



**D 4975(L) Diary of Arthur Sydney Hutton 1914
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Brigade A:I:F England England

Left outer Harbour Oct 22nd.
" Albany Nov. 1st.

1 st 2 nd -division	2 nd DIVISION	3 rd division
AVB, 3 ORVIETO	AWB,18, WILTSHIRE	AXB,14, EURIPIDES
AVC,27 SOUTHERN	AWC,7, MEDIC	AXC,8, ARGYLESHIRE
AVD,4 PERA	AWD,11, ASCANIUS	AXD,9, SHROPSHIRE
AVE,26, ARMADALE	AWE,15, STAR of ENGLAND	AXE,19, AFRIC
AVF,12 SULDANHA	AWF, 2, GEELONG	AXF,24, BENALLA
AVG,13 KATAUNA	AWG,17, PORT LINCOLN	AXG,22, RANGATIRA
AVH,1 HYMETTUS	AWH,10, KARROO	AXH,16, STAR of VICTORIA
AVI,23 SULFOLK	AWI,21, MARERE	AXI, 20 HORORATA
[?] 25 ANGLO-EGYPTIAN	AWJ,6,	AXJ,5, OMRAH
	CLAN MACCORQUODALE	AXK,28, MILTIADES

NEW, ZEALAND

1 st division	3 MAUNGANUI	2 nd Division	5. RUAPEHU
	4 TAHITI		9 HAWKES BAY
	6 ORARI		10 ARAWA
	7 LIMERICK		11 ATHENIC
	8 STAR of INDIA		12 WAIMANA

	POSITION of Convoy	
	Battleship Lapanesse	
2 nd Div	1 st Division	3 rd Div
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NEW ZEALAND

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cruiser

["cruiser" is also written beside the 2nd and 3rd Div column of figures above]



October 1914

A few extracts of the Progress of [...] & the War in its early stages: taken from the Diary of Corporal A S Hutton No 10^{sig} 21st 3rd Light Horse 22 Head quarters

Marched out of Morphettville Sailed from Outer Harbour Arrived at Albany 26th Sailed from Albany Nov^r 1st Were joined by WA Ships 3rd Arrived Colombo 15th Sailed from Colombo 17th Passed Emdon Nov^r 9th Arrived Aden Nov 25th Left 26th Suez Dec^r 1st Left 2nd Port Said 3rd Left 7th Alexandria 9th

May 10th Embarked on S S Granville Pashte [?]

May 12th Arrived at Entrance to Dardanelles Cape Heller There are many French & English Troopships here and about a dozen Man o War
Evening of 12th Arrived at Fishermans Hut Landing (Monach Valley) There is a heavy Bombardment going at Sea & heavy Firing on land

May 13th We landed at the Dardn last night – I marched up the Valley to the firing line which is about a mile from the shore The bullets were whizzing around us like bees so we dug ourselves into the side of the Hill

May 14th We have been digging all night & day to strengthen our position we have had 14 wounded & one killed. There is a chap here Named Simpson he is in the 3rd F Amb who walks about amongst the flying bullets taking no notice of them He is said to have a charmed life. We have 37 machine guns & 17 Artillery Guns

May 15th 2 Light horse charged the Turks last night with 150 men They took the trench but had to abandon it we lost 60 men.

May 15 3rd Light Horse casualties are now 29 – 2 killed B Squadron are in the Trenches today. Reg is with them

May 16 embarked on SS Granville

May 12 Russian Ship

May 17th Gen Owen arrived yesterday with five Howitzers two of which were placed ready for action. There was a Heavy bombardment last night & this morning from the Turks. Shrapnel shell were dropping in our Trenches. But we were well under cover, our casualties are now over 30 & the Bombs are playing H in our Trenches.

18th We have been subjected from a very heavy fire-shell fire which we think is from the Battleship Goebri [?] The Shells are 9 28 Lydite. There are several casualties and one killed in our trench is Pr E.C.Bell Both legs & one arm blown off.

