

# EXTRACT FROM WAR DIARY OF 11<sup>TH</sup> LIGHT HORSE REGIMENT

7 November 1917

Tel-el-Sheria

*Circumstances of death of 1735 Trooper Thomas Albert Bennett and 10 others*

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|  | 1330 | ... and because of some horses were kept under cover.<br>Made good the above position by this time. About this time a troop under Lieut. A.R. Brierty it was reported in occupying a position that was opposed strongly by enemy |
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| Sheria | 7th<br><i>Nov/17</i> | machine Gun, was led into a trap, just at the junction of the small wadi which branches off towards the wadi Kerkity running North West. The enemy it is reported threw up their hands and after Lt. Brierty and his troop had passed them deliberately turned and fired on him from behind after he had galloped past this trench. After galloping past these men and dismounting for action very heavy fire was opened on him from front and right and left and rear almost annihilating the troop. Lt. Bartlett on Lt. Brierty's left came to his assistance with hotchkiss and rifle fire accounting for as was discovered subsequently one German Officer and twenty Turkish infantry. The total casualties in Lt. Brierty's troop is Killed // Wounded. / Lt. Brierty and Sgt. Thistlewaite and one Other rank were the only ones who came out of the troop alive, both Lt. Brierty and Sgt. Thistlewaite were wounded |
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