

**The following notes, taken from the book version of the diaries,
were put together as a starting point by the writer, Morgan Lloyd-Malcolm
(The 'P' numbers refer to pages in the published book, *A Nurse at the Front*)**

Sections to explore physically perhaps. Or at least discuss different approaches!

P.29 - Having a bath!

P.37/38 - E very descriptive about what she is seeing - potential song - the contrast between the peace and calm of the asylum as war rages on the horizon.

P46 - Concert - 12th division - some men came from trenches to perform (is this our choir?) They were music hall performers.

P.58/59 - bombardments - 'revelation of what war can be like'

P.62 - receiving package from home - warm clothes and pyjamas

Wouldn't allow animals to stay alive in these conditions - can scarcely breath for brain matter oozing down throat.

P.67/68 - King visits - salute him - get splashed with mud. P.70 - king injured

P.68 - Non-stop rain all day.

P.69 - Injuries - leg blown off whilst fixing gun

P.71 - All saints day - hymns sung

P.72 - Writing a letter for a man - a Canadian - v worried that he was too ill to go on sentry duty - she reassures him he doesn't need to and instead is going to see his mother (dead)

P.73 - Self inflicted wound with 3 different stories told of how it happened.

P. 74 - Expresses love of surgery

P. 76 - She moves to Gen. Hosp No. 1 Etretat.

P. 76/77 - Lady Giffords place en route - lovely beds - food served by French - rowdy French officers and soldiers banging tables to be served.

P. 81/82 - Calm relaxation. VAD's introduced.

P. 83 - Neuralgia. Also a story of cursed mill that caused stream to go onto beach. Local women use it to rinse sheets and dry them on the sand.

P.84 - Indian Prince story. Suggestion of a play being produced for the men for xmas. Lena Ashwell's Concert Party.

P. 85/86/87 - Xmas decortations and preparations. Creating sketches to perform - 300 admitted - 41 to Edie - still manage to decorate. Manages to organise stockings to distribute. Becomes Sister - receive pay and wear stripes. Xmas day - big lunch and show. Had dinner in officers mess. Songs and stories.

P.90 - NYE - 'Who am I' game.

P.91 - Name mentioned in despatches.

P. 93 - Battle of Loos

P.95 - V. quiet.

P.100 - Annoying tract obsessed VAD

P. 101 - Sketch of fishing boat.

- P. 105 - Sketch of wind blowing up skirts - gales.
- P. 106 - Snow.
- P. 108 - Letter from home arrives.
- P. 109 - Kerr - writing to his mother. Reference to smoking a lot.
- P. 110/111 - Kerr dies - 12 march - kisses him first for his mother then for herself. Tells him what death is like and it's true for him. Very busy - lots of convoys.
- P. 112/113 - Irish orderlies - St. Patricks Day parade with a band. Describes the sea as angry.
- P.113/114 - Day trip with her girls.
- P. 115 - England V Ireland football match. England win 2-1.
- P. 118/119 - Moves from Casino 3+4 and goes to Roche D. Sister Thomas has operation and Edie looks after her.
- P. 120 - Local hairdresser gives birth in woods and abandons baby - arrested.
- P. 121 - walk - cake, cigarette and book - 5th biggie since Nov. Cook makes her a cake.
- P. 123 - Submarines. Meets up with St. Barts friends. 3am walk on the veranda - stars and sea.
- P.124 - organises photos of graves of men for relatives back home.
- P.126 - tidies graves and plants primroses of Colonel Thackery, Captain Hammond, Kerr, Sawden.
- P.131 - gets back from leave at home.
- P. 135 - thunderstorm mucks up picnic with Massey.
- P. 142 - Loathes the CO.
- P143 - Maddox - kicked in stomach by horse - child with arms cut off by germans.
- P.144 - tale of Sapper blowing up German dugouts.
- P. 145 - Rigid corpses killed by gas. All dead in positions they were sitting in. Bathing rules arrive. Convoy of 300 arrive which overfills hospital.
- P. 146 - Buried alive.
- P.147 - drawing of local life on Ascension day.
- P.150 - Naval battle with terrible fatalities.
- P.152 - Evening trip with Maxey and Constable to English lady's garden to gather armfuls of flowers for graves.
- P.154 - Excitement about the great advance.
- P.155 - *On the way back we discussed whether or not it was possible to bear another person's mental burden. I said yes, to help them bear it, but Madame was not certain.*
- P. 157 - awaiting the big push. calm before the storm
- P.158 - bathed
- P.159 - Convoy comes in. One soldier tells of being very lucky not to be dead.