

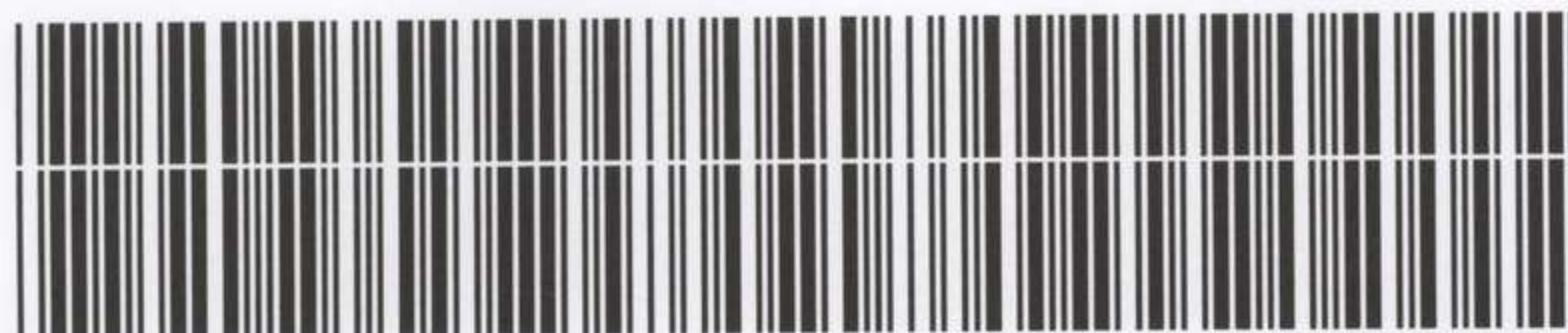
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WAR DIARY

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GENERAL STAFF, ~~1st~~ A.N.Z.A.C.

from 1st December, 1915. to 31st December 1915

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AUSTRALAIN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS. WAR DIARY

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or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
ANZAC.	1-12-15.		<p> Summary of events from 6 a.m. 1st to 6 a.m. 2nd December, 1915. </p> <p> <u>No 1 Section. CHATHAMS POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.</u> </p> <p> Enemy's artillery more active. Firing was continuous during the day and distributed over our whole position. Although it did not at any time amount to a bombardment, still, at times our trenches were heavily shelled, particularly about POPES and LONE PINE. Our batteries fired more than usual - chiefly retaliations. The bearing and marks of an unexploded 9.2" shell which fell in LONE PINE during the bombardment appear to indicate that the gun is about TAHSLA TEPE. Our anti-aircraft gun fired 5 rounds at a hostile aeroplane which disappeared south-east. The aeroplane was marked with black squares instead of black crosses. </p> <p> <u>No 1 Section Right.</u> Very quiet 24 hours. Enemy sniped and bombed very much less than usual. </p> <p> <u>No 1 Section Centre.</u> All quiet. We put out some more barbed wire and made good progress in digging extensive underground winter quarters. </p> <p> <u>No 1 Section Left.</u> During the day enemy was quiet except between 1400 and 1600 when his field guns shelled our line, and several broomstick bombs were thrown; little damage was done, most of the projectiles falling between our first and second lines of trenches. During the night enemy machine guns were active and several very powerful broomstick bombs dropped in our lines. Between 2000 and 0200 enemy fired 19 white flares. </p> <p> <u>No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.</u> </p> <p> Enemy artillery was active against this section. LONE PINE was shelled by 75 mm from SCRUBBY KNOLL but suffered no damage. At COURTNEYS three of our parapets were destroyed by unlocated guns - about 30 shells fell. QUINNS was shelled by unlocated guns thought to be in direction of GUN RIDGE. Slight damage was done at POPES by shell fire. RUSSELLS TOP was shelled both by 75 mm and by 6" howitzers and the roofs of tunnels H1 and H3 were damaged but have since been repaired. A 3.7" mortar emplacement was destroyed but the mortar was not damaged. We fired a mine at QUINNS last night when the enemy was heard working about 5 feet away. Engineers report mine fired satisfactorily and there was no damage to our surface work. Several stick bombs were fired on to RUSSELLS TOP during the evening one of which dropped down the shaft of the drainage scheme and burst at the bottom but caused no casualties. </p> <p> <u>No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.</u> </p> <p> Trenches of NZ.MR.Bde were shelled for a few minutes yesterday in retaliation for our howitzers shelling Turk trenches. Our snipers accounted for one Turk. Our work proceeded as follows:- wire entanglement was placed in position in front of APEX, upper CHESHIRE RIDGE and GARISBROOK POST (92 O 9). Tunnels for machine guns are in progress at BECKS BLUFF (92 Y 2/80 D/F) and NEWBERRYS POST (92 Y 2/80 D/F) and a new forward fire trench from WARWICK CASTLE. A secret sap on upper CHESHIRE RIDGE was opened up last night. </p>	

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ANZAC. 1-12-15. No IV Section. (92 & 1) to SUSAN KUYU inclusive. Eastern Wtd Bde. 29th Indian Bde. 143rd Bde.
The report from this section is delayed but their early morning report said "situation unchanged".

Casualties.	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	-	6
(a) Sick.	23	407
(a) Wounded.	3	102

(a) Evacuated

Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

C.B. Whit-
Lieut-General.
Bris. July

① There was anxiety about the water supply, the water barge having gone ashore at Imbros and the water pipes ashore being frozen. The trouble with pipes was overcome by warming.

② Commander Gipps was replaced by Capt Stavel, RN as NTO

③ The S4!! Div was ordered to remain & was placed in reserve

④ The daily intelligence summary is attached

⑤ Fighting strength: approx rifles

Guns

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R.B. Stewart May 1916

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ANZAC.	2-12-15.		<p>From 6 a.m. 2nd To 6 a.m. 3rd December, 1915.</p> <p>No 1 Section. CHATHAMS POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.</p> <p>Enemy's artillery has again been active. Our guns retaliated.</p> <p>At several points in the enemy's line working parties have been persistent; one party at 68 R 1-2 continued work in spite of effective fire from our howitzers and 18-pdrs, which must have caused many casualties.</p> <p>"A" Battery, 69th Brigade, fired on some fully equipped infantry who were seen passing along sap at 80 X 5; 10 rounds were effective and the troops turned round and casualties were seen to be removed from the trench.</p> <p>No 1 Section Right. Quiet 24 hours and very little sniping by the enemy. Enemy working party on HARRIS RIDGE was fired on from CHATHAMS POST. During the night we put out more wire. The destroyer did excellent shooting, every round except two being well placed.</p> <p>No 1 Section Centre. Quiet day. At night we put out more wire. Seven Turks were reported to be crawling towards our line; they were fired on, after which all was quiet.</p> <p>No 1 Section Left. Uneventful and very little enemy fire, except some shelling in the late afternoon. At night Turks sent up flares at frequent intervals, and about 50 bombs fell in our line.</p> <p>No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.</p> <p>No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16 exclusive. Enemy were active at LONE PINE during the night with stick bombs. We put out more barbed wire and the work of repairing firing line and communication trenches was continued. About 1630 the enemy sent up coloured flares. Along our front from approx the same positions as he displayed flags on the 29th Nov. Estimated enemy accounted for - 1.</p> <p>No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive. Enemy picking underground was heard opposite COURTNEYS at 3 places. At 1015 hostile bombing opposite QUINNS was brisk for a quarter of an hour but was silenced by us. Loopholes made in the parapet of GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH have been destroyed by our snipers. At RUSSELLS TOP good progress was made with the improvement of our trenches. One of our new drives to protect the new firing line on the left is already within hearing distance of Turkish workings underground. Estimated enemy accounted for - 3.</p> <p>Artillery action on our side - No 3 Battery silenced a hostile trench mortar which was firing on the PINE.</p> <p>No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 Q 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.</p> <p>APEX and RHODODENDRON SPUR were shelled between 1630 and 1700 yesterday - no damage done. New fire trench was commenced on the north slope of WARWICK CASTLE, and one was constructed on the north-east slope of FRANKLINS POST (92 Z 4) below the former trench. We put out some more wire and continued work on communication trench up KINGS OWN AVANUE (92 T 8 - U 4).</p> <p>Headquarters NZ MF Bde have moved to 161st Bde old headquarters in AUSTRALIA VALLEY.</p>	

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ANZAC.	2-12-15.		<p>No IV Section. (92 0 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 133rd Bde.</p> <p>The Indian Brigade report a quiet day and night.</p> <p>Mining on Hill 60 progresses as follows:- we are at work on 5 faces; the enemy was heard at 2 places and we blew a camouflet after which no enemy work was heard.</p> <p>The MAIAJIK DERE still interrupts communication with Hill 60 but it is expected this difficulty will be overcome to-day.</p> <p>General. (1) Weather - a calm bright day and much warmer than previous day.</p> <p>(2) Casualties -</p> <table><tr><td></td><td>Officers.</td><td>Men.</td></tr><tr><td>Killed.</td><td>-</td><td>5</td></tr><tr><td>Sick. (evacuated)</td><td>5</td><td>651</td></tr><tr><td>Wounded. (evacuated)</td><td>2</td><td>70</td></tr></table>		Officers.	Men.	Killed.	-	5	Sick. (evacuated)	5	651	Wounded. (evacuated)	2	70	
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			<p>① The daily Intelligence Summary is attached</p> <p>② Fighting strength = approx rifles ⁵⁴⁰ 27,476 guns 101</p>	<p>Appendix ②1</p> <p>" ②2</p>												

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			From 6 a.m. 3rd, To 6 a.m. 4th December, 1915.	
ANZAC.	3-12-15.		<p><u>No 1 Section. CHATHAMS POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.</u></p> <p>Enemy's artillery fire was rather less; his gun at 56 Q 4 again shelled the beach at intervals and fire from guns at 80 Z and 68 N has been intermittent throughout the day. During the night 2nd/3rd CLARKE VALLEY was shelled at intervals from the direction of 68 N.</p> <p>Enemy's working parties again active; our artillery fired at these with good results.</p> <p>At 1335 enemy troops, estimated at 400 and fully equipped, were seen moving through sap 68 R 7-W 1. The column blocked the sap and halted; our guns swept the trench; the party then tried to retire through the sap and were again met by our heavy fire. The Turks then apparently became confused and went into the open where they were again fired at. This party appeared to be reliefs going to the trenches and must have suffered heavy casualties.</p> <p><u>No 1 Section Right. Quiet 24 hours. Enemy did much work all along his front both digging and putting out more wire. Destroyer again did much good shooting.</u></p> <p><u>No 1 Section Centre. Uneventful.</u></p> <p><u>No 1 Section Left. All quiet. Very little sniping by enemy who could be seen throwing up earth in many places; our artillery caused them to cease work in some cases.</u></p> <p><u>No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.</u></p> <p><u>No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16 exclusive. On the whole a quiet day. Patrols reconnoitred OWENS GULLY and ascertained that the Turks at night occupy a trench with overhead cover on the north side of the foot of the JOLLY; also that the enemy patrol the GULLY at night.</u></p> <p>Opposite C4 our catapult did good work in silencing the enemy snipers. A few 75 shells apparently fired from SCRUBBY KNOLL were fired into LONE PINE but no damage was done.</p> <p>Estimated enemy accounted for - 2.</p> <p><u>No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP inclusive. Garland mortar at QUINNS effectively silenced a machine gun which was playing on the trenches.</u></p> <p>A charge of 75 lbs was fired in the right arm of No 32 Tunnel at QUINNS, from where the enemy could be heard working at about 5 feet distance. About 3 seconds after firing there was a secondary explosion causing a violent rush of air through our galleries and slight damage to our main envelope in the vicinity of Tunnel 32. There was no surface displacement and tamping is not displaced. Estimated enemy accounted for - 5.</p> <p><u>No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.</u></p> <p>The APEX was subjected to shell fire yesterday at about 1500 from "W" Hills but no damage was done. At 1910 a sharp burst of rifle fire broke out from the KAIAJIK AGHALA and was immediately followed by a fairly heavy fire all along the Turk lines on the KAIAJIK DERE right up to Hill 100 (92 P/U); this lasted for 15 minutes. Turks fired off a number of rockets and seemed much perturbed.</p> <p>Machine gun on BECKS BLUFF (92 Y 2/80 D/F) killed 2 Turks on enemy's grey trenches to the front of the post.</p>	

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ANZAC.	3-12-15.		<p><u>No III Section continued.</u></p> <p>Machine gun positions and trenches on BATTLESHIP HILL were engaged by "D" Battery, 69th Bde, with good results.</p> <p>At 1400 machine gun on FRANKLINS POST (92 Z 4) engaged a party of the enemy about 150 strong, as they were entering a trench on BULGAR BLUFF (92 Z 2) at a range of 600 yds - the party dispersed in confusion.- casualties estimated at 30 or more. At 1630 another party of the enemy about 50 strong were engaged at the same place - about 12 of this party were wearing white bands on the arm and they were interspersed with the others.</p> <p>A patrol of 1 N.C.O. and 3 men went out from BECKS BLUFF and waited about 80 F 1 and on the approach of a Turk patrol of 12 men bombed them. A later patrol reported 2 dead Turks in same locality. A third patrol accounted for a Turkish sentry, bayoneted by the corporal in charge.</p> <p><u>No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.</u></p> <p><u>Indian Brigade Subsection.</u> There was a quiet day in this subsection except for two bursts of fire from the Turkish lines.</p> <p>There was an exchange of bombs on Hill 60 which drew artillery fire from the enemy without causing any damage.</p> <p>We fired another camouflet in NORFOLK STREET, 92 O 1.</p> <p>The Norfolk Yeomanry relieved the Suffolk Yeomanry in the southern part of NORFOLK STREET.</p> <p><u>General.</u> (1) Weather - mild and overcast; sea calm.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>(2) Casualties.</td><td>Officers.</td><td>Men.</td></tr> <tr> <td>Killed.</td><td>-</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr> <td>Sick. (evacuated)</td><td>10</td><td>224</td></tr> <tr> <td>Wounded. (evacuated)</td><td>2</td><td>21</td></tr> </table>	(2) Casualties.	Officers.	Men.	Killed.	-	1	Sick. (evacuated)	10	224	Wounded. (evacuated)	2	21	
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Killed.	-	1														
Sick. (evacuated)	10	224														
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R. B. Smythe Major G.S. Lieut-General.

less 163 Bde. 1 Field Coy, + 2 Field Amb- Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

① The 54th Div. was ordered to embark tonight + to leave 20 machine guns and the telephones of 163rd Bde + did embark at 163rd Bde

② Intelligence summary is attached

③ Fighting strength = 27975 rifles 101 guns

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Summary of Events

From 6 a.m. 4th

To 6 a.m. 5th December, 1915.

