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Kostebup Huts	Jan 1 <sup>st</sup>	16	Lt Colonel Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Interview at Brigade Head quarters. Day quiet and men enjoying New Year's day as best they can.	Cloudy ML
N <sup>o</sup>	Jan 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Lt Colonel Leckie commanding. Bathing parades and rifle inspection. Lecture to Officers in the morning by Captain Brothers on Grenades and in the afternoon lecture by Professor Fletcher on war in Flanders. Day quiet and men resting.	Rain ML
N <sup>o</sup>	Jan 3 <sup>rd</sup>		Lt Colonel Leckie commanding. Relieved 15 <sup>th</sup> Batt 4 to 6. 30 P.M. Visited trenches evening.	Fine ML
Tobacco	Jan 4 <sup>th</sup>		Lt Colonel Leckie commanding. Interview at Brigade. Visited trenches in evening. 4 men wounded in C1. N <sup>o</sup> 2 Coy. Attitude of enemy quiet but alert. Very quiet with little of real importance.	Dull rain ML



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Kostebup Huto	Jan 1 <sup>st</sup>	16	Lt Colonel Leekie D.S.O. Commanding Interview at Brigade Head quarters. Day quiet and men enjoying New Year's day as best they can.	Cloudy ML
D.	Jan 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Lt Colonel Leekie commanding. Bathing parades and rifle inspection. Lecture to Officers in the morning by Captain Brothers on Grenades and in the afternoon lecture by Professor Fletcher on war in Flanders. Day quiet and men resting.	Rain ML
D.	Jan 3 <sup>rd</sup>		Lt Colonel Leekie commanding. Relieved 15 <sup>th</sup> Batt 4 to 6. 30 P.M. Visited trenches evening.	Fine ML
Islandia	Jan 4 <sup>th</sup>	15	Lt Colonel Leekie commanding. Interview at Brigade. Visited trenches in evening. 4 men wounded in C1. N° 2 Coy. Attitude of enemy quiet but alert. Very quiet with little of real importance.	Dull rain ML

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Trenches 142 C1-2	Jan 5 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leckie commanding. Visited trenches morning and evening. German artillery showed more activity but general attitude of enemy was quiet. The intelligence summaries reveal little. The usual working parties and progress work.	Fine M
D.	6 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leckie commanding. The usual visit to the trenches. Trenches shelled by enemy in the morning. One officer and 4 men wounded. Intermittent rifle fire. Attitude quiet and alert. Nothing in intelligence summary of value to Historian.	Dull M
D.	7 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leckie commanding. Trenches morning and evening. Enemy artillery again active, but no observations to make. Relieved by 15 <sup>th</sup> Battalion.	Cloudy Yesd.
Red Lodge Reserve	8 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leckie commanding. Rifle and foot inspection. Usual working parties. Meeting of O Co at Brigade. Quiet.	Fine M

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Red No. 2	Jan 9 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leekie commanding. Day quiet with absolutely nothing to record.	Showers.
No.	10 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leekie commanding. Heavy bombardment (Allies) to North 3.45. More quiet and uninteresting.	Fine.
No.	11 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leekie commanding. Relieved 15 <sup>th</sup> Battalion 4-6.30 P.M. Relief complete without <del>accident</del> <sup>complication</sup> . Day quiet.	Rain in morning J.P.
French 142- C1-2	12 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leekie commanding. Between 4.15 P.M. enemy artillery active - bombarded C1. C2, General attitude of enemy quiet. Usual progress work and day may be summed up as quiet.	Rainy cloudy
No.	13 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leekie commanding. Attitude of enemy quiet and really nothing of interest worthy of record.	High wind

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Tronches	Jan 14 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>	Lt. Colonel Leekie commanding. Visited Tronches morning and evening. Heavy enemy shelling and 10 men and 2 officers wounded in C2. Attitude of enemy quiet but busy. Apart from shelling of C2 there is little of value to record.	Coll with slight rain Wh The Fine
Do	15 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leekie commanding. Relieved by 15 <sup>th</sup> Battalion. Quiet.	Wh
Kotokop Huts	16 <sup>th</sup> to 19 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leekie commanding. From 16 <sup>th</sup> to 19 <sup>th</sup> inclusive may be summed up as follows:- Working parties; company parades; bathing parades and day parades; foot and rifle inspections and the usual routine when Battalion is lodged in Huts but nothing of historical interest.	Wh Wh

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Trenches 142 C1-2.	Jan 20 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leekie commanding. Visited trenches afternoon and evening. Enemy quiet to restless. Day quiet.	Dull at intervals JH
W.	21 <sup>st</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leekie commanding. Attitude of enemy - in front of C2 very quiet, but working vigorously along the front line parapet. Restless in front of C1 and 142. Rifle fire and sniping negligible. Small enemy shelling in afternoons. Usual progress work and day quiet.	Fine JH
W.	22 <sup>nd</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leekie commanding. Rifle fire and sniping (enemy) nil. Little shelling but 2 men wounded in afternoon. Quiet.	Fair JH
W.	23 <sup>rd</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leekie commanding. Enemy alert but analysis of intelligence summary reveals little of interest. Relieved by 15 <sup>th</sup> Battalion 4.30 - 6.30.	Misty but bright later JH

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Red Lodge Support	Jan 24 <sup>th</sup>	- 2 1/2	Lt. Colonel Leckie commanding. From 24 <sup>th</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup> inclusive there is really little of interest. Usual rifle and foot inspection. Company and bathing parades. Usual working parties and the usual daily routine. On 27 <sup>th</sup> received 15 <sup>th</sup> Battalion	
Trenches 142	Jan 28 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leckie commanding. Visited trenches afternoon and evening. Very quiet all day with nothing to report.	Cloudy
Do. C-1-2.	29 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leckie commanding. Visited trenches morning and evening. Very quiet day all round.	Cloudy & Cold.
Do. 100	30 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Colonel Leckie commanding. Usual progress work. Enemy quiet. Nothing of importance to record.	

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Trenches Jan 142 C1-2	31 <sup>st</sup>		<p>Lt. Colonel Leckie commanding. One of our guns fired 100 rounds at Barrier. Heavy bombardment by enemy to left of us. Visited trenches afternoon &amp; evening. Day on the whole quiet.</p> <p><u>N.B.</u> From a careful perusal of the Commanding Officer's diary; the diary of the second in command, and the intelligence summaries, the month of January may be summed up as follows: - Siege war fare with intermittent bombardments and death on rifle and machine gun fire; progress work - repairing and improvements &amp;c and the usual concerns of siege war fare; but taken all together there is little or nothing of historical importance.</p>	<p>Misty and cold Mk</p> <p>Mk</p>

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Trenches	Feb 1 <sup>st</sup> 16		Lt Colonel Leckie commanding. Attitude of enemy quiet, except that Enemy snipers were busy on Trenches 14-2. TC1 Patrols from C1 and C2 out at intervals of one hour. No. 3 Company Patrol went as far as German wire at T. 6. B. 8.8. They found it very heavy and thick and attached to iron stakes. During the bombardment on the night of the 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan. three different kind of flare lights were seen to be used by the Germans 1 Red at commencement. 2. Green when they ceased firing 3 Blue shortly afterwards probably to indicate that they did not require any more artillery fire. Day without incidents	Cdt. T dull

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Frenchs	Feb 2		Lt. Colonel Leckie commanding. Relieved by 4 <sup>th</sup> C. M. R. Rested for the night - Halls Kot. Ppt	Old
Rest-billet	Feb 3		Marched from Kot. Ppt to rest billets beyond McTern. Left 12. 30 arrived 3. 30 P.M.	W.F.K. clean but cold. W.F.K.
D <sup>o</sup>	- 4 <sup>th</sup>		In the morning Company drill. Inspected various billets. Rifle and feet inspection. Afternoon inspection by General Currie	W.F.K.
D <sup>o</sup>	- 5 <sup>th</sup>		Company drill and marching parades in morning. Platoon drill from 2 to 4 P.M.	W.F.K.
D <sup>o</sup>	- 6 <sup>th</sup>		Church parade Canon Scott officiating. Men resting	W.F.K.

