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Calendar for 1918.

January

February

March

S	..	6	13	20	27	..	S	..	3	10	17	24	31		S	..	3	10	17	24	31	
M	1	7	14	21	28	..	M	1	4	11	18	25	..		M	1	4	11	18	25	..	
T	2	8	15	22	29	..	T	2	5	12	19	26	..		T	2	5	12	19	26	..	
W	3	9	16	23	30	..	W	3	6	13	20	27	..		W	3	6	13	20	27	..	
T	3	10	17	24	31	..	T	3	7	14	21	28	..		T	3	7	14	21	28	..	
F	4	11	18	25	..	..	F	4	8	15	22	..	..		F	4	8	15	22	..	..
S	5	12	19	26	..	..	S	5	9	16	23	..	..		S	5	9	16	23	..	..

April

May

June

S	..	7	14	21	28	..	S	..	5	12	19	26	..	S	..	2	9	16	23	30	
M	1	8	15	22	29	..	M	1	6	13	20	27	..	M	1	3	10	17	24	..	
T	2	9	16	23	30	..	T	2	7	14	21	28	..	T	2	4	11	18	25	..	
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F	5	12	19	26	F	5	10	17	24	31	..	F	5	7	14	21	28	..	
S	6	13	20	27	S	6	11	18	25	S	6	8	15	22	29	..	

July

August

September

S	..	7	14	21	28	..	S	..	4	11	18	25	..	S	1	8	15	22	29	..	
M	1	8	15	22	29	..	M	1	5	12	19	26	..	M	2	9	16	23	30	..	
T	2	9	16	23	30	..	T	2	6	13	20	27	..	T	3	10	17	24	..	..
W	3	10	17	24	31	..	W	3	7	14	21	28	..	W	4	11	18	25	..	..
T	4	11	18	25	..	..	T	4	8	15	22	29	..	T	5	12	19	26	..	..
F	5	12	19	26	..	..	F	5	9	16	23	30	..	F	6	13	20	27	..	..
S	6	13	20	27	..	..	S	6	10	17	24	31	..	S	7	14	21	28	..	..

October

November

December

S	..	6	13	20	27	..	S	..	3	10	17	24	..	S	1	8	15	22	29	..	
M	1	7	14	21	28	..	M	1	4	11	18	25	..	M	2	9	16	23	30	..	
T	2	8	15	22	29	..	T	2	5	12	19	26	..	T	3	10	17	24	31	..	
W	3	9	16	23	30	..	W	3	6	13	20	27	..	W	4	11	18	25	..	..
T	3	10	17	24	31	..	T	4	7	14	21	28	..	T	5	12	19	26	..	..
F	4	11	18	25	..	..	F	5	8	15	22	29	..	F	6	13	20	27	..	..
S	5	12	19	26	..	..	S	6	9	16	23	30	..	S	7	14	21	28	..	..

AUSTRALIAN POSTAL INFORMATION.

LETTERS.

Within the Commonwealth, and to all places in the British Empire, and to New Hebrides, Banks and Torres Islands, per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. 1d
To all other places, per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d

POST CARDS.

Within the Commonwealth, and to all places in the British Empire, and to New Hebrides, Banks and Torres Islands, and United States of America, Single 1d., Reply 2d
To all other places, Single 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d
Reply 3d

LETTER CARDS.

Within the Commonwealth, Single 1d
Reply 2d
To all other places in the British Empire, Single 1d
To all other places Single 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d

NEWSPAPERS.

Within the Commonwealth and to New Zealand Fiji, and Papua, 10 ozs. 1d
Newspapers printed or published outside the Commonwealth, when posted in Australia, are subject to Magazine rates of postage.
Newspapers printed and published in Australia posted by registered newspaper proprietors within the Commonwealth, or to Papua, 20 ozs. 1d
To United Kingdom, 8 ozs. 1d
8 ozs. to 10 ozs. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d
Each additional 2 ozs. 1d
To United Kingdom, All Sea Route, 16 ozs. 1d
To all other places, 4 ozs. 1d
Every additional 2 ozs. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d

BOOKS.

Within the Commonwealth and to Papua, up to 5 lbs.—
If printed in Australia, 8 ozs. 1d
If printed outside Australia, 4 ozs. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d
To New Zealand, Fiji, New Hebrides and Solomon Islands (British), 4 ozs. up to 5 lbs. 1d
To all other places, 2 ozs. up to 5 lbs. 1d

POSTAL INFORMATION—Continued.

