

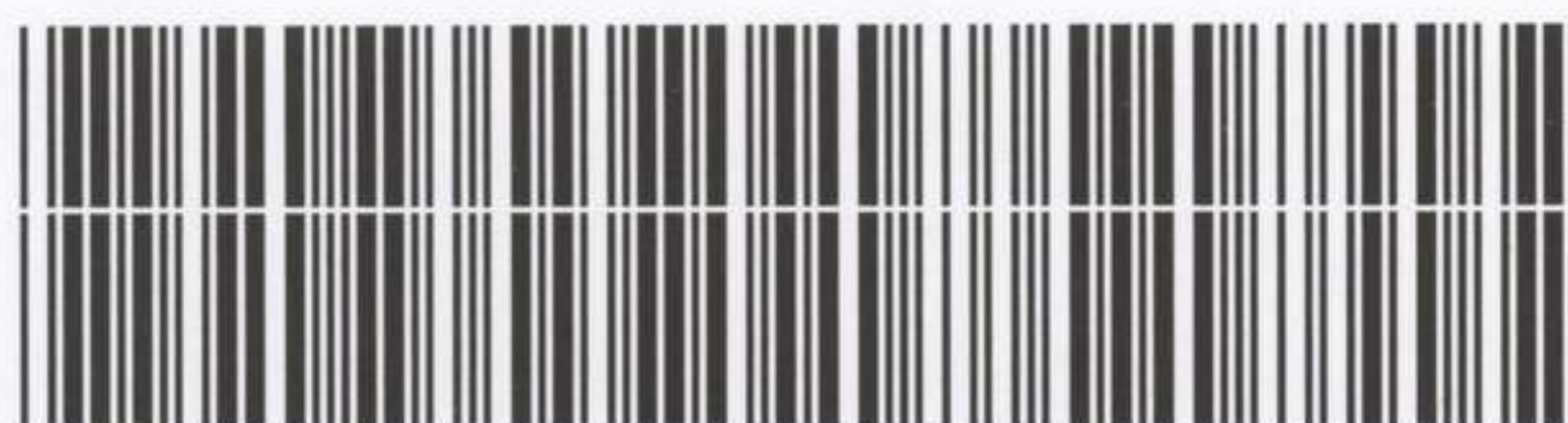
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
KABA TEPE GALDIPOLI	1915 May 1st.	9 a.m.	<p>Went up with Capt FRY to Capt GOLDSMITH'S Dressing Station, that of the 12th Infantry A.I.F. Heavy shrapnel fire on our Camp all day. We helped bury some dead of the R.M.L.I. and brought down their wounded.</p> <p>Visited A.D.M.S. with Capt. FRY, he said that Capt FRY was to report to him direct as to the work of the Bearer Division which landed on Sunday April 25th and make recommendations. The O/C F. Amb. was to have nothing to do with this report. We have from 50 to 70 patients, slightly wounded and sick to attend to daily.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Sgd). Alfred Sutton. Lt.-Col.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Original of above written on same sheet as entries for end of previous month and filed with volume for that month).</p>	



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May 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1915. Kaba Tepe Gallipoli	<p>Our stretcher bearers go out morning taking 450 to avoid double-banking + as no orders are issued I arrange with No. 1 + No. 2 7 Ambulances that we No. 3 shall take charge of Sarpnel Valley + Death Valley opening off it + the valley where Capt Goldsmith is on our right flank nearer Kaba Tepe. This proves waste of effort for our work is very hard.</p> <p>A special General Order of General Sir Ian Hamilton is issued + contains this sentence "The Army Corps Commander wishes to convey the grateful Thanks of all ranks in the Army Corps to the S. Bearers + Water Carriers. Their work has been beyond praise + of the greatest value." As our Stretcher Bearers 114 rank file + 3 officers were the first to land we highly value this commendation.</p> <p>Captain F. Goldsmith is struck off the strength of the 3<sup>rd</sup> 7. Ambulance + appointed med. offr. to the 12<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regt. 1<sup>st</sup> Australian Div. - To-day we increased our Dressing Station accomodation, the digging is very heavy, but before we could finish we were overwhelmed with patients. Heavy sarpnel fire at intervals throughout the day, driving us to cover + thus impeding our work.</p>	
May 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1915. Kaba Tepe Gallipoli	<p>Heavy sarpnel fire, so we dig in deeper. We have 74 patients to attend to besides our Bearer work.</p>	
May 4 <sup>th</sup> 1915 " " Alfred Sutton School	<p>Again heavy sarpnel fire. Went + saw Lt. M.S. who says he will evacuate our patients + only leave us light cases. He re-iterate the order that Capt Fry was to report direct as to action on Sunday April 25<sup>th</sup> up to April 29<sup>th</sup>. He also ordered that all re-inforcements + a Tent-Subdivision rank file were to report to the Lt. M.S. as a burial party + for Sanitation company. This takes from me 37 re. com. men</p>	



