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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	9/3/16		Battalion landed at BOULOGNE at 2.30 pm no casualties marched to OSTERHOVE large rest camp. where they were placed in camp in tents all settled comfortably by 5.00 pm.	W/M
	10/3/16		Rested in camp in the morning went for a route march in the afternoon from 2.00 pm until 4.00 pm. On return to camp. men were issued with winter kit capes leather jerkins etc, and gas helmets	W/M
	11/3/16		Left OSTERHOVE CAMP at 9.00 AM. and marched to railway station at BOULOGNE and entrained at 11.00 AM. detrained at BAILLEUL at 3.00 pm, marched to ALDERSHOT CAMP near NEUVE EGLISE where they went into huts Transport of battalion which had come over via HAURE arrived at ALDERSHOT CAMP at 7.00 pm.	W/M
	12/3/16		Battalion remained in camp all day resting and cleaning up company commanders. proceeded to look over the trenches which they were to go into Major Moodie "B" Company thrown from his horse and had his leg and arm severely injured and went into hospital	W/M


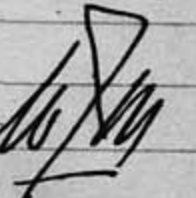
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	13/3/16		<p>A Coy Proceeded to front line trenches 128-135 for trench duty with 8th & 10th Battalions</p> <p>B Coy Reclaiming and draining subsidiary line of trenches and constructing dug-outs on right sector.</p> <p>C Coy Two platoons in trenches 136-141. doing duty with 13th Battalion two platoons commenced work on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM. on the WULVERGHEM.- MESSINES ROAD.</p> <p>D Coy two platoons in trenches C and C² doing duty with 16th Battalion two platoons commenced work on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM on the WULVERGHEM.- MESSINES ROAD</p>	
	14/3/16		<p>A Coy Trench duty in front line trenches 128-135 with 8th and 10th Battalions</p> <p>B Coy Reclaiming and draining subsidiary line of trenches and constructing dug-outs on right sector</p> <p>C Coy two platoons in trenches 136-141. doing duty with 13th Battalion two platoons worked on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM</p> <p>D Coy two platoons in trenches C and C² doing duty with 16th Battalion two platoons working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM.</p>	

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	15/3/16	A Coy	Came out of trenches at 7.30 p.m. casualties two wounded. enemy quiet proceeded to ALDERSHOT CAMP	
		B Coy	Went into trenches 128.135 doing duty with 5 th and 7 th Battalions	W/M
		C Coy	two platoons in trenches 136.141. doing duty with 13 th Battln two platoons working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM.	
		D Coy	two platoons in trenches C and C ² doing duty with 16 th Battln two platoons working on defended locality MIDLAND FARM	
	16/3/16	A Coy	163 OR. worked on communicating trench ONLY WAY sector ASH- MESSINES ROAD	W/M
		B Coy	Trench duty in trenches 128-135 doing duty with 5 th and 7 th Battalions one killed	
		C Coy	two platoons in trenches 136-141 doing duty with 13 th Battln two platoons working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM.	W/M
	17/3/16	A Coy	148 OR working on communicating trench ONLY WAY reclaiming	
		B Coy	doing duty in trenches 128-135 with 5 th and 7 th Battalion enemy quiet	

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	17/3/16		C ¹ two platoons who were on work relieved those in trenches and commenced duty with 14 th Battalion Two wounded in party coming out	
			D ¹ two platoons who were on work relieved those in trenches band C ² and commenced duty with 15 th Battln	
	18/3/16		A ¹ went into trenches 128-135 at 7.30 p.m. relieving 'B' company.	
			B ¹ heavy bombardment between 10.00 AM. and 12.30 p.m. relieved at 7.30 p.m. by 'A' company.	
			C ¹ two platoons in trenches 136-141 doing duty with 14 th Battalion two platoons working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM. revetting draining and excavating one wounded.	
			D ¹ two platoons in trenches C and C ² doing duty with 15 th battln, two platoons working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM.	
	19/3/16		A ¹ doing trench duty in trenches 128-135 enemy quiet one officer Lieut Hugh Peters and one OR. wounded	
			B ¹ working on communication trench ONLYWAY. behind 130 draining and reclaiming	

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	19/3/16		C Coy Two platoons in trenches 136-141 doing duty with 14 th Battalion two platoons working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM. revetting draining & excavating one wounded.	
			D Coy two platoons working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM. two platoons in trenches C and C ² doing duty with 15 th Battalion	
	20/3/16		A Coy came out of trenches at 8.00 p.m. enemy quiet	
			D Coy working on communication trench ONLY WAY behind 130 draining and reclaiming	
			C Coy two platoons in trenches 136. 141 doing duty with 14 th Battalion two platoons working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM revetting draining and excavating	
			D Coy two platoons in trenches in C and C ² doing duty with 15 th battalion, two platoons working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM	
	21/3/16		A Coy Supplied party of 100 O.R. to work at IRISH FARM.	
			D Coy working on communication trench ONLY WAY and making gun emplacement at HASTED HOUSE	

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	21/3/16		<p><i>L Coy</i> two platoons came out of trenches two platoons working at MIDLAND FARM revetting draining and excavating</p> <p><i>D Coy</i> Two platoons came out of trenches two platoons working at MIDLAND FARM</p>	<i>W/MS</i>
	22/3/16		No working parties sent out weather very bad with snow and rain enemy quiet	<i>W/MS</i>
	23/3/16		<p><i>A Coy</i> Resting in camp drills and inspections</p> <p><i>B Coy</i> Two platoons moved to billets RED LODGE for convenience to work. working on communication trench ONLYWAY behind 130. draining and reclaiming</p> <p><i>L Coy</i> working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM revetting excavating and draining</p> <p><i>D Coy</i> Attached to 1st Brigade and moved to billets at SCREEN FARM. working at wiring and machine gun emplacements. drainage and excavation at TEA FARM.</p>	<i>W/MS</i>
	24/3/16		<i>A Coy</i> Supplied a working party at WULVERGHEM. SWITCH reclaiming	<i>W/MS</i>




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	24/3/16		B Coy working on communication trench ONLY WAY behind 130 draining & reclaiming	
			L Coy working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM. excavating and draining one wounded.	
			D Coy Draining and excavating at SCREEN FARM	
	25/3/16		M Coy Supplying working party at WULVERGHEM SWITCH reclaiming	
			B Coy working on communication trench ONLY WAY behind 130 draining and reclaiming	
			L Coy working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM. excavating and draining, one wounded.	
			D Coy Draining and excavating at SCREEN FARM.	
	26/3/16		M Coy Supplied working party at WULVERGHEM SWITCH reclaiming	
			B Coy working on communication trench ONLY WAY behind 130. draining and reclaiming	
			L Coy working on defended locality at MIDLAND FARM. excavating and draining	

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	26/3/16	Dbor	Draining and excavating at SCREEN FARM.	
	27/3/16		No working parties sent out, all companies resting, drill & inspection	
	28/3/16		No working parties sent out. Battalion rested prepared to leave.	
			ALDERSHOT CAMP.	
	29/3/16		Battalion left ALDERSHOT CAMP at 8.00 AM. and marched to GODEWAERSVELDE by way of BAILLEUL-STJANS-CAPEL-BERTHEN-DOESCHERE arriving about 4.00 pm. and went into billets	
	30/3/16		All companies rested and held rifle and foot inspection light drill Battalion was inspected by Major General A.W. Currie, C.B.	
	31/3/16		All Companies drill and muster parade.	

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	1/4/16.		Battalion left billets in GODEWAERSVELDE and marched through ABELE to POPERINGHE arriving at 11.30 AM. went into billets, two companies in RUE DECHINE and two companies in warehouse on RUE DECEMITERE Headquarters and machine gun section in CHALET near warehouse Transport in field behind the CHALET, orderly room and Officers billets in Nos. 15-13-8 RUE DE BOESCHEPE	WJM
	2/4/16	A Coy	Rested in billets in morning and drills and exercises in the afternoon	
		B Coy	Rested in billets in morning and drills and exercises in the afternoon	WJM
		C Coy	left billets in POPERINGHE 5.30 pm and marched to YPRES went into new billets 9.00 PM.	
		D Coy	left billets in POPERINGHE 6.00 pm, and marched to YPRES went into billets at 9.30 PM.	
	3/4/16.	A Coy	Drill in morning moved into billets vacated by "C" company on RUE DECEMITERE in afternoon	WJM

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	3/4/16	B Coy	Drill in morning moved into billets vacated by D Coy. on RUE DECEMITERE C & D Coy Rested in Billets YPRES	10/14
	4-4-16	A Coy	Infantry drill musketry and machine gun instruction in the morning, football match with HLI in the afternoon B Coy Infantry drill in the morning route march in the afternoon C Coy Sent out one party at 7.00 p.m. 50 OR. to X trench right, and also 100 OR. to X trench left draining and reclaiming trench, caught by shell fire at HELLGATE CORNER one killed and nine wounded. D Coy Assisting RE and repairing breach in railway running from WOODCOTE FARM. to the communication trenches, and revetting and repairing parados. on S32.	10/14
	5/4/16	A Coy	Infantry drill, gas helmet drill, musketry and M.G. instruction B Coy Company and platoon drill in morning Capt. Craig and Lieut Earle proceeded to YPRES to take over billets and work from C Company C Coy 50 men to X trench right and 100 OR. to X trench left paradosed at 10.00 & 10.30 p.m. respectively, restoration of trenches	10/14

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			<i>Appendix to war diary April 4. 1916</i>	
			<i>The following men are mentioned by Major H.H. Williams. O.C. "C" Company, as having shown considerable coolness and bravery in attending their wounded comrades under heavy shell fire</i>	
			<i>154202. Sergt M^cCARTHY J</i>	
			<i>154050 Pioneer DRYSDALE B</i>	
			<i>154983. " M^cCUTCHEON ER</i>	
			<i>154867 " REDWOOD WL</i>	
			<i>154922. " KOTTMEIR RE</i>	
			<i>154923. " PICKLES W</i>	
			<i>154844 " BLAIR WT</i>	
			<i>487317 " M^cDONALD G</i>	
			<i>155069 " STEWART D</i>	

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	5/4/16	D Coy	Working for Engineers in small parties and revetted and built parados for S.32.	16/MS
	6/4/16	A Coy B Coy C Coy	Route march in full marching order, map reading & semaphore Capt Craig and Lieut Earle returned, general duties for company 124 men left for work at 9.00 pm in parties of ten each 44 OR. to X trench right and 80 OR. to X trench left reclaiming trenches returned to billets 3.00 am. having left work early on account of rain YPRES was subjected to a very heavy bombardment during the day.	16/MS
		D Coy	Nos. 13 and 14 platoons worked. at GRAND FLEET STREET converting communication trench into fire trench 500 sandbags filled and placed repairing 150 yards of trench Enemy quiet No 15 platoon constructed parados in trench S.32. 2000 sandbags filled and placed Sharp spell of machine gun fire going out otherwise quiet No 16. platoon employed at grading and draining miniature railway running from WOODCOTE FARM to the communicating trenches. very satisfactory progress.	

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	6/4/16	D Coy	150 yards of track drained packed and graded Enemy quiet	10/PM
	7/4/16	A Coy	Machine gun instruction platoon drill, and physical drill.	
		B Coy	Practice at transmitting messages. Advance party went out to YPRES to act as guides to billets	
		I Coy	one party left at 9.00.P.M. for X trench night 38 men left work. at 1.15 AM having been subjected to heavy bombardment with trench mortars and rifle grenades, no casualties party of 90 men left 9.30.p.m. going to X trench left left work at 2.00p.m. one slight casualty	10/PM
		D Coy	No 13 platoon repairing parados. destroyed by shell fire in trench S. 32. Amount of work completed by men. increasing each night men becoming more experienced Enemy quiet No 14 platoon converting GRAND FLEET ST. communicating trench into fire trench. very satisfactory progress. No 15 Platoon employed in conjunction with No 13. platoon on trench S 32. No 16. continued the grading and draining of the railway running from WOODCOTE FARM. - communication trenches. 100 yards completed.	

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	8/4/16		A Coy Bathing parade. one L/Corp and nine linesmen supplied to help 1st Divisional Signal Coy. one sergt 1 Cpl 2 L/Corps, and 20 men proceeded to YPRES as an advance billeting party at 8.00 p.m.	
			B Coy Bathing parade. Company (4 officers 164 OR) proceeded to YPRES by train leaving POPERINGHE 9.25.PM. detrained at ASYLUM at 10.00 PM. proceeded to billets	M/JM
			C Coy Relieved by B company entrained at YPRES at midnight went into rest billets at POPERINGHE	
			D Coy Parties ordered as follows: - one platoon turning communication trench into fire trench at GRANDE FLEET ST. 20 men putting in drainage system in rear of S31. support trench, 25 men repairing trench railway. 30 men to report to RE for work on dug-outs, balance of company to work on parados, on support trenches S32 and S.33. first party came under very heavy shell fire on LILLE ROAD at Phrapnel corner, one shell striking pave amongst the men, killing three (3) wounding seven (7) others two (2) more affected by shock.	

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	8/4/16	D Coy	Certain officers and men showed conspicuous gallantry dressing the wounded under heavy fire Time. 8. 30. pm. All subsequent parties took cover, and as shelling was still in progress. at 11.00 pm the company was ordered back to quarters	10/11
	9/4/16	A Coy	17 men proceeded to CANADA HUTS to work on constructing new lines 1 Lt Corp and 9 men. to 1st Div Sig Coy. as lineomen. 2 Lt Corps. & 8 OR. to 1st Div Baths putting in hot water pipes and building drying house Remainder of Company Rifle Inspection and wire entanglements instruction	10/11
		B Coy	No 7. and 8 platoons general duties and furnishing working parties for work on new billets in YPRES No 5 and 6 platoons (81 men) left at 8.00 pm. for work on X trench draining and reclaiming returned to billets 3.45 am. one wounded.	
		C Coy	No work of any kind	
		D Coy	No 13 platoon 25 OR. left at 8.15 pm. worked at WOODGATE FARM. carrying mining to the railway until 1.00 AM. No 14 platoon 37 OR. left at 8.30 pm. and returned at 3.30 AM worked.	

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			<p>Appendix to war diary April 8th 1916.</p> <p>The following have been mentioned by Major Mansell. O.C. "D" company for having displayed gallant conduct under heavy shell fire LIEUT. TAIT WHITE for leaving good cover half a mile distant and going to assist in dressing and evacuating the wounded under continuous shrapnel fire</p> <p>CORP HEATHCOTE No 154659 for rendering untiring assistance to the wounded and afterwards carrying a message back to YPRES. This was all done after he had been knocked over by the force of the shell exploding, and was suffering from shock.</p> <p>L/Corp. KIRK. A.B who volunteered to go with LIEUT TAIT. WHITE and rendered very valuable assistance in attending and evacuating the wounded.</p> <p>LIEUT ROWE. who was in command of the party and acted with perfect coolness, and self control and who afterwards went on with remainder of the party and proceeded with the night's work.</p>	<p>10/10/16</p>

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	9/4/16	D Coy	at GRAND FLEET ST. built 55 ft. of trench and 20' 0" of parapet Enemy quiet Heavy shelling on right about 2.00 AM. No 15 platoon 340R. left at 7.30 PM. proceeded to WINDGATE communication trench found one to two feet of water throughout its entire length cleaned and widened it, opened small waterways in S.31. and disposed of all water in S.31. and WINDGATE Comm. trench removing bath mats in Comm trench from WINDGATE to NW of HEDGEROW and draining it No 16 platoon (250R) grading and draining trench railway from WOODCOTE FARM to communication trenches 40 yards graded and 80 yards drained, Enemy quiet	No 15/16
	10/4/16	A Coy	two officers 490R. proceeded to YPRES at 6.00 PM and went into billets 170R. constructing trenches at Divisional Grenade School 100R. employed in plumbing and carpenter work at Divisional Baths remainder of company on parade and drill	No 16/17
		B Coy	No 5 and 6 platoons working on fixing up new billets in YPRES.	

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	10/4/16		<p>P Coy No 7 and 8 platoons (63 OR.) left at 8.00 p.m. to work at X trench behind trench 47. reclaimed 200 yards. of trench returned to billets 3.45 AM.</p> <p>B Coy Inspection of kits, gas helmets, etc platoon drill and practice in passing messages</p> <p>D Coy No 13 platoon (30 OR.) left at 9.00 p.m. for work at tunnel heading at GORDON TERRACE party encountered "tear gas" between H13C & H25D worked from 10.15 p.m. until 2.00 AM. between 9.30 p.m. and 10.30 p.m. there was considerable bomb and trench mortar activity in the STE101 vicinity and at 1.00 AM. a more violent outbreak at the same place, lasting about an hour, good progress made on three tunnels No 14 platoon 56 OR. with 16 men from 15 platoon employed at GRAND FLEET ST. building trench and parapet, built 75'0" of trench and 25'0" of parapet. This party encountered "tear gas" about 9.00 p.m. W. of LILLE ROAD. No 15 platoon 20 OR. employed at R33 cleaning and deepening it from RAVINE TO DRIVE. Heavy shelling on the right about 1.30 AM.</p>	<p>W/M</p>

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	10/4/16	D Coy	No 16. platoon 41 OR. continued the repairs of the trench railway running from WOODCOTE FARM. to communication trenches 40 yards of grading 80 yards fitting and packing and 60 yards draining completed filled numerous shell holes caused by Enemy's fire on the previous day.	10/11/16
	11/4/16	A Coy	Parade and route march in morning 17 OR. building trenches in Divisional Grenade School., 73 OR. at YPRES building machine gun emplacements and wiring 10 OR at Divisional Baths plumbing and carpentering.	10/11/16
		B Coy	No 7 and 8. platoons working on billets in YPRES. No 5 and 6. platoons 67 OR. reclaiming and draining X trench 9 OR. working on new billet for 40 men at ZILLEBEKE SIDING pumping out cellars.	
		C Coy	one officer and 32 OR. proceeded to C27. b. 3. 3. erecting huts remainder of company carried on drill and practice in bombing and putting on gas helmets.	
		D Coy	No 13. platoon and 20 men of No 16 platoon total 45 OR. repairing	

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	11/4/16	D Coy	Trenches lowered parapet on three T trenches and built up a parapet of 100 yards. on F trench 900 sand bags filled and tayed Enemy quiet No 14 platoon 36 OR. worked on bridge and road crossings over. YSER canal Brigade Headquarters Bridge was placed in working order, two casualties. No 15 platoon 40 OR. deepening and extending R 33 from. RAVINE to DRIVE ditch running south from R33 was extended 120' 0" No 16 platoon 22 OR. working on trench railway running to WOODCOTE FARM eight shell holes filled 120 yards of grading was attempted but not completed also 80 yards of lifting and packing heavy shelling for about 15 minutes about 11.00. p.m.	10/11
	12/4/16	A Coy	40 OR at YPRES fixing billets parade and route march 2 NCO'S and 30 OR. employed in changing position of CANADA HUTS under Lieut G. H. CAMPBELL 10 OR. employed in plumbing and carpentering at Divisional Paths 17 OR. constructing trenches at Dw. Grenade School. 33 OR. employed at making Machine Gun Emplacements. and wiring near YPRES	10/11


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	12/4/16		<p>B Coy No 7 or 8 platoons working on billets in YPRES No 5 and 6 platoons 67 OR. left at 8.00 p.m. to X trench draining and reclaiming Party of 9 OR working on proposed new billets for 40 men at ZILLEBEKE STATION pumping out cellars weather mainly</p> <p>B Coy one officer and 20 OR proceeded to CANADA HUTS changing position of huts eight huts completed this party was assisted by 2 NCO's and 30 men from A Coy. 6 OR reported to CRE'S at G 27 B for cutting up timber for making up huts remainder of company working at Drills and Exercises in POPERINGHE</p> <p>D Coy No 13 platoon 45 OR. proceeded to GRAND FLEET ST. at 8.45 p.m. and continued their work of the previous night 90'0" of parapets laid and back filled. 500 sand bags were laid and 80'0" of parapet back filled. Enemy quiet No 14 platoon 35 OR were repairing bridge and grade crossing. YSER CANAL also worked on bridge crossing small creek west of canal and road leading to same built one box culvert filled two dips and constructed a crossing over RATION railroad on LILLE ROAD enemy quiet little shelling</p>	

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	12/4/16	D Day	No 15 platoon (40 OR) left at 8.50 pm. and continued their work of the previous night at R33. employed at extending a ditch from this trench to the corner of S.32 and HEDGE ROW. reinforcement of 40 men from 1st Battlw arrived at 9.00 pm. O/C reports that a proper drain must be put in and ditch revetted to ensure the efficiency of this work. Enemy quiet. No 16. platoon (22 OR) with 100 men of 1st Battlw employed on trench railway running from WOODCOTE FARM. to Communication trenches, completed 200 yards of lifting and packing, 40 yards of grading attempted but not completed, shortage of equipment.	W/M
	13/4/16	A Day	Lecture on care of arms, and taking cover, 10 OR working on Div Baths plumbing and carpentering, 32 OR working on carpentering at CANADA HUTS with 20 men of "C" company under Lieut G. H Campbell 17 OR. constructing trenches at Divisional Grenade School. 2 officers and 74 OR. working on billets in TPRES. and machine gun emplacements Nos 1 and 2. Pay Parade, Bayonet fighting, and squad drill for remainder of company.	W/M

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	13/11/16		<p><i>B Coy</i> Nos. 7 and 8. platoons working on billets in YPRES. in morning 5H OR x trench right draining and reclaiming existing trench Dug 60 yards of new trench 2 ft deep, owing to revetting materials not being delivered and rainy weather 20 yards of trenches had fallen in and had to be rebuilt 9 OR at ZILLEDEKE STATION pumping out cellar for billeting 40 men pumped and baled out 4500 gallons.</p> <p><i>L Coy</i> One officer and twenty OR proceeded to CANADA HUTS with 30 OR. to C27 b. cutting up timber for huts for CRE remainder of company Drills, exercises and baths</p> <p><i>D Coy</i> 45 OR and one officer at GRANDFLEET ST. back filling cleaning and parapeting "T" trenches stopped work at midnight owing to lack of materials, one officer and 40 OR. at R32 and R33. and S32. and HEDGEROW joined by 28 OR from 2nd Battalion and reclaimed WINDGATE ST trench LIEUT BURWASH proceeded to POPERINGHE ill 25 OR. continued work on trench railway running from WOODCOTE FARM. to communication trenches jointed by 96 men from 1st Battalion 50 yards packing and grading was completed numerous shell holes. filled enemy quiet</p>	<p><i>[Signature]</i></p>

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	14/4/16	A Coy	Two officers and 74 OR. at YPRES working party at LA CHAPELLE FARM excavating and baling water from cellars. working party on house No 9 STCLAIR. ST. working party on house No 36. ST JACQUES ST. and on house No 5. working party relaying narrow gauge railway behind STELOI woods, working party on M.G. emplacements No 1 57 OR. reported to C.R.E. at CANADA HUTS carpentering work. 17 OR. Building trenches at Divisional Grenade School 10 OR. working at Divisional Baths plumbing and carpentering	
		B Coy	70 OR. at X trench right sector draining and revetting trench deepened. 60 yards of drain to 4'0", working on 175 yards of trench good progress made. 9 OR at the HALT. ZILIEBEKE STATION pumping cellar of station buildings 4500 gallons of water pumped out and 7 cubic yards of slime and filth taken out vault should be ready for occupation in two nights	
		C Coy	70 OR to CRE at C27B. cutting up timber for building huts, entire company put through baths and had a route march of seven miles	

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	14/4/16	D Day	Working party cutting drain to run water from 'S' trench and area in rear of INTERNATIONAL trench working party turning communication trench GRAND FLEET ST. into a fire trench protecting left flank of right sector work consisted of putting in T bays. parapets paradoss. etc. working party grading and repairing trench railway running from WOODCOTE FARM to front line working party cleaning up and making sanitary in rear of new billets at YPRES. Enemy's fire during day consisted of fairly continuous shell fire scattered all over Brigade area several hundred shells put into YPRES one wounded. whilst on police duty at billets Aeroplanes. active	10/VI
	15/4/16	N Day	2 officers and 74 OR. in YPRES work done excavating in cellars on LACHAPELLE FARM covered 700 ^{ft} feet of road on narrow gauge railway at back of STEIGWOOD Emplacement. (M.G.) No 1. filled and carried 500 sand bags 200 yards. and laid in place, also some beams. 12 OR plumbing and carpentering at Divisional Baths	10/VI

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	15/4/16	170R	building trenches at Divisional Grenade School remainder of company Rifle manual physical Drill and route march.	
		600R	x trench right draining and reclaiming 175 yards of old trench drains deepened and trench widened and 20 yards revetting done	L/M
		120R	at new dug-outs at Pde. Headquarters demolishing old dug out 360'0" cub. of excavation completed 70R. The HALTZILBEKE STATION clearing up. billets for 40 men fires were lit to dry out cellar water percolates into the cellar. which T/c hopes to overcome. and make the cellar habitable.	
			One officer and 50 OR to CANADA HUTS erecting two huts. 70R. CRE at C.27.B cutting up timber for huts Balance of Company doing drills and exercises.	
			Work carried on same as on previous night GRAND FLEET STREET completed, Railway completed and made possible for hand-cars and left in readiness to replace present wooden rails with steel so as to convert it into a horse tramway	

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	15/4/16	D Coy C Coy	during afternoon the enemy kept a steady stream of "Whizz Bangs" falling into YPRES. many German aeroplanes were over town in the morning and later the town was bombarded with a considerable number of high explosive shells. erected gas blankets over door and window openings of billets	WPM
	16/4/16	A Coy	two officers and 74 OR in YPRES. working party repairing ZILLEBEKE ROAD from TRANSPORT FARM. to first cross roads. party fixing up billets on WAIF STREET. party at LACHAPELLE FARM. excavating material from cellars and bailing out water Party at No 1 Machine Gun emplacement. filled carried and laid 250 sandbags also laid some beams, remainder of Coy played football match with "C" Coy. in the afternoon (A2.C1.) 1 Sergt 46 OR. carpentering work at CANADA HUTS. 10 OR plumbing and carpentering at Divisional Baths 17 OR. employed at Grenade School constructing trenches P Coy 58 OR. X trench right draining reclaiming and revetting	WPM

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	16/4/16		<p>Plor extending the length of trench 25 yards making 200 yards of trench under repair 190R. at 2nd B'de. Headquarters excavating for new dug-outs completed 400 cubic feet of excavations also banking up end of dug-out alongside</p> <p>6'lor No parades other than Church parade at 10.30. A.M.</p> <p>2'lor 42.0R. finished grading, draining, tramway from WOODCOTE FARM. remainder of company rested in billets A new gun firing from SE. shelled town all afternoon with apparently 5" H.E. several shells fell close to billets, but did very little damage. Whole of 1st B'de completed moving out. aeroplanes very active and flying very low, one enemy aeroplanes used M.G. to fire at targets on ground from a very low altitude</p>	<p>10/11/16</p>
	17/4/16		<p>1'lor Two officers. 760R at YPRES works. finishing on road from Transport Farm to LAST CHANCE to HELL CORNER. LACHAPELLE FARM removing materials and water from cellars M.G. emplacement No. 1. at VERBRANDEN MOLEN. laid corrugated iron sheets, laid broken brick and replaced faggots placed braces.</p>	<p>10/11/16</p>

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	17/4/16	May Cont	No 2 machine gun emplacement excavated 672 cubic feet. 1 Sgt and 50 OR. carpentering work. at CANADA HUTS. 10.0R. putting up a new fumigating room at Divisional Baths. 17.0R. at Divisional Grenade school building trenches.	<i>[Signature]</i>
		B Coy	9 OR. 2nd. Bde. H.Q. excavating for new dug-outs 1000 cu feet excavated and iron sections fitted and ready for erection 50.0R. X trench right sector, trimming and revetting trench 55 yds revetting completed making a total of 75 yards	
		C Coy	Inspection parade in morning muster parade in afternoon entrained at POPERINGHE at 7.00 p.m. and arrived at YPRES at 8.10 p.m. marched to billets no work done.	
		D Coy	preparation for proceeding to rest billets entrained at YPRES at 10.30 p.m. arrived at POPERINGHE at 11.10 p.m. went into billets	
	18/4/16	May	23 OR reported to CRE at Canada Huts completed the construction of two huts 10.0R. working at Divisional Baths building fumigating rooms. Levelling steam engine for same 17.0R. building trenches at Div. Grenade School.	<i>[Signature]</i>

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	18/4/16	Day	<p>9.0 R. 2nd Pde HQ building two 9'0" x 10'0" dug-outs ready for occupation 19.0 R. 2nd Pde signalling section Excavating embankment and spreading earth. 55 OR. X trench right section revetting trench and trimming same 65 yards of revetting done, making total of 140 yards 55 OR X trench left of BENSAM ROAD deepening existing shallow trench to 8'6" working on 100 yards of trench.</p> <p>6.0 R. At 6.45 pm party 'A' were paraded and marched out to RE dug-out on canal bank, they were divided into 5 parties of 6 each, and one N60 four of these worked at tunnelling and the fifty constituted their own working party. Party returned to billets at 1.15 AM. Party 'B' paraded at 10.45 pm made up in the same way as party 'A' and did identically the same work. they returned to billets at 4.30 AM. All officers were present on work. 7 OR with 12 men from 'D' Company worked on barbed wire entanglement work.</p>	<p>10/11</p>

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	19/4/16	11 ⁰⁰ AM	43 OR. left POPERINGHE at 8. p.m. for YPRES and went into billets. 31 OR arrived at POPERINGHE from YPRES very heavy shelling no work parties sent out	
		12 ⁰⁰ PM	38 OR. employed at 2nd Brigade Headquarters constructing dug-outs in railway embankment and building sand bag wall in front of GOC's quarters and orderly room two dugouts 19'0" x 10'0" completed working on two faces under embankment for signallers dug-outs and orderly room Heavy bombardment 8.00 p.m to 10.00 p.m. drizzling rain all night. 58 OR x trench left of BENSAM. ROAD Excavating existing trench to 8'6" deep. working on 100 yards of trench. 51 OR x trench right of SQUARE. WOOD trimming and revetting trench 20 yards. completed total 160 yards. considerable length of trench had caved in owing to wet weather	10/MS
		6 ⁰⁰ PM	Party "A" 30 men 5 NCO's and one officer left at 7. p.m for tunnelling work. at RE dugouts Party "B" 30 men 5 NCO's and one officer left at 10.00 p.m. for same destination	

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	19/4/16	6 ⁰⁰ AM	<p>Officer I/C of party "A" reported such heavy bombardment at this point that it was impossible to do any work. Party "A" therefore left at first lull in bombardment and meeting party "B" coming out turned them back. Both parties arrived at YPRES billets at 12.00 midnight consequently no work was done. 7 OR. with 12 OR. from "D" Coy. at 1st CRE POPERINGHE preparing materials for huts, making sash and doors for same, and making barbed wire entanglements</p> <p>D Coy Company paraded for physical drill, rifle inspection and platoon drill, supplied party of 12 OR. for wire entanglements at 1st CRE</p>	to Jm
	20/4/16	A Coy	<p>2 men 1st Divisional train 10 OR. 1st Divisional Baths Building fumigating house placing engine in position 17 OR at GRENADE SCHOOL building trenches 5 OR. attached as linesman to 1st Div Signal Coy. 116 OR at YPRES 39 men returned from YPRES to POPERINGHE about 10.30 p.m.</p>	to Jm

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	28/4/16	B Coy	38 OR. employed at 2 nd Brigade headquarters excavating embankment for two dug-outs 10'0" x 12'0" and completing sand bag wall in front of orderly room. approximately 2000 cubic feet excavated and 1500 sand bags. filled 47 OR. X trench right of square wood trimming and revetting trench and building traverses 190 yards of this trench is now ready for the building of the parapets and parados.	W/M
		B Coy	working four tunnels in Bluff near Canal with two parties A1 and A2. A1 commenced work 9 00 pm ceasing 3 am. A2 party commenced work. 3.00 am ceasing at 9.00 am. work completed in tunnel No1. 10'0" No2. 8'0" No3 8'0" No4. 6'0". we are short of frames. but expect Brigade will remedy this, working party of 7 OR. ^{with} 12 OR. from D Company. prepared materials for huts making sash and doors. &c. preparing wire entanglements at C R E. TOPERINGHE	
		D Coy	party of 50 men and one officer employed at CANADA HUTS. erecting and repairing huts 12 OR on wire entanglements at C R E's. a parade was called of each platoon and deficiencies in kit and clothing noted	


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	21/4/16	A Coy	<p>Bath and pay parade for men in POPERINGHE YPRES work done on No 2. gan emplacement removing materials from building excavated 66 cubic feet of earth cut posts for walls &c. No 3 emplacement laid out ground to be excavated and removed 12 yards of earth and dug ditch for drainage of surface water No 1 Emplacement cut hole through bricks wall No B. 2A emplacement filled and laid 60 sand bags. fixing supports and drainage No B. 1A filled 55 sand bags. excavating &c. 10 OR Divisional baths plumbing and carpentering 17 OR. at Grenade School building trenches 5 OR. 1st Divisional Signal Coy.</p>	
		B Coy	<p>38 OR. employed at 2nd Brigade Headquarters excavating for two dug outs 10'0" x 12'0" in embankment, approximately 2200 cubic feet excavated, sides of cutting temporary shored waiting delivery of material very dark night impossible to continue work with safety. 56 OR X trench west of BENSAM ROAD deepening and widening trench enlarging traverses working on 100 yards of trench this length is now ready for the special A frames. no carrying party on work.</p>	
		C Coy	<p>Continuously working 4 tunnels in four successive shifts Party No 1. arrives at 9 pm commences work on arrival and ceases work at 3 a.m. returning to YPRES. Party No 2. arrives at 3 AM. commences work at once ceases work at 9 AM. and rests in dug-outs until dark when they return to YPRES</p>	

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	21/4/16	"C" Coy Cont.	Party No 3. arrives at 3 AM. rests until 9.00 AM. works from 9.00 am until 3.00 pm. and then rests until dark. when they return to YPRES Party No 4. arrives. 3.00 AM rests until 3.00 pm. works from 3.00 pm until 9.00 pm. then returns to YPRES rests billets near the tunnels are comfortable dug-outs called SALT TERRACE 64 OR working on tunnels Enemy Observation Balloon up most of day and could work. but little outside working party 7 OR. with 12 OR. from D Coy. on barbed wire entanglements, Hut building and Bench seats making doors and tables at C.R.E.	
		"D" Coy	12 OR. on wire entanglement work. at C.R.E. 50 OR. and one officer resumed work. at CANADA HUTS. erecting and repairing huts. bath parade for company 7.10 AM. to 9.45 AM	
	22/4/16	"A" Coy	Parade of men in. POPERINGHE for rifle inspection 2 men on 1 st Div Train 8 OR. at 1 st Div Baths plumbing and carpentering 5 OR. 1 st Div Sig. Co 75 OR. YPRES. report from YPRES. work party on Machine gun emplacement. excavating and draining No 2 M.G. E. excavating draining, and laying sills and placing posts in position Heavy rain 30 OR. left POPERINGHE for YPRES at 6.00 pm. 105 OR at YPRES.	
		"B" Coy	Working party of 46 OR. employed at 2nd. Brigade Headquarters constructing new dug-outs in Railway embankment for signallers portion of cut fell in over night, put in additional shoring sheeting 2 nd to hold back. Owing to wet weather and action of embankment had to cease work until more favourable weather conditions obtained All night working parties called off owing to heavy weather rained all day	

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	22/4/16		<p>C Coy 64 OR. working on R E tunnels excavating and timbering, 7.0R and 12 men from "D." Coy. on wire entanglements Hut building and repairing stable at 1st C R E. POPERINGHE</p> <p>D Coy one party of 12 OR. on wire entanglements at 1st C R E. 50.0R. and one officer at CANADA HUTS. erecting and repairing huts, remainder of company. paraded for drill &c</p>	W/M
	23/4/16		<p>A Coy Two men. 1st Can Div. Train 10.0R. 1st Div Baths plumbing and carpentering 50 OR. 1st Div Sig. Coy YPRES M G. emplacements No 3 draining finished 90% of excavation M G E No 2. Draining. Braced. and plumbed. posts, sized posts for I beams. placed 15 posts in position filled 30 sand bags with rubble. M G E. BA ZELLEBEKE put stretcher in place. and props. under. filled 200 sand bags. levelled floor.</p> <p>B Coy working party of 12.0R. employed at 2nd Brigade Headquarters building new dug-outs in embankment removing fallen earth from cut, and making ready to erect dug-outs - 59.0R. X trench left of BENSHEM. RE deepening and widening trench and enlarging traverses working on 100 yards of trench in several places. the sides had fallen in due to weather and bombardment 55.0R. X trench right of road from ZILLEBEKE enlarging traverses and improving line of trench working on 80 yards of trench weather bright and dry.</p> <p>C Coy working parties 72.0R. R E dug-outs. The Bluff tunnelling 26' 0" erecting frames. sawing up timber and timbering tunnels the required casing 2' 6" x 5' 6" was delivered at the RE Dump. after carrying party had left.</p>	W/M

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	6 Coy 23/4/16		<p>There is sufficient supply at dump for tomorrow's work carrying party will be required early. Progress to day was very slow on account of lack of suitable framing and casing. Enemy aircraft up all day. 70 OR. with 12 men from "D" Coy employed at 1 Can P.E. making tunnelling and dug-out frames. and were entanglements 50 OR. and one officer reported at CANADA HUTS. returned at 12.00 noon. and reported no work. Party of 40 OR. and one officer employed at Grenade. School transport took out load of tools</p>	<p>W/M</p>
	24/4/16	A Coy	<p>Two men 1st Can. Div. Train 10 OR. 1st div Baths plumbing and carpenters work. 40 OR. 1st div. Sig. Coy. 130 OR at YPRES. work parties employed on Machine Gun emplacements at YPRES. A2. frame complete A3. foundation finished B2. building cleared. A3. Material 90% delivered B2A. slight cave in little progress. B1A will be finished night of 24/25 Total all ranks on work 56.</p>	<p>W/M</p>
	B Coy		<p>Working party of 12 OR. employed at 2nd Brigade Headquarters on new dug-outs in embankment one dug-out 16'0" x 12'0" erected waiting for lumber. 57 OR. working on X trench left of BENSHEM. ROAD. deepening widening and enlarging traverses. working on 110 yards several places. of this trench had again fallen in due to bombardment and weather. 47 OR. X trench right of road from LILLEBEKE deepening and widening trenches and enlarging traverses working on 80 yards of trench Enemy started bombarding party at 11.30 p.m.</p>	

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	24/4/16	C Coy	Working party of 76 OR. employed at R E dug-outs tunnelling 38. lineal feet driven in Nos. 1. 2. 3. 4 tunnels. 14 frames made and set up and roof of tunnel lagged. Carrying party of 13 th and 31 st Battalion brought 37 cases. 2' 6" x 5' 6" distance driven today. small on account of having to cut and make frames, and unable to move dirt from tunnels by daylight. Working party of 7 OR. employed at 1 st Cav. R E. making tunnelling frames and trench stakes	W/Vm
		D Coy	12 OR to C E Headquarters employed on wire entanglement work. party of 46 OR and one officer at Grenade school. building trenches 39 OR. and one officer employed at CANADA HUTS erecting and repairing huts, remainder of company paraded for physical drill	
	25/4/16	A Coy	Two OR. 1 st Cav Div. Train 10 OR. 1 st Cav Div Baths plumbing & Carpenter work, 4 OR. 1 st Div Sig. Coy. 2 OR. C R E. Headquarters progress of work. at YPRES. Nos. 13 and 14 dugouts commenced repairing road from SHRAPNEL CORNER TO. LILLE GATES. 500' 0" railway braced. B. 2 A. M & E. 90% removed and roof raised B. 4. Brick cut pedestals remain to be placed in for base of guns B. 11. ditch dug to drain foundation, small building at HALT. enlarged A. 2. first layer of steel laid rubble on side complete A. 3. material on site all posts in	W/Vm
		B Coy	Company paraded at 7.30 pm. and marched to ASYLUM where it entrained for POPERINGHE left YPRES. 8.30 pm. arrived POPERINGHE 9.15 PM. marched to billets arriving there 9.40 pm.	

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	25/4/16	C ^o D ^o	76 OR. employed at RE dugouts. Tunnelling progress made Tunnels. No 1. 2. 3. 4. 42 lin feet driven 20 cases set up. Company paraded for Baths and pay. 8 OR. left POPERINGHE for YPRES as advance party. Company paraded at 6.30 p.m. marched off and entrained at POPERINGHE at 7.15 p.m. arrived at YPRES at 8.30 p.m. and went into billets. Enemy shelling YPRES fairly steady evening of 25th.	W/M
	26/4/16	A ^o B ^o C ^o D ^o	Muster parade for those in billets at POPERINGHE 9 AM inspection 10 OR. 1 st Div Baths carpenter and plumbing work. YPRES. owing to heavy shelling all working parties cancelled. by order of staff officers. Company paraded for deficiency of clothing kit &c. and rearrangement of billets pay parade in afternoon Working party 58 OR. at RE dug-outs The Bluff Tunnels 1. 2. 3. 4. excavated 29'0" reconstructed No 1 tunnel portal 2'0" total 31'0" 20 cases set up and lagged. owing to bombardment No 1 party consisting of 18 men who should have worked. from 9.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. did not arrive No 1 tunnel work, by failure of portal material shows signs of being softer in places and requires more timbering 50 cases required to night About 8.00 p.m. the gas alarm was sounded in YPRES and all working parties were turned back. From the town gates the company "stood" from 8.00 p.m. until 10.00 p.m. when orders came through cancelling working parties. Trench mortars very active along the whole of YPRES front until 12.00 midnight enemy throwing Shrapnel and "H.E." at intervals	W/M

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	26/4/16		D Coy all afternoon party of six men and one NCO. were engaged fixing up canteen for the Battalion	
	27/4/16		Cont. Parade of men in billets POPERINGHE 11.30 AM. Rifle inspection &c. 10 OR: at 1 st div Baths building tressel for 1800. gallon tanks and making and fixing clothes hangers. for fumigators. 24 OR and two officers left POPERINGHE for YPRES. 46 OR left YPRES for POPERINGHE Machine Gun Emplacements. progress made. B. 2 A restoration complete A 4. 15. complete with exception of water still on floor. Railway track bed. now supported 100 yards. No 13. tunnel driven 4' 0" two sets of timbers placed in position and lagged. No A 3. M.G. emplacement 150 bags of rubble placed, two longitudinal girders placed. A 2. All steel plates loop holes in tunnel No 14. 12: 0 in	10/11
			B Coy working party 50 OR. employed at CANADA HUTS 30 OR. Dw. Grenade. School building trenches 20 OR. Dw. cyclist Coy. remainder for general duties	
			C Coy 74 OR. employed in constructing new billet for officers, one party of 33 OR. and one officer one party of 39 OR. and one officer paraded at 9.30 pm. and proceeded to ZILLEBEKE HALT. both parties draining and ditching and general repair work. Enemy Artillery very active Shrapnel and H.E. falling into YPRES until dusk aeroplanes very busy during morning	
	28/4/16		A Coy 10 OR. employed 1 st div Baths on plumbing and carpentering. 4 OR. at Gen. Dw. Sig Co 6 OR. at C.R.E Headquarters	10/11

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	28/4/16	A Coy Coul	Progress of work at YPRES. Tunnel No 14. Tunnel excavated and lagged 2' 6" No 13. 4' 0" BLAVIOR PORT. 150 sandbags filled. Railway now supported 900 yards. No 2 gun emplacement is now ready for occupation there remains a little rubble to be placed.	L/S/M
		B Coy	Working party 50 OR. CANADA HUTS erecting and repairing huts.	
		"	" " 30 OR. DIV GRENADE SCHOOL. building trenches	
		"	" " 30 OR. Divisional. Cyclists Coy. and six OR. employed at Machine gun school remainder of Company general duties	
		C Coy	working party employed at RE dug-outs THE BLUFF tunnelling. 46 ft. 6 in. of tunnel excavated and timbered 25 casings carried from dump.	
		D Coy	110 OR. employed at ZILLEBEKE HALT. draining ditching and general repair work. one casualty (slightly wounded. by rifle bullet, evening artillery active weather fine and bright	
	29/4/16	A Coy	4 men. 1st Can Div. Sig Coy. 10 men 1st Div Baths Carpentery plumbing 10 men. 1st Can Div L.R. E's. Headquarters. progress of work at YPRES. Machine Gun emplacements - A2. complete and occupied A3. 60% rubble placed, one layer of steel 2nd emplacement LE CHAPPELL. complete. HALT 310 sand bags. filled, track is now supported for 1000 yards. Tunnelling No 14 tunnel progressed 4' 0" No 13. two feet old excavations encountered	L/S/M
		B Coy	Working party 31 OR. CANADA HUTS. 30 OR. 1st Div Grenade School. building trenches 30 OR. Div Cyclist Coy. 10 OR. work and instruction grenade school. remainder general duties	

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	29/4/16	C Coy	Four working parties employed at RE dug-outs THE BLUFF excavating 46'6" Lin of tunnel and timbering same, 25 casings carried from dump to tunnels no infantry carrying party used.	
		D Coy	100 men commenced putting in a combined drain on South side of railway grade at 1 st Brigade Headquarters Railway dug-outs a report came in that the enemy was using gas about 1.A.M. May General Currie C.B. ordered the party home. YPRES. was fairly continuously shelled during the 24 hours, little damage being done, All aeroplanes very active, weather fine and warm, gas alarm sounded in YPRES. and helmets donned at 1.00 AM 30 th	10/111
	30/4/16	A Coy	4 OR. 1 st Div Sig. Coy. 10 OR. 1 st Div. Baths 10 OR. C.R.E. headquarters one man employed by Town Major sign painting 21 OR at QUINTIN SIDING. with RE on cement work. Progress of work at YPRES. M.G. emplacements B.13. B.14. two shifts working report not complete. A4 pumped dry. B3. 525 sand bags filled B4 walls prepared for one beam. BLAUWE PORTE 350 sand bags filled A3 ready for occupation 10% rubble remains to be placed, railway crew received two flat cars which they are bringing to TRANSPORT FARM by rail	10/111
		B Coy	working party of 50 CANADA HUTS. 25 OR DIV GRENADE SCHOOL building trenches 20 OR. with Cyclist Coy, 10 OR work and instruction at Grenade School. 13 OR. preparing materials at C.R.E. depot 6 OR. at Machine gun school	

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	30/4/16	6 ⁰⁰ pm 2 ⁰⁰ pm	<p>working party at R & E dugouts THE BLUFF good progress made with tunnels</p> <p>Carried on work of draining system on. Railway dug-out preparing for tunnelling, repaired broken railway track in cutting near dump, returned to billets at 3.15 pm. Enemy Artillery and Aeroplanes active all day. one casualty wounded with shrapnel.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">A. E. Hodgins Lt Col First Canadian Pioneer Battalion</p>	<p>WJW</p>

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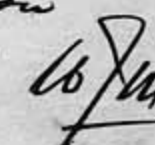
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	1.5.16	A Coy	<p>4 OR. 1st Div. Sig. Coy. 10 OR. 1st Div. Baths plumbing and carpentering 10.00 C.R.E. 21 OR. RE QUINTON SIDING on cement work. Report from YPRES. Machine Gun emplacements B. 10 and B. 3. commenced. A 3. finished 10 men required for assimilation entrance to B. 13 and B. 14 finished one push car brought forward to TRANSPORT FARM. two loads of steel unloaded</p>		
		B Coy	<p>working party 35 OR. employed. at CANADA HUTS. 30.00 at Div Grenade. School. building trenches 10 OR. Div. Cyclists Coy. OR. 14 work. and instruction at Div. Grenade School. working party 13 OR C.R.E. Depot 16 OR. Machine gun school.</p>		
		C Coy	<p>working party 73 OR. on tunnel work. at P.E. dugouts THE BLUFF tunnel driven in 23' 6" 2' 6" x 5' 6" tunnel and timbered 11 ft. driven in a 6' 9" x 6' 9" tunnel 20 casings. carried from dump. a 6' 9" x 6' 9" tunnel is started from the side of each of the tunnels</p>		
		D Coy	<p>working party 104 men. employed. at ditching and preparing sap-heads near Railway dugouts. 10 OR repairing the tracks running from the HALT to the BARRIER. Enemy aeroplanes and artillery active shrapnel falling continuously around Cloth Hall Square. weather fine and bright. 10 men working on billet construction casualty one man wounded.</p>		
	2.5.16	A Coy	<p>4 OR. 1st Div. Sig. Coy. 10 OR. 1st Div. Baths laying cement floor. in dressing room. fixing bed for Merryweather pump. 20 OR. employed at RE dump. Building miscing platform. 12' 0" x 16' 0" and made No 8. 1. foot. cube. measuring boxes. mixed and sacked. 730. bags of gravel and sand. proportions 2. and 1. working party 12 men. at QUINTON SIDING loading. 300 bags of material for concrete on lorries commencing work 7 PM.</p>		

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	2.5.16	A Coy	Report from YPRES Gun emplacements. B.13. excavations 85% completed B.14. caved in well supported B.12. 250 bags of material on site 300 bags hidden B.3. 25% complete. B.4. one beam under support wall. A.4. pedestal placed. 50% Timber for. B.3 taken by rail from transport farm. to site A.3. complete. party sent to BLAVIOR PORT had to return "O.C." not aware that buildings to be vacated	
		B Coy	Working party 50 OR. CANADA HUTS 20 OR. DIV. CYCLISTS. COY. 14 OR. work and instruction Div. Grenade School. 16 OR. Machine Gun School 13 OR. C.R.E. Depot remainder of company. general duties	
		C Coy	Working party of 73 OR. employed on tunnels at R.E. dugouts THE BLUFF 7' 6" of 2' 0" x 5' 6" tunnel driven and timbered 14' 8" 6' 6" x 6' 6" tunnel driven & cased. Carried 8 casings. from dump. also four frames. work was stopped part of the afternoon owing to enemy shelling. The tunnels were used by Engineers and Infantry during the shelling. Enemy observation balloons were up. and sandbags could not be carried out during the day.	
		D Coy	work party on tunnelling at Railway dugouts work party completed the ditching near the Railway dugouts. Enemy aeroplanes active artillery quiet thunder storms frequent in afternoon	
	3.5.16	A Coy	4 OR. 1st Div. Sig. Coy. 10 OR. 1st Div. Baths laying cement floor in dressing room. box drain from laundry watertight box for filtering 11. Carpenters employed at C.R.E. depot 20 OR. at R.E. dump. mixing and filling 842 sacks of sand and gravel.	