CATALOGUES.

Wholly set up and printed in Australia for delivery within the Commonwealth, 4 ozs.	1d
If printed outside Australia, 2 ozs.	1d
To all other places, 2 ozs.	1d

MAGAZINES.

Within the Commonwealth, and to Papua—	
If printed in Australia, 8 ozs.	1d
If printed outside Australia, 4 ozs.	1d
To New Zealand, Fiji, New Hebrides or Solomon Islands (British), 8 ozs.	1d
Each additional 4 ozs.	1d
To all other places, 2 ozs.	1d

PATTERNS AND SAMPLES.

Within the Commonwealth, to Papua, Fiji, and New Zealand, every 2 ozs. up to 1 lb.	1d
To United Kingdom, every 2 ozs. up to 5 lbs.	1d
To all other places, every 2 ozs. up to 12 ozs.	1d

COMMERCIAL PAPERS.

Within the Commonwealth, 2 ozs.	1d
To all other places, 2 ozs.	3d
Each additional 2 ozs. up to 10 ozs.	1d
Beyond that, 1d for every 2 ozs. up to 5 lbs.	

PRINTED PAPERS.

Within the Commonwealth and to Papua, 2 ozs.	1d
To New Zealand, Fiji, New Hebrides and British Solomon Islands, 4 ozs.	1d
Each additional 2 ozs.	1d
To all other places, 2 ozs.	1d

PARCELS.

Within the State, including Lord Howe and Norfolk Island, 1 lb.	6d
Each additional lb., 3d. up to 11 lbs.	
Interstate and to New Zealand, Fiji and Papua, 1 lb.	8d
Each additional lb. 6d., up to 11 lbs.	
To United Kingdom, by Long Sea Route, 1 lb.	1s
Each additional lb. 6d., up to 11 lbs.	
Via Marseilles, 1 lb., 1/7d., and 6d. for each additional lb. up to 11 lbs.	
To United States of America, via 'Frisco, 1 lb.	1s
Each additional lb. 6d., up to 11 lbs.	
Via London, 1 lb., 1/11d. and 6d. each additional lb. up to 11 lbs.	

POSTAL INFORMATION—Continued.

MERCHANDISE.

Within the Commonwealth, and to New Zealand, Fiji, and Papua, every 2 ozs. up to 1 lb.	1d
To all other places Merchandise must be sent by Parcel Post.	

MONEY ORDERS.

Within the Commonwealth—£5, 6d; £10, 1s; £15, 1/6; £20	2s
To Papua—£5, 9d; £10, 1/6; £15, 2/3; £20	3s
To New Zealand and Fiji—£2, 6d; £5, 1s; £7, 1/6; £10, 2s; £12, 2/6; £15, 3s; £17, 3/6; £20	4s
United Kingdom, other British possessions, and Foreign Countries, 6d for any amount up to £2 and 3d. for each additional £ or fraction of £.	

POSTAL NOTES.

Payable throughout the Commonwealth—6d, 1/-, 1/6—1d; 2/-, 2/6, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 4/6—1d; 5/-—1d; 7/6—2d; 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-	3d
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TELEGRAPHIC RATES.

City and Suburban, or within 16 miles of sending station—	
Sixteen words, including address and signature	6d
Each additional word	1d
Country—Sixteen words, including address and signature	9d
Each additional word	1d
Interstate—Sixteen words, including address and signature	1s
Each additional word	1d
Urgent Telegrams, and Sunday, Christmas Day and Good Friday, double the above rates.	

	per word
To New Zealand	4½d
To New Caledonia	9d
To Norfolk Island	3d
To United Kingdom	3s
To Suva and Fiji	8d
To New York	2s 8d
To Egypt	4s
To Paris	3s

POSTAL INFORMATION—Continued.

DEFERRED TELEGRAMS (Cables) will be accepted for certain Foreign Countries at half ordinary rates. These Telegrams are despatched daily, AFTER all the Telegrams paid for at full rates have been dealt with.

WEEK-END CABLES for United Kingdom are accepted up to Saturday in each week for delivery on the Tuesday following, at 9d per word, with a minimum of 15/-

For South Africa and Canada, 7d per word; minimum, 11/8

For India, Ceylon and Burmah, 7½d per word; minimum, 12/6.

