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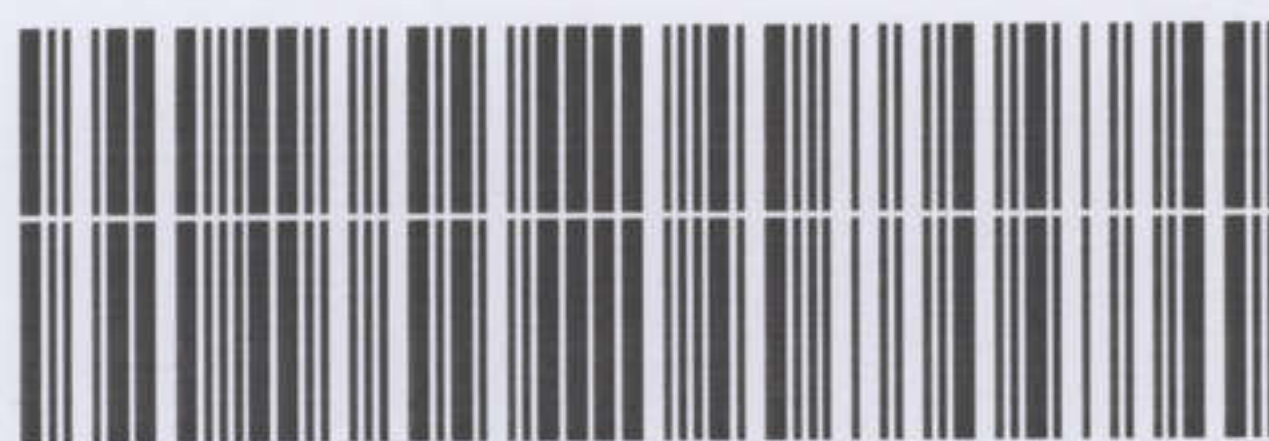
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Auckland Mounted Rifles

# WAR DIARY

Gallipoli Peninsula

1915

1st

KALAJIK-AGHALA. Very quiet day. Send to usually sent Soldiers Paybooks to A.A.G. 3rd Echelon M.E.F. Alexandria

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2nd KALAJIK-AGHALA. This morning the Regiment receives orders to move to CHESHIRE RIDGE with the Mounted Brigade. At 2030. The Regiment less 22 men under Serjt H. Bisenhut move off and reach destination at 2200, and bivouack for the night.

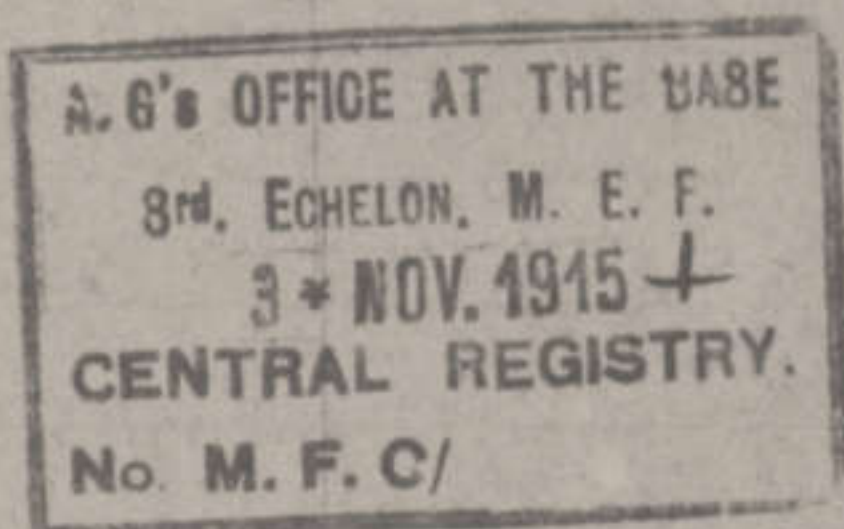
Capt. J. H. Stenrod is sent away to hospital. Lieut. H. Moore returns for duty, but is again sent to hospital.

