

**Transcription of Volume 1, handwritten in ink and pencil, by S.W. Siddeley**

21/X/14 [21/10/1914]

½ hour previous to sailing case of measles discovered. he [sic] was taken ashore to Fairfield [?] hospital. Gueiti [sp?] Sailed at 6 [6 crossed out] 3. PM. The crowd on shore gave us a great reception, - band played God save our King, Good bye little Girl good bye, Rule Brittainia [end page 1]

A few boats followed us for a few miles. passed the heads at 18 [?] PM . It was very interesting going though the Rip [begins in ink] which was fairly rough the currents for a mile or so are very strong and the ship rolled a good deal one or two of the men were sea sick when we got into Bass Strait we soon noticed the difference from the Bay. 7.35 Mind [sp?] Island was passed. It was fitted up a Wireless Station a house or two also a signal station and 7 to 8 tents overed the Island the crowd on board cheered as we passed and signal communication took place the message read on board the Gueiti by the 8<sup>th</sup> Battallion [end page 2]

Signalers [sic] was Good Luck to Australia. Over by the Channell [sic] near Avan [sp?] Island the cruiser Melbourne was anchored We were the last of the Victorian troops to leave. We had music on board. during the evening Blankets and Hammocks were issued to the men [drawn line and side note] Great push for them. went to Bed 10.30.

21/X/14 [21/10/1914]

Up at 6.30. Lovely day. Hospital scrubbed out and patients made comfortable. Case of Pheumonia [sic] very serious had busy morning but easy afternoon had read and smoke on the stern end of ship in the sun. Bed 8. PM. [end page 3]

22 [2 crossed out] 3 /X/14 [23/10/1914]

Same routine as 21/X/14, cruiser Melbourne passed us on Port side about 5 Miles

23/X/14 [23/10/1914] now in Gt. Australian Bight

Two nurses came to Hospital and gave men of A. M. C instructions in making Beds . Patients attended to. Men unwind with Beer at 4. PM. Objected to paying 3 [dash mark, shillings?] per ½ pint. Boat rolled a good deal.

24/X/14 [24/10/1914]

Men refused to pay 3 [dash mark, shillings?] for their Beer. Meeting held and it was decided to put the Beer off at Albury. Went to bed at 7.30.

25/X/14 [25/10/1914]



Albatrosses. Seen in [end page 4]

rear of ship. very interesting to see them flying. Men anxious to see land. informed that Albury would be seen at 6.30. Went to bed at 8 PM.

26/X/14 [crossed out]

Ship passed into Doubtful Bay from Great Australian Bight

26/X/14

Up at 5 AM. Very rough water over Port Holes. At 6 [6 crossed out] 5.30

[pencil] had an attack of influenza [side note] Innocula [sp?] caused theory [sp?]

29/X/14 [crossed out] Received letter from Dorothy

29/X/14

[pen on top of pencil writing] Same routine (Went to bed early.) after dinner. With Influenza. Received Telegram from Dorothy, which was sent the day we sailed (from Port-Melbourne [also drawn line from 'sent' to 'from Port Melbourne'] [end page 5]

[pencil] 30/X/14

We [pen] [up arrow] moved to harbour [pencil] coaled [sp?] in harbour tag air [sp?] went out to the sound.

31/X/14

Inspection of Hospital by General William. Caught fish Rorlz [sp?] Flathead 18 inches long. [pen] on Gen William line.

[pencil] 1/X/14

All boats lined up [pen over pencil] One or two men of war cruised round. The vessels left at 6.30. The flagship being the Cervicto [sp?] took the back. Somewhere about 50 ships all told were divided into into [sic] 3 lines. Formed our line of fleet. The convoy were on all four sides.

2/X/14

Innoculated[sic] again against Typhoid, very bainfm [sp?] case of Measles, brought to Hospital and isolated in Ships Hospital [end page 6]



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[pen over pencil] 3/XI/14 [3/11/1914]

Inclined to be rough. The vessel in rear of us, tossed very much and up to this hour 30 horses have died since. we left Mall she is one of the worst of the ships in bad weather

4/XI/14

Man operated on (Pte. C. Vagg by Cal. Ryan for appendicitis. Had to be cut twice. Appendix and in front of abdomen. Operation very successful, had a very busy day. We picked up the Freemantle troops.