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	May	3.5.16	Report of progress of work at YPRES. Excavations 83% complete. B.14 caved in well supported B.A. pumped dry and pump left. B.3. excavations completed 95%. material on site B.4. foundations 40% dug. B.10. 270 bags of material carried to site 55% of material has now been delivered railway track now supported for 1500 feet. LANKOFF tunnel report not in	
	3.5.16	B Coy	Bathing parade at POPERINGHE. company left for YPRES. arrived at billets 10 PM.	
		C Coy	party of 82 OR. at RE Dugouts THE BLUFF Tunnels. No 1. 2. 3 & 4. driven 14' 0" and 20' 0" casing set up. Corridors 11' 0" driven on account of shortage of timber for same, work in corridors was stopped at 9.45 pm, and tunnel recommenced. work delayed by changing headings & slips and falls. carrying party of 8th Battalion 16 posts silos etc. 2 pcs lagging	
		D Coy	Engineers only delivered one half of material ordered. this causing considerable delay in work. ten men employed on work on billets	
	4.5.16	A Coy	4 men. 1st Gen Div Sg Coy. 9 men 1st Gen Div. Baths making and laying box drain from Laundry. making and fixing clothes hangers for fumigators 11 carpenters C.R.E. depot 20 men QUINTON SIDING on cement work. filling 802 sacks of gravel and sand. Report from YPRES. progress of work. Emplacements B.3. Timber crib placed. B.4. foundation 75% dug B.13. ready for occupation morning of 6th. B.14. entrance finished B.10. 240 sacks material taken to site simply put in. Railway supported 1700 yards.	



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	4.5.16	B Coy	<p>1st working party one officer 68 OR. marched out for work on tunnels in SPOIL BANK of YPRES canal. at 8.00 p.m. Enlarged and timbered corridors 7'6" x 7'6", commenced by "C" company. which was relieved by this Coy. 1st face 13'0" 2nd face 8'0" 3rd face 8'0" 4th face 8'0" observation balloons. are up which hinders the work. owing to the fact that the excavated materials has to be stacked in the tunnels until it is possible for the men to move outside</p> <p>Men in Billets in POPERINGHE</p> <p>D Coy. party worked 24 hours. in three shifts on tunnels at RAILWAY. DUGOUTS. completing 45 ft. 10 OR. cleaning and straightening ditch along Railway grade. Party cleaning up billets and building officers kitchen with sandbag partition across hall. some shelling around billets three men wounded. (not serious) weather fine and hot.</p>	
	5.5.16	A Coy	<p>4 men 1st Can Sig Coy. 7 OR. 1st Can Div. Baths laying cement floor making and fixing hangers for clothes in fumigators 18 OR. employed at QUININ SIDING filled 408 sacks of sand and gravel. filled 133 sacks of cement. unloaded car of cement (100 barrels) Bath parade for 27 men. who arrived at POPERINGHE from YPRES last night Report from YPRES. progress of work. 133. emplacement 85% finished 134. excavations complete. 135 excavations complete. 13.10. sand bags taken to height</p> <p>B Coy working party of one officer and 70 OR. Draining corridors in Canal Bank. YPRES. Completed previously 37 ft. of 7'6" x 7'6" corridor under report. 17'0" total 54'0"</p>	

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	5.5.16	6.00	<p>working party one officer. 33.00. Location of work. OUDERDOM SIDING. H31. 49.1. Loading 10 railway trucks with old lumber 40 men and 3 M.G.'s. one officer at PATRICIA LINES. 429. 51.7. Erecting 46 tents framing huts.</p> <p>Lack of material prevented work on tunnels during day. men employed building sleeping shelters with sand bags and corrugated iron shelters for 40 men were completed tunnelling shifts at Railway Dugouts a small amount of material arrived about 10 p.m. and was used to complete entrances to four tunnels. Enemy fire considerable aeroplanes. extremely active weather hot. Ten men carried on bullet construction in YPRES. Casualties three wounded</p>	<p>10/11</p>
	6.5.16	11.00	<p>4 men. 1st Gen. Div. Sq. Co. 7 men. 1st Div. Baths 11. Carpenter. C.R.E. Depot. 16 men. QUINTON SIDING. 245 sacks. filled with cement 202 sacks. filled with gravel and sand. report from YPRES. B3. emplacement. 98% finished B5. material did not arrive B10. 277. bags of material taken to site. B.14. Report not in Track supports and narrow rail put in weather conditions cloudy inclined to rain 15.00 Returned to POPERINGHE. from YPRES.</p>	
		6.00	<p>Drawing corridors. 7'6" x 7'6" in canal bank. working party 10 officer 7.10. previously reported 54'0" under. report 11'0" total 65'0"</p> <p>working party at PATRICIA LINES. Erecting 43 tents framing and laying floor. framing and fixing studding for walls. and sheeting same. 40'0" hut. painting tents and erecting 500 feet of fencing</p>	<p>10/11</p>

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	6.5.15	D Coy.	Company continued working on Tunnels at Railway. Dugouts Completed 33 ft. of tunnelling filled 2000 sandbags. and repaired dug-outs cleaned out ditches along Railway Grade. building sandbag Latrine for Headquarters	
	7.5.16	A Coy	4 men 1st dw. Sig Coy. 11 men. C. P. E. depot (Carpenters) 5 or 1 st Dw. Baths digging well working party at QUINTON SIDING. filled 500 bags of gravel and sand, and repaired shed. making total of 4544 bags filled with sand and gravel, and 378 sacks of cement. party of 6 went with lorries at 7 pm. one lorry loaded with 70 sacks gravel and sand and 50 sacks cement. other lorry loaded with timber Report from YPRES B3 complete. B5. 25% crib placed B6 foundation dug. B10. foundation dug, 20% steel and 50 bags cement and all forms. delivered to site B.14. progress slow. Track is now supported 2100 feet.	
		B Coy	Driving 7'6" x 7'6" corridors in canal bank working party one officer 710R. progress made. previously reported 65'0" under report. 18'6" total 83'6" party was warned that developments would probably take place in the early morning and was instructed to take up their position in a certain trench	
		C Coy	working party of 43 or one officer employed. at PATRICIA LINES erecting 500 feet of fencing Painting 90 tents 20% finished erecting huts, framing walls and roof. sheeting same and covering roof with tar paper.	

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	7.5.16	D Coy	No tunnelling material being on hand party did odd repair work around head-quarter's dug-out. YPRES. heavily shelled Transport suffered considerably. weather fine and cool.	
	8.5.16	A Coy	four men 1 st Div Sig Coy. 5 men. 1 st Can Div Baths sinking well. 11. Carpenters C. R. Es. depot. 6 men loaded lorries at QUINTON SIDING 7. pm. and unload same at LANKOFF FARM. 240 sacks gravel and sand. 16 ties. Report from YPRES progress of work. Machine Gun emplacements B5 Timber all placed 750 bags of rubble filled and taken to site B6 Timber placed to loop holes. B.14. Excavations finished now setting heavy lagging B.10 foundations lowered to new level Railway track repaired. 2200 feet	one casualty wounded.
		D Coy	Driving 7'6" x 7'6" corridor in canal bank. working party 1 officer. 71. OR. previously reported 83'6" under. report. 24'6" total 108'0" Casualties two men wounded.	
		C Coy	working party employed at PATRICIA LINES. erecting huts. 3000' timber used on. three huts. 60 Fence posts fixed and fixed. 80 yards of fence wire 14 tents erected and painted	
		D Coy	Company working at RAILWAY DUGOUTS Excavating and completing 45 ft of tunnel filled 2000 sandbags. and parapet built in front of Brigade Headquarters Reading tables and forms erected for men in back yard of billet's weather wet and dull. two new officers reported for duty	

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A Coy	9.5.16	A Coy	<p>18 men returned to PAPERINGHE from YPRES 20 men went to YPRES 4 men. 1st Div. Sig Coy 11 Carpenters C.R.E. Depot 5 men 1st div. Baths well digging. working party at QUINTON SIDING. loading and unloading lorries Report from YPRES. progress of work. Machine gun emplacements B5 one more dug-out to complete B6 all timber placed. B7 foundation dug B10 cement floor placed B14 two more dug-outs to complete Railway finished HALT TO LILLE road ready for car.</p>	
B Coy		B Coy	<p>Driving 7'6" x 7'6" corridors in canal bank YPRES. No 1 face 32'6. No 2 face 26'0" No 3 face 33'0" No 4 face 27'6" total 126'0" previously reported 108'0" under report 18'0" working party 2 officers CQOR. two N.B.O's. loaned to 2nd Brigade to supervise. tunnel work being carried out by artillery</p>	
C Coy		C Coy	<p>working party at PATRICIA LINES three huts roofed in and covered with tar paper two huts boarded up and roofed in and made inhabitable.</p>	
D Coy		D Coy	<p>company continued on work at tunnels Brigade Headquarters and parapets in front of dugouts. weather wet and dull.</p>	
A Coy	10.5.16	A Coy	<p>2 men 1st Div. Train 2 men at R.E. Park. (Lawyers) 50R 1st Div. Baths digging well 11 carpenters C.R.E. depot 4 men 1st div. Signal Coy. 9 men working at QUINTON SIDING. Report from YPRES. progress of work. M.G. emplacements. B.5 ready for occupation B.7 cribbing placed. B.10 forms placed B.6 ready for occupation tomorrow night good progress made with Railway</p>	

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	10.5.16	B Coy	Driving 7' 6" x 7' 6" Corridor in canal bank. No 1 face 37' 0" No 2 face 30' 0" No 2A face 7' 0" No 3 face 38' 6" No 4 face 32' 0" 144' 6" reported previously 126' 0" under report. 18' 6" working party 2 officers and 72 OR, 2 N.C.O's loaned to 2nd Brigade to supervise tunnels work. carried out by trench mortar section	W/M
		C Coy	working party employed at PATRICIA LINES. framing and boarding in roof of one hut and covering same with tar paper made and hung four doors.	
		D Coy	Company continued work on tunnels at Brigade Headquarters. Another party was employed at improving billets and rendering same bomb proof by reinforcing same with sand bags and bricks. Weather Heavy rains	
	11.5.16	K Coy	Party of men QUINTON SIDING filled 95 bags with sand and gravel materials all used up. 6 men Transport duty at night loaded 2 lorries with 240 bags gravel and sand, 4 men 1st Div. Sig Coy 11 men at G.R.E. depot (Carpenters) 2 men. Painting Town Major's 2 men sawyers. R.E. Park Report from YPRES. M.G. emplacements B.10. 240 sacks of materials delivered B.10. Filled in forms with concrete up to centre of loop holes Railway repairing track materials taken to Railway crossing on LILLE ROAD B.7. Altering position of emplacement and rebuilding same unloading transports filling and putting in place. 70 sand bags diversion ditch excavated, all old ditch filled, floor laid one casualty (wounded)	W/M
		B Coy	Driving 7' 6" x 7' 6" corridor in canal bank No 1 face 42' No 2 face 37' 0" No 2A 7' 0" No 3 42' 9" No 4 36' 3" Total 165' 0" reported 144' 6" under report. 20' 6" working party 1 officer 72 OR.	

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	11-5-16	B Coy C Coy D Coy	<p>two N.C.Os. loaned to the 2nd Brigade to supervise tunnel work being carried out by trench mortar section working party employed at NEW SQUARE WOOD. drawing and deepening trench from 3' 6" to 6' 0" laying cable in same.</p> <p>Company left YPRES by train at 9.00 pm. arrived at POPERINGHE 9.30 pm. weather dull.</p>	
	12-5-16	A Coy B Coy	<p>Party of six loaded lorries at QUINTON SIDING with 100 bags of cement and 120 bags of gravel and sand and went with lorries and unloaded same. party of 11 carpenters at C.R.E. depot. 2 sawyers at R.E. park 4 new 1st D.W. signal Coy. Report of progress of work at YPRES B.10. Carrying materials to site. B.7. filled 500 sacks of brick cobble. placed in position vertical I Beams, B.14. gathering up materials and laying 7' 0" sq feet of flooring emplacement completed B.7. guides located transport, and unloaded steel rails at B.7. carried steel rails from B.6 to B.7. B.10. 120 sacks sand and gravel 100 sacks of cement carried to site</p> <p>Driving 7' 6" x 7' 6" corridor in canal bank. progress of work. Nos 1 and 2. Face. 81' 7" x 2' 7' 0" No. 3. 48' 2" No. 4. 40' 0" Total 176' 9" reported previously 165' 0" under report. 11' 9" corridor between No. 1 and 2. carried through length 81' 7". fitting intermediate props. and building bunks in same.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">W/S</p> <p style="text-align: right;">W/S</p>
		C Coy	<p>working party employed at RAILWAY DUGOUTS deepening 53 yards of drainage trench carried 150 sandbags and 25 sets of casings completed four dugouts.</p>	

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	12 5 16	D Coy	Working party one officer 40 OR. employed at PATRICIA LINES on construction work. 13 OR. erecting huts at L 24. a. g. 2. remainder of company paraded for rifle inspection and drill weather rain dull.	
	13 5 16	F Coy	4 men. 1 st Ban D.W. Sig Coy. 11 Carpenters & R & E depot 6 men reported QUINTON SIDING. 6.30 pm. loaded lorry with 120 bags sand and gravel. Report of progress of work at YPRES Gun emplacements B.6 filling and delivered. 190 sacks of material and 300 bags to B.7. erecting roof of B.7. and laid floor filled and placed 100 sand bags and 100 bags of brick rubble. B.6. Completed B.10. 120 bags sand & gravel delivered at LANKHOF FARM. Carrying party 40 men of the 7 th Battalion carried in sand gravel cement and steel B.10. Finishing cement wall. Repairing railroad track ^{1 1/4 miles completed} . 4 men installing bunks in new billets	WJMS
		B Coy	Drawing 7'6" x 7'6" corridors. Canal Bank YPRES progress of work No. 1 and 2. faces 81'7" No 2 a face 7'0" No 3 and 4 97'3" total 185'10" previously reported 176'9" under report 9'1" enlarging existing galleries from 5'0" x 2'0" to 8'0" x 3'0" No 1. 10'0" No 2. 10'0" total 20'0" corridor between No 3 and 4. carried through length 97'3" cleaning out and preparing same for bunks.	WJMS
		C Coy	Working party 10 officer 98 men employed at RAILWAY DUGOUTS. YPRES digging ditch and filling sand bags and building dugouts to accommodate 40 men.	
		D Coy	Working party employed at PATRICIA LINES on construction work. another party returned to L 24. a. g. 2. to complete the huts	

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	14.5.16	A Coy	<p>two men. 1st Ban Dm. Train 4 OR. 1st Dm. Sig. Coy. 11 Carpenters C.R.E's. Depot 2 painters with 2nd field Coy. 1 at Town Major 13 OR. at QUINTON SIDING 12 OR. with TRANSPORT. 2 Sawyers. R.E. Park. Report of progress of work at YPRES B6 complete B10. 80% completed B7. 75% complete 1 Casualty wounded.</p> <p>B Coy Driving 7'6" x 7'6" Corridors in Canal Bank. YPRES. progress of work. No1. Corridor 81'7" No2 right 12'0" left 5'0" No3. 97'3". No2 Kitchen 3'0" total 198'10" under report 13'0. previously reported 185'10"</p> <p>Bunks completed in No1. corridor placing intermediate posts etc on left of No2 Gallery near corridor. No2. Enlarging galleries from 5'0" x 2'0" to 6'0" x 3'0" No1 Gallery. 20'. No2. 15'. Total 35' previously reported 20'0" under report. 15'0" working party 2 officers 107 OR. in shifts of 33 working 4 hours on and 8 hours off</p> <p>C Coy 65 OR and one officer at CABLE TRENCH excavated trench laid 110 yards of cable and filled in trench</p> <p>D Coy party of 40 men and 3 NCOs. were employed at PATRICIALINES. erecting and repairing huts and tents party of Carpenters were employed. at L.24.a.g.2 erecting Headquarters shed.</p>	<p>WPM</p>
	15.5.16	A Coy	<p>4 men. 1st Ban Dm. Sig. Coy. 11 Carpenters C.R.E's depot 13. men QUINTON SIDING loading and unloading lorries 2 sawyers R.E. Park. report from YPRES. progress of work. B10. 90% finished B7. 90% finished B1. 10% progress. repairing railway</p> <p>B Coy Driving 7'6" x 7'6" corridor Canal. Bank YPRES No1 Corridor 81'7" completed No2 Right 15'0" left 10'3" No3. 97'3" and placing intermediate posts No1 Kitchen 4'0" No2 Kitchen 9'0" total 217'1" previously reported 198'10" under report. 18'3"</p>	<p>WPM</p>

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	15/5/16	P Coy Cont	Enlarging existing Galleries from 5'0" x 2'0" to 6'0" x 3'0" No 1 Gallery 36'0" No 2 Gallery 15'0" No 4 Gallery 16'0" total 67'0" previously reported 35'0" under report 32'0"	
		B Coy	working party one officer 63 OR. employed near BATTERSEA FARM. excavated 116 yards of trench 5ft deep. 3ft wide laid cable and filled in 100 yards of cable trench casualties one wounded.	
		D Coy	A party of 43 men employed at PATRICIA LINES. continuing the work of the previous day. party of carpenters at work at L. 24. a. 9. 2 to complete the erection of Headquarters shed.	
	16/5/16	H Coy	4 men. 1st Com. D. W. Sig Coy. 11 Carpenters at C. R. E. P. two painters 2nd field Coy. working party of 13 OR. at QUINTIN SIDING Loading party reported at QUINTIN SIDING at 6.30 p.m. loaded. two lorries with 340 sacks sand and gravel. went with lorries and unloaded same. Report on progress of work at YPRES B1. 75% complete B7. 90% complete B8. 25% complete two lorries of gravel taken via Rail road to B4.	
		B Coy	Driving 7'6" x 7'6" Corridor in Canal Bank YPRES No 1 Corridor 81'7" completed No 2 right 19'6" No 2 left 14'6" No 3 97'3" and Building bunkers. No 1 Kitchen 7'0" completed No 2 Kitchen 15'3" total 235'1" previously reported 217'7" under report 18'0" Enlarging existing Galleries from 5'0" x 3'0" to 6'0" x 3'0" No 1 Gallery 5'6" No 2 Gallery 15'0" No 4. 27'6" total 24'0" previously reported 67'0" under report 27'0"	
		B Coy	Working party of one officer 37 OR. at RAILWAY DUGOUTS. made one. dug out to hold 6 men. carries five complete frames. and excavated and timbered 3'0" of tunnel	

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	16/5/16	D Coy	Company paraded for drill 1 st . party of 43 men. and one officer carried on the work at PATRICIA LINES	
	17/5/16	A Coy	34 men. Divisional employ. 3 men went with one lorry with gravel and sand from QUINTINSIDING 7 pm. 17.5.16. Report of progress of work at YPRES. Gun emplacement B7. ready for occupation complete. tomorrow night B1. complete except for floor. and one loophole. neither on site one Lorry of gravel taken to HALT	
		B Coy	Driving 7'6" x 7'6" corridors Canal Bank. YPRES No1 Corridor 81'7" complete. No2. right 24'4" No2 left 19'3" No3 97'3" completed No4 right 3'6" No1. Kitchen 7'0" completed No2 Kitchen 14'0" completed 246'11" previously reported 235'1" under report 11'10" enlarging existing galleries from 5'0" x 2'0" to 6'0" x 3'0" No1 Gallery 67'6" No2. 22'0". No4. 42'0" total 131'6" previously reported 94'0" under report 37'6" Excavating trench south end No3. Gallery. 50'0"	
		B Coy	working party employed at RAILWAY DUGOUTS. excavating 14'0" of tunnel erecting six frames carrying party of 10 men 15' Bath carried nine frames. and lagging complete. Casualty Lieut Geo H. Campbell. Killed by Machine Gun Bullet in neck received at Battersea Farm. at 11.20 pm. 16.5.16.	
	18.5/16	A Coy	party of 43 men. and one officer carried on work. at PATRICIA LINES weather fine and bright 34 men. divisional. employ. party of 11 men. employed at QUINTINSIDING. loaded 200 sacks. using up materials there	

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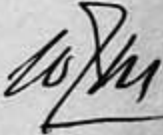
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	18/5/16	A Coy Cont	Report from YPRES. progress of work on Machine gun emplacements. unloading materials for B2. loading 19 steel H beams. at B1 for B2. unloading lorry and delivering sand and gravel. to B4. building dug-out for M G. Colonel. B6 completed	
		B Coy	Driving 7'6" x 7'6" Corridors in Canal Banks. YPRES. No 1 Corridor 81'7" No 2 right 28'4" No 2 left 24'3" No 3. 97'3" complete No 4. right 9'2" No 1 Kitchen 7'0" complete No 2 Kitchen 14'0" complete total 261'7" previously reported 246'11" under report 14'8" enlarging existing galleries from 5'0" x 2'0" to 6'0" x 3'0" No 1. gallery 72'9" No 2. 39'6" No 3. 12'0" No 4. 59'0" total 183'3" previous report 131'6" under report 51'9" Excavating trench on No 3. 38'0" on No 1. 28'0" Casualty one wounded.	W/As
		C Coy	working party at RAILWAY DUGOUTS. Excavating 8 ft of tunnel and timbering same. party at NEAR BATTERSEA FARM. excavating 95 yards of cable trench, laid cable, and filled in trench	
		D Coy	Party of 430 and one officer reported at PATRICIA LINES. remainder of company paraded for drill	
	19/5/16	A Coy	11 Carpenters at C R Eis. depot 9 men at QUINTON SIDING. seeking cement 6 men reported at QUINTON SIDING. 6.30 p.m. to load 2 lorries with 240 sacks gravel and sand. and went with them to unload. Report from YPRES. progress of work. B1. emplacement. additional bricks placed B2. 25% completed B3 water pumped out of cellar. B4. 2 lorries. material taken to site B5. wedges placed B6 drain improved B8 loopholes cut through chimney B9 materials carried to site.	W/As

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	19/5/16	A Coy Cont. B Coy	<p>B10 forms removed cement floor. finished B12 site cleared. for foundations 400 bags. of materials taken to site. Drawing. 7'6" x 7'6" corridor in Canal bank YPRES progress of work. No1 corridor 81'7" No2 right 29'4" No2 left 26'3" No3 97'3" complete No4 right 11'2" No1 Kitchen 7'0" No2 Kitchen 14'0" total 266'7" previously reported 261'7" under report 5'0" Enlarging existing galleries from 5'0" x 6'3" No1 Gallery 77'3" No2 Gallery 40'0" No3 Gallery 14'0" No4 Gallery 64'0" total 195'3" previously reported 12'0" excavating trench S. End. No1 45'0" S. End No3 38'0" Total 83'0"</p> <p>The Company was relieved by D Coy and paraded in YPRES at 11.30 pm, and marched to the Asylum where it entrained for POPERINGE left YPRES 12.30 AM. arrived POPERINGHE billets at 1.45 AM.</p>	
		B Coy	<p>Working party of 102 OR. employed at BATTERSEA DUG-OUTS excavating 8 dugouts foundations commencing walls of two dug-outs. ditching and cutting drains filling 1400 sandbags. preparing timber for ten dugouts. 16 Pioneers 1 NCO with 18 OR. 16 Battalion at RAILWAY DUG-OUTS 37 ft of tunnels driven up to date and lagged. one casualty. (wounded)</p>	
		D Coy	<p>Company paraded at 8.30 pm. and entrained at POPERINGHE for YPRES at 9.20 pm.</p>	
	20/5/16	A Coy	<p>Party of 7 OR. reported at QUINTON SIDING. 7 pm. to load lorries and go with them to unload. 240 sacks. Gravel and sand. party of 32 OR. went at 11.30 AM. on Railway Construction work. party of 9 OR. sacked. 85 sacks of cement. at QUINTON SIDING. and then joined Railway Construction party.</p>	

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	20/5/16	A Coy C Coy	Report of progress of work at YPRES 100 bags of gravel taken to B12 emplacement. additional concealment A2. B2. 50% completed, two lorries of gravel taken to HALT additional barb. wire I22 c 6'3. to I22 c 4'1 and from I28 A2.8 to I27 B9'4	
		B Coy C Coy	working party one officer 54 OR. at TRENCH TRAMWAY. 17 OR. with party of men from 16 th Battln employed at RAILWAY DUGOUTS Amount of tunnels driven up to date 50'0" party of 95 OR. at BATTERSEA DUG-OUT three dugouts 75% complete filled 1000 sandbags dug 75 lin yards of ditch, prepared timber for 10 dugouts but sods. 300 sup. feet	
		D Coy	3 parties of 30 men. commenced work on the tunnels at the BLUFF weather fine and warm.	
	21/5/16	A Coy	11 Carpenters employed at CRE depot 2 sawyers. at RE. sawmills 32 OR. Railway construction party at QUINTON SIDING. loading & unloading lorries, report from YPRES. progress of work. B2 emplacement 75% complete B4 2 truck loads material delivered B9.2 waggons loads material dumped at LANKIEFFARM B12. 200 bags of material delivered working party put in 23 coils wire	
		B Coy	Working party of one officer 54 OR. employed on trench tramway 16 OR. at PATRICIA LINES. 16 OR at CONNAUGHT LINES 13 OR CRE, Depot 1 officer	
		C Coy	60 OR. GRENADE SCHOOL party of 86 men location of work BATTERSEA DUGOUTS excavating for four dugouts and completed three dug-out up to roof. Filled 1000 sandbags, prepared 40 pcs timber in LILLEBEKE digging ditches work hampered by continual machine gun fire, party of pioneers with 170 R. 16 th Battln working RAILWAY DUG-OUTS. Tunnels completely lagged up. 2000 sand bags. filled and steel dug out built	

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	21/5/16	D Coy	Company carried on work at the tunnels progress made. Tunnel driven 13'0" tunnel enlarged. 37'6" Enemy. Observation Balloons up. all day this considerably impeded the carrying and dumping portion of operations. Casualties two seriously wounded. one slightly wounded.	
	22/5/16	A Coy	party at QUINTON SIDING 11 OR. sacked. 237. sacks of gravel and sand. 4 men. went with two lorries 8 p.m. 29 men taken from railway construction and sent to YPRES. Report of progress of work at YPRES B14. gun emplacement. 240 bags of sand and gravel taken to site B9. 75% materials on site B1. dugout 25% complete B2 ready for occupation B4. 75% material on site additional wire placed. from I27.B9.4 to I27.B2.0.	
		D Coy	working party of 1 officer and 54 OR. employed on. Trench. Tramway. 16 OR. PATRICIA LINES. 16 OR CONNAUGHT LINES. 13 OR. CRE DEPOT. 1 officer 6 OR. at. GRENADE SCHOOL remainder of company. general duties	
		B Coy	RAILWAY DUGOUTS work stopped for want of timber carrying party of 10 men. 16th. Battln carried 7 complete frames. 30 sheets of iron party of 88 OR. filled and placed in position 750 sandbags erecting walls of 3 dugouts. excavating for one dug-out. digging ditches etc.	
		D Coy	Tunnel work in Canal Bank YPRES progress of work. Tunnels. driven Tunnel left of No1. 5'3" right of No2. 2'0" right No3. 3" left of No3. 3" right No4. 3'0" Corridor no1. completed. 9'3. total Driven. 20'0. tunnel No1 north 2'5" No2. 5'3" No3. 9'10" No3 S. 3'0. No4 N. 2'0". Total enlarged. 22'6". the 3rd Battln furnished a carrying party to assist in filling and dumping sandbags.	Casualties two wounded

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	23/5/16		<p>A Coy 9 men at QUINTIN SIDING sacked 250 bags of gravel and sand in afternoon 7 men loaded 3 lorries with 100 bags of cement and 120 sacks gravel and sand and went with them to unload 11 carpenters C.R.E. depot. Report of progress of work from YPRES. B2 ready for occupation B4 commenced B3. B5 B6 improved as suggested by OC M.G. Brigade 100 sacks of cement to B4.</p> <p>B Coy working parties 1 officer. 82 OR. Trench Tramway. 16 OR. CONNAUGHT LINES 16 OR. PATRICIA LINES 13 OR CRE DEPOT 1 officer 6 OR. Grenade school remainder general duties</p> <p>C Coy party 94 OR. at BATTERSEA DUG-OUTS 5 dugouts roofed frames placed for one three dugout pits excavated. timber carried from road 750 sandbags filled could not start work till 9.30pm. on account of machine gun fire commenced work with standard frames. which will materially facilitate operations Carrying party did not arrive party at RAILWAY DUGOUTS. 70 ft of tunnel completed carrying party of 16th Battalion carried six frames</p> <p>D Coy Company carried on work at the tunnels. working four hour shifts progress made at CANAL SPOIL BANK. Tunnel. 2 N 23' 2" N 3 N 16' 10" No 3. S. 41' 7" No 4. N 68' 6" Total Enlarged. 14' 0" Corridor No 2. left of tunnel No 1. 20' 5" right of No 2. 8' 5" No 2 left. 1' 0" No 3 right 6' 5" No 3 left. 1' 0" No 4 right 12' 5". Total progress. 28' 9" 20 bunks built weather fair</p>	
	24/5/16		<p>A Coy 20 OR left PAPERINGHE for YPRES 7 p.m. 4 men and one NCO. reported at QUINTON SIDING to load two lorries with cement and Gravel 80 bags of cement 120 bags gravel.</p>	

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	24/5/16		<p>Report of progress of work at YPRES. B dugout 50% complete B band. B7. improved 25% material on site B9. 90% done B-A 85% materials on site</p> <p>B Coy working party 1 officer. 82 OR. TRENCH TRAMWAY. 16 OR CONNAUGHT LINES 16 OR. PATRICIA LINES 13 OR. CRE. Depot 1 officer 6 OR. Grenade School.</p> <p>B Coy party employed at RAILWAY DUGOUTS progress made. 88 ft tunnel completed 6 sets of lagging placed. Carrying party of 10 men 16" Battalion carried six complete frames. party at BATTERSEA DUGOUTS Completed five dugouts four ready for framing filled and carried 500 sandbags. preparing timber in LILLEBEKE fifty pieces, work delayed by machine gun fire also. shelling interfered with carrying party. and supply of materials</p> <p>D Coy Company carried on work. at the tunnels at Canal SPOIL BANK progress made. in No 2 N No 3 N No 3 S No 4. N Total enlarged. 17'5" Corridor 2. left of tunnel No 1. right 2. left No 2. right No 3. left No 2. right No 4. Total progress. 13'0" considerable delay was caused by a cave in No 3. tunnel a short span of temporary timbers snapped. and the whole arch. dropped down. weather fine.</p>	WJM
	25/5/16		<p>A Coy party working at QUINTIN SIDING finished sacking cement. 1185 sacks. another party at QUINTIN SIDING filled. 150 sacks gravel and sand. party reported 8 p.m. loaded one lorry with 80 sacks cement and one lorry with 120 sacks gravel. and went with them to unload. report of Progress of work at YPRES. B9 emplacement ready for occupation B8. improvements complete B1. Dug-out. 75% complete B4. floor laid one lorry cement taken to site additional wire I 22 C. 6. 3. To I 22 C. 8. 4. & I 22 B. 1. 1. to I 27. C. 9. 9.</p>	WJM

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	25/5/16	B Coy	working party of 82 OR. TRENCH TRAMWAYS. 16 OR. CONNAUGHT LINES. 16 OR. PATRICIA LINES 13 OR. CRE Depot remainder of Coy general duties	
		"C Coy	party of 91 OR. at BATTERSEA DUGOUTS Completed 4 dugouts and one framed up. filled 750 sandbags. Carried I Beams and other materials for two dugouts prepared 40 pcs. timber in LILLEBEKE	Casualties
		D Coy	party at RAILWAY DUGOUTS 90'0" of tunnel completed 8 frames used. Carrying party of 10 men. carried 4 complete frames 60 sheets of iron Company. carried on work at tunnels SPOILBANK. good progress made. weather, rain.	two wounded
	26/5/16	A Coy	Party at QUINTIN SIDING. loaded three lorries with sand and gravel 360 bags to LANKOFF FARM. 5 OR. Railway Composite Pioneer Coy. 21 OR. Divisional employ. progress of work at YPRES. B10. emplacement 75% relined B3. 16 men reclaiming timber to reinforce cellars. B12. 360 sacks of materials delivered to site. B1. dug-out completed except floor 24 men. additional wire I27.C.9.9. to D27. B2.1. additional wire from I27.B2.1 to I27.B5.3. Carrying party of 23 men. 8th. Battln 8 men. ZELEBEKE HALT unloaded. 3 loads. barbed wire and concealed. 15 men. with Brigade wiremen distributing wire and levelling old dug out.	W/M
		B Coy	working party 1 officer 82 OR. TRENCH TRAMWAY. 15 OR. PATRICIA LINES 13. CRE depot 12 OR. at Divisional Baths remainder general duties	
		"C Coy	party of 62 OR. at BATTERSEA DUGOUTS. Completed 3 dugouts. frames set for two. three pits levelled. off for framing filled 650 sandbags.	W/M

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	26/5/16	6 Coy Cont. D Coy	<p>party at RAILWAY DUGOUTS. progress made. 96'0" of tunnel completed six frames used, carrying party carried 4 complete frames and 30 bundles of lagging</p> <p>Progress report of tunnels at CANAL SPOIL BANK Tunnel No 2 N 42'0" ine 7'5" No 3. 21'0" No 3 S 62'0" ine 5'0" No 4. 81'0" ine 4'4" Total enlarged. 16'9" Corridor No 2. Left of tunnel No 1. increase. 3'5" Right No ine 4'1" left of No 2. ine 2'5" Right of No 4. 5'0" Corridors driven 15'1" weather fine and warm,</p>	
	27/5/16	A Coy B Coy D Coy E Coy F Coy	<p>3 lorries loaded at QUINTIN SIDING for LENKOFF FARM. with 40 Barrels cement. 21 men. divisional employ. report of progress of work at YPRES. B 10 emplacement complete, B 8. complete except for loop holes. B 12. 3 lorries of cement delivered to site side forms erected wire complete from I 27 C 9. 9. to I 27 B 5. 3. B 1. dugout completed</p> <p>working party 1 officer 82 OR. TRENCH TRAMWAY. 15. OR. CONNAUGHT LINES 13 OR CRE depot 13 OR. Divisional baths remainder general duties</p> <p>party of 61 OR. at BATTERSEA DUGOUTS. five standard dug-outs completed 3 dug-outs 90% completed filled and laid 900 sandbags. Total to date. 17 dugouts completed, 5 90% completed 13. 30% completed</p> <p>party at RAILWAY DUGOUTS 110'0" tunnel completed 450. sandbags. placed on top of dug-outs. carrying party carried 6 frames. and 150 Sandbags.</p> <p>Company engaged. at Canal. SPOIL BANK progress made. Tunnel enlarged. 16'9" Corridors. driven 15'1" weather fine and warm.</p>	

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	28/5/16	A Coy	26 men divisional employ. party of men at QUINTIN SIDING. report of progress of work at YPRES B8. emplacement complete. RAA delivered materials to B.12. B4. brace concrete forms. mixed & placed concrete additional wire to I27 B5.4.	
		B Coy	working party 1 officer 82 OR. TRENCH TRAMWAY. 15 OR. CONNAUGHT LINES 13 OR. CRE Depot 13 OR. Divisional Baths 11 OR. WOODCOTE HOUSE TRAMWAY. remainder general duties	W/M
		C Coy	BATTERSEA DUGOUTS. 44 OR. 7 standard dugouts completed filled and laid 700 sandbags. Total to date 24 dugouts completed. RAILWAY DUGOUTS progress made. 132'0" of tunnel completed 5 Frames used 500 sandbags. placed on top of dugouts carrying party of ten men carried 8 frames. and 22 bundles of lagging	
		D Coy	company carried on work. at the tunnels SPOIL BANK. materials all on hand and good progress made. carrying party of 25 men. from the 2nd. Battalion to assist in carrying and dumping sandbags	
	29/5/16	A Coy	party at QUINTIN SIDING for transport work. 26 men Divisional employ report of work. YPRES. Carrying party 50 men. 2 nd Battalion carried 390 sacks. concrete material from LANDKOFF FARM. to B12. emplacement. carrying party of 25 men. 5 th Bath distributed wire to wiring party. 22 men. with Divisional wiring party. B. 4. set two loopholes. and concreted up to top of Loopholes. in walls	W/M
		B Coy	working party. 11 men. repairing trench tram line from RE dump. at KROSSSTRAAT to front line Track in good shape for traffic from RE dump. to WOODCOTE FARM	

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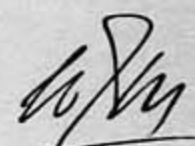
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	29/5/16	B Coy Continued	Working party of 82 OR. employed on TRENCH TRAMWAY 15 OR. CONNAUGHT LINES 13 OR. C.R.E. depot 13 OR. Divisional Baths 11 OR. WOODCOTE HOUSE tramways remainder general duties	
	29/5/16	B Coy	work party employed at RAILWAY DUG-OUTS progress made. 162 ft. of tunnel completed 500 sand bags placed on top of dugouts carrying party of ten men carried 7 frames and 19 Bundles of lagging made, six standard dug-outs 41 OR. at BATTERSEA DUG-OUTS. progress dug-outs not completed owing to lack of materials (I Beams) Total to date 24 dug-outs completed.	WJW
	29/5/16	D Coy	Company carried on work at the tunnels SPOIL BANK good progress made, the 7th. battalion furnished a carrying party of 25 men. to assist in carrying and dumping sand bags. weather, fine.	
	30/5/16	A Coy	party loaded 2 lorries with gravel and sand for LANKOFF SIDING. 240 sacks. Report of progress of work at YPRES. BI. gun emplacement. cellar pumped out B4. concrete to top of walls. and put on wood. roof. rewiring and reinforcing also rebuilding from I 27 B 29. to I 27 B. 5. 4.	WJW
		B Coy	working party of one officer and 82 OR. TRENCH TRAMWAY. 13 OR. C.R.E. depot 13 OR. Divisional Baths 11 OR. WOODCOTE HOUSE tramway 16 OR. New lamp 922. remainder of coy. general duties	
		C Coy	party employed at RAILWAY DUG-OUTS. progress made, 150' 0" of tunnel completed 6 frames erected 1200 sandbags used on top of dug-outs. carrying party carried 7 sets of frames. 32 bundles of lagging 60. sheets corrugated iron.	

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	30/5/16	6 Coy	<p>390 R. employed at BATTERSEA DUG-OUTS. progress made. 5 standard dug-outs completed 600 sandbags filled. Total number completed to date 29. 5 large dug-outs to hold 6 men = 30. 24 small to hold 4 men = 96 accommodation for 126. Dug-outs now occupied by Coy. of 7th Battalion.</p> <p>D Coy. owing to orders being received by OC. Company to move billets only one shift was employed. First party of two platoons left the tunnels at 8.45 p.m. followed 30 minutes later by the remaining platoons. The whole Company arrived at the RAILWAY DUG-OUTS. by 10 p.m. Our positions about 400 yards N of the BLUFF were heavily shelled with H.E. and Shrapnel for 30 minutes afternoon about 5.00 p.m. Our batteries only feebly retaliated six evening observation balloons up during hours from 2 to 6 p.m. casualties nil weather fine and warm.</p>	
	31/5/16	H Coy	<p>Party 16 men at QUINTIN SIDING mixed sacked and loaded on railway car 246. Bags sand and gravel 2½ hours work. report of progress of work at YPRES B4. emplacement. 85% complete B2. dug-out 25% complete. B3. dug-out 25% complete B5. B6. B7. work commenced</p> <p>D Coy. working party employed on TRENCH TRAMWAY. Track in shape for light loads from KRUNSTREUT. R.E. DUMP. to SUNKEN ROAD.</p> <p>6 Coy. working party 40.0 R. 5 standard dug-outs completed filled 300 and laid 750 sandbags. Total number of dug-outs completed 32. dug-outs occupied by 7th Battalion</p>	

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	31/5/16	6 ⁰⁰ 10 ⁰⁰	<p>party working at RAILWAY DUGOUTS 168' 0" of tunnel completed 4 frames used carried 6 sets of frames. 36 bundles of lagging 82 pieces lumber. 25 bath mats 6 rolls wire 8 bales sandbags. working party from the company was employed at cleaning out and repairing dug-outs along Railway embankments. draining and rebuilding cookhouse. Enemy's fire quieter than usual but fairly heavy at intervals on LILLE ROAD. in the vicinity of WOODCOTE FARM. Aeroplanes of both sides active weather fine and warm.</p>	<p><i>[Signature]</i></p>
			<p><i>A. Hodgins</i> <i>S. Kelly</i> Irish Canadian Pioneer Battalion</p>	

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Aloy	1.6.16		15 men. at Quinton Siding filled 500 bags with sand and gravel progress of work at YPRES. machine gun emplacements B2. 50% finished B4. 95% complete cellars pumped out B5 B6 B7. excavations for dug-outs 80% complete B1. reinforcing cellar complete B3. Dug-outs 40% complete additional wiring from I22 C4.2. to I22 C.1.1. additional wiring I27 B.65.30. to I27 B82.30. and new wire from I22 C.1 to I22 C35-20. B1 second dug-out 25% complete.	
	2.6.16.		Capt. J A Keefer. Attended conference at C.R.E. Yard. 1st field coy.	
	3.6.16.		put in communication trench from support trench at VALLEY COTTAGES to SW corner of MAPLE COPSE WOOD. in conjunction with Capt Mathieson of 2nd field coy. An attack started when work was nearing completion, and we were subject to heavy machine gun fire also shell. gun fire for several hours. 150 men employed on this work.	
	4.6.16		work on front line trenches at Hill 60 and also on B line machine gun emplacements	
	5.			
	6.7.8.		working on saps and small tunnel. at Observatory Ridge near RUDKIN HOUSE for machine gun emplacements	
	9.		left YPRES for POPERINGHE	
	10-15.		Embodied in separate report.	
	16-23.		Rest. at PIONEER CAMP. at G22 C. 2. 4.	
	23.		arrived YPRES. at 11.30 pm.	
	24.		Capt. J A Keefer. and 80 men worked on ditching for tunnels on. Tarr. Top. worked on. 3 ditches and carried up material for framing in tunnels	

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A Coy	25 June.		Awaiting orders - no orders received	
	26.		Capt. Keefer. and 69 men road mending from Shrapnel Corner to Transport Farm.	
	27/28.		(1) Lille Gate - Shrapnel Corner. 21 cub. Yards. The primary filling was finished tonight (2) Shrapnel Corner - Transport Farm estimated at 7½ cu yds per 100 lineal feet 11 cu yards of this work were done to night (3) 1st Rly Crossing from Transport Farm 7½ yards per 100 lin feet. (4) 1st Rly. Crossing to LILLEBEKE HALT. 5 cu. yards per 100 lin ft (5) At Halt and at Station there is required for one hole about 20 cubic yards of primary filling (6) Halt - Observatory Ridge Road through LILLEBEKE VILLAGE 2 cu yards per 100 lin feet. (7) From LILLEBEKE ROAD to VALLEY COTTAGE 2 cubic yards per 100 lin feet (8) Valley Cottage - Rudkin House 10 cub yards per 100 lineal feet.	
	28/29.		1 Sergeant and 10 men detailed under orders of Engineers officer to report to Tunnelling officer Mount Sorrell at daylight 29/6/16. with full kits and 48 hours rations to live in tunnel and work there (9) Lieut Rowe and 30 men attached to A Coy, worked on dug-outs at Battersea Farm. (10) 1 Sergeant and 15 men of A Coy unloading road metal and loading filling for road work. (+12 sergeants & 58 men on road work LILLEGATE to TRANSPORTFARM. Filling done as far as Transport Farm. The road work to date is only filling of holes in centre of road No metalling has been used, as yet but will be in about 2 days time when filling is ground in a little more.	


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	<i>Aloy.</i> <i>June 28/29.</i>		<p>The Estimate of Yardage required is as follows.</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">LILLE GATE TO SHRAPNEL CORNER</td> <td style="text-align: right; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">21</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SHRAPNEL CORNER TO TRANSPORT FARM.</td> <td style="text-align: right;">247</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TRANSPORT FARM TO 1ST RAILWAY CROSSING.</td> <td style="text-align: right;">112</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1ST RAILWAY CROSSING TO HALT</td> <td style="text-align: right;">120</td> </tr> <tr> <td>AT HALT STATION Holes to be filled.</td> <td style="text-align: right;">20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HALT TO OBSERVATION RIDGE ROAD through ZILLEBEKE VILLAGE</td> <td style="text-align: right;">48</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ZILLEBEKE VILLAGE TO VALLEY COTTAGES.</td> <td style="text-align: right;">30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>VALLEY COTTAGES TO RUDKIN HOUSE</td> <td style="text-align: right; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">150.</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;"><i>Total</i></td> <td style="text-align: right; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">748</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;"><i>Amount filled to 29/6/16.</i></td> <td style="text-align: right;">60</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">688.</td> </tr> </table> <p>In addition to this about 250 cu yards of metalling are required</p> <p>1 Sgt. and 15 men with Lieut Rowe. at Railway dugouts 1 Sgt and 20 men. loading party at YPRES for road filling 2 Sgts and 28 men. on repairing roads. Lieut Rowe. and 30 men. working on dug-outs at Battersee Farms. (2) Lieut Halley. and 16 men. loading waggons. waggons. with road filling at YPRES. (3) Lieut. Johnston and Carter and 43 OR. repairing roads Shrapnel. Corner. to Transport Farm. about 25 yards of material put in up to date this makes. 90 yards. of filling approx Fresh shell holes. are made. every day from Lille Gate to Transport Farm 20 OR. working at Mount Sorrell digging ditch to drain for tunnel work</p>	LILLE GATE TO SHRAPNEL CORNER	21	SHRAPNEL CORNER TO TRANSPORT FARM.	247	TRANSPORT FARM TO 1ST RAILWAY CROSSING.	112	1ST RAILWAY CROSSING TO HALT	120	AT HALT STATION Holes to be filled.	20	HALT TO OBSERVATION RIDGE ROAD through ZILLEBEKE VILLAGE	48	ZILLEBEKE VILLAGE TO VALLEY COTTAGES.	30	VALLEY COTTAGES TO RUDKIN HOUSE	150.	<i>Total</i>	748	<i>Amount filled to 29/6/16.</i>	60		688.	
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	A Coy. June 29/30		<p>On arrival at work could only use about 10 men.</p> <p>The following casualties occurred while loading waggons at YPRES</p> <p>154100 L/Corp. Lamborn. D.J. wounded in leg, arm and body (since died)</p> <p>In addition to this 3 sapper drivers were wounded and 4 horses killed</p>	


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			<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Report of Capt J A Keefer. A Coy.</i></p> <p>Report of our operations in the YPRES Salient we left POPERINGHE at 11.00 am. on June 10th. and proceeded with three officers and 75 men to the 3rd Field Coy at H15.C.5.9 On the afternoon of June 10th the men were drilled in the proposed attack On the night of June 10th Captains Keefer, Cahaw, and Lieuts Burwash Scharoschmidt Emtra and Carter in conjunction with Lieut Harvey of the 3rd Field Coy made a reconnaissance of the ground over which the attack was to be made and selected a site for digging the men in. On June 11th and 12th up till about 5.00 pm. the time was spent in rehearsing the attack We left the 3rd Field Coy at 6.30 pm on June 12th 75 men and myself and Lieuts Burwash and Scharoschmidt and proceeded to Railway dug-outs and remained there from 8.00 pm. till 9.15 pm and then proceeded to the front line trenches, and dug ourselves in, about 20 ft behind our front line trenches on the left of OBSERVATORY RIDGE ROAD We finished digging in about 12.30 am on June 13th at 12.45 am on June 13th our final bombardment commenced and the enemy retaliated almost immediately subjecting us to terribly heavy shell fire till about 12.15 am. when we got word from the 13th Battalion under command of Lieut Col Duchanaw that the objective had been obtained and to move up to consolidate</p>	


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			<p>the old support trench from the corner of VIGO and Sackville Street to Observatory Ridge Road. We crossed the intervening 700 yards in skirmishing order in broad daylight about 2.30 am under heavy shell and machine gun fire and on reaching the trench at once proceeded to carry on with the consolidation. About 4 am the Germans commenced shelling the trench very heavily. We carried on during the day sometimes consolidating the trench, and at other times standing to in case of Attack. About 4.00 pm after we had sent our men out in small parties over the open Lieut Burwash, Scharschmidt and myself with the engineer officer then left and proceeded back to the 3rd Field Coy arriving there about 7.30 pm. A muster parade was held that evening and the following morning and the casualties were four killed 19 wounded and two missing. I would like to call your attention to the names of the following NCO's who were noticeable in the character of their work: W/Corporal Roff and 2/Corps Thorburn and Noble.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">J. A. Keefer, Capt.</p>	

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	June 1 st	9.00	Half of Company working on trench tramway remainder preparing new camp. G22 c 24. and general duties	
	2-3		ditto ditto	
	4.		Ditto and at 8.30pm. left POPERINGHE with 3 officers and 117 OR. for YPRES. and from there marched to front line where we dug new trench from FOSSEWAY to KNOLL Road. returning to YPRES 3 AM of the 5th.	
	5.		with 3 officers and 117 OR. deepening and cleaning out FOSSEWAY communication trench from front line to BATTERSEA FARM. at 1.00 AM 6 th a heavy bombardment started and lasted about 40 minutes during which time the whole party "stood to" after which the party the party marched back to billets arriving there 3.00 AM. casualties one. Killed and four wounded.	
	6.		Employed. as carrying party from Valley Cottages to positions in front line	
	7.		Digging new communication trench from X trench right to 1 st support line on Hill 60.	
	8.		Deepening above. communication trench Heavy shelling in the early morning of the 9th.	
	9.		orders received to return to POPERINGHE left YPRES. 8.00 PM. arrived POPERINGHE 10.30 pm.	
	10.		Marched party of 3 officers and 75 OR. to 2nd Field Coy 6 th Camp.	