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May 4 <sup>th</sup> 1915. Kaba Tepe Gallipoli	No. 69. Pte J. O. Pearson, a platoon bearer of A Section was wounded in the buttock by a fragment of shrapnel sent aboard the Gloucester Castle. Again heavy shrapnel fire evacuated previous cases but still have 30 others to attend to	May 4 <sup>th</sup> - the following additional information regarding casualties was received from Capt. J. A. Griffiths D.A.A.G.										
May 5 <sup>th</sup> 1915. " "	<p>The following re-inforcements joined us:-</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>No 569 Driver Hopwood W.M.</td> <td>No 428 Pte Grant E. this is the man reported as missing when we left Alexandria</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 571 " Hutton W.E.B.</td> <td>No 2551. Pte Fitz Gerald E.S.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 568 Pte Pashew H.T.G.</td> <td>No 2553 " Joseph E.L.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 2550 " Ford G.</td> <td>" 2281 " Buckenara N.A.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 2552 " Gray O.H.</td> <td>" 2282 " Garlick A.H.</td> </tr> </table> <p>Pte Brownatt H.A. No 135 reported last night &amp; gave a story of having been sick &amp; having camped in a dug-out on the beach. This is the man who was previously reported missing. He was tried &amp; sentenced to 21 days Field Punishment No. 1.</p>	No 569 Driver Hopwood W.M.	No 428 Pte Grant E. this is the man reported as missing when we left Alexandria	" 571 " Hutton W.E.B.	No 2551. Pte Fitz Gerald E.S.	" 568 Pte Pashew H.T.G.	No 2553 " Joseph E.L.	" 2550 " Ford G.	" 2281 " Buckenara N.A.	" 2552 " Gray O.H.	" 2282 " Garlick A.H.	<p>Pte Brownay J. Jones, no 2051. C. Sect. wounded whilst landing; very bad bullet wound thro' lower part of penis.</p> <p>Pte Peter Kilgour no 207. C. Sect. bullet wound in hip, whilst landing.</p> <p>Pte F.C. Spurgeon no 179. C. Sect. Bullet wound in buttock, whilst landing.</p>
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May 6 <sup>th</sup> 1915. " " 08-30	<p>D.A.S.M.s came along took his Sanitary Squad from my unit. Heavy shrapnel all day, it blew our dug-outs to pieces. Over hill was naked, our patients were killed &amp; wounded &amp; No 56 Pte H.J. Shepherd was wounded in the foot, No. 28. Pte W.R. D. Baker was shot through the wrist; No 105 Pte G.B. Hone was shot through hip &amp; cheek. The D.A.S.M.s. Col. Marshall was shot in the ankle whilst in our camp &amp; when I went to see him &amp; fix him up a shell blew my dug-out to bits.</p>	<p><u>Dead</u></p> <p>Pte D.M. Badoux no 201 C. Sect. Killed whilst landing, shot thro' the heart from the right side.</p>										
Friday <del>Thursday</del> May 7 <sup>th</sup> " "	Re-constructed dug-outs & tunneled into the hill											
Sunday May 9 <sup>th</sup>	No 186. Pte Mahoney previously reported "dead" joined to day. He had suffered from concussion in a shell burst & fallen down a fully recovered man reported him dead. He was taken aboard ship & to Alexandria & now has returned to duty. The following is a copy of Corps Order Part II											

