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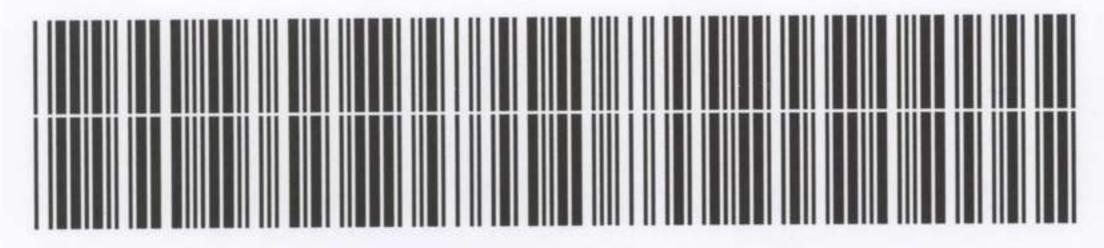
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NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

WAR DIARY - GENERAL STAFF.

lat - 30th November, 1915.

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M. R. Lund Major,
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Otago Gully, ANZAC, 1st December, 1915.

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NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Summary of events from 6 am 31st Oct to 6 am 1st Nov.

A party of 80 of 4th Aust. Inf Brigade landed last evening = the sea getting up prevented the remainder being disembarked.

Enemy reported to have restored their work at the PINNACLE, since the last bombardment.

12 Turkish shell landed on east end of 3rd Light Horse Brigade lines, no damage was done.

An enemy's bomb fell in the trenches at the APEX, causing 4 casualties.

Owing to the bad light the effect of our shellings artillery fire at 5.15 on BATTLESHIP HILL could not be discerned.

A patrol of 28th Battalion pushed out as far as spur in front of 54th Division's right post (92 Y z/80 D F) and close to enemy's line, but heard no sound of the enemy.

Two identity discs were recovered.

ARTILLERY:

The day was very quiet and very few artillery targets were seen. Lst Battery fired at CHUNUK BAIR trenches and 2nd Battery registered new work 106 S 6. 3rd Battery shelled valleys beyond HILL 60, HILL 100, and the trenches opposite the Indian Brigade. (92 C 3 - J₄)

CASUALTIES: From 7 pm 30th Oct. to 7 pm 31st Oct.

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EVACUATIONS: Nil.

Headquarters,

lst Nov. 1915.

Major-General,

Commanding.

N. Z. & AUST. DIVISION.

Divisional Readquerters, lot Movember, 1915. Report on Operations 1st September - 31st October 1915. (both days inclusive). Ref. Map KOJA DERE 1:20,000. To: Headquarters, Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. ANZAC. I beg to forward a report of the Operations in which this Division has been engaged between 1st September and 31st October, 1915 (both days inclusive) -On the 31st August, the date up to which my last Occupation of Divisions . Area. report (d/3rd Sept. 1915) carried the operations of the Division under my command, the redistribution of troops allotted to the Divisional Area was in progress. This redistribution was completed without any hitch, and the detachments left in the 54th Divisional Area were gradually withdrawn as the newly arrived troops became accustomed to their new surroundings: a corresponding number of men of the 54th Division being returned to that Division. The 1st Australian Light Horse Brigade moved from Monash Gully to its new quarters in the SAZLI BELT DERE on the 3rd September, and Brigadier-General Holmes, 5th Australian Infantry Brigade, assumed command of the old Nos. 3 and 4 sections - these sections, which had been under my command from the date of the original landing, thus ceasing to be so any longer. On the 21st September, Divisional Readquarters moved from No. 2 Post to OTAGO GULLY. 2. Arrival of Troops. On the 10th and 11th September, the 7th Australian

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Infantry Brigade - Colonel J. Burston, V.D. - arrived

R.G.A., arrived, 4 6" Howitzers and 2 4" Naval Guns being placed at my disposal - the remaining guns 2 9.2 Howitzers are being emplaced in the SUVLA area, but will be available to assist operations of this Division.

On the 13th October, No. 6 Howitzer Battery, E.Z. F.A. arrived from Egypt.

