shelters were made. A patrol of the 5th K.O.S.B. was fired on in front of our G.11 barricade and one man was wounded. A small party of Turks advanced during the night and threw 10 bombs at our bomb-station N.E. of the VINEYARD but all of them fell short.

Centre Section. (R.N. Division). Work was continued on communicating trenches, FUSILIER STREET, redoubts and ESKI LINE. Good progress was made on the saps and WORCESTER BARRICADE was repaired.

Left Section. (42nd Division). Work was continued on
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the saps and communicating trenches and also on the new INNISKILLING
INCH fire trench. Some loose wire was put out in front of FUSILIER
BLUFF.

Our catapults bombed the enemy from FIFTH AVENUE, WESTERN
and EASTERN BIRDCAGE:

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SITUATION.

From 6 a.m. 3rd to 6 a.m. 4th November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's artillery was more active throughout the day. The ships in the bay, both warships and transports, and the beaches, were shelled in the morning and afternoon. The "PRINCE GEORGE" was hit twice with no material damage. A shell entered the open hatchway of the "EAST POINT" and exploded in the forward hold full of hay and set it alight. The vessel was moved to the North of SUVLA POINT where it was beached and the forward hold flooded.

A horse lighter containing kits and rifles for MUDROS capsized in the harbour during the night.

The trenches in "C" Section were subjected to considerable shell fire at intervals during the day and about 1600 CHOCOLATE HILL and GREEN HILL were shelled by a heavy howitzer. The ridge West of JEPHSON'S POST was also shelled.

A.N.Z.A.C.

No.1 Section. CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.B.5),

1st Australian Division. The enemy artillery in the afternoon shelled our line between the CORNFIELD (68.H.7) and QUINN'S (80.S.5/7) from SCRUBBY KNOLL 80.Z.3, SANDPIT (81.G.8) and GUNNERS HILL 80.K/P. The guns at OLIVE GROVE shelled the BRIGHTON BEACH and ANZAC COVE.

No.1 Section Right. A quiet day. Work was continued all night without a hitch and without casualty.

Our catapults threw bombs at regular intervals throughout the night into TURKISH DESPAIR (68.H.7/5) and judging from the sounds heard some Turks were hit.

No.1 Section Centre. Uneventual 24 hours. The newly returned 1st Brigade continued to improve its trenches and

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to make new quarters and shell proof shelters.

No.1 Section Left. Suffered 1 killed and 2 wounded from shell fire.

Our artillery retaliated for enemy gun fire and also engaged small parties of men and horses and dispersed some working parties.

No.2 Section, LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7).

2nd Australian Division. There was some enemy gun fire on the line between LONE PINE 68.B. and COURTNEY'S 80.S/W. A stick bomb fell into the 5th Field Ambulance causing three casualties.

No.3 Section HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5) to AGHYL DERE (92.Y.8)

New Zealand & Australian Division. The enemy put a few shell only over APEX and its vicinity and Eastern end of 3rd L. H. Brigade area, but did no damage.

Three 14 c.m. shell fell on old No.3 Post. The same number fell about Divisional Headquarters, causing two casualties at the former place.

There are now six machine-guns in good concealed positions in 3rd L.H. Brigade line.

A patrol went out from APEX, found the Turkish trench opposite occupied and threw three bombs into it.

5th Battery. Fired on trenches 80.F.3 where men were evidently being relieved. Good results were obtained. This target was fired at 3 more times during the day when movement was seen.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Right Section (52nd Division). Work was continued on the fire and communicating trenches: the bombing barricade in G.10 was advanced 12 yards and then loopholed. Considerable damage was done by bombing to the Turkish barricade opposite our bomb station N.E. of VINEYARD and enemy was bombed during the night to prevent its repair and to impede his putting out wire in front of it.

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Centre Section (R.N.Division). Work was continued on fire and communicating trenches and also on New FUSILIER STREET and ESKI LINE. Our Trench Mortars and catapults effectively bombarded H.13a - H.12b.

Left Section. Work was continued on INNISKILLING INCH new firing line and on fire and communicating trenches.

S I T U A T I O N.

From 0600 4th to 0600 5th November 1915.



NORTHERN SECTION.

The Northern slopes of KARAKOL DAGH were shelled in the morning and the various hostile guns which opened on our trenches and beaches throughout the day were quickly silenced by our artillery.

Bombing parties advanced from the right sub-section of Section "G" and threw grenades into the Turkish advanced posts and trenches in front of their line. The enemy's fire in reply was not effective.

A N Z A C.

Report not received.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

ARTILLERY. Parties of enemy were effectively shelled East of KRITHIA between 1245 and 1400. Bivouacs and communications were fired on during the night. Considerable damage was done to enemy parapets by Dumexils and 3.7" Howitzers.

INFANTRY
Right Section, 52nd Division. Work was continued on fire and communicating trenches; the sally port at our bomb station in H.lla and three new machine gun emplacements in the right subsection were completed. Some more wire was put out in front of MAIN STREET and further progress was made in the saps.

A Machine gun emplacement with underground entrance has been constructed just East of KRITHIA NULLAH. One of our snipers in the right sub-section accounted for two Turks and claims that he hit a third.

Centre Section, R.N. Division. Further progress was made in the saps and work was continued on the redoubts, fire and communicating trenches. Two enemy loopholes with their surrounding sandbags were destroyed by our bombers opposite the N. and S. Barricades and the enemy sandbag parapet opposite THE WORCESTER BARRICADE was considerably damaged by bombs and rifle fire. Enemy shelled the left sub-sectional front about 1845 causing one casualty.

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SITUATION.

From 0600 5th November to 0600 6th November, 1918.



NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy appear to have noticed the wreck of the "LOUIE" for the first time and wasted their ammunition shelling it all the morning and again in the evening. In the afternoon the right sub-section of Section "B" was shelled by a heavy howitzer, eight casualties being caused. There was heavy sniping against the left sub-section of Section "B" during the night causing nine casualties, including three officers, one of whom is reported to have been killed.

ANZAC.

No. 1 Section. CHATHAM'S POST (68.C.7) to (68.B.5)

1st Australian Division. No. 1 Section Right. Quiet day except slight forshelling and fairly heavy sniping. Enemy trench mortar located in TURKISH DESPAIR front line during night; 3 catapults bombed and silenced it. There was heavy sniping on right flank all night, which was kept down by our bombs and machine-guns enabling work to continue. Good assistance was rendered by destroyer with shrapnel over BIRD TRENCHES 68.L.2/5 and saddle to North.

No. 1 Section Centre. At 0700 yesterday our machine gun at T.I.A. fired on 2 platoons of about 25 Turks near 68.C.7. Sniping was brisk all night. The enemy's artillery was active up till 2030 and again from 0545.

No. 1 Section Left. There was the usual sniping during the day. A mountain gun placed behind GILT SPUR fired 16 rounds at KNIFE EDGE with good effect. Enemy 75 broke up the gun pit but no casualties took place. During the night a number of enemy heavy bombs were thrown. The enemy artillery fired a few rounds during the day from North of his known positions on various portions of our line, including short series at CHATHAM'S POST

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from a small calibre gun about 68.N.4/7.

No.2 Section. LONG PINE (68.N.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7).

2nd Australian Division. The enemy artillery fired a few rounds from CHUNUK BAKR during afternoon. No damage was done. 75's destroyed part of our parapet between WIRE GULLY and COURTNEY'S which has since been repaired. They also did some damage to our trenches ~~xxx~~ ^{near} RUSSELL'S TOP.

No.2 Section Right. Extra precautions were taken during night in case of attack but nothing took place.

No.2 Section Left. The enemy has put up 3 panels of angle iron bomb screen, which were blown up by his mine.

POPE'S. A searchlight was seen during night, but the position is not known.

No.3 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80.N.5) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6)

New Zealand & Australian Division. GENERAL. Enemy snipers were active again causing some casualties. We dropped 33 bombs into trenches behind PINNACLE.(80.K.1/2). Improvement of safety of AGHYL DERE continues. Cutting of sap from HAY VALLEY finished..

No.4 Section. WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6) to SUSAK KUYU (92.C.7).

54th Division. All reported very quiet along this front. The enemy trenches along KAJAJAK DERE South of HILL 60 are being improved and what seems to be a bombing post is being constructed, near scene of our mine explosion. Work on our mining operations continues.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Right Section. 52nd Division. Further progress made on existing works and saps.

Centre Section. R.N.Division. Work continued on new communication trenches. Enemy's loopholes and sandbags opposite Northern and WORCESTER BARRICADES damaged by bombs and bullets. Machine guns claim ~~xxx~~ 3 Turks hit in H.13a.

Left Section. 42nd Division. Enemy's new bomb screens opposite BOYNS POINT twice destroyed by catapult bombs. During night enemy working parties dispersed by our bombers.



S I T U A T I O N .

From 0600 6th November to 0600 7th November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's artillery was not very active during the 24 hours. One of our aeroplanes was forced to descend near the beach at 103.U.8. and the Turks shelled the locality for about 2 hours, their guns could not however be located. CHOCOLATE HILL and the left section of "B" Battery, 59th Brigade were heavily shelled by two guns located about 136.N.6-9 and two direct hits on emplacements were claimed by our artillery.

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No.1 Section. CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.B.5) 1st Aust.Div.

During the night enemy maintained a constant and heavy sniping fire from machine guns and rifles all along our right flank; he also fired a large number of broomstick bombs at CHATHAM'S (68.L.2). Our trench mortars and catapults kept our front clear. Destroyer was again of great assistance. Enemy fired 4 large bombs at 2030; they leave a long trail of sparks behind and burst very loudly.

The improvement of our trenches and shell proof covers continues, but the lack of timber and iron hinders us.

No.2 Section. LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7)

2nd Australian Division. There was a comparatively quiet day in this section.

There was some enemy artillery fire on our line between 68.B.2 but no damage was done.

There was increased enemy activity with stick bombs and machine guns against LONE PINE (68.B.6), with bombs against QUINN'S (68.S.7), while about 2,000 rounds from a machine gun near LONE PINE fell into WELLINGTON GULLY

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From LONE PINE we broke into a Turkish tunnel. Exploration of the tunnel has been carried out and a considerable extent of Turkish workings have been secured.
No.3 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6)
New Zealand & Australian Division. Enemy shelled RHODODENDRON SPUR and CHAILAK DERE with doing any damage.

SNIPER'S NEST (80.I.8) was shelled between 5.0 and 5.45 p.m. by 4" battery - 7 direct hits on NEST itself and communication trench leading to main ridge. BATTLESHIP HILL (80.O.2/3) and CHUNUK BAIR were also engaged; on the latter a machine gun emplacement is reported as destroyed.

The 5th Battery again caught a working party at 80.F.2. The first round caused about a dozen casualties.
No.4 Section. WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6) to SUSAK KUYU (92.C.7).
54th Division. There is no enemy artillery fire reported in this section.

