

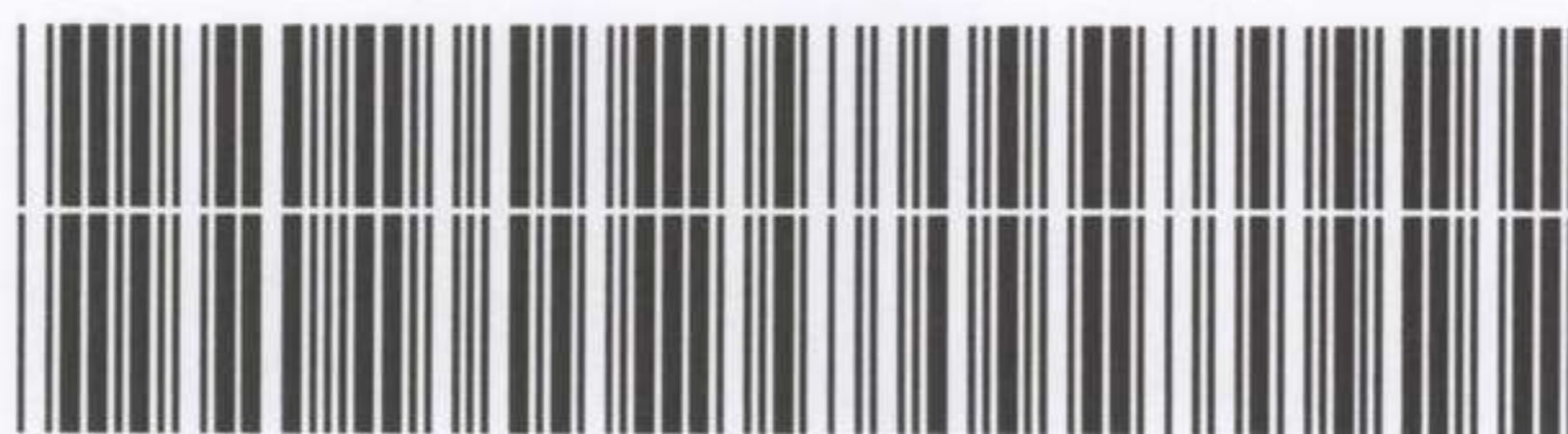
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 10 a.m. 30th Nov to 10 a.m. 1st December 1915.

A Y N 2 Army Corps

1st Australian Division.

MOVEMENTS - 3rd Bn observation post observed a large column of infantry moving in close formation and marching rapidly near RUINS 48 N 6, and proceed along road to 48 S 5 where they disappeared from view. The number was estimated at 6000, they were accompanied by a pack train of 105 camels and donkeys and 2 large white tipped wagons.

20 men with arms and equipment were seen going out of communication trench south end PINE RIDGE. 60 soldiers and 4 wounded men and 5 pairs of bullocks passed from 48 A 6 to back of GUN RIDGE. Much smoke visible, especially over GUN RIDGE, N 8 N 6, LEGGE VALLEY and lower slope of KAYALI TERE. During the day a number of mules were seen moving to OLIVE GROVE and one party of 34 men all carrying big tins went to same place.

A considerable body of infantry in full marching order proceeded north, disappearing behind GUN RIDGE. 30 laden mules brought up in rear. Enemy mounted men active all day patrolling plains in rear of OLIVE GROVE.

WORKS - No change noticed in any enemy trenches.

GENERAL - Enemy aeroplane passed over about 1600, anti-aircraft gun did good shooting.

About 1415 a man left BIRD TRENCHES walked along HARRIS RIDGE in direction of about 600 yds from CHATHAMS POST. He then walked into the sea and swam about 40 yds being fired on by his own people and finally disappeared.

2nd Australian Division.

WORKS - A Turkish post on SNIPERS RIDGE has been located. It is on the side of the ridge which slopes down into MALONE GULLY and well down in the valley. It is at the end of the sap leading round MALONE GULLY which joins up SNIPERS RIDGE and the NEK. The post is well hidden by green bushes but a water-proof sheet gives the place away. Behind the post is a small hollow capable of concealing about 30 men.

This post is too low down for observation or sniping purposes. 80 G 4

GENERAL - Enemy Hotchkiss gun which fires on to LONE PINE is located at a 32.

At 1500 our artillery engaged in a sap across GUN RIDGE down which some mules and about one Bn were moving. The shots appeared to be successful. Enemy machine guns located at 80 X 4 and 80 X 1

N.Z. & A. Division.

MOVEMENTS - Opposite the APEX last night the Turks showed dummy figures. Turks seen in scrub on E. slopes of Hill 100 (92 U 2/3) party disappeared on Mountain Battery opening fire.

WORKS - The Turks have loopholed a small knoll advanced from BULGAR BLUFF (92 Z 2) bearing 70 deg from WARWICK CASTLE. Trenches and communications also appear to have been improved in same locality. What was reported yesterday as a roofed in shelter, now, in a better light appears to be a low roofed embrasure in the fire trench 105 X 8.

No 4 Section. E.M.B.

MOVEMENTS - Enemy heard cutting brush-wood opposite SUSAK KUYU last night. Some broomstick bombs were thrown onto Hill 60.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 10 a.m. 1st to 10 a.m. 2nd December 1915.

1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS. - Parties of from 10 to 50 men were observed moving from RUINS 48 N 6 to behind GUN RIDGE from 0930 throughout the day, also numbers of pack animals and a few wagons. A party of 160 men were seen leaving BOOMERANG TRENCHES (68 R 5) by one sap and a similar party entered by another sap at 1200.

A traction engine was visible moving backwards and forwards on sq 48 S, either hauling or road making, 50 men were working on the spot.

Working party of 30 men in new trench in GUN RIDGE about 300 yds W. of WINEGLASS. They were plain to view so artillery engaged target, causing stoppage of work.

German aeroplane passed over, crosses on lower plane obliterated.

WORKS - On GUN RIDGE enemy has been very active building new earthworks. On GABA TEPE a considerable amount of work is going on. At TWIN TRENCHES about 30 men were seen working in a communication trench.

At BIRD TRENCH further barbed wire placed before this trench. SNIPERS RIDGE - the parapet is much improved and new sand bags placed. At N. end of PINE RIDGE is an observation station which is much used when enemy artillery is firing.

GENERAL - The amount of reconnaissance by Turks has greatly increased. Observation from stations in PINE RIDGE and reconnaissance by 12 mounted men behind GUN RIDGE were very obvious.

2nd Australian Division report -

GENERAL - At 1430 enemy aeroplane circled over LOME PINE but went off in an easterly direction on being fired at. Hostile aeroplane flew over QUILNS at 1225 and opened fire with a machine gun she was carrying but did no damage.. She disappeared in a southerly direction. Stick bombs were again thrown from 80 N 8

N. Z. & A. Division report -

MOVEMENTS - Three of enemy relief to HACKNEY WICK (92 Z 7), between 1700 and 1800, shot by machine gun from BECKS BLUFF (92 Y 2/80 D/F). Considerable movement noticed between BIYUK ANAFARTA and "W" Hills, our artillery opened fire. A small patrol of Turks seen to come down AGHYL DERE from FARM for about 50 yards and then return. Parties seen cutting brushwood in 105 X 8. Patrol into KAIJIK DERE report having seen no Turks, but much talking and coughing heard in their trenches.

No IV section, E.M.B. report -

MOVEMENTS - On Hill 60 the enemy showed increased activity with their trench mortars, and broomstick bombs caused us several casualties. The mortar has been located.

GENERAL - About 25 75 mm shells were directed against the Indian lines at SUSAK KUYU, but no casualties or damage are reported. At midday the enemy obtained a direct hit on the H.Q. on Hill 60 with an H.E. shell. The enemy's countermining on Hill 60 was successfully arrested by the explosion of a camouflet and other protective mining work is proceeding.

DOCUMENTS - Pages of a small book, private letters, equipment register etc, belonging to a Corporal of the 1st Bn, 18th Regt, were found on RUSSELLS TOP. These are dated August 1914 and there appears no reason to suppose that this regiment has moved its position from opposite the left of our line.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A & N.Z. ARMY CORPS.

From 10 am. 1st. to 10 am. 2nd. December 1915.

1st. Australian Division report.

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2nd. Australian Division report.

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1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - Usual traffic between GUN RIDGE and OLIVE GROVE and RUINS 48 N 6 - twenty seven different small parties being counted - 82 pack animals were noted. A large amount of timber and iron is being carted to 48 N 6. Four laden wagons and several mules being observed with this material. 20 mules and 24 men with sawn timber, about 8 ft long, went to OLIVE GROVE. Party of mounted men moved from sq 48 S eastward. Had the appearance of a staff. Enemy sea plane passed to the south going towards MUDROS at 1500. The black crosses were quite distinct.

WORKS - About 30 men were working in sap leading to GABA TRAPE about junction sq 55 and 68. At BALKAN GUN PITS parties of men working in saps near pits all day. About 100 men were working in communication trench leading to TWIN TRENCHES. At GUN RIDGE various parties work all day, and on south end of PINE RIDGE 68 A 1/2 a party has persistently worked despite being heavily shelled by both howitzer and field gun fire, causing several casualties.

GENERAL - The feature of today's observation has been the large amount of work done by the Turks and size of their working parties. The work appears confined to deepening and improving existing trenches, and no new works are observable. Considerable quantities of timber, apparently 8' x 4" x 4" is being carried into 48 N 6 and OLIVE GROVE.

2nd Australian Division report -

WORKS - Enemy have done a lot of digging in their rear trenches opposite QUINNS. Two large mounds of earth have been thrown up at 80 S 2/b 44.

GENERAL - Stick bombs from 80 X 7/c 19 and Hotchkiss from 80 G 4/a 32 fired on to LONE PINE. Enemy's artillery action along this Divisional front normal.

N. Z. & A. Division report -

MOVEMENTS - Steady traffic up and down the ABDEL RAHMAN BAIR noticed at a point where main communication trench is in view. Patrol from BECKS BLUFF (92 Y 2/80 D/F) report hearing Turks on opposite side of clearing S. of FRANKLINS POST (92 Z 4) and opened fire on them.

WORKS - New enemy machine gun emplacement reported on Hill 100 at 92 P 7/U 1. Enemy's scrub cutters near 92 P 9 dispersed by machine gun fire. Enemy reported working at 92 Z 2/5.

GENERAL - A number of flares observed in direction of WAKKERS RIDGE. A 75 mm gun, believed to be that located at 93 M 4, always now retaliates when section mountain guns at 92 X 1 fires. Today it fired a fuze which has not been seen before - an aluminium time fuze graduated in English numerals from 4 to 60.

No IV section, E.M.B.

MOVEMENTS - Enemy heard mining at two different points in neighbourhood of Hill 60. When inspecting camouflet explosion yesterday, a Turk carrying a torch was seen. Indian Brigade are still of the opinion that some enemy trenches in 92 D 7 locality have been vacated. Broomstick bombs were fired by enemy yesterday.

GENERAL - Camouflets exploded to interrupt enemy mining in NORFOLK STREET. Four star shells with smoke spirals seen towards TABLE TOP HILL.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A. & N. Z. ARMY CORPS.

From 10 am. 2nd. to 10 am. 3rd. December 1915.

1st. Australian Division report.

MOVEMENTS. Usual traffic between GUN RIDGE and OLIVE GROVE and RUINS 48.N.6 - twenty seven different small parties being counted - 82 pack animals were noted. A large amount of timber and iron is being carted to 48.N.6. Four laden wagons and several mules being observed with this material. 20 mules and 24 men with sawn timber, about 8 ft. long, went to OLIVE GROVE. Party of mounted men moved from Sq. 48.S. eastward. Had the appearance of a staff. Enemy sea-planes passed to the south going towards MUDROS at 1500. The black crosses were quite distinct.

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2nd. Australian Division report.

WORKS. Enemy have done a lot of digging in their rear trenches opposite QUINNS. Two large mounds of earth have been thrown up at 80 S 2/b 44.

GENERAL. Stick bombs from 80 X 7/e 19 and Hotchkiss from 80 C 4" a 32 fired on to LONE PINE.

Enemy's artillery action along this Divisional front normal.

N. Z. and A. Division report.

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WORKS. New enemy M.G. emplacement reported on Hill 100 at 92 P 7/U 1. Enemy's scrub cutters near 92 P 9 dispersed by M.G. fire. Enemy reported working at 92 Z 2/5.

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1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - Large body of enemy infantry, estimated about 400, observed moving through BOOMERANG SAP 68 K7 W1. Artillery engaged target with considerable effect. ~~A large pack train of over 50 horses~~

Men observed carrying off wounded, and confusion plainly visible.

A large pack train of over 50 horses observed halted near RUINS about 48 N 4, our 4.7" gun got in three shots and dispersed the party. After one round from 6" howitzer at guns 56 Q 4 large column of smoke observed apparently from exploded enemy ammunition.

WORKS - A large party of Turks are continuing works near GABA TEPPE at junction of squares 68 and 55.

BALKAN GUN PITS - Much work has been done to trenches, and wire entanglements put out. This is practically repairing and extending works destroyed by naval guns. RUINS - 48 N 6 - There appears to be steady work going on in this position. BOOMERANG TRENCHES - Party of about 30 men working in sap going west. BIRD TRENCH and

TURKISH DESPAIR - have both been much improved, especially the latter where parapet is renewed, more entanglements out and good bomb proof shelter provided. KNIFE EDGE has been improved and much work done.

GENERAL - One Turkish officer was very plainly observed at north end of WELLS RIDGE pointing out positions to an officer of undoubted German appearance. Rifle fire shortened inspection.

