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Masnil les Trois	Jan 1 <sup>st</sup>		Major C. W. Peck, Commanding. New Years Day. No Parades.	HH
do	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Major C. W. Peck, Commanding. Training continued according to Schedule. Extended Order and arms drill. Bayonet exercises. Passing of orders. Review of Platoon Drill.	HH
do	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Major C. W. Peck, Commanding. Training continued according to Schedule. The C.O. thanks Mr. Henry Bell Irving for his generous gift of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to the Regiment, and also 14 (fourteen) gentlemen of Montreal for gift of (£69.00) sixty nine pounds for Revolvers. Lecture by Platoon Officers on Discipline and esprit de Corps.	HH
do	4 <sup>th</sup>		Major C. W. Peck, Commanding. Training according to Schedule. - Extended order drill. Judging of distances. Bayonet Fighting.	HH
do	5 <sup>th</sup>		Major C. W. Peck, Commanding. A.M. Training according to Schedule. Close order drill. Arm drill. Loading & unloading movements. P.M. Lecture on mounting guard, outpost and patrol of Platoon Officers.	HH
do	6 <sup>th</sup>		Major C. W. Peck, Commanding. A.M. Training according to Schedule. Bayonet Fighting and Review Drill. P.M. Route No. 1 and 2.	HH

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Marail les Rivis.	1917 7 <sup>th</sup>	A.M.	Major G. W. Peck, Commanding. Church Parade.	HTJ
do	8 <sup>th</sup>	A.M.	Major G. W. Peck, Commanding. Respirator Drill. Passing of orders. & Arms Drill. Lecture and demonstration on "First Aid" by Medical Officer.	HTJ
		P.M.	Company training drill. The Commanding Officer congratulates the following Officers and N.C.O. on their being awarded decorations:- Major W. F. Keme - D. S. O. Major P. F. Piliers - D. S. O. Captain R. B. Luton, MC - Military Cross Captain H. B. Longward - Military Cross. 29289 Sergt. W. D. Mackie - D. C. M.	
do	9 <sup>th</sup>	A.M.	Major G. W. Peck, Commanding. Company training - Extended order drill.	HTJ
		P.M.	Club Barch.	
do	10 <sup>th</sup>	A.M.	Major G. W. Peck, Commanding. Company training - Lane of Platforms Extending.	HTJ

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Morand Tes Roitz.	1917. 10.	PM.	Major B. W. Peck, Commanding. Practices in taking up position and advancing. Lectures by Company Officer on trench disposition. Lectures to Officers and Privy on "Courts Martial."	287
do	11 <sup>th</sup>	3.7M A.M. P.M.	Major B. W. Peck, Commanding. Company in attack. Small Ranch. The following Officers have been mentioned in Despatches for services in the war:- Lieut. Col. J. E. Lachie D.S.O. 16 <sup>th</sup> Bn Maj. W. F. Kemp D.S.O. do Maj. H. F. McDonald D.S.O. do Major B. W. Peck. do Major P. F. Pillers D.S.O. do Lieut. J. B. Bressan do Capt. S. H. Goodall do. The following N.C.O.'s have been mentioned in Despatches for services in the war:- 27049. C. G. B. B. Johnston D.S.O. 28937. C. B. B. Palmer G.F. 28534. Sgt. Douglas F. 28659. C/Sgt. Morley H.A.	288

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Main 1st Regt.	1917 12 <sup>th</sup>		Major C. W. Peck Commanding.	HH
		A.M.	Company in attack.	
		P.M.	Route march. Inspection by Commanding Officer.	HH
do	13 <sup>th</sup>		Major C. W. Peck Commanding.	HH
		A.M.	Route march.	HH
do	14 <sup>th</sup>		Major C. W. Peck Commanding.	HH
		A.M.	Church Parade.	
do	15 <sup>th</sup>		Major C. W. Peck Commanding.	HH
		A.M.	Company Parade.	
		P.M.	Battalion Sports.	
do	16 <sup>th</sup>		Major C. W. Peck Commanding.	HH
		A.M.	Company Parade.	
		P.M.	do	
do	17 <sup>th</sup>		Major C. W. Peck Commanding.	HH
		A.M.	Company Parade	
		P.M.	do	
			Lieut. Col J. E. Leckie D.S.O. sends letter of greeting to Battalion through Major Peck.	

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<i>Haris les Rois.</i>	18		<i>Major C. W. Peck, Commanding.</i>	<i>HH</i>
<i>do</i>	19 <sup>th</sup>	A.M.	<i>Whole Battalion on fatigue cleaning up village.</i>	<i>HH</i>
<i>do</i>	<del>18</del>	9.A.M.	<i>Major C. W. Peck, Commanding.</i>	
<i>Bully Grenay</i>	20 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Battalion marched to Bully Grenay and relieved <del>21<sup>st</sup></del> <sup>19<sup>th</sup></sup> Canadian Battalion, 2nd Canadian Division, in Brigade Mesure.</i>	<i>HH</i>
		9.30 AM	<i>Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck, Commanding.</i>	
			<i>Battalion moved up to Cite Calonne and relieved 21<sup>st</sup> Canadian Battalion in Brigade Support.</i>	
		4.00 PM	<i>Lecture by G.O.C. 1<sup>st</sup> Can. Div. on "Lessons on French Offensive at Verdun."</i>	
<i>Cite Calonne.</i>	21 <sup>st</sup>		<i>Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck, Commanding.</i>	<i>HH</i>
<i>do</i>	22 <sup>nd</sup>		<i>In Brigade Support - Cite Calonne.</i>	
<i>do</i>	23 <sup>rd</sup>		<i>Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck, Commanding.</i>	<i>HH</i>
			<i>In Brigade Support - Cite Calonne.</i>	
			<i>Major H. O. Bell, Acting A.C., Commanding.</i>	<i>HH</i>
			<i>In Brigade Support - Cite Calonne.</i>	



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Cte Calonne	24 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell, Irving, M.C. Commanding. In Brigade Support. Cte. Calonne.	STJ
do	25 <sup>th</sup>	9:00a	Major R.O. Bell, Irving, M.C. Commanding. Battalion moved into Right Sub. Section of the front line, relieving 15 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Battalion (48 <sup>th</sup> H of Canada). Line taken over - M. 20. to 45. 85 to M. 9 d. 32. Ref Map <sup>1:50,000</sup> 2663 v. 1. Ed 7.C. 4a. 100. Very quiet.	STJ
Trenches	26 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell, Irving, M.C. Commanding. In trenches. Very quiet all day.	STJ
do	27 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell, Irving, M.C. Commanding. In trenches. Very quiet all day.	STJ
do	28 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell, Irving, M.C. Commanding. In trenches. Very quiet all day. Little activity on part of Enemy.	STJ
do	29 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell, Irving, M.C. Commanding. In trenches. Very quiet all day.	STJ
do	30 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell, Irving, M.C. Commanding. Battalion relieved by 15 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Batta, and moved into Brigade Reserve at Bully Grenay.	STJ

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BULLY CREMAY	Jan 31 <sup>st</sup>		<p>Major R. O. Bell, Irving A. C.</p> <p>A.M. Battalion commenced training. Musketry and close order drill. Battle practice under  P.M. Coy. Commanders. Bayonet Fighting and Anti-Gas Drill. Extended order drill.</p> <p>5.30 P.M. Lecture by M.O. at 5.30 pm on "First Aid" to No 2 Coy.</p> <p>5.50 P.M. Lecture by Commanding Officer on "Esprit de Corps" to No 2 Coy</p>	<p>287</p>

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Bully- Covey.	1917.		<p>Major R.O. Bell, Irving, N.B., Commanding Platoon and Company training.</p> <p>The following appointments appeared in Divisional Routine Orders dated January 21<sup>st</sup> 1917:-</p> <p>Major H. B. Uguhard, to be General Staff Officer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade, 2<sup>nd</sup> Canadian Division.</p> <p>Major C. H. Peck, to be Lieut Colonel 13-11-16.</p> <p>Captain G. K. Killam, to be Major and to remain seconded 15-11-16.</p> <p>Captain H. B. Uguhard, to be Major and to remain seconded 15-11-16.</p> <p>Lieut J. A. Scroggie, to be Captain 15-11-16.</p> <p>Lieut. (A/Capt) F. B. Breasby, to be Captain 10-10-16.</p> <p>Lieut. A. Mackintosh, to be Acting Captain 10-10-16.</p>	
do.	2 <sup>nd</sup>		<p>Major R.O. Bell, Irving, N.B., Commanding Platoon and Company training.</p>	<p>stg. stg.</p>

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Bully	1917 Feb 3 <sup>rd</sup>		Major R. O. Bell-Irving N.C. Commanding Platoon and Company training.	HH
do	4 <sup>th</sup>		Major R. O. Bell-Irving N.C. Commanding. Church Parades.	HH
do	5 <sup>th</sup>	A.M.	Major R. O. Bell-Irving N.C. Commanding. Battalion moved into Right Sub. Section of the front line, relieving 15 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Battalion (48 <sup>th</sup> Highlanders of Canada) Very quiet during day.	HH
Tranches	6 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 A.M.	Major R. O. Bell-Irving N.C. Commanding Situation very quiet.	HH
do	7 <sup>th</sup>		Major R. O. Bell-Irving N.C. Commanding. Situation quiet and unchanged.	HH
do	8 <sup>th</sup>		Major R. O. Bell-Irving N.C. Commanding. Situation quiet.	HH
do	9 <sup>th</sup>		Major R. O. Bell-Irving N.C. Commanding. Situation quiet.	HH

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Trenches.	1917 Feb.			
Trenches.	10 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell Irving, M.C. Commanding. Quiet and unchanged.	HH
Trenches.	11 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>00</sup> AM.	Battalion moves into Brigade Support at Cote Calonne & relieved by 15 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Battalion (48 <sup>th</sup> Highlanders.)	HH
Cote Calonne	11 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell Irving, M.C. Commanding In Support. Quiet.	HH
do	12 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell Irving, M.C. Commanding. In Support. Quiet.	HH
do	13 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell Irving, M.C. Commanding. In Support. Quiet & unchanged.	HH
do	14 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell Irving, M.C. Commanding. In Support. Quiet.	HH
do	15 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell Irving, M.C. Commanding. In Support. Quiet.	HH
do	16 <sup>th</sup>		Major R.O. Bell Irving, M.C. Commanding. Quiet & unchanged.	HH



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de Calonne	Feb 19 <sup>th</sup> 1918	17 <sup>th</sup>	Lt. Col. C. W. Peck. <del>Major Col. R. L. Irving</del> <i>at de Calonne</i> Commanding	
		9 00 A.M.	Battalion moves into front line (Right Sub-section) relieving 15 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Battalion (48 <sup>th</sup> Highlanders)	HH
			Situation quiet.	
Trenches	18 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck Commanding	HH
			Situation quiet and unchanged	HH
do	19 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck Commanding	HH
			Situation very quiet	HH
do	20 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck Commanding	HH
			Enemy artillery fired a few rounds otherwise quiet	HH
do	21 <sup>st</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck Commanding	HH
			Situation very quiet	HH
do	22 <sup>nd</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck Commanding	HH
			Situation unchanged	HH
		7 00 A.M.	Battalion relieved in trenches by 15 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Battalion (48 <sup>th</sup> Highlanders) and moved to Bully-Tonay in Brigade Reserve.	

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Bully -	23 <sup>rd</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck Commanding. Field Inspection also inspection of Rifles, Gas Helmets, etc.	147
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do	24 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck Commanding. Battalion inspected by Commanding Officer.	147
		10.00 AM.	Captain J. B. Bressay, appointed Staff Captain, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Canadian Infantry Brigade.	
do	25 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck Commanding.	147
		AM.	Church Parades	
do	26 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck Commanding. Company & platoon training. The undernoted N.C.O's and men were awarded the "Military Medal" for bravery in the Field.	147
			77374. L/Sgt. P. Bulding, J. E.	22614. A/Cpl. McLeary, W. H.
			77140. L/Cpl. Hastings, A. H.	147320. Plt. (now Sgt.) Watts, F. L.
			A70816. Sgt. (now C. Q. M. S.) McKeock, J. B.	A20537. L/Cpl. (now Sgt.) McCreary, W. J.
			29246. A/Sgt. McNeil, J. E.	

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Bully- Bray	Feb. 1917 27 <sup>d</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck Commanding. Companies carried out training according to new organization.	119
	28 <sup>d</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck Commanding. Companies continued training according to new organization.	119

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Bully	1917. March 1 <sup>st</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck, Commanding Companies and Units carry on with Training in morning and afternoon.	Hg.
Bully	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Battalion moved to MAISMIL-LES-RUITZ via HERSIN, in morning. Billeted there for one night.	Hg.
Maismil les-Ruitz	3 <sup>rd</sup>	9AM	Battalion moved to Bois des ALLEUX, via Ranchicourt and Camblain l'Abbe. Billeted in huts at Le Pendu.	Hg.
Le Pendu	4 <sup>th</sup>		Church Parade in morning.	Hg.
do	5 <sup>th</sup>		Battalion moved in evening to Front Line Trenches (A. 10.2.6 1/2.0) to A. 16.2.5 1/2. 1/2. ROCLIN COURT Sheet. 51 B. N.W. 1. Ed. 5A 1/10,000) relieving portions of the 18 <sup>th</sup> and 19 <sup>th</sup> Cdn. Inf. Battalions, 2nd Cdn. Divn. 8 <sup>th</sup> Cdn. Pn on our right. 2nd Cdn. Divn on our left. Enemy shelled during relief - 1 Officer slightly wounded.	Hg.
Front Line	6 <sup>th</sup>		Situation quiet and nothing to report.	Hg.

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	1917			
	March			
Front Line	7 <sup>th</sup>		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck, Commanding Situation quiet and unchanged.	NY
do	8 <sup>th</sup>		Beyond several aerial combats between enemy and our aeroplanes, there is nothing to report.	NY
do	9 <sup>th</sup>		Aerial activity continues. Situation unchanged.	NY
do	10 <sup>th</sup>		Situation quiet.	NY
do	11 <sup>th</sup>		Good deal of Aerial activity, situation quiet otherwise.	NY
do	12 <sup>th</sup>		Battalion relieved during afternoon by 13 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Battalion (Royal Highlanders of Canada) and moved to huts at La Ponde, in Bois de Alleux, previously occupied by 16 <sup>th</sup> Bn on March 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1917.	NY
La Ponde	13 <sup>th</sup>		Battalion occupied during day, cleaning up & with Rifle & Red Inspections.	NY
do	14 <sup>th</sup>		Company and unit parades in morning and afternoon.	NY
do	15 <sup>th</sup>		Battalion occupied with Bathing and Pay parades.	NY



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	MARCH		Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck, Commanding.	
LePondre	15 <sup>th</sup>		The following appointments appeared in 3 <sup>rd</sup> Brigade Orders:- Capt. B. W. B. Brown, to be Staff Captain, 9 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Inf. Bde.	248
do	16 <sup>th</sup>		N <sup>o</sup> 4 Coy & Unit parade for Pay. N <sup>o</sup> 2 Coy carry out Rifle Grenade Practice. N <sup>o</sup> 1 & 3 Coys carry on with practice in new attack formation and extended order.	248
do	17 <sup>th</sup>		N <sup>o</sup> 3 Coy. carry on with Rifle Grenade Practice. 3 Other Companies carry on with practice in new attack formation. N <sup>o</sup> 2 Coy Lewis Gunners receive instruction from 1 <sup>st</sup> Bn. L. G. Officer.	248
			The following decoration is awarded:- 28937. C. B. B. PALMER, C.F.	248
do	18 <sup>th</sup>		The Italian Bronze Medal for Military Valour.	248
do	19 <sup>th</sup>		Battalion Church Parade in morning.	248
do	20 <sup>th</sup>		Coys. carry on with attack practice. Units carry on with their own special training.	248
			Battalion inspected by 9 <sup>th</sup> NCO's.	248

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Le Pondeu.	MARCH 21 <sup>st</sup>		Lieut-Col. C. W. Peck, Commanding. Days & units carried on with new training.	HY
do	22 <sup>nd</sup>		do do do	HY
do	23 <sup>rd</sup>		Battalion Lewis Gunners practice with guns at Ranges. Remainder of Pm. continues with new training.	HY
do	24 <sup>th</sup>		The Commanding Officer expresses thanks on behalf of Pm. to Campbells Patriotic Club, Cistona, B.C. for their useful donation to the Pm. Regimental Fund.	HY
		6 pm	Days & units carry on with practice in Battalion formation in morning. Battalion moves to Brigade Support at MAISON BLANCHE, relieving the 14 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Infantry Bn. (Royal Montreal Regiment)	HY
Support.	25 <sup>th</sup>		Situation quiet & nothing of importance to report.	HY
do	26 <sup>th</sup>		Do.	HY
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Support.	1917. MARCH 29 <sup>th</sup>	3 AM	<p>Leut. Col. C. W. Peck, Commanding 13<sup>th</sup> Bn (Royal Highlanders of Canada) and 14<sup>th</sup> Bn (Royal Montreal Regiment) raid enemy's trenches on our Brigade front.</p> <p>Situation quiet &amp; unchanged.</p>	247
do	30 <sup>th</sup>		<p>Battalion relieved on night 30/31<sup>st</sup> March by 1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Infantry Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade &amp; moved to huts on BOIS DES ALLEUX.</p>	247
BOIS DES ALLEUX.	31 <sup>st</sup>		<p>Battalion occupied cleaning up &amp; with lat &amp; rifle inspections.</p>	247

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WITH APPENDICES A <sup>to</sup> ~~and~~ B.

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WAR DIARY

16th Canadian Bn. 1st Cdn. Division,

from 1st to 30th April, 1917.

Volume 24.

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Appendix A.

16th Bn. O.O. 109 dated the 4th April, instructions as to 16th Bn. relieving Bn. of 1st Bde. April 4th.

" B

16th. Bn. O.O. 108 dated the 4th. April, Instructions regarding the taking the Vimy Ridge in forming a defensive flank.

" C.

16th Bn. to ~~make~~relieve 1st Cdn. Bn. on the 14th.

" D.

O.O. No. 111, 16th Bn. to relieve 8th Bn. in forward area April 15th.

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16th CANADIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

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APRIL

1917.

TEXT.

WAR DOCKET

16th Battalion. "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH."  
WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Original.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1917.			
	April.			
BOIS des ALLEUX.	1st.		LIEUT.-COLONEL C.W. PECK, COMMANDING.	
		8.30 am.	Roman Catholics paraded for Church Service under Lieut. J.H.R. MURPHY.	
		9.30 am.	Lewis Guns & Spare Parts are inspected by <del>the</del> 1st Canadian Divisional Armourer.	
		10.30 am.	Officers & N.C.O's partaking in the coming Offensive, proceed to ESTREE CAUCHIE for instruction.	
		12 noon.	Battalion paraded under Major R.O. Bell-Irving, M.C., 2nd in Command, and proceeded to ESTREE CAUCHIE for Battle Practice.	
do	2nd/11.35	a.m.	Battalion marched to ESTREE CAUCHIE and continued with Battle Practice. Signal Section practised Contact Aeroplanes Signalling and Visual Signalling. Ambulance Section practised Stretcher Carrying.	
			The following Extract from Divisional Routine Orders was published in Battalion Daily Orders:- The Corps, Divisional, Brigade and Battalion Commanders wish their congratulations conveyed to No 28510, L/Cpl. D. STEWART, of the 16th Bn., (Signal Section), on being awarded the "MILITARY MEDAL".	
do	3rd.	9.00 a.m.	The Battalion marched to ESTREE CAUCHIE and continued with Battle Practice.	
do	4th	9.00 a.m.	Roman Catholics paraded for Service in the YMCA Tent. Company & Platoon Officers discuss and fully explain (with the aid of Maps, etc) to all ranks, their part in the coming offensive.	
		11.30 a.m.	All Officers of Battalion are addressed by the G.O.C., in the Y.M.C.A Tent. Easter Communion Service for all is held in the evening.	
do	5th		Final preparations are made during the day prior to moving up to the Forward Area. Draft of 20 Other Ranks joins the Battalion from the 1st Cdn. Entrenching Battalion.	
		5.30 p.m.	Battalion is formed up in rear of the huts in which the Battalion have been billeted and addressed by the Commanding Officer.	
		6.30 p.m.	No. 2, 3, & 4 Companies and All Details (Total of 621 all ranks) move off to the forward area. On arrival disposition is made in accordance with Operation Orders No 109 attached hereto.	
Forward Area.	6th.		Zero day (See Operation Orders No 106) is postponed 24 hours.	

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Summary of Events and Information

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	1917. April.		LIEUT.-COLONEL C.W. PECK, COMMANDING.	
FORWARD AREA.	6th.		Party of One Corporal (Cpl. C.H. Catchpole) and 11 Men made a daylight raid into the Enemy's Front Line Trenches, passing through the Enemy's Wire at A.10.c.7.7 (Map. 51b.N.W.1. ROCLINCOURT. Ed. 6 A. 1/10,000.), and brought back valuable information regarding Enemy's Wire and Front Line Trenches. Cpl. Catchpole claimed two Enemy dead on his own account. Our casualties for raid - One man slightly wounded.	
do	7th	12.45	Situation during day - Normal.	
		10.35 a.m.	Disposition of Battalion is now as follows:- No 1 Company still remain at LE PENDU HUTS, in the Bois des Alleux. No 2 Company A.14.d.2.4. No 3 Company, 3 Platoons in Front Line at A.10.a.65.00 to A.10.c.55.35. 1 Platoon in BENTATA TUNNEL, No 4 Company, 3 Platoons at A.14.d.2.4. and 1 Platoon in the FORK REDOUBT.	
			A/Corporal J.S. Gray, and 10 Men made a daylight reconnaissance of the Enemy's Wire and Front Line from A.10.c.90.60, bringing back valuable information concerning same. Good observation was obtained up to point A.10.d.10.98 when party of Enemy was encountered in a well built part of the Enemy Line. They fired on our party, and our men retaliated accounting for one killed and one wounded German. Our party returned to our lines without a Casualty, although the Enemy sent over a number of Shrapnel shells. Our total casualties today 4 O.R.'s Wounded and 1 O.R., Accidentally Wounded.	
do	8th		Situation during day was normal and unchanged. Few Enemy "Whizzbangs" and 4.1's on our front and support positions.	
		6.00 p.m.	The whole day was occupied in making final preparations for the offensive which commences tomorrow morning. Enemy is alert and shelled continuously during day.	
		9.30 p.m.	No 1 Company moves up from BOIS DES ALLEUX to MAISON BLANCHE, arriving at 9.30 p.m., where they remain until they move up at 2.00 a.m., to dig themselves in.	
			Battalion Headquarters move up to Battle Headquarters. (Our Adjutant, Lieut. S.D. Johnston and F.O.B. of R.F.A., are hit on the way up. F.C.O. is Killed and Lieut. Johnston severely wounded).	
do	9th	3.56 a.m.	Companies and Units move up to Assembly positions, in Battle Order, during the night. Report sent to 3rd Cdn. Inf. Brigade Headquarters that all Companies and Units are in Assembly position, and that Casualties are few. Situation Normal. "Code Word - MONTREAL"	



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	1917 April.		LIEUT-COLONEL C.W. PECK, COMMANDING.	
FORWARD AREA.	9th		Operations are now commenced in accordance with Operation Orders No 106 dated April 4th 1917. Today is ZERO Day, and ZERO HOUR is 5.30 a.m. Battalion on our Right, :- 14th Canadian Infantry Battalion, "ROYAL MONTREAL REGIMENT". Battalion on our Left :- 16th Canadian Infantry Battalion, 2nd Canadian Division.	OO.106 marked "B"
		5.29 a.m.	Our Barrage commenced.	
		5.32 a.m.	First Wave of Battalion went over. (1 Piper went with each Company and Pipe Major with H.Q.) All objectives reached according to Operation Orders No 106. As Intelligence Officer was wounded and could not report location of further advanced Battle Headquarters for Battalion, Colonel Peck decided to establish Headquarters in a dugout in ZWISCHEN STELLUNG, and moved forward accordingly. All arrangements re consolidating were carried out in accordance with Operation Orders No 106. Battalion on Right is now :- 15th Canadian Infantry Battalion, 48th Highlanders of Canada. " Left " :- 16th Canadian Infantry Battalion, 2nd Canadian Division.	<i>File</i>
do	10th		During advance we captured 1 -77m.m., calibre Enemy gun, several Machine Guns and 1 Minenwerfer Thrower. Approximate number of prisoners taken, at very least 100; these were sent to the rear of our lines. Lieut. Colonel C.W. Peck goes to hospital sick. Major R.O. Bell-Irving, M.C., arrives from Transport Lines and takes over command of Battalion.	
		9.30 p.m.	Battalion is relieved in their position in the occupied Enemy territory and moves back to MAISON BLANCHE (Relieving Battalion in the Line - 10th Cdn. Inf. Bn. (2nd Cdn. Inf. Bde.) In yesterday's assault the Battalion lost 16 Officers, the following being Killed in Action: Captain V.G. Tupper, M.C., Captain D.G. Campbell, Lieuts J. Cowan, F.F. McGowan, A.E. Browne, and Lieut A.C. Cornell. Lieut. C. Bevan, died of wounds, and 9 other Officers were wounded and evacuated. 3 Officers were wounded but remained at duty. Estimated Casualties in N.C.O.'s and Men are:- Killed - 5, Wounded - 167, Missing - 82. Total Casualties "All Ranks - 323". 2 Officers were wounded today on proceeding to join Battalion at MAISON BLANCHE from the Transport Lines. Those portions of Companies and Units who were left behind at Transport during the attack move up to MAISON BLANCHE.	<i>File</i>

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	1917. April.		MAJOR R.O. BELL-IRVING, M.C., COMMANDING.	
MAISON BLANCHE.	11th		Battalion rest at MAISON BLANCHE.	
do	12th		do	
do	13th		Battalion partially refitted in Fighting Equipment.	
do	14th	5.20 a.m.	Revised Casualty report for April 9th, is now as follows:- Killed - All ranks 72, Wounded All Ranks - 235, Died of Wounds - All Ranks 7, Missing - All ranks 19. Total - 333. Battalion moves up to EISNER KREUZ WEG, in Support Area position, relieving 1st Canadian Infantry Battalion. Trench Strength - 577 All ranks.	O.O.110 marked "C".
SUPPORT.	15th	6.00 p.m.	Battalion moves forward to advanced area, relieving the 8th Canadian Infantry Battalion, "90th WINNIPEG RIFLES", in the new front line position. Battalion Headquarters located at B.3.d.6.4 (Ref.Map. WILLERVAL. 1/20,000).	O.O.111. marked "D".
FRONT LINE.	16th		Enemy shell village of WILLERVAL continuously with "Whizzbangs". Situation otherwise normal.	
do	17th		Situation unchanged and Casualties slight.	
do	18th	9.00 p.m.	Special Patrol went out and reconnoitred Enemy Front positions and Wire, returning with valuable information.	
do	19th		Battalion moves down to FARBUS WOOD.	
FARBUS WOOD.	20th		Enemy shells FARBUS WOOD continuously. We have a few casualties.	
do	21st		Battalion moves to old original British Support Lines. Battalion Headquarters located in VASE Trench.	
VASE TRENCH AREA	22nd.		Battalion rested today. Pay Parades in morning and afternoon. Draft of 54 O.R., reinforcements joined Battalion.	
do	23rd		Battalion rested. Pay Parades completed.	
do	24th		Battalion rested.	
do	25th		do	
do	26th		do	

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	1917. April		MAJOR R.O.BELL-IRVING, M.C., COMMANDING.	
YASE TRENCH AREA. FORWARD AREA	27th		Battalion is placed under command of the 2nd Canadian Infantry Brigade, and moved forward in support. We supply a number of working parties for Battalions in front line. 2nd Canadian Infantry Brigade attack enemy's position and attain all objectives after severe fighting. 16th Battalion were in support during the attack and 2 Platoons were sent up to reinforce the 5th Battalion in the Front Line. Major A.Mackintosh and Lieut. R.B.Powell were killed and Lieut G.B.F.Jones wounded today. (Later report received that Major C.H.Lamontagne, an attached Officer, was also killed, and Lieut. W.B.McConnell wounded.) Draft of 175 O.R's arrive but remain at MOUNT St ELOI.	
do	29th		2nd Canadian Infantry Brigade is relieved by the 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade, and 16th Battalion is moved to FARBUS WOOD, where we again come under command of 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade. 1 Officer reinforcement arrives.	
FARBUS WOOD	30th		Battalion rested today. Enemy shell Wood continuously. 12 Officer reinforcements arrive but remain at Transport Lines.	

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APPENDICES A to D.

FALSE DOCKET



"A"

SECRET

16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"  
OPERATION ORDERS No 109.

Copy No. . . .  
BOIS DES ALLEUX.  
April 4th/1917. 8

MOVE.

1. The 16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH" will relieve a Battalion of the First Brigade in the front line on "W" night. The line to be taken over consists of the Battle Front of the Battalion.

TAKING OVER.

2. No. 3 Company will take over this line with 3 platoons and 2 Lewis Guns, the fourth platoon will be in BESSAIN No. 4 Company will have one platoon in FORK REDOUBT the remaining three platoons of No 4 Company will stay at MAISON BLANCHE, No 2 Company move to MAISON BLANCHE & take over dug-outs occupied by a Company of Pioneers.  
No 1 Company will remain at BOIS DES ALLEUX.

3. The three Companies that go up to the line will follow as a column with 3 Companies of the 15th Battalion who lead at 100 yards interval between Companies.  
The 15th Battalion will pass the road junction F.I. D. 5.2 (road going to ECOIVRES) at 6.15 P.M.) No 3 Company leading, followed by No 2 & No 4 Companies.

4. At "Y" night No 1. Company will proceed to the Front line and take up their assembly positions  
The 13th Battalion will pass the starting point F.I.D. 5.2 at 6.16 P.M. followed by one Company of the 14th Battalion - one Company of the 15th Battalion & 1 Company of the 16th Battalion.

5. The portion of the Battalion at MAISON BLANCHE will proceed to their assembly trenches on "Y" night.

GUIDES.

6. Guides will be sent to guide them and No 1 Company at a time to be stated later on.

ADVANCE PARTY.

7. All Companies going in will send Advance parties during the day, One Officer & party to report to Batta H. Q. at 10.00 A.M. on April 5th/1917.

LEWIS GUN LIMBERS.

8. Lewis Gun Limbers will report to each Company at 5.00 p.m. Lewis Gun Limbers will follow in rear of their respective Companies.

COOKING UTENSILS.

9. Companies will carry all cooking utensils dixies, etc, required on their Lewis Gun Carts, and arrange for carrying parties beyond MAISON BLANCHE.

TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.

10 Advance parties will proceed with due regard to traffic regulations.

DRESS.

11. Greatcoats & leather jerkins will be worn.

BLANKETS.