For Portugal, 9d per word; minimum, 15/-.

For British North America, 8d per word; minimum, 12/11.

WIRELESS TELEGRAMS.

To and from any ship registered in Australia, 5d per word; unregistered, 6d. per word.

Land Charges, one penny per word.

Christmas or New Year Greetings between Australia and New Zealand, 4/- . If addressed to vessels registered in Australia or New Zealand, 3/-.

LETTER TELEGRAMS to addresses within the Commonwealth will be forwarded by Telegraph during the night and delivered as ordinary letters by first delivery—Forty words, 1/-; each additional word, ½d. Sundays, double the above rates.

AUSTRALIAN SEASONS.

Autumn commences	.. .. .	March 21
Winter	.. .. .	June 22
Spring	.. .. .	September 23
Summer	.. .. .	December 22

STANDARD TIME. (East of Greenwich).

West Australia	.. .. .	8 hours
South Australia	.. .. .	9½ hours
Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania	.. .. .	10 hours
New Zealand	.. .. .	11½ hours

FIXED AND MOVABLE FEASTS, HOLIDAYS, etc., 1918.

January 1	.. .. .	Commonwealth Day
January 6	.. .. .	Epiphany
January 13	.. .. .	1st Sunday after Epiphany
January 20	.. .. .	2nd Sunday after Epiphany
January 26	.. .. .	Foundation of Australia, 1788
January 27	.. .. .	Septuagesima Sunday
February 1	.. .. .	Foundation Day, Queensland
February 3	.. .. .	Sexagesima Sunday
February 10	.. .. .	Quinquagesima Shrove Sunday
February 13	.. .. .	Ash Wednesday (Lent begins)
February 17	.. .. .	Quadragesima Sunday (First in Lent)
February 24	.. .. .	2nd Sunday in Lent
March 1	.. .. .	St. David
March 3	.. .. .	3rd Sunday in Lent
March 10	.. .. .	4th Sunday in Lent
March 17	.. .. .	St. Patrick's Day
March 17	.. .. .	5th Sunday in Lent
March 24	.. .. .	Palm Sunday
March 25	.. .. .	Annunciation Lady Day
March 29	.. .. .	Good Friday
March 30	.. .. .	Easter Saturday
March 31	.. .. .	Easter Sunday
April 1	.. .. .	Easter Monday
April 7	.. .. .	Low Sunday, 1st after Easter
April 14	.. .. .	2nd Sunday after Easter
April 21	.. .. .	3rd Sunday after Easter
April 22	.. .. .	Eight Hour Day, Melbourne
April 23	.. .. .	St. George
April 28	.. .. .	4th Sunday after Easter
May 5	.. .. .	Rogation Sunday
May 6	.. .. .	Accession of King George V., 1910
May 6	.. .. .	Eight Hours Day, Brisbane
May 9	.. .. .	Ascension Day, Holy Thursday
May 12	.. .. .	Sunday after Ascension
May 19	.. .. .	Whit Sunday
May 24	.. .. .	Empire Day
May 26	.. .. .	Birthday Queen Mary, 1867
May 26	.. .. .	Trinity Sunday
May 30	.. .. .	Corpus Christi
June 1	.. .. .	Foundation Day, W.A.
June 2	.. .. .	1st Sunday after Trinity
June 3	.. .. .	Birthday King George V., 1865
June 9	.. .. .	2nd Sunday after Trinity