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			<p>where they were trained for the work they would have to do in the proposed attack to come off on the night of the 12th 13th see special reports.</p>	
	June 11 th to 14 th			
	15.		party (82) still on trench tramway remainder of Coy. on work on new camp. G22. C.2.4.	
	16.		orders received for all parties in YPRES. to return to POPERINGHE	
	17. 18.		company still on same duties as on the 15 th	
	19.		Half the Coy. 82 OR. still on trench tramway remainder working on new camp. and general duties Capt Craig was detailed to make a reconnaissance of Hill 60 and Mount Sorrel. for a position for living tunnels left camp 8.30 pm with Lieut Earle and returned 5.00 AM of the 20 th .	
	20.		Coy. still employed as on the 19 th . Capt Craig reported to Lieut Col. Hodgins and C.P.E. on Hill 60 and Mount Sorrell	
	21. 22.		Coy. still employed as on the 19 th .	
	23.		Ditto, and with 88 OR. left for YPRES. at 8.30 pm. arriving 11.30 pm. and got settled in billets	
	24.		Arrangements were made with the 1st Field Coy re work on tunnels in Railway embankment and in Hill 60 after which working parties were detailed for work on two faces in each position and work was commenced at 9.00 pm, and carried on continuously working party 700 OR.	
	25.		Driving 7' 6" x 7' 6" Corridors in railway embankment.	


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10 AM. 25 10 AM. 26.	25 26.	10 600	<p>No. 1. Corridor 19' 0" No. 2. Corridor 22' 0" total 41' 0" previously reported 35' 6" under report 5' 6" working party 33 OR. Driving 8' 0" x 6' 0" corridors in Hill. 60. No. 1. Corridor 4' 0" No. 2. Corridor 3' 6" total 7' 6" previously reported 2' 6" under report 5' 0" working party including carrying party 37 OR. work on Hill 60. was hindered owing to the relief of the garrison</p> <p>Driving 7' 6" x 7' 6" Corridor in Railway Embankment. No. 1 Corridor 24' 0" No. 2 Corridor 26' 0" total 50' 0" previously reported 41' 0" under report 9' 0" work was also commenced on two cross galleries and is being carried on continuously working party 66 OR.</p> <p>Driving 8' 0" x 6' 0" Corridors in Hill. 60 No. 1. Corridor 6' 0" No. 2 Corridor 5' 6" total 11' 6" previously reported 7' 6" under report 4' 0" progress very slow on these corridors owing to the congested conditions in the trenches and tunnels working party 22 OR.</p>	
10 AM 27	27	6:00 AM 27	<p>Driving 7' 6" x 7' 6" corridors in Railway embankments No. 1. Corridor 25' 3" completed No. 2. Corridor 31' 0" total 56' 3" previously reported 50' 0" under report 6' 3" cross galleries No. 3. 6' 0" x 4' 0" 10' 0" No. 4. 7' 0" x 7' 0" 14' 6" 8 ft. done previously, 24' 6" previously reported 14' 6" under report 10' 0" No. 5 cross gallery commenced. 11.00 p.m.</p> <p>Hill. 60. No. 1. Corridor 8' 8" x 6' 0" 8' 6" No. 2 Corridor 6' 6" total 15' 0"</p>	

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	June		previously reported 11'6" under report 3'6"	
	Midnight	27/28	Driving 7'6" x 7'6" Corridors in Railway dug-outs.	
	"	28/29	No1 Corridor 25'3" and building bunks. No2 corridor 35'6" total 60'9" previously reported 56'3" under report 4'6" Cross galleries No3. 6'0" x 4'0" 21'6" No4. 7'0" x 7'0" 21'0" total 42'6" previously reported 24'6" under report 18'0. No5. Cross gallery about 10'0" of open cut at entrance Hill 60 No1. Corridor 8'0" x 6'0" 10'6" No2. Corridor 8'0" total 18'6". previously reported 15'0" under report 3'6"	
	Midnight	28-29	Driving 7'6" x 7'6" Corridors in railway dug-outs No1 Corridor 25'3" Bunks completed No2 corridor 38'0" Total 63'3" previously reported 60'9" under report 2'6" Cross galleries No3. 6'0" x 4'0" 26'0" No4. 7'0" x 7'0" 23'6" No5. 6'0" x 4'0" 10'0" total 59'6" previously reported 42'6" under report 17'0" Corridor started West from No4. cross gallery 6.00 p.m. 29th. Hill 60. No1 Corridor 8'6" 11'6" No2. Corridor 8'0" x 6'0" 10'6" previously reported 18'6" under report 3'6", working on Railway dug-outs 60'0" at Hill 60 21. OR.	
	29/30		progress of work. Driving 7'6" x 7'6" Corridors Railway Dug-outs No2 corridor 41'6" previously 38'0" under report 3'6" Cross galleries No3. 6'0" x 4'0" 27'6" No4. 7'0" x 7'0" 24'0" No4A 7'0" x 7'0" 7'0". No5. 6'0" x 4'0" 16'6" total 75'0. previously 59'6" under report 15'6" Hill 60. No1 Corridor 8'0" x 6'0" 12'0" No2. 8'0" x 6'0" 11'0" total 23'0. previously 22'0" under report 1'0" work in placing central support for caps. was commenced. working on Railway dug-outs. 60. OR. at Hill 60. 19. OR. Company employ 19.	
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			<p>Report of Captain J C Craig O.C. B Company.</p> <p>With the reserve party I left camp at 6.50 PM. on the 11th inst and proceeded to YPRES and from there with the other reserve parties reported at Railway Dugouts 10.30 pm. where we were to meet the Engineers After waiting 30 minutes and failing to locate the Engineers I reported to 3rd Brigade and received permission from General Lipsett to return to billets. On the 12th the whole party remained in billets waiting orders, and on the 13th I received orders to report with my party at Valley Cottages Observatory Road at 9.30 pm. where I was met by Lieut McPhail & Co. and with him proceeded to trenches Nos 53 and 54 the men carrying wire and shovels. A portion of the party was detailed for wiring and the remainder was started on reclaiming the trenches being then held by the garrison. This work was carried on under intermittent shell fire and at midnight an intense bombardment commenced when I ordered the wiring party into the trenches at 1 am on the 14th. the shelling eased off and I gave orders for the party to return to billets and saw every man out of the trenches and on his way to billets where they arrived at 3.00 AM. All the NCO's and men behaved very well under the bombardment three casualties (wounded)</p>	


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			<p>On the night of the 14th. I was detailed by Major Macdonell to take charge of the reserve party (D Coy) in place of Major Mansell who remained in his billet, and with the party reported at Railway Dug-outs 8.50 pm to the 2nd Field Coy. and from there proceeded to trenches Nos. 53 and 54 via Valley Cottages for materials. I continued the work started on the night of 13th viz. wiring and reclaiming the trenches, this work was carried on under bursts of shell fire every 1/2 hour and the men were very steady and worked till 2.00 AM. on the 15th. when I marched the party back to billets. Casualties two wounded.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">J. S. Craig (Capt)</p> <p>Report of Lieut. Hearle. Report on the work done by No. 1 party "B" Coy during June 10th to 14th inclusive. The party consisted of 3 officers and 77 other ranks. Left POPERINGHE at 10.30 AM on June 10. and marched to the billets of the 2nd Field Coy Canadian Engineers at G30.D.4-8 arriving there at 12.00 noon of that day. During the afternoon the party together with a party of 25 sappers was instructed and drilled in their work. The officers and four selected runners made a reconnaissance of the scene of operations and selected a site for cover trenches for use during the bombardment, on June 11th instruction and drill was continued all day at billets of the 2nd Field Coy. on June 12th rehearsal during the morning</p>	


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			<p>rest during afternoon. The party paraded at 6.00 p.m. on June 12th with 25 sappers distributed among the Pioneers in the proportion of 3 pioneers to each sapper. An Infantry carrying party of 75 men and a wiring party of 25 men, also formed a part of the detachment. The whole being under the command of Lieut. McBusy & Co. The composite party of pioneers and sappers was divided into three sections of 33 each under the command of a Pioneer officer. The detachment marched off at 6.30 p.m. and proceeded to the site selected for the shelter trench arriving there at 11.00 p.m. and had dug themselves in at the time the intensive bombardment commenced at 12.45 a.m. on the morning of the 13th. Under instructions from Lieut. McBusy the officer commanding the party remained in the shelter trench during the morning under a heavy bombardment awaiting instructions from the O.C. attack, these instructions never arrived and the whole party was finally withdrawn under orders from Capt. Matheson & Co. about 2.00 p.m. June 13 and returned to the billets of the 2nd Field Coy. The Pioneer party paraded at 10.30 a.m. June 14 and proceeded to the camp of the 1st Pioneer Battalion reporting there at 11.30 a.m. I wish to especially mention the names of Sergt. Quinn, Sergt. A.S.D. Jones, and Corp. Richmond for their splendid conduct under very trying conditions.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Casualty Report. LIEUT. F. C. UNDERHILL. LIEUT. E. F. JORDAN</p> <p style="text-align: right;">6 men. KILLED 3 MISSING. 10 WOUNDED</p>	

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	1916 June 1	6:00	48 OR. Employed at Railway Dugouts. 177' 0" of tunnel completed. 4 frames used. 1400 sand bags placed on top of dugouts. Carried 6 sets of frames. 25 Bundles of lagging 25 timbers and erected 20ft. bunks. Started new cross tunnel.	
			4 OR. Employed at Headquarters dugouts. Two standard dugouts completed, filled 800 sandbags. Excavation for dugouts.	
		2.	Work party 26 OR. at Railway dugouts. 179' 0" of tunnel completed. 1 frame used. Work stopped on account of heavy shelling.	
		5	Company dug a support trench sunken Road.	
		6	Dug trench across Inoll Road. East of Pattersea Farm.	
		7.	Dug support trench on Observatory ridge.	
		8.	Company moved to POPERINGHE.	
		9.	Company moved to new camp. G 22 c 2 4	
		9-10.	Company engaged in drills and exercises.	
		11.	75 men under. Capt Craig went to YPRES but did nothing until the night of the 13 th when they fixed wire in front of first line near Mount Sorrel, the balance of the company carried wire.	
		14.	The company carried wire and were heavily shelled on Observation Ridge.	
		15	Company engaged on clearing out deep living trenches on Hill 60.	
		16	Company moved into POPERINGHE and several days later moved to G Camp. From then to the 26 th we carried on drills and exercises with the exception of June 22-23 when 100 men under.	

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			<p><i>C. Coy</i> Lieut Emtra and accompanied by Lieut Ferguson. were sent up to consolidate an advance trench on Mount Torrel This party lost 20 men. 8 Killed and 12 wounded, and both Lieut Emtra and Lieut Ferguson displayed great bravery and coolness during the work.</p> <p>27th 5 officers 124 Pioneers 40 OR. from the C.E. 45 Belgians taking down the Dickebusch huts and re erecting them at the site</p> <p>28. All the huts have been taken down. at the Dickebusch end and 102 loads. have been delivered at the new site 41 huts are laid out and framed. 30 of which are ready for roofing and the ground ditched and drained</p> <p>29. 30. Dickebusch. End: engaged. in loading and cleaning up the ground. last night we had 45 huts ready for occupation and the officers huts are well under way.</p> <p>30. The following force at work on huts to day. 8.00 AM to 5.00 PM. 36 hutters 1st FCCCE & 2nd Bgde H Coy 100 hutters (Pioneers) 40. Pioneers Ditching carrying parties etc There are now ready for occupation hut accommodation as called for. by plan for mess latrines completed four. Kitchens. completed officers huts, and mess room. etc 75% complete wash tables and filters and tubs complete except for roofing and plumbing 1/2 mile bath mats laid 800' 0" ditching</p>	

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		6607	<p>On the night of June 13th owing to the late arrival of the train I reported to Engineers. Head quarters at 11 p m after about half an hour's delay started for front line accompanied by Major Hartsburg. object being to wire in front of 1st line trenches we picked up the wire at VALLEY COTTAGE after being heavily shelled several times, and losing several men who got seperated while under fire, and became mixed up with other bodies of men, who were blocking the roads in all directions. When we arrived at OBSERVATION RIDGE we met LTMCFNAIL who advised MAJOR HARTSBURG that the wiring had been completed, thereupon as it was at the time about 1.00 P MAJOR HARTSBURG advised me to return to billets with the men which I did. This night we acted in the capacity of a carrying party only. On the night of June 14th 1916 I reported at Railway dugouts at 9 02 p m, owing to orders being countermanded at the last moment some of the party were delayed. We left RR dugouts at 10.00 PM and proceeded to LILLEBEKE where we picked up coils of wire and carried them to a point on observation ridge. The roads were filled with troops and it was impossible to make any headway, we were shelled heavily at several points both going and coming. Both these nights my party was used as a carrying party and including both nights thirteen casualties were reported.</p>	

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			<p>On the night of the 15th I reported to Engineers' dug-outs at 9.00pm <i>C Coy</i> owing to the change in time this necessitated. we marching the party across the fields in broad day light. A sapper was detailed to guide us and we were led to the deep living trench on Hill 60 where we employed in deepening the deep living trench and accomplished some satisfactory work. We left the work about 2 AM. and returned to billets. It was a very quiet evening and no casualties occurred.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>H. H. Williams Major.</i></p>	


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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	10/6/16	11 AM.	<p>Report of operations 10th to 15th inst. Major M Mansell. O.C. "D" Coy. Lieut's White, Rowe, and Cameron with 75 NCO's and men proceeded to Headquarters 1st field coy. Gen Eng^s. for training</p> <p>On the afternoon of the 11th Officers and NCO's were taken onto the ground on which the attack was to start. At 6.00 p.m. June 12th the parties moved from training ground, under the command of Lieut Burkett C.E., to Railway dugouts where they remained until 8.30 p.m. when they moved forward with sandbags and shovels to X trench left arrived there at 9.45 p.m. At 1.30 AM. 3rd Battalion went over the parapet. At 2.15 the consolidating party received orders to proceed to the German front line trench on arriving work was immediately commenced to improve the trench at 2.35 orders were received to push forward to the final objective and to carry on consolidating same. The men were immediately opened out to commence consolidation but the work was considerably hampered by an inadequate supply of sand bags and the fact that the ground was pulverized by shelling and the recent heavy rain, the trench would not stand without revetting. The trench had been considerably improved during the quiet spell after it came into our possession. As soon as the Bombardment commenced most of the work was speedily demolished. The bombardment continued for three hours. work was pushed on as fast as circumstances would permit but the bombardment ^{continued} throughout the day and destroyed the work as fast as it was completed.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			<p>During the afternoon a counter attack was expected and the company received orders to "stand to". Lieut Cameron reports that at 6.00pm on the 13th he ordered his men to retire in small parties and rendezvous at Railway Dugouts. Lieut Rowe reports that he received orders to send out his men about 1.30 am 14th. During the day 13th the centre party got mixed with parties on the flanks and worked with them. The three officers Lieuts Fairwhite, Cameron and Rowe instructed their men to get out the best way they could and rendezvous at Railway Dug-outs during night 13/14. I first learned the condition of affairs when proceeding up the Fossaway on the night 13/14 with a carrying party (the reserve party) with Lieut Jennett C.C. Lieuts Winkel and Ferguson and a party of sappers. Here I met Lieut Fairwhite working his way out wounded and he informed me that they had been badly cut up. I placed a sentry at the bottom end of Fossaway and proceeded to gather the men as best I could and instructed them to proceed to YPRES. At 3.00 AM I proceeded to YPRES and found 20 men had arrived. I then walked to the camp where the men had been in training where I found 19 in a very exhausted condition. I pushed on with these to Battalion HQ arriving at 10.00 AM 14th. The same afternoon I proceeded back to YPRES and found eight more had arrived there. After the men left for training the Coy. HQ had moved from POPERINGHE to YPRES. The Battalion HQs had also moved to a new location which was unknown to the men.</p>	


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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			<p>On the 13th orders had been issued that the party was to rendezvous at YPRES. to entrain for POPERINGHE but there was no possible way to communicate this to the party in the trenches. these unavoidable circumstances led to the above detailed unfortunate mix up</p> <p>Observations All seems to have gone well until leaving the first objective which appears to have been put in fair condition by the consolidating party After arriving at final objective things seem to have gone well for half an hour up to 3.45 AM. 13th From this time on heavy bombardment crowded conditions and the and wet condition of the ground made it impossible to do any work of value.</p> <p>Soon after arriving at the final objective Lieut Rowe and Serjt. Anderson J.G. investigated the inside of a tunnel at Mount Sorrel and made 12 prisoners 1 officer and 11 men also. Machine gun in good condition The prisoners under escort were sent to the trench and handed over to the authorities</p> <p>Casualties in First party Killed 2. wounded 23. LIEUT. TAIT WHITE wounded 22. OR. wounded 1 NCO and 1 man Killed</p> <p>Lieut. Burkett C.E. informs me that the advance made by the officers and men is beyond praise he states that they went forward as though they were rehearsing over ground which would allow no pace faster than a walk. owing to mud shell holes and fallen trees</p>	


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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	14 June		<p>Lieut. Jennet. C.E. Lieuts Winkel and Ferguson. and some sappers proceeded with the carrying party whilst I tried to gather up the first party as stated in first part of my report. The carrying party later ran into an impassable barrage and had to abandon their loads. Lieut. Jennet and Winkel and five other ranks being wounded.</p> <p>Reserve party reported to Lieut. McPhail C.E. and worked on Davidson Avenue. and did some wiring.</p>	
	15		<p>Lieut. Ferguson. 10 NCO's and 40 men reported to Lieut. McPhail and were divided into four small parties 1 wiring party 1 carrying sandbags 1 carrying wire 1 cleaning mud out of communication trench.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Total Casualties 2 Killed 31 wounded.</p>	

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			<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Report from Capt Bahan</i></p> <p>On night June 11th with Lieuts Emra and Carter proceeded to YPRES by bus, arriving 9.30 p.m. The men were placed in billets, and we proceeded to report to Brigade H.Q. Railway dug-outs but on arriving were turned back by Capt Craig who informed us the Engineers could not be found. The night of June 12th was spent in camp. On the night of June 13th we proceeded via Railway dug-outs and Valley Cottages to the new front line trench near Viga St the party carrying shovels sacks and wire, progress was extremely difficult as we were subject to an intense barrage. On arriving we discovered a relief in progress and that it was impossible to work in a narrow trench occupied at the same by the garrison the relief and ourselves so I ordered the company with exception of nine men who were able to work to return, they did and under heavy shell fire. The remaining nine men accomplished good work until one o'clock and then we returned. On night June 13th 14th we again went to the trench where our efforts had been of so little use, to put in wire and dig a communication trench, the digging party under Lieut Carter and self were able to dig 200 ft. of communication trench. The wire party under Lieut Emra were unable to pass through</p>	

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			<p>the barrage which had developed with great intensity after the first party had passed Valley Cottage. On night of June 14th 15th we proceeded to Vigo Street and were able to place 100 yards of wire and repair 100 yards of trench in front of that occupied by the garrison. On the various nights Lieut Emma was in charge of the wire and Lieut Carter of those digging. all ranks conducted themselves in a manner deserving of the highest praise.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">J. F. Caham. Capt.</p>	


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D Coy	June 1.	1916	<p>Four working parties employed in trenches at the following points Grand Fleet St, Peters St, Deansgate, and Piccadilly other small parties, carrying party to the tunnels at Railway dug-outs, party engaged on Mess Kitchen and another on officers Kitchen at Railway Dug-outs. (two casualties) weather fine</p> <p>2. Four working parties as follows:- (1) Carrying party up to front area (2) Carrying party from Lumber Dump. to Tunnel. (3) party employed digging graves in cemetery opposite HQ (4) party completed officers Kitchen</p> <p>3. four working parties employed in Front Area, two small parties engaged in constructing a tunnel through Railway grade casualties (one wounded, slight) weather fine and warm.</p> <p>4. five working parties employed in front area three small shifts employed driving a tunnel under Railway grade casualties (one killed, one wounded, slight) weather fine and warm.</p> <p>5. whole of company employed. front area reclaiming and renovating trench weather fine PM 5th rain AM 6th</p> <p>6. whole of company employed front area, digging and constructing an assembly trench in vicinity of ZELLEBEKE 50 yards behind front line casualties (one wounded.) weather fine PM 6th Fair AM 7th</p> <p>7. Company was employed in front line area working under supervision of Capt Lynne. C.E. general trench construction and repair work. weather fair</p> <p>8. Company employed in front area working in conjunction with C.E.</p>	

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D Coy	June 8/9.	1916	general repair and reconstruction work. company left Railway dug-out and moved into billets at YPRES	
	9/10		company moved into POPERINGHE evening of 9th. left billets in YPRES 8.30 pm arrived at Pop. at 10.00 pm. 75 men. left 10.00 AM. 10th and reported at Engineers HQ. Remaunders of Company. "stood to" weather fair afternoon 9th rain morning 10th	
	10/11		Reserve. portion of Battalion left in POPERINGHE "stood to" all day weather cloudy. and changeable.	
	11/12		Company remained "standing to" afternoon 11th until 7.15 pm. then left for YPRES. by motor busses. 7.30 pm. arriving at YPRES asylum 9.00 pm. and went into billets - 75 men. reported at B.H.Q. Railway dug-outs weather heavy rain night of 11.12.	
	12/13		no working parties evening 12th. 75 men. under. Lieuts White Rowe and Cameron. constituted part of the consolidating party in the offensive LIEUT TAIT WHITE wounded. weather dull and rain	
	13/14		Reserve. portion of Coy. in YPRES furnished working parties for front area. evening of 13th. parties proceeded to carry wire through Armagh Wood. Casualties 2 slightly wounded and LIEUT. W. C. WINKEL wounded. weather dull.	
	14/15		Company furnished working parties for front area. employed in consolidating and repairing recently recovered positions	
	15/16		Casualties attacking party 2 Killed 20 wounded 7 Missing Company furnished working parties. for front area employed	

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Place	Date	Month 1916	Co. Coy.	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	June		D Coy.		
	15/16.			cleaning out and repairing recently recovered position near Hill 60. Casualties reserve party nil	
	16/17.			Company left YPRES. 11.30pm. arrived at POPERINGHE at 12.00 AM. and went into billets	
	17/18.			Company resting all members of Attacking party accounted for. Casualty summary. Killed 2 OR. Wounded one officer 21 OR.	
	18 to 23.			Company drills and exercises	
	23.			No 16 Platoon under Lieut. H M Rowe. paraded at 9.00 pm. and proceeded to YPRES. Remainder of Company. Drills by Capt Caham. assumed temporary command of Coy. pending return of Major Mansell.	
	24.			Company left billets at POPERINGHE and moved into billets at Battle Headquarters G.22.C.2.4.	
	25			working party grading site for erection of huts at Artillery Depot near Camp.	
	26-8-27.			working party of 40 men levelling and preparing site for. Huts near Artillery Depot at Busseboom. another party of 38 men. (Chiefly Carpenters)	
	28-29.			was employed erecting Huts.	
	30.			No 16 Platoon under Lieut H M Rowe engaged digging and preparing a cable bed. in front area. since their arrival at YPRES 24/6/16.	

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	1. 6. 16.		<p>Machine gun section</p> <p>At 4.30 p.m. June 2. B Battery of Motor Machine Gun. was called out to take up position in the B line of M Gun emplacements. They were all in position by 7.00 p.m. No 3 & 4 guns of my section are attached to B battery of M M G B. as the emplacements are not large enough for a full gun crew, one man per gun returned to POPERINGHE on the night of 2/3. June. one man wounded. (not serious) at 7.30 "A" Battery was called out No 1 and 2 guns and Machine Gun officer are attached to "A" Battery we arrived at Hill Gate at 9.30 p.m. met by guide and received orders to report to OC 1st B M M G Bde at MANDOR HOUSE ^{when we reached MANDOR HOUSE} we found that OC had moved his Headquarters to ZILLEBEKE I proceeded to ZILLEBEKE and reported, the situation was explained and I received orders to report to OC Coy. of 7th Battln at BATTERSEA FARM and with his cooperation placed the guns in the hedge in front of the Farm with field of fire to cover SQUARE WOOD I then went back to the crews at MANDOR HOUSE and led the way up FOSSEWAY. C.T. During this time ZILLEBEKE village and roads were being heavily shelled. When nearing BATTERSEA FARM. the C.T. was full of 1st Battln and also wounded men going out a very heavy barrage. started at 10.00 AM. and continued for over half an hour we were in the middle of it, so took cover. We continued and at last succeeded. under heavy fire</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			<p>fire in placing our guns in position I reported my position to O.C. 1st M.M.G.B. at 3.30 AM. We remained in position all that day until 4.30 PM, when I received orders that A Battery would proceed to POPERINGHE as soon as possible the motor car was then waiting at LILLE GATE we reached. POPERINGHE at 7.00 PM. B battery continued to occupy B LINE</p>	
	4 th to 11 th June.		<p>A Battery (Nos 1 and 2 guns) "standing to" in POPERINGHE B Battery (Nos 3 and 4 guns), occupying B Line during these seven days. B. Battery were twice in position ready to bring supporting (indirect) fire on enemy trenches during a counter attack but both times the attack was cancelled.</p>	
	12 th & 13 th		<p>Artillery preparation all day for attack, placed gun in position for indirect fire and fired intermittently during the night of 12/13. Fired about 3000 rounds per gun. Kept guns ready for SOS signal all day. during the afternoon a report came in that enemy was massing troops behind reserve lines, No 3 gun fired about 1000 rounds. At 10.00 PM 13/16. A Battery relieved B. Battery B. Battery returned to POPERINGHE</p>	
	14 th to 25 th		<p>Nos 1 and 2 guns occupying the B lines No 3 and 4 guns at POPERINGHE on the night of 25/26 June. after A Battery had ^{had} a very quiet time B Battery relieved A Battery who then returned into Divisional Reserve at POPERINGHE</p>	
	26 th June to July 5.		<p>B Battery in B LINE and A Battery in POPERINGHE</p>	

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			Signal. Section 1 st Canadian Pioneers attached to 1 st Divisional Signal Company	
	22/4/16		Signal. section and Lieut Hicks attached to Divisional Signals	
	23.4.16		Section employed repairing forward artillery lines broken by shell fire	
	24.4.16		commenced building dug-outs for advanced report centre H22.c.5.9.	
	25.26.		carried on with new dug-outs	
	27.		work delayed on dug-outs owing to shelling not much progress made	
	28.		Evidently observed by enemy for shelling commenced as soon as work started Section then employed repairing cables forward	
	29.		working on dug-outs at night 3 ladders hauling material & dist	
	30.		good progress made on dug-outs	
	1.5.16		Report Centre badly shelled. all forward lines cut and air lines to CVA badly damaged section repairing all day.	
	2.		Main signal dug-out finished	
	3-4		Started on officers dug-out at new report centre	
	5 th		Section working on Bde lines to Bw. HQ	
	6.		working on dug-outs	
	7.		one man detailed for dispatch rider and two air line men for Dv Signals.	
	8 & 9.		employed on forward lines	
	10.		working on dug-outs	
	11 & 12		connecting new signal dug-outs to new buried cable lines	
	13.		3 or. detailed for Brigade signals Finished officers dug-outs	
	14.		Heavy shelling all day around dug-outs No progress made.	

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	May 15-16-17.		Started on linesmens dug-outs H 22. C. 4. 7.	
	18.		finished dug-outs	
	19		Small working parties on forward Bde lines	
	20 21		Running Artillery lines to O.P.'s left group.	
	22 23		" " " " right group.	
	24		Made all connections from Artillery groups and Bdes to the new signal dug-outs	
	25-26-27		Working on forward lines	
	28		3 O.R. detailed for Bde section signals instruction	
	29-30-31.		Section employed at Division on air line construction	
	June 1.		on account of heavy bombardment 12 O.R. proceeded to Railway dug-outs for line repairing	
	2.		Repairing lines to battli in the new trenches	
	3.		Repairing line trouble	
	4. 5.		Standing to for line trouble	
	6		Section withdrawn to report centre and distributed to Bdes as supernumery linemen	
	7-8-9-10		working on line trouble	
	11.		Officer and 3 men running special line to C.R.A.	
	12.		1st Div relieved by 2nd Div section resting	
	13.		returned to Railway Dug-outs and standing to for line trouble during attack night 12/13.	
	14.		Building new line from Rly. Dug-outs to C 4 B. (YPRES. ramparts)	

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	June. 15-16	17 18-19-20	Employed as. linesman.	
	21-22		withdrawn to Division Head quarters for rest	
	23-24		working on permanent air lines from. Div to Corps. Head quarters	
	25-26		night of 24/25 1 officer and 6 OR. inspecting buried cable from. Battle HQ. to report centre	
	27-28-29-30		Working parties at Division Headquarters.	

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			<p><i>B Coy.</i></p> <p>July 1/1916 60 OR. employed at Railway Dugouts PRES. Driving 7'6" x 7'6" corridors No 2 corridor 41'6" building banks. Cross galleries No 3. 6'0" x 4'0" 33'0" No 4. 7'0" x 7'0" 24'0" No 4A 7'0" x 7'0" 10'9" No 4B. 7'0" x 7'0" 3'0" No 5. 6'0" x 4'0" 23'0" Total 93'9" Previously reported 75'0" under report. 18'9"</p> <p>19 OR. at Hill 60. Driving tunnels No 1 Corridor 8'0" x 6'0" 12'6" No 2. 12'6" central support placed in position previously reported 23'0" under report 2'0"</p> <p>2/7/16 Progress of work. driving 7'6" x 7'6" corridors ^{RAILWAY DUGOUTS} No 3. 6'0" x 4'0" gallery 41'0" No 4 7'6" x 7'6" gallery 24'0" No 4A 7'6" x 7'6" 14'3" No 4B. 7'6" x 7'6" 9'6" No 5. 6'0" x 4'0" 31'0" gallery. Total 119'9" Previously reported 93'9" under report. 26'0"</p> <p>Hill 60 Fitting banks in the two dugouts 12'6" x 8'0" just completed.</p> <p>3/7/16 Progress of work at Railway Dugouts. No 3. 6'0" x 4'0" 42'0" No 3A 7'6" x 7'6" 3'0" No 4 7'6" x 7'6" 24'0" No 4A 7'6" x 7'6" 20'6" No 4B. 7'6" x 7'6" 14'0" No 5. 6'0" x 4'0" 33'6" No 5B. 7'6" x 7'6" 2'6" Total 139'6" previously reported 119'6" under report. 19'9" new gallery. No 6. started 9 p.m. Hill. No 60. Banks completed but could not proceed with new work owing to the timber not having been delivered at Jackson Street which Capt Lynn 1st Field Coy assured me. was to be. there on the night of the 2nd. To night a carrying party was detailed to be at Jackson Street at 10:20 p.m. I had a guide there to meet the party but up to 11.15 p.m. no party turned up The guide then returned to billets and reported that up to the time he left no timber had been delivered to Jackson Street for the work on the tunnel at Hill. 60. I started a new face at Railway dugouts with the party which was working at Hill 60 and will continue to do so until the timber is delivered at Jackson Street</p>	<p><i>16/11</i></p>

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	3/4 July.		The embankment at Railway Dugouts is very much shaken and is continually caving in, causing considerable delay in the work. Party (29) arriving 9.00 pm. 3 rd worked 3 hours. on new battle head. quarters Battersea Farm.	
	3/4 July midnight		Railway Dugouts progress made. No 3. corridor 6'0" x 4'0" 42'0" No 3A corridor 7'6" x 7'6" 9'0" No 4 gallery 7'6" x 7'6" 24'0" No 4A corridor 7'6" x 7'6" 23'6" No 4 B. corridor 7'6" x 7'6" 18'6" No 5. gallery 6'0" x 4'0" 33'6" No 5. B. corridor 7'6" x 7'6" 6'6" No 6. gallery 6'0" x 4'0" 8'0" Total 165'0" previously reported 139'6" under report. 25'6"	
	4/5 July		Midnight. Hill 60. Timber for this work is being carried in night of 4 th and 5 th and work will be continued on the 5 th . the parties being taken off from the work they had started on the Railway dugouts. Work on Battle Headquarters Battersea Farm.	
	4/5	5/6	Trimming and deepening and placing "A" frames. in deep trench 300R. employed. Railway Dugouts. progress made, No 3. gallery 6'0" x 4'0" 42'0" No 3a. corridor 7'6" x 7'6" 12'0" No 4. 7'6" x 7'6" gallery 24'0" No 4A 7'6" x 7'6" corridor 26'0" No 4 B. 7'6" x 7'6" corridor 21'6" No 5. gallery 6'0" x 4'0" 33'6" No 5 B. 7'6" x 7'6" corridor 11'0" No 6. 6'0" x 4'0" gallery 8'0" total 178'0" previously reported 165'0" under report 13'0" considerable caving in on all faces. (530R employed) 220R employed. Hill 60 two new faces were commenced from shaft.	
	5/6	6/7.	300R at. Battle Headquarters deepening, trimming, and placing A frames. and resetting trench for dugouts. Progress report. work. Railway Dugouts No 3. gallery 6'0" x 4'0" 42'0" No 3A 7'6" x 7'6" corridor 14'6" No 4. 7'6" x 7'6" gallery 24'0" No 4A 7'6" x 7'6" corridor 30'6"	

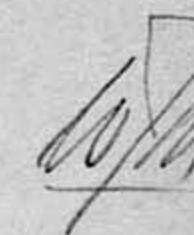
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	5/6	6/7	July.	
			<p>No 4 B. corridor 7'6" x 7'6" 25'6" No 5. 6'0" x 4'0" gallery. 33'6" No 5 B. 7'6" x 7'6" corridor 14'0" No 6. 6'0" x 4'0" gallery. 8'0" total 192'0" previously reported 178'0" under report. 14'0"</p> <p>Hill 60. No 1 Living Chamber was started on the 5th inst but running earth was struck which it was impossible to stop with the materials at hand. although every endeavour was tried to keep the work closely lapped, a cavity 8 feet deep was caused and the tunnel was so filled with the earth and gaining all the time that the OC of the 3rd tunnelling Coy recommended the closing of this chamber. No 2 living chamber. 2'6"</p> <p>Battle Headquarters Battersea Farm. flooring trench and started two headings for dugouts.</p>	
	6/7.	7/8.	<p>progress of work. Railway Dugouts No 3. 6'0" x 4'0" gallery. 42'0" No 3A 7'6" x 7'6" corridor 18'0" No 4. 7'6" x 7'6" gallery. 24'0" No 4A 7'6" x 7'6" corridor 30'0" No 5. 6'0" x 4'0" gallery 35'6" No 5 B. 7'6" x 7'6" corridor 17'6" No 6. 6'0" x 4'0" gallery. 8'0" total 209'0" previously 192'0" under report. 17'0"</p> <p>Hill 60 No 2 Living Chamber. 5'0" previously 2'6" under report. 2'6"</p> <p>Battle Headquarters Battersea Farm. No 1 shaft 5'0". No 2. 4'6" total 9'6"</p>	
	7/8.	8/9.	<p>Railway dug-out progress of work No 3. 6'0" x 4'0" gallery 42'0" No 3a 7'6" x 7'6" corridor 22'6" No 4. 7'6" x 7'6" gallery. 24'0" No 4A corridor 38'0" No 4 B. 7'6" x 7'6" corridor 35'0" No 5. 6'0" x 4'0" gallery 35'6" No 5 B. 7'6" x 7'6" 21'6" No 6. gallery. 6'0" x 4'0" 8'0" total 226. previously 209'0" under report. 17'0"</p> <p>Hill. 60 No 2. living chamber. 8'6" previously 5'0. under report. 3'6"</p> <p>Battle Headquarters Battersea Farm. No 1 staircase 10'6" No 2. staircase 8'0" total 18'6"</p>	

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			<i>B Coy.</i>	
	8/9	9/10	July.	
			<p>Railway Dugouts progress of work. No 3. 6'0" x 4'0" gallery. 42'0" No 3a 7'6" x 7'6" corridor. 24'0" No 4. 7'6" x 7'6" gallery 24'0" No 4A 7'6" x 7'6" corridor 41'0" No 4B. 7'6" x 7'6" corridor. 41'0" No 5. 6'0" x 4'0" 35'6". No 5B. 7'6" x 7'6" 22'0". No 6. 6' x 4' 8'0" total 237' previously 226. Under report. 11'0" Corridors 4A 5B. 3A. & 4B. met. and on 3A & 4B. give 65'0" corridor & 4A and 5B. give 63'0" ^{corridor} say space for 85 Bunks. work delayed by bad caving in - Corridors will be ready for erecting bunks in two days. all shoring completed and weak spot cover backfilled. New galleries and corridors will be commenced at once. - Hill 60 No 2 living gallery. 12'6". previously reported 8'6" under report. 4'0" work at Battle headquarters is temporarily delayed owing to caving at foot of stairways. preparations are being made to abandon stair and sink shafts under instructions</p>	
	9/10	10/11	<p>Railway Dugouts. Working on shoring cleaning out &c. Hill 60 No. living gallery. 17'0". previously reported 12'6". under report 4'6" Battle Headquarters Abandoned. Stairways started work in sinking shaft.</p>	
	10/11	11/12	<p>Railway Dugouts. Commenced new galleries 6'6" x 6'6" No 7 and 8. Converted gallery No 6. from 6' x 4' to 6'6" x 6'6" gallery No 6. 11'0" No. 7. 9'0" Corridor No 5A 5'0" total 25'0" No 8. 12'0" open approach. Hill 60. Living Tunnels. No 2. 21'6" previously reported 17'. under report. 4'6" work commenced to night on No 1. Dressing Station</p>	
	11/12	12/13	<p>Progress of work. Railway Dugouts. Gallery. No 6. 15'. No 7. 11'0". No 8. 6' Corridor No 5A 10'0". total 46. Previously reported 25'0" today 21'0"</p>	

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	11/12	12/13	Hill 60. No 2 gallery. 27'0 previously reported 21'6 today 5'6"	
	July.		work was commenced on No 1. Dressing Station but as no material arrived party had to be taken off	
	12/13.	13/14	party at Railway Dugouts progress of work Gallery No 6. 18'0 gallery No 7. 19'0 gallery No 8. 15'0. Corridor No 5A. 17'0 total 69'0 previously reported 46. Today 23'0 Trench tramway ^{WOODCOTE ROAD E.} laid 120 yards. track graded 175 yards. roadbed. Surfaced 50 yards. new. track Surfaced 20 yards old track Hill 60. No 2 living gallery 31'0 previously 27. Today 4'0 No 1. Dressing Station open cut completed to grade and first form. set.	
	13/14	14/15.	progress of work. Railway Dugouts. Corridor 5A. 19'10" gallery No 6. 23'6" gallery No 7. 23'6", gallery No 8. 23. total 89'10" previously 69'0" Today 20'10" Hill 60. No 2 Living gallery. 35'0. previously 31'0" today 4'0", No 1. Dressing Station 4'0" Trench Tramway. 100 yards. graded track laid and surfaced. Casualties two wounded	
	14/15.	15/16	party at Railway Dugouts. Corridor. No 5A 23'0" gallery No 6. 26'0 gallery No 7. 27'0 gallery No 8. 24'6. Corridor 8B. 4'6" total 105'0 yesterday 90'0 today 15'0" Hill 60 No 2 living gallery. 38'0 yesterday 38'0 today 3'0" No 1 Dressing Station 7'0 yesterday 4'0 today 3'0" Trench tramway Total track laid including grading and surfacing 335 yards. yesterday report 200 yards. today 135 yards.	
	15/16.	16/17.	party at Railway dugouts. Corridor No 5A. 29'0" corridor 6A. 3'0" corridor No 7A. 7'0" corridor No 8B. 9'0. total 46'0" yesterday 27'6. today 20'6"	

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	15/16	16/17	<p>B Coy.</p> <p>Hill. 60. Infantry Tunnel. work commenced on driving a raise from No 2 Living Chamber to the deep support trench and about 4'0" of raise driven No 1. Dressing Station 9'0" reported yesterday 7'0" today 2'0" show progress here today owing to no infantry being available on change tonight Trench Tramway. Track laid graded and surfaced. 465 yards reported yesterday 335 yards today 130 yards.</p>	
	16/17	17/18	<p>Progress of work at Railway Dugouts Corridor No 5a. 32'0" No 6a 6'0" No 7a. 9'0" No 8B. 14'0" total 61'0" yesterday 48'0" today 13'0" working on props and bunks in No 5 corridor Hill No 60 Infantry tunnel 9 ft of raise driven from No 2 living gallery to deep support trench No 1. Dressing Station 12'0" yesterday 9'0" today 3'0" Trench. Tramway track laid graded and surfaced. 585 yards reported yesterday 465 yards today 120 yards.</p>	
	17/18	18/19	<p>Railway Dugouts Corridor No 5a. 36'0" No 6a. 11'0" No 7a. 12'0" No 8B. 19'0" total 78'0" yesterday 61'0" today 17'0" 23 bunks completed in Corridor 5. Force. 39. Pioneers and 36. infantry Infantry tunnel raise from No 2 Living gallery to deep support trench completed 15'0" No 1. Dressing Station 14'0" yesterday 12'0" today 2'0" Trench tramway track laid graded and surfaced 790 yards. yesterday 585 yards today 205 yards.</p> <p>17 Capt J B Craig inspected site for new baths at Hopwate siding started 8.00 on dismantling baths in. POPERINGHE 15th Commenced building hut for baths 24. OR employed, party dismantling old baths increased to 12.00.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	B Coy. Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	15/19	19/20	Railway dugouts. Owing to the fact that no material arrived for the work last night the party was laid off and no work was done. Hill 60 Infantry tunnel. Living Chamber No 3 opened out from Main drift and 2' 0" driven No 1. Dressing Station 16' 0" yesterday 14' 0" today 2' 0". Dump. Dressing Station started 17 men attached to Mr. Emra's party in French Farm. 19th Hatting party on baths as usual dismantling party as usual. Piping materials transported to site.	
	19/20	20/21	Railway dugouts. No material has arrived for this work for the past two nights, and no work has been done for the past two days. Hill 60 Infantry tunnel Living Chamber No 3. 5' 0" yesterday 2' 0" today 3' 0". No 1 Dressing station 20' 0" yesterday 16' 0" today 4' 0". Dump. Dressing station 8 ft. of open cut. approach. and 4' 0" of gallery. timber set. 20th Party increased to a total of 46 OR. commenced piping arrangements on new baths, carpenters working on bath houses and washing house.	
		21st	Party on piping and huts and filter beds.	
		22	Party increased to 56 OR. work on piping and huts proceeding satisfactory incinerator commenced.	
		23.	Party increased to 76 OR. all the work well advanced.	
		24.	Bath house completed and connecting piping with main supply and heating plant. 25th water was turned on. the baths and 24 men bathed. Bathhouse 50' x 16' with 30 hot and cold water showers. completed washing house. 50' x 16' partly completed, wringing Room. 20' x 16' partly completed. Drying Room. 50' x 16' completed. Ironing and Mending Room. 40' 2" x 16' 0" completed.	

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	July	B Coy.	
	25	Dressing Room. 40' 0" x 16' 0" completed Undressing room 40' x 16' completed Store Room. 25' 0" x 10' 0" completed	
	26.	work yet to be done. on baths fitting doors and windows to hut Officers' baths additional drying room., hut for bath attendants fumigating chambers and generally finishing up. 21 OR. left on work remainder returned to Camp. and proceed with Coy to YPRES.	
	midn: 26/27.	Left for YPRES. 8.00 pm. arrived 11.00 pm.	
	27/28.	Progress of work. Battersea Farm Signal Headquarters cleaning up completed work, no material on the site No 1 Dressing Station Still 60 cleaning up and preparing for flooring This flooring was ordered. 24/7/16. and I found it to night unloaded at Railway dugouts. Infantry tunnel Still 60 Days progress. 1 foot total 22' 0" very little material on site due to Lieut. Turner. 3 rd Field Coy C.E. using the special timber for overhead cover. in the front line trenches. Bensham Road Dressing Station Excavating for framing Railway Dugouts Corridor 6a. 2' 0" total 34' 0" Corridor 7B. 5' 0" total 8' 0" D.A.C. Dump. Railway Dugouts. preparing bed for steel arches. and banking earth on top of arches. 2 nd Field Coy C.E. Dump. dressing Station 1:6" of 8' 0" dressing room Trench tramway 150 lin yards of line unpacked - packed. 100 lin yards of line and hauled materials from Woodcote Farm to Blaupoort Farm. for further extension	
	27/28. 28/29.	Progress of work. 3 rd Field Coy C.E. Battersea Farm. Headquarters walls of small dugout. 8' x 6' off deep trench completed and partly roofed.	


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	July		B Coy.	
	27/28	28/29	<p>Infantry Tunnel Hill 60 6'4" x 6'6" tunnel days progress 2'6" total 24'6" Bensham Road Dressing Station Framing on both sides completed for 12'0" and 4. I beams. Laid on wall plate for roofing Railway Dugouts 6'4" x 6'6" corridor 6A 3'0" total 37'0. corridor 7B. 3 ft. total 11'0" D.A.L. Dump. (Railway Dugouts) 1 Trench. section placed in position bed prepared. for last section and. earth banked. on top to depth of 4'0" 2nd Field Coy. C.E. Dump. Dressing Station 8'0" x 6'0" 3'0" total 35'0" Trench. tramway 50. lin yards of line packed and 300 lineal feet of rail laid complete making a total of 2200 feet.</p>	
	28/29	29/30	<p>3rd Field Coy. C.E. Battersea Farm Headquarters 6'0" x 3'0" cut from chamber. 3'6" 8'0" x 6'0" dugout roofed. Infantry Tunnel Hill 60. 6'4" x 6'6" tunnel. 4'0" total 28'0" Bensham Road Dressing Station I beams. on section of roof. (12'0") laid and covered with sand bags (filled) work delayed by shelling Railway Dugouts 6'4" x 6'6" corridor No 6A 3'6" total 40'6" No 7B. 3'6" total 14'6" D.A.L. Dump. Railway Dugouts last section placed in position making a total length of 18'0" end wall partly built and entrance partly covered. Dump Dressing Station 8' x 6' tunnel 2'0" total 37'0" very slow progress on this owing to loose ground. due to an old sap. running across. the line of the tunnel Trench. tramway 85. lineal yards. laid making a total of. 2085 yards. work was. very much. held up. by. Machine gun fire and darkness.</p>	


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			<i>A Coy.</i>	
	1. 7.16.		<p>Lieut Rowe and 30 men reported at Railway Dugouts to Engineer Officer at 9.30 pm for work. ⁽²⁾ Lieut Carter and 24 men loading party for road filling at YPRES. ⁽³⁾ Lieut Johnstone and 18 OR. on road work. Shrapnel Corner - Transport Farm. - Planwe Post Farm, ⁽⁴⁾ 1 Sert and 20 men working on Tunnel ditches at Mount Sorrell ⁽⁵⁾ 1 Sgt. and 10 men on tunnel. at Mount Sorrell These men to be there permanently I am arranging reliefs every four days. ⁽⁶⁾ went over part of railway with Major. Macdonell. and supervised the road work afterwards ⁽⁷⁾ about 25 yards. of road filling to night. amount to date about 124 cu yards. Traffic very congested to night</p>	
	night July. 1/2.		<p>Lieut Rowe. and 30 men working at Battersea Farm on signal dugouts. Lieut Carter and 24 men. loading party at YPRES. for road filling one sergeant and 9 men. working on tunnels at Mount Sorrell this party is living at Mount Sorrell and rationed from here.</p> <p>⁽⁴⁾ Lieut Johnstone and 39 men on road work. Metalling 6 Loads. put on road to night 10 men. fixing up bad places on sides of road between Shrapnel Corner and Transport Farm. with timbers &c. Remainder of party road filling in vicinity of Transport Farm. Filling to date 150 yards. finished inspection of railroad to night and also supervised road work.</p>	
	2/3.		<p>Lieut Rowe. and 30 men working at Battersea Farm on Signal. Dugouts. Lieut Carter and 24 men loading party at YPRES. for road filling ⁽³⁾ 1 Sert and 10 men returned from work on tunnels at Mount Sorrell about 1.30 am.</p>	


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			<i>A Coy.</i>	
	July 2/3.		<p>11 Lieut Johnstone and 18 men on road repairing 10 Loads of Metalling were put on road. to night from Lille Gate to Shrapnel Corner 20 yards. bricks filling near Transport Farm and also at Blauwe. Point Farm (5) 1 Sergt. and 19 men reported to Railway Dugouts at 9.30 p.m. to the Engineer Officer for work at Battersea Farm on dugout have informed Capt Behan about the work we have in hand and will take him over road tomorrow Road.</p> <p>felling to date including metalling 180 cu yards.</p>	
	July 3 rd to 5/13		<p>Company in at Rest at Camp. work parties as follows.</p> <p>6. party 22 OR. and 4 S & S waggons reported at 8.30 AM. at the mill Vlamertinghe commenced work cleaning roadway. making new road for 2nd field ambulance. Dressing Station completed about 80 ft. of road.</p> <p>7. 14. OR. at Headquarters Camp Buseboom. erecting huts. one hut erected shell only. two large huts walls and floors. one large hut floor partially laid. nine loads of "knocked down" huts unloaded.</p> <p>7. New Road 2nd field Amb. Vlamertinghe completed 40% of road</p> <p>8. Camp. 23 OR. Completed roof windows. and doors of two huts. 16x21' Completed frame of one hut. 15x21' Completed hut 12x10' roofed and papered. windows and doors fitted Completed roof of hut. 12x10' frame of hut. 10x40' foundation of Mess hut 16x20' pulled down. Signallers hut. and removed same.</p> <p>8. New Road 2nd field Amb. Vlamertinghe completed 50% of road.</p> <p>9. Completed hut. 40x10' including covering same with tar paper. Raised frame and boarded in and partially sheeted roof of hut. 16x20. covered walls of two huts with tar paper. 10x12' commenced two huts 16x10</p>	

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			<i>Aloy.</i>	
	July	9/10	Verbranden Road YPRES. report of work. 9 teams reported at 10 PM. total loads carried 27. work done between Stone Bridge and Transport Farm 17 loads. used on northern side 10 loads used on Eastern side work completed 12.40. A.M.	
		9.	New Road. 2 nd Field Amb. Vlamertinghe making and grading 70% completed.	
		10.	23 OR. at Camp. building huts. finished 5 huts.	
		10.	2 nd Field Amb. Vlamertinghe 90% of new road completed.	
	10/11.		Verbranden Road YPRES. No of teams 4. 12 loads material delivered filling in on northern side of road between Stone Bridge and Eastern branch road.	
		11.	11 OR at Camp. building huts and laying trench mats.	
		11.	2 nd Field Amb. Vlamertinghe Making new roads. and culvert over drain	
	11/12.		Verbranden Road YPRES. No of teams employed 3. No of loads material 9. Northern side of road from 100 yards beyond Stone Bridge to 200 yards beyond. Stone Bridge Railway track	
		12.	20 OR. at Camp. building huts.	
			2 nd Field Amb. Vlamertinghe Making culvert over drain and making new road.	
	12/13.		Report of work completed to this date v. Blauwe Poort. Farm. excavation completed men employed 10. B. Sunken Road roof and walls. cleared drain excavated men employed 15. (C) Thorn. Station excavation completed and drainage cleared men employed 18. Roads. 18 loads dumped. and levelled from Railway Crossing towards Blauwe Poort Farm Teams employed 6. men employed 16. Brick fill collected at YPRES. men employed 16.	