12. All blankets to be rolled, marked & piled in one hut per Company.

COMPLETION OF RELIEF.

13. Completion of relief to be notified immediately to Battalion H. Q. by Runner.

Copy No 1 Office.

- 2 H. Q.
- 3. 1 Company.
- 4 2 Company.
- 5 3 Company.
- 6 4 Company,
- 7 Second-in-Command.
- 8 Signals.
- 10 Details
- 11 Transport & Quartermaster.
- 12 War Diary.
- 13 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade, ✓
- 14 ~~First Canadian Infantry Brigade.~~ War Diary
- 15. War Diary.

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Lieut & Adjutant,

16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH

Appendix.

W equals April 5th/1917.

- X " 6th
- Y " 7th
- Z " 8th





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16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

S E C R E T . . .

OPERATION ORDER NO: - 108.

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Reference: - Sheet 51 R. N. W. 1.  
& Air-photo 16. A. 487.

BOIS DES ALLIÉUX.  
April 4th/1917.

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GENERAL PLAN.

1. (a) In conjunction with the 3rd Army, the Canadian Corps will take the VIMY RIDGE and form a defensive flank.
- (b) The 1st Canadian Division will capture the High-ground S & S. E. of THELUS.
- (c) The 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade will attack on the left of the Division frontage, with the 2nd Brigade on the right, and go as far as the RED LINE (SWISCHEN STELLUNG) The Brigade will attack with three Battalion - 13th - 14th - 16th and the 15th in Support.
- (d) The 4th Canadian Infantry Brigade will be attacking on our Left.
- (e) The objective of the Brigade will be:-
  - (1) FIRST OBJECTIVE - THE BLACK LINE, ZWOLPER WEG from A. 17. A. 40.55 to A. 11. A. 60.30.
  - (2) SEC OND OBJECTIVE - THE RED LINE, SWISCHEN STELLUNG from A. 17. B. 70.90 to A. 11. B. 35.20.

SPECIAL PLANS.

2. (a) BOUNDARIES OF THE BATTALION.

Right Boundary - Front Line	A. 10. C. 55. 35.
Observation Line	A. 10. C. 76. 46.
German Front Line.	A. 10. C. 95. 50.
BLACK LINE.	A. 11. C. 75. 70.
RED LINE.	A. 11. D. 65. 75.
Left Boundary - Front Line	A. 10. A. 65. 00
Observation Line.	A. 10. A. 77. 05.
German Front Line.	A. 10. B. 40. 15.
BLACK LINE.	A. 11. A. 65. 30.
RED LINE.	A. 11. B. 3. 2.

(b) BLACK LINE.

- (1) When this is reached it will be immediately consolidated, facing the enemy.
- (2) The men will be sorted out & re-organized.
- (3) Any changes in Company, Platoon or Section leaders will be made known.
- (4) Communication will be opened with Battalion O.P.'s and Brigade Report Centre.
- (5) Liason will be effected with Battalion on the Right and Left.
- (6) Lewis Gun posts will be pushed out as close to the barrage as possible when it lifts to 200 yards East of the BLACK LINE at ZERO plus 33 minutes (see table of barrages). Post at A. 11. C. 80. 90. to be made by No. 9 platoon Lieut. Cowan.  
Post at A. 11. A. 80. 20 to be made by No. 14 platoon, Sergeant Gates.

OPERATION ORDERS NO:- 108 (Continued)

(c) THE RED LINE.

- (1) When reached, it will be immediately consolidated, facing the enemy.
- (2) The following blocks will be put in :-  
 AUGSBERGER WEG at A.11.D.9.7 by No. 9 platoon, Lieut Cowan.  
 Trench at A.11.D.8.7. by No. 9 platoon, Lieut. Cowan.  
 Trench at A.11.E.6.C by No. 14 platoon, Sergeant Gates.  
 The following strong Machine-Gun position will be made by No. 2 platoon, Lieut. Robertson, A.11.D.3.9.

This position will be commenced as soon as the RED LINE is reached, so as to protect our left flank from LEZ TILLEBULS.

It will be constructed to hold if necessary, 1 platoon - 1 Lewis-Gun - 1 Colt-Gun.

Lewis Guns will be pushed out into all Blocks.

BATTLE FORMATION.

3. (1) The Battalion will attack on a two Company frontage. Each Company will attack in two waves, each wave having two platoons per Company.

(2) The two Support Companies will each furnish two platoons to act as Moppers up to the leading Companies.

One Mopping up platoon from each Company will follow the first wave, and one the second wave.

The Lewis Guns of the Mopping up platoons will be left at Battalion Headquarters as O.C.'s Reserve.

(3) No. 3 Company under Captain Tupper will be the RIGHT attacking Company.

No. 1 Company under Lieut. Bewan, will support No. 3 Company.

No. 4 Company under Captain Scroggie will be the LEFT attacking Company.

No. 2. Company under Lieut. H.J. Mason, will be in support of No. 4 Company.

(4) Company frontages will be:-

No. 3. Company, from RIGHT boundary of the Battalion to the right crater of the VISSEC GROUP (exclusive)

No. 4 Company, from right crater of the VISSEC GROUP (inclusive) to the LEFT boundary.

FRONTAGES.

- 4. BRIGADE..... 900 yds.
- BATTALION..... 300 yards.
- COMPANY..... 150 yards.
- PLATOON..... 75 yards.

DISTANCES.

- 5. (a) between lines of waves - 15 yards.
- (b) Between rear lines of waves and lines of Moppers up - 25 yards.
- (c) Between lines of Moppers up, and front line of waves - 25 yards.

OPERATION ORDERS NO:- (Continued) 108

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ASSEMBLY  
FORMATION.

6. The Battalion will take up their assembly formations at ZERO, minus 1 night, as follows :-  
 No. 3 Company, A. 10. C. 75. 50 to A. 10. C. 70. 70.  
 No. 1 Company, No 4 platoon A. 10. C. 75. 50 - A. 10. C. 70. 75  
                   No. 3 platoon A. 10. C. 60. 45 - A. 10. C. 60. 75  
                   No. 1 platoon A. 10. C. 60. 65 - A. 10. C. 60. 40.  
                   No. 2 platoon A. 10. C. 60. 75 - A. 10. C. 60. 65.  
  
 No. 4 Company, FIRST WAVE - A. 10. C. 7. 7½ - A. 10. A. 8½. ½.  
                                   "                  SECOND WAVE, A. 10. C. 6½. 7½ - A. 10. A. 8. ½  
  
 No. 2 Company, 7 & 8 platoons,  
   A. 10. C. 6. 7½. - A. 10. A. 7½. o.  
                   No. 5 platoon  
   A. 10. C. 6½. 7½ - A. 10. A. 8. ½  
                   No. 6 platoon.  
   A. 10. C. 6. 7½ - A. 10. A. 7½. o.

SIGNALS &  
INTELLIGENCE.

- 7 (a) O.P.'s  
 Brigade O.P. at approx - A. 10. C. 2. 2.  
 Centre Battalion - A. 16. A. 1. 7.  
 Battalion - A. 16. A. 15. 20  
 The Battalion O.P will be manned before the advance by:-  
 2 Signallers.  
 2 Observers.  
 2 Runners.  
 1 Phone.  
 Signal Flags.  
 1 Lamp.  
 The Observers will locate the flanks of the Battalion up to the RED objective, and keep Brigade Report Centre in touch with the situation by means of telephone or Runner.  
 (b) Means of Communication forward of the O.P  
 Visual, Very Lights, Pigeons, Runners & Aeroplane Contact.  
 (c) A Battalion central report centre will be established as soon as possible in conquered territory.  
 (d) All information collected by the Intelligence Officer will be sent to the O.C. and any urgent information or such as is useful to flanking Battalions will be transmitted to them.  
 (e) The Intelligence Officer with 8 scouts, 6 Signallers and 4 runners, will follow in rear of the last wave. They will carry Signal Fans, Ground-sheet, pigeons & 2 Signalling lamps. They will make for a point approximately A. 11. C. 5. 8, junction of C. T. & ARRAS ROAD & establish themselves in the nearest, and most convenient dug-out.  
 When established, a GREEN flag will be hoisted. If possible, they will communicate by visual with Brigade Forward Report Centre & Brigade O.P. x  
 (f) The Brigade Relay station for runners, will be at A. 16. E. 70. 75, denoted by a WHITE & BLUE flag, and will be established when the BLACK objective is taken.

*They will establish a post for observation of progress*

- (g) All messages must be (1) Numbered. 13  
(2) Have time & place.  
(3) Brief.  
(4) Be written on the back

of maps which will be provided.

At the time of writing, the Officer will designate on the map as closely as possible, his position.

This refers to Company & platoon Commanders as well.

(h) Each Company Commander, & Mopping up platoon Commander, will detail 2 men with sand-bags, in which all papers found will be placed and forwarded to Brigade.

PLAN OF ATTACK.

8. (a) The Battalion will go direct to the BLACK offensive, following the barrage, according to the time-table.  
(b) At the BLACK LINE there will be a 40 minute pause, during which the Companies will reform & consolidate as laid down in para 2, Section "B".  
(c) No. 9 platoon will construct a Lewis-Gun post at A. 11. C. 80.90.  
No. 14 platoon will provide a Lewis Gun post at A. 11. A. 80.20.  
(d) The waves will advance as close to the barrage as possible, in time to proceed when it lifts at ZERO plus 75 minutes.  
(e) The Battalion will follow the barrage to the RED LINE, and occupy it at ZER plus 95 minutes.  
(f) When the RED LINE is occupied, consolidation & formation of blocks & Machine-Gun positions will be proceeded with, as laid down in para 2, Section "C".  
(g) No. 9 platoon will put in block at A. 11. D. 9.7  
No. 9 platoon will put in block at A. 11. D. 8.7.  
No. 14 platoon will put in block at A. 11. E. 6.0.  
No. 2 platoon will make the Machine-Gun position at A. 11. D. 3.9. Lieut. Robertson.  
(h) The RED LINE is the final objective, until the 1st Canadian Brigade passes through when (a) the AUGSBERGER WEG will be occupied by No. 3 Company, A. 11. D. 7520. to A. 12. C. 10.95, the latter point forming the boundary of the Brigade, (b) The trench running parallel to, and West of the AUGSBERGER WEG will also be occupied by No. 4 Company from A. 11. D. 70.45 to A. 11. E. 90.00  
This advance must be made directly behind the last wave Battalion of the 1st Brigade.  
These two trenches must be (a) Mopped up.  
(b) Consolidated.  
1 (a) (a) a temporary block will be formed by No. 13 platoon, Lieut. McGowen at A. 12. C. 2.8.  
(b) Strong points for defence, especially from THELUS will be constructed at A. 12. C. 15.95 by No. 13 platoon Lieut. McGowen A. 11. E. 60.00. " "  
(j) If the situation permits, the line will be thinned and the 14th Battalion will be withdrawn before the 4th Brigade arrives.  
The point of junction between the 15th & 16th Battalions will then be A. 11. D. 9.4 and A. 11. D. 70.45.

MOPPERS UP.

- 9. (a) The first line will consist of one platoon of each of the Support Companies, and will follow behind the first wave.
- (b) The second line will consist of one platoon of each of the Support Companies and will follow behind the second wave.
- (c) They will not carry Lewis Guns.

- (d) The duties of the first line are to mop up from the German front line to the EISNER KREUZ WEG (exclusive)
- The duties of the second line are to mop up from the EISNER KREUZ (inclusive) to the LILLE-ARRAS road (inclusive)
- (e) When their tasks are completed they will rejoin their Units.

BARRAGES.

- 10. (a) The preliminary barrage will be announced later.
- (b) at ZERO plus 35 minutes, the barrage will lift off the BLACK LINE.
- (c) From ZERO plus 35 minutes to ZERO plus 38 minutes it will stand 100 yards east of the BLACK LINE.
- (d) From ZERO plus 38 minutes to ZERO plus 75 minutes it will form a standing barrage 200 yards EAST of BLACK LINE
- (e) While waiting in the BLACK LINE for this 40 minutes, Companies will be re-organized, and communication will be effected with Battalion Headquarters & O.P.'s.
- (f) at ZERO plus 95 minutes the barrage will lift off the RED LINE. From ZERO plus 95 minutes to ZERO plus 245 minutes it will stand EAST of the RED LINE.
- (g) The RED LINE is the final objective for the Battalion, and the First Canadian Brigade will pass through and attack from that line.

MACHINE GUNS.

- 11. Four Guns from the Brigade will accompany the Advance and take up position to safeguard the flanks when necessary.

STOKES GUNS.

- 12. Stokes Guns will bombard the German Front-line system before ZERO hour and will proceed after the last wave, and take up positions when the RED LINE is reached.

HEADQUARTERS.

- 13. Battalion Headquarters will be in the dug-outs A. 10. C 15. 35, and remain there until new ones are found by the Intelligence Officer. A suggested position is at A. 14. C. 5. 2

Brigade Headquarters,	BENTATA TUNNEL.
Right Battalion,	DOUAI TUNNEL.
Centre Battalion,	BENTATA TUNNEL.
4th Can. Inf. Brigade,	ZIVY CAVE.
Right Battalion, 4th Brigade,	ZIVY CAVE.

COMMUNICATION TRENCHES.

- 14. In (a) CLAUDOT - OLD FRENCH TRENCH, north of VISSEC.
- Out (b) VISSEC - BESSAIN - ROCADE - SAPPER (BESSAIN north of CLAUDOT will be used both ways).

TRENCH POLICE.

- 15. The Battalion will post police at the junction of:-

  - CLAUDOT & ELBE - in.
  - BENTATA & ROCADE in.
  - CLAUDOT & ROCADE - in.
  - VISSEC & BESSAIN - out.
  - NORTH & BESSAIN - in.

OPERATION ORDERS NO:- 108 (Continued)

SUBWAYS.

16. The BENTATA SUBWAY runs from about A. 15. B. 7.9 to the front line between FROGER & CLAUDOT trenches.

It will be used as a covered C. T. during bombardments before ZERO hour and after ZERO hour for Runners.

The following letters are fixed to the entrances

For the 16th Battalion.

W. Exit to CLAUDOT SAP.

X. Exit to CLAUDOT SAP.

O. Entrance from Front line.

39. No traffic.

E. Exit. - Main exit to BESSAIN & ROCADE.

B. Entrance - Main entrance.

Map scale 1/5000 can be marked at Battalion Headquarters.

LIASON.

17. Major Render is detailed to act as Liason Officer with the 4th Brigade.

Communication will be constantly kept up with the Battalions on our Right & Left.

CARRYING PARTIES.

18. When the RED LINE is occupied, if possible a party of 25 men under an Officer will be sent back to a dump that will have been established at the "B" line (see Dumps)

P A R T 2 .

DUMPS.

- 1. Battalion Dump - "A" line A. 10. C. 1 1/2. 7.  
"B" line - LILLE-ARRAS ROAD.  
"C" Line - RED LINE.

REGIMENTAL AID POSTS.

- 2. A. 15 Central.  
ROCADE A. 15. B. 9. 3.  
BESSAIN A. 10. C. 1 1/2. 2.  
Advanced dressing-station (1) ARIAN DUMP.  
(2) MAISON BLANCHE.

WATER.

- 3. Petrol tins filled with water will be provided before ZERO day.

EQUIPMENT.

- 4. (a) No Packs will be worn, leather jerkins will be worn. The following will be carried by every man :-  
48 hours rations, filled water bottle, water-proof sheet, Box Respirator, smoke-helmet, goggles & 2 ground flares, Haversack & 4 Mills Hand Grenades.  
(b) Rifle Grenade, & Grenade sections will also carry Rifle, cup attachment & 8 No 23 MILLS BOMBS, blank cartridges & 50 rounds of S. A. A.  
(c) Riflemen will also carry in addition to section "A" Rifle, 120 rounds S. A. A., 4 MILLS BOMBS No. 5.  
(d) Lewis Gun Sections, No 1 & 2 will also carry in addition to Section "A" a Lewis Gun, 2 magazines apiece, and 1 revolver apiece. The remainder of the section will each carry a rifle, 100 rounds of S. A. A. & 4 magazines.  
(e) All will carry 5 sand-bags, and every man will carry a shovel or pick at the rate of 20 picks to every 80 shovels.  
(f) Moppers up carry the usual equipment of their Section, 1st 1 smoke-bomb for every 3rd man, they will not carry shovels or picks.

OPERATION ORDERS NO:- 108 (Continued)

SALVAGE.

5. The Battalion is responsible for the clearance of the battlefield from the LEFT boundary of the Brigade frontage to and excluding the HAPSEBERGER WEG, and as far back as the ZWOLFER WEG.

MEAL.

6. A hot meal will be provided for the Battalion, previous to the ZERO hour.

PRISONERS  
OF WAR.

7. All prisoners will be sent back to Support Line, as far as possible under the escort of slightly wounded men. They will march OVERLAND and not by Communication trenches. They will be handed over at the Battle Steps, MAISON BLANCHE and ARIAN DUMP, and proper receipts taken for them.

*H. Johnson*

Lieut & Adjutant,  
16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

- Copy No 1 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade.
- " 2 O.C. 16th Battalion.
- " 3 Second-in-Command 16th Battalion.
- " 4 Adjutant. 16th Battalion.
- " 5 No. 1. Company.
- " 6 No. 2. Company.
- " 7 No. 3. Company.
- " 8 No. 4. Company.
- " 9. Intelligence.
- " 10 Signals. *War Diary.*
- " 11 16th Canadian Infantry Battalion.
- " 12 Battalion on Left.
- " 13 Medical Officer.
- " 14 War Diary.
- " 15 Office.





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SECRET

17

16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTCH" Coy No.....

OPERATION ORDER No. 110.      WATSON BLANCHER  
April 14th/1917.

MOVE.

1. Under orders from 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade the 16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTCH" will move off this evening, 14th inst to WISMER KRIBBE WEG in the old German front line system, relieving the First Canadian Infantry Battalion.

TIME.

2. No 1 Company will move off at 5.30 A.M.  
No 2 Company will move off at 5.30 A.M.  
No 3 Company will move off at 5.40 A.M.  
No 4 Company will move off at 5.50 A.M.  
Headquarters and all details will move off at 6.00 A.M.

DEFLECTION.

3. Artillery formation will be observed when moving.

GUIDES.

4. Guides will meet Battalion at CLAUDOT group of craters at 6.30 A.M.

ADVANCE PARTIES.

5. Lieut Robertson of No 1 Company will be in charge of Advance party consisting of 1 M.C.O. & 1 Man per Company and 1 man for all Headquarters Units combined. This party will leave at 4.30 A.M.

GUARDS.

6. 1 M.C.O. to be detailed by No. 2 Company & 1 man per Company, and one man per Battalion Headquarters will be left behind.

PACKS.

7. Packs will be piled and blankets rolled in bundles of 10 numbered and marked as usual.

BREAKFAST.

8. Breakfast at 4.30 A.M.

RATIONS.

9. 24 hours rations will be carried.

EQUIPMENT.

10. Equipment, for Battle equipment will be worn & greases etc will be taken.

*En Gillies*

Captain & Adjutant,  
16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTCH"

Coy No 1 Office.

- 2 1 Company.
- 3 2 Company.
- 4 3 Company.
- 5 4 Company.
- 6 R. T. M. & Details.
- 7 Signallers & Intelligence.
- 8 O.C. & Headquarters.
- 9 Adjutant.
- 10 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade.
- 11 1st Canadian Infantry Battalion.
- 12 WAR HEADQ.

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16th Battalion. "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

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OPERATION ORDERS No 111.

SECRET.

Ref. 1/20,000/WILLERVAL SHEET.

DOUAI TUNNELL.  
April 15th 1917.

- MOVE. 1. Under orders from 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde, the 16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH", relieves the 8th Battalion in the forward area.
- TIME. 2. Companies and Details will begin to move off from the 9 Elms at 6.00 p.m. They will meet 4 Platoon guides per Company and 2 Guides per Bn. H.Q., from the 8th Battalion.
- RELIEF. 3. The relief of Companies of the 8th Battalion will be in accordance with this afternoon's conference. 5 minutes interval between Companies and 100 yards between platoons.
- BATT. H.Q. 4. Battalion Headquarters will be established at B.3.d.6.4.
- DISPOSITION. 5. Disposition reports will be sent to Battalion Headquarters two hours after relief.
- REPORTS. 6. Companies will report to Battalion H.Q., by Runner when relief is completed.
- ORDER OF MOVE. 7. Companies will move off in the following order:-  
No 1, 2, 3 & 4.

SIGNED:- E.N. Gilliat,  
Capt & A/Adjutant,  
16th Bn. "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

CONFIDENTIAL  
WAR DIARY  
OF  
16th CANADIAN INFANTRY BATTALION  
MAY 1917.  
WITH APPENDICES A and B.  
VOLUME 17 - 5.

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16th Canadian Bn. 1st Canadian Division,

from 1st to 31st May, 1918.

Volume 25.

Diary Text

3 Pages.

Appendix A.

O.C. No. 112 dated the 5th May, instructions regarding move of 16th Bn. to CAMPLAIN L' ABBE on the 6th May.

" B.

O.C. No. 112 dated the 30th May, instructions re move of 16th Bn. on the 31st May.

16TH CANADIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

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"THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	3	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1917.		MAJOR R.O.BELL-IRVING, M.C., COMMANDING.		
Farbus Wood.	May 1st		50 Other Ranks sent up from draft at Transport Lines, and carried up Stores, etc, for 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade.		
"	2nd		6 Officer Reinforcements arrived at Transport Lines.		
"	3rd	3.25 a.m.	Companies on Railway Track heavily shelled. Three men killed and 2 wounded.		
"		5 p.m.	1st Canadian Infantry Brigade attac <del>k</del> the village of FRESNOY.		
"	4th		Battalion comes under command of 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade. Work parties of 4 Officers and 150 Other ranks supplied to carry forward S.A.A., Bombs and Wiring material. No's 1 & 2 Companies move back from Railway Track to Trenches behind FARBUS WOOD.		
Mount St Eloi	5th		Battalion is relieved and moves back to Billets at MOUNT ST ELOI.		
"	6th		Battalion comes under command of 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade.		
Camblain l'Abbe.	7th		Battalion rested in billets. Pay parades are held.		
"	8th		Battalion moves to CAMELAIN L'ABBE. Major R.O.Bell-Irving, M.C., addressed the Battalion and later addressed the new draft..		
"	9th		Rested in Billets and Bathing parades.		
"	10th		Rest in Billets. Brigadier-General G.S.Tuxford, C.M.G., addressed the Battalion.		
"	11th		3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade inspected by Divisional Commander at CHATEAU DE LA HAIE.		
"	12th		New draft of 161 Other ranks arrive.		
"	13th		3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade is inspected by Canadian Corps Commander at CHATEAU DE LA HAIE.		
"	14th		1 Officer reinforcement arrives.		
"	15th		Training commences from 7.30 a.m., till 12.00 noon. Afternoon is devoted to Sports, etc.		
"	16th		Training continues. Regimental Sports were held in the afternoon and Concert in the evening at which the Divisional Commander attended.		
"	17th		3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade parade for Church Service at CHATEAU DE LA HAIE. The Army, Corps, Divisional and Brigade Commanders were present. Thanksgiving service to commemorate the "WIMY RIDGE" Action of April 9th 1917. The Army Commander addressed the Brigade.		
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1'Abbe.	May		TRAINING Continued.	
"	18th		Brigade Sports held at CHATEAU DE LA HAIE.	J.R.P.
"	19th		Training continued. 3 Officer reinforcements arrive.	J.R.P.
"	20th		Church Parade under Major Creegan.	J.R.P.
"	21st		Training continued.	J.R.P.
"	22nd		do	J.R.P.
"	23rd		do . Massed Pipe and Drum bands of the Brigade play Retreat in the Corps Trophy Park. The Army and Corps Commanders were present.	J.R.P.
"	24th		Empire Day. Training continued. Inspection of training by Major-General A.W. Currie, C.B., 1st Canadian Divisional Commander. Battalion played Corps Signallers at Baseball in the Trophy Park.	J.R.P.
"	25th		Training continued.	J.R.P.
"	26th		. Massed Bands of the 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade played retreat at Army Headquarters.	J.R.P.
"	27th		Church Parade, at which ribbons for seven "Military Medals" were presented to the recipients by the Commanding Officer.	J.R.P.
"	28th		Training continued and Bathing parades. The following Officers were awarded the "MILITARY CROSS":- Acting Captain. T.C. Floyd. Lieut. D. Clelland. (Wounded). Lieut. R.O. Kerans " Lieut. M.J. Mason "	J.R.P.
"	29th		Training continued. Massed Pipes and Drums of the Canadian Corps, numbering 265, played "Retreat" in the Corps Trophy Park. Field-Marshal Sir DOUGLAS HAIG, G.C.B., G.C.V.O., K.O.I.E., Commander-in-Chief, was present. The Battalion "Pierrot" troupe played a final concert in the Cinema Theatre. The troupe put on a most excellent programme and has played on fifteen nights to the various units of the Division.	J.R.P.
"	30th		Training continued in morning. Afternoon devoted to cleaning Camp and billets.	
"	31st		Battalion moved to Reserve Camp at F.11 (Map 51.c.FRANCE), relieving the 31st Canadian Infantry Battalion of the 2nd Canadian Division. Battalion billeted in Tents.	

16th Battalion. **WAR DIARY** XXX "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

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	May 1917.		<p>The following decorations were awarded to N.C.O's and men for gallant conduct during the month of April:-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL"</p> <p>420035. Corporal C.L.Cathpole. (Wounded).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"THE MILITARY MEDAL."</p> <p>A20522. Sergt. J.Gatee.            105597. L/Cpl. A.McDonald.            28515. Signalling Sergt. J.Newson.            16378. Sergt. C.M.Wisdom. (Killed in Action).            151743. Pte. (A/L/Cpl.) S.R.Widmeyer. (Wounded).            460892. Pte. H.Richardson. (Killed in Action).            A21026. Pte. A.Holmes. (Killed in Action).            628199. Pte. (A/L/Cpl.) A.Gordon.            29502. Pte. R.S.Taylor.            29327. Pipe-Major J.Groat.            737076. Pte. O.Oliver.            29346. Sgt. (A/CSM) F.McDonald.            489290. Pte. E.A.Nagle.            152640. Sgt. C.T.Rice.            426038. Pte. S.W.Tyler.</p>	<i>JCB</i>

16th CANADIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

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Appendix A

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16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

Copy No. 10

OPERATION ORDER NO 112.

MONT ST ELOY.

May 5th/1917.

Reference LEHS 1/100000.

MOVE

1. Under orders from 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade the battalion will move to CAMBLAIN L'ABBE tomorrow May 6th/1917.

TIME & ORDER OF MARCH

& 4 coys.

2. No 1 Company will march off from ST ELOY huts at 11.15a.m. followed at 200 yards intervals by No 2-3 & ~~Companies~~ respectively. Intelligence and Headquarters Companies will follow 200 yards in rear.

Pipers and Drummers will report to their respective Companies, and accompany them on the march.

DRESS.

3. Full marching order. Greatcoats in packs, Mess-tins on top, Balmorals will be worn by N.C.O.s and men.

BLANKETS

OFFICERS KITS ETC.

4. Will be rolled and ready for transport at 9.00am

BILLETING PARTY

5. Lieut. Pusey and 2 O.R.s per Company and 1 O.R. per unit ~~Part~~ and Headquarters will form this party. Party will report at Battalion Headquarters at 8.00 a.m. May 6th/1917, proceeding to CAMBLAIN L'ABBE where Lieut Pusey will report to Town Major.

GUIDES.

6. Will meet Companies and Units at S. Easterly outskirts of village of CAMBLAIN L'ABBE.

TRANSPORT AND

QUARTERMASTERS STORES.

7. Will move independently.

REAR PARTY.

8. One sergeant and 6 O.R.s from No 4 Company will be detailed for this duty. Party will remain in charge of present ST ELOY billets until transport has picked up their last loads, when they will at once make their way to CAMBLAIN L'ABBE. Billets evacuated to be in a thoroughly clean condition.

MARCHING OUT STATES.

9. Will be in Orderly Room not later than 10.00a.m

REPORTS.

10. Companies and Units will report when billeting is completed.

COPY no 1. - Orderly Room.

2. C.O.

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5. No.3.

6. No.4.

7. Intelligence. & Headquarters.

8. Q.M. and Transport.

9. 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade.

10. War Diary.

11. "

*A.G. Boyd*  
*for*

Lieut. & Adjutant.

16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

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16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"  
OPERATION ORDER NO 113.

Reference Map 36B. S.E.  
510. S.E.

CAMBLAYN L'ABBE.  
May 30/1917.

NOTE.

1. Reveille..... 5.00 a.m.  
Breakfast..... 6.00  
Sick Parade..... 6.30

Under orders from ~~3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade~~, the Battalion will move to the Reserve Camp F-11 (Ref 510. S.E.) tomorrow 31st May/1917.

TIME & ORDER OF MARCH.

2. The Battalion will parade on the Battalion Parade ground at 7.45 a.m.  
Markers..... 7.30 a.m.  
March on Markers..... 7.35  
No 1 Company will lead, followed at 200 yards interval by Nos 1 - 2 - 3 & 4 Companies, Signalling Section will march in rear of No 1 Company, Intelligence Section in rear of No 2 Company, and Headquarters Details in rear of No 4 Company.  
The leading Company will pass the starting point 7.29 a.m. 5.6 (Ref 36 B. S.E.) Pipes and Drums will report to their respective Companies.

BAND.

3. Full marching order, greatcoat in pack, which will be fastened to equipment, Mess tins on top, Steel Helmets will be worn, and Box Respirators at the "GAS ALERT"

TRUCKS.

4. Will be ready for transport at 6.30 a.m.

OFFICERS LITTS.

BILLETING PARTY.

5. Lieut McGreevy, 2 O.R.'s per Company and 1 per Unit and Headquarters, will form this party. They will report at Battalion Orderly Room at 6.30 a.m., and will proceed to Reserve Camp at Fall

GUARDS.

6. Will meet Companies at approach to the camp.

TRANSPORT.

7. Will move independently.

O.N. STORES.

8. Will be in Orderly Room not later than 7.00 a.m.

MARCHING OUT STAFFS.

9. Companies will report when billeting is completed.

REPORTS.

10. In charge of Lieut Paton, will comprise :- 1 Sergeant and 10 men from No 4 Company. The billets and Transport lines will be care fully inspected before leaving, and receipts taken from the Town Major that they are left in a clean and sanitary condition.

REAR PARTY.

*Sherrard*  
Lieut & A/Adjutant.

16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

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- " 8..... Transport.
- " 9..... Quartermaster.

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- " 11 Intelligence.
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WAR DIARY

16th Canadian Bn. 1st Canadian Division,  
from 1st to 30th June, 1917.

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Appendix A.