Fixed and Movable Feasts, Holidays, &c.—*Con.*

June 16	.. ..	3rd Sunday after Trinity
June 23	.. ..	Birthday Prince of Wales, 1894
June 23	.. ..	4th Sunday after Trinity
June 24	.. ..	St. John Baptist
June 30	.. ..	5th Sunday after Trinity
July 1	.. ..	Separation Day, Victoria
July 6	.. ..	6th Sunday after Trinity
July 13	.. ..	7th Sunday after Trinity
July 20	.. ..	8th Sunday after Trinity
July 27	.. ..	9th Sunday after Trinity
August 4	.. ..	10th Sunday after Trinity
August 5	War declared	Great Britain & Germany, 1914
August 5	.. ..	Bank Holiday
August 11	.. ..	11th Sunday after Trinity
August 18	.. ..	12th Sunday after Trinity
August 25	.. ..	13th Sunday after Trinity
Sept. 1	.. ..	14th Sunday after Trinity
Sept. 8	.. ..	15th Sunday after Trinity
Sept. 15	.. ..	16th Sunday after Trinity
Sept. 22	.. ..	17th Sunday after Trinity
Sept. 29	.. ..	Michaelmas Day
Sept. 29	.. ..	18th Sunday after Trinity
Oct. 6	.. ..	19th Sunday after Trinity
Oct. 7	.. ..	Eight Hours Day, Sydney
Oct. 9	.. ..	Eight Hours Day, Adelaide
Oct. 13	.. ..	20th Sunday after Trinity
Oct. 20	.. ..	21st Sunday after Trinity
Oct. 27	.. ..	22nd Sunday after Trinity
Nov. 3	.. ..	23rd Sunday after Trinity
Nov. 4	.. ..	Eight Hours Day, Newcastle
Nov. 5	.. ..	Melbourne Cup Day
Nov. 10	.. ..	24th Sunday after Trinity
Nov. 17	.. ..	25th Sunday after Trinity
Nov. 23	.. ..	Proclamation Day, Victoria
Nov. 24	.. ..	26th Sunday after Trinity
Nov. 30	.. ..	St. Andrew
Dec. 1	.. ..	Birthday, Queen Alexandra
Dec. 1	.. ..	1st Sunday in Advent
Dec. 8	.. ..	2nd Sunday in Advent
Dec. 10	.. ..	Separation Day, Queensland
Dec. 15	.. ..	3rd Sunday in Advent
Dec. 22	.. ..	4th Sunday in Advent
Dec. 25	.. ..	Christmas Day
Dec. 26	.. ..	Boxing Day
Dec. 29	.. ..	1st Sunday after Christmas

SEA DISTANCES ON THE AUSTRALIAN COAST.

	Miles
Geraldton (W.A.) to Fremantle	220
Fremantle to Bunbury	86
Bunbury to Busselton	28
Busselton to Hamelin	86
Hamelin to Albany	150
Albany to Esperance Bay	190
Esperance Bay to Adelaide	830
Fremantle to Albany	350
Fremantle to Adelaide	1,378
Adelaide to C. Jervis	52
C. Jervis to C. Willoughby	15
C. Willoughby to C. Northumberland	162
C. Northumberland to C. Bridgewater	62
C. Bridgewater to C. Otway	107
C. Otway to Port Phillip Heads	64
Port Phillip Heads to Hobson's Bay	42
Adelaide to Melbourne	508
Adelaide to Brisbane	1,582
Port Phillip Heads to C. Schanck	19
C. Schanck to Wilson's Promontory	82
Wilson's Promontory to Gabo Island	190
Gabo Island to Montague Island	82
Montague Island to C. St. George	70
C. St. George to C. Banks	72
C. Banks to Sydney Heads	10
Sydney Heads to Wharf	9
Brisbane to Maryborough	180
Maryborough to Bundaberg	92
Bundaberg to Gladstone	100
Gladstone to Rockhampton	100
Rockhampton (Keppel Bay) to Mackay	193
Mackay to Townsville	221
Townsville to Cairns	162
Hobart to Melbourne Wharf	457
Melbourne to Sydney	564
Melbourne to Brisbane	1,074
Melbourne to Launceston (Wharf to Wharf)	277
Sydney to Fremantle	2,450
Sydney to Newcastle	70
Sydney to Brisbane	510
Sydney to Wellington, N.Z.	1,200
Sydney to Auckland	1,277
Sydney to Hobart	648

PHASES OF THE MOON, 1918.

Month.	Full Moon.	Last Qter.	New Moon.	First Qter.
January	27	5	13	20
February	26	4	11	18
March	28	6	13	19
April	26	4	11	18
May	26	4	10	18
June	24	2	9	16
July	24	1 & 30	8	16
August	22	29	7	15
September	20	27	5	14
October	20	27	5	13
November	18	25	4	12
December	18	25	4	11

THE ROYAL FAMILY—DATE OF BIRTH AND AGES IN 1918.

	Date Born.	Age
King George V. ..	June 3rd, 1865 ..	53
Queen Mary	May 26th, 1867 ..	51
(Married July 6th, 1893).		
Prince of Wales ..	June 23rd, 1894 ..	24
Prince Albert	Dec. 24th, 1895 ..	23
Princess Victoria Alexandra		
(Princess Mary) ..	April 25th, 1897 ..	21
Prince Henry	March 31st, 1900 ..	18
Prince George	Dec. 20th, 1902 ..	16
Prince John	July 12th, 1905 ..	13

Eclipses, 1918.

