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Artillery Report.

Divisional Headquarters.
No. 2. Outpost.
2nd October 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

- 1st Battery. (1) 5.p.m. 14 rounds on trenches at E of Chunuk Bair.
3 rounds on to large communication trench on Chunuk Bair at 9.30 p.m. and again at 10pm
- 2nd Battery. (2) 8.a.m. Fired at enemy's water parties at Chakajak Kuyu and continued doing so at irregular intervals throughout the day.
2.p.m. 5 rounds at troops moving near 106 W5 and during next two hours at several targets about this place.
5.p.m. 8 rounds into Rest Gully at 106 R7 and 10 rounds at communication trench 81 A2/4.
- 3rd Battery. (3) 3.53 p.m. Registered communication trench East of Hill 60 (6 rounds). Also fired 18 retaliation rounds at trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
5.20 p.m. 8 rounds on Snipers Trench in front of Scottish Horse.
8.p.m. and 10.p.m. 4 rounds at works in front of Indian Bde.
- 4th Battery. (4) 12 rounds on Baby 700. All effective.
7.p.m. 4 effective rounds on Pinnacle.
- 5th Battery. (5) 4.40 p.m. Fired on trenches 93V7-93 V5/8 and S.W. to 81A1
These trenches appear to be always occupied and shooting is effective.
- 6" Howitzer (6) Nil.
- B/69. (7) 14 rounds at 4.30 p.m. at hostile trenches 92 U2/6. 5 round were blind. 2 in the sand on the parapet 1 effective round fell in the trench.
- 17th Siege Battery. (8) 4.30 p.m. At trenches and machine gun about 92 U5. 16 rounds of which 4 were observed to hit the top of the ridge.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

- 1st Battery. (9) 3.40 p.m. Fired 4 retaliation rounds on enemy Lonesome Pine trenches and at 5.22pm fired a further 6. During the latter series the gun at 68 F1 fired on the Battery.

GENERAL.

- (10) Information was received that on the arrival soon of the 1st Australian F.A. Brigade, 4 guns would relieve the right section 1st Battery. The left section is to remain on Russell's Top.

(sgd) G.N. Johnston. Brigadier-General.
C.R.A. N.Z & A. Division.

ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional Headquarters.

No. 2. Outpost.

3rd October 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

- 1st Battery. (1) 10 rounds on PINNACLE 10 rounds on to trenches South of CHUNUK BAIR.
2 rounds on trenches on CHUNUK BAIR at 9.35 p.m. and again at midnight 2nd/3rd.
- 2nd Battery (2) 7.a.m. 2 rounds at men building emplacements 106 N 4. 11 rounds at intervals at troops near CHAKAJAK KUYU.
4.p.m. 4 rounds searching for a gun N.E. of CHUNUK BAIR.
5.p.m. 7 rounds at emplacement 106 N 4.
5.30 p.m. 9 rounds at gun N.E. of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 3rd Battery (3) 3 p.m. 11 rounds at screened machine gun on W of W.HILLS.; direct hit reported.
4.45 p.m. 12 rounds to register trench at foot of W HILLS.
8.p.m. 5 rounds in trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) 1 a.m. and again at 4.a.m. 4 rounds in front of Indian Brigade.
6.20 a.m. 6 rounds at enemy exposed in trenches beyond HILL 60 92 K.
4.30 p.m. 14 rounds on SNIPERS NEST 80 K 7 effective.
- 5th Battery (5) 4.30 p.m. 30 rounds at trenches 93 V 7 and 81 A 1-2.
- 6in Howitzer (6) Nil.
- B/69 (7) 5.45 p.m. 6 rounds at men in sap on CHUNUK BAIR night lines on trench near PINNACLE.
- C/69 (8) 6 rounds on trenches in SUSAK KUYU valley; night lines 3 guns on communication trench on CHUNUK BAIR: 1 gun SUSAK KUYU.
- D/69 (9) 10 rounds at 92 U 2-6- 92 U 5; 3 direct hits; night lines on communication trench CHUNUK BAIR and on HILL 60.
- 17th Siege Battery. (10) 5.30 p.m. registered 92 U 5-6. Fired 11 rounds

SOUTHERN SECTION.

- 1st Battery (11) 10.rounds,retaliation,on LONE PINE trenches.

GENERAL.

- (12) One section 5th Battery moved during the night to new position 92 M 1.

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4th October 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

- 1st Battery. (1) 20 rounds on PINNACLE and trenches S.W. of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery (2) 7.a.m. and 8.a.m. occasional shots at enemy near CHAKAJAK KUYU.
4.p.m. 14 rounds at enemy communication trench 81 A 1-2, 80 F 8-9.
5.20 p.m. 8 rounds at enemy's rest gully 106 R 7 to R 4 and 7 rounds at sap 105 Y 4.5.6.
- 3rd Battery (3) 3.p.m. 12 rounds and at 4.p.m. 10 rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
5.42 p.m. 10 rounds at machine gun emplacement in front of Indian Brigade.
8.p.m. and again at 5.a.m. 4 rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) 5.p.m. 12 rounds at trenches on NEK 80 and 8 rounds on trenches on BATTLESHIP HILL 80 D; all effective.
- 5th Battery (5) 30 rounds expended by section of guns in new position to register POINT Q - 81A and trenches on CHUNUK BAIR.
- 6in Howitzer (6) Nil.
- B/69 (7) 3 rounds at saps on CHUNUK BAIR laid night lines on APEX.
- C/69 (8) 5 rounds to register new night target, a trench near SUSAK KUYU.
At 9.30 p.m. and again at 3.a.m. 4 rounds on trench near SUSAK KUYU.
Laid night line 1 section near SUSAK KUYU and 1 section CHUNUK BAIR.
- D/69 (9) 16 rounds at trenches 92 U 3.5.6.
Laid night lines 3 guns on CHUNUK BAIR and Hill 60.
- 17th Siege Battery. (10) 5.p.m. 6 rounds at trenches 92 U 6.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

- 1st Battery (11) 5 rounds retaliation on LONE PINE trenches and 5 rounds at enemy communication trench on LONE PINE.

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ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional Headquarters.
No. 2. Outpost.
5th October 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

- 1st Battery (1) 4.30 p.m. 20 rounds on PINNACLE, and Southern slopes of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery (2) 7.a.m. 4 rounds at gun in action at 93 R 4.7.
4.p.m. 10 rounds at enemy communication trench North of CHUNUK BAIR and 5 rounds at gun on CHUNUK BAIR.
5.p.m. 2 rounds at communication trench South of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 3rd Battery (3) 9.30 a.m. In reply to heavy rifle and gun fire by the Turks 8 retaliation rounds were fired on trench opposite the Indian Brigade.
5.p.m. 20 rounds on entanglements on HILL 60
At 8.30 p.m., 10.30.p.m., and again at 5.a.m. 4 rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) At 6.a.m. 5 rounds and at 10 a.m. 10 rounds at HILL 60
5.p.m. 7 rounds at BATTLESHIP HILL 800.
- 5th Battery (5) 5.p.m. 15 rounds at gun in action 93 W 4.8. which silenced the gun.
5.30 p.m. 15 rounds registering trenches 80 F 9.
- 6 in Howitzer (6) Nil.
- B/69 (7) During demonstration at 9.a.m. 25 rounds at enemy's trenches on CHUNUK BAIR.
- C/69 (8) 9.a.m. at trenches on HILL 90 and near SUSAK KUYU.
5.p.m. 5 rounds at trenches near FARM.
- D/69 (9) 9.a.m. At communication trench N.W.slopes of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 17th Siege Battery. (10) 5.p.m. 7 rounds at sap head 93 Q 7.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

- 1st Battery (11) 9.a.m. Enemy heavily bombarded our LONE PINE trenches and opened heavy rifle fire. 14 rounds as retaliation were fired at enemy's trenches.

GENERAL.

Enemy made a demonstration at 9.a.m. Heavy gun ~~fire~~ and rifle fire was opened chiefly on LONE PINE, the APEX, and HILL 60.

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5.10.15.

ARTILLERY REPORT.