ANZAC. 4-12-15.

No 1 Section. CHATHAM POST (68 G 7) to (68 E 5). 1st Australian Division.

Enemy's guns have been active but the volume of fire has not been greater than the preceding few days. More fire came from guns in the direction of 80 Z 9 and 68 J - 0, and slightly less from 56 Q 4. Our guns retaliated with generally good effect, in several cases inflicting casualties on the enemy.

At 1310 the 8th Battery successfully engaged a large enemy working party at 68 R 2 with excellent results; numerous casualties were seen. While this series was in progress the battery was heavily shelled by four guns from the direction of 68 J - 0.

No 1 Section Right. Quiet 24 hours, except for somewhat enemy heavy sniping in the early part of the night from BIRD TRENCHES and machine gun on GABA TEPPE. Our catapults threw grenades well into TURKISH DESPAIR and it is thought a good deal of damage must have been done. Enemy fired several broomstick bombs which did slight damage. At 0330 a light was reported to be flashing on GABA TEPPE; it appeared to be answering lights from the direction of ANZAC. The destroyer shelled enemy trenches on HARRIS RIDGE during the night; the shooting was good.

No 1 Section Centre. Uneventful 24 hours. We sent out a patrol which returned without having encountered any Turks; their intention was to bring back Turkish ammunition and timber but they were prevented by constant enemy sniping.

No 1 Section Left. Uneventful; enemy sniping spasmodic; but he worked continuously throughout the day improving his trenches although our artillery and machine guns dispersed certain working parties.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 E 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.

No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16, exclusive. This section was shelled by the enemy.

Our artillery A69 shelled some hostile mule transport apparently with good results.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 1.

No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive. Front D16 to COURTHAYS was shelled by 75s and 6 inch - the latter from the direction of 80 S 6/8. Some 79 shells in all were fired.

QUINNS report heavy hostile machine gun fire from 80 S 5 / 4 45 (Trench map No 10).

During the night enemy fired at intervals long bursts from machine gun - objective appeared to be Brigade Headquarters and Supply Depot in MONASH GULLY.

RUSSELLS TOP was shelled by the enemy during the day. Estimated enemy accounted for - 3.

General. Improvement of parapets, offensive mining and erection of wire are proceeding satisfactorily.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 G 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

The APEX and CANTERBURY SLOPE were heavily shelled during the day - estimated that 100 shells were fired - no casualties and but little damage. FRANKLINS POST (92 Z 4) and main bivouac in rear of WARWICK CASTLE (92 Y 6) were also subjected to shelling by an enemy gun NE from latter place.

ANZAC.

4-12-15.

No III Section continued. At 1345 SNIPERS NEST was engaged by 17th Siege Battery and very effective shooting was done - several Turks were seen to crawl along trench giving targets to 2 machine guns. During the night the Turks are reported to have been hard at work on SNIPERS NEST and the Ridge; their works on the NEST itself reported as shattered.

Machine gun at FRANKLINS POST got three good targets at Turks moving to BULGAR BLUFF (92 Z 2) and accounted for 12 although the Turks are moving much more cautiously. Enemy's Red Crescent details were seen to come down trench, but were not fired at as they were alone.

Good effect was obtained by a catapult on an enemy's observation post opposite the Stago Mounted Rifles. Our snipers accounted for 5 Turks.

We put out during the night wire entanglement linking up APEX and CHESHIRE RIDGE. Tunnels are in hand at NEWBERRYS POST (junction of squares 92 Z 2 & 80 D F) and FRANKLINS POST.

No IV Section. (92 Q 1) to SUSAN KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.

The enemy artillery shelled Hill 60 with shrapnel and the supporting trenches with H.E. The enemy also threw many grenades about the size of a pom-pom shell with little effect. On Hill 60 the enemy could be heard mining in two places one of which is very deep. Our mining continues on five faces.

General. (1) Corps Head Quarters was shelled intermittently throughout the day and night.
(2) Weather - mild day - overcast - sea calm.
(3) Casualties.

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	1	4
Sick. (evacuated)	2	133
Wounded. (evacuated)	-	27

Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

C.B. Muli Brig Genl
Lieut-General.

- ① HQ of No IV Section was moved to the HQ vacated by 54 Dv
- ② Daily Intelligence Summary is attached
- ③ Fighting strength: approx rifles 25,900 guns 101

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ANZAC.	5-12-15.	15	<p>From 6 a.m. 5th To 6 a.m. 6th December, 1915.</p> <p><u>No 1 Section. CHATHAM POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.</u> A quiet day on both sides. Our guns fired at enemy transport, parties drilling and trenches on the CHESSBOARD with good effect; they also fired in retaliation. On one occasion an enemy stretcher party was seen at work after our gun had ceased firing. <u>No 1 Section Right.</u> Very quiet 24 hours. Enemy sniped moderately and put out barbed wire all along our front. Our catapult fired effectively at TURKISH DESPAIR trenches at 2200; Destroyer did some good shooting. <u>No 1 Section Centre.</u> Quiet day. At 2010 Turks could be heard talking and hammering stakes into the ground apparently on the point of SNIPERS RIDGE; no movement could be discerned. At 0500 what appeared to be a star shell visible for 2 minutes was observed above OLIVE GROVE. <u>No 1 Section Left.</u> Uneventful. <u>No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.</u> <u>No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16(ex)</u> This section was shelled by the enemy. The enemy were seen in OWENS GULLY and were dispersed by rifle fire. Estimated enemy accounted for - nil. <u>No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive.</u> D16 to COURTNEYS - an enemy mine was blown up near STEELES POST and a further explosion at 2245 without causing damage. This portion of line was shelled from 0800 to 0805 causing slight damage and no casualties. COURTNEYS to RUSSELLS TOP - an enemy machine gun fired over bomb crater at No 3 Post RUSSELLS TOP but was silenced by GARLAND mortar. Shells were fired at RUSSELLS TOP from direction of CHESSBOARD and 80 A 2.3.4.5. at 1050; guns believed to be both 75s. Estimated enemy accounted for - 3. <u>No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 0 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.</u> Between noon and 1300 the enemy's artillery shelled FRANKLINS and NEWBERRYS Posts, the regimental areas of NZ.M. Rifles, but except for a small portion of Otago Mtd Rifles line, no damage to trenches, but the gullies behind were searched in a manner not before attempted. H.E. shells fell in Old No 3 Post, in SAZLI BEIT DERE and in vicinity of No 2 Post and Divisional Headquarters, the latter being shelled for fully half an hour. During shelling of our area by enemy with H.E. the 4th, 5th and 17th Siege Batteries retaliated on PINNACLE, FARM trenches and Hill 100 (92 P/W). At 1530 the 17th Siege Battery and 6th Howitzer Battery joined in a bombardment of Hill 60 - the top of one hummock was removed and the effect appeared to be good. Two Turks were accounted for going to BULGAR BLUFF, one thought to be an officer by his dress. <u>No IV Section. (92 0 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.</u> There was a quiet period in this section. The enemy were heard working underground at Hill 60. Our mining in this locality is being pushed ahead. Our howitzers bombarded the enemy trenches on Hill 60 and the shooting appeared effective. Work is being concentrated on clearing the communication across the KAI AJIK DERE.</p>	

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			From 6 a.m. 6th To 6 a.m. 7th December, 1915.	
ANZAC.	6-12-15.		<p><u>No 1 Section. CHATHAMS POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.</u> As far as artillery activity is concerned there was a normal day. At 1200 a report was received from the 2nd LH. Bde that a submarine had been sighted off GABA TEPE - our observing officers and special reconnaissance failed to locate it although the officer who reported it, who has had many years experience at sea, is positive he saw the ripple moving south from GABA TEPE for a distance of about a mile and a quarter. <u>No 1 Section Right.</u> Quiet 24 hours. Very little sniping by enemy. We have put out a lot more wire; the enemy have done the same. <u>No 1 Section Centre.</u> All quiet. We put out some more wire and brought in 25 logs from deserted Turkish works in front of our line. <u>No 1 Section Left.</u> Very quiet. <u>No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.</u> Between 1430 and 1450 about 32 shells coming apparently from 80 S 5/8 fell on our line between D16 and COURTNEYS causing damage to parapets and traverses. Otherwise enemy's artillery action was normal on our front. <u>No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16 exclusive.</u> Our wire entanglements opposite LONE PINE were somewhat damaged by shell fire. Estimated enemy accounted for - 4. <u>No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive.</u> From our tunnel 45 A at QUINNS enemy can be heard working - this is the first time he has been heard since we blew on the 3rd inst. Both QUINNS and POPES report great activity in bombing. Estimated enemy accounted for - 2. <u>No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 @ 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.</u> A few shrapnel fell on mule road near DESTROYER HILL without causing damage. The Blockhouse at PINNACLE (80 K 1/2) was again demolished by our 17th Siege Battery. Our Hotchkiss gun blew in a sandbagged position near 80 F 5. Our snipers accounted for 5 Turks on 5th inst and 6 yesterday, one reported as a German artillery observer. <u>No IV Section. (92 @ 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.</u> There was a quiet period in Indian Bde line. On Hill 60 fewer grenades than usual were thrown but more bombs. At 1100 the enemy broke into one of our galleries on Hill 60 and shots were exchanged. We have erected a barricade and posted sentries in the gallery. In the Eastern Mtd Bde subsection there is little to report. Our work on new sap in KAIJIK DERE drew some enemy fire at night. <u>General. (1) Weather - mild and bright - sea calm.</u></p>	

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ANZAC.	6-12-15.		<p><u>General.</u></p> <p>Casualties.</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">Killed.</p> <p style="margin-left: 80px;">(a) Sick.</p> <p style="margin-left: 80px;">(a) Wounded.</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">Officers.</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">Men.</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">- 8</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">8 147</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">- 28</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">(a) Clearing Hospital only; evacuations nil.</p>	

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ANZAC	6 Dec		<p>Page 3</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Gen. Birdwood called with Brig Gen Munn and went out to left flank Arrangements were made for officers & NCOs of 1st Aus Div to attend a course of instruction at the Bombing School of 42 Div Artilles on 11/12/15 A submarine was reported by 2nd LHBds off Gaba Tpe. The ships were informed and shore guns ordered to engage it. This is the second or third time a submarine has been reported off Gaba Tpe and on each occasion there was a flat calm & no submarine attack followed Instructions were issued to ensure artillery fire being promptly directed ^{without delay} on submarines seen off ANZAC The daily Intelligence Summary is attached Fighting strength = 23,925 rifles approx 101 guns 	<p>appendix (1)</p> <p>" (2)</p> <p>R. B. Smythe Major Genl</p>

