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**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,**  
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WAR DIARY

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1st Free Ambulance  
1st Australian Division  
M.E.F.  
Camp

Hour, Date, Place.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices.
July 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1915	There is considerable difficulty being experienced now as regards men of getting any proper attention to those and especially where a man is wearing plates and belts then - I recently sent two reliable NCO's to MUDROOS for repairs of this sort but they returned without being able to secure any attention whatever. The health of the men is not so good as formerly - dysentery is becoming very acute and cases of extreme collapse are occurring.	
July 10 1915	Camp site of this unit was cut up by the preparations at DAWSON'S POINT necessary to move the H.7 gun lands from Maata to its position overlooking the Duple flank - the hills here required much cutting away & consequent destruction of camp site.	
July 15 <sup>th</sup> 1915	There seems to be considerable difficulty in getting men back to work since they get away from the unit - casualties from this unit have so far been unable to return.	
July 18 <sup>th</sup> 1915	Inoculation against Cholera of the whole force ashore is proceeding, being carried out by the medical officers of the unit and assisted by additional medical officers from the 1st Free Ambulance.	
July 27 <sup>th</sup> 1915	This unit is finding it very difficult to obtain medical supplies & drugs consequently there is some difficulty in satisfactorily treating men passing sick.	
July 31	Bombs were dropped on our camp site last night by Aeroplane (Tander) also service bombs today before yesterday - No casualties. The health of the men is fair. J. J. M. Miles Belcher	