5/XI/15 [sic] [14 underneath in pencil]

Hospital given over to Captain Lewers. Great trouble with him no good as officer over men. Men very nearly refused to obey any of his orders and myself [end page 7]

threatened to resign. Very busy day in hospital also in Infections Ward. News came through that Great Britain had a battle with German Navy on the North Coast of America and Britain was successful.

6/XI/14

Another hard day. Had row with Captain Lewers and felt like throwing him over board would have done it if he did not keep quiet. In afternoon had rest out on deck. Later had sleep on deck chair. Went to concert in Sergeants Mess. Very good. Splendid performance.

7/XI/14

Fairly hard day a little time off. in the afternoon, had Sing Song. At 8 O'Clock the Fire Alarm and Collision was Sounded all lights on ship were put out (This was only practice.) [end page 8]

And we had our lifebelts on ready pitch dark night. We are now three days past the line we had no celebration when we pass line of Tropic of Capricorn.

8/XI/14. Sunday.

Slept on Deck last night. We have only been doing 9 knots per hour since we left Albury but for some reason or other, we have slowed down to 7 ½ knots. At 10.30 all flags of the ships were ordered down half mast on acc-ount of a soldier on the Euripides [sp?] (which is the ship leading the line on our Starboard Side Staney [sp?] Ship) dying at 3am. this [end page 9]

morning with Pneumonia + Fever It is only in hot weather or Infectious Case that a person is buried at any other time than Sunset. 25 men fired 3 volleys each + the last Post was Sounded as the body was was [sic] thrown to the mighty deep The Church Parade was being



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held it was terribly Sad. had afternoon off. got on Deck with Deck chair . had read and sleep. slept on deck at night.

9/XI/14

Aboard 7.30 the Sydney came alongside Grueiti then Procefell [sp?] the Cochoas Island [all scribbled out] [end page 10]

9/XI/14

At 7.30 am the S. O. S Signal was received. later it was found out to be to have come from the G.M.O Gmbden[sp?] The Sydney was at once informed of this message. She had also recd [received] it + in a short space of time she was alongside the Cervito [sp?] and quickly proceeded to Cochoas Island from which direction the message came [end page 11]

while the Melbourne kept a lookout for other vessels a battle quickly raged + later the Japanese cruiser 'I Buki' went off a full speed to Cochoas. at 10.30 we were informed that the Embden [sp?] had been done for. /. The boys on board were very pleased to hear of this + were given a holiday The French cruiser H.M.F.S Montcalm also went out scouting + in the end a Collier was found escaping + was sunk by the Sydney. The news next day was sent to Melbourne. The Germans landed a party who had escaped [sic] from the Embden [end page 12]

and they got on shore at Cochoas Island + managed to destroy one of the wireless stations, while the operator of them buried one The Sydney casualty was 2 men killed +14 [11?] injured + a little damage was done to her. One funnel was shot away

11.XI.14 We received news that the Japanese and German Prisoners were to come on board the Cervicto + provisions for them had to be got under way for their accommodation

12.XI.14 20 years of age this day had a busy morning all available beds were made [end of page 13]

In Both Hospitals + also on Stern end of Hospital Deck by 5.30 P.M Everything was ready at 6. PM an Inspection was made by General Williams + also Headquarters Medical staff they were greatly pleased + expressed their thanks for our days work. We had good sailing for a day or two. The Cervietti [sp?] made an Inspection of the ship found that both water fodder food supplies were short the empress of Asia passed us at 2 PM. She is a massive piece of strailan [sp?] with 3 funnels + painted grey it was found out later she was making for Cochoas Island to repair the [end page 14]

Damage done to the Sydney On Monday [crossed out] Sunday morning early Colombo was sighted + fishing craft called catanmarang [ catamaran] it is a long narrow piece of wood