2nd Australian Division report -

GENERAL - A quiet day - Enemy continually threw up flares during the night. Our snipers accounted for a man in a trench at 80 X 1/b 18. The man was wearing a blue cap with a glazed peak.

N. Z. & A. Division report -

MOVEMENTS - About 1400 a large party of Turks seen entering trench on BULGAR BLUFF 92 Z 2 and a smaller party at 1450, our machine gun on FRANKLINS POST 92 Z 4 accounted for many of them, of the second party 12 were noticed wearing white bands on their arm, they were interspersed with the others. A patrol from BECKS BLUFF 92 Y 2/80 D/F waited at 80 F 1 for a Turk patrol and bombed them, the Turks numbered 12, a later patrol reported two dead Turks in the same locality. A still later patrol accounted for a Turkish sentry bayoneted by the Corporal in charge (Corporal Townsend, 16th Bn.) Our patrol reports the enemy patrols have dogs for purpose of giving warning.

Enemy reported working on HACKNEY WICK 92 Z 7, to confirm a flare was sent up at 2040 and machine gun from BECKS BLUFF opened fire causing enemy to retire, enemy reported to have a machine gun on HACKNEY WICK.

Road leading up ABDEL RAHMAN BAIR kept under observation at 93 L 2 during day, and 371 men and 232 mules counted, also some goats. About 1910 there was some heavy rifle fire from Turk lines along KAIJIK DERE, they sent up a number of rockets and seemed much perturbed.

GENERAL - A patrol from left of N.Z.M.R. Brigade reports bottom of DERE from CULVERS POST rough and broken for 400 yards, another patrol recovered two Turkish rifles from Turks shot during the day. At about noon a Turk gave himself up to N.Z.M.R. Bde., coming up a small gully near GARIBROOK POST 92 O 9. ABDULLA OGLU MAHD (Turk) from CAISERRE (ANATOLA), Sergt, 3th Coy, 2nd Bn, 20th Regt, 7th Div, 3rd A.C.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A. & N. Z. ARMY CORPS.

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1st. Australian Division report.

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1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - At 1100 one hundred men in marching order disappeared behind GUN RIDGE. A small party was observed in GABA TEPE. At 1135 a relief was observed taking place in WINEGLASS SAP. 50 men moved into trenches, 21 left ~~xxxx~~ trenches. At 1205, 19 men and three mules, and later 9 men and 2 mules left trenches through WINEGLASS.

Numerous parties travelled from behind GUN RIDGE to RUINS 48 N 6 and OLIVE GROVE, some of the convoys being large. 100 laden mules, 50 for OLIVE GROVE and 70 for ruins and another of 50 laden mules and numerous bullock wagons being noticed. A large transport was observed moving south in KILID BAIR road, a few wagons but large number of pack animals, the column was about 300 yards long.

WORKS - At 0900 a party of 200 men was reported digging a communication trench from the BOOMERANG TRENCH along GUN RIDGE, though dispersed by artillery and machine gun fire made various efforts to renew work. Communication trenches to PINE RIDGE, DESPAIR WORKS and BIRD TRENCHES were deepened during the day.

BALKAN GUN PIT works still going on. Barbed wire entanglements have been placed a considerable distance along the sea side of HARRIS RIDGE.

GENERAL. The activity and work progressing in the south is still noticeable. A new roadway is apparently being constructed from KAYALI TEPE to present ^{main} road leading south and the traffic between the two depots, one at 48 I 2 and the other at 48 N 6 is constant.

2nd Australian Division report -

WORKS - The enemy has taken down some of his wire opposite the PINE.

GENERAL (1) Hostile Artillery - Hotchkiss located at 80 X 7/e 58. 6" at or about 80 S 6/8. 6" in 80 O. bearing from BULLY BEEF POST 62 degs. This may be a 4.5. Shells could be seen in the air.

(2) Hostile machine guns - located on 80 S 5/e 45, 80 X 1/e 38, 80 N 4 bearing 49 degs from TURKS HEAD in short sap and fires towards NEK. Enemy machine gun at GERMAN OFFICERS fired single shots and short bursts making a signal S.U. This was repeated from RUSSELLS TOP and elsewhere. May have accidental or intentional.

N.Z. & A. Division report -

MOVEMENTS - A good deal of individual traffic noticed in vicinity of enemy's sap at 81 A 1 and our snipers got good targets, this is an observation post. Enemy were again seen on three occasions moving to BULGAR BLUFF 92 Z 2, and our machine gun accounted for 12. Enemy's red crescent details were seen coming down trench, and as they were alone were not fired on. Point 95 L 2 was carefully observed and a tally is being kept of the traffic. Exact position of Turk machine gun on HACKNEY WICK has not yet been located. A patrol on BLACK SWAN GULLY 80 F 1/2 at 0300 reports a Turk patrol coming down gully, but on slight movement by our patrol the enemy retired hastily.

WORKS - During the night the enemy were reported to be hard at work on SNIPERS NEST and ridge, evidently repairing damage done by 17th Siege Battery.

GENERAL - Deserter was taken out yesterday and pointed out the trenches of the Turkish units on the KAJAJIK DERE, later he pointed out (1) the position of Turkish guns to the G.R.A. who had the spot shelled, about 95 R 7.

(2) the position of a gun supposed to be on the forward slope of ABDEL RAHMAN BAIR and (3) an observation post on the same ridge.

No IV Section E.M.B.

MOVEMENTS - Shrapnel and H.E. shells fired by Turks on Hill 60. Enemy continue to mine in two places under Hill 60. Enemy heard talking in their mine under NORFOLK STREET, so the interpreter was sent up to listen, but talking had ceased before he arrived.

WORKS - Enemy erected bomb-proof network opposite our IVY LANE bombing station.

1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - In the neighbourhood of 48 N 6 much movement was observed. At 0940 at least a battalion appeared to be inspected. At 1050 a small number of men, about 60, doubled across the ground and closed into mass formation. Forty laden pack animals and 200 horses with empty packs were seen near 48 N 6. At 1455 about 50 men were observed at 48 N 8, apparently addressed by a mounted man, they moved off at the double. At 1545 a large body of troops were seen coming down slopes of KAYALI TEPE and forming up on flats. From there they marched to 48 N 6. The numbers were difficult to estimate, but there were over 2000. The first 500 were wearing white trousers and blue coats. Three ambulances and a pack train estimated at 400 animals accompanied troops. At 1600 a party of about 300 men were seen to go south over GUN RIDGE through BOOMERANG TRENCH, after leaving the saps appeared to go in direction of LOBE PINE.

WORKS - BALKAN PITS - Parties of men working all day. GABA TEPE - Large parties of men working in communication trench. sq 56 A 1. About 100 men were working in sap leading to GEMELT GUN emplacements. BOOMERANG TRENCH - Sap was continued all day in spite of artillery fire. PINE RIDGE - Some extensive earth mounds are being thrown up and what appears to be a large communication trench up LEGGE VALLEY is under construction.

GENERAL - Enemy appears very active in neighbourhood of the depots at 48 N 6 and works towards GABA TEPE.

2nd Australian Division reports -

MOVEMENTS - (1) Hostile Artillery - Enemy's Hotchkiss at 80 X 7/c 38 again fired on to LOBE PINE.
(2) Hostile M.G's - Guns were located at 80 X 1/c 29 & 80 X 6/a 44. A machine gun firing on RUSSELLS TOP was silenced by a Garland mortar.

GENERAL - An unusually quiet day.

N. Z. & A. Division reports -

MOVEMENTS - Two Turks accounted for going to BULGAR BLUFF, one an officer dressed in greyish blue with peaked cap seen to fall. A Turkish working party was fired on near the FARM in the afternoon, and 3 of the party wounded.

WORKS - A new work noticed on spur opposite CANTERBURY MTD RIFLES at 92 Z 2. One of our patrols observed indications of an enemy's listening post in BLACK SWAN GULLY 80 F 1/2.

GENERAL - Mountain artillery from 92 X 1 did damage to enemy's trenches on SANDBAG RIDGE 92 U 5, which the enemy attempted to repair, but were stopped by our machine gun fire. A patrol going out later to examine Turk wire entanglements heard the enemy digging. Patrols in north branch of AGHYL and KAIJAJIK DERES had nothing to report.

No IV Section E.M.B.

WORKS - Enemy mining on Hill 60 to a greater extent. Picking is heard to the right of and above shaft G 6, also intermittently to the right and above shaft P 10. Picking also heard in shaft P 1 close to an old crater, but mining officer considers this is dummy work. In NORFOLK STREET enemy not heard in spite of extensive protective mining on our post. Enemy's grenade-proof roofings on Hill 60 are intact, yesterdays bombardment not having disturbed them.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A. & N. Z. ARMY CORPS.

From 10 am. 5th. to 10 am. 6th. December 1915.

1st. Australian Division report.

MOVEMENTS. In the neighbourhood of 48 N 6 much movement was observed. At 1940 at least a battalion appeared to be inspected. At 1050 a small number of men, about 60, doubled across the ground and closed into mass formation. 40 laden pack animals and 200 horses with empty packs were seen near 48 N 6. At 1530 1435 about 50 men were observed at 48 N 8, apparently addressed by a mounted man, they moved off at the double. At 1545 a large body of troops were seen coming down the slopes of KAYALI TEPE and forming up on flats. From there they marched to 48 N 6. The numbers were difficult to estimate, but there were over 2000. The first 500 were wearing white trousers and blue coats. Three ambulances and a pack train estimated at 400 animals accompanied troops. At 1600 a party of about 300 men were seen to go south over GUN RIDGE through BOOMERANG TRENCH, after leaving the saps appeared to go in the direction of LONE PINE. WORKS. BALKAN PITS - Parties of men working all day. GABA TEPE - Large parties of men working in communication trench. sq 56 A 1. About 100 men were working in sap leading to CEMENT GUN emplacements. BOOMERANG TRENCH - Sap was continued all day in spite of artillery fire. PINE RIDGE - Some extensive earth mounds are being thrown up and what appears to be a large communication trench up LEGGE VALLEY is under construction. GENERAL. Enemy appears very active in neighbourhood of the depots at 48 N 6 and works towards GABA TEPE.

2nd. Australian Division reports.

MOVEMENTS - (i) Hostile Artillery - enemy's Hotchkiss at 80 X 7/c 38 again fired on to LONE PINE.
(ii) Hostile M.G.'s - Guns were located at 80 X-1/c 29 and 80 X 6/a 44. A machine gun firing on to RUSSELLS TOP was silenced by a Garland mortar.
GENERAL. An unusually quiet day.

N.Z. & A. Division reports.

MOVEMENTS. - Two Turks accounted for going to BULGAR BLUFF, one an officer dressed in greyish blue with peaked cap, seen to fall. A Turkish working party was fired on near the FARM in the afternoon, and three of the party wounded.
WORKS. - A new work noticed on spur opposite CANTERBURY MTD. RFLS at 92 Z 2. One of our patrols observed indications of an enemy listening post in BLACK SWAN GULLY 80 F 1/2.
GENERAL. Mountain artillery from 92 X 1 did damage to enemy's trenches on SNADBAG RIDGE 92 U 5, which the enemy attempted to repair, but were stopped by our M.G. fire. A patrol going out later to examine Turk wire entanglements, heard the enemy digging. Patrols in north branch of AGHLL and KAIAJIK DERES had nothing to report.

No. IV Section. E.M.B.

WORKS. - Enemy mining on Hill 60 to a greater extent. Pickling is heard to the right of and above shaft G 6, also intermittently to the right and above shaft P 10. Pickling also heard in shaft P 1 close to an old crater, but mining officers consider this is dummy work. In NORFOLK STREET enemy not heard in spite of extensive protective mining on our post. Enemy's grenade-proof roofings on Hill 60 are intact, yesterday's bombardment not having disturbed them.

1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - Between 0900 and 1000 the troops on PINE RIDGE which presumably supplies WEIR and SNIPERS RIDGES and KNIFE EDGE moved out, taking all their furniture and equipment, being relieved by new troops, apparently well equipped. About 400 men were counted passing BOOMERANG SAP 68 R 4, but those entering by WINEGLASS Sap were unobserved. At 1033 a body of infantry, estimated at 1500, passed 48 S turning into sunken road leading round KAYALI TEPE to SOGHANLI DERE. Between 200 and 350 pack and saddle horses were grazing in meadow 48 R. About 80 or 90 men were seen marching across SANDY PATCH 48 N 8. A number of pack horses and mules, some evidently carrying ammunition, came down BOOMERANG Sap 68 R 4. Many parties of men and pack animals observed moving towards 48 N 6 and OLIVE GROVE. 80 men and 78 laden mules going to OLIVE GROVE alone.

WORKS - Enemy is still working consistently in communication trenches between GUN and PINE RIDGES, and on DESPAIR, and CEMENT GUN EMPLACEMENTS. Large parties continue to work on sap leading to GABA TEPE and on HARRIS RIDGE, where barbed wire is being put out right along the front.

GENERAL - Report of submarine could not be confirmed. South of GABA TEPE there is a fixed object like a buoy which has been there for some time, yesterday a group of three similar objects further west were kept under observation all day. Enemy aeroplane, with black squares under planes, passed over, dropping several bombs and darts with apparently no effect.

2nd Australian Division reports -

GENERAL - A 75m/m gun shelled Courtneys from 80 S 3/8. POPES Report enemy to be using a new variety of grenade - a specimen of which has been obtained. It is reported that a man wearing a German spiked helmet was seen in GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH yesterday. At 1550 an enemy aircraft twice crossed our lines at WIRE GULLY and dropped two bombs which failed to explode and also some darts. At 1550 an enemy aeroplane passed over RUSSELLS TOP and dropped two bombs at the top of MONASH GULLY - one bomb only exploded. It also dropped a bomb on to the enemy's trenches at the NEK. This bomb detonated well.