During the months of September and October, considerable reinforcements arrived for the various Brigades etc. under my command: but the return of recovered sick and wounded has not been satisfactory. It would appear that some Officers and men who are fit for service are detained in Egypt and Talta possibly for lack of transports to bring them here, while others who, from the point of view of the Division, might well have been retained in convalescent camps with a view to early return to their Brigades etc., have been sent to ingland and Australasia.

Rest Camp,

Brigades to Nudros to recuperate. On the 13th September, the N.Z. Mounted Rifles and 4th Australian Infantry Brigades, and on the 14th September, the N.Z. Infantry Brigade, with a proportion of the various Divisional units, were despatched and went into camp at SARPI, MUDROS WEST.

There was a shortage of camp equipment, particularly tents, and a considerable proportion of the troops had
to sleep in the open for the first week. This shortage
was known before the troops were despatched, but I
considered it better to let them go as the conditions at
Mudros could be no worse than they were here as regards
accommodation, and the rest and change of food and scene
could have only a beneficial effect on the health and

Changes in Commands & Staffs.

During the period under report there have been numerous temperary changes in Commands and Staffs.

Braithwaite, D.S.C., G.S.O (1), assumed temporary command of the New Zealand Infantry Brigade vice Brigadier-General F.E. Johnston, sick.

On the 18th September, Lieut-Colonel W.C. Braithwaite, D.S.O., G.S.O(1), N.Z. & A. Division, was placed on the sick list: he rejoined for duty on the 24th October.

V.D., 3rd A.L.H. Brigade, was evacuated sick, and Lieut-Colonel J. Antill, C.B. assumed command of the 3rd A.L.H. Brigade.

On the 17th October, I assumed temporary command of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps vice Lieut-General Sir W.R. Birdwood, temporarily commanding the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

Patrolling and Shampshooting.

ahooting have much improved in efficiency. At first the enemy was somewhat in the ascendancy in respect of these matters, but now the reverse is the case. The patrolling of the 1st and 3rd hight Horse Brigades in the SAZLI BEIT DERE has been constant and effective, and recently has had the effect of practically confining the enemy to the close vicinity of his own trenches. The patrols of the 7th Australian Infantry Brigade work under more difficult conditions, owing to the nature of the ground and the proximity of the opposing trenches, particularly at the APEX on RECOODENDRON RIDGE. This Brigade has profited by experience and their patrols are now more than a match for the Turks.

The sharpshooting has been effectively carried

11.15

out and our men have gained a definite fire superiority over those of the enemy. A 3-pr Hotohkies gun has been mounted and is being worked by the 7th Australian Infants; Brigade. It is very useful for dealing with steel loop-holes and snipers' posts generally.

6. Operations.

no active operations of importance undertaken by troops under my command. On several occasions ruses and demonstrations have been undertaken to draw the enemy's fire and ascertain his strength and dispositions. Similarly the Turks have made fire demonstrations; but these have invariably been ignored by the troops in the trenches, our artillery alone replying with the object of inflicting damage on the enemy carrying out the demonstration.

There has been consistent shelling by both sides throughout the period. Our artillery fires a daily allowance of shell. This is expended at suitable targets if such appear: otherwise, at selected points, such as fire and communication trenches and bivouacs. Enemy guns in action are invariably engaged when their position has been located.

The enemy has taken to using large bombs consisting of Q.F. gun cartridge cases filled with explosives and projectiles. Our trench mortars and recently a catapult have replied successfully. Hand grenades have been used by patrols only, as the trenches are not sufficiently close to admit of the general use of grenades.

In October a report was received from the 54th
Division that the enemy had made use of gas. This was not
fully substantiated, but all preparations were made to
meet it if used.

Field Works.

During the period, the front line held by this
Division has been materially strengthened and improved and
a continuous line of well-constructed fire trench new

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11-16 extends from flank to flank. At the same time; communications have been made and improved and two reads built up the CHAILAK & SAZLI BEIT DEREB respectively capable of taking pack transport. A covered cart road has also been made connecting the Divisional Area with ANZAC.