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3rd CHESHIRE-RIDGE. Capt. S. J. Joy NZ M.C. is sent to hospital. The total strength of the Regiment on Gallipoli Peninsula is 5 Officers and 53 men.

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4th CHESHIRE-RIDGE. At 1400 the N.Z. M. R. Brigade relieve the Royal Welsh Fusiliers in the trenches.



Walter Macata Lieut  
Acting Adjutant AMR



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5<sup>th</sup> CHESHIRE - RIDGE. Capt. H. S. Widdowson NZMC reports for duty. Very quiet day. Weather continues to be fine. They spend most of day improving dugouts. Two Machine Guns (AMR) are placed in position in the trenches. Major S. A. King NZSC has three days leave of absence.

6<sup>th</sup> CHESHIRE - RIDGE  
Major J. H. Mc Carroll returns for duty.

7<sup>th</sup> CHESHIRE - RIDGE  
Very cold in the morning. 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut. E. J. Mc Gregor, Regt. Machine Gun Officer is appointed to 8<sup>th</sup> Bn. R. Brigade Machine Gun Officer.

8<sup>th</sup> CHESHIRE - RIDGE.  
Quite Day. weather much cooler.

9<sup>th</sup> CHESHIRE - RIDGE  
Weather continues to be fine, Major S. A. King NZSC returns for duty. Men from KAHAIK. ACHALA. joined their squadrons. Lieut Haata is sent away sick.

10<sup>th</sup> CHESHIRE - RIDGE  
Very cold day. weather threatening for rain. Men busy all day making Terraces for bivouacks.

11 CHESHIRE RIDGE  
Weather has taken a decided change, it has been quite cold, orders have come through that the Bn will move to Linnos to morning, with the exception of ~~10~~ 13 men on machine gun. Major S. A. King left last night for the purpose of selecting site of camp at Mudros. ~~It~~

~~names of men moving as follows:~~

Lieut Mc Gregor went away sick.

12 CHESHIRE RIDGE

Weather again decidedly cold, clouds hanging about with very indication of rain. Lt. Mc Carroll is appointed acting adjutant. Sqr. Allsoph is



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is appointed Sq<sup>ad</sup> S. M. Preparations still proceeding for the journey to Lemnos. We are now relieved by the 24<sup>th</sup> Batta A. I. F. M<sup>aj</sup> J. N. McCarroll is to be left behind in charge of our men remaining here.

13 CHESHIRE RIDGE

A steady downpour of rain commenced early this morning, and lasted for two hours, then clearing up, and becoming milder & cool.

Orders came out that we are to move at seven to-night. None of our men, except the machine gun crew, went into the trenches.

14<sup>d</sup> SARPI CAMP, MUDROS.

Last night we moved off at seven o'clock and embarked from Aexae at 11 p.m., the whole brigade of 4 regts were put on board, ~~at~~ one barge, we were put on board the Asmanick, and arrived at Mudros at 10 a.m., were landed at the R. E. wharf, and walked to camp here, a distance of 3 miles. All camp arrangements in a primitive state yet, but hourly improving.

15 S. Camp MUDROS.

To-day has mostly been spent in settling down in our new camp. All arrangements of which are fairly satisfactory; a shortage of tents being the only real inconvenience.

Lieut. Ranstrad returned to camp to-day, and was appointed adjutant. Several details N. E. Co. and men also returned to camp.

Thos. McCarroll Lt.  
Adj. Adj<sup>t</sup>.



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AUCKLAND MOUNTED RIFLES.

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1915.

Sept. 16. SARPI CAMP MUDROS.

Very wet day. Orders that the Brigade will move camp to sight on hill west of the position.

" 17. SARPI CAMP MUDROS.

Moved to new camping ground today.  
Ground dried up by strong wind & sun.

" 18. SARPI CAMP MUDROS.

Lieut. McCarrol and Tpr Fisher W.F. have gone to Alexandria on duty.  
943 Tpr. Reardon to hospital.  
13/776 Tpr Bigg Wither R.P. rejoined regiment from hospital. The town of Castro has been placed out of bounds. Limited leave will be given by O.Cs Regiments.