During the year 1918 there will be three eclipses, two of the sun and one of the moon.

I. A total eclipse of the sun June 8-9. Visible in the northern portion of Papua only, ending at sunrise.

II.—A partial eclipse of the moon June 23-24, invisible in Australia.

III.—An annular eclipse of the sun, December 3, invisible in Australia.

HELP IN CASE OF ACCIDENTS.

DROWNING.—1. Loosen the clothing, if any. 2. Empty lungs of water by laying body on its stomach and lifting it by the middle so that the head hangs down. Jerk the body a few times. 3. Pull tongue forward, using handkerchief, or pin with string, if necessary. 4. Imitate motion of respiration by alternately compressing and expanding the lower ribs about twenty times a minute. Alternatively raising and lowering the arms from the sides up above the head will stimulate the action of the lungs. Let it be done gently but persistently. 5. Apply warmth and friction to extremities. 6. By holding the tongue forward, closing the nostrils and pressing the "Adam's apple" back (so as to close entrance to stomach), direct inflation can be tried. Take a deep breath and breathe it forcibly into the mouth of patient, compress the chest to expel the air and repeat the operation. 7. **DON'T GIVE UP!** People have been saved after HOURS of patient, vigorous effort. 8. When breathing begins, get patient into warm bed, give WARM drinks, or spirits, in teaspoonsful, fresh air and quiet.

BURNS AND SCALDS.—Cover with Cooking Soda and lay wet cloths over it. White of Eggs and Olive Oil. Olive or Linseed Oil, plain, or mixed with Chalk and Whiting.

LIGHTNING.—Dash cold water over a person struck.

SUNSTROKE.—Loosen clothing. Get patient into shade, and apply ice cold water to head.

MAD DOG OR SNAKE BITE.—Tie cord tight above wound. Suck the wound and cauterise with caustic or white hot iron at once, or cut out adjoining parts with a sharp knife.

VENOMOUS INSECT STINGS, &c.—Apply weak Ammonia, Oil, Salt Water, or Iodine.

FAINTING.—Place flat on back; allow fresh air and sprinkle with water.

TESTS OF DEATH.—Hold mirror to mouth. If living, moisture will gather. Push pin into flesh. If dead, the hole will remain, if alive it will close up.

CINDERS IN THE EYE.—Roll soft paper up like a lamp lighter and wet the tip to remove, or use a medicine dropper to draw it out. Rub the other eye.

FAMILIAR FACTS.

To find the circumference of a circle multiply diameter by 3.1416.

To find diameter of a circle multiply circumference by .31831.

To find area of a circle multiply square of diameter by .7854.

To find area of a triangle multiply base by half perpendicular height.

To find solidity of a sphere multiply cube of diameter by .5236.

To find cubic inches in a ball multiply cube of diameter by .5236.

Doubling the diameter of a pipe increases its capacity four times.

A pint of water weighs 20 ozs.; one gallon of water weighs 10 lbs.

A standard horse power: The evaporation of 30 pounds of water per hour from a feed water temperature of 100 degrees F. into steam at 70 pounds gauge pressure.

Average Steaming Time on the Australian Coast.

Melbourne to Adelaide	.. From	36 to 44 hours
Adelaide to Albany	.. ..	3½ to 4½ days
Albany to Fremantle	.. ..	1 to 1½ "
Melbourne to Sydney	.. ..	40 to 48 hours
Sydney to Newcastle	.. ..	6 to 10 "
" to Wellington	.. ..	3½ to 4 days
" to Auckland	.. ..	3½ to 4 "
" Brisbane	.. ..	36 to 44 hours
Brisbane to Maryborough	.. ..	17 to 20 "
" Bundaberg	.. ..	24 to 26 "
" Gladstone	.. ..	32 to 36 "
Sydney to Hobart	.. ..	40 to 46 "
Brisbane to Rockhampton	.. ..	36 to 40 "
" to Mackay	.. ..	55 to 60 "
" to Townsville	.. ..	72 to 80 "
" to Cairns	.. ..	86 to 90 "
Melbourne to Geelong	.. ..	3½ "
" