

**Papers re arrangements for Red Cross units, and Carter's recruitment to
No. 1 Welsh Unit of the B.R.C.S in Serbia**

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BRITISH RED CROSS HOSPITAL.

Fine Art School.

Constantinople.

6th. November 1912.

Dear Hastings,

Would you please tell the Committee that the Turkey Units duly arrived on the 5th November at Constantinople. That I at once called on the ambassador who thought that Sir E. Cassell's Manager, Mr. Kingham, had made all arrangements, referred me also to Omar Bessim Pasha, a doctor by profession, and a Director of the Ottoman Red Crescent Society. This Society sent a representative to meet us, and we, he and I, and Dr. Page went together to inspect the proposed building for a base hospital. It is a fine airy and clean building for a base with room in it for medical officers, orderlies and about 150 patients - situated near Seraglio point in Stamboul, and used as a Fine Art school in connection with the Imperial Museum. This we found suitable and the Red Crescent promised us mattresses, water laid on, and light, as well as fuel. At our suggestions they arranged for a kitchen and allowed us to make field latrines, refuse destructor etc. But they asked us not to come in for a day on account of necessary work and suggested our going to the Pera Palace Hotel for the night. As this would have cost at the present scale of prices at least £100, I declined, and arranged with the Captain of our Paquet boat to let us stay on board another day on payment. The ship put herself to great inconvenience for us and we owe her commander much gratitude. The extra payments for lodging and meals for 24 hours for 56 people came only to about £18.10.--.

Dr. Page and I also visited a proposed temporary hospital near the Customs House, where Sir Richard Crawford offered to find us food for patients and transport. But unfortunately the warehouse available was damp and dark and pronounced by Dr. Page to be extremely unsuitable for sick men.

We had offers of houses from Miss Burgess of Koum Kapu, from Dr. Clemow late of the Embassy, and from a Turkish gentleman on the Asiatic side of the Bosphorus. Any or all of them we might afterwards use, but they are all very widely separated and without refusing any of them I did not close for the present.

I heard privately in the Embassy of the apparently desperate state of the Turkish Army and cause, and of the consequent bitter feeling among the Moslems against the Christians, and the tendency to panic among the latter. But as all this will have been now in the newspapers I need not enlarge upon it, only mentioning it as an additional reason for keeping our Unit in one locality if I could.

So much for November 5th.

On November 6th. (to-day) we moved early in to the Fine Art school, now a Red Cross Hospital. The Ottoman Red Crescent (which by the way is the name of the official

Ottoman Society charged with the succour of the wounded) most kindly finding us baggage carts.

A very busy day was spent in laying down mattresses, unpacking and arranging stores - buying food - making latrines etc. - Every facility was given us. The rooms are empty with board floors, except that reserved for an operation theatre which has a stone floor. The water supply is not yet finished but will be to-morrow. The drinking water is not very good and must be boiled. A kitchen will be made in about 4 days I hope. At present we use a field kitchen.

We were visited by Lady Lowther, wife of the Ambassador, by Mr. Waugh, British Consul, and Dr. McLean, Embassy medical officer, Dr. Osborn, Omar Bessim Pasha, and many members of the Ottoman Society and various others.

Hearing from Lady Lowther that Mr. Gerard heard that the wounded at Chataldja were in a terrible condition - there being neither food nor doctors, and only those who can crawl to the train having much chance of life - I am asking him to support me with the War Minister in a proposal to send a unit or small party at once to Chataldja or thereabouts to collect dress and despatch wounded to our base hospital.

With our personnel it is obvious that we can once established, look after more than 150 beds and therefore it is decided not to go to Chataldja. I am ready to take over another 200 bedded building, or rather a building sure to be empty but capable of holding 200 patients.

The health of Constantinople is uncertain. Small pox is said to be rife, and cholera if not already existing is suspected and feared. All our party were vaccinated and inoculated against typhoid on board ship.

Dr. Page and a stretcher party meet the train of wounded at the station to-morrow morning - about five minutes from here - so as to chose as far as may be his cases and transport them quickly to the hospital. Many of them it is said are nearly dying of starvation.

Mr. Kingham, Sir Ernest Cassell's Manager, has been doing all he possibly could to prepare for our arrival and to help us in every way.

The City is in confusion, and the Government uncertain. It is plain to me that we must really depend as we are already doing, upon ourselves entirely to feed patients as well as staff. We are it is true promised rations, but I am expecting difficulties about it.

I have not cabled to you thinking it for the moment an unnecessary expense.

Yours sincerely,

C. H. M. DOUGHTY-WYLIE.

BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter, 1908.

9, Victoria Street,
LONDON, S.W.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR DIRECTORS OF BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.