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	12/13.		Total no of men employed. 75. total teams available 6.	
	13.		The mill Vlamertinghe making new road. Completed road bed. with	
	14.		brick rubble and culvert over drain waiting for road metal	
	15.		Company. went to YPRES. night of. 14/15.	
	night of 14/15		Report of progress of work (1) work commenced on 3 dressing	
			stations. at. Blauwe Poorte Farm - Vermaundermolen Sunken road	
			and Thorn Street Excavation finished on all. three and material	
			delivered at sites (2) Road work from Transport Farm. Road near	
			Railway dugouts to 1 st Railway Crossing 17 waggon loads of material	
			used on road about. 300 ft of road repaired Casualties one wounded	
	15/16.		A Dressing Stations (1) Thorn Street Mud sillo excavated and about	
			80% of material carried to site (2) Blauwe Poorte Mud sillo in	
			place Top sillo in place (3) Vermaundermolen. Sunken Road. Mud	
			sillo in place about 80% of material carried to site B Road work.	
			delayed on account of Bridge being blown out at Suicide Corner	
			thus stopping teams from working 4 lumber waggons. from Camp	
			took 2 loads per waggon. for road work.	
	16/17.		Dressing Stations (1) Blauwe Poorte Frames. in place steel on.	
			roof and corrugated iron with 2 layers of sand bags. South sandbag	
			wall. built Floor joists in place. Verbrandenmolen Sunken Road	
			25% of work done. Thorn Street 24. Sheets expanded metal	
			carried to site 2x4. and 1x6 flooring on site west side constructed	
			Remainder of material carried to site (2) Road. repair 23 loads. used	
			on road repair 300 ft. of road repair done	

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	<p>A Coy. July. 17/18. 18/19 19/20. 20/21.</p>	<p>Report of work. VPRES. Dressing Stations Thorn Street 75% finished Verbrandenmolen Sunken Road 70% finished Blauwe Poorte 85% finished Road work. 16 loads material put on road about 300 lineal feet of road repaired.</p> <p>Dressing Stations Thorn St and Verbrandenmolen sunken road, the working parties were turned back by sentries at Sunken road dug-outs on account of heavy shelling Direct hit by shell on Dressing Station at Blauwe Poorte just before work was finished Damage not very serious. Road work. 30 loads of material between Transport Farm and Blauwe Poorte about 600 lineal feet of road repaired.</p> <p>Report for night Dressing Stations Thorn Street This station is abandoned. Verbrandenmolen Sunken Road about 85% done. The Thorn Street station is removed to this site, excavations done on work to night and about 400 sand bags filled. Blauwe Poorte about 75% done. Road work. 16 loads of material between 1st Railway crossing and Blauwe Poorte about 300 lineal feet of road repaired. No waggons supplied to night outside of limbers from Camp.</p> <p>Dressing Stations two stations at Verbrandenmolen Sunken Road. one station about 95% finished on the other station about 50% of the excavation done. Blauwe Poorte is abandoned owing to two extra direct hits during the day. Road work 22 waggon loads put on roads. about 600 lineal feet of road repaired.</p>	<p></p>

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	July		<i>A Coy.</i>	
	22	29.	Company at rest at Camp P	
	29	/30.	Company returned to YPRES.	
	31.		10 OR. on mens. dug-outs at Trench. 34 R. 40 OR. on Battalion Headquarters No 4. and drainage ditches 54 OR. road repairs Neuve. Eglise. Road.	<i>W/M</i>

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	July	1 st to 3 rd	work. party employed at Artillery Camp erecting huts, and construction work. party of carpenters erecting kitchen for officers mess in camp	
		3/4	Ⓛ Lieut Rowe and work party (one platoon) employed in front area YPRES. Company in Camp. Ⓛ	
		4/5	Afternoon of 4 th left camp. at 5.15 pm. arrived in YPRES. at 8.00 pm. 28 men & 2 nees. reported for work at Railway dug-outs 9.30 pm. Roads now improved for one waggon. Lille Gate to Railway crossing near Transport Farm. 42 OR. and two officers employed. 10 teams reported 30 loads material taken to work. 36 OR. reported to Capt Matheson Railway dugouts 9.30 pm. 9 teams reported for work. 35 loads material placed on road improving Shrapnel Corner. to Transport Farm 44 OR. and two officers. on work	
		5/6	35 OR. reported Engineers Dugouts 9.30 pm. engaged at revetting and deepening an advanced trench on Mount Sorrel. — 1 officer. 45 OR. repairing road. leading to Transport Farm. loading party in YPRES. 7 teams carried 21 loads of material, no crushed rock, placed brick only.	
		6/7	3 work parties employed. as on 5/6 July.	
		7/8	Repairing roads. Shrapnel Corner. to Transport Farm. 9 team hauled 18 loads material 1 officer & 45 OR. employed. 44 men 1 officer employed repairing and rebuilding Halifax trench	
		8/9	Loading party in YPRES. 44 OR. employed repairing road. leading to Transport Farm. 9 teams reported for work. 27 loads material carried	
		9/10	3 working parties employed (1) Loading party in YPRES (2) repairing road. Shrapnel corner. to Transport Farm (3) repair work in front line trench	

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	July.		D Coy.	
	10/11		three working parties employed. as. on. 9/10 July.	
	11/12		work party employed repairing roads leading from Shrapnel Corner to Transport Farm one loading party in YPRES. one party repairing trenches front line area. work party under Lieut Cameron. employed on machine gun emplacements. report of work. (1) site 80% clear for MGE type 6 at B. (adjacent to B8) (2) Excavation complete for 1. MGE type 6 and 2 MGE type 9 at D (near B7) (3) Material received for 2 MGE type 6 no. of men employed. all ranks conditions quiet evening fine	
	12/13		loading party employed in YPRES 2 party repairing roads near Transport Farm. (3) party repairing and rebuilding a trench in vicinity of Sanctuary wood. work party under Lieut Cameron Divisional M G scheme. progress. (1) Cribwork at C and D (MGE type 6) 50% complete. (2) dugouts at Lillibeke Halt excavation 35% complete small cellar partly cleared out (3) Carrying party 25 men. Of 13th Battalion arrived 9.30 pm. (4) no. material delivered no. of men employed 42. Conditions dull evening some rain some shelling on way to work., quiet on work.	
	13/14		The same working parties evening of 13th Company left YPRES at 3.00 pm. arrived at POPERINGHE at 3.45 AM. marched to Camp party under Lieut Cameron. Div M G Scheme. (1) cribwork complete sandbag and rubble 25% complete MGE type 6. at C. (2) cribwork 90% complete sandbag and rubble started MGE type at D (3) excavations for dug-out. at E. 60% complete and 200 sandbags filled for covering roof cellar. at E cleaned out found to be about 10'0" x 8'0" x 5'0" high, stone floor. wood ceiling in poor condition working party of 25 men.	

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			<i>D Coy.</i>	
	13/14		13 Battalion arrived 9.30pm. (5) no material was delivered (6) 2 men detached. to work on fabricating emplacement at Reninghelst yard. No of men employed. 38. Conditions rainy dark very little shelling	
	14/15		progress of work Div M & Scheme (1) M & E. type 6 at C sandbagging walls and rubble complete to top of crib steel delivered too late to erect. (2) Machine Gun Emplacement. type 6 at D cribwork complete sandbagging walls 25% complete Steel delivered too late to erect. (3) 2 M & E type 9. delivered late in night at C. one waggon of steel broke down on road. (4) excavation at E for dugout complete 500. sandbags. filled for roof (5) work to complete B4 started (6) no of men employed. 38 no infantry Conditions fine night very quiet Balance of Coy in \square Camp.	
	15/16		Lieuts. Cameron & Rowe. 38 OR. Employed on Div M & scheme. progress of work (1) M & E type 6 at C. steel and corrugated roofing in place. sandbag and rubble complete to level with top of steel (2) M & E type 6 at D sandbag and rubble complete to top of cribwork (3) B4. emplacement almost. completed (4) Material for. 1 M & E. type 6. and 1. M & E. type 9. delivered at E (5) Carrying party 25 men. 14th Battln arrived 9.30pm. owing to breakdown. of waggon. on previous evening party had to be. employed carrying load. from point of breakdown. to C. (6) work on M & E. type 6. at C & D. delayed. by absence of adequate supplies of brick near work necessitating carrying long distances	
	16/17		38 OR. 2 officers employed on M & E. (1) material for. 1 M & E. type 6 delivered Lankhof Gate	

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	July		D box	
	16/17.		(2) Material for 1 M&E type 9 delivered at C. (3) M&E type 6 at C complete (4) B4 complete (5) M&E type 6 at E excavations started (6) working party 25 men. 14th Battln Conditions wet night no shelling	
	17/18.		party of Pioneers (38) 2 officers and 25 men 14th Battalion M&E type 6 at D complete except detonating layer. M&E type 6 at E excavation complete cribwork started. Inspected site at Bluff for M&E for 3 guns point A Conditions quiet evening no shelling or M&E fire	
	18/19.		38 Pioneers 2 officers M&E. " M&E type 6 at D complete (2) M&E type 6 at E cribwork complete steel and sandbagging started No infantry arrived thus delayed work considerably Lieut Cameron going over positions G H. I with Col Brutnell 1st M M G Bgde at 7.00 AM. today to decide final siting Conditions fine moonlight night	
	19/20		37 Pioneers 2 officers M&E. " no working party arrived absence delayed work considerably (2) M&E type 6 at E sandbagging of sides 90% complete all steel on site, shortage of sandbags. Conditions fine evening very little firing	
	21.		Report of party M&E. " M&E type 6 at E complete (2) carrying party 25 men. 10th Battln arrived (3) arrangements complete to start battery of M&E type 6 at B. tomorrow night Casualties (one wounded) fine night little rifle M&E fire	
	21/22.		Company entrained at PAPERINGHE. arrived at YPRES 10.15 pm. No 1. party under Sgt Barford. employed at Sunken Road and Pettierat Lane building bomb proof dressing station and Battle Head quarters party of 10 miners and Sgt Marshall. employed at tunnelling in front area. Casualties one wounded.	

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	21/22		Dw. M & G Scheme, (1) M & G. type 6. at B. crib complete sandbagging complete to top of crib second. M & G type 6. at B. excavation 35% complete all. materials for above now on site no carrying party turned up. Thus delaying work No of men employed 31. conditions fine night very quiet	
	22/23		Report of work completed to day. All excavations for Headquarter dugouts completed Dressing Station completed to uprights four wagon loads of material piled at Sunken Road. Checked list of materials will be forwarded this morning 16 loads of material dumped on road past railway crossing no wagons reported from Ammunition Park. Total employed 105 OR. 3 officers 3 work parties employed. (1) constructing Battle Headquarters in Petticoat Lane. (2) Bomb proof Dressing Station at Sunken Road fourth party at tunnelling in front area. two small parties loading and unloading road repairing material Lieut Cameron and party on M & G Scheme.	
	23/24		Report of progress of work. Road Repairing 16 Loads material dumped between Railway Crossing below Transport Farm. and road to Blauwe Poorte and took 6 loads to (P) Camp. Dressing Stations in Sunken Road. (a) complete. (b) excavation complete. Battle head quarter (1) excavation complete (2) 50% complete (3) excavation down. 7:6" party of miners carried on work. constructing dug-outs in vicinity Grand Fleet St. M & G scheme. (1) M & G. type 6 at B. No 1 ready for steel No 2. excavation 80% complete No 3 excavation 35% complete. No of men employed 25 Casualties one killed one shell shock. on way to work.	

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	<i>D Coy.</i>			
	24/25		<p>3 parties working at "Battle Headquarters" Dressing station in Petticoat Lane. (3) Sunken Road tunnelling party Grand Fleet Street, Road. repairing parties in YPRES and Transport Farm. M & E scheme (1) M & E. type 6 at B. No 1 complete except detonating course of bricks (2) No 2 excavation complete sandbags filled crib started (3) No 3. excavation 75% complete all excavation filled in sandbags. (4) working party 25 men 10th Battalion arrived. 10 00 pm. (5) No of Pioneers employed 22. Conditions dull dark night some shelling & M & E fire</p>	
	25/26		<p>No 2. Dressing Station completed Petticoat Lane. dugout partly roofed. working party arrived 40 men. no material arrived therefore working party was dismissed 14 loads of material placed on road from crossing to Lillebeke Halt. party of miners carried on as usual. party employed on Road repairing from Shrapnel Corner to Transport Farm, M & E scheme. M & E. type 6 at B. No 2 Ready for steel No 3. excavation complete 500 sandbags filled. No carrying party arrived, unable to start work until after 11 00 pm. owing to fighting and artillery fire near work. No of Pioneers employed 29.</p>	
	26/27		<p>Report of Progress of work. 2nd Dressing Station completed 2 S.A.A. Dugouts. completed 1. S.A.A. dugouts excavation for, completed and materials carried to Hdq. dugout Carrying party 10 men reported and employed. 8 loads of material placed on Verbranden Road to Lillebeke. No transports reported for road work. party employed constructing Ammunition Stores at Sunken Road and Petticoat Lane. work was continued on the Grand Fleet St. Battle Headquarters mining party engaged in front area.</p>	

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			<i>D-Booy</i>	
	<i>July</i>			
	<i>26/27.</i>		<i>Div M & G Scheme. (1) No work. party arrived (2) Battery B No 2 ready for steel roof 4 posts in No 3. crib complete No 4. marked out and excavation started (3) No of Men employed. 28. Conditions quiet dull night (6) Material for No 4 delivered at Engineer dump near Bedford House. instead of at Lankhof this will cause delay.</i>	
	<i>27/28.</i>		<i>10 men. tunnelling in front line area, 28 men loading material on trows repairing roads. 63. loads placed. Kruinstraat Road. 14 Transports reported for work on roads. Excavation completed for Ration dumps on Sunken Road, Thorn Street and Rat Alley. Materials for H Q's dump. carried working party of 15 men reported at 10.30 pm. Div. M & G Scheme. No infantry carrying party, consequently the Pioneer party had to be employed in carrying and no construction work was accomplished, material for 1. M & G. type 6 for Battery H. (Valley Cottages) No of men employed. 27. Casualties one man wounded. conditions misty night quiet</i>	
	<i>28/29.</i>		<i>Report of work. Ration dumps on sunken road and Thorn Street completed Rat Alley excavated framed and sand bags ready. Head Quarters Nosrac walk. roofed and partly floored site located for headquarters by Petticoat Lane. 61. Loads of material placed on road. at Kruinstraat 15 Transports wagons. reported Div. Machine G. Scheme. progress. MGE type 6 at B. No 2. steel in place No 3. 50% steel in place Carrying party 1st Batta 25 men arrived No of Pioneers employed 18. Conditions quiet on work. misty night</i>	
	<i>29/30.</i>		<i>Battle Headquarters on Nosrac walk. completed Ration dugouts on</i>	

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			<i>D boy.</i>	
	<i>July</i>			
	<i>29/30</i>		<i>reserve .35 and Rat Alley completed Dressing Stations painted outside Battle Headquarters off. Thorn Street preliminary excavation 17 teams reported for road work 34 loads of brick placed on road Company marched from YPRES to \square Camp. arrived there 4.30 AM. Div M & Scheme. (1) Battery B. M & E. type 6 Nos 12. and 3 ready for brick detonating layer. No 4. excavation 50% complete Material for M & E. type 9 for D. delivered, working party. 25 men arrived No of pioneers employed 21. Conditions foggy night quiet some shelling on road 9.30 pm.</i>	
	<i>30/31</i>		<i>Company resting in \square Camp.</i>	

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			<i>C Coy.</i>	
	<i>July</i>			
	<i>15/5</i>		<i>Putting building Devonshire Lines</i>	
	<i>5/6</i>		<i>60 men. brought up to YPREG. and placed to work.</i>	
	<i>15/6</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>Company. in rest. at Camp. employed on various working detail camp fatigues etc</i>	
	<i>19/20</i>		<i>Battersea farm ration dumps. two dumps. 35% complete force 33 OR including carrying party. Battle Report Centre Dugout. excavation 6' deep. 10' x 9' force 10 OR. Woodcote House. Thorn St and Trench. Railway track laid to 1100 yards. last of Lille Road. force 42 OR. Road making force 20 OR with A Coy.</i>	
	<i>20/21</i>		<i>Battersea Farm Ration Dump. excavation for two dumps. 90% complete force 14 OR. Battle Report Centre Dugouts excavation complete force 14 OR. Woodcote House. Thorn St. Trench. Tramway track laid to 1300 yards. last of Lille Road. 200 yards. laid force 59 OR. 300 yards graded to day. Road making 13 OR with A Coy. Dressing Station Benchem Road. 30% excavated 14 OR employed</i>	
	<i>21/22</i>		<i>Rly. Dugout tunnels. total 89'. corridor previous 78'. today 11' force. 21 OR. 36 infantry. No 1 Dressing Station 6' x 8' total 23' previous 20' today 3' force 6 OR. 9 infantry. Infantry tunnel living corridors no 3. 6' 6" x 6' 4" total 8' 0" previous 5' 0" today 3' 0" force 7 OR. 30 infantry. Benchem Road Dressing Station 60% excavated 9' x 21' force. 11 OR. Battle Report. B.C. Battersea Farm. Cribbing 75%. erected force 12 OR. Dump. Dressing Station open approach. 12' total today 4' 0" force 9 pioneers</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>

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	July		<i>C Coy.</i>	
	21/22		Trench Railway 100 yards track laid 100 yards surfaced and graded no carrying party reported at Jackson St Hill Co. 8 No. 1. Dressing station no track delivered for Trench Tramway	
	22/23		Railway dugouts tunnels 5A corridor 41' 6" 6A corridor 19' 6" corridor 20' 6" 8B corridor 25' 0" total 106' previous 89' today 16' force 21 OR infantry 34 OR. No 1 Dressing Station 6' x 8' total 28' previous 23 today 5' 0" force 6 OR. 9 infantry Infantry tunnel Living corridors No 3. force 7 OR. infantry 3000 work progress. total 10' 0" previous 8' 0" today 2' 0" work held up for 5 hours choked with sandbags. Benham Road Dressing Station excavation 60% completed force 12 OR. Battle report centre Battersea farm. material supplied erected, force 12 OR. Battersea farm signal centre sapper reports progress. 13 pioneers Trench Tramway. 1500 yards east of Lille Road today 120 yards laid and graded force 29 OR. Dump Dressing Station 17' 0" framed approach. today 5' 0" framed. tunnel force 9 OR.	
	23/24		Rly dugouts tunnel progress. 5A corridor 45' 6" 6A corridor 22' 6" 7A. 24' 6" 8B. 29' 6" total 122. today 16' 0" force 21 OR. 36 infantry No 1 Dressing Station 6' x 8' total 31' 0". today 3' 0" force 6. pioneers 30 infantry Benham Road Dressing Station excavation 75% completed 900 sand bags filled force 12 OR. Battersea farm. signal centre Chamber. in. 14' 0" ready to put in breast heading force 13 OR.	

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	<i>July 6 Coy.</i>			
	<i>23/24</i>		<i>Trench tramway 1640 yards east of Lille Road. today 140 yards laid and graded force. 29 OR. Dump Dressing Station 21' framed approach. today 4' tunnel 4'x6" force 9 OR. Dal. Store Railway dugouts excavated and filled 450 sandbags.</i>	
	<i>24/25</i>		<i>Battersea Farm. signal HQ cleaning out strengthening etc force 13 OR. No 1 Dressing Station 30' long commencing strutting etc force 6 OR. 9 infantry. Infantry Tunnel Living Corridor No 3 14' today 3' force. 7 OR. 30 infantry. Bensham Road Dressing Station excavation 80% complete force. 16 OR. 1600. sand bags filled Railway Dugouts 5A corridor 48' 6A 26' 7A 8B. 58' total 132' 0" force. 21. pioneers 36 infantry Dal. dump. excavating force 13 OR. Dump Dressing Station gallery. 24' 0" tunnelled approach. force 9 OR. Trench Tramway. 1670 yards. track laid east of Lille Road. 100% graded ahead of Blauw. poote farm. 160 cum rail shipped up today.</i>	
	<i>25/26</i>		<i>Battersea Farm Signal HQ cleaning up etc no working party tonight and held up for materials force. 13 pioneers No 1 D Station 31' long put in 5 I beams. Infantry tunnels Hill. 60. 18' today 4' 0" force 7 OR. 30 infantry. Bensham Road Dressing Station excavation 90% completed filled sandbags. force 16 OR. Railway dugouts 5A corridor 50' 0" 6A 28' 7B 3' struck old dumps. in both, today 7' shoring up putting in posts etc on completed corridors. Dal dump. 70% completed.</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>

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	July		6 Coy.	
	25/26		Dump. Dressing Station Gallery. 29' tunnelled approach commencing dressing station force 9 OR. Trench Tramway. 1700 yards track laid east of Lille Road could not work at Blauwpoort Farm tonight	
	26/27		Dump. Dressing Station 29' approach 3' widened out to full width of Dressing station force 9 OR. Trench Tramway. 1900 yards laid east of Lille Road rails 33' damaged yesterday force. 25 OR. Dal. dump. 60% completed out of material 150 OR employed. Battersea Farm. Signal. HQ no materials or working party force. 13 OR. No 1 Dressing Station completed putting I beam. and cleaning up force. 6 OR. Infantry tunnels Hill 60 21' 0" today 3' force. 7 OR. delayed by having to carry material from Jackson St. Benham Road Dressing Station commenced framing up. force 16 OR. Railway dugouts 5a. b. B. 58' 6A 32' 7B. 3' today 11' shoring up, struck old dugouts, force 21 OR.	
	27/31		50 men. after working as reported 26/27, marched out from YPRES. to Camp. arriving 6.00 AM 27 inst Balance marched during day Company in rest to end of month working parties sent to 1st Div Baths, and Camp. on construction work. Inspection of Coy. by GOC. Division Maj. Gen Currie CB. on July. 29/1916	

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	August		D Coy	
		1 st	<p>Divisional M.G. Scheme. Progress of work. (1) Battery B no. 4. MGE type 6 crib complete as far as shortage of material permitted (2) Battery D 2 MGE type 9 75% complete (3) material delivered for 2 M.G.E. type 9 at Battery E. Carrying party 25 men arrived one man wounded. (Knee - Bullet) No of pioneers employed 26 Balance of Coy in. @ Camp.</p>	
		2.	<p>Divisional M.G. Scheme Battery D M.G.E type 9 not ready for bricks. No 2 Sandbagging 50% complete No of pioneers employed 24 no. carrying party arrived Balance of Coy in. @ Camp.</p>	
		3.	<p>86 OR. proceeded to YPRES. arrived at Billets at 9.45 pm. Div M.G. Scheme. Nos 1. 2. 3. MGE complete. No of men. 24 -</p>	
		4.	<p>86 OR. engaged at constructing and reinforcing new billets Div. M.G. Scheme. (1) Balance of material for M.G.E no 6 type Battery G delivered. owing to expected developments at the front all work parties were held up until midnight and subsequently cancelled for the night</p>	
		5.	<p>86 OR. engaged on new billets no other working parties Div. M.G. Scheme Battery C all material on ground excavation complete all earth filled into sandbags. M.G.E type 9. Battery D floors laid M.G.E. type 9. no infantry party arrived to night This delayed work considerably No of men employed 34</p>	
	Night	5/6.	<p>The Bluff one officer 7 OR. constructing 30ft of fire step (no material</p>	

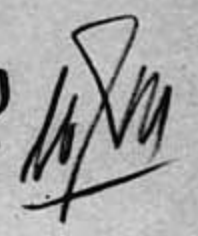
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	August		D Coy	
	Night	6/7.	<p>Tunnels. Bluff one officer 31 OR. 3 ft. 2 hours work only to 12 MN Railway Bluff one officer 26 OR. 1/2 mile ballasted and trestles strengthened 6 lengths of rail not yet laid where required MGE Battery B. 1 officer 54 OR. crib finished vertical I's in place 24 beams for roof carried no carrying party arrived for MGE Battery D 135 bags brick carried. Battery F Trench Sect and Sandbag walls. place. Telephone Station</p>	
		7/8.	<p>one officer 29 OR. employed on Railway The Bluff track ballasted from cemetery to end of line, one officer 58 OR. MGE The Bluff. Battery B. 60% complete Battery C. two new positions located and dug 3 ft deep, cellar filled under B. 8. Battery D. one emplacement covered with brick Tunnels. worked stopped by the Brigade Fire Step, Crater, 300 ft put in (1 officer 38 OR)</p>	
		8/9.	<p>Headquarters Dugout. Bluff. 4' 5" excavated Fire step 275' put in Tunnel 5 ft put in until 1.00 pm. Railway line 28 men improving no material MGE Emplacements. Battery B. roof ready for brick, Battery C. excavated to depth 4' 0" Battery D. Both emplacements complete Holt telephone dugout complete. (one casualty wounded)</p>	
		9/10.	Company left YPRES. for Camp	
		10/11.	Company resting in Camp.	
		11/12.	Route march and company drill	
		12/13.	left Camp evening of Aug 12. arrived at Cercueo. 1.00 pm. Aug 15 th	

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			<i>D Coy.</i>	
			Company employed. . . Company, platoon gas helmet drill signalling and route marching	
	16.19		to 26. <i>Marched. Serques to Arques entrained Arques. detrained Candar.</i>	
	27.		<i>marched. Candar. to Franqueville</i>	
	28.		<i>marched. Franqueville to La Vicogne</i>	
	29.		<i>marched. La Vicogne to Tadencourt</i>	
	30.		<i>marched. Tadencourt to Senlis where bivouaced.</i>	
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			<i>B Coy.</i>	
		1/2.	Company in rest employed on camp, fatigues and routine training etc with details on small construction works such as divisional baths etc	
		3.	Company marched to TPRES to relieve "B" Coy on forward area work. Relief carried out by 2.00 pm of August 4 th without cessation of work on any portion of programme.	
		4/5.	Progress of work. Battersea Farm Headquarters 6'x5' Today 3'0" total 16'6" (13 pioneers) Deepening Trench B'sea Farm. Draining and deepened thirty yards 1 1/2 ft etc. (13 pioneers) Ammunition Dumps Knoll Farm Two excavated one roofed (11 pioneers) Infantry Tunnels Hill 60 6'4"x6'6" No 3 Chamber 1'0" Total 4'0" (21 pioneers) Bensham Road Dressing Station put in 2'0" of overhead cover rubble and dirt (13 Pns) Railway Dugouts cleaning up. (6 pioneers) B'sea Farm Runners Dugouts roofing completed (11 pioneers) Dump Dressing Station passage 31' 8'6" tunnel Today 2'6" total 18 = 49'0 (Pioneers 9) Trench Tramway laid 40 yards Backfilling etc and filling shellholes (45 pioneers) Material 50 "J" Bolts and nuts for. Ply.	
Main 3/4		4/5.	Battersea Farm Headquarters Today 5'0 total 21'8" - 13 pioneers Battersea Farm Runners Dugouts put on 2'0" overhead, 6 Infantry 13 } cover with corrugated iron detonating course and flooring 11 pioneer B'sea Farm deepening trench about 50' cleaned out and bath mats laid (7 pioneers)	
		5/6.		
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			<i>C Coy</i>	
	4/5	5/6	<p>Am. Dumps. Knoll Farm Framed and roofed one dump carried up materials distance 500 yards. for two dumps. 11 pioneers Railway Dugouts putting up splinter wall etc (2 pioneers) Bensham Road Dressing Station excavated 1/3 of switch back approach to Station put on 6' overhead cover, lagged sides ends with corrugated iron (13 pioneers) Deep. Support and Met Rt. improving and revetting etc (11 pioneers) Infantry Tunnels. Hill 60. No 3. Chamber 3' total 7'0" carrying material from dump. and building kitchen to accommodate increased party of 60 and ration party No 1 Dressing Station Building splinter wall (54 pioneers) Dump Dressing Station Completed length 18'0" putting down flooring etc 9 pioneers Trench Railway laid 70 yards of track ballasting etc (21 pioneers)</p>	
	5/6	6/7	<p>Battersea Farm Headquarters Today 3' 6" breaking into new chamber. (third) Delayed by sidechore (13 pioneers) Battersea Farm Runners. Dugouts Finished Battersea Farm Trench commenced deep trench for No 2 Shaft (13 pioneers) Deep. Support and Metro Left. placed 5" frames. revetted and rebuilt 12' of parapet in Metro, and built up one bay in Deep St. (12 pioneers) Am. Dumps. Knoll. Road. Completed 3 dumps (13 pioneers) Bensham Road Dressing Station put in joists for floor and switch back approach 75% completed (19 pioneers)</p>	<i>WPM</i>

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			<i>6 boy.</i>	
	<i>Aug 5/6</i>	<i>6/7</i>	<i>Infantry Tunnels. Hill 60 No 3 today 2'6" total 9'6" Broke out 2 raises from No 3. 4' each took over main gallery and mucked out same building kitchen and carried material and nations (60 pioneers) Dump. Dressing Station Completed (9 pioneers)</i>	
	<i>6/7</i>	<i>7/8</i>	<i>Trench Tramway. laid 50 yards. total 2670 yards up to Thorne Street and Sunken Road. and fixing track etc. (22 pioneers) B'cea. Farm. HQ today 4'6" total 8'0. third chamber. no carrying party on a/c. of relief (20 pioneers) Deep support and Metro Left. put in 150' fire step. (12 pioneers) Benscham Road. Dressing Station. Deepening Trench for drainage and working on switchback (13 pioneers) Infantry tunnels Hill. 60 No 3 Today 2'6" total 11'0" working right and left ends from No 2. 1/2 slope 1'6" in each total 5'6" each Main drift 4'0" today carrying out sandbags and building kitchen (59 pioneers) new drift from. Deep support work stopped by straff</i>	<i>WJMS</i>
			<i>Trench Railway. 35 yards. track laid say 2700 yards total - to end of line in Thorne St Fixing up and ballasting etc about three days work for this party putting line in good order etc 22 pioneers</i>	
	<i>7/8</i>	<i>8/9</i>	<i>Battersea Farm HQ today 2' Total 3 chambers 40' had. to stop in afternoon on account of bad air, no light, Commencing shaft No 2 to connect up. (20 Pioneers) Deep. Support. Trench. Firing. Step etc (12 pioneers) Benscham Road. Dressing Station Finished Switchback. no flooring received (13 pioneers)</i>	

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			<i>C Coy.</i>	
	7/8.	8/9.	<p>Infantry Tunnels. Hill 60. No 3. today 2' total 13'0" Right raise from Nos 9' left 6' today 10' Maindrift today 4' carrying out sand bags and completed Kitchen (56 pioneers) Trench Railway completed to end of old track surfacing etc (23 pioneers) about MN 7/8. Aug. gas cloud passed through billets in YPRES lasting about one hour and a quarter. no casualties as warning was. food and billets were well protected by blanket curtains and gas did not enter them</p>	
	Aug. 9 th		<p>In accordance with orders received all men withdrawn from works under progress Handed over all works to 2nd and 3rd F.C.C.E at 3.00 pm. Lieut Smith of 8th F.C.C.E. (relieving the 3rd F.C.C.E) being informed also of progress of same, and plans handed over with details, Battersea Farm Signal Headquarters and Infantry Tunnels at Hill 60 being only works not practically completed</p>	
10 & 11 th			<p>Company marched from YPRES in small detachments to \odot Camp. Company assembled at \odot Camp inspection parades. Kit inspection baths etc drill and routine</p>	
		12.	<p>Orders received to proceed (in Battalion) to neighbourhood of TILQUES with 2nd Infantry Brigade General Loomis - march to take about 3 days. distance approx 27 to 30 miles left \odot Camp at 7.40 pm and bivouaced near HQ 1st DAC No 1 section distance 3 1/2 miles arrived about 9.30 pm. marching out state 3 officers 155 OR.</p>	
		13.	<p>Left Bivouac. 8 00 AM and proceeded to a point about 2 1/2 miles</p>	

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	Aug		<i>C Coy.</i>	
		14.	<i>east of Steenvorde on Abeele-Cassel Road arriving about 10 30 AM Bivouached for night Aug 14. left Bivouac at 5.00 and proceeded to Baalberg. (distance say 14 miles) on Cassel-Ledersgele Road Arrived Baalberg bivouac at 1.40 pm.</i>	
		15	<i>left Bivouac 7.00 am arrived billets Serques at 12.15 pm distance say 10 miles</i>	
		16 to 19	<i>Company employed on schedule of training as laid down by O.C. comprising Company drill, physical drill, manual of arms, musketry, gas helmet drill, bombing, signalling, and route marching</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
		to 26.		
		27-31.	<i>Battalion left Serques. 27th arrived Senlis 31st where bivouaced.</i>	

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	August. B Coy			
	Midnight- July 31. to Midnight Aug 1		<p>Progress of work. 3rd Field Coy C E Battersea Farm Headquarters 6'x3' cross cut from chamber 1'0" total 11'0" 6'x5' chamber. 2'6" total 2'6" 13 pioneers. Infantry Tunnels Mill 60 6'x4" x 6'6" chamber 3'0" total 33'0" 15 pioneers. Benscham Road Dressing Station Levelling floors for sillo placing sillo for side frames. frames placed ready for cross beams. in extra 6'0" length: 7 pioneers Railway Dugouts 6'x3' exit south side No 8. 5'0" total 6'0" No 6. 3'0" total 9'0" Building bunks in corridors 27 pioneers D.A.C. dump Railway Dug- outs Floor laid work completed Dump. Dressing Station 8'x6" tunnel 2'0" total 40'6" 11 pioneers Trench Tramway 68 lin yards laid including curve making total 2253 lineal yards 23 pioneers</p>	
	31/1	1/2.	<p>3rd Field Coy C E, Battersea Farm. Hdqrs. 6'x5" chamber 5'0" total 7'6" (43 pioneers) Infantry Tunnels Mill 60, 6'4" x 6'6" chamber 3'0" total 36'0" 15 pioneers Benscham Road Dressing Stn Frames completed roofed and 3 layers of filled sand bags laid on roof area. 20'x15' 7 pioneers No 1 Dressing Stn Floor laid and entrance completed 11 pioneers. Railway Dugouts 6'x3' exit south side No 8. 3'0" total 9'0" No 6. 3'0" total 12'0" Building bunks in corridors 27 pioneers Dump. Dressing Station 8'x6" tunnel 1'6" total 42'0" 11 pioneers Trench Tramway 142. lineal yards laid making a total of 2395 lin yards Half the yardage laid to night was made up of short lengths (8'3") 27 Pioneers</p>	
	1/2	2/3	<p>Progress, Battersea Farm Headquarters 6'x5' chamber 3'0" total 10'6" 13 pioneers, Deepening Trench Battersea Farm 30 lin yards of trench 4'0" deep ready for revetting 10 pioneers</p>	

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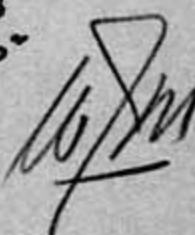
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			B-Boy.	
	Aug. 1/2	2/3.	<p>Ammunition Dumps Knoll Farm. Dumps 8'6" x 3'0" x 3'6" 2 excavated and 1 excavated to within 9" of depth 11 pioneers. Infantry Tunnels new 6'4" x 6'6" chamber No 3. 2'0" 15 pioneers Blensham Road Dressing Station Trimming walls and filling sand bags with bricks from old house close to station for detonating surface. 7 pioneers Railway Dugouts 6'x3' exit south side No 3. 3'0" complete No 4. 7'0" Building Bunkers in corridors 27 pioneers Dump dressing station 8'x6' tunnel 2'0" total passage 31-44'0" 11 pioneers Trench Tramway 133 lineal yards laid making a total of 2528 lin yards. 21 pioneers</p>	
	2/3	2/4.	<p>Battersea Farm. Hd. Qrs. 6'5' chamber. 3'0" total 13'6" 13 pioneers Deepening Trench Battersea Farm. work party cancelled. owing to activity in front line 10 pioneers. Ammunition Dumps Knoll Farm. work party cancelled. 11 pioneer. Infantry Tunnels Hill 60 6'4" x 6'6" chamber No 3 1'0" total 3'0" no carrying party on 2/3. 15 pioneers Blensham Road Dressing Station work party cancelled. 7 pioneers Railway Dugouts 6'x3' exit south side No 7. 8'6" complete building bunkers and entrances 27 pioneers Firing Steps 180 lin feet in deep support etc 11 pioneers Dump Dressing Station 8'x6' tunnel 2'6" total 46'6" 11 pioneers Trench Tramway work party cancelled owing to activity in front line 21 pioneers</p>	
	Aug. 4.		<p>Handed over work to "C" Boy. Left YPRES. 7.00 pm arrived camp. 9.30 pm. 5 on well digging 35 OR remainder general duties 6 ditto ditto</p>	

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			B.	
	Aug 7.	8:9	35 or. on well digging forenoon. in the afternoon the Coy attended gas school general duties for the Coy 9 th Coy left camp. 7.30 p.m. for camp at L 35 a. 8. 5. arriving there 8.30 p.m.	
	10.		Forenoon Kit inspection, afternoon Platoon drill.	
	12/15		Left camp. 7.40 p.m. Aug 12. arrived Serques 12.15 p.m. Aug 15 th	
	16.		Morning inspection of kits etc afternoon, platoon drill and short route march.	
	17.		Morning Platoon, Company and Physical drill Afternoon Route march heavy marching order.	
	18.		Morning Physical semaphore and arm. drill Afternoon Route march. musketry smoke helmet drill	
	19.		Morning semaphore and pay parade afternoon 'platoon and arm drill and dummy bomb throwing lecture to NCO's on map reading	
	20.		Church parade.	
	21.		Morning semaphore physical and platoon drill afternoon route march light marching order.	
	22.	26.	Platoon Physical and Company drill	
	27.	31.	Battalion left Serques. 27 th arrived Senlis where bivouaced.	

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	Midnight July 31. Aug.		<p>A Coy. August 1916. Progress of work. (1) Dugouts in Trench 34R During 24 hours relief 3 new faces opened timbered and drained ditch put in throughout total of excavation (2) Battalion Head Quarters No 4 excavation to depth, finished and drained ditch 20' long 2' 0" wide and 5' 0" deep graduating to lower level dug, 350 sand bags filled (3) 27 loads of material put on Neuve Eglise Road. 5 Engineer G.S. waggons went astray 5 Pioneer Waggons went astray These teams have not been heard of at time of writing report 3 AM.</p>	
		1/2 nd	<p>Dugouts at Trench 34R. During 24 hours relief the three new faces opened are finished including chambers 11' x 4' x 5' and drift back of them 4' x 5' x 20' (2) 50 loads of material put on Neuve Eglise Road. (3) 18" of extra cover put on Battalion HQ No 2. Drainage ditch from Battalion HQ's No 4. 80% finished drainage ditch from Dressing Station at Verbrandet Molen sunkew road about 15' 0" finished</p>	
		2/3 rd	<p>(1) Dugouts at Trench 34R. During 24 hours 2 new entrances completed and about 12 ft of 5' x 4' drift completed 28 or employed 9 men in each shift of 8 hours. (2) Road work 36 loads material placed on Neuve Eglise Road and levelled off 5 HCO's and 49 men employed (3) Battalion HQ's No 4 etc By day excavation for ditch from Battalion HQ's and excavation for emergency exit 1 HCO and 13 men employed.</p>	

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	August		A Coy.	
	2/3		By night Finished extra sandbagging on Dressing Station at Verbranden Molen Lunken Road and ditch from Dressing Station completed all but 4'0" Material for B.H.Qs. No 4 carried to site men employed. 1 NCO and 17 men	
	3/4		Dugouts at Trench. 34 R. The total amount of work done since Sunday July 30. is as follows. Total length in footage 45' @ 4'x5' 19'6" @ 4'x3' Timber used 86 posts 4 feet long 42 caps and sills 5'0" long 44 caps. and sills 3'0" long. No of men employed. 1 Sgt and 27 men (2) Battalion head Qs. No 4 Sills and posts and revetting with expanded metal finished by day on Aug 3. also emergency exit No of men employed. 1 Sgt. 12 men No night party was put on this work. night of Aug 3/4. owing to Strafe of our guns. from 10.00 pm. till 12. midnight, and all working parties were called off in this particular area until after 12 midnight 3/4. night party in this area. will be worked by day tomorrow on drainage ditches and 6 men. on firing steps (3) Road work. 32 loads. of material placed on road Neuve Eglise Road. No pioneer limbers for brick available for work. Teams working 16 Engineers G-S wagons. No of men employed. Loading. 27 OR. Road repair 28 OR. Heavy transport on roads. during time road work was on delayed these teams from carrying 3 loads per waggow.	
	4/5		Trench 34 R. 14 sets of 4'x5' mining frames. put in place and lagged Men employed. 28 OR. (2) Battalion H.Qs. No 4. Finished except for 50% of head cover. 50' Corrugated iron drain put in place Men employed 13 OR.	

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			<i>A Coy.</i>	
	<i>Aug.</i>	<i>4/5.</i>	<p>(3) Drainage ditch Dressing Station Sunken Road. about 200' 0" of ditch deepened and trench mats put over road crossing and road entrances to station enlarged. men employed. 12 OR.</p> <p>(4) Firing Steps 6 men working by day from 9.00 am. till 5.00 pm under Engineer Sergeant (5) Road work. 53 loads of material put on Neuve Eglise Road men employed. loading 26 OR. Road Repair 34 OR</p>	
	<i>5/6.</i>		<p>(1) Trench 34 R. 16 sets of 4' x 5' put in place and lagged Men employed 28 OR.</p> <p>(2) Leighton Street Company Headquarters 2 faces opened 4 sets of 4' x 3' put in place men employed. 4 — Firing Step under Engineer Sergeant. men employed. 6 — (4) Battalion HQ No 4 Emergency exit made Entrance steps put in Airspace in roof put in and covered with corrugated iron also revetting in ditch from Emergency exit. Men employed 13 OR. 90ft corrugated iron pipe laid and covered from No 2 Dressing Station, 100' 0" of ditch dug from B. HQs. No 4. to Battalion Emergency dugouts Men employed 11 OR (5) Road work 57 loads of material on Neuve Eglise Road Men employed. 5 NCO's. 44 men.</p>	<i>W.P.M.</i>
	<i>6/7.</i>		<p>Trench 34 R 10 sets of 4' x 5' put in place and lagged 17 lin feet. excavated Men employed. 25 OR. Leighton Street Coy. HQ 4 sets 3' x 4' put in place 4 men employed. Battalion HQs. No 4. work completed 13 men employed (5) Battalion HQ No 4 Emergency Dugout 1 face opened and 1 set. of 3' x 4' put in place 3 men employed. (6) ditch for drainage from 1 Battalion Emergency dugout completed and partially revetted men employed. 11 OR.</p>	

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	Aug		Aloy.	
	6/7		Road work. 53 loads of material on Neuve Eglise Road men employed 47 OR. (7) Firing Steps under Engineer Sergeant 6 men employed.	
	7/8		Trench 34 R. 4 sets 4' 5' put in place and lagged 11 lin feet excavated men employed 19 OR. Party carrying up flooring to R trench and pumping out water from dugouts and putting in sump holes box 200. 3 PM. carried to site men employed 14 OR. (2) Battalion Head quarters No 4 Emergency. Dugout 4 sets of 4' x 3' in place and lagged 5 lin feet excavated men employed 9 - Party deepening ditch about 2' 0" and sloping about 20' 0" revetted 6 frames and 18 sheets corrugated iron in place men employed 9 men. Leighton Street Coy. HQ 5 sets of 4' x 3' in place and lagged 7 lineal feet excavated 4 men employed. Road Repair 54 loads of material on Neuve Eglise Road. 44 OR. employed Firing steps 6 men.	
	8/9		Trench 34 R. 4 1/2 sets 4' x 5' in place and lagged 16 lineal feet excavated 18 OR employed, Drain finished in two dugouts and drift between and two dugouts floored and material carried to site 14 OR. employed. Leighton Street Coy. HQ 3 sets 4' x 5' in place and lagged. 16 lin feet excavated 5 men employed, Battalion head quarters No 4 Emergency. Dugout 3 sets 4' x 5' in place and lagged. 8 lineal feet excavated 9 men employed, ditch from Battl HQ to Emergency. dugout 25' revetted 11 A Frames. and 24 sheets of corrugated iron in place 9 men employed. Firing Steps 6 men employed under Engineer Sgt. Road work. no waggons	

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		<i>Aug.</i>	<i>A Coy.</i>	
	10/11.		Company assembled at Ⓢ Camp. inspection parade etc	
	12.		left Ⓢ Camp. 7.40. p.m. 12 th and marched to Sercques arriving at 12.30 p.m. 15 August.	
	16/26.		Company employed on schedule of training and route marching	
	27/31.		Company left Sercques. 27 th arrived Senlis 31 st where bivouaced.	<i>10/11</i>

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	Sep. 1 st 2 nd & 3 rd		Battalion marched into Billets in Senlis spent afternoon cleaning up Parades &c.	
		4.	Received orders to march at 11.30 AM. left Senlis 1.30 pm. proceeded to Avoca Valley via Albert arrived there 4.00 pm. Quarters giving fair protection from weather men constructed small dug-outs supply of material very short.	15/21
		5	A Coy took over from 2nd Field Coy. C & E Trench Tramline. 9000 placed on work men supplied to Engineer Dumps 19000. on various dumps. B Coy working on 250' of First Aid Trench 6.00 AM-10.00 AM. deepening widening and improving 4 officers and 100 OR. one officer and 1500 reported to Lieut Stacey at Salvage dumps. Albert C Coy Four officers and 100 OR. in Tramway Trench deepening widening and reclaiming completed 400 yards. straight frontage from Pn. HQ in Copse Avenue to left. along Tramway Trench, about 100 yards of this trench still uncompleted - i.e. from Centre way to the right along same left T Trench 9.55 AM. no casualties	
		D Coy	Three Officers 100 OR. reported to Lieut Harvey C & E, worked as follows cleaning and deepening 140 yards N Trench cleared 80 yards N Trench, cleaning and deepening 130 yards Centre way. worked from 6.15 AM to 10.15 AM.	
		6	A Coy Repaired part of trench tramline at head of Sausage Valley 6 new sections of track put in - 4 shell holes filled patrolled line from Albert to Poziers by day and by night No employed 9000. attached to Engineer. dumps. 19000.	