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ANZAC.	7-12-15.		<p>From 6 a.m. 7th To 6 a.m. 8th December, 1915.</p> <p><u>No 1 Section. CHATHAMS POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.</u> Fairly quiet day. At 1330 an enemy gun firing from the direction of 80 U fired 55 rounds at No.2 gun, 5th Battery. At 1420, 1st Infantry Brigade reported enemy moving heavy guns with 6 horse teams south of the OLIVE GROVES. As this target was beyond the range of our guns the Navy was asked to shoot. <u>No 1 Section Right.</u> Quiet 24 hours. Enemy sniped very little but worked hard digging and putting out wire. Catapults did very good work. <u>No 1 Section Centre.</u> Turkish machine gun and rifle fire very active all night sweeping up and down parapets. At intervals during the night enemy fired a new type of bomb hitherto unknown in this section; it seems to have a very high velocity and to be fired from about sq 68 B 8 - H 3, but no audible explosions are reported. <u>No 1 Section Left.</u> Enemy machine guns active during the night especially from our left front. Enemy also fired several white flares and about 40 of his bombs fell in this section. <u>No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.</u> Enemy's artillery fairly active in firing in morning and afternoon, but little damage done except at RUSSELLS TOP where some 6" shells fell from the direction of 80 O 2.3.6.5 damaging parapets which have since been repaired. 17th Siege Battery registered on enemy's trenches to the left of POPES; 5th Battery did considerable damage to enemy's bomb screen and entanglements opposite POPES and to the enemy's trenches at 80 S 2 / a 4.5. (Trench map No.10.) <u>No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16, exclusive.</u> Except for shelling a quiet day and night. B8 Tunnel LONE PINE was unaltered and deep shelter mining has been started. Estimated enemy accounted for - 1. <u>No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive.</u> COURTNEYS report that enemy picking was heard about 20 feet distant from our 1 A and also from D 9, A 4 and D 26. Enemy opposite POPES have done a good deal of digging in GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCHES. At RUSSELLS TOP the 28th Battalion has taken over command of posts from 26th Battalion and the relief will be completed by night. Improvements to parapets near naval light have been completed and work on deep dug-outs continues. Estimated enemy accounted for - 5. <u>No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.</u> The APEX and the bivouacs in rear of WARWICK CASTLE were shelled in the afternoon by 75s; we suffered 2 casualties at the APEX but none in the bivouacs. "D" Battery, 69th Brigade shelled trenches and loopholes on BATTLESHIP Hill with good results, making 2 large gaps in enemy trenches. Enemy removed barbed wire from in front of their trenches in front of FARM leaving supports standing. At the APEX we fired a mine the result of which is not yet reported. Two or three miners suffered from fumes in attempting to enter the tunnel in which the mine was fired - they have since recovered.</p>	

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ANZAC.	7-12-15.		<p>No III Section continued.</p> <p>Our machine guns got good targets at BULGAR BLUFF (92 Z 2) and at working parties on trenches in front of WARWICK CASTLE. A snipers post opposite CARISBROOK Post (92 O 9) was successfully broken up by converging fire from several rifles. Our catapult work on Hill 100 (92 P/U) was good.</p> <p>No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.</p> <p>There was a quiet period in this section.</p> <p>On Hill 60 the enemy crawled out of his trenches at night and endeavoured to put out of action with grenades a newly placed machine gun of ours - they were unsuccessful.</p> <p>Mining activity on both sides continues on Hill 60.</p> <p>General.</p> <p>(1) Weather - bright and warm - sea calm.</p> <p>(2) HMS "Grafton" and two monitors shelled guns 56 Q to V. The shooting appeared to be good.</p> <p>(3) Casualties.</p> <table><tr><td></td><td>Officers.</td><td>Men.</td></tr><tr><td>Killed.</td><td>-</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>Sick. (evacuated)</td><td>4</td><td>45</td></tr><tr><td>Wounded. (evacuated)</td><td>1</td><td>2</td></tr></table> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>C.B.B. White</i> Lieut-General.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.</p>		Officers.	Men.	Killed.	-	2	Sick. (evacuated)	4	45	Wounded. (evacuated)	1	2	
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ANZAC	7 Dec		<p>page 3</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> ① General Burdwood visited Anzac ② HMS Grafton and two Monitors shelled guns 56 Q.-s for 30 minutes at a fast rate and made good shooting ③ Immediately afterwards the 1st Inf Bde reported that the enemy could be seen moving heavy guns with 6 horse teams 3500 yards south of OLIVE GROVE guns - The ships were informed, but delay occurred thro not being able to spot from the usual observing station - a few rounds were fired unobserved. ④ Instructions were issued to ensure artillery cooperation between ANZAC + IX Corps ⑤ " " as to the hours for rendering reports. ⑥ The daily Intelligence Summary is attached ⑦ Fighting strength = approx rifles 74,75 gun 101 	<p>Gen Staff Circular No 5</p> <p>Appx ①</p> <p>" ②</p> <p>R. B. Slaughter May 95</p>

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ANZAC.	8-12-15.		<p>From 6 a.m. 8th To 6 a.m. 9th December, 1915.</p> <p><u>No 1 Section. CHATHAMS POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.</u> Very quiet day marked chiefly by diminution of enemy fire from 56 Q 4 and silence from 68 N group, although our 8th Battery, which has formed their chief target for several days past, fired several times during the day. The 9.2" gun which fired on BROWNS DIP, McCAYS HILL and BRIGHTON BEACH at 1630 lies on a magnetic bearing of 80° from 68 B 3 - C 60 (Trench map No 11.). Our guns fired in retaliation with satisfactory results dispersing enemy working parties and damaging their parapets.</p> <p><u>No 1 Section Right.</u> Quiet 24 hours. Between 1530 and 1430 a machine gun in TURKISH DESPAIR trenches fired on WILSONS LOOKOUT doing considerable damage to our sandbags. During the night a red light was seen on BABA TEPE and enemy fired several red flares. We put out more barbed wire. At 0500 some Turks came out to collect rifles lying close in front of RURIENS POST; they were fired on but it was too dark to see the result.</p> <p><u>No 1 Section Centre.</u> A party sent out by 1st Battalion secured more timber and grenade proof netting from works formerly occupied by Turks in front of LEANES; these works were thoroughly searched without result. A Turkish patrol approached our line near the CORNFIELD but retired on being bombed.</p> <p><u>No 1 Section Left.</u> Normal conditions in this section.</p> <p><u>No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.</u> Enemy's artillery shelled LONE PINE trenches at 1145 by small gun from SCRUBBY KNOLL; at 1320 by 10-pdr from ANDERSONS KNOLL and during the day by 75s from CHESSBOARD. At 1640 large Howitzers passed over LONE PINE trenches coming from a point approximately 80 degrees from LONE PINE. RUSSELLS TOP was also shelled by 75s and 6" Howitzers during the day. Our artillery destroyed 2 panels of enemy's chevaux de frise opposite POPES and put shells in trenches at 80 S 2 / a. The CHESSBOARD was also shelled by our guns and naval guns during the afternoon.</p> <p><u>No 11 Section. LONE PINE to D16 exclusive.</u> Movement of troops heard at foot of WIRE GULLY and in communication trench towards SNIPERS TRENCH. Estimated enemy accounted for - 2.</p> <p><u>No 11 Section. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive.</u> Enemy raising height of trenches on spur running north from QUINNS. Our maxim gun fired on the enemy's maxim gun at 80 X 7 / b 60 (Trench map No 11) and silenced enemy's gun. Estimated enemy accounted for - 1.</p> <p><u>No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.</u> The NZ.MR.Bde line was shelled causing 5 casualties. An enemy's machine gun fired on a party working on a new line trench in front of WARWICK CASTLE causing 2 casualties.</p> <p>At 2040 a patrol in KAIJIK DERE reported a party of about 50 Turks moving towards Hill 60 - Eastern Mtd Bde were warned; nothing further was seen. In front of CANTERBURY Mtd Rifles the Turks from SANDBAG RIDGE (92 U 5) last night cut our wire entanglements and swung back a length of 12 feet of French wire - a party was sent out and repaired the cut wire and were not interfered with.</p>	

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ANZAC.	8-12-15.		<p><u>No III Section continued.</u></p> <p>Our artillery fire on BATTLESHIP Hill by 4" Battery and on SNIPERS NEST by 17th Siege Battery had excellent results; during the latter the Turk telephone wire was cut. No movement on the NEST reported during the night. One of our mines was fired at APEX during night; the result is not yet known but is believed satisfactory.</p> <p>Our second line in rear of Secret Sap, ^{was} joined up with APEX. Five branches ^{were} made in new sap in front of CANTERBURY Mtd Rifles left, so that it is now a complete fire trench.</p> <p>Our snipers accounted for 3 Turks and 2 periscopes in SNIPERS NEST.</p> <p><u>No IV Section. (92 0 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.</u></p> <p>There was a quiet period throughout this subsection except on Hill 60 where there was considerable mining activity.</p> <p>Enemy's mining has proceeded energetically especially in locality of ASH LANE. Consequently we prepared further charges and at 0745 to-day fired a camouflet in G 6; three seconds afterwards two more detonations were heard thought to be caused by enemy charges being exploded consequent on our explosion. Clouds of black smoke were seen in front of ASH LANE. At 0750 we exploded another camouflet and a second loud report evidenced the detonation of yet another enemy mine. After 10 seconds a third report was heard which mining officer thinks was a mine fired by the enemy himself. Investigation is proceeding. After yesterdays camouflets we picked up pieces of fuse proving that enemy had mines laid.</p> <p><u>General.</u></p> <p>Weather mild and bright - sea calm.</p>	

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

CASUALTIES. 8th December, 1915.

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	-	4
Sick. (evacuated)	2	356
Wounded. (evacuated)	1	41

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ANZAC	8 Dec 1918		<p>page 3</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> ① General Birdwood visits Anzac ② Lt Col Wagstaff AARQMG received orders to proceed to AHQ to take up duties of AMS ③ Lt Col Lord CC Bentinck was appointed to succeed as AARQMG ④ Instructions were received from AHQ not to show evacuations in Summary but on separate sheet ⑤ Intelligence Summary is attached ⑥ Fighting strength = 	<p>app^x (1) 1</p> <p>" (2) 2</p> <p><u>R. B. Smith Major</u></p>

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			From 6 a.m. 9th To 6 a.m. 10th December, 1915.	
ANZAC. 9-12-15.			<p><u>No 1 Section. CHATHAMS POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.</u></p> <p>Quiet until about 1430 when, possibly in retaliation for ships fire on HARRIS RIDGE, Turks opened a brisk fire on LONE PINE, McCAYS RIDGE and RYRIES POST. A heavy gun also fired at BROWNS DIP from about 80 Z 9. Enemy's guns fired salvoes concentrating on No 3 gun, 8th Battery, just above Divisional Headquarters; the sergeant in charge was wounded and dial slightly damaged. The enemy had apparently moved his guns further south for this purpose. Our guns fired in retaliation and engaged working parties. At 1625 a hostile aeroplane passed overhead; some darts were dropped also three bombs which did not explode.</p> <p><u>No 1 Section Right. HMS "Grafton" fired at HARRIS RIDGE; only 5 shots took effect. Enemy shelled firing line at RYRIES POST and caused considerable damage to parapets. During the night Turks threw grenades into WILSONS LOOKOUT; one of these contained liquid. We put out more wire.</u></p> <p><u>No 1 Section Centre. By day our snipers kept the enemy quiet but at night hostile snipers and machine gun s were more active than usual resulting in a loss to us of 1 killed and 3 wounded who were outside parapets putting out wire. LEANES TRENCH and the CORNFIELD were shelled during the afternoon with some damage to parapets, but enemy's guns fired mostly to our right at RYRIES POST. Turks are now using a new "scatter" mortar but no pellets have yet been found. One enemy scout approached our line during the night.</u></p> <p><u>No 1 Section Left. Uneventful. Enemy snipers quieter during the day. The left of SILT SPUR was shelled between 1500 and 1600 with slight damage to trenches.</u></p> <p><u>No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.</u></p> <p>LONE PINE was shelled with 75 m/ms from direction of JOHNSTONES JOLLY; 8.2" firing during the afternoon. RUSSELLS TOP was shelled by 75 mms and by a 6" Howitzer which opened apparently from BATTLESHIP HILL and also from guns on "W" HILLS. Slight damage was done. Our artillery retaliated on guns shelling LONE PINE and enemy's fire ceased.</p> <p><u>No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16 exclusive. Hostile aeroplane appeared during the day but retreated when fired on.</u></p> <p><u>No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive. Three panels of enemy's chevaux de frise were destroyed by bombs opposite QUINNS at 2030. An enemy working party was dispersed opposite POPES. At 0120 we threw bombs effectively into enemy trenches opposite POPES. RUSSELLS TOP trenches are being deepened at dangerous points and are also being drained. The Turks opened 5 holes in line between H 3 Crater and their own trenches at 80 N 7; this is probably a gallery and can be easily bombed. Estimated enemy, periscopes and rifles accounted for - 6, 15, and 3.</u></p> <p><u>No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 N 7) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.</u></p> <p>The Turks fired on APEX with 75 mm guns without causing any damage and later shelled area beyond AUSTRALIA VALLEY; in the morning left of MR. Bde trenches were shelled causing 2 casualties. Our Howitzer gun caused considerable commotion in communication trench near 80 F 5.</p>	

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ANZAC.	9-12-15.		<p><u>No 111 Section continued.</u></p> <p>Turk machine gun on GREEN KNOLL (in advance of FRANKLINS POST 92 Z 4) fired at 1900 and 2105; after second burst our machine gun got on to the spot and enemy did not fire again.</p> <p>Patrol from NEWBERRYS POST heard enemy repairing wire due east of our lines and north of AGHYL DERE - by prearranged signal machine gun got on to the spot evidently with good results from the howling heard. An officers patrol reconnoitred along AGHYL DERE to 500 yds from 80 F 4, 92 Z 7, 80 O 3 and back to barricade. The commander reports that our previous surmise that enemy had removed wire in this locality is incorrect, on the contrary wire has been advanced 50 yds and screened with bushes; several Turks were met but were avoided as our object was to get information. New trenches reported near 80 D 5/6 near road in front of FARM - telephone wires to this trench were cut. Two Turks were seen inspecting wire entanglements near 80 F 3; one was accounted for by machine gun at DURRANTS POST (80 D 6/9). Our snipers accounted for 4 Turks.</p> <p><u>No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.</u></p> <p>NORFOLK STREET (92 O 1-4) was shelled by the enemy for an hour but no damage is reported.</p> <p>Mining work was continued on both sides but otherwise there was a quiet period.</p> <p><u>General.</u></p> <p>Weather warm and bright - sea calm.</p>	

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

CASUALTIES for 9th December, 1915.