O.O. No. 154 dated the 25th June, 16th Bn. will relieve 7th Bn. in right sector of front line on June 25th.

O.O. No. 153 dated the 24th June, Bn. to move to NEUVILLE VITASSE and relieve Bn. of 1st Inf. Bde. on the 25th June.

O.O. No. 152 dated the 16th June, Bn. will relieve on June 15th the 5th Bn.

O.O. No. 151 dated the 7th June, instructions with regards to enemy possible withdrawal to DEOCOURT QUEANT Line.

O.O. No. 114 dated the 31st May, Bn. to move to NEUVILLE VITASSE and PAYESLEY June 1st.

16th CANADIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	3	Remarks and references to Appendices
Mont. St Eloi.	1917. June 1st.		<p><b>LIEUT-COLONEL C.W. PECK, D.S.O., COMMANDING.</b></p> <p>In camp under canvas in Reserve Area F 11, about one mile South of Mont St Eloi. The Battalion moved up to the Brigade Support Area <math>\frac{1}{2}</math> mile East of NEUVILLE ST VAAST, arriving at 12.00 noon and relieved the 29th Battalion. Remained there during the day and in the evening moved over the Ridge to the Front Line and relieved the 20th Battalion. Our Front is from T30 a 4.3 to T 24 a 1.2, the 13th Corps is on our Right in front of FRESHOY and the 15th Battalion on our left. No cooking or any movement in day-time is allowed in the Area, Trenches very shallow, no dug-outs and the wire extremely thin. Trenches are on high ground and any enemy movement in the rear is easily visible. Weather fine and warm, high visibility at night, casualties nil.</p>		O.O. 114.
<i>Trenches</i>	June 2nd.		<p>In the front line. Enemy machine guns and artillery active in the evening, men employed improving the front line Trench, 15th Battalion supplied a Work party of 50 men. Visibility extremely high at night owing to full moon and work on wire impossible. Weather fine and warm. Casualties nil.</p>		<i>J.H.</i>
<i>do</i>	June 3rd.		<p>In the front line. Enemy quiet but alert. The weather continues hot and the water supply is limited. Our patrols are hampered in their movements owing to extremely high visibility. All available men in front line working on improving the Trench, wiring impossible owing to high visibility. Enemy artillery more active at dusk against our men working and Ration parties. Casualties, 15 O.R.'s wounded and one Died of wounds.</p>		<i>J.H.</i>
<i>do</i>	June 4th.		<p>In the front line. Enemy discharged a number of Gas shells on our front trench. Considerable Aeroplane activity. Lieut-Colonel Peck, who had been evacuated to England sick 10th April, returned and paid a visit to the front line, making a tour of the trenches. A party of 200 men worked on improving the ARLEUX LOOP C.T. but were frequently interrupted by shrapnel fire. Very high visibility owing to full moon and enemy alert to take advantage of any tar get offered. We improved the wire on our left Sector. One of our Patrols reconnoitered a sap running from the enemy line and withdrew when M.G. fire was opened on them. Casualties 5 O.R.'s wounded and one O.R. missing. He became detached from a carrying party and losing his way on "no man's land", he crossed our wire and evidently wandered towards an enemy bombing post. Bombs were discharged and he is believed killed. Weather fine and warm. Wind slight North West.</p>		<i>J.H.</i>
<i>do</i>	June 5th.		<p>In the front line. Enemy quiet throughout the day and a few Gas shells in the evening. The following <del>Birthday</del> Casualties occurred, Lieut, E.H. Marsh slightly gassed, two O.R.'s killed 5 wounded and one gassed. Weather fine and very warm, no wind.</p>		

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			Lieut-Colonel C.W. PECK. D.S.O. COMMANDING.	4
<i>Trenches</i>	June 6th.		Battalion relieved at 1.30 a.m. by the 15th Battalion and we moved back to Brigade Support occupying positions in NEW BRUNSWICK & CANADA TRENCHES, Battalion Headquarters at T 27 d 7.3 an old German Dressing Station. A feint barrage was carried out on the Divisional front in which the 64th H.A.G. cooperated at 10.35 a.m. lasting ten minutes. We furnished a working party of 210 men on NEW BRUNSWICK TRENCH. Casualties, 3 men wounded- one accidentally. Weather fine.	<i>fine.</i>
<i>do</i>	7th.		In Support. A feint barrage was carried out on the Divisional front in which the 64th H.A.G. cooperated, at 3.00 a.m. Enemy retaliated weakly on Railway Embankment. We furnished a Work party of 300 men to work on NEW BRUNSWICK TRENCH. Casualties, one wounded. Weather showery.	<i>fine</i>
	8th.		In Support. At 8.30 p.m. the 1st Corps on the left of the Canadian Corps carried out a large Raid. At 11.45 p.m. the 3rd & 4th Canadian Divisions on our left carried out a Raid. The 1st Divisional Artillery and certain Batteries of the 2nd & 3rd ditto established a feint barrage. Enemy retaliation slow and slight. A feint barrage in connection with this Raid was carried out on our Divisional front at 3.15 a.m. for ten minutes. The 64th H.A.G. cooperated in this barrage. We submitted to Brigade two Operation Orders, one in the event of the enemy retiring while we are in the front line and one while we are in our present position in Support, copies attached. No working parties tonight on account of our barrage.	<i>fine</i>
<i>do</i>	9th.		In Support. Weather fine and warm. Casualties nil.	<i>00 151.</i>
	10th.		The Battalion was relieved from its position in Brigade Supports by the 2nd Battalion at 1.15 a.m. and marched to Brigade Reserve in the RHINE & ELBE TRENCH, NEUVILLE ST VAAST, arriving at 3.30 a.m. Our present Battalion Headquarters are at 500 yards south of our Headquarters occupied before the battle of VIMY RIDGE. We rested during the day and at 9.00 p.m. moved up to relieve the 1st Battalion in THELUS CAVE. We remained there during the night. This temporary relief was necessary as the 15th Battalion, also in Brigade Reserve, is working in the forward area tonight and the 1st Battalion are relieving in the forward area and we are required to man the Ridge Line in case of attack.	<i>fine</i>
<i>Ruiville St. Vaast</i>	11th.		In Brigade Reserve at the RHINE & ELBE TRENCH. One Company bathed at the Divisional Baths, NEUVILLE ST VAAST. The Battalion moved to the front area as a working party and worked two & one half hours on CANADA TRENCH. Although there was shelling at intervals, both at work and en route, no casualties were sustained. The Battalion arrived at the RHINE & ELBE TRENCH from THELUS CAVE after being relieved by the 14th Battalion at 5.00 a.m.	<i>fine</i>
<i>do</i>	12th.		In Brigade Reserve at RHINE & ELBE TRENCH. A Working party of one Platoon was furnished to the 162nd Tunnelling Coy., one Company bathed at the Divisional Baths at NEUVILLE ST VAAST.	<i>fine</i>
<i>do</i>	13th.		In Brigade Reserve at RHINE & ELBE TRENCH. Two Companies bathed at the Divisional Baths at	<i>fine</i>

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			<b>Lieut-Colonel C.W. PECK. D.S.O. COMMANDING.</b>		
<i>Neuville St. Vaast</i>	June 13th.	(Cont.)	NEUVILLE ST VAAST. A Working party of two Companies was furnished to work on burying cable in the forward area and one Company to wire OTTAWA TRENCH. One Platoon worked under 182nd. Tnlg.C. In Brigade Reserve at RHINE & ELBE TRENCH. One Company bathed, rifle inspection in the afternoon.		
<i>do</i>	14th.		Working party of three Companies furnished for work in the forward area and one Platoon to the Tunnelling Company. We entered our heavy draught team and a saddle horse at the Divisional Horse Show but did not get a place. Weather warm. Casualties nil.		
<i>do</i>	15th.		In Brigade Reserve at RHINE & ELBE TRENCH. One Company bathed, one Platoon furnished for work with Tunnelers, Weather fine and warm. Casualties nil.		
<i>do</i>	16th.		In Brigade Reserve at RHINE & ELBE TRENCH. General Maconnell, the new Divisional Commander, visited us this afternoon. Three Companies formed a working party to the front line and one Platoon to the Tunnelling Company. Weather very hot. East wind. Casualties nil. Lieut-Colonel Gillispie and Major Alcon of the 226th Battalion attached for ten days. Games in the afternoon.		
<i>Mont St. Eloi</i>	17th.		Battalion moved to LE FENDU HUTS in Divisional Reserve one mile West of MONT ST ELOI. Weather very hot.		100. 152.
<i>do</i>	18th.		In Divisional Reserve. Kit inspection. Games in afternoon. - <del>Gas</del> Weather very hot.		
<i>do</i>	19th.		In Divisional Reserve. TRAINING.		
<i>do</i>	20th.		In Divisional Reserve. TRAINING.		
<i>do</i>	21st.		In Divisional Reserve. TRAINING. Played 14th Battalion at Baseball. Score 5 - 1 our favour. Game called on account of rain. Corps Horse Show at CHATEAU DE LA HAIE. Weather wet.		
<i>do</i>	22nd.		In Divisional Reserve. TRAINING and Games in the afternoon.		
<i>do</i>	23rd.		In Divisional Reserve. TRAINING. A team of Officers played Divisional Headquarters at Baseball beating them 9 to 7. Battalion Mess Dinner held at night which General Maconnell and Colonel Kearsley attended.		
<i>do</i>	24th.		In Divisional Reserve. CHURCH PARADE of the Brigade near MONT ST ELOI attended by General Maconnell.		
<i>Neuville St. Vaast. Trenches</i>	25th.		The Battalion moved to RHINE & ELBE TRENCH AREA ( Operation Order #153 ) and later at 9.00 p.m. moved forward and relieved the 7th Battalion in the line. Operation Order #154. Relief completed without casualties. A very quiet night. Weather bad, heavy rains.		100. 153 & 100. 154.
	26th.		Quiet day, no hostile shelling. Hostile Ariel activity more than usual. Enemy plane fired on front line from low altitude. We patrolled our front continuously from 10.30 to 2.30. Weather fine. Casualties nil.		

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			Lieut-Colonel C.W. PECK. D.S.O., COMMANDING.		
Trenches	June 27th.		During the day, no hostile shelling, Ariel activity continues. Enemy plane again fires on the front line trench, both morning and evening, but does no damage. 15 minutes practice barrage at 6.00 p.m. Very little retaliation. Fairly heavy hostile shelling about 3.00 a.m. on support trench. Work on BRANDEN TRENCH and on deep dug-outs carried out. We patrolled our front continuously from 10.30 to 2.30. Weather fine. Casualties, 2 Died of wounds, 5 Wounded.		
	28th.		Weather fine until evening, then heavy thunderstorm. Barrage started at 7.10 p.m. for attack on right and left. No Work parties. The Enemy did not retaliate in any strength on our front. We had strong Patrols out all night. Casualties, 2 Wounded.		
	29th.		The whole day has been exceptionally quiet. Our heavies shot up supposed hostile Observations Posts. Again hostile Aeroplanes very active, one of our planes attacked a squadron of 5 hostile Aeroplanes and then got away. Casualties, 1 Wounded, A/Major Gilliat wounded in left arm going out on Patrol. Work done on trenches and wiring.		
	30th.		Weather dull and raining, practically no shelling all day. Work was carried on in C.T.'s and front line. The whole Battalion front was patrolled from dusk to dawn. Casualties, nil.		
			THE FOLLOWING ORDERS AND DECORATIONS were awarded during the month.-		
			<u>THE VICTORIA CROSS.</u>		
			427566 - Pte. William Johnstone Milne.		
			"For most conspicuous bravery and selfless devotion to duty in the action on April 9th. 1917. during the attack on TELUS trenches.		
			On approaching the first objective, he observed an enemy machine gun firing on our advancing troops, ... he at once got down on his hands and knees and stealthily crawled forward until within bombing range, when he thereupon threw several of his bombs, killing the crew. He then rushed forward and took possession of the gun.		
			On the line reforming, he went forward, ... and on this occasion located an enemy machine gun in their support line. He stalked this second gun as he had done the first and when within range, threw the remainder of his bombs. He was again successful in knocking out the crew, and capturing the gun.		
			His wonderful bravery, and resource, on these two occasions, undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his comrades.		
			Unfortunately, he was killed a short time after his last brave deed."		

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			<p>Lieut-Colonel C.W.PECK. D.S.O. COMMANDING.</p> <p>THE FOLLOWING ORDERS AND DECORATIONS HAVE BEEN AWARDED DURING THE MONTH.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.</u></p> <p>Lieut-Colonel C.W.PECK. Major H.McI. URQUHART. M.C. ( attached 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade Staff.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>THE MILITARY CROSS.</u></p> <p>Capt. F.M. BRESSEY. { attached 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade Staff. } Capt. B.W.BROWNE. { attached 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade Staff. }</p> <p>29263 - C.S.M. BURNS. G.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL.</u></p> <p>420053 - Cpl. GILES. J. ( attached 3rd Canadian Trench Mortar Battery. )</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL.</u></p> <p>77291 - Sgt. NORTON, S.McL. ( attached 1st Canadian Divisional Headquarters Sub-Staff.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES.</u></p> <p>Lieut-Colonel C.W.PECK. D.S.O. Major, H.M. URQUHART D.S.O., M.C. Major G. E. KILLAM, ( attached 2nd Cdn. Divl. Staff ) Capt. N.A.D. ARMSTRONG, ( attached Cdn. Corps School.) 28505 - Sgt. McLENNAN, D.T. 29263 - C.S.M. BURNS, G. 28515 - Sgt. NEWTON, J.</p>	
			<p>STRENGTH AT BEGINNING OF MONTH..... 46 Officers. 1228. O.R.'s. REINFORCEMENTS DURING MONTH.. ..... 1 Officer. 33. O.R.'s. ..... 47 Officers. 1261. O.R.'s. CASUALTIES, SICK &amp; TRANSFERRED DURING MONTH..... 4 Officers. 73. O.R.'s. STRENGTH AT END OF MONTH..... 45 Officers. 1186. O.R.'s.</p>	



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OPERATION ORDER NO: -154.

Rhine & Elbe Trench  
June 25th. 1917.

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RELIEF.

1. Under orders from 3rd. Canadian Infantry Brigade, the Battalion will relieve the 7th. Canadian Infantry Battalion, in the right sub-sector Front Line, to-night.
2. Companies will move off at 9-30 P.M. in the following order:-

No. 2 Company, Right Sector, Front Line.  
No. 4 " Left " " "  
No. 1 " Support.  
No. 3 " Reserve.

An interval of 200 yards will be maintained between Companies, and 50 yards between Platoons. Head Quarters Details move in one party, under Lieut. Hart, in advance of Companies.

L.G. LIMBERS.

3. One Lewis Gun Limber will carry Lewis Guns of No. 2 and 4 Companies, and another, No. 1 and 3 Companies, as far as the Ridge.

REPORTS.

4. Companies will report "Relief Complete" by Code. Disposition report attached will be completed and sent in to Head Quarters as soon as possible.

TRENCH STORES.

5. Companies will send in list of Trench Stores taken over, as soon as possible after Relief.

WATER PARTY.

6. Companies and Details will detail a party sufficient to carry 10 tins of water per Company, and 10 per Details, to proceed to Ration Dump on the way in and receive water from our Transport.

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Lieut. & A/Adjutant.  
16th. Battalion. "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH".

Copy No. 1. 3rd. Cdn Inf. Brigade.  
" " 2. O.C.  
" " 3. No. 1 Company.  
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16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"  
OPERATION ORDER No 1-153.

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LE FENDU HUTS.  
June 4th/1917.

Reveille..... 5.00 a.m.  
Breakfast..... 5.30

MOVE.

1. Under Orders from 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade, the Battalion will move to the RHINE & ELBE TRENCH, NEUVILLE St VAASI, to-morrow morning to relieve a Battalion of the first Canadian Infantry Brigade.

PARADE.

2. The Battalion will parade at 7.30 a.m.  
Markers..... 7.45  
March on Markers..... 7.50

DRESS.

3. Light Marching-Order, Steel Helmets to be worn.

ORDER OF MARCH.

4. No 1 Company will lead followed by No 2 - 3 & 4 Coys at 200 yards interval. Signal Section will march with No 1 Company, Intelligence Section with No. 2 Company and H.Q details with No. 4 Company.

BACKS.

5. Packs will be piled by Companies, in line, immediately South-East of the Huts, under a guard to be detailed by the Companies from the Platoons left out of the line.

TENTS.

6. Will be struck and piled beside the Orderly Room with all poles, Mallets and pegs, by 6.30 a.m.

BEAR PARTY.

7. Each Company will detail a Bear Party from the Platoon left out of the line to clean up Camp and hand over tents to the O.C. Corps Gage. Lieut Mackenzie will be in charge of the party and will furnish a report that the Camp has been left in a clean and sanitary condition, and obtain a receipt in detail for the tents, both of which will be turned in to Orderly Room.

OFFICER'S KITS.

8. Will be rolled and ready for transport by 7.00 a.m.

PIPE BAND.

9. Pipe and Drummers will report to their respective Companies.

TRANSPORT.

10. Transport and Cockers will move independently.

MARCHING OUT STAFFS.

11. To be in Orderly Room at 7.00 a.m.

M/ Major & Adjutant,

16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

- copy No 1. O.C.
- " 2. Adjutant,
- " 3. No. 1 Company.
- " 4. No. 2 Company.
- " 5. No. 3 Company.
- " 6. No. 4. Company.
- " 7. Details.
- " 8. R.S.M.
- " 9. 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade.
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OPERATION ORDER No. 152.

NEUVILLE ST VAAST.  
June 16th/1917.

RELIEF.

1. The Battalion will be relieved to-morrow at 9.00am by the 5th Battalion, and moves back to Divisional Reserve in LE PENDU huts.

ORDER OF MARCH.

2. As soon as each Company is relieved, it will march off independently, Pipes and Drummers will join their Companies here.

REAR PARTY.

3. A Rear party will be detailed from each Company & Headquarters Detail to hand over accommodation and to obtain sanitary certificates, which will be sent to Battalion Headquarters at LE PENDU.

BILLETING PARTY.

4. Mr. Thompson of No 4. Company & 1 man per Company and Headquarters Details will proceed in advance at 7.30am and guide the Companies & Units to their respective Billets.

OFFICER'S KITS.

5. Officers kits to be rolled and piled in front of Headquarters Mess under Batmen's guard at 8.30 a.m.

TRANSPORT.

6. Transport will move independently, wagons for kits, Lewis Guns, shovels. Limbers to be at Battalion Headquarters at 9.00 am. Cook kitchens will move at the same time.

REPORTS.

7. Marching out states to be in Orderly Room at 8.00 a.m.

*Clayton*  
Lieut & Adjutant.  
16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

ADDENDUM.

Intelligence Sections will accompany No 3 Company, Signalling Section No. 4 Company.

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| 2   | Adjutant.                      |
| 3   | O.C. No 1 Company.             |
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| 5   | " 3 "                          |
| 6   | " 4 "                          |
| 7   | Signalling Officer.            |
| 8   | Intelligence Officer.          |
| 9   | 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade. |
| 10. | War Diary                      |
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16th. Cdn. Inf. Battalion. "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH".

OPERATION ORDER NO: -151.

Reference J1  
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PART 1

Copy No. 4  
June 7th. 1917.

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SITUATION.

1. It is possible that the enemy may at any moment retire from his present line to the Drocourt-Queant line.

INTENTION.

2. The responsibility for detecting the withdrawal and following up rests with this Battalion. As soon as there is any sign of the enemy weakening in his resistance, strong patrols will at once be pushed out to act as advanced guards. If the enemy has retired the patrols must act with the greatest vigour and boldness to regain touch.

In the event of a retirement taking place, the Battalion will act in conjunction with the 15th. Battalion on our left and the XIII Corps on our right, to secure the line Fresnoy-Acheville-Mericourt. This will constitute the first bound of the advance and the line will cover the sunken road from the cross roads at U19.D.8.5, passing behind the Bois-Vilain to U15.G.10.2. Advanced posts will endeavor to establish themselves in CHAZ-BONTMPS, in the elements of trenches in front of Bois Vilain U 19 b and in the trenches running North and South between U 19.G.9.5. and U 13.D.9.4.

DISPOSITION OF ADVANCE.

3. The reconnoitring patrols, having reported that the enemy's line has been evacuated, Nos. 1 and 3 Companies will move forward from their support positions in skirmishing order. Strong protective patrols will cover the advance and the distance between lines of platoons will not be less than 200 yards. No. 1 Company will take the right flank and No. 3, the left. Company snipers will act with greatest vigilance. Nos. 2 and 4 Companies, in the front line, will "Stand to" in order to support the advancing platoons in event of necessity.

When Nos. 1 and 3 Companies have reached the line of the first bound, they will signal back by red very lights. Nos. 2 and 4 Companies will then advance from our present front line in skirmishing order and establish themselves in the old German front line as supporting Companies. The Companies are to be fully equipped in battle order prior to advance. The C.O.'s 2 and 4 Companies are responsible for the supply of S.A.A. Bombs, Nos. 5 and 23, and wire and screw stakes for the Companies they support. They will detail one Officer and one platoon for this purpose.

While consolidation is being proceeded with, advanced posts referred to will be secured and strong reconnoitring patrols put out towards the second line to be held. Lewis Guns will guard the flanks and communication established. Red very lights will again be put up as a signal that the Battalion occupies the new position.

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- 2... O.C.
- 3... War Diary.
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*R. O. Bell Evans*

Major,  
Commanding,  
16th Cdn. Inf. Battalion, "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

*W. G. B.*

16th. Cdn. Inf. Battalion. "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH".

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PART II

Copy No. *1*  
June 7th. 1917.SITUATION.

1. It is possible that the enemy may at any moment retire from his present line to the Davcourt-Quessant line.

INTENTION.

2. Should the withdrawal take place the 15th. Battalion, in the front line, acting in conjunction with the 14th. Battalion on their left and the Hill Corps on their right, will secure the present enemy front line and advance to the first bound. Their right will rest on the cross roads at U19.D.9.5. and cover the sunken road running north past the Bois Villiar to the cross roads at U13.C.10.2. While the consolidation of the first bound is being proceeded with their reconnoitring patrols will reconnoitre the ground towards the second line.

On receipt of orders from Brigade this Battalion will advance from its present position through the 15th. Battalion to the second bound on the Neuvilleul-Bois-Bernard-Rouvroy line from U 21.D.C.8. (right flank) extending in front of Bois-Bernard to U 15 A central (left flank). Advanced posts will be established at Copes U 21 b and at U 15 a.9.5. There will be no advance beyond this line, except by patrols, until the ground gained has been fully secured.

Disposition of Advance.

3. The Battalion will advance as follows:- No.1 Company on the right and No.2 Company on the left with No.3 Company on the right and No.4 Company on the left in support, in artillery formation, until NEW BRUNSWICK trench is reached when Companies will successively deploy into skirmishing order. The principles laid down in our recent battle practice will be closely adhered to.

Ground scouts from the Intelligence Section will be attached to Nos.1 and 2 Companies, who will reconnoitre the ground 300 yards in advance of first line skirmishers. These leading Companies will throw out two lines of skirmishers at 300/400 yards distance between them and between the front wave. Communication will be by means of strong connecting files. The lines of skirmishers will be responsible for protection of the flanks and the second line will carry two Lewis Guns. Company snipers will act with the greatest vigilance.

The Intelligence Officer will go forward with the second wave and select a position for Battalion Headquarters. He will send runners back to advise the Commanding Officer in the fourth wave.

The Companies are to be fully equipped in battle order prior to advance. The O.C.'s support Companies are responsible for the transport of S.A.A. Bombs, No's 5 and 23 and wire and screw stakes for the Companies they support. They will detail one Officer and one platoon for this purpose.

While consolidation is being proceeded with, advanced posts referred to will be secured and strong reconnoitring patrols put out. Lewis Guns will guard the flanks and communication established. Red very lights from both flanks will be the signal that the objective has been reached.

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16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"  
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Reserve Camp F. 17.  
30th May/1917.

Reveille..... 7.00 a.m.  
 Breakfast..... 7.30  
 Sick Parade..... 8.00

MOVE.

1. Under orders from 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade, the Battalion will move to NEUVILLE ST VAAST and PAYNESLEY to-morrow 1st June/17.

TIME AND ORDER OF MARCH.

2. The Battalion will parade at ~~10.15~~ 10.00 a.m.  
 Markers..... 9.45 a.m. 9.45 "  
 March on Markers..... 9.30 9.50 "

PACKS.

3. The Battalion will march via the Transport lines <sup>where</sup> ~~these~~ packs will be piled by Companies. All packs must be marked with the owners Number on the back, and left in charge of Company Quartermaster Sergeants. A permanent guard will be detailed from the band.

MARCHING OUT STATES.

4. To be in Orderly Room not later than 8.30 a.m.

REPORTS.

5. Companies and Units will report when billeting is completed.

REAR PARTY.

6. In charge of Lieut. Marsh will comprise :-  
 1 N.C.O and 2 men per Company. Billets to be left in a clean and sanitary condition, and handed over to Camp Commandant before leaving.

*J. R. Paton*

Lieut & A/Adjutant,  
 16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

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2. Adjutant,
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16th Canadian Battalion 1st Canadian Divn.

from 1st to 31st July, 1917.

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Appendix A.

16th Bn. O.O. No. 155 dated the 3rd July, Relief of 16th Bn. in the line by the 14th Battalion R.M.R.

16th Bn. O.O. No. 156, dated the 11th July, 1917, re O.O. No. 170, Relief of 16th Bn. in support Bn area on the night 12th/13th July.

16th Bn. O.O. No. 157 dated the 13th July, Move of Bn. by following route CAMBLAIN ABBE ESTRU CAUCHIE thence half right to OLHAIN.

16th Bn. O.O. No. 158, dated the 15th July, 1917, Move of Bn. via MAISMIL LES RUITZ to HAILLICOURT

16th Bn. O.O. No. 159 dated the 16th July, 1917. Move of Bn. by RUITZ to BARLIN.

15th Bn. O.O. No. 160 Move of Bn. via NOEUX LES MINES to MAZINGARBE and moved into reserve billets.

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## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	3	Remarks and references to Appendices
Trenches	17 <sup>th</sup> July.	1st	<p>LIEUT.-COLONEL C.W. PECK, D.S.O., COMMANDING.</p> <p>"DOMINION DAY" was celebrated by all Artillery in the Canadian Corps firing 3 Salvoes at 12 noon, 12.2 and 12.4 p.m.</p> <p>The day was wet and cloudy and there was very little activity.</p> <p>A party of 30 O.R.'s under Lieut. P.T. Burke attempted to raid the German Line. They were attacked in rear and had to retire. No casualties were sustained.</p> <p>Later at about 3.45 A.M. a party of 14 Germans were seen approaching our Line. Major J.H.R. Murphy with Sergeant J. Gates and 2 Privates, ran out into the ALBERTA (SUNKEN) ROAD and got within 35 yards of the party. They opened fire and one German was killed. Identifications were obtained and sent to Brigade.</p> <p>A somewhat heavy "Strafe" was put on WINNIPEG ROAD at about 2.00 A.M. and casualties were sustained by Nos. 2 &amp; 4 Companies. The remainder of the night was quiet.</p> <p>Aerial activity during the day was very great.</p> <p>Parties were supplied for wiring and working on trenches.</p> <p>Casualties - 3 O.R.'s Killed in Action and 3 O.R.'s Wounded.</p>		
do		2nd	<p>Weather fine. Great Aerial activity on part of the Hun. A Squadron of five brightly painted machines were very busy all day.</p> <p>The day was quiet. Work Parties continued the wiring and work on BRANDON &amp; FRONT LINE TRENCHES.</p> <p>At about 2.00 a.m., a fairly heavy barrage of light Gas shells was placed on our Support and Right front Line. "Stand to" was ordered and "Gas Alarm" given. Everything was quiet a little later.</p> <p>A party of Huns approached our Wire in front of No. 4 Company. Fire was opened on them and it appeared that someone was hit. The party then retired leaving some bombs. The rest of the night was quiet.</p> <p>Casualties - 2 O.R.'s Killed in Action and 2 Wounded.</p>		
do		3rd	<p>Weather fine and very little activity. Enemy Aeroplanes still active in the evening.</p> <p>Patrols were out from dusk till dawn, but no sign of Enemy Patrols was seen.</p> <p>The usual work of strengthening the defences was carried out.</p>		
do		4th	<p>Weather dull but very little rain. A very quiet day and nothing to report.</p> <p>Relieved by 14th Canadian Infantry Battalion, "ROYAL MONTREAL REGIMENT", and moved to Support "A" Area. Battalion Headquarters at "THE BEEHIVE". Relief completed at 2.30 a.m., with no casualties.</p>		

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	1917 July		LIEUT.-COLONEL C.W. PECK., D.S.O., COMMANDING.	
Support "A"	5th		Battalion in close support during the day - no movement allowed. 2 Companies (Nos. 1 & 3) work on digging new front line. Nos. 2 & 4 Companies supply Parties for Canadian Engineers working on deep dugouts. Weather fine and no casualties. Brigadier-General G.S. Tuxford, C.B., C.M.G., G.O.C 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde. visited Battalion. Same working parties as yesterday. No Shellings. Weather fine and no casualties.	<p>RR RR RR RR RR RR RR RR RR RR RR RR RR RR RR</p> <p>O.O 156 at</p> <p>O.O 157 at</p>
do	6th		Working Parties as usual. Hun Aeroplanes active during day. Weather fine and no casualties.	
do	7th		Very quiet. Weather dull and showery. Battalion interchanged with 13th Cdn. Inf. Bn. (ROYAL HIGHLANDERS OF CANADA) and moves back. Headquarters and 2 Companies in Railway EMBANKMENT, near VINY STATION, 1 Company in TORONTO TRENCH and 1 Company in C.P.R.	
do	8th		All Companies on Work Parties. A/MAJOR J.H.R. MURPHY assumes command of Battalion during LIEUT.-COLONEL C.W. PECK'S temporary absence on leave. Weather dull.	
Support "B"	9th		Colonel J.E. LECKIE, C.M.G., D.S.O., former Officer Commanding, 16th Battalion, visits the Battalion. Work Parties as usual. No casualties.	
do	10th		Very quiet day. Showery weather. Working Parties same as usual. No casualties.	
do	11th		Practically no hostile shelling. Aeroplane activity moderate. Weather fine. Work parties as usual. No casualties.	
do	12th		Situation quiet - no shelling. Weather very fine and warm. Hostile aeroplane shot down in North Westerly direction and fell in flames. Relieved by 2 Companies of 15th Cdn. Inf. Bn. (Royal Highlanders of Canada) and moved back to RHINE & ELBE AREA. No casualties. Moved to OTTAWA HUTS. Weather fine.	
	13th		Major R.O. BELL-IRVING, M.C. assumes command of Battalion.	
	14th		Battalion marched via CAMBLAIN L'ABBE, ESTREE CAUCHIE, to OLHAIN, where Battalion is billeted. No casualties.	
	15th	9.30 a.m.	Roman Catholics parade for Church service. Weather fine.	

