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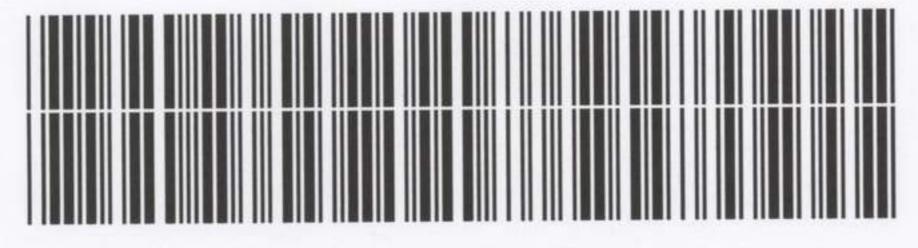
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will be prepared in manuscript.

#### INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
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Sisters, and Orderlies in Charge of Wards will each day on taking or handing over a Ward, sign this book stating that the Ward and Surgical Equipment agrees with the Inventory in the Ward. Any deficiencies or breakages must be entered in the book at the time of handing over, and unless deficiencies are reported in writing to the Registrar for investigation immediately they are discovered, the person in charge at the time the loss is discovered will be held responsible.

Darto rd,

29th March, 1918.

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Telegraphic Address:
"KAPUNDA," DARTFORD.

ORCHARD MILITARY HOSPITAL,

DARTFORD, KENT,

S/HDB.

9th May 191 8.

From C.O. No 3 Australian Auxiliary Hospital,

To D.M.S., A.I.F., 130, Horseferry Road. S.W. 1.

#### APRIL MONTHLY REPORT.

The demand for accommodation by British Hospitals has steadily increased, so that we are compelled to book transfers 7 days in advance.

The surgical admissions varied considerably in severity, a number of cases collected from British hospitals, where they had been for some time, being very severe, while the cases evacuated from France during the last attack have been of the minor surgical variety, such as compound fracture of upper limbs and penetrating wounds. Practically all the severe cases collected to the time were evacuated by the last Hospital Ship to Australia.

The Medical admissions consisted, roughly, of 50% Gas cases.
These were of the usual type, but showing marked evidence of irritation to the tissues, such as burns and marked Conjunctivitis, from "Mustard Gas", and respiratory complications from asphyxiating Gas. Trench Fever accounted for about 20%. A fairly large number of these cases, particularly those showing evidence of D.A.H., are anaemic, and invariably give a history of prolonged depression in health before reporting and being evacuated. These cases will probably take menths to recover.

The work of the Massage, etc, Department was slightly less than the preceding month. The staff was increased by the employment of two boarded men who had been trained in Massage to a certain degree for employment on Hospital Carriers returning to Australia. These men have now been transferred to No 2 Command Depot. During the coming month I expect to lose the services of one Masseuse. This will deplete the staff still further, and I would suggest that another Masseuse be transferred to the staff of this Hospital.

I beg to mention that the X-Ray plant which is on order for this Hospital has not yet arrived, and the delivery is much overdue. The instalment of this plant is absolutely essential for the carrying on of the work of the Hospital.

On 8.4.18 160 patients were transferred to Ambulance Train at Crayford for transfer to Australia. This was effected well within the specified time. The same day 170 transfers were made to Command Depots, and 250 patients admitted, making a total of 580 patients handled in the one day without any marked strain on the organisation.

on 13.4.18 a case of Smallpox developed in Dartford, and it was necessary to declare the town Out of Bounds to all ranks. This order was confirmed by Eastern Command Order No 195, para 858, of 22.4.18. This order still exists, and is being well observed by the troops. Vaccination of all patients admitted is still being carried out.

The amount of Alcohol consumed for the period 30.3.18 to 26.4.18 is as follows:-

Stout	Ale	Brandy	Port	Claret
	Bottles	pts. ozs.	pts.ozs.	pts. ozs.
37	nil	3 - 16	1 - 19	16 - 4

The following staff were admitted to Hospital:-

Reg.No	Rai	nk · Name		Disability .		ty Tfrd. ) d Dischgd.)	Where to
5073		Shotter Postill Rowlands Hallam Hastwell Hood	B. G. W.W.	Bronchitis V.D.G. Otitis Media Influenza Laryngitis Influenza	11.4.18 15.4.18 22.4.18	10.4.18 15.4.18 18.4.18 29.4.18 1.5.18 5.5.18	Duty Bulford Duty Duty Duty Duty Duty

Crimes during the month were 13 patients for A.W.L. and 1 patient for Insolence to a Superior Officer.