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6th October 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

- 1st Battery (1) 20 rounds at trenches on CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery (2) 6.10 a.m. 4 rounds at enemy in vicinity of CHAKAJAK KUYU.
9.a.m. 8 rounds into valley behind HILL 60
4.30 p.m. 5 rounds at trench S of W HILL.
5.p.m. 15 rounds on trenches S of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 3rd Battery (3) 3.45 p.m. 6 rounds to register trench on flat in front of Indian Brigade also 14 rounds retaliation on above target.
4.50 p.m. 8 rounds on enemy troops ~~xxxxxx~~ near DERVISH ALI KUYU.
At 9.p.m. 11.p.m. and at 3.a.m. 4 rounds respectively on enemy trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) 25 rounds lyddite on block house near PINNACLE
Wire was destroyed and building damaged.
- 5th Battery (5) 24 rounds in registering trenches 93 V 9 silenced a gun at 93 W.4.8.
- 6 in Howitzer (6) Nil.
- B/69 (7) At 11.a.m. and again later 5 rounds at enemy in sap on CHUNUK BAIR 80 K 2-6.
- C/69 (8) At 5.45 p.m. engaged gun in action at 93 R 9.
- D/69 (9) Registered communication trenches at 92 F 4-7 pointed out Turkish prisoner.
7.15 p.m. 6 rounds at above trench.
- 17th Siege Battery. (10) 4.p.m. 12 rounds at valley N.E. of W.HILLS
105 U 1-9 and at the sap running N.E. from 105 P 7 - 105 P 3.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

- 1st Battery (11) 9.25 a.m. 3 rounds on enemy's LONE PINE trenches and at 1020 1 round on same target.
5.13 p.m. 6 rounds on LONE PINE trenches, enemy retaliated by firing 16 rounds with 8 in howitzer on 1st Battery.

GENERAL.

- (12) 8.p.m. A section 3rd Battery A.F.A. replaced right section 1st Battery firing on LONE PINE.
162nd Brigade reports observing 2 hostile guns firing from emplacement on sky line between 93 V 6 and V9.

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6.10.15.

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7th October 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

- 1st Battery (1) 4.30 p.m. 20 rounds at blockhouse near PINNACLE with good effect.
- 2nd Battery (2) 3.30 p.m. 10 rounds at transport carts 106 G 10-6.
4.p.m. 7 rounds at movements in trenches at 105 Y 6 and T 9.
11 rounds at movement of enemy near CHAKAJAK KUYU and in gully behind HILL 60.
4.50 p.m. 11 rounds at enemy communication trench South of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 3rd Battery (3) 3.p.m. 12 rounds retaliation on trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
4.5.p.m. 9 rounds retaliation on same target.
5.10 p.m. 7 rounds at screened machine gun on West of W HILL.
At 8.30 p.m. 10.p.m. and again at 4.a.m. 4 rounds respectively on enemy's works in front of Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) 5 rounds on HILL 60.
5.p.m. 15 rounds on Blockhouse near PINNACLE.
- 5th Battery (5) 4.10 p.m. 2 rounds at gun firing at about 80 F 9.
4.30 p.m. 10 rounds into sap on POINT Q 80 A 2 and 12 rounds on trenches at 80 F 3.
5 p.m. At saps at 80 K 2-3.
- 6 in Howitzer (6) Nil.
- B/69 (7) 8 rounds on sap at about 80 K 2-6.
- C/69 (8) Engaged hostile gun firing from about 93 R 9.
- D/69 (9) 10 rounds on trenches on West slope of spur at 92 U 5.
- 17th Siege Battery. (10) 5.p.m. Registered hut at 106 Q 3 7 rounds.

GENERAL.

- (11) Considerable movement noticed round Farmhouse 106 V 3.

7.10.15.

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ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional Headquarters.

No. 2. Outpost.

9th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 20 rounds on trenches on CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery (2) 4.p.m. 20 rounds searching for enemy gun firing in vicinity of 106 M 6.
4.30 p.m. 16 rounds at sap South of W.HILL.
5 rounds at DERVISH ALI KUYU 92 D 4.
5 rounds at CHAKAJAK KUYU 106 V 4.
- 3rd Battery (3) 2.40 p.m. 9 rounds at machine gun emplacement in front of Indian Brigade.
4.5 p.m. 11 retaliation rounds at trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
5.5 p.m. 8 rounds for the same purpose.
8.p.m. 12 midnight, and 3.30 a.m. 4 rounds respectively at trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) 6.10 a.m. 4 rounds at HILL 60 and at 8.45am 5 rounds at same target. These rounds were fired at enemy's working parties digging and putting out entanglements. Though in full view of infantry no rifle fire was brought to bear. Our shells had good effect.
9 rounds at BATTLESHIP HILL 80 O
- 5th Battery (5) 10.30 a.m. 6 rounds at enemy on parapet of trenches at 81 A 1.
4.30 p.m. At trenches 81 A 1, 80 F 8 and 80 F 5-6.
- 6 in Howitzer (6) Nil.
- B/69 (7) 9 rounds at a reported enemy encampment.
4 rounds at sap on CHUNUK BAIR.
- C/69 (8) 9 rounds registering enemy's support trenches on SUSAK KUYU valley.
9 rounds engaging gun firing from about 93 X 3.
- D/69 (9) 6 rounds at enemy trenches on CHUNUK BAIR.
- 17th Siege Battery. (10) 14 rounds to register points 93 L 1 and 93 M 4.

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-9.10.15.

ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional Headquarters.
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10th October 1915.

NORTHERN SECTION.

- 1st Battery (1) 3.p.m. 20 rounds on trenches East of PINNACLE.
- 2nd Battery (2) 7.a.m. 6 rounds at enemy's rest gully 106 R 7.
9.15 a.m. 4 rounds at CHAKAJAK KUYU well.
2.15 p.m. Registered wire entanglements on HILL 60 with good results. During this shooting enemy got direct hit on emplacement killing two men and wounding two.
- 3rd Battery (3) 3.30 p.m. 20 rounds on wire entanglements on HILL 60.
4.15 p.m. 8 retaliation rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
At 8.30 p.m. 11.30 p.m. and 5.a.m. 4 rounds respectively on enemy's works in front of Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) 3.30 p.m. 22 rounds on HILL 60 wire entanglements (92 J). Good effect.
- 5th Battery (5) 3.15 p.m. 30 rounds at enemy's trenches in 93 W and at gun 93 W 8.
- 6in Howitzer (6) Nil.
- B/69 (7) 3.30 p.m. 11 rounds on trenches near summit of HILL 971.
- C/69 (8) 3.20 p.m. 4 rounds at hostile gun near 93 X 3 silenced it.

3.45 p.m. registered trench on HILL 60.
4.45 p.m. Engaged hostile gun firing from 93 R 4
Enemy's detachment could be seen. On being engaged gun was run back behind crest and was later run up again to fire a second time.
- D/69 (9) 3.p.m. Registered trenches on HILL 60.
- 17th Siege Battery. (10) 3.p.m. 20 rounds on PINNACLE 80 K 1. excellent effect.
- D/55. (11) At Turks in the open and Turks harvesting at 106 1 7.

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10/10/15.

ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional Headquarters.
No. 2. Outpost.
11th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 4.45 p.m. Trenches at 80 F 3/6. 20 rounds all reported effective.
- 2nd Battery (2) 7.a.m. 4 rounds on well at CHAKAJAK KUYU;
No more firing was done; the day being spent in altering and rebuilding emplacements.
- 3rd Battery (3) 2.30 p.m. 12 rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade in retaliation for enemy's fire.
3.45 p.m. Registered a trench in same vicinity. (9 rounds).
9.25 p.m. 2 rounds on enemy's works on flat.
- 4th Battery (4) 5.30 p.m. 20 effective lyddite on BATTLESHIP HILL.
- 5th Battery (5) 10.12 a.m. Opened fire on 93 Q 3 and fired at intervals moving from left to right.
3.30 p.m. Opened on 81 A 2 where a gun appeared to be firing but as it was behind the crest results could not be properly observed.
4.15 p.m. Opened on trenches and machine gun emplacement at 80 F 6.
5 p.m. fired on Turks showing movement in trenches and on parapets at 80 F 8. causing considerable commotion. Results were satisfactory. Total rounds fired 40.
- 6 in Howitzer(6) Nil.
- 17th Siege Battery. (7) 5.30 p.m. 6 rounds at SANDBAG RIDGE (92 U 5)
- B/69 (8) 10.30 a.m. 3 rounds at hostile gun 81 A 2/3.
All good bursts.
5.p.m. 12 rounds lyddite at trenches 92 U 5.
- C/69 (9) 8.50.a.m. Engaged gun 93 R 4. It ceased after two rounds from us.
4 rounds at CHUNUK BAIR.
12 rounds at trenches near SUSAK KUYU.

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Artillery Report.