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From the APEX a comprehensive scheme of offensive mining has been initiated and defensive tunnels and saps have been thrown out. Progress, however, has been slow owing to the difficult nature of the ground.

Protection of Troops.

With the approach of winter, steps have been taken to get the troops as far as possible under cover. There has been considerable delay in getting a sufficiency of timber and iron; consequently where the ground is suitable, underground sleeping and living accommodation has been constructed.

Steps are also being taken to provide more effective bomb-proof cover, as, owing to the action of Bulgaria, it is probable that we shall be subjected to considerably heavier bombardments in the future than in the past. .

Training of Troops.

The further training of the troops has been carried out as far as circumstances admit. Machine gun and bomb courses have been held continuously. Troops resting at UDROS carried out a comprehensive programme of training.

During the coming winter, the training of Officers and N.C.C's will receive special attention.

10. Weather & Health of Troops.

The weather up to the middle of October was all that could be desired: since then, however, it has become cold and wet.

The health of the troops has on the whole been fair, considering the conditions under which the men are living. The Brigades which took part in the original landing, however, were much run down and suffering severely from dysentery and kindred complaints when they went to MUDROS.

(sa) A J. Godles

. Major-General,

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Summary of events from 6 am 1st Nov. to 6 am 2nd Nov.

Our shells reported to have damaged trenches and wire entanglements on CHUNUK BAIR - 3 shells struck PINNACLE doing some damage.

The enemy's shrapnel burst over APEX, RHODODENDRON SPUR,

and LOWER CHESHIRE RIDGE, causing 7 casualties.

Throughout the day east end of 3rd Light Horse Brigade Area was shelled, only causing one casualty, but a shrapnel apparently premature, while enemy was shelling paddle steamer, burst below SE end of BIG TABLE TOP, near reserve store dump, and caused 9 casualties.

Hotchkiss demolished a snipers' position, reported

occupied at the time.

3 more Turks reported shot by our snipers. About midday Turks, working at head of MALONE GULLY, presented a good target of which advantage was immediately taken by 3rd Lt Horse Brigade.

ARTILLERY:

lst Battery fired on PINNACLE, overhead cover again demolished - and co-operated with 4" against 80 F. 9. 5th Battery engaged guns at 93 R 4: fired at trenches 80 F 3 and men cutting scrub in rear of trenches 80 F 8. 69th Bde fired at guns 93 X 5 and 81 A 2/3.

Mountain Artillery fired at a supposed observation post for gun shelling stranded paddle boat 128 deg from No.

2 Post.

CASUALTIES : from 7 pm 31st Oct. to 7 pm 1st Nov.

	OFFICERS.	OTHER RANK
KILLED		6
WOUNDED		13
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SICK	2	40

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Headquarters,

Otago Gully,

2nd Nov. 1915.

M. M. Pruma Major-General,

Commanding,

N.Z. & AUST. DIVISION.

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Divisional Headquarters,

3rd November, 1915.

To: All Brigades. C.R.A., G.S.O. (3).

Appendix No. 108

MEMORANDUM:

1. The following notes, based on experience gained in the use of catapults, are issued for information -

- (a) RANGE: The catapults are supposed to fire up to a maximum range of 220 yards. In practice it has been found that, although capable of carrying that distance, their effective range is only about 150 yards. If fired at the extreme ranges, the strain on the rubbers is found to be excessive and some of them have broken.
- (b) PORTABILITY: The catapult can be carried by one man and is easily emplaced. It can be mounted anywhere in the fire trench, the extremities of the fork being supported on sandbags. When in position the catapult ought to be quite invisible from the front, and arranged so that the rubber, when released, does not fly above the parapet. To ensure this, the head of the catapult should be some 2 feet from front of trench and lft 6" below the top, care being taken that the elevation is sufficient for bomb to clear the top of the parapet.
- (c) NOISE: The catapult is practically silent and the enemy get no warning that a bomb has been discharged.
- (d) ACCURACY: Up to a range of 150 yards the catapults have been found most accurate. 5 out of 6 bombs can be relied upon to fall in the enemy's trench. Cricket ball bombs have been found most suitable.
- (e) QRGANISATION: The catapults have been organized in detachments of 3 men to each catapult.