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	Sep. 9. 13	Boy.	Working on First Aid Trench 4 officers 100 OR. 5 AM. 10 AM. excavated 100 yards of drain 90 yards of Trench widened deepened and drained 100 yards partially completed 30% of this portion of trench was revetted with sandbags.	10/11
		B Boy	Improving and regaining Tramway Trench say 170 yards 100 yards. frontage completed cleaning up along Centre Way 150 yards south from Tramway Trench widening and deepening, force 2 officers 85 OR. Time of work 4.00 AM. 11.30 AM.	
		D Boy	Four officers and 97 OR. left camp 4.15 AM. commenced work 5.45 AM completed work 10.15 AM. cleaning out draining and widening about 300 yards of K. Trench and Tom but casualty one slightly wounded	
	7.	A Boy.	Report of Progress of work. (1) Railhead at Tramway at Albert repairing trucks 4 trucks repaired and track patrolled from Albert to vicinity of Becourt Wood men employed 16 OR. (2) Shamrock Tree near Becourt Wood to dump at Becourt Wood, line patrolled and kept in repair men employed 8 OR. (3) Dump at Becourt Wood cleaning up yard and loading and unloading transports 15 OR. (4) Sausage Valley. flying patrol stationed here for general maintenance and repairing large breaks in line 26 OR. (5) Sausage Valley to Top of Sausage Valley on patrol of line 4 men. (6) Sausage Valley to Pozieres on patrol 17 OR. Hay dump. 1 OR. Chalk pit dump 1 OR. Pozieres Dump 1 OR. (7) Supervising NCO in charge Total No of other ranks employed 90. attached to Engineer Dumps. 19 OR. Throughout the line 6 new sections of track were put in and the line kept in permanent repair The line is patrolled by day and by night	

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	Sep 7 th	B Coy	First Aid Trench working on 300 yards of this trench deepening widening draining and improving. 25% of trench walls revetted with sand bags. 3 officers and 100 OR working hours 5 AM - 10 AM. Water guard 8 OR.	
		C Coy	Two officers and 83 OR. working on First Aid Trench regaining etc. about 150 yards. This party should have worked on Tramway Trench but were prevented by heavy shelling of same	MFM
		D Coy	party 3 officers and 98 left camp 4 AM. commenced work 5-10 AM. completed work 10.00 AM. cleaning out, draining, and widening Centre Way for about 500 yards from a point 400 yards south of Pozieres Main Road to a point 100 yards North of same	
			Party of 5 officers and 176 OR. reported to Capt Priestly R.E. San Corps. Signals at X19 a. 2. 4. at 3.45 this AM. and proceeded to X9 L central where 320 yards of cable were buried in 1st avenue Trench, the party worked until 9.30 AM. and then returned to Camp.	
	Sep. 8.		Cable Burying party 5 officers 180 OR. reported to Capt Priestly R.E. at 1st Avenue Trench at 5.00 AM. worked there until about about 8.30 AM. having buried 320 yards of cable.	
		A Coy.	Railhead at Albert 5 trucks repaired 60 lineal feet of roadbed repaired 60 lineal feet of wire fencing to protect road - Road patrolled Albert to Shamrock Tree men employed 15 OR - (2) Shamrock Tree to Becourt wood line patrolled 8 OR. (3) Becourt wood Dump grading 90 ft of 12 ft wide road Laying 39 ft of 12 ft wide road Borderoy Road and placing brick rubble on road - loading and unloading lorries and transports 16 OR (4) Sausage Valley Flying patrol 26 OR - (5) Sausage Valley to Top of Sausage Valley Line patrolled 4 OR (6) Sausage Valley to	

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			<p>Pozieres Road line patrolled men employed 1700R. Hay dump 10R Chalk pit dump 10R. Pozieres Dump. 10R. ⁽¹⁾ Supervising NCO on patrol. 1. Total employed 90 OR Engineer Dumps, men attached to dumps for employment under Engineers. 190R.</p> <p><i>Sep 8</i> B Coy First Aid Trench working on 250 yards widening deepening draining and revetting sides where blown in by shells 2 officers 100 OR, working hours 5.30 AM. 9.00 AM. ceased work owing to heavy shelling water guard 80R.</p> <p><i>C Coy</i> Two officers 660R, engaged 4.00 AM to 11.00 AM. as follows, Copse Avenue Trench from Lydney Trench to Emu, cleaned out 1st Aid Trench drained deepened and revetted where necessary. Sunken Road Trench cleaned out. 75 right from 1st Aid Trench Pozieres Trench left from 1st Aid Trench 400' cleared out. No casualties - 1st Aid Trench and Sunken Road Trench shelled about 9.00 AM. ^{heavy shell}</p> <p><i>D Coy</i> Party of 3 officers and 100 OR. Marched off from Camp 4.00 AM. commenced work 5.15 am completed work 10.00 AM. Cleaned out deepened and widened centre way for about 400 yards from a point 200 yards south of Wern. Pozieres Road to a point 200 yards north of same.</p> <p><i>Sep 9.</i> Cable Burying party 4 officers and 176 OR. reported at Red Cross Flag 1st Avenue Trench at 2.00 pm. and worked until 5.50 pm. having buried 220 yards of cable.</p> <p><i>A Coy.</i> Railhead at Albert. Road XG. at end of section repaired 150 ft of tracks at yards. moved, trucks overhauled, line patrolled from Albert to Shamrock Tree 150R ⁽²⁾ Shamrock Tree to Becourt Wood line patrolled and kept in repair 80R. ⁽³⁾ Becourt Wood Dump loading and unloading G.S. waggons and lorries laying 50' of 12' corderoy road. and putting on 4 loads of brick rubble and 3 loads of crushed rock. 160R.</p>	


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	Sep 9.	A Coy.	<p>Sausage Valley flying patrol general maintenance 25 OR. ⁽⁵⁾ Sausage Valley to Top of Sausage Valley Line patrolled 4 OR. ⁽⁶⁾ Sausage Valley to Kay dump Pozieres branch repaired, and complete new section put in Shell holes filled small break on main line repaired., patrolling and repairing line 17 OR. Chalk pit dump 1. Pozieres dump 1. Kay dump 1. NCO supervising patrol 1. ⁽⁸⁾ Engineer dump men employed 19 OR, Total No of Pioneers employed 108 OR. One casualty occurred in Sausage Valley (scalp wound from shrapnel)</p>	
		B Coy.	<p>First Aid Trench working on same section as yesterday retvetting sides and banking up, and made good where several shells had blown in sides 3 officers 100 OR. working hours 5.30-9.30 AM. water guard 8 OR.</p>	
		C Coy.	<p>Three officers 66 OR. work completed 225 yards Tramway Trench. reclaimed also retvetted 25 yards Copse Avenue cleaned out and deepened. Time 4.00 to 10.30 AM. Tramway trench practically levelled by shelling yesterday with exception of 100 yards left of Sydney Street</p>	
		D Coy.	<p>Party 3 officers and 100 OR. left camp 4.00 AM. commenced work 5.15 AM. completed work 10.00 AM. cleaned out deepened and widened Centre way from a point 100 yards North of Main Pozieres Road. to a point 450 yards north of same.</p>	
	Sep 10.		<p>Cable Burying party 4 officers and 154 OR reported at Red Cross Flag 1st Avenue trench at 10.00 AM. and worked. at until 1.00 pm. having buried 300 yards cable.</p>	
		A Coy.	<p>Railhead at Albert 1st road x G repaired 2 trucks partially completed, one new truck made, Line patrolled from Albert to Shamrock. Tree 15 OR employed. ⁽²⁾ Shamrock Tree to Becourt wood Line</p>	

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	Sep 10.	A Coy	patrolled and kept in repair 8 OR. ⁽³⁾ Recourt Wood dump loaded 19 waggons with sandbags rails etc Laying 35 ft of 12 ft corderoy road Loading and unloading motor lorries 16 OR. employed ⁽⁴⁾ Sausage Valley. Flying patrol on general maintenance 26 OR ⁽⁵⁾ Sausage Valley to top of Sausage Valley line patrolled 4 OR. ⁽⁶⁾ Sausage Valley to Ray Dump 10 breaks in line repaired both on Main line and Chalk pit spur 9 new sections put in line patrolled 20 OR employed ⁽⁸⁾ Engineer Dumps. men employed 19 — Total No of Pioneers Employed. 109 OR.	
		B Coy	First Aid Trench working on Trench from road at X10.d.6.4 to X4.d.9.3. (1100 yards.) revetting sides with sand bags. draining and general maintenance 30 yards of trench blown in by shell fire partially completed 2 officers and 91 OR employed working hours 5.15. to 9.30 pm	
		L Coy	Party of 46 OR. with 3 officers paraded at 4 AM. and proceeded to Tramway Trench. reclaiming revetted and deepened about 200 yards of this Trench which had been shelled down morning fairly quiet returned to camp. 10.30 AM.	
		D Coy	party 4 officers and 95 OR commenced work. 5.30 AM. completed work. 10.00 AM. cleaning out deepening and widening Centre Way from point 400 yards North of Pozieres Main Road to a point 100 yards north of Union Trench	
	Sep 11.		Cable Burying party 4 officers and 160 OR. reported at 8 AM. at a point near cemetery worked until 11.30 AM. having buried 350 yards of cable.	
		A Coy	Railhead at Albert 50 ft of track repaired Track. Kept in repair, line patrolled from Albert to Shamrock Tree men employed 15 OR. ⁽¹²⁾ Shamrock Tree to Recourt wood. line patrolled and kept in repair 8 OR ⁽³⁾ Recourt Wood Dump loading and unloading 65 waggons and lorries, laying	

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	11 th	Sep Nov	20ft of 12ft borderoy Road 160R. ⁽⁴⁾ Sausage Valley flying patrol general maintenance 260R. ⁽⁵⁾ Sausage Valley to Top of Sausage Valley. line patrolled 40R. Sausage Valley to Kay dump 3 new sections of line repaired line patrolled 200R. Engineer Dumps men employed 190R. Total No employed. 1090R.	
		P Coy	First Aid Trench Road at x10 d. 6.4. and Road at x4 d 9. 3. (1100 yards) deepened widened and revetted, and general maintenance completed the 30 yards. blown in on the 9 th inst shelling normal 2 officers and 870R. working hours 5.30-9.30 AM. water guard 80R.	
		L Coy	Party of two officers and 510R. working on Tramway Trench. Cleaned out deepened and revetted 300 yards. Carried 1000 sandbags from Chalk Pit Time. 4.00 AM. to 10.30 AM.	
	12 th	D Coy	Party of 3 officers and 740R. commenced work 5.00 AM. completed work 9.30 AM. cleaning out resetting and widening trench for 300 yards through Pozieres.	
			Cable Burial party 4 officers and 1600R. reported at 3 AM. at a dugout in Toms. but working until 7.00 AM. having buried 300 yards of cable	
		A Coy	Albert 150R. repaired 2 trucks worked on two new trucks, 4 men patrolled tram line Becourt (Cemetery) 90R. continuous. patrol of Tram line from Sausage Valley to Albert Road note:- one hill west of Cemetery line has been badly damaged by horse transport breaking down the hill on rail. Becourt dump 160R. loaded 13 G.S. waggons. unloaded 9 motor trucks laid 12'x20' of Corderoy Road - Sausage Valley 180R. Patrolled and cleaned tram line on Sausage Valley section work continuous - Sausage Valley 120R. flying patrol general maintenance work on Tramline Tram Junction 200R. cleaned and patrolled tram line from Contalmaison Road to Kay dump. Chalk Pit and Pozieres.	

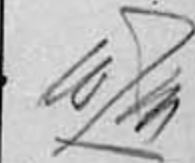
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	Sep. 12		<p>A Coy. On Engineers Dumps 19 OR.</p> <p>B Coy. First Aid Trench Road at x10 d 6.4. to x5 c 1.6 1200 yards deepening widening revetting and general maintenance Gorse Avenue x5 c 1.6. to x5 c 2.8 cleaning out blocks in trench and preparing for widening and deepening work delayed by tear gas shells 3 officers 80 OR. working hours 5.30 9.30 AM water guard 8 OR.</p> <p>C Coy. 51 men and two officers paraded at 4.00 AM and proceeded to Tramway Trench on the way to work, the party was shelled with gas shells and some delay was occasioned, about 150 yards of Trench was restored, work was delayed very considerably by the arrival of a Battalion of Infantry who marched through the Trench. These men were evidently observed as the Trench was heavily shelled immediately after their arrival. I anticipate that the most of the work done in this Trench will have to be done over again.</p> <p>D Coy. Centre Way Trench between Pozieres Road and Church a length of 250 yards repairing damage done by shells on the 11th inst party forced to retire to Southern end of Trench by shell fire at 8.30. - 8.30 to 9.30 party worked south of Pozieres Road Breaks repaired and blocks cleaned out over length of 300 yards 3 officers and 89 men employed -</p>	
	Sep 13 th		<p>Cable burying party 4 officers and 123 OR. reported at 12.00 MN. at Cemetery worked until 3.00 AM. having buried 200 yards Cable.</p> <p>A Coy. Albert 15 OR. repairing and building trucks and maintenance of line to Shamrock Tree Cemetery 9 OR. maintenance of line from Shamrock Tree to Beeourt. 6 new sections of track - Beeourt 6 OR. unloaded 9 motor trucks loaded 10 GS waggons. built 15'x12' Corderoy Road</p>	

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	Sep 13.	A Coy	<p>Sausage Valley 1800. patrolling and maintaining tramway line - Tram Junction 1500 patrolling line repaired 2 breaks., laid 2 new sections of Track cleaned points O.P.'s 4000 under. Engineers - Engineer dumps. 1900.</p> <p>B Coy. First Aid Trench from road x10 at 4. to Emu Trench deepening widening and revetting and general maintenance Copse Avenue from Emu Trench to x5 a 2.0 cleaning out and deepening shelling normal 2 officers 9400. working hours 5.30-9.30 AM. water guard 800.</p> <p>C Coy. Cleaning and revetting Tramway Trench and portion of Copse Avenue distance cleaned 400 yards. 71.00. 2 officers</p> <p>D Coy. Centre Way cleaning up and repairing trench from a point 100 ft. South of Pozieres Church to a point 300 ft north of same - worked 5.30 to 8.30 when forced to retire by shell fire casualties (3 wounded)</p>	
	Sep 14 th	A Coy.	<p>Cable Burying party 6 officers and 200 other ranks reported at Red Cross Flag Tramway Trench near Pozieres Road at 9.00 pm. waited half an hour for Corps signal officer who said he had no instructions regarding the Pioneers, but had some work he would like us to do, we went in, ran into severe shell fire and were cut up by other parties going back and forth. I sent some of the men back and carried on with the remainder until dismissed by the Engineer at 12 midnight. Casualties (3 killed and 11 wounded)</p> <p>Railhead at Albert relaying 200 ft of tracks line patrolled to Becourt wood men employed 1500. Becourt wood to Sausage Valley. line patrolled 900. Sausage Valley to top of Sausage Valley flying patrol line kept in repair 3000. Becourt wood dump. laying corduroy road.</p>	

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	Sep 14 th	A Coy	and loading and unloading transport 8 OR. Top of Sausage Valley. to Hay dump 3 men on dumps. line patrolled - kept in repair 20 OR. 1 ACO supervising patrol 10 OR. Engineer dumps. 19 OR Total Employed 108 OR.	
		B Coy	First Aid Trench repairing trench where damaged by shelling Copse Avenue cleaned out and deepening trench shelling normal one officer 29 OR. working hours. 5.30 - 9.30 AM water guard. 8 OR.	
		C Coy	Two officers and 61 men paraded at 4.00 AM. Cleared and revetted in portion 750 yards of tramway Trench between Copse Avenue and Rail Trench reported back to billets at 10.30 AM.	
		D Coy	Centre Way. Deepening Trench for 300 ft North of Pozieres Church located well 100 ft North of Church. close to left side of Trench. 3 officers and 74 OR. started work. 5.30. finished 8.30 AM.	
	Sep 15.		Report of Major J.A. Macdonell. With a party of 10 other officers and 400 OR. Reported at Assembly point at 4.00 AM. this morning we started work at Jumping Off trench at 9.10 AM. and worked in Rennie Street making new trench covering a distance of about 1000 yards of new trench Shelling became very severe and casualties were so numerous that I ordered the party out at about 12 noon Should the trench be needed it can be completed from Jumping off to Front line Trench in about 4 hours with a party of 200 men, The conduct of all ranks was admirable Casualties Captain J.F. Cahon wounded. 6 OR Killed 17 OR. wounded. 1 OR missing	
	15/16	"A" Coy	Screen to Hay Dump. line patrolled and repaired where damaged by Tanks. crossing 20 OR. Decourt Road to Sausage Valley. raised	

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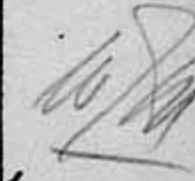
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	Sep. 15.	A Coy.	and made Chalk cutting to widen road 14 OR. ⁽³⁾ Sausage Valley section patrolling and clearing 16 OR. ⁽⁴⁾ Beeourt Road to R E Park grading and laying 20' x 12' corderoy. 8 OR. ⁽⁵⁾ Albert Road and Sausage Valley Patrolling and cleaning out switches 8 OR. ⁽⁶⁾ Albert laying 160 feet tracks and switches 15 OR. ⁽⁷⁾ Supervising Patrol 1 N 60. and 10 OR.	
	Sep. 16.	B Coy.	A party of two officers and 100 OR. 25 from each company reported to Lieut Waters C E at Red cross flag. Pozieres at 6 AM. for cable burying. The party under the guidance of Lieut Waters proceeded to 1 st Aid Trench and Howitzer Avenue. and cleaned out and deepened about 250 yards of trench for cable completed the work. at 8.30 AM. and returned to Camp.	
	15/16.		Lieut Scharchniat Report I was employed with 40 OR. under the supervision of an Engineer Officer in repairing the Pozieres Bapaume Road. we made 600 yards of road fit for transports and made 200 yards of 3rd class road work was commenced. at the lower edge of Pozieres Village and finished 200 yards west of the cemetery we were 4 1/2 hours on road no casualties	
	16/17.		Report Major. W H Moodie I deeply regret to report that working party for trench from Rennie Trench. to Sugar factory, was unable to find the location of the work. and held up by heavy HE Shell fire. A working party of 2nd. Can Pioneers was met but could give no information as to locality of Trench, Sugar Factory, or Pozieres Road. The ground was unrecognisable by an officer and men who were on Rennie Trench - after unsuccessfully trying to find job and waiting for fire to moderate. I ordered party to withdraw	


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	Sep. 16/17.		<p>Report Major J. L. Craig I paraded with two officers and 131 OR. marched off at 7 pm in rear of C and D Coy's details Major Moodie leading for work on new communication trench from Rennie Lane North to Sugar factory. The whole party arrived at Kay Trench via Lunken Road at 8.10 pm. and from there proceeded overland in a NE. direction in order to avoid the intermittent shelling to the new trench Rennie trench but owing to the heavy haze which hung over the whole district was unable to locate it. Major Moody and myself then ordered the whole party to take cover in the shell holes and proceeded in the same direction to try and locate same but failed to do so we however located a trench running in an Easterly direction and with Capt Linton and Lieut Halley I traversed this trench which led us to the 15th divisional area we then returned and reported to Major Moodie that we ought to go to the left with the whole party we then, at about 10.00 pm continued in a NE direction but had not gone very far when the shelling increased in intensity and we decided to return to Camp. The haze still hung over the ground and shell hole merged into shell hole making location very difficult indeed there being no outstanding object. At 11.30 pm we decided to return to Camp and gave the order accordingly I went along the line and warned the men on all sides to get ready to pull out. I found on getting to where 'B' Coy had taken cover that there had been several casualties and while the party went home remained with Lieut Halley and sent in the wounded and buried four of my company who were killed outright by shell fire, in or about 2.9. and then returned to Camp. arriving at 1.30 AM. 17.9.16.</p>	

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	Sep. 16/17.		<p>Report Capt Duff Stuart At 4.30 AM party of three officers and 136 OR. proceeded to 5th Brigade Headquarters where we reported at 6.00 AM. Lieut Stewart was not there and we waited until 6.50 AM. when Lieut Emery Corps. Signals arrived and took us to the work at 7.25 AM. on Cable Burying in Walker Avenue we carried on work until 9.45 AM. when cable was not ready to be buried we returned to camp leaving one NCO and ten men to put light covering over cable when laid under direction of signal officer excavated 200 yards.</p>	
	Sep 17 th		<p>Railhead at Albert repairing trucks and track, line patrolled to Shamrock. Tree 150R Shamrock Tree to Becourt Wood fixing track and patrolling line 80R. Becourt Wood dump loading waggons and cleaning up park 80R. Becourt Wood to top of Sausage Valley flying patrol for general maintenance of entire line from Albert to top of valley 260R. Line patrol 4.0R - Top of Sausage Valley to Kay dump. 4 new sections put in on Main Line to replace those broken by land "Tanks" crossing over them - line patrolled 170R. Men at Chalk pit Pozieres, Kay Dumps, Supervising NCO 40R. Total employed 820R.</p>	
	18.		<p>Report Major J.C. Craig As per instructions I left camp with Lieut Carter and six guides to locate site of BT through Corcelette Village at 5.00 pm. and arrived at commencement of work. at 7.00 pm. At that time the village was being very heavily shelled and I did not go any further than the start of the proposed trench but after locating the position returned to the rendezvous of the working party. I met the working party as arranged, distributed the guides throughout the party and then proceeded to the work arriving within 100 yards of Papaume Road at 9.15 PM. then parted the party and with Lieut Emra proceeded to the sugar trench</p>	

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	Sep. 18.		<p>to point out the start of the work At this time the Enemy was putting over quite a number of fire shells which threw everything in the vicinity into very great relief and in addition was shelling the village very heavily with shrapnel and HX. In my opinion at this point we were under observation from the N and E so after conference with the officers of the party decided that the shelling was much too heavy for anything like the successful accomplishment of the intended work so as an Alternative task I started the party on deepening widening and improving Rennie Lane for a distance of 375 lineal yards which connected up the works of the 3rd and 2nd Pioneers. The Party worked on this Trench from 9.45 p.m. till 12.30 a.m. and the Trench is now wide enough for the passage of troops and has very good cover being on average depth of over 6 feet during the whole evening until about 11.15 the enemy persistently shelled the village of Corelette which would have in my opinion made it impossible to have done any work there without very heavy casualties My working party consisted of a total of 5 officers and 155 OR. I remained with the party until 12.30 AM. when the work was completed and returned to camp at 2.15 AM.</p> <p>Capt. H.H. Williams Officer in Charge Cable Burying party Commenced work at the junction of Peg and Walker Trenches at 5.45 AM working until 9.15 AM completed the digging of about 300 yards of Trench about half new and half old trench No signal party reported to lay cable. 6 officers and 200 OR. were employed on this work.</p>	

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	Sep. 18.	A Coy.	<p>Railhead at Albert repaired trucks at yards. and track line patrolled to Shamrock Tree. employed 14 OR. Shamrock Tree to Becourt Wood line patrolled and kept in repair 8 OR. Becourt Wood Dump switch from main line 120 ft laid 8 OR. Sausage Valley flying patrol general maintenance on line from Albert to top of Sausage Valley 26 OR. Sausage Valley to Top of Sausage Valley. Line patrolled 4 OR. Top of Sausage Valley to Kay dump 2 bridges over trenches repaired part of road-bed graded and one new section put in place 17 OR. employed on chalk pit Pozieres Kay dumps 3 OR. Supervising NCO on patrol 1 Total Employed 81 OR.</p>	
	19.	A Coy.	<p>Capt Hearle Report of cable Burying party marked out and commenced excavation of Trench from a point opposite Sugar factory to a point about 300 yards. Plw deepened trench from this point to Pozieres Ridge about 200 yards. force 6 officers and 181 OR. working hours 6.00 AM to 9.00 AM. no infantry party reported casualties (one man killed)</p> <p>Cleared out about 200' of Centre Way Trench Dug about 150' of trench from intersection of Centre Way. and old front line towards Lunken. Road this consisted mostly of reclaiming an old Trench which was blown in and connecting up. shell holes to form a new communication Trench. work was commenced between 10.30 pm. and 11.00 pm. and men were taken off the work. at 3.30 AM. being too tired to carry on any longer. No of men employed 144 OR. casualties (one man killed.) Albert. 15 OR. repairing cars., patrolling - Cemetery 8 OR. track repair - Becourt Wood. 8 OR. Laying track laid 15 yards. Ballasted 10 yards.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">[Handwritten initials]</p>

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Sep. 18.	A Coy.		Sausage Valley. 16 OR. patrolled and repaired line - Tram Junction 20 OR. patrolled and repaired line Sausage Valley. 14 OR. flying patrol on Tram line	
Sep 20.	A Coy.		<p>Railhead at Albert Road crossings repaired 2 new sections put in line patrolled to Shamrock Tree 15 OR. Shamrock Tree to Beeourt Wood line patrolled and switches cleaned. 8 OR. Beeourt wood. Dump laying 40 ft of rails and ballasting same 8 OR. Flying patrol raising tracks and curving same at the Hill above cemetery on Albert Road. 14 OR - patrolling and cleaning line from Sausage Valley to Top of Sausage Valley. 16 OR - Top of Sausage Valley to Kay Dump line patrolled, regraded bad parts of the line damaged by heavy wagon traffic also relaid several sections of line twisted and damaged by heavy traffic most of this damage is done by 4 and 6 horse teams passing over it employed. 17 OR. Chalk put. Pozzeres, Kay dump. 3 OR. Superwising NCO 1. Total Employed 82 OR.</p> <p>D Coy. Extension of Centre Way. completed first section of this extension from OG1. to sunken road 130' new trench dug and about 200' last night, trench deepened and widened 4 officers 150 OR. left camp. 5.50 pm. started work. 7.40 pm. finished work 10.00 pm. Casualties nil working conditions good</p> <p>Cable Burying party deepening existing trench 300 lineal yards. cable laid and covered. 600 lineal yards. working party 6 officers and 185 OR. left camp. 4.00 AM. commenced work. 6.00 AM. finished work 9.00 AM. returned to camp. 11.00 AM.</p>	<p>W/S</p>

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	Sep 21 st	A Coy.	Sausage Valley section patrolling and cleaning tramway 1600r. Track cleaned. raised, waggon crossing installed 1400r. Albert making trucks 1. completed one partially completed 1500r. + Becourt wood R E dump laying track and general work around dump. 800r. (5) Screen to Kay dump. patrolling repairing line and replacing ties 2000r. Albert and Sausage Valley patrolling 800r.	
	night of 20/21		Report Major. J A Keefer. A communication Trench. bearing due North from end of Centre Way Trench and Sugar Trench was commenced. The trench was marked out in the early evening and the following work was done. 120 yards excavating 5 feet deep. by 3 ft wide 200 yards excavated 2'6" deep by 3 ft wide. We were shelled off the work three times and at one time heavy shelling by shrapnel. lasting for over half an hour. (Casualties 1 killed 5 wounded)	
	Sep 21.		Capt Earle. Cable. Burying party carrying cable from Red Cross Flag. Pozieres to Trench, Deepening existing Trench. 500 yards cable laid 440 yards. 5 officers and 1750r. working hours. 2.00 AM to 6.30 AM.	
	22 nd	Alor	Chalk pit to Kay dump. patrolling and surfacing line 2000r. employed. Contalmaison Road to Chalk pit patrolling and surfacing line 3000r. Becourt wood Dump. employed at R E dump. 800r. - Gordon dump. to Bopse Avenue. Repairing Cars and Track. 2400r. Total No employed 8200r. Capt Duff Stuart Party of four officers and 1200r. left camp at 5.30 pm. and commenced work on Broken ground between R 34.6.6.5 and R. 28d 5.1 at 7.50 pm. We worked until 10.00 pm. when trench was completed under very heavy barrage. shell fire we then marched	


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	Sep 22	no	<p>back. and worked on Centre Way. CT between R.34.d 5.8. and R.34.B 6 5- until 10.45. We stopped work at that hour on account of shell fire and the tired condition of the men.</p> <p>Capt H.H. Williams O.C. Coy. Report 287. Infantry reported to me last night at Red Cross Flag south west of Pozieres at 6.30pm. We waited until 7.00 pm. for the 200 men. of 15th Battalion and then moved off. accompanied by 3 officers of 1st Cam Pioneers I waited with Mr Emery. the signalling officer. until 7.30pm, but the party did not arrive. We deepened about 500 yards of the cable Trench left the work. 10.45pm.</p> <p>Major J.G. Craig. O.C. Cable Burying party. Cable laid 21st and covered. 22nd. 400 lineal yards. Trench deepened ready for laying cable. 400 lineal yards. carrying party 30 OR. excavating party 4 officers and. 140 OR.</p>	
	Sep 23 rd		<p>working hours. 2.00 AM. - 5.30 AM.</p> <p>Report of Lieut F.H. Emra. Progress on Cable Trench as follows. Working party of about 400 OR. 15th Battalion under two officers reported 6.45 pm. at Red Cross Flag Pozieres Road. Excavated Trench as directed by Major Carey. about 700 yards. to a point in old trench close to Main Road. to a depth of 4 ft. The number of officers accompanying the party of 15th Bn. was insufficient. Progress. was delayed. for a. while by course of strafe. at 8.30 pm. of which I had. received no advice left work. 12.30 AM.</p> <p>Report of W.H. Moodie Major Extension of Centre Way. cleaning out obstructions in old portion of centre way. from about R.34.d 4.4 to O.G. from there on. deepened and widened. new portion as far as.</p>	

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	Sep 23		<p>dug. about. R. 28. D 5.1. 3 officers 148 OR. left camp. 12.00 MN. began work. 2.15 AM. left job 4.15 AM</p> <p>A Coy. (1) Contalmaison Road to Chalk Pit one half mile surfaced one crossing installed and constant patrol maintained 29 OR. (2) Chalk pit to Hay Dump. ballasting surfacing and patrolling track 22 OR. (3) Gordow Dump to Copse Avenue. Relaying rails and surfacing track constant patrol 22 OR. Becourt R & E dump. generally employed around yard. 8 OR. Total No Employed 81 OR.</p> <p>Report Capt Hearle. O/C. Cable Burying party Deepening existing Trench laying cable and burying same for 350 yards to about R. 36 A 4.1. Covered cable laid yesterday 400 yards Force. 5 officers and 181 OR. working hours 2.00 AM. to 6.00 AM.</p>	
	Sep 24		<p>Report Major J. H. Thornley. A party of three officers and 150 OR. worked on Centre Way Trench. from 1.30 AM. to 5.45 AM. work accomplished extended from a point 200 yds. S.E. of junction of Piccadilly Circus and Support Trench. to a point on Piccadilly Circus approx 50 yards W of its easterly junction with Support Trench. also deepening of section back as far as intersection with Sunken Road.</p> <p>A Coy. Chalk pit to Hay dump. Ballasting repairing and surfacing and patrolling tram line 22 OR. Contalmaison to Chalk pit Raising surfacing and patrolling tram line 30 OR. Gordow Dump to Copse Avenue. Raising surfacing and patrolling line 20 OR. Becourt Wood R & E dump. Laying track 8 OR. superintending N 601.</p> <p>Total Employed. 81 OR</p>	


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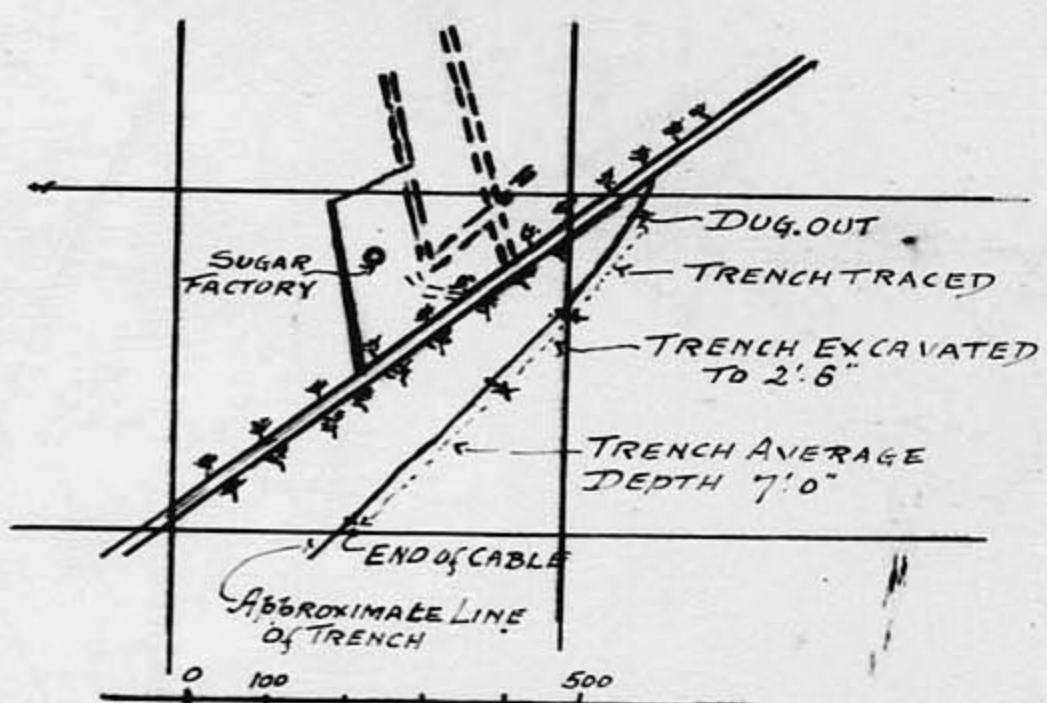

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Sep.	24.		<p>Report. Capt H H Williams last night only 28 men with one officer in charge reported at rendezvous at 7.00 pm. these I detailed as a carrying party under Mt. Devan Pritchard - Mt. Devan Pritchard reports that they failed to find the 65 waggons with material for the work. That the officer Lt. (Mt Gibson) refused to take his men any further forward. Another party of 100 men reported at 10.30 pm. and were taken up by me to a point near the sugar factory and put to work deepening the trench. 30 of them were shortly after taken back by Mt. Dawson as a carrying party. I kept these men at work until relieved by Major Craig at about 2.00 AM. I left the work at 2.30 AM. and met when leaving a small party of men who had been separated from the end of the original party. Owing to the lateness of the arrival of these men and the length of time it took to get them to the work very little was accomplished. Major J C Craig Officer Lt. Cable. Burying party. Trench deepened to an average of 6 to 8 feet 380 lineal yards. Cable laid and covered. 70 lineal yards. (no more cable on site). Excavation for dugout at end of line 450 cubic feet working hours 2.00 to 6.00 AM. Working party. Infantry one officer 70 OR. Pioneers 3 officers 200 OR. (see sketch plan attached)</p>	
Sep	25.		<p>Lieut F H Emra. I beg to report having taken charge of working party of 400 of 2nd. C.M.R in cable trench to night. Excavated trench from old German trench to signal dugout computed at 250 yards to depth of 4' 0" average and deepened old trench for 200 yards to 7' 0" to 8' 0" and back filled 400 yards. Excavated part of dugout and filled 75 sandbags</p>	

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	Sep. 24.		<p>Report. W. H. Moodie Major. O. D. Coy. party 1 officer and 30 OR. left camp. 11.30 on work. 1.15 AM. left work. 5.00. Centre Way Trench. Cleaned out blocks in about 400 yards of Trench South of Foyere Road</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sketch Plan</p> 	
			<p style="text-align: right;">Major J. L. Craig OC. 13th</p>	

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	Sep. 25		<p>Material sent in for dugout not sufficient for strong dugout I wish to mention that the conduct of work performed by officers and men of the 2nd C.M.R. was most commendable. Time 6.30 pm - 12.15 AM.</p> <p>Lieut J H Scharoschmidt officer 4c. party. The following work done by "A" Coy. Repairing track between Contalmarow Road and Chalk Pit 30 OR. Repairing track between Gordon Dump and Copse Avenue. 20 OR. Repairing track between Chalk Pit and Kay Dump. 24 OR. Employed at R.E. dump (Beecourt Wood) 8 OR. Total Employed. 82 OR. Major W H Moodie OC. D Coy. Cable Trench T3691C Party of 3 officers and 100 OR. left camp 12.10 am on work 2.30 AM. left work 5.15 AM. Widened 300 yards cable trench from Junction with Chalk Trench Southward and put in crossings. Casualties 5 wounded by shrapnel at 5.00 AM. not very serious</p> <p>Capt Heatle OC. Cable Burying deepening existing trench for 400 yards to 7'0" from end of cable to Signal Dugout Burying cable for 200 yards Signallers are now laying and covering remainder Building dug out at end of trench 4 officers and 189 OR. working hours 2 to 6 AM</p>	
	26 to 30		<p>Battalion left Avoca Valley and marched to Senlis and went into Billets</p> <p>Battalion resting in Senlis</p>	

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	2		Battalion resting in SENLIE. Church Parade in the afternoon Battalion on move from SENLIE to AVOCA VALLEY, left SENLIE 2.30 pm arrived AVOCA VALLEY 5 pm. Heavy rain during afternoon and night.	J.S.S. J.S.S.
	3/4		Report of work on Jam line in charge of Lieut Campbell (7 th Coy) Bontalmaison Road to Sugar Factory: - repairing surfacing and patrolling tram line 37 OR employed as chalk pit to Hay Dump. Patrolling and surfacing line 13 OR employed.	
			Report of work in charge of Major Keefer (8 th Coy) work was commenced on a communication trench along the north side of DYKE ROAD commencing at the existing trench at M 19 P. 3.7. The trench was started from the old German gun emplacement and carried forward in a direction a little to the left of North East towards the left of North Practice Trenches. Approximately about 330 lineal yards of new trench 3 ft wide and about 4 ft deep was dug and about 110 lineal yards of old trenches reclaimed and made 3 ft wide and 5 ft deep. Heavy shelling was continuous on the work and on both sides of the work.	J.S.S.
			Report of work in charge of Lieut Ball (8 th Coy): Deepening and clearing out SUDBURY trench from Road at R 29 6.5.7 for a distance of 750 yards to R 2-347.1. The party worked from 8.30 pm to 12 m.n. 2 Officers and 50 OR employed. Casualties - Major Thornley Officer commanding party was wounded.	
			Report of work in charge of Lieut Campbell (7 th Coy) surfacing repairing and patrolling tram line from chalk pit to Sugar Factory, 26 OR employed. surfacing repairing and patrolling tram line from Bontalmaison Road to Hay Dump. 24 OR employed.	

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	1916 Oct 4/5 (continued)		<p>Report of work in charge of Lieut Mcmurray:- Deepening SUDBURY trench from Senora trench southward to an average depth of 3'5" for 200 yards. Did not locate SUDBURY trench until 11 p.m. Digging very hard. There were no picks at Tool Dump, shelling normal. Two Officers and 48 OR employed.</p> <p>Report of work in charge of Capt H.H. Williams:- 6 Officers and 299 OR paraded at 5.45 p.m. and proceeded to communication trench commenced by pioneer party night of 3rd/4th. Trench was deepened to 5ft for 300 yards. new portion dug to an average depth of 3'6" for 230 yards. Trench outlined across gully for 100 yards.</p> <p>Report of work in charge of Lieut Campbell (May):- "Contalmarson Road to sugar factory:- surfacing replacing blown out sections of rail and repairing portions damaged by our own artillery where crossing over indiscriminately. 40 OR employed (2) Tram line from Chalk Pit to May Dump:- Surfacing and patrolling tram line 10 OR employed.</p> <p>Owing to the recent heavy rains the Horse tram line between Chalk Pit and the sugar factory is unfit for locomotive train and should be stopped only used by horses. I also beg to point out that our own artillery when moving across the line indiscriminately doing considerable damage.</p> <p>Report of work in charge of Major Moodie:- Five Officers and 350 OR left camp at 5.30 p.m. arrives at work 8 p.m. work was recommenced by me at 6 p.m. Deepened and widened new trench made two previous nights from about M 19 D.5.2 north east by north to about M 19 D.9.9 for about 550 yards.</p>	<p>3</p> <p>J.P.</p> <p>J.P.</p>

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	1916 Oct 5/6 (Continues)		<p>Report of Major Moodie, (continued) Hence broke out new work which was nearly completed about 280 yards NE to about M20 A 3.2. Left work at 11.30 pm. Casualties - 3 men wounded (not serious) as party was leaving work</p> <p>Report of work in charge of Lieut Campbell⁽¹²⁾ from line from Contalmaison Road to Sugar Factory - repairing crossing at Copse Avenue, surfacing and patrolling line 630 Yds. employed⁽¹³⁾ repairing crossing at R.R. Pump, patrolling and surfacing line from Poziers Jet to Hay Dump 1200 Yds. employed.</p> <p>Report of work of party in charge of Capt J Duff-Stuart - four officers and 335 O.H. left billets at 5.30 pm. Commenced work at 8 pm. on arrival at work we met working party of the 2nd Battalion who were digging a communication trench from the front line back towards the South Practice Trenches, we joined up with the 2nd Battalion at M20 A 6.4 and completed communication trench M1948.5. Left work at 11 pm.</p> <p>Report of work in charge of Lieut Peters Party of two officers and 800 O.H. started at 5.30 pm and marched to communication trench. Commenced work at 8.30 pm. Improved and deepened 250 yards between support trench and front line and 700 yards at south end of existing Comm. trench. The party was considerably delayed by relieving infantry.</p> <p>From line - Lieut Campbell's report "Surfacing and patrolling from Contalmaison Road to Sugar Factory and building crossings at Hay Dump and Copse Ave " Surfacing and patrolling from Poziers Jet. to Hay Dump 700 Yds. employed.</p>	<p>J.D.S.</p> <p>J.D.S.</p> <p>J.D.S.</p>

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	1916 Oct 27		<p>Report of major moodier communication trench from about M14 6 7 b. by best route to Regua trench -</p> <p>The above was description of work allotted to party of 300 pioneers and 50 engineers, accompanied by major Durbar of no 7 Coy 86. I went to 3rd Brigade Head quarters for definite information and guides and received the attached alternative order. (Please arrange to improve jumping off trench in front of our former front line and approaches thereto as explained by map by myself. Do not start on C. 1 to Regua trench unless orders are sent to you to that effect - signed - Lt J. J. Ford Brig. General. 3rd Cav Bgde. 6. P.M. 8/10/16) Party was met as arranged by guides at junction of Gun Pit Road with Bapaume Road (M 25 6 8. 6) after consultation with Br H.R. 15th Batt. party proceeded to 16th Bn. H.R. and consulted Col. Leckie as to most useful work to be done, from there with fresh guides party proceeded towards front line, but was stopped and proceeded to retire to Dyke Road by very heavy shelling.</p> <p>We proceeded to points marked W 44 in accompanying trace and the following work was done: - b. 2 on Bde Bdy M 13 6 6. 2 put through from old front line to jumping off trench. New comm. trench put through 450 yards east of summit and jumping off trench, deepened and reclaimed 350 yards between these points 100 yards of front line trench deepened where lasterly b. 2 joined front line casualties - 15 OR, killed wounded and missing.</p>	5

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	1916			6
	Oct 5/16		<p>Report of Lieut Murray - Party of 3 Officers and 150 OR paraded at 5.30 pm and reported to Engineer Officer at Dressing Station on Pozieres Road at 6.30 pm. Party proceeded to communication running parallel to Dyke Road in M20. Put in 10 Bays of an average length of 30 feet shelling at times very heavy. on account of the staking of a portion of Regina Trench by the Germans it was impossible to undertake the work assigned by the C.R.s and the above work was done on order from Bde Gen. Hughes of the 1st Canadian Brigade. The work done was under direction of Lieut Heat. G.L. Casalties - 1 killed 6 wounded.</p> <p>Report of Lieut Campbell - Train line from Contalmaison Road to Sugar Factory. Repairing surfacing and patrolling line (2) Pozieres Jct to Hay Pump. Surfacing. Patrolling and repairing breaks. 76 OR employed.</p> <p>Report of Lieut Saitwhite. Party of 6 Officers and 200 OR left camp at 8.30 pm. Commenced work at 11.30 pm on a (1) Sap of 100 yards in advance of the present jumping off trench where the communication trench meets it about M 13 d. 7-4. Completed. (2) Communication trench from old front line about M 14 C. 2.1 to the old jumping off trench about M 14 C. 2.4. Continued as sap to crest of hill completed. (3) Communication trench to the old jumping off trench M 14 C. 6.5 advanced as a sap to crest of hill completed. (4) Connected old German trench with front line. 70 yards. Casualties 1 Officer and 1 OR wounded.</p> <p>Report of Lieut Campbell - Train line from Contalmaison Road to Sugar Factory - surfacing repairing and patrolling line (2) Pozieres Jct to Hay Pump. Repairing and surfacing line. 76 OR employed.</p>	<p>(continued)</p> <p>9/10</p> <p style="text-align: right;">J.D.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">J.D.</p>

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	Oct 10/16		<p>Report of Capt Duff-Stuart. Party of 300 all ranks left camp at 6.30 and reported to Engineer Guides at 9 p.m. who led the party to front line by mistake. The party then returned and commenced work in communication trench from M 19 d 8.8 to M 19 b 6.2 to M 19 b 7.5. We completed work after two and half hours. Considerable time was lost on account of being led to the wrong place. Casualties - 1 man wounded.</p> <p>Report of Lieut Scharschmidt. - I reported with 50 OR to the Engineer Officer at 9.30 p.m. and was led by an Engineer guide to the required work, arriving at 11.30 p.m. on account of the very bright moon light I left the job under my own discretion after enquiring from Officers of the 8th Battalion whether they had patrols out, I thought it too light to proceed with the work. The 8th Battalion had called their patrols in on account of it being too light, and as our work was only 150 to 200 yards in front of the German line. I decided it out of reason to proceed, we waited until 12 p.m. to see if it would darken, and then proceeded home.</p> <p>Report of Lieut Campbell - From line from Contalmansar Road to Sugar Factory surfacing repairing and patrolling line ^{to} Schalk Pit to Kay.</p> <p>Duff. - surfacing and patrolling line. 76 OR employed.</p> <p>A working party of four Officers and 237 OR left camp in charge of Capt Barle and commenced work at 9.30 p.m. on digging new trench for a distance of 350 yards and cleaning out and deepening old German trench for 400 yards for a communication trench from M 20 b 1.5 to M 20 c 7.1. Left work at 1 am. 12-10-16.</p>	<p style="font-size: 2em;">J.D.</p> <p style="font-size: 2em;">J.D.</p>

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	1916 Oct 11/12 (continued)		<p>Report of Lieut Johnstone on "B" Trench Dig outs:- No. 1 shift of 1 U.C. and 15 men also carrying party of 1 U.C. and 25 men paraded at 6.30 pm and arrived at end of Light Railway at 8.30 pm where the party was to be met by a guide and carry timber for construction of said Digouts, my guide did not meet me at the appointed place and time, neither did he show up between the hours of 8.30 pm and 12.30 am, when I withdrew my party. In the meantime I had spoken to Mr Key and Mr Barrett both Engineer Officers working in the vicinity of the rendezvous and asked them to inform my guide if they happened to meet him that I was still waiting with my party. When I left at 12.30 am there was no material on the site and as I had previously sent a Corporal and 3 men to the Topse Doe Dump and found no signs there, I felt justified in sending my men home as it would only have been as much labour lost to have started excavating without the mine timbers on the ground.</p> <p>When half way home I met shift no 2. on their way out and was informed that the Engineer had been in the Pioneer Camp and was sending out the material with a carrying party of 50 engineers, so I returned with them and arrived at meeting place found material had arrived, time 2.45 am.</p> <p>When I arrived at "B" trench with party there were so many infantry around that it was impossible to travel along trench, so had to go along the top. This trench is about 20' wide at the top and 12" at bottom with a depth of 4' 6" to top of solid ground and under close observation of the enemy, thereby causing us to put the earth excavated in day light into sandbags and storing in the trench till dark. In doing so the Garrison will have considerable trouble in keeping under cover.</p>	<p>8</p> <p>J.D.S.</p>

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	1916 Oct 11 (continued)		<p>Report of Lieut Johnston continued:- The communication trench to this trench is so poor that it is practically useless as a cover from observation in day light and shifts going in and out are liable to draw fire on the Garrison. The remedy for this evil would be to put parties in with 24 hours rotation. I would also suggest that the garrison be asked to empty the sand-bags at dark. A carrying party of 40 men will be required each night work started at 3.30 am Oct 12/16.</p> <p>Report of Lieut Campbell - From line from Cantalucasion Road to Sugar Factory. Repairing surfacing and patrolling line (2) Pozieres jet to Hay Dump. Surfacing and patrolling line 76 OR employed.</p> <p>Report of Major Woodier. A party of 4 Officers and 225 OR met guides as arranged at M26 at 4.1 at 8 pm. Commenced on communication trench from M26 C 9.2 towards front line N. westerly. Completed trench in east side of Bapenne Road about 150 yards half done. Deepened and cleaned out 150 yards in N.W. side of road. Dug 125 yards new trench in M20 about D2.8 completed 380 yards of trench in M20 b exact locality not obtainable of this 150 yards was 20% done and 230 yards 70% done. 60 yards of this in chalk not deep enough. Broke out 20 yards of new trench from this northerly towards front line 50 men were idle 9 hours waiting for direction of work to be given, worked to 12 PM.</p> <p>Report of Lieut Campbell - From line from Cantalucasion Road to Sugar Factory - surfacing repairing and patrolling line (2) Pozieres jet to Hay Dump. Repairing patrolling and ditching. 76 OR employed.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">J.D.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">J.D.</p>

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	1916 Oct 12/13 (Continued)		<p>Report of Lieut Foster. Re construction of Dugouts in "B" Trench. -</p> <p>visited the above job and saw work being carried on successfully in rear of trench facing the entrance of each Dugout, recesses, 6 feet long are being dug and the trench is being widened at that point to six feet. This to be filled in with sandbags on the completion of the work, so as to allow the men sufficient room to lay the sandbags which are filled during the day. The Officer in charge of that section of Trench has no objections to the work being carried on in day light, the only difficulty being the ability of the relieving shifts getting in, in day light without being seen. The material required now is four bales of sandbags and arrangements made to have remaining mining timbers delivered in "B" trench. Guide will meet carrying party at corner of Sunkin Road and Papamu Road M 754 8.5.</p> <p>A party of 280 all ranks left camp in charge of Lieut Fair-White. started work at 7.30 pm on communication trench from I.E 622, 540 yards 3x4.5 completed, also improved 150 yards of C.2. by deepening and enlarging same. Left work at 1.30 a.m. casualties nil.</p> <p>Report of Capt Linton - in charge of Carrying party. Party of 50 O.R. paraded at 6.30 pm, and the following material was carried from temporary Dump on Boniere Road just above Sugar Factory to new Dugouts in "B" trench 24 pieces 6"x6"x7'0". 48 pieces 3"x12"x6'0". 48 pieces 3"x12"x6'0".</p> <p>To carry the material remaining on the dump 250 one man trips will be required, also a much larger party as 3 trips a night is too hard on the men who walked more than 30 miles in this work. besides carrying heavy material.</p>	<p>10</p> <p>J.D.</p> <p>J.D.</p>

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	1916 Oct 15/16 (Continued)		<p>Report of Lieut Johnstone - Re work on "B" Trench Dugouts. No 1 Dugout 5 frames No 2. 3 frames. No 3. 5 frames, next shift should finish stairs. No sandbags arrived or 6" spikes. arrange for each shift to pick some lagging on their way in. and 2. 6 foot posts some 6" spikes must be got up at once. I will require a carrying party of 75 men. started so that they can arrive here shortly after dark as I will be waiting on material. The carrying party tonight made three trips, some of the material on the job must have been removed as we were short in the afternoon. Report of Lieut Campbell - surfacing and repairing track and patrolling train line from Contalmaison Road to Sugar Factory (2) Pozieres Jct to Hay Dump. surfacing and patrolling train line. 75 O.R. employed. A portion of the train line 1/4 mile beyond the Sugar Factory is continually shelled and over 750 feet of new track has been replaced and shell holes filled. The portion of track is approximately 1 1/2 miles beyond the Ammunition Dump. J.P.D.</p> <p>Report of Lieut Johnstone - Re "B" Trench Dugouts - Each Dugout is half finished and expect to complete them by midnight but have very little room to store sandbags and material. The digging is stiff and the excavated earth has to be handled so after that it is very tedious work. Major Wilber visited work last night and seemed satisfied. but said he would like them connected. but unless we had another day from tonight and a small heading. I don't see how it is possible. we would also require 45 feet of sized mining timber. Lieut J. F. Ferguson's report: - Party of 75 O.R. and 2 Officers paraded at 5.45 pm started work on DYKE trench. deepening and widening same from about 3' deep and 2' wide to about 5' deep and 3' 6" wide. completed about 350 yards.</p>	

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	Oct 14/15		Report of Capt J. Puff-Stuart: Party of 200 all ranks left camp at 5.45pm and reported to Engineer Officer at 8pm. We waited until after 8.30pm for guides. After considerable delay we commenced work on a new piece of trench 50 yards long running from M 20 C 6.7 to M 20 C 9. 9. approx. 50 men improved 155 yards of 'C' trench 25 men worked on COLT. AVE. South of the BAPAUME ROAD all parties worked for 3 1/2 hours and completed work.	
			Report of Lieut Campbell: Surfacing and repairing farm line from Contalmaison Road to Sugar Factory. Repairing and patrolling line from Poziers Jet to Hay Dump. 76 O.R. employed.	
			Carrying party in charge of Lieut Cameron. Carried lumber and corrugates iron from Engineer Dump near Courcellette to new dugouts in 'B' trench. made two trips. 75 O.R. employed.	
	15 to 27		Battalion on move from Avoca Valley (Somme) to Villers-au-Bois. Battalion moved from Avoca Valley to Albert. 8.30pm 15th. left Albert 9am 16th. arrived at Warloy. 3.30pm. left 8.30am arrived at Favicouque 4pm 17th. left 9am arrived at Bonneville 3.30pm 18th. rested at this point 2 days. left Bonneville 9.30am. arrived at Montigny-le-Juquerra 4pm 20th. left 9am arrived at Bouvillers 3pm 21st. left 8.30am arrived at Berlincourt 4pm 22nd. left 9am arrived at Marquay 3pm 23rd. rested at this point from 23rd to 27th. Three Officers and 153 O.R. were sent out to work on light railway. Battalion left Marquay 9am 27th arrived at Villers-au-Bois 4.30pm same date. Weather was very favourable during the march.	
			The billets which were taken over by the Battalion were evacuated by the Sherwood Foresters (Pioneers) found in good condition	

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	1916		<p>Report of Capt Williams O.C. of B. Coy - On the 29th inst 80 men of this Company march out from billets to Central Ave and began trenches half the men to each. they were employed in cleaning out Dumps in the trench and renewing drains. 30th about 75 men were employed on the same work and completed about 900 yards in each trench. The men left billets at 9 am and returned at 4.30 pm of this time half an hour was consumed for lunch and about 3 1/2 hours on the march. I consider it would be much more advisable if the men were billets near the work as too much time is lost going back and forth to the work. I do not find that there is any accommodation at all in the forward area for the men and would suggest that splinter proof dugouts be constructed to accommodate one company at a point about 400 yards west of the Arras Bethune Road near the junction of the Befolle trench with Began 123 - at Station 11.</p> <p>Estimate for material which would be required to provide quarters for 100 men.</p> <p>- 70 frames including posts for Benks, 140 pcs 4"x4"x7 1/2 Cap & Sills, 140 pcs 4"x4"x12 posts, 800 lin feet 2"x4" 800 lin feet 2"x4" laggons - Corrugated Iron - Roof 120 sheets 7'6" long, sides 200 sheets 7'6" long, lumber for Benks: - 2000 lin ft 2"x4" 6'2" 300 yards wire netting, 100 lbs 6" spikes 100 lbs 3" wire nails, 100 lbs 2" wire nails 5000 sandbags.</p> <p>Report of Major Woodier O.C. of 9th Company: - On 29th inst 30 Officers and 300 R left camp at 10 am to take over Dugouts in Munster line, cleaned up and drained about Dugouts and got ready for balance of Coy. 30th inst took out remainder of Company, left camp at 9 am worked in Munster line and Dugouts. Owing to lack of accommodation took this party back to billets in Villiers - au - Bois. 4.30 pm</p>	<p>13</p> <p>J.D.</p>

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	1916 Oct 28 th to 31 st (Continued)		<p>Report of Major Keefer O. of H. Company.</p> <p>(1) Will be able to commence laying some track tonight (27th) with about 20 men. (2) checking up material on Dumps today. commencing new dugouts about one week's work on these new tunnel dugouts with 20 men will accommodate a Company provided there is no delay owing to material. Our present dugouts which are about 200 yards from the German line are starting to slide and fall in.</p> <p>(3) The two platoons are split up into ^{into} two sets of dugouts about 3 mile apart and it is necessary to keep a guard post and one Officer on duty day and night according to regulations and orders in this area owing to gas danger.</p> <p>(4) Considerable shelling yesterday in the Valley by machine gun and rifle grenades.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">J. J. J.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">J. J. J. Major Commander Canadian Pioneer Battalion</p>	14

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	31/10/16.	B Coy	Draining and improving east-end of Cabaret Road near Maistre line two officers 50 OR. 9-00 AM. 5-00 PM.	
		D Coy	29 OR working on Bayau 123. 10.00 AM. to 4.30 PM. Draining and replacing bath mats and dug one sump. - 28 OR cleaning out J. Wortley communication Trench. slides and digging sump holes. 29 OR clearing out Maistre Line and preparing dugouts for company. 2 officers in charge of parties.	
		C Coy	draining and made sump holes where necessary in about 300 yards of Centre Avenue. cleaned out the parts which had caved in. all along the trench In Bayau trench it had caved in a great deal which we cleaned out, the whole up to where we had worked and had the drainage put in good order. we require 1000 sandbags for revetting to be left at Rugby Dump.	
	1/11/16	B Coy	Draining and improving Cabaret Road. 600 lineal yards drained and bath mats relaid 2 officers 50 OR. 9.00 AM. - 5.00 PM. This trench is now passable throughout its whole length and after the sides and parapets have been trimmed will only require a small maintenance gang to keep it in good shape.	

