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Letters from Gallipoli

By Robert Lee

Troubador Publishing. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Letters from Gallipoli, Robert Lee, 'We shall be in our fatigues on Xmas day and not in our winter quarters as we had hoped. We shall probably have a fairly easy day wherever we are unless Johnny Turk takes it into his head to have a pop at us which would certainly break the monotony.' These were the words that Private Bert Lee of the 7th Battalion Manchester Regiment wrote to his mother from the Gallipoli campaign on 15th December 1915. Tragically for Bert and his family, 'Johnny Turk' did break the monotony and late on the evening of Christmas Day Bert was shot dead by a Turkish sniper. However, his letters home to his mother survived and they tell a moving tale of the optimism, discomforts, deprivations and camaraderie of the troops who fought in that ill-fated campaign. Bert Lee's great nephew, Robert Lee, discovered an old folder in his late father's effects entitled 'Letters from the Dardanelles' together with a photo of Bert's sad and lonely grave on the Gallipoli Peninsula. He decided that these remarkable documents should be made available to a wider audience, especially with the centenary of...



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