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Evening Star. 7 July 1915

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Timaru Herald. 20 July 1915 (Papers Past) [22/12/2013]

ROLL OF HONOUR

CASUALTIES AT THE DARDANELLES.

Per Press Association.

WELLINGTON, July 19.

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