The Turks exploded a small mine near one of our shafts on Hill 60 (92.J.7) doing very slight damage.
General. (1) An enemy aeroplane at 1515 dropped a bomb in the sea near the wharf in ANZAC COVE and three in the 2nd Division area which also failed to do damage. The machine gun was engaged without result.

(2) One of our aeroplanes is reported by 54th Division to have been heavily fired on when over their lines as a result of which the engine stopped and the machine planed down into the sea.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Right Section. 52nd Division. Existing works and saps continued. Efforts made to destroy enemy's sandbags with machine gun and rifle fire.

Centre Section. R.N. Division. Bombs, machine gun and rifle fire successfully employed against enemy's sandbags.

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Hostile battery W. of KRITHIA shelled vicinity of HAMPSHIRE CUT and ESSEX KNOLL between 1800 and 2030 but did no damage.

Left Section. 42nd Division. Enemy's bomb screens blown down and their parapet damaged by our bombs at J.12 and 13. Enemy prevented from continuing work at night by our catapults and rifle fire.



SITUATION.

From 0600 7th to 0600 8th November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's artillery was more active. The right section of "B" Battery 55th Brigade, at CHOCOLATE HILL was heavily shelled for two hours in the morning and it was estimated that 11 hostile howitzers and several guns fired between 300 and 400 rounds at the guns and trenches. One gun was damaged, the sights and elevating gear being put out of action. ~~our~~ considerable quantity of our shrapnel and some high explosive shell were struck and exploded. The Southern slopes of KARAKOL DAGH and the beaches were shelled ~~xx~~ also at 0730 and 0830.

A N Z A C.

No.1 Section CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.B.5).

1st Australian Division. The enemy artillery shelled the left of our line without causing damage. A howitzer from the neighbourhood of BOGHALI opened fire again after a long silence.

No.1 Section Right. There was an eventful day. At 2045 we seized and kept an old Turkish trench south of our new works, which commands the nearer sandbag barricade held by the Turks. The enemy did not attack during the night but kept creeping forward and throwing bombs; they were driven off each time. The Turks sniped heavily with rifles and machine guns from BIRD trenches (68.L.2/5) and TURKISH DESPAIR (68.H.5/7).

No2 Section. LORE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7).

2nd Australian Division. The enemy was busy all along the line at night digging above and underground and improving his obstacles. The Turks tried to bomb us out of the

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underground workings we took from him on 6th at LONE PINE (68.BX) but no damage was done and we still hold them. From POPE'S POST (60.B.4/5) we opened up a new fire trench during the night. Arrangements to meet a counter-move by the enemy were in readiness but the work apparently escaped his observation.

No.3 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80.N.M.5) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6). New Zealand & Australian Division Area. Sniping was vigorously maintained from the trenches of the 3rd Light Horse Brigade which by the afternoon drew the fire of a Turkish machine gun; the gun could not be located. An explosion occurred reported to be caused by one of our shells bursting amongst Turk ammunition.

No.4 Section. WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6) to SUBAK KUYU (92.C.7). 54th Division. There was vigorous exchange of bombs on HILL 60; one of our patrols encountered an enemy patrol and we suffered 1 officer^{wounded} and 1 N.C.O. missing.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

ARTILLERY. H.M.S. "EDGAR" engaged various targets and is reported to have obtained hits on nearly all of them.

INFANTRY. Right Section. 52nd Division. Existing works continued. Enemy's sandbags and loopholes damaged by concentrated rifle and machine-gun fire.

Centre Section. Royal Naval Division. Work on saps, fire and communication trenches continued. Enemy shelled our support trenches about 1630 and opened short bursts of machine-gun fire both by day and night, neither of which did any damage.

Left Section. 42nd Division. Incendiary bombs used by us with satisfactory results, last night, against enemy's recently made parapets. In several cases the bombs fell into the Turkish trench, and it took the Turks a considerable time to extinguish the fires when started. The trenches were well lit up and gave an excellent opportunity to our snipers and bombers as the Turks exposed themselves while extinguishing the fires. The bombs, which were made in the Divisional Bomb School, were propelled from catapults.

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SITUATION.



From 0600 8th November to 0600 9th November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's artillery did not show much activity. At 1415 three guns fired at the Beaches and ships in harbour, they were located and engaged by our artillery the fire being reported effective. Later in the afternoon JEPHSON'S POST and our trenches North of BORDERER'S KNOLL were shelled.

The left flank destroyer and our left flank artillery are reported to have made accurate shooting in the afternoon against North Redoubt and the trench to the North of it.

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No.1 Section. CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.B.5).

1st Australian Division. Continuous and heavy sniping throughout the day from BIRD TRENCHES (68.L.2/5). Enemy 75 shelled our advanced works at intervals firing well over 100 shells from the direction of FINE RIDGE alone. Field guns and big howitzers from the direction of OLIVE GROVE also shelled CHATHAM'S POST and vicinity for about 3 hours in the afternoon.

This morning at 0430, enemy shelled our new works and appeared to be preparing to attack but the movement did not develop in face of our heavy fire.

The destroyer did excellent shooting during the night and early this morning.

No.2 Section. LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7).

2nd Australian Division. No artillery fire is reported in this section. From LONE PINE we located a machine gun at 68.D.2 which fired all day at our parapets the overs falling in BROWN'S DIP 68.B.1/4.

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There was considerable rifle and machine gun fire against our LONE PINE position through the night and the enemy succeeded in putting out some more barbed wire on JOHNSTONE'S JOLLY.

The enemy also put out wire between LONE PINE and WIRE GULLY which we were unable to prevent. They also fired a mine in this portion of the line which did no damage.

Opposite POPE'S HILL the enemy's front trench was more strongly manned and hostile fire was a good deal heavier than usual.

No.3 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6) New Zealand & Australian Division. Enemy's parties repairing wire entanglement and putting up overhead cover near the FARM and PINNACLE were dispersed by our machine guns and trench mortars respectively.

A patrol went out from FRANKLINS POST and found SANDY KNOLL occupied; crawled past to HACKNEY WICK (92.Z.7) but was unable to get right on top as it was occupied; sounds of digging were heard.

No.4 Section. WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6) to SUSAK KUYU (92.C.7) 54th Division. No enemy artillery activity is reported in this section. The enemy was very busy putting out entanglements below SANDBAG RIDGE despite our efforts to stop him.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Right Section. 52nd Division. Existing work continued. Several Turks claimed by snipers. Two men of the Scottish Rifles battalion went out and reported Turkish trenches fairly strongly held. At 0835 yesterday a Sergeant of the 1st Border Regiment got up to the enemy's trench about 120 yards away. He claims to have shot 5 Turks.

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Centre Section. R.N. Division. A hostile battery persistently shelled our left sub-section.

Left Section. 42nd Division. Enemy exploded a mine at 0350. One miner and two fagigue men were entombed. Rescue party at work. No damage done to our trench.

Catapults and bombers active damaging Turkish bomb screen and sandbags.

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S I T U A T I O N.

From 0600 9th to 0600 10th November 1915.



NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's artillery was active. A battery of heavy howitzers fired a large number of shell at intervals at the beaches, the shipping, and at our defences between 1100 and 1400. The battery was eventually located and the fire kept under by our guns. Several other hostile guns were active at the same time and one scored a direct hit on an emplacement of "B" Battery, 58th Brigade, but did no damage.

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No. 1 Section, CHATHAM'S POST (66.G.7.) to (66.B.9.)

1st Aust. Division. The enemy fired a few rounds from OLIVE GROVE at 0450, also a few rounds from an unlocated gun in the same vicinity on to the beach during the morning. 9th Battery made 7 direct hits on the emplacement of machine gun on GARA TERE. No. 1 Section Night. Fairly quiet day. The night was also quiet, but the enemy annoyed us considerably by throwing broomstick bombs from a mortar on his left of BIRD TRENCHES, thus trying to enfilade our forward works. Destroyer's fire was directed on to this several times during the night, and silenced it for a time.

No. 2 Section, LONE PINE (66.B.5.) to RUSSELL'S TOP (66.B.7.)

2nd Aust. Division. At LONE PINE progress has been made in consolidating our positions in the captured Turkish tunnel. Near the crater 80.W.9. the enemy fired a mine, but no damage was done. At RUSSELL'S TOP we exploded a mine at 1250 in our right hand high level tunnel H.1. The covering at the end of the enemy's tunnel was blown off; 5 Turks were heard in the tunnel at the time we blew. At 1500 we broke into an enemy tunnel from our tunnel H.3. A barricade has been erected and guard posted. Estimated enemy accounted for - 5.

No. 3 Section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.B.5.) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6.)

H. 2. & A. Division. The assault on HACKNEY WICK (92.Z.7.) was launched at 6 pm; the leading men on reaching SANDY HILL (a point midway) were met by fire from HACKNEY WICK - from here further advance only possible in single file crawling along

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RAZOR BACK, and under enemy's fire. Four men reached vicinity of HARKNEY WICK but were checked by enemy entrenched who were using rifle fire and bombs. Owing to the inability to advance rapidly and in sufficient numbers for a rush, further effort was stopped.

No. 4 Section, WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6.) to SUBAR KUTU (92.C.7.)
54th Division. Centre sub-section report successful catapult bombing was carried out against enemy advanced posts on saddle connecting Hill 100 with our line North of 92.U.1.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Right Section, 52nd Division. Two new machine gun emplacements made. Twenty yards of enemy's parapet knocked in by catapult bombardment.

Centre Section, R.E. Division. We destroyed a Turkish bomb screen and damaged their parapets and entanglements with our catapults and Garland Mortars. During the night HAYES battalion advanced 40 yards from Southern Barricade and built a bombing station, sustaining no casualties. Enemy shelled our left sub-section persistently during the day.

Left Section, 42nd Division. Existing work continued. We exploded a small counter-mine against the enemy's gallery at 1300 just west of EASTERN BARRICADE BIRDCAGE.

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From 6 am. 10th to 6 am. 11th November 1915

NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's guns located about 137.L.1. shelled GREEN HILL and CHOCOLATE HILL heavily at 0900 and at intervals during the day causing a considerable number of casualties. They were engaged by our heavy guns and howitzers effectively.

The trenches in other portion of "B" section and the northern slopes of KARAKOL DASH were shelled in the afternoon.

Our works on the BOOT and in its vicinity were shelled at 1845 and 2200 but no damage was caused.

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No. 1 Section, CRATHAM'S POST (68.G.7.) to (68.B.5.)

1st Australian Division.

The enemy artillery were more active to-day, a number of rounds being fired at irregular intervals at various parts of our line. Our guns fired in retaliation. In No. 1 Section right, continuous sniping by the enemy and periodical bursts of machine gun fire from GABA TERS during the day, and steady rifle, machine gun and bomb fire during the night.

In No. 1 Section centre, the enemy was active with sniping and bombing up till 2000 and quieter afterwards.

