#### Transcription of Diary 3, handwritten in ink and pencil, by S.W. Siddeley.

[In ink on inside cover]

Sax. W Siddeley "Swindon Villa"

Cyril St

St. Kilda

Melbourne

Victoria

Australia [end cover]

27<sup>th</sup> August 1915.

Received £2. from pay office to last until Australia. Went to Camp + said goodbye to all my pals, which are only a few, the majority of my pals are all dead + Buried. norm cook of St. Kilda, he gave me a hand with my two kit bags before we said Au Revoir. I gave him my spurs. [sp?] It was sad for both of us, both being the oldest pals.

28<sup>th</sup> August 1915.

Left Luna Park Hospt [Hospital] 8.30 A.M. motored to Palais Dr. Labbook [sic] + left at 10.33 A.M. about 300 men were on the Hospital Train. arrived at central station 11.31 A.M. here another hospital train was joined on to our train [end page 1]

28<sup>th</sup> August 1915

We left Cairo at 12.10.PM followed by Natives selling Cigarettes, drinks etc. We had 3 eggs + huine [sp?] juice issued to us. Saw Indian Centposts [sic] + Issmalia. [sic] + damage done by the fight we were told we would be camping at the Port Suez Convaless [sic,

Convalescence?] Concentration Camp + were very down hearted were issued with 2. Pillows 1. Mattress knife etc. + got bread like bricks + water, + could not have been treated worse if we had been prisoners. We had roast chicken etc. for Lunch + was not enough for a soldier good many men were the worst of drink, [drunk] the way we were treated would drive a man to drink, + some took

28<sup>th</sup> August

French Leave. even men who were on crutches. The majority of us had to buy our meals while we were here.

# 29<sup>th</sup> August

Breakfast 6.00. Beds rolled up 7.30. Moved off to station 8.30.AM entrained by 8.45. moved off 9. AM. [Written along side of page-] We were moved in Railway Trucks (cattle) [continuing horizontally] Indians were camped here, they are a fine lot of men. Saw Indians coming in by on A.W.S N Liner. Borded. A.134 S.S. Europodies. [Euripidies] Had very good dinner Left Port Suez. 3.P.M. Thank god we have at last Left. Egypts shore, + I dont wish to see it again in a hurry. We are now in the Red Sea + travelling about 15 knots per hour this ship [end page 2]

29<sup>th</sup> August 1915.

can do 17 knots but owing to one of the propellers being broken she has reduced her speed, am sleeping in Hammock tonight but being a Sgt. Major expect to Rare [sp] a Cabin tomorrow. Today is Sunday + it seems very funny all our movements of any importance take place on a Sunday. The name of the place where we were camping is Nabour Maya Camp Station. We entered the Red Sea about 4.30 P.M very calm. Had supper also discussion in the Sgts Mess. The food so far has been bonza + hope it shall continue. Had a good many jokes. I was [was crossed out] had made up my

# 29<sup>th</sup> August 1915

mind to sleep in a hammock for the first time + had no sooner got into it + made myself comfortable when the rope gave way + I came a box of bricks on the paved floor, so had then to sleep on the mess table although jolly hard. made a nice bed. there are plenty of cockroaches. but do not make much difference. One of the wounded have a monkey abord [aboard] + it causes much amuse-ment. Said my prayers + went to sleep

30<sup>th</sup> August.

Rose at 6.30. had bonza Hot Sea Bath had smoke. prominaded [promenaded] the ship had read had another bath. [end page 3]

30<sup>th</sup> August 1915.

+ am now ready for dinner. feeling much better + enjoying the trip the rations are A1 + hope they shall continue spent the afternoon on deck 4. boats passed us. the Sea is very calm. I would like to see a little rough weather. The men are all enjoying the trip very much and very few serious cases are aboard. Saw several flying fish had talk swung hammock only a few inches from the floor, I dont wish to have another fall. turned in at 10.30 P.M. + perspired like a tap + spent a miserable night. I slept between decks but not again. for me. Fine Sun Set.