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	1917 July.		MAJOR R.O. BELL-IRVING, M.C., COMMANDING.		
Olhain	16th		The Battalion moved off and marched via HAINVIL LES RUITZ to HAILLICOURT where we are billeted one night.		100.158 att.
Haillicourt	17th		LIEUT.-COLONEL C.W. PECK, D.S.O., rejoins and takes over command of Battalion.		100.159 att.
Barlin	16th		Battalion moved off at 3.30 p.m., to BARLIN AREA and billeted there one night.		100.160 att.
Mazingarbe.	19th		Battalion moved via NOEUX-LES-MINES to MAZINGARBE and moved into Reserve Billets. No casualties. Weather showery.		
do	20th		Parades for Baths to LES BRERIS. Weather fine.		
do	21st		Officers of Battalion look over new line. Weather fine and no casualties. Companies parade in morning. Sports in afternoon.		
do	22nd		Weather fine. No casualties. The Commanding Officer inspected the Battalion in Kilted Church Parade held afterwards.		
do	23rd		Work Parties supplied at night. No casualties. Battalion paraded at 9.30 a.m. for Company and Physical Drill till noon.		
do	24th		Weather fine. No casualties. Officers and N.C.O.'s walk over the tapes at AIX NOULETTE.		
do	25th		Weather fine. Casualties - 1 man killed whilst on Working Party.		
do	26th		Battalion paraded at 8.30 a.m., to march to the course at AIX NOULETTE for Battle Practice.		
do	27th		Battalion paraded at 5.30 a.m., for Battle Practice at AIX NOULETTE. Weather fine. One man wounded whilst on working party.		
do	28th		Battalion paraded at 2.30 p.m., for Brigade Battle Practice.		
do	29th		Weather fine. No casualties. Battalion paraded at 9.30 a.m.,		
do	30th		Weather fine. No casualties. Battalion paraded for Church Service conducted by Lt.-Col. Rev. Canon F.G. SCOTT at which Major-General A.C. MACDONELL, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. G.O.C. 1st Cdn. Div., attended, and afterwards addressed the Battalion.		
			Weather very wet. No casualties. 1 Officer reinforcement arrives.		
			Battalion paraded at 10.30 a.m., for inspection of Battle Equipment by the Commanding Officer.		
			The C.O met all Officers afterwards.		
			Weather dull. No casualties.		

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Main- garte.	1917. July. 31st.		<p>LIEUT-COLONEL C.W. PECK, D.S.O., COMMANDING. No Parades except for bathing and Pay. Weather dull. Casualties Nil.</p> <p>-----</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>STRENGTH AT BEGINNING OF MONTH.....</td> <td>43</td> <td>Officers.</td> <td>1156</td> <td>O.R.'s.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>REINFORCEMENTS DURING MONTH.....</td> <td>6</td> <td>"</td> <td>23</td> <td>"</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="5">-----</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CASUALTIES, SICK &amp; TRANSFERRED DURING MONTH...</td> <td>49</td> <td>"</td> <td>1209</td> <td>"</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>5</td> <td>"</td> <td>98</td> <td>"</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="5">-----</td> </tr> <tr> <td>STRENGTH AT END OF MONTH</td> <td>44</td> <td>"</td> <td>1111</td> <td>"</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="5">=====</td> </tr> </table>	STRENGTH AT BEGINNING OF MONTH.....	43	Officers.	1156	O.R.'s.	REINFORCEMENTS DURING MONTH.....	6	"	23	"	-----					CASUALTIES, SICK & TRANSFERRED DURING MONTH...	49	"	1209	"		5	"	98	"	-----					STRENGTH AT END OF MONTH	44	"	1111	"	=====					<p>6</p> <p><i>[Handwritten initials]</i></p> <p><i>[Handwritten initials]</i></p>
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16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"  
OPERATION ORDER No. -155-  
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July 3rd. 1917.

RELIEF.

1. On the night July 4th/5th the Battalion will be relieved in the line by the 14th Battalion R.M.R.

DISPOSITION.

2. Companies will move to positions in Support Area as occupied by them previously, with the exception of No. 3 Company. No. 3 Company will occupy position in CANADA TRENCH, between GRAND TRUNK & BRIGADE BOUNDARY, Battalion H.Q. will be at T 27 d 2.6.

TRENCH STORES.

3. H.Q. & all Companies will obtain receipts in duplicate for all trench stores and documents turned over to relieving Unit.

SANITATION.

4. A receipt will be obtained that all trenches and dug-outs are in a clean and sanitary condition.

BILLETING PARTY.

5. H.Q. and each Company will send out one N.C.O. & two men to lock over billets. They will report at Bn. H.Qrs. at 5.00 a.m. July 4th.

GUIDES.

6. Guides will be found as follows. 1 - O.R..... H.Qrs.  
1 Officer & 3 - O.R's.... No.2 Coy.  
1 Officer & 4 - O.R's.... No.1 "  
1 - O.R..... No.4 "  
Guides will rendezvous at RATION DUMP at 11.00 p.m. July 4th. No's 2 & 4 Companies guides will meet and guide in No. 3 Coy. 14th Bn. R.M.R. to Right Flank and half of Left Flank. Guides from No.1 Coy. will meet No.1 Coy. 14th Bn. R.M.R. and guide them to WINNIPIC Rd. H.Qrs. guide will bring in H.Qrs. section.

REPORTS.

7. All Companies will report "Relief Complete" in CODE and by runner.

NOTE. The Company and one half of the 13th Bn. R.H.C. will move back to new position on relief by 14th Bn. R.M.R. They will report "Relief complete" by use of CODE word "WALKER" This word will be used only by 13th Bn. R.H.C.

*J.R. Pator*

Lieut. & A/Adjutant.  
16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

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16th Battalion. "THE CANADIAN SCOTISH."  
OPERATION ORDER No 166.

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July 11th 1917.

Ref:- 51.c.M.E.

1. RELIEF. In accordance with 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde. Operation Order No 170, the Battalion will be relieved in Support "B" Area on the night of July 12/13th.
2. MOVE. On Relief, Companies will move to billets at RHINE & ELBE AREA.
3. GUIDES. 1 Officer and 17 G.R.'s (1 per Platoon & 1 H.Q.) will report to Adv. Bde. H.Q. on night 11th July 1917. They will meet Coys. of 8th Bn. on night 12/13th July and guide them in.
4. LEWIS GUNS. Limbers will come to Bn. Ration Dump for Lewis Guns. Each Company will detail 2 Men to load L.G.'s on and march with Limbers.
5. SANITATION. All Trenches and Dugouts will be left in a clean and sanitary condition and Certificates will be obtained from 8th Bn by Companies on relief.
6. TRENCH STORES. Receipts will be taken in duplicate for all Trench Stores handed over.
7. BILLET PARTY. Rear Battalion Headquarters will arrange for Billeting Party.
8. REPORTS.  $\frac{1}{2}$  Completion of Relief will be reported by "CODE WORD" "JOY."
9. NOTE. Companies will rest for 30 minutes at the "PAINESLEY AREA" on the way out.

*J. L. Linton*  
Lieut.  
A/Adjutant,

16th Cdn. Inf. Bn. "THE CANADIAN SCOTISH."

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16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"  
OPERATION ORDER No 157.

OTTAWA H.Q.S.  
July 13th. 1917.

1. DUTIES. Reveille.....6.00 a.m.  
Breakfast..... 6.30 a.m.  
Sick Parade..... 7.00 a.m.
2. ROUTE. The Battalion will move by following route ;-  
CAMBLAIN\*'ABBE, ESTERU GAUCHIE, thence half right to OLHAIN.
3. PARADE. The Battalion will parade at 6.00 a.m.  
Markers..... 7.40  
March on markers..... 7.45
4. ORDER OF MARCH. Companies will march in the following order.  
Nos. 1, 2, 3 & 4 /Coys. Signallers will march with No 1.  
Intelligence with No 2. H.Q.s Details with No 3.  
200 hundred yards interval will be kept between Companies.
5. DISCIPLINE. Strict march discipline will be observed on the march.
6. DRESS. Full marching order. Mess tins inside pack, helmets on  
outside of pack. Packs to be carried on equipment.
7. TRANSPORT. Will move independently.
8. BAND. Pipers and Drummers will report to their respective Coys.
9. Marching out States. Will be handed in to Orderly Room at 7.30 a.m.
10. Billeting Party. Lieut. Neil and four men per Company and three for  
Details and Transport will leave at 6.30 a.m.
11. Rear Party. Companies will leave one H.Q.O and four men as rear party  
to see that all Billets are clean.
12. Billeting states. All Company Commanders and Unit Commanders will hand  
in billeting states after arrival at their Billets.

*J.P. Paton*

Lieut. C.A./Adjutant.  
16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

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OPERATION ORDER No. 196.Copy No. ~~10~~ //

Obtain. July 15th/17.

Orderly Officer for the day. Lieut. J.M. Munro.  
Battalion Orderly Sergeant... Cpl. Jenkins.  
Battalion Orderly Corporal.. L/Cpl. Clark.  
Next for duty.... Sgt. Kenning & Cpl. Norman.

1. ROUTINE. Reveille..... 7.00 a.m.  
Breakfast..... 7.30  
Sick parade..... 8.15
2. ROUTE. The Battalion will march by HAINSHILL loc RUITZ, RUITZ to HALLICOURT.
3. PARADE. The Battalion will parade at 3.30 p.m.  
Markers..... 3.10  
March on Markers..... 3.15
4. ORDER OF MARCH. Companies will march in the following order, No's 4, 3, 2 & 1. Headquarters & Intelligence Sections will march with Companies as previously detailed. 200 yards interval will be kept between Companies.
5. DRILL. Full marching order. Company Commanders will be most particular to see that all men are clean and kits properly carried.
6. TRANSPORT. Will move independently.
7. BILLETING PARTY. Companies will detail 4 C.O.'s each & Headquarters details & Units 3 C.O.'s as Billeting Party. Lieut. Mason will take charge. Party to parade at Battalion Orderly Room at 12.30 p.m.
8. REAR PARTY. One N.C.O. & 4 men per Company will be left and Lieut. J.M. Munro will be in charge and will obtain clearance certificates from incoming unit.
9. MARCHING OUT STAFFS. To be in Battalion Orderly Room by 2.30 p.m.

*MAR 17*  
*J. R. Munro*  
Lieut. C. A. /adjutant.

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OPERATION ORDER No. 159.

HALLICOURT. July 16th/17

Orderly Officer for the day...Lieut. E.P Thompson.  
Next for duty.....Lieut. J. McIvor.  
Battalion Orderly sergeant... Sgt. Kenning.  
Battalion Orderly Corporal.... Cpl. Norman.  
Next for duty.... Sgt. Gansel. & L/Cpl. Baskley.

1. ROUTINE.

Reveille..... 7.00 am.  
Breakfast..... 7.30  
Sick Parade..... 8.15  
C.O's Orderly Room..... 10.00

2. ROUTE.

The Battalion will move by RUITZ to BARLIN.

3. PARADE.

The Battalion will parade at 3.30 p.m.  
Markers..... 3.10  
March in Markers..... 3.15

4. ORDER OF MARCH.

Companies will move of in the following manner;-  
Nos 3, 2, 1 & 4 ..... H.Q's Details & Units will  
march with companies as detailed before.  
200 yards interval will be kept between companies.

5. DRESS.

Marching Order.

6. BILLETING PARTY.

Each company will detail 4 O.R(s); Intelligence,  
Signallers and Runners, 1 O.R. each for Billeting  
Party. Lieut. B.W.Allen will take charge of the party.  
To parade at Battalion Orderly Room at 12.30 p.m.

7. REAR PARTY.

One H.C.O & 4 men per company will be detailed as  
Rear Party. Lieut, Thompson will take charge.

8. MARCHING OUT  
STATES.

To be in Battalion Orderly Room by 2.30 p.m.

Major & Adjutant.  
16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

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16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"  
OPERATION ORDER No. 160

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BARLIN. July 17/17.

- Orderly Officer for the day - Lieut. J. Melvor.  
Battalion Orderly Sergeant - Sgt. Gemmel.  
Battalion Orderly Corporal - L/Cpl. Bailey.
1. ROUTINE. Reveille..... 7.00 a.m.  
Breakfast..... 7.30  
Sick Parade..... 8.15  
BnO's Orderly Room..... 10.00
  2. ROUTE. NOEUX-LES-MINES to MAZINGARBE.
  3. PARADE. The Battalion will parade at 2.00 p.m.
  4. ORDER OF MARCH. Companies will move in the following order;- Nos 4, 1, 2 & 3. at 2.00 p.m. No 4 Company will not move until 2.10 p.m. 200 yards interval will be maintained between companies. After passing NOEUX-LES-MINES companies will maintain a distance of 50 yards between platoons and 500 yards between companies. Intelligence, Signals & H.Qrs Details to march with companies as before ordered.
  5. WEBS. Full marching order. Steel helmets will be worn after passing NOEUX-LES-MINES.
  6. BILLETING PARTY. Each company will detail 4 O.R.'s, Intelligence, Signallers and H.Qrs one O.R. each for Billeting Party. Lieut. B.R.E. Allen will take charge of the party., which will parade at the Battalion Orderly Room at 10.00 a.m.
  7. REAR PARTY. One H.C.O. & 4 men per company will be detailed as Rear Party. Lieut. J. Melvor will take charge.
  8. MARCHING OUT STATES. To be in Battalion Orderly Room at 12.50 p.m.

*J. Melvor*  
Lieut. & A/Adjutant.  
16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

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from 1st to 31st August, 1917.

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Appendix I

16th Bn. O.O. 161 dated the 21st July, Cdn. Corps to take over High ground North of LEES instructions regarding attack by 16th Bn. on the right of Bde. frontage.

O.O. No. 162, Bn. H.Q. and H.Q. details No. 1 and 2 Cos. will relieve right Co. and support Co. of 2nd Cdn. Bn. on the 2nd and 3rd August.

O.O. No. 163, 16th Bn. to be relieved by 14th Bn.

O.O. No. 164 dated the 13th August Bn. ~~main~~ Head quarter and H.Q. details will move to front line to-night to take over from 3rd Bn.

O.O. No. 166 dated the 19th August, Bn. to march to SAINSGOHELLE.

O.O. No. 167, Bn. to march to MARLES MINES on the 20th August.

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Narrative of operation against Hill 70 on August 15th and 16th.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
MAZINGARBE	1917. Aug.			
	1.		In Billels. This was originally to have been "Z" day for the Offensive against Hill 70. The operations were postponed owing, it was reported, to the wire on the 2nd Divisional Front before LENS not being out and today was to have been "X" day. It has been again postponed. No parades. The Battalion resting. Weather wet.	
do		2	No parades. Battalion bathed in one of the large tanks <sup>near</sup> outside a Mine outside Les Brebis. Headquarters, Numbers 1 & 2 companies were to go into the line to the assembly position, Numbers 3 & 4 companies following tomorrow night. Orders received that operations were postponed and for the Battalion to go into the line and relieve the 2nd Battalion. We moved off at 9.30 p.m. via PHILISOPHE. Weather unsettled.	d/o. 162
TRENCHES,		3	Relieved the 2nd Battalion in the line. Trench strength - 640. Our Right is H.31.c.7.5. and Left H.25.c.95.8 (Ref. 36 N.W.3.LOOS ) Frontage of 1500 yards. One company in support in LOOS. Trenches very wet and in bad shape. Enemy Artillery fairly active on C.T's and LOOS. Weather dull. No casualties.	
do		4	Brigade machine guns active on enemy wire. Artillery continue fairly active on C.T's. No hostile patrols encountered. No.2 company, in LOOS, supplied a working party of 110 men to improve C.T's. in our assembly positions. Enemy threw a few pineapples in our front line. Weather unsettled. Casualties, 1 O.R. accidentally killed.	
do		5	Enemy Artillery active for an hour after Midnight. Our concentration of Artillery registering for the attack keeps him on the alert and his Artillery shoots considerably in C.T's on Right flank. No hostile patrols. We cleared the left company from the front line as the heavies were shooting for several hours on Bis 14, a strong point in the enemy line. Weather fine. Orders received that 14th Battalion will relieve us tonight. Casualties, 1 O.R. wounded.	
MAZINGARBE.		6	Relieved by 14th Battalion at 3.00 a.m. and moved to former Billels at MAZINGARBE, Marching out strength - 636. No casualties during relief. Rested during the day.	d/o. 163
do		7	In Billels. Battalion paraded at 2.00 p.m. for inspection by the Commanding Officer. Polling was opened to receive votes for the Alberta Elections. All Box Respirators tested at Divisional Gas Hut in Les Brebis.	

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MAZINGARBE.	1905 Aug. 6		In Billets. Battalion paraded at 7.30 a.m. for Battle Practise at AIX NOULETTE. Special celebration of MASS for R.O's at 5.30 p.m. at Parish Church.	
do	"	9	In Billets. Battalion paraded for a Route March at 9.30 a.m. through NEUX LES MINES, BRAQUEMONT and PETTIT SAINS. Two companies paraded to Les Brebis for Baths in the afternoon.	
do	"	10	In Billets. The Battalion paraded for Drill under the company Commanders at 9.00 a.m. During the night, the enemy shelled the Village, killing three civilians and wounding two. No casualties in the Battalion.	
do	"	11	In Billets. The Battalion paraded at 9.00 a.m. and moved to a Field near FOSSE at Les Brebis for Drill. In the afternoon, the Battalion practised falling in on parade to the Pipes & Drums.	
do	"	12	In Billets. Church Parade at 11.00 a.m. under Capt. Fox. This parade was attended by all units of the Brigade quartered in MAZINGARBE.	
do	"	13	In Billets. Orders received from Brigade advising that today is "X" day. Battle equipment issued during the morning. At RETREAT the Battalion was addressed by Commanding Officer, after which, General Macdonnell, who had arrived in the meantime, addressed the Battalion. At 9.00 p.m. Headquarters and two companies moved to the line. Headquarters took over from 2nd Battalion in TOSH ALLEY trench immediately East of LOOS. No. 1 company took over the assembly position from HOYAU 47 to H 31.b.7.5 and No. 2 company Billeted in LOOS. Trench strength <del>623</del> 656. No casualties. Enemy quiet during Relief but towards Midnight shelled the back area heavily.	0/0.162 0/0.164 0/0.161
Trenches.	"	14	See Narrative. attached.	
do	"	15	See Narrative attached.	
do	"	16	See Narrative attached.	
MAZINGARBE.	"	17	Relieved at 4.00 a.m. in captured position by one company of the 2nd Battalion in the front line and one company of the 3rd Battalion in Supports. Battalion moved back to former Billets in MAZINGARBE. Marching out strength - <del>324</del> 404. Rested during the day.	

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	1917.			
MAZINGARBE.	Aug. 16.		In Billets. Parades of companies and units to check nominal rolls, circumstances of death reports and deficiencies in equipment. Major H. Rose Murphy buried in the afternoon with full military honours in the Military Cemetery in MAZINGARBE.	
do	19		In Billets. Battalion bathed. R.C.'s paraded for MASS at 11.00 a.m. in the Parish Church.	
do	20		In Billets. Battalion moved via SAINS en QUELLE to HERSIN, at 2.30 p.m. arriving 5.30 p.m.	2/0.
HERSIN.	21		In Billets. Battalion marched via BARLIN, BRUAY to MARLES LES MINES moving off at 7.00 a.m. arriving at destination at 11.00 a.m. No. stragglers.	0/0.
MARLES LES MINES.	22nd.		In Billets. Battalion paraded at 8.45 a.m. for drill. At 12.15 p.m., the Divisional Commander, accompanied by Brigadier-General Tuxford and Colonel Hayter visited the Battalion. The 14th Battalion paraded with us and General Macdonnell addressed the Battalions.	
MARLES LES MINES.	23		In Billets. Battalion bathed at RAINBERT and AUCHEL. No parade.	
MARLES LES MINES.	24		In Billets. Battalion paraded at 8.00 a.m. for training. Two companies shot on the Rifle Range. Order received for the Brigade to move twelve miles South, the Battalion to be billeted in TINQUES.	
MARLES LES MINES.	25		In Billets. Battalion paraded at 8.00 a.m. for training. Two companies shot on the Rifle Range. Excellent training facilities in this area. Ranges and Training Ground both close at hand. Move to TINQUES cancelled by Brigade. The Commanding Officers of the four Battalions were entertained at ETAPLES by Colonel Reid, O.C. 1st Canadian Infantry Base Depot. Sports in the afternoon. The Battalion played the E.A.M.C. of No. 12 C.C.S. at football, winning 4 - 1.	
MARLES LES MINES.	26		In Billets. Divine Service was held on the Battalion Parade Ground at 10.30 a.m. under Major Creegan. The 14th Battalion paraded for the service. R.C.'s paraded to the Parish Church. Football games and sports were held in the afternoon. We played the A.S.C. and won 4 - 1.	
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MARLES LES MINES.	1917. Aug.	27.	In Billets. Training in the morning. The Battalion paraded at 12.45 p.m. and marched to LOZINGHEM where the Brigade was reviewed at 2.30 p.m. by Sir Douglas Haig. It was very wet with a high wind. Dress - Battle equipment.	
MARLES LES MINES.		28	In Billets . Training in the morning. Wet weather prevented sports in the afternoon.	
MARLES LES MINES.		29	In Billets. Training in the morning and sports, inter-company, in the afternoon. Weather still very unsettled and frequent showers, which have prevented our carrying out any proper programme of sports. The companies finished shooting at the Ranges, for which prizes were offered.	
MARLES LES MINES.		30	In Billets. Training in the morning. Lieut-Colonel Hayter, G.S.O.1 Division, inspected the training. Warning order received that the Brigade has been ordered to relieve the 9th Brigade in the line in front of LOOS (Cite St AUGUSTE) on the night of September 4th/5th. Weather showery.	
MARLES LES MINES.		31	In Billets. Advance party of 5 officers and 5 N.C.O's sent by us to MAROC to reconnoitre the new area. Battalion concert party played at C.C.S. No.18 LAPUGNOY. This party has put on 60 performances up to date and is in great demand by other units. It works in conjunction with the Y.M.C.A. of this Brigade. The wet weather prevented training in the morning and the companies were lectured by the Medical Officer in the Y.M.C.A. tent.	

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	1917. Aug.		<p>STRENGTH AT BEGINNING OF MONTH....., 44 Officers. 1111 Other ranks.  REINFORCEMENTS DURING MONTH..... 9 " 210 " "</p> <hr/> <p>CASUALTIES, SICK &amp; TRANSFERRED DURING MONTH... 53 " 1321 " "  12 " 300 " "</p> <hr/> <p>STRENGTH AT END OF MONTH ..... 41. Officers. 1021. Other ranks.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>C. W. P. S. K.</i>  Lieut.-Colonel.  Commanding,  16th Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH"</p>	

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16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH" Copy No. 20.  
OPERATION ORDER No. 161.

Reference - Sheet. 36.C.N.W.3

MAZINGARBE. July 23rd. 1917.

GENERAL PLAN.

The Canadian Corps will take the high ground NORTH of LENS

The 2nd Canadian Division will be attacking on the Right of the 1st Division.

The 1st Canadian Division will attack with two Brigades abreast - the 2nd Canadian Infantry Brigade on the Right and the 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade on the Left. The 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade will be in Reserve

The 16th Battalion will attack on the Right of the Brigade Frontage, with the 13th Battalion in the Centre and the 15th Battalion on the Left.

The 14th Battalion will be in Reserve.

ZERO hour will be notified later.

SPECIAL PLAN.

The Objective of the Brigade will be :-

- (1) First Objective - The BLUE LINE from H.25.D.68.70 to 32.C.05.65
- (2) Second Objective- The GREEN LINE from H.25.D.95.65 to 32.C.85.77

BOUNDARIES OF THE BATTALION.

Right Boundary - Front Line - H.51.C.67.50

German Front Line- H.31.D. 1.55

BLUE LINE - H.32.C.1.77

GREEN LINE - H.32.C.9.9

Left Boundary - Front Line - H.31.A.65.30

German Front Line-H.31.B.2.25

BLUE LINE - H. 31.B.75.27

GREEN LINE - H.32.A. 50.55

(a) The BLUE LINE. When this is reached, it will be immediately consolidated, facing the enemy.

Strong Lewis Gun Posts will be pushed out in Front and as close to the Barrage as possible as soon as the Barrage lifts 200 yards EAST of the BLUE LINE.

The men will be sorted out and re-organized.

Any change in Company, Platoon or Section leaders will be made known.

Liason will be effected with the Battalion on the Right and the Left.

The O.C. No.1 Company will place a Block at H.32.A.2.2

(b) The GREEN LINE. When reached, it will be immediately consolidated, facing the enemy.

The wiring platoon detailed by No.3 Company will immediately commence wiring the Battalion Frontage.

The following Block will be put in :-

In O.T. at H.32.D.10.95 by Np. 2 Company if a trench exists there.

In O.T. at H.32.A.80.45 by No.1 Company.

Strong reconnoitring patrols will be sent out as soon as possible to endeavour to keep touch with the enemy and listening posts will be established.

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The GREEN LINE . (Continued)

A Strong Point will be established by a platoon detailed from No.4 Company at H.32.A.3.2 according to plan already advised, this platoon will garrison the Strong Point on completion. Lieut. R.A.Bolton. C.R.E. with 12 Sappers will assist and this work must be rushed as fast as possible. The platoon will report at the above point as soon as possible after the final objective has been carried.

BATTLE FORMATION. (A) Frontage, Battalion - 466 yards.  
Company - 233 yards.

The Battalion will attack on a two Company Frontage in the following order :- No.2 Company under A/Major Gilliat on the Right and No.1 Company under Lieut. Petrie on the Left.

These companies will attack in two waves of two lines each. No.4 Company under A/Major Murphy will support, moving in one wave of two lines, two platoons supporting each leading company.

No. 3 Company, under Lieut. Mason will supply 3 platoons to act as moppers up. Two of these platoons, with Lewis Guns, will follow in rear of the first wave and one platoon with Lewis Gun, in rear of supporting Company.

The two leading platoons, with Lewis Guns, will mop up from the German Front Line System to the BLUE LINE, and after their work is done they will consolidate the BLUE LINE

The rear platoon, with Lewis Gun, will mop up from the BLUE LINE to the GREEN LINE. The remaining platoon, less Lewis Gun, will be specially trained in wiring and will move forward, carrying wire and atakes, behind the rear mopping up platoons.

DISTANCES.  
Between lines of waves..... 15 yds.  
Between rear lines of waves and moppers up..... 25 "  
Between rear lines of moppers up and front lines  
of waves..... 25 "

The attached sketch shows the disposition of the advance.

ASSEMBLY FORMATION.  
Numbers 2 & 1 Companies and two mopping up platoons of No.3 Company will assemble in the front line trench and No.4 Company in the support trench. The remaining mopping up platoon and the wiring platoon will assemble in SCOTS & ALLEY and the trench running from H.31.C.3.7 to H.31A.4.0  
ENGLISH ALLEY will be the Communication trench in and out.

THINNING OUT LINE.  
The present intention, if casualties are normal, is to have the final garrison as follows :-  
No.2 Company on the Right, No.1 Company on the Left in the GREEN LINE, No.4 Company in the Strong Point 5 and trench running from there due SOUTH and in HURRAH ALLEY.

Two platoons of No.3 Company in HURDLE trench and two platoons in Old German Support trench.

MOVEMENT OF HEADQUARTERS.  
Battle Headquarters will be at junction of CAMERON and SCOTS ALLEYS at G.36.D.9.6 and will move forward as soon as report has been received from Intelligence Officer. A suggested position is H.31.D.25.55

DUMPS.  
Battalion Dump will be located at G.36.D.7.9 After the advance at H.31 D.35.9. There will be an advance Division R.E. Dump in LOOS - G.35.B.75.40

REGIMENTAL AID POST.  
Located at present at LOOS at ~~WISBYATEX~~ G.36/a.4.4 It is proposed to establish an advanced post which will be notified later.

LIASON.  
Officers to be detached to the 2nd Brigade and 13th Battalion will be advised later.

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EQUIPMENT.

- (a) No packs will be carried. Haversacks will be worn on back.
- (b) Six Respirators and P.H. helmets will be carried.
- (c) Ammunition :- 120 rounds S.A.A. except for Bombers Signallers, Scouts, Runners and Machine Gunners who will carry only 50 rounds.
- (d) No. 5 Mills Hand Grenades :- 2 will be carried and if not used will be collected in a dump in captured position.
- (e) Aeroplane Flares :- 2 will be carried, to be collected in dump.
- (f) Sandbags :- 5, carried under the braces across the back.
- (g) TOOLS :- 50 % of the attacking force, exclusive of moppers up, will carry picks and shovels, in the proportion of one pick to four shovels.
- (h) 48 hours rations. Filled water bottles, water-proof sheets.
- (j) Rifle grenades, and Grenade Sections will also carry rifle cup attachments and 8 No. 23 Mills Bombs.
- (k) Lewis Gun Sections Numbers 1 & 2 will carry a Lewis Gun, 2 magazines apiece and one revolver each. The remainder of the section will each carry a rifle, 100 rounds S.A.A. and 4 magazines.

BARRAGES.

At ZERO the barrage comes down on "No Man's Land" and creeps forwards to the German Front Line :- which it reaches at 0 plus 4.

At 0 plus 8 it leaves the German Front Line and creeps forward to the BLUE LINE, which it reaches at 0 plus 12.

From 0 plus 12 to 0 plus 20, it stays in the BLUE LINE.

From 0 plus 20 to 0 plus 24 it stands 100 yards EAST of the BLUE LINE on the Frontages of the 13th and 15th Battalions, while from 0 plus 24 to 0 plus 26 it stands 100 yards EAST of the BLUE LINE opposite the front of the 16th Battalion.

From 0 plus 24 to 0 plus 65 ( forty one minutes ) it stands 200 yards EAST of the BLUE LINE.

At 0 plus 65 the Barrage lifts on to the GREEN LINE where it stays till 0 plus 68.

At 0 plus 68 it will lift off the final Objective ( GREEN LINE ) and stand 100 yards EAST of the line and at 0 plus 71 it will stand 200 yards EAST of the line, finally standing from 0 plus 74 onwards some 300 yards EAST of our new Front line.

INTER-COMMUNICATION  
& INTELLIGENCE.

BRIGADE O.P. at G.29.B. 0.7  
BATTALION O.P. at G. 36.C. 8.4

The Battalion O.P. will be manned on ZERO day by two Signallers, two Runners, two Observers, one telephone Signal Flag and Map. It will watch the progress of the advance, keeping the Brigade Report Centre in touch with the situation.

An advanced Brigade Report Centre will be established at "THE FIRST HOUSE" G.29.D.7.2, marked by a small signal flag.

A Battalion Report Centre will be established as soon as possible on conquered territory. Communication will be kept up from this point with Battalion and Brigade Headquarters, by means of telephone or visual signalling.