No. 2 Section, LONG PINE (68.B.5.) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.H.7.), 2nd Australian Division.

No enemy artillery fire.

A considerable amount of bombing was done on both sides but we eventually dominated the situation by our catapults and trench mortar.

At POSE'S HILL a number of small stick bombs made from one-pounder shells were fired into our lines.

Between 3 and 4 pm. No. 3 Post, Old No. 3, No. 3 Post and Divisional Headquarters were subjected to a heavy bombardment.

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The enemy's sniping was more marked, but was got well in hand by the afternoon and suppressed. During the night enemy reported as restless and jumpy.

No. 4 Section, WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6.) to SUSAK KUYU (92.C.7.), 54th Division.

The right sub-section claim to have shot 6 of an enemy working party.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

* ARTILLERY. Machine gun on SAHI TEPE engaged, two direct hits on emplacement. Working parties in GULLY RAVINE dispersed. Enemy's bivouacs shelled during the night in co-operation with the Navy.

INFANTRY.

Right Section, 52nd Division. Existing work continued. Our dummy loopholes drew a considerable amount of Turkish rifle fire. We killed one and wounded one of a party of 4 Turks, who were observed passing under a bridge.

Centre Section, R.N. Division. A quiet day and night the enemy being inactive along our front.

Left Section, 42nd Division. Nil.

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S I T U A T I O N.

From 6 am. 11th to 6 am. 12th November 1918.



NORTHERN SECTION.

CHOCOLATE HILL was bombarded heavily between 0830 and 1000. It is estimated that between 400 and 500 shell fell in this locality causing only 14 casualties.

The centre and left sub-sections of section "B" were also shelled during the morning.

JEPHSON'S POST was also bombarded as usual causing 8 casualties including 3 officers killed.

During the forenoon the left flank destroyer shelled the hostile trenches with some effect causing some damage to the parapets and wire.

A N Z A C.

No. 1 section, CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7.) to (68.B.5.), 1st Australian Division.

A considerable number of trench mortars fired on CHATHAM'S POST, from BIRD TRENCHES and HOLLY RIDGE. No. 1 section Right. There was steady sniping as usual during the day. Several broomstick bombs were thrown from mortar in BIRD TRENCHES, which was eventually silenced by our destroyer.

No. 1 section Left. Our line was shelled and three men were wounded, otherwise quiet period.

No. 2 section, LONE PINE (68.B.5.) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7.), 2nd Australian Division.

No. 2 section Right, LONE PINE: The day was quiet but in the evening the enemy were very active with machine guns and broomstick bombs.

From C.4. to D.16. the enemy was active with machine gun fire towards the TAMBOUR.

No. 2 section Left. At 2025 following the explosion of our mine opposite QUINN'S the enemy opened a brisk fire from his second line trenches.

We exploded a mine opposite QUINN'S last night. The enemy were heard working 5 feet away right up to the

time of our explosion. The explosion produced heavy machine gun and rifle fire and a considerable amount of bombing. No. 3 Section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.H.D.) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6.) New Zealand and Australian Division.

Old No. 3 Post, No. 2 Post and Divisional Headquarters were shelled between 0915 and 1000, 4 killed and 2 wounded. Heavy firing was reported on HMK between 2020 and 2045, also bombing and flares.

No. 4 Section, WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6.) to SUSAK KUTU (92.C.7.), 54th Division.

162nd Brigade. Enemy working parties were again seen at G.3 V4 and were dispersed by our snipers who claim to have disposed of three. Two deserters came in later and showed where they had left their rifles, which were obtained. A deserter also surrendered to the 161st Brigade. In the 163rd Brigade area a camouflaged mine was exploded about 0900 and blew in enemy shaft above. A deserter surrendered at about 2030.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

ARTILLERY. Movements on roads North of KRITHIA effectively engaged. A machine gun was engaged at request of infantry, six direct hits obtained on the emplacement and the gun has not fired since. Some working parties engaged and dispersed.

INFANTRY.

Right Section, 52nd Division. Existing work continued. We damaged enemy's parapet and bomb screens at three points in their line with bombs, rifle and machine gun fire.

Centre Section, H.H. Division. We fired 13 rounds from our 3.7" mortars at enemy's trenches. The last shot pitched in what is believed to be a machine gun emplacement; three Turks were seen to be blown 15 feet into the air.

Left Section, 42nd Division. Existing work continued. We damaged 5 yards of enemy's parapet with our bombs and our incendiary bombs prevented them working during the night.

SITUATION.From 6 am, 12th to 6 am, 13th November, 1914.NORTHERN SECTION.

There was intermittent and heavy shelling of CHOCOLATE HILL between 0715 and 1230. The enemy appear to be using puffs to mislead us as to the positions of their guns. The expenditure of gun and howitzer ammunition by the enemy appears to have increased considerably of late.

Very little enemy movement observed.

A N Z A C.

No.1 Section, CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7.) to (68.B.5)

1st Australian Division. There is a considerable increase in the use of trench mortars of different types by the enemy. Owing to our scarcity of similar weapons up to the present we have not been able to reply ~~xx~~ except with artillery, which, although costly, usually effectively silences the use of mortars by the enemy for a time. Now that we have got some more mortars it is hoped that we shall be able to deal more effectively with those of the enemy, although his new broom-stick bomb is more powerful than anything we have in this line.

No.1 Section Right. There was continuous sniping by rifles and machine guns on both sides; otherwise the day was quiet. Cruiser fired four well placed shots against BIRD TRENCHES, the rest were either too high or too low.

No.2 Section. (LONE PINE) (68.B.5.) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7.). 2nd Australian Division.

No.2 Section Right, LONE PINE. The enemy were quiet during the day but active with machine guns and stick bombs during the night.

More work has been done at GERMAN OFFICER'S TRENCH. Our sniping was effective, the "Wallaby" Rifle Rest being used with good results.

RUSSELL'S TOP. About 1630 Turks were heard working near our surface tunnel and it was thought they were preparing a mine. A small charge was therefore blown into their tunnel/

tunnel, which, as far as could be seen, did considerable damage.

No.3 Section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5.) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.M.6.) New Zealand and Australian Division.

ARTILLERY. Sniper's Nest was shelled with good results. 5th Battery fired at party visible in trench 80.F.3. also a few rounds at FARM when enemy shelled APEX. A work under construction was demolished.

No. 4 Section, Warwick Castle.(92.Y.6.) to SUSAK KUYU (92.c.7.) 54th Division.

ARTILLERY. In the 163rd Brigade sub-section 6" howitzer made very effective practice against enemy bomb-proofs, about 25 yards of which were reported to have been destroyed.

SOUTHERN SECTION

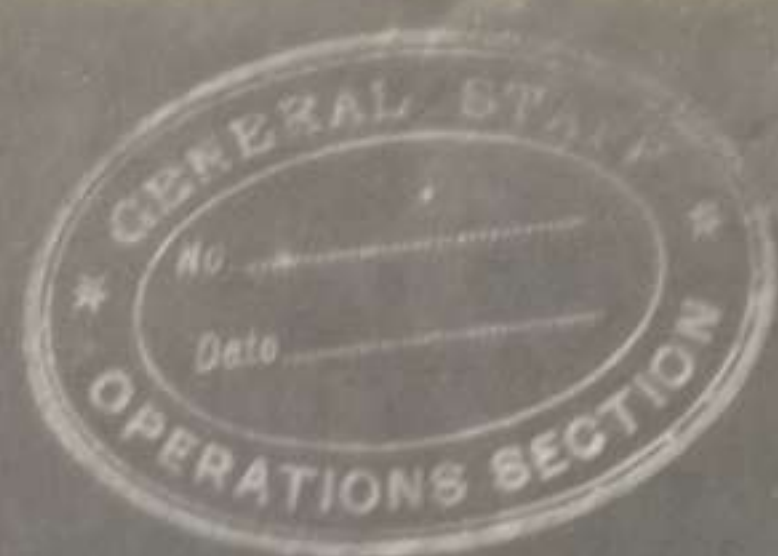
ARTILLERY. Movements in neighbourhood of KRITHIA effectively engaged. Turkish working parties ^{were} dispersed. We retaliated on enemy support trenches for his fire on our fire trenches. We shelled enemy bivouacs by night.

INFANTRY Right Section, 52nd Division. Existing work continued. By heavy bombing from one of our bomb stations we prevented the enemy from repairing his bomb station.

Centre Section R.N. Division. Work on saps, trenches barricades and redoubts continued. 3.7" mortar fire was directed on a new enemy work, apparently a barricade.

Left Section, 42nd Division Our bombers and snipers were active but there was little reply from the enemy. By catapult bombing and rifle fire, we destroyed enemy sandbag parapet opposite portion of our line.

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S I T U A T I O N.

From 0600 13th November to 14th November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's artillery was less active than it has been of late. The Left sub-section of Section "A" and the trenches in Section "B" were shelled in the morning, and the Brigade Headquarters of the Left sub-section of this section was shelled heavily from 0800 to 0900.

LALA BABA was shelled in the afternoon.

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No.1 Section. CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.B.5).

1st Australian Division. At 1645 enemy opened from WINEGLASS and SCRUBBY KNOLL firing on BROWN'S DIP and CHATHAM'S POST respectively. Enemy fired a large number of broomstick bombs from JOHNSTONE'S JOLLY, MORTAR RIDGE and HARRIS RIDGE. A few rounds were fired by howitzers at these localities. The enemy's ^{latest} pattern of broomstick bomb has a long range and powerful explosion.

No.1 Section Right. During the early part of the night enemy broomstick bomb was used a great deal and we lost three men killed. Our new 3*7 mortar fired its allowance but did not succeed in silencing the Turks, who appear, also, to be using a catapult, which could not be located. Enemy machine-gun on GABA TEPE was very troublesome throughout the night.

No.1 Section Left. Considerable movement of small enemy parties in distance; he was seen gathering straw in the field all day.

No.2 Section. LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7).

2nd Australian Division. No artillery activity is reported in this Section. The enemy appear to have many trench mortars capable of throwing stick bombs. Bombs of this nature fell in and around BROWN'S DIP, in our trenches /between

between LONE PINE and QUINN'S. At POPE'S an enemy working party on cliff to the left of our position was successfully bombed by us. Turkish working ~~party~~ party appeared opposite centre of POPE'S and was also bombed and dispersed. Enemy's rifle fire in our right hand surface tunnel is fairly constant.

No.3 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6)

New Zealand & Australian Division. The vicinity of 4th Australian Infantry Brigade Headquarters, HAY VALLEY (92.X.2/9) was heavily shelled in the forenoon, and trenches along ridge to east and FRANKLIN'S POST (92.Z.2) were also shelled, but without casualty.