May 16th General Bridges shot

May Gen Bridges dead

May 22 German Aeroplane

The Shells have been landing in A Squadron Trenches but not doing very much damage

Simpson is shot at last – Through the heart a about a dozen bullets through him

The big shell from the narrows are bursting thick again They have half filled in our trenches so we are obliged to get in another Gully but they come here too

May 19th Daybreak. A heavy Artillery duel has commenced & we can scarcely hear our own voice. The Turks made an advance during the night but we repulsed them all along the line



May 20th Last night was H – let loose The enemy attacked us at 3. PM but the New Zealanders counter attacked & took some more trenches The Turks were shown off but attacked us again at 1. A M & again at 3. A M but we gave it to them lively. The O C C Squadron was shot over the heart. Reg was shot in the head and my mate Paddy Carliss was shot Dead. Our Biplane is up taking observations and also a dirigible Balloon and we are getting more Guns in Position They shelled us with 9 2 Shells yesterday afternoon We are having beautiful weather

I am quite used to the sickning sight of seeing fellows with half their head blown off &c I am just going to have some more shots at the B – Turks now, I suppose they will get me in the end but I intend to Avenge poor old Regs Injuries. The Ground between our ground & the Turks is littered with Dead Bodies & the Stench is horrible. Our trenches are only 10 yds apart in some places & 200 yds in others We tried to set fire to the bodies but are not able to show our heads out neither can the Turks. There are two wounded chaps just outside our trench but we are unable to get them. outside It was -is/ a beautiful morning but it was H last night.

The Enemy showed white flags all along the line & wanted a Parley we stopped firing and a lot of them came over & sat on our trenches They said they wanted to collect their dead & wounded. We took Several of them Prisoners. A German Officer came & sat on a Trench quite close to me. I wanted to shoot him but the boys would not let me. We parlied with them for about an hour & then ordered them back to their trenches. They didnt want their wounded at all, but began to collect rifles from their dead & then we got information that they were massing on our Right flank for a Charge so we gave it to them Hot There was just a roar of Musketry & Artillery all night you couldnt hear anyone if they shouted

The Turks made two Attempts at our right flank for a Charge but we were drawn off with heavy losses.

This morning one of our Prisoners wants to speak to his comrades so we are sending an interpreter with him to the front of the Trenches I dont like this D Parley business as it is all treachery like last night It is very quiet this morning but I expect it will start again like H this afternoon I can't get any news of Reg yet – They took him on to the Hospital ship.

It is just a week & two days since I have had a wash & Taken my boots off as there is hardly enough water for drinking and none for washing our clothes are getting Ragged & dirty like out faces, & all of us have beards.

May 22 We have just got 4 bomb throwing Mortars they are things like machine guns but they Equal destructive capability to an 8 Lydite shell they used /used/ one of them last night & we could hear the Turks screaming in their Agony We have got 4 of these machines and there are only 8 of them in the [...] Our second in command Major Fulton was shot through /over/ the heart yesterday

May 23rd Last night things were very quiet in comparison to previous nights with the exception of our Mortar, & Two heavy bursts of firing. I have quite lost count of our Casualties.

The French have left Kum Kale & have gone over to the Peninsular I hear that they & the English Tommies are working up towards us. We have some chaps here from Mons & they say this is Hell, compared with Mons. I can't get any news of Reg yet

There are only about 150 of the 16th Infantry left & they are sending them back to Egypt for a rest I think.

It is a beautiful day although everything got wet yesterday as it rained very hard. We had great excitement last night – we had another mortar set It was set right by the side of my dug out

I was on Telephone duty and as they fired the mortar it would nearly split my ears so that I couldnt hear the Buzzer all our Signalling is done by Buzzer now

May 24 Empire day. They are having another Armistist today to bury their dead it is a good thing in a way, as the stench is terrible The Battleships are bombarding this morning.



We received a mail yesterday two letters for Reg & I Poor old Reg I heard that he yesterday that he is dead. It makes me feel very bitter towards the Enemy. 5 P.M. The Truce is over and we are at it again.

