

No. 2916. Lee Capt Aldham got into
 2nd German line ^{with} about 12 men of
 7 Batts. in about 10 mins. went
 up communicating trench towards
 German 3rd line with Butts. about
 10 or 15 yards. French badly knocked
 about could not get any further.
 Then they got up on top & started for
 German 3rd line with Butts. who
 was then hit in leg. The 5 or 6 who
 were left got into a shell hole &
 stayed about 5 mins. Butts. was
 hit in advance of this shell hole
 but crawled back to it & fired 2
 or 3 rifle grenades from it & then tried
 to get back to 2nd German line
 while the party stayed on in the shell hole.
 but was not seen again.
 The party left the shell hole & got
 back into C.T. to go towards 2nd
 G. line

which was quite clear of either ourselves
 or them
 They got into this, & then went
 across open to 15th G. Line when
 they could see Capt. Leeman standing
 above parapet. ~~off~~ They reached this
 line, ^{when they found about 12 of our men} & about 2 men afterwards Capt.
 Leeman was hit through the
 jaw. They were then bombed from
 3 sides & Capt. Leeman told them
 to get back to our own line.
 Her Capt. Oldham got part of the way
 back when he saw about 7 wounded
 men in a shell hole. He got in too
 & helped to dress their wounds &
 stayed there till night - when 4 men
 got back themselves to our line
 & the other 3 were brought in by stretcher
 bearers -
 In the German 15th line he saw ^{of our men} one
~~man~~ fire a red rocket from top of
 parapet. This is the only effort
 at signalling he saw.

In front German when he got in
were 2 large dugouts. The glass in
window of one had not even been
cracked. But on the whole he saw
a great deal of damage to all
German trenches & C.T.S.