No.4 Section. WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6) to SUSAK KUYU (92.C.7)

54th Division. The enemy attacked an advanced post of ours (92.Z.4) at 0315. They threw bombs but were driven off. There was more enemy sniping than usual in the left-sub-section, firing appearing to come from the South of the FARM. In the centre sub-section an enemy working party were dispersed by our bombs. In the left sub-section about 20 bombs fell short of our trenches.

Lord Kitchener visited ANZAC.

SOUTHERN SECTION. Right Section (52nd Division). Existing work continued

and new wiring commenced. Enemy attempts to put out wire were effectively dealt with by rifle fire. Two Turks surrendered.

Centre Section (R.N. Division). During the night we advanced one of our barricades a distance of 22 yards without loss. Enemy's barricade was reached and he was driven out by bombing. The hostile barricade, a heavy structure was under his machine gun fire and it was not possible to convert it to our use. With Garland and 3.7 Mortars we did considerable damage to enemy wire, parapets and sandbags.

Left Section (42nd Division). Casualties were seen to be inflicted on a party of Turks by our machine gun fire.



SITUATION.

Summary of Events.

From 6 a.m. 14th to 6 a.m. 15th November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION. There was less hostile artillery fire than usual throughout the day. Hill 10 was shelled during the morning and the BOOT and KARAKOL DAGH between 1445 and 1630 but with little or no effect.

The sap heads in front of Section "A" were also shelled during the day.

Our left flank artillery and the left flank destroyer shelled North Redoubt and the trenches north and south of it effectively; the parapets were reported to be destroyed and the wire cut.

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No.1 Section, CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.B.5), 1st Australian Division. ARTILLERY. Quiet morning until 1113 when enemy gun from 68.W.1 fired a few rounds on our trenches.

At 1305 the 6th Battery fired at enemy's sandbag barricade opposite CHATHAM'S POST. The effect was very good, several direct hits being obtained. 6th Battery and 5th Lowland Battery co-operated in this series in order to distract enemy's attention. The result was most satisfactory.

During the firing of the above series the enemy opened a heavy fire from several guns; those about SCRUBBY KNOLL and WINEGLASS (68.N.9) directed their fire particularly on our 6th Battery, of which No.1 gun detachment had 1 officer and 3 men out of 4 wounded.

We also engaged the usual targets in retaliation and fired at positions where trench mortars had been located

/No.1 Section

No.1 Section. Right. Enemy sniped persistently throughout the 24 hours at our new works, which it is proposed to name WILSON'S LOOKOUT. Hostile machine gun near GABA TEPE also fired at intervals, day and night, and broomstick bombs were also thrown in large numbers. Most of the latter fell on the flats between our new works and the beach where the sticks can now be seen.

Enemy is working energetically in rear of BIRD TRENCHES.

No.1 Section Left. Our sniping continued as usual and our machine guns caused a stampede amongst the enemy's mule transport.

No.2 Section, LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7).

2nd Australian Division. No.2 Section, Left. 12 stick bombs were fired by the enemy and landed near one of our communication trenches on the left of the position.

The enemy have put up some 15 feet of barbed wire entanglements in front of their bomb crater on the NEK.

SNIPERS NEST has been occupied during the period under report and work has been done there. Estimated enemy accounted for - 3.

No.3 Section HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6). New Zealand & Australian Division. Work on trenches and shelters is being pushed on.

The APEX (80.K.1) was shelled at about 1100 and again in the afternoon from the direction of "W" HILLS.

The enemy have repaired the trenches damaged on 13th by our artillery.

There are indications of fresh digging at HACKNEY WICK (92.Z.7) which was registered by one of our machine guns and fired at intervals during the night to stop work.

A party of about 10 men at 1730 going towards

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HACKNEY WICK gave a target which one of our machine guns took advantage of with good results.

No.4 Section. WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6) to SUSAK KUYU (92.C.7) 54th Division. 161st Brigade sub-section report bursts of enemy machine gun fire were directed on our parapet on LAINDON HILL during the night. Enemy working parties on same Hill West of Hill 100 were dispersed by our bombs.

163rd Brigade sub-section report there was considerably more sniping than usual on Hill 60. Underground preparations on this hill are practically ready.

29th Indian Brigade reports after dusk a Turk working party estimated at 60 appeared to be making out new trenches. Fire was opened and continued intermittently all night. Artillery also fired. At 2230 flares disclosed no diggers and no signs of fresh work except 2 snipers posts visible this morning.

SOUTHERN SECTION. Right Section (52nd Division). Existing work continued. A Turk was seen at 0615 opposite listening post of 87th Brigade he was hit but managed to crawl back to his trench.

Centre Section (R.N. Division). Work continued on saps and overhead cover constructed for 2 bombing stations. We kept up continual bombing and our Garland Mortar enfiladed an enemy's trench effectively.

Left Section (42nd Division). We heavily and methodically bombed positions of the enemy line effectively.

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OPERATIONS SECTION

SITUATION.

From 0600 15th November to 0600 16th November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

Shrapnel and rifle fire was opened on the trenches of Section "A" at 1700 at the time when mines were exploded by ANZAC troops on HILL 60.

Between 1630 and 1715 the supply depot near "C" Beach was accurately shelled by heavy guns. Considerable damage was done, the supply of medical comforts being almost destroyed.

The South Pier with the exception of about 100 feet was washed away during the night as a result of the storm.

A N Z A C. No.1 Section. CHATEAU'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.B.5). 1st Austn. Divn.

No.1 Section Right. There was the usual sniping by rifles and machine guns on both sides throughout the 24 hours; otherwise an uneventful period.

No.1 Section Left. Our snipers and machine guns harassed the enemy's working parties. The enemy was busily engaged digging near WINEGLASS (68.H.9) communication trench.

ARTILLERY. During the morning the enemy fired from most of his known gun positions but, with the exception of the OLIVE GROVE group, the fire was not heavy. At 1000 enemy opened fire on the beach from OLIVE GROVE (56.q.4), this fire continued at a slow rate until 1045 and was renewed for a short time at 1100. Salvoes were fired; the enemy had at least 4 guns in action. Observation was difficult during the day owing to the high winds.

No.2 Section. LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.H.7).

2nd Australian Division. The enemy artillery was active against RUSSELL'S TOP firing from the direction of Sq. 80.O and 80.W. 9 & 1. One shell burst on our secret machine gun smashing the gun and wounding one of the men on duty. We suffered some casualties and some damage was done to our trenches. At LONE PINE another

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of the enemy's tunnels was entered and surveyed by two of our officers. It is thought that this newly discovered tunnel may be useful and that the end may be used by us as a bombing pit. Its length is about 35 feet. At POPE'S a garland mortar engaged an enemy mortar and caused it to cease fire.

No. 3 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.6) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6).
New Zealand & Australian Division. As a result of the bombardment on our left and subsequent storm the Turks in vicinity of FARM became "jumpy" and a good deal of ammunition was fired off. ARTILLERY. On the explosion on HILL 60 the 3rd, 4th, and 6th Batteries in conjunction with the 17th Siege Battery opened fire as also the 69th Brigade, while the 4th (Lowland) Battery fired at trenches on HILL 100 spur. 4" Battery shelled approaches from BIYUK ANAFANTA.

No. 4 Section. WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6) to SUSAK KUYU (92.C.7).
54th Division. At 1700 we exploded mines on HILL 60 under the enemy's front trench which appears to have been obliterated. Immediately after the explosion we began to unlid a tunnel trench and this we expect to complete by 1200 16th. Our artillery co-operated with success. We did not attempt to occupy the crater but did advance two of our barricades. At 0830 the Turks attempted to occupy the crater but were checked by our fire, eleven being reported hit. One wounded Turk came into our lines. The 162nd Brigade report wild firing by the enemy opposite them after the explosion. We suffered one killed and two wounded and 14 slightly injured from the explosion.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

ARTILLERY. Eight 18-pdr, four 15-pdr. Batteries, three 12 pdrs; four Howitzer Batteries and Dumezil trench mortar Battery supported the operations of the 52nd Division. Fire was opened at 1500 and maintained till 1753, when report was received that the position had been consolidated. Two 14" Monitors and H.M.S. "EDGAR" co-operated in shelling enemy's communications, enclosed works and batteries. The enemy's batteries fired heavily, when once they realised that the attack was in progress, but their

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fire was very erratic and did little damage, nor did it interfere with the consolidation of the positions gained. This was mainly due to the effective fire from H.M.S. EDGAR. INFANTRY. Right Section. 52nd Division. The 52nd Division carried out an attack yesterday for which preparations had been in progress for some time. The objectives were the Turkish trench East of the junction of the KRITHIA NULLAHS and between that and the VINEYARD, including a portion of G.11.b, and the Turkish bomb station in H.11a and the remainder of that trench. Both objectives were successfully captured and consolidated. Our casualties were under 50 and it is estimated that over 70 Turkish dead were actually seen in the captured positions. At 1500 three mines were exploded under the enemy's trenches, and the assaulting and bombing parties at once rushed forward and occupied their objectives. A wounded prisoner reports that all the Turks of his company (about 30) in our portion of the trench were buried by the mine. The enemy were taken completely by surprise and our bombing parties had no great difficulty in pushing up the various communication trenches leading from the captured positions, one such party penetrating into the next fire trench from which it had to be recalled. The Turks, in neighbouring fire and support trenches, opened heavy fire but were caught by machine-guns and rifle fire, as well as bombs, which had previously been arranged for from other portions of our line. The attack was carried out by the 156th Brigade, the units taking part being the 4th and 7th Royal Scots, the 7th and 8th Scottish Rifles and the Ayrshire Yeomanry.

Centre Section. R.N. Division. During the attack by the 52nd Division yesterday this Division co-operated with machine guns, catapults, trench mortars and bombers.

/ Left Section.

Left Section. 42nd Division. Rain last night damaged some trenches and washed away the barricade across a ravine. The ravine was blocked with wire, both Turkish and our own which was washed down. Damage is now being repaired and the barricade has been re-erected. The enemy were very quiet during the night. It was found that rain rendered our catapults temporarily unserviceable.

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S I T U A T I O N.From 6 am, 16th to 6 am, 17th November, 1915.NORTHERN SECTION.

Our left, including JEPHSON'S POST and THE BOOT, were shelled at intervals morning and afternoon, each time more severely than before. The left flank artillery and the Destroyer retaliated with effect.

At 1430 the trenches to the North of CHOCOLATE HILL were heavily shelled with shrapnel and at 1600 the enemy began a bombardment of CHOCOLATE HILL and the support trenches to the North of it.

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No.1 Section Right. There was continuous rifle and machine gun sniping on both sides and the enemy threw many broomstick bombs which did considerable damage. We had 6 men wounded.

The enemy artillery fired a few rounds from MORTAR RIDGE and SCRUBBY KNOLL, and between 1135 and 1230 he fired from OLIVE GROVE (sq. 56.Q.4.) at our traffic about HELL SPIT and BRIGHTON BEACH.