In addition, this forward report Centre will have Aer plane Contact Signalling, Carrier Pigeons and Runners.

Forward Report Centre will be established in each case by the Intelligence Officer who will immediately follow last wave of attack, accompanied by six Scouts, six Signallers and four Runners. The Signallers should lay two wires as they advance.

When he has reached the place already determined on for advanced Report Centre, he will send out Scouts to ascertain the position of the Front Companies, inform Company Officers of his own position, and endeavour to collect from them all useful information.

A suggested location is H.31.D.22.50 and will be marked by a RED flag.

The remainder of the Battalion Intelligence Section will be used as follows:-

Scouts and Observers to be retained at Battalion Headquarters until the latter move forward will be used for further reconnaissances of our own position and for keeping in touch with the enemy.

Snipers will also be retained until the final Objective is reached, then sent forward to find most suitable positions for Sniping, in order to take advantage of the numerous targets occurring immediately after an advance.

Communication with the Contact Aeroplanes is of greatest importance.

Each Company Commander will detail two men with sand bags, and each Mopping up Platoon O.C. will detail two men with sand bags, in which all papers found in dug-outs etc. will be placed and forwarded by Runner to Brigade Headquarters.

- All messages must be -
- (1) Numbered.
  - (2) Have time and place.
  - (3) Brief.
  - (4) Written on the back of

maps which will be provided. At the time of writing, the Officer will designate ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ on the map, as closely as possible, his position.

MACHINE GUNS.

Two guns of the 3rd Canadian Machine Gun Company will be detailed to occupy the Strong Point 5 at H.32.A.3.2

PRISONERS OF WAR.

Escorts for Prisoners of War are to be provided in the proportion of 10% escort to prisoners.

As far as possible, escorts should consist of slightly wounded men.

Prisoners will be taken back to G.36.A.7.7 and in LOOS, where they will be handed over to escort, the personnel of which will be found by Battalion (further orders will be issued)

SALVAGE.

The Battalion is responsible for the clearance of area allotted us from the present Front Line to the final Objective.

If the tactical situation permits, the 14th Battalion

OPERATION ORDER No. 161. (Continued)

SALVAGE (Continued)

will be detailed to clear the Brigade battlefield as far forward as the present enemy front line.  
( Further orders will be issued regarding this).

COMMUNICATION

TRENCHES & POLICE.

ENGLISH ALLEY will be the communication trench in and out and Police will be supplied to control the traffic in this trench.

A/Major & Adjutant.  
16 th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

- Copy No. 1 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade.
- " 2 O.C. 16th Battalion.
- " 3 Second in Command 16th Battalion.
- " 4 Adjutant 16th Battalion.
- " 5 No.1 Company.
- " 6 No.2 "
- " 7 No.3 "
- " 8 No.4 "
- " 9 Intelligence.
- " 10 Signals.
- " 11 13th Cdn. Inf. Bn.
- " 12 14th " "
- " 13 15th " "
- " 14 16th " "
- " 15 Medical Officer. 16th Battalion.
- " 16 3rd Canadian Machine Gun Company.
- " 17 3rd Canadian Trench Mortar Battery.
- " 18 Office.
- " 19 War Diary.
- " 20 War Diary. ✓

OPERATION ORDER, No. 161. (Continued)

CORRECTIONS.

SPECIAL PLAN.

(b) The "GREEN LINE" A Block will be put in by No. 4 Coy. in the trench at H. 32.a. 85.5  
The Strong Point No. 5 will be established by a platoon detailed from No. 1 Coy.

THINNING OUT

The proposed final garrison will be as follows;-  
LINE. No. 2 Coy. on the Right and No. 4 Coy. on the Left in the "GREEN LINE" and the new trench 60 yards in front, if this can be completed.  
No. 1 Coy. - 3 platoons in the "BLUE LINE" and 1 platoon in Strong Point No. 5  
No. 3 Coy. in HUXLEY TRENCH.

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ADDENDA.

PLAN OF  
ATTACK.

The Battalion will go direct to the BLUE LINE following the Barrage according to the time table, and Numbers 1 & 2 Companies will take this Objective.

At the BLUE LINE there will be a forty one minute pause during which No. 4 Company will pass through to Sixty yards in advance of the BLUE LINE.

They will side slip to the Left so that they will occupy the Left half of the Battalion Frontage and dig themselves in. No. 2 Company will at the same time come forward Sixty yards in advance of the BLUE LINE occupying the Right half of the Battalion Frontage and dig themselves in, in line with No. 4 Coy.

When the Barrage moves forward, Numbers 4 & 2 Companies will advance to the GREEN LINE and take this Objective supported, if necessary, by No. 1 Coy.

Numbers 4 & 2 Companies will detail two platoons each to dig a trench - 60 Sixty yards in front of the GREEN LINE, if the situation permits, which will be manned by these platoons.

No. 1 Company will take up their position as shown in "THINNING OUT THE LINE"

S. O. S.

The Corps S.O.S. Signal is RED, either rockets or VERY LIGHTS, as many as possible being fired in rapid succession.

In addition, heavy rifle or machine gun fire breaking out at any time after the "GREEN LINE" has been captured will be treated as an S.O.S. Signal.

CAPTURE OF  
OBJECTIVES.

As soon as the BLUE and GREEN lines respectively have been captured, three WHITE-VERY LIGHTS will be fired by the assaulting troops as a signal to show that they have reached their Objectives,

These signals will only be fired by orders of O.C.'s assaulting companies.

OPERATION ORDER No. 109.  
 by Lieutenant Colonel C.W. Peck, D.S.O.  
 Commanding 16th Cdn. Inf. Bn. "THE CANADIAN SCOTCHION."

Copy No. 15.....

Ref: L008, 56, c.N. V.S.

2nd  
August 1945 1917.

- RELIEF. 1. Under 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade Operation Order No 175 and G.1808, Battalion Headquarters and Headquarters Details, Numbers 1 & 2 Companies will relieve the Right Company and the Support Company of the 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bn. in the line on night ~~28/29 AUGUST~~ 3rd/3rd August.  
 Numbers 3 & 4 Companies will move to their assembly positions in the line on night of 3rd/4th August.
- PARADE. 2. Headquarters Details, Numbers 1 & 2 Companies will parade at 9.00 p.m. Markers - 8.45. March on Markers - 8.50
- DRESS. 3. Full Battle Equipment, complete in every respect, with 48 hours rations, all Water bottles to be filled, Box Respirators at the "ALERT".
- ORDER OF MARCH. 4. Headquarters Details will lead, followed by Numbers 1 & 2 Companies at 300 yards interval with 50 yards between Platoons.
- PACKS. 5. Headquarters Details, Numbers 1 & 2 Companies will pile their packs by Companies at 9.00 p.m., in the end Hut on the left (next to Dry Canteen). All packs to have names, numbers and company marked on them.  
 Numbers 3 & 4 Companies will pile their packs at the same hour tomorrow.
- ADVANCE PARTY. 6. Signallers and Intelligence Sections will detail one man each, Numbers 1 & 2 Companies one Officer and 4 men each, to proceed to the line this afternoon to ascertain dug-out accommodation and inform Companies on arrival in the line.
- GUIDES. 7. The 3rd Battalion will have 4 Guides at advanced Brigade Headquarters tonight at 10.00 p.m.  
 O.C No 1 Company will detail one M.C.O & 3 men to return to WAINWRIGHT from the line on the morning of the 3rd August, to guide Numbers 3 & 4 Companies to their assembly positions in the line.
- CARRYING PARTY. 8. O.C No 3 Company will detail one Officer and 60 men who will take one of the 3rd Battalion guides at advanced Brigade Headquarters and proceed to BRUCIFIX BURN in L008. They will carry 150 petrol tins, 30 cases of RUM, and one bag, marked "ADJUTANT", to the Battalion dump at G.36.d.7.9 afterwards rejoining their Companies in the in the support Company's position at L008.
- REAR PARTY. 9. O.C No 3 Company will detail a rear party of one Officer and 8 men on the ~~3rd~~ <sup>3rd</sup> inst, to satisfy themselves that billets are left in a clean and sanitary condition. They will obtain a certificate to this effect from the TOWN MAJOR and join their Company in time to move off at 9.00 p.m. This certificate to be handed in to Orderly Room.



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OPERATION ORDER No. 162. (CONTINUED.)

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- OFFICERS 10. Will be stored in the DRI CAMBER HUT by Officers  
KISS. servants.
- LEWIS GUN 11. Will accompany Numbers 1 & 3 Companies tonight and  
LEUSER. Numbers 3 & 4 Companies tomorrow night.
- DETAILS FOR 12. All Officers and G.H.'s not going into the line will  
SCHOOL. parade at 6.00 p.m., on 3rd inst, with full kit under  
Lieut. G. Kolman, and march to Brigade School at  
HAILICOURT. Nominal Roll to be furnished to Orderly  
Room.
- MARCHING OUT 13. To be in Orderly Room not later than 7.00 p.m., 3rd  
SEAS. and 3rd insts.
- REPORTS. 14. "Relief complete" in the line will be advised by  
code word already arranged.

*J. Mundy*

A/Major & Adjutant,  
16th Cdn. Inf. Bn. "THE CANADIAN SCOTISH."

- Copy No 1. 3rd Canadian Inf. Brigade.  
" 2 Commanding Officer, 16th Bn.  
" 3 Second in Command. "  
" 4 Adjutant. "  
" 5. No 1 Company.  
" 6. No 2 "  
" 7. No 3/ "  
" 8. No 4 ?  
" 9. Intelligence Officer.  
" 10. Signal Officer.  
" 11. Quartermaster.  
" 12. R.S.M.  
" 13. 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bn.  
" 14. Office.  
" 15. Orderly Room. (War Diary.) ✓  
" 16

Operation Order No. 163  
for Agent Col. Geo. Rust O.S.O.  
Cor. Rossing 16th Battalion  
The Canadian Scots. 11

1 Relief. In accordance with 3rd  
L.P.O. No. 177. The Battalion  
will be relieved in the line  
tonight by the 14th Bn.  
(Royal Montreal Regiment)

All stores, maps, defence  
schemes, photographs etc.  
will be handed over to  
the relieving unit and  
receipts obtained for same  
which will be turned into  
the orderly room.

2 Move. On completion of relief  
the Battalion will move  
independently by Companies  
to billets in Waldzingarhe.

3 Route. English Alley to Railway  
thence to the junction of  
the village lane and through  
philisophe.

Appendix Order No. 163 Dated  
by Lieut Col. Geo. R. B. O. O.  
C/o 16th Battalion  
The Canadian Trenches

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1. All allowances up to and  
including 20/10/177. The balance  
due to each man in the line  
amounting to the 14th Battalion  
(Rear Division Progress)  
The names, ranks, regiments  
etc. etc. shall be handed over to  
the commanding unit and  
receipts obtained for same  
which will be turned into  
the orderly room.

2. Once on completion of relief  
the battalion will proceed  
independently by Companies  
to billets in Madzingarba.

3. Route: English Alley to Railway  
to the junction of  
the Village Lane and through  
Philisophe.

4. ~~1st~~ <sup>1st</sup> Lumber. Lewis Gun Lumber  
will rendezvous at Advance  
Brigade Headquarters at  
2:30 A.M. Lums will be  
put on these lums. 18

5. Billings party. Each Company  
will detail one O.R. to  
rendezvous at Crucifix dump  
at 5 P.M. Mr. B. R. E. Allen  
will be in charge of this  
party and they will proceed  
to Stazingard taking over  
bills there from the 14th  
battalions.

6. Guides. Each Company will  
furnish one guide per platoon  
and one from headquarters  
in charge of headquarters  
Mr. McDevie. Responsible  
men must be selected and  
they will rendezvous at  
Battalion headquarters at  
9:30. Proceeding from there  
to the junction of railway  
alley & the Village line  
arriving at 10 P.M. they

4. 1st Lt. heads. Lewis Gun. Numbers  
will rendezvous at advanced  
Brigade Headquarters at  
2:30 A.M. Officers will tie  
put on these numbers. 18

5. Patroling party. Each Company  
will detail one C.R. to  
rendezvous at Onychus dump  
at 5 P.M. Mr. B. R. Allen  
will be in charge of this  
party and they will proceed  
to Mazingard looking over  
hills there from the 1st Co  
battalion.

6. Guides. Each Company will  
furnish one guide per platoon  
and one guide headquarters  
in charge of ~~headquarters~~  
Mr. McHugh. Responsible  
men must be selected and  
they will rendezvous at  
Battalion headquarters at  
9:30. Proceeding from there  
to the junction of railway  
alley & the village line  
arriving at 10 P.M. they

✓ Will guide the 14th Co Btro  
from this point to the line

7. Reports - Relief Complete will  
be reported by the Co. Ld.  
Coys Burmann being wired  
in, and the arrival in  
Mazingarbe will be  
reported.

8. Balis Dump - The guard at  
present on the Btro Reserve  
dump will remain at the  
dump and arrangements  
will be made with the 14  
th Btro to ration them  
until relieved.

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A major & adjutant  
copy 201-31d 6. D. B.

2- C.O.

3- adjutant

4- 2001 Coy

5- 202 Coy

6- 3 Coy.

7- 4 Coy

8- Transport & 2001

9- 14 Btro

10- War Supply

11- War Transport

✓ Will guide the 14th Bde Poles  
from this point to the line

7. Reports - Relief Complete will  
be reported by the C.O.  
Capt Burrows being wired  
in and the arrival in  
Mazunguwi will be  
reported.

8. Bate Camp - The guard at  
present on the Pole Reserve  
Camp will remain at the  
Camp and arrangements  
will be made with the 14  
th Bde to station them  
until relieved.

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- Amajor & ~~Adjutant~~  
Copy 201 - 3rd B D.B.  
2 - C.O.  
3 - Adjutant  
4 - 2001 Coy  
5 - 202 Coy  
6 - 3 Cpl.  
7 - 4 Cpl.  
8 - Transport 2mv.  
9 - 14 Bde  
10. War Diary  
11. War Diary

OPERATION ORDER No. 164.

Copy No....

By Lieut-Colonel C.W. Peck D.S.O.  
Commanding 16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

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Ref. LOOS. 36 c N.W.3

August 13th. 1917.

- RELIEF. 1. Under 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade Operation Order No.179 and 179/1, Battalion Headquarters and H.Q. Details Numbers 1, 2 & 4 Companies will move to the line tonight. Battalion Headquarters and Details will take over Battalion Headquarters in TOSH ALLEY, No1 Company will relieve the Right company of the 2nd Battalion, No.2 Company will take over the Billets previously occupied by them in LOOS and No.4 Company will relieve one company of the 2nd Battalion in the VILLAGE LINE (one company each of the 13th, 15th and 16th Battalions will relieve the two companies of the 2nd Battalion in the VILLAGE LINE. No.3 Company will move to its assembly position in the line on night of 14th/15th August.
- PARADE. 2. Headquarters Details, Numbers 1, 2 & 4 Companies will parade on the Battalion Parade Ground at 9.00 p.m. Markers... 8.55 p.m. March on Markers.... 8.50 p.m.
- DRESS. 3. Kilts, Full Battle Equipment complete with the exception of 2 No.5 Mills per man and picks and shovels to be issued in the line, 48 hours rations, all water bottles to be filled, Box Respirators at the "ALERT".
- ORDER OF MARCH. 4. Intelligence Section will lead, followed by Signal Section at 50 yards interval, Numbers 1, 2 & 4 Companies at 200 yards interval and 50 yards between Platoons. Connecting files will be placed between companies.
- PACKS. 5. All companies and units with the exception of No.3 company will pile their packs by companies in the end Hut on the Left (next DRY CANTEEN) at 4.30 p.m. All packs to have mens names and numbers and company marked on them. GLENGARRIES MUST BE PUT IN PACKS. This order to be strictly adhered to.
- ROUTE. 6. Through RAILWAY ALLEY via Advanced Brigade Headquarters at G 28.b.4.5, the LONE HOUSE and VICTORIA STATION. No.3 Company will not use RAILWAY ALLEY but will proceed from Advanced Brigade Headquarters via the VILLAGE LINE and NORTH STREET to ENGLISH ALLEY.
- GUIDES. 7. The Intelligence Officer and 4 men of the section with one guide for Battalion Headquarters and two per company have scouted the Route this morning.
- REAR PARTY. 8. O.C. No.3 Company will detail a rear party of one Officer and 8 men to satisfy themselves that Billets are left in a clean and sanitary condition by the other companies and units. The Officer will obtain a certificate from the TOWN MAJOR to this effect which he will hand in to Orderly Room tonight.
- OFFICERS KITS. 9. Will be stored in the same Hut as the Packs by Officers Servants.
- GUARD. 10. The Quartermaster will detail a guard from the BAND over the Kits and Packs.



OPERATION ORDER No. 164. (Continued)

LEWIS GUN  
LIMBERS.

- 11. Will accompany Numbers 1, 2 & 4 Companies tonight and Number 3 Company tomorrow night.

DETAILS FOR  
SCHOOL..

- 12. All Officers and Other Ranks not going into the line will parade at 6.00 p.m. on 14th inst with full kit under Lieut W. Gate and march to Brigade School at HALLICOURT. Nominal Roll to be furnished to Orderly Rm

MARCHING OUT  
STATES.

- 13. To be in Orderly Room not later than 7.00 p.m. 13th and 14th inst.

REPORTS.

- 14. "Relief complete" in the line to be advised by code word already arranged.

A/Major & Adjutant.  
16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

- Copy No.1 3 rd Cdn. Inf. Bde.
- " 2 Commanding Officer 16th Bn.
- " 3 Second in Command "
- " 4 Adjutant
- " 5 No.1 Company.
- " 6 No.2 "
- " 7 No.3 "
- " 8 No.4 "
- " 9 Intelligence Officer
- " 10 Signalling Officer.
- " 11 Quartermaster.
- " 12 R.S.M.
- " 13 2nd Cdn. Inf. Bn.
- " 14 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bn.
- " 15 Office 16th Bn.
- " 16 War Diary.
- " 17 War Diary.

OPERATION ORDER No. 166. SECRET.  
 By Lieut-Colonel C. F. Peck, D.S.O. Copy No. 15  
 Commanding 16th Battalion "CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

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August 19th. 1917.

- ROUTINE. 1 REVEILLE..... 7.00 a.m.  
 Breakfast..... 7.30  
 Sick Parade..... 8.15
- ROUTE. 2 The Battalion will march by SAINE CONVENT to HERSIN.
- PARADE. 3 The Battalion will parade at 2.30 p.m.  
 Half Hour Dress..... 3.00  
 Short Dress..... 2.15
- DRESS. 4 Kilts and Glengarries. Full Marching Order.
- ORDER OF MARCH. 5 Numbers 4, 1, 2 & 3 Companies, Signallers to march with No.1 Company, Intelligence with No.2 Company. H.Qrs. Details with No.4 Company. Interval of 100 yards to be kept between Companies.
- TRANSPORT. 6 Will march in rear of the Battalion.
- OFFICERS KITS. 7 To be ready by 1.00 p.m. Mess Boxes to go with Company Lewis Gun Limbers.
- BILLETING PARTY. 8 One N.C.O. and 4 men- O.R.'s per Company will report to Lieut. Metzler at Battalion Orderly Room at 11.00.a.m. Signallers, Intelligence, Ambulance and Runners to detail 1 O.R. each.
- REAR PARTY. 9 One N.C.O. and 4 O.R.'s per Company to be left to clean Billets. This party will be under Lieut. J.C. Mitchell.
- BAND. 10 Pipers and Drummers will march with their Companies.
- MARCHING OUT STATES. 11 To be in Battalion Orderly Room by 1.30 p.m.
- DISCIPLINE. 12 The strictest march Discipline will be observed.

- Copy No.1 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde.  
 " 2 C.O. 16th Battalion, Lieut. & Asst. Adjutant.  
 " 3 Second in Cmd. 16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"  
 " 34 Adjutant.  
 " 5 No.1 Company.  
 " 6 " "  
 " 7 " "  
 " 8 " "  
 " 9 " "  
 " 10 Intelligence.  
 " 11 Signallers.  
 " 12 R.S.M. & Details.  
 " 13 Office.  
 " 14 Q.M.  
 " 15 T.O.  
 " 16 War Diary.  
 " 17 War Diary.

*J.R. Paton*

August 20th. 1917.

- ROUTINE. 1. Reveille..... 5.00 a.m.  
Breakfast..... 5.30  
Sick Parade..... 6.15
- ROUTE. 2. The Battalion will march via BARLIN, BRUAY to HARLES  
Lee MINES.
- PARADE. 3. The Battalion will parade at 7.00 a.m.  
Markers ..... 6.45  
March on Markers..... 6.50
- DRESS. 4. Kilt and Glengarry. Full marching Order.
- ORDER OF MARCH. 5. Numbers 2, 3, 4 & 1 Companies. Signallers to march with  
No.1 Company, Intelligence with No.2 Company.  
Headquarters Details with No.4 Company.
- TRANSPORT. 6. Will march in rear of Battalion.
- OFFICERS KITS. 7. To be ready by 6.15 a.m. Mess Boxes to go on Coy.  
Lewis Gun Limbers.
- BILLETING PARTY. 8. One N.C.O. and 4 men per Company and one O.R. each  
from Signal, Intelligence and Runners Sections will  
report to Battalion Orderly Room at 5.00 a.m.  
Senior N.C.O. will take charge and report to Billet  
Officer at HARLES Lee MINES by 9.00 a.m.
- REAR PARTY. 9. One N.C.O. and 4 men per Company to be left to clean  
Billets, this party to report to Lieut. A.W. McConahey.
- MARCHING OUT STATES. 10. To be in Battalion Orderly Room by 6.00 a.m.
- DISCIPLINE. 11. The strictest March Discipline will be observed.

Copy No. 1 - 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde.  
" 2 C.O. 16th Bn.  
" 3 Second in Command.  
" 4 Adjutant.  
" 5 No.1 Coy.  
" 6 " 2 "  
" 7 " 3 "  
" 8 " 4 "  
" 9 Intelligence.  
" 10 Signallers.  
" 11 R.S.M. & Details.  
" 12 Q.M.  
" 13 Transport Officer.  
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" 15 War Diary.  
" 16 War Diary.

*J. Peck*  
Lieut. & Asst. Adjutant.  
16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"



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NARRATIVE OF 16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"  
in the ACTION against HILL 70 on AUGUST 15th/16th.1917.

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The Headquarters and ~~three~~<sup>two</sup> companies went into the trenches on the night of 13th/14th August, one company taking over the line from a portion of the 3rd Canadian Infantry Battalion and the other company going into Reserve at LOOS.

The day of the 14th passed fairly quietly with occasional shelling of the trenches and the back ~~company~~ country.

On the evening of the 14th, the Relief was pushed forward as early as possible, the other two companies coming in from the rear. All companies had been issued as far as possible with their Battle Equipment, but bombs and shovels had to be picked up at the Battalion Dump.

The assembling of the Battalion was carried out with the greatest order and precision and, as well as the action itself, reflects the greatest credit on the company officers and non commissioned officers.

It was a difficult position from which to launch an assault as the only trenches available were the front line and the support line, which ran across behind the front line, the left of it being 150 yards behind and the right converging into the front line.

It meant assembling a great number of men in the front-line and, had the enemy opened ~~fire~~ a heavy barrage before ZERO hour, our attack might have been paralyzed before it was launched.

The companies were assembled in the following order:-  
FRONT LINE - which tanded from BOYAU 47 to road Junction at H.31 B.7.5. On the Left.-

No.1 company under Lieut Petrie with a mopping-up platoon from No.3 company.

On the Right.-

No.2 company under A/Major Gilliat with a mopping-up platoon from No.3 company.

SUPPORT LINE -

No.4 company under A/Major Murphy with a mopping -up platoon from No.3 company.

The remaining platoon from No.3 company was the wiring platoon and Lieut. Melvor, with a veteran's wisdom, had drawn them up as near the front line as possible so as to get into "No man's land" quickly and escape the Barrage. (It is a pleasing thing to note the sagacity with which our old officers and non commissioned officers prepare for an attack - having learned all the Hun's tricks - and taking precautions to circumvent him, showing that they are keeping pace with the changes in trench warfare.)

At 2430 a.m. on the 15th, notification was received that the Battalion was in position, and Brigade was so informed.

The intervening time between 2.30 and ZERO hour at 4.25 a.m. was a most anxious one indeed. The enemy was very restless and nervous and sent up a great number of flares of extraordinary variety. However, little shell fire came over and no casualties were reported during the night.

At ZERO hour the whole Battalion leaped out of the trenches led by its Piper. The support company, No.4, doubling forward and reached "No man's land" in time to escape the enemy Barrage.

Our Artillery was most ~~effective~~ and very few "shorts" were reported, and the companies were enabled to follow the barrage very closely. In crossing "No man's land", the Right company reported seeing numbers of the enemy retiring from the front line overland.

No.6 Machine Gun of that company, under L/Cpl. Hartley was most aggressive in firing on the retreating enemy.

All companies report that there was little or no resistance in the German front line and support line.

Our Canadian Infantry are now so superior to the German Infantry (even the crack Divisions) that they carry trench after trench with the utmost regularity, and have a hearty contempt for them as they pass, simply dropping mopping-up parties to clean up the work.

The Boundaries and different trenches were not nearly so easily discernable in the advance as had been anticipated.

Our Left company, for a period, bore too far to the left and left a gap. This was remedied by the wiring platoon under Lieut. J. McIvor, who acted with celerity and decision, making his platoon drop their wire, and threw them into the gap. Direction, however, was soon restored and the BLUE LINE was reached on schedule time.

During the consolidation of the BLUE LINE, a few casualties were caused by machine gun fire, but otherwise, no difficulties were encountered. The only resistance of importance shown by the enemy up to this point was a machine gun in a communication trench near HUXLEY trench, which was rapidly put out of action by C.S.M. McDonald and Sgt. Smith of No. 2 company, and a machine gun in front of HURDLE trench which was put out of action by Corporal Gracie with a coolness and daring that has seldom been equalled. He was in a shell hole with his Lewis Gun and observed a German machine gun crew setting up their gun to sweep out trenches. He set up his gun and waited patiently until the German crew exposed themselves and he would have them all in range, when he swept his machine gun back and forth, and killed the entire crew.

The companies were reorganized in the BLUE LINE in perfect order. From this point, the support company, No. 4, was to continue the assault on the Left, while No. 2 company was to go ahead again on the Right.

These companies advanced on the minute, and reached the GREEN LINE on time. The trench there was very much demolished by our Artillery fire, and it was hard, at first, to determine if it was the final objective, so our troops pursued the fleeing enemy for some distance beyond, until their officers signalled them to return, which they did with splendid discipline and order.

Communication was soon established with the 7th Battalion on our Right and the 13th Battalion on our Left. Consolidation was rapidly proceeded with, and Lewis Gun Posts established, trench blocks put in and a Strong point constructed by No. 1 Coy. at Junction of HURRAH and HART Alley; viz: Strong Point 5, as directed.

A fortified shell hole in front of the GREEN LINE was captured by No. 2 company, one of the enemy being killed and 4 captured and the machine gun brought in.

On the whole, little resistance was met with in the advance and casualties were light. During all the day of the 15th our front line experienced little trouble. Counter attacks were seen made on our flanks but although the enemy forced up in front of us preparatory to counter attack, our Artillery and machine gun fire rapidly dispersed him.

The mopping-up was most thorough and systematic, and the whole area was cleared.

The wiring platoon succeeded in putting out considerable wire. An advanced Battalion Headquarters was established in the German front line at H. 31. B. 2. 1. at 7.30 a.m. on the morning of the assault.

We had considerable hard fortune at first, by getting runners wounded, and all our lines were shot away one after the other. The Signallers worked with courage and persistence, and L/Cpl. Hastings finally got a line through which endured until the Battalion was relieved.

Although the day of the 15th and the night following were fairly quiet in the front line, the rear trenches were shelled very heavily.

On the 16th, the enemy began to get the range on our front line and close support trench, and shelled heavily all that day and evening and we had considerable casualties.

Carrying parties from the 14th Battalion brought us some bombs and S.A.A. which we managed to get to the front line. The great drawback was, the want of water and the men suffered severely from the want of it. A little reached us but not nearly enough to supply the wants of the Battalion. Too much attention cannot be paid to getting forward supplies of water before an attack, especially in warm weather (a shell destroyed most of

The reserved supply of water we had stored.)

The heavy shell fire of the 16th was greatly abated at Midnight and we were relieved by one company of the 2nd and one company of the 3rd Battalions in the early morning of the 17th.

Looking back over the history of the action, I may say that it was perhaps the best prepared and systematically carried out of any we have been in.

The support of our Artillery and machine guns, was all that could be asked.

All the officers from other units who worked with us did their duty excellently.

The control of our troops by the officers and non commissioned officers was manifested on several occasions. While they advanced with their customary spirit and valour, I think they displayed better discipline than ever before, which perhaps is the result of the experience gained in many battles. Obstacles which formerly distracted their attention, now are considered only in their proper importance.

When we consider that the advance was made against the best troops of the famous German army, we can only be the more convinced that our Canadian Troops are the best in Europe.

I desire to give my utmost praise and commendation to all the officers, non commissioned officers and men, who served under me in this attack. They were assembled with great care and precision, charged with valour and determination, and afterwards held the line with the steadiness and fortitude that has characterized the Battalion throughout its whole career.

Our casualties in the action were as follows :-

	<u>Killed.</u>	<u>Missing.</u>	<u>Wounded.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
<u>Officers.</u>	2		5	7
<u>Other Ranks.</u>	35	9	24	245
<u>Total.</u>	37	9	26	252

We captured six machine guns, one Minnenwerfer, and one Pineapple Thrower.

*W. Peck*

Lieut-Colonel.  
Commanding,  
16th Battalion "THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

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WAR DIARY

16th Canadian Bn. 1st Cdn. Division,  
from 1st to 30th September, 1917.

Volume 29.

Diary Text

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Appendix A

O.O. No. 168 dated the 1st Sept. instructions re  
move of Bn. to AIX-NOULETTE on the 1st Sept.

O.O. No. 169 dated the 4th Sept. 16th Bn. to  
relieve 15th Bn. in Bde. support on the 4th Sept.

O.O. No. 170, 16th Bn. to relieve 14th Bn. in the  
front line trenches

O.O. No. 171, 16th Bn. to be relieved by 15th Bn.  
on the 16th Sept.

O.O. No. 172 dated the 20th Sept. Instructions  
regarding move of 16th Bn. to VERDESEL.