May 25 Today great events have occurred we are in the Trenches on Popes Hill & we overlook The Sea. The HMS Triumph was lying peacefully in the cove & we were watching her as there was a Lull in the fighting on land About 12 30 PM a Torpedo from a german submarine sped across the Cove & hit the Triumph amidships she sent up a cloud of spray and smoke. & listed to Starboard Immediately about a dozen of our torpedo boats were around her to take the crew off but the Triumph turned turtle and sank inside fifteen minutes it was a Grand, but sad Spectacle. It is reported that about 400 lives were lost It has been Pouring rain this afternoon and as we have very little shelter we will have to sleep in our wet Clothes tonight. I went down to the Sea & had a wash this afternoon The first wash for about 8 or 9 days & I havnt had my boots off yet
The Turks are undermining our Trenches to blow us up & we are doing the same with theirs I hope we get there first it is like sitting on a barrel of gunpowder
The constant firing & shelling & bombs are getting on our nerves we will all be glad of a bayonet Charge. We are getting relieved from these Trenches tonight we will be in reserve for a week but we get more shells in the Valley than we do in the Trenches
No news of Reg yet Our destroyers are searching for the submarines

26th We were relieved from the Trenches There were about 40 Casualties today in the Valley.

A Troopship came in today with over 2000 Troops aboard her and while they were landing the Turks shelled them with Shrapnel until our Aeroplane went up and dropped a couple of Bombs on their battery which shut them up There were a good few of the troops wounded by the Shrapnel

No news of poor old Reg yet We had a beautiful day today & the Flowers are all coming out in the Valley

May 28th I was unable to make an entry yesterday as the Fever had me pretty bad, but am much better today. but for aching bones. The engineers blew up some more of the Turks Trenches last night Our Squadron O C Major Preistley was shot through the Hand, & my mate Fred Lowndes had some of his brains blown out he is still lingering. A lot of our fellows were shot today but I seem D lucky as the bullets Whiz past me but don't hit me. Artillery are having a go now and the Shrapnel makes us get in our rabbit Burrows
We were called out in the trenches at 12 oclock last night but nothing happned There is a mail in tonight but none for me

29 The Ball started between 2 & 3 A M The Turks crept up to our trench on Gurms Post in the Dark under cover of bushes & stormed our trenches with bombs The 13th Infantry were holding Gurms at the time with the 14th supporting but they could not resist the bombs & were driven out of their Trenches & The Turks jumped in in scores but as soon as the Smoke Cleared our Lads rallied and went straight at the Turks & slaughtered them like Sheep Some of them escaped but our Trenches were full of Dead enemy who had to be thrown out to let our boys in. The Turks were beaten by sheer Pluck & daring. The Turks also attacked our Post (Popes) but fled at the sight of the Bayonets The New Zealanders Succeeded in taking two more trenches. So the Turks attack proved very disasterous to them, & beneficial to us They lost Several hundred & we took 18 ~~trenches~~ Prisoners ~~which~~ our Casualties did not amount to 100

The Snipers have been very busy to day One of our fellows had his brains blown out (just in front of me) some of which went in his cap & some on my Trousers (E. Jackson) One of our Aeroplanes went up this Afternoon & laid some strange Eggs. They appeared to be about 12 feet long, and seemed to be suspended in the air for about 5 minutes before falling. They were white shiny things The Turks fired shell at her without avail. Major Guinn was



shot dead in Last nights Battle & my mate Ted Lownes is dead: we see some sickning sights during the day

May 30th Things are quiet this morning. There was some yelling & heavy firing near Steeles Post Last night \but/ I have heard no particulars yet we are in our dug outs Today we are in reserve until next week – so I do hope we will get a little rest, and not be called out today as we get very little sleep I received 3 letters yesterday 2 PM A Battle has started I think the Turks are attacking us but I dont know yet we we are now in the Valley nursing our rifles & loaded up with Ammunition so if they get in our range we will wipe them out The shells are bursting over our heads like Thunder & bullets buzzing about so much that I doubt if any one will ever see these notes Well — [*deleted*] we can't hear any one speak 7 P M The battle has lulled again Our boys took the Turks trench on Gurms Post & one Gun & have filled in the Trench We are going to attack another trench tonight. The B Shrapnel has just started again