No.2 Section, LONE PINE (68.B.5.) to RUSSELL'S TOP. (80.N.7.), 2nd Australian Division.

The enemy artillery fired on POPE'S and RUSSELL'S TOP. A number of shells burst more or less on the line of our right hand/^{high} level drive.

No.3 Section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5.) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6.) N.Z.&.A. Division.

An attempt made by enemy to repair barbed wire entanglements in front of APEX, during the night, was prevented by our trench mortars.

No.4 Section, WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6.) to SUSAK KUYU (92.C.7.) 54th Division.

The enemy artillery shelled the whole line with some severity during the day, most of the fire was between 1500 and 1700.

Two attempts were made during the night to advance our barricades in the trenches on Hill 60 but were unsuccessful because of machine gun fire which is believed to have come from the crater caused by the explosion. There was heavy bombing, sniping and machine gun fire all night on Hill 60. We succeeded in putting out wire during the night in front of our new trench.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

ARTILLERY. At 1553 fire was opened by 3 batteries on G.12 where Turks were reported to be massing. Covering batteries opened on same trench, whence an attack was reported at 2115, and continued till all was reported quiet. At 0212 fire was again opened by covering guns and a howitzer battery shelled KRITHIA NULLAH in response to another message from our newly captured trenches.

INFANTRY. Right Section, 52nd Division. During the night 4 counter-attacks were made against the new trench and bomb stations East of KRITHIA NULLAH from direction of G.12, but were easily repulsed. Between 2230 and 2300 a determined attack was made against bomb station No.8 in H.11a, the enemy succeeded in pulling down the barricade. The position was however immediately retaken and a new barricade erected immediately in rear of the debris of the old one. Several dead Turks are to be seen lying in front of our new position.

Centre Section, R.N. Division. Work on saps continued but suspended elsewhere as draining trenches has to be undertaken. One Turkish deserter surrendered.

Left Section, 42nd Division. Trenches in this Section have been repaired, dried and arrangements made for drainage which has already been taken in hand.

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From 0600 17th November to 0600 18th November, '15.
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NORTHERN SECTION. Opposite the extreme left sub-section of our line the enemy was observed to be working forward from his new sap north of the North redoubt with the presumable purpose of occupying the western edge of the ravine which runs south to north just east of the GREEN KNOLL and ~~sax~~ adjoining works. With a view to denying him this ground it was decided to establish two advanced works last night. One work was successfully completed, but work on the other had to be abandoned owing to the hot fire opened by the enemy's snipers who were evidently dug in. The working party suffered 13 casualties, including and officer killed.

As a result of the gale which subsided last night all the motor lighters at SUVLA were put out of action. It is hoped to have three of them working in three or four days time. The damage to the breakwater at WEST BEACH has been very considerable and the South pier has been almost completely washed away.

A N Z A C.

No.1 Section CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.B.5), 1st Aust. Divn. GENERAL. The enemy artillery was exceptionally quiet. at 1115 a few rounds were fired from OLIVE GROVE (66.Q.4) on the beach and at 1210 an unlocated gun began firing on CHATHAM'S POST. The enemy's trench mortars were active from many points in his line.

No.1 Section Right. Turks put up overhead cover on TURKISH DESPA¹⁸ TRENCHES, this was bombed by our catapults. Our snipers claim to have hit 8 Turks.

No.2 Section. LOHE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7). 2nd Australian Division. A large party of the enemy was observed at 68.J.5. The 2nd Artillery Brigade were informed and fire was opened, 4 out of 6 shells fell right into the enemy's sap

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the first two in the middle of the hostile working party which scattered. At 2230 a hostile working party was observed opposite our centre, this was dispersed by bombs.

No. 3 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6)
N.Z. & A. Division. Enemy opened a heavy burst of rifle and machine gun fire against CHESHIRE RIDGE and the APEX between 1950 and 2015 during the storm - The Turks seemed "jumpy" - fire was also directed on FRANKLIN'S POST until an enemy flare went up and it ceased.

ARTILLERY. The 3rd Battery fired at, and destroyed machine gun emplacement at request of 4th Gurkhas.

No. 4 Section. WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6) to SUSAK KUYU (92.C.7).
54th Division. There was a quiet day and night on HILL 60 and in the lines of the Indian Brigade and much work was done on our new trenches and bombing posts.

GENERAL. All lighters and other vessels ran to IMBROS for shelter and no work could be done at the piers.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

INFANTRY. Right Section. 52nd Division. Fire trenches little damaged by rain. Existing works and drainage where required carried on. Consolidation of captured position in progress and wiring completed by 2300. At about 2300 a few Turks approached the new fire trenches E. and W. of KRITHIA NULLAH, but were driven off.

Centre Section. R.N. Division. Trenches badly flooded in places by storm.

Left Section. 42nd Division. Sniping and bombing has been actively kept up and several enemy's loopholes were damaged.

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CTIONS SECTION

From 6 am. 18th to 6 am. 19th November 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

On the left sub-section of Section "D" work was renewed on the second advanced post near GREEN KNOLL which was built in the early hours of the night. Later however the post was attacked and the garrison bombed out of it.

A counter-attack was organised and delivered, but failed to regain the post. Casualties: Killed, 1 officer, 5 o.r., wounded, 3 officers, 12 o.r.

A N Z A C.

No. 1 section, CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7.) to (68.B.3.)
1st Australian Division.

Throughout the day enemy's guns from OLIVE GROVE constantly shelled the beach and vicinity of BELL SPIT. POPPY VALLEY 68.G.8-6-3 was also heavily shelled between 1000 and 1100.

No. 2 section, LONE PINE (68.B.5.) to RUSSELL'S TOP
(80.W.7.) 2nd Australian Division. Nil.

No. 3 section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.W.5.) to WARWICK CASTLE
(92.Y.6.) N.Z. & A. Division.

Hostile aeroplane passed overhead about 1545, circled round vicinity No.s 2 and 3 posts and disappeared S.W., dropping two bombs just North of No. 1 post. No damage was done.

Damage to saps caused by storm receiving attention. Roofing to bivouacs, as far as material is available, and work on underground shelters proceeding.

Enemy's snipers very active from direction of SNIPERS' NEST during the day. This was engaged by "D" Battery 69th Bde. in the afternoon with excellent results, 4 direct hits on trenches on top of NEST, and 7 effective hits.

No. 4 section, WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6.) to SUSAK KUYU
(92.C.7.), 54th Division.

The Indian Brigade fired on enemy picquets during the night and it is thought caused casualties.

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Eight British rifles were collected.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

ARTILLERY.

Some hostile movements fired on and working parties dispersed. At 2328 the enemy made a demonstration against a bomb station in front of the newly captured trenches, the covering battery opened fire.

INFANTRY.

Right Section, 52nd. Division. Existing work continued. Bursts of fire were opened on the enemy's working parties during the night and the Divisional Trench mortars effectively engaged a trench where Turks were observed to be working.

Centre Section, R.N. Division. Work on saps and drainage of trenches continued. Enemy replied to the bombers of this Division but were soon silenced.

Left Section, 42nd. Division. Drainage of trenches well in hand. Other work continued.

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S I T U A T I O N.

From 6 a.m. 19th. to 6 a.m. 20th November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's artillery showed little activity.

LALA BABA was shelled for about three-quarters of an hour in the morning, during which time the enemy's guns and observation posts were engaged and shelled by us.

The beach and the stranded lighters were also shelled during the morning.

A N Z A C.

No. 1 Section, CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7.) to (68.B.5.) 1st Australian Division.

The enemy artillery has been unusually active throughout the day. His OLIVE GROVE guns again shelled the beach; fire from those guns has continued intermittently but consistently for the past 48 hours.

One gun of our 7th Battery was put out of action temporarily by a direct hit on the shield.

No. 1 Section Centre. Uneventful 24 hours; enemy sniped continuously. Our observer was large quantities of rough and unsawn timber being carried to a point at the South end of SNIPERS' RIDGE (68.B.8.) where enemy works seem to be increasing.

No. 2 Section, LONE PINE (68.B.5.) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7.) 2nd Australian Division.

Many stick bombs were thrown into our trenches at LONE PINE and into WELLINGTON GULLY (80.R.9/6).

Long bursts of machine gun fire were directed on to POPE'S and upper part of WELLINGTON GULLY from trench west of C.29 and I.2 (Trench Diagram No. III). Our trench mortar engaged both positions and the machine gun ceased firing.

Near LONE PINE our snipers broke two of the enemy's fixed rifles by using our "Wallaby" rests.

Our engineering work is proceeding satisfactorily and without interruption.

No.3 Section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5.) to WARWICK CASTLE.
(92.Y.6.) N.Z. and A. Division.

The APEX was severely shelled for half an hour at 1630 from the direction of "W" Hills, this might have been in retaliation for our machine gun fire on BLOCKHOUSE at the PINNACLE.

Work on ~~the~~ tunnels and extensions to trenches continues.
No.4 Section, WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6.) to SUSAK KUYU
(92.C.7.) 54th Division.

The 162nd Brigade reports some bursts of enemy machine gun fire during the day and night. The enemy in place of their usual patrols sent out snipers who considerably impeded our working parties.

The 161st Brigade reports that a hostile patrol moving across the saddle West of Hill 100 (92.U.2.) was driven off by our fire, and that a working party of ours laying wire on the same saddle was in turn forced to retire. On the left of this sub-section a strong Turkish patrol approached and was fired on.

The 163rd Brigade. On Hill 60 the enemy has a nearly continuous line of sandbags along the craters in front of which he has put out much wire.

GENERAL. Enemy artillery shelled the beaches and Army Corps Headquarters intermittently during the day and night with various guns.

SOUTHERN SECTION.
ARTILLERY.

Howitzers bombarded Turkish support line opposite the 52nd Division with considerable effect.

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INFANTRY.

Right Section, 52nd Division. New firing line in captured position W: of KRITHIA NULLAH practically finished. Other existing work continued. After bombardment by howitzers, bayonets and scaling ladders were displayed, in the centre sub-section, but failed to draw the enemy's fire.

Centre Section, Royal Naval Division. Drainage of trenches in progress and work on saps continued.

Left Section, 42nd Division. Existing work and drainage continued. 3.7" Trench Howitzers did considerable damage to Turkish trenches opposite the Right sub-section.

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SITUATION.

From 0600 20th November to 0600 21st November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

At 1600 an enemy's broomstick mortar opened fire against the trenches in the 1c, ft sub-section of Section "A". Our trench mortar engaged it and our detachment claim to have put it out of action.

At 0325 a small party of Turks were seen advancing towards our trench mortar position in A.63. Fire was opened and three of the enemy are reported to have dropped.

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No.1 Section. CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.B.5). 1st Aust. Divn.
OLIVE GROVE group still directed their fire on the beach at intervals. The right flank observing officer reports that some of the rounds fired by the monitor at this group were probably effective. The anti-aircraft gun fired 8 rounds at a hostile aeroplane at 1615. Firing was satisfactory and a check observation was obtained from the right flank observing officer. Aeroplane turned and headed South.