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with arms of curved wood over one side bearing a weight of a stone or two + a tall mast with a square sail manned by the folk of India + Colombo

[simple sketch of catamaran on water]

They were in hundreds we could see very plainly the cocoanuts trees growing on the tops of Hill. (through our Glasses for a mile or turn [sp?] this side of the jetty some lovely buildings could be seen massive in appearance + of fancy build the majority of the buildings [end page 15]

Are of a square construction with plenty of light. there is a huge breakwater extending from the shore for a mile + only short jetty of strong concrete for vessels to berth along side. All the New Zealand boats went along side for coal and water. What we could see of the shore of town was very picturesque along side the jetties were Empress of Asia, + Russia, Sydney (Japanese Cruiser I buki,) English Mediterranean [sic] Fleet 'Hampshire' + a Hospital Ship. the Grantella + French Cruiser the Menator. We had beautiful weather during our stay one thing that was noticable [sic] was the colours of the water. Several times [end page 16]

the water at one time would be of several different colours. A Crew from the Hampshire on a steam launch came along past the stern + we were speaking to them both by signals + by mouth we were informed by them that they had not seen land for 4 mnths [months] they gave us hahe[sp?] from Ceylon + Colombo which were appreciated by those in Hospital. Coffins form the Cervieto went on shore including Rev. Dexter + Y.M.C.A Gi [G.I. ?] Drown\* through them purchased articles which were exceedingly dear. by Monday afternoon we discharged a man with a disease which would take some time to cure [end page 17]

+ took on board 5 men from other boats mostly suffering from appenditicts. [appendicitis] on Tuesday Morning more boats went into coal and water at 11 AM we are sailed [ed crossed out] straight for Aden, Port Said on Monday Night we took on board German Prisoners 48 men and officers. Including a Prince, nephew of the Kaiser, as the men marched to their prison (which is Situated under the hospital Deck they have to pass an armed guard It fell to me to provide them with Pyjamas + towels. This I did + being the Acting Medical Officer for the ship that night [end page 18]

had to examine the prisoners. 8 were slightly wounded whether by a fragment of shell or bullet I got into conversation with a German who was once into [to crossed out] Australia and found out that they had had a very hard time. apparently now this is the most comfort they have had since they left Germany after fixing up one or two things I went to bed on the hospital Deck there were two sentries on duty to stop any boat Etc coming alongside at about 1.30 am Tuesday a light fishing boat a fairly large one came alongside the stern [end of page 19]



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+ when asked more than once to halt did not, in the end the boat was fired on + caused some commotion amongst the troops, in the end it was found out that the boat had drifted + was waiting for a tug to shore./ Sailed today. we are now in the Arabian Sea + the ships are chanpin [sp?] around a great deal one crowd of which including 5 New Zealanders. 4 ships have gone ahead, flying fish have been seen + are very interesting to watch also the Phosperous [Phosphorous] at night. We saw several a [sic] cigar shaped water beasts on 20/XI/4. [21/11/1914] Two operations were held on 20<sup>th</sup> [end note] 21/XI/4 [21/11/1914] [end page 20]

which were very successful on the Evening of 20/XI/4 a collision occurred between the Shopshire + another ship the Stern of the Damaged ship was ripped 25 feet. Went to lecture on the fight between Goben [crossed out] Embden + Sydney. German Prisoner admitted to Hospital with septic Poisoning

22/XI/14 Sunday Church Parade We Pulled out of line + the H.M.S put off a boat + General Bridges went off. This occurred three times to day.