THE DIRECTOR :

1. Is the chief officer of the British Red Cross Society in the area of operations allotted to him.

2. He has complete control of the personnel within his area.

3. He shall be responsible for the rationing of the units under his control, and must make such arrangements as the conditions in the country indicate.

4. He shall be responsible for the maintenance of the equipment and organisation of transport and supplies necessary for the units in his area.

5. He shall not pledge the funds of the British Red Cross Society without the sanction of the London Committee.

6. On arrival within his area he shall report himself to the Chief Military and Military Medical Authorities, as well as to the official representatives of Great Britain (if any).

7. He will be careful to carry out such orders as are conveyed to him by the responsible Military Authorities, and will regard himself, subject to such orders as he may receive from the Society in England, as under the control of the Chief Army Medical Authority.

8. He will be careful to impress upon all those officers and subordinate officials of the Red Cross Society the necessity upon all occasions of obedience to the Military Authorities.

9. He will keep a careful account of all expenditure incurred on behalf of the Red Cross Society, supporting this by vouchers when possible.

10. He will forward a weekly report to Society, and if required, furnish a copy of such report to the Chief Military Medical Authority in his area. He will keep a diary.

On matters of special importance he should telegraph to the London Committee.

11. No communications should be made to the Press either by the Director or those serving under him.

Subject to the above Regulations the Director will bear in mind that the resources of the Society are at present very limited. In the first instance he will utilise to the best advantage the stores and personnel at his disposal, but the Committee are anxious that he should, as quickly as possible after arrival in his area, acquaint them with the most pressing necessities of the situation. In general terms it may be stated that his first care shall be the care of the sick and wounded, but as the position develops it may become necessary to consider the extension of the Society's work to other victims of the war, more especially to suffering women and children. Since it is impossible for the Committee at this early period of the war to issue more definite instructions than those now given, the Director must bear in mind that the Committee can only rely upon him as to the future work. It is therefore essential that in advising the Society he should fully appreciate the responsibility which the Society asks him to accept. It is of the very highest importance that he and those serving under him should render implicit obedience to the Authorities of the State with which they are serving and should do all they can to cultivate cordial relations with those with whom they come in contact.

In any case of insubordination or of improper or unsatisfactory conduct the Director has full authority to discharge the offender.

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Telegraphic Address:
"ASSISTANCE, VIC. LONDON."

Telephone No.:
5580 Victoria.



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THE SECRETARY.

and the following number quoted:

B.F.

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BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.

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BRITISH RED CROSS BALKAN FUND.

31st December 1912.

Dear Sir,

At the request of certain members of your Units, prior to leaving England, allotments of pay have been made in accordance with the enclosed Statements (in triplicate), to the 31st December 1912. Such allotments will be continued until the repatriation of the Units, or any individual members thereof, pending instructions to the contrary.

It would be a great help if you would kindly check the enclosed, fill in any sums which may have been advanced by you, against the names of any ^{to whom advances have been made} ~~such~~ on the Statement, and further add the names and amounts advanced to any, not included thereon. Kindly return only copy only, signed, to me at as early a date as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Frank Hastings
Secretary.

P.S.

A copy of the Montenegro Statement is also enclosed for information.

Surgeon-General Bourke. C.B.
British Legation,
Belgrade.
Servia.

*Major Douglas V.C. £50.
Please let me have the
pay sheets back as soon
as possible - sign them &
I will counter sign them
4 Jan 12 [initials]*

Mrs. Preston

19 West Bank,

Stamford Hill

London N.

Mrs. Carter

Went House

Market Street

Dalton in Furness

Lancs.

British Red Cross

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Service No. Welsh Unit

2

Mr William Daniel Arthur

St Marys Hospital London W.

Mr Douglas Valentines

24 Rosenthal Road Cufford London S.E.

Serge Charles Burch 26 Westmorland Place Piccadilly London S.W.

Coppl John Henry Birchmore 28 Avenue Road Camberwell London S.E.

Joseph Thompson 50 Wickersley Road Lavender Hill London S.W.

Alfred Miles 28 Broad St Lambeth London S.E.

Edward Arthur Marsh 270 Wilmot St Bethnal Green London E

Leonard Caddick 42 Hill St Blaenavon Monmouthshire
S. Wales

Frederick Ottoway Railway Cottages Wendover Rd Staines Surrey

Edwin Eustace Joselyne 90 Miss Kingham 91 Sutherland Avenue
Maida Vale London S.W.

William Henry Lewis 39 Arnold St Mountain Ash Glamorganshire
S. Wales

William Hoskin 50 Hinton Rd Loughbore Junction Horns Hill
London S.E.