No.1 Section Right. During the night enemy put up more overhead cover on TURKISH DESPAIR works, apparently wire-netting and tarpaulin; our catapult bombs destroyed some of it.

No.2 Section. LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7).

2nd Australian Division. Six enemy fixed rifles were again located by telescope and were engaged from "Wallaby" rest, all were either broken by us or removed by the enemy. During the period under report we accounted for 5 Turks in this tunnel, 2 were shot by Lieutenant Bailey, 20th Battalion, with his revolver, 3 others killed or wounded by bombs.

No.3 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80.M5) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6).

M.Z.A.A. Division. The APEX was heavily shelled between 1100 and 1200 but no casualties were caused. A party of 20 Turks
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entering SNIPERS NEST at 1945 which was then effectively shelled by "D" Battery 68th Brigade.

No. 4 Section. WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6) to SUBAK KUTU (92.C.7).
54th Division. at 1445 the enemy exploded a mine on HILL 60 which demolished one of our new barricades and filled up two trenches with debris. No attempt was made by the enemy to assault.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Artillery. Several parties of Turks scattered by fire of the Right Group and working parties engaged by the Left Group. Dumexil mortars bombarded a hostile machine gun emplacement with apparent effect.

Infantry. Right Section. 52nd Division. Existing work continued and new trenches improved.

Centre Section. R. N. Division. Drainage and existing work continued. This division took over 180 yards of the line from 42nd Division. A hostile working party was dispersed at 0300.

Left Section. 42nd Division. Existing work continued. New boundary with R.N. Division adjusted. Enemy's wire, bomb screens and sandbags considerably damaged by bombing and rifle fire.

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From 0600 21st November to 0600 22nd November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION. The enemy's artillery was very inactive, and it was an extremely quiet day in every way probably owing to the inclemency of the weather.

A.N.Z.A.C. No. 1 Section, CHATHAM'S POST (68 G 7) to (68 D 5). 1st Australian Division. The enemy were quieter than during the previous 24 hours. WILSON'S lookout (63 L 1/2) was however heavily shelled in the afternoon and the works were damaged.

No. 2 Section, LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division. A large number of bombs were thrown all along the line. At RUSSELL'S TOP we dropped a GARLAND mortar bomb on portion of the Turkish trenches from which constant sniping had been going on. Sniping then ceased for the rest of the night.

Our mining has developed as follows:- At RUSSELL'S TOP :-

At 1615 we blew a small charge in our left hand high level tunnel, this was rendered necessary by activity of the enemy at this point. The backs of our left arm have fallen in, the remainder of our tunnel is intact.

At 0925 we fired a charge of 500 Lbs of ammonal at L.5., which is under our right hand high level drive, with satisfactory results. The enemy were working very close to us at this point and a blow was necessary. Our right high level drive is still open as far as our barricade but the portion formerly held by the Turks has fallen in. This is more satisfactory than we anticipated. Our centre high level drive is still open up to our barricade but the hole into the Turkish gallery is now filled in.

No. 4 Section. WARWICK CASTLE (92 Y 6) to SUSAK KUYU (92 C 7). 54th Division. On Hill 60 we have thrown
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bombing posts have ~~been~~ completed the barricade erected after enemy explosion. Otherwise nothing to report.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

ARTILLERY. Counter group immediately replied to Turkish bombardment at 1615 and retaliation was made on enemy's trenches opposite those bombarded by the Turks. At 1630 fire was increased and howitzers orders to shell the NULLAHS.

INFANTRY. Right Section. 52nd Division. At about 1600 a heavy bombardment was opened on the left sub-section (157th Brigade) and continued till about 1740. After the bombardment the Turks delivered an attack on both sides of the KRITHIA NULLAH, against the trenches captured by this Division on the 15th instant, under cover of heavy rifle fire. These attacks were repulsed by the rifle and machine-gun fire of the 52nd Division assisted by the right sub-section of the Royal Naval Division and the Turks all killed or driven back. There is little doubt that the Turks intended a serious attack which failed owing to the rifle, machine-gun and artillery fire which they encountered. The Turkish shell fire was heavier than has been known for some months.

Centre Section, Royal Naval Division. At about 1610 the enemy opened a heavy bombardment on the junction of this Division and the 52nd Division, which was followed at 1700 by an infantry attack from H.12.c. and H.11.b. This attack was quickly stopped by machine-gun and rifle fire, very few Turks getting beyond their own wire.

Work continued on saps and drainage until interrupted by the attack.

Left Section, 42nd Division. Machine-guns claim to have hit 8 Turks: and 4 others, who were repairing wire, were hit by bombers of this Division.

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S I T U A T I O N.

From 6 a.m. 22nd to 6 a.m. 23rd November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION. The enemy's artillery was active against "A" Section about 1300 - 50 shells fell near new bridge over ASMAK DERE in A.56, and about 100 shells near fire and support trenches A.52 to A.55. One casualty.

An accident occurred at the conclusion of an officers' bombing class in trenches in right sub-section "C" Section by explosion of a "MILLS" bomb - 1 officer killed and 3 officers and 1 o.r. wounded. Enquiry into cause is not yet completed.

A. N. Z. A. C.

No.1 Section. CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.B.5).

1st Australian Division. ARTILLERY ACTIVITY - During the morning H.M.S. "GRAFTON" fired on OLIVE GROVE guns; area 56.Q.4 was searched and swept within limits which were proved by recent observation to contain enemy gun emplacements. Enemy guns shelled the beach intermittently during the afternoon; eventually they were definitely located at 56.Q.4, and we engaged them about 1530. They did not fire again.

No.1 Section, Right. There was the usual sniping throughout the day; but except for the shelling of WILSON'S KNOB mentioned above the period was uneventful.

The Turks are firing a new type of bomb made of piping about 15 inches long with the fuze in the base, weight about 20 lbs; all those that fell in the section failed to explode.

No.2 Section. LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7).

2nd Australian Division. There was some enemy artillery fire all along the line of this section, but no damage was
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done. Enemy digging was heard underground at COURTNEY'S and at QUINN'S. At RUSSELL'S TOP we are tunnelling out with a view to obtaining a footing in the crater recently made by our blow in our right hand high level drive. During the night a covering party remained out in front of our right hand high level drive watching the newly formed crater. They reported that the Turks did not attempt to enter the crater but threw bombs into it several times during the night.

No.3 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5) to WARWICK CASTLE

(92.Y.6) N.Z. & A. Division. A Turk machine gun position on BATTLESHIP HILL was shelled by 1st and 4th batteries and "D" battery 69th Brigade fired into SNIPER'S NEST where a considerable amount of work was going on: result as far as could be observed was satisfactory. About 50 Turks attempted an attack on the APEX at about 1950. One or two of their bombs reached our parapet and a few from their mortars landed behind our lines. Machine gun and rifle fire was opened on them, our mortars and catapults were quickly in action and supports in position, causing the Turks to disperse. No casualties on our side. A Turk deserter gave himself up to 9th Light Horse Regiment last night.

No.4 Section. WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6) to SUSAK KUYU

(92.C.7) 54th Division. In the 161st Brigade sub-section our bombing again prevented enemy working on the saddle west of HILL 100 and our trench mortars and catapults much reduced the enemy sniping.

The 163rd Brigade report that sounds of enemy picking were heard in front of BEECH LANE barricade on HILL 60 and we therefore fired a camouflet mine, the results of which have not yet been fully ascertained.

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SOUTHERN SECTION.

Right Section 52nd Division. Existing work continued and damage done by Turkish bombardment on 21st November repaired. Enemy's parapets damaged with bombs and rifle fire and his efforts to repair them frustrated.

Centre Section R.N. Division. New work progressing and improvement of existing work continued. During the night bombing was carried out with what was judged to be good effect, upon a trench in which a considerable number of Turks had assembled.

Left Section. 42nd Division. New works progressing and improvement and repair of existing works continued.

S I T U A T I O N

From 0600 23rd to 0600 24th November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's artillery was more active than it has been for some days.

In the morning SULAJIK FARM and the road from the Brigade Headquarters to the Farm were shelled by 5" and 6" Howitzers, a high velocity gun and field guns.

At night a party of about 20 Turks advanced from their trenches opposite Section C.53, but were dispersed by machine-gun fire.

The enemy have built a bridge across the ASMAC DERE about 120 yards from our barricade.

A N Z A C.

No. 1 Section, CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7.) to (68.B.5)
1st Australian Division.

Enemy guns from OLIVE GROVE again shelled the beach throughout the day, and were engaged by all our batteries which could do so.

No. 1 Section Right. Enemy put up new headcover on TURKISH DESPAIR and we destroyed it with our catapult bombs.

No. 1 Section Left. Nil.

No. 2 Section, LONE PINE (68.B.5.) to RUSSELL'S STOP (80.N.7)
2nd Australian Division.

During the night a considerable number of stick bombs were fired, and many hand grenades were thrown. Our bombers dominated the situation as regards hand grenades.

No. 2 Section Left. Between the right of this sub-section and COURTNEY'S three H.E. shells fell, coming from the direction of 80.S.3. Underground the enemy could be heard working at two points.

Our standing patrol which was watching the crater report that about 4 Turks entered it last night. They seem to have dug a hole down into the crater and were throwing out

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clods of earth with their hands. The standing patrol further state that they killed or wounded the whole of this party.

No. 3 section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5.) to WARWICK CASTLE (92. Y.6.) N.Z. & A. Division.

The APEX was shelled at 1100, but there were no casualties.

At 18 00 a party of about 20 Turks was detected moving towards HACKNEY WICK. A machine gun on BECK'S turned on them and accounted for 11.

No. 4 section, WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6.) to BUSAK KUYU (92. C.7.) 54th Division.

On Hill 60 there was heavy hostile bombing in IVY LANE and our new bombing posts south of it which however only cost us one casualty.

Two Turks surrendered at dawn to the Indian Brigade.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Right section, 52nd Division. Enemy opened burst of rapid rifle and machine gun fire between 1800 and 2000, which was silenced by 3.7" howitzers and catapults.

Centre section, R.N. Division. At 1900 the enemy opened heavy rifle fire opposite the left sub-section, but no reply was made.

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S I T U A T I O N .
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From 6 a.m. 24th Nov. to 6 a.m. 25th Nov., 1915.
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NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's artillery showed considerable activity especially against our left and right sections. In the morning "B" Reserve Area was shelled and about noon the enemy brought a heavy fire with H.E. and shrapnel against our new bridge over the ANZAC DERE and the works in the vicinity.

Our artillery claims to have damaged with shell fire the enemy's bridge over the ANZAC DERE.