May 31st Today has been a very peaceful day I think the Turks had a belly full of us last night yesterday I was able to sneak away to the Beach today & have a swim which was a great luxury as I had not had a wash for days but the Shrapnel started lobbing in the water & we had to clear out but were greatly refreshed & much/ cleaner & were ready for the next Spasm
We have shifted further down Shrapnel Gully today which necessitated more digging as this is a more dangerous place for shell & we have to dig ourselves In deeper We got some fresh meat tonight and both of my Assistance & myself had Steak & Onions for tea we are getting quite Proud of our Cooking Abilities

June 1st Today has been very quiet in Comparison Only odd shots & sniping going on. I got away for another swim this morning and just got out of the Water as the Shrapnel started

June 2nd The Turks attacked us last night but were repulsed We are in Trenches again We had no sooner arrived than Leiut Brock was shot dead I think it was a Dum Dum as the hole it made was large enough to putt ones fist in. We are anticipating a big move next week I cant get news of Reg yet, We are in a good Position for sniping I have been having a good few shots but would rather have a rush with the Cold Steel. I made a woden cross for Leeut Brock last night – it was hard graft – as I only had my Pocket knife to cut it out with. I put a bit of fancy work on the ends Things are fairly quiet this morning just the usual odd shots & sniping going on Our Biplane was taking observations this very early this morning

June 4th The Turks made an attack last night but we repulsed The warships have been storming Actea Baba for about 6 hours The Guns have been roaring all the time without ceasing

(Poor Turks) Afterwards our people charged the hill we could see them running about but do now know the results Sgt Paul & Col Brown were shot dead today. The New Zealanders on our Right Flank are going to Attack to some Trenches tonight – they are only a couple of hundred yards from us so we might get a fly too. hope so

Last night was like a bloody furnace with Shrapnel flying about in the Attack [?]

\Sunday/ Yesterday June 6th our – on Gurms Post charged & took the Turks trenches in that vicinity but were unable to hold them as the Turks got an Enfield fire on them with a machine Gun & stormed them with Bombs we had about 70 casulaties & the Turks had very heavy losses. Our boys also Attacked Actia baba but did not take the hill although they took Hundreds of Prisoners & there must have been some thousand of casualties for the Turks We are expecting

June 8th re reinforcements. Last night the [...] charged the Trenches but Failed in their object – there was plenty of lead flying about & the Bombs looked like a Furnace in the Trenches



A Metoer flew over our trenches this morning. It looked very beautiful we are moving to new Trenches tomorrow

June 9th We are in our new trenches. Nothing out of the ordinary has happened Just the Usual Pot Shot & [...] The Artillery have started a firing duel with Turks
Sunday June 13th

Things have been fairly quiet up to this morning with the exception of an occasional bombardment. We had some Bread issued to us on June 10th & it made me feel bilious as it is the first we had since landing here. But we are back on the old biscuits again We had a mail yesterday one letter from Mollie one from Flo but none from Home for this last 3 mails. Two Battleships steamed into our cove this morning attended by 8 destroyers they Bombarded the Turks for about an hour & then "F'd O," but they are just standing out to sea & there are 4 transports coming up I have no news of Reg. yet I am afraid the poor old Chap must be dead as he had got an ugly wound through his head.

June 15 It is reported that the bombardment on the 13th was directed on the to 11 000 German troops who were coming to reinforce the Turks They were annihilated The Turks rushed two Battalions upon our right flank & opened fire about 4 oclock this morning without doing much damage our destroyers & Howitzers have been firing at them all day In fact the Firing all round has been Heavier [?] Our mines are progressing favourably we are now in a new Position and have no Protection from shell fire here

June 16th We have shifted again Shrapnel has been bursting over our heads ever since we have been here our arrival here There were two Signalars of the Sig Troops wounded things have been pretty lively lately My knee has been very painful again today. I heard today that Reg is dead Poor old kid

June 18th There has been a lot of Artillery work today & they have been shelling our Valley again. They put a couple of shells in the Suply stores but did no damage excepting scattering

A heap of Shookes [?] all over the floor & killing a box of Cheese is tip top weather now.