16th CANADIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

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16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Original

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendix
MARLES-LES-MINES	1917 Sept. 1.	1.	In Billets. Battalion bathed at Caënonne-Ricouart and Raimbert. 14th. Battalion sports for the afternoon. Cancelled on account of orders being received to move to the line tomorrow.	J.P.D.
AIX-VOULETTE		2.	Battalion moved to AIX VOULETTE via BRUAY, BARLIN and BOYEPPLES. We left MARLES LES MINES at 9.00 a.m. arriving at our destination at 2.00 p.m., one of the longest marches the Battalion had. Marching out strength 1016. Billeted in big huts on the side of the Hill in the woods. Excellent site for a camp and a splendid rifle range within a mile.	o/o 108.
do.		3.	In Billets. Battalion paraded at 9.00 a.m. for training during the morning and rested in the afternoon. Weather fine.	
do.		4.	In Billets. Battalion paraded for training by companies in the morning. Rested during the afternoon. Moved to the line via AIX VOULETTE and MULLY GREWAY. Marching out state 648 all ranks. Relieved the 13th Battalion at Cité St. PIERRE. Had a very good relief. One man slightly wounded in No. 1 Company. Enemy Artillery very active at 11.30 p.m., firing on roads in back area and C.T's. The weather is perfect and bright moonlight.	o/o 109.
TRENCHES		5.	Hostile Artillery during the day was very quiet. In the early morning he threw a great many gas shells in the back area. We presume he was after the batteries. CITE St. PIERRE received some attention. We could smell the gas quite strongly. No working parties tonight. The weather bright. No casualties.	
do.		6.	At 3.30 a.m. the Battalion on our right attacked the enemy lines. Enemy driven from houses and engaged by Lewis Guns as they fled. Some prisoners captured. Our casualties very light. Between 2.00 a.m. and 4.00 a.m. this morning our position (CITE St. PIERRE.) heavily bombarded with gas shells also back areas. At 6.30 p.m. and 10.00 p.m. this evening the front line area on our right was bombarded. 250 men on work parties tonight. Weather fine and very warm. No casualties.	
do.		7.	Enemy Artillery fairly active between 2.00 a.m. and 4.00 a.m. Between 8.00 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. No. 1 Company area shelled M-18-A-1-7. One man slightly wounded on working parties this a.m. 125 men on work parties tonight. Visibility poor. Weather fine.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
TRENCHES	Sept.			
	8.		Enemy Artillery much below normal. Shelling CITE St PIERRE slightly early in morning. A small enemy patrol walked into an outpost in front of communication trench. Two were captured. Identified as 2nd. Guards Res. Regiment. One hundred men working on Communication Trench tonight. Aircraft activity very slight. Weather cloudy.	f
	9.		Enemy Artillery very active just after midnight, the back areas receiving much attention during the day. The Baseball Team went out today. They will represent the 3rd Brigade in Divisional Championships. 100 men at working parties, working on communication trench. 1 Casualty. Weather fine and warm.	f
	10.		We relieved the 14th Battalion R.M.R's in the front line tonight. Two Companies holding the Brigade frontage which is N-13-b-60-10 to N-14-a-45-80 in front of LENS. No 2 Company on right front, No. 4 on left. No. 1 Company right support, No. 3 left support. Very good relief. Weather fine. 1 Casualty - Slightly wounded. Our Baseball Team won from the 10th. Battalion. Score 14 - 7.	f o/o. 170.
	11.		Enemy Artillery quiet during the day and early morning. On our left 3 & 4 Companies' Wiring Party was forced to withdraw. Hostile Machine Guns and Trench Mortars very active in this sector from 10.30 to 11.45. No. 2 Company established a post at N-14-a-1-4. One of No. 2 Company's Lewis Guns knocked out. 1 killed, 2 wounded.	f
	12.		Hostile Trench Mortars very active in early morning. Enemy Artillery active 6.00 a.m. to 7.00 a.m. shelling our front line and supports. Very active up to 12 Noon on C.T's. At 11.25 p.m. gas was projected from our front line. One Boche walked into our front line gassed. Identification 2nd Guards Res. Regt. Prisoner reported casualties heavy. Enemy retaliation to gas attack weak. No work parties. Lieut. Gillespie and 1 C.R. killed. Weather cloudy.	f
	13.		At 3.30 a.m. gas was projected on our front. Hostile Artillery very active at intervals, shelling our supports and C.T's. The back areas received a great deal of attention. No work parties. Weather warm and bright. Casualties light.	f

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TRENCHES	Sept.			
	14.		Enemy shelling in early morning. Very active. The Imperials on our left raided the enemy at 1.10 a.m. The enemy retaliated all along <del>the</del> front, our front line being shelled with 4.1 and 5.9. from 1.10 a.m. to 3.00 a.m. Two men killed and Lieut. Mitchell and several men severely wounded. About 9.00 a.m. he again came back with an organized strafe on our front line using 5.9 entirely. No. 2 Company suffered most. 4 Killed and many wounded. The trench was blown in entirely on our right half front. The strafe lasted for two hours. Our counter-battery work silenced entirely hostile batteries. Balance of day quiet. Work parties repaired trench in early part of night.	
	15.		The enemy very quiet during day. At 7.00 p.m. he again shelled at St. PIERRE using 5.9. Many times making it hot for us. Enemy machines very active this afternoon. At present his artillery fire is normal. The usual night harassing on roads and communication trenches. Weather bright and warm. No casualties today.	ixxx
	16.		At 2.30 a.m. the enemy started a heavy bombardment on our front line and support trenches using 5.9 mostly, with trench mortars. At 3.30 he attempted to raid our trenches but did not reach our outposts. The S.O.S. signal was sent up and raiding party was dispersed by our barrage. Our casualties were very heavy, 20 in all. This was due to concentration of heavy calibre guns on our front line. Enemy aeroplanes were active in early morning, flying over our lines dropping signals. After daylight the enemy shelling slight. We were relieved in the evening by the 15th Battalion. Very successful. No casualties. Moved to MARQUEFFLES FARM. Total Casualties during tour 69 all ranks. Marching out state 5.30 a.m. Lieut. Mitchell died of wounds today. Our baseball team beaten by 1st, Battalion.	o/o. 171.
MARQUEFFLES.	17.		In Billets. Quite comfortable and excellent training facilities. Battalion rested. Lieut. Mitchell buried today.	
	18.		In Billets. Company training and the Battalion bathed at ROUVIGNY BOYEFFLES.	
	19.		In Billets. Company training. First Divisional sports were held at HERSIN COUIGNY. Well organized and different entries hotly contested. In the evening the Canadian Scottish Concert Party gave a concert in the Y.M.C.A. tent.	

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MARQUEFFLES	Sept. 20.		In Billets. Company training and musketry competition at the ranges, for which prizes were offered.	
	21.		In Billets. Training in the morning and musketry at the ranges.	
	22.		In Billets. Musketry practice in the morning. The Battalion moved to VERDREL, the Brigade having been relieved in the line. Billets comfortable and good facilities for training. Canadian Corps "First" Annual Rifle Meet commences today. The Battalion is represented in several events.	o/c. 173.
	23.		In Billets. Battalion paraded for Divine Service under Capt. Fox. G.O.C. Division called in the afternoon.	
	24.		In Billets. Training.	
	25.		In Billets. Training. Bombing Competition, inter-Company, started. C.O. and party of officers visited Canadian Corps Rifle Meet. Battalion team represented the Brigade in Falling Plate competition. Baseball team played 46th Battalion and won 18-6.	
	26.		In Billets. Training. Recommendations for New Years Honours submitted.	
	27.		In Billets. Training.	
	28.		In Billets. Battalion bathed at HOUDAIN. Rates of cash issues in the Corps increased to:- Warrant Officers - 100 Francs; Sergeants - 75 Francs; Corporals - 60 Francs; and Privates - 45 Francs per month.	
	29.		In Billets. Corps Sports at VILLIERS AU BOIS. First Division won cup offered for highest number of points.	
	30		Church Parade was held. The service was conducted by Canon Scott. After the service the C.O. inspected the Battalion and the lines. In the afternoon the Officers played the Sergeants at Indoor Baseball and won. Two Officer Reinforcements arrived.	

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Summary of Events and Information

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Place Date Hour

HONOURS AND AWARDS GAINED BY PERSONNEL OF THE BATTALION DURING THE MONTH.THE MILITARY CROSS.

Capt. (A/Major) E.W. Gilliat.  
Lieut. P.T. Burke.  
Capt. J.P.S. Cathcart. C.A.M.C.

THE MILITARY MEDAL. (Contd.)

420460 Pte. (A/L/C. O.P. Sigurdson.  
427366 L/Cpl. J.G. Scott. (Att'd. 3rd Cdn. T.M. Battery)  
427362 Cpl. C. Wilson. do.  
28913 Cpl. (A/Sgt) W.A. Johnson. 3rd Cdn Inf. Bde. H.Q.

THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.

28649 Sgt. W.D. McCue.

BAR TO THE MILITARY MEDAL.

29327 Pipe-Major J. Groat.  
77140 L/Cpl. A.H. Hastings.  
A20522 Sgt. J. Gates.

THE MILITARY MEDAL.

427287 Cpl. H. Gracie.  
420065 Sgt. A.S. Irwin.  
21640 Cpl. F. Martin.  
429603 Pte. (Piper) G.F. Paul.  
28557 L/C. (Piper) A. McGillavray.  
426289 Sgt. O.W. Moore.  
29510 Cpl. W.W. Vyse.  
29386 Sgt. C. Simpson.  
736669 Cpl. A.P. Ewart.  
29443 Cpl. E. Gallagher.  
718792 pte. (A/L/C.) A.T. Kines.  
420559 L/Sgt. W. Mowat.  
700494 Pte. F. Wright.  
628573 Sgt. L.J.E. Smith.  
700591 Pte. C.E. Saunders.  
736817 Pte. V. Leese.  
628652 Pte. S. Blake.  
77277 Pte. A.B. Clarke.

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Lieut-Colonel,  
Commanding,  
16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."



16th CANADIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

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# APPENDIX 'A'

OPERATION ORDER No. 166. SECRET. 15  
 By Lieut Colonel C.W. Peck D.S.O. Copy No. 15  
 Commanding 16th Battalion, "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

September 1st 1917.

1. ROUTINE. Reveille.....6.30 a.m.  
Breakfast.....7.00  
Sick Parade.....7.30
2. PARADE. The Battalion will parade on the Main Road in front of billets at.....9.00 a.m.  
Markers.....8.45  
March on Markers.....8.50
- DRESS. Full marching order.
4. MOVE. The Battalion will move to AIX-NOULETTE HUTS via BRUAY, EARLIN and BOYEFFLES.
5. ORDER OF MARCH Nos. 3, 1, 2 and 4 Coys. Signallers will march with No. 3 Company and Intelligence Section and Headquarters Details with No. 1 Company.
6. TRANSPORT. Will move in rear of Battalion.
7. L.G.LIMBERS Will report to O.C. Companies at 8.00 a.m. to load Lewis Guns and Pans.
8. OFFICERS\*KITS To be ready by 8.15 a.m. Mess Boxes to go on L.G. Limbers.
9. BILLETING PARTY. One N.C.O. and 4 men per company, one O.R. from the Signalling and one from the Intelligence Section will report to Battalion Orderly Room at 6.30 a.m. Mr. Gillespie will be in charge of this party and he will report to Mr. Meikle at 8th. Inf. Bde. Rear Headquarters at CHATEAU BOYEFFLES.
10. REAR PARTY One man per company will be detailed to report to Mr. Fraser. They will inspect billets and obtain a certificate from L/Cpl. H. Martin who is carrying out instructions from Divisional Sanitary Officer in MARLES LES MINES, that they have been left in a clean and sanitary condition.
11. MARCHING OUT STATES. To be in Orderly Room at 8.00 a.m.
12. DISCIPLINE Strict march discipline to be observed.

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A/Major and Adjutant.  
16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

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| " 2       | O.O. 16th Bn.      |
| " 3       | Second in Command. |
| " 4       | Adjutant.          |
| " 5       | No.1 company.      |
| " 6       | No.2 "             |
| " 7       | No.3 "             |
| " 8       | No.4 "             |
| " 9       | Intelligence.      |
| " 10      | Signallers.        |
| " 11      | R.S.M. & Details.  |
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OPERATION ORDER No. 169. Copy No. 16  
By Lieut-Colonel C.W. Peck D.S.O.  
Commanding 16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

Ref. LOOS. 36.c.S.W.1.

AIX NOULETTE HUTS  
September 4th 1917.

RELIEF.

1. Under 3rd. Canadian Infantry Brigade Operation Order No. 184 the Battalion will relieve the 13th. Battalion (Royal Highlanders of Canada.) in the Brigade Support Position tonight.

PARADE.

2. The Battalion will parade on the Battalion parade Ground at.....7.00 p.m.  
Markers.....6.45  
March on Markers.....6.50

DRESS.

3. Light Marching Order, Haversacks on back.  
Box Respirators at the "ALERT", P.H. Helmets.

ORDER OF MARCH.

4. Intelligence Section, Signalling Section, Numbers 1, 2, 3 & 4 Companies at 200 yards interval. When FOSSE 11 is reached, an interval of 25 yards between platoons will be maintained. Company Pipers will report to their respective companies.

ROUTE.

5. Via. AIX NOULETTE and BULLY GREY.

PACKS

6. Packs will be piled by companies and units beside the Orderly Room. Guards will be furnished by companies until relieved by a guard from the Band. Kilts and Glengarries to be put in packs. This order to be rigidly adhered to.

ADVANCE PARTY.

7. Companies will detail one Officer and one N.C.O. each to report to Orderly Room at 1.30 p.m., they will proceed to the Support Position as already advised.

GUIDES.

8. The 43rd. Battalion are furnishing 4 guides to report here this afternoon. They will guide the Battalion to FOSSE 11 at M.S.d. where additional guides, one per platoon and Battalion Headquarters will be met.

REAR PARTY.

9. Companies and units will detail one man each to report to Lieut. Wood. They will inspect Billets and see that they are in a clean and sanitary condition, reporting to Adjutant. They will rejoin their companies in time to march off.

OFFICERS' KITS.

10. Will be left with Packs at 6.00 p.m.

LEWIS GUN  
LIMBERS.

11. Will accompany their respective companies, reporting at 6.00 p.m.

CANTEEN.

12. Will move to the support position with the Battalion, Limbers reporting at 6.00 p.m. Limbers for Headquarters Signals will also report at that time.

COOKERS.

13. Numbers 2, 3, & 4 Companies' Cookers will proceed to the support position in rear of the Battalion.

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OPERATION ORDER No. 169. (Continued.)

DETAILS FOR  
SCHOOL.

14. The party detailed for the Brigade School at HAILLIQCURT will parade at 2.00 p.m. Lieut Burke will be in charge and they will proceed to the school reporting to the Officer Commanding with a Nominal Roll.

MARCHING OUT  
STATES.

15. To be in Orderly Room at 6.00 p.m.

REPORTS.

16. "Relief complete" in the Support Position will be advised by Code Word as already arranged.

A/Major & Adjutant,  
16th Cdn Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

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| " 3.        | 2nd in command. 16th Bn.         |
| " 4.        | Adjutant.                        |
| " 5.        | No. 1 Company.                   |
| " 6.        | No. 2 "                          |
| " 7.        | No. 3 "                          |
| " 8.        | No. 4 "                          |
| " 9.        | Intelligence Officer             |
| " 10.       | Signalling Officer.              |
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6 Cdn Inf Bde

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"The Canadian Section"  
Operations Order, No.

Coy No. 12.

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- ① Relief under Brigade operation Order No 186 of Sept 9th. The 14th Bde, will relieve the 14th Bde (Ry. Dr. R's) in the front line trench tonight.
- ② Details of Relief will be arranged mutually between G's Companies and will be in accordance with G's Conference of last night.
- ③ Time of Moving.  
Companies and units will not move from their present positions until they received orders from Bde H 2's that the Support Bde relief has been completed. This will be probably be about 9.30 PM.
- ④ Order of Move, upon receipt of orders, Coy's will move forward in 50 yards platoon interval in the following order:  
Now Coy. - No 2 Coy. - No 3 Coy.  
No 1 Coy. - H 2's and details  
Comd.

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⑤ Disposition. The Coy's of the 16th will be distributed as follows two Companies in the line No 2 on the right front and No 4 on the left front. The remaining two Companies will be in support. No 1 on the right and No 3 on the left. Coy. Commanders will take over present dispositions of the 14th Btu and will make their own arrangements with the Coy's concerned.

⑥ Maps etc. all maps plans etc will be taken over and receipt given.

⑦ Reports. Relief will be reported complete by wire the Code word as arranged. Coy's will confirm this at once by runner.

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3. 2 Coy
4. 3 Coy
5. 4 Coy
6. RSM details
7. 2 Btu transport
8. 1 Btu adg
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Arthur M. Louchery  
Gen'l adg. Co.  
16 Can 2nd Btu

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  5. 4 Coy
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  7. 2 in transport
  8. Brigade
  9. 1st Bn R MRS
  10. 3 Co. 2 of Bn.
  11. 7 was clear

John J. G. [Signature]

1st Bn R MRS

The Seven



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16 Cdn Inf Bn Canadian Legion  
Operations Order 171  
Sept 16-1957

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I Under Brigade Operation Order No. 188 of Sept 15 the 16th Bn Canadian Section will be relieved by the 15th Bn US Highlanders in the front line trenches tonight.

II Detail of Relief will be arranged mutually between Ab. Command and will be in accordance with G.O.S. Conference this afternoon.

III Disposition. The Coys of the 16th Bn will be relieved respectively by Coys of 15th Bn in the following order:  
Front line right. No. 1 Coy  
Front line left. No. 2 Coy  
support. Right. No. 3 Coy  
support. left. No. 1 Coy

IV Rents. On being relieved Coys will move, independently by platoons. Via the routes decided on at to-day's meeting they will proceed direct to Tranquilles Camp.

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- 5 Reports Completion of relief will be reported by Code already arranged and confirmed by runners.
- 6 Guides from Intelligence section will map out route.
- 7 1 Lewis Gun Quiver & other kit will be at ration dump at the hours arranged.
- 8 Billing party will be supplied from rear security teams.

Copies to

- 1. GOC, CO
- 2. 1 Coy
- 3. 2 Coy
- 4. 3 Coy
- 5. 4 Coy
- 6. RSM Details
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OPERATION ORDER No. 172  
By Lieut-Colonel C.W. Peck D.S.O.  
Commanding 16th Cdn Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

MARQUEFFLES.  
21st September 1917.

ROUTINE.

- 1. Reveille.....6.30 a.m.
- Breakfast.....7.00
- Sick Parade.....7.30
- C.O's Orderly Room.....10.00

PARADE.

- 2. The Battalion will parade at.....1.00 P.M.
- Half Hour Dress.....12.30
- Quarter Bugle.....12.45

SS.

- 3. Full Marching Order. Packs must be worn on Equipment, four inches of the Ground Sheet showing beneath the flap of the Pack and square across. Steel Helmets held in position by the cross Jumping Straps. Mess Tins on top of Pack, flat side down and lid next to back.

MOVE.

- 4. The Battalion will move to VERDREL via MINE BOUVIGNY.

ORDER OF MARCH.

- 5. Nos. 1,2,3 & 4 Companies. Signallers will march with No. 1 Company, Intelligence Section and Headquarters with No. 2 Company.

TRANSPORT.

- 6. Will move independently.

L.G. LIMBERS.

- 7. Will report to Officers Commanding Companies at 11.30 a.m. Company Mess Boxes to be loaded on Limbers.

OFFICERS KITS

- 8. To be ready at 11.30 a.m.

BILLETING PARTY.

- 9. One N.C.O. and 4 men per Company, one O.R. from the Signalling and one from the Intelligence Section will report to Orderly Room at 8.00 a.m. Mr Kerans will be in charge of this party and he will report to Staff Captain "Q" at Town Major's Office VERDREL at 10.00 a.m.

REAR PARTY.

- 10. One man per Company, one per Signalling and one per Intelligence Section will report to Mr Watson. They will inspect Billets and obtain a certificate from the representative of the Town Major AIX NOULETTE that they have been left in a clean and sanitary condition. Certificate to be handed to Orderly Room at VERDREL.

MARCHING OUT STATES.

- 11. To be in Orderly Room at 10.00 a.m.

DISCIPLINE.

- 12. Strict March Discipline will be observed.

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Major & Adjutant,

16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

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WAR DIARY  
OF  
16th CANADIAN INFANTRY BATTALION  
OCTOBER 1917.  
WITH APPENDIX A.  
VOLUME 17 - 10.

WAR DIARY

16th Canadian Battalion 1st Canadian Divn.

from 1st to 31st October, 1917.

Volume 30.

Diary Text

4 Pages.

Appendix A

O.O. No. 173, 174, Move of Bn. on October 4th,  
to DUAY SERVINS and to ZOUAVE valley.

O.O. No. 174 A, Relief on October 13th and 14th.

O.O. No. 175, 16th Bn. to move to VERDEEL on 14th  
October.

O.O. No. 176, instructions regarding move of 16th  
Bn. to HOUDAIN on the 19th October.

O.O. No. 177 to 180 Move Bn. on October 20th,  
22nd, 23rd and October 30th.

16th CANADIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

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**INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY**

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*Original*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	October 1st			
VERDREL.	1st.		In Billets. Training.	
	2nd.		In Billets. Training.	
	3rd.		In Billets. Training.	
	4th.		In Billets. Under Brigade Orders the Battalion moved at 1.00 p.m. to Billets at QUY SERVINS.	
QUY SERVINS.	5th.		Battalion moved up during the morning and halted at HOSPITAL CORNER. The day was spent there. The Battalion moved forward by Companies and relieved portions of the 44th, 46th & 47th Battalions in Brigade Support, in the AVION AREA, Battalion reported "Relief Complete" at 10.10 p.m. No. casualties.	00.173 00.174
TRENCHES	6th.		Battalion in Brigade Support. Working Parties. No. Casualties.	
	7th.		Battalion in Brigade Support. Working Parties in the morning and at night. Weather very unsettled. No. Casualties.	
	8th.		Battalion in Brigade Support. Working Parties. No. 3 Company changed their position from Sydney trench to Piano Dugouts. Weather very unsettled. No Casualties.	
	9th.		Battalion in Brigade Support. Working Parties as usual. No Casualties. Weather unsettled.	
	10th.		Battalion in Brigade support. Moved up and relieved 14th Battalion R.M.R. in Right Sub-sector of Avion Sector. Relief reported complete at 9.30 p.m. We had 2 Casualties during relief and 6 men buried from "Minnie" shells. The night was quiet. Casualties 2 Killed. Weather was changeable. Nos. 1 & 3 Companies in front line. No. 4 in support and No. 2 in reserve.	00. 174-A
	11th.		Battalion in Front Line. Day was quiet. Working Parties were engaged in clearing out C.T's and Front Line Trenches. Enemy artillery somewhat more active than previously. No casualties were suffered during the day. Considerable enemy shelling at night. Hostile T.M.'s were active during night and "Retaliation" was called for twice. Results were satisfactory. Weather was brighter. Casualties 3 Wounded.	
	12th.		Battalion in Front Line. The day was quiet. A little artillery fire on Support Trench in morning. The rest of the day was very quiet. Parties worked on C.T's and Front Line Trench cleaning out. Weather was bad. Observation very poor. Casualties:- 3 Wounded.	

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## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
TRENCHES	October.			
	13th		Battalion in Front Line. The day was quiet, nothing to report. There was a little hostile shelling with 77 cm on C.P's. in morning. The Battalion was relieved by 2nd/5th Lincoln, Relief being reported to Brigade as completed at 1.50 a.m. 14th. No casualties during the day of relief. After relief the Battalion moved to ALBERTA Camp.	0.0. 175
ALBERTA CAMP.	14th		In Billets. The Battalion paraded at 11.00 a.m. and marched to VERDREL. The Battalion was billeted in the same Billets as before. The 3rd Cdn. Trench Mortar Battery marched with the Battalion and <del>was</del> billeted with us. The weather was fine. No Casualties.	0.0 175-a
VERDREL.	15th		In Billets. Men allowed to rest and clean up. No Parades. Casualties Nil.	
	16th		In Billets. The Brigade was inspected by the Army Commander. The Brigade was drawn up in lines of companies. The Army Commander addressed all Officers and said Good-bye to the Brigade on leaving to join the 2nd Army. Weather was fine but cold.	
	17th		In Billets. Companies marched to CAUCOURT for Baths.	
	18th		In Billets. Companies went on Route Marches independently.	
	19th.		In Billets. Companies went on Route Marches independently.	
HOUDAIN	20th		<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> . Battalion marched to HOUDAIN, the first stage of our move to the 2nd Army Area arriving at 11.30 a.m. Rested during the afternoon. Weather fine for marching.	0.0.176
Le MIQUILLIERE	21st		Battalion marched to LE MIQUILLIERE in the BUSNES Area. Two companies billeted in Area. <del>Busnes</del> Left HOUDAIN at 8.45 a.m. and arrived at destination at 3.30 p.m. No stragglers. Weather fine and dry. The General Officer Commanding Division inspected the Battalion on the line of march and complimented us on our appearance and march discipline.	0.0.177
STEEN-REQUE	22nd.		Battalion marched to STEENREQUE leaving LA MIQUILLIERE at 8.00 a.m. arriving at 12.15.	0.0.178
	23rd.		Battalion marched to Billets in the Communes of LYNDE, EBELINGHEM and STAPLE, leaving STEENREQUE at 7.15 and arriving at 1.00 p.m. Billets scattered over an area of three square miles. Rained heavily during the march.	0.0.179



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
EBBLINGHEM AREA.	Oct. 24.		Battalion rested.	<div style="text-align: right;">0. O. 180.</div>
	25th		In Billets. Companies and Units carried on independently with training.	
	26th		In Billets. Companies and Units paraded independently for a route march. Wet her <del>Wet</del> .	
	27th		In Billets. The Brigade. (less 13th Battalion.) (at present attached to 3rd Division) was inspected near STAPLE by the Corps Commander, who also addressed the Brigade on the subject of the operations at PASSCHENDALE RIDGE. He complimented the Brigade on its appearance.	
	28th		In Billets. The Battalion bathed at STAPLE.	
	29th		In Billets. Companies and Units paraded independently for training. The Army Commander inspected the training during the morning. Warning Order received that the Brigade would move to the line on the 31st inst. One O.R. accidentally wounded, while cleaning his rifle.	
	30th		In Billets. Battalion prepared for move tomorrow. Weather Wet.	
WELTJE	31st.		Order received to move to the WELTJE AREA. Battalion entrained at EBBLINGHEM and detrained at YPRES, marching from there to the village of WELTJE, arriving at 12.30 p.m. A number of enemy aeroplanes flew over in the afternoon and dropped in the vicinity of our lines. The enemy bombed the vicinity continuously during the night. 1 O.R. wounded by a bomb and 1 O.R. accidentally wounded while cleaning his rifle.	

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OPERATION ORDER No. 173  
 By Lieut.-Colonel C.W. Peck D.S.O.  
 Commanding 16th. Can. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTCH."  
 VERDREU.  
 4th October 1917.

15000-1000-1000

- PARADE. The Battalion will parade at 1.00 p.m.  
 Half Hour Dress.....12.30  
 Quarter Bugle.....12.45
- MOVE. The Battalion will move to Gauy Servins via Grand and Petit Servins.
- ORDER OF MARCH. Nos. 2, 3, 4 & 1 Companies. Signallers will march with No. 1 Company. Intelligence Section and Headquarters with No. 2.
- TRANSPORT. Transport will move independently.
- L.G. LIMBERS. Will report to Officers Commanding Companies at 12 Noon. Mess Boxes to be loaded on Limbers.
- OFFICERS' KITS To be ready by 12 Noon.
- BILLETING PARTY. Lieut. McConachy will meet Staff Capt. "Q" at Petit Servins. (Mounted.) 1 S.C.O. & 4 men per company, one from all units will parade at Battalion Orderly Room at 12 Noon.
- REAR PARTY. Lieut. Gallon and 2 men per company will remain as rear party and will obtain from Town Major a certificate that all billets are clean.
- MARCHING OUT STATES. To be in Battalion Orderly Room at 11.30 a.m.
- DISCIPLINE. Strict march discipline will be observed.

*J.R. Paton*

Lieut. & Asst Adjutant,  
 16th. Can. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTCH."

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Commanding 16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

SECRET.

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GUY SERVINS.  
4th. September, October 1917

- ROUTINE. Reveille.....6.30 a.m.  
Breakfast.....7.00  
Sick Parade.....7.30
- PARADE. The Battalion will parade at 9.00 a.m.  
Half Hour Dress.....8.30  
Quarter Bugle.....8.45.
- MOVE. The Battalion will move to ZOUAVE VALLEY via CARENCY.
- ORDER OF MARCH. Nos. 3, 4, 1 & 2 Companies. Signallers will march with No. 1 Company. Intelligence Section and Headquarters with No. 2.
- TRANSPORT. Transport will move independently.
- L.G. LIMBERS. Will be ready to move at 9.00 a.m. Mess Boxes to be on Limbers
- OFFICERS KITS To be ready by 9.00 a.m.
- BLANKETS To be carried rolled in Ground Sheet, round Pack.
- REAR PARTY. Lieut. B.R.E. Allen and 2 men per company will remain as rear party and will obtain from Town Major a certificate that all Billets are clean.
- MARCHING OUT STATES. To be in Orderly Room by 8.00 a.m.
- DISCIPLINE. Strict march discipline will be observed.

Lieut. & Asst. Adjutant,  
16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

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ZOUAVE VALLEY  
AVE DIVISION

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Operation Order 174A

REF MAP 365W.

- I RELIEF Under orders from 3rd Cdn Inf Bde. the Bn. in the line will be relieved in the line by 5th Bn Fin Colus. On night of Oct 13/14-1917
- II MOVE On completion of relief Coys and units will move independently to ALBERTA CAMP
- III ROUTE. Right flank Coys will move out by CYRIL TRENCH left flank by BEAVER and CYRIL and then through GIVENCHY to SOUCHEZ.
- IV GUIDES One per Bty H.Q. and One per platoon will report to rear Brigade H.Q. at 5 P.M. as guides to incoming B.N.
- V BILLETING. Rear H.Q. will detail 1 officer and party from men at transport lines for billeting

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VI All defence schemes traps etc. will be handed over to incoming units and receipts taken.

VII SANITATION. All dug-outs latrines and trenches to be handed over clean and in a sanitary condition. Certificates to that effect to be obtained.

VIII TRENCH STORES receipts in triplicate to be taken for all stores handed over.

IX I.C. kit will be picked up by lumber at ration dump junction of C.V.R.L. VICTORIA R.D.

X COMPLETION of RELIEF to be reported by code words CHEERS.

M. Platon

Went Capt.  
1st Cadet Coy. 1st Canadian Section

SECRET

16<sup>th</sup> Bn. Canadian Snowshoes  
Operation Order  
Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> 1917

- I. Under orders from 3<sup>rd</sup> Cdn Inf Bde  
The 16<sup>th</sup> Bn will relieve the 14<sup>th</sup>  
Bn R.M.R. in night sub-sector of  
the line on night of 10/11 Oct. 1917

II.