#### 31st August 1918



up at 6.15 AM. had salt water shower walked deck + had good appetite for breakfast. spent most of the morning on deck. weather is beautiful . am not smoking many cigarettes + am feeling much better. the pipe is my favourite. Dinner is just about ready expect to be in Melbourne Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> from all accounts but in my opinion we shall land Sept 26<sup>th</sup> I can hardly realise we are on our way home. + do not feel at all excited. but when we reach Port Melbourne I suppose I shall. feel like a free man I have no old pals on board. I think they are all killed. There is [end page 4]

# 31st August 1915

not much work on board for those who are able. have now plenty of Books etc. I do not walk about very much owing to my heart being in a bad state. We see a good many flying fish The food is not so good now as I thought it would be. before going to bed the majority in the Sgt's Mess Buy Cup of tea or + two cakes. total 3' [shillings] all should receive a free issue of Supper but on board this luggar [sic] we don't. The weather is terrible being 116" [degrees farenheight] this afternoon + is now nearly the same 7.P.M. had supper + tried to get 40 winks but it was far too hot again I slept down below. During the

### 31st August 1915

afternoon we were issued with Life Belts, also 40 Cigarettes + [symbol of measurement] of tobacco. but I gave [symbol] of cigs for [symbol] tobacco + have now a fair supply.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> September 1915.

Up + had Hot + Cold Sea water bath by 6.30 A.M. had smoke + read. Breakfast at 7. A.M. passed a few Tramp Steamers. had game of cards. read + smoke. I seldom smoke cigarrettes [sic] now on account of my heart. Slept on Deck. Passed the Hop [Hop crossed out] Hobs of Hell at 10.30. slept fairly well until 5.30 A.M had Bath. Smoke read. [end page 5]

#### 1<sup>st</sup> September

After Breakfast had read + quiet rest. passed 12 Apostles played Bridge Tournament until dinner + resumed after dinner we were beaten by 9.S. Have just had Hot sea bath + feel much cooler. Last night I with a pal went up to the fockel [sp?] + spent an interesting hour or so watching the Dolphins in front of our track they were there in numerous Numbers Slept on deck had miserable Night

2<sup>nd</sup> August 1915 [Sic, September?]

Had Hot Sea Bath. after Breakfast had read + smoke played Bridge.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> September

all Morning + returned after dinner. passed Islands of [blank] which form a fort for the red sea looks a very desolate place + reminds me of Gallipoli Peninsular. passed light hose [hose crossed out] house also 2 ships of small size. Morse Code signalling too Peace. news was received from Aden [sic] that the Gallipoli Penninsular war was progressing favourably + certain Turkish positions had been captured. Had read + talk then had Tea + Cakes watched the Sea for a while. A Gale Wind sprang up + heavy scotch mist [end page 6]

### 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1915.

A ship was in our course + the Capt [sic] of our ship had to swing round to Starboard to avoid a Collision. Hells gates were passed during the night also Mail Steamer. Slept on Hatch of well deck foread. [sp?] + spent a miserable night About 5.30 AM. War ship passed. [crossed out from 'About' to 'passed']

#### 3rd September

About 5.30 AM. Man O' War passed on our Port Side. Had Bath. Breakfast + smoked + played Bridge. I have broken out in a heat Rash. is very uncomfortable We are doing under 12 Knots owing to the

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> September

heat. Today is very much cooler to the last week, + a change came last night which was appreciated. Am now ready for dinner We passed a bunch of Islands I don't remember the name of them. Cool change about 4. P.M. it was delightful. No news of any import ance. [sic] slept on deck. had miserable night. Had Graphone [sic] Concert, also Monkey Performance. Several Dolphins were seen. They are very interesting not many flying fish have been seen this trip Slept on deck. + was disturbed [end page 7]

# 3<sup>rd</sup> [crossed out] 4<sup>th</sup> September

about 5.A.M. by a hose turned on me. I had slept in a corner of the deck + could hardly be seen, at any rate I was sopping wet. We are now in the Indian Ocean + by the looks of things I think we shall have some rough weather. Had 5 Games of Bridge this morning passed the St. Socotia [sic] Islands Did a little washing. About 7.30 P.M. we had a rough time a very heavy [sp?] Sea was running A Concert Arranged by the Colonel took place at 8.P.M. he is a very fine man + the concert was a great success It was quite chill

#### 4<sup>th</sup> September

when I went up to the foread. [sic] well dark to get my blankets they had disappeared Slept down below had good nights sleep.