" 19. SARPI CAMP MUDROS.

Syllabus of training laid down by Brigade begins tomorrow. Officers & N.C.Os to wear their badges of rank in correct places.

" 20. The regiment went for a short march and was drilled by sergts in squads.  
13/538 Corp. Sinclair J.H. promoted to be orderly room sergt. from 8/8/15.

The following men returned to duty.

13/267 Tpr. Dalziel, G.S.  
13/80 " Judd, C.H.  
13/276 " Hunter J.B.

" 21. The Brigade was inspected by the G.O.C. this morning.  
13/133 Tpr. O'Neill, T. Returned to duty from hospital.

" 22. SARPI CAMP MUDROS.  
Regimental training:- Rifle exercises & squad drill.  
The G.O.C. paid an unofficial visit to the camp.

" 23. SARPI CAMP MUDROS.  
Regimental training :- Route March.  
13/299 Pte. Bernard F.N. to hospital.

" 24. Regimental training:- Short route march and squad drill.  
13/860 Tpr. Strong, E.H. - 11th Squadron died of syncope this morning while on parade and was carried back to camp on stretcher. Grave on hill behind A.M.R. tents.

Rejoined 13/592 Tpr. Noble, A.C.) From hospital.  
" /946 Tpr. Risk, T.F.)

Off Strength 13/612 Tpr. Strong, E.H. To hospital.



The following men reported missing have been officially reported wounded.

13/153. Tpr. Speight, H.V.B. (G.S.W. upper extremities)  
13/587. " Wilson, K.S. (G.S.W. back )  
13/350. " Garratt, H.G. (G.S.W. L arm )  
13/521. " Watters, F. (G.S.W. R arm )  
13/497. " Hallis, R.H. (

25. SARPI CAMP MUDROS.

Regimental training:- Short route march & squad drill.

26. SARPI CAMP MUDROS.

Divine Service, Lieut.O.P.Johnson is reported to have gone from Malta to England.

(sgd) Thos. L. Ranstead, Lieu.

Act. Adjutant.



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## War Diary

OFFICE AT THE BARR  
3rd. DIVISION M. F. C.  
10 NOV. 1915  
CENTRAL REGISTRY.  
No. M. F. C/

Sept 27<sup>th</sup>

Sarpi Camp Mudros

Regimental training Short route march + squad drill  
Drill training for regimental signaller started  
13/288 Corp Bond. H. H. Squadron promoted  
to Sgt. dating from 10/2/15

28<sup>th</sup>

Sarpi Camp mudros

Regimental training Two hours route march  
The regiment was inoculated for typhoid fever

29<sup>th</sup>

Sarpi Camp mudros

Regiment rested today after inoculation  
Major McCarroll and the following men rejoined  
Anzac today

13/362	Wm. Hastie T.	13/775	Wm. Dunnington J. J.
291	Anderson E. J.	246	Richmond H. H.
103	Bell J. J.	53	Hilding E.
275	Harris H. J.	283	Atkins B.
980	Stroman H. P.	966	Stewart S.
983	Stewart T.	581	Wood C.

The following officers were taken on  
the strength of the regiment having  
arrived from Egypt

Capt Mahon A. G. Lieut Carr. S. A. 2/Lieut Melville W. J.

30<sup>th</sup>

Sarpi Camp mudros.

Regiment rested today after inoculation  
Promotions 13/309 2/Lt Cavanah E. P. to Corporal  
13/501 " Maxwell J. to Corporal

Oct 1<sup>st</sup>

Sarpi Camp mudros.

Regimental training Short route march + Squad drill  
Payment of Troops.

2<sup>nd</sup>

Sarpi Camp mudros.

Regimental training Short route march + squad drill  
Promotions: 13/76 Corp Hattrick H. K. to Reg. Sig. Sgt.  
13/224 2/Lt Dunning A. R. to Sgt. Sig. Corp.

dating from 9-8-15

Thos. L. Ranstead Lieut.

Act. Ad.