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Rest billets	Feb 7		Lt. Colonel Leckie Commanding. Company drill in the morning. Naval life in rest-billets with no comments	Fine morning but rain later. W.F.K.
Do	8 <sup>th</sup>		Inspected Billets in the morning. Battalion Parade in the morning. Company drill in the afternoon	Fair. W.F.K.
Do	9 <sup>th</sup>		Musketry drill and Company drill. Afternoon drill for Company Grenadiers. No further observations	Fine. W.F.K.
Do	10 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb.		During rest period the following days may be summed up as follows - The usual concerns - Company drill etc. but nothing of importance for the Historian	W.F.K.

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Huts Kook Huts	Feb. 22 <sup>nd</sup>		Major C. W. Peck <del>Lt Colonel Leslie</del> commanding. Battalion marched in heavy snow storm from rest billet to reserve (Kordic Pys.) Relieved Lt. C. M. R. Nothing to record.	Heavy snow storm W.F.K.
Do	23 <sup>rd</sup>		Working party of 200 at night. Company parade and bathing parade in morning.	Cold. W.F.K.
Do	24		Nothing of consequence. Usual drill!	Cold. W.F.K.
Do	25		No observations	Much wind W.F.K.
Do	26 <sup>th</sup>		Warned to relieve 15 Battalion tomorrow (27 <sup>th</sup> ) <del>Nothing to record</del>	W.F.K. Cold. W.F.K.

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Trenches Hals	Feb. 27		Major C.W. Feek commanding. Relieved 15 <sup>th</sup> Battalion and relief complete by 8 PM. Inspected trenches morning and evening. No church parade today	Dull and depressing
Trenches	Feb. 28		Inspected trenches morning. Meeting of Co's 11.30 AM but artillery did some firing in the early morning. Enemy attitude - usual. Sniping active at N. 1 & 4.7. Aeroplanes fairly active. The set of intelligence summaries slow day quiet & uninteresting	W.F.K.
Do.	- 29		Artillery active in morning. Visited trenches morning and evening. Little to record. Day unusually quiet but for some bombardment by 1 <sup>st</sup> Bde. — T.F. Month summed up - A welcome rest!	W.F.K.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Trenches	March 1 <sup>st</sup> 16		Major C. W. Peck Commanding. Visited trenches in morning and evening. Our artillery bombarded heavily from 3 P.M. to 5 P.M. Enemy retaliated on C1. and 142. one casualty.	Cloudy. WSR.
D°	March 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Major C. W. Peck Commanding. Fifth Corps attacked at 4.30. A.M. Our artillery bombarded heavily. Enemy replied weakly. Usual visits to trenches. Some Officers and men from 58 <sup>th</sup> Batta attached for instructing.	Fine WSR.
D°	March 3 <sup>rd</sup>		Major C. W. Peck Commanding. Usual visits to trenches. Short bombardement in afternoon. Some retaliation on C1.	Rain WSR.
D°	March 4 <sup>th</sup>		Major C. W. Peck Commanding. Trenches in morning. No activity of importance. Relieved by the 15 <sup>th</sup> Batta in evening.	Snow & Sleet WSR.
Red Lodge 3de Reserve	March 5 <sup>th</sup>		Major C. W. Peck Commanding. Usual working parties. Quiet.	4 air WSR.
D°	March 6 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Lektie D.S.O. Commanding. Usual working parties. Quiet.	Cold WSR.
D°	March 7 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Lektie D.S.O. Commanding. Working parties. Quiet.	Very Cold WSR.

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Red Lodge	March 8 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. commanding. Quiet.	Clear + Cold V.S.P.
Bde Reserve	March 16 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. commanding. Some shelling, and aeroplane activity.	Clear Cold V.S.P.
D°	March 9 <sup>th</sup>		Major C. W. Peck commanding. Enemy shelled Hill 65. Heavily. Relieved 15 <sup>th</sup> Batta in trenches in evening.	Cold Misty; V.S.P.
D°	March 10 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. commanding. Trenches in afternoon. No activity of any importance.	Dull Cold V.S.P.
Trenches	March 11 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. commanding. Considerable aeroplane activity. Visited trenches in afternoon.	Fine V.S.P.
D°	March 12 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. commanding. Company relief in evening. One officer and three men wounded in night.	Fine V.S.P.
D°	March 13 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. commanding. Attached for instruction. Some shelling. Trenches in afternoon.	Fine V.S.P.
D°	March 14 <sup>th</sup>			Fine V.S.P.

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Trenches	March 15 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Enemy shelled 142. with H.E. usual visit to trenches.	Fair V.S.P.
D°	March 16 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Great aeroplane activity in morning. Enemy shelled the 15 <sup>th</sup> Bath on our left (support points) very heavily with big guns in afternoon.	Fine V.S.P.
D°	March 17 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Quiet day. Relieved by 15 <sup>th</sup> Bath in evening. Come out to D.O. Reserve at KORTE PYP.	Cloudy V.S.P.
KORTE PYP	March 18 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. aeroplanes active in morning. Officers' meeting in evening.	Fine V.S.P.
D°	March 19 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Church parade in morning.	Fair V.S.P.
D°	March 20 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Brig. Gen. Trafford inspected Bath in the afternoon.	Fair V.S.P.
D°	March 21 <sup>st</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. company parades in morning, and Gen Currie inspected Transport in afternoon.	Showers V.S.P.

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D°	March 23/16		Lt. Col. J. E. Lickie D.S.O. Commanding - Marched at 12.30 P.M. for METERIN. arriving at 4.50. P.M.	Dull. NSP
METERIN	March 24/16		Lt. Col. J. E. Lickie D.S.O. Commanding - Draft of twenty nine men arrived.	Snow NSP
D°	March 25/16		Lt. Col. J. E. Lickie D.S.O. Commanding.	Cool. NSP
D°	March 26/16		Lt. Col. J. E. Lickie D.S.O. Commanding - O.C.'s meeting at Bdo. Hq's.	Rain NSP
D°	March 27/16		Lt. Col. J. E. Lickie D.S.O. Commanding - Officers meeting.	Cloudy NSP
D°	March 28/16		Lt. Col. J. E. Lickie D.S.O. Commanding. Marched off at 9. AM. Brigade march to DICKYBUSH. arriving at 3. PM.	Fair NSP

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DIKKBUSH HUTS	March 27/16		Very Cold V.S.P.
TRENCHES AS TO GLOSCOW CROSS	March 30/16		Line V.S.P.
DO.	March 31/16		Line V.S.P.

Summary of Events and Information

Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Left at 12.30 P.M. with advance party, for trenches. Relieved B.N.F. No casualties.

Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Sniping active. eight casualties.

Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. General Tarford visited trenches. eleven casualties.