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	-	4
Sick. (evacuated)	8	333
Wounded. (evacuated)	1	58

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ANZAC.	10-12-15.		<p><u>No 1 Section. CHATHAMS POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.</u> Enemy artillery showed very little activity; shelling on beach much less than usual. Our 8th, 9th and Heavy Batteries co-operated with the Navy in the bombardment of squares 56 Q, 56 W, north-western half, and 55 Z, eastern half. The bombardment commenced at 1130 and lasted for 27 minutes. Our artillery observers are of the opinion that the fire of the Navy was well directed and should have been effective; the whole area occupied by enemy guns was well searched and swept. Within 3 minutes of the cessation of the bombardment an unlocated enemy gun apparently from the bombarded area fired a few rounds on the beach. At 1310 shortly after the bombardment, HMS "Bacchante" moved closer to shore and repeated some of her work of 25th April last, when she stood close in and shelled GABA TEPE. We were all glad to see and hear the "Bacchante" back again.</p> <p><u>No 1 Section Right.</u> Quiet 24 hours; very little enemy sniping. We put out some barbed wire. The destroyer did good shooting, every shot with the exception of three, hit the target.</p> <p><u>No 1 Section Centre.</u> Situation normal; nothing to report.</p> <p><u>No 1 Section Left.</u> Unusually quiet 24 hours; very little enemy sniping or shelling.</p> <p><u>No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to (80 M 5). 2nd Australian Division.</u> The enemy artillery shelled practically the whole of the line of this section but caused little damage. 75 mm guns engaged LONE PINE; direction of fire not given. POPES was fired at from WINEGLASS RIDGE, and RUSSELLS TOP was shelled by both 75 mm and 6" Howitzer from direction of BATTLESHIP HILL.</p> <p>The enemy showed great activity with bombs opposite POPES where we damaged with our bombs some of their bomb screen.</p> <p><u>No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.</u> No enemy activity is reported. We put out more wire in front of OTAGO Mtd Rifles line. Our Hotchkiss gun blew in loopholed position near 80 F 8.</p> <p>A patrol from the Canterbury Battalion sent out from CHESHIRE RIDGE collected some equipment from the AGHYL DERE. A special patrol sent out from Wellington Mtd Rifles which was connected by telephone to machine gun caused it to open fire on a party of about 20 Turks passing along KAIAJIK DERE with good results. The position of telephone was not disclosed as buzzer key was not used but a signal made by pressing the "button".</p> <p>We continued work on our shelters and communications.</p> <p><u>No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde.</u> There was a little shelling by the enemy of Hill 60.</p> <p>Mining continues on both sides otherwise there is nothing to report.</p> <p><u>General.</u> Weather mild and overcast - sea calm.</p>		

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ANZAC	10 Dec		<p>page 2</p> <p>① The daily Intelligence Summary is attached</p> <p>② Fighting strength = approx rifles guns</p>	<p>app^x ①</p> <p>" ②</p>

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

CASUALTIES. for 10th December, 1915.

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	1	5
Sick, (evacuations)	8	528
Wounded. (evacuations)	-	60

R. W. Murray
Lieut-General.
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

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			From 6 a.m. 11th To 6 a.m. 12th December, 1915.	
ANZAC.	11-12-15.		<p><u>No 11 Section. CHATHAM POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.</u></p> <p>A very quiet day. The beach was shelled as usual at intervals but the gun could not be located and the shooting was erratic. 7th Battery, LONE PINE, POPES and RUSSELLS TOP were shelled - but enemy did not fire much. Our guns fired in retaliation damaging enemy parapets and searching his communications.</p> <p>Throughout the section there was a quieter day than usual.</p> <p><u>No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to (80 M 5). 2nd Australian Division.</u></p> <p>An enemy 75 mm from direction of WINEGLASS and SCRUBBY KNOLL shelled LONE PINE to D16 wrecking one post and damaging 5. H.E. shells were fired on to COURTNEYS from 80 S 5. RUSSELLS TOP was shelled by 75s and H.E. from direction of BATTLESHIP Hill; some 75s seemed to come from behind CHESSBOARD. Slight damage was caused. Our artillery silenced 75s firing on LONE PINE; Howitzer Battery A69 silenced their stick bomb mortar. Our artillery destroyed bomb screen opposite middle of POPES.</p> <p><u>No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16, exclusive.</u> The enemy was active with stick bombs from JOHNSTONES JOLLY. Our patrols entered WIRE GULLY but saw no movement.</p> <p><u>No 11 Section Left. D16 to (80 M 5).</u> The enemy has been busy improving and extending his trenches.</p> <p><u>No 11 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.</u></p> <p>Throughout the day the enemy shelled different areas but only wounded one man.</p> <p>A Turk mortar threw bombs into the APEX and on to Upper CHESHIRE Ridge without causing damage.</p> <p>Enemy's machine gun on HACKNEY WICK (92 Z 7) and GREEN KNOLL swept our firing line and the flat between FRANKLINS POST and BECKS BLUFF at intervals during the night.</p> <p>6th Battery fired at guns 106 I 1/2. At 2230 SNIPERS NEST was engaged by 'D' Battery, 69th. Bde; very good results being obtained - 4 direct hits and 9 others very effective.</p> <p>More wire entanglement put out in front of Canterbury Mounted Rifles and an advanced post rebuilt during the night. Our snipers accounted for 3 Turks.</p> <p><u>No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde.</u></p> <p>There was a quiet period in this section.</p> <p>Communications along the trench line across the KAIATAIK DERE is restored and a new fire trench is nearly completed.</p> <p>General. Fine and overcast - sea calm.</p> <p>Heather</p>	

R. B. Smythe Major G.S. for

Lieut-General.

Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

CASUALTIES for 11th December, 1915.

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	3	2
Sick.	(4	109
Wounded.	(-	12
Evacuations nil.		

R. B. Smythe Major General Lieut-General.

Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

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ANZAC	11 Dec.		<p>page 2</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) General Birdwood came over from ANZAC and visited right flank (2) Genl Godley went to Suva (3) A submarine was reported off Gaba Tepe - Ships ANZAC + 8th Corps were informed (4) Daily Intelligence Summary - Appendix <u>(21)</u> / (5) Fighting strength = approx rifles guns appx <u>(22)</u> 2 	See messages R. M. H. M. H.

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Summary of events from 6 a.m. 12th to 6 a.m. 13th December, 1915.

ANZAC.

12-12-15.

No 1 Section. CHATHAMS POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.

There was rather more fire to-day from enemy's guns. The beach was shelled by 2 guns from 56 Q 4 and by another gun apparently firing at closer range though approximately in the same line. At 1315 our 6th Battery searched in the vicinity of enemy's howitzers near KOJA CHIMEN TEPE. This drew heavy fire in retaliation from enemy's 75s which fired salvoes of 4 guns at our trenches. It is much regretted that one round from the 17th Siege Battery fell too close to our trenches in LONE PINE; 2 men were killed and 3 wounded. An immediate investigation was made but it was found impossible to explain this abnormal round. Lieut Skeen, F.O.O. was killed and the relieving F.O.O. Lieut Aarons was wounded by a 4.2" shell which fell in their dug-out at RUSSELLS TOP.

No 1 Section Right. Quiet 24 hours; very persistent sniping by enemy. We put out wire all along our front and erected a fence down to the sea near CHATHAMS POST. Enemy fired a number of broomstick bombs during the night but little damage was done.

No 1 Section Left. Enemy quiet during the night; 1st Battalion report a marked silence in front of them, i.e., in front of LEANES TRENCH and the CORNFIELD. At 1430 enemy shelled POPPY VALLEY and dropped 22 shells but we had only one casualty. Enemy working party on KNIFE EDGE was fired on by our machine guns; cries of "Allah" were plainly heard. We sent out patrols who searched the steep hillside immediately in front of us; no enemy seen. We put out more wire.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to (80 M 5). 2nd Australian Division.

Enemy artillery. 75 mms from WINEGLASS RIDGE shelled LONE PINE. COURTNEYS was shelled from 68 D 1 without damage and by a 6" from BATTLESHIP Hill which damaged two of our parapets. Considerable damage was caused at RUSSELLS TOP and some at QUINNS by 6" shells.

No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16, exclusive. Vigorous bombing and sniping by enemy during the night.

No 11 Section Left. D16 to (80 M 5) both inclusive. At COURTNEYS only a small amount of rifle fire and grenade fire reported. Unusually quiet for last 24 hours at QUINNS and RUSSELLS TOP. Enemy heightening earth work at 80 X 1 / b 32-46 by about 3 feet during the night. Earth is still being thrown up at GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH. Many stick bombs and cricket ball bombs thrown at POPES during the night.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 D 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

Enemy activity. WARWICK CASTLE, FRANKLINS Post and trenches of NZ.MR. Brigade were shelled about 1100 and 1500 and some of the fire appeared directed on new wire entanglement put out by Canterbury Mtd Rifles. At 1900 a 75 mm gun fired over Otago Mtd Rifles apparently from a new position. In front of APEX and upper CHESHIRE Ridge up to midnight enemy's fire was a little more than usual but after this normal. Turks exploded charge in one of their tunnels in front of APEX - no casualties were caused and practically no damage. Two enemy's bombs fell in bivouac area No 1 Post without causing damage. An enemy machine gun located in their second line trenches bearing 130° from NEWBERRYS Post (92 Y 2/80 D/F) was silenced by our fire being concentrated on it.

Our activity. 4th A.I. Brigade took over portion of line held by Auckland Mtd Rifles. Additional wire entanglement was put out by us in MALONE GULLY and SAZLI BEIT DERE. Our Hotchkiss gun and machine guns fired at enemy's machine gun pit about 80 yds east of 80 F 8 partly demolishing it and causing an explosion and dense smoke.

ANZAC.
12-12-15.

No III Section continued.

Artillery. 2nd Battery fired at enemy's observation station 93 L 1 and registered trenches about 92 P 1/5. 69th Brigade fired into gully by ABDUL RAHMAN BAIR where bivouac smoke was rising; registered NEK trenches, at machine gun emplacement on BABY 700 obtaining 3 direct hits. Mountain artillery fired at machine gun position at request of NZ.MR.Brigade. Other usual targets were engaged.

No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde.

Enemy activity. There was some shelling of Hill 60 by 75s and enemy machine guns were active throughout the night. The Turks have been heard working underground in 3 places on Hill 60 and also under DORST CASTLE on the left of the section.

Our activity. We are working at 4 faces underground at Hill 60 and we fired a camouflet this morning. We sent out patrols who reported no enemy movement. One prisoner came in.

General. Weather. Mild and overcast - sea calm. A light S.W. wind has been blowing since 0800 to-day.

R.W. Smythe Maj 45 for

Lieut-General.

Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

① Daily Intelligence Summary is attached

Appendix (=) /

② Fighting strength approx rifles guns

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Summary of events from 6 a.m. 13th to 6 a.m. 14th December, 1915.

ANZAC.
13-12-15.

No 1 Section. CHATHAMS POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.

Enemy shelled the beach persistently throughout the day, although his most active gun was not located it appeared to be just east of 56 Q 4. Our guns engaged enemy's troops and several working parties.

No 1 Section Right. Quiet 24 hours; enemy sniped very little. Japanese mortar and catapults were used with good effect against working parties in TURKISH DESPAIR.

No 1 Section Left. We used machine guns and sniping to prevent enemy movement during the night; they replied very little. We put out wire all along our front. Enemy fired more shrapnel bombs at ALLAN GULLY. One Turk was heard on SILT SPUR but he ran away. A searchlight was observed from the east; it apparently signalled "gm" six times in succession.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to (80 M 7). 2nd Australian Division.

Enemy activity. COURTNEY'S was shelled, one man being killed and two of our parapets damaged. Considerable damage was done to parapets and to a machine gun emplacement and to the tripod of the gun by enemy howitzer. At 2000 enemy patrols approached our line at Post 17 No 1 Section and old communication trench opposite Post 9 but were driven back by bombs. Enemy's patrol was reported in WIRE GULLY moving within 50 yds of our trenches. Enemy improved breastworks at 80 X 1 / b 27-21 and 80 X 1 / c 59. Enemy erected 15 feet chevaux de frise opposite centre of this post (QUINNS). At RUSSELLS TOP the enemy exploded a mine near L 11 but little damage was caused.

Our activity. At LONE PINE we ceased fire from 2200 to 2300 and the enemy fire slackened in consequence.