 No. 1 is in charge of detachment, lays catapult, lights bomb and fires it.

No. 2 observes.

No. 3 loads catapult and prepares a steady platform.

This organisation has been found to work well.

2. I am to say that in order to prevent excessive strain on the rubbers the ranges at which catapults are used will be limited in future to 130 yards.

Wy. Smaithwaite.

Lieut-Colonel, General Staff,

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Summary of events from 6 am 2nd Nov. to 6 am 3rd Nov.

Deepening of saps and communications continues.

Enemy's shelling of our lines considerably less. A machine gun emplacement of 7th A.I. Bde was hit by an enemy's shell, one man being killed.

During the 24 hrs the enemy landed 14 bombs on to the APEX, but only caused slight damage.

Our shells reported to have fallen in communication trenches on CHUNUK BAIR, and did some damage.

Enemy seen on high ground at head of MALONE GULLY, giving a good target for 5th A.I. Bde who fired a few bursts from a machine gun.

Unusual activity displayed by Turks on SNIPERS NEST erecting head cover and repairing parapets.

ARTILLERY:
1st Battery fired at the PINNACLE, 5th Battery
dispersed enemy at 80 F 3. 6th Battery fired on bomb
throwers on HILL 60. 69th Brigade engaged guns at 93
X 5 and 92 F 4/7, and stopped sniping from BATTLESHIP HILL
on to tanks near WILSON'S KNOB.

Mountain Artillery fired at SANDBAG RIDGE (92 U 5-6)
Other usual targets engaged.

CASUALTIES: from 7 pm 1st Nov. to 7 pm 2nd Nov.