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T 43 6 Slespore Barr.	Apr. 1st		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Day Fine.	ML
Sto.	Apr. 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Day Fine.	ML
Sto.	Apr. 3 <sup>rd</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Relieved by 15 <sup>th</sup> Bn. in evening.	ML
Swan Château	Apr. 4 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Obliges to keep hidden by day in present quarters. Heavy artillery duel at St. Eloi early this morning.	ML
Sto.	Apr. 5 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Visited Bde. H.Q. in pm.	ML
Sto.	Apr. 6 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Visited Bde. H.Q. in pm. General "stand-to" in morning. 27 <sup>th</sup> + 29 <sup>th</sup> Bns. in fight. Officers of 8 <sup>th</sup> Bn. here.	ML
Sto.	Apr. 7 <sup>th</sup>		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Heavy shelling at St. Eloi at 4.30 pm. Relieved by 8 <sup>th</sup> Bn. in evening.	ML

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Poperinghe	Apr. 8th		Lt. Col. Heckie D.S.O. Commanding. Arrived Poperinghe by train 5 am. In billets.	Mh
Do	Apr. 9th		Lt. Col. Heckie D.S.O. Commanding. Brigadier here in morning & General Currie in afternoon. Church Parade, Canon Scott officiating.	Mh
Do	Apr. 10th		Lt. Col. Heckie D.S.O. Commanding. Col. Marshall called in morning.	Mh
Do	Apr. 11th		Lt. Col. Heckie D.S.O. Commanding. Genl. Tunford inspected transport & stayed for dinner and concert.	Mh
Do	Apr. 12th		Lt. Col. Heckie D.S.O. Commanding. Pipes & Drums played 'Retreat' in the Square. Smoking concert in evening.	Mh
Do	Apr. 13th		Lt. Col. Heckie D.S.O. Commanding. Col. and ten officers left Poperinghe at 3 am to see trenches held by 2nd Bn. returning at noon. Bn. beat 14th Bn. 2-1 at association football. O.C. went to 13th Bn. for Suppr.	Mh Mh

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Poperinghe	Apr. 14th		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding O.C. visited Bde. H.Q. for conference in morning. Genl. Currie called in afternoon and Col. Marshall arrived for supper.	JK JK
Do	Apr. 15th		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding 4 3rd Bn Poper & Drums played here.	JK
Do	Apr. 16th		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Left Poperinghe for trenches at 9.30 pm & relieved 3rd Bn. Heavily shelled on leaving train but no casualties.	JK
T. 33-37	Apr. 17th		Lt. Col. Leckie Commanding Genl. Tusford visited line. Visited trenches in afternoon. One man killed. Heavy shelling on night.	JK
Do	Apr. 18th		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding O.C. visited trenches with Col. Marshall in afternoon.	JK
Do	Apr. 19th		Lt. Col. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Hun attack at St. Elai & Wietzyl. Bn. had heavy trench mortar shelling & suffered 38 casualties. Lt. Buchanan killed and Blent. Amour & Adams wounded.	JK JK

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T. 33-37	Apr 20th		Lt. Col. Reckie D.S.O. Commanding. P.C. went over 16th & 13th Bn. lines with Sgt. Ripsett. 2 men wounded. Weather neck.	gm
Do	Apr 21st		Lt. Col. Reckie D.S.O. Commanding. P.C. visited trenches in afternoon. Sglt. Tunford visited line in morning.	gm
Do	Apr 22nd		Lt. Col. Reckie D.S.O. Commanding. P.C. visited trenches in afternoon. Lt. Horsey (13th Bn.) attached Bde. Trench Mortar, killed in our lines. First anniversary of Second Battle of Ypres.	gm
Do	Apr 23rd		Lt. Col. Reckie D.S.O. Commanding. Col. Marshall, Maj. Clarke & Capt. Magharr visited line. Two men striped - wounded.	gm
Do	Apr 24th		Lt. Col. Reckie D.S.O. Commanding. Big Hum Staff with guns and trench mortars in 5th Bn. to our immediate left in afternoon. Relieved by 15th Bn. in evening. One man killed & one wounded in way to billets. T. 37 knocked down in places.	gm gm

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Bedford House	Apr. 25th		Lt. Col. Leckie D.C.O. Commanding. Some shelling. One man wounded as he was proceeding on leave.	JK
Do	Apr. 26th		Lt. Col. Leckie D.C.O. Commanding. Boche attack on 3rd Bn. on our left and on 2nd Divn. at St. Eloi in afternoon, 6 pm. O.C. dined with Brigadier.	JK
Do	Apr. 27th		Lt. Col. Leckie D.C.O. Commanding. Two Bombers have succeeded in getting bodies of Col. Levin & Capt. Gap from under aeroplane in our front, together with papers, machine gun & engine.	JK JK
Do	Apr. 28th		Lt. Col. Leckie D.C.O. Commanding. Lanktop Chateau on fire, by shells.	JK
Do	Apr. 29th		Lt. Col. Leckie D.C.O. Commanding. Nothing of importance to chronicle.	JK
Do	Apr. 30th		Lt. Col. Leckie D.C.O. Commanding. O.C. visited billets of 1, 2 & 4 Coys. in afternoon. No. 1 & 2 Coys. shelled, 7 casualties. Attack on our right at 1 am.	JK JK

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Bedford House	May	1 <sup>st</sup>	Lieut. Col. J. E. Lecker P.S.O. Commanding. Bombing of Bedford House shelled around 10.30am. Capt. Hall & Lynch wounded also 5 men - Transport shelled, 1 man killed. Attack to West on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Div. Reater off.	Fine JH
		2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lieut. Col. J. E. Lecker P.S.O. Commanding. Heavy shower of rain in afternoon and evening also thunder & lightning. Lieut. Col. J. E. Lecker & Lieut. Sacks went over trenches opposite Hill 65, returned in evening. Followed by 5 <sup>th</sup> Bn in p.m. Moved back to Scottish lines - fine country.	Fine JH
Scottish lines		3 <sup>rd</sup>	Men resting.	Fine JH
"		4 <sup>th</sup>	Very hot. Gen's Carver & Trafford inspected lines in afternoon. Company Parades. Lecture in evening by Col. Floss. A.D. 19 S.	Fine JH
"		5 <sup>th</sup>	Lieut. Col. Lecker visited Byde H.Q. in afternoon.	Fine JH
"		6 <sup>th</sup>	Hot day.	Fine JH
"		7 <sup>th</sup>	Church parade.	Fine JH Showery

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Support Lines	May 8 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie, D.S.O. Commanding. Rain. But Col Leckie attended Conference at Bzde in evening. Company parades	Rain JK
		9 <sup>th</sup>	Officers' meeting in morning. Company parades.	JK
Trenches. 38 & 44		10 <sup>th</sup>	Received 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bn in trenches opposite Hill 60 in evening. 1 man wounded on way in.	JK JK
		11 <sup>th</sup>	Trench markers and emplacements active during afternoon. Lewis lane and "Lobby". 2 Killed & 2 wounded in No 1 Coy in Ts 38 & 39. also 3 men in No 1 Coy wounded by Rifle Grenades & Sniping. Brig Gen Turford & Maj Clarke visited trenches.	JK JK JK
		12 <sup>th</sup>	Enemy active with T.M.s & S.G.s, 10 digouts covered in by S.G.s on "Lobby", 3 Tommies wounded. 1 No 3 Coy man killed by snipers. 1 Hun killed on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Barrage by our Snipers. 1 MG man wounded on Flak party. Canon Scott visited trenches. Total killed & wounded = 16.	JK JK
		13 <sup>th</sup>	Quiet, Enemy only active with T.G.s during evening. 2 men killed & 4 wounded. Total K & W. 22 men.	Rain. JK
		14 <sup>th</sup>	Quiet but for T.G.s. 2 killed & 2 wounded in morning.	Dull, Showers in evening JK