23.XI.14

Early in the morning we sailed out of the line of Ships + proceeded [end page 21]

to Aden at free speed. Early on 25/XI/14 We were in sight of Aden the mountains are marvellous on top of one of the Highest Mountain Peaks could be seen a wireless station. this is the highest I have seen. later on Guns could be distinguished. It looked very comical to see Camels pulling small carts. Horses + mules are employed to pull the cars and buses Several motor cars were seen Aden Harbour + Port is situated at the foot of Huge Mountains the name of which I cant place [end page 21]

We anchored outside the Harbour, in the gulph [sp? Gulf?] of Aden + later on proceeded to theinna [sp?] Harbour. We anchored stern to stern with the 8<sup>th</sup> Australian Troop ship Shropshire as sson as we stopped the Egyptians in their boats containing cigarettes cigars bales pco [sp?] came along side + sold their stocks. they throw a rope to the purchaser + hold one end of rope themselves, in the middle of the rope is a basket by which means business is transacted, after them being alongside, they were warned off + refused to go. So they were fired [end page 22]

at they took very little heed but in the end they went quietly away sentries threw buckets of water on their goods, but s[sp?] returned again in an hour. The military police were issued with orders that no hawkers were to be allowed alongside + they threw water + loaves of Bread at the sellers. It hurt me very much to see this done as they are practically a civilized race of people. there is a fort at Aden manned mostly by Imperial men. It was very hot during our stay, we took on board coal + water the coaling process here is the slowest in the world. [end page 23]



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it is done by means of sacks each sack is filled + then carried over 50 feet + finally emptied [sic] into the coal Bunker. We left on Wednesday morning 25/XI/14 at 5.30 am. the remainder of the fleet, having arrived, we proceeded on our way to Port Said We did not loose sight of shore until very late towards night. The Arabian Desert could be seen for miles ; at intervals we passed Indian troop ships returning after having landed the men for the front at 4.30 we were in [end page 25]

sight of South Africa + passed it N.N.8 [sp?] it was very much like table land + was of interest, it extending for about 150 miles the Sunset this evening was one of the finest yet seen on the voyage the size of the sun was like the face of the Luna Park entrance. On Saturday last 21/XI/14 I regret my position on a/c [account?] of being under Dt [sp?] Horrible. So I told Lewers it was impossible to carry on under him. So I resigned. Capt Lord regretted this + said I would be reinstated when Handed. [sp?] my eyes were very bad. So I was glad I resigned I had 6 day good rest.

26/XI/14 Went on duty had busy day passed more land owned once [end page 26]

by Turkey but now by Gt. Brittan. Steamer seen in distance H.M.S Hampshire chased her because she would not hoist flag after ½ hour she was found to be British Tramp but no news whyshe would not signal

27.XI.14 Stayed in bed all day was to examined by captain Lord at 10.30 am this morning word came through + orders received that we were at once to proceed to Cairo Nth End of Suez Canal + land there + as I believe we shall go into Garrison for how long dont I know [sic] Kits taken out of Hold. Was not examined feeling crook/

28/XI/14. Wrote Home Dorothy re[sp?] him[ sp?] rested and in bed this makes my 6<sup>th</sup> Day off this week [end page 27]

I stayed up late last night + had smoke of Bonza Cigar. Had a job to get to sleep.

28/XI/14 Expect to arrive at Destination at 10.30 am or 11am 29/XI/14.

We entered Suez Canal 27. XI.14

Very pretty + the canal is of wonderful construction. Saw donkey race; very comical. saw rice growing. the speed allowed by ships is only 5 knots per hour. Saw Indian Soldiers on banks of canal. also Imperial Engineers. Signalling took place + we found out that the Turks were only about 30 miles away. Saw Camels + passed fishing boats + Dredges. Passed 1 British man of war + 3 French [end of page 28]

Reached Port Said 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 1914 1 Corp went by train to Cairo. Had good time very fine building of the Suez Canal Harbour. Trust Coaling of ships here is done more quickly than any other part of the world. Natives in boats were numerous Some natives were Swimming



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Some Singing, with Violin Etc for their music + collecting money for domgso [sp?] Some of the Troop ships passed us on their way for coal. Naval police very cruel to natives

Left Point Said 3/12/14 and made for Alexandriei. [sp? Alexandria?]