James Brewer 40 Skidmore St Stepney London E

M^r Richard Preston 19 West Bank Stamford Hill London N.

M^r Charles Carter Went House Market Street

Dalton-in-Furness

Lancashire

British Red Cross

1.

Serbia No 1 Webster

Capt H. St M Carter R. A. M. C.
Royal Victoria Hospital
Netley. Hants.

Capt H. R. Moxon R. A. M. C. T. F
1 Park Crescent Portland Place
London W.

Dr C. R. Hudgeon. Westminster Hospital
London W.

Dr Welby Earle Fisher F. R. C. S.
Clarence House
Cheltenham

Confined for drunk
(addict) } Lewis } Dec 1st to 14th 1912

Brewer 3rd to 9th 1912

Miles 3rd " 2nd Jan 1912-13

Lewis 14th till we leave 1913.

Signed Sergt Burch

H. S. Carter

Capt. R. A. M. C.

Comd. S. S. N. O. 1

17 Jan 1913

British Red Cross Society.

SERVIA—Unit No. 1.

Commandant - Captain H. St. M. CARTER, R.A.M.C.

156.	CAPT. H. ST. M. CARTER,	R.A.M.C.	} Surgeon. In Command
175.	H. R. MOXON -	-	Surgeon.
158.	W. FISHER, F.R.C.S.	-	„
157.	C. R. DUDGEON -	-	„ (Supernumerary)
159.	WM. D. ARTHUR -	-	Dresser.
160.	DOUGLAS VALENTINE -	-	„
161.	RICHARD PRESTON -	-	„
173.	CHARLES BURCH -	-	Sergeant.
163.	EDWIN JOSCELYNE -	-	Nursing Orderly.
164.	FRED OTTAWAY -	-	„
165.	GEORGE FARNELL -	-	„
166.	WILLIAM H. LEWIS -	-	„
172.	ALFRED MILES -	-	Cook.
168.	JOSEPH THOMPSON -	-	General Duty Orderly.
169.	E. A. MARSH -	-	„
170.	WM. HOSKIN -	-	„
171.	JOHN BIRCHMORE -	-	„
167.	THOMAS BREWER -	-	„
174.	LEONARD CADDICK -	-	„
162.	CHARLES CARTER -	-	„ <i>died on Service</i>

ITINERARY.

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(Via Folkestone, Flushing and Cologne)

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| <i>Carter</i> | 159. | WM. D. ARTHUR | <i>5th</i> | Dresser. |
| <i>Fisher</i> | 160. | DOUGLAS VALENTINE - | <i>3^d</i> | " |
| <i>Moxon</i> | 161. | RICHARD PRESTON | <i>5th Anaesthetist</i> | <i>some</i> |
| <i>A ✓</i> | 173. | CHARLES BURCH | <i>A-154</i> | Sergeant. |
| <i>A ✓</i> | 163. | EDWIN JOSCELYNE | <i>R.A.M.C.</i> | Nursing Orderly. |
| <i>N</i> | 164. | FRED OTTAWAY | <i>R.A.M.C.</i> | " |
| <i>A</i> | 165. | GEORGE FARNELL | <i>Borden</i> | " |
| | 166. | WILLIAM H. LEWIS - | <i>extra cook</i> | <i>R.A.M.C. & Nathans</i> |
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| <i>C</i> | 169. | E. A. MARSH - | <i>lincol. IP</i> | " |
| | 170. | WM. HOSKIN - | <i>Borden</i> | " |
| <i>A</i> | 171. | JOHN BIRCHMORE | <i>4th Regt</i> | " |
| <i>N</i> | 167. | THOMAS BREWER | <i>R.A.M.C. + King's</i> | " |
| <i>A</i> | 174. | LEONARD CADDICK | <i>- Wore</i> | " |
| <i>C</i> | 162. | CHARLES CARTER | <i>- S Africa</i> | " <i>Clark</i>
<i>died on Service</i> |

Carter - Arthur - Ottawa → ^{Praver} Thompson → ^{Carter} Clerk
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Bk rooms ^{day} _{night}

Martins

Kitchen

Co Office

Op Theatre

Store room

Infections

Surgical

Medical

You are to proceed to Belgrade with as little delay as possible and place your services and those of the Orderly attached to you at the disposal of the General Officer commanding.

Please also report your arrival to the British Representative.

Between yourself and your Colleague there is no question of seniority. Although you are independent of one another, it is to be hoped that you will work together.

All the stores dispatched with your party or sent out after your departure are in the sole charge of Dr. Wagstaffe, who is responsible to the Society for their safe keeping, and their proper disposal.

The Orderly...Albert..Bond.....is in all matters subordinate to you, and for his work and good conduct you are answerable.