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Trenches 38 to 44	May 16 <sup>th</sup>		<p>Leut Col. J.E. Lecker D.S.O. Commanding. Quiet except for Ft. Gs. 2 men wounded. Col Lecker visited Trenches from 38 to 44 withness.</p> <p>Quiet. Col Marshall 15<sup>th</sup> Bn. visited trenches. Capt Gen Tuxford &amp; Col Snell visited trenches in morning. A few 50s landed along "Cutting" in afternoon. 4 killed by one shell.</p>	<p>Dull. FM Fine FM</p>
	16 <sup>th</sup>		<p>Enemy's light artillery active. T.Ms (enemy's) active in evening but quieted by our Stokes. Col Lecker &amp; Major Peck went over the front line. Enemy straggled our Kitchens party 12 of which were wounded. 2 men wounded by Ft. Gs. 2 M.G. killed &amp; 1 wdd. by T.M.</p>	<p>FM Fine</p>
	17 <sup>th</sup>		<p>Fine, Light artillery, ours and enemy's active, also our 6" Hows and Hill 60. Relieved by 15<sup>th</sup> Bn in evening. Proceeded to Dickbusch Huts without casualties, night clear, moonlight.</p>	<p>FM Fine</p>
	18 <sup>th</sup>		<p>News of Col Marshall being sniped in evening. Working party. Shelling by enemy's heavies &amp; sharpshooter around camp but none closer than 300 yds.</p>	<p>FM Fine</p>
Dickbusch Huts	19 <sup>th</sup>		<p>Working party.</p>	<p>FM Fine</p>
	20 <sup>th</sup>			<p>FM</p>

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<i>Dutchland Huts</i>	<i>May 21<sup>st</sup></i>		<i>Lieut. Col. J.E. Lecker D.S.O. Commanding. Work party</i>	<i>Fine</i> <i>MM</i>
	<i>22<sup>nd</sup></i>		<i>Work party</i>	<i>Fine</i> <i>MM</i>
	<i>23<sup>rd</sup></i>		<i>1 Officer per Company and Unit went over trenches 33 to 37 in morning. Work party.</i>	<i>Fine</i> <i>MM</i>
	<i>24<sup>th</sup></i>		<i>Work party. Rain during evening. 9<sup>th</sup> Lt Col &amp; 11<sup>th</sup> Lt Col returned.</i>	<i>MM</i> <i>Fine &amp; rain</i>
	<i>25<sup>th</sup></i>		<i>Major Peck. commanding Rain during evening. Work party.</i>	<i>MM</i> <i>Fine</i>
	<i>26<sup>th</sup></i>		<i>Major Peck commanding  On march to Connaught Lines.</i>	<i>MM</i> <i>Fine &amp; Rain.</i>
<i>Connaught huts</i>	<i>27<sup>th</sup></i>		<i>Footing</i>	<i>MM</i> <i>Fine</i>
	<i>28<sup>th</sup></i>		<i>Church Parade and Bathing parade for Batten.</i>	<i>MM</i> <i>Fine</i> <i>MM</i>

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<i>Company Lt. Col.</i>	<i>30<sup>th</sup></i> <i>3, 0<sup>0</sup></i>		<i>Major Peck Commanding. Bombing &amp; Company Parades. Received by Prince. &amp; Gen. Currie in afternoon. Promulgation of C.M. No. 4. Company. P. Taylor. Company Parades.</i>	<i>Fine.</i> <i>MA</i> <i>Rain.</i> <i>MA</i> <i>Fine</i> <i>MA</i>

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Comaung Plateau Line.	1st.		Bayonet Exercises by Coy's. Observation Balloon broke loose from vicinity of Loere.	Fine. M
	2nd		Batt. paraded by Coy's for Bombing. Drum tested rifle at Monte-de-Cattis. Stand-by & march, up. Jassie march - leaving 8.30 pm. & arrived nr. Zillulike 1-30 am. 3/6/16.	Fine M
Jasse way	3rd		Col. J. E. Leebie Commanding. - Day in Clay Jasse Way.	Fine M
	4th		14th & 15th Bns attacked shortly after dawn. Artillery Active. Work party at night - digging new front line. - Mr Allan. killed by shrapnell in Jasse Way.	Wet. M
	5th		Artillery Active. Work party in Front Line. Mr Rose. Rain killed 1.30 a.m. 6/6/16.	M

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Fosseway	June 6	10a.  noon	<p>St Colonel Lecter Commanding</p> <p>The Enemy's Artillery keeps up a heavy barrage on the Observatory Ridge Road &amp; in front of our present front line.</p> <p>The Enemy's shelling is lighter on our front but shelling still continues in the neighborhood of Zelle Lake &amp; opposite Hill 60</p> <p>2<sup>d</sup> W Coy is killed.</p> <p>The Battalion prepares to counter attack should it prove necessary</p>	<p>Dull</p> <p>ph</p>
	June 7	7a.  12pm  10pm	<p>The attack is arranged for this night. The shelling is lighter</p> <p>The attack is postponed.</p> <p>The Bk is relieved by the 22 Bn &amp; moves to J Camp</p>	<p>Dull</p> <p>ph</p>

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			<i>St Colonel Lecker Commanding</i>	
J Camp	June 8	7.30 PM	The 20 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Battalion Brass Band played in our lines during the evening	Rain Jh
	June 9	noon	A conference was held, General Tuxford being present & the senior officers of the Battalion, concerning the proposed attack.	Dull Jh
	June 10	2.30 PM	General Currie addressed the Battalion.	Rain Jh
	June 11	9.30 am noon 7.30 PM	The Battalion paraded for Divine Service There was a meeting of the Coy Officers & general preparations were made for the attack The Battalion moves out & arrives at Lone Bay at 12 midnight	Jh

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Forebay	June 12		<p><i>Lt. Colonel Leskue</i> <del>Commander</del> <i>Commander</i></p> <p>The Forebay is in exceedingly bad condition owing to the continual bad weather.</p> <p>Final arrangements are made for the attack.</p> <p>There is an incessant Bombardment by our Artillery during the day.</p> <p>8 P.M. The first intense &amp; concentrated bombardment begins &amp; continues until 8:30 P.M.</p> <p>10 P.M. Our lines fall out of Forebay &amp; take up their positions for the assault.</p>	<p>Rain JH</p>

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<i>7th Foot of Hill 61</i>	<i>June 13</i>	<i>1 Am</i>	<p><i>St Colonel Leckie Commanding</i></p> <p><i>A second terrific Bombardment was opened up by our Artillery on the Enemy's trench until 130 am when it lifted to the trenches in Rear, and the the Battalion attacked the Enemy's front line (Stalefare) trench. This trench was found to be well constructed properly sited &amp; with deep dugouts.</i></p> <p><i>Ten minutes was allowed for the capturing of this trench after which the Battalion moved on to Montreal &amp; to the objective bump peg trench the Final Objective Vancouver trench being bombed &amp; held by Bombing posts.</i></p> <p><i>Our Artillery kept up a heavy curtain of fire between our new front line &amp; the enemy</i></p>	<p><i>Rain</i></p> <p><i>pk</i></p>



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information <i>Command Day</i>	Remarks and references to Appendices
Hill 61	June 15	22A	<p>The Enemy kept up heavy artillery fire on Sanctuary wood, Armagh wood &amp; Observatory Ridge all day</p> <p>During the attacks the Battalion lost 257 killed &amp; wounded Four Officers killed Five wounded one died of wounds Killed in Action Captain Wood Lt W. Lazen Lt W. Lennan &amp; Lt Adams. Wounded Major Kemp Lt Scroggie Lt Foster, Lt Gibson &amp; Lt O'Neil. Lt O'Neil died of wounds on June 16.</p> <p>The Battalion was relieved by the 10<sup>th</sup> Canadian Bn &amp; moved out in small parties by Bars to Patience lines</p>	<p>Dull</p> <p><i>JK</i></p> <p><i>JK</i></p>
		<i>June 15, 1 am</i>		