The following are the returns for the month:-

ADMISSIONS	Med.	1202	Surg. 1	1469	Total	2671
DISCHARGES		1358		122		2480
BOARDED CASES		233		99		332

The direct discharges were as follows:-

No 1 Command Depot No 2 No 3 No 4 No 1 A.A.H. Harefield No 1 A.D.H. Bulford No 2 A.A.H. Southall	292 978 164 66 4
	1513
Furlough Hospital Ship Miscellaneous	781 160 26
	967

DEATH.

872 Sgt Stranger T.J. O.B.G.R.O.D. died at 8.5 a.m. 10.4.18 of Cholecustitis and Heart Failure after operation.

This patient insisted on being operated upon instead of returning by Hospital Ship as we desired.

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Commanding,

No 3 Australian Auxiliary Hospital.

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DARTFORD, KENT,

8th May

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To:- The O. C.
No. 3 Australian Auxiliary Hospital,
DARTFORD.

#### REPORT ON SURGICAL WORK AT 3rd A.A.H. FOR APRIL 1918.

During the month 36 operations were performed.

The number of acute Surgical cases in the wards is increasing rapidly, and there will be much operative work during the ensuing month.

There is a tendency to transfer Head wounds involving penetration of the Dura at too early a stage. As a result several such cases have exhibited acute exacerbations after admission to this Hospital.

One such case died of acute Cerebro-Meningitis.

A Cystoscope has been obtained and several Uretaral Catheterisations and tests of Renal function were performed.

The work in the theatre and in the Surgical wards has been satisfactory.

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Surgeon Specialist. No. 3 Australian Auxiliary Hospital.

LIST OF OPERATIONS FOR THE	MONTH (	OF APRIL 1918.	
Post Operative Abscess.	1.	Stricture Cases.	4.
Wiring Elbow.	1.	Tumors.	2.
Gall Stones.	1.	Ulcer of Nose.	1.
Fereign Bodies.	7.	Incisions.	7.
Fistula.	2.	Breaking Down Adhesions.	2.
Circumcision.	1.	Removal Necrosed Bone.	1.
Nerve.	2.	Cerebral Hernia.	1.
Reneiring Lt. Clavicle.	1.	Setting Fractures.	2

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9th May

To:- The O. C. No. 3 Australian Auxiliary Hospital, DARTFORD.

# MEDICAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1918.

Among the admissions for the month were:-

	607
Gas Poisoning	260
Trench Fever.	24
Trench Feet.	19
Shell Shock.	63
Myalgia.	116
Respiratory.	45
Cardiac.	73
Digestive.	34
Influenza.	

The Gas Poisoning cases still are the largest in number and require a long time of rest and various lines of treatment.

The same applies to most of the cases of Trench Fever. In both of these classes the pre-dominant point is the Cardiac condition, which varies with every case and requires careful watching and treatment.

There is nothing of special interest to report as regards the other cases.

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To:- The O . C.
No. 3 Australian Auxiliary Hospital,
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Oculist's Report for the month of April 1918.

During the month 35 new cases came under treatment.

There were no cases of special interest. Most of them showed the usual gas train of symptoms.

The refractive errors were mostly brought for treatment, owing to the general asthenic condition, and were not advised spectacles.

Oculist. No. 3 Australian Auxiliary Hospital.

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DARTFORD, KENT,

2nd May

1918

From: - The Medical fficer,

I/C X - Ray Department,

No. 3 Australian Auxiliary Hospital,

DARTFORD.

To:-The O.C.

No. 3 Australian Auxiliary Hospital,

DARTFORD.

X - Ray Department. the month of April, 1918. Report for

(a) The following figures show the number of cases examined:-

Skiagrams.taken. Screen. Examinations.

83.

150.

233.