N.E. & A. Division report -

WORKS - The enemy have done a large amount of building up to their damaged trenches on SNIPERS NEST. The Turks evidently set great store by their position on the PINNACLE 80 K 1/2 judging by the quickness by which they rebuilt it - it was rebuilt by the 6th so the 17th Siege Battery again demolished it yesterday. The Turks have now deepened their communication trench to BULGAR BLUFF 92 Z 2.

GENERAL - One Turk accounted for by our snipers, he is reported to be a German artillery observer - he was first seen during the H.E. bombardment on Sunday 5th inst.

No IV Section. M.M.Bde report -

MOVEMENTS - Enemy sniper crept forward and fired at our party working in KAIJAJIK DERE.

WORKS - Enemy broke into our gallery P 1 in Hill 60 and wounded one man. Enemy heard working on four mines in Hill 60.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A. & N. Z. ARMY CORPS. FROM 10 a.m. 5th to 10 a.m. 7th December 1915. G.H. 8/18 Ig(a).

1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - Between 0900 and 1000 the troops on PINE RIDGE which presumably ~~occupied~~ SNIPERS RIDGES and KNIFE EDGE moved out, taking all their furniture and equipment, being relieved by new troops, apparently well equipped. About 400 men were counted passing SOORABANG SGP 68 N 4, but those entering by WINDGLASS SGP were unobserved. At 1055 a body of infantry, estimated at 1500, passed 48 S turning into sunken road leading round KAIKAI TERE to SOORABLI DEBE. Between 300 and 350 pack and saddle horses were grazing in meadow 48 N. About 80 or 90 men were seen marching across SANDY PATCH 48 N 8. A number of pack horses and mules, some evidently carrying ammunition, came down SOORABANG SGP 68 N 4. Many parties of men and pack animals observed moving towards 48 N 8 and OLIVE GROVE. 80 men and 78 laden mules going to OLIVE GROVE alone.

WORKS - Enemy is still working consistently in communication trenches between 60E and PINE RIDGES, and on DESPAIR, and GIBBY GUN IMPLACEMENTS. Large parties continue to work on sgp leading to GABA TERE and on HARRIS RIDGE, where barbed wire is being put out right along the front.

GENERAL - Report of submarine could not be confirmed. South of GABA TERE there is a fixed object like a buoy which has been there for some time, yesterday a group of three similar objects further west were kept under observation all day. Enemy aeroplane, with black squares under planes, passed over, dropping several bombs and darts with apparently no effect.

2nd Australian Division reports -

GENERAL - A 75mm gun shelled Courtneys from 80 S 3/8. POPPER report enemy to be using a new variety of grenade - a specimen of which has been obtained. It is reported that a man wearing a German spiked helmet was seen in GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH yesterday. At 1530 an enemy aircraft twice crossed our lines at WINE GULLY and dropped two bombs which failed to explode and also some darts. At 1550 an enemy aeroplane passed over RUSSELLS TOP and dropped two bombs at the top of MORASS GULLY - one bomb only exploded. It also dropped a bomb on to the enemy's trenches at the WEE. This bomb detonated well.

N.Z. & A. Division report -

WORKS - The enemy have done a large amount of building up to their damaged trenches on SNIPERS WEST. The Turks evidently set great store by their position on the PINNACLE 80 N 1/2 judging by the quickness by which they rebuilt it - it was rebuilt by the 8th so the 17th Siege Battery again demolished it yesterday. The Turks have now deepened their communication trench to BULGAR BLUFF 80 Z 2.

GENERAL - One Turk accounted for by our snipers, he is reported to be a German artillery observer - he was first seen during the H.F. bombardment on Sunday 5th inst.

No IV Section. P.M. Die report -

MOVEMENTS - Enemy sniper crept forward and fired at our party working in KAIKAI DEBE.

WORKS - Enemy broke into our gallery P 1 in Hill 80 and wounded one man. Enemy heard working on four mines in Hill 80.

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1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - One motor ambulance and five men went south to RUINS 48 N 6. About 40 men came from gully at 48 N 8 moving S.W. Approximately a battalion of infantry on parade at 48-N. Seventy saddle horses were observed being led by dismounted men from 48 N to 48 S. Ten men and one pack mule passed down BOOMERANG communication trench 68 R 4. A party of thirty men observed drilling at 48 S 1. Eleven laden pack horses and about twenty men travelled S. in road through sq 48. Fifteen men from 48 S came about 300 yards into the open and apparently reconnoitred the ground. Some of the men wore white trousers and dark tunics. About 100 men were seen coming into BOOMERANG Trench over GUN RIDGE.

WORKS - Turks are doing much work on HARRIS RIDGE putting out barbed wire and improving trenches generally. A fence of Chevaux-de-frise has been erected from the ridge to the sea. Considerable work going on in sq 56H 7.8.9. Both in ANDERSONS KNOLL and BOOMERANG SAP large parties are busy. Damage done to BIRD TRENCHES by Jap bombs repaired.

GENERAL - Report by 1st Inf Bde that enemy were moving heavy guns from position about 46 X 5, could not be confirmed by artillery. Much traffic to and from the Turkish hospital 48 M 9 has been noticed.

2nd Australian Division report - Nil.

N.Z. & A. Division report -

MOVEMENTS - At dark slight movement reported on HACKNEY WICK 92 Z 7, probably manning of posts by Turks for night. SAZLI BEIT DERE, both branches AGHYL and KALAJIK DERE and Dere 92 U 1/4 patrolled, but no movements of enemy reported.

WORKS - Enemy's communication sap at 81 A 1 has been somewhat concealed with bushes, it was being much used yesterday. At 1750 Turks were noticed working on trenches opposite WARWICK CASTLE 92 Y 6, but compelled to cease work by one of our machine guns. Enemy has covered in a portion of communication trench at BULGAR BLUFF 92 Z 2, and removed barbed wire from in front of his trenches in vicinity of FARM leaving supports standing.

GENERAL - Our miners exploded a mine to damage Turk sap out in APEX direction. Snipers post located opposite CARISBROOK POST 92 O 9 was successfully broken up by converging rifle fire from our trenches. Patrol up LITTLE DERE 92 Y 9 proceeded as far as GREEN KNOLL, in advance of FRANKLINS POST 92 Z 4. The Corporal in charge states he heard some of the enemy conversing in German, difference from Turkish being easily distinguishable, and is of opinion they were engineers or machine gunners. Turks also heard fixing stakes, apparently wire fixings at TURK TRENCHES 92 Z 9 to 80 F 3.

No IV Section H.M.B.

MOVEMENTS - On Hill 60 enemy attempted to throw grenades at newly placed machine gun by crawling out of their trenches. They were unsuccessful.

WORKS - Enemy mining in five places on Hill 60 in BEACH LANE locality, he is working very deep.

APPENDIX No.1. 88

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY A.&N.Z. ARMY CORPS. From 10 a.m. 6th to 10 a.m.

7th December, 1915. C.R. 8/6 Ig (a)

1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - Between 0900 and 100 the troops on PINE RIDGE which presumably supplies WEIR and SNIPERS RIDGE and KNIFE EDGE moved out, taking their furniture and equipment, being relieved by new troops, apparently well equipped. About 400 men were counted passing BOOMERANG SAP 68 R 4, but those entering by WINEGLASS SAP were unobserved. At 1033 a body of infantry, estimated at 1500, passed 48 S turning into sunken road leading round KAYALI TEPE to SOGHANLI DERE. Between 300 and 350 pack and saddle horses were grazing in meadow 48 R.

About 80 or 90 men were seen marching across SANDY PATCH 48 N 8. A number of pack horses and mules, some evidently carrying ammunition, came down BOOMERANG SAP 68 R 4. Many parties of men and pack animals observed moving towards 48 N.6. and OLIVE GROVE. 80 men and 78 laden mules going to OLIVE GROVE. alone.

WORKS. Enemy is still working consistently in communication trenches between GUN and PINE RIDGES, and on DESPAIR, and CEMENT GUN EMPLACEMENTS. Large parties continue to work on sap leading to GABA TEPE and on HARRIS RIDGE, where barbed wire is being put out right along the front.

GENERAL - Report of submarine could not be confirmed. South of GABA TEPE there is a fixed object like a buoy which has been there for some time, yesterday a group of three similar objects further west were kept under observation all day. Enemy aeroplane, with black squares under planes, passed over, dropping several bombs and darts with apparently no effect.

2nd Australian Division reports-

GENERAL - A 75m/m gun shelled Courtneys from 80 S 3/8. POPES Report enemy to be using a new variety of grenade - a specimen of which has been obtained. It is reported that a man wearing a German spiked helmet was seen in GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH yesterday. At 1530 an enemy aircraft twice crossed our lines at WIRE GULLY and dropped two bombs which failed to explode and also some darts. At 1550 an enemy aeroplane passed over RUSSELLS TOP and dropped two bombs at the top of MONASH GULLY - one bomb only exploded. It also dropped a bomb on to the enemy's trenches as the NEK. This bomb detonated well.

N.Z. & A. DIVISION report -

WORKS- The enemy have done a large amount of building up to their trenches on SNIPERS WEST.

The Turks evidently set great store by their position on the PINNACLE 80 K 1/2 judging by the quickness by which they rebuilt it - it was rebuilt by the 6th so the 17th Siege Battery again demolished it yesterday.

The Turks have now deepened their communication trench to BULGAR BLUFF 92 Z 8.

GENERAL- One Turk accounted for by our snipers, he is reported to be a German artillery observer - he was first seen during the H.E. bombardment on Sunday 5th inst.

No IV Section, H.M. Bde report -

MOVEMENTS - Enemy sniper crept forward and fired at our party working in KAJAJIK DERE.

WORKS. Enemy broke into gallery P 1 in Hill 60 and wounded one man. enemy heard working on four mines in Hill 60.

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6th December, 1915.

ANZAC CORPS-GENERAL STAFF

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From 6 a.m. 6th
To 6 a.m. 7th Dec. 1915

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 officers 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 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 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 Aust. Div.

Between 1430 and 1450 about 32 shells coming apparently from 80 S 3/8 fell on our line between D16 and COURTNEY'S 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 N 5) to (92 O 1.) New Zealand & Aust. Div.

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 P 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 KAIJAK DERE drew some enemy fire at night.
General. (1) Weather. mild and bright - sea calm.

<u>General.</u>	<u>Casualties.</u>	<u>Officers.</u>	<u>Men</u>
	Killed	-	8 (a) Clearing Hospital
	(a) Sick.	2	147 only; evacuations nil.
	(a) Wounded.	-	26

(Signed). C. B. B. WHITE
for Lieut-General
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A. & N. Z. ARMY CORPS.

From 10 am. 7th. to 10 am. 8th. December 1915.

1st. Australian Division report.

MOVEMENTS. - One motor ambulance and five men went south to RUINS 48 N 6. About 40 men came from gully at 48 N 8 moving S.W. Approximately a battalion of infantry on parade at 48 N. 50 saddle horses were observed being led by dismounted men from 48 N to 48 S. Ten men and one pack mule passed down BOOMERANG communication trench 68 R 4. A party of 30 men on served drillia at 48 S 1. Eleven laden pack horses and about 20 men travelled S. in road through sq. 48. Fifteen men from 48 S came about 300 yd into the open and apparently reconnoitred the ground. Some of the men wore white trousers and dark tunics. About 100 men were seen coming into BOOMERANG trench over GUN RIDGE.

WORKS. - Turks are doing much work on HARRIS RIDGE putting out barbed wire and improving trenches generally. A fence of Chevaux-de-frise has been erected from the ridge to the sea. Considerable work going on in sq 36H 8.8.9. Both in ANDERSONS KNOLL and BOOMERANG SAP large parties are busy. Damage done to BIRD TRENCH by Jap bombs repaired.

GENERAL. Report by 1st. Infantry Bde. that enemy were moving heavy guns from position about 46 X 5, could not be confirmed by artillery. Much traffic to and from the Turkish hospital 48 M 9 has been noticed.

2nd. Australian Division report. NIL.

N. Z. & A. Division report.

MOVEMENTS. At dark slight movement reported on HACKNEY WICK 92 Z 7, probably manning of post by Turks for night. SAZLI BEIT DERE, both branches AGHYL and KAIJIK DERE and Dere 92 U 1/4 patrolled, but no movements of enemy reported.

WORKS. Enemy's communication sap at 81 A 1 has been somewhat concealed with bushes, it was being much used yesterday. At 1750 Turks were noticed working on trenches opposite WARWICK CASTLE 92 Y 6, but compelled to cease work by one of our machine guns. Enemy has covered in a portion of communication trench at BULGAR BLUFF 92 Z 2, and removed barbed wire from in front of his trenches in vicinity of FARM leading supports standing.

GENERAL. Our miners exploded a mine to damage Turk sap out in APEX direction. Snipers post located opposite CARESBROOK POST 92 O 9 was successfully broken up by converging rifle fire from our trenches.

Patrol up LITTLE DERE 92 Y 9 proceeded as far as GREEN KNOLL in advance of FRANKLINS POST 92 Z 4. The Corporal in charge states he heard some of the enemy conversing in German, different from Turkish being easily distinguishable, and is of opinion they were engineers or machine gunners. Turks also heard fixing stakes apparently wire fixings at TURK TRENCHES 92 Z 9 to 80 F 3.

No. IV Section E.M.B.

MOVEMENTS. On Hill 60 enemy attempted to throw grenades at newly placed M.G. by crawling out of their trenches. They were unsuccessful.