June 19th Just the usual old Bang, Bang at each other today with an occasional shell. we could hear a band apparently in a village beyond the Turks line last night we landed another another 6" Howitzer today They are building a Jetty for landing Supplies &c off the Beach

June 22 We received a mail yesterday which was very Cheering & 1 letter for me from home for poor old Reg poor Kid we had a bit of "bluff stakes" [?] Attack yesterday The Frenchmen are reported to be doing good work they advanced about a mile last night No further news of Merge [?] yet –

June 27th The Enemy shelled us with Shrapnel this morning and there is a heavy fire going on.

I beleive they intend to charge us (Poor Turks) Today is the Aniversary of the day the Greeks were cut up in the Valley

27th there has been heavy firing going on both sides since 1 PM. The Artillery & Warships playing the main part. It is reported that our right flank has Linked up with the Southern force

About 10 000 troops landed at a point about 6 miles below us and drove the Turks back The Turks have been throwing bombs right over Courtnay Post so we had to put up bomb proof shelters

June 28 I am being sent away suffering from Perivethes Tibia



29th we were sent out to the Hospital ship in two small boats towed by a pinnace but when we were half way out our tow-line broke & we drifted down the coast a bit but we struck the Beach & were got ashore safely we sail tomorrow The Turks got reinforced & attacked us on Popes & Courtnays but they were driven back after losing a lot of men some of them couldnt get back and are still in the Gully & our chaps are picking them off.

July 1st We had a Thunderstorm last night – an Ideal night for an attack but nothing happned except a lot of firing

July 2nd We came out to the Hospital ship last night – the Sea was very rough & when we came alongside the lines would not hold the boat we broke two lines but the third held and we were got aboard. We had 7 wounded Turks on board and about 20 Australians The Hospital ship is a veratable palace She is manned by Indians, & we were treated well, They sent off two corpses this morning.

July 2nd We were taken off The Hospital ship's yesterday on to Fleetsweavers bound for Lemnos a Casualty base we arrived here in the evening. The Harbour is full of Battleships & Transports both French and English and the entrance to the Harbour is blocked by mines The Base consists of hundereds of mines \tents/ They are supposed to take only light cases but there are many serious owing to the Hospital being too full to take them away

July 4th I am on board a nameless ship I am was sent out here as my leg is very bad & they are sending me to Alexandria. The ship is nearly full of wounded.

July 12th We have arrived in Alexandria after an uneventful trip. The Ship s name is the Asconia There are such a lot of Ships with wonded here and as all the Hospitals & Hotels are full of cases we may have to go on to Malta

July 22 We are now at Malta I am at St Georges Hospital and am now able able to get about a little Malta is a very Strongly Fortified place & it is also very pretty There are a terrible lot of wounded here all the Hospitals are full My leg is getting better slowly & I hope to soon go back to the Firing line

July 27th I had a terrible dissapointment to day. They have marked me down For Home on my medical sheet as my leg is worse than I thought. I have an invitation to look over the Lord Nelson next Sunday It is very hot here I met the Captains Valet H L

July 28th Embarked on the S S Kawa and sailed for Alexandria in the morning There are ~~about~~ between 500 & 600 on board We are all going back to the Front hip I will be glad to get there again This is a nice cool boat plenty of room & good Accomodation The weather is Perfect

August 1st We arrived in Alexandria yesterday & were sent to Mustapha detail Camp Today we are on board the Oxonian we sail at 7 PM for the Dardnels we have been refitted with Kit & Rifles. My leg is still pretty sore but I hope it will be better by the time we get there There is some excitement here as we expect a big move soon There Are 10 100 ~~troops~~ Australian Troops leaving Egypt for the Front

Aug 6th We arrived in Lemnos yesterday & leave for the Trenches today we will go up in Fleet weepers

It is my mates birthday to day & mine tomorrow I expect I will be fighting then. They are gradually blowing the top of Acne Baba right off 10 000 Aus Troops landed yesterday