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Patuxia Camp	June 15		Lt Colonel Leckie <sup>Commanding</sup> General Currie visited the camp	None MA
..	June 16	2.30A	The Battalion moves to B Camp	
		7.30A	A party of one officer & 50 other Ranks go to Observatory Ridge & Armagh wood in search of any wounded & killed	MA
B. Camp	June 17	7.30A	A similar party leaves the camp for the same object as yesterday	MA
..	June 18	10.50A	The Battalion parades for Drone Service.	MA

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			Lt. Col J. E. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding	
Camp B	June 19	4.15 12.30	Capt Wood and Lieut McKeanon buried in the afternoon in the Military Cemetery near Poperinghe - Firing party of 50 under Capt R. Bell - firing. Pipes & Drums there - Draft of 150 men from the 46 <sup>th</sup> Batten arrived -	Drugs bag in this JK
Camp B	20 <sup>th</sup>	2 P.M. 4.15 P.M.	Battalion moved to Scottish Lines - 13 <sup>th</sup> Bat in Dominion Lines - Lieut Sacks buried in cemetery near Poperinghe - firing party & Pipes & Drums under Capt - Bell - firing -	Drill JK
Scottish Lines	21 <sup>st</sup>	8.30 P.M. a.m.	Sports at 9 <sup>th</sup> Brigade (Surd Hill) - 13 <sup>th</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup> Bats marched over into Pipes & Drums - Draft of 150 men from 72 <sup>nd</sup> Bat arrived. Capt Hamilton in charge. Coy Drill	Fine JK
Scottish Lines	22 <sup>nd</sup>	P.M.	Capt Hamilton returned to Base - Inspected 72 <sup>nd</sup> Draft - Lieut McKeanon buried <sup>at</sup> Poperinghe in Military Cemetery - Firing Party of 50 & Pipes & Drums under Capt Bell - firing.	Fine warm - JK
Scottish Lines	23 <sup>rd</sup>		Coy Drill -	Hot Heavy rain in evening JK

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Scottish Lines	June 24		<p>Unit led <sup>by</sup> <del>the</del> <sup>the</sup> 250 <sup>Company</sup> <del>Company</del></p> <p>Coy Drill &amp; inspections in morning.</p>	<p>showing JH</p>
Scottish Lines	25	<p>a.m. 9 P.M.</p>	<p>Church Parade</p> <p>Battalion marched to Ry &amp; went by train to <sup>near</sup> Ypres - Arrived 5-13 in support - Batten Holzer in Ry Dugouts - 1 Coy in Foreway - 2 Woodcock Horn</p> <p>1 Ry Dugouts - 13<sup>th</sup> &amp; 15<sup>th</sup> Bats in the front line -</p>	<p>Fin!! JH</p>
Railway Dugouts	26	<p>a.m. p.m.</p>	<p>Little Shelling - Heavy Shelling near Hooge - <sup>or</sup> <del>Wounded</del> <sup>Wounded</sup> <del>Company</del> <sup>with</sup> <del>Major</del> <sup>Major</sup> <del>Peck</del> -</p> <p>Working parties in evening.</p>	<p>showing JH</p>
do	27		<p>German attacked 13<sup>th</sup> &amp; 15<sup>th</sup> by am. but driven off - Maj Smith (13<sup>th</sup>) killed.</p> <p>Working parties in evening.</p>	<p>showing JH</p>
do	28		<p>Front line heavily shelled, Capt Buchanan (13<sup>th</sup>) killed -</p> <p>Working parties in evening.</p>	<p>spell JH</p>

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			Lieut. Col J. E. Keeble 250 <i>Commanding</i>	
Railway Dujouts	June 29	P.M.	2 killed & 9 wounded by one shell at Ry Dujouts - Working parties in evening.	Showing Jh Loyell Bl
do	30		Relieved by 7 <sup>th</sup> Bat in evening (Col Odium) New Station Holyoke - at Swan Chateau - 1/2 by train - 1 by mounted team - 1 by Chateau beyond - 1 in houses S.H.Q. Line - 1/2 by day out.	
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Swans Chateau & G.H.O. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Line	July 1 <sup>st</sup>	A.M.	Inspected G.H.O. Line Heavy shelling to South - supplied working parties at night - 325 men	Final JH
do	2 <sup>nd</sup>	P.M.	Capt Davis, Capt Lynch & 817 Subalterns arrived - usual working parties	Final JH
do	3 <sup>rd</sup>	P.M.	Usual working parties	Final JH
do	4 <sup>th</sup>		Capt Hall & Capt Hope arrived - Heavy shelling & 1 <sup>st</sup> Mackintosh	Final JH
do	5 <sup>th</sup>		General Byng & Col Mitchell at Line -	Final JH
do	6 <sup>th</sup>	P.M.	Relieved by 7 <sup>th</sup> Batta - Col Gardner - 16 Bats marched to Victoria lines	Dull JH
Victoria Lines	7 <sup>th</sup>		Inspections - rifle, gas helmets & feet -	Heavy Shovels JH
do	8 <sup>th</sup>	P.M.	Capt Hartings & 2 subalterns arrived General came here & spoke to men congratulating them on their work.	Dull JH

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Victoria Line	July 9 <sup>th</sup>	AM	Lt Col J. S. Leake D.S.O. Commanding Barton Church Parade	Fine JH
do	10 <sup>th</sup>		Log work under O.C.'s logs.	Showery JH
do	11 <sup>th</sup>	P PM	G.O.P. Brigade here	Dull JH
4.M.P. Line		PM	Relieved 7 <sup>th</sup> Bat of 4.M.P. Line - Marched off at 7.30. Helghes Susan Chateau	Dull JH
<del>do</del>	12	AM	Col Kearsey & Major Motter here.	Dull JH
do	13	P.M.	Normal working parties - 1 man killed	Dull JH
do	14	P.M.	do	Dull JH
do	15 <sup>th</sup>	PM	Relieved 15 <sup>th</sup> Bat in front line - Centre sector - Hill 68 - called at Bridge Helghes on way up - 13 <sup>th</sup> Bat on our right - "Pioneer Pats" on our left (Not small sector) - No cam alties -	Fine JH

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Centre Sector Hill 60	16 <sup>th</sup> July	P.M.	Lt-Col J. Sheehan D.S.O. Commanding Trench works maintenance in afternoon - 2 killed & 1 wd - 2 Snipers wd We blew a camouflaged at 5 P.M.	Fine JH
do	17 <sup>th</sup>	-	P.P.C.L.I. on our left had a "shape" - working on trenches	Fine JH
do.	18 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 P.M.	General Telford here 1. a.m. Enemy bombarded our lines with T.M.S. for 2 hrs - 4 killed & 12 wd. - Trenches damaged. 1 missing	Fine JH
do	19 <sup>th</sup>	P.M. A.M.	2 wd by rifle grenades in P.M. General Telford here	
do	20 <sup>th</sup>	A.M.	General Telford here General Thacker in lines at noon - Retired by 5 <sup>th</sup> B.M. during night	Fine JH
do	21 <sup>st</sup>		Arrived at Dominion Lines in early morning - left for Victoria Lines at 6-30 P.M. 25 <sup>th</sup> Bat in next Line Camp.	Fine JH

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Victoria Lines	July 22 <sup>nd</sup>	P.M.	Lt Col J. J. Leckie D.S.O. <i>Commanding</i> Oratorical lecture at Loughat-Lines in P.M. - Lts Hilliam & Shannon (C.S.O.) here in P.M.	Dull M Dull M
do	23		Church Parade in am.	M Sugge M
do	24		Battn marched to gas school in am.	Dull M
do	25		Sing song in P.M. Normal company work for Battn -	Dull M
do	26		General Kerrie here in am - Normal Coy drill - physical drill etc Beat the Engineers in baseball 7-3	Dull M
do	27		General Telford here in P.M. Beat the 29 <sup>th</sup> Troop Team by 2 to 1.	do March out in P.M. Fine M
do	28		Coy Drill in am. Beaten by Glasgow Germany in soccer - 3-2	Fine M Fine M

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Victoria Levee.	<i>July</i> 29		Company work - Played Glasgow Juniors - Beaten 3-2.	
	30		Sunday - Church Parade.	
	31		Company training - Sports in afternoon.	