Divisional Headquarters.
No. 2. Outpost.
12th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 4.20 p.m. 16 rounds into enemy trenches at 80 K 3 and 81 G 1.
7.40 p.m. and 8.15 p.m. 2 rounds on each occasion at same target.
Enemy have erected screen on top of road on Western slopes of CHUNUK BAIR and have planted trees throughout its length.
- 2nd Battery (2) Nil.
- 3rd Battery (3) 3.23 p.m. 8 rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
4.10 p.m. 6 rounds on troops at DERVISH ALI KUYU with good effect.
4.50 p.m. 14 retaliation rounds on usual trenches.
7.30 p.m. 11.30 p.m. and 3.15 a.m. 4 rounds on each occasion on enemy works in front of Indian Brigade Turks were seen digging on each of these occasions and fire was opened at the request of the Gurkhas.
- 4th Battery (4) 5.p.m. 10 rounds on BATTLESHIP HILL.
Fire was to have been opened on machine gun there pointed out by deserter, but communications failed and the series did not take place. These communications are being put on a better footing and trouble should not be experienced in the future.
- 5th Battery (5) 3.p.m. Fired on working party at 80 F 6/9 with good effect.
4.p.m. Fired at trenches 80 F 6 extending S.W. also on wire. This target had been previously registered, and all rounds were effective.
- 6 in Howitzer(6) Nil.
- B/69 (7) One round at trench on CHUNUK BAIR, and one round at gun 81 A 2/3.
- C/69 (8) Nil.
- D/69 (9) Nil.
- 17th Siege Battery. (10) Nil.
- GENERAL. (11) C.R.A. has now been made responsible for the technical inspection and efficiency of trench mortars and their crews, and technical inspection of bombs ammunition and flares. An officer will be detailed for this duty. (Sgd) J.J. Johnston. Brig-General.

Artillery Report.

Divisional Headquarters.

No. 2. Outpost.

13th October 1915.

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| 1st Battery | (1) | 7.45 p.m. 10 rounds at trenches on CHUNUK
BAIR.
4.45 p.m. 10 rounds as above. |
| 2nd Battery | (2) | 4.30 p.m. 12 rounds at sap 105 T 9.
5.p.m. Men and mules having been reported
at 106 N 8 4 rounds behind crest.
Also engaged wells at DERVISH ALI
KUYU and CHAKAJAK KUYU (14 rounds). |
| 3rd Battery | (3) | 3.30 p.m. 12 retaliation rounds on trenches
in front of Indian Brigade and 6 rounds
at machine gun emplacement at same place
4.30 p.m. 10 more retaliation rounds.
11.45 p.m. 4 rounds on works in front of
Indian Brigade. |
| 4th Battery | (4) | 15 rounds on enemy's trenches on NEK
and BABY 700. |
| 5th Battery | (5) | 7.a.m. Opened on trenches and wire round
80 F 6. This target was fired at at odd
times during the day (40 rounds). |
| 6th Battery | (6) | Arrived last night from EGYPT. Vehicles
were parked in RESERVE GULLY. Capt.G.E.
DANIELL Capt. Mc QUARRIE, Lieut.W.H.JOHN-
SON, 2nd Lieut.H.P.WARNOCK, 2nd Lieut.F.S.
WILDING, 2nd Lieut. D.M.CUTHBERTSON. 80
other ranks, 4 howitzers, 4 wagons water
cart and maltese cart. |
| 6in Howitzer | (7) | Nil. |
| B/69 | (8) | Nil. |
| C/69 | (9) | Engaged guns at 93 X 3 which ceased after
3 rounds from us.
Also 9 rounds at Turks visible near
DERVISH ALI KUYU. |
| D/69 | (10) | Nil. |
| 17th Siege
Battery. | (11) | Nil. |

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Brig-General.

C.R.A., N.Z.& A. Division.

13/10/15.

NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional headquarters,
No. 2 Outpost,
14th October 1915.

- 1st Battery. (1) 3.45 p.m. 16 rounds at CHUNUK BAIR all of which were observed to fall on enemy's trenches. 7 p.m. 4 rounds at CLIFF road on Western side of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery. (2) 12 noon. 7 rounds at men and mules at entrance to gully 106 R 5 fire being effective. 3.30 - 4 p.m. 10 rounds at sap 105 Y 6 to 105 T 9. All rounds were observed and effective. 4.30 p.m. Troops again observed at gully 106 R 5. 6 rounds dispersed them. 4.45 - 5.30 p.m. 17 rounds at irregular intervals searching 106 M 8 - 106 R 5.
- 3rd Battery. (3) 4.5 p.m. 14 retaliation rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade. 5 p.m. 8 rounds on same target and 6 rounds on troops round DERVISH ALI KUYU.
- 4th Battery. (4) 4 p.m. 13 rounds at emplacements in trenches on BABY 700 with effective results.
- 5th Battery. (5) 10 a.m. Fired on trenches 80 F 5-8. All bursts were good. 4 p.m. Guns near 93 V 5 fired on disabled aeroplane which was forced to alight near SALT LAKE. We opened fire over the crest and guns ceased firing. (106 M 9 also engaged this aeroplane but was immediately and effectively dealt with by the 10th Heavy Battery.) Then switched to trenches and wire at 80 F 5/8. 8.15 p.m. A salvo of 4 guns was fired at 80 F 8.
- 6th Battery. (6) Not yet in action.
- 6 in. Howitzer. (7) Nil.
- 17th Siege Battery. (8) Nil.
- B/69 (9) 3 p.m. 8 rounds lyddite at trench 93 U 5 at request of 162nd Brigade. 2 fell in trench. 4.15 p.m. 15 rounds shrapnel at guns 81 A 2/3. Four guns were firing from here, but ceased after we opened.
- C/69 (10) 3.5 p.m. Guns at 93 X 3 opened. Replied with 7 rounds. Enemy ceased after our 4th round. 5 p.m. 4 rounds at trenches opposite SUSAK KUYU. 6.10 p.m. and 7 p.m. At request of Indian Brigade. 2 rounds on each occasion at sap near SUSAK KUYU.
- D/69 (11) 15 lyddite at store in ANAFARTA GULLY. 2 hits.

(C O N T I N U E D)

GENERAL. (12)

A bombardment of HILL 60 was to be carried out by 3rd Battery, C/69 and 17th Siege Battery at 5.p.m. yesterday. This was ordered by request of 54th Division who reported that the enemy were countermining. In addition to this all batteries were warned that a hostile mine explosion might take place at any moment in which case immediate fire was to be opened. Later in the day the 54th Division informed us that their information was incorrect and the bombardment was postponed and the special vigilance relaxed. The bombardment will be carried out at 2.30 p.m. today by C/69 and the 17th Siege Battery.

(Sgd) J.J. Johnston.

Brig-General.

C.R.A., N.Z. & A. Division.

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ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional Headquarters.

No. 2. Outpost.

15th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 4.p.m. 20 rounds on to crest of CHUNUK BAIR and also in sweeping the S.E. slope.
- 2nd Battery (2) 9.a.m. Observed a body of troops moving along road between the two ANAFARTAS about 106 R 9. Expended 6 rounds getting effective bursts. The actual effect was hard to observe, as the troops were under the cover of trees and hedges and could only be seen at intervals.
- 3.p.m. 3 rounds into sap at foot of W HILLS (105 T 9) 5 rounds at well at CHAKAJAK KUYU and 8 rounds searching along the road at this point, evidently with good effect as men were seen to disappear in all directions.
- 4.p.m. 6 rounds into enemy's rest gully at 106 R 7. An enemy working party was then observed at 106 M 8. They were immediately engaged and dispersed with 5 rounds.
- Another 6 rounds were expended in searching the gullies round this spot.
- 3rd Battery (3) 2.45 p.m. 14 retaliation rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade, and 6 rounds on troops at DERVISH ALI KUYU.
- 4.40 p.m. 8 retaliation as before.
- 7.45 p.m. (4 rounds) 8.25 p.m. (4 rounds) 9.25 (2 rounds) and 10.15 p.m. (2 rounds) on enemy's works in front of Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) 4.p.m. 25 rounds at machine gun on BATTLESHIP HILL.
- First opened fire on gun pointed out by deserter and in five rounds got a direct hit. 3 more rounds were fired, and fire was then switched to machine gun further up the ridge. Shooting here was not quite so effective though 2 good hits were recorded. 3rd L.H. Brigade's machine guns cooperated and played continuously on to the emplacements, rendering any attempt to move the guns impossible. The wind was fresh and made shooting difficult. About 6 direct hits were obtained in all, but most of the shell fell into the enemy's trenches. During the series the fire of a third enemy machine gun was drawn. Its position has been determined and it will be engaged today.
- 5th Battery (5) 6.30 a.m. Opened fire on works being constructed at 81 A 1. 6 rounds were fired and the work ceased.
- 4.p.m. Fired at works at 93 V 9 and smashed them completely. Then fired on saps and trenches 80 E 6 and 80 F 6/8; getting good bursts.
- Total expenditure (40 rounds).

6th Battery (6)

Day was spent in preparing emplacements and bivouacs. All four guns were brought into position at 92 R 7 during the night.

6 in Howitzer(7)

Nil.

B/69

(8) 12.10.p.m. 3 rounds shrapnel at gun firing from 81 A 2/3 which then ceased.
4.p.m. 10 rounds lyddite at trenches 92 U 5.

C/69

(9) 2.30 - 3.p.m. 21 rounds at wire entanglements on HILL 60 (Zone D i.e. BEACH LANE to MIDDLE LANE) High and gusty wind affected accuracy of the shooting but good effect was obtained on the right of the Zone and some effect in the centre.
4.5.p.m. 3 rounds at gun firing from 93 X 3 which then ceased.

D/69

(10)

Nil.

17th Siege
Battery.

(11) 2.30 p.m. 16 rounds at Turkish shelter on HILL 60 (between MIDDLE LANE and IVY LANE) Target is a difficult one. Yesterday there was a strong wind blowing across the line of fire which made shooting difficult.

(Sgd) J.J. Johnston.

Brig-General.

C.R.A., N.Z. & A. Division.

ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional Headquarters,
No. 2 Outpost.

16th October 1915.

- 1st Battery. (1) 20 rounds on trenches behind screen at top of large road on Western slope of CHUNUK BAIR and on N.E. trenches of CHUNUK BAIR. 4.5am. and 4.10am. Took part in demonstration by firing 8 rounds on each occasion at communication trenches on CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery. (2) Quiet day. At 4.30pm. 7 rounds at Road 106 V 4/6 5pm. 10 rounds along gully 106 R 7. 5.30pm. 6 rounds at trench 105 Y 9. 4.5am and 4.10am. 8 rounds on each occasion at 92 J 4 and 92 D 7/8. This was part of demonstration.
- 3rd Battery. (3) 4.10pm. 16 retaliation rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade and at 5.30pm. fired a further 8. 8 rounds were fired on same target at 4.5am and again at 4.10am. as part of demonstration.
- 4th Battery. (4) 5pm. 20 rounds at machine gun emplacement in conjunction with 3rd L.H. machine guns, on BATTLESHIP HILL. Effect disappointing. Only one hit was recorded and about half the rounds failed to detonate properly. 4.5am. and 4.10am. 4 rounds on each occasion at trenches near PINNACLE.
- 5th Battery. (5) 7.30am. Opened fire on 80 F 6/8 with left section and on 93 V 9 with right section. Movement was noticed in the FARM during the shelling. Fire was then brought to bear on trenches 81 A 1. 11.15am. Dispersed working party at 93 W 5/8. 4.50pm. Trenches were swept from 81 A 1 towards 80 F 6. Result unknown. Battery took part in the demonstration by firing 8 rounds at 4.5am and again at 4.10am at 80 F 6/8 and on the hill to the North of "Q".
- 6th Battery. (6) Continued on emplacements. If sandbags are available these will be finished by midday today.
- 6in. Howitzer. (7) Nil.
- B/69. (8) 4.5am and 4.10am 4 rounds on each occasion on PINNACLE as part of demonstration.
- C/69 (9) About 5pm 93 X 3 opened and was engaged. 3 rounds were fired. 4.5am and 4.10am 4 rounds on each occasion on CHUNUK BAIR communication trenches as part of demonstration.
- D/69 (10) 3 rounds at hostile guns at 105 T 3. 4.5am and 4 10am. Took part in demonstration by distributing 4 rounds on each occasion between HILL 60. HILL 100 and on trenches leading to PINNACLE.
- 17th Siege Battery (11) 2 rounds on HILL 60 at 4.5am and again at 4.10am. as part of demonstration.

(Sgd.) J. J. Johnston,
Brig-General,
C.R.A., N.Z. & A Division.

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NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional Headquarters.
No. 2. Outpost.
17th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 4.15 p.m. 20 rounds on "Q" and on the Northern Slopes of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery (2) No movement observed until late afternoon and then very little.
4.p.m. A few men and an occasional cart were seen to emerge from the gully 106 R 7 and 7 rounds were fired. Again at 5.p.m. 12 rounds were fired at the same target.
4.30 - 4.45 p.m. 8 rounds at sap 105 T 9.
4.45 p.m - 5.p.m. 12 rounds at new earthworks at 106 L 8. All bursts were effective.
- 3rd Battery (3) 4.25 p.m. 12 retaliation rounds on the trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
and 6 rounds at DERVISH ALI KUYU.
5.30 p.m. 10 retaliation rounds as above.
- 4th Battery (4) 11 a.m. 8 rounds (of which 5 were effective) at large working party at 106 M 2/3. The working party was dispersed.
- 5th Battery (5) 10.10.a.m. Fired on movement noticed at 93 V 8.
4.25 p.m. Fired on usual trench targets and blew to pieces what appeared to be a strong machine gun position or look out station at 93 V 6/8.
- 6th Battery (6) Completed emplacements, and at the request of the 54th Division fired 9 rounds with good effect on the trenches on the 90 ring contour in 92 P.
- 6 in Howitzer(7) Nil.
- B/69 (8) 11.30 a.m. 8 rounds at sap on "Q".
12.30 p.m. and again at 4.30 p.m. Fired at guns which opened from 81 A 2/3.
- C/69 (9) 3.45 p.m. At request of 54th Division, 18 rounds at trenches on 90 ring contour in 92 P.
4.p.m. and 5.15. p.m. Engaged gun firing from 93 X 3.
5.p.m. 3 rounds at trench 105 X 2 at request of Indian Brigade.
- D/69 (10) 11.30.a.m. In conjunction with 10th Heavy Battery fired on observation post about 81 A 2. It was destroyed.
- 17th Siege Battery. (11) 9.45 a.m. At request of 54th Division. 12 rounds at trenches on 90 ring contour in 92 P.

B. 10.18
4 inch Battery (12)

Opened fire for the first time. The results were as follows:- The mountings were not in any way affected and guns remained steady. 16 rounds were fired, target being trench on West slope of HILL 971. 4 rounds from No. 1 and One from No. 2. burst on or near the point aimed at, the remainder fell beyond the crest, this the B.C. reports was due to bad sighting arrangements. These guns have naval sights which are in no way suited for land work. A No. 7. Dial Sight is urgently needed. Fuzes appeared to act well, detonation being good. (This is the report of the O.C. Battery)

(Sgd) G. N. Johnston.

Brig-General.

C.R.A., N.Z. & A. Division.

ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional Headquarters.

No. 2. Outpost.

18th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 3.5.p.m. 18 rounds searching the South and South-Western slopes of CHUNUK BAIR.
7.30 p.m. 2 rounds on road on Western slopes of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery (2) 10.20 a.m. 5 rounds at men moving about entrance of gully in vicinity of 106 W 2.
10.30 a.m. 6 rounds into sap at foot of W.HILLS.
All rounds appeared to be effective.
2 p.m. 12 rounds into gully behind HILL 60.
4.5 p.m. 10 rounds at mules at 106 W 2.
5.30 p.m. 7 rounds at enemy digging in trenches in 92 F 4 to D2.
- 3rd Battery (3) 4.45 p.m. 14 rounds at usual trenches.
5.30 p.m. 8 rounds usual trenches and 6 at DERVISH ALI KUYU.
- 4th Battery (4) Nil.
- 5th Battery (5) 6.10 a.m. Fired on trenches and other works at 93 V 6/8.
4.35 p.m. Engaged effectively a working party at 93 W 7.
- 6th Battery (6) 11.a.m. Left Section Registered trenches on HILL 100 (92 P/U) and at 11.45 a.m. registered trenches on HILL 60.
3.40 p.m. Registered trenches near the FARM.
4.30 p.m. Right Section registered HILL 60.
5.30 p.m. Right section registered HILL 100.
- Total rounds 37. Effect in all cases good.
- 6in Howitzer (7) Nil.
- B/69 (8) Nil.
- C/69 (9) 12.noon 93 X 3 opened and was replied to with 4 rounds.
Again at 1.p.m. 2 rounds were fired at these guns. In each case they ceased firing.
4 rounds were expended in registering trenches on DAGH CHESHME.
- D/69 (10) Nil.
- 17th Siege Battery (11) 1.p.m. 59th Brigade at CHOCOLATE HILL reported that they were being heavily shelled at 93 G 2. 8 rounds were fired, with observation from CHOCOLATE HILL, the 1st and 5th being reported direct hits.
The enemy's guns were silenced.