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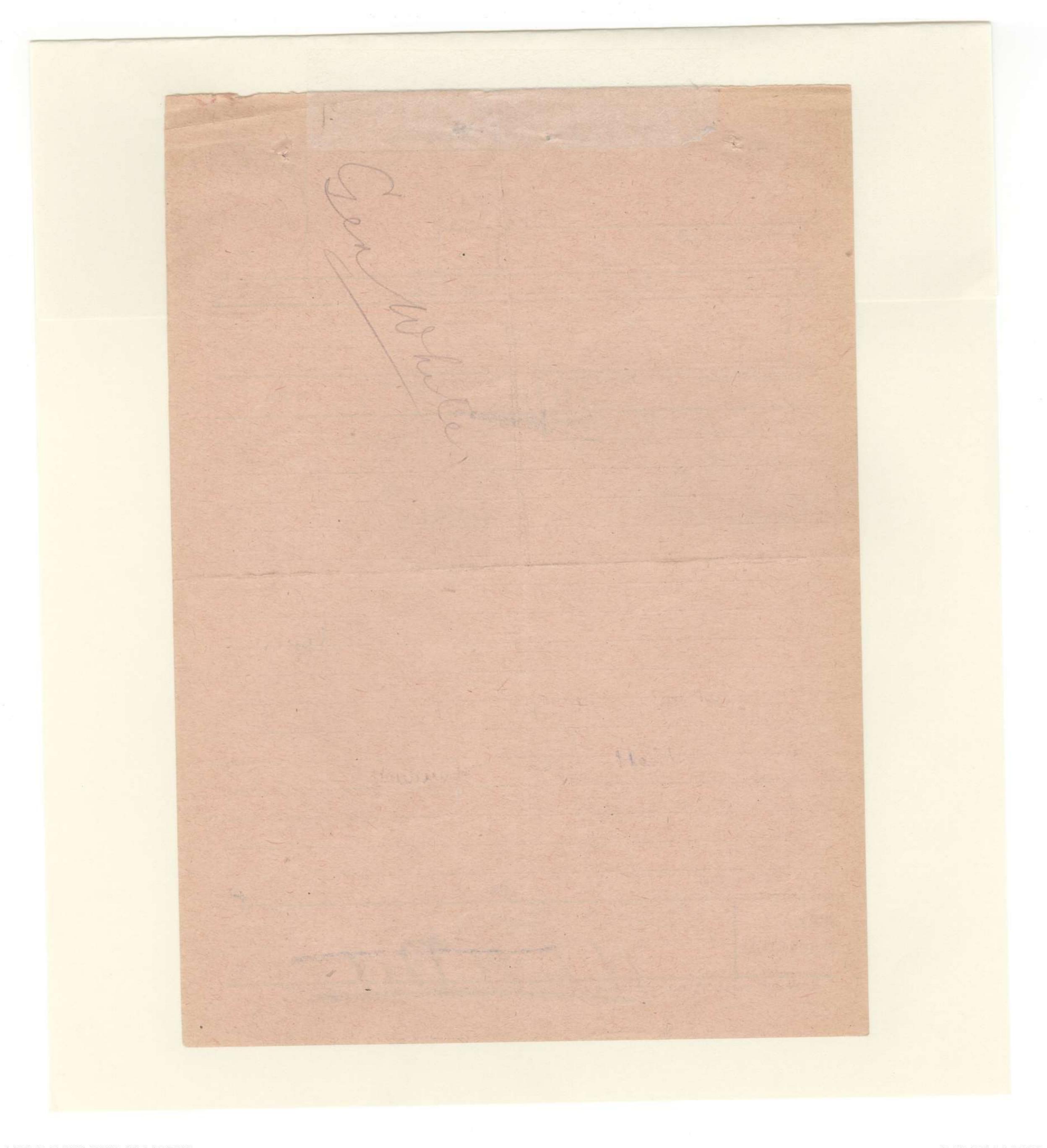
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Divisional Mandeunrters. 3rd Forember, 1925. Appendix No. 109 To: All Brigades, & Salade The General Officer Commanding who accompanied the Army Corps Commander to-day round the line held by the Division, was well pleased with what he sew, particularly with the tranon discipline and interior aconomy of all Brigades, which showed a marked improvement. The following points were noticed & (a) AUBEACAB - An excellent pattern of trench armraes was seen in the lines of the 3rd A.L.E. Bde. The armrack is fitted into a rocess which is lined with sacking and has a tin gover, the bayonets of the rifle projecting above it through notches out in the tin. The result is that the rifles are well protested egainst dust and grit. (b) The breech action of the rifle should be protected against grit. An old sock wlipped over the breech forms an effective covering. (c) In some instances, rifles were seen which were loaded and at full cook. This is very detrimental to the mainspring. The rifles of sentries only should be fully londed: others should have the magazine charged, but the chamber empty and mainspring released. He rifles should ever remain at full cook. (d) Provision of underground abolters. When constructing bombproof shelters stops must be taken to prevent water from the trench from running into the chelter. This can be done by leaving a step or sill at least a foot high and a foot broad at entrance to the cave. The caves of shelters seen today are not dug down sufficiently to leave the necessary dapth of earth overhead to resist heavy shells. If these owves and shelters are dug in the manner described and close to the fire trenches, supports can then live comfortably in them, and it will then be possible to keep the Limber and cerrugated iron for use in the fire trenches for protection against the weather and skrapnel. (a) It is assential that proper drains be provided in all fire and communication transhes. Wy Braithwate "some coroner. General Staff, N.E. & AURY, DIVIDION. RCDIG1016639 AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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Divisional Headquarters,

4th November, 1915.

To: 7th Aust. Inf Bde.
3rd A.L.H. Bde.
1st L.H. Bde.

When handing over the defence of sections of your area to relieving Brigades and Units, I am directed to request you to draw the particular attention of O's.C. the relieving units to the following points, which should be clearly laid down in writing -

- (a) Artillery support. How obtained.
- (b) The "Apex" scheme of defence.
- (c) The disposition and targets of machine guns.
- (d) The working of catapults, their disposition, and that of other mortars the catapult battery.
- (e) The scheme, lately approved, for the protection of supports in caves.
- (f) The file of trench memoranda.
- (g) Inventory of trench fixtures and accessories.
- (h) The advantage to be gained by narrow and deep trenches.
- (j) System of sniping.
- (k) System of patrolling.
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- (m) System Diagram of trenches.
- (n) System of sanitation.