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Sunday May 9 <sup>th</sup> 1915. Kaba Tepe Gallipoli	Continued from A.S. issued May 8 <sup>th</sup> Taken on the strength — No 158 Driver O. J. Howard previously transferred to Base is taken on the strength C Section from 25-4-15. The following casualties are reported No 69. Pte Pearson J.D. wounded 4-5-15 } " 56 Pte Shepherd H.J. " 6-5-15 } The above are struck off strength from " 28 Pte Baker W.R.D. " 6-5-15 } date of casualty " 105 Pte Horne G.B. " 6-5-15 }	
May 10 <sup>th</sup> 1915. Kaba Tepe Gallipoli	Heavy shell-fire on us all day. Col. Hobbs Div <sup>l</sup> Artillery Commander informs me he wishes to mount a gun on the hill above our camp & one gun in our camp. Having no objection I refer him to the A.D.M.S. & prepare to vacate camp. Acting on information I choose a fully along the beach nearer to Kaba Tepe. I do not like it as it is nearer the enemy, but we discharge all the patients we can & pack up ready for an early move in the morning.	
May 11 <sup>th</sup> 1915.	At 6 am we make a move along beach to new position, moving stores &c with us. The enemy evidently saw us & waited until we were digging in rained shrapnel after shrapnel in upon us & I found the new pile untenable. Many narrow escapes were experienced & the following casualties occurred. No 37. Pte Hampson H. wounded in thigh by shrapnel bullet — No 115. Pte H.D. Waterworth wounded in head by shrapnel bullet. I vacate to my old camp & look for another pile. I choose a hill pile, at the entrance of Death Valley nears Anzac Cove. It is bad but I have no choice. The Brown Div <sup>l</sup> was sent over to dig themselves in & the remainder of No. 3. follow to-morrow. Heavy rain impedes our work & adds to our difficulties.	
May 12 <sup>th</sup> 1915. Kaba Tepe Gallipoli Australian Lhol	move the remainder of No. 3. 7. Amb to new Camp pile & dig, dig, dig. we experience heavy shell fire 4.70 & have to take shelter line after time & so delay work.	



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Kaba Tepe. May 13 <sup>th</sup> 1915 Gallipoli. 10 a.m.	Digging in all day. A shell burst in the Camp & the following casualties are recorded: - No 1102 Pte H. G. Ballantine shrapnel bullet wound of back & neck, very serious. No. 182 Pte L. Darcy shrapnel bullet through left forearm. Attendance on patients in hospital & stretcher bearer work as usual	
" " May 14 <sup>th</sup> 1915	Still digging & constructing more wards for patients. A 47 shrapnel shell fell in the Camp & the following casualties are recorded: - No 77 Pte S. J. Penhaligon right thigh shattered by shrapnel & shrapnel bullet wd of left leg. Dangerous - No 195 Pte I. W. Jones lacerated wound of left thigh by shrapnel. No. 13 Corporal G. F. Smallcomber is appointed Lance-Serjt. " 59 Pte J. Rainy is appointed Lance-Corporal	
" " May 15 <sup>th</sup> 1915	A complete inspection of all dug-outs was held & many being found deficient were deepened & improved.	
Kaba Tepe. May 16 <sup>th</sup> 1915 10.45 p.m.	Received the following message. Will you please arrange to take over the duties of A.D.M.S. temporarily - during the absence of Col. N. P. House V.C. from 9 a.m. to morrow Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> inst. (Sgd) J. Griffith Capt. D.A.A.C.	
Angas Cove. Gallipoli. May 17 <sup>th</sup> 1915 6.30 a.m.	Reported to Col. House received instructions. At this time he was not quite certain he would proceed to Alexandria, it was therefore arranged that I should not take up duties until I received a further message of his departure. Took over at 2 p.m. - Having previously appointed Major G. P. Dixon to take command of No 3. F. Amb.	



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17<sup>th</sup> May, 1915  
Gallipoli

Lieut-Col Alfred Sutton, C.O. No 3 7. Amb.  
appointed ofc. D.M.S. Major G.P. Dixon appointed  
temporary O.C. No 3 7. Amb.  
No 197 Pte J. Aber, previously struck off strength  
of No 3 7. Amb. as casualty reported from Base  
Hospital 17.5.15, & was taken on strength.

18<sup>th</sup> May 1915  
Gallipoli

No 106 P/cpl. A.T. Cornish previously struck off  
strength of No 3 7. Amb. as casualty reported from  
Base Hospital 18.5.15 & was taken on strength  
No 425 Pte G. Mulcahey previously reported  
missing & struck off strength, reported at No 3 7. Amb.  
lines 18.5.15 & was taken on strength.  
Inquiry into circumstances of Pte MULCAHEY'S  
absence was held by O.C. & MULCAHEY was exonerated  
from all blame.

19<sup>th</sup> May 1915 5 a.m.  
Gallipoli

Owing to enemy's attack in force Capt FRY  
with six squads proceeded at 5 a.m. to Regimental  
Aid Post, WALKER'S ROAD & cleared the station  
of wounded.

J.P.D.