#### 5<sup>th</sup> September. Sunday.

Very nice + cool morning. I thought I was going be be [sic] Sea Sick but up to the present I have saved my Breakfast which was porridge + Bacon. Had read + slept until dinner. Slept all afternoon had Tea + Read talk + slung Hammock + was soon in land of Dreams. Weather rather cold. Nothing of any importance [end page 8]

### 6<sup>th</sup> September

Rather pleasant day played bridge all the morning + also in the afternoon Crossed the Equator at 4. P.M. issued with 40 Cigarette (7 laps) [sp?] not feating [sp? feeling or eating?] to [sic] good. had tea played bridge after tea. About 9.P.M. I was feeling ill, my head giving me hells own torture I was walking the deck until 2.P.M. felt like shooting myself.

# 7<sup>th</sup> September

Feeling a little better played bridge most of morning, very pleasant day. had good rest. after dinner did a little washing Went to bed at 8.30

### 8<sup>th</sup> September

Was S.O.S. ships orderly Sergeant had plenty. to do. coffee issued for supper 8.P.M first time for the trip. Slept badly

#### 9<sup>th</sup> September

Did a little sewing had very rough weather + plenty of rain. We are now meeting the monsoonal Rains Slept well.

### 10<sup>th</sup> September

Weather very rough about 7.30 AM went up on deck. Rain very heavy. Very heavy Sea. + heavy swell which increased after [end page 9]

#### 10<sup>th</sup> September

breakfast. + it became [sp?] exceedingly heavy most of morning went [sp?] astern + had a look at the propellers. I have not yet felt at all seasick very few have in [in crossed out] been Seasick up to the present. Very heavy sea after dinner. + up to tea time. Head wind sprang up during the night + those [sp?] who slept on deck had to retire for shelter from the waves [sp?]

# 11<sup>th</sup> September.

Weather much worse very heavy Sea. Head + heart giving me great deal of trouble. Had good



# 11<sup>th</sup> September

dinner + good rest. Read up Medical + Surgery. passed Cocoas Island. at night slept tween [sic] decks

# 12<sup>th</sup> September

Church Parade 10.30 for the first time in the A.I.F's [Australian Infantry Force] a collection was taken I don't know how much was taken the men are only allowed to draw 3 [symbol, shillings] a week + have to buy their own meals out of that nearly every tea time as they are given [two words crossed out] very little for their evening meal. [end page 10]

# 12<sup>th</sup> September

Several rumers [sic, rumours] as to when we shall reach Albury. I say Sunday 24 [sp?] but it solely depends on the weather which is not too favourable had good 3 games of Bridge won 2. out of 3. talked until lively hour next morning

Same procedure. Nothing of any importance . Sea very much calmer expect to make more headway now. on  $15^{th}$  we all mustered in our respective units  $5^{th}$  Battn [Battalion] numbering 22

# 16<sup>th</sup> September

Our Port engine which has been out of action for some time was set in motion + we are now doing an increased speed we are now about a weeks sail from Albury.

# 17<sup>th</sup> September 1915.

nothing of any importance Slept well in afternoon. Western Australians Repairing [sp?] for landing. Rumour + hits [sp?] are all the go now about our landing in at [landing in at crossed out] arriving at Western Australia [end page 11]

18<sup>th</sup> September to 21<sup>st</sup> September 1915

Nothing of any importance on 19<sup>th</sup> we had a burial at Sea Man died from Galloping Turburculous. [sic, Tuberculosis]

# 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1915.

Orderly Sergeant had a very busy day Several times wishing to goodness I was out of it all. Rottenest Island. in sight at 1.30 P.M. Fremantle 14 miles Further on entered Break water 3. P.M. Governor expected to come aboard, we were about ¼ mile from wharf astern + a Tug

on Foread. [sic] A Gale Wind started to blow + we started to go before the tug had time to get distance we were blown into the wharf