Reached Source of Suez Canal 5.30 P.M. + entered Medeterranean Sea reached Alexandria early next morning Some of the troop [sic] disembarked [end page 29]

First time on land since 21.X.14 took French leave native quarters were very dirty. took carrage [carriage?] to Soldiers Home, had good tea + men a few men + officers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Lancashire regiment took water [sp?] to European Quarters + went into French a Diapers [sp?] Shop very nice to me. had cup of Strong Coffee + given cup + saucer as a Souvernier [sic] Slept on board "Civiato" for last time had merry time got German Prisoners hat, slept in next morning + went down town + caught 2 P.M. train to Cairo. Miserable train + tiresome trip passed through interesting parts, saw dates + cocoanuts growing Native women collecting water from Stream saw donkey race. Reached Cairo [end page 30]

Acout 11.30 P.M Given hot cup of cocoa + Bread + cheese. fell down between train + platform when I was getting out of train + hurt left knee. took train to Mena. Crossed River Nile twice on this journey whilst in train reached destination 1.30.am. Mohamadens very slow in the transport of our baggage. Saw Pyramids in distance passed Territorials camp ½ mile from tram terminus. Reached our camp 2.20.am. greatly surprised at camping on Sandy Desert. No tent so slept in overcoat; too cold so had to use waterproof + blankets Revalli [sp?] at 7.am breakfast at 8 am [end page 31]

Slapt without tent for 1 week shifted from place to place, had easy time. Heavy route marches carried out daily very hard marching on sand with our heavy boots. next day went through Pyramids + had photo taken rode donkey up to them + my guide took me all over place [sic] Saw Sphinx, the nose of which was broken off by cannon back when Napoleon had battle in older times. The names of the Pyramids (5)

10 years was spent in carting stone + 20 years to build it. 600 feet high + 600 yrs B.C. went through Pyramids + saw marble wall + floors very hard. going to top [end page 32]

Have been to Cairo Great many natives. Native quarters very dirty, beer + whiskey cheap + good some aanlteraba [sp?] had cold in lungs, + slight touch of Pleurisy Two men fell from pyramids but still living Our Battalion very cronic [sp? chronic?] crowd 60 out of 1,000 men in Hospt. with Influenza So [sp?] Have good meals Turkish Flag to be Handed down on 21.XII.14 Expect to have bit of fright Hear now + then that fighting has taken place on Suez Canal.

19/XII/14 Pay Day drew 3 pounds went to Cairo had good time coming home on tram [end page 33]



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was standing on platform of Tram + going across the first bridge of River Nile which is constructed of Iron Girdles for  $\frac{3}{4}$  of mile at the Sides of Bridge two men were knocked off + seriously injured. This bridge is one of the finest in the world. there are 5 or 6 bridges between Mena + Cairo + they are of wonderful build. The River Nile very wide. Water conveyed to houses + garden + shanties called Kipsyes from Nile by means of horse working round in a circle + women carry water in jars. [end page 34]

The yachts have very high masts highest yet seen several yachts + barges to be seen sink [add note] but seems of little hinderance [sic] to shipping. Cairo very poor town until the military started going to town + Sheouldting [sp?] The men of the English forces very hard characters. they give native vendors rats. The Australians are now doing the same Australians are liked far better than New Zealand + Imperial Forces. A week ago met 3 Tommies + took them to diner, they only drew a few pence per week had good time

19/XI/14. Wrote to [end page 35]

Mother, Dorothy, Clive, Norm, Sir Alex, Mr. Clark, Rev. Masters then Zuri [sp?]

20/12/14. Received letter from home dated 27/ October 1914. Am now in bonza health worth £3.15. Saving money alright Sunday last 14/12/14 after church Parade went route march past Mena House This house once belonged to a German but was collared by the Brithish at the beginning of war + has been taken over by the Australians in Egypt + now used as base hospital + offices

.....[some pencil scribbled out] [end page 36]

+ Divisional Head Q.trrs [Head Quarters] then marched in past Pyramids + Sphinx + temples which is like maze past cemetry [sic] + over rocky + then over Desert + home went to Cairo in afternoon + got home late at night