(signed) Frederick Treves

Chairman Balkan Relief Committee.

BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.

SERVIA - Relief Section.

Commandant - Major H. E. M. Douglas, V.C., D.S.O.

Major H. E. M. Douglas, V.C., D.S.O.) Surgeon
) In
) Command.

Captain H. St. M. Carter, R.A.M.C. Surgeon.

Woislaw Petrovitch. Clerk.

A. Bond. Nursing Orderly.

1913.

I T I N E R A R Y .

Monday	July 19.	Victoria (S. E. & C. Rly).	depart	8. 30 p. m.
		Folkestone	depart	10. 30 p. m.
Tuesday	" 20.	Flushing	arrive	4. 0 a. m.
		"	depart	4. 30 ²⁰ a. m.
		Hanover <i>Cologne</i>	arrive	1. 30 p. m. <i>9.56 a.m.</i>
		" <i>Frankfurt</i>	arrive	2. 44 p.m. <i>1.57 p.m.</i>
		"	depart	7. 26 p. m. <i>4.36 p.m.</i>
Wednesday	" 21.	Vienna (N. W. Station).	arrive	7. 27 ²⁰ a. m.
		" drive to Staat Station.	depart	9. 10 a. m.
		Buda Pest	arrive	1. 40 p. m.
		"	depart	3. 20 p. m.
		Belgrade.	arrive	10. 48 p. m.

СРПСКЕ ДРЖАВНЕ ЖЕЛЕЗНИЦЕ

(Остаје код војника као билета)

ГЛАВНА БЕОГРАДСКА СТАНИЦА

Команда.....

Дупликат

Бр.

Објава Бр. 41757

Војни обавезник

Сарт. Ж. С. М. Сатер-а

и Е. М. Барута и још ^{друга} десетнаест миља

полази према наређењу бр. 2453 са железничке станице овд. у Скопље ради

Има право на бесплатну возњу у I класи.

6. новембра 1912. г.

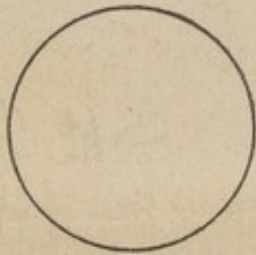
у Београд

Мајор

Поштом издаваоца објаве

Важи само за путовање појединих обавезника.

Напомена. Војни обавезник дужан је обе објаве показати шефу станице, који једну одузима а другу пошто жигом враћа и она служи као билета; ову за време војње мора показати кондуктеру, а по свршетку војње предати му је.



Возарина

за билета класе по дин.

Свега дин.

СА ДАТУМОМ

ЛИНЕ

ЗЕЛ.

СТАНИЦЕ

Telegraphic Address:
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9, VICTORIA STREET,
LONDON, S.W.

8th April 1913.

Dear ~~Mr.~~ *Carter*,

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter which has been received from Mr. W. D. Peckham, the British Vice Consul at Uskub, forwarding a cheque in payment for the coffin of the late Mr. M. Carter of the Servian Unit, and I should be ever so much obliged if you would kindly let us have your opinion as to whether you think the Society ought to pay for this.

We are having a Meeting of the Medical Relief Committee on Thursday and I should be grateful if you could let me have a reply by return in order that I may submit the same to the Committee.

yours faithfully,

Frank Hastings
Secretary.

Captain H. St. Muir Carter,
Officers Mess,
Netley.

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COPY.

BRITISH VICE-CONSULATE,

USCUB.

March 25th 1913.

Sir,

I transmit herewith cheque for £5. 3. 9, made payable to the treasurer, British Red Cross Society, being the equivalent, at current exchange, of the sum of 140 dinars silver, which sum has been handed to me by the Servian Military authorities as payment for the coffin of the late Mathias Carter of the British Red Cross Hospital here.

I am, Sir,

your obedient servant,

(signed)

W.D. Peckham,

Vice-Consul.

The Secretary,

British Red Cross Society,

9, Victoria Street,

London.

Telegraphic Address:
"MENSARIUS, WESTRAND, LONDON."

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IN REPLY PLEASE
QUOTE REFERENCE

P

3, Whitehall Place,

London, S.W. 13th. August, 1913.

ENCLOSURES

Captain H. St. M. Carter,
R.A.M. Corps.
Hotel Bristol,
Belgrade,
Servia.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 10th. Instant, we are informed by the War Office, that you have been granted leave for service with the British Red Cross Society in the East, for a period of three months, in the first instance, which may be extended.

Should you propose to communicate with the War Office yourself on the subject, please quote their letter to us No. 0152/4597 (A.M.D.l.), dated 19th. July, 1913.

The further contents of your letter have attention.

We remain, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Holden

Be