22<sup>nd</sup> September 1915.

the rudder striking the wharf but no damage was done beyond a little woodwork being smashed. A Good crowd were on shore including a guard to look after us on board so as we would no [sic, not] take French Leave The orderly Officer + self expected to be going ashore, but luck did not Turn our way. We landed on [we landed on crossed out] The Fremantle wharf lay on our Starboard Side. We were cheered by a huge crowd our arrival being expected. Oranges Tobacco Cakes Eggs etc were thrown by the people to us on board + several people were on board distributing. I was [end page 12]

22<sup>nd</sup> Sept [sic]

Orderly Sergt. [Sergeant] So I had no chance of entertaining the people which I should have liked to. I was given chlocate [sic, chocolate] cigarettes cakes oranges, which were appreciated after the same old thing day after day on board. The West Australian people are most hospitable + their kindness I shall never forget. Some men of course made utter pigs of themselves + ate more than was good for them some got liquor aboard + some climbed down ropes + rope ladders + came back intoxicated. and many I saw got down a rope

22<sup>nd</sup> Sept. [sic]

Forard, [sp?] but was seen by the Sentry at the at the companion buy [sp?] + of course the guard turned out + were soon on the spot, when the man was on the wharf he at once attacked the guard but he had no chance as there were 9 men of the guard + had also fixed baynots he was escorted to the gangway + he reboarded the boat + returned to his bed without being seen by any officer on board

23<sup>rd</sup> September 1915

Good crowd on shore by nine O clock Our arrival according [end page 13]

23<sup>rd</sup> September

to the Western Australian papers was not expected until 10 P.M. The tug came to take the ship to the middle of the Stream, I can assure you we were awful sorry as the crowd was very huge now + several people came from Perth to have a look at us. We were cheered and the people on shore were also We are now in middle of the Stream + taking coal on both sides also water. Another hospital ship was also expected in during the fore noon.

# 23<sup>rd</sup> September

We did our best to intertain [sic, entertain] those on shore + we were writing letters + sending them by the wind. it caused great amusement. Several young ladies were Semiphore. [sp?] [end page 14]

[several blank pages] [end page 15]

[beginning of pharmaceutical list, crossed out.] [end page 16]

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[List of pharmaceuticals in pencil]

R [symbol, capital R with diagonal line through it, recurring]

Cocaine Hydrochloridi [sic] gr 4.5 [4.5 grams]

Potassi Iodi [Potassium Iodine] gr 2.5.

Thymol [sp?] gr 0.5

Oleum Gaultheris [sp?] m 0.5 [0.5 millilitres]

Adrenalin Hyd gr 0.5

Aguse Deshllala [sic] [symbol]

M. fiat

ßiy echo [sp?]

Hypodermica [sic]

S. j. h. R. [initials signed] [end page 18]

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[in ink]

**B** Waymond

8d of 5d

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Nelson W. er.



#### Love + Lewis

| Love + Lewis               |          |              |
|----------------------------|----------|--------------|
|                            |          | [line drawn] |
| Mr. Sheppard               |          |              |
| Mip Hockin [sp?]           |          |              |
| to Dinner                  |          |              |
| hive [sp?]                 |          |              |
| [end page 19]              |          |              |
|                            |          |              |
| [List of expenses, in ink] |          |              |
| Boots                      | 12.6     |              |
| Polish                     | 6        |              |
| Railway                    | 3        |              |
| Cigaretes [sic]            | 3.9      |              |
| Badges                     | 1.6      |              |
| Pen                        | 5.6      |              |
| Station                    | 1.6      |              |
| Aervea [sp?]               | 1        | _            |
|                            | £ 1.5.7  |              |
| Spurs                      | 4        | _            |
|                            | £ 1.9.7  |              |
| Pictures                   | .2       |              |
| Lollies                    | 3.6      |              |
| Fares                      | 1        |              |
|                            | £ 1.16.1 |              |
|                            |          |              |

Bike

17.3

|                         | £ 2.13.6 |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Cottons                 | 2.6      |
|                         | £ 2.16.  |
| Elec Fan [Electric Fan] | 3        |
|                         | £ 2.16.3 |
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| [end page 20]           |          |

[written landscape format, in ink, decorative script, not Siddeley's handwriting.]