Our patrol in OWENS GULLY saw no enemy movement.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 7), to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

Enemy activity. The trenches of NZ.MR. Brigade were shelled both morning and afternoon but no damage was done. FRANKLINS POST was shelled just before noon, also main bivouac in rear of WARWICK CASTLE - there were no casualties but the parapet of former post was knocked about. Enemy was active with rifle and machine gun fire in front of APEX and CHESHIRE RIDGE till 2100. A number of broomstick bombs burst over bivouac No 1 Post yesterday, and 3 or 4 bombs were thrown into APEX trenches - no damage was done. The enemy has put out additional wire in front of GREEN KNOLL.

Our activity. Our snipers accounted for one Turk. A Turk of 6th Regiment gave himself up last evening to Wellington Mtd Rifles. Our artillery engaged the usual targets.

No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde.

Enemy activity. The enemy shelled Hill 60 with 75 mms and with large H.E. shells causing 3 casualties. During the night there was enemy activity with grenades and bombs on Hill 60 and he was heard working underground in at least one place on this Hill. In one shaft shots were exchanged underground. At NORFOLK STREET the enemy can also be heard underground in two places.

Our activity. We fired a camouflet on Hill 60. The KAJAJIK DERE trench was completed and manned and we put out wire in front of NORFOLK STREET.

General. Weather. Light S.W. wind all day which dropped in the evening.

R. B. Smythe Major GS for
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps. Lieut-General.



AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

CASUALTIES for 13th December, 1915.

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	1	2
Sick.	12	198
Wounded.	1	26

Note. Return of evacuations not yet to hand.

R. M. Smythe Major General

Lieut-General.

Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.



AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

CASUALTIES for 13th December, 1915.

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	1	2
Sick.	12	198
Wounded.	1	26

Note. Return of evacuations not yet to hand.

R. B. Smythe Major-General for Lieut-General.
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

WAR DIARY

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Summary of events from 6 a.m. to 6 a.m. 14th and 15th December, 1915.

ANZAC.

14-12-15.

No 1 Section. CHATHAM POST (88 3 7) to (88 3 8). 1st Australian Division.

Enemy artillery showed little activity during the morning but were busier during the afternoon from 1430 onwards. At 1815 a hostile aeroplane approached from the east; it was engaged by the anti-aircraft gun and it then turned east; again engaged at 1825 and finally flew eastwards out of sight. Our field guns fired in retaliation and searched enemy communications. Our howitzers fired aeroplane registrations of enemy guns. Enemy shelled beach at intervals of a few minutes at increased rate. Rounds were fired in pairs as if 2 guns were in action but it is thought that only 1 gun was really firing.

No 1 Section Right. Quiet 24 hours; enemy sniping heavier than usual. We put out more wire along our front. Fewer broomstick bombs than usual.

No 1 Section Left. Quiet night; situation normal. We put out more wire between 0200 and 0230; our covering parties and patrols encountered no Turks and all returned safely.

No 11 Section. LONG PINE (89 3 3) to (89 3 5). 2nd Australian Division.

Enemy activity. LONG PINE, RUSSELLS TOP and POPES were shelled during the day but no damage was done. At COUNTEYS and QUINNS the enemy was active extending and improving his trenches. Many periscopes were seen in enemy trenches.

Our activity. We sent patrols into OWENS and WIRE Gullies; they report no movement of the enemy.

We accounted for 1 Turk.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (89 3 5) to (92 0 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

Enemy activity. During early part of night Turks fired 4 bombs into APEX without causing damage. An enemy's aeroplane passed overhead and dropped steel arrows over Canterbury Mtd Rifles bivouac - no damage was done.

Our activity. A Turk working party on their entanglements opposite main sap was quickly dispersed by our catapults, and a party heard digging on FARM was stopped by our machine gun. A small party of enemy seen on cliffs edge under BABY 700 withdrew when fired on by our machine guns. Our Japanese mortar at APEX fired with good results. Our artillery fired at SNIPERS NEST during afternoon and again about 2115 with very satisfactory results; also on night lines at SANDBAG RIDGE (92 0 5). The Mountain artillery fired at machine gun emplacement on SANDBAG RIDGE and at 105 X 8. Other usual targets engaged. In No 6 NZ Battery a shell exploded at the muzzle of the gun destroying the gun, killing 2 men and wounding 3.

No IV Section. (92 0 1) to SUSAN KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde.

Enemy activity. In front of the Indian Bde the enemy did some digging and cut fresh wood with covering parties in front. On the front of the Eastern Mtd Bde there was less enemy rifle fire than usual.

Our activity. We sent out patrols in various directions, put out more wire and silenced an enemy machine gun.

General. Weather - mild and overcast - sea calm till 0100, 15th, when a strong easterly wind sprang up.

R. B. Smythe Major G.S. Jn
Lieut-General.
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

CASUALTIES for 14th December, 1915.

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	-	4
Sick.	3	176
Wounded.	-	24

Note:- Return of evacuations not yet to hand.

R. B. Smythe Major GS for Lieut-General.
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.



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Summary of events from 6 a.m. 15th to 6 a.m. 16th December, 1915.

ANZAC
15-12-15.

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

Very quiet day; the only enemy guns which fired were those near OLIVE GROVE, these shelled the beach early in the morning and again at 1500. A gun from 68 L 8-9 fired a few rounds at 0955. Our guns fired in retaliation and engaged enemy working parties. Enemy did not return our fire.

No 1 Section Right. Very quiet 24 hours. Enemy did very little work but he sniped more heavily than usual.

No 1 Section Left. Situation normal, except that during the night there was rather more enemy rifle fire opposite MYRIES. At SILT SPUR all quiet; but abnormal rifle fire was heard north of LONE PINE. Enemy machine guns on KNIFE EDGE were active. We tried silent ruses (cessation of fire) for short periods of about ½ an hour; orders were issued that enemy scouts if seen were to be allowed to come up to the trench before being shot. It is thought this may accustom enemy to lull in firing.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to (80 M 5). 2nd Australian Division.

Enemy activity. Enemy artillery shelled POPES and RUSSELLS TOP but caused no damage. More of the enemy infantry than usual were seen in No. 11 Section right but they showed less than usual activity. Many periscopes were seen from QUINNS showing from RAZORBACK and CHESSBOARD trenches. Enemy is digging a trench down SNIPERS RIDGE (80 N).

Our activity. Our guns shelled trenches at 80 S 2. We maintained periods of silence in various parts of our line during the night. At QUINNS we fired a mine when the enemy was heard working 3 feet distant.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

Enemy activity. Six shells were fired at APEX in the afternoon causing no damage, and shrapnel burst over Wellington Mtd Rifles trenches but caused no casualties. During early part of evening enemy reported particularly busy on SNIPERS NEST - our artillery opened fire.

Our activity. Additional chevaux de frise was put out by Canterbury and Wellington Mtd Rifles. An enemy working party was heard in front of APEX and dispersed by our fire. Our Japanese mortar at APEX set fire to some inflammable material near Turk trenches which burnt for some time. Otago Mtd Rifles used catapult successfully on a party of Turks moving just below enemy trenches. Our Hotchkiss demolished emplacements in vicinity of 80 F 3, 80 F 6 and 80 F 8. A Turk of 21st Regt from Hill 971 surrendered to 4th A.I. Bde to left of WARWICK CASTLE. An infantry patrol reported to 1st LH. Regt that enemy were removing their wire in front of WALKERS RIDGE - 2nd Australian Division informed. Our snipers accounted for 5 Turks. At 1530 our guns did some good shooting at the PINNACLE, and fired at SNIPERS NEST at request of infantry. Mountain artillery fired at SANDBAG RIDGE (92 U 5) with excellent results. *Our quarry has not been confirmed*

No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde.

Enemy appear to have ceased mining on Hill 60 but continue their work opposite the Eastern Mtd Bde. Our mining continues in both localities.

General. Weather colder and overcast. There was a moderate off-shore breeze all day.

R. B. Smythe Major GS in

Lieut-General.
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.



AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

CASUALTIES for 15th December, 1915.

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	-	-
Sick.	-	206
Wounded.	-	12

Note:- Return of evacuations not yet to hand.

R. D. Smythe Maj GS for Lieut-General.
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Summary of events from 6 a.m. 16th to 6 a.m. 17th December, 1915.

ANZAC.
16-12-15.

No 1 Section. CHATHAMS POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5). 1st Australian Division.

Enemy activity. Enemy's guns 58 Q 4 fired on the beach at intervals but there was less fire than usual and practically none during the night.

With a view to testing the action of the enemy we suspended fire from our trenches for two short periods during the night. On the first occasion the enemy opened and maintained for about half an hour a heavy rifle and machine gun fire and also threw grenades; on the second occasion he continued sniping as usual.

Our activity. The 7th Inf Battalion located a gun at 68 Q 2/3 - the gun was engaged by our artillery - the head cover was destroyed and the gun became clearly visible. It was then engaged with H.E. and both infantry and artillery observers agree that the gun and pit were completely destroyed.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to (80 M 5). 2nd Australian Division.

Enemy activity. LONE PINE was shelled by 75 mms, COURTHESYS by 6" and RUSSELLS TOP by both. Some damage was done to trenches at RUSSELLS TOP but none elsewhere. The enemy heightened his parapets in front of QUINNS and GERMAN OFFICERS Trench and replaced 3 panels of bomb netting removed the previous night.

Our activity. We maintained periods of silence during which enemy fire slackened.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

Enemy activity. The APEX and RHODODENDRON Spur were shelled slightly in the afternoon and a few shells were put into No. 2 Post and old No. 3 Post in the morning. Enemy heard working on FARM and BATTLESHIP Hill, also on HACKNEY WICK and our machine guns fired on to last named place to retard working. The Turks are reported to have greatly altered the appearance of BATTLESHIP Hill trenches by removing sandbags from their parapets. Heavy rifle fire interspersed with bombing heard on our right during the night.

Our activity. We put out 100 feet of wire entanglement in south AGHYL DERE and repaired our second line entanglement in front of AGHYL DERE Barricade. Our snipers accounted for one Turk.

No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde.

Enemy activity. Trench mortars were active against the centre of the Indian Bde line.

No picking by the enemy was heard on Hill 60.

Our activity. We fired on enemy patrols, put out more wire and fired 2 camouflats on Hill 60 to destroy enemy galleries.

General. Weather - bright and mild with an E breeze; this morning there is a light SW breeze.

R. B. Smyth Major for
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps. Lieut-General.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

CASUALTIES for 16-12-15.

Killed. Officers - nil. Men - 3.
Sick & wounded (evacuated). All ranks - 249.

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Lieut-General.
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

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ANZAC	17/12/15.		<p><u>No. 1 Section (68 G 7) to (68 B 5) 1st Australian Division.</u> Enemy consistently shelled the beach near William's Pier, firing with 1 gun only from an unlocated position in the direction of OLIVE GROVE. There was also intermittent hostile gun fire from direction of OLIVE GROVE on 8th Battery, and from ANDERSON'S KNOLL on our right flank trenches. Our 5th and 6th Batteries searched and swept; 3rd, 8th and 9th Batteries fired in retaliation. Our anti-aircraft gun fired at hostile aeroplane which altered its course, "A" Battery 69th How. Brigade fired in retaliation. <u>No. 1 Section Right.</u> Very quiet 24 hours, enemy continued sniping throughout the night. Nothing unusual to report. <u>No. 1 Section Left.</u> Situation normal. A silent ruse from 0300 to 0315 did not succeed in drawing more than the average enemy fire, who kept up usual steady sniping. A small enemy patrol was seen moving across HOLLY RIDGE at 2130, this was fired at and dispersed. Heavy fog made observation difficult for about four hours. <u>No. 2 Section. (68 B 5) to (80 M 5). 2nd Australian Division.</u> <u>Enemy activity.</u> Enemy guns shelled LONE PINE, COURTNEYS and RUSSELLS TOP but did no damage. Machine guns fired short bursts at COURTNEYS and QUINNS, and opposite POPES enemy repaired some of his wire entanglements. <u>Our activity.</u> Our snipers concentrated on SNIPERS NEST and it is believed got one man. <u>No. 3 Section (80 M 5) to (92 Q 1) New Zealand and Australian Division.</u> <u>Enemy activity.</u> Enemy guns shelled the APEX and the left of our line. The enemy showed activity in digging at various points. The fire on North Beach caused excitement and much talking in enemy lines. <u>Our activity.</u> We put out more wire in the AGHYL DERE and dispersed an enemy working party with bombs and grenades. Our artillery engaged usual targets. Our patrols report no movement of enemy. <u>No. 4 Section. (92 Q 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive, Eastern Mounted Brigade, 29th Indian Brigade.</u> Report not yet to hand.</p>	

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ANZAC	17/12/15.		<p style="text-align: center;"><u>2.</u></p> <p><u>GENERAL.</u></p> <p>(1) Weather very mild and calm.</p> <p>(2) A fire broke out at about midnight in the supply depot at North Beach causing a great glare in the sky for some hours. Part of the 21st Battallion turned out promptly and prevented it from spreading. The cause of the outbreak is unknown. Extra precautions were at once taken to prevent other fires.</p> <p>(3) This was the last day of the preliminary stage of the evacuation of ANZAC.</p>	<p>C.R.File....</p> <p>See appendix 14</p> <p><i>R.A. Langtry May 65</i></p>