A. N. Z. A. C.

No.1 Section, CHATHAM'S POST (68.B.7) to (68.B.5), 1st Australian Division. Enemy artillery fired on beaches and on ALLAH GULLY (68.B.7/5).

No.2 Section, LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.N.7).

2nd Australian Division. No.2 Section, Right. In LONE PINE the enemy bombing was heavy during the night. In this post also the enemy fired a small mine which shook the bomb pit in C sap and cracked slightly the roof of one of our tunnels, but otherwise did no damage.

No.2 Section, Left. The enemy threw bombs and opened short bursts of rifle fire during the night.

At 1723 we fired a mine containing 200 lbs. of Ammonal; no crater was formed.

Enemy was heard working underground at three points.

At 0635, 25th, a party of 20 Turks came out into the open and rushed from their second to their front line trenches. Heads were seen along their parapets to right and left. Four Turks came on to our parapet and threw bombs and one of the four got into our trench where he was bayoneted and killed.

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At RUSSELL'S TOP the enemy are sapping towards the new crater, but our tunnel is now very close to it and we expect to forestall him.

No.3 Section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5) to PARICK CASTLE (92.Y.6), New Zealand & Australian Division.

The APEX and upper CANTERBURY SLOPE (80.J.2/3) were shelled by the enemy.

4" gun registered new machine gun positions on BATTLESHIP HILL, pointed out by deserter.

At 1600 our 3rd battery fired on trenches in front of 2nd Mounted Division against whom the Turks were evidently making a demonstration.

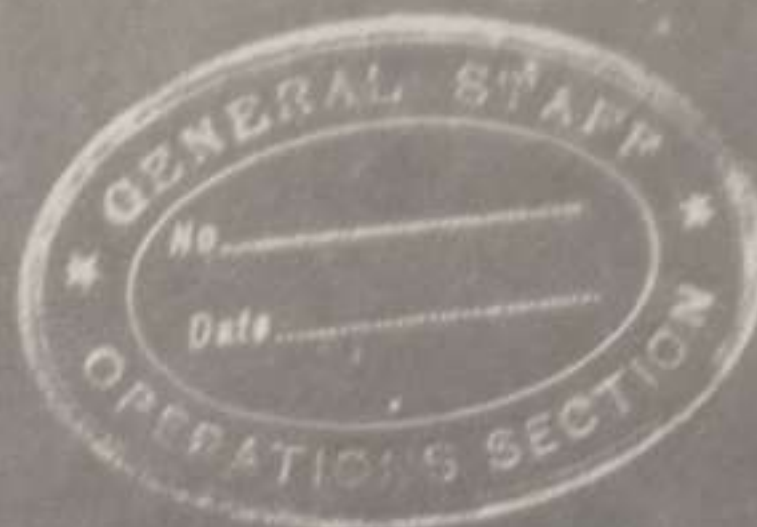
GENERAL. The enemy artillery fire from OLIVE GROVE on to the beaches has been going on for some days, both by day and night and he has considerably interfered with work on the beaches.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Right Section, 52nd Division. Catapults in centre and left sub-sections bombed Turkish trenches with good effect partially destroying some overhead traverses erected by the enemy.

Centre Section, R.N. Division. Existing work progressing and new work commenced.

Left Section, 42nd Division. Enemy opened considerable rifle fire on the right sub-section during the ships' bombardment in the afternoon.



SITUATION.

From 6 a.m. 25th Nov. to 6 a.m. 26th Nov. 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

Our artillery silenced enemy's guns where we engaged them and dispersed working parties.

At 1830 all guns fired salvos on pre-arranged scheme on Turkish communications.

Turkish snipers showed rather increased activity in "C" and "D" Sections, causing 16 casualties in latter.

A. N. Z. A. C.

No.1 Section, CHATHAM'S POST (68.C.7) to (68.B.5), 1st Australian Division. WILSON'S LOOKOUT and CHATHAM'S POST were heavily shelled both morning and afternoon, and some damage was done.

No.1 Section, Left. At 2030, O.C. Heavy Battery, reported signs of a gas attack. On investigation it was found that the traces were limited to a small area near the junction of sap B.1. with the old firing line. Several officers confirmed this statement; a sweet pungent odour was noticed and smarting of eyes. G.S.O.1 verified and confirmed this about 2330. It was thought that the wind was too high to favour the use of gas and as the area affected was small it was probably the result of a bomb explosion.

No.2 Section, LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.H.7), 2nd Australian Division. To the North of LONE PINE at 2015 a party of about 10 Turks were seen at our barbed wire, our machine gun fired a burst of 40 rounds and 2 of our posts fired 10 rounds each. The party dispersed. This morning one dead Turk is observed hanging on our entanglements in front of the machine gun.

At COURTNEY'S 3 Turks on the CHESSBOARD were killed

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or wounded by 4 shots from one of our machine guns. The enemy could be heard working underground here and at QUINN'S

At QUINN'S at 2100 the enemy opened fire with machine guns and rifles. 10 minutes later 12 of them left their trench and approached the centre of our position at QUINN'S. 6 of our men opened fire and the enemy retired to their trench.

Brigade snipers report the Turks are showing themselves considerably more than usual.

Although the enemy scarcely fired a shot yesterday their observing was very constant and they were quick in picking up a target.

No.3 Section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5) to WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6), New Zealand & Australian Division. On the 24th for the first time, and again yesterday, road to beach along SAZLI BEIT DERE was shelled by the enemy.

The erection of trestle bridge on mule track in rear of DURRANTE POST i.e. joining CHAILAK and AGHYL DERES was commenced.

GENERAL. (1) Weather, overcast and cold, wind from N.W. no rain.

(2) Casualties.	Officers.	Others.
Killed.....	-	7
Wounded.....	1	35
Sick (evacuated)	8	212

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Artillery. Very good effect obtained on new enemy parapets with 12-pr. H.E.

Infantry. Right Section (52nd Division). Enemy snipers gave considerable trouble at one of the Grenade Stations, but were eventually silenced by grenades.

Centre Section (R.M. Division). Grenadiers were active at all stations and effectively dealt with close range enemy sniping.

Left Section (42nd Division). Progress with new works, repair and improvement of existing work continued.

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S I T U A T I O N.

From 6 am. 26th to 6 am. 27th November 1915.



NORTHERN SECTION.

In the evening when the storm arose there was a deluge of rain which lasted several hours. The trenches in "A" and "B" sections were flooded and much damage done to the parapets along most sections of the line.

The reserve trenches in Section "A" were flooded to a great depth and the troops had to be ~~removed~~ moved.

The AZMAC DEBE came down in flood and swept away barricades and bridges.

Casualties reported 25th November:-

Sick (evacuated)

Officers
20

Others.
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A N Z A C.

No. 1 Section, CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7.) to (68.B.5.).

1st Australian Division.

During the day our guns did not fire.

At 0830 enemy's guns from OLIVE GROVE, 56.Q.4., shelled the beach, and maintained an intermittent fire at irregular intervals throughout the day on the beach and shipping.

No. 1 Section Right. CHATHAM'S POST and POPPY VALLEY were again heavily shelled both morning and afternoon.

This morning about 0500 about 50 Turks attacked the centre of RYKIE'S POST; they got close enough to throw bombs, but were easily repulsed by rifle and bomb fire. This morning 16 bodies can be seen, each with a rifle and bayonet. Other bodies are reported to be on slope and more rifles can be seen lying about. Several wounded were noticed crawling back into the trenches and a good deal of groaning and shrieking was heard in TURKISH DESPAIR.

No. 1 Section Centre. About 0300, some 30 Turks advanced towards our line in front of LEANES POST and a party also approached the Southern end of SILT SPUR. These were apparently bombing/

bombing parties supported by larger parties in rear to recommence.

No. 2 Section, LONE PINE (68.B.5.) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.B.7.)
2nd Australian Division.

The enemy artillery was active against this section.

Our policy of silence was maintained and resulted in several parties of Turks coming out into the open and suffering in consequence.

No. 3 Section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5.) to Warwick Castle
(92.Y.6.), New Zealand & Australian Division.

A new road has been commenced in the SAZLI BEIT DERE.

The Western end of SAZLI BEIT DERE was shelled heavily yesterday, the enemy watching for the movement of transport.

No. 4 Section, WARWICK CASTLE (92.Y.6.) to SUSAK KUYU (92.C.7.)
54th Division.

162nd K&K Sub-section. Reports an uneventful period except for the storm which caused much trouble in the trenches, troops in STAFFORD GULLY being washed out.

163rd Sub-section reports an uneventful period as regards enemy, but great difficulty was experienced in saps on Hill 60, where water is waist deep.

General. Weather: A violent storm with rain from the S.W. came up at 1715.

Sick (evacuated) 7 officers, 121 others.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Right Section, 52nd Division. Catapults were successfully used against enemy parapets and loopholes, silencing his snipers.

Centre section, R.N. Division. Enemy threw grenades during the night, without effect, and his trenches were heavily grenaded in return. The Garland Mortar was used with apparent effect against a hostile sniper's post. Enemy is doing considerable work opposite the centre of this section with the evident intention of preventing certain of his trenches being enfiladed.

S I T U A T I O N S

From 0600 27th. Nov. to 0600 28th Nov. 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION. CHOCOLATE HILL was shelled between 0900 and 1145 and again at 0230 causing a considerable number of casualties though slight considering the heaviness of the bombardment.

The condition of our trenches in Sections "A" and "C" and the left-sub-section of "B" and did not improve as the day wore on. The condition of the Turks seems to have been equally bad opposite these sections of our front as they exposed themselves in many cases in leaving their trenches and gave opportunities to our snipers.

Soon after mid-day the storm rapidly increased in violence and rain came on. The trenches began to fill again in the low lying areas and the condition of the troops began to give cause for anxiety, although as long as day light lasted they seem to have kept up their spirits.

During the night it became colder and colder, the rain turning to a blizzard and things went from bad to worst in the trenches of Section "A" and "C".

By the evening it was estimated that 30% of the troops had gone sick in Section "C" and by 5 a.m., reports as to the condition of the men in this section became so bad that it was decided to withdraw the bulk of the men from the front line between trenches C,51 and the BLOCKHOUSE and leave only a few posts at intervals with small posts in support.

It is estimated that the 86th. Brigade suffered a loss of at least 150 deaths from exposure in this sub-section.

In Section "A" in the right and centre sub-sections the trenches are reported full of water and the men had to lie on the ground outside them. Several cases of death from exposure have been reported and a number in a bad way. A large proportion of the remainder were too cold and stiff to use their rifles. The line, however, was held.

The reserve trenches in this section were quite
flooded

flooded and the Scottish Horse occupying them report an effective strength of only about 500.

On the other two sections of the line the conditions though intensely trying were better. A good deal of damage was done to parapets and trenches which is now being repaired.

The troops have regained their spirits and moral and have been heartened by the sight of a good number of the enemy leaving their trenches and giving them good opportunities of shooting.