**OPO 178** 

Cpl [Corporal] P.A. Look

australian base h Detail

**Head Quarters** 

**Garrison Military Police** 

meilon [sp?]

Egypt.

**OPO 4221** 

Pte [Private] L. one. Blackett

8<sup>th</sup> Reinf [Reinforcement] to 2<sup>nd</sup> Field Amblu [sic, Ambulance]

Meditteranean Expeditionary Force

On Active Service Abroad

[inital/ decorative swirl sign off]

[end page 21]



[in pencil]

**Boots Spurs** 

Photo Blygh of Harbottle [sp?]

Peacocks Myers

[in ink]

Lamp 2.6

Tyres 13..

Pump <u>1.6</u>

£ 17.5

62. Chaple St [rest of leaf blank] [end page 22]

[A poem, written in pencil] [actually starts on page 24, working backwards]

I've a little wet home in the trench,

Which the rain storms continually drench

Blue sky overhead

Mud and clay for a bed

And a stone that we used [d crossed out] for a bench

Bully Beef and hard biscuits we chew

It seems years since we tasted stew

Shells crackle + scare

But no place can compare

With my little wet home in the trench. (1)

2/ Our friends in the trench o'er the way

Seem to know that we've come to stay

They rush and they shout

But they can't get us out



Though there's no dirty work they don't play

They rushed us a few nights ago

But we don't like intruders and so

Some departed quite sore

Others sleep evermore

Near my little wet home in the trench

3) So hurrah for the mud and the clay

Its the road to "DerTag" thats "The Day [sic]

When we enter Berlin

That city of sin

We'll make the fat Berliner pay

We'll remember the cold and the frost

When we scour the fat lands of the Ghost

There'll be shell then I fear

Redder stuff than a tear

For my little wet home in the trench

[end page 23]

[blank leaf and 1<sup>st</sup> part of poem] [end page 24]

[List of AIF units, landscape format, pencil]

| Pt [Private] Aust Division | 19 275 |
|----------------------------|--------|
| PLIPINALEI AUST DIVISION   | 18.375 |

Lines of Communication Units 1.816

Four Light Horse Brigades 7.903

Naval Military Expd [Expedition] 1.522

Inf [Infantry] Brigades 18.195

Bridging Train [sp?] 285



| Siege Brigade                          | 415                   |
|--|-----------------------|
| Flying Corps                           | 45                    |
| Reinforcements                         | <u>26. 020</u>        |
|  | 74. 576               |
| Left Australia                         |                       |
| to July 22 1915                        | <u>16.921</u>         |
| In training to July 10 " [1915]        | 99.495                |
| 6 xhas [sp?]                           |                       |
| Naval                                  | £ 3.399.368           |
| Militry [sic]                          | 9.469.367             |
|  | £ 12.868.735          |
| Other Man [sp?] Services               | 135.100               |
|  | £ 13.003.835          |
| [end page 25]                          |                       |
| [List of expenses, normal format, ink] |                       |
| Boots                                  | 12.6 [tick alongside] |
| Polish                                 | _6. √                 |
| Railin [sp?]                           | 3 √                   |
| Fares                                  | 1.3. √                |
| Badges                                 | 1.6 √                 |
| Pens                                   | 5.6 √                 |
| Staton [sic]                           | 1.6 √                 |
| Helall [sp?]                           | <u> 1.1 V</u>         |
|  | £ 1.3.1               |
| Ren [sp?]                              | 4                     |

|      | 1.7.1    |
|------|----------|
| Cigs | 3        |
|      | £ 1.10.1 |

[simple sketch in ink, along left side of the page, resembling a creek with a small circle at the bottom] [written next to circle]

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[Upside down, at bottom of page, in ink]

Sax. W. Siddeley

48. Byron St [end page 26]

[Sketched map of Anzac Bay headlands, showing trenches, enemy lines and unit positions, in pencil and ink, and labelled in ink:]