WORKS. Enemy mining in five places on Hill 60 in BEACH LANE locality. He is working very deep.

APPENDIX No.1.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A. & N.Z. ARMY CORPS. From 10 a.m. 7th to 10 a.m.

8th December, 1915. No. 8/7 Ig (a).

1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - One motor ambulance and five men went south to RUINS 48 N 6. About 40 men came from gully at 48 N 8 moving S.W. Approximately a battalion of infantry on parade at 48 N. Seventy saddle horses were observed being led by dismounted men from 48 N to 48 S. Ten amen and one pack mule passed down BOOMERANG Communication Trench 68 R 4. A party of thirty men observed drilling at 48 S 1. Eleven laden pack horses and about twenty men travelled S. in road through sq 48. Fifteen men from 48 S came about 300 yards into the open and apparently reconnoitred the ground. Some of the men wore white trousers and dark tunics. About 100 men were seen coming into BOOMERANG Trench over GUN RIDGE.

WORKS - Turks are doing much work on HARRIS RIDGE putting out barbed wire and improving trenches generally.

A fence of Chevaux-de-frise has been erected from the ridge of the sea. Considerable work going on in sq 56H 7.8.9. Both in ANDERSONS KNOLL and BOOMERANG SAP large parties are busy. Damage done to BIRD TRENCHES by Jap bombs repaired.

GENERAL - Report by 1st In Bde that enemy were moving heavy guns from position about 46 X 5, could not be confirmed by artillery. Much traffic to and from the Turkish hospital 48 M 9 has been noticed.

2nd Australian Division report - Nil.

N.Z. Division report -

MOVEMENTS - At dark slight movement reported on HACKNEY WICK 92 Z 7. probably manning of post by Turks for night.

SAZLI BRIT DERE, both branches AGHYL AND KAJAJIK DERE and Dere 92 U 1/4 patrolled, but no movements of enemy reported.

WORKS - Enemy's communication sap at 81 A 1 has been somewhat concealed with bushes, it was being much used yesterday. At 1750 Turks were noticed working on trenches opposite WARWICK CASTLE 92 Y 6, but compelled to cease work by one of our machine guns. Enemy has covered in a portion of communication trench at BULGAR BLUFF 92 Z 2, and removed barbed wire from in front of his trenches in vicinity of PAMA leaving supports standing.

GENERAL - Our miners exploded a mine to damage Turk sap out in APEX direction. Snipers post located opposite CARISSEROOK POST 92 O 9 was successfully broken up by covering ~~with~~ ^{with} fire from our trenches. Patrol up LITTLE DERE 92 Y 9 proceeded as far as GREEN KNOLL, in advance of FRANKLINS POST 92 Z 4. The Corporal in charge states he heard some of the enemy conversing in German, difference from Turkish being easily distinguishable, and is of opinion they were engineers or machine gunners. Turks also heard fixing stakes, apparently wire fixings at TURK TRENCHES 92 Z 9 to 80 F 3.

No IV Section E.M.B.

MOVEMENTS - On HILL 60 enemy attempted to throw grenades at newly placed machine gun by crawling out of their trenches. They were unsuccessful.

WORKS - Enemy mining in five places on Hill 60 in BRACH LANE locality, he is working very deep.

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7th, December, 1915.

ANZAC CORPS-GENERAL STAFF

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From 6 a.m. 7th
To 6 a.m. 8th Dec, 1915

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

Fairly quiet day. At 1330 an enemy gun firing from the direction of 80 U fired 53 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.

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 sq 68 B 8 - H 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 Aust. Div

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)

No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16, exclusive. Except for shelling a quiet day and night.

88 Tunnel LONE PINE was unlined 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 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.

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

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.

No 111 Section continued.

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

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7th December, 1915

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

There was a quiet period in this section.

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.

Mining activity on both sides continues on Hill 60.

General.

(1) Weather - bright and warm - sea calm.

(2) HMS "Grafton" and two monitors shelled guns 56 C to V. The shooting appeared to be good.

(3) Casualties.

	Officers.	Men.
Killed.	-	2.
Sick (evacuated)	4	45
Wounded (evacuated)	1	2

1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - At 0855 a party of nearly 200 men came over GUN RIDGE into BOOMERANG TRENCHES, all carrying picks and shovels. At 1600 about 150 men were seen leaving BOOMERANG TRENCHES returning over GUN RIDGE. Between 1500 and 1615 a number of Turkish troops, estimated at 1000, crossed the ASMAK BERE parade ground 48 N 5 and moved into 48 N 6. 15 pack animals and 15 men moved into trench 68 R 4. Usual traffic between back of GUN RIDGE, OLIVE GROVE and RUINS 48 N 6. At 0155 two men were seen to disappear into a communication trench on GABA TEPE after which a loophole at that point was uncovered and remained so all day. WORKS - On SNIPERS RIDGE a party actively digging was dispersed by our Jap mortar. A large party has been digging a communication trench on GUN RIDGE. Work going on at ANDERSONS KNOLL and PINE RIDGE. GENERAL - The retirement of night garrison on SNIPERS RIDGE and KNIFE EDGE was observed at 0720 and reliefs appear to be carried out between 0600 to 0800 and 1800 to 2000. Enemy has a new gun position enfilading SILT SPUR. At 0450, two shots, evidently searching for Jap mortar, being put in between front firing line and second line. A bomb was fired from WEIR RIDGE near a broomstick bomb position which passes over 3rd Bn observation station. In its flight it emptied a liquid on the ground, no odour was discovered and no explosion occurred when bomb dropped. No flash was discerned when bomb dropped but a faint sound of discharge thought to be heard when second bomb fired.

2nd Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - Movements of enemy troops were heard at the foot of WIRE GULLY and in the communication trench towards SNIPERS TRENCH. WORKS - The height of the enemy's trenches on spur running north from QUINNS has been raised. GENERAL - LONE PINE was shelled by a small gun from SCRUBBY KNOLL (probably one of the guns located 80 Z 3 or 5-8 which has been reported from other sources as being active lately) and also by a 10 pdr from ANDERSONS KNOLL (possibly a moveable gun which has lately fired from 68 O). Heavy shells passed over LONE PINE trenches from a bearing of 80 degrees (this bearing is confirmed by 1st Aust. Div. and the gun may be the 9.2" reported to be in position near TASHLA TEPE (82 P). One of our machine guns silenced an enemy machine gun at 80 X 7 - b 60, three of the enemy were accounted for.

N.Z. & A. Division report -

MOVEMENTS - The Turks were active all day about SAND BAG RIDGE (92 U 5), in the night they cut out French wire entanglement and swung back 12 feet of it - this was repaired, the party not being interfered with. A patrol on KAIAJIA BERE reported at 2240 a party of about 50 Turks moving towards Hill 60, it was reported to WELCH Horse, nothing further seen. No movement reported on SNIPERS NEST during the night, but was shelled heavily in the afternoon. GENERAL - The machine gun fire onto working party on our new trench in front of WARWICK CASTLE appeared to come from enemy's trench in front of BECKS BLUFF (92 Y 2/80 D/F). A machine gun reported as located on BULGAR BLUFF (92 Z 2) firing at Mtd Rifles section of line, this is being watched. During the shelling of SNIPERS NEST a Turk telephone wire was cut.

No. IV Section report -

MOVEMENTS - Enemy seen putting up wire and repairing their bomb proof roofings on Hill 60.

WORKS - Enemy mining energetically under Hill 60, but not heard opposite NORFOLK STREET yesterday. Enemy had evidently laid their charges yesterday near BEACH LANE, as we picked up pieces of their time fuze. This morning further evidence of the enemy's activity is to hand, as in consequence of the explosion of one of our camouflages three of the enemy's charges were exploded.

MISCELLANEOUS -

I. - 9th Corps report - On the 5th inst LALA BABA was subjected to a systematic bombardment which caused few casualties to personnel, but some 35 transport animals were killed, otherwise little material damage was done. The 12th Division (enemy) is said to be commanded by a German officer who relieved the Turkish commander about a month ago.

At least four big guns are reported by a prisoner to be on the way from CONSTANTINOPLE for which concrete emplacements are being made near the windmills at ANAFARTA SAGHIR.

An enemy observation post is reported on Hill 60 and officers have been seen there on two occasions.

II. - Q.E.D. Report - It is not thought that railway communication between AUSTRIA and CONSTANTINOPLE via NISH can be established for several weeks.

The Bulgarians do not relish the prospect of fighting the Russians with the Turks as their allies.

Bulgarian desertions on the Anglo-French front are on the increase.

It is officially announced that Roumania has authorized the passage of Russian troops concentrated on her frontier. Count Reventlov in the "Deutsche Tag Zeitung" manifests lively anxiety over the probable passage of Russian troops through Roumanian territory and endeavours to prove to the Roumanians that it is their duty to prevent it.

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8th December, 1915.

ANZAC CORPS-GENERAL STAFF

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From 6 a.m. 8th
To 6 a.m. 9th Dec. 1915.

No 1 Section. CHATHAM POST (68 G 7) to (68 H 5). 1st AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

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, MCGAYS 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 satisfaction results dispersing enemy working parties and damaging their parapets.

No 1 Section Right. Quiet 24 hours. Between 1330 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 GABA 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 KYRIES POST; they were fired on but it was too dark to see the result.

No 1 Section Centre. 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.

No 1 Section Left. Normal conditions in this section.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLS TOP (80 N 7) End Aust. Div.

Enemy's artillery shelled LONE PINE trenches at 1145 by small gun from SCRUBBY KNOLL; at 1320 by 10-pdr from ADNERSONS KNOLL, and during the day by 75s from CHESSBOARD. At 1840 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.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE to D16 exclusive. Movement of troops heard at foot of WIRE GULLY and in communication trench towards SNIPERS TRENCH. Estimated enemy accounted for - 2.

No 11 Section. D16. to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive. 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.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 H 5) to (92 O 1.) New Zealand & Aust. Div.

The NZ. M.N. Bde. line was shelled causing 5 casualties. An enemy's machine gun fired on a party working on a party working on a new fire trench in front of WARWICK CASTLE causing 2 casualties.

At 2040 a patrol in KAIJIK DERRE reported a party of about 50 Turks moving towards Hill 60 - Eastren 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.

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No 111 Section Continued.

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.

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.

Our snipers accounted for 3 Turks and 2 periscopes in SNIPERS NEST No IV Section. (92 0 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde, 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.

There was a quiet period throughout this subsection except on Hill 60 where there was considerable mining activity.

Enemy's mining has proceeded energetically especially in locality of ASH LANE. Consequently we prepared further charges and at 0745 today 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 yesterday camouflets we picked up pieces of fuse proving that enemy had mines laid.

1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - The traffic to the RUINS 48 N 6 and OLIVE GROVE was about, ^{normal} no special features except a number of men each wheeling wheelbarrows passed from OLIVE GROVE to GUN RIDGE. At 0850 about 100 Turks were seen coming over GUN RIDGE into BOOMERANG TRENCH, and at 1515 about 200 men went back, all carried picks and shovels. At 0902 a group of men and horses seen at 48 S 4. One man disappeared in communication trench on GABA TEPE near port hole under observation as a Turkish observation station. Five men moved up communication trench 68 R 4, four of them carrying some heavy object. 106 men and 5 pack animals passed out from trench 68 R 4. A motor car with four persons observed about 48 M 5. 250 troops moved from 48 S in direction of 48 N 6 at 1623.

WORKS - Work is actively going on at GUN RIDGE, CEMENT GUN EMPLACEMENT and BALKAN GUN PITS, ANDERSONS KNOLL and BOOMERANG TRENCH. On south end of SNIPERS RIDGE and south end of KNIFE EDGE new sand bags have been placed and new loop holes constructed and new communication trench in TURKISH DESPAIR north of HOLLY RIDGE from PINE RIDGE has been started.

GENERAL - Fires were lighted in SNIPERS WEIR and PINE RIDGES and WANLISS GULLY and LEGGE VALLEY at 0645. Enemy aeroplane passed over at 1645, dropped several bombs which did not explode, also some darts. All observers report it firing a machine gun, but no aerial target seen.

2nd Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - An enemy working party opposite POPES was dispersed by our fire.

WORKS - The enemy opened three 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 by us. 80 X 4

GENERAL - An enemy machine gun has been located at a 33. LONE PINE was shelled with 75 m/ms ~~and by a 6" Howr~~ from direction of JOHNSTONES JOLLY. RUSSELLS TOP was shelled by 75 m/ms and by a 6" Howr opened apparently from BATTLESHIP HILL and also from "W" Hills, only slight damage was done. A relief of the enemy's trenches opposite RUSSELLS TOP has apparently taken place, the trenches seem to be more thickly manned and they ^{use howitzers} expose themselves more. Hostile aeroplane appeared during the day but retreated when fired on.

N. Z. & A. Division report -

WORKS - Turks seen working on fire trench 92 Z 8/80 F 2 early yesterday morning, having during the night erected wire in front of it. Two Turks seen inspecting wire entanglement near 80 F 3, one was shot by a machine gun. A new trench was discovered near 80 F 3/6 near road to front of Farm, telephone wires to this trench were cut. Patrol from NEWBERRYS POST heard enemy repairing wire, due east of our line and north of AGHYL DERE, by prearranged signal machine gun of 14th Bn. got onto spot, evidently with good results, from the howling heard.

GENERAL - An officers patrol reconnoitred AGHYL DERE to 500 yds from 80 F 4, thence BLACK SWAN GULLY (at 80 F 5/92 Z 7) 80 D 3 and back to barricade, commander reports that previous surmise that enemy removed wire in this locality incorrect, on contrary wire has been advanced 50 yds, and screened with newly cut bushes. Several Turk patrols met, and could have been surprised, by action would have rendered operations of our patrol nugatory. The Turks met with were dressed in grey with high caps like the French, as far as could be seen four wore sandbags on their feet to deaden their footsteps.