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	1915 Dec. 18		<p>This was the first day of the final stage of the evacuation of ANZAC.</p> <p>The activity of the enemy throughout the day was normal.</p> <p>In the afternoon the OLIVE GROVE guns put some shells into Corps Headquarters and one shell hit two officers and one clerk, e.g., Major Levin, Camp Commandant; Captain Wauchope, G.S.O. 3 (Igb) and Sergeant Bowser (Gb clerk). Major Levin and Sergeant Bowser subsequently died of their wounds.</p> <p>The withdrawal of troops from the front line trenches began at dusk. Troops were marched to the beaches in parties of 400 and embarked from Watson's pier at Anzac Cove and from Walker's Pier, William's Pier and from the sunken ship Milo at North Beach. Troop carriers arrived after dark and anchored close to the beaches.</p> <p>From piers to troop carriers troops were carried in motor lighters (capacity 400) and in cutters (capacity 30)</p> <p>The Army Corps Staff embarked at 8 p.m. on H.M.S. Heliotrope (mine sweeper) and the Corps Commander with Brig.-General, G.S., on same ship at 11 p.m., but remained in communication with the shore. The command on shore was then handed over to the rearguard commander, Major-General Sir A. RUSSELL, K.C.M.G.</p> <p>The embarkation was carried through without a hitch according to the programme arranged and was completed by 4.50 a.m.</p> <p>Troop carriers as they were filled steamed direct to MUDROS.</p> <p>On completion of the embarkation, H.M.S. Heliotrope steamed to KEPHALOS.</p> <p><u>GENERAL.</u> The weather was exceptionally calm and in the evening there was a slight fog. Conditions for the operation could not have been better.</p>	<p>Appx 14</p> <p>(Appx 14-(g, A.C. order No. 21, Appx. "A")</p> <p>Appx 14, sect. 7.</p>

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1915 Dec. 19		<p>Corps Headquarters remained on H.M.S. Heliotrope in KEPHALOS Harbour until 5.00 p.m. when the ship again steamed to ANZAC.</p> <p>During the day the Corps Commander had interviews with General Birdwood and with the Vice-Admiral. General Birdwood visited ANZAC and went round the trenches during the day.</p> <p><u>At ANZAC.</u></p> <p>LONE PINE, APEX and HILL 60 were shelled by heavy howitzers but otherwise there was a quiet day.</p> <p>Reported movements of large bodies of enemy troops were unconfirmed.</p> <p>About 3.30 p.m. a hostile aeroplane flew over our lines.</p> <p>At 4.9 p.m. an enemy submarine was reported by trawlers, but was not again seen.</p> <p>A fresh breeze from N.E. had sprung up during the day but in the evening weather conditions were again all that could be desired for the embarkation.</p> <p>Approximately 10,000 troops remained to be evacuated during the night.</p> <p>The front trenches were held until the last moment, their garrison being thinned by successive withdrawals in three parties, A, B, and C.</p> <p>After the withdrawal of the last party fire was maintained from our trenches by rifles arranged to fire automatically.</p> <p>Selected men of C parties fired charges arranged for the demolition of the guns which it was decided to abandon.</p> <p>On this night embarkation of the rear parties from the flanks was carried out from piers constructed after dark at BRIGHTON BEACH on the right flank and at ASMAK DERE on the left flank. The main embarkation was carried out as on 18th.</p> <p>The final embarkation from North Beach was covered by a specially selected party 250 strong under Colonel PATON.</p> <p>On the withdrawal of this party a mine under the enemy trenches at RUSSELLS TOP was fired from the beach. The mine was 50 feet deep and the charge two tons of Ammonol. There was a very successful explosion which drew enemy rifle and machine gun fire on to our trenches all along the line but caused us no casualties. The enemy evidently expected us to follow up the explosion with an infantry attack and it is possible that because he was so intent on preventing this attack, he failed to notice that no one was left in our trenches.</p> <p>Our embarkation was begun at 10.17 p.m. and successfully completed without casualty at 3.47 a.m. on the 20th.</p>	<p>Appx 14, sect. 8</p> <p>do</p> <p>do</p> <p>do</p> <p>Appx. 14, sect. 6 g, also Appx 14, sect 6 ff.</p> <p>Appx 14 sect 8.</p>

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	1915 Dec. 19		<p>400 men of the 29th Indian Infantry Brigade on our extreme left were embarked by the IXth Corps. This arrangement was made to ensure that the flank of neither Corps was exposed by the premature withdrawal of the other. The IXth Corps evacuation was successfully completed at 5.14 a.m., 20th.</p> <p>As on first night troop carriers steamed direct to MUDROS as soon as filled.</p>	Appx.14 sect. 8.
	20		<p>After completion of the embarkation, H.M.S. Heliotrope and warships steamed up Gulf of SAROS and returned at daylight. The Turks were then heavily shelling our trenches. The ships fired at our beaches with the object of setting fire to the stores which were left, and also fired a few rounds at the trenches.</p> <p>At 8 a.m. the Heliotrope sailed for MUDROS and arrived at noon. The Corps Commander and B.G.C.S. reported to G.H.Q. aboard the ARAGON and returned. The Corps Commander returned to the ARAGON for the night and the staff went to MUDROS WEST and went into camp at PORTIANOS, next to Headquarters, Intermediate Base.</p> <p>The Divisions were already ashore and encamped as follows -</p> <p>1st Australian Division at SARPI camp, MUDROS WEST.</p> <p>2nd do do South camp, do</p> <p>New Zealand and Australian Division at MUDROS EAST.</p> <p>Major Marriott-Dodington, General Staff, joined Headquarters as G.S.O.2 (Iga) on arrival in camp.</p> <p><u>GENERAL.</u> A high wind blew all night.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1915 Dec. 21		Most of the day was spent in settling down into Camp. No reports were received from Divisions. There was heavy rain for about two hours in the morning.	
	22		Arrangements were made for intercommunication in the Corps. New Zealand and Australian Division began to embark for EGYPT under arrangements made by L. of C. Captain Tozer, M.O., left Army Corps Headquarters for duty with 1st Australian Division and Captain Cook took his place.	Appx 14, sect 10e.
	23		Embarkation of remainder of Corps was begun under L. of C. arrangements. Corps Staff embarked on H.M.T. SIMLA, G.O.C. and B.G.G.S. on H.M.T. FRANCONIA.	
	24) to) 29)		At sea.	

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	1915 Dec. 29		Arrived at ALEXANDRIA.	
	30		Landed and proceeded to CAIRO. Staff was accommodated at Shepheard's Hotel - 30.12.15 to 4.1.16. Captain Parker, Grenadier Guards (R. of O.) joined Corps Headquarters as Camp Commandant, vice Major Levin (died of wounds).	

ANZAC. 1-12-15.

Summary of events from 6 a.m. 1st to 6 a.m. 2nd December, 1915.

No 1 Section. GRATHAMS POST (88 G 7) to (88 E 5). 1st Australian Division.

Enemy's artillery more active. Firing was continuous during the day and distributed over our whole position. Although it did not at any time amount to a bombardment, still, at times our trenches were heavily shelled, particularly about POPES and LONG PINE. Our batteries fired more than usual - chiefly retaliations. The bearing and marks of an unexploded 9.2" shell which fell in LONG PINE during the bombardment appear to indicate that the gun is about TANSLA TRPE. Our anti-aircraft gun fired 5 rounds at a hostile aeroplane which disappeared south-east. The aeroplane was marked with black squares instead of black crosses.

No 1 Section Right. Very quiet 24 hours. Enemy sniped and bombed very much less than usual.

No 1 Section Centre. All quiet. We put out some more barbed wire and made good progress in digging extensive underground winter quarters.

No 1 Section Left. During the day enemy was quiet except between 1400 and 1600 when his field guns shelled our line, and several broomstick bombs were thrown; little damage was done, most of the projectiles falling between our first and second lines of trenches. During the night enemy machine guns were active and several very powerful broomstick bombs dropped in our lines.

Between 2000 and 0200 enemy fired 19 white flares.

No 11 Section. LONG PINE (88 E 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 H 7). 2nd Australian Division.

Enemy artillery was active against this section. LONG PINE was shelled by 75 mm from SCRUBBY KNOLL but suffered no damage. At COURTHAYS three of our parapets were destroyed by unlocated guns, about 30 shells fell. QUINNS was shelled by unlocated guns thought to be in direction of GUN RIDGE. Slight damage was done at POPES by shell fire. RUSSELLS TOP was shelled both by 75 mm and by 6" howitzers and the roofs of tunnels H1 and H3 were damaged but have since been repaired. A 3.7" mortar emplacement was destroyed but the mortar was not damaged. We fired a mine at QUINNS last night when the enemy was heard working about 5 feet away. Engineers report mine fired satisfactorily and there was no damage to our surface work. Several stick bombs were fired on to RUSSELLS TOP during the evening one of which dropped down the shaft of the drainage scheme and burst at the bottom but caused no casualties.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 H 5) to (82 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

Trenches of NZ.M.R. 84e were shelled for a few minutes yesterday in retaliation for our howitzers shelling Turk trenches. Our snipers accounted for one Turk. Our work proceeded as follows:- wire entanglement was placed in position in front of APEX, upper CHESHIRE RIDGE and CARISBROOK POST (92 O 9). Tunnels for machine guns are in progress at BECKS BLUFF (92 Y 2/80 D/F) and NEWBERRYS POST (92 Y 2/80 D/F) and a new forward fire trench from WARWICK CASTLE. A secret sap on upper CHESHIRE RIDGE was opened up last night.

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ANZAC. 1-12-15. No IV Section. (92 0 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 185rd Bde.
The report from this section is delayed but their early morning report said "situation unchanged".

Casualties.	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	-	6
(a) Sick.	23	407
(a) Wounded.	5	102

(a) Evacuated

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Summary of events from 6 a.m. 2nd to 6 a.m. 3rd December, 1915.

ANZAC.
2nd Dec, 1915.

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

Enemy's artillery has again been active. Our guns retaliated.

At several points in the enemy's line working parties have been persistent; one party at 68 R 1-2 continued work in spite of effective fire from our howitzers and 18-pdrs, which must have caused many casualties.

"A" Battery, 69th Brigade, fired on some fully equipped infantry who were seen passing along sap at 80 X 5: ten rounds were effective and the troops turned round and casualties were seen to be removed from the trench.

No 1 Section Right. Quiet 24 hours and very little sniping by the enemy. Enemy working party on HARRIS RIDGE was fired on from CHATHAM POST. During the night we put out more wire. The destroyer did excellent shooting, every round except two being well placed.

No 1 Section Centre. Quiet day. At night we put out more wire. 7 Turks were reported to be crawling towards our line; they were fired on, after which all was quiet.

No 1 Section Left. Uneventful and very little enemy fire, except some shelling in the late afternoon. At night Turks sent up flares at frequent intervals, and about 50 bombs fell in our line.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.

No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16 exclusive. Enemy were active at LONE PINE during the night with stick bombs. We put out more barbed wire and the work of repairing firing line and communication trenches was continued. About 1830 the enemy sent up coloured flares along our front from approx the same positions as he displayed flags on the 29th Nov. Estimated enemy accounted for - 1.

No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive. Enemy picking underground was heard opposite COURTNEYS at 3 places. At 1015 hostile bombing opposite QUINNS was brisk for a quarter of an hour but was silenced by us. Loopholes made in the parapet of GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH have been destroyed by our snipers. At RUSSELLS TOP good progress was made with the improvement of our trenches. One of our new drives to protect the new firing line on the left is already within hearing distance of Turkish workings underground. Estimated enemy accounted for - 3.

Artillery action on our side - No 3 Battery silenced a hostile trench mortar which was firing on the FINE.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

APEX and RHODODENDRON SPUR were shelled between 1630 and 1700 yesterday - no damage done.

New fire trench was commenced on the north slope of WARWICK CASTLE, and one was constructed on the north east slope of FRANKLINS POST (92 Z 4) below the former trench. We put out some more wire and continued work on communication trench up KINGS OWN AVENUE (92 T 8 - U 4).

Headquarters NZ.MR.Bde have moved to 161st Bde old headquarters in AUSTRALIA VALLEY.

No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.

The Indian Brigade report a quiet day and night.

Mining on Hill 60 progresses as follows:- we are at work on 5 faces; the enemy was heard at 2 places and we blew a camouflet after which no enemy work was heard.

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Summary of events from 6 a.m. 2nd to 6 a.m. 3rd December, 1915.

ANZAC.
2-12-15.

No IV Section continued.

The KALAJIK DERE still interrupts communication with Hill 60 but it is expected this difficulty will be overcome to-day.

General. (1) Weather - a calm bright day and much warmer than previous day.

(2) Casualties -

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	-	5
Sick. (evacuated)	5	651
Wounded. (evacuated)	2	70

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ANZAC. 3-12-15.

From 6 a.m. 3rd,
To 6 a.m. 4th December, 1915.

Enemy's artillery fire was rather less; his gun at 54 Q 4 again shelled the beach at intervals and fire from guns at 50 L 2 and 50 L 3 has been intermittent during the day. During the night 2nd/3rd CLARKS VALLEY was shelled at intervals from the direction of 68 W.