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	1/11/16		<p>6 Coy. One officer and 50 OR. on maintenance of New Bayau Trench and Central Avenue Trench work done cleaning where trench had fallen in and draining No resetting materials arrived.</p> <p>2 Coy. 28 OR. on Bayau 123 cleaning out Trench and relaying bath mats and digging 3 samp holes working 8.30 AM - 4.30 PM. 27 OR. in Wortley Avenue completed two small samp holes and revetted trenches sec. 1000 to Sec 1100 also cleaned out slides 8.30 AM - 4.30 PM. 24 OR. working on dugouts and cleaning out Maistre Line 8.30 AM - 4.30 PM. 2 officers in charge of above working parties, 3 officers and 100 OR. from 4 Battln cleaned out Redoubt Rd 8.30 AM - 3.30 PM.</p>	
	2/11/16		<p>6 Coy. 2 officers and 84 OR. 9.00 AM - 4.30 PM. On maintenance of New Bayau and Centre Avenue Trenches. owing to heavy rains the sides of these trenches are caving in badly as there is very little revetting in them Today our work consisted of cleaning out at the slides and generally making it passable for troops No sand bags have yet arrived at Rugby dump. It is absolutely necessary that we have sand bags or some other material for revetting.</p>	

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	2/11/16.	D Coy	2 officers and 69 OR. worked 8.30 AM. to 4.30 PM. on the following :- 24 OR on 130 Alley. revetting and cleaning out - 13 OR. on Redoubt C.T. cleaning out and draining 15 OR. on Cabaret Road from Maistre line to point G. - 10 men on Maistre line to dugouts. 7 men on Wortley Avenue. revetting also a party of one officer and 50 OR. from A. Coy were employed on Sects 0-7. Redoubt C.T. draining under bath mats	
		B Coy	Trimming sides and parapets of Cabaret Road (Trench) 400 yards east of section 23. 2 officers 46 OR. Wortley Avenue dugouts, commenced driving on 2 faces. 1 officer 12 OR. 9.00 AM. - 5.00 PM.	
	3/11/16.	D Coy	Two officers 79 OR. left camp 8.30 AM. returned 4.30 PM. employed on the work as follows. 26 OR. on C.T. 130 cleaning out and revetting. 17 OR. on C.T. 130 draining under bath mats, 4 men on Redoubt Trench cleaning out slides, 26 OR. on C.T. Ersatz Avenue. cleaning out slides opening up drains to sumps. and put in 250 yards of drain under trench mats - 6 men on Maistre Line and dugouts, also one officer and 48 OR. draining Redoubt C.T. and cleaning out slides improving revetting and draining	J.S.

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	3/11/16.	B Coy	<p>Trimming sides and parapets of Cabaret Road between sections No 23 and No 30. 2 officers and 45 OR. - Wortley Avenue. dugouts entrance gallery. 4'0" driven living chamber 2'0" driven 1 officer 12 OR. 9 AM - 5.00 pm</p> <p>Maintenance of New Bayan Trench and Centre Avenue. two officers 84 OR. 9 AM - 4.30 pm. We completed rough drainage as far as Louar Valley owing to these trenches not having sufficient batter and no revetting necessitates daily drainage we have arranged to get material for revetting which we will commence tomorrow as well as drainage. At present bathmats are dry and good walking</p>	
	4/11/16.	B Coy	<p>Trimming sides and parapets of Cabaret Road between sections 23 and 30. also repairing bath mats 2 officers and 38 OR. Wortley Avenue. dugouts. Entrance Gallery 6'x3' driven 4'0" total 8'0" living chamber. 8'x6' 3'0" Total 5'0" 1 officer 22 OR. 9 AM - 5 pm.</p>	
		Pl Coy	<p>2 officers and 61 OR. working on CT 8.30 AM - 4.30 pm. - 22 OR. repairing 130. Alley. draining and relaying bath mats. 19 OR draining and replacing Bathmats, 19 OR draining in 130 Road, placed 75 yards bathmats 20 OR. repairing Cabaret CT See 51-53 sunk one new sump. and ditched Trench. - one officer and 38 OR on Cabaret Road Trench. and.</p>	

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	5/11/16.	B Coy	<p>and Redoubt Road Trench. cleaning out revetting and improving drainage General maintenance on Cabaret Road from Mont St Eloy Road to Maistre Line 1 officer and 22 OR. Wortley Avenue Dugouts entrance gallery 6'x3' completed, connecting gallery 6'x3' 4'0" driven Living Chamber. 8'x6' 2'0" Total 7'0" 1 officer 22 OR. Arras Alley. company dugouts cleaning out and making good existing dugouts 1 officer. 14 OR. 9 AM-5 PM. 2 officers and 77 OR. worked 8.30 AM. to 4.30 PM. 25 OR. on 130 Road lifting and relaying bath mats. 28 OR. on Cabaret Road CT cleaning out sump ditching and revetting also 32 men of "A" Coy 15 men on Redoubt Road cleaning out 17 men in Cabaret Road C.T. cleaning out and ditching 2 officers and 80 OR. on maintenance of new Bayan. and Central Avenue. CT's work consists of draining revetting and repairing duck boards. Two men are stationed in each Trench as Trench Wardens. From today</p>	
	6/11/16.	B Coy	<p>General maintenance of Cabaret Road from Mont St Eloy Road - Maistre line 1 officer 15 OR. General maintenance of Wortley Avenue. 4 OR. clearing out existing dugouts in Arras. Alley for. for company use. 1 officer 12 OR. Wortley Avenue dugouts connecting gallery 6'x3' Total 8'0" living Chamber 8'6' 3'0' total 10'0" also cleaning out entrance gallery.</p>	


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	6/11/16	C Coy	<p>Report on maintenance of CT's. Bayau. 123. New Bayau, Central Avenue and duck boards. between Bayau 123. CT. and Cabaret Road CT. work done. cleaning out New Bayau and Central Avenue where they had caved in and resetted a few places. with sand bags. fixed as far as lumber would go in Bayau 123. and started drainage where required. Repaired duck boards for 500 yards south of Cabaret Road CT. from a point x22. d.4.7. required 1000 lin feet of 1"x2" straps for repairing duck boards. 2 officers and 78 OR.</p> <p>D Coy. 2 officers and 79 OR. 8.30 AM. 4.30 pm. 27 OR. in CT. 130. cleaning out, draining and replacing bath mats. 27 OR. 130 Alley cleaning out draining and placing new bath mats - 15 OR. on Redoubt Road building screens in advance of work. to be done, also widening and cleaning out This party worked in Cabaret Road CT. till noon. - 10 men on Maistre line cleaning out and building bunks. in dugouts also one officer. and 32 OR. A Coy. on Cabaret. CT. draining and cleaning out resetting and improving</p>	
	7/11/16	B Coy	<p>General maintenance on Cabaret Road from Mont St Eloy Road to Point G. one officer and 19 OR. general maintenance of Wortley Avenue. <u>4.0.10.</u></p>	

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	7/11/16.		<p>cleaning out existing dugouts in Arras Alley and Wortley Avenue for company use 1 officer 13 OR. Wortley Avenue dugouts (Brigade) B Coy Living chambers. 1 A 8'x6' 2'6" driven No 3. 8'x6' 2'0" driven completed No 4. commenced. 1 officer 22 OR.</p> <p>C Coy 2 officers. and 74 OR. on maintenance of New Bayan and Central Avenue C.P.s. and duck board walk running from a point on Cabaret Road S.E. towards Cross Country Road work consists of draining, revetting and repairing duck boards and cave-ins.</p> <p>D Coy 2 officers. and 73 OR. 8.30 AM. 5.00 pm. 5 men on Pioneer Dump. Hospital Corner. making site 8 men on Maistre Line cleaning out and improving dug-outs 8 men on Eratz Avenue cleaning out slides and revetting 49 men and 3 NCO's. on C.T. 130 cleaning out deepening draining and placing bath mats 8.30 to noon. After noon. this party on Redoubt Road cleaning out slides also one officer and 26 men in Cabaret Road cleaning out slides improving drainage revetting etc.</p>	
	8/11/16.		<p>C Coy 2 officers. and 75 OR. on maintenance of Bayan 123. New Bayan and Central Avenue. These trenches owing to heavy rain were in very bad condition when we left it was passable. for troops some portions had to be pumped out and others had to be bridged temporarily.</p>	

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	8/11/16	B Coy	Cleaning out slides in Cabaret Road and Wortley Avenue caused by yesterday's rain. one officer and 38 OR. At the east end of Ersatz alley for about 200 lineal yards west of Blue Ball Alley. the revetting had not been completed and in the whole length the slides were very heavy. An attempt was made to clean this out, but the earth was so water logged that it had to be given up. A deviation will have to be made which I propose starting tomorrow one officer and 26 OR. worked on this trench till 6.30 p.m. All men were employed on Trench work.	
		D Coy	Two officers and 79 OR. 8.30 AM - 5.30 p.m. 30 OR. on Redoubt Road cleaning out slides which were bad after last night's rain - 49 OR in 130 Road and 130 Alley. cleaning out slides also one officer and 30 OR. of A Coy on Redoubt Road cleaning out from Sec 1 to 8. where it had caved in	
	9/11/16	D Coy	Two officers and 88 OR. 8.00 AM - 4.30 p.m. 25 of these 8.00 AM - 12 noon. going on night working party tonight. All employed in Redoubt Road, 130 Road and 130 Alley. cleaning out slides and cutting deviation. 6 OR. cleaning new Pioneer Dump. and building dugout also one officer and 24 men of A Coy on west end of Redoubt Road cleaning out and improving drainage	J.S.

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	9/11/16.	B Coy.	Dug new drain at east end of Ersatz Alley to drain trench 30 ten yard long. and average depth of 7'0" 3 officers 62 OR. in two shifts 9 00 A.M. 8.30 pm. All available men on cleaning Trenches.	
		C Coy.	Two officers. 70 OR. on maintenance of New Bayan and Central Avenue. communication Trenches. Owing to heavy rains these trenches were in very bad condition A lot of earth had fallen in and some portions had to be pumped out At present these Trenches are passable. and if dry weather continues they can be put in good shape tomorrow	
	10/11/16.	B Coy.	Dug new drain at east end of Ersatz Alley to drain Trench. 3 officers 62 OR. in two shifts 9.00 A.M. - 8.30 pm. all available men. cleaning Trenches.	
		D Coy.	3 officers and 91 OR. worked 8.00 A.M. - 4.30 pm. cleaning out Redoubt Road and cutting 50 yards of new trench around bad slide, also cutting new trench 50 yards length on 130 Alley. This work was started by party of 18 men and one officer working 8 pm - 12 pm. 9 th 4 OR. on new Pioneer Dump. sorting material and building dugout.	

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	10/16	6 Coy.	Two officers and 66 OR. on maintenance of New Bayan C.T. and Bayan 123. C.T. work consisted of pumping, raising duck boards, cleaning trenches of fallen earth and draining trenches into sumps. At present these trenches are in fairly good condition and are passable for troops	
	11/16	A Coy.	The following work has been completed on permanent dugouts in Arras Alley. 143 cubic yards have been excavated and 46 sets of ^{mining} various sizes used. — Report of work completed from Nov 1. to Nov 7. inclusive 1120 lineal feet of track laid and bolted, 850 feet of new grade completed and ditched, 1000 feet of old ditches cleaned and reconstructed, 400 feet of track lifted and ballasted 150 feet of light trestle erected, average number of men employed 22 all ranks. A small bridge over the swimming pool to carry light railway was completed on Nov. 6. It consisted of three spans of 10' 0" and rests on 2 frame bents and on two mud sills, stringers are two in number and made of 9" x 6" material Bents are made of 8" x 6" material It is floored with 3" material well spiked down.	

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	11/11/16	B Coy	General maintenance of Cabaret Road. one officer and 14 OR., general maintenance Ersatz Alley. 1 officer. 13 OR. - general maintenance Wortley Avenue. 4 OR. Dugouts Wortley Avenue. (Brigade) Living Chamber No 1A 1'6". Total 5'6" No 4. 1'0" Total 5'0" Dugouts Arras. Alley (Company) Living chamber. 1'0" total 3'0" 1 officer. 28 OR.	
		D Coy	3 officers and 94 OR. worked 8.30 AM. to 4.30 PM. Cleaning Bermon. Redoubt Road making new trench. past one bad section and placing bath mats New but off in 130 Alley completed and bath matted cleaning out mud slides in Redoubt Road, 130. Road, and 130 Alley.	
		C Coy	One officer and 69 OR. on maintenance of New Bayau, Central Avenue, and Bayau. 123. C T's. This work consists of throwing out fallen earth, cleaning drains, pumping out water, and raising and repairing duck boards, these trenches are now in fairly good condition	
	12/11/16	B Coy	Cabaret Road general maintenance 1 officer. 14 OR. and 50 OR. from. entrenching Battalion - Ersatz Alley. general maintenance one officer and 18 OR - Wortley Avenue. general maintenance 4 OR. Dugouts (Brigade) Wortley Avenue work held up for want of lagging	

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			<p>Arras Alley. dugouts (Company) living chamber 1'0" total 4'0" excavation for officers dugout. 500 cubic feet. one officer and 26 OR.</p> <p>12/11/16. D Coy. 3 officers and 109 OR. worked 8.00 AM - 4.30 PM. 26 OR. revetting and cleaning out drains on 130 Alley. 44 OR on Redoubt Road. widening cleaning out and completing new sections also carrying bath mats from Pioneer Dump. 25 men of A Coy. cleaning out 14 men on Maistre Line and dugouts.</p> <p>6 Coy. One officer and 67 OR. on maintenance of Central Avenue New Bayau and Bayau 123. C T's. work consists of carrying on with cleaning out drains and sumps. raising and repairing duck boards. and sand bag revetting</p>	
	12/11/16.		<p>D Coy. 26 OR. cleaning out 130 Alley and 50 ft of revetting completed. 78 OR. on Redoubt C T. cleaning up. widening building new Trench. and putting in 25 feet of revetting Time 5 hours. Total men. 104 officers 3.</p> <p>6 Coy. Two officers. and 72 OR. on maintenance of New Bayau. Central Avenue and Bayau 123. C T's. work consists of lifting and repairing duck boards. repairing drains and sumps.</p>	<p>J.S.</p>

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	13/10/16.	B Coy.	Cabaret Road one officer. 14 OR. and infantry working party 1 officer 50 OR. on general maintenance Ersatz Alley. general maintenance 1 officer 19 OR. Wortley Avenue. general. maintenance 4 OR. Advance dugouts for officers Arras Alley 50% completed 1 officer 26 OR.	
	14/11/16.	C Coy.	One officer and 69 OR. on maintenance of new Bayan. Central Avenue and Bayan 123 C.T.O., one officer and 20 OR clearing out entrances and approaches to Tottenham Caves.	J.S.
		D Coy.	25 OR on C.T. 130 Alley. revetting cleaning out and relaying bath mats 4 men on Bavienne C.T. draining, 2 officers and 48 OR. on Redoubt C.T. digging sump holes draining enlarging and cleaning up. Time 8½ hours. Number of men. 77. officers. 3 Total 80	
		B Coy.	Cabaret Road general. maintenance cleaning out slides 1 officer 40 OR. general maintenance Wortley Avenue. 4 OR - Dugouts Wortley Avenue. (Brigade) living chambers 1'0 Total 6'6" and trimming sides for lagging - advance dugout for officers. Arras Alley 75% completed 1 officer 29 OR.	
		A Coy.	Houave Valley. parades. 110 OR. to Villiers au Bois for pay and bath.	J.S.

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	Nov. 15/1916.		<p>Deep Dugouts ^I In order to continue the construction of deep dugouts in the Divisional Area The G.O.C. has decided that the 1st Canadian Pioneer Battalion will find the expert personnel for this work to be assisted by the Infantry in the line</p> <p>² The 1st Canadian Pioneer Battalion are now making a reconnaissance of the whole Area for this purpose and have reported that work can be started at once in the following places in the forward area. The Quarry; left section Bankside; left section The Cave. Right section</p> <p>³ The 1st Canadian Pioneer Battalion will detail an officer and 50 men to carry on this work in each Brigade section</p> <p>⁴ The Infantry personnel for this work will be carefully selected, the object to be aimed at being that each company will eventually have a certain number of men trained in the construction of deep dugouts.</p>	

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			<p>⁵ Each Brigade in the line will find 50 men to assist the above Pioneers. It is suggested that these 50 men should be found by taking approximately an equal number of men from each of the four Battalions. The men will not be changed during the tour of a Brigade in the line.</p> <p>⁶ This work will commence on the morning of November 17th. Further instructions will be issued as to where and when the Infantry will report.</p> <p>⁷ In addition to the above the 1st Canadian Pioneer Battalion will provide personnel for the permanent supervision for the reclaiming and reconstruction of the deep dugouts by the garrisons of the rear lines, the Musée Hall Line and the Bayolle Line and switch.</p> <p>⁸ This Personnel will live in these Trenches, and will be responsible for the continuity of the work under the supervision of the Pioneer officer detailed for this work in each Brigade Section.</p> <p>Nov. 15 Paragraph 2. Work will be started in the Quarry and Riverside Trench on the left section instead of Bankside Trench.</p>	

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	15/11/16	B Coy.	One officer and 4000r. Cabaret Road maintenance of Trench and digging sumps - 400r Wortley Avenue maintenance of Trench, - one officer and 1500r Wortley Avenue Dugouts Brigade HQ Chamber 1A 1:6 Total 8'0" Chamber No. 4. 1'0 Total 6:0 - 1300r Arras Alley dugouts Company. advance billets - officers quarters completed.	
		B Coy.	one officer and 5300r. on maintenance of New Bayan Central Avenue and Bayan 123 C.T's. one officer and 2000r. clearing entrances and galleries in Tottenham Lines	
		D Coy.	3 officers and 8000r. Time 8 1/2 hours. working on Lt. 130. 130 Alley Redoubt Road and Maistre Line 2400r on C.T. 130. and 130 alley draining and ditching under bath mats resetting and improving slopes to Trenches. - 4900r on Redoubt Road C.T. digging sump holes draining widening and cleaning out Trench. - 7 men on Maistre Line draining under bath mats widening and putting a slope on Trench.	
		A Coy.	Kouave Valley. 1900r. 8 hours. cleaning and ditching out 30 ft fill made. 66 cars earth.	

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	15/11/16	A Coy. Cont.	19 OR. 8 hours cleaning and ditching cut. 30 ft. fill made. 66 cars earth 15 OR. 8 hours. shovelled back top, top load along. Top of cut for 90 ft. 36 OR. working on new bullets <u>Note</u> cut is cleaned and ditched throughout and greater part is sloped. 3/4 to 1.	
	16/11/16	B Coy.	One officer and 20 OR Cabaret Road. 14 OR. Wortley Avenue maintenance and digging sumps - one officer 22 OR. Wortley Avenue dugouts chamber. 1 A 1'6" Total 9'6". 3 setts lagged Chamber No 4. 1'0" Total 6'6" 2 setts lagged.	JDS
		D Coy.	Three officers and 80 OR. working on CT 130 - 130 Alley. Redoubt Road and Maistre Line 27 OR on CT. 130 and 130 alley cleaning out drains revetting and repairing bathmats 47 OR on Redoubt Road CT. Trimming up. draining repairing bathmats digging sumps. and clearing out cave-ins 6 men on Maistre Line cleaning out same. Time. 8.00 AM - 4.30 pm.	
		C Coy.	One officer. and 50 OR. on maintenance of New Bayan Central Avenue and Bayan 123 CT's. one officer. and 20 OR. building Bunkers. and clearing galleries in Tottenham Cave. No 1.	JDS

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	16/11/16.	A Coy.	Zouave Valley. one officer and 18 OR. excavating for company quarters one officer and 18 OR. working in cut 49 cars of earth removed 18 OR. shovelled 85 ft of earth on Top of cut. 36 OR. working on Company quarters dugouts	
	17/11/16.		Lieut P J Campbell proceeded to Canadian Corps Headquarters to act as Roads Officer for Corps Area.	
		A Coy.	one officer. 18 OR. excavating for Company quarters 1 officer and 18 OR. working in cut 49 cars of earth removed 36 OR. working on dugouts for company quarters 18 OR. shovelled 85 feet of earth on top of cut	
		B Coy	one officer and 16 OR. general maintenance on Cabaret Road and Ersatz Alley. one officer and 18 OR. general maintenance on Wortley Avenue - one officer and 22 OR. Wortley Avenue dugouts (Brigade HQ) chambers No 1 A. 2'0 Total 11'6. No 4. 1'6 Total 8'6. 8 OR. Arras. Alley company dugouts chamber. 1'6 Total 8'0. Weather keen hard frost all day.	

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	17/11/16.	6.00	<p>one officer and 48 OR. on maintenance of New Bayan. Central Avenue. and Bayan. 123. C.T's. one officer and 20 OR. on building bunkers and clearing galleries Tottenham Caves, 30 OR from 1st Inf Battalion reported at 1.00 pm The work was delayed on account of no. tunnel timber having been sent from Bowde Bray last night D. Coy. 4 officers and 81 OR worked on C.T. 130. Redoubt Road CT and Bajolle Line and started Tunnel in Quarry 42 OR on Redoubt R^e C.T. trimming banks building sumps and cleaning out sumps. draining and replacing bath mats - 28 OR. on 130 Road C.T. placing new bath mats cleaning out and building drain under same - 6 men on Bajolle Line building dugout for trench wardens. - 5 men at Quarry. starting tunnel progress. very good. weather cold. Time. 8. AM - 4.30 pm.</p>	
			<p>A Coy. 36 OR. on new dugouts 38 OR. moving parapet Arras. Alley. 19 OR. moved back. 90 ft top load at Bigcut 6 OR. unloading party <u>note</u> 8 hour shifts with exception of unloading party</p>	
	18/11/16.	6.00	<p>one officer and 84 OR. on maintenance of New Bayan Central Avenue. and Bayan 123 C.T. one officer and 22 OR. clearing galleries and enlarging corridors in Tottenham Caves</p>	

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	18/11/16		<p>B Coy. Infantry parties all reported except one party of 12 men from the 4th Infantry Battalion Ptes Moore and Leper. proceeded to quarters in Colisiam Trench 50 yards North of New Bayan. with instructions to supervise maintenance work on that Trench. from Wortley Avenue to Central Avenue. Sgt Burleigh and 3 men proceeded to Engineers Dump at Bois du Bray to frame timbers for tunnels at Tottenham Caves.</p> <p>D Coy. 4 officers and 84 OR. worked on C.T. 130 Alley Redoubt C.T. Bajolle Tunnels in Quarry - 43 OR. on Redoubt C.T. revetting, sumps, draining and trimming banks. - 25 OR. on C.T. 130 Alley trimming up banks. 10 men on tunnels - 6 men on Bajolle Line building dugouts</p> <p>Progress fair weather cold with strong east wind</p> <p>B Coy. one officer and 16 OR. general maintenance on Cabaret Road and Ersatz Alley - 18 OR. general maintenance on Wortley Avenue 1 officer 21 OR. Wortley Avenue dugouts. (Bregade HQ) chamber. No 1A 1'6 Total 13'0 No 4. 2'0 Total 10'6 - 8 OR Arras Alley (company dugouts) chamber. no progress owing to cave in River Terrace dugouts made reconnaissance of site and laid off lines and levels. for two galleries and arranged working parties weather showery all day.</p>	

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	18/11/16	Moq.	1900r. in cut 50 cars, 3800r on Top cut 150 lineal feet thrown back. 1300r. placed 400 ft of track with ties - 600r. drainage. 3700r. new quarters <u>note</u> Batter of cut $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1. throughout, 40 ft now 1 to 1. Line from Hospital Corner to Bankside will be open through. to night.	
	19/11/16	Coq.	one officer and 7000r. on maintenance of new Bayan. Central Avenue and Bayan 123 C.T. 15. - one officer and 2200r. enlarging galleries and framing timber at Tottenham Baves. The infantry party of 12 men from the 4 th Battlw did not report last night Lieut A.S.B. Jones. reported for duty with the Company today	
		Deq.	four officers and 7800r. worked on C.T. 130 Redoubt C.T. Bajollie Line and Tunnels in Quarry 2200r. on CT130 cleaning out and trimming Banks 4600r. on Redoubt C.T. Draining under bathmat's trimming Banks. cleaning out cave-ins and building dugout in Bajollie Line - 10 men working on Quarry. left camp. 8 AM. returned 4. 30 pm.	
		Bloq.	one officer and 3000r. general maintenance on Cabaret Road Ersatz Alley. and Wortley Avenue. one officer 1800r. Wortley Avenue. dugouts (Brigade HQ) chamber. No 1A. clearing cave-in No 4.	

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	19/11/16	B Coy	one officer 8 OR. Arras. Alley dugout. chamber. 2'0 Total 10'0. - 9 OR. River Terrace dugouts Gallery No 1. 7'0. No 2. 8'0 no timbering weather cold with slight showers.	
		A Coy	32 OR. shovelled back 130 ft overload on cut. 18 OR. 60 cars from cut 18 OR. Track laying 33 OR. on new dugouts, 6 OR on drainage	
	20/11/16	B Coy	One officer and 30 OR general maintenance on Cabaret Road Ersatz alley and Wortley Avenue - one officer and 18 OR on Wortley Avenue dugouts (Brigade HQ) chamber. 1 A complete No 4 3'0 Total 15'0 lagging galleries etc. one officer 8 OR. Arras. Alley dugouts Company Q no. chamber. 3'0 Total 13'0 9 OR. River Terrace dugouts excavating for kitchen and trench thro' west bank of trench for disposal of soil weather dull	
		B Coy	2 officers and 72 OR. on maintenance of New Boyau Central Avenue. and Boyau 123. CT's. - one officer and 22 OR. enlarging galleries and Building Kitchen at Tottenham Caves. Infantry parties total of 50 men reported for work. Lieut J F Ferguson returned from leave to day.	

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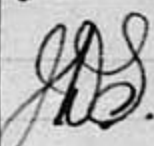
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	20/10/16	D Coy	4 officers and 80 men worked on C.T. 130 Redoubt C.T. Bajolle Line and new tunnels in Quarry - 23 OR on C.T. 130 trimming banks and cleaning out - 47 men on Redoubt C.T. drawing under bath mats trimming banks cleaning out, Revetting and building dugouts in Bajolle Line Time. 8.30 A.M. - 4.30 p.m.	
		A Coy	Arras Alley. 36 OR. dugouts 19 OR. big cutting 54 cars. 38 OR overload on cutting 150' - 10 OR. track laying, 10 OR. on grade 6 OR. carrying party	
	21/11/16	B Coy	one officer. 34 OR. Cabaret Road Ersatz Alley and Wortley Avenue general maintenance - 1 officer 18 OR. Wortley Avenue Dugout (Brigade HQ) Chamber. No 4. 2' 0" Total 15' 0. lagging galleries and stairway one officer. 8 OR. Arras Alley. dugouts (Company billets) chamber completed started 2nd Exit and Building banks. 9 OR. River Terrace. dugouts Face No 1. 6' 6" Timbered Kitchen ready for material weather heavy. mist all day.	
		B Coy	2 officers and 79 OR. on maintenance of New Bayan. Central Avenue. and Bayan 123 C.T.s. one officer and 22 OR. enlarging galleries and building kitchen at Tottenham Caves.	

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	21/11/16		<p>B Coy Infantry parties total 50 men were also employed on this work D Coy four officers and 99 OR worked on CT 130 130 Alley Redoubt CT Bajollie Line. Deep dugouts and new tunnels in Quarry 29 OR on 130 Alley and Road. cleaning out and trimming Banks. 38 OR Redoubt CT trimming banks. and on deep dugout in Bajollie Line - 22 OR on new tunnels in Quarry time A Coy Arras Alley 19 OR in Railway cut 60 cars. - 33 OR removing top load at cut 18 OR moving parapit on cross Alley - 4 OR repairing break near Granby Dump.</p>	8:00 AM. 14:30 PM.
	22/11/16		<p>A Coy work report Arras Alley 36 OR on dugouts S13 d 7.6 - 20 OR on Railway cut S8 c 6 3. - 40 cars. - 20 OR grade and track x18 b 0 3 100 yards. 20 OR grade x18 b 5-6 600 feet 20 OR ditches and grade S8. d 1.1 200ft.</p> <p>B Coy one officer 28 OR general maintenance Cabaret Road Ersatz Alley and Wortley Avenue also 25 OR Infantry party worked on Wortley Avenue 1 officer and 16 OR Wortley Avenue dugouts S19 d central chamber. No 4 2'0" Total 17'0" lagging galleries and stairways one officer. 6 OR Arras Alley dugouts S19. d central</p>	J.S.

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	22/11/16.		<p>5 running feet of escut completed - 13 OR. River Terrace dugouts 58b.1.6. Face No 1 2'0 Total 9'0" No 3. 3'0. Total 3'0" Face No 2 excavation for kitchen weather Bright sunshine</p> <p>6 Coy One officer and 52 OR. on maintenance of New Bayan Central Avenue. and Bayan 123 C.T's. one officer 2 neo's Pioneers and 50 OR. Infantry clearing along Central Avenue. 9 OR building Y.M.C.A. dugout at Careney. - 1 officer and 50 OR. (pioneers) with 50 OR. Infantry building bunkers. widening galleries and timbering base No 2 Tottenham Laves.</p>	
			<p>D Coy 4 officers and 87 OR. worked on C.T. 130 Redoubt C.T. Bajollie Line and Tunnels. in Quarry 26 OR. on Tunnels progress good. 30 OR. on Redoubt C.T. cleaning out and trimming banks. 20 OR. on C.T. 130 trimming banks. - 11 OR. on Maistre Line completing dugout.</p>	
	23/11/16		<p>A Coy Work report Railway cut 58c.6.3. 18 OR. 32 cars of earth removed. and 75' overload - Dugouts 513. d 7. 6. 36 OR - grade and track x 18b.0.3. 20 OR - grade and track x 18b.5.6. ditches and grade. 58d.1.1. 20 OR -</p>	

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	23/11/16.		<p>B Coy. One officer. 50 OR. general maintenance Cabaret Road and Wortley Avenue. - one officer. 16 OR Wortley Avenue. dugouts. S. 19. d central Chamber No 4. 3'0 Total 20'0" 100 Sq feet flooring laid. - one officer. 56 OR Arras Alley and River Terrace. dugouts. Arras Alley. dugouts S. 19. d. central exit. 3'0" Total 8'0" River Terrace dugouts 58 b. 1. 6 face No 1. 1'0 Total 10'0" Face No. 2. 2'0 Total 10'0. face No 3. 2'0" Total 5'0" 35 of the men used as a carrying party, weather bright sunshine.</p> <p>C Coy. One officer and 50 OR on maintenance of new Bayan Central Avenue and Bayan 123. 2 officers and 50 OR. Pioneers. and 48 OR Infantry widening galleries in Cave No 1. and timbering in Cave No 2. at Tottenham Caves.</p> <p>D Coy. four officers and 97 OR. worked on C.T. 130 Redoubt C.T. tunnels in Quarry. and Pioneer Dump 36 OR. on Redoubt C.T resetting repairing bath mats cleaning out and trimming banks. X17. D 8. 6. 30 OR. C.T. 130 trimming banks. X18 A. 6. 5. - 24 OR on Tunnels. in Quarry X8 C. 3. 3. 7 OR. on Pioneer. Dump. framing timbers guards, and unloading crew.</p>	

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	24/11/16		<p>A Coy Work report. 1800. Railway cut. S8C. 6. 3. 34 cars of earth removed 2300. S8 d 1.1. ditching 700'0" - 4000R grade and track x 18 b. 0. 3. 3600R dugouts S13 d 7. 6.</p> <p>B Coy 4000. general maintenance Wortley Avenue. 1700R Wortley Avenue dugouts. S19 D central 6 ft of connecting gallery between Nos 3 and 4. completed 200 sq feet flooring laid 600R Arras. Alley. S19 D central escot 2'0" Total 10'0" one officer. 1/2 of above parties, 1 officer. 5000R River Terrace Dugouts S. 8 b. 1. 6. Face No 1. 2'6" Total 12'6" Face No 2. 2'0. Total 12'0" covering framing of kitchen half the party carrying material weather heavy mist all day.</p> <p>C Coy One officer and 50 men on maintenance of New Bayan Central Avenue and Bayan 123. C T's. 2 officers. and 5000R. Pioneers. and 4800R. Infantry widening galleries in Cave No 1. and timbering in Cave No 2. Tottenham Caves.</p> <p>D Coy four officers and 9700R. worked on C T. 130 Redoubt Road. C T. tunnels in Quarry. and at Pioneer dump. 31 men on Redoubt x 17. D. 8. 6. Trimming banks. 3600R. on C T. 130. x 18 A 6. 5. cleaning out draining and trimming banks. 24. 00R. on Tunnels. in Quarry x 8. C 3. 3. 7 men on Pioneer Dump. framing timbers unloading and guards.</p>	

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	26/11/16		<p>A Coy. Work report 2600R. employed on dugouts S.13 d 7 6. - 800R on tramline from X18b 03 to 57d 71 - 200R on Bridges. 58d.1.1. 1800R on Railway Cut 58c 6.3</p> <p>B Coy. Drawing galleries for dugouts River Terrace. 58b.1.6. gallery No1. 6'3" x 3'0" 24'0". No2 gallery. 6'3" x 4'0" 22'0" No3 gallery 6'3" x 4'0" 11'0" Total 57'0" previously reported 42'0" under report 15'0" 2 officers 500R - Dugouts Wortley Avenue. (S 19d central) Trimming sides of passages and chambers. For lining, Chamber No4. floored 1700R. maintenance of Trenches Cabaret Road. 1900R. Wortley Avenue. 400R. one officer in charge. weather fair</p> <p>C Coy. one officer and 4800R. on maintenance of New Bayan Central Avenue. and Boyan 123 CT's. - 2 officers and 5600R. Pioneers. and 4500R. Infantry making entrance and building bunkers in Cave No1. and timbering in Cave No2. at Tottenham Caves.</p> <p>D Coy. 3 officers. and 9500R. employed on. 600R. patrolled CT.130. 130 Alley. and Redoubt Road 2200R. on Quarry dugouts - 6700R on carrying party from Pioneer Dump. to Quarry and Riverside Terrace</p>	

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	27/11/16		<p>A Coy work report 25 OR employed on dugouts S13.d. 7. 6. - 82 OR. on tramline from X 18 to 3. to S. 7.d. 7. 1. 18 OR. Railway Cut. S 8 c. 6 3. 20 cars of earth moved. 7 OR on building Y M C A Hut S 14 b. 2. 4</p> <p>B Coy Driving galleries for dugouts River Terrace. S. 8 b. 1. 6. gallery No 1 6'3" x 3'0" 31' gallery No 2 6'3" x 4'0" 27'0" gallery No 3. 6'3" x 4'0" 16'0" Total 74'0" previously reported 57'0" under report. 14'0" 2 officers and 50 OR. Wortley Avenue dugouts S 19. d central party marched to Villers du Bois for bath Maintenance of Trenches. Labaret Road. 17 OR and Wortley Avenue 4 OR. one officer 1/2 of these parties weather fair</p> <p>C Coy. One officer. and 48 OR. on maintenance of New Bayan and Central Avenue. 2 officers and 56 OR (Pioneers) widening galleries and timbering in Cave No 2. widening galleries and making new exit in Cave No 1 Tottenham Caves. Infantry parties somewhat confused owing to Brigade relief</p> <p>D Coy. 2 officers and 100 OR. worked on Redoubt. Road C T. new dugouts in Quarry, Bayollie Line new dugouts, and Pioneer Dump. 27 OR. on new dugouts in Quarry X 8. C. 3. 3. 10 OR on deep dugouts</p> <p>Bayollie Line X 17. D 7. 7.</p>	

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	27/11/16	10 OR	Pioneer Dump. Guards unloading and framing timber party	
		54 OR	on Redoubt. Road C.T. draining and fixing bathmat	
	28/11/16	18 OR	Work report Railway cut cleaning up - 80 OR. grade track	
		7 OR	Y.M.C.A. hut - 40 OR Stretcher bearers. From Louave Valley to Hospital Corner. making three trips	
		20 OR	on Dugouts Arras Alley.	
			B Coy. Drawing galleries for dugouts River Terrace. 5.8.6.1.6. Gallery No 1. 6'3" x 3'0" 34'0" No 2 gallery 6'3" x 4'0" 30'0" No 3 gallery 21'0" Total 85'0" previously reported 74'0" under report 11'0" 2 officers and 50 OR. work delayed owing to attack on the 27 th and 28 th Wortley Avenue. dugouts. 519. d. central Trimming sides for lining and carrying in timber for same 16 OR. Maintenance of trenches. Labaret Road 7 OR. Escatz Alley. 6 OR. Wortley Avenue. 4 OR. one officer	
			Mc. of these parties weather heavy mist	
			C Coy. One officer and 43 OR. on maintenance Central Avenue New Boyau. and Boyau. 123 C.T.'s. 2 officers and 50 OR (Pioneers) and 34 OR. Infantry widening galleries and making entrance in Cave No 1. Timbering in Cave No 2. and opening new gallery between the two Caves.	