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7.30 p.m. 2 rounds on road on Western slopes of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery (2) 10.20 a.m. 5 rounds at men moving about entrance of gully in vicinity of 106 W 2.
10.30 a.m. 6 rounds into sap at foot of W.HILLS. All rounds appeared to be effective.
2 p.m. 12 rounds into gully behind HILL 60.
4.5 p.m. 10 rounds at mules at 106 W 2.
5.30 p.m. 7 rounds at enemy digging in trenches in 92 F 4 to D2.
- 3rd Battery (3) 4.45 p.m. 14 rounds at usual trenches.
5.30 p.m. 8 rounds usual trenches and 6 at DERVISH ALI KUYU.
- 4th Battery (4) Nil.
- 5th Battery (5) 6.10 a.m. Fired on trenches and other works at 93 V 6/8.
4.35 p.m. Engaged effectively a working party at 93 W 7.
- 6th Battery (6) 11.a.m. Left Section Registered trenches on HILL 100 (92 P/U) and at 11.45 a.m. registered trenches on HILL 60.
3.40 p.m. Registered trenches near the FARM.
4.30 p.m. Right Section registered HILL 60.
5.30 p.m. Right section registered HILL 100.
- Total rounds 37. Effect in all cases good.
- 6in Howitzer (7) Nil.

B/69

(8)

Nil.

(2)

C/69

(9)

12 noon 93 X 3 opened and was replied to with 4 rounds.

4in Battery (12)

10 rounds at what was taken to be an anti-aircraft gun on BATTLESHIP HILL. A direct hit was obtained on 7th round.
8 rounds were fired on trenches in same area, 4 being effective.

D/69

(10)

Nil.

17th Siege Battery

(11)

1.p.m. 59th (Sgd) J.J. Johnston reported that they were being heavily shelled at 93 G 2. 8 rounds Brig-General. with observation from CHOCOLATE HILL, the 1st and 5th C.R.A., N.Z. & A. Division.
The enemy's guns were silenced.

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Divisional Headquarters.
No. 2. Outpost.
19th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 2 p.m. 20 rounds on SARI BAIR from Pt 305 to CHUNUK BAIR with observation from WALDEN POINT. The enfilade fire of this battery would be effective against these trenches. Yesterday's shooting was really a registration series.
- 2nd Battery (2) 7.- 8.30 a.m. 10 rounds at troops in square 106 W 2 and 5 effective rounds into sap at foot of W HILLS (105 Y 6/ T9).
10.30 a.m. - 12.30 6 rounds at transport at 106 W 2.
4.30 p.m. 4 effective rounds at men seen moving in the trees at CHAKAJAK KUYU.
5 p.m. 4 rounds at last target.
5.15 - 5.35 p.m. 11 rounds searching enemy's rest gully at 106 R 7.
- 3rd Battery (3) 4.45 p.m. 12 rounds at request of Indian Brigade at the trenches fronting them. 6 rounds at DERVISH ALI KUYU.
5.30 p.m. 12 rounds at request of Indian Brigade as before.
- 4th Battery (4) 7 a.m. Fired at party of the enemy in 92 K. 4 rounds fell amongst them.
- 5th Battery (5) 4.30 p.m. Opened fire at a structure like a gun emplacement at 93 Q 7 and destroyed it.
4.40 p.m. Fired on an observation station at 80 F 8 with satisfactory results.
- 6th Battery (6) 4 p.m. engaged brushwood structure near BATTLESHIP HILL. F.O.O. reports that considerable damage was done.
- 6in Howitzer (7) Nil.
- B/69 (8) Nil.
- C/69 (9) 11 a.m. 1 round at gun 93 R 4/7.
2 p.m. 2 rounds at gun 93 X 3.
3.30 p.m. 3 rounds at gun 93 R 4/7.
- D/69 (10) Nil.
- 17th Siege Battery (11) 2.30 p.m. Engaged guns at 93 G 2. 7 rounds were fired, of which two were target. Observation was from CHOCOLATE HILL.
- 4in Battery (12) Engaged new trench 106 I 7.8.9.-, where great activity has lately been seen. Fired 9 rounds, finding the target with the last 2.
- C.R.A.N.Z. & A. Division. (Sgd) J.J. Johnston.
Brig-General.

ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional Headquarters.

No. 2. Outpost.

20th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 2.15 p.m. rounds on CHUNUK BAIR trenches with good effect.
- 2nd Battery (2) 9.15 a.m. - 12.45 p.m. Fired 13 rounds at irregular intervals at men moving about near CHAKAJAK KUYU.
2.30 p.m. 8 rounds into entrance to gully 106 W 2 with good effect on transport.
3.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. 6 rounds at sap 105 Y6/T9.
4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. 10 more rounds at movement near CHAKAJAK KUYU.
- 3rd Battery (3) 4.45 p.m. 12 rounds on usual trenches and 6 at DERVISH ALI KUYU.
5.20 p.m. 10 rounds on usual trenches.
- 4th Battery (4) 4.30 p.m. 10 rounds at trenches and emplacements on SNIPERS RIDGE (80 N) of which 8 were effective.
- 5th Battery (5) 3.50 p.m. Noticed enemy continually moving about saps and trenches at 80 F 8. Fire in enfilade was opened and a few rounds stopped all movement.
4.50 p.m. Opened fire on wire entanglements at 81 A 1. Good observation was possible and after 4 rounds good results were obtained by bursting 6 foot short. The spread of the burst caught a good width of wire.
- 6th Battery (6) 11.15 a.m. Left section fired on trenches at 92 P 4 and put 4 rounds shrapnel into gully 92 P 5/6.
3 p.m. Right section fired on trenches 80 F 6/7. Effect was good in both cases. 12 lyddite and 4 shrapnel were expended.
- 6 in Howitzer (7) Nil.
- B/69 (8) 6 rounds at trenches 92 U 5 with good effect.
- C/69 (9) Gun at 93 R 4/7 opened and was replied to. It ceased after we had fired 2 rounds.
- D/69 (10) Nil.
- 17th Siege Battery (11) Nil.
- 4in Battery (12) Fired 11 rounds at the trench 106 I registered yesterday, obtaining several direct hits. A party of Turks working in the trench was dispersed.
A second series of 3 rounds was fired, the

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- 2nd Battery (2) 9.15 a.m. - 12.45 p.m. Fired 13 rounds at irregular intervals at men moving about near CHAKAJAK KUYU.
2.30 p.m. 8 rounds into entrance to gully 106 W 2 with good effect on transport.
3.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. 6 rounds at sap 105 Y6/T9.
4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. 10 more rounds at movement near CHAKAJAK KUYU.
- 3rd Battery (3) 4.45 p.m. 12 rounds on usual trenches and 6 at DERVISH ALI KUYU.
5.20 p.m. 10 rounds on usual trenches.
- 4th Battery (4) 4.30 p.m. 10 rounds at trenches and emplacements on SNIPERS RIDGE (80 N) of which 8 were effective.
- 5th Battery (5) 3.50 p.m. Noticed enemy continually moving about saps and trenches at 80 F 8. Fire in enfilade was opened and a few rounds stopped all movement.
4.50 p.m. Opened fire on wire entanglements at 81 A 1. Good observation was possible and after 4 rounds good results were obtained by bursting 6 foot short. The spread of the burst caught a good width of wire.
- 6th Battery (6) 11.15 a.m. Left section fired on trenches at 92 P 4 and put 4 rounds shrapnel into gully 92 P 5/6.
3 p.m. Right section fired on trenches 80 F 6/7. Effect was good in both cases. 12 lyddite and 4 shrapnel were expended.

(2)

6 in Howitzer(?)

Nil.

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4th Battery
(Cont.)

(12)

8 rounds at trenches 92 U 5 with good effect. fog obscuring the target after the third round. A third series of 4 rounds was next fired. During this series No. 2 gun went out of action through some defect in the recoiling arrangements. The I.O.M. has been informed.

D/69

(10)

17th Siege
Battery.

(11)

Nil.