Arts Birthday

August 7th. We arrived at Gabe Teper [?] about 3. a.m as we were steaming into the port a steamer lying at anchor lay immediatly in our track and we Steamed right into her. How it happned I dont know but we sank her and knocked a hole in her bows large enough to admit a Coach & Four. We landed safely on a Piquet Boat & there was a feirce Battle in Progress

no doubt today has been the fiercest Battle in the History of the War The 1st Light Horse were absulutly cut up. The 1st & one squadron of the 3rd Regt (B Squadron) held Popes hill and the 2 Reg & 2 squadrons of the 3rd A I C held Gunners Post. We had some feirce bayonet charges & we suffered rather heavy as did the Turks The Turks evedintly expected us to make a supreme attempt to drive them back from here which resulted in concentrating most of their troops to oppose us This was what our General wanted as he landed 29 000 English Troops & Gurkers higher up the coast with practically no opposition The Gurkers & Tommies swooped around our left flank & Charged the big hill 971 and a few hours ago were reported to be within three hundred yards from the top They must have it by now The NewZealanders also had wonderful success They took three important Trenches and our Right Flank came round and drove the Turks Pell Mell back & took their Trenches altogether we had brilliant successes all day but our first Brigade of Light Horse Paid the price Heavily The noise has been deafening all day and our heads are aching fit to split The Artillery is still going \okay/, the sights of mangled bodies has been sickning and the stench is awful I have had quite a notable birthday etc

Aug 8th The fighting has continued just as feirce all night and to day the Tommies on our left flank ~~are still holding Popes Hill~~ \ are still dr / are still driving the Turks back & we are still holding Popes Hill the artillery & Navey are are bombarding heavily it is just one ear splitting clash. There are some wounded chaps of the 1st L H just opposite us, under the Turks trenches but they can't get in it is pitiful to see the Poor Beggars They are safe from bullets but they will have to starve as we cant get them I crawled up the gully this morning to try & get one chap I got nearly up to him and but there was an open space and the fire was too hot \to cross it/ so I had to return.

8th 6 P M I am going out again tonight to try and get the wounded chaps.

9th We went out last night in the Gully but only got one man the fire was too hot The Turks are shelling us with Jack Johnsons this morning but doing no harm Our troops are doing well getting right round on the flanks I think there will be a big surrender this week. About 1000 Turks surrendered yesterday The Valley is in a H of a mess There is Kit Equipment Rifles &c Lying all over the place The 1st L H lost 157 men in one charge yesterday

Aug 12 The Battle is still raging on & we have been landing more troops on the left flank Ache Baba is expected to fall tonight This is the second night of the Feast of Kama [?] The ground everywhere is covered with Dead & the Stench is awful

13 Things have been pretty quiet today We are still on Gunns Post we set a mine of High Explosives under the Turks trench & blew them up at 9 P M The Explosion was terrific and as we are only about a dozen yards from the Turks we naturally were shaken up a bit too Big Sleepers, & \other Pieces of/ Timber & Turks & other things were hurled into the air and came down on top of us amid a shower of earth. We opened a brisk fire on them immediatly after the Explosion

The fighting had never stopped since we have been (here 13 weeks now) so we are quite used to the thunder of guns &c I dont know how \far/ the fighting is progressing on the left flank it sounds pretty feirce at times



Sunday 15 We kept up a pretty heavy fire all night – so did the Enemy we were exchanging Bombs all night I received back mail this morning it was sent from the Bace in a Packet but I am afraid our latest mail is sunk

16th Things are as usual except for additional Bombs but this morning a lot more of our chaps are taken ill There are symptoms of Entric Fever every one is run down and thin & weak so they have nothing to fight against disease Two of my signallers are taken ill with acute pains in the stomach so I am left on my own I feel ill too but the \Runing/ keeps me up.

Aug 17 I have been very bad since yesterday I was obliged to do a continuis watch for 48 hours without a rest & during the morning I got an acute attack of Diarreeah it has left me very weak & Feverish. One of our Transports was sunk between here & Lemnos with 2000 Troops on Board about 500 were saved The enemy bombarded us severely last night & set fire to our Bombproof cover The Fighting has lulled again We have only 310 in our Regiment now including 110 reinforcements our full strength should be 500

Aug 18th The Turks were very jumpy last they Bombed us & we them so there were spasms of firing It is reported that Greece has declared War It rained last night I hope it doesnt continue if it does all our trenches will fall in as they are undermined (so all the Turks) It is Reported that our Colonel is dead I hope it is not true I have had diahereah awful this last week few days it & I am awfully weak

