

Bloody October

The New Zealand Division before Passchendaele



In this photo of an exhausted New Zealand stretcher bearer, the eyes say it all. The October battles of 1917 destroyed the combat effectiveness of the four divisions of Godley's II ANZAC including Major-General Sir Andrew Russell's New Zealanders and Major-General John Monash's 4th Australians. Why did it happen and who do we blame?

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