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Victoria Line	Aug 1 <sup>st</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	S.O.C. Brigade sent for C.O. and O.C.'s Coy's to tell them that a mine will be blown in the next four.	
Franklin Line	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> a.m.	Went into front line trenches 39 to 44 night of 2 <sup>nd</sup> explanation by Brigade Major at the reason of blow and of necessity to form new crater and consolidation - Bombardment T.M.'s and Guns. 8.10-9.45 - We retaliated.	
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	a.m.	Further explanation from S.O.C. with Map - Brigade O.O. issued and P.M.'s O.O. issued in accordance - (See orders) - O.O.'s sent to all companies and units who acknowledged -	
		h.m.	Captain Hartings no 4 Coy in charge of consolidation - Coy. Sgt. Major Camera in charge of covering party of bombers also to try to get into enemy's trenches and get information and identification	
	10.01.		Mine blown - Guns & Machine Guns started immediately -	
	10.03		All Signal Lines reported correct.	
	10.05		Enemy's machine guns started	
	10.04		First shell back from enemy -	
	10.07		Reported that explosion had done damage to our trenches and men had to be dug out - therefore delaying consolidation	
	10.10.		Colonel Spide in P.M. to S.O.C. Reported from Left Flank to I Coy that Enemy's planes were being sent up from their <del>second</del> support trench.	

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Front line	Aug. 3rd	Am 10.25 10.32 During night	Requested Guns to slow up. Requested T.M.s to slow up - firing from lines of neighbourin battalion (14 <sup>th</sup> ) Consolidated Crater and built out saps-	M
	4 <sup>th</sup>		Fairly quiet - Minnies and shells. - Bad sniping at night that hindered our work parties on new line - work mainly consisting of building saps to new crater and consolidations - one part line was affected by explosion of mine and required considerable attention -	M
	5 <sup>th</sup>		Quiet - Minnie and Shells. no hindrance to work parties	M
	6 <sup>th</sup>		Notified word of mortar by S.O.C + rec'd O.C that straffe by 6" shells probably fell place 5 <sup>th</sup> 7 pm -	M
	4.50	Am	Sent word for all to be taken out of front line except flank sentries.	
	4.55		A Battery fired shot over our front line - notified brigade who rectified -	
	4.59		No 4 and 1 reported clear of front line.	
	5.05		Enemy aeroplane seen falling South of our front.	
	5.15		Notified by brigade that 6" shells would not fire on account of observation balloons. (Sent verbally in code)	

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Front Line	3:30 pm	7 <sup>th</sup>	Shuffle by enemy of Trench mortars and mines - our guns and Trench mortars retaliated. winding up with fire from our trench which was effective.	<i>Mh</i>
	5:30 pm	8 <sup>th</sup>	Relieved by 10 <sup>th</sup> Battalion and moved to Dominion Lines. General Relief completed 3:15 am.	
			At night enemy attacked front of us with Gas - Gas Alarm sounded and we had all men ready - Gas early smelt.	<i>Mh</i>
	4 pm	9	Marched to Patricia Lines	
		10 <sup>th</sup>	Inspection of men's equipment etc.	<i>Mh</i>
	6:45 am	11 <sup>th</sup>	Left for Steenvonde by road arrived at 10 am. Good billets.	
	3:15 am	12 <sup>th</sup>	Left for Zederspeete - Linnel Brigade 4:14.	
	10 am		Arrived Zederspeete. Billets scattered. - Last part of march was very trying and several men fell out. but only two were left behind.	<i>Mh</i>

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Ladenzelle.	Aug. 13 <sup>th</sup>	4-20 a.m.	Left for Watten Area - Joined Brigade 5 a.m. Arrived Watten 8 a.m.	
	1916.		Billets for	JH
Watten Area.	14 <sup>th</sup>		Inspection of men	JH
	15 <sup>th</sup>		Platoon + Company work. O.C. Cos and Intelligence reconnoitered training area.	JH
	16 <sup>th</sup>		Company work - Lt. Colonel Leckie assumed duties of Brigade temporarily in the absence of the S.O.C.	JH
	17 <sup>th</sup>		Battalion practiced new form of attack in Training Area.	JH
	18 <sup>th</sup>		Battalion took part wth Brigade in Liaison work with Aeroplanes.	JH
	19 <sup>th</sup>		Company work - Baseball games in afternoon.	JH
	20 <sup>th</sup>		Church Parades. Baseball in afternoon.	JH
	21 <sup>st</sup>		Practised Battalion in Attack in Training Area - The Corps Commandant was present.	JH
	22 <sup>nd</sup>		Company work. Lectures by Div. Gas office and Capt. Brothers.	JH

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Watten. Area.	Aug		Training Area - Company in attack.	
	23 <sup>rd</sup>		Brigade in Liaison work with Flying Corps -	
	24 <sup>th</sup>		Warned verbally by Brigade Major that we would be leaving about 27 <sup>th</sup> .	
	25 <sup>th</sup>		Company work.	
	26 <sup>th</sup>		Company work. Baseball and Football Matches	
	27 <sup>th</sup>		Left at 8.13 pm for St. Omer to Entain	
	28 <sup>th</sup>	1.03 am	Entained and off at 1.03. Arrived at Conteville about 9 am.	
Maison Rolland.	29 <sup>th</sup>	7 am	Marched to Billets at Maison Rolland - Arrived in morning.	
			Marched to Hatlay to Permin - Left 7 am - Best billets for ages. 3 Casualties.	
	30 <sup>th</sup>	5.30 am	Marched to billets at La Vicogne - Very wet but lucky to get everyone under cover. Arrived 10 am. 1 Casualty.	
		10 am		
	31 <sup>st</sup>	7.25 am	March to billets at Contay -	

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Contay	Sept 1 <sup>st</sup>	1.30 p.m.	Lieut Col J. E. Leckie, D.S.O. Commanding. Moved to Brickfields near Albert. Arrived at 4.30 p.m. and bivouacked for night. All men had cover, using bivvies issued, and their ground sheets.		J.H.H.
Brickfields	2 <sup>nd</sup>	9 p.m.	Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Moved to Tara Hill.		J.H.H.
Tara Hill	3 <sup>rd</sup>	10 a.m.	Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Moved to La Boisselle.		J.H.H.
La Boisselle	4 <sup>th</sup>	2 a.m.	Major C. W. Peck Commanding. One Company went to front line (Points 66 to 99). Two other Companies went to Toms Cut. In afternoon O.S.B. 1, 3 and 4 Coy were given orders to reconnoitre the front line to be held by Battalion.		J.H.H.
	5 <sup>th</sup>	Midnight	Moved Battalion Headquarters to front line. Major C. W. Peck Commanding. Heavy bombardment during night 4/5 <sup>th</sup> . Casualties were heavy. Relieved Australian Battalion and they were a long time in getting out. Relief very difficult owing to changes to line during the day. Three small enemy parties attacked during night 4/5 <sup>th</sup> . No success. Two companies and part of another in front line.		J.H.H.
	6 <sup>th</sup>	11.30 a.m.	Major C. W. Peck in Command. Companies in front line suffered severely and $\frac{1}{2}$ of remaining Company were sent up to reinforce at 13 a.m. Left Company holding trenches 91 to 66 were relieved in afternoon and Right company were relieved by the 15 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Battalion during night 6/7 <sup>th</sup> .		J.H.H.