Enemy's aeroplane passed over our lines at 1700 and forced to change its course by machine gun fire.

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No IV Section report -

WORKS - Enemy working to the right of shaft G 6 and near shaft B 3 on Hill 60.

GENERAL - Our work of building up a dry trench across the KAJAJIK DERE draws enemy fire.

MISCELLANEOUS - The following reports on bombs recently used against us by the Turks :-

1. The shrapnel bomb which the Turks have lately brought into use is made of a piece of 3" iron drain pipe about 18" long. It is charged on the same principle as our Hand 8 grenade, the charge being gelignite, and the fuze is evidently set in the rear and ignited by the explosion in the mortar on firing. It has a flat nose of wood so that much resistance to the air must be caused. It appears to have a fairly high velocity and a flat trajectory.

No damage has been caused in this section (i-e- No 2) although the Turks use this bomb freely during darkness.

2. A bomb ^{found} ~~found~~ on examination to contain sulphur and nitric acid well packed in resin. This gives off a strong odour of a sweet nature and is probably the bomb which has been reported previously as having a bad effect on the eyes.

3. From 8th Corps - (a) Brass tube about a foot long, 4" in diameter filled with black powder and detonated with a wooden pin. (b) Iron tube of same dimensions filled with an inflammable substance and evidently meant to be incendiary.

4. A new type of bullet with core partly lead and partly aluminium has been lately used at HELLES. These usually break up on striking a hard substance making much noise.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A.&.N.Z. ARMY CORPS. From 10 a.m. 9th to 10 a.m.

10th December 1915 No Ig (a) 8/9

1st Australian Division report - *Russell*

MOVEMENTS - The traffic to the 43 N 6 and OLIVE GROVE was about, no special features except a number of men each wheeling wheelbarrows passed from OLIVE GROVE to GUN RIDGE. At 0850 about 100 Turks were seen coming over GUN RIDGE into BOOMERANG TRENCH, and at 1515 about 200 men went back, all carried picks and shovels. at 0902 a group of men and horses seen at 48 S 4. Oneman disappeared in communication trench on GABA TREE near port hole under observation as a Turkish observation station. Five men moved up communication trench 68 R 4, four of them carrying some heavy object. 106 men and 5 pack animals passed out from trench 68 R 4. A motor car with four persons observed about 48 M 5. 250 troops moved from 48 S in direction of 48 N 6 at 1633.

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Enemy aeroplane passed over at 1645, dropped several bombs which did not explode, also some darts. All observers report it firing a machine gun, but no aerial target seen.

2nd Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - An enemy working party opposite POPPS was dispersed by our fire.

WORKS - The enemy opened three 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 by us.

GENERAL - An enemy machine gun has been located at ^{80 X 4} a 33. LONE PINE was shelled with 75 m/ms from direction of JOHNSTONES JOLLY. RUSSELLS TOP was shelled by 75 m/ms and by a 6" Howr. opened apparently from BATTLESHIP HILL and also from "W" Hills only slight damage was done. A relief of the enemy's trenches opposite RUSSELLS TOP has apparently taken place, the trenches seem to be more thickly manned and they expose themselves more. Hostile aeroplane appeared during the day but retreated when fired on.

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No damage has been caused in this section (1-e- No 2) although the Turks use this bomb freely) during darkness.
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ANZAC CORPS-GENERAL STAFF

ANZAC

From 6 a.m. 9th
To 6 a.m. 10th Dec, 1915
1st Australian Division

No 1 Section. CHATHAMS POST (68 G 7) to (68 B 5),

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 KYRIES POST. A heavy gun also fired at BROWNS DIP from about 80 Z 9. Enemy's guns fired salvos 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 over head; some darts were dropped also three bombs which did not explode.

No 1 Section Right. HMS "Grafton" fired at HARRIS RIDGE; only 5 shots took effect. Enemy shelled firing line at KYRIES 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.

No 1 Section Centre. By day our snipers kept the enemy quiet but at night hostile snipers and machine guns 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 KYRIES 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.

No 1 Section Left. Uneventful. Enemy snipers quieter during the day. The left of SILENT SPUR was shelled between 1500 and 1600 with slight damage to trenches.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to RUSSELLE TOP (80 N 7.) End Aust. Div

LONE PINE was shelled with 75 mm guns from direction of JOHNSTONES JOLLY; 8.2" firing during the afternoon. RUSSELLE TOP was shelled by 75 mm and by a 6" Howitzer which opened apparently from BATTLESHIP HILL and also from guns on "F" HILLS. Slight damage was done. Our artillery retaliated on guns shelling LONE PINE and enemy's fire ceased.

No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16 exclusive. Hostile aeroplane appeared during the day but retreated when fired on.

No 11 Section Left. D16 to RUSSELLE 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. RUSSELLE TOP trenches are being deepened at dangerous points and are also being drained. The Turks opened 3 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 -5, 15, and 3.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 N 7) (92 C 1.) New Zealand & Aust. Div.

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 Ede, trenches were shelled causing 2 casualties. Our Hotchkies gun caused considerable commotion in communication trench near 80 F 5.

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No 111 Section continued.

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. *enemies*

Patrol from NEWBERRY POST heard repairing wire due east of our lines and north of AGHYL DERB - by pre-arranged signal machine gun got on to the spot evidently with good results from the howling heard. An officers patrol reconnoitred along AGHYL DERB 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 Turk patrols were met but were avoided as our object was to get information. New trenches reported near 80 D 3/5 near road in front of FARM - telephone wires to this trench were cut. Two Turks were seen inspection wire entanglements near 80 F 5; one was accounted for by machine gun at DURRANTS POST (80 D 6/9). Our snipers ^{accounted} for 4 turks No IV Section. (92 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd Bde. 29th Indian Bde, 163rd Bde.

NORFLOK STREET (92 O 1-4) was shelled by the enemy ^{for} an hour but no damage is reported.

Mining work was continued on both sides but otherwise there was a quiet period.

General.

Weather warm and bright - sea calm.

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

1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - At 0815 a party of about 100 men crossed GUN RIDGE into BOOMERANG TRENCH. Sixty horses were turned out from 48 N to graze. About 30 men from extreme south end of KAYALI TEPE relieved a working party in a trench running north and south in that locality. Fifty mounted men went east from 48 M 8. Party of twenty unarmed men moved from GUN RIDGE to RUINS 48 N 6. Party of about fifty men crossed 48 N 8 from west to east in direction of gully south of RUINS. Nine camels from MAIDOS ROAD passed over top of TABRE MEYKY on road to SERAFIM. A motor ambulance observed moving into RUINS 48 N 6. The usual daily parties of men with laden mules to OLIVE GROVE about 1200 delayed until 1400, probably owing to warships bombardment.

WORKS - Work is still proceeding on south slope of GUN RIDGE, BALKAN PITS and CEMENT GUN EMPLACEMENTS, and what appears to be two gun emplacements have been built just south of BALKAN PITS. Considerable work (probably draining) is being done in communication trenches north along MAIDOS ROAD south behind OLIVE GROVE north and from OLIVE GROVE to behind GUN RIDGE.

GENERAL - The bombardment by warships disclosed no special movements, except one heavy gun fired towards the ships from about 48 K, and another gun from 55 Z 9. A number of flares were shown from KNIFE EDGE, LONE PINE and GABA TEPE, but no action followed to give any significance to signals.

2nd Australian Division report -

WORKS - At 80 X 1 enemy have erected a sandbag breast work about 2' 6" high.

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The Turkish crater at 80 X 1 is only 18" deep. Enemy digging in trench 80 S 2

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a 10-17.

Enemy's entanglements at JOLLY have been strengthened by an additional row of wire slightly west of original entanglements.

GENERAL - At 1530 about fifty Turks were seen to be moving into the trenches in the vicinity of the BEEHIVE - They were evidently reliefs as about fifty were seen to move out again about half an hour later.

At 1445 enemy shelled RUSSELLS TOP with 75 m/m and 6" guns from direction of BATTLESHIP HILL; also 75 m/m shells fell on LONE PINE from direction of SCRUBBY KNOLL.

N.Z. & A. Division report -

GENERAL - A special patrol sent out by Wellington Mtd Rifles, connected by telephone, signalled back to a machine gun, which opened fire on a party of about 20 Turks passing along KAIJIK DERE, so as not to disclose position of telephone buzzer key was not used, but a signal made by pressing the "button".

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No IV Section report -

WORKS - In the mines on Hill 60 our sentries exchanged shots with the Turks. The Turks are mining in two places and very probably in other places, positions of which we do not yet know.

GENERAL - The period was unusually quiet.

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MISCELLANEOUS - It is reported from 8th Corps that the enemy's artillery shows a marked improvement in accuracy and control of fire.

A deserter belonging to the 78th Regiment who surrendered to 9th Corps states that he has seen two large Austrian guns in cement emplacements on the highest point of the KAVAR TEPE RIDGE (119 c 7-8. E 1-4). There were brought there in parts and a light railway was constructed for their transport. A Battalion of Austrian gunners are with them.

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11th December 1915.

No. Ig (a) 8/10

1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - At 0815 a party of about 100 men crossed GUN RIDGE into BOOMERANG TRENCH. Sixty horses were turned out from 48 N to graze. About 30 men from extreme south end of KAYALI TEPE relieved a working party in a trench running N. and S in that locality. Fifty mounted men went east from 48 M 8. Party of twenty unarmed men moved from GUN RIDGE to RUINS 48 N 6. Party of about fifty men crossed 48 N 68 from W. to E. in direction of gully S. of RUINS. Nine camels from MAIDOS ROAD passed over top of TABRE MEYKY on road to SERAFIM. A motor ambulance observed moving into RUINS 48 N 6. The usual daily parties of men with laden mules to OLIVE GROVE about 1200 delayed until 1400, probably owing to warships bombardment.

WORKS - Work is still proceeding in S. slope of GUN RIDGE, BALKAN GUN PITS and CEMENT GUN EMPLACEMENTS, and what appears to be two gun emplacements have been built just south of BALKAN PITS. Considerable work (probably draining) is being done in communication trenches north along MAIDOS ROAD south behind OLIVE GROVE north and from OLIVE GROVE to behind GUN RIDGE.

GENERAL - The bombardment by warships disclosed no special movement except one heavy gun fired towards the ships from about 48 K, and another gun from 55 Z 9. A number of flares were shown from KNIFE EDGE, Lone PINE and GABS TEPE but no action followed to give any significance to signals.

2nd Australian Division report -

WORKS - At 80 X 1 enemy have erected a sandbag breast work about 2' 6" high.

b 21-27

The Turkish crater at 80 X 1 is only 18" deep.

c 36

Enemy digging in trench 80 S 2

a 10-17

Enemy's entanglements at JOLLY have been strengthened by an additional row of wire slightly west of original entanglements.

GENERAL - At 1530 about fifty Turks were seen to be moving into the trenches in vicinity of the BEEHIVE.

They were evidently reliefs, as about fifty were seen to move out again about half an hour later.

At 1445 enemy shelled RUSSELLS TOP with 75 m/m and 6" guns from direction of BATTLESHIP HILL; also 75 m/m shells fell on LONE PINE from direction of SCRUBBY KNOLL.

N.Z. & A Division report-

GENERAL - A special patrol sent out by WELLINGTON MTD RIFLES, connected by telephone, signalled back to a machine gun, which opened fire on a party of about 20 Turks passing along KAJAJIK DERE. So as not to disclose position of telephone buzzer key was not used, but a signal made by pressing the button. Turk machine guns have now been located at BULGAR BLUFF (92 Z 2), 92 U 9 on WOODHOUSE CLIFF 92 U 6, MACKNEY WICK and GREEN KNOLL. Patrol from CANTERBURY Bn. out in front of CHESHIRE RIDGE collected some equipment from Dere.

Mountain artillery section at 92 X 1 was shelled from direction of CRUNK BARR, a new type of fuze was picked up.

Normal shape but much smaller than others seen-figures engraved in Turkish.

No IV Section

WORKS - In the mines on Hill 60 our sentries exchanged shots with the Turks. The Turks are mining in two places and very probably in other places, positions of which we do not know.

GENERAL. The period was unusually quiet.

MISCELLANEOUS. - It is reported from 8th Corps that the enemy's artillery shows a marked improvement in accuracy and control of fire.

Wals
A deserter belonging to the 78th Regiment who surrendered to 9th Corps that he has seen two large Austrian guns in cement emplacements on the highest point of the KAVAK TEPE RIDGE (119 C 7-8. I 1-4).

They were brought there in parts and a light railway was constructed for their transport.

A Battalion of Austrian gunners are with them.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A. & N.Z. ARMY CORPS. From 10 a.m. 11th to 10 a.m. 12th December, 1915. No. Ig(a) 2-6

1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - At 0815 and 0900 small parties of equipped men entered and left trenches by WINEGLASS sap. At 0800 a working party of about 20 men were seen in communication trench from BOOMERANG TRENCHES to LEGGE VALLEY, and at 0850 a party of equipped men, about 100, came over GUN RIDGE into BOOMERANG TRENCH. The usual daily traffic to RUINS and OLIVE GROVE of wagons, mules and small parties of men and horses. Eight laden mules went into OLIVE GROVE apparently carrying kerosene tins, 10 pack mules went to RUINS 48 M 6 carrying apparently long bales.