- (b) Following upon a larger influx of more recently injured patients the work has increased, with a proportionate increase in the amount of Screen work.
- (c) The non-delivery of the New X-Ray plant by Messrs. Siemens is remarked upon as a matter seriously interefering with the work of the department. Time and again patients are turned away because experience tells me it is a futile proceeding attempting to get a useful result with the plant at present employed, to all concerned. The Screen work is also dangerous. On 27th ult., a telephone communication from Messrs. Siemens was to the effect that two weeks would elapse before delivery could be made to the Hospital.
- (d) The use of the camera for producing reduced prints to forward with patients papers has been put into practice.
- (e) Another manwho can be more or less permanently employed in the X)Ray department is absolutely essential, in my opinion. The soldier at present employed, Sgt. McLoughlin has, beside the routine photographic work of the department, to supervise the repair of the constantly breaking down telephone service of the Hospital, to run and keep in order, the generating plant, to do clerical work and has to assist me generally. This he tries to do, but cannot do to my satisfaction, and in the way it should be done, quite apart from the fact that it is essential he should have some time for recreation. I recommend that a suitable C.1. class man who can be taught the developing and clerical work and be generally useful in keeping the department clean and tidy, be attached for duty to this department.

Medical Officer i/c X ) Ray Department.

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3rd May

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From:) Medical Officer

i/c Massage, Electro-Thereapeutic Department,
No. 3 Australian Auxiliaryb Hospital,

DARTFORD.

To:- The O.C.

No. 3 Australian Auxiliary Hospital,
DARTFORD.

Massage and Electro-Thereapeutic Department,

#### Report for the month of APRIL, 1918.

(a) The average daily number of cases has been :-

Massage and Radiant Heat.

Faradism and Galvanism.

Ionisation.

Reports on disabilities for Board Purposes 6.

Examination of Nerve Injury Case.

Average daily admission.

74.

16.

16.

14.

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The number of treatments of the different kinds given daily in the ward is 104, and the total treatment for the month 3302.

(b) The class of case for treatment during April has been more severe and of a more recent type, more especially during the latter part of the month.

For some two weeks at the beginning of the month, the amount of work was unusually slack.

- (c) Opportunity is being given for others of the Masseuses to engage in the elctrical work of the department. As the two Masseuses at present doing this work have had several months experience, it is matural to expect the work at first to suffer from this arrangement.
- (d) Of the four learners one was found unsuitable on account of his medical classification. The others are to leave this Hospital on 2nd inst., for No. 2 Command Depot.
- (e) The staff has again more work than it can properly cope with. I suggest that at least, two permanently unfit men be attached to learn Massage and be left at this Hospital. The Staff would then suffice to treat all the cases it is reasonable to expect would come to the to the department. At present the Staff in the Massage and Electro-Therapeutic department consists of Misses Kirkcaldie, Rooke, Yates, Bulmer, Gaffney and Morton. Staff Sergeant Mackie and Corporal Shaw. Of these Miss Bulmer has applied for a transfer to No. 1 A.A.H. Harefield. Miss Rooke has applied for transport to Australia.

If any of these Sisters leave, I express the hope that their places may be taken by others. The numbers I consider necessary are six Masseuses and four Masseurs.

Medical Officer i/c Massage, Electro-Therapeutic Department.

Dartford,

From Capt. R. Glen, Q.M., No.3 A.A.H. 10th May, 1918.

To The O.C., No.3 A.A.H.

Sir,

I beg to report on the work of the Q.M's. section of this Hospital for the Month of April, 1918, as follows:-

Pack Store:-

There were 2443 kits taken into store, and 2,756 issued, in addition to 450 which were issued in exchange, making a total of 5,649 kits dealt with during the month.

Clothing Store:-

2,501 Q.1. Forms and duplicates were completed, and a similar number of troops equipped.

Linen Store: -

The number of articles passed to the Laundry for washing was 52,077, the increase being due to the extra number of patients passing through the Hospital.

Coal:-

The coal consumption for the month was approximately 410 tons, as compared with 450 tons used during the same month last year.

With reference to the consumption of food during the month, as the returns from the Army Service Corps, Woolwich, are not yet to hand, our figures cannot be checked, so it is proposed to give the information in next month's report.

The work in the Section was satisfactory, and there is nothing unusual to report.

Capt. & Q.M.

No.3 Australian Auxiliary Hospital.