4in Battery

(13)

Fir (Sgd) J.J. Johnston. trench 106 I registered yesterday Brig-General. several direct hits. A party of Turks working in the trench was dis C.R.A. N.Z. & A Division. A second series of 3 rounds was fired, the

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No. 2. Outpost.
21st October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 4.45 p.m. Searched and swept the trenches on CHUNUK BAIR with good effect.
- 2nd Battery (2) 10.15 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Fired at enemy moving about in vicinity of CHAKAJAK KUYU and down watercourse from 105 Z 3 to 106 V 1.
3.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. Fired at irregular intervals between 93 A6/8 and 93 H 9.
5.30 p.m. Engaged and completely demolished a new gun epaulment at 93 M 1.
- 3rd Battery (3) 4.35 p.m. 12 rounds at usual trenches and 6 at DERVISH ALI KUYU.
5.30 p.m. 10 rounds at usual trenches.
- 4th Battery (4) Nil.
- 5th Battery (5) 10.30 a.m. Engaged enemy seen in trenches 80 F 4 5/6. Very good results were obtained.
4.p.m. Fire was opened on a sniper's post to our right of the FARM(80 F 8). These snipers were troubling the APEX. H.E. was used to break up the post and some of the enemy were caught with time shrapnel as they tried to get away.
- 6th Battery (6) 11.a.m. Fired 9 rounds into the valley 93 M 2/3 and 8.
3.p.m. 11 rounds at trenches 80 F 6.
- 6in Howitzer (7) Nil.
- B/69 (8) Nil.
- C/69 (9) 5 rounds at trenches on Northern slopes of "Q".
Also engaged hostile gun which opened from 93 R 4/7. It ceased after 2 rounds from us.
- D/69 (10) Nil.
- 17th Siege Battery. (11) 11.a.m. At the request of battery at CHOCOLATE HILL, 4 rounds at guns at 93 G 2 of which one was judged target. The enemy ceased firing.
- 4in Battery (12) Fired 7 rounds from No.1. gun registering the trenches on top of CHUNUK BAIR and at the FARM. Hits were obtained and a few Turks noticed on the move. At the seventh shot the gun which had been running back badly refused to return to the firing position at all. Bothguns are therefore temporarily out of action. The I.O.M. has been informed.

(Sgd) J. J. Johnston.
Brig-General.

C.R.A., N.Z. & A. Division.

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Divisional Headquarters.

No. 2. Outpost.

22nd October 1915.

- 8.10.23
- 1st Battery (1) 3.45p.m. 20 rounds at CHUNUK BAIR trenches.
- 2nd Battery (2) 2.p.m. 6. rounds at presumed position of enemy's guns at 93 A 6/8 after which the enemy ceased.
4.p.m. 6 rounds into gully 106 R 7.
4.30 p.m. At same gun as before, which ceased after 8 rounds from us.
4.40 p.m. Dispersed men moving about near 105 Z 2/4 (6 rounds).
5.15 p.m. 4 effective rounds at trench 105 T 9
Rain then obscured all targets.
- 3rd Battery (3) 3.10 p.m. 14 rounds on trenches on HILL 100 (92 P/U) and 8 rounds on communication trenches on HILL 60.
5.45 p.m. Registered a communication trench on HILL 60 (8 rounds).
4.12 p.m. 10 retaliation rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) Nil.
- 5th Battery (5) 3.20 p.m. Fired on sniper's post, trenches and saps from FARM to PINNACLE (80 F 9 to 80 K 2/3) All fire in this area does good.
- 6th Battery (6) 10.30 a.m. 10 rounds on HILL 60.
11.45 a.m. 5 rounds on HILL 100 (92 P/U).
4.30 p.m. 5 rounds on trenches 92 P 4.
In all cases the effect was good.
- 6in Howitzer (7) Nil.
- E/69 (8) 5.15 p.m. 6 rounds at trench 92 U 5 at request of 54th Division. Two rounds fell in trench, of which one was blind.
- C/69 (9) Engaged hostile guns which opened as follows:-
11.a.m. 2 rounds at 93 X 3.
1 round at 93 R 4/7.
2.30p.m. 2 rounds at 93 X 3.
3.45p.m. 2 rounds at 93 R 4/7.
4.45p.m. 2 rounds at 93 R 4/7.
In each case hostile gun ceased firing.
- D/69 (10) 4.15 p.m. 20 rounds at what is evidently a masked gun emplacement in Turkish front line trench about 92 C X 2/6. One direct hit which did not detonate. High wind and error of gun make direct hits very difficult to obtain.
- 17th Siege Battery. (11) Nil.
- 4in Battery (12) No.1 gun fired one test round but gun would not return to the firing position.
- 10th Heavy Battery. (13) 4.p.m. Shelled trenches at 80 F 8 in retaliation for enemy's shelling of APEX.
(Sgd) J.J. Johnston.
Brig-General.
C.R.A., N.Z. & A. Division.

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23rd October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 4.45 p.m. 20 rounds at trenches on S.W.slopes of CHUNUK PAIR.
- 2nd Battery (2) 7.a.m. Men were observed gathering wood on the flat at 93 A 4/6. 6 rounds were fired and 3 casualties were observed.
No other targets presented themselves all day. From 2.p.m. until dark, when the light is usually best, either the rain obscured the zone ~~xxx xxxx~~ or the light was so bad as to render observation practically impossible.
- 3rd Battery (3) 3.15 p.m. 4 rounds on communication trench East of HILL 60.
4.40 p.m. 14 retaliation rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
5.25 p.m. 10 rounds on trenches East of HILL 60.
10 p.m. 4 rounds in front of Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) Nil.
- 5th Battery (5) 11.15 a.m. Enfiladed working party at 81 A 1 and dispersed it with loss.
4.p.m. Engaged trenches between 80 F and 81 A breaking down the parapet etc.
- 6th Battery (6) 3.40 p.m. 12 rounds lyddite at trenches 92 O 6. Effect appeared good.
- 6in Howitzer (7) Nil.
- B/69 (8) Nil.
- C/69 (9) Nil.
- D/69 (10) Nil.
- 17th Siege Battery. (11) Nil.
- 4in Battery (12) Nil.

(Sgd) J. J. Johnston.

Brig-General.

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Divisional Headquarters,
No. 2. Outpost.
24th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 2.45 p.m. 20 rounds on trenches N.E. of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery (2) 8.30 a.m. 3 rounds at men at 106 V 1/2. 2 more rounds at same target at 10-45 a.m.
1.15 p.m. 2 rounds at small body of mounted men passing from 106 V 3 to 106 Q 1, and at 2.30 p.m. 6 rounds at similar target returning across same zone.
2.45 - 3 p.m. 8 rounds at men both foot and horse in trees at 106 V 6.
3.30 p.m. 6 rounds at pack mules passing along road 106 V 8 ~~to~~ 106 W 8.
3.45 - 4 p.m. 5 rounds at wagons in gully 106 R 7.
5 - 5.30 p.m. 5 rounds in same gully.
- 3rd Battery (3) 4.20 p.m. Registered communication trench East of HILL 60 (8 rounds) also one on flat in front of Indian Brigade (9 rounds).
5.10 p.m. 7 rounds on troops at DERVISH ALI KUYU with good effect.
9.30 p.m. 4 rounds on works in front of Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) Nil.
- 5th Battery (5) 10.30 a.m. Fire was opened on saps from FARM to PINNACLE where large movement of reliefs was seen. Considerable commotion was caused.
12.15 p.m. Fired on 80 F 8 as Turks were shelling the APEX. Enemy's shelling ceased and we caused casualties, 5 of which were seen.
2.25 p.m. Fire was again opened on same target in conjunction with trench mortars, bringing converging fire to bear on enemy. Judging by movement of enemy results were good.
- 6th Battery (6) 2 p.m. 10 rounds on trenches 92 P 4 to O 3 with good effect.
3.30 p.m. 6 rounds on trenches at the FARM and 4 on those at 80 F 6. The effect in this case was also good.
- 6in Howitzer (7) 5 rounds into trenches on CHUNUK BAIR.
- B/69 (8) Nil.
C/69 (9) Nil.
D/69 (10) Nil.
17th Siege Battery. (11) Nil.
4in Battery (12) Nil.

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Brig-General.
C.R.A., N.Z. & A. Division.