SHRAPNEL GULLY [In centre of map]

Indian M.B Communication Post. [left of Shrapnel Gully]

Gea [sp?] Turk HQR [Headquarters] [left of Shrapnel Gully]

[Marked in pencil, from top left, down left side of page]

Concealed Turkish Battalion Destroyed by Russian Cruiser

12 BATTN [Battalion] FA landed here

Russian Cruiser [next to symbol of cruiser/oval]

Anzac Bay

3<sup>rd</sup> Brigade advanced party landed

Intended landing place →

Transports + Warships [Along left side, bottom to top]



Gaba TEPE

Fort [next to symbol/circle]

To Madros →

Cornfield [word circled]

To alien lines advancing 8 Miles

Ache Baba

**LONE PINE** 

[end page 27]

[table of numbers, in pencil. Possibly a running tab of Bridge card game scores.]

| We            | They          | We            | They          |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 2             | 48            | <u>40</u>     | 24            |
| 18            | <del>5</del>  |               |               |
| <del>30</del> | <del>48</del> | <del>16</del> | <u>96</u>     |
| 38            | 72~           | <del>12</del> |               |
| 40            |               | 44            | <u>Game</u>   |
| 48            |               |               | <del>20</del> |
| 64            |               |               | <del>26</del> |
| 104           |               |               | <del>26</del> |
|               |               |               | 32            |
| Game          | 9             |               | <u>56</u>     |
| 6             |               |               |               |

#### [Three sums, in ink, landscape format.]

21.2.6

<u>4.12.3</u>

£ 25.14.9

225.14.9

26. 5

10.3

<u>25.14.9</u>

2.. 5.

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[In ink, pharmaceutical abbreviations, normal format.]

Mr. Birmingham

Ŕ [symbol] Sodi Sal. [sic] [symbol] p

aq ad [sic] [symbol]

Sig. [symbol] T.D.S. [end page 28]

[2 lines of loose shorthand in ink]

[table of figures, possibly Bridge game.]

| We            | Them         |      |    |
|---------------|--------------|------|----|
| 8             | 2            | Н    | 8  |
|               | 38           | D.   | 6  |
| We            | Them         | C.   | 4  |
| <del>36</del> | 24           | S.   | 2  |
|               | 3            | R.S. | 10 |
| 96            | 40           | N.T. | 12 |
| Game          | 42 √         |      |    |
| 24            | <del>2</del> |      |    |



| 84            | <del>12</del> |  |
|---------------|---------------|--|
| Game          | 48 √          |  |
| <del>60</del> | 2             |  |
|               | 4             |  |
| <del>62</del> | 34            |  |
| <del>92</del> |               |  |
| Game.         |               |  |

[Extensive loose shorthand; Pitman style but roughly drawn. An attempt has been made to decode it, but with limited results. Owing to the Phonetic style of the Pitman system, and Siddeley's own personal style/adaptions, the following is a rough transcription. Transcribed by Jean Walshe, Volunteer, August 2011.]

extra communion charter % [?]

comma make years examine [?]

charter ....exam...

prescription...execute...seems somewhat/where...there is...recent...ing

They can examine...give whereas...matters...care...remarkable...the sizes...oleim...Cauterise/Gaultheris ...oliem...[end page 29]

[score list, in pencil]

| We            | Them          | Н.   | 8  |
|---------------|---------------|------|----|
| 2             | 2             | D.   | 6  |
| <del>12</del> | <del>26</del> | C.   | 4  |
| <del>20</del> | <del>38</del> | S.   | 2  |
| <del>30</del> | <del>50</del> | R.S. | 10 |
| <del>54</del> | <del>66</del> | N.T. | 12 |
| <del>56</del> | 78√           |      |    |
| <del>68</del> | <del>24</del> |      |    |

| 80            | <del>40</del>   |
|---------------|---|
| <br>104√√     | <del>42</del>   |
|               | <del>54</del>   |
| <del>24</del> | <del>40</del>   |
| <br>32        | 94√   |
| 48            | The tool[sp?] amon [sp?]  |
| 72            | the bruni [?]   |
| 48            | [Line of loose shorthand] [small sketch, shapes, indeterminate] |
| TwoV          |   |
|               |   |