WORKS - Work is being steadily carried on at GUN RIDGE, BIRD TRENCH and BALKAN PITS, and enemy is putting out a large amount of barbed wire. A large amount of earthworks are appearing at lower end of LEGGE VALLEY below BOOMERANG TRENCH sq 63 R 4-5.

2nd Australian Division report -

WORKS - Breastwork reported yesterday has been made one course of sandbags higher. Enemy has dug a new short trench for about 20 yards from 80 S 5/c 8 towards gully between POPES and QUINNS.

GENERAL - An unusually quiet night. 75 m/m gun from SCRUBBY KNOLL fired on to LONE PINE. 75 m/m gun from "W" Hills fired on RUSSELLS TOP.

N.Z. & A. Division report -

WORKS - Enemy's communication trench to SNIPERS NEST and certain trenches on high ground towards WEEK have been improved. After the artillery's fire at 2230 at SNIPERS NEST Turks were very busy digging. An observer located two tents in vicinity of 93 V 7, but light not sufficiently good to see if they were "Red Crescent" or not.

No IV Section report -

MOVEMENTS - Indian Section report vigorous sniping on BEACH LANE.

WORKS - NORFOLK STREET - Turks digging in trench, probably repairing.

GENERAL - NORFOLK STREET - Prisoner belonging to 3rd Bn. 16th Regt. surrendered at the BARRIER in the KAIJIK DERE.

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10th December, 1915.

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

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 56 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 TERE. We were all glad to see and hear the "Bacchante" back again.

No 1 Section Right. 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.

No 1 Section Centre Situation normal; nothing to report.

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

No 1 Section. LONE PINE (68 B 5) to (68 M 5). 2nd Australian Division.

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.

The enemy showed great activity with bombs opposite POPES where we damaged with our bombs some of their bomb screen.

No III Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Aust. Div.

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.

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".

We continued work on our shelters and communications.

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

Bde

There was a little shelling by the enemy of Hill 60.

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

General. Weather mild and overcast - sea calm.

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

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

CASUALTIES. for 10th December, 1915.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A.&N.Z. ARMY CORPS. From 10 a.m. 11th to 10 a.m.

12th December, 1915 No 1a (a)

1st Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS - At 0815 and 0900 small parties of equipped men entered and left trenches by WINEGLASS Sap.
At 0800 a working party of about 20 men were seen in communication trench from BOOMERANG TRENCHES to LEGGE VALLEY, and at 0850 a party of equipped men, about 100, came over GUN RIDGE into BOOMERANG TRENCH. The usual daily traffic to RUINS and OLIVE GROVE of wagons, mules and small parties of men and horses. Eight laden mules went into OLIVE GROVE apparently carrying kerosene tins, 10 pack mules went to RUINS 48 N 6 carrying apparently long bales.
WORKS - Work is being steadily carried on at GUN RIDGE, BIRD TRENCH and BALKAN PITS, and enemy is putting out a large amount of barbed wire. A large amount of earthworks are appearing at lower end of LEGGE VALLEY below BOOMERANG TRENCH sq 68 R 4-5

2nd Australian Division report-

WORKS- Breastwork reported yesterday has been made one course of sand-bags higher. Enemy has dug a new short trench for about 20 yards from 80 S 5/c 8 towards gully between POPES and QUINNS.
GENERAL - An unusually quiet night. 75 m/m gun from SCRUBBY KNOLL fired on to LONE PINE. 75 m/m gun from "W" Mills fired on RUSSELLS TOP.
N.Z. & A. Division report-

WORKS - Enemy's communication trench to SNIPERS NEST and certain trenches on high ground towards NEK have been improved. After the artillery's fire at 2230 at SNIPERS NEST Turks were very busy digging. An observer located two tents in vicinity of 93 V 7, but light not sufficiently good to see if they were "Red Crescent" or not.

No IV Section report -

MOVEMENTS - Indian Section report vigorous sniping on BEACH LANE.
WORKS - NORFOLK STREET - Turks digging in trench, probably repairing.
GENERAL - NORFLOK STREET - Prisoner belonging to 3rd Bn. 16th Regt. surrendered at the BARRIER in the KALAJIK DERE.

APPENDIX No.1.

INFORMATION obtained from COLOW ALI OGLOU MUSTAFA, who surrendered to the Eastern Mtd Bde, on the night of 11th/12th DECEMBER 1915.

Rank - Private.

Company 3rd	Commander	FAKRI EFFENDI.
Battalion 3rd	"	ASUUBIN VETCHI bey.
Regiment 16th	"	MEHMED EMIN Bey.
Division 3rd ^{6th}	"	MIRALAI NASIF Bey.

Personal History - A native of BOZKIR in KONIEH of the peasant farmer class, he was called up from his village as a supporter of his family. (MUIN 8th class). He trained in Barracks in CONSTANTINOPLE for two months and was then sent to the Peninsula but was taken ill at GALLIPOLI and sent to a hospital where he remained for about 15 days joining the 16th Regt, about 3 months ago which was then resting near ANAFARTA SAGHIR. The officers in his Bn. ill-treated the men and he was beaten and decided to desert and entrust himself to the care of the British, as he remembered the preaching of SHEIKL ABEDDIN evdeputy of KONIEH, who praised the qualities of the British. ABEDDIN is now in exile at BRUSA and has written to men of his "set" who are now serving urging them to give themselves to the British - (Prisoners uncle had lately heard from ABEDDIN) There are many from KONIEH in his Regt. followers of this SHEIKL but they are afraid to surrender and doubt the truth of the letters from our prisoners which are thrown in the trenches. He decided to risk the venture and being out on patrol duty he left his rifle behind a bush walked down the DERE, climbed over the KAJAJIK barrier and gave himself up to the sentry with whom he shook hands.

Strength and Composition. According to prisoner there are 4 Coys in each of the 3 Bns of the 16th Regt, they are well up to strength and average 200 per company - frequent drafts arrive and men are taken from transport details to replace casualties. There are also "countless" troops in THRACE. The drafts they receive consist of reliefs up to 48 and untrained men up to 35. There are no Germans in his Regt but there were plenty at CONSTANTINOPLE before he left and he also saw some in KESHAN -UZUN KEUPRU and GALLIPOLI.

Distribution - The position of this division has not altered, but all 3 Regts are at present in the trenches having one Bn from each in the actual firing line and two in the support trenches. The 18th Regt is still opposite the Indian Bde, although it suffered heavily during the storm and had to be taken out of the trenches for a week, during which time its place was taken by the 21st Regt, which is now in a rest camp. Next the 18th on the left is the 17th who hold the trenches on Hill 60 about up to the big tree where the 16th join them and the 20th continues the line along the banks of the KAJAJIK DERE (the above confirms information obtained from other prisoners).

ARMS - The Regt is armed with three kinds of MAUSERS all with magazine and taking same ammunition. Prisoner thinks there is one machine gun per Coy.

GUNS - Prisoner states that he had heard that some heavy guns had arrived near ANAFARTA with Austrian gunners - he did not know their position but had heard they were to commence firing on the 10th.

Miscellaneous- Prisoner knew nothing about mining and did not know what Coy of sappers are attached to his Regt though he used to see parties of them daily in the trenches. The officers in his Bn have told the men that there is no necessity for them to do much firing, and in consequence our men can expose themselves in this part of the line (this is confirmed by reports from NORFLOK STREET) He could give no reason for this but the men were very glad as they get more rest.

Prisoners clothes (drill) were in rags but their boots were serviceable. Warm clothing has been issued to some, but not all.

The morale of his Regt appears good as prisoner stated that the men would like to attack and drive us into the sea.

Prisoner had on him a money order dated 9th December on P.O. MAIDOS for two MEDJ.

in May 1915 sent to Constantinople having never served before. been exempt.

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11th, December, 1915.
From 6 a.m. 11th
To 6 a.m. 12th Dec, 1915

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

A very quiet day. The beach was shelled as usual at intervals but the gun could not be located and its shooting was erratic. 7th Battery, ONE 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.

Throughout the section there was a quieter day than usual.

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

An enemy 75 mm from direction of WINEGLASS and SCRUBBY KNOLL shelled LONE PINE to D16 wrecking one post and damaging 5. H.K. shells were fired on to COURTNEYS from 80 S 5. RUSSELLS TOP was shelled by 75s and H.K. 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.

No 11 Section Right. LONE PINE to D16. exclusive. The enemy was active with stick bombs from JOHNSTONES JOLLY. Our patrols entered WIRE GULLY but saw no movement.

No 11 Section Left. D16 to (80 M 5.). The enemy has been busy improving and extending his trenches.

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

Throughout the day the enemy shelled different areas but only wounded one man.

A Turk mortar threw bombs into the APEX and on to Upper CHESHIRE Ridge without damage.

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.

6th Battery fired at guns 10⁶ 1 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.

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.

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

There was a quiet period in this section.

Communication along the trench line across the KAIJIK DERE is restored and a new fire trench is nearly completed.

General. Fine and overcast - sea calm.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

from 10 a.m. 12th December to 10 a.m. 13th December 1915.

No. 1 Section, 1st Australian Division, reports-

MOVEMENTS. Several parties were observed moving along trench at 68 R 4. One of these consisted of 19 mules and 31 men. Some of the mules were carrying ammunition.

Usual traffic to RUINS including one motor ambulance.

At 1305 about 500 troops moved XXXXX S.W. from 48 N 6 and a motor car was seen going in the same direction.

WORKS. Work continues on BIRD TRENCH otherwise none reported. Probable observation station on GABA TEPE was located.

Near the RUINS (48 N'6) what appears to be a wireless station has been erected.

GENERAL. At 0645 fires were lighted on SNIPERS, WEIR and PINE RIDGES.

No. 2 Section, 2nd Australian Division report-

MOVEMENTS. No enemy movements are reported - our patrols examined OWENS GULLY but neither saw nor heard anything unusual.

GENERAL. At 0100 the enemy threw a red flare towards XXXXXX QUINNS this was followed by three more at half hour intervals until 0300.

No. 3 Section. N.Z. & A. Division report-

MOVEMENTS. The enemy exploded a charge in one of their tunnels in front of APEX hoping to destroy one of our saps - practically no damage was done and there were no casualties.

Two enemy bombs (Broomstick) reached the bivouac area of No. 1 Post - they did no damage.

An enemy machine gun firing from 2nd line trenches (bearing 130° from NEWBERRY'S POST) was silenced by our fire.

An emplacement (machine gun) about 80 xE of 20 F8 was partly demolished by our Hotchkiss gun and machine gun fire which caused an explosion.

No. 4 Section. Eastern Mounted and Indian Brigades.

MOVEMENTS. During the night enemy machine guns were more active than usual.

WORKS. Sounds of continuance of enemy mining is reported from both NORFOLK ST and HILL 60.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY A. & N.Z. Army Corps from 10a.m. 13th December 1915 to 10 a.m. 14th December 1915 No Ig(a)...

No 1 Section 1st Australian Division report-

At 0705 six of the enemy passed along communication trench to WEIR RIDGE from SNIPERS RIDGE. 200 infantry were drilling near 48M6. 150 men moved out from the RUINS on to MAIDOS or KOJA DERE ROAD at 1030. 100 pack animals and 200 men came from S.W. into 48S and 60 pack animals moved to 48M6. Between 1117 and 1158 a relief of about 80 men moved to Olive Grove from camp in ASMAK DERE at back of GUN RIDGE. This is the first time this has been observed and suggests another Regiment possibly 26th moving up. At 1530 and 1610 movements were observed in BOOMERANG TRENCH.

WORKS. Very strongly wired trestles have been extended along the whole front of KNIFE EDGE. The entanglements on SNIPERS R RIDGE extend along the whole front but in one or two places the trestles are not joined up and these are probably outlets for patrols. The large sap connecting M end of SNIPERS to WEIR RIDGE is now complete and large enough for wheeled traffic.

GENERAL. No special movements are apparent in enemy's front line trenches and less work than usual appears to be going on.

No 2 Section 2nd Australian Division.

A period of silence was maintained for a short time in LONE PINE during which enemy sent patrols towards our trenches but we drove them off with grenades.

No 3 Section N.Z. & A. Division.

Work on ridge east of SNIPERS NEST has been observed and additional entanglements on S side of GREEN KNOLL have been put out. A new sap on the N side of GREEN KNOLL has also been observed.

At the FARM a light was seen which came and went intermittently.

A deserter from the 4th Battalion, 16th Regiment surrendered to the Wellington Mounted Rifles.

No.4 Section.

Enemy's Machine Guns and Trench Mortars showed some activity during the night.

APPENDIX No.1. 99

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A.S.N.Z. ARMY CORPS. From 10 a.m. 12th December to
10 a.m. 13th December 1915.

No.1. Section. 1st Australian Division reports-

MOVEMENTS. Several parties were observed moving along trench at 68 R 4. One of these consisted of 19 mules and 31 men. Some of the mules were carrying ammunition.
Usual traffic to RUINS including one motor ambulance.
At 1305 about 500 troops moved S.W. from 48 N 6 and a motor car was seen going in the same direction.
WORKS - Work continues on BIRD TRENCH otherwise not reported. Probable observation station on GABA TEPH was located.
Near the RUINS (48 N'6) what appears to be a wireless station has been erected.
GENERAL.- At 0645 fires were lighted on SNIPERS, WBIR and PINE RIDGES.

No. 2 Section. 2nd Australian Division report -

MOVEMENTS. No enemy movements are reported - our patrols examined OWENS GULLY but neither saw nor heard anything unusual.
GENERAL - At 0100 the enemy threw a red flare towards QUINNS this was followed by three more at half hour intervals until 0300.