One of our great difficulties is that of dealing with the large number of men that are in a bad state, from cold and wet, and who have withdrawn from the trenches.

These men given shelter and warmth would soon recover, but owing to the absence of sufficient material for roofing it has not been possible to make adequate shelters to which the men can be brought.

A N Z A C.

No. 1 Section CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7.) to (68 B.5.) 1st.

Australian Division. Artillery activity was as follows:-
Our guns did not fire during the day.

No. 3. Section. HAPPY VALLEY. (80.M.5. to (92.) New Zealand and Australian Division). At 1100 APEX was shelled from the direction of W. HILLS.

In the forenoon it was reported that Turks could be seen massing in their trenches from 93.V.9. southwards to the FARM. A bombardment was ordered and guns of N.Z. & A. Div. and of the bruiser on duty engaged the trenches doing great damage to enemy's wire entanglements.

At 0315 a party of about 50 Turks showed on parapet opposite left of APEX but disappeared on machine gun and rifle fire being opened.

Two Turks were accounted for with "silencer" rifles. At 1330 our 2nd. 3rd, 4th and 5th batteries, 69th Brigade, 17th Siege Battery and Mountain Artillery bombarded trenches in vicinity of FARM and CHUNUK BAIR and sap on "Q". And at 1430 2nd battery fired at a large party of Turks observed moving from 105. U. 9 to 105.T. 9.

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No. 4. Section. (92.0.) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive (Eastern Mtd. Bde. 29th Indian Brigade, 163rd Brigade. The frontage of No.4 Section has been contracted as shown above. The troops in the section are Eastern Mounted Brigade., 29th Indian Brigade, and 163rd Brigade temporarily in reserve. The section is commanded by Brig: General HODGSON on the Eastern Mounted Brigade. There was a quiet day and night in this section. Two enemy patrols approached our line but retired when fired on.

Inter communication is very difficult owing to the water lying in the trenches. Communication across KAIAJIK DERE along the firing trench is impossible by day.

General. (1). Weather. A cold day with rain from N.E. during the night, snow fell which is now lying about 3 inches deep.

(2). For the past few days we have pursued a policy of silence, firing no more than absolutely necessary. The results have been good. From mid-night 27)28th we are adopting a policy of increased activity.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Centre Section. (Royal Naval Division). Active grenading was maintained from all grenade stations. A Turkish bomb-screen and quantity of timber was blown up by Dumezil trench mortars.

Left Section. (42nd Division). A small counter-mine was exploded by this Division near EASTERN BIRDCAGE at 1730. The surface of the ground was not broken.



SITUATION.

From 6 a.m. 28th Nov. to 6 a.m. 29th Nov. 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

Our artillery. 10th Heavy Battery shelled BIYUK ANAFARTA at various times and field guns got some good targets at parties of Turks retiring thither and moving about in their trenches and exposing themselves. Several casualties observed.

In right sub-section "A" Section several casualties were inflicted on enemy by rifle and machine gun fire.

In some places in "A" Section parts of the line have had to be vacated temporarily, but small parapets have been constructed to enfilade these gaps.

"B" Section. Fifty Turks advanced towards B.56, probably to surrender, but as they had rifles and lay down half way between the trenches they were fired on; 15 killed.

Left Sub-Section. C.58 and 59 contain mud and water nearly up to firing step - C.60 and 61 hold one foot of mud.

Remaining fire trenches dry, but support and communication trenches wet.

C.58 - C.61 held by posts. Trenches to North are normal.

Casualties reported 27th November:-

	<u>Officers.</u>	<u>Others.</u>
Killed.....	2	33
Wounded.....	1	87
Missing.....	-	1
Admitted Sick.....	12	312
Sick (evacuated).....	8	186.

A. N. Z. A. C.

No.1 Section, CHATHAM'S POST (68.C.7) to (68.B.5), 1st Australian Division. Observation throughout the day was difficult owing to the snow; very little enemy movement was seen.

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No.1 Section, Right. Quiet 24 hours; very little sniping. Our trenches suffered a good deal owing to the wet weather.

No.1 Section Centre. Gum boots and mackintoshes much appreciated by firing line last night.

No.1 Section Left. Nine large shells (about 8 inches) fell in CLARKE VALLEY without doing any damage.

No.2 Section, LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (80.M.7).

2nd Australian Division. Enemy artillery shelled part of our line in No.2 Section, Right and some 8.2" shells fell into our support trenches.

GENERAL. All along the line the enemy sniping was much less than usual.

No.3 Section, HAPPY VALLEY (80.M.5) to (92.O.1), New Zealand & Australian Division. 17th Siege battery shelled the PINNACLE at 1200 and appeared to do great damage.

View was much obscured by the snow which was falling till 1600, but our snipers took every advantage of any individual targets. Special issue of rum yesterday was much appreciated.

No.4 Section. (92.O.1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive (Eastern Mounted Brigade, 29th Indian Brigade, 163rd Brigade).

Our bombing on HILL 60 drew practically no reply. Men are standing cold fairly well.

GENERAL. (1) Weather - There was a high wind from the North all day and it was very cold. At about 1700 it began to freeze and three degrees of frost were registered this morning.

(2) Casualties.	Officers.	Others.
Killed.....	-	4
Wounded.....	1	6
" (evacuated).....	-	2
Sick.....	2	65
" (evacuated).....	-	29.

NOTE:- Evacuations were from Divisions to Casualty Clearing Stations. None were sent off Peninsula.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Right Section (52nd Division). A certain number of rifle

bolts in the fire trenches were discovered to have been affected by frost. The remedy for this was found in closing the cutoff, working the bolt and pressing the trigger at frequent intervals.

Centre Section (R.N. Division). Existing work continued, but progress somewhat impeded by frost. Several small parties of Turks seen moving in KRITHIA, were dispersed by machine gun fire.

Left Section (42nd Division). At 2330 a small counter-mine was exploded by this Division near FUSILIER BLUFF.



SITUATION.

From 8 a.m. 29th to 6 a.m. 30 November, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

The enemy's artillery was almost completely inactive throughout the whole 24 hours.

A large number of Turks have been accounted for by our rifle and machine gun fire.

The state of the trenches has much improved and although the night was intensely cold the fact that the wind dropped made the conditions much less trying to the men.

A. H. Z. A. C.

No.1 Section. CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.B.5) 1st Australian Division. At 1910 enemy's heavy guns firing from the direction of SCRUBBY KNOLL, and several guns which were unlocated began to range on our front line trenches at LONE PINE and JOHNSTONE'S JOLLY. Enemy fired intermittently until about 1030 when a heavy bombardment commenced. This was directed chiefly on LONE PINE, COURTNEY'S and RUSSELL'S TOP, but the heavy howitzer and the greater part of the unlocated guns appeared to concentrate on LONE PINE. Bombardment ceased about 1115, reopened at 1200, and continued until 1245. At 1215 enemy were reported to be massing in their trenches opposite south east corner of LONE PINE. Our gun fire was directed on this point.

No.1 Section. Centre. It is reported that fumes from enemy heavy shells yesterday caused smarting of the eyes.

No.2 Section. LONE PINE (68.B.5) to RUSSELL'S TOP (89.H.7).

2nd Australian Division. LONE PINE report the enemy commenced shelling this position at 0900. At 0930 the

/bombardment

bombardment became heavy. Large guns were used including at least one 12"; 8" guns were also used.

Casualties to date - killed officers 3, o.r. 16; injured officers 8, o.r. 59.

D.16 to COURTNEY'S both inclusive. At 0900 the enemy commenced shelling COURTNEY'S. The bombardment grew heavier between 1045 and 1130. It is thought that the shells used were 6" H.E. During the artillery bombardment a heavy shell burst in a Turkish trench at 80.X.1/B.35. (Trench map No.11 provisional), immediately afterwards a red flag was hoisted at the spot.

RUSSELL'S TOP. At 1030 the Turks bombarded RUSSELL'S TOP apparently from the direction of the CHESSBOARD and BATTLESHIP HILL. The shells were mostly 75's, but there were also a few heavy howitzer shells.

The enemy displayed flags all along this line yesterday morning, obviously as marks to assist their artillery. To counteract this in future, we are issuing flags of similar colours to be kept in our trenches ready to be put up when enemy hoist theirs.

No.4 Section. (92.0.1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mounted Brigade. 29th Indian Brigade. 163rd Brigade.

There was a quiet day and night in this section.

GENERAL. Weather.- There was a bitter wind from the North and the temperature was below freezing point all day. At 0700 this morning the thermometer read 34°

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Artillery. Some re-registration carried out. It was discovered that owing to cold and wind 18-pdr. batteries had to increase summer registration by as much as 400 yards.

Infantry. Centre Section. R.M. Division. Enemy's snipers more active than usual. They appear to have fixed rifles

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or a machine gun which fires single shots, but no casualties were incurred.

Right Section. 82nd Division. Existing work continued.

The trouble with frozen cocking pieces which was reported yesterday has been overcome by mixing 3 parts paraffin with 2 of rifle oil.



S I T U A T I O N.

From 6 a.m. 30th November to 6 a.m. 1st December, 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

The condition of our trenches continues to improve though the troops suffer considerably from the cold at night and this applies equally to troops in reserve.

The Turks still continue to expose themselves a good deal and our troops have inflicted casualties on several sections of the front.

During the last few days numbers of the enemy have been observed opposite our left coming up into the trenches just before dark. This suggests that the front line is held weakly by day and reinforcements brought up at night.

Casualties reported 29th November. -

	<u>Officers.</u>	<u>Other Ranks.</u>
Sick (evacuated).	15.	720.

A. N. Z. A. C.

No.1 Section. CHATHAM'S POST (68.G.7) to (68.B.5). 1st Australian Division. An enemy gun has apparently been moved to a new position from which it can engage our 3-pdr.; at 1520 a shell entered the gun pit and damaged the head-cover and foresight of the gun.

No.1 Section. Right. Quiet 24 hours.

No.1 Section. Centre. The fumes of a bomb, which landed in ALLAH GULLY, caused smarting of the eyes.

No.1 Section. Left. Several enemy bombs fell near and behind our trenches during the night. Several burst quietly, emitting acrid fumes which caused smarting of the eyes, but having no other injurious effects in small quantities.

No.4 Section (92.G.1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mounted Brigade, 29th Indian Brigade, 163rd Brigade.

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Enemy were heard working opposite SUZAK KUYU. Several broomstick bombs were thrown on HILL 60. The period was uneventful throughout this sub-section.

<u>GENERAL.</u>	*	<u>Officers.</u>	<u>Men.</u>
	Sick (evacuated).	38.	340.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

Centre Section. R.N. Division. Enemy's infantry were quiet during the period, but his artillery was active against this section. His 5" Howitzer fire did some damage to parapets and trenches and destroyed an artillery observation post. This fire, together with that of lighter guns, caused 13 casualties.