MOVE. Coys will move independently  
No 1 + 3 Coys will relieve in front  
line, No 1 to left half of Bn  
front and No 3 Coy. to right  
half

No 4 Coy. will move to close  
support in Avion Trench.

No 2 Coy. to Bn Reserve, 2 platoons  
in PARTRIDGE and 2 platoons  
and Coy H. 2 in dugout in AVION  
ROAD, near BEAVER. Bn H. 2  
will be in dugout in SOURIS ROAD

ADVANCE PARTY. 1 officer  
per + 1 sgt. CO per platoon will  
go forward and take over all  
dugouts and stores.



IV. TRENCH STORES. Receipts will be taken over for all stores handed over.

V. SANITATION all Coy and units will see that dug-outs and trenches are left in a clean and sanitary condition and will obtain receipts from  
13<sup>th</sup> Bn R H. C

VI. RELIEF will be reported by all Companies by runner and on Fullerphone by Code Word "SALTS"

VII. DISPOSITION The front line Companies will take over present disposition of 14<sup>th</sup> Bn.

Signed J. R. Paton  
Lieut + Adjt  
16<sup>th</sup> Cdn Inf Bn  
"Canadian Scotiab"

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16th Am. Canadian Section

Oct 13, 1917

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Operation Order 175

I ROUTINE

REVELLIE

7 A.M.

BREAKFAST

7<sup>30</sup> A.M.

SICK PARADE

8<sup>00</sup> A.M.

II MOVE Under Orders from  
3rd Canadian Inf. Bde the  
Bn will move to VERDREL  
on 14th Oct. 1917. via  
CARENCEY PETIT SERVINS to  
VERDREL

III PARADE The Bn will parade  
at 10<sup>00</sup> A.M.

Half hour dress. 10 A.M.

Quarter bugle 10<sup>15</sup> A.M.

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Operation Order Contd 175

IV ORDER OF MARCH No. 1, 2, 3 to  
Intelligence to march with No. 2 Coy  
Signal & Details to march with No. 6

V DRESS meet glenganny, full  
marching order.

VI KITS officers kits to be  
ready by 9. am.

VII No. 9. LIMBERS to be packed  
by 9 am. officers mess  
boxes to be carried on No. 9.  
limbers.

VIII BLANKETS Blankets to  
be rolled and labelled  
by sections.

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IX SANITATION all toilets will  
be kept in a clean and  
sanitary condition.

X REAR PARTY Each Coy will  
detail one man to report  
to Sgt Martin who will  
obtain clearance certificates  
from town Major Sanchez.

XI MARCHING OUT STATES to be  
in an orderly room by  
8:30 A.M.

Adjutant  
16 Cad Inf Post  
"Canadian Section"

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Commanding 16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

VERDREL.

October 19th 1917.

1. ROUTINE. Reveille.....7.00 a.m.  
Breakfast.....7.30  
Sick Parade.....8.00
2. PARADE. The Battalion will parade on the Main Road at 9.30 a.m.  
Half Hour Dress..... 9.00  
Quarter Bagle..... 9.15.
3. DRESS. Full Marching Order. Steel Helmets will be carried on the straps of the flap of the pack. Mess Tins on the bottom of the pack, with the handle attached to the kicking straps.
4. NOTE. In accordance with 3rd C.I.B. O.C. No. 196 the Battalion will move to HOUDAIN via FRESNICOURY and RANCOICOURT.
5. ORDER OF MARCH. Nos. 1, 2, 3 & 4 Companies. Signallers will march with No. 1 Company and the Intelligence Section and H.Q. Details with No. 3.
6. TRANSPORT. Will move in rear of the Battalion.
7. L.G. LIMBERS Will report to Officers Commanding Companies at 8.00 a.m. to load Lewis Guns and Pans.
8. OFFICERS KITS. To be ready at 8.30 a.m. Mess Boxes to go on L.G. Limbers.
9. BLANKETS. To be rolled the short way, by sections. Each section's blankets will have a wooden label affixed with wire, showing the section & platoon number. Blankets to be handed to Q.M. stores not later than 8.30 a.m.
10. BILLETING PARTY One N.C.O. and 4 men per Company, one C.R. from the Signalling and one from the Intelligence Sections will report to Battalion Orderly Room at 7.30 a.m. A Sergeant detailed by No 1 Coy. will be in charge of the party and he will report to Lieut. B.R.E. Allen at Town Major's Office, HOUDAIN.
11. REAR PARTY One man per Company will be detailed to report to Lieut C.B.F. Jones. They will inspect Billets and obtain a certificate from Town Major that they have been left in clean, sanitary condition. This certificate to be handed in to Orderly Room at Houdain. Party will join their companies before the Battalion moves off.
12. MARCHING OUT STATES To be in Orderly Room at 8.30 a.m.
13. REPORTS. O.C. Companies & Units will advise Orderly Room on arrival of any stragglers. Nil reports to be rendered. Transport Officer will advise map location of Transport for information of Bde.
14. DISCIPLINE. Strict march discipline will be observed.

*[Signature]*  
Major & Adjutant.

16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

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| 9. Intelligence.       |                       |
| 10. Signallers.        |                       |

- ROUTINE. Reveille.....6.15 a.m.  
Breakfast.....6.45  
Sick Parade.....7.15.
- PARADE. The Battalion will parade on the ground adjacent to the huts at.....8.45 a.m.  
Half Hour Dress.....8.15  
Quarter Bugle.....8.50
- DRESS. Full Morning Order. Steel helmets will be carried on the straps of the flap of the pack. Mess Tins on the bottom of the pack round side down, lid next the body. Gas Respirators slung over the shoulders and resting on the top of the pack.
- MOVE. In accordance with 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde O.C. No. 190 the Battalion will move to LA MIQUILLERIE in the BUSSES AREA via BRUAY, MARLES Lee MINNS and LILLIERS.
- ORDER OF MARCH. Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 1 Companies, Signallers will march with No. 1 Coy and Intelligence Section and H.Q. Details with No. 3.
- TRANSPORT. Will move in rear of the Battalion.
- OFFICERS KITS. To be ready at 8.00 a.m.
- BLANKETS. To be rolled the short way and tightly by sections with wire and wooden labels affixed indicating section and platoon numbers. They will be piled in front of the huts not later than 7.45 a.m.
- BILLING PARTY. Two O.R.'s per Company, an N.C.O. from Nos. 1 & 2 Companies, 1 O.R. from the Signallers and one from the Intelligence Section will report to Battalion Orderly Room at 8.00 a.m. Lieut. G.E.S. Weill will be in charge of this party and he will proceed to LA MIQUILLERIE and take over Billets vacated by 4th Battalion.
- REAR PARTY. One man per company will be detailed to report to Lieut V.C. Anderson at Orderly Room at 8.00 a.m. They will inspect Billets and obtain a certificate therefrom from the Town Major that they have been left in a clean and sanitary condition. This certificate to be handed in to Orderly Room at LA MIQUILLERIE. Party to join their Companies before Battalion moves off.
- COOK KITCHENS. Will be prepared to serve hot tea at the noon hour halt.
- MARCHING OUT STATES. To be in Orderly Room at 8.00 a.m.
- REPORTS. C.O.'s Companies and Units will advise Orderly Room on arrival of any stragglers. Nil reports to be rendered.
- DISCIPLINE. Strict march discipline will be observed. The Brigade Group will be inspected by Senior Officers in the course of the march to the 2nd Army Area and there must be no rear parties following the Battalion. All batmen will march with their companies or Units.

*G. Peck*  
Major & Adjutant,  
16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

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OPERATION ORDER NO. 179. S E C R E T. 13  
 by Lieut-Colonel C.W. Peck, D.S.O. Copy No. ....  
 Commanding 16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."  
 STEENBEQUE 22nd October 1917.

1. ROUTINE. Reveille.....5.00a.m.  
Breakfast.....5.30  
Sick Parade.....6.00
2. PARADE. The Battalion will parade on the road running N.W. from STEENBEQUE to LA BELLE HOTESS at 7.15 a.m.  
Half Hour Dress.....6.45  
Quarter Bugle.....7.00
3. DRESS. Full marching order.
4. MOVE. In accordance with 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde. O.C. 198 the Battalion will move to LYNDE, EBBLINGHEM and STAPLE. via LA BELLE HOTESS and LE CROQUET.
5. ORDER OF MARCH. Nos. 4, 1, 2, & 3 Companies. Signallers will march with No. 1 Company and Intelligence Section and B.Q. Details with No. 3 Company. A distance of 500 yards will be maintained between Battalions and 100 yds between Coys.
6. TRANSPORT. Will move 100 yards in rear of the Battalion and preserve an interval of 100 yds between each group of ten vehicles.
- 7 OFFICERS ROLLS To be ready at 6.30 a.m.
- 8 BLANKETS. To be piled in front of the Companies Bilets. Headquarters & Details will pile theirs in front of Q.M. Stores. It has been discovered that Great Coats and Ground Sheets are being placed in the blanket rolls. Any sections blankets containing these will not be allowed on the lorry.
- 9 BILLETING PARTY. One N.C.O. and 4 men per Coy., 1 O.R. from the Signalling Intelligence and Runners will report to the Orderly Room at 5.30 a.m., Capt. G.F. Mason will be in charge of the party and he will arrange for Bilets of Headquarters, Q.M. Stores Band and Nos. 1, 3 and 4 Coys at LYNDE. Lieut. T.E. Gallon will accompany the party and arrange for Bilets for No. 2 Coy. & Transport at EBBLINGHEM, Lieut R.C. MacIntyre will also accompany the party and arrange for Bilets for the Intelligence and Signalling Sections at STAPLE.
- 10 REAR PARTY One man per Coy. will report to Lieut W. Houston at the Orderly Room at 6.45 a.m. and inspect Bilets. They will receive a certificate from the Corporal representing the Town Major THIENNES, that they have been left in a clean and sanitary condition, and hand it in to the Orderly Room.
- 11 MARCHING OUT STATES. To be in Orderly Room at 6.45 a.m.
12. REPORTS. O.C.'s Companies will advise Orderly Room on arrival of any stragglers.
- 13 DISCIPLINE. Strict march discipline will be observed. The intervals must be closely adhered to on this move.

*W. Peck*  
 Major & Adjutant  
 16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

No. 1 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde.	9 Intelligence.
2 O.C.	10 Signallers.
3. 2nd in Command.	11 Q.M. & T.O.
4 Adjutant.	12 R.S.M. & Details.
5 No. 1 Coy.	13 Office. ✓
6 No. 2 Coy.	14 War Diary.
7 No. 3 Coy.	15 War Diary.
8 No. 4 Coy	



OPERATION ORDER No. 176.  
By Lieut-Colonel R.W. PECK, D.S.O.  
Commanding 16th Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

**SECRET**

LA MIQUILLERIE.  
October 21st. 1917.

*Copy 4-14*

1. ROUTINE. Reveille ..... 5.30 a.m.  
Breakfast ..... 6.00  
Sick Parade..... 6.30
2. PARADE. The Battalion will parade on the main road at 6.00 a.m.  
Half Hour Dress... 7.30 a.m. Quarter Eagle... 7.45 a.m.
3. DRESS. Full Marching Order. Box Respirators slung under the shoulder and resting on top of the pack. Steel Helmets and Mess tins as already prescribed.
4. MOVE. In accordance with 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde O.C. 197 the Battalion will move to STAINBECQUE via ST VESENT, HAVERKERQUE and LE BAS. Nos 3 & 4 Companies will join the Battalion at BUSHES at the junction of the LA MIQUILLERIE and BUSHES Road.
5. ORDER OF MARCH. Nos. 3, 4, 1 & 2 Companies. Signallers will march with No. 1 Company and Intelligence Section and H.Q. Details with No. 3 Company. A Distance of 500 yards will be maintained in rear of Battalions and 100 yards in rear of Companies.
6. TRANSPORT. Will move 100 yards in rear of the Battalion, and preserve an interval of 100 yards between each group of ten Vehicles.
7. OFFICERS NITE. To be ready at 7.00 a.m.
8. BLANKETS. To be rolled as already prescribed and piled in the same place as they were dumped today by the Lorry.
9. BILLETING PARTY. One H.Q.O. & 4 men per company, one O.R. from the Signallers, Intelligence and Runners will report to the Orderly Room at 5.30 a.m. Lieut. A.E. McConochy will be in charge of the party and he will pick up the parties at BUSHES at the junction of the LA MIQUILLERIE and BUSHES Road at 6.00 a.m. They will proceed to STAINBECQUE and the O.R. from the Runners will procure a Billeting List from the Town Major THIENES.
10. REAR PARTY. One man each <sup>from Nos</sup> ~~from Nos~~ 1 & 2 Companies will be detailed to report to Lieut. *D.N. McIntyre* at Orderly Room at 7.00 a.m. One man each ~~from Nos~~ 3 & 4 Companies will be detailed to report to Lieut. *APS McLean* at 7.30 a.m. These Officers will inspect Billets and render a report to Orderly Room that they have been left in a clean and Sanitary condition.
11. MARCHING To be in Orderly Room at 7.30 a.m.
12. REPORTS. O.C. Companies will advise Orderly Room on the arrival of any stragglers. Mill Reports will be rendered.
13. DISCIPLINE. Strict March Discipline will be observed.

*J. H. Hardy*  
Major & Adjutant.

16th Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

Copy No. 1	3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde.
" 2	O.C. 16th Bn.
" 3	2nd Command.
" 4	Adjutant.
" 5	No. 1 Company.
" 6	" "
" 7	" "
" 8	" "

No. 9	Intelligence.
10.	Signallers.
11.	Q.M. & T.O.
12.	R.S.M. & Details.
13	Office.
14	War Diary. ✓
15	" "

7 No. 3 Company.

OPERATION ORDER No. 160 SECRET.

by Lieut-Colonel C.W. Peck, R.S.C.  
Commanding 16th. Can. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH"  
ENGLINGHAM AREA JUNE 1917.

1. MARSH. Companies and Units will parade independently so as to be at ENGLINGHAM STATION at 5.45 a.m.
2. UNIFORMS. Full Marching Order. Green coats and steel Helmets will be worn. Box Respirators at the Alert.
3. MOVEMENT. Under 3rd Can. Inf. Bde. O.C. 201 the Battalion will move by train to YPRES and by bus to the VOLTZE AREA.
4. OFFICERS' BILLETES. To be left with Company Boxes in charge of one Officer at Billet. Detail Officers to be left at No. 3 Company. Lorry will call at that Company at 6.00 a.m. and then to Headquarters and Q.M. Stores and to the other Companies in turn and will proceed independently.
5. REAR PARTY. Each Company and Unit will report to Adjutant at ENGLINGHAM STATION that Billetes have been left in a clean and sanitary condition.
6. PARADE STATES. To be handed to Adjutant at ENGLINGHAM STATION.

*J. Hirsch*  
Major & Adjutant,

16th. Can. Inf. Bde. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

- No. 1 3rd Can. Inf. Bde.
2. Commanding Officer.
3. Cpl in Command.
4. Adjutant.
5. No. 1 Company.
6. No. 2 Company.
7. No. 3 Company.
8. No. 4 Company.
9. Signaller.
10. Intelligence.
11. Q.M. & T.C.
12. R.S.C. & Details.
13. Office.
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OF

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O.O. 183, 16th Bn. and 13th Bn. Co; will be  
relieved by the 1st and 2nd Bn.

O.O. 184 and 185, reliefs on the 7th and 8th Nov.

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on the 10th November.

O.O. 187 dated the 11th November, Battn. to  
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O.O. No. 189 dated the 17th November, 16th Bn. to  
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18th November.

O.O. No. 190 16th Bn. to relieve 15th Bn. in AVION  
Sector on night 25th and 26th November.

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30th November.

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~~INTERMITTENT ARTILLERY FIRE~~

(Brass heading not required.)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendix
WIELTJE	Nov. 1.		In Billets. 4 Working Parties of 250 men furnished. Orders received to move to the GRAVENSTAFEL AREA tomorrow. Casualties. 1 man accidentally wounded.	
GRAVENSTAFEL.	3.		In Billets. Battalion furnished 4 working parties of 320 men. Battalion moved to the GRAVENSTAFEL AREA at 12.30 p.m. arriving at 2.30 p.m. Working parties of 290 furnished to carry rations and ammunition forward to front line. No. 4 Company ordered to the line to relieve a company of the 42nd. Battalion which is to attack Graf House tonight. Our artillery barraged for half an hour at 4.30 p.m. Enemy retaliated strongly on GRAVENSTAFEL ROAD. Casualties:- 1 O.R. killed, 4 Wounded; 1 accidentally wounded.  At 5.30 a.m. S.O.S. Signals went up in front of the Anzac Corps on the right, the Canadian Corps and the 18th. Corps on the left. These were relayed back by us and the Battalion was ordered to stand to. We were not called upon, the enemy attack which had developed being successfully repulsed by the troops in the line. Companies completed their Battle Equipment and at 10.00 p.m. the three remaining companies and Headquarters moved to the line, relieving the 42nd. Battalion. A Company of the 13th Battalion also went forward under our command and located in the vicinity of Battalion Headquarters at D.4.d.7.2. Our frontage extends from D.5.d.1.5 on the right to D.4.d.9.9 on the left. Neither of our flanks are in touch. Orders were received to prepare plans for an attack on Graf House, which the 42nd. Battalion had unsuccessfully endeavoured to take the previous night. The ground is strewn with our dead and the enemy's. Headquarters is in a "pill box" at D.4.d.7.2. Trench Strength 604 all ranks. Casualties Lieut. A.D. Martin wounded. 2 O.R.'s wounded; 1 accidentally wounded.	O.O. 181.  O.O. 182.
TRENCHES 4.			Intermittent artillery fire on both sides until 4.30 a.m. when our artillery barraged for 30 minutes. Enemy retaliation feeble and confined to BELLEVUE SPUR. Battalion engaged during the day in improving elements of trenches held as front line. Enemy sniping active. It was decided not to go ahead with the attack on Graf House. Officers of the 1st and 2nd Battalions visited the line preparatory to taking over. Relieved at 9.30 p.m. by headquarters and No. 2 Coy. <del>Companies</del> of the 1st Battalion and 2 companies of the 2nd Battalion. An additional company of the 13th Battalion from GRAVENSTAFEL AREA was brought in also as support to the companies of the 1st. and 2nd Battalions and dug in on the reverse side of the BELLEVUE SPUR. All ammunition etc. except 25 rounds S.A.A. on the men handed over. On completion of relief the Battalion moved to WIELTJE CAMP "B". Casualties 1 O.R. killed; 4 wounded; 1 accidentally wounded and 1 missing.	O.O. 183.

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WIJLTJE.	5.		In Billets. Battalion rested. Casualties:- 4 O.R.'s wounded; 1 accidentally wounded.	
	6.		In Billets. Working Parties of 50 men furnished. No parades. 1st Brigade attacked this morning and carried all objectives. Weather wet. Enemy shelling area occasionally. Casualties:- 3 O.R.'s killed; 11 wounded; 1 accidentally wounded; 1 missing.	
	7.		In Billets. Moved to the Capricorn Area at 12 Noon and remained there until 4.30 p.m. when the Battalion moved to the line captured yesterday by the 1st Brigade. Relief complete at 10.00 p.m. The 13th Battalion and ourselves occupied joint Headquarters in a pill box in MEECHELE. The Brigade frontage is 800 yards and our Battalion frontage 400 yards extending from V. 30.d. 25.35 to V. 30.o. 6.6. Two Companies in the front line, 1 in support and one in reserve. The bath mat track is advanced to a point 2500 yards from the front line and from there, relieving troops are obliged to use the main road. The mud is very deep on this road and the going is most difficult. Casualties:- Nil.	O.O. 184.
TRENCHES	8.		The artillery barraged for 30 minutes in the early morning and the enemy retaliated strongly on the Back Area. Our patrols moved out 300 yards in front of the line but could not locate any of the enemy. They found the VINDICTIVE cross roads unoccupied. The day is good for observation and there were large numbers of ours and the enemy's planes up. There were a number of encounters and machines on both sides were brought down. We improved the elements of trenches forming our front line. Enemy artillery maintained an intermittent fire on registered points during the morning. In the afternoon our artillery opened barrage fire at 3.00 p.m. and continued till 5.00 p.m. This resulted in determined retaliation and our front line, support trenches and Battalion Headquarters were heavily shelled. A shell struck a funk hole in which No. 1 Company Headquarters were located, killing Lieuts. Kelman and Watson and wounding Lieut. Kerans. Great difficulty was experienced in getting out the wounded owing to the condition of the road. The shelling has been and continues so heavy in the area that it is impossible to bury all the dead. We were relieved at 10.00 p.m. by the 7th. Battalion who are taking over the line as an assembly position. The Battalion moved back to WIJLTJE "B" Camp. Casualties:- 3 Officers killed; 1 Officer wounded; 11 O.R.'s killed; 38 O.R.'s wounded; 1 O.R. missing.	O.O. 185.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
WIELTJE	Nov. 9.		In Billets. Battalion rested. Observation good and large numbers of aeroplanes up. Warning Order received to move to BRANDHOEK AREA tomorrow.	
	10.		In Billets. The Battalion moved at 9.45 a.m. to the Asylum, YPRES via No. 6 Track where we embussed for BRANDHOEK.	
BRANDHOEK	11.		In Billets. The Battalion bathed at FLAMERTINGHE.	
	12.		In Billets. At 10.00 a.m. we moved to MERVILLE by bus, proceeding by via. Reninghelst, Bailleul and Hazebroucke. The weather was fine and the trip very interesting as the Battalion had been in the BAILLEUL AREA for many months in 1915. We arrived at MERVILLE at 3.30 p.m.	
MERVILLE	13.		In Billets. The Battalion moved to Le Sart at 9.30 a.m. embussing there for ANNEZIN in the BETHUNE AREA, where we arrived at 1.00 p.m. Weather continues fine.	
ANNEZIN.	14.		In Billets. The Battalion moved to FOUQUIERES at 1.30 p.m. where we embussed for BOYEFFLES. From that point we marched to the huts at MARQUEFFLES FARM arriving at 5.00 p.m. Colonel Peck went on leave today.	
MARQUEFFLES	15.		In Billets. Battalion rested.	
	16.		In Billets. Battalion rested.	
	17.		In Billets. Under orders from 3rd Brigade the battalion moved to the support area, AVION SECTOR, relieving elements of 13th and 15th. Battalions. Battalion Headquarters in ANXIOUS Trench. Nos. 1, 2 & 4 Companies in Red Trench. No. 3 Company in Piano Dugouts. The relief was completed at 8.30 p.m. The weather was fine. Casualties Nil. The Transport moved to permanent quarters at HOSPITAL CORNER.	
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SUPPORTS.	16.		Battalion supplied large working parties at night. No. Casualties. Nothing to report.	<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del>	
	19.		Working Parties. Casualties:- Nil. Nothing to report.		
	20.		Working Parties as usual. Casualties Nil. Nothing to report.		
	21.		Officers and N.C.O's went forward to look over left front line. Working parties. Casualties:- Nil.		
	22.		Working Parties. Nothing to report. Casualties Nil.		
	23.		Working Parties as usual. Casualties :- Nil. Nothing to report.		
	24.		Working Parties as usual. Nothing to report. Casualties :- Nil.		
	25.		Battalion moved up and relieved the 15th Battalion in left front of Brigade sector. Battalion Headquarters and No. 1 Company in La COULOTTE. No. 3 Company:- Right Front Line. No. 4 Company:- Left Front Line. No. 2 Company supporting right front Company. The weather was fine and relief was reported complete to Brigade at 7.00 p.m. Everything very quiet on the Battalion front. casualties Nil.		O.O. 190.
	FRONT LINE.	26.			Situation quiet. At 11.00 p.m., wind being favourable, 700 drums of gas were projected on to Enemy Front. No retaliation came back. At about 2.00 a.m. a fire was discovered in rubble pile over top of Brewery. A party was turned out and fire was got under control at about 9.30 a.m. 27th. Casualties Nil. Weather stormy.
27.			Situation quiet. Work Parties from Support Companies cleaned out all C.T's leading to front line. Weather cloudy. Casualties:- Nil.		
28.			Situation quiet. The enemy attempted to raid the Battalion on our right, but were driven off. Weather fine. Casualties Nil.		
29.			Situation quiet. Inter-Company relief was carried out, No. 2 Company relieving the right front Company and No. 1 Company the left front Company. Work on C.T's and front line was	O.O. 191.	

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FRONT LINE.	29. (Contd)		carried on as usual. Casualties:- 2 Wounded. (Shell Shock.) Weather fine.	<del>    </del> <del>    </del>																				
	30.		Situation quiet. A small amount of hostile shelling on right front. Work Parties as usual. Weather fine. Casualties:- Nil.																					
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SECRET.

Copy No. 14

Commanding 16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

WIELTJE AREA

2nd November 1917.

1. MOVE. Under 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde. O.O. No. 261 the Battalion will move to the GRAVENSTAFEL AREA, today in Bde. Support, relieving the 116th. Battalion and the following night to the front line relieving the 42nd. Battalion.
2. PARADE. Companies and Units will parade in front of their Billets at 12.15 p.m. to march off at 12.30 p.m.
3. DRESS. Battle Order. Haversacks on back. Greatcoats will be worn.
4. ORDER OF MARCH. H.Q. Details, Nos. 1, 2, 3 & 4 Companies with 100 yards interval between platoon and units.
5. RATIONS. 1 Day's Rations and the unexpired portion of today's rations, in addition to the Emergency Ration will be carried, Water Bottles to be filled. The double issue of rum to be carried by companies and units.
6. LEWIS GUNS. To be carried from here with 24 pans each, by the crews.
7. ROUTE. No. 5 Track.
8. OFFICERS' KITS. To be ready at 12.00 Noon.
9. PACKS. Containing the kilt, Glengarry and blanket to be piled by Companies at the Ration Dump at the junction of Light Railway and Plank Walk.
10. MARCHING OUT STATES. To be ready at 11.00 a.m.
11. REPORTS. Relief Complete to be advised by runner. Disposition report to follow as soon as possible.

Capt. & Asst. Adjutant,  
16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

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Operation Order No 182. Secret  
by C-in-C Col C.W. Peak DSO  
Commanding 16<sup>th</sup> Cdn. Inf. Bn. Canadian Scottish

1. Relief In accordance with 7<sup>th</sup> C.S.B. B.M.R. 994 the Battalion will relieve the 42<sup>nd</sup> Battalion in the line tonight.
2. Parade. Nos 1, 2 + 3 Coys, & Details will move at 11.00 p.m.
3. Guides. One guide per platoon and two for Battalion Headquarters from the 42<sup>nd</sup> Battalion will report to their respective units.
4. Dispositions. Nos 1, 2 + 3 Companies will take over the front line in that order from the right & 4 Company already in the line will remain in its present position and O.C.'s Coys will disperse their Companies in the rear as they depth.

The instructions contained in 7<sup>th</sup> C.S.B. B.M.R. 994 have already been communicated.

The R.S.M. and Intelligence Section will remain at Waterloo.

The Police and Finances will return to the transport lines.

Reports. Coy Commanders will prepare a sketch in duplicate showing the Company frontage and exact dispositions.

Both these copies will be signed by the O.C. Coy. who will obtain the signature thereto of the O.C. Coy. believing on the night we are relieved, one copy to be retained by each O.C. Coy.

These sketches are to be handed in to Battalion H.Q. for despatch to Bde as soon as possible after relief.

It is absolutely essential that both O.C.'s Coys should sign each map.

6 Report Complete. To be reported by runner and list of trench staves to Battalion H.Q.

Signed A. G. Morley  
Major + Adjutant  
16<sup>th</sup> Cdn Inf Bn.  
"Canadian Scottish"

Operation Order No. 183 Secret

By Lieut. Col. C. W. Peck D. S. O.

Commanding 16<sup>th</sup> Cdn Inf Bn.

Canadian Scotches

1. Relief. Under 3<sup>rd</sup> Bols G 1081 the Battalion and the 13<sup>th</sup> Bn. Company will be relieved in the trenches tonight by Headquarters and two companies of the 1<sup>st</sup> Bn and Headquarters and two companies of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. The former relieve 1 and 2 Companies and the latter 3 + 4 Companies.
2. Move On completion of relief the Battalion will proceed to Wietje and the 13<sup>th</sup> Bn Company will report to the O. C. 13<sup>th</sup> Bn at Gravenstapel.
3. Guides Companies will furnish guides as already arranged, for the incoming units.
4. Battle Equipment. The following, in addition to French Stores will be handed over to incoming units. S. A. A. on the men excepting 20 rounds, Mills No. 25 and 23, Ground Flares, Very lights

Operation Order No. 184  
By: Lieut Colonel CW Beck D.S.O.  
Commanding 10<sup>th</sup> Coln. Inf Bn.

Canadian Forces

Relief under 3<sup>rd</sup> Bde. O.O. No. 208

1. The Battalion will relieve the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion in the right front line tonight, staging at the Capricorn Area for the afternoon.

2. Parade Companies and Units will parade independently at 11:45 am, moving at 12:00 noon.

3. Order of Headquarters Details No. 1, 2 March 2 + 4 Companies, 50 yards interval between platoons.

4. Dress Battle Order.

5. Route. Via No 6 Track (subject to changes, this route is being recommended.)

6. Quacks. For the front line, two per platoon will rendezvous at Waterloo at 4:00 pm. Further orders will be issued later.

7. Packs. To be filed by Companies at ration dump at 11:30 am. The belt, gungary and blanket are to be put in pack.

8. Officers Details. To be ready at 11:30 a.m.



Marching Out To be in Orderly  
Sitings Room at 10:30 am.

10. Relief Complete To be reported by  
~~runner~~ <sup>Surname</sup> of O.C. Company  
if there is no more  
communication, by runner.

Signed A. S. Meredy  
Major & Adjutant

16. Coln G. B. B.  
Canadian Scottish

Battalion Headquarters will be  
located at deutcherie (D 5.0.80)  
maps showing dispositions will  
be issued this afternoon.

Operation Order No. 185 Secret

By Lieut Col C. W. Beck D.S.O. Copy No.

Commanding 16<sup>th</sup> Cdn Inf Bn Canadian Forces

1. Relief: Under 3<sup>rd</sup> C.I.B.O.O. 204 the Bn. will  
... relieved in the Trenches tonight by the  
7<sup>th</sup> Bn.

2. Move: On completion of relief the Bn.  
will move to Wellby Camp "A" via  
the road to Waterloo and No. 5 Tracks  
from that point.

3. Guides: Lieut R. C. McInnes, two  
guides for Headquarters and for Coy.  
Headquarters and one for platoon (50  
for Coy.) will rendezvous at  
Waterloo Farm at 6.00 pm

4. Battle All Bombs, S.O.S. Rockets, Very  
Equipment, Lights, Ground Flares and  
S.O.G. in excess of 120 rounds per  
man are to be placed in Coy.  
dumps and handed over under  
receipt

5. Relief To be reported by runner.  
Complete

Signed A. G. Morley  
Major + Adjutant

Operation Order No. 186  
by Capt. Col. C. W. Peck DSO  
Commanding 16<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Canadian  
Scottish  
10 Nov 17

SECRET

Copy No. 2

1- Move - Under 3<sup>rd</sup> C.I. Bde O.O. No. The  
Battalion will entrain at Ypres for  
the Brandhoek Area.