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	7 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Very heavy shelling. Remaining Companies relieved by 14 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Battalion with difficulty. Battalion relieved at noon.	
Albion	8 <sup>th</sup>		Went out to Billets in Albion. Total results of trip - 401 casualties, 25 per cent of which were killed or are missing.	
do	9 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Battalion rested.	Jal
Warley	10 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Moved to Warley. Good billets.	Jal
Toutencourt	11 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Moved to Toutencourt where we were billeted in huts.	Jal
Bonville	12 <sup>th</sup>		Moved Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Moved to Bonville & settled in billets in village.	Jal
do	13 <sup>th</sup>	11 a.m.	Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Rifle and food inspections carried out. Officers and men from British Columbia voted on election.	Jal
do	14 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Battalion instructed on Lewis Gun. Mr. Norman M. Allen gives \$1000 to Regimental fund.	Jal
			Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D.S.O. Commanding. Ordered to move on 1 hours notice. Leave opened up.	Jal.

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Bonnville	15 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	7 am	Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D. S. O. Commanding. Moved to Val de Maison and billeted in tents.		JEL
Val de Maison	16 <sup>th</sup>	8.45 a.m.	Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D. S. O. Commanding. Moved to Contay.		JEL
Contay	17 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D. S. O. Commanding.		JEL
do	18 <sup>th</sup>	1.30 p.m.	Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D. S. O. Commanding. Moved to Brickfields near Albert. Day very wet. Were given billets in Albert; nearly turned out, but succeeded in keeping them. Some shelling at night.		JEL
Albert.	19 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D. S. O. Commanding. Billets shelled and we had 7 casualties as the result. Moved men up the road for an hour.		JEL
do	20 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D. S. O. Commanding. Turned out of billets, but found other ones in Albert. A 12 inch gun put in position 50 yards from new Battalion B. Q. Forward intervals.		JEL
do	21 <sup>st</sup>		Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D. S. O. Commanding. No shelling. Saw Tanks for first time in the area.		JEL
do	22 <sup>nd</sup>		Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D. S. O. Commanding.		JEL
do	23 <sup>rd</sup>	4 pm	Lieut. Col. J. E. Leckie D. S. O. Commanding. Moved to Brigade Reserve. Orders received for Brigade operations.		JEL

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Sausage Valley.	24 <sup>th</sup> Sept <sup>r</sup> .		Stayed in Trenches in Valley - Various working and carrying parties. Guns posted all around. Information received from Brigade that an attack would be made on our front and that 1 1/2 companies of the 16 <sup>th</sup> would be required to go in the second wave as a mopping up party. No 2 Company and two platoons of No 4 were detailed, three platoons to mop up behind the 14 <sup>th</sup> Batt <sup>y</sup> and three behind the 15 <sup>th</sup> Batt <sup>y</sup> .		
"	25 <sup>th</sup>		mopping up party left at 8 pm - working and carrying parties all day.		Jab
	26 <sup>th</sup>	12-55 pm	Attack began. All guns round us in full action. Nos I and III companies ordered to go up to front line in evening and for Batt <sup>y</sup> Head Quarters to move forward.		Jab.
		9 pm	All moved forward and reported to Brigade at Advanced Report Station. No I company ordered to reinforce 15 <sup>th</sup> Batt <sup>y</sup> .		

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Saurange valley.	26 <sup>th</sup> Sept		No 3 Company ordered to reinforce 14 <sup>th</sup> Batt <sup>n</sup> - Lt Col Lechie Jato stayed with Brigadier at advanced report centre - remainder of H.Q. sent back to Saurange Valley trenches - Jato		
	27 <sup>th</sup>		As the three and a half companies in front line were under the command of 14 <sup>th</sup> and 15 <sup>th</sup> battalions no reports were received from them. Received orders that Battalion would be relieved by Unit of 5 <sup>th</sup> Brigade during night - working parties as usual with balance of men during day - Jato Later received orders not to move H.Q. out to Albert till further notice.		
Albert.	28 <sup>th</sup>	7am 4pm	Moved to billets in Albert. Found companies from front line there. Moved to billets in Wasloy. On checking casualties found we had 116 casualties of whom 17 were killed - Jato		
Wasloy	29 <sup>th</sup> 30 <sup>th</sup>		Billets in rest. Billets in rest.		Jato Jato Jato

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Wenlog.	1916 1 <sup>st</sup>		Church parade - work party to La Bavielle - Conté Pommers.	Jub
"	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Coy Drill - Pay parade - work party of 200 O.A. & H. officers.	Jub
-	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Coy Drill	Jub
-	4 <sup>th</sup>			Jub
-	5 <sup>th</sup>	2pm	Moved to Albert.	Jub
Albert.	6 <sup>th</sup>		Albert - Officers went up to line beyond Concolette to reconnoitre.	Jub
	7 <sup>th</sup>		Left for the trenches. North East of Concolette under orders to make an attack in conjunction with the 13 <sup>th</sup> and Battalion on our right. Orders issued by Colonel Leckie <sup>(Exhibit A)</sup> Nos 1 and 4 companies in the front line in picking off trench, Nos 2 and 3 in old front line trench. Subsequently altered by Brigade order to attack in four waves.	Jub
		10 1/2 pm	Barrage started - and attack followed - we gained our objective in spite of wire on our left. The Battalion on our right also succeeded - The Battalion on our left did not succeed.	Jub
	8 <sup>th</sup>	4.50 am	Rebats received that all officers were killed a wounded except two -	Jub

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Franklin	8.		The enemy made strong counter attacks, and drove the Battalion back on our right leaving both our flanks in the air. We finally had to retire to our original digging off trench.	JM
Franklin	9 <sup>th</sup>		Fairly quiet. - Released by 1 <sup>st</sup> Batta and through by 10.50 pm.	Info JM
Albion	10 <sup>th</sup>		Resting at Albion.	JM
"	11 <sup>th</sup>	8 am	Moved to Contay.	JM
Contay	12 <sup>th</sup>		Billets at Contay.	JM
	13 <sup>th</sup>			Alb
	14		Left for Val de Maizon.	} JM.
Val de Maizon	15 <sup>th</sup>		Val de Maizon.	
"	16 <sup>th</sup>	9 am	Left for Hallay les Remois.	
Hallay	17		In Billets.	
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Halloy	20 <sup>th</sup>	9.6a	Marched to Lager		Jals
Lager.	21 <sup>st</sup>	9.15	" " Noeux		Jals
Noeux	22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.15	" " Seneourt		Jals
Seneourt	23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.55	" " Avesdoijah.		Jals
Avesdoijah.	24 <sup>th</sup>	9.40	" " Presmeant.		Jals
Presmeant	25 <sup>th</sup>		Stayed at Presmeant.		Jals
"	26 <sup>th</sup>	11 am	Marched. Camblain l'abbé and Viller au Bois.		Jals
C. l'abbé.	27 <sup>th</sup>	7 am	Moved to trenches in Berthonval area and relieved the Leintem - Fine trenches and early spot - Area. Seralle Avenue.		Jals
Trenches.	28 <sup>th</sup>		to Vincennes. In trenches - very quiet		Jals
	29 <sup>th</sup>		" " " "		Jals
	30 <sup>th</sup>		" " " "		Jals
	31 <sup>st</sup>		" " " "		Jals

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APPENDIX

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OPERATION ORDERS No 54 by Lieut. Colonel J. Edwards Leckie D. S. O.,  
Commanding 16th Canadian Battalion. "The Canadian Scottish."