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	28/11/16		<p>C Coy. Only 8 men reported from the 8th Battln instead of 16 and ten men of the 10th Battln instead of 16. - 7th Battln correct.</p> <p>D Coy. Three officers and 95 OR. worked on Redoubt Road C.T. new dugouts in Quarry., Bajollie^{Line} Dugouts and Pioneer Dump. 33 OR on new dugouts in Quarry. X 8 C 3.3 - 10 OR on Bajollie Line deep dugouts. X 17. D 7.7 1 - 8 men on Pioneer Dump, guards unloading and Timbering party - 44 OR. on Redoubt Road. C.T. draining bath mating and cleaning up.</p>	
	29/11/16		<p>A Coy. Three officers and 52 OR. gas school. 22 OR. ballast. Curancy Dump - 9 OR Y.M. C.A. hut Houave Valley - 15 OR. 58 cb.3 Railway grade. 24 cars of earth removed from Cut. 300 ft ditch 12 OR. 57 d. 7 1. 40 yards of grade built delivered 3 cars. from Granby Dump. to Hospital Corner.</p> <p>B Coy. Driving galleries for dugouts Rwer Terrace. 5.8 b. 1.6 gallery. No 1. 6'3" x 3'0" 39'0" No 2. 6'3" x 4'0" 37'0" No 3. 6'3" x 4'0" 24'0" Total 100'0" previously reported 85'0" under report 15'0" 2 officers and 50 OR. —</p>	<p>AS.</p> <p>AS.</p>

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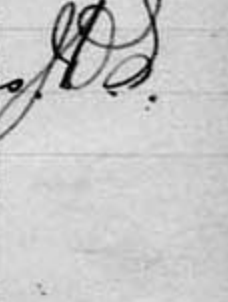
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	29/11/16	B Coy Cont	<p>Wortley Avenue. dugouts S.19. d central No 4 chamber. 50% lining completed Trimming steps and sides 15 OR. - Maintenance of Trenches. Wortley Avenue. 4 OR. remainder being fitted with Bot respirators one officer. 1/2 of these parties weather frosty and misty</p> <p>C Coy. One officer and 27 OR. on maintenance of Central Avenue New Boyau. and Bayau. 123 CT's two officers and 50 OR. Pioneers and 50 OR. Infantry widening gallery. and completing entrance to No. 1. Cave. Timbering in Cave. No 2. opening new gallery. one officer and 60 OR. attending gas school</p> <p>D Coy Three officers and 95 OR. worked on Redoubt Road. C.T. 130 C.T. - dugouts in Quarry. Bajollie Line dugouts and Pioneer Dump. 12 OR. on Bajollie Line dugouts. x17.D.7.7 33 OR on Quarry. dugouts x8C3.3 - 50 OR on Redoubt. C.T. and 130 C.T. fixing bath mats draining and Trimming Banks. x22.A2.8 -</p>	
	30/11/16	A Coy	<p>Work report 12 OR employed on dugouts S13D. 7.6 - 10 OR on Trenches S13.d 7.6. - 29 OR. on Railway grade x18.B.0.3 - 18 OR Railway Cut S8c.6.3. 130 yards of ditch 36 cars - 13 OR. on grade. S7d7.1. 120 ft of fill.</p>	

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	30/11/16	B Coy.	<p>Driving galleries for dugouts River Terrace 58 B. 1. 6. Gallery No. 1. 6'3" x 3'0" 1'0" No. 2. 6'3" x 4'0" 40'0" No. 3. 6'3" x 4'0" 27'0" Total 68'0" previously reported 61'0" under report - 7'0. corridor driven, half party at gas school. being fitted with gas respirators 2 officers 50 OR</p> <p>Wortley Avenue Dugouts 519. d central Chamber No. 4. being completed lagging sides of upper passages. 15 OR. work delayed owing to non delivery of materials Maintenance of trenches Cabaret Road. 8 OR. and Wortley Avenue 4 OR. one officer in charge. of these parties weather sharp frost -</p> <p>C Coy. One officer and 27 OR. on maintenance of New Bayan Central Avenue. and Bayan 123 C Tis. one officer and 40 OR. Pioneers and 50 OR. Infantry widening galleries in Cave No. 1. Timbering and ^{building} widening bunkers in Cave No. 2 2 officers and 51 OR. attending gas school</p> <p>D Coy. 3 officers and 95 OR. 32 OR. Quarry dugouts X 8 C 3. 3. - 10 men on Bayollie Line dugouts X 17. D. 7. 7. 53 OR. on carrying party from Pioneer Dump. to Quarry dugouts</p>	<p>PS</p>

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			<p>The following officers and men were employed during the month as follows: 2 officers, 104 OR. on Light Railway - 2 officers and 74 OR with composite Pioneer Coy. - Lieut Bevan Pritchard Town Major Gauchin Legal. - 16 OR with Canadian Corps.</p> <p>Lieut Col. Hodgkin to be Assistant Director Light Railways and Roads. Directorate 12.11.16. Authy A.G. G.H.Q. A 18072. dated 12.11.16. Ref. Can. Sec. 3rd Ech. G.H.Q. N.D. 7860</p> <p>Lieut. R. T. Hicks transferred to 1st Canadian Divisional Signal Coy. 27.9.16. Authy G.H.Q. List of appointments commissions and Rewards. No 107 dated 4.11.16.</p> <p>Capt W J Moran. Transferred to. H.Q. CTD. Thorncliffe for appointment as Instructor at Can Pioneer Depot. 9.11.16. Authy A A G. Can Sec 3rd Ech. G.H.Q. N.D. 7784. dated 7/11/16.</p> <p>Lieut. J L Carter having been invalided to England is struck off strength of the Battrn Authy Base. N.E. 56/518. dated 27/11/16. 1st Can. Div. File A Q 25/264. dated 29/11/16.</p> <p>Major. J A Keefer returned from leave to England. 30/11/16.</p>	

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Villers du Bois Dec 1 st 1916			<p>B Coy. Drwing galleries and dugouts River Terrace 58 b 1.6 Corridor No 1 7'0" x 6'3" 3'0". No 2 B. 7'0" x 6'3" 3'0" No 3. 6'3" x 4'0" 3'0" Total 36'0" previously reported 27'0" under report 9'0". 2 officers and 48 OR. half party at Gas School. Workley Avenue dugouts 5190 central party at gas school. Maintenance of Trenches Cabaret Road 10 OR. weather frosty with heavy mist</p>	
			<p>A Coy. work report 40 OR on ballast train 18 OR on grade x 17c 5.8. 15 OR finishing cut 58c 6 3. - 4 OR. at Hospital Corner as unloading party 6 OR on grade 57d 7.1. - 10 OR on dugouts 513d 7.6 - 12 OR on trenches 513d 7.6. - 14 OR at gas school</p>	
			<p>B Coy. One officer and 54 OR. on maintenance New Bayan and Central Avenue C.T's. - 2 officers and 38 OR Pioneers and 49 OR. Infantry widening galleries in Cave No 1 opening new corridor and entrance in Cave No 2 at Tottenham Caves. 16 OR at gas school.</p>	
			<p>D Coy. 2 officers and 91 OR - 32 OR. on new dugouts in Quarry x 8.c. 3.3. 10 OR on Bajollie Line dugouts x 17d 7.7. 49 OR on Redoubt Road P.C.T. 130 C.T. - draining and placing new bath mats —</p>	

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	2/12/16	B Coy	<p>Drawing galleries and corridors River Terrace 58 to 1.6. Corridor Nos. 7'0" x 6'3" 7'0" No 2 B. 7'0" x 6'3" 5'0" No 3. 6'3" x 4'0" 32'0" Total 44'0" previously reported 36'0" under report 8'0" 2 officers 48 OR. 2 shifts used as a carrying party - Wortley Avenue Dugouts 519 a central Chamber No 3 floored lagging upper galleries 14 OR - Maintenance of Trenches. Wortley Avenue 4 OR. Cabaret Road 6 OR - weather hard frost with mist</p> <p>A Coy. work report 19 OR ballast train no work done. 15 OR grade. Hospital corner ballasting 93 OR at gas school.</p> <p>C Coy. two officer and 36 OR. Pioneers. and 49 OR Infantry widening galleries in Cave No 1. opening new corridors and entrance Cave No 2 at Tottenham Caves. one officer and 52 OR. maintenance New Bayan and Central Avenue. C T's one pioneer supervising construction of Bomb Stores on Arras Road near. Central Trench at S 25. B. 7. 7. 21 OR. Attending gas school.</p> <p>D Coy. two officers and 50 OR. 32 OR. on dugouts in Quarry X 8. C 3 3. 16 OR. carrying party from Pioneer Dump to Quarry dugouts 2 men on new Bomb Store X 22 D. 8. 1.</p>	

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	3/12/16	B Coy	<p>Drawing corridors (living) River Terrace. S 8 b 1. 6. Corridor No 1. 7'0" x 6'3" 9'0" No 2 B. 7'0" x 6'3" 7'0" Total 16'0" previously reported 12'0" under report 4'0" no carrying party on night of 2nd 2 officers 49 OR. Wortley Avenue. dugouts 5.19. a central Living Chambers and passages. Lagging upper passages. 13 OR - Maintenance of Trenches. Cabaret Road 6 OR Wortley Avenue 4 OR - weather frosty with mist</p> <p>A Coy work report. 19 OR. Ballast Train 36 OR on RR grade. S 7 d 2. 0</p> <p>B Coy one officer and 50 OR. on maintenance New Bayan and Central Avenue C.T.'s - 2 officers and 40 OR Pioneers and 49 OR. Infantry widening galleries in Cave No 1. Timbering cave and excavating new corridor No 2 cave. in Tottenham Caves. Lieut J F Ferguson and 2 OR. left for Bombing School. one pioneer superintending construction of Bomb. Stores for 2nd Infantry Brigade.</p> <p>D Coy 2 officers and 100 OR. - 45 OR on dugouts in Quarry x 8 c 3. 3. 12 men on dugouts in Bajollie Line x 17 d 7. 7. 2 OR. on new Bomb Stores x 22 D 8. 1. 9 OR. at Pioneer Dump. Hospital Corner. framing timbers unloading party, guides and guards. 32 OR on Redoubt C.T. drawing clearing out under bath mats and placing new bath mats</p>	

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	4/12/16		<p>A Coy Work report. 19 OR. on Ballast Train 36 OR on grade between Hospital Corner Dump. and Bayollie Line</p> <p>B Coy Driving corridors River Terrace. 58 B. 1.6. Corridor No 1 a. 11'0" No 2 b. 9'0 No 3 b. 1'0. Total 21'0" previously reported 16'0" under report. 5'0" 2 shifts carrying timber 2 officers 53 OR. Wortley Avenue dugouts 519. d central Chamber No 3 lined back passage. partly floored lagging risers of steps 13 OR. maintenance of Trenches. Cabaret Road 5 OR. Ersatz Alley. 6 OR. Wortley Avenue 4 OR. 1 officer 2c. of these parties weather</p> <p>C Coy One officer and 56 OR. on maintenance New Bayou and Central Avenue C.T.'s. 2 officers and 55 OR (Pioneers) and 49 OR. Infantry widening galleries in Cave No 1. Timbering and opening new corridor Cave No 2. Tottenham Caves. 1 OR and 6 Infantry building Bomb stores on Arras. Bethune Road.</p> <p>D Coy. 2 officers and 95 OR. 46 OR. on dugouts in Quarry 58 B. 2.8. 12 men on dugouts in Bayollie Line x 170 77 2 men on new Bomb Store x 22 D. 8.1. 9 OR at Hospital Corner framing timbers unloading parties guides and guards. 26 men on Redoubt C.T. x 170 6.7. draining and fixing bath mats.</p>	<p>clean and frosty</p> <p>J.D.</p>

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	5/12/16	B Coy	<p>Driving living corridors River Terrace S 8 B 1.6. Corridor No 1a. 7'0" x 6'3". No 2 B. 7'0" x 6'3" 12'0". No 3b. 7'0" x 6'3" 2'0" Total 29'0" previously reported 21'0" under report 8'0" 2 officers 52 OR - Wortley Avenue Dugouts S 19d central Back passage floored and lining started 50% stair lagging completed 13 OR. maintenance of trenches Cabaret Road 8 OR. Ersatz Alley 6 OR. Wortley Avenue 4 OR. one officer 1c of these parties Weather showery and windy</p> <p>A Coy Work report 19 OR on Ballast train 36 OR on grade between Hospital Corner dump and Fouchery Dump. and switch put in at Fouchery dump</p> <p>B Coy One officer and 45 OR on maintenance of new Bayan and Central Avenue C 15 2 officers and 49 OR (Pioneers) and 30 OR Infantry, widening gallery Cave No 1. Timbering and opening new galleries Cave No 2. 10 OR and 12 Infantry building Bomb store on Arras - Bethune Rd near Central Ave</p> <p>D Coy 46 OR on new dugouts in Quarry S 8 B 2.8. 12 men on dugouts Pajollie Line x 17 d 7.7. 2 men on New Bomb. Store x 22. D 8.1 5 OR on Pioneer Dump Hospital Corner Framing Timber and watchmen, 27 OR on Redoubt CT. trimming banks. relaying bathmats and placing new - also carrying materials to tunnels and dugouts in Quarry. Total 92 OR. 2 officers</p>	

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	6/12/16		<p>B Coy. Drawing Corridors (Living) River Terrace 58 B. 1.6 Corridor No 1A 7'0" x 6'3" 20'0" No 2B 7'0" x 6'3" 16'0" No 3 ^{7'0" x 6'3"} 6'0" Total 42'0" previously reported 29'0" under report 13'0" 2 officers and 53 OR. - Wortley Avenue dugouts 5190 central back passage lined and lagging of stairs completed 10 OR. Maintenance of Trenches Cabaret Road 10 OR. Ersatz Alley 6 OR. Wortley Avenue 4 OR. 1 officer & C of these parties.</p> <p>A Coy. Work report 23 OR on RR grade between Hospital Corner dump and Loucheux 19 OR. on ballast train</p> <p>C Coy. One officer and 46 OR. on maintenance of New Bayan and Central Avenue C.T's. 2 officers and 50 OR. (Pioneers) and 45 OR. Infantry widening gallery in Cave No 1. Timbering in Cave No 2. opening new galleries at Tottenham Caves. parties work continuously in 3 shifts of 8 hours each Infantry in three parties from 7th 8th 10th Battalions, one pioneer and 13. infantry 7 Battln building Bomb store at Central Avenue and Arras Bethune Rd.</p> <p>D Coy. 2 officers and 167 OR. 47 OR on new dugouts in Quarry 58 B 2.8. - 16 OR. and 12 pioneers on new dugout in Bajollie Line x 17.D.7.7. 12 OR on new Bomb stores x 22.D.8.1. 5 OR on pioneer dump framing timber and guards. 50 men and 25 pioneers carrying party from Pioneer Dump to Quarry</p> <p>58 B 2.8. and Bajollie Line x 17.D.7.7.</p>	<p>weather dull and Cold.</p>

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	7/12/16		<p>A Coy. Work report 14 OR. S7d 7.1. Ballasted 2½ sec. tracks 15 cars of rubble on grade. - lined track - 4 OR on dugouts S13d 7.6 - 19 OR on ballast. Train no work done (no ballast)</p> <p>B Coy. Driving Living Corridors River Terrace S8 B 1.6. Corridor No 1 B. 7'0" x 6'3" 2'0" No 1 A. and No 2 B. 39'0" No 2 A. 2'0" No 3 B. 9'0" Total 52' under report 10'0" previously reported 42'0". 2 officers. 53 OR. Wortley Avenue. dugouts S19d central carrying in flooring and lining work delayed owing to 60 OR of the 5th Battalion being billeted here by order of the Brigadier Maintenance of trenches Cabaret Road 8 OR. Ersatz Alley 6 OR. Wortley Avenue 4 OR. weather very thick mist</p> <p>C Coy. 40 OR on maintenance New Bayau and Central Avenue C T's. two officers and 50 OR (Pioneers) and 48 OR Infantry widening galleries and driving new galleries at Tottenham Caves. Five faces working one Pioneer and 12 OR Infantry building Bomb stores at Arras. - Bethune R^o near Central Ave.</p> <p>D Coy. two officers and 169 OR. - 47 OR on new dugouts in Quarry. S8 B 2. 8. 12 pioneers and 16 Infantry on deep dugouts in Bajollie Line X17 D 5. 5. 2 pioneers and 12 Infantry on new bomb stores X22 D 8. 1. - 5 pioneers at Dump. Hospital corner framing timber and guards. 25 pioneers and 50 Infantry carrying party from Pioneer Dump to Quarry. S8 B 2. 8. and Bajollie Line X17 D 7. 7.</p>	

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	8/12/16		<p>A Coy Work report 1900R on Ballast train one train to Composite RR Coy. 1400R on grade ballasted 2½ sections, built two culverts, 15 cars of rubble on grade and lined track</p> <p>B Coy Driving living corridors in River Terrace 5861.6. Corridor No 1B 7'0" x 6'3" 3'0" No 2a 6'0" No 3b 12'0" Total 21'0" previously reported 13'0" under report 8'0" 400R from Infantry reported for work. 2 officers. 2500R (pioneers) weather</p> <p>C Coy one officer and 400R on maintenance of New Bayau and Central Avenue C.T.'s. 2 officers and 6300R (pioneers) and 4900R Infantry widening gallery and building bunkers in Cave No 1 opening new entrances and timbering in Cave No 2 at Tottenham Caves. one pioneer and 12 Infantry 7th Battalion building bomb stores on Arras-Bethune Road near Central Avenue. These stores were finished today</p> <p>D Coy 4900R on Quarry Dugouts 58132.8 work now completed Tunnel 50' Corridor 50' Total 100' up to 600pm no Inf Party had reported here for work - 800R and 12 Inf. on Bajollie Line dugouts work now completed Corr. 16'0" Tunnels. 30'0" Total 46'0" we had 16 Inf here this morning only 8. This afternoon up to 430pm. no other Inf party had reported for work 2500R carrying party to Quarry and Bajollie Line dugouts - 200R and 12 Inf on Bomb store X22.D8.1. - 3 pioneers on Redoubt 130 and 130 Alley C.T.'s. 5 pioneers on Pioneer dump Framing Timbers Guards. etc</p>	<p>dull slight showers</p> <p>Total No Employed 3 officers 116 men.</p>

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	9/12/16		<p><i>Work Report:</i></p> <p><i>A Coy.</i> 19 OR on ballast train 34 OR on grading and laying steel - 12 sections of steel laid and 56 yards of ballast at Louchez - 4 OR unloading party at Hospital, Corner Dump. 15 OR on general improvement and putting in bunks in dugouts at Arras Alley.</p> <p><i>B Coy.</i> Drawing living corridors. River Terrace 58 B. 1. 6. Corridor No 1 137'0" x 6'3" 8'0" No 2 9'0" No 3 15'0" gallery. No 4 6'3" x 4'0" 4'0" Total 35'0" previously reported 21'0" under report 15'0"</p> <p>46 OR Infantry, 2 officers and 53 OR. Maintenance of trenches Cabaret Road 8 OR. Ersatz Alley 8 OR. Wortley Avenue 4 OR. Weather showery all day.</p> <p><i>C Coy.</i> One officer and 38 OR on maintenance New Boyau and Central Avenue C.T.'s. two officers and 68 OR (Pioneers) and 48 OR (Infantry) widening galleries and building bunks. Cave No 1. new galleries and timbering Cave No 2.</p> <p>Tottenham Caves. 3 pioneers and 16 Infantry commenced work on new dugout 514 d. 4. 4.</p> <p><i>D Coy.</i> 50 Pioneers ^{and 50 Infantry} on Quarry dugouts 58 B 2. 8. Work done previously reported 100'0" corridors. 5'0" Tunnel. 10'0" Total 115'0" Progress 15'0" - 10 pioneers and 24 Inf on Bajollie Line new dugouts 217 D 7. 7. previously reported Corr 16'0" Tunnel. 30'0" Total 46'0" progress. Corr. 4'0" Tunnel. 3'0" - 27. Pioneers carrying party to dugouts in Quarry. 2 pioneers and 12 OR on Bomb stores now completed 3 pioneers on Redoubt C.T. 130 C.T. and 130 Alley C.T. 5 pioneers on Pioneer dump. Hospital Corner framing timbers and guards. Total OR. 86. Pioneers. 97. Officers. 3. - 186</p>	

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	Dec. 10.		<p><i>work report</i></p> <p><i>A Coy. 19 OR on Ballast train 34 OR. on grading and laying steel 4 OR unloading party at Hospital Dump. 15 OR. carrying material and putting in Bunko Arras Alley.</i></p> <p><i>B Coy. Drawing living corridors River Terrace 58 B. 1.6 Corridor No 1 B. 7'0" x 6'3" 10'0" No 2a. 12'0" No 3 b. 17'0" No 3A 3'0" Gallery No 4. 6'3" x 4'0" 6'0" Total 48'0" previously reported 36'0" under report 12'0" 50 Infantry, 25 pioneers and two officers Wortley Ave dugouts 519 central Chamber No 1. lined No 2 started 2 OR. (Infantry still occupying these dugouts. Maintenance of Trenches. Cabaret Road 8 OR. Ersatz Alley 6 OR. Wortley Avenue 4 OR. Weather dull and showery</i></p> <p><i>C Coy. One officer 38 OR. maintenance of New Boyan and Central Ave Trenches. 2 officers and 59 OR. pioneers and 82 OR. Infantry widening galleries in Case No 1. 9 feet, and building bunko galleries 7 ft. Corridor in Case No 2 4 ft. 3 pioneers and 15 infantry excavating approaches for 3 galleries at new dugouts at 514 d 4. 3.</i></p> <p><i>D Coy. 50 pioneers. 50 Infantry employed on Quarry dugouts 58 B. 2. 8. work reported done 115'0" progress. Cor 3 Tunnel 15' Total 18'0" - 20 pioneers and 24 OR on Bajollie Line dugouts x 17 D 77. work reported done 53'0" progress Corridor 5'0" 30 pioneers carrying party to dugouts in Quarry and Bajollie Line 5 pioneers on Redoubt 130 and 130 Alley CT's. 5 pioneers on Pioneer dump Timbering and guards. Total Employed. 110 Pioneers. 74 OR.</i></p>	

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	11/12/16		<p>Work report A Coy 13 OR. raising and levelling track for ballast party 20 OR. ballasting track 19 OR. unloading party on train 4 OR. unloading party at Hospital Dump. B Coy. Driving living corridors River Terrace S 8 B. 1. 6. Corridor No 1 B 7'0" x 6'3" 12'0" No 2 a. 16'0" No 3 b. 20'0" No 3 a 4'0" gallery^{no} 4. 6'3" x 4'0" 8'0" Total 60'0" previously reported 48'0" under report 12'0" work delayed owing to no lagging having been delivered at dump 500 OR Inf 2 officers 570 OR. Wortley Avenue. Dugouts 519 d central work delayed owing to the dugouts being occupied by Infantry Maintenance of Trenches. Cabaret Road 8 OR Ersatz Alley. 6 OR Wortley Avenue 4 OR Weather Bright and frosty — C Coy. one officer and 370 OR. on Maintenance of New Bayan Bayan 123 and Central Ave. CT's 2 officers and 60 OR Pioneers and 64 OR Infantry at Tottenham Caves. excavating and timbering 7 ft corridor 12'0. and 3 ft galleries 9'0" Bunks built 14. 9 pioneers and 33 OR. Infantry excavating and timbering 3 new entrances for dugouts at 514 d. 4. 3. 20 ft D Coy. 50 pioneers 50 Infantry on Quarry Dugouts 58 B 2. 8 work reported done. 133'0" Increase. Corridor. 4'0" Tunnel. 15'0" Total 152'0" progress. 19'0" On Bayollie Line dugouts x 17 D 7. 7. 18 pioneers 24 OR. work reported done 58'0" increase corr. 12'0. Total 70' progress 12'0" 33 pioneers. Carrying party to Bayollie Line 5 OR on dump framing timbers and guards. 3 OR on Redoubt. 130 and 130 Alley CT's. Total pioneers 109. Infantry 74 — 183.</p>	

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	12/12/16		<p><i>Work Report</i></p> <p><i>A Coy 1900 Ballast train 4000 unloading party Hospital Dump grading party did not work owing to weather</i></p> <p><i>B Coy Drawing living corridor River Terrace 5.8.6.1.6. Corridor No 13 7'0" x 6'3" 14'0" No 2a and 3b 38'0" No 3a 7'0" Gallery No 4 (6.3" x 4'0") 12'0" Total 71'0" previously reported 60'0" under report 11'0" 50 Infantry 57 pioneers. 2 officers Building bunks in corridor between galleries No 1 and 2. Wortley Ave. dugouts 519D central Infantry moving out today when work will be again started Maintenance of trenches. Ersatz Alley. 6000. Wortley Avenue 4000. Weather stormy with snow</i></p> <p><i>C Coy Owing to weather conditions trench maintenance party did not work today 2 officers and 54 Pioneers and 71 Infantry at Tottenham Caves widening and timbering galleries 7'0" wide 18'0" 3' galleries 19 feet - 9 pioneers and 27 Infantry working at new dugouts at 514d 4.3. - 3ft gallery 12'0"</i></p> <p><i>D Coy 50 pioneers on Quarry dugouts 58B.2.8. Work reported done 152'0" progress Tunnel 15'0" Total 177'0" 20 pioneers on Bajollie Line dugouts X17D 7.7. Work reported done 70'0" progress 6'0" Total 76'0" 35 pioneers carrying party to Quarries and Bajollie Line dugouts, 4 men on Redoubt 130 and 130 alley. CT 6. 5 men on Pioneer Dump. Framing timbers Total pioneers 114 Infantry nil</i></p>	

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	13/12/16		<p><i>Work report</i></p> <p><i>A Coy 1900r. Ballast train 2000r. Ballasting tracks 1900r unloading party on train</i></p> <p><i>B Coy. Driving corridor (living) River Terrace 58 b. 1. 6. Gallery No 1. 6'3" x 4'0. 6'0" No 2. 6'0" No 3. 6'0" under report 18'0" 2 officers and 5000r. Bunks for 4400r fitted in corridors between galleries Nos 1 and 3. Wortley Ave dugouts 519d central lining and flooring practically completed 6000r. maintenance of Trenches Cabaret Road 1200r Ersatz Alley 2000r Wortley Avenue 4000r. Weather fair</i></p> <p><i>C Coy. 1 officer and 5100r. on maintenance of New Boyau Boyau 123 and Central Avenue C.T's. 2 officers. and 6000r. pioneers opened 7ft corridors 14'0. 3ft corridors 10ft bunks built 30 at Tottenham Laves. owing to Brigade relief Infantry did no work. All trench wardens and work parties at tunnels were withdrawn to Villers du Bois by midnight</i></p> <p><i>D Coy. 50 pioneers and 24 Infantry on Quarry dugouts 58 B 2. 8 work. reported done 177'0 Corridor. 9'0" Tunnel 12'0" progress 21'0" on Bajollie Line dugouts x 17 D 7. 7. 20 pioneers 16 Infantry work reported done 76'0" progress. 8'0" Corridor - 4 pioneers. on Redoubt C.T. cleaning up. 5 pioneers. on dump. guards and framing timbers</i></p> <p><i>Lieut C Howard. attached for duty to the Assistant Director Light Railway and Roads. 1st Ech. G.H.Q.</i></p>	

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Villers du Bois	13/12/16		Battalion (less those on Corps employ) will move to Wanquetin on the 14 th & 15 th Dec. in accordance with march table below and come under command of VI Corps on arrival. Battalion will be rationed by 1 st Canadian Division up to and for the 16 th December. Caretakers will be left in charge of billets vacated by the Battalion, until arrival of representatives of 4 th Division, then rejoin Battalion.	
	14/12/16		One company left in accordance with above instructions, passing through the following towns - Aeq, Haute Loesnes, Habareq and duly arrived at Wanquetin.	J.S.
	15/12/16		Battalion (less one company) left Villers du Bois and arrived at Wanquetin following above schedule.	J.S.
Wanquetin	16/12/16		<p>After Major Macdonnell and O B Companies looked over work on this day. 380 OR commenced work at 10 AM on standard gauge railroad running between Wanquetin and Frevin Capelle. grading $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile of track.</p> <p>A. Coy 100 OR working on grade Sta 36 to 43.40 B. Coy Party of 2 Officers and 80 OR were employed grading on broad gauge railway. C. Coy Party of 2 Officers and 100 OR were employed on broad gauge railway from Sta 49.50 to Sta 55.50 also from Sta 63.00 to Sta 65.00 from 8.30 AM to 3.30 P.M.</p>	J.S.

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	14/12/16	D boy	2 Officers and 102 OR employed on railway grade from 8.30 AM to 3.30 PM. between sta 56-50 to 57.	
	17/12/16	A boy	100 OR employed on railway grade between sta 33-60 to 36 and sta 88 to 92	
		B boy	2 Officers and 80 OR employed on railway grade.	
		C boy	2 Officers and 118 OR employed on railway grade between sta 67 and 69. 83 and 85 and 92-50 to 94-50.	
		D boy	2 Officers and 88 men employed on railway grade.	
	19/12/16	A boy	127 OR employed on railway grade between sta 33-60 to 36 and sta 90 to 92.	
		B boy	2 Officers and 80 OR employed on railway grade east of Waquentin.	
		C boy	2 Officers and 115 OR employed on railway grade between sta 83 and 85 also 92-50 and 94-50.	
		D boy	2 Officers and 92 OR employed on railway grade between sta 56-50 and 57 4 OR cutting wood at aquez.	
	19/12/16	A boy	134 OR employed on railway grade sta 14 to 22.	
		B boy	2 Officers and 80 OR employed on railway grade.	
		C boy	2 Officers and 115 OR employed on railway grade between sta 92-50 and 94-50	

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	19/12/76		<p>B boy also sta 95.00 and 96.50.</p> <p>D boy 2 Officers and 92 OR employed on railway grade between sta 56.50 and 57. 4 OR cutting wood.</p>	
	20/12/76		<p>A boy 124 OR employed on railway grade sta 14 to 22.</p> <p>B boy 2 Officers and 80 OR employed on railway grade.</p> <p>C boy Company moved to Agnez. 2 Officers and 89 OR employed grading railway sta 95.00 to 96.50. 1 Officer and 120 OR building hut at Agnez.</p> <p>D boy Men billeted in Louves. Company moved to Agnez. 2 Officers and 89 men on railway grade sta 56.50 to 57.</p>	
	21/12/76		<p>A boy 116 OR on railway grade between sta 7 and 22. On this day two hours only of work was done on account of rain.</p> <p>B boy 2 Officers and 80 OR employed on railway grade east of Wanquentin.</p> <p>C boy 2 Officers and 95 OR employed on railway grade from 95.00 to 96.50 from 8.30 AM to 12 noon. No work done in afternoon on account of rain. 1 Officer and 15 OR finishing hut and building benches.</p> <p>D boy 2 Officers and 90 men employed on railway grade from sta 56.50 to 57. One Officer</p>	

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	21/176	D Coy	billeted in Gouves.	
	22/176	A Coy	117 OR employed on railway grade between stn 7 and 22. Only two hours work done this day on account of rain.	
		B Coy	2 Officers and 80 OR employed on railway grade east of Wanquentin.	
		B Coy	2 Officers and 99 OR employed on railway grade west of Gouves from 1 PM to 4 PM. No work done in the morning on account of rain.	
			1 Officer and 12 OR making bunk in hut.	
	23/176	D Coy	Raining - Company came from ^{to} Agnez from Gouves. 60 men at Baitie 9 AM to 10 AM.	J.S.
		A Coy	124 OR employed on railway grade between stn 7 and 22. All work was done on standard gauge line running east of Wanquentin.	
		B Coy	2 Officers and 80 men employed on railway grade east of Wanquentin.	
		B Coy	2 Officers and 98 OR employed on railway grade between stn 95-00 and 96-50 8-30 AM to 3-30 PM. This party paraded for pay from 11-30 AM to 1 PM. 12 OR building bunks in billets in Agnez.	
		D Coy	2 Officers and 86 OR employed on railway grade between stn 56-50 and 57. Pay parade at 11 AM.	J.S.

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	24/12/16		A Coy 20 Officers and 93 men employed on railway grade east of Wangquentin.	
			B Coy 20 Officers and 56 OR excavating for Hospital siding at Wangquentin. 15 OR working on Laundry at Frezent.	
			C Coy 2 Officers and 87 OR grading Sta 95.00 to 96.50. 12 OR employed building tanks in billets at Agnez.	
			D Coy 15 men on finishing gang Sta 85.00 to 91.00. 69 men on cut Sta 98.50 to 101.00	
	25/12/16		No working parties this day being Xmas.	
	26/12/16		A Coy 60 OR moving tank at station. 40 OR on standard RR grade ahead of tracklayers - Sta 30 to 50. 10 OR on culvert Sta 78.	
			B Coy Grading between station 11 and 18 for 60 Ym railway. 2 Officers and 56 OR 15 OR employed on Laundry at Frezent.	
			C Coy 2 Officers and 93 OR grading Sta 95.00 to 96.50. 60 OR employed wiring tanks in billets and hut at Agnez.	
			D Coy Finishing party 1 Officer and 13 men employed on grading and digging ditch Sta 88.00 to 90.00. 1 Officer and 66 OR grading railway track.	
	27/12/16		A Coy 30 OR ditching and finishing standard gauge Rly. Sta 0 to 10.	

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	27/16	A boy	27 OR employed on culvert Sta 78. 47 OR employed ahead of tracklayers Sta 50 to 78 also cut road Sta 73.	
		B boy	40 OR employed grading between stations 11 and 19 for 60 fm railway. 9 OR employed cutting right of way through wood for same. 15 OR employed on Laundry at Frevent.	
		C boy	2 Officers and 94 OR grading Sta 95.00 to 96.50. 50 OR wiring and building bunko in hut at agney.	
		D boy	3 Officers and 67 OR employed on Railway grade. Sta 91.00 to 93.00 also 98.50 to 101.00.	
	28/16	A boy	15 OR cutting road at Sta 80. 25 OR employed on culvert at Sta 78. 75 OR ditching and finishing grade from Sta 42 to 80.	
		B boy	2 Officers and 45 OR employed grading between stations 11 and 21, also cutting right of way through wood '35 and 37. Waquentin to Baisville 60 fm line. 10 Officer and 6 OR employed erecting Messon Huts for Officers etc (one completed). 15 OR employed on Laundry at Frevent.	
		C boy	1 Officer and 92 OR employed on Railway grade Sta 95.00 to 96.50. 4 OR	

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	28/12/16		B boy employed wiring tanks in hut at Agnez.	
			D boy 3 Officers and 60 OR employed on Railway grading Sta 91-00 to 93-00 also from 98-50 to 103-00.	
	29/12/16		A boy 12 OR employed on culvert Sta 78. 29 OR employed ditching and finishing Sta 24 to 42. 65 OR employed on b b s platform Sta 0. 9 OR constructing tanks :- note:- Culvert and ditching completed. Party on b b s platform worked 3 hours only.	
			B boy 2 Officers and 41 OR employed on Wargentin-Bainville. 60 1/2 m line, grading between Sta 17 and 21 also cutting right of way through wood. 37 and 40.	
	30/12/16		A boy 7 OR employed on ditch grades Sta 14 to 50. 11 OR employed on creek below Sta 18. 93 OR employed on b b s platform Sta 0. Note:- only half a days work done on account of heavy rain.	
			B boy 2 Officers and 39 OR employed grading between Sta 17 and 21, also cutting right of way through wood. 40 and 42 for 60 1/2 m line - Guoy to Baneville. 1 officer and 8 OR employed erecting Messon huts for ADLRR. - second hut now completed. 15 OR employed erecting Laundry at Frevent.	

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	2/12/16	B'boy	2 Officers and 92 OR employed grading sta 95-00 to 96-50.	
		D'boy	3 Officers and 54 OR employed - 14 at station 91-00 to 93-00 finishing 40 OR grading on Railway station 100 to 105.	
	3/1/16	A'boy	86 OR grading at railway station. 11 OR employed on creek below sta 78-00. 5 OR employed improving ditches. 9 OR employed making bunks in hut.	
		B'boy	60 fm line Guoy - Bainville. - grading and ditching between sta 19 and 21. 2 Officers and 38 OR employed cutting right of way through wood, between sta 42 and 44. 1 Officer and 6 OR employed in the erection of mission Huts for ADLRR. - 3rd hut. - 75% completed. 15 OR employed on Laundry at Frevent. Survey party locating and levelling.	
		B'boy	2 Officers and 90 OR employed grading at sta 95-00 to 96-50 sta 106-40 to 107-00 also sta 108-00 to 112-00.	
		D'boy	2 Officers and 61 OR employed on railway grade sta 91-00 to 93-00 also sta 98-50 to 106-00.	

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Wanquetin	1/17	A boy	111 OR employed on 60 cm Railway grading between Sta 28-00 and Sta 32-00.	
		B boy	2 Officers and 27 OR employed on 60 cm Railway grading and ditching between Stations 21 and 22 also cutting right of way in wood Station 44-46	
			1 Officer and 6 OR employed on Mission huts - note - how completed survey party ran transit line to Station 201 and trial line on summit (A line) about 17 stations. Stations 30-60 cross sectioned and stations 67-98 profile levels taken.	
		B boy	2 Officers and 90 OR grading on Railway Sta 95 to 96-50, 106-40 to 107-00 and 109-00 - 112-00.	
		B boy	1 Officer and 49 OR employed on Railway grading in Wanquetin. 4 men to tails in Wanquetin for repairs to clothing. 6 men to shoemaker for boots. 3 men cutting wood on grade at aghes.	
		A boy	100 OR employed grading on 60 cm railway between Stations 26-00 and 36-00	
		B boy	2 Officers and 32 OR employed on 60 cm line Guay - Dancville grading between Stations 21 and 22-50. 1 Officer and 9 OR survey party levelling T line Station 98 to 149 profile. V line from station 65 to 30 stations profile and R line from station 65 to 17 station profile.	
		B boy	2 Officers and 90 OR employed on 60 cm line grading Sta 95-00 to 96-50; 106-50 to 107-00 and 109-00 to 114-00.	
		B boy	1 Officer and 64 OR employed grading at Hospital Station Wanquetin.	
	3/17	A boy	99 OR employed grading on 60 cm Railway from Sta 26-00 to 38-00	
		B boy	2 Officers and 26 OR employed grading on 60 cm Railway between Sta 21-00	

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	3/17	B' boy	to 22-50: Survey party - Levelling - No work done on account of unfavourable weather. Transit. T. Line Sta. 201 to 211. Stopped work early on account of unfavourable weather.	
		B' boy	3 Officers and 82 OR employed on 60 cm railway grading Sta. 95-00 to 96-50. Sta. 106-50 to 107-00 and Sta. 109-00 to 114-50.	
		B' boy	1 Officer and 56 OR employed on grade at Hospital station, Wangquetin.	
		B' boy	1 Officer and 4 OR on survey party. 3 OR on timber fatigue at Agnes.	
	4/17	A' boy	100 employed grading on 60 cm Railway between Sta. 33-00 to 39-00 also repairing billets and picking up stores. On account of rain only half a days work was put in on railway. In the afternoon owing to delay in getting material, one hour only was spent on billets.	
		B' boy	No work done on 60 cm railway owing to inclement weather. No work done by survey party. 1 Officer and 50 OR working on billets for A.D.L.R.R. men were employed on improving billets.	
		B' boy	2 Officers and 82 OR employed grading Sta. 95 to 96-50 : 106-50 to 107-00 and 109-00 to 114-50.	
		B' boy	1 Officer and 57 OR employed on railway grade at Hospital Sta. Wangquetin.	
		B' boy	Survey party. 1 Officer and 6 OR.	
	5/17	A' boy	104 OR employed grading on 60 cm railway from Sta. 33-00 to 39-00.	
		B' boy	1 Officer and 22 OR employed on 60 cm railway Gury to Trainville grading between Sta. 22 and 23. - Survey party and Transit party Sta. 210 to 241-37. Level party Sta. 149 - 214 - 65 station also checked B.M. back to	


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	5/17		<p>B Coy Sta 65. 1 Officer and 40 OR making tables etc for Kisson huts.</p> <p>B Coy 20 Officers and 82 OR employed grading at Sta 95.00 to 96.50 : 106.50 to 107.00 and 109.00 to 114.50. 4 OR employed cutting trees on grade in Agnes.</p> <p>D Coy 46 OR employed excavating on siding at Wanquetin. Survey party. 7 OR. 7 OR employed cutting wood to clear line through Agnes. 4 OR tool sharpening.</p>	
	6/17		<p>A Coy 95 OR employed grading on 60 cm railway between Sta 33 to 43.</p> <p>B Coy 20 Officers and 24 OR employed grading on 60 cm railway Guoy - Bainville between Stas 23.00 to 25.00. Survey party. Sta 241-37 to 278.00. Level party Sta 214.00 to 268.00. 1 Officer and 5 OR employed building Kisson huts. making tables etc.</p> <p>B Coy company moved from Agnes and proceeded to Bernerville. where they were detailed to billets. No railway work was performed this day. Draft of 7 men reported from Battalion Headquarters.</p> <p>D Coy company moved from Agnes through Duisans to Lincencourt and settled down. No railway work performed this day.</p>	

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	7/17		<p>A Coy 82 OR employed grading on 60 cm Railway between Sta 34 and 44.</p> <p>B Coy 2 Officers and 54 OR employed grading between Stas 23 and 25. Transit and level party up to Sta 301. 5 OR employed on mission Huts etc for ADLRR.</p> <p>C Coy 2 Officers and 82 OR employed grading on 60 cm Railway, east of Sincourt Sta 230-30. to 235-00 (Completed) also stas 235-00 to 236-00</p> <p>D Coy 2 Officers and 54 OR employed grading 60 cm Railway. Sta 149 to 145. 1 Officer and 10 OR clearing camp.</p>	E
	8/17		<p>A Coy 109 OR employed grading on 60 cm Railway from Stas 34 to 50.</p> <p>B Coy 2 Officers and 34 OR employed on 60 cm Railway. Quoy. Bainville draining pits around Stas 27 and 28. Also grading at the end of existing 60 cm line. Jossaux siding ammunition dump. Transit party up to Stas 347-71. Level party up to Sta 330-00. 5 OR employed on mission Huts for ADLRR making tables etc.</p> <p>C Coy 2 Officers and 87 OR employed grading on 60 cm Railway Sta 224-00 to 237. 6 OR bunking etc at billets.</p> <p>D Coy 2 Officers and 62 OR employed grading on 60 cm Railway Sta 149 to 145.</p>	

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	8/17	B boy	Survey party. 1 Officer and 7 OR left for Morrovil on survey work.	E
	9/17	A boy	106 OR employed on 60 ^{cm} Railway from station 37 to 62.	
		B boy	1 Officer and 30 OR employed grading on 60 ^{cm} Railway between Stns 2 and 6 also at junction at Jossaux siding ammunition dump. Survey party and Transit party up to Stn 397.00. Level party up to Stn 392.00. 4 OR making furniture and paths for Mission Huts for A D L R R.	E
		B boy	2 Officers and 88 OR employed grading on 60 ^{cm} Railway between Stns 234.50 to 242.00. 6 OR employed making benches in billets in Berneville.	
		B boy	2 Officers and 54 OR employed grading on 60 ^{cm} Railway between Stns 148 and 140.	E
	10/17	A boy	107 OR employed grading on 60 ^{cm} Railway from station 44 to 90.	
		B boy	1 Officer and 32 OR employed grading on 60 ^{cm} Railway between Stns 1 and 6 also patting in ditches. 7 OR taking up switches and conveying same also dump cars to the new line, picked up 4 dump cars. 4 OR employed on Mission Huts for A D L R R. Transit and level party both reached Stn 419 + 500.	
		B boy	2 Officers and 85 OR employed grading on 60 ^{cm} Railway between Stns 240.00 and 248.00. 7 OR employed in Berneville making benches in billets.	

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	10/17	D boy	20 Officers and 44 OR employed grading on 60 fm railway between stas 148.00 to 147. completed. also 146.00 to 144 completed and 142.00 to 140 completed. also sta 139.00 to 135.00, Grade staked to 132.00.	J
	11/17	A boy B boy	106 OR employed grading on 60 fm railway between stas 74 to 92. 1 Officer and 32 OR employed grading at junction of existing line, with new grade, also ditching grade between stas 2 and 5. 3 OR working on Mission Huts for ADLRR. 8 OR loading party. for transport. officers. loading rails. Survey party moved to new billets near Bainville.	
		B boy	20 Officers and 88 OR employed grading between stas 240.00 and 260.75. 7 OR employed in Berneville making bunks in billets.	
		D boy	20 Officers and 45 OR employed grading between stas 139.00 to 135.00.	J
	12/17	A boy B boy	99 OR employed grading on 60 fm railway from stas 74.00 to 95.00. 1 Officer and 27 OR employed grading at junction of new grade, with the existing line. 30 OR employed making necessaries for Mission Huts for ADLRR. 9 OR loading rails on 45 wagons at Warqueton station. Survey party running a preliminary survey from Bainville NE behind areas.	

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	12/17	B boy	20 officers and 85 OR employed grading on 60 cfm railway between stations 250-00 and 287-00. 7 OR employed in Berneville making banks in billets.	J
		D boy	20 Officers and 44 OR employed grading between Stas 142-00 to 133-00 also Stas 127-00 to 125-00.	
	13/17	A boy	96 OR employed grading on 60 cfm railway between Stas 84 to 102.	J
		B boy	1 Officer and 33 OR employed grading at junction of new line with existing track, also carrying and laying steel at Fosseau siding.	
			4 OR employed making necessaries for kitchen huts for A D L R R.	
		E boy	20 Officers and 81 OR employed grading 60 cfm railway between Stas 286-00 and 300-00. Have stopped work on this section until further orders and will work back from Sta 224-00. 7 OR making banks in Berneville billets.	
		D boy	20 Officers and 44 men employed grading on 60 cfm railway between Stas 144 to 142 also 127 to 124.	
	14/17	A boy	34 OR employed grading on 60 cfm railway between Stas 82 and 102. 90 OR employed grading between Stas 82 and 102. 9 OR on survey party.	

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	14/17	B'boy	10 Officers and 320 OR employed grading on railway at junction of new grade with existing track. Taking up track at Gouey end and laying it at Jossaux siding. Unloading one tractor, 25 dump cars and 3000 stakes. 4 OR employed at Mission Huts for A D L R R.	
			Survey party - Preliminary runs as far as rifle range near Arras.	
		B'boy	20 Officers and 88 OR employed grading on 609m Railway. Grading finished between stns 224.00 and 291.50, and 75% finished between 291.50 and 295.50. Moved the men back to stn 224.00 and working between that point and stn 215.00.	
		B'boy	Church Parade as per Battalion Orders. - 20 Officers and 47 OR.	
	14/17	A'boy	92 OR employed grading at stn 80 to 108. 9 OR employed as survey party. NOTE: - Two civilians are cutting a large tree which is on the grade near stn 40.	
		B'boy	Unloading trucks from platform and placing on line. Ballasting curve on existing track from which ballast was missing. 1 Officer 38 OR. This party took baths in the morning. 4 OR employed on Mission Huts for A D L R R. 120 OR employed on Laundry at Treport.	

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	15/17	B boy	2 Officers and 88 OR employed grading on 60 cm Railway between 223-50 and 217-00. Men took a bath in forenoon at Berneville.	J
		D boy	2 Officers and 49 OR employed grading on 60 cm Railway between Stns 144-00 and 142-00 also finishing between 134-00 and 133-00. Staked for filling from 133-00 to 129-00 and stn 123-00 to 125-00.	
	16/17	A boy	92 OR employed on railway grade at stns 85 to 107. 5 OR on survey party.	
		B boy	1 Officer and 32 OR employed grading on 60 cm Railway - Guoy-Brunville; in the morning grading at Summit with a boy. In the afternoon unloading cars in Foreman yard. 4 OR employed on Nissan Autos for A.D.R.R. erecting a garage.	
		L boy	2 Officers and 91 OR employed grading on Light Railway between Stns 223-50 and 211-00.	
		D boy	2 Officers and 54 OR employed grading on Railway Stns 149-50 to 152-00. cut practically completed.	J

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	17/17	A boy	95 OR employed on railway grade between Stas 90 and 112 5 OR employed as survey party: <u>Note</u> . at stations 109 to 110 the cut has developed chalk and a ballast pit may be opened at this point.	
		B boy	1 Officer and 28 OR employed unloading cars at Fosseau yard. Four cars still to be unloaded. 4 OR erecting garage for A D L R R.	
		C boy	2 Officers and 94 OR employed on 60 Km Railway between Stas 217-00 and 209-50. - Snowing all day.	
		D boy	1 Officer and 52 OR employed grading on 60 Km Railway between Stas 149-50 and 154-00. Weather unfavourable.	§
	18/17	A boy	93 OR employed grading on 60 Km Railway between Stas 90 to 116. 5 OR employed on survey party.	
		B boy	1 Officer and 29 OR employed at Fosseau yard unloading 4 trucks for 60 Km, 2 cars lumber, 1 car corrugated iron, 2 cars rails. 4 OR employed erecting garage for A D L R R.	
		C boy	2 Officers and 98 OR employed grading between Stas 204-00 and 214-00	
		D boy	1 Officer and 52 OR employed on railway grade between Stas 150-00 and 154-00 - Weather unfavourable	§

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	19/17	A Coy	Work covered on 60 Ym. railway, grading from stns 80+45 to 129-94 O.R. employed. 5 O.R. employed on survey party.	
		B Coy	1 Officer and 34 O.R. employed on 60 Ym. line - Guoy - Dainville. Unloading cars at Fosseant: 5 cars steel for 60 Ym. line, 3 cars lumber 1 car of corrugated iron and door frames 1 car tip trucks. 4 O.R. employed erecting garage for A.D.L.R.R.	
		C Coy	2 Officers and 92 O.R. employed grading 60 Ym. line Guoy - Dainville from stns. 212+00 to 188+00.	
		D Coy	2 Officers and 44 O.R. employed on grading stns. 155+00 to 157.00.	
	20/17	A Coy	6 O.R. employed on bridge and yard switch. 24 O.R. employed carrying steel to yard switch. 24 O.R. employed on grade for yard switch. 40 O.R. on motor road. Note: Owing to several changes in the general plan of work, the work done by 24 O.R. on carrying steel and 40 O.R. on motor road, counts for nothing.	
		B Coy	1 Officer and 27 O.R. employed on 60 Ym. railway - Guoy - Dainville distributing steel for laying yard siding and main line. Unloading Mission Huts for store (temporary) 6 O.R. started erection of Mission Huts.	J

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	20/17	6 ⁰⁰	<p>6⁰⁰ Coy. 2 officers and 97 O.R. employed grading on 60 Ym. railway line - Guoy - Dainville between stns. 200.00 to 183.50. Work completed between stns. 190.00 and 183.50, grading between stns. 295.00 and 310.00</p> <p>D⁰⁰ Coy. 2 officers and 51 O.R. employed grading stns 154+20. Ditch for culvert. Stations 155+00 to 156.00 finished, stn. 158.00 to 161.00, stns. 164 to 165.00.</p>	S
	21/17	<p>A⁰⁰ Coy 8 O.R. employed on bridges at Fosseau Camp. 24 O.R. taking up and loading old steel. 16 O.R. laying track at Fosseau Loop. 8 O.R. on grading Fosseau Loop (completed.) 13 O.R. loading steel and dump cars and grading stn. - 92. 21 O.R. on grading stn. 127 to 129. 5 O.R. on survey party. <u>Note</u>: 30 foot bridge complete. 27 foot bridge is 80% complete. Side track cut 78+85 to 79+25 to complete. All old steel beyond Fosseau Loop taken up and relaid on loop. 40 sections of steel 6 dump cars moved from stn. 92 to stn. 127. Track relaid and work on fill progressing. 1 switch and 100 sections still laid on Fosseau Loop.</p> <p>B⁰⁰ Coy. 2 officers and 12 O.R. employed distributing steel for main line (1300ft.) 6 O.R. working on erection of Mission Huts for store etc. 6 O.R. employed unloading and transporting material for Mission Huts and site for yard. 1 officer and 10 O.R. employed collecting.</p>		
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	21/17	B Coy	curves and switches for 60 1/2 m. railway from surrounding district.	
		G Coy	2 officers and 99 O.R. employed grading between stn. 295.00 and 320.00 on 60 1/2 m railway Guoy - Dainville.	
		D Coy	Church Parade as per Battalion orders - 1 officer and 51 O.R.	
	22/17	A Coy	27 O.R. employed grading stns. 127 to 129 and stns. 78 to 81. 30 O.R. employed in ballast pit stn. 0. 36 O.R. employed on Fosseau Loop in ballasting laying steel and building bridges. Steel and bridges on Fosseau Loop complete. 5 O.R. survey party. 335 feet raised and ballasted. 20 dump cars of chalk delivered but not spread. Track to raise and ballast remaining 1450 feet. Owing to shortage of gasoline distributing only 2 hours work was secured from motor.	
		B Coy	1 officer and 16 O.R. employed distributing steel along main line of 60 1/2 m. railway - Guoy - Dainville - 350 feet laid. The same officer and 16 O.R. employed on fitting brakes on cars etc. 9 O.R. employed erecting Mission Huts - 2 complete. 6 O.R. employed bending rails for 50 meter curves. 1 officer and 12 O.R. collecting switches and curves for 60 1/2 m. railway from surrounding district also party for collecting Mission Huts at Dixons.	
		G Coy	2 officers and 94 O.R. employed grading between stns. 316+00 and 330+00	
		D Coy	2 officers and 41 O.R. employed grading between stns. 158.00 to 161+00 and	

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	22/17	D Coy	from stn. 164.00 to 166.00.	
	23/17	A Coy	86 O.R. employed loading ballast and ballasting lifting and laying track and putting in switches. 5 O.R. on survey. 9 O.R. employed erecting Mission Huts at stns. 78+00.	E
		B Coy	2 Officers and 24 O.R. employed on 60 Ym. line, Guoy - Dainville - unloading cars at Fosseauux: 4 cars of steel 60 Ym., 3 cars lumber, 1 pit props and 2 corrugated iron and sundries. 5 O.R. erecting Mission Huts (1 complete) and warehouse. 1 officer and 12 O.R. collecting switches and curves from surrounding district.	
		G Coy	2 Officers and 102 O.R. employed grading on 60 Ym line, Guoy - Dainville between stns. 325.00 and 349.00.	E
		D Coy	2 Officers and 46 O.R. employed grading between stn. 166.00 to 168.70.	
	24/17	A Coy	52 O.R. employed grading between stns. 166.00 to 120.00 and 126.00 to 168.70. 30 O.R. employed unloading train at A.D.L.R.R. siding 10 O.R. lifting and repairing track on siding. 9 O.R. erecting Mission Huts stn. 78.00. 5 O.R. on survey party.	
		B Coy	2 Officers and 39 O.R. employed unloading cars at Fosseauux siding 27 cars of ties, 2 cars lumber, 1 car steel (60 Ym) 6 O.R. collecting curves and switches from surrounding district.	
		G Coy	2 Officers and 97 O.R. employed grading on 60 Ym. line Guoy - Dainville between stns. 345.00 and 356.00.	