No.3 Section N.Z. & A Division report -

MOVEMENTS - The enemy exploded charge in one of their tunnels in front of APEX hoping to destroy one of our saps practically no damage was done and there were no casualties.
Two enemy bombs (Broomstick) reached the bivouac area of No. 1 Port- they did no damage.
An enemy machine gun firing from 2nd line trenches (bearing 130° from NEWBERRY'S POST) was silenced by our fire.
An emplacement (machine gun) about 80 xE of 20 FS was partly demolished by our Hotchkiss gun and machine gun fire which caused an explosion.

No. 4 Section. Eastern Mounted and Indian Brigade.

MOVEMENTS. During the night enemy machine guns were more active than usual.
WORKS. Sounds of continuance of enemy mining is reported from both NORFLOK STREET and HILL 60.

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13th December, 1915.

ANZAC CORPS-GENERAL STAFF.

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

No 1 Section. CHATHAM POST (68 G 7) to (68 E 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 56Q 4. Our guns engaged enemy 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 E 5) to (80 N 7), 2nd Australian Division

Enemy Activity. COURTBAYS was shelled, one man being killed and 2 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 patrols was reported in WIRE GULLY moving within 50 yards of our trenches. Enemy improved breastworks at 80 X 1 / B 27 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 patrols in OWENS GULLY saw no enemy movement.

No 111 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 N 7) to (92 O 1) New Zealand & Aust. Div.

Enemy activity. The trenches of N.Z.M.R. Bde 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 the former post was knocked about. Enemy was active 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 Rifles. Our artillery engaged the usual targets.

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

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 KAIJIK 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.

APPENDIX No.1. 55

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY A.&N.Z. ARMY CORPS From 10 a.m. 13th December 1915
to 10 a.m. 14th December 1915. No Ig (a)

No 1 Section 1st Australian Division report -

At 0705 six of the enemy passed along communication trench to WEIR RIDGE from SNIPERS RIDGE. 200 infantry were drilling near 48 N 8. 150 men moved out from the RUINS on to MAIDOS or KOJA DERE ROAD at 1030. 100 pack animals and 200 men came from S W. into 48S and 60 pack moved to 48M6. Between 1117 and 1158 a relief of about 80 men moved to Olive Grove from camp in ASMAK DERE at back of GUN RIDGE. This is the first time this has been observed and suggests another Regiment possibly 26th moving up. At 1530 and 1610 movements were observed in BOOMERANG TRENCH. WORKS. Very strongly wired trestles have been extended along the whole front of KNIFE EDGE. The entanglements on SNIPERS RIDGE extend along the whole front but in one or two places the trestles are not joined up and these are probably outlets for patrols. The large sap connecting N end of SNIPERS to WEIR RIDGE is now complete and large enough for wheeled traffic.

GENERAL. No special movements are apparent in enemy's front line trenches and less work than usual appears to be going on.

No 2 Section 2nd Australian Division.

A period of silence was maintained for a short time in LONE PINE during which enemy sent patrols towards our trenches but we drove them off with grenades.

No 3 Section N.Z. & A. Division

Work on ridge east of SNIPERS NEST has been observed and additional entanglement on S side of GREEN KNOLL have been put out. A new sap on the N side of GREEN KNOLL has also been observed.

At the FARM a light was seen which came and went intermittently. A deserter from the 4th Battalion, 16th Regiment surrendered to the Wellington Mounted Rifles.

No 4 Section

Enemy's Machine Guns and Trench Mortars showed some activity during the night.

1st Australian Division report -

No 1 Section - The usual movements of troops and transport are reported in and around the RUINS 48 N 6, also on PINE and GUN RIDGES and through BOOMERANG Trench.

Work is proceeding on SNIPERS and KNIFE EDGE and on communication trenches. New sand bags have been put up on WEIR RIDGE. A new gun emplacement is in course of erection at 68 I 9 and the one destroyed by our ships at 68 L 5 has been rebuilt. Enemy aeroplane passed over. There is nothing to indicate anything other than normal movement.

2nd Australian Division report.

No 2 Section - Nothing of importance to report except flight of enemy aeroplane which was turned East by our fire.

N.Z. & A. Division report.

No 3 Section - A small party of enemy on BABY 700 was dispersed by our M.G. fire. The enemy occupied a new trench at 80 P 6. Enemy working parties were dispersed by our fire.

A light was during early evening on HACKNEY WICK and at this place some work was proceeding and a patrol of ours was fired on by a enemy M.G.

No 4 Section report -

Enemy was heard working in their trenches opposite NORFOLK STREET and the INDIAN Bde. A personal reconnaissance by a Sergeant of the WELCH HORSE revealed the fact that the enemy's trenches opposite IVY LANE on HILL 60 was highly manned.

APPENDIX No.1. 98

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A.S.N.Z. ARMY CORPS From 10 a.m. 14th to 10 a.m.

15th December 1915. No 1g (a)

1st Australian Division report -

No 1 Section - The usual movements of troops and transport are reported in and around the RUINS 48 N 6. also on PINE and GUN RIDGES and through BOOMERANG TRENCH.

Work is proceeding on SNIPERS and KNIFE EDGE and on communication trenches. New sand bags have been put up on WEIR RIDGE.

A new gun emplacement is in course of erection at 68 I 9 and the one destroyed by our ships at 68 L 5 has been rebuilt.

Enemy aeroplane passed over. There is nothing to indicate anything other than normal movement.

2nd Australian Division report-

No 2 Section - Nothing of importance to report except flight of enemy aeroplane which was turned East by our fire.

N.Z. & A. Division report

No 3 Section - A small party of enemy on BABY 700 was dispersed by our M.G. fire. The enemy occupied a new trench at 89 F6.

Enemy working parties were dispersed by our fire.

A light was during early evening on HACKNEY WICK and at this place some work was proceeding and a patrol of ours was fired on by a enemy M.G.

No 4 Section report-

Enemy was heard working in their trenches opposite NORFOLK STREET and the INDIAN Bde. A personal reconnaissance by a Sergeant of the WELCH HORSE revealed the fact that the enemy's trenches opposite IVY LANE on HILL 60 was highly manned.

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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 (68 G 7) to (68 B 5) 1st Aust. Div.

Enemy artillery showed little activity during the morning but were busier during the afternoon from 1435 onwards. At 1615 a hostile aeroplane approached from the east; it was engaged by the anti-aircraft gun and it then turned east; again engaged at 1625 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 0100 and 0230; our covering parties and patrols encountered no Turks and all returned safely

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

Enemy activity. LONE PINE, RUSSELLS TOP and POPES were shelled during the day but no damage was done. At COURTNYS 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 (80 M 5) to (92 O 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 cliff's 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 ANDBAG RIDGE (92 U 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 destroyed the gun, killing 2 men and wounding 3.

NO. 14 Section. (892 O 1) to SUSAK KUYU inclusive. Eastern Mtd. Bde. 25th. 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.~~ 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.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A. & N.Z. Army Corps. From 10 a.m. 15th to 10 a.m. 16th December 1915. No Ig(a) _____

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No 1 Section. 1st Australian Division report-

A regular flow of traffic from back of GUN RIDGE to the OLIVE GROVE and 48 N 6 was observed throughout the day and it is evident that an increased number of troops are camped in this neighbourhood. There was also extensive traffic along communication trenches of troops without equipment and transport animals. The mules appear to be laden with ammunition and stores. This traffic probably proceeds up LEGGE VALLEY and feeds enemy's trenches opposite LONE PINE. The surmised moving in of a new regiment to PINE and WEIR RIDGES is not sufficient to account for so much traffic.

The wire entanglements in front of all enemy trenches appear intact. Improvements have been continued to the trenches on SNIPERS RIDGE and TURKISH DESPAIR is in good repair. Repairs have also been done to the trenches in front of BIRD TRENCHES.

A marked feature is the large amount of work which has been done on the seaward side of HARRIS RIDGE which seems as if they expected an attack on this quarter.

No. 2 Section. 2nd Australian Division. - Nothing of importance is reported.

No. 3 Section. N.Z. & A. Division, report-

Two enemy working parties were observed and dispersed by our fire, during the early part of the evening the enemy were active on SNIPERS NEST - Our Artillery opened fire. It was reported by our infantry patrol that some wire was being removed from in front of WALKERS RIDGE.

A Turk belonging to the 3rd Battalion 21st Regt. gave himself up to the 4th A.I. Bde to the left of WARRICK CASTLE-Statement annexed.

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APPENDIX No.1.

Information obtained from SAYED OGLON MTD, who deserted to the N.A.& A. Division on the night of 15-16th December 1915.

Rank -	Private	Commander -	RIZZA BEY.
Company -	3rd	"	NIAZA BEY.
Battalion -	3rd		
Regiment -	21st		

1. PERSONAL HISTORY .- A barber by trade, he was called up at KONIED 4 months ago. After one month's training at CONSTANTINOPLE he came via UZUN KENPIN to the Peninsula and was sent straight to the 21st Regiment in the trenches.

2. LOCATION OF UNITS.-The 21st Regiment after having been in the rest camp came into the trenches 5 days ago, 2 battalions of the 19th took place their place in the rest camp, and the remaining battalions of this Division are still in the firing line or in the support trenches. Prisoner was not clear as to the position of units in the firing line but his own Regiment was in trenches on SARI BAIR RIDGE near 971. The 31st Regiment was to have relieved the 21st and the 61st came as far as GALLIPOL but then went back towards UZUN KENPIN.

3. STRENGTH.- In his company there are about 180 men; 3 companies in the Battalion and three Battalions in the Regiment. The 19th Regt. has four Battalions. Only one Company is in the trenches by day and two by night.

4. ARMS 30 or 40 Martins in his Company with no magazines - the rest are Mausers. There are three Machine Guns in the Battalion; one of which is in the front line trenches and emplacements for the other two are in process of construction.

5. ARTILLERY. Repeats the rumour of a big gun in position near ANAPARTA and he has himself seen parts of a big gun. More are rumoured to be on the way. Of late ammunition has been short and not much artillery fire has been done. When more arrives and the big guns are in position it is said that there will be a seven days bombardment and a general attack.

6. MORALE. If the statements and general demeanour of the deserter are indicative of the morale of his Regiment, it must be very poor. According to him they are badly fed and half clothed. They are sick of the war and consider themselves victims of the Germans, when asked if they meant to attack he said that it was difficult enough to get men into the trenches let alone get them out again for offensive action.

7. MISCELLANEOUS . About 6 days ago after the ships bombardment there was a rumour that we were about to attack them.

There is one German Officer with his Regiment. There are Germans with the artillery. If there were not the Turkish gunners would fire little as they are afraid of our shells.

No patrols are sent out at night from his Battalion.

He does not know of any observation stations on the Sari Bair Ridge.

They cannot see the beaches from his trenches.

He left his trenches on Tuesday evening and went out a few yards in front as observer and managed to get down in to the valley where he remained hidden the whole of the next day and came into our lines during the night.

Note:- The above prisoner is a man of intelligence but has little or no military knowledge. The information therefore on these matters cannot be relied on.

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

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15.12.15.

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

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. Situated normal, except that during the night there was rather more enemy rifle fire opposite RYRIES. 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 $\frac{1}{2}$ 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 be custom enemy to lull in firing.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE (88 B 5) to (80 M 5) 2nd Aust. Div

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

Our activity. Our guns shelled trenches at 80 P 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 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. (On enquiry this was not confirmed) Our snipers accounted for 5 Turks At 1530 our guns did some goal 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.

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.

(signed) RS. Smythe Major GS
for Lieut-General.

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Otago Mtd Rifles
used Catapults
successfully on
a party of Turks
moving just
below enemy
trenches. Our

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A.&N.Z. ARMY CORPS. From 10 a.m. 15th to 10 a.m.

No 1 Section

1st Aust. Div. Report.

16th December 1915. No Ig (a)

A regular flow of traffic from back of GUN RIDGE to the OLIVE GROVE and 48 N 6 was observed throughout the day and it is evident that an increased number of troops are camped in this neighbourhood. There was also extensive traffic along communication trenches of troops without equipment and transport animals. The mules appear to be laden with ammunition and stores. This traffic probably proceeds up LEFFE VALLEY and feeds enemy's trenches opposite LONE PINE. The surmised moving in of a new regiment to PINE and WEIR RIDGES is not sufficient to account for so much traffic. The wire entanglements in front of all enemy trenches appear intact. Improvements have been continued to the trenches on SNIPERS RIDGE and TURKISH DESPAIR is in good repair. Repairs have also been done to the trenches in front of BIRD TRENCHES.

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No. 2 Section. 2nd Australian Division.-Nothing of importance is reported.

No. 3 Section. N.Z. & A. Division. report-

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

ANZAC
16-12-15.

No 1 Section. CHATHAM POST (88 G 7) to (88 B 5.) 1st Aust. Div.
Enemy activity. Enemy's guns 56 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 ~~an~~ 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 engaged with H.E. and both infantry and artillery observers agree the gun and pit were completely destroyed.

No 11 Section. LONE PINE (88 B 5) to (80 M 5). 2nd Aust. Div.

Enemy activity. LONE PINE was shelled by 75 mms. COURTBREYS 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 11 Section. HAPPY VALLEY (80 M 5) to (92 O 1). New Zealand & Australian Division.

Enemy activity The APEX and RHODODENDRON Spur were slightly shelled 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 SUKAKUYU inclusive. Eastern Mt. 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 camoufflets on Hill 60 to destroy enemy galleries.
General. Weather - bright and mild with an E. breeze; this morning there is a light SW breeze;

(Signed) RB Smythe Major
for Lieut-General.
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps

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No 1 Section 1st Australian Division report-

During the day various parties of the enemy were observed moving towards 48N6, the most numerous being about 200 infantry. The exact direction of these movements cannot be observed but apparently after leaving the RUINS the route is to the South towards SOGHANLI DERE.