October 7th 1916.

1. INTENTION. The 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade will attack and take the Regina trench from M. 14. a. 10.4 to M. 13. b. 5.0. The attack will be made by the 13th and 16th Battalions, each on a 4 Platoon frontage. The 16th Battalion on the Right from M. 4. c. 10.1 to M. 14. c. 2 1/2. 2 and the 13th Battalion on the left from M. 14. c. 2 1/2. 2 to M. 13. d. 5.2. The 3rd Canadian Infantry Battalion will attack on the Right of the 16th Battalion.

16th BATTN. Regina trench from M. 14. a. 10.4 to M. 14. a. 2 1/2. 4 1/2.  
OBJECTIVE. The 16th Battalion will have a frontage of approximately 350 yards. They will attack on a 4 Platoon frontage as per sketch below.



3. ASSEMBLY. The 16th Battalion will relieve the 15th Battalion on the night of 7/8th of October. A jumping off trench has been dug by the 15th Battalion - 100 yards ahead of the front line. This will be occupied by Nos 1 & 4 Companies, the men to be in their proper positions for making the assault. No 3 Company will take post in the present front line.

4. ADVANCE. The advance will be made at Zero time in 4 waves as per sketch with an interval of 50 yards between each wave. No 2 Company will take up position in support trench and when No 3 Company advances will occupy front line trench and will remain there in support.

5. LEWIS GUNS. Four Lewis Guns will go forward between the Second and Third waves, and Two will go forward with the Fourth wave. They will not go into the front line trench until it is seen that it is definitely occupied. Two guns will remain with No 2 Company.

6. MACHINE GUNS. The 3rd Brigade Machine Gun Company will cover the advance. Two of their Guns will be available for the use of this Battalion if required.

7. GRENADIERS. 2 Sections will go forward with the Second line - 1 Section being on either flank and 2 Sections will go forward with the 4th line - 1 Section on either flank.

8. BOMBS, etc. Every man will carry 6 Bombs, 5 Sandbags and 170 rounds of Ammunition.

9. FLARES. 100 ground flares and a box of Very Lights will be brought in.

10. RUM. Platoon leaders will carry an extra Water bottle of Rum for issue.

11. WATER. Petrol Tins will be available and will be brought forward with the advance, full of Water.
12. SIGNALLERS. 3 Parties will go forward, each party with an Instrument, 1 on either flank and 1 in the Centre. They will be connected with Phones in our present front line trench. If wires are broken, the Signallers will be used as Runners. Wires will be run from the front line trench to Advanced Battalion Headquarters and to Battalion Headquarters.
13. LOCATIONS. Advanced Battalion Headquarters - M.19.b.7.3.  
Battalion Headquarters - M.25.b.4.5.  
Advanced Report Centre - R.36.Central.  
Brigade Headquarters - X.11.a.2.2.  
Divisional Dump - R.36.a.5.5.
14. PRISONERS. Prisoners will be taken to M.25.d.4.7. *Ruins must be taken,*
15. AID POST. Aid Post will be located at R.39.d.0.0.
16. SIGNAL. S.O.S. - 1 Red.  
1 Gold & Silver.  
1 Red.
17. TAPES. Tapes will be laid whenever possible, leading to Company and Battalion Headquarters.
18. PASSWORD. A password has been communicated verbally.

Captain & Adjutant,  
16th Canadian Batta. "The Canadian Scottish."

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Original

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	3	Remarks and references to Appendices
Front Line	Nov 11 <sup>th</sup>		In trenches between LASALLE and RONCENT. Very quiet	Jatt.	
	2 <sup>nd</sup>		In trenches.	Jatt.	
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>pm</sup> 1030 am	Relieved by 15 <sup>th</sup> Battalion - A very quiet trip - Moved to Brigade Support at CABARET ROUGE.	Jatt.	
Cabaret Rouge	4 <sup>th</sup>		In support. A very quiet time - no shelling occurred - one casualty in a working party - men hard at work on packets in the	Jatt.	
	9 <sup>th</sup>		front line and carrying packets all the time.	Jatt.	
Comtain elabee	10 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>pm</sup>	Relieved by 2 <sup>nd</sup> Can. Inf Battalion - Moved to Comtain elabee	Jatt.	
	11 <sup>th</sup>		Billeted in huts - very comfortable.	Jatt.	
	12 <sup>th</sup>		Billets. and bunks Started on training work at School - all available men in Battalion were used.	Jatt.	
	13 <sup>th</sup> 14 <sup>th</sup>		Training - G.O.C met new officers.	Jatt.	

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Comblain L'Abbe	14th				
	15 <sup>th</sup>		Training		Lett.
	16 <sup>th</sup>		Training		Lett.
Villers au Bois	17 <sup>th</sup>				
	18 <sup>th</sup>		Moved to Villars au Bois. into Brigade Reserve. Relieved 7 <sup>th</sup> Batta		Lett.
	19 <sup>th</sup>		Brigade Reserve		Lett.
Trenches	20 <sup>th</sup>				
	21 <sup>st</sup>				Lett.
	22 <sup>nd</sup>		Moved to Trenches - Left Sector - Relieved 15 <sup>th</sup> Batta.		Lett.
Hospital Corner	23 <sup>rd</sup>		In Trenches - very quiet		Lett.
	24 <sup>th</sup>				Lett.
	25 <sup>th</sup>				Lett.
	26 <sup>th</sup>		Relieved by 15 <sup>th</sup> Batta and went to Hospital Corner		Lett.
	27-29 <sup>th</sup>		In Support		Lett.
	30 <sup>th</sup>		Relieved 15 <sup>th</sup> Batta in left Sector. very quiet.		Lett.

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	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Quiet	Jac
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Complain l'Abee	5 <sup>th</sup>		In billets - Inspections of Arm Equipment etc.	Jac
	6 <sup>th</sup>		Company Training.	Jac
.	7/9		.. in fields by billets.	Jac
	10.		Church Parade.	Jac
	11	am	Battalion Parade and inspection.	Jac
	12 <sup>th</sup>	3:30 p	G.O.C. Division gave a talk to the officers - Relieved 8 <sup>th</sup> Batts in Right Section BERTHONVAL	WOOD
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Bethonval Wood.	Dec <sup>r</sup> 17 <sup>th</sup>	11.00	Relieved 15 <sup>th</sup> Battalion in Right Section Bethonval Sector In trenches. Some shelling everyday also trench mortars. Front line in bad condition and held by posts no damage to speak of	Jels
	18/20			
	21 <sup>st</sup>	2.00	Relieved by 54 <sup>th</sup> Battalion and proceeded to Comb LAIN L. ABEE.	Jels.
COMBLAIN L. ABEE	22 <sup>nd</sup>	7.10. am.	Moved to MAISNIL LES RUITZ.	Jels.
MAISNIL LES RUITZ	23 <sup>rd</sup> 31 <sup>st</sup>		In Rest billets - Training everyday - under Division arrangements.	Jels