[in ink, Pharmaceutical List]

Ŕ [symbol]

Sol Pot Permary [symbol]p

Di Iodi 1.5 [symbol]

Pabo Iodifan [symbol]

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of the Land:

Twas in Trafalgin [sp?] Bay all saw the French men lay, each hearts

were [sp?] fullest oak [sp?] [end page 30]

[extensive shorthand in pencil, neater and more formal than previous entries, suggesting a report to be written up properly later. Still quite difficult to decode with accuracy. Transcribed by Jean Walsh, Volunteer, 2011.]

Royal Horse Show [normal alphabet, title at top of page.]

...going 8 [with line through 8] the ...ing..sc..ing..ing...jumping...ing...ing..riding...recent...can fall but the ...ing can render ...clusions...like swimming the ...reins...ing...can liver...ing...sizes reins in is in order scr...ing ship can ...ing is to ...scr...ing decision lamp some call ...ged you under ...cal July the ? the making risk is generally/January... look/like , we move back leg ends under several to the difficult...take you...as you are in fact make the adgistment...che the ...the...300 ms [metres]...the you the ...scr-c-cal changing...means each movement reclnerso-cle/cal matter...ly...there is [end shorthand portion]



| [in ink, pharmaceutical list and equation]   |
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| 24   |
| <u>40</u>  |
| 960  |
| Ŕ  |
| Rag Salph gr oxxx  |
| Sodi Sal gr ox   |
| Sodi Bicarb gr oxx   |
| aq ad [symbol]   |
| Sig. [symbol] T.D.S.   |
| Ŕ Calonel gr [symbol]  |
| Nochte   |
| Ŕ  |
| Basin Carbgas [symbol]   |
| Tr. Opia [sp?] mg [symbol]   |
| aq.ad [symbol]   |
| Sig. [symbol] P.R.I m  |
| S. Laly [sp?] [end page 31]  |
| [intensive shorthand, in free and flowing style, in ink. Transcribed by Jean Walsh]  |
| calasjunkingcan givechange the callingare muchcalllost/listcallto theyou can callcall we/wayyou will commissioncall under so as shrinking here letexecute the[illegible] |
| sizes calsh  |
| youcallingthem/they you can makecan givethethe is/asyou can week/weakas/isoldthemakeingcan 90which under restrictmentcallend weeksizessurgeons[end shorthand section]    |





Ŕ [symbol]

Sodi Sal [Sodium Salvate?] [quantity symbol]

Sodi Bicarb [Sodium Bicarbonate [symbol]

Ŕ [symbol]

Sodi Sal [symbol]

Sodi Bicarb [symbol]

S/ Ammon Amon [Ammonia?] [symbol]

Col. Glycerin [symbol]

Palo Phenozone [symbol]

aq ad [symbol]

Sig. [symbol] T.D.S

[end page 32]

[list of days per month, pay and expenses, in pencil]

| Oct  | 11 | Home £1      |             |
|------|----|--------------|-------------|
| Nov  | 30 | Bank 1       | 9           |
| Dec  | 31 | Self         | 10.6        |
| Jan  | 31 | Differed     | <u>10.6</u> |
| Feb  | 28 | £3           | .10         |
| Mch  | 31 | 345          |             |
| Apr  | 30 | <u>172.6</u> |             |
| May  | 31 | 517.6        | 2 525       |
| June | 30 | <u>7.6</u>   | 26.5        |
| July | 31 | £ 525        |             |
| Aug  | 31 | £ 5          | 0           |
| Sept | 30 | <u>2</u>     | 2.10        |

|     | 7 345         | +9 |                                     | 72.10   |                      |
|-----|---------------|----|-------------------------------------|---------|----------------------|
|     | <del>28</del> |    |                                     |         |                      |
|     | <del>65</del> |    |                                     |         |                      |
|     | <del>63</del> |    | Pay Etc to Oct 5 <sup>th</sup> 1915 |         |                      |
|     | 2             |    |                                     |         |                      |
| Oct | 5             |    | Bank                                | £ 72.10 | [over pencil in ink] |
|     | 7 350         |    | Differed                            |         |                      |
|     | 50            |    |                                     | £ 98.15 |                      |
|     | 25            |    | Less Ins <u>7</u>                   |         |                      |
|     | <u>2.10</u>   |    |                                     | £ 91.15 |                      |
|     | 22.10         |    |                                     |         |                      |
|     |               |    |                                     |         |                      |