Enemy's working parties again active; our artillery fired at these with good results.

At 1335 enemy troops, estimated at 400 and fully equipped, were seen moving through sap 68 R 7- W 1. The column blocked the sap and halted; our guns swept the trench; the party then tried to retire through the sap and were again met by our heavy fire. The Turks then apparently became confused and went into the open where they were again fired at. This party appeared to be relieving going to the trenches and must have suffered heavy casualties.

No 1 Section Right. Quiet 24 hours. Enemy did much work all along his front both digging and putting out more wire. Destroyer again did much good shooting.

No 1 Section Centre. Uneventful.

No 1 Section Left. All quiet. Very little sniping by enemy who could be seen throwing up earth in many places; our artillery caused them to cease work in some cases.

No 11 Section. LONG PINE (50 D 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (50 E 7). 2nd Australian Division.

No 11 Section Right. LONG PINE to D16 exclusive. On the whole a quiet day. Patrols reconnoitred OWENS GULLY and ascertained that the Turks at night occupy a trench with overhead cover on the north side of the foot of the JOLLY; also that the enemy patrol the GULLY at night.

Opposite C4 our catapult did good work in silencing the enemy snipers. A few 75 shells apparently fired from SCRUBBY KNOLL were fired into LONG PINE but no damage was done.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 2.

No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP inclusive. Garland mortar at QUINNS effectively silenced a machine gun which was playing on the trenches.

A charge of 75 lbs was fired in the right arm of No 32 Tunnel at QUINNS, from where the enemy could be heard working at about 5 feet distance. About 3 seconds after firing there was a secondary explosion causing a violent rush of air through our galleries and slight damage to our main envelope in the vicinity of Tunnel 32. There was no surface displacement and tamping is not displaced. Estimated enemy accounted for - 5.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (50 M 5) to (50 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

The APX was subjected to shell fire yesterday at about 1500 from "B" Hills but no damage was done. At 1910 a sharp burst of rifle fire broke out from the KAJAJIE AHHALA and was immediately followed by a fairly heavy fire all along the Turk lines on the KAJAJIE DOWN right up to Hill 100 (50 P 5); this lasted for 15 minutes. Turks fired off a number of rockets and seemed much perturbed.

Machine gun on BECKS BLUFF (50 T 2/50 D/F) killed 2 Turks on enemy's grey trenches to the front of the post.

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ANZAC. 3-12-15. Hill Section continued.

Machine gun positions and trenches on BATTLESHIP HILL were engaged by "D" Battery, 69th Bde, with good results.

At 1400 machine gun on FRANKLIN POST (92 Z 4) engaged a party of the enemy about 150 strong, as they were entering a trench on BULGAR BLUFF (92 Z 2) at a range of 600 yds - the party dispersed in confusion.- casualties estimated at 30 or more. At 1430 another party of the enemy about 80 strong were engaged at the same place - about 12 of this party were wearing white bands on the arm and they were interspersed with the others.

A patrol of 1 M.C.C. and 3 men went out from BECKS BLUFF and waited about 80 P 1 and on the approach of a Turk patrol of 12 men bombed them. A later patrol reported 2 dead Turks in same locality. A third patrol accounted for 2 Turkish sentry, bayoneted by the corporal in charge. No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAN KUTU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 39th Indian Bde, 183rd Bde. Indian Brigade Subsection. There was a quiet day in this subsection except for two bursts of fire from the Turkish lines.

There was an exchange of bombs on Hill 60 which drew artillery fire from the enemy without causing any damage.

We fired another camouflet in NORFOLK STREET, 92 O 1.

The Norfolk Yeomanry relieved the Suffolk Yeomanry in the southern part of NORFOLK STREET.

General. (1) Weather - mild and overcast; sea calm.

(2) Casualties.

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	-	1
Sick. (evacuated)	10	334
Wounded. (evacuated)	2	21

R. B. Smythe Major G.S. for
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps. *Lieut-General.*

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Summary of events from 6 a.m. 4th to 6 a.m. 5th December, 1915.

ANZAC.
4-12-15.

No 1 Section. CHATHAM POST (88 G 7) to (88 B 5). 1st Australian Division.

Enemy's guns have been active but the volume of fire has not been greater than the preceding few days. More fire came from guns in the direction of 80 Z 9 and 88 J - 0, and slightly less from 88 G 4. Our guns retaliated with generally good effect, in several cases inflicting casualties on the enemy.

At 1310 the 8th Battery successfully engaged a large enemy working party at 88 H 2 with excellent results; numerous casualties were seen. While this series was in progress the battery was heavily shelled by four guns from the direction of 88 J - 0.

No 1 Section Right. Quiet 24 hours, except for somewhat enemy heavy sniping in the early part of the night from BIRD TRENCHES and machine gun fire from GABA TEPE. Our catapults threw grenades well into TURKISH DESPAIR and it is thought a good deal of damage must have been done. Enemy fired several bromstick bombs which did slight damage. At 0330 a light was reported to be flashing on GABA TEPE; it appeared to be answering lights from the direction of ANZAC. The destroyer shelled enemy trenches on HARRIS RIDGE during the night; the shooting was good.

No 1 Section Centre. Uneventful 24 hours. We sent out a patrol which returned without having encountered any Turks; their intention was to bring back Turkish ammunition and timber but they were prevented by constant enemy sniping.

No 1 Section Left. Uneventful; enemy sniping spasmodic; but he worked continuously throughout the day improving his trenches although our artillery and machine guns dispersed certain working parties.

No 11 Section. LONG PINE (88 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 H 7). 2nd Australian Division.

No 11 Section Right. LONG PINE to D16 exclusive. This section was shelled by the enemy. Our artillery A69 shelled some hostile mule transport apparently with good results. Estimated enemy accounted for - 1.

No 11 Section, Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive. Front D16 to COURTHAYS was shelled by 75s and 8 inch - the latter from the direction of 80 S 6/8. Some 79 shells in all were fired.

QUINNS report heavy hostile machine gun fire from 80 S 5 / e 45 (Trench map No 10). During the night enemy fired at intervals long bursts from machine gun - objective appeared to be Brigade Headquarters and Supply Depot in MONASH GULLY.

RUSSELLS TOP was shelled by the enemy during the day. Estimated enemy accounted for - 3.

General. Improvement of parapets, offensive mining and erection of wire are proceeding satisfactorily.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 G 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

The APEX and CANTERBURY SLOPE were heavily shelled during the day - estimated that 100 shells were fired - no casualties and but little damage. FRANKLINS POST (92 Z 4) and main bivouac in rear of WARWICK CASTLE (92 Y 6) were also subjected to shelling by an enemy gun NE from latter place. At 1345 SNIPERS NEST was engaged by 17th Siege Battery and very effective shooting was done - several Turks were seen to crawl along trench giving targets to 2 machine guns. During the night the Turks are reported to have been hard at work on SNIPERS NEST and the Ridge; their works on the NEST itself reported as shattered.

Machine gun at FRANKLINS POST got three good targets at Turks moving to BULGAR BLUFF (92 Z 2) and accounted for 12 although the Turks are moving much more cautiously. Enemy's Red Crescent details were seen to come down trench, but were not fired at as they were alone.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Summary of events from 6 a.m. 5th to 6 a.m. 6th December, 1916.

ANZAC.
5-12-16.

No 1 Section. CHATHAM POST (88 G 7) to (88 B 5). 1st Australian Division.

A quiet day on both sides. Our guns fired at enemy transport, parties drilling and trenches on the CHESSEBOARD with good effect; they also fired in retaliation. On one occasion an enemy stretcher party was seen at work after our gun had ceased firing.

No 1 Section Right. Very quiet 24 hours. Enemy sniped moderately and put out barbed wire all along our front. Our catapult fired effectively at TURKISH DESPAIR trenches at 2200. Destroyer did some good shooting.

No 1 Section Centre. Quiet day. At 2010 Turks could be heard talking and hammering stakes into the ground apparently on the point of SNIPERS RIDGE; no movement could be discerned. At 0800 what appeared to be a star shell visible for 2 minutes was observed above OLIVE GROVE.

No 1 Section Left. Uneventful.

No 11 Section. LONG PINE (88 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.

No 11 Section Right. LONG PINE to D16 exclusive. This section was shelled by the enemy. The enemy were seen in OWENS GULLY and were dispersed by rifle fire. Estimated enemy accounted for - nil.

No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive. D16 to COURTNEYS - an enemy mine was blown up near STEELERS POST and a further explosion at 2245 without causing damage. This portion of line was shelled from 0800 to 0805 causing slight damage and no casualties.

COURTNEYS to RUSSELLS TOP - an enemy machine gun fired over bomb crater at No 3 Post RUSSELLS TOP but was silenced by Garland Mortar. Shells were fired at RUSSELLS TOP from direction of CHESSEBOARD and 80 A 2.3. 4.5. at 1050; guns believed to be both 75s. Estimated enemy accounted for - 3.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 W 5) to (92 G 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

Between noon and 1300 the enemy's artillery shelled FRANKLINS and NEWBERRYS Posts, the regimental areas of NZ.Mtd Rifles, but except for a small portion of 6thago Mtd Rifles line, no damage to trenches, but the gullies behind were searched in a manner not before attempted. H.E. shells fell in No 3 Post (old), in SAZLI BEIT DERE and in vicinity of No 2 Post and Divisional Headquarters, the latter being shelled for fully half an hour. During shelling of our area by enemy with H.E. the 4th, 5th and 17th Siege Batteries retaliated on PINNACLE, FARM trenches and Hill 100 (92 F/W). At 1530 the 17th Siege Battery and 6th Howitzer Battery joined in a bombardment of Hill 60 - the top of one hummock was removed and the effect appeared to be good.

Two Turks were accounted for going to BULGAR BLUFF, one thought to be an officer by his dress.

No IV Section. (92 G 1) to SUSAN KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.

There was a quiet period in this section. The enemy were heard working underground at Hill 60. Our mining in this locality is being pushed ahead. Our howitzers bombarded the enemy trenches on Hill 60 and the shooting appeared effective.

Work is being concentrated on clearing the communication across the KAJAJIK DERE.

General.	(1) Weather - mild and overcast - sea calm.		
	(2) Casualties.	Officers.	Men.
	Killed.	-	8
	Sick. (evacuated)	10	206
	Wounded. (evacuated)	3	18

(Sgd) CBB White. Brig-Gen
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Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

ANZAC.
4-12-15.

No 111 Section continued.

Good effect was obtained by a catapult on an enemy's observation post opposite the Stago Mounted Rifles.

Our snipers accounted for 5 Turks.

We put out during the night wire entanglement linking up APEX and CHESHIRE RIDGE. Tunnels are in hand at NEWBERRY'S POST (junction of squares 92 Z 2 & 80 D 4) and FRANKLIN'S POST.

No IV Section. (92 G 1) to SUSAN KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mt Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.

The enemy shelled Hill 60 with shrapnel and the supporting trenches with H.E. The enemy also threw many grenades about the size of a pom-pom shell with little effect. On Hill 60 the enemy could be heard mining in two places one of which is very deep. Our mining continues on five faces.

General. (1) Corps Head Quarters was shelled intermittently throughout the day and night.

(2) Weather - mild day - overcast - sea calm.

(3) Casualties

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	1	4
Sick. (evacuated)	2	133
Wounded. (evacuated)	-	27

(Sgd) CBB White Brig Gen
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Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

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Summary of events from 6 a.m. 6th to 6 a.m. 7th December, 1915.

ANZAC.
6-12-15.

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

As far as artillery activity is concerned there was a normal day.

At 1200 a report was received from the 2nd LH.Bde that a submarine had been sighted off GABA TEPE - our observing officers and special reconnaissance failed to locate it although the officer who reported it, who has had many years experience at sea, is positive he saw the ripple moving south from GABA TEPE for a distance of about a mile and a quarter.

No 1 Section Right. Quiet 24 hours. Very little sniping by the enemy. We have put out a lot more wire; the enemy have done the same.

No 1 Section Centre. All quiet. We put out some more wire and brought in 25 logs from deserted Turkish works in front of our line.

No 1 Section Left. Very quiet.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.

Between 1430 and 1450 about 32 shells coming apparently from 80 S 3/8 fell on our line between D16 and COURTNEYS causing damage to parapets and traverses. Otherwise enemy's artillery action was normal on our front.

No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16 exclusive. Our wire entanglements opposite LONE PINE were somewhat damaged by shell fire. Estimated enemy accounted for - 4.

No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP, both inclusive. From our tunnel 45 A at QUINNS enemy can be heard working - this is the first time he has been heard since we blew on the 3rd inst.

Both QUINNS and POPES report great activity in bombing. Estimated enemy accounted for - 2.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

A few shrapnel fell on road near DESTROYER RDLL without causing damage. The Blockhouse at PINNACLE (80 K 1/2) was again demolished by our 17th Siege Battery. Our Hotchkiss gun blew in a sandbagged position near 80 F 5. Our snipers accounted for 5 Turks on 5th inst and 6 yesterday, one reported as a German artillery observer.

No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.

There was a quiet period in Indian Bde line. On Hill 60 fewer grenades than usual were thrown but more bombs.