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Lieut-Colonel, General Staff, N.Z. & AUST. DIVISION.

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(Signed) W. G. Braithwaite, Lieut.-Colonel, General Staff, N. Z. and A. Division.

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No. 1 Sub-Section-Durrants Post,

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For your information. Please report completion of instructions contained in above memorandum.

Hay valley, m 4/11/15. Acting 0. C. 4th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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Summary of events from 6 am 3rd Nov. to 6 am 4th Nov.

A quiet day.

4th A.I. Bde which arrived on night lst/2nd inst., took over yesterday the 7th A.I.B. line from a point half-way between APEX (80 K 1) and DURRANT'S POST (80 D 5/6) to AGHYL DERE, with 13th and 14th Bns.

The 26th Bn, 7th A.I.B., proceeded to join 2nd Aust. Div.

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That portion of 162nd Bde line to be taken over has been reconneitred and will be taken over to-day.

4th A.I. Bde Headquarters, and 15th Bn in Reserve, have been established in HAW VALLEY (92 X 2/3-8/9) its former pesition.

A sap is being cut from HAW VALLEY to the gully east of it.

The enemy put a few shell only over APEX and its vicinity and eastern end of 3rd L.H. Bde area, but did no damage.

Three 14 c.m. shell fell on old No. 3 Post: the same number fell about Divisional Headquarters, causing 2 casualties at former place.

There are now 6 machine guns in good concealed positions

in 3rd Lt H. Bde line.

A patrol went out from APEX, found the Turkish trench

opposite occupied and threw 3 bombs into it.

Hostile aeroplane passed about 12.40 going north: it was fired on, effect not known.

ARTILLERY:

2nd Battery: At men 106 R 8/9: at gun firing from DAGH CHESHME about 93 H 5/9 on to well in the AGHYL DERE. It ceased fire when we opened. Searched wood 106 V 9/W 8.

5th Battery: Fired on trenches 80 F 3 where men were evidently being relieved. Good results were obtained. This target was fired at 3 more times during the day when movement was seen.

69th Bde: At Machine Gun emplacements in trench sout

92 C 5. One emplacement was partly demolished.

Mountain Artilleryt At Observation Post on BATTLEBHIP
HILL 130 deg. from No. 2 Post. Enfiladed trenches at 105 W 5.
Other usual targets engaged during the day.

CASUALTIES: from 7 pm 2nd Nov. to 7 pm 3rd Nov.
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Divisional Readquarters,
4th November, 1915.

The Brigadier-General,

R.A. - N. Z. & A. DIVISION.

(Cepies to all Brigadiers & O's. C. Units, N.Z. & A. Division for information).

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The G.O.C. wishes you to instruct all Officers Commanding Artillery Brigades and Batteries to make a point of visiting the Brigadiers and Commanding Officers of the Heunted and Infantry Brigades of the Division, with a view to discussing, on the ground, the question of targets and methods of ensuring the best possible co-operation between the Artillery and the troops in the first line.

The necessity for the closest co-operation between the two arms is obvious, and the G.O.C. desires that in future this may be facilitated by a closer personal touch being kept between the Commanders of Artillery Units and the Brigades which they support.

Artillery Brigade and Battery Commanders should let
Brigadiers and Commanding Officers know the targets on which
their particular batteries fire, in order that these Officers
may understand what measure of support they may expect from
their fire.

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Summary of events from 6 am 4th Nov. to 6 am 5th Nov.

All reported quiet along this front during the firing last night on our right - when it ceased the enemy opposite 7th Aust. Inf. Bde sent up a red and three white flares.

That portion of 162nd Bde line as far as WARWICK CASTLE (92 Y 6) to be taken over was relieved by 2 p.m. with exception of FRANKLIN POST (92 Z 4) which was relieved by 7 p.m.

Our Forward position on DESTROYER HILL (80 I 1) improved.