20/12/14

Ceased to go out on Freia. [?] Had easy time Met a Mohamed Guide on Excovation [sic] walks + had walk round Pyramids + Sphinx proceeded to an Arab Residence (passed through native village where they were all huddled up together) where we saw ancient Roman Coins. Sacred byes Key of Nile, [?] Gods, Beads Etc had cup of coffee real good. [end page 37]

+ talk had another cup of coffee the coffee is served in cups as big as dolls cups left the house 8P.M. Stairway very narrow had sugar cane given us. Got lost on our way home had good sleep it was a beautiful sight round the old ruins, Sphinx and Pyramids the moon was peeping through a cloud + stars shining bright it was a sight I shall not forget. Have ben to Cairo several times but am just about sick of the place. Have been two route marches through natives [end page 38]



village about 15 miles march it is a [is a crossed out] was a very strange sight 20 [20 crossed out] a train (camel) of 20 was a fine sight. when we did this march we went out on war footing + it was indeed a great test for us at one corner of the road about 1000 natives were gathered to watch us pass the Rev. Dexter stepped out of the line of march to take a photo; he held his camera in front of him + when the natives saw this they ran in all directions, accidently thinking the camera was a gun. We halted a mile or two from camp. [end page 39]

Brittani [sp?] aroude [sp?]

Our Medical Waggon but was not much good in this capacity + finally let the horse go to sleep. had a good day + was of interest went to bed early tired out. The troops continue to march across the desert + sorely. I am certain the work is knocking htem out. 106 men in hospital + a great number nit fit to work. We have now 1 complete Holiday per week + Sunday off. So this has pleased the troops very much. There have been several rumurs [sic] as to when we shall leave Egypt the 7<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> [end page 40]

Battalion of our Brigade left for Ismaliar [sp?] which is on the Suez Canal where the Turks attached [attacked?] the Indian Australian Imperial New Zealand forces but were beaten in four days + have now retreated + the 7<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Battalion have arrived back + [at?] Mena. they were on Out port duty + two companies were in the trenches they had one death which was sudden on Wednesday last 9/2/15. Went to Cairo + then to the Citadel where I went through Sance [sp?] this place was built for the Sultan of Turkey it is of alabast [sic] [alabaster?] inside with 4 marble Pillars + carpet  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch thick hundreds of lamps in centre. [end page 41]

+ a chandelier which weighs 3 or 4 Cvt, [sp?] it is simply lovely. Visited the Indian wounded who were in hospital they greatly appreciated me very much I [I crossed out] + I did not like to leave them. I shook hand with them all + kissed them + went + had a look over the four principle mosks [sp? mosques?] in Cairo which are much of a like-ness. The Sultan + his wife are buried in one. Monts [sp?] + Sons + Daughters in one of the other three the entombed are of very fine selection Diamonds Silver Silver [sic sp?] hearts + stone ( The Grandfather of the Sultan was buried at the citadel which dates 104 B.C. [end page 42]

+ the mosks about date. the guide I had was not too good at English so I was lack to catch the names + dates of different things which he tried to tell me. I then went to Cairo. had tea at Soldiers Home had rest + read. Walked round town got home at 10.30 Next day pretty Busy. On Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> I rode round Pyramids/ ruins into cemetry [sic cemetery] + had tea at the village which has been erected within the last month. Ships of all descriptions get good meals here at cheap rates. Have now three men in hospital pt. [private] Durvach ,[sp?] Leary, + Brittan. [end page 43]

Back Dates.



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On Oct Nov [Oct Nov crossed out] Oct 25<sup>th</sup> the 4 nurses came into hospital + tried to run the show they started by asking me to get the men to scrub out the hospital; this the men refused to do so I paraded them by our Capt Lind they were crimed [sic] + got 7 day [sic] in cells [blank page, torn in half. End page 44]

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Pte [Private] McDonald said that he would strike with the men. he was the last one to be asked if he would obey orders + when he saw that he was the only one who was left out [out crossed out] he crawled out + of course was thought more of it by the Dr. but not by the men [end page 45]

he has since proved himself a wretched crawler + we all dislik [sic dislike] him. When I resigned he was appointed Lance Cpl. [Corporal] but when I resumed my full duties I made him my clerk we heard we were to move and he then complained of an old injury which should have been operated on. The battalion are to be vaccinated tomorrow on a/c [account] of small pox breaking out in the camp.