At 1100 the enemy broke into one of our galleries on Hill 60 and shots were exchanged. We have erected a barricade and posted sentries in the gallery. In the Eastern Mtd Bde subsection there is little to report.

Our work on new sap in KAIJIK DERE drew some enemy fire at night.

General. (1) Weather - mild and bright - sea calm..

(2) Casualties. Officers. Men.

Killed. - 8

Sick. 2 147)

Wounded. - 26)

Not evacuated.

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Summary of events from 6 a.m. 7th to 6 a.m. 8th December, 1915.

ANZAC.
 6-12-15.

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

Fairly quiet day. At 1350 an enemy gun firing from the direction of 80 U fired 53 rounds at No 2 gun, 5th Battery. At 1420, 1st Inf Bde reported enemy moving heavy guns with 6 horse teams south of the OLIVE GROVES. As this target was beyond the range of our guns the Navy was asked to shoot.

No 1 Section Right. Quiet 24 hours. Enemy sniped very little but worked hard digging and putting out wire.

Catapults did very good work.

No 1 Section Centre. Turkish machine gun and rifle fire very active all night sweeping up and down parapets. At intervals during the night enemy fired a new type of bomb hitherto unknown in this section; it seems to have a very high velocity and to be fired from about 68 B 8-M 3, but no audible explosions are reported.

No 1 Section Left. Enemy machine guns active during the night especially from our left front.

Enemy also fired several white flares and about 40 of his bombs fell in this section.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7). 2nd Australian Division.

Enemy's artillery fairly active in firing in morning and afternoon, but little damage done except at RUSSELLS TOP where some 6" shells fell from the direction of 80 O 2.3.6.5 damaging parapets which have since been repaired. 17th Siege Bty registered on enemy trenches to the left of POPES; 5th Bty did considerable damage to enemy bomb screen and entanglements opposite POPES and to the enemy trenches at 80 S 2/a 4.5. (T.D. 10)

No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16 exclusive. Except for shelling a quiet day and night. BB Tunnel LONE PINE was unlied and deep shelter mining has been started. Estimated enemy accounted for - 1.

No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive. COURTNEYS report that enemy picking was heard about 20 feet distant from our 1 A and also from D 9, A 4 and D 26. Enemy opposite POPES have done a good deal of digging in GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCHES.

At RUSSELLS TOP the 28th Btn have taken over command of posts from 26th Btn and the relief will be completed by night. Improvements to parapets near naval light have been completed and work on deep dug-outs continues. Estimated enemy accounted for - 5.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 W 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

The APEX and the bivouacs in rear of WARWICK CASTLE were shelled in the afternoon by 75s; we suffered 2 casualties at the APEX but none in the bivouacs. "D" Bty, 69th Bde shelled trenches and loopholes on BATTLESHIP Hill with good results, making 2 large gaps in enemy trenches.

Enemy removed barbed wire from in front of their trenches in front of FARM leaving supports standing.

At the APEX we fired a mine the result of which is not yet reported. Two or 3 miners suffered from fumes in attempting to enter the tunnel in which mine was fired - they have since recovered.

Our machine guns got good targets at BULGAR BLUFF (92 Z 2) and at working parties on trenches in front of WARWICK CASTLE. A snipers post opposite CARISBROOK Post (92 O 9) was successfully broken up by converging fire from several rifles. Our catapult work on Hill 100 (92 P/U) was good.

No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.

There was a quiet period in this section. On Hill 80 the enemy crawled out of his trenches at night and endeavoured to put out of action with grenades a newly placed machine gun of ours - they were unsuccessful.

Mining activity on both sides continues on Hill 80.

ANZAC.
7-12-15.

General.

- (1) Weather - bright and warm - sea calm.
 (2) HMS "Grafton" and 3 monitors shelled guns 56 Q to V. The shooting appeared to be good.
 (3) Casualties.
- | | Officers. | Men. |
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| Killed. | - | 2 |
| Sick. (evacuated) | 4 | 45 |
| Wounded. (evacuated) | 1 | 2 |

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ANZAC.
11-12-15.

No 1 Section Centre. Situation normal; nothing to report.

No 1 Section Left. Unusually quiet 24 hours; very little enemy sniping or shelling.

Our Hotchkiss gun blew in loopholed position near 80 F 8.

We continued work on our shelters and communications.

Mining continues on both sides otherwise there is nothing to report.

General. Weather mild and overcast - sea calm.

(Sgd) R. J. Smythe Major G. S.

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Summary of events from 6 a.m. 14th to 6 a.m. 15th December, 1915.

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15-16-17.

No 1 Section, CHATHAM POST (92 8 7) to (92 8 1), 1st Australian Division.

Very quiet day; the only enemy guns which fired were those near OLIVE GROVE, these shelled the beach early in the morning and again at 1000. A gun from 92 1 S-P fired a few rounds at 0955. Our guns fired in retaliation and engaged enemy working parties. Enemy did not return our fire.

No 1 Section Night. Very quiet 24 hours. Enemy did very little work but he sniped more heavily than usual.

No 1 Section Day. Situation normal, except that during the night there was rather more enemy rifle fire opposite WYKING. At SALT SPUR all quiet; but abnormal fire was heard north of DOCK PI. Enemy machine guns on OLIVE RIDGE were active. We tried silent runs (cessation of fire) for short periods of about 1 hour; orders were issued that enemy scouts if seen were to be allowed to come up to the trench before being shot. It is thought this may accustom enemy to lull in firing.

No 11 Section, DOCK PI (92 8 5) to (92 8 3), 2nd Australian Division.

Enemy activity. Enemy artillery shelled DOCK PI and SANDHILLS TOP but caused no damage. More of the enemy infantry than usual were seen in No 11 Section right but they showed less than usual activity. Many periscopes were seen from QUINN showing from SANDHILLS and CHATHAMPOST trenches. Enemy is digging a trench down SNIPERS RIDGE (92 8 1). Our activity. Our guns shelled trenches at 92 8 2. We maintained periods of silence in various parts of our line during the night. At QUINN we fired a mine when the enemy was heard digging 8 feet distant.

No 111 Section, HAPPY VALLEY (92 8 1) to (92 8 1), New Zealand & Australian Division.

Enemy activity. Six shells were fired at APEX in the afternoon causing no damage, and shrapnel burst over Wellington Std Rifles trenches but caused no casualties. During early part of evening enemy reported particularly busy on SNIPERS RIDGE - our artillery opened fire.

Our activity. Additional chevaux de frise was put out by Canterbury and Wellington Std Rifles. An enemy working party was heard in front of APEX and dispersed by our fire. Our Japanese mortar at APEX set fire to some inflammable material near Turk trenches which burnt for some time. Otago Std Rifles used catapult successfully on a party of Turks moving just below enemy trenches. Our Hotchkiss demolished emplacement in vicinity of 92 8 7, 92 8 6 and 92 8 5. A Turk of Dist Regt from Hill 971 surrendered to 4th A.I. Co to left of VARNICE CASTLE. An infantry patrol reported to 1st A.I. Regt that enemy were removing their wire in front of WALKER'S RIDGE - 2nd Aust Division informed. Our snipers accounted for 3 Turks. At 1830 our guns did some good shooting at the PINNACLE, and fired at SNIPERS RIDGE at request of infantry. Mountain artillery fired at SANDHILLS RIDGE (92 8 5) with excellent results. (On enquiry this was not confirmed).

No IV Section, (92 8 1) to SUMMIT 4000 inclusive, Western Std Bde, 29th Indian Bde.

Enemy appear to have ceased mining on Hill 90 but continue their work opposite the Western Std Bde. Our mining continues in both localities.

General. Weather colder and overcast. There was a moderate off-shore breeze all day.

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Summary of events from 8 a.m. 18th to 8 a.m. 19th December, 1918.

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18-12-18.

No 1 Section, CHATHAM POST (98 4 7) to (98 5 1), 1st Australian Division.

Very quiet day; the only enemy guns which fired were those near U IV 3800, these shelled the beach early in the morning and again at 1800. A gun from 89 1 8-2 fired a few rounds at 0800. Our guns fired in retaliation and engaged enemy working parties. Enemy did not return our fire.

No 1 Section Night. Very quiet 24 hours. Enemy did very little work but he sniped more heavily than usual.

No 1 Section Left. Situation normal, except that during the night there was rather more enemy rifle fire opposite 98 4 7. At 0100 SPUN all quiet; but abnormal rifle fire was heard north of LONG PINE. Enemy machine guns on SNIPS 800 were active. We tried silent runs (cessation of fire) for short periods of about an hour; orders were issued that enemy scouts if seen were to be allowed to come up to the trench before being shot. It is thought this may accustom enemy to lull in firing.

No 11 Section, LONG PINE (98 3 5) to (98 4 1), 2nd Australian Division.

Enemy activity. Enemy artillery shelled POPES and RUSSELL TOP but caused no damage. More of the enemy infantry than usual were seen in No. 11 Section right but they showed less than usual activity. Many periscopes were seen from QUINN showing from RAZORBACK and CHESBROUGH trenches. Enemy is digging a trench down SNIPS 800 (98 4 1).

Our activity. Our guns shelled trenches at 80 8 2. We maintained periods of silence in various parts of our line during the night. At QUINN we fired a mine when the enemy was heard working 3 feet distant.

No 111 Section, HAPPY VALLEY (98 4 1) to (98 5 1), New Zealand & Australian Division.

Enemy activity. Six shells were fired at APX in the afternoon causing no damage, and shrapnel burst over Wellington and Rifles trenches but caused no casualties. During early part of evening enemy reported particularly busy on SNIPS 800 - our artillery opened fire.

Our activity. Additional chevaux de frise was put out by Canterbury and Wellington Wtd Rifles. An enemy working party was heard in front of APX and dispersed by our fire. Our Japanese mortar at APX set fire to some inflammable material near Turk trenches which burnt for some time. Otago Wtd Rifles used catapult successfully on a party of Turks moving just below enemy trenches. Our Hotchkiss demolished emplacements in vicinity of 80 4 1, 80 4 2 and 80 4 3. A Turk of 21st Regt from Hill 971 surrendered to 4th A.I. Co to left of WARRICK CAPE. An infantry patrol reported to 1st A.I. Regt that enemy were removing their wire in front of WARRICK RIDGE - 2nd Australian Division informed. Our snipers accounted for 5 Turks. At 1830 our guns did some good shooting at the PIRACLES, and fired at SNIPS 800 at request of infantry. Mountain artillery fired at RAZORBACK RIDGE (98 3 5) with excellent results. *Amalgamated. This was not confirmed.*

No IV Section, (98 0 1) to RUSSEL HILLS inclusive, Eastern Wtd Bde, 20th Indian Bde.

Enemy appear to have ceased mining on Hill 98 but continue their work opposite the Eastern Wtd Bde. Our mining continues in both localities.

General. Weather colder and overcast. There was a moderate off-shore breeze all day.

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Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

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Lieut-General.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Summary of events from 6 a.m. 16th to 6 a.m. 17th December, 1915.

ANZAC.
16-12-15.

No 1 Section. CHATHAM POST (58 G 7) to (58 B 5). 1st Australian Division.

Enemy activity. Enemy's guns 58 G 4 fired on the beach at intervals but there was less fire than usual and practically none during the night.

With a view to testing the action of the enemy we suspended fire from our trenches for two short periods during the night. On the first occasion the enemy opened and maintained for about half an hour a heavy rifle and machine gun fire and also throw grenades; on the second occasion he continued sniping as usual.

Our activity. The 7th Inf Battalion located a gun at 58 G 2/3 - the gun was engaged by our artillery - the head cover was destroyed and the gun became clearly visible. It was then engaged with H.E. and both infantry and artillery observers agree that the gun and pit were completely destroyed.

No 11 Section. LONG PINE (58 B 5) to (50 M 5). 2nd Australian Division.

Enemy activity. LONG PINE was shelled by 75 mms, COURTNEY'S by 6" and RUSSELLS TOP by both. Some damage was done to trenches at RUSSELLS TOP but none elsewhere. The enemy heightened his parapets in front of GUINNS and GERMAN OFFICERS Trench and replaced 3 panels of bomb netting removed the previous night.

Our activity. We maintained periods of silence during which enemy fire slackened.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

Enemy activity. The APRX and RHODODENDRON Spur were shelled slightly in the afternoon and a few shells were put into No. 2 Post and old No. 3 Post in the morning. Enemy heard working on FARM and BATTLESHIP Hill, also on HACKNEY WICK and our machine guns fired on to last named place to retard working. The Turks are reported to have greatly altered the appearance of BATTLESHIP Hill trenches by removing sandbags from their parapets. Heavy rifle fire interspersed with bombing heard on our right during the night.

Our activity. We put out 100 feet of wire entanglement in south AGHYL DERE and repaired our second line entanglement in front of AGHYL DERE Barricade. Our snipers accounted for one Turk.

No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUBAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde.

Enemy activity. Trench mortars were active against the centre of the Indian Bde line.

No picking by the enemy was heard on Hill 80.

Our activity. We fired on enemy patrols, put out more wire and fired 2 camouflets on Hill 80 to destroy enemy galleries.

General. Weather - bright and mild with an E breeze; this morning there is a light SW breeze.

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