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 Instructions regarding War Diaries and Intelligence
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WAR DIARY
 OR
 INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(51/4 UZ HAMPSHIRE REGT

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Hour, Date, Place. Summary of Events and Information. Remarks and references to Appendix

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of our firing line at a point about 250' from the enemy's advanced trench where the enclosure was terminated by a short cross bank. At this point the advance was delayed for the bridging operations and during this delay the Commanding officer was wounded and shortly after the Adjutant was killed. Major STILLWELL then assumed command. It was found impossible to throw the barge across the mouth of the MEJENINAH creek as the SUMANA's engines were disabled by shell fire before the barges stern could be brought in to the bank. During this operation No 3 Coy suffered severely from shell and rifle fire. The 4th Pioneers & sappers & miners then succeeded in erecting two single plank trestle bridges and when they were in position Major McLeod of 2nd Gurkhas (commanding the firing line) ordered the advance. The creek was after all found to be fordable and the line formed up and fixed bayonets under cover of the N bank.