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I embarked on the 11th November, 1915, on the "Orsova" and as there were so many sisters and so little sickness we only went on duty occasionally. We arrived in Port Said, and entrained for Cairo where I was sent to No. 1 A.G.H. Heliopolis, and was there on duty from December until March when it was closed down. I was in the surgical ward, where the work was not very heavy as it was after the evacuation of Gallipoli. We worked there under excellent conditions.

Food was very good, and the place had been established for some time. I then went to No. 3 A.G.H., Abbassia, and remained with them for about two months, during which time the work was very light.

I then went to the Citadel Palace Hospital where I was for about six weeks awaiting a Hospital Ship. We were treated very kindly whilst at the Citadel. In July, I went for a short time to the 15th General, at Alexandria, where again the work was very light, and on the 30th July, I went on the "Grantully Castle". It was a British Hospital Ship, and there were only two Australian Sisters, the rest of the staff being British, but exceptionally kind to us. We went to Salonica and brought down wounded and sick from there. I did Mediterranean transport for about seven months, and was very sorry to leave. Owing to the Submarine menace we had to be taken off that route, and for four months I did the Southampton to Le Havre route on the same ship. We brought over the heavy cases from France to England, and used Carrell Dakin's method on the boat, for severe wounds,

I was then transferred to No. 3 A.A.H., Dartford for 12 months, where the work was very severe, as we were getting in cases from other Hospitals. Whilst with the British we could get anything and the Australian Red Cross was very good to us. I fully realised how much they were doing, when we had picked up a number of survivors from Athens, who were absolutely destitute, and we were able to equip them well, with the contents of "Sydney Bage" which we found in the hold, provided by the Red Cross.

I then went to France, to No. 3 A.G.H., Abbeville, and there we had a large General Hospital, where the work was medical. The hours of duty varied with the work.

I remained there until they closed, and then came to No. 3, A.A.H., Dartford, again, where I am now waiting transport to Australia.

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