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19 <sup>th</sup> May. 1915 (cont) Gallipoli	<p>Owing to heavy machine-gun fire in SHRAPNEL VALLEY three patients were re-wounded in transit. &amp; three casualties occurred amongst Bearer Division.</p> <p>No 202 Pte J. SIMPSON, shot thro heart, killed, while escorting patient.</p> <p>No 14 Pte J.J. FRASER, g.s.w. left wrist, wounded &amp; struck off strength. Removed to No 1 Cl. Hosp.</p> <p>No 135 Pte H.A. BROWETT, g.s.w. rt. forearm, wounded &amp; struck off strength. Removed to No 1 Cl. Hosp. The remainder of his sentence from date of casualty is remitted.</p> <p>The attention of the A.D.M.S. was drawn to the dangerous nature of the locality of these casualties, &amp; orders were recd to cease evacuating by daylight, unless in cases of urgency.</p> <p>The attention of the A.D.M.S. was drawn to the excellence of the work performed by Pte. SIMPSON continuously since landing.</p>						
19 <sup>th</sup> May 1915 Gallipoli	<p>Slight casualties occurred on 19.5.15 as follows:</p> <table><tr><td>No</td><td>Cpl. T. Pollock, g.s.w. foot, bruise</td><td rowspan="2">} still with unit.</td></tr><tr><td>No</td><td>Pte Baker g.s.w. hand</td></tr></table>	No	Cpl. T. Pollock, g.s.w. foot, bruise	} still with unit.	No	Pte Baker g.s.w. hand	<u>J.P.</u>
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20 <sup>th</sup> May 1915 Gallipoli	The following casualties occurred to members of No 3 7. Amb: No 39 Pte V. F. MARTIN g.s.w. rt. knee No 47 Pte J. JONES g.s.w rt. thigh. These men were struck off strength but were retained in No 3 7. Amb. Field Hospital.	
22 <sup>nd</sup> May 1915 Gallipoli	No Pte STAFFORD was struck by cap of shell on left thigh & sustained severe contusion. He was retained in No 3 7. Amb Field Hospital.	
23 <sup>rd</sup> May 1915. "	Col. Howse V.C., A.D.M.S. returned to ANZAC this morning & Lt. Colonel Sutton resumed command of No. 3. 7. Amb (from 24.V.15)	
24 <sup>th</sup> May 1915. "	No 130 Pte Jackson P.H. suffered from a phreapnet bullet wd of back & is struck off the strength - No 135. Pte Browett H.A. having been wounded & struck off the strength on 19.V.15 while undergoing Field Punishment, the remainder of his punishment is permitted from that date.	
27 <sup>th</sup> May 1915.	No 18. Pte Taylor & previously struck off the strength as a casualty from wounds, returned to No. 3. 7. Amb 26 <sup>th</sup> May 1915 & is taken on the strength from that date	
Capt Sutton Sobol	Re-inforcements are allotted to the following Bearer Sub. Divisions - A. Section, no 569 DV: Hopwood Wm - No 571 Dvr Hutton W.E. B - No 568 Pte Pashen H.I.C. B. Section, No 428 Pte Grant E. No 2281 Pte Buckenara N.A. No 2282 Pte Gunkick A.H. C. Section, No 2550 Pte Ford G. No 2552 Pte Gray W.H. No 2551 Pte Fitzgerald F.D. No 2553 Pte Joseph E.L.	JPS



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Kaba Tepe. Gallipoli. 10 a.m. May 28 <sup>th</sup> 1915 May 29 <sup>th</sup> 1915   May 30 <sup>th</sup>	<p>Received instructions from the A. G. M. S. that Lieut T. F. HALL was to embark at Anzac leave for ALEXANDRIA to take charge of Drivers, Wagons &amp; Stores of No 3. <sup>rd</sup> Ambulance.</p> <p>No 164 Plt C. Conly of B. Section suffered from shrapnel shot wound of left arm &amp; shoulder.</p> <p>No 23 Plt C. Love of A Section suffered from bullet wound of buttocks. Both of these men were sent to Base Hospital &amp; struck off the strength.</p> <p>No 25 Plt J. Thompson of A Section suffered from bullet wound of upper part of back. Sent to Base Hospital &amp; struck off strength - No 74 Plt F. J. Shields reported from H.M.I. Ionian.</p> <p><u>General note for May.</u> My average strength for the month was 6 officers &amp; 135 men. Snatcher squads have been sent daily to clear Walker's Rd &amp; Shrapnel Valley, never less than two squads are sent, they remain all day &amp; are relieved at 8 p.m. by two other squads. These squads are marched by an officer who assists the regimental M.D. when necessary. All squads are turned out whenever necessary on instructions received from the A.D.M.S.</p> <p>A small hospital has been carried on in dug-outs for the reception of cases who would be again fit for service in 48 hours. Our daily average for patients in May was 18. Details are shown in A + D books of the Corps &amp; on daily statistics furnished to A.D.M.S.</p>	

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