21st I have been ill this couple of days & am stone deaf in my left ear we have been landing more Troops last night The 17 18 19 & 20 Infantry landed and there are more following as there is to be a big attack today on the right flank at Paeri Barr A couple of our chaps were hit yesterday with our own shells. Our submarines have sunk 50 odd Coal Ships in the Sea of Marmora and also wrecked the mining Plant Captain Lewis A Squad has gone away sick Fever I think

22 The 9th Corps charged on our left to the North & East of Sare base yesterday The Charge was successful We have had a fortnight in the worse trenches of the lot now & we have no hope of being releived Our numbers are dwindling and there are only a handful of us left. Bert Baker a bomb thrower had his hand blown off with an [... ...] bomb this morning.

24th Alsorts of rumors a afloat here they say the warships are going to have another go at the Narrows there certainly has been heavy bombarding down that way I hear they think of sending us first brigade away to Mundives to reorganise, & equip for the winter One of my men are \is/ going away in the morning sick we are all thin & weak now with Dysentery. The Tommies releived the New Zealanders \at Sare Sare/ but were drawn back but our chaps but our chaps have recovered the lost Trenches T McKenzie went away today I think he has a touch of entric Fever. We put in some very heavy firing last night & Got the Enemy very Jumpy Our Regiment are all bad with Dysentery but don't Growl, only box on.

Aug 28th The Fighting has been very feirce again on the left Flank our boys took Hill 60 The Attack started yesterday afternoon. & died about 2 Oclock this morning. 40 reinforcements Arrived for our Regiment this morning only 3 chaps that I am aquainted with

Aug 29th The 11 & 12 Light Horse landed here this morning I think they are going around on the left, although the Rumer is they are to suport us and we are all to Charge tonight. Our Artillery made a Bloomer & put a high Explosive shell in our Support trench this morning but no one was killed. I bet the B Turks grinned Our Regiment ~~in the~~ \in/ fact the Whole brigade is pretty ill with dysentery. I am passing a lot of Blood but still we have to stick it



31st We are still on Guins Post General Johnson has been here inspecting the Post Prior to taking over we have a new & more deadly kind of Bomb no matches are needed to light it The 9th Lgt Horse have been severely cut up.

Sep 3rd Two Companies of the 17th Batt have come up on our Post they are going to take over & we are going on the left flank to No 3 Post some of us are going today & some tomorrow.

Seo 4th We arrived here on the left at 9 oclock last night – the country is more broken & the undergrowth more dense

Sep 7th Young Good was shot through both feet this morning. The fighting is more open around here We are doing outpost duty on the little hills Vis Destroyers Hill & Camels Hump Hill

Still nothing sensational has ocured since we have been here.

Sep 19th [*It is clear from other entries that this date is incorrect . Maybe 9th ?*] I went on Table Top Hill today and got a fine veiw of our position all around We've had a pretty quiet time here up to now I saw a village called Buyukannasata today It was quite nice to see Civilization again even in the Distance

Sep 11th I have been sent over to Imbros Island just opposite the landing place I can see all the our positions on the Peninsula from here. I am feeling very ill.

Nov^r 20th I am now in Red Cross Hospital England have been ill with Entric Fever but am now convalescent but have been too ill to make an entry since September 11th

[*There are two more pages, as follows:*]

~~May 12 Russian Ship~~

May 22nd A German Seaplane appeared today over our beach & our Battleships shelled her after which she vanished with 4 of our Airoplanes after her as far as we know she must have escaped. Our Airoplane which went up on the 26 May is reported to have dropped 24 bombs & smashed the Turks Armoured train & two Transports The losses on the Triumph are now reported to be 90

May 10 Embarked on S S Grantilly Pastte. Two \of/ our chaps had a good stand up Fight at the Supports of Courtnays

June 18

Post yesterday it lasted about half an hour There was much Cheering going on

June 24th A Scotch Battery of 6 5ⁱⁿ Howitzers landed here yesterday
May \about/16th General Bridges was shot through the thigh I had the honour of showing him the way up this Valley & just after I left him he was shot ~~May 20th G~~

May 20th General Bridges is dead

May 12th The Russian Ship Ascold was at Cape Helles.