At 5 a.m. a mine was exploded by us at the APEX (80 K 1) - Known result at present not reported.

A party went out from DURRANT'S POST (80 D 6/9) clearing scrub. Patrols report having met no Turks in SAZLI BEIT DERE and AGHYL DERE.

ARTILLERY:

1st Battery fired on trenches 80 K 3 and 80 F 3-6-9.

2nd Battery dispersed men observed near well 106 V 7 and registered year gun positions 93 A 6/8 and 93 H 9. 3rd

Battery fired on W. slopes of "W" HILLS.

CASUALTIES: from 7 pm 3rd Nov. to 7 pm 4th Nov.

	OFFICERS.	OTHER RANKS.
KILLED		
WOUNDED		6
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SICK	3	41
EVACUATIONS: (same	period)	
WOUNDED		4
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Headquarters,

5th Novr, 1915.

Major-General,

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N.Z. & AUST. DIVISION.

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REV. SHALAND AND AUGUSTALIAN DIVISION.

6th Fovember 1915

To: All Brigades. C.H.A., C.H.E.

Appendix No. 1/6

THE "WALLABY" SEIPING CAGE.

A certain number of rifle rests known as the "Wallaby" Sniping Cage have been issued to Brigades and the following notes on the mounting and its uses are issued for guidance :-

"(1) DESCRIPTION; The cage consists of a framework (in which is a loophole) attached to a firm iron base plates On the base plate is a horizontal traversing bar (its axis at its centre): at each end of which are rifle rests. The rear rest is adjuctable vertically by a milled nut, two scales are provided for horizontal and vertical readings: the former on an are at the rear of the base plate, the latter on the rear of the traversing bar. There are pointers for these scales on the bottom of the traversing bar for the horizontal scale, and on the rear rest for the verti al. Two cenves ourtains are attached to the front plate on the right and left of the bar and fixed to the fremework, so that, except for an aperture through which the rifle is fired, the loophole is masked. The rifle rests in the cage with the rear of the nomecap in the front rest and the stock just in front of the magazine in the rear one. A spring is attached to the front sling swivel and to an eyelet in the traversing bar in rear of the front rest. The spring is then tightened by an adjustable bolt.

(2) Method of Mounting and Registering. The eage is placed in the parapet in the same way as a bex loophole. The angle of the field of view is 60 deg. The rifle is aligned on a mark by traversing, and vertical adjustment is effected by the milled nut; the clamps are then tightened. The rifle is fired, the recoil being taken by the spring. When new, the spring allows the rifle to recoil about half an inch - but after 3 months it increases to about an inch. The shot is observed and the rifle corrected if necessary. The horizontal and vertical readings are then tabulated, and further targets are similarly recorded, as required.

(3) Specimen of tabulation.

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The horizontal scale is 12 inches long, each inch being divided into tenths. The vertical scale is one inch high, divided into sixteenths. The scales can be read at night by the light of a cigarette end.

(4) Concealment. This is most important. If this is neglected the contrivence soon becomes a target for the enemy's marksmen and machine gums, and will be knocked out or damaged. An empty Manebag placed over the muzzle of the rifle by day has been found useful.

(5) Nathod of employment. The "Sniping Cage" makes it possible to bring accurate fire to bear by night on selected targets. By day this can be done more effectively by snipers in the usual way, and the use of the cage by daylight merely tends to attract undesirable attention.

(6) Suitable positions. In practice it has been found that the page is most effectively emplaced in a sniper's post from which a good deak of the enemy's trenches or communications is obtainable.

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(7) Yargets. The following have been found suitable targets to register. Whether the compositions, Sniper's particles, Ground where it is known the enemy are in the habit of working at night. Communications, paths and roads, transmissioned bends and angles are especially vulnerable and enfilade fire should be sought. Indirect fire on enemy's reserve gullies and dug-outs is possible at long ranges, but thisis, at the best, unsatisfactory: for the results cannot be observed.

(Bgd). W.S.BHAITHEAITH Lieut-Colonel, General Staff.

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