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	24/17	D Coy	2 Officers and 50 O.R. employed grading between stn. 166.00 to 172.00. Note: Owing to frost a certain amount of work will have to be gone over again, such as removal of a few inches of earth.	D
	25/17	A Coy	78 O.R. employed grading from stns. 126.00 to 130.00 and from stns. 116.00 to 120.00. 23 O.R. reported to "B" company at A.D.L.R.R. siding. 8 O.R. completed construction of Missions Huts at stn 78.00	
		B Coy	2 Officers and 60 O.R. (23 rd from "A" Coy and 7 O.R. machine gun sect.) employed unloading cars at Foscaut siding: 12 cars of steel rails (60 ^{lb}), 2 cars of steel rail (flat, 5 in each) and sorting same in yard. 6 O.R. employed erecting warehouse for A.D.L.R.R. 1 Officer and 6 O.R. collecting rails from surrounding district.	
		C Coy	4 Officers and 100 O.R. employed grading on 60 ^{lb} line Guoy-Dainville between stns. 176+76 to 183+50; also laying out work from stn. 355+00 to stn. 406.00. Lowering grade from stn. 310.00 to stn. 313+73.	
		D Coy	2 Officers and 53 O.R. employed on grade between stn. 171.00 to 176.00 (80% finished)	D

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	36 ¹ / ₇	"A" Coy.	<p>20 O.R. reported to "B" company at A. D. L. R. R. siding.</p> <p>38 O.R. employed on grade from station 126.00 to 130.00.</p> <p>38 O.R. employed on grade from station 116.00 to 123.00 and 15 O.R. were employed on grade from station 111.00 to station 112.00.</p>	
		"B" Coy	<p>2 Officers and 64 O.R. (34 O.R. "B" Coy 23 O.R. "A" Coy 7 O.R. M. U. S.) were employed unloading the following supplies at Fosseant siding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 cars single rails 60¹/₂ m line 1/2 " lumber 2 " Pit Props 1 6 ton Locomotive <p>11 O.R. employed plate laying, 600 lineal feet, no ballast.</p> <p>6 O.R. employed on warehouse and blacksmith shop for A. D. L. R. R.</p> <p>1 Officer and 6 O.R. employed collecting rails from surrounding district.</p>	


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	26 th / 17	B th Coy	1 Officer and 10 O.R. employed on Laundry at Frevent.	
		6 th Coy	2 Officers and 86 O.R. employed on Grade between stations 176.76 and 183.50. Grading completed.	
			1 Officer and 20 O.R. employed on grade from station 355.00 to station 403.00. Lieut. Jones in charge of party.	
		D th Coy	2 Officers and 54 O.R. employed on grade from station 172.00 to 177.00 and from station 134.00 to station 135.00 also from station 139.00 to station 140.00	
	27 th / 17	A th Coy	20 O.R. reported to "B" Company at A. D. L. R. R. siding	
			30 O.R. were employed on grade from station 116.00 to station 123.00. 30 O.R. employed on unloading platform for A. D. L. R. R. 35 O.R. employed cleaning siding to lay steel	
		B th Coy	3 Officers and 48 O.R. (22 O.R. "A" Coy, 16 O.R. "B" Coy, 10 O.R. M. Y. S.) were employed unloading cars of the following supplies and piling trestle at Forneau siding.	
			4 cars single rails 3 " double " 1/2 " Lumber " 2 Trucks	

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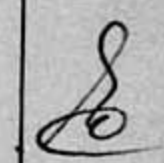
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	27 ¹ / ₁₇	B ¹ / _{Co}	<p>14 O.R. employed platelaying 400 lineal feet laid Total now laid 1000 lineal feet.</p> <p>4 O.R. employed railbending. 6 O.R. employed collecting rails. 6 O.R. employed on warehouse and blacksmith shop. for A. D. L. R. R. 10 O.R. employed on Laundry at Present.</p> <p>3 Officers and 78 O.R. employed on grade between station 358.00 and station 360.00 (50% complete)</p> <p>Lieut. Ferguson and 16 O.R. proceeded to Moreuil for duty.</p> <p>Lieut. Jones and 20 O.R. are with Manchester working party grading between station 355.00 and station 406.00. 40% of the work is complete.</p>	
		6 ¹ / _{Co}	<p>2 Officers and 54 O.R. employed on grade between the following stations 129.60 to 130.45. 132.00 to 133.00. 134.00 to 135.00 139.00 to 140.00. Grading completed between above mentioned stations.</p> <p>30. O.R. were employed ballasting track from station 04.00 to station 10.00. 40. O.R. were employed laying track on siding and putting in switches.</p> <p>43 O.R. were employed on unloading platform.</p>	
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	28 th 17	B th Coy	<p>30 O.R. were employed unloading cars at Foxseal siding and piling the following materials in yard. 7 cars rails 1 car ties and 1 truck. 3 O.R. employed as carpenters on store for A. D. L. R.R. 4 O.R. employed as drivers and firemen. 14 O.R. employed at track laying 825 feet laid. 14 O.R. erecting Nixon huts at Lardred. 10 O.R. employed at Laundry at Trevent. 3 Officers in charge of work.</p>	
		C th Coy	<p>4 Officers and 71 O.R. employed on grade from station 358.00 to station 361.00. Grading completed.</p> <p>1 Officer and 19 O.R. employed on grade between stations 355.00 and 410.00. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. unloading trucks near Moreuil.</p>	
		D th Coy	<p>4 Officers, 89 O.R. left Simercourt to-day for new billet at St. Vast. Arrived at St. Vast 2 P.M. This afternoon</p>	
	29 th 17	A th Coy	<p>30 O.R. were employed ballasting track from station 0.00 to station 25.00</p> <p>35 O.R. were employed laying steel and putting in switches on D.L.R.R. siding</p> <p>52 O.R. were employed constructing unloading platforms</p>	


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	29 ¹ / ₁₇	B ¹ / _{day}	<p>32 O.R. were employed unloading cars at yard and sorting materials etc. 3 O.R. were employed as carpenters on shed in yard. 3 O.R. were employed as drivers and firemen. 12 O.R. were employed track laying, 275 feet laid also temporary siding, 150 feet laid</p> <p>12 O.R. were employed erecting Winson huts etc</p> <p>10 O.R. were employed on laundry at Frevent.</p> <p>3 Officers superintended above work</p>	
		16 ¹ / _{day}	<p>4 Officers and 74 O.R. were employed on grade between stations 361.00 and 365.00</p> <p>A bath parade was held this morning and the men worked the afternoon only</p>	
		18 ¹ / _{day}	<p>1 Officer and 20 O.R. were employed on grade between stations 355.00 and 410.00. This party is working with the 1st. Batt. 16th Manchester. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. were employed unloading cars at Moreuil.</p> <p>4 Officers and 57 O.R. were employed on grade and cut between station 85.55 and station 87.00</p>	

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	30 ¹ / ₁₇	"A" Coy	<p>10 O.R. were employed ballasting track from station 10.00 45 O.R. were employed loading ballast. 18 O.R. were employed ballasting and putting in switches on siding. 38 O.R. were employed on unloading platform 4 O.R. were employed digging a well.</p>	
		"B" Coy	<p>29 O.R. were employed unloading cars and general work in yard. 2 O.R. were employed as carpenters in engine shed. 1 O.R. employed as driver. 12 O.R. were employed laying track. 350 feet laid. 13 O.R. were employed constructing tin roof huts. 10 O.R. were employed on Laundry at Trevent</p> <p>3 Officers in charge of work.</p> <p>At 2.20 P.M. the whole party attended the funeral of Pte E. M. Kay.</p>	
		"C" Coy	<p>3 Officers and 71 O.R. employed on grade from station 369.00 to station 374.00. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. employed on grade from station 360.00 to station 415.00</p>	

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	30 ¹ / ₁₇	"C" Coy	1 Officer and 15 O.R. employed unloading cars at Moreuil	
		"D" Coy	5 Officers and 82 O.R. were employed on grade from station 83.00 to 87.00 and from station 95.00 to 96.00	
	31 ¹ / ₁₇	"A" Coy	9 O.R. employed at Forseau Loop on turn-outs 20 O.R. employed at Forseau Loop on unloading platform 15 O.R. employed at Forseau Loop digging well 60 O.R. employed ballasting main line stations 20 to 35 8 O.R. employed ballasting Forseau Loop yard 4 Officers in charge of work	
		"B" Coy	37 O.R. employed in yard unloading cars etc. of the following supplies 4 cars steel 10 cars ties. 2 O.R. employed as carpenters on engine shed. 1 O.R. employed as driver. 13 O.R. employed laying track. 1175 feet 7 O.R. erecting Vinson huts at Larchet. 10 O.R. employed on laundry at Frevent.	
		"E" Coy	3 officers and 77 O.R. were employed on grade between stations 360.00 to 362.50, 369.00 to 371.00 and 390.00 to 392.00.	
			1 officer and 20 O.R. employed on grade between station 360.00 and 415.00	

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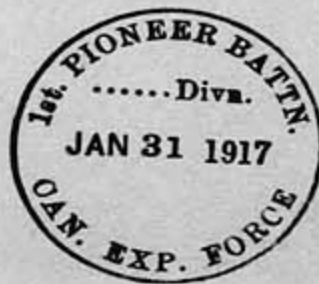
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	31/17	C Coy	1 Officer and 15 O.R. employed on grade between station L. 4. 30 to L 5.00	
		D Coy	5 Officers and 64 O.R. were employed on grade from stations 83.10 83.55, 86.85 to 87.15 and 95.00 to 97.00 The ground is very hard	S C

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Monguwater	1/24	2	<p>20 O.R. were employed on Loading platform at Fosseau Loop 14 O.R. were employed ballasting in yard at Fosseau Loop. 9 O.R. were employed putting in spurs. 15 O.R. were employed digging well at Fosseau Loop. 59 O.R. employed ballasting main line from station 30 to station 35 4 Officers were superintending work. 7 O.R. came off Guard 'B' 23 O.R. from 'B' Company and 11 O.R. from Machine Gun Section were unloading cars at yards, and general duties. 5 cars steel ties, 4 cars wood and 1 car of lumber were unloaded. 3 O.R. were employed as carpenters on general work. 4 O.R. employed as drivers and firemen 3 O.R. on water fatigue for locomotive. 22 O.R. were employed plate laying 1850 feet laid. 7 O.R. employed erecting huts at Larbet. 10 O.R. employed on laundry at Frevent.</p> <p>'C' 3 Officers and 86 O.R. employed grading from stations 389.50 to 391.50 and from 403.00 to 404.50 1 Officer and 30 O.R. were employed on grade between stations 360.00 and 415.00. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. were employed on grade between stations 15.00 and 16.00 work completed</p> <p>'D' 5 Officers and 64 O.R. were employed grading, Station 83.00 to complete and</p>	

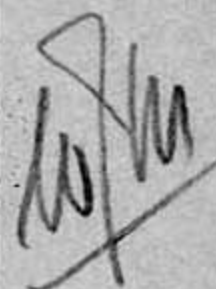
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	12/17	'D'	from station 95.00 to 97.00.	
	2/17	'W'	17 O.R. were employed digging well at Fosseaw Yard. 50 O.R. were employed unloading at Fosseaw Yard. 49 O.R. were employed ballasting from stations 30 to 46. 4 Officers were superintending work.	
		'B'	15 O.R. from 'B' Company and 8 O.R. from Machine Gun Section were employed unloading cars and building dumps at Yard; 1 car steel ties and 1 car wood were unloaded. 3 O.R. employed as carpenters on general work. 6 O.R. employed as drivers, firemen and water fatigue 1 Officer in charge. 20 O.R. were employed platelaying 1175 feet laid. 7 O.R. erecting huts at Larkred. 10 O.R. employed on laundry at Trevent.	
		'G'	4 Officers and 87 O.R. were grading between stations 389.50 and 39.40. 403.00 and 405.47. No work was done by 1 Officer and 20 O.R. at Dainville owing to the working parties being relieved. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. employed grading between stations 46.00 and 47.00 near Marocuil. Telegraph pole at station 149.00 was removed yesterday 1-2-17	

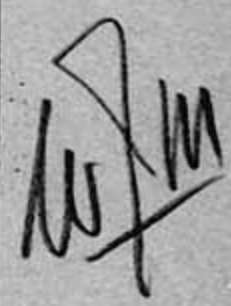
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	2 ² / ₁₇	'D'	5 Officers and 60 O.R. were employed on grade between stations 25.00 to 29.50 and station 1.00 to 11.00	
	3 ² / ₁₇	A.	17 O.R. were employed digging a well at Passaw Loop. 15 O.R. were employed on site for engine shed. 35 O.R. were unloading cars. 6 O.R. employed ballasting from station's 30 to 45. 5 Officers were in charge of parties	
		'B'	1 Officer and 38 O.R. employed loading and unloading material for 60 th Railroad and sorting at Yard etc. 4 O.R. employed bending rails. 3 O.R. as carpenters repairing cars. 3 O.R. carpenters working for A. V. L. R. R. 2 Officers and 27 O.R. employed plate laying 1870 feet laid. 6 O.R. employed as engineers and firemen. 10 O.R. employed on laundry at Frevent. 1 Officer and 1 O.R. employed in drawing office	
		'C'	3 Officers and 93 O.R. were grading between stations 389.50 - 391.40 (complete) and 399.50 to 401.50 and 403.00 to 405.50. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. employed on grade from station 379.00 to station 404.00. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. were grading from station 46.00 to 48.00	

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	3 ² / ₁₇	'C'	Grading is complete with the exception of crossing between 16.88 and 17.40	
		'D'	4 Officers and 62 O.R. were employed on grade as follows, station 95.00 to 99.50, station 1.00 to 11.00 and station 55.00 to 57.00	
	4 ² / ₁₇	'A'	20 O.R. were employed on well at Foreman Yard. 20 O.R. were unloading cars. 15 O.R. were employed on engine house site. 6 O.R. were framing for pit in engine house. 8 O.R. ballasting stub line in yard. 66 O.R. were ballasting from station 16 to 52. 11 O.R. at Larches as unloading party. 6 officers in charge of work.	W/M
		'B'	59 O.R. employed as carpenters sorters sorting materials and unloading steel ties etc. for 60 th Railroad, in yard. 6 O.R. employed as carpenters repairing cars. 3 O.R. employed as carpenters for the A.D.L.R.R. 4 O.R. bending rails. 2 Officers and 20 O.R. platelaying, 800 ft. laid. 4 O.R. employed as engineer, fireman, motor driver and water fatigue. 10 O.R. employed on laundry at Trevent. 1 officer and 1 O.R. in Drawing Office.	
		'G'	3 Officers and 109 O.R. were employed on grade as follows, station 399.50 to 401.50 and 403.00 to 405.50.	

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	4 ² / ₁₇	'C'	1 Officer and 20 O.R. and 1 Battalion K.R.R.s were employed on grade between stations 379.00 and 454.00. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. were grading from station 48.00 to station 49.00.	
	5 ² / ₁₇	'D'	4 Officers and 96 O.R. were employed on grade as follows, from station 97.00 to 99.50, station 1.00 to 11.00 and station 53.00 to 57.00	WJW
		'A'	23 O.R. were employed on engine house, and yard tracks. 7 O.R. were employed framing timbers. 20 O.R. unloading cars. 8 O.R. on well at Fosseau Yard. 70 O.R. ballasting from station 50 to station 58	
		'B'	11 O.R. employed as unloading party at Laebred. 32 O.R. were loading and sorting materials in yard. 3 O.R. were employed as carpenters repairing cars. 3 O.R. assembling rails. 3 O.R. as Carpenters for A. D. L. R.R. 1 O.R. as motor engineer. 24 O.R. employed plate-laying. 1400 feet laid. 14 O.R. were employed unloading a Baldwin engine. 6 O.R. on survey party. 4 Officers in charge of parties	
		'E'	10 O.R. employed on laundry at Frevent. 1 Officer and 1 O.R. employed as draftsmen.	
		'C'	2 Officers and 20 O.R. were grading between the following stations, 399.50	

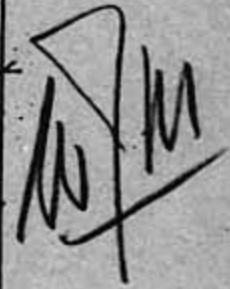
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	5 ² / ₁₇	'C'	<p>To 401.50 and 403.00 to 405.50. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. were erecting Nissan Auto at station 244.00. 20 O.R. were shuffling for ballast near station 244.00. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. 'C' Company and 1 battalion K.R.R. were grading from station 379.00 to station 454.00. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. were grading between stations 48.00 and 49.50.</p>	
		'D'	<p>4 Officers and 98 O.R. were employed on grade between the following stations 51.00 to 56.00, 98.00 to 99.50, also erecting Nissan Auto.</p>	
	6 ² / ₁₇	'A'	<p>11 O.R. employed as unloading party at Darbid. 6 O.R. were framing timbers at Fosseau Yard. 20 O.R. employed on platform at Fosseau Yard. 4 O.R. building stage for water tank at Fosseau Yard. 23 O.R. on engine house at Fosseau Yard. 60 O.R. ballasting from station 50 to station 60. 6 Officers supervising work.</p>	
		'B'	<p>34 O.R. were loading materials in yard. 7 O.R. employed as carpenters repairing cars. 3 O.R. working for A.D. K.R.R. as carpenters. 1 O.R. as motor engineer. 17 O.R. were unloading car engine 5 O.R. bending rails, and 30 O.R. were grading ramp and</p>	

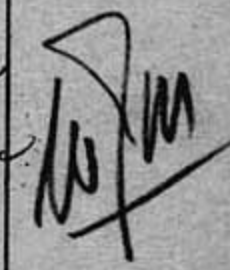
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	6 ² / ₁₇	'B'	and laying steel on same. 12 O.R. were plate laying, 225 feet laid. 5 Officers in charge of work. 1 Officer and 1 O.R. employed as draftsmen.	
		'C'	3 Officers and 105 O.R. were grading between stations 399.50 and 401.50. 1 Officer and 11 O.R. were putting up Nissan Huts at station 244.00. 8 O.R. employed mounding hay stack at station 312.00. 1 Officer and 20 O.R., Dairville party, were laying out work between stations 381.00 and 454.00. No report was received from Marsueil party consisting of 1 Officer and 15 O.R. They were probably grading between stations 79.00 and 710.00.	
		'D'	4 Officers and 105 O.R. were employed on grade between the following stations 51.00 to 16.00. 16 O.R. were erecting Nissan Huts.	
	7 ² / ₁₇	'A'	5 O.R. were finishing platform and 22 O.R. were employed on engine house at yard. 64 O.R. were employed ballasting from station 60 to 70 and 38 O.R. were opening ballast pit 2. O.R. were employed as Toolman and blacksmith. 11 O.R. were employed as an unloading party at Larkred. 6 Officers were supervising work.	

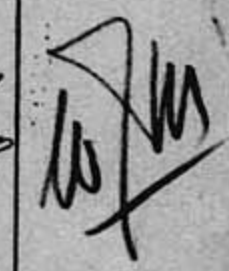
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	7 ² / ₁₇	'B'	<p>36 o.k. were loading rails etc for 60th railroad, and sorting material in yard. 5 o.k. were employed bending rails and 7 o.k. were repairing cars. 6 o.k. were erecting Wilson Huts and 8 o.k. were unloading locomotives. 4 o.k. were employed as engineers and 3 o.k. as carpenters for A. D. L. R. R. 30 o.k. were working on new grade and 13 o.k. were repairing old track. 1 Officer and 1 o.k. were employed as draftsmen.</p>	
		'C'	<p>3 Officers and 115 o.k. were grading between stations 399.50 and 401.50. 2 o.k. were moving straw stack at station 312.00 and 11 o.k. were opening a chalk pit, after obtaining ballast, at station 244.00. 7 o.k. were employed moving turnip heap from grade at station 335.40 and 1 Officer and 20 o.k., Dainville party, were grading between stations 381.00 and 454.00. 1 Officer and 15 o.k., Marouillet party, were laying out work at St. Oubert deviation.</p>	
		'B'	<p>4 Officers and 106 o.k. were grading between stations 5.00 and 6.00, 15.75 and 16.40, 18.90 and 19.10, also laying out work from station 20.20 to 26.28 and putting up Wilson Huts. There was slight shelling in the vicinity.</p>	

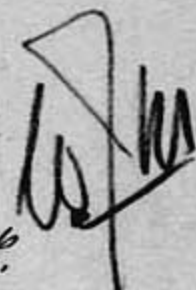
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	7 ² / ₁₇	'D'	of the camp	
	8 ² / ₁₇	'A'	64 O.R. were ballasting from station 70 to station 84 and 37 O.R. were opening ballast pit. 21 O.R. were employed on engine house and yard. 9 O.R. employed as blacksmiths tool-men etc. 11 O.R. employed as unloading party at Larches. 6 Officers supervising work.	
		'B'	31 O.R. were loading rails and shifting materials in yard and 5 O.R. were bending rails. 7 O.R. were repairing cars and 6 O.R. were erecting Nissan Huts. 10 O.R. were unloading locomotives 4 O.R. were employed as engineers, firemen etc. and 3 O.R. were working as carpenters for A. D. L. R. R. 22 O.R. were employed on new grade and 15 O.R. were repairing old track. 6 O.R. were on survey party and 18 O.R. were tracklaying. 1 O.R. employed as draftsmen.	
		'C'	3 Officers and 114 O.R. were grading between stations 399.50 and 401.50 (completed). 1 Officer and 11 O.R. were stripping for ballast pit and 7 O.R. were grading at station 335.40. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. Dainville party, were grading between stations 381.00 and 454.00	


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	8 ² / ₁₇	'C'	1 Officer and 15 O.R. Marsouil party, were laying out work between stations LP9.00 and LP45.84 (end of line). Total of work parties 6 Officers and 167 O.R.	
		'D'	4 Officers and 106 O.R. were grading from station L15.00 to 17.34 and erecting Minson Huts.	
	9 ² / ₁₇	'A'	30 O.R. were ballasting from station 84.00 to 94.00 and 20 O.R. were stripping top of ballast pit at station 112.00. 48 O.R. were loading ballast at station 40.00 and 22 O.R. were erecting engine house. 11 O.R. were employed as unloading party at Labred. 6 Officers were supervising work.	
		'B'	25 O.R. were loading and sorting material in yard and 5 O.R. were bending rails. 2 O.R. were repairing cars and 5 O.R. were working as carpenters on hut for Majid Carr. 3 O.R. were employed as carpenters for A. D. L. R.R. 14 O.R. were unloading locomotives and 8 O.R. were employed as engineers firemen etc. 27 O.R. were employed on new grade and 23 O.R. were plate laying, 2600 feet laid. 6 O.R. were on survey party and 1 O.R. was employed in drawing office.	

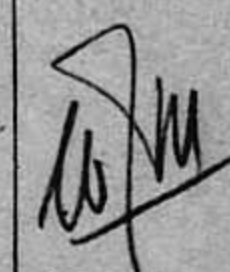
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	9 ² / ₁₇	'C'	2 Officers and 107 A.R. were grading from station 355.00 to 357.00 from 386.00 to 389.00 and were laying out work from station 415.00 to 418.00. 2 Officers and 20 A.R. were opening up ballast pit near station 244.00. 1 Officer and 15 A.R., Marsueil party, were grading between stations LP2.00 and LP2.75. 1 Officer and 20 A.R., Dainville party were grading between stations 381.00 and 454.00 Total of today's work party. 6 Officers and 162 A.R.	
		'D'	5 Officers and 115 A.R. were employed on grade, station 23.00 to 23.15 and 15.00 to 18.10 finished	
	10 ² / ₁₇	'A'	9 A.R. were employed on engine house and 33 A.R. were ballasting from station 90 to 100. 2 A.R. employed as engine drivers 106 A.R. were unloading at Larbret. 6 Officers supervising work	
		'B'	38 A.R. were loading etc in yard and 5 A.R. were bending rails 3 A.R. were repairing cars, 5 A.R. working as carpenters, 12 A.R. unloading locomotives and 8 A.R. employed as engineers, firemen etc. 27 A.R. were preparing new grade, 4 A.R. on Survey party and 23 A.R. stakelaying, 2000 feet laid 1 Officer and 3 A.R. with A.D.T.R.R. 1 A.R. employend in drawing office.	

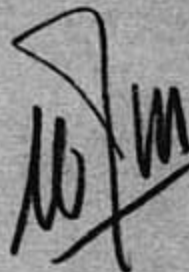
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	10 ² / ₁₇	'C'	2 Officers and 100 O.R. were grading from station 355.33 to 357.00 (completed) and 386.00 to 389.00. 7 O.R. were filling up grade where Turnip heap was, at station 335.40. 1 Officer and 9 O.R. were laying steel from 244.50 to 230.00, 1 Officer and 12 O.R. were opening ballast pit and unloading steel. 1 Officer and 15 O.R., Marceuil Party, were grading between stations LP2.00 and LP2.75. 1 Officer and 20 O.R., Dainville party, were grading Station 381.00 and 454.00	
	10 ² / ₁₇	'D'	The Company, less 1 Officer and 21 O.R., moved into Wangquentin today	
	11 ² / ₁₇	'A'	3 Officers and 105 O.R. were at Larbret unloading. 3 Officers and 12 O.R. employed on engine house, 39 O.R. ballasting and track laying and 2 O.R. as engine drivers.	
		'B'	39 O.R. were loading material in yard, 4 O.R. bending rails, 3 O.R. repairing cars and 2 O.R. on road maintenance. 3 O.R. employed as carpenters for A.D.L.R.R. 5 O.R. working as carpenters etc. 9 O.R. as engineers and trainmen 28 O.R. working on new grade and 25 O.R. plate laying. 10 O.R. digging latrine. 1 Officer with A.D.L.R.R. and 6 Officers in charge of parties. 2 O.R. employed as draftsmen.	
		'C'	2 Officers and 96 O.R. grading between stations 386.00 and 389.00	

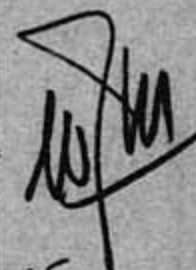
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	11 ² / ₁₇	'C'	21 O.R. were altering grade for road crossing at station 286.00. 2 Officers and 12 O.R. were laying steel between stations 230.00 and 234.00 (not enough fish plates to go any further). 11 O.R. were unloading ties and working at ballast pit. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. Marcell party, were unloading trucks for A. D. L. R. R. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. were grading between stations 382.00 and 461.00	
		'D'	4 Officers and 88 O.R. were grading between stations 160.00 and Chalk pit. Station 116.00 under the supervision of Mr. Verrall.	
	12 ² / ₁₇	'A'	11 O.R. employed on engine house, 42 O.R. ballasting from station 92 to 100, and 2 O.R. employed as engine drivers. 3 Officers in charge of work. 3 Officers and 103 O.R. unloading at Larches. This party is also working on grade from station 0.00 to 4.00	
		B	35 O.R. were loading material in yard, 4 O.R. were bending rails, 2 O.R. were repairing cars and 2 O.R. were on road maintenance. 6 O.R. were working as carpenters, 8 O.R. as drivers and firemen and 30 O.R. were improving new grade. 24 O.R. were plate laying. 1300 feet laid. 10 O.R. 10 O.R. were employed unloading spikes, and general work in yard. 2 O.R. employed as draftsmen. 1 Officer on survey and 5 Officers in charge of work parties	

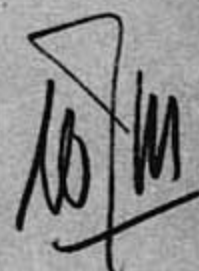
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	12 ² / ₁₇	C	2 Officers and 93 O.R. were grading from station 386.00 to 389.00 on spur to Dainville. 1 Officer and 12 O.R. were laying steel from station 234.00 to 241.37. 11 O.R. were unloading lorries and 6 O.R. were filling gaps at station 246.00. 21 O.R. were lowering grade for road crossing at station 286.00. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. Marsouil party, were loading trucks for A. D. L. R. R. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. Dainville party, were grading between stations 403.00 and 465.00. Total, all parties 5 Officers and 178 O.R.	
		'D'	4 Officers and 88 O.R. were grading from station 110.00 to 115.00, from station 122.00 to 123.00 and filling cars with ballast. 3 Officers and 34 O.R. were grading between the following stations 29.30 to 32.20, 32.20 to 34.20, 34.20 to 36.70, 38.20 to 40.75 and 40.75 to 50.00	
	13 ² / ₁₇	'A'	3 Officers and 40 O.R. were ballasting from station 100 to 109 and 9 O.R. were employed on engine house and pulling down Nixon Huts. 2 O.R. as engine drivers. 3 Officers and 103 O.R. employed at Larbet.	
		'B'	38 O.R. were loading and forwarding material in yard and 6 O.R. were bending rails. 6 O.R. working as carpenters on	

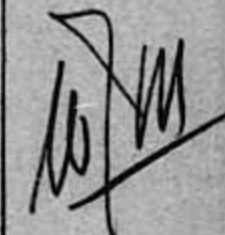
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	13 ² / ₁₇	'B'	Operating department Office and 3 O.R. were repairing cars. 8 O.R. were employed as engineers firemen etc. 2 O.R. repairing locomotives 26 O.R. were plate laying, 2100 feet laid and 29 O.R. were repairing grade. 2 O.R. employed on Track maintenance. 1 Officer on Survey. 1 Officer with a. d. L. R. R. and 2 O.R. employed as draftsmen	
		'C'	2 Officers and 41 O.R. were grading on Drainville Spur, Station 386.00 to 389.00 10 O.R. were lowering grade for road crossing at station 286.00. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. were lowering grade for road crossing between stations 310.00 and 313.00. 30 O.R. were lowering grade for road crossing at station 224.00. 1 Officer and 12 O.R. were laying steel from station 241.37 to station 252.00. 1 Officer and 15 O.R., Marsenic party, were unloading trucks for a. d. L. R. R., 11 O.R. were working on ballast pit and unloading carries. 1 Officer and 21 O.R. were grading between stations 407.00 and 467.00. Total work party for company. 6 Officers and 170 O.R.	
		'D'	4 Officers and 125 O.R. were grading between stations 110.00 to 115.00 and ballasting. Lt. Rawie's party were grading on Louey - St. Rubin Divisions	

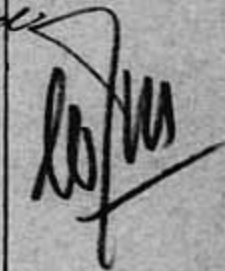
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	14 ² / ₁₇	'A'	3 Officers and 37 O.R. were ballasting and 12 O.R. were employed on engine house 3 Officers at 103 O.R. at Lardred.	
		'B'	35 O.R. loading and forwarding material in yard. 29 O.R. track repairing and 5 O.R. were on track maintenance. 5 O.R. were employed tending rails. 7 O.R. as carpenters for A. D. L. R. R. 10 O.R. as engineers, firemen etc. 2 O.R. were repairing cars and 21 O.R. were plate laying 700 feet laid. 1 Officer on survey, 1 with A. D. L. R. R. and 2 O.R. employed as draftsmen.	
		'C'	2 Officers and 78 O.R. were grading on Dainville spur between 358.00 and 362.00, 370 and 371.00, and 386.00 to 389.00. 8 O.R. were lowering grade for road crossing at station 312.00. 8 O.R. were lowering grade for road crossing at station 287.00. 8 O.R. were filling gap at station 246.00 and 15 O.R. were working at ballast pit and unloading carries. 2 Officers and 33 O.R. were laying steel from station 254.00 to 278.00. 1 Officer and 14 O.R. Marsueil party, were unloading cars for A. D. L. R. R. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. Dainville party, were grading between stations 407.00 and 467.00. Total work party for company 6 Officers and 174 O.R.	

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	14 ² / ₁₇	'D'	4 Officers and 97 O.R. between stations 110.00 and 115.00 and loading ballast at chalk pit	
	15 ² / ₁₇	'A'	3 Officers and 43 O.R. were ballasting from station 130 to 130. 12 O.R. were employed on engine house and 2 O.R. as engine drivers. 3 Officers and 104 O.R. at Larbed.	
		'B'	31 O.R. loading and forwarding material in yard. 30 O.R. were opening ballast pit. 3 O.R. were on track maintenance and 6 O.R. were bending rails. 2 O.R. were employed as carpenters by the A. D. L. R. R. 9 O.R. as engineers and firemen and 40 O.R. were altering curve on hill. 3 O.R. repairing cars and 1 O.R. in blacksmith shop	WJm
		'C'	1 Officer on survey party and 1 attache with A. D. L. R. R.	
			2 Officers and 98 O.R. were grading between the following stations 358.00 to 362.00. 370.00 to 371.00 and 385.00 to 389.00. 8 O.R. were lowering grade for road crossing at station 312.00 and 8 O.R. were filling gap at station 246.00. 11 O.R. were carrying material from Rue de Simencourt and laying track. 2 Officers and 12 O.R. were laying steel from station 278.00 to 272.00 (short of fish plates). 1 Officer and 15 O.R. unloading cars for A. D. L. R. Marzeuil party. 1 Officer and 20 O.R., Dainville party	

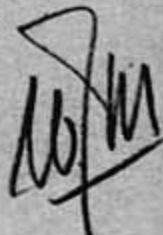
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	15 ² / ₁₇	'E' 'D'	were grading between stations 404.00 and 501.00. Total for Coy. 6 officers 172 O.R. 4 Officers and 93 O.R. were grading between stations 110.00 and 115.00 176 Trucks were loaded and track had to be moved twice	
	16 ² / ₁₇	'A' 'B' 'C'	3 Officers and 34 O.R. were ballasting from station 110 to 135. 10 O.R. were working on engine house and 2 O.R. were employed as engine drivers. 3 Officers and 106 O.R. at Harbrev. Unloading and forwarding material in yard. 31 O.R. were opening up ballast pit. 2 O.R. on track maintenance and 1 O.R. as carpenter for A. D. L. R. R. 6 O.R. repairing cars and 7 O.R. employed as engineers, firemen etc. 46 O.R. were altering curve on hill. 2 O.R. were employed as draftsmen. 1 Officer on survey and 1 with A. D. L. R. R. 3 Officers and 93 O.R. were grading between stations 355.00 and 356.00, 358.00 and 358.50, 366.00 and 369.00. 9 O.R. were altering grade at station 312.00, for road crossing. 11 O.R. were making temporary crossing and ballasting. 8 O.R. were filling gap at station 246.00 1 Officer and 12 O.R. were laying steel from 282.00 to 286.00 and Marocuil party, 1 Officer and 15 O.R. were unloading cars for A. D. L. R. R. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. Dainville party, did no work owing to relief of work parties	

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	16 ² / ₁₇	'D'	5 Officers and 83 O.R. were grading and ballasting from station 110.00 to 115.00. Engine did not arrive at ballast pit until 10 a.m.	
	17 ² / ₁₇	'A'	3 Officers and 37 O.R. ballasting, 10 O.R. working on engine house and 2 O.R. employed as engine drivers. 3 Officers and 106 O.R. at Darbed.	
		'B'	32 O.R. were opening ballast pit and 43 O.R. were unloading and forwarding in yard. 25 O.R. were ballasting and repairing track 11 O.R. were putting in culverts. 6 O.R. employed as engineers, 4 O.R. repairing cars and 4 O.R. laying foundation for water tank. 2 O.R. employed as draftsmen. 1 Officer with A. V. L. R.R. and 1 Officer on survey party.	
		'C'	3 Officers and 103 O.R. were grading on main line between 355.00 and 357.00, 366.00 and 369.00. 1 Officer and 35 O.R. ^{grading} from station 253.50 to 256.00, ballasting and unloading steel. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. Marocuil party, were unloading cars for A. V. L. R.R. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. Dainville party were grading from station 408.00 to 558.00. Total work party for company. 6 Officers and 173 O.R.	
		'D'	4 Officers and 90 O.R. were employed on grade from station 110.00 to 115.00 and 102 cars ballast were unloaded.	

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	17 ² / ₁₇	'D'	21 O.R. were draining between stations 125.00 and 140.00. Tractor left at noon and did not return until 2 P.M., left again at 3.20 P.M. Thereby delaying delivery of ballast.	
	18 ² / ₁₇	'A'	3 Officers and 49 O.R. were ditching cuts between stations 108.00 and 135.00. 12 O.R. were employed on engine house and 2 O.R. as engine drivers. 3 Officers and 106 O.R. at Larbied.	
		'B'	34 O.R. unloading and sorting material in yard. 46 O.R. were putting in culverts, cleaning out ditches etc. 33 O.R. were opening a ballast pit. 7 O.R. were employed as engineers, firemen etc. and 5 O.R. were repairing cars. 5 Officers were in charge of work. 2 O.R. employed as draftsmen. 1 Officer on survey party and 1 Officer with A. D. L. R. R.	
		'C'	2 Officers and 102 O.R. were grading between stations 365.00 and 369.00 and on main line between stations 355.00 and 358.00. 2 Officers and 38 O.R. ^{grading} between stations 256.00 and 257.00. No work done in afternoon as Church Parade was held. 1 Officer and 10 O.R. Marcell party, were unloading cars for A. D. L. R. R. 1 Officer and 2 O.R. ^{Dainville} party were grading between stations	10/11

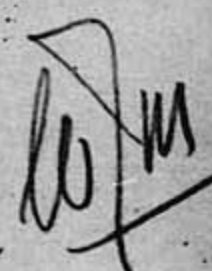
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	18 ² / ₁₇	'C'	408.00 and 558.00. Total work party for company 6 Officers and 145 O.R.	
		'D'	4 Officers and 96 O.R. were grading, ditching and draining between stations 115.00 and 149.00	
	19 ² / ₁₇	'A'	3 Officers and 12 O.R. were employed on engine house and 2 O.R. were employed as engineers. 46 O.R. were ditching cuts between stations 80 and 140. 3 Officers and 106 O.R. at Larbret. all steel now at Larbret has been laid and track is complete to station 22	
		'B'	31 O.R. were opening up ballast pit and 71 O.R. were putting in culverts, cleaning out ditches and maintaining track. 13 O.R. were employed on general yard work. 2 O.R. were making box drains and 2 O.R. were repairing cars. 6 O.R. were employed as engineers etc. and 2 O.R. as draftsmen. 6 Officers were in charge of work parties and 1 Officer with A.D. L.R.R.	
		'E'	3 Officers and 95 O.R. were grading between stations 355.00 and 358.00 and 365.00 to 369.00. 2 Officers and 26 O.R. were ballasting from station 249.50 to 349.00 253.50. 11 O.R. were widening and stripping ballast pit. 7 O.R. were sloping grade and ditching	

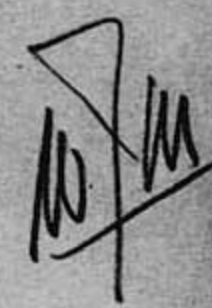
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	19 ² / ₁₇	'C'	1 Officer and 15 O.R. Marsueil party, were unloading cars for A. D. L. R. R. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. Dainville party, were grading between stations 407.00 and 556.00. Total work party for company 6 Officers and 174 O.R.	
		'D'	3 Officers and 81 O.R. were grading from station 110.00 to Chalk pit. 75 Loads of ballast were delivered and some time was lost through the engine getting off the track. Between stations 122.00 and 149.00, party were draining and ditching.	
	20 ² / ₁₇	'A'	3 Officers and 12 O.R. were employed on engine house, 9 O.R. were ditching from station 80 to 85. and balance of men in Wanquintia were idle. 3 Officers and 106 O.R. at Larbred. Tractor assigned to 'A' company was taken by 'D' company this morning.	
		'B'	17 O.R. were putting in culverts and 4 O.R. were repairing cars. 77 O.R. were ditching and surfacing grade and 14 O.R. were on general yard work. 1 O.R. painting mileage signs and 7 O.R. employed as engineers etc. 1 officer and 3 O.R. on survey party 1 O.R. in drawing office and 1 officer with A. D. L. R. R.	

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	20 ² / ₁₇	'C'	1 Officer and 100 O.R. were grading on Dainville spur station 365.00 to 369.00 and on main line from station 358.00 to 364.00. 2 Officers and 28 O.R. were ballasting from station 247.50 to 249.50. 11 O.R. were working on ballast pit and 1 Officer and 15 O.R. Marsueil party were unloading cars for A.D. L.R.R. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. Dainville party were grading between stations 407.00 and 556.00. Total work party for company, 5 Officers and 174 O.R.	
		'D'	3 Officers and 83 O.R. were ditching and draining between stations 122.00 and 149.00 for a half day only owing to the rains. Rifle inspection and pay parade was held in the afternoon.	
	21 ² / ₁₇	'A'	3 Officers and 42 O.R. were employed on engine house, 8 O.R. were ditching from station 82 to 90 and 2 O.R. were employed as engineers	
			3 Officers and 106 O.R. at Larbret.	
		'B'	12 O.R. working as carpenters on stand for tank and repairing cars, 7 O.R. employed as engineers and 5 O.R. putting in culverts, 85 O.R. on track repairs, maintenance and ballasting, 14 O.R. were on yard party and 3 O.R. on survey party. 1 Officer and 2 O.R. in drawing office and 1 Officer with A.D. L.R.R.	

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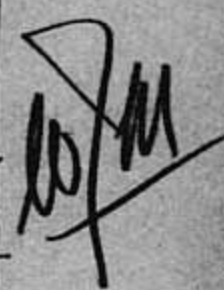
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	21 st / ₁₇	'C'	4 Officers and 97 O.R. were grading on spur to Dainville station 455.00 to 418.00. 1 Officer and 40 O.R. were ballasting from station 246.00 to 247.50 and stripping ballast pit. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. at Marsouil unloading cars for A. D. L. R. R. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. Dainville party were grading from station 407.00 to 556.00. Total work party for company. 7 Officers and 172 O.R.	
		'D'	3 Officers, 90 O.R. were ditching and draining from station 140.00 to station 155.00. The Tractor was employed until noon.	W.M.
	22 nd / ₁₇	'A'	4 Officers and 12 O.R. were employed on engine house and 37 O.R. on ramp and track in yard. 7 O.R. were ditching from stations 80 to 90 and 5 O.R. were on track repairs.	
		'B'	9 O.R. were working as carpenters on gas engine shed and 3 O.R. as carpenters on general work. 7 O.R. employed as engineers, firemen etc., 14 O.R. as yard party, 3 O.R. on survey and 90 O.R. ballasting and ditching. 2 O.R. employed as draftsmen. 5 Officers in charge of work parties, 1 Officer with survey and 1 with A. D. L. R. R.	
		'C'	2 Officers and 86 O.R. were grading between stations 403.00 and 406.00, 409.00 and 410.00 and 412.00 to 418.00. 2 Officers and 50 O.R. were ballasting	

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	22 ² / ₁₇	'C'	from station 245.00 to station 246.00 and from 255.00 to 259.00, 1 officer and 15 O.R. marseuil party, were unloading cars for a. D. L. R. R. 1 officer and 20 O.R. Dainville party and 1 battalion of the "oxfords & Bucks", were grading from station 416.00 to 558.00. Total work party for company, 7 officers and 171 O.R.	
		'D'	4 officers and 84 O.R. were draining between stations 130.00 and 138.00 and 144.00 to 149.00. Lt. Sliter's party and 6 officers and 365 O.R. of the "Royal Scots", were cutting and filling as required between stations 0.00 and 45.80 on Louay. St. Aubin Div.	
	23 ² / ₁₇	'A'	4 officers and 5 O.R. on track repairs, 36 O.R. working on ballast pit, 10 O.R. on engine house and 2 O.R. as engineers. 3 officers and 107 O.R. at Larbréd.	
		'B'	9 O.R. employed as carpenters on engine shed, 8 O.R. as engineers, firemen etc. 3 O.R. on car repairs, 30 O.R. ditching and 80 O.R. on track maintenance. 2 O.R. employed as draftsman. 6 officers in charge of work parties and 1 officer with a. D. L. R. R.	
		'C'	3 officers and 77 O.R. were grading between stations 403.00 and 411.00. 1 officer and 59 O.R. were ballasting from station 249.00 to	

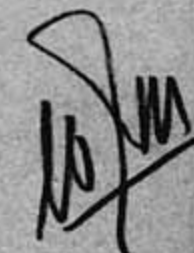
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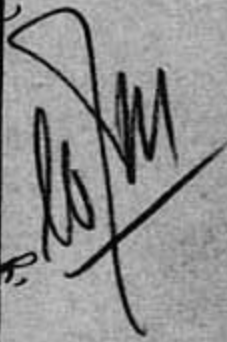
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	23 ² / ₁₇	'C'	245.00 and from 259.00 to 263.00. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. Marcell party, were unloading cars for A. D. L. R. R. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. Dainville party and 1 battalion "Oxford + Bucks", were grading between stations 416.00 and 558.00. Total work party for company, 6 Officers and 171 O.R.	
		'D'	4 Officers and 88 O.R. were draining between stations 130.00 and 138.00, ditching between 146.00 and 149.00 and cleaning track for raising and re-ballasting	
	24 ² / ₁₇	'A'	4 Officers and 45 O.R. were employed on ballast pit and repairing track. 6 O.R. working on machine shop and 2 O.R. as engineers 3 Officers and 107 O.R. at Larches.	
		'B'	4 O.R. working as carpenters on engine shed, 2 O.R. as carpenters with R. E's and one O.R. repairing cars. 6 O.R. as engineers, firemen etc. and 117 O.R. ballasting and lifting the track. 2 O.R. working as draftsmen. 6 Officers in charge of work parties and 1 Officer with A. D. L. R. R.	
		'C'	2 Officers and 68 O.R. were ballasting from station 263.00 to 266.00 2 Officers and 64 O.R. were sloping and ditching from station 290.00 to 293.00. This party paraded for a bath in the afternoon at the	

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	24 ² / ₁₇	'C'	<p>first party bathed in the morning. 1 officer and 9 OR, marseuil party, were unloading cars for A. D. L. R. R., 6 OR, were sent in to Headquarters to have boots repaired. Dainville party, 1 officer and 20 OR, and one battalion "Axfords & Bucks" were grading from stations 416.00 to 558.00. Total work party for company 6 officers and 161 OR.</p> <p>'D' 4 officers and 92 OR, were ditching and clearing road bed between stations 146.00 and 152.00. St. Rowe's party and 6 officers, 350 OR, "Royal Scots" were sloping and ditching grade between stations 83.00 and 98.00</p>	
	25 ² / ₁₇	'A'	<p>3 officers and 52 OR, were employed on track repairs in yard, 6 OR, working on machine shop and 2 OR, as engineers. 3 officers and 107 OR at Harbred. 31 OR, attended church parade in the morning and reported for work in the yard at 12.20 P.M.</p>	
		'B'	<p>4 OR, employed as carpenters, 6 OR, as engineers firemen etc and 1 OR, repairing cars. 4 OR, on general yard work, 20 OR, were ditching and sloping grade and 95 OR, were lifting and ballasting track. 2 OR, working as draftsmen. 5 officers in charge of work parties and 1 officer with A. D. L. R. R.</p>	

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	25 th	C'	3 officers and 68 O.R. were sloping and ditching from station 312.00 to 353.00 (completed) 2 Officers and 68 O.R. were ballasting from station 266.00 to 268.00. 1 officer and 15 O.R. Marceuil party, were unloading cars ^{cars} for A.D.R.R. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. Dainville party were grading from station 416.00 to 558.00 (1 Battalion Imperialis). Total work party for company 7 officers and 171 O.R.	
		D'	5 Officers and 91 O.R. were sloping, ditching and cleaning up track between stations 150.00 and 154.00	
	26 th	A'	3 Officers and 6 O.R. employed on machine shop, 2 O.R. as engineers and 49 O.R. ballasting. 3 Officers and 107 O.R. at Larbret.	W/M
		B'	5 O.R. employed as carpenters on general work in yard, 10 O.R. employed as engineers, firemen etc., 1 O.R. repairing cars, 6 O.R. picking up old track near Louves, 5 O.R. putting track across Simercourt road, 20 O.R. working on ballast pit, 46 O.R. ballasting in track and 28 O.R. were ditching and sloping. 2 O.R. employed as draftsmen. 1 officer in yard, 1 on survey and 4 in charge of work parties.	
		C'	3 Officers and 69 O.R. were sloping and ditching from station	

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	26 ² / ₁₇	'C'	353.00 to station 390.00 (completed) 2 Officers and 68 OR, were opening up ballast pit and ballasting from station 268.00 to 278.00. 1 Officer and 20 OR, Dainville, party were grading between stations 416.00 and 558.00. 1 Officer and 14 OR, were unloading cars for A. D. L. R. R. Total work party for company, 4 officers and 171 OR.	
		'D'	5 Officers and 81 OR, were sloping and ditching between the following stations, 150.00 to 152.40 and 159.00 to 161.50. Lt. Rowe's party and 3 Officers, 290 OR, "Black Watch" were sloping and ditching from station 5 to 88. This portion of the line is now ready for bridging and laying track.	
	27 ² / ₁₇	'A'	2 Officers and 6 OR, employed on machine shop, 2 other with R. E. in yard, 1 OR, on engine, 38 OR, on cut between stations 78 and 84	W
			3 Officers and 107 OR, Larbrét.	
		'B'	4 OR, as carpenters on general work, 9 OR, as engineers, firemen etc. 44 OR, ditching and sloping, 6 OR, taking up old track at Louves 38 OR, working in ballast pit and 30 OR, ballasting track. 1 Officer and 2 OR, in drawing office. 1 Officer with A. D. L. R. R. and 4 Officers in charge of work parties.	

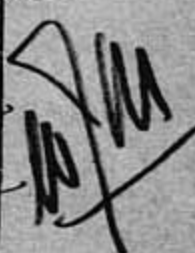
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	27 ² / ₁₇	'C'	3 Officers and 62 O.R. were sloping and ditching from station 390.00 to 405.00. 3 Officers and 68 O.R. were opening ballast pit, ballasting and making crossing at Rue de Simencourt. 1 Officer and 15 O.R. Marsuic party were unloading cars for A.S.L.R.R. 1 Officer and 20 O.R. Dainville party, were cleaning up grade between stations 416.00 and 558.00. Total work party for company, 7 Officers and 165 O.R.	
		'D'	5 Officers and 81 O.R. employed on grade and putting in siding between stations 133.00 and 191.00. Lt. Sliter's party and 6 Officers, 220 O.R. "Northumberland Fusiliers", were filling and cutting as required between stations 13.00 and 19.00. Lt. Rowe's party and 6 Officers, 350 O.R. "24th Northumberland Fusiliers" were filling and cutting grade between stations 592.00 and 620.50 on Dainville - St. Vaast line.	
	28 ² / ₁₇	'A'	3 Officers and 6 O.R. employed on machine shop, 1 O.R. as engine driver, 1 O.R. as blacksmith and 57 O.R. on track repairs. 3 Officers and 108 O.R. at Larbet, raising and re-ballasting the line.	
		'B'	4 O.R. working as carpenters on general work in the yard, 10 O.R. as engineers, firemen etc., 2 O.R. repairing cars, 38 O.R. ditching and sloping, 31 O.R. working in ballast pit and 46 O.R. ballasting. 2 O.R.	


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	28 ² / ₁₇		<p>'B' employed in drawing office. 1 Officer in yard, for A. D. L. R.R. and 5 Officers in charge of work parties</p> <p>'C' 2 Officers and 60 O.R. sloping and ditching from station 390.00 to 405.00 on spur to Dainville Halt. 3 Officers and 73 O.R. were ballasting between the following stations 270.00 to 278.00, 241.00 to 243.00 and 250.00 to 232.00. 1 Officer, 14 O.R. Marcell's Party were unloading cars for A. D. L. R.R. Dainville party returned to Berneville during the day.</p> <p>'D' 5 Officers and 84 O.R. employed on grade at stations 191.80, 132.00 and 80.00 also putting in sidings St. Slier's party and 6 Officers 220 O.R. "Northumberland Fusiliers" were grading between stations 3.00 and 10.00 44.00 and 25.00. St. Rowe's party and 4 Officers 350 O.R. "Northumberland Fusiliers" were grading between stations 592.00 and 620.50, on Angin - Poelincourt line and also on line into St. Nicholas</p>	

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