[in ink] Sax. W Siddeley

2<sup>nd</sup> A.A.M.C. pl H. Aust [sp?]

[drawn calendar, in ink]

August 1915

#### SMTWTFS

S M. T. W. T. F. S. 29 30 31

September

2 3 1 4 5 6 7 8 9 <del>10</del> <del>11</del> <del>12</del> <del>13</del> <del>14</del> <del>15</del> <del>16</del> <del>17</del> <del>18</del> 19 <del>20</del> <del>21</del> <del>22</del> <del>23</del> <del>24</del> 25 26 27 28 29 30

Sax. W. Siddeley

2<sup>nd</sup> A.A.M.C.

His book [end page 33]

[in ink, with ticks in pencil]

56 √ [tick] 60

55√

53√ 67

50√ 62

87√

Hosp [symbol] 48√

Hospt√

46√

42 am √

58

72 We They

64

70 <del>30</del> 48

52

40 84

63√

67√ 86

47√

59

54

51

Game

45√

49√

68√

66√

[in ink, medical supplies and instructions]

[shorthand symbol] PA Mercury

[shorthand symbol] 1. 5000. 1. 2500

Gonorrhor ophthalmia [Gonorrhoea Ophthalmia, Gonorrhoea infection of the eye]

Corrosive Smwhini [sp? Silver nitrate? (a treatment for Gonorrhoea Ophthalmia)]

1.500. Sig. [symbol]

drobs [drops?] in orbits [symbol, 3 times a day?]

eye to be covered [symbol, with?] antiseptic dressing [symbol] surgeon think

advisable wet dressing be used

Ophthalmic tools

[three lines of loose shorthand symbols, pencil]

...because...goods...you can...colour...can/give...include some steam as well.

[end page 34]

[written landscape format, ink]

Johnnie Walker

395 Sydney Rd

Coburg

[written horizontally/normally]

John e Walker

Lead Gutato [sp?] grXX [20 grams?]

Pulo OpiÜ [sp?] grXX [20 grams?]



aw Stalad [sp?] O

Sig Ringo [sp?] post cit et diem ex et Kneeups [sp?]

SWS [S.W.Siddeley's signature] [end page 35]

Tuesday Afternoon

19<sup>th</sup> Sept. Mrs r

Nut [sp?] Blockett

[written landscape format]

146. W. Broadway

Salem

**New Jersey** 

N.S.N

[written horizontally/normally]

H. Blacket

A Co [A company?]

11<sup>th</sup> Bt [Battalion]

Ascot Vale.

SW Campt [sp?]

[List of pharmaceuticals in pencil]

Pulveris Sapouio Duri

**Pulveris Judis** 

Pulveris ossis Sepiae āā gr XXX

Olu Meuthae piperipe m [symbol]



Crela Praecipitate ad [symbol]

husee [sp?] fiat Dentifricune [sp?]

S. jh Ridgway.

12.10.XV. [12.10.1915]

Wednesday

Gherater [sp?] Society

Tuesday

**Trinity Dinner** 

+ Social [end page 36]

[Back page of diary, written landscape format, in ink]

178 Cpl N. A. Cook

Australian Base Details

**Head Quarters** 

G.M.P.

Zietoun [sic] Egypt [decorative flourish]

Meditteranean [sic]

[back cover of diary, landscape format, ink]

Sax. W. Siddeley

Swindon Villa No.1. Cyril St

St. Kilda

Melb

Aust.

Staff S/M [Sergeant Major] Siddeley



Dardanelles [decorative flourish]

MAC [Medical Army Corp?] [end page 37]

[end Diary 3]