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NEW ZEALAND & AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional Headquarters.
No. 2. Outpost.
25th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 20 rounds sweeping the S.W. trenches of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery (2) 11.a.m. Transport was seen entering gully 106 R 7 and 4 effective rounds were fired.
1.45 p.m. Enemy gun opened fire on battery, and after it had fired 6 rounds, was located at about 106 R 1. After 8 rounds from us it ceased firing.
Misty rain obscured all targets from 2p.m. to 4.p.m.
5.p.m. Gun at 106 R 1 again fired but was engaged by us and ceased after we had fired 2 rounds.
5.15 - 5.35 p.m. 13 rounds distributed in gully 106 R7/N5. 7 rounds on small body of infantry on road 106 I 1/2 and 6 rounds on earthwork 106 L 8 where men were seen moving about.
- 3rd Battery (3) 4.5 p.m. 12 rounds on usual trenches and 10 on communication trenches East of HILL 60.
4.55 p.m. 7 rounds on usual trenches and 6 at troops at DERVISH ALI KUYU.
- 4th Battery (4) At request of 7th Aust. ~~Div~~ Inf. Brigade. 5 rounds at PINNACLE at 4.15 p.m. 2 were hits and 3 fell in the neighbouring trenches.
- 5th Battery (5) 4.p.m. Fired on trenches 80 F 8 with good results.
4.30 p.m. Searched and swept for guns about 81 A 3/6.
4.50 p.m. Enemy opened on APEX and the Battery accordingly fired on trenches and saps at 80 F 6/8.
- 6th Battery (6) 2.p.m. 8 rounds shrapnel into DAOUK JULAK DERE.
- 6in Howitzer (7) At trenches on "Q" with good results.
- B/69 (8) 5.p.m. 2 rounds at gun 81 A 2/3 which then ceased.
- C/69 (9) 4.45 p.m. 13 rounds at trenches in SUSAK KUYU valley with good effect.
- D/69 (10) Nil.
- 17th Siege Battery. (11) Nil.
- 4in. Battery (12) Nil.

(Sgd) J. J. Johnston.

Brig-General.

C.R.A., N.Z. & A. Division.

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NEW ZEALAND & AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

ARTILLERY REPORT.

Divisional Headquarters.
Otago Gully.
26th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 20 rounds on trenches 80 K 1/5, 80 F 9 and on S.W. of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery (2) 10.15 a.m. Dispersed working party at 106 V 2 (4 rounds)
3.15-3.30 p.m. 8 rounds into gully 106 R 7.
4.15 p.m. 10 rounds at sap 105 T 9.
At same time C/69 engaged it further up the hill.
5 p.m. 5 rounds at sap on road near 106 W 1.
5.20 p.m. 3 rounds at pack mules at 106 R 7.
- 3rd Battery (3) 3 p.m. 12 retaliation rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade and 9 rounds on enemy's main communication trench on flat in same locality.
4 p.m. 9 retaliation rounds as above and 4 on DERVISH ALI KUYU.
- 4th Battery (4) Nil.
- 5th Battery (5) 6.30 a.m. Fired on trench at 80 F 6 where Turks were firing constantly. A few rounds enfilading trench soon dispersed snipers.
4.5 p.m. Fired on trenches by APEX in conjunction with bombing from 25th Battalion. The infantry were successful in moving Turks from the FARM trenches and guns were able to catch them in enfilade in saps on their way up. At same time engaged 93 R 1/4 with one section and the gun firing from there ceased.
- 6th Battery (6) 3.15 p.m. 14 rounds on HILL X 60.
4.5 p.m. 6 rounds on HILL 100. Effect good in both cases.
- 6in Howitzer (7) 11.30 p.m. 2 rounds on "Q".
12 noon Registered new target (trench at 93 Q7. 8 rounds) The extra expenditure was necessary in order to make certain of registration.
- B/69 (8) Nil.
- C/69 (9) 8.15 a.m. 4 rounds at party of men and horses near CHAKAJAK KUYU. Party dispersed.
10.45 a.m. Engaged gun at 93 R 4/7. 2 rounds caused enemy to cease. Also engaged sap at 105 U 9 (8 rounds).
- D/69 (10) Nil.
- 17th Siege Battery. (11) Engaged the following targets :-
(1) Registered the Turk hedge built during the last three weeks at 106, 1, 4, S.
(2) Registered TIKE-CHESHME at 105 X 2 and the well 100 yards to the South of it. Two rounds were fired at the communication trenches running over the brows to the West.
(3) Fired two salvos at 93 M 4. Number of rounds fired thirteen.

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4in Battery (12) In action again but has only one lock available between the two guns, the rear spring having broken on one and there being no spare parts from which to replace it. The control rams of both guns were badly corroded. Two test rounds were fired from No.1. and three from No.2. at CHUNUK BAIR with satisfactory results. In the afternoon two important points up the ANAFARTA Valley were registered with No.2.gun using the new No.7. Dial Sight. Results were very satisfactory. No.1. gun was then fired at the FARM and also at the extreme top of CHUNUK BAIR and trench beneath. Apparently hitting both the blockhouse on the top and also the trench.

10th Heavy Battery. (13) 1.30 p.m. Engaged and destroyed section of trenches and entanglements at 80 F 6.
3.30 p.m. Engaged suspected howitzer emplacement at 105 U 5.

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27th October 1915.

1st Battery (1) 3.30 p.m. 20 rounds on trenches 80 K 3/6. Rounds appeared to be well placed.

2nd Battery (2) 10.15 p.m. Dispersed men herding cattle at 106 W 3 (6 rounds).

2.30 p.m. 5 rounds at trench 93 A 1/5.

3.30 - 5 p.m. 15 rounds at intervals on road 106 X 3 to R7.

4.30 p.m. 3 rounds into sap at 106 V 1/2.

3rd Battery (3) 11.15 a.m. 6 rounds at guns firing about 93 L 1.

4 p.m. 10 retaliation rounds at trenches in front of Indian Brigade and 4 at DERVISH ALI KUYU.

5 p.m. 8 rounds at main communication trench on flat. Also 4 rounds on communication trench East of HILL 60.

4th Battery (4) 6.40 a.m. 10 rounds at trenches East of HILL 60. 8 were effective.

5th Battery (5) 9.35 a.m. Engaged usual targets at FARM 80 F 8. 10.35 a.m. Opened fire on same target as enemy was shelling APEX.

11 a.m. Opened fire at guns 93 R 1 which ceased after we had fired 4 rounds.

2 p.m. Fired on trenches opposite APEX in conjunction with bombing from 25th Battalion. Results were satisfactory.

6th Battery (6) 10.15 a.m. 10 rounds at trenches at the FARM. 3 rounds fell short and the remainder in the enemy's trenches.

4 p.m. 10 rounds at trenches in 92 O 6. Effect seemed good.

6in Howitzer (7) 6 rounds into trenches on ABDEL RAHMAN PAIR.

B/69 (8) 9.15 a.m. Considerable movement of enemy observed on crest at 93 U 5 behind their screen of bushes. Fired 5 rounds shrapnel.

C/69 (9) Nil.

D/69 (10) Nil.

Left Section (11) Nil.

17th Siege Battery.

4in Battery (12) Fired 20 rounds at trenches and machine gun emplacement on, BATTLESHIP HILL. Several direct hits were obtained on the front trench and some material damage was seen to be done. It was intended to fire on CHUNUK PAIR from O.P. near LITTLE TABLE TOP but about half a mile of wire had been cut from the end of the telephone wire, and 100 yards from the centre so that communication with the Battery was impossible. The B.C reports that he has already had two properly constructed O.Ps. removed bodily and he is unable to keep his various O.Ps continually occupied owing to shortage of men.

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28th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 10.10 a.m. 12 rounds in trenches 81 A 7.
4.10 p.m. 8 rounds in trenches 81 G 1.
- 2nd Battery (2) 11.50 a.m. Enemy engaged bombardment but no guns could be seen in this zone. 6 rounds were fired over DAGH CHESHME where report of guns could be heard. These rounds were unobserved.
12.noon 4 rounds at gully 106 R 7.
2.10 p.m. 3 effective rounds at transport carts at same place.
4.15 p.m. 4 rounds at road amongst trees 106 R9 /X2.
4.15-5.p.m. 6 rounds at parties entering gully 106 R 7.
All effective and casualties observed.
5-5.30 p.m. 4 rounds over same gully.
- 3rd Battery (3) 4.30 p.m. 12 retaliation rounds at usual trenches.
5.p.m. 6 rounds on DERVISH ALI KUYU AND **
10 retaliation rounds on usual trenches.
- 4th Battery (4) Nil.
- 5th Battery (5) 7.a.m. Fire was opened on guns reported firing at 93 R 4/7. Enemy's fire ceased.
11.45 a.m. Retaliated at easy rate on trenches 80 F 8 in reply to enemy's bombardment of APEX and was about to engage guns at 93 R 4 when they ceased.
Small guns fired on Battery from W HILLS bearing 51 deg.
- 6th Battery (6) 2.p.m. 8 rounds in trenches 80 F 6.
3.25 p.m. 7 rounds into ASMA DERE 92 P 2/8 and 5 rounds in trenches 92 P 4/7 at 4.5.p.m. Effective.
- 6in Howitzer (7) 5 rounds on reverse slopes of ABDEL RAHMAN BAIR.
- B/69 (8) Nil.
- C/69 (9) 8.a.m. Engaged 2 guns firing from 93 R 4/7, the left hand one of which was clearly visible. Our 3rd round fell near it and both ceased.
11.40 a.m. Right hand guns at 93 R 4/7 opened and was again engaged and silenced.
- D/69 (10) 3.p.m. 11 rounds at BABY 700.
- Left Section(11) Nil.
17th Siege
Battery.
- 4in Battery (12) Fired seven rounds at Snipers' post at the APEX but stopped as the wind was too gusty for accurate shooting.
- General (13) From 6 to 10 guns fired from ABDEL RAHMAN BAIR during hostile demonstration 11.45 a.m.-12noon.