15/ X/15

Christmas Day was spent rater [sic rater crossed out] rather well a holiday was given the men were from this day to dine in messing huts 120 per hut which is/ a 1 Beer 1 pt [pint?] per man was served out [end page 46]

+ a roast dinner with Plum Pudding to follow. Also cigarettes. Nearly every man in camp was intoxicated . I might have been too had it not been I was far too busy I had two glasses of wine + a gin [sp?] to be sociable + had a bonza headache afterward on Boxing day the troops were to see the old year out + the new year in. Good fun found man drunk outside the door of the dispencery [sic dispensary] + I quietly took him to his tent + found he was suffering from Conio. [sp?] plenty of fun etc. everybody was up + enjoying themselves. Next day the Hanged Old Brigadier Col McKay [end page 47]

Gave us all a lecture on the way we carried on. Said: - we should have thought of the men who were in the trenches. [ blank page, end page 48]



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Rations

To be drawn

Morning 5.1.15

Afternoon 5.1.15

Evening 5.1.15

draw Jan. 3.1.15

2 lb. [pound] Bread 2 Tins Sardines

Sux. [sp?] W. Siddeley

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Rations

A. Leary 5.1.15

V. Mulhall 6.1.15

P. Norman 7.1.15

N. Soutar 8.1.15

S. McDonald 9.1.15

C. Brittain 10.1.15

W. Siddeley 11.1.15

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Months ago he asked for an operation and got it. I only hope that he shall be left one of my detail now as a crawler is of no use to me, but if s [s crossed out] he should have the luck to come with me to the front I shall be very sorry the remainder are all right. I am fairly busy now only [end page 50]



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the Drs + orderly to carry on the work of the Battalion. The men who were sentenced to 7 days in cells were

Pte Sontar Batsnan [sp?]

Pte Brittan A.N.L

Pte Leary A.N.L

A.Leary has a very good opinion of Pte Brittan but as to McDonald none of us have any time for him

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Corporal G Inglis

Pt. S. McKenzie

" A. Gillies

" J. Sutherland

[decorative swirls]

3 Lick

1 Buglers

3

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[scribble]

Mommy [sp?] 5.1.15

Middey 5.1.15

6.1.15

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1 3

1 \_ \_

C.L 1 3 4 [tick symbol]

CB 7 [tick symbol]

G L 7 .

P. N 4.4.6 .

MM 7 .

3.14.6

Callander 3/12/IX

McDonald [tick] Neva

Hemingway [tick] [line] Blackman

Forpknov [tick] [line] Horok

Bourdale [tick] [line] [line above] M South 1/1/..

[with line down middle of page]

Sgt R J Hall [line] Parsonage[sp?]

Pt. D. Fowler

" A Pinches

" S Leascighim [sp?]

" B W Stamp

" A Newman

" A Mclean

" J Goteh

" O Roberto

" J Westcott

" Lt Adams



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" T Manan

" R Garrett

" A Woodfine

" J Crook

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[shorthand or code symbols, bearing marks?]

....7.30 PM

21<sup>st</sup> 1914.....[more symbols, loosely drawn, including circles and waves]

A M Lear

A M Lerase

B Retteik

B Clark

C Newman

C Westcott

D Lyons

D Hampdon

E James

E Adams

F

F

G Grainger

G Jones

H

H

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2	6	120
1	6	20
2		150 [crossed out]
2		160 [crossed out]
2		180 [crossed out]
2		
2		
3		205 [crossed out]
2		

[in columns]

1	11	97½	210
2	12	195	195[line underneath, divided by?] 1.5
3	13	£ 2.3	
4	14	[more code/symbols loosely drawn]	
5	15		
6	16		
7	17		
8	18	....6d..... [end page 54/back cover]	



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