Close observation of all movements in communication trench over GUN RIDGE at 68R4 below BOOMERANG trench was kept throughout the day; the traffic was moderate and consisted of small parties of transport animals and men - the largest consisting of about 25 men and 38 mules.

The enemy appear to attach great importance to their works on GUN RIDGE near 68 5-6 where work is proceeding as rapidly as our shell fire permits.

An enemy gun was located by our infantry observers at 68 Q 2/3 the gun was engaged by our artillery and the head cover destroyed when the gun itself became clearly visible - H.E. was then used and both artillery and infantry observers agree that the gun and emplacement were completely wrecked.

No removal of wire from in front of the enemy's trenches is apparent and no unusual movement has been noticed.

No 2 Section 2nd Australian Division, report-

In front of QUINNS and along GERMAN Officers trench the enemy increased the height of his trenches and replaced three panels of bomb netting which had been removed the previous night.

The enemy's artillery was active against RUSSELLS TOP - LONE PINE and COURTNEYS. A short period of silence was maintained by us during which the enemy could be heard working on their front line parapets but they do not appear to have made any attempt to investigate the cause.

No 3 Section N.Z. & A. Division, report-

Enemy working parties were heard working near the farm and on BATTLESHIP HILL also on HACKNEY WICK and on the E slope of ~~KISSKISS~~ SNIPERS NEST. Sandbags have been removed from the trenches on BATTLESHIP HILL greatly altering their appearance. One of our aircraft flew low over the FARM and drew the fire of about 40 rifles.

In the portion of the line opposite the WELLINGTON Mounted Rifles considerable talking was heard.

No 4 Section Est. Mtd. Bde - Indian Bde, report-

Enemy trench Mortars were active against the centre of the Indian Bde line.

No sounds of enemy mining was heard in our galleries on HILL 60 where we exploded two camouflats.

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A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

from 10 a. m. 17th December to 10 a.m. 18th December 1915.

No. 1 Section, 1st Australian Division report -

During the night the enemy continued to snipe intermittently. The maintenance of absolute silence from 0300 - 0315 did not succeed in drawing more than the average amount of fire from the enemy. A small enemy patrol was seen moving across HOLLY RIDGE at 2130 and was dispersed by our fire. Fog made observation difficult.

The enemy's artillery was active during the day against our right flank. Trenches and the beaches near WILLIAMS PIER. A hostile aeroplane passed over and altered its course on being fired on.

No. 2 Section, 2nd Australian Division.

Enemy's machine guns fired short bursts at COURTNEYS and QUINNS and opposite POPES did some repairs to wire. Our snipers accounted for one of the enemy on SNIPERS NEST. Enemy's guns shelled LONE PINE, COURTNEYS and RUSSELLS TOP but did no damage.

No. 3 Section, N. Z. & A. Division.

There was considerable noise and talking in the enemy's lines at the time that the fire broke out on NORTH BEACH and much digging work was carried on at various points.

No. 4 Section, Eastern Mounted and Indian Brigade.

An enemy mine was exploded under Hill 60 doing slight damage to small portion of our trenches. There were no signs of any preparation for an attack. Generally the normal amount of enemy activity prevailed throughout this period.

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A.&N.Z. ARMY CORPS

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

from 10a.m. 18th December to 10 a.m. 19th December 1915.

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During this period the 1st stage of the final evacuation of ANZAC was successfully carried out. No important or unusual movements of the enemy were reported but at several points along the line fresh enemy work was observed. During the afternoon a few shells from the OLIVE GROVE guns were directed against the beaches and three fell in Corps headquarters causing 3 casualties.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A. & N. Z. Army Corps. from 10 a.m. 19th December to 4 a.m. 20th December 1915.

During this period the 2nd stage of the final evacuation of ANZAC was successfully carried out. During the morning LONE PINE the APEX and HILL 60 were shelled by the enemy by heavy howitzers. Shells also fell in REST and Monash GULLIES - No damage or casualties were reported.

The artillery observer on the right flank reported that a large body of fresh enemy troops was moving from the RUINS towards our lines. Bodies of cavalry were also reported to be seen advancing across the open from the KILID BAAR RIDGE. Both these reports were unconfirmed and it is probable that the enemy movement opposite this flank was no more than normal.

At 1530 a hostile aeroplane flew over our lines but retired on being fired at.

At about 0330 a large mine was exploded by us under the enemy's trenches opposite RUSSELLS TOP and this drew their heavy rifle and machine gun fire against our empty trenches along the whole line.

As far as could be ascertained no attempt was made by the enemy to leave his trenches, and it is evident that our intentions were not known to him.

The evacuation was completed at 0347.

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Information obtained from ABDULLA OGLU MAHD, surrendered to N.Z.M.R. Bde.
3rd December 1915.

Rank - sergeant.

Company -	1st.	Commander -	MAHD SAYED Effendi.
Battalion -	2nd	"	EMIN BEY.
Regiment -	20th	"	ALI BEY.
Division -	7th	"	AZIZ BEY.
Army Corps -	3rd	"	RIZZA PASHA.

Note - HALID BEY late C.O. of Regt has been killed,
ESSAD PASHA who commanded 3rd Army Corps has gone to
CONSTANTINOPLE for rest.

1. PERSONAL HISTORY - A native of CAISSERE in ANATOLA he was called up 5 years ago in CONSTANTINOPLE, where he was a cab driver; his first 3 years service were done in 19th Regt at KIRK KILISSE. He was wounded in the BALKAN WAR and sent to CONSTANTINOPLE. After six months rest at KIRK KILISSE he rejoined the Regt at RODOSTO, where it remained with the rest of the Corps for 7 months moving to GALLIPOLI and thence after 5 months to SOGHANDERE. He was transferred to the 20th Regt about 12 months ago and was promoted to sergeant about 5 months after joining. He gives his age as 24 but looks much older.

2. MOVEMENTS OF DIVISION - The Division was at HELLES from April to June and after considerable losses (the 2nd Bn, 19th Regt, was wiped out being all wounded or captured) was withdrawn to BULAIR to refit, but was brought back in a hurry to the ANAFARTA Sector at the beginning of August, and took part in the SUVLA fighting. It has been in this district ever since.

3. STRENGTH & COMPOSITION - The Division consists of 3 Regiments, 19th, 20th, & 21st, there are 3 battalions in each, and the 3 company system prevails. The 6th Coy of Engineers is attached, one platoon being allotted to each regiment. All battalions used to have 4 companies but in July 1914 one company from each was withdrawn to form the 57th regiment. The strength of all Coys in the 20th Regt is about the same and average approximately 200, but the proportion of regular soldiers is small and the remainder are reservists and REDIFs. The last draft joined in August and numbered 250 men who had had very little training. In the 2nd Bn each Coy is officered by 1 Captain who commands the Coy 1 Lieut and 3 Cadet officers (1 per platoon) these last are young officers straight from the military schools and the three in his Coy joined in September last.

4. DISTRIBUTION - The 20th Regt relieved the 21st about 12 days ago. In this Division a whole Regt (3 Bns) is taken out of the firing line and sent to a rest camp about every month, (the 20th Regt was out for about 25 days); this system also prevails in the 6th Division, but is not universal as some Divisions have a system of withdrawing one Bn from each Regt.

In Regts reliefs are carried out by Battns in the firing line one in reserve about 15 minutes away, each Bn goes into Reserve for 10 days in turn. At night the whole of a Bn is in the firing line, in the day time only half at a time, each half doing 6 hours. One whole Bn comes on duty at 1800, half comes out at 0700 and relieves the other half at 1500. The number of men actually in the trenches depends on their situation. Where the Turkish trenches are close to our own, as on Hill 60, the garrison is doubled. Where a valley separates the lines the trenches are sparsely held.

5. LOCATION - Prisoner was taken up to our trenches on the KAJAJIK DERE and stated that 16th Regt was on KAJAJIK AGHALA (Hill 60) 3rd Bn, 29th Regt in front of WELLINGTON MTD RIFLES, 2nd Bn next on left occupying Hill 100, then the 19th Regt and beyond that on CHEMEN TEPE the 24th. He does not know where the 22nd and 23rd Regts are. The 21st went into the Divl Rest camp about 12 days ago and the 18th who were in the plain and are said to have lost two Coys from drowning and exposure were withdrawn to rest about 6 days ago.

The rest camp and H.Q. of his Division is in a valley behind ABDEL RAHMAN BAIR. Possibly the DEUMEN DERE (93 N) as it is reached by a road which runs into the main ANAFARTA Road just west of the village. (e.g. road at 93 C 5).

17 INFORMATION obtained from ~~SECRET~~ ALI OGLOU MUSTAFA, who surrendered to the Eastern Mtd Bde. on the night of 11th/12th DECEMBER 1915.

RANK - PRIVATE.

Company 3rd	Commander	FAKRE Effendi.
Battalion 3rd	"	HUSSEIN VETCHI Bey.
Regiment 16th	"	MEHMED EMIN Bey.
Division 6th	"	MIRALAI NASIF Bey.

Personal History - A native of BOZKIR in KONIEH of the peasant farmer class, he was called up from his village in May 1915 to CONSTANTINOPLE having never served before, being exempt as a supporter of his family. (MUIH Siz class). He trained in Barracks in CONSTANTINOPLE for two months and was then sent to the Peninsula but was taken ill at GALLIPOLI and sent to a hospital where he remained for about 15 days joining the 16th Regt, about 3 months ago which was then resting near ANAFARTA SAGHIR. The officers in his Bn. ill-treated the men and he was beaten and decided to desert and entrust himself to the care of the British, as he remembered the preaching of SHEIKL ABEDDIN exdeputy of KONIEH, who praised the qualities of the British. ABEDDIN is now in exile at BRUSA and has written to men of his "set" who are now serving, urging them to "give themselves to the British" - (Prisoners uncle had lately heard from ABEDDIN). There are many from KONIEH in his Regt. followers of this SHEIKL but they are afraid to surrender and doubt the truth of the letters from our prisoners which are thrown into the trenches. He decided to risk the venture and being out on patrol duty he left his rifle behind a bush walked down the DERE, climbed over the KAJAJIK barrier and gave himself up to the sentry with whom he shook hands.

Strength and Composition - According to prisoner there are 4 Coys in each of the 3 Btns of the 16th Regt, they are well up to strength and average 200 per company - frequent drafts arrive and men are taken from transport details to replace casualties. There are also "countless" troops in THRACE. The drafts they receive consist of "reliefs" up to 48 and untrained men up to 35. There are no Germans in his Regt but there were plenty at CONSTANTINOPLE before he left and he also saw some in KESHAN - UZUN KEUPRU and GALLIPOLI.

Distribution. - The position of this division has not altered, but all 3 Regts are at present in the trenches having one Bn from each in the actual firing line and two in the support trenches. The 16th Regt is still opposite the Indian Bde, although it suffered heavily during the storm and had to be taken out of the trenches for a week, during which time its place was taken by the 21st Regt, which is now in a rest camp. Next the 16th on the left, is the 17th who hold the trenches on Hill 60 about up to the big tree, where the 16th join them and the 20th continues the line along the banks of the KAJAJIK DERE (the above confirms information obtained from other prisoners).

ARMS - The Regt is armed with three kinds of MAUSERS all with magazine and taking same ammunition. Prisoner thinks there is one machine gun per Coy.

GUNS - Prisoner states that he had heard that some heavy guns had arrived near ANAFARTA with Austrian gunners - he did not know their position but had heard they were to commence firing on the 10th.

Miscellaneous- Prisoner knew nothing about mining and did not know what Coy of sappers are attached to his Regt though he used to see parties of them daily in the trenches. The officers in his Bn have told the men that there is no necessity for them to do much firing, and in consequence, our men can expose themselves in this part of the line (this is confirmed by reports from NORFOLK STREET). He could give no reason for this but the men were very glad as they get more rest. Prisoners clothes (drill) were in rags but his boots were serviceable. Warm clothing has been issued to some, but not all.

The morale of his Regt appears good as prisoner stated that the men would like to attack and drive us into the sea.

Prisoner had on him a money order dated 9th Dec on P.O. MAIDOS for two MEDJ.

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 Information obtained from HASSAN OGLU HUSSEIM, who deserted to the N. Z.
 & A. Division on the night of 13-14th December 1915.

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Rank - Private
 Company - 3rd
 Battalion- 4th
 Regiment- 16th
 Division- 6th.

1. PERSONAL HISTORY. - A native of AIDEN (peasant Class) was originally in the 42nd Regiment from which he deserted - leaving SOGHAN DERE and finding his way to CONSTANTINOPLE where he was caught and sent to UZUN KEUPRU to the 16th Regiment.

2. LOCATION OF UNITS. - Confirms last prisoners statement as to distribution and location of units of the 6th Division:- 7th Division is on the left. The 4th and 11th Divisions have left Peninsuls and the units are at UZUN KEUPRU - he heard this recently when he was in hospital with an attack of Dysentery.

3. MISCELLANEOUS. - Confirms other prisoners statements as to the big gun which has been brought to ANAFARTA - he himself saw part of it on a trolley being drawn by many oxen. It is to be used against the ships and was to have fired before this - other big guns are being brought, one from a sunken ship. He does not think that an attack on our position is contemplated and the opinion of men in his regiment is that it would be impossible to drive us into the sea as we "have taken root" here. He says that S.A.A. is now carefully saved and that for this reason there is very little firing done.

He deserted because he had been beaten and was sentenced to another beating which ought to have come off to day. Two comrades came out with him on patrol duty intending to come to us but they were too closely watched.