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29th October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) 3.45 p.m. 20 rounds at 80 K 1/5 and searched western slopes of CHUNUK BAIR.
- 2nd Battery (2) 7.30 a.m. 11 rounds at entrance of gully 106 S 1 where movement was observed.
10.30 a.m. 8 rounds at men moving North through hills 106 Y 5/6, dispersing them amongst trees which were searched.
1.35 p.m. 4 rounds at men at well 106 V 7.
2.50 p.m. 2 rounds at entrance of rest gully 106R7.
5.40 p.m. 7 rounds at men 93 A 1/2.
5.p.m. Observed large convoy of transport carts and pack animals coming down road behind hills 119 Y 2/7. This target was out of range, but no other battery engaged it.
- 3rd Battery (3) 3.50 p.m. 18 rounds in valley 92 P 2/3 4/5 and 4 on DERVISH ALI KUYU.
5.p.m. 6 rounds on communication trench on flat opposite Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) Nil.
- 5th Battery (5) 12.15 p.m. Fired on guns at 93 R 1/4 which ceased after a few rounds.
4.35 p.m. New works were seen about 81 A 1. This target was engaged and destroyed.
- 6th Battery (6) 11.a.m. 5 rounds lyddite at trenches at the FARM.
2.15 p.m. 9 rounds shrapnel in squares 93 R 4
93 H 7 along the DAOUK JULAK DERE.
- 6in Howitzer (7) Nil.
- F/69 (8) Nil.
- C/69 (9) Nil.
- D/69 (10) Nil.
- Left Section(11) Nil.
17th Siege
Battery.
- 4in Battery (12) At trenches and bomb proofs 80 J9/P1. Scored several hits on the trenches and one round destroyed the bomb proof aimed at.
- General (13) 2 guns emplacements on line between 106 M 9 and 106 N 7 were located. They were engaged by 10th Heavy Battery as was also camp at 106 Q.

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NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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Otago Gully.
30th October 1915.

- 83.10.32.33
- 1st Battery (1) 11.45 a.m. 15 rounds on trenches East of RHODODENDRON SPUR. During this series the 4in Battery was engaging the PINNACLE.
4.10 p.m. While 17th Siege Battery was engaging PINNACLE fired 5 rounds on RHODODENDRON SPUR, but no movement was observed.
- 2nd Battery (2) 11.15 a.m. 6 rounds at entrance to valley 106 F 1.
2.10 p.m. 6 rounds at gun firing from DAGH CHESHME (about 93 B 7/8) which then ceased firing.
2.50 p.m. ~~getting~~ 4 searching rounds on road amongst trees 106 R 7/9, getting effective bursts.
3.10 p.m. 2 rounds at trench 105 T 9, and from then until dark 3 rounds at men moving near 106 Q 7/8.
- 3rd Battery (3) 10.50 a.m. 8 rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
11.30 a.m. 12 rounds on communication trench South of HILL 60, after explosion of mine about 92 O 2
4.10 p.m. 8 retaliation rounds on trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
- 4th Battery (4) 11.25 a.m. 10 rounds at trenches 92 J subsequent to mine explosion in 92 O. Results good.
4.15 p.m. 5 rounds at movement in trenches near site of explosion and 1 more round at 5.p.m.
- 5th Battery (5) 12.15 p.m. Brought a section to bear on 93 R 4, whence guns were firing at RHODODENDRON SPUR and APEX, but could not make him cease until we opened with a section on the FARM 80 F 8. This had effect of stopping enemy's fire.
12.45 p.m. 93 R 4 again opened fire, but ceased after we had fired 6 rounds at them.
- 6th Battery (6) 10.33 a.m. 5 rounds lyddite into trenches 92 O 2.
11.30 a.m. 11 rounds on same target after explosion of mine.
4.30 p.m. 4 rounds on trenches 92 O 6.
- 6in Howitzer (7) 4 rounds into registered targets on ABDEL RAHMAN BAIR.
- B/69 (8) 11.a.m. 5 rounds at observation station 81 A 1.
4.30 p.m. 2 rounds at guns 81 A 2/3.
- C/69 (9) 11.25 a.m. 12 rounds in vicinity of mine explosion 92 O 2.
4.45 p.m. 3 retaliation rounds on HILL 60.
- D/69 (10) 11.25 a.m. 10 rounds on communication trench HILL 60
4.50 p.m. 3 rounds in crater formed by mine explosion 92 O 2.
5.25 p.m. A further 2 rounds on same point and Turk working party was destroyed.

17th Siege (11) 4.p.m. 10 rounds at PINNACLE at request of 7th Aust.
Inf.Brigade.PINNACLE was completely destroyed.

4in Battery (12) 11.30 a.m. 16 rounds at PINNACLE at request of 7th
Aust.Inf.Brigade.Last 3 rounds obtained direct
hits on trenches but the PINNACLE itself was not
seriously damaged.

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ARTILLERY REPORT.

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Otago Gully,
31st October 1915.

- 1st Battery (1) At 2.30 p.m. and 4.35 p.m. 20 rounds in all on trenches 80 K 3. and 81 G 4.
- 2nd Battery (2) 11.15 a.m. 8 rounds into trench 105 Y6/T9 which was being reconstructed after having been partly demolished by our fire a few days ago.
1.5 p.m. 6 rounds at men in donga 106 V 4.
2.45 p.m. 2 rounds at men passing behind hedge 106 V 7.
3.30 p.m. 4 rounds at men passing along sunken road 106 V 2/5.
4-5.20 p.m. 9 rounds at last target and at 106 R 7. Casualties observed.
5.15 p.m. 4 rounds at what appeared to be smoke from enemy gun about 106 O 4.
- 3rd Battery (3) 11.5 a.m. 14 rounds in valley 92 P 2/3, 5/6.
3.50 p.m. 8 retaliation rounds at trenches in front of Indian Brigade.
4.12 p.m. Cooperated with 17th Siege Battery by firing 18 rounds on communication trenches East of HILL 60.
- 4th Battery (4) 1.30 p.m. 6 rounds at Turks working in 92 K.
2.30 p.m. 4 rounds as above.
3.30 p.m. 9 rounds at Turks working in trench above SNIPERS RIDGE.
All rounds effective. Shooting at 92 K stopped all working for the day and damaged trenches.
- 5th Battery (5) 4 p.m. Opened fire on new works like emplacements between 93 V 7 and 81 A 1. These works were destroyed.
4.25 p.m. Fired on a sniper's post at 80 F 6. It was broken up by percussion and quickly followed by time shrapnel and very good results were obtained.
4.45 p.m. Opened fire on what appeared to be a trench mortar 100 yards North of 80 F 8 and succeeded in completely destroying the object seen.
4.50 p.m. Silenced guns firing from 93 R 4.
- 6th Battery (6) 2.50 p.m. 5 rounds lyddite at trenches on HILL 60.
3.30 p.m. 5 rounds at trenches 80 F 6.
4.20 p.m. 10 rounds at trenches 92 P4/03.
- 6in Howitzer (7) 10 rounds to register gun position at 93 R 4.
- B/69 (8) 10 a.m. 34 rounds with aeroplane observation at (1) 81 A 2/3; (2) 93 X 5; (3) 93 W 9; All targets registered and one hit reported on 93 X 5. Line and range to target 3 worked out so as to place it at head of gully 81 A 3 and not at 93 W 9.
- C/69 (9) 4 p.m. 13 rounds at bomb proofs etc. on HILL 60. One effective round observed.
- D.69 (10) Nil.

17th Siege
Battery.

(11) 4.p.m. 10 rounds on bombproofs on HILL 60. The series was as a whole too much on the plus side due to the danger of getting minuses, though several rounds appeared effective. One round fell in our trenches which had been cleared as a precaution. The angle to clear the crest necessitates the use of the first charge on this target.

4in Battery

(12) 9 rounds at trenches on BATTLESHIP HILL. One round ²⁶⁻ moved about 10 yards of parapet.

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