2- Parade - The Battalion will parade at 9.45  
and move off at 10-

3- Dress - Full Marching order - The Rict,  
steel helmets, box respirators at the  
alert, great coats and blankets  
in packs.

4- Orders - Headquarters, Nos 2-3-4-1 Coy  
march, 50 yards intervals between  
platoons + units.

5- Route - No 6 Track to Ypres.

6- Officers - To be ready at 9.30  
Kits

7- Reinforcements - Will report to Coy at 9.30  
Lumpers

8- Transport - Will move independently

9. Details - Band and personnel at  
Base Headquarters will report  
at embarking point

10. Marching - To be in Orderly Room at  
out Gates 9 am

~~Sturridge~~  
Maj + Adj. G.

Copy No 1 - 3<sup>rd</sup> @ J. Base.

2 - CO

3 - 1 Coy

4 - 2 Coy

5 - 3 Coy

6 - 4 Coy

7 - Signals & Intelle Officer

8 - G.M. - T.O.

9 - T.P.S.M.

10 - Office

11 - War Library

12 - War Diary

Appendix

Lorries will be used instead of the  
train. They will be met near the asylum  
H 12 d 44

and the 14 Lewis Gun Paniers  
received from the R. C. R's The above  
to be gathered in dumps and receipts  
taken.

Relief Complete To be advised  
by runners

Signed A G Hardy  
Major + Adjutant  
16<sup>th</sup> Cdn Inf Bn  
Canadian Scottish

- ROUTINE.** Reveille..... 7.00 a.m.  
Breakfast..... 7.30
1. **MOVE.** Undersyrd Cdn. Inf. Bde 3Q2794 the Battalion will move to the MERVILLE AREA embarking at G.12d.5.3.
2. **PARADE.** Companies and Units will parade independently at 10.00 a.m. and march off at 10.25 a.m.
3. **DRESS.** Full marching order, kilt and glengarry. Greatcoats will be worn Blanket, in pack.
4. **ORDER OF MARCH.** Headquarters, Nos 3, 1, 2 & 4 Companies with 100 yards interval between companies.
5. **BILLETING PARTY.** Will be in charge of Lieut D.C. Clelland. Each Coy. will detail a senior N.C.O. and the Intelligence Officer an N.C.O. to represent Headquarters and Headquarters Details. They will report to Lieut. Clelland at Orderly Room at 7.30 a.m. and proceed to embussing point G.12.d.5.3, reporting there at 8.00 a.m. to Captain ~~xxxx~~ Cdn. Inf. Bn. Staff Weldon 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde Staff.
6. **EMBUSSING OFFICER.** Lieut. R.S. Robertson will report to Staff Captain "Q" at G.12.d.5.3 at 9.30 a.m. with a parade state showing the embussing strength of the Battalion. He will be allotted busses for the Battalion and will proceed to the starting point at Road Junction H.8.a.5.3 guiding the Battalion from there.
7. **LORRIES.** A Headquarters Runner will be detailed to report at G.5.d.0.2 at 7.00 a.m. He will guide the lorries to the Battalion.
8. **OFFICERS' PACKS.** To be ready at 9.30 a.m., and loaded in lorry with cook dices.
9. **REAR PARTY** Lieut J.G.L. Fraser will inspect Billets with the Area Commandant at 10.00 a.m. obtaining a certificate that they are in a clean and sanitary condition, which he will hand in to Orderly Room.
10. **MARCHING OUT STATES** To be in Orderly Room at 8.00 a.m.

*Fraser*  
Major & Adjutant,  
16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

- Copy No. 1. 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde.  
2. Commanding Officer.  
3. 2nd in Command.  
4. No. 1 Company.  
5. No. 2 Company.  
6. No. 3 Company.  
7. No. 4 Company.  
8. Intelligence Section.  
9. Signallers.  
10. R.S.M. & Details.  
11. Q.M.  
12. Adjutant.  
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OPERATION ORDER No. 156.

**SECRET.**

By Lieut Colonel C.W. Peck, D.S.O.

Copy No.....

Commanding 16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

Reference Hasebrouck 5 A.

MERVILLE.

12th. November 1917.

1. MOVE. Under 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde. 302504 the Battalion will move to ANHEZIN in the BETHUNE AREA, embussing on the MERVILLE-HAUERKERQUE ROAD, 200 yards due south of the "S" in LE SART.
2. PARADE. Companies and Units will parade independently and proceed to the cross roads, south west of the Battalion Headquarters and will arrive at that point at 9.15 a.m.
3. DRESS. Full marching order; Greatcoats will be worn.
4. BILLETING PARTY. Will be in charge of Captain G.F. Mason. Each Company will detail a senior N.S.O., the Signalling Officer an N.C.O. to represent Headquarters, who will have a Battalion runner with him. They will report to Captain Mason at Orderly Room at 7.30 a.m. and proceed to the Square MERVILLE, reporting there at 8.00 a.m. to Captain Weldon of the 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde. Staff.
5. EMBUSSING OFFICER. Lieut. E.O. Reichel will report to Staff Captain "Q" at embussing point at 9.00 a.m., to have busses allocated to the Battalion.
6. TRANSPORT. Will move independently.
7. OFFICERS' KITS. To be ready at 8.30 a.m.
8. REAR PARTY. The Assistant Adjutant will obtain a certificate that the billets have been left in a clean and sanitary condition.
9. MARCHING OUT STATES. To be in Orderly Room at 8.30 a.m.

*H. E. Peck*  
Major & Adjutant,  
16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

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3. 2nd in Command.
4. Adjutant,
5. No. 1 Company.
6. No. 2 Company.
7. No. 3 Company.
8. No. 4 Company.
9. Signallers.
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*Alfred J. Peck*  
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## OPERATION ORDER No. 169.

**SECRET.**

by Major R.O. Bell-Irving M.C.

Copy No.....

Commanding 16th Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

MARQUEFFLES FARM.

17th. November 1917:

## REFERENCE.

LENS. 1/100,000

36.c.s.w. 1.) 1

36.c.s.w. 3.) 10,000

1. RELIEF. Under Orders from 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde. the 16th. Battalion will relieve the 13th & 15th Battalions in support on night of 17/18 November 1917.
2. PARADE. The Battalion will parade at 3.00 p.m.
3. ORDER OF MARCH. Headquarters Coy. Nos. 2, 1, 3 & 4 Coys. Ten minutes interval between companies. Companies will open to 50 yards between platoons before passing R.19 Central.
4. DRESS. Battle Order. Greatcoats to be rolled.
5. PACKS. Blankets to be put in packs and to be filed at Q.M. Stores in following order:-  
H.Q. Details.....1.00 p.m.  
No. 1 Company.....1.10  
No. 2 Company.....1.20  
No. 3 Company.....1.30  
No. 4 Company.....1.40
6. OFFICERS BED ROLLS. To be filed in front of Battalion Orderly Room by 2.30 p.m.
7. L.G. LIMBERS. To report to Companies at 2.30 p.m.
8. GUIDES. To meet Companies as arranged with Company Commanders.
9. MARCHING OUT STATES. To be in Orderly Room by 2.00 p.m.
10. TRENCH STORES. Receipts to be turned in to Orderly Room on completion of relief.
11. DISPOSITION REPORTS. To be in Battalion Headquarters as soon after relief as possible.
12. RELIEF COMPLETE. To be reported by runner.

*J.R. Lator*  
Capt & Asst. Adjutant.  
16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

- 3 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde.
2. Commanding Officer.
- 3 Adjutant.
4. No. 1 Company.
5. No. 2 Company.
6. No. 3 Company.
7. No. 4 Company.
8. Signallers.
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- 10 R.S.M. & Details.
11. Q.M. & T.O.
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Operation Order No 190  
by Major R.O. Bell Irving M.C.  
Commanding 16<sup>th</sup> Can Inf Bn CANADIAN SCOTTISH

Ref 36 SW. 1. 1/10.000  
36 SW. 3. 1/10.000

- 1 Relief. Under orders from 3<sup>rd</sup> C.P. 209  
the Battalion will relieve the 15<sup>th</sup> Bn.  
(48<sup>th</sup> Highlanders) in the left front line,  
Avon Sector on night 25/26 Nov. 1917.
- 2 Move. Companies will move in order and  
at times arranged at C's meeting,  
beginning at dusk with No 3 Coy.
- 3 Advance Party. Each Company will send forward  
a small party to take over all  
stores etc.
- 4 Trench Receipts in duplicate will be  
obtained from incoming Bn.
- 5 Sanitation. Coys and units will obtain  
certificates for clean Trenches  
and dug-outs from incoming  
unit.

2

6 Reports. Relief Complot will be reported by surname of OC Coy and confirmed by Runner. Disposition Reports, Receipts for Trench Stores and Lists of Trench Stores taken over, will be sent to B<sup>th</sup> Hq. as soon after relief as possible

*A. H. H.*  
Capt.  
A/Adjt.

16 Camp Inf Bn. CANADIAN SCOTTISH

No 1	3 <sup>rd</sup> C.I. Bde
2	OC.
3	1 Coy
4	2 Coy
5	3 Coy
6	4 Coy
7	Sigs & Intelligence
8	Office
9	War Diary
10	War Diary

16 + 13 = Canadian South  
Secret. 00 2191. Copy 208

Relief sheet 36 C SW 1 10000  
36 C = 3 10000.

Relief. Advance orders from <sup>the</sup> C.O. there  
will be an inter coy relief from  
29/30/41.

Inter 202 Coy will relieve 203 Coy in right  
front line 201 Coy will relieve  
202 Coy in left front line. 203 Coy  
will move to right Support & 204 Coy  
to left Support. Coys will com-  
mence to move at dusk.

Stores etc. All stores will be handed  
over + receipts taken.

Relief complete. Will be reported by  
name of Coy. Comdts name.

Copy 201 to 208  
2 201 Coy  
3 202  
4 300  
5 400  
6 C.O.  
7 Details  
8 Office.

J.R. [Signature]

C O N F I D E N T I A L

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16th CANADIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

DECEMBER

1917.

WITH APPENDIX A.

VOLUME 17 - 12.

WAR DIARY

16th Canadian Bn. 1st Canadian Divsn.

from 1st to 31st December, 1917.

Volume 32

Diary Text

4 Pages.

Appendix A

Instructions to 16th Bn. in event of enemy withdrawal.

O.O. No. 193, 16th Bn. to be relieved by 2nd Bn. on 3rd and 4th December.

O.O. No. 194, Bn. to move to Niagara Camp on Dec. 7th.

O.O. No. 195, 16th Bn. to relieve 7th Bn. in reserve at ~~SAINT~~ SOUCHEE.

O.O. No. 196, 16th Bn. to relieve 15th Bn. in left front line on December 15th and 16th.

O.O. No. 197, 16th Bn. to be relieved by 15th Bn. on the 19th and 20th December.

O.O. No. 198 dated the 23rd December, 16th Bn. to be relieved in support by 42nd Bn.

16th CANADIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

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Army Form C. 2118.

**X INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY**

(Erase heading not required.)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
FRONT LINE.	1917			
	Dec 1		Situation quiet. Very little hostile shelling. Weather fine. The usual work parties were found. Casualties:- 1 Killed; 1 Wounded.	10.0. 1917.
	2.		Situation quiet. Hostile shelling:- Nil. Weather fine and trenches in good condition. Work parties as usual. No casualties.	h
PETIT SERVINS.	3.		During the day everything was quiet. The weather was fine and bright. The 2nd. Battalion relieved us. Relief reported complete at 9.00 p.m. Companies were moved out from LA COULETTE by train, to PETIT SERVINS. Casualties Nil.	10.0. 1917.
	4.		In billets. No parades. Polls were opened for the General Election. Subscriptions Lists opened for Canada's Victory War Loan. The Battalion concert party gave a show at GUY SERVINS. for the Battalion.	h
	5.		In billets. Battalion bathed at CHATEAU DE LA HAIE. Two Companies were paid.	h
	6.		In billets. Two Companies were paid and subscriptions to the Canadian War Loan received. Voting in the Dominion Elections continued. Weather cold.	h
	7.		In billets. Companies carried on independently with training during morning. At 1.00 p.m. the Battalion moved to NIAGARA CAMP in the woods at CHATEAU DE LA HAIE. Battalion Concert Party played again to the Battalion at GUY SERVINS. Col. Bent O.C. 15th. Battalion entertained the Senior Officers of the Brigade at dinner on the occasion of his early departure to Canada on leave. The Divisional Commander was present.	10.0. 1917.
NIAGARA CAMP.	8.		In billets. Voting in the Dominion Elections proceeded all day. The 3rd Cdn. Trench Mortar Battery voted at our polls. The total subscriptions of the Battalion to the Canadian Victory War Loan were \$12,000, putting us 4th. on the list of the Division.	h
	9.		In billets. The Battalion paraded for Divine Service in the Divisional Concert Hut. A donation of 150 pounds was received from Mr. Henry-Bell-Irving of Vancouver, on behalf of the Anglo British Columbia Packing Company.	to the Regimental fund h



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
NIAGARA CAMP.	Dec. 10.		Voting carried on with and the Battalion paraded by Companies to the Divisional Gas Hut at DINKYVILLE SIDING for inspection of box respirators.	
	11.		Battalion moved at 1.00 p.m. to Brigade Reserve, SOUCHEZ HUTS. The Brigade is in the LIEVIN SECTOR. Casualties:- 1 O.R. died. He was found dead in his hut this morning and it was due to heart failure.	h h.o.o. 195
BRIGADE RESERVE.	12.		Souchez Huts. Battalion bathed. Working Parties of 400 supplied., in the evening. Casualties Nil.	h
	13.		Souchez Huts. Nos. 3 & 4 Companies, strength 212, moved to LIEVIN in the afternoon, in close support. They are billeted beside the 14th Battalion, the Support Battalion of the Brigade.	h h
	14.		Souchez Huts. Working Parties of 221 men supplied.	h h
FRONT LINE.	15.		Battalion moved to front line, from N.13.d.7.8 to N.19.b.9.6, relieving 15th. Battalion. (36 B Relief Complete at 7.30 p.m. Situation quiet. Weather cold. No casualties. (S.W.1	h h.o.o. 196.
	16.		Situation quiet. Casualties Nil. Weather fine and cold. Slight enemy T.M. activity around right front line Company Headquarters.	h
	17.		Situation quiet. Casualties Nil. Some snow. Cold. Night very bright.	h
	18.		Situation quiet. Casualties Nil. Slight snow. Very cold.	h
	19.		Battalion moved back to Support in LIEVIN. relieved by 15th. Battalion. Very cold. Casualties Nil.	h h.o.o. 197.
LIEVIN.	20.		Close support. Working parties of 329 O.R's furnished. Weather very cold, Casualties Nil.	h
	21.		Close Support. Working parties of 329 O.R's furnished. Weather very cold. Casualties Nil.	h
	22.		Close Support. Working parties of 329 O.R's furnished. Spell of severe weather broken. CASUALTIES Nil.	h

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
LIEVIN.	Dec. 23		Close Support. Relieved by the 42nd. Cdn. Inf. Bn. at 1.00 p.m. and marched to Canada Camp CHATEAU DE LA HAIE. It was expected that we would move to AUCHEL for a month's rest and all arrangements had been made for our New Year's dinners. The Brigade is in Corps Reserve. Weather very cold.	h.o. 2. 198.
CANADA CAMP.	24		Battalion rested. No parades.	b,
	25		In billets. Christmas Day. No parades. The Officer Commanding visited all the huts to extend the Season's Greetings to the men. Weather very cold. Voluntary Church Services were held in the Y.M.C.A. Cinema Hut.	b,
	26		In billets. The Battalion paraded to the Baths at Carency, but on account of the severe weather there was no water available. "Thaw Precautions" prevailed on the road and there was consequently no change of clothing available. Two Companies were paid. Weather cold.	b,
	27		In billets. The Battalion paraded and Companies proceeded on a Route March independently.	b,
	28		In billets. The Battalion paraded and carried on with training.	b,
	29		In billets. The Battalion bathed at Carency Baths.	b,
	30		In billets. The Battalion paraded for open air Divine Service under Major Creegan.	b,
	31		In billets. The Battalion had the use of the Ranges at CAMBLAIN L'ABBE. No. 1 & 2 Company dinners were held and were most successful. A large marquee tent was obtained and Captain <del>the</del> Yates the Brigade Y.M.C.A. Officer was indefatigable in his efforts to provide the necessities which enabled the men to dine in comfort. At midnight "Last Post" was blown and the Pipe Band played Reveille for the New Year.	b,

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16th CANADIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

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DECEMBER 1917.

APPENDIX A.

WAR DOCKET

1917-1918  
1919-1920  
1921-1922

"A"

Operation Order N° 192  
by 16<sup>th</sup> Battalion Canadian Scottish.

SECRET

Copy N° 9

1/12/19

Ref. "CITE DU NORD" 1/10000  
"LENS CANAL" (3<sup>rd</sup> Ed) 1/20000

1/ In accordance with Bde O.O. 210 covering a possible retirement of the enemy opposite this sector, the 16<sup>th</sup> Bn Can. Scottish, in conjunction with the other Bns of this Bde and troops to the North, will be ready to "follow-up" the withdrawal at a moment's notice.

2/ The flanks of this Battalion, lying in the LEFT SUB-SECTOR will be as follows:-  
NORTH: LENS CANAL and CANAL DE LA HAUTE DEULE (inclusive)

SOUTH: N33 c 25.60 - thence along Railway to N33 a 55.35 - trench junction N27 d 55.05 - thence junction of Road and Railway N22 d 5.0 - thence skirting the North side of Dossé 5 de COURRIERES to point N23 a 45.10 - thence due EAST to O.20 central.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Can Inf. Bde are to the North of us - the 14<sup>th</sup> Bn R.M.R. to the South.

3

The Right Support Coy will "ear-mark" all four platoons as "Battle Patrols". These will be numbered from Right to Left:-  
 No 4 (1 platoon), No 5 (1 platoon), No 6 (2 platoons) respectively.

O.C. 3 Coy (Right Support) will assure himself they are complete in every detail.

On receiving the order "MOVE" Battle Patrols will pass through Right Front line Coy. Positions by routes as laid down in Bde O.C. 210 and instructions given at C.O.s conference.

They will endeavour to gain the "Picquet" line. "Battle Patrols" becoming "Picquets" on reaching these positions.

Their numbering will remain the same. Picquet H.Q.s will locate approximately as follows:-

No 4 - No 22 to 70.30

5 - No 22 to 00.45

6 - No 21 to 9.1

The left Picquet of 14<sup>th</sup> Bn. R.M.F. will maintain touch with No 4 Picquet of 16<sup>th</sup> Bn - No 4 keeping touch with No 5 on the left, and so on.

- 4/ The Left Support Coy (204) will "ear-mark" three platoons as "Support Battle Patrols" and will see that all preparations are in order.
- 5/ In the event of an Advance, Left Support Coy will at once move forward maintaining touch with the Patrols in advance.
- 6/ Coy H.Q.s of the Right and Left Support Coys will move in rear of their central Patrols.  
Remaining Platoon of Left Support Coy, will be attached to Right Front line Coy and will move with them.
- 7/ Front line Coys will "Stand To" and be ready to move at a moment's notice.
- 8/ The G.M. & T.s. will arrange to pack mule rations and water at the shortest notice to a point to be notified later.

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all further details will be as per Bde C.O. 210 discussed at the C.O.'s part conference

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Acknowledge.

J.R. Patten  
Capt  
A/Adjt

16<sup>th</sup> Can. Inf. Bn. CANADIAN SCOTTISH A.

Distribution.

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|------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| N <sup>o</sup> 1 | - | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Can Inf Bde |
| 2                | - | C.O.                        |
| 3                | - | N <sup>o</sup> 1 Coy.       |
| 4                | - | " 2 "                       |
| 5                | - | " 3 "                       |
| 6                | - | " 4 "                       |
| 7                | - | G.M. & T.O.                 |
| 8                | - | office                      |
| 9                | - | War Diary                   |
| 10               | - | War Diary.                  |



Operation Order N°193  
by Major R.O. Bell Irving MC.  
Commanding 16<sup>th</sup> Can Inf Bn CANADIAN SCOTTISH

SECRET

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3/12/17

Ref. Sheet

36 e S.W. 1+3 11000

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- 1 Relief Under 3<sup>rd</sup> C.I. Bde. O.O. 212 the Battalion will be relieved on the line on night 30 Dec: by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Can. Inf. Bn.
- 2 Move On Relief Companies will move to vicinity of La Conlote remaining in Trenches till sent for by Battalion S/Training Officer.
- 3 Guides Each Company will supply 1 guide per Platoon and 1 per Coy H.Q. They will ready now at the Brewery La Conlote at 5.15 pm. C.I. 2 Coy. will see that the extra guide to Right Front Company is supplied from N°1 platoon. Guides will meet 2<sup>nd</sup> B<sup>n</sup> at La Conlote after they detrain.

- 4 Trench Stores. Receipts for all Stores will be obtained in duplicate and handed in to B's Orderly Room.
- 5 Sanitation. All Trenches will be thoroughly cleaned and certificates obtained from incoming Unit.
- 6 Dresses and Mess Kits. Will be sent to B's H.Q. by 6.15 pm. under a guard who will have them loaded on first train detailed by B's Entrenching Officer.
- 7 Entrenching. The Companies or Units will commence to entrench until word is given by Lt. Tennant B's Entrenching Officer.
- 8 Relief Complots. Will be reported by writing D.C. Coy's name.
- 9 Billetting Party. Will be found by Rear H.Q. as arranged with Q.M.

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Distribution.

Copy No 1	-	3 <sup>rd</sup> Can Inf Bde
2	-	CO.
3	-	No 1 Coy.
4	-	- 2 -
5	-	- 3 -
6	-	- 4 -
7	-	Adjt
8	-	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bn
9	-	War Diary
10	-	War Diary

W. J. Watson  
Capt.  
A/Adjt.

16<sup>th</sup> Can. Inf. Bn CANADIAN SCOTTISH

## OPERATION ORDER No. 194.

By Lieut-Colonel C.W. Peak, D.S.O.

SECRET. 13

Copy No. ....

Commanding 16th. Can. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTISH."

REFERENCE Map 30 - B.

PETIT SERVING.

7th. December 1917.

1. MOVE. Under Orders from 3rd Can. Inf. Bn. the Battalion will move to NIAGARA CAMP today December 7th. 1917.
2. ROUTE. PETIT SERVING, GRUY SERVING to NIAGARA CAMP.
3. PARADE. The Battalion will parade at 1.00 p.m.  
Half Hour dress.....12.30  
Quarter Bagle.....12.45.
- ORDER OF MARCH. Companies will march in the following order. Nos. 4, 1, 2, and 3 Companies. Signallers to march with No. 4 Coy. Intelligence with No. 1 Coy. H.Q. Details with No. 2. An interval of 100 Yds. between Companies will be kept.
4. DRESS. Full Marching Order. Blankets to be Carried by the men.
5. L.G. LINGERS. Will report to Companies at 12.15 p.m. Mess Boxes to be Loaded on Lingers.
7. OFFICERS KITS. To be ready at 12.30 p.m.
8. BILLBOARD PARTY. Under Lieut. E.C. Reitchel will proceed to CHATEAU DE LA HAIE at 9.00 a.m. to take over the camp.
9. REAR PARTY. Each Company will detail two men to report to Lieut. H.M.E. Allen at 12.45 p.m. He will see that huts are clean and will obtain a certificate from the Town Major.
10. MARCHING OUT STAFF. To be in Battalion Orderly Room at 12.00 Noon.

*J.R. Patton*  
Captain & Asst. Adjutant,  
16th. Can. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTISH."

- Copy No.
1. 3rd Can. Inf. Bn.
  2. Commanding Officer.
  3. Aid in Command.
  4. Adjutant.
  5. No. 1 Company.
  6. No. 2 Company.
  7. No. 3 Company.
  8. No. 4 Company.
  9. Signallers.
  10. Intelligence.
  11. H.Q. & Details.
  12. Q.M. & T.O.
  13. War Diary.
  14. War Diary.
  15. War Diary.

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OPERATION ORDER No. 196.

Copy No. <sup>14</sup>.....

Reference:- Sheet 36 B.

NIAGARA CAMP.  
10th December 1917.

1. MOVE. Under orders from 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde. the Battalion will relieve the 7th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. (1st B.C. Regiment) in reserve at SOUCHEZ on 11th December 1917.
2. ROUTE. Via CARENOY, HOSPITAL CORNER to SOUCHEZ CAMP.
3. PARADE. Companies will parade ready to move off at 1.00 p.m.
4. DRESS. Full marching order. Greatcoats to be worn. Blankets will be carried.
5. ORDER OF MARCH. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 & H.Q. Company. Headquarters Company will march as a Unit. 100 yards interval to be maintained between Companies.
6. BILLET PARTY. 3 O.R.'s per Company and 1 for Headquarters Unit will report to Lieut E.O. Reitchel at Battalion Orderly Room at 10.00 a.m.
7. REAR PARTY. Each Company will detail 2 men to report to Lieut Weikle at Battalion Orderly Room at 12.45 p.m. Lieut Weikle will see that all billets are clean and will obtain Clearance Certificate
8. L.G. LITERERS. Will report to Companies by 12.00 Noon. Officers Mess Boxes will be carried by them.
9. KITS & BED ROLLS. To be ready at 12.30 p.m.
10. Transport Will march independently.
11. BAND. Pipes and Drummers will report to their Companies
12. MARCHING OUT STATES. To be in Battalion Orderly Room at 11.00 a.m.

*W. K. Palmer*  
Captain & Asst Adjutant.  
16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

- Copy No.
1. 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde.
  2. Commanding Officer.
  3. Second in Command.
  4. 7th. Cdn. Inf. Bn.
  5. No. 1 Company.
  6. No. 2 Company.
  7. No. 3 Company.
  8. No. 4 Company.
  9. Signallers.
  10. Intelligence.
  11. R.S.M. & Details.
  12. Q.M. & T.O.
  13. Office.
  14. War Diary. ✓
  15. War Diary.

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OPERATION ORDER No. 196.

Copy No. 4...

1. RELIEF. Under orders from 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde the Battalion will relieve the 15th Battalion in the Left Front Line tonight December 15/16th
2. MOVE. Headquarters, Nos. 1 & 2 Companies will entrain at Lens Junction for LIEVIN. *No 3 & 4 Coys will move as arranged*
3. PARADE. Companies will parade and move independently.
4. DRESS. Battle Equipment. P.H. Helmets to be put in Packs.
5. DISPOSITION IN LINE. Will be as follows:-  
No. 3 Coy.....Right Front.      No. 4 Coy.....Left Front.  
No. 1 Coy.....Support.            No. 2 Coy.....Reserve.
6. PACKS AND SPARE KITS ETC. Will be ready for wagons by Noon. Blankets to be rolled by sections and clearly marked.
7. SANITATION. Billets will be thoroughly cleaned and a certificate obtained from the Area Commandant.
8. TRENCH STORES. Receipts for Trench Stores and Lists will be sent to Battalion Orderly Room after relief.
9. Disposition Reports. With Map Location will be sent to Battalion Orderly Room by 9.00 a.m. 16th.
10. RELIEF COMPLETE. Will be reported by using C.C. Coy's name.

*P. K. Baker*  
Captain & Asst. Adjutant.  
16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

- Copy No.
1. 3rd Cdn. Inf. Bde.
  2. Commanding Officer.
  3. Second in Command.
  4. Adjutant.
  5. No. 1 Company.
  6. No. 2 Company.
  7. No. 3 Company.
  8. No. 4 Company.
  9. Signallers.
  10. Intelligence.
  11. R.S.M. & Details.
  12. Q.M. & T.O.
  13. Office.
  14. War Diary.
  15. War Diary.

No. 1 Bay.

16<sup>th</sup> Bn CANADIAN SCOTTISH  
Operation Order No 197

SECRET  
Copy No 10

19/12/17

- 1 Relief The Battalion will be relieved in the line on the night 19/20 Dec by 15<sup>th</sup> Bn (48<sup>th</sup> Highlanders) under 3<sup>rd</sup> C.J. Bde O.O. No 217.
- 2 Move Companies on completion of Relief will move back to Support Area in Lieven.
- 3 Guides O.O. No 2 Coy will send forward a party to look over billets and write detail 3 O.R.s per Coy to Guide Coys to Billets. Guides will meet Coys on LENS LIEVIN Rd at M23d S.G. No guides will be required for 15<sup>th</sup> Bn.
- 4 Trenches Receipts will be obtained for Stores all Trench Stores in duplicate.
- 5 Sanitation All trenches, cellars etc. will be left in a clean and sanitary condition. Certificates will be obtained.



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6. Bullets Companies will take over corresponding bullets of 13<sup>th</sup> Bn (R.H.C.)

1. Relief Complots will be reported by writing Coy Commander's name.

W.P. for  
Capt  
A/Hdyt

16<sup>th</sup> Can Inf Bn CANADIAN SCOTTISH

N <sup>o</sup> 1	3rd C.I. Bde
2	OC
3	15 <sup>th</sup> Bn / 48 <sup>th</sup> Highlanders
4	1 Coy I.R.
5	✓
6	3 ✓
7	4 ✓
8	1 ✓ (3rd Battalion)
9	RSM + Details
10	War Diary
11	✓
12	✓

Operation Order No 198      SECRET  
by Lieut Col CWP R D.S.O.      Copy No 10  
Commanding 16<sup>th</sup> Bn CANADIAN SCOTTISH  
HEVIN Dec 73/17

1 Relief: Under 3<sup>rd</sup> C.S. Bde CO, NO 218 the  
Battalion will be relieved today in  
support by the 42<sup>nd</sup> Bn and  
move to Canada Camp, Chateau  
de la Staise by route march.  
Independently by Companies.

2 Route      Via Angres, north end of  
Sondoy and Ablain St. Nazaire

3 Lewis Gun      Will report not later than  
Limbers      1.30 p.m.

4 Trunk Sticks      All trunk stick maps  
photos to be handed over under  
receipt which will be handed  
in to Orderly Room on arrival  
in Lille 5.

5 Guides      for the incoming Battalion  
not necessary as that unit  
has reconnoitred the Area

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- 6 - Relief To be reported by winner  
Complets  
2 - Billets arrival in billets to be reported to orderly room.

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Copy No 1 - 3<sup>rd</sup> C.I. Bde  
2 - C.I.  
3 - No 1 Coy  
4 - - 2 -  
5 - - 3 -  
6 - - 4 -  
7 - Highland Intal  
8 - N.S.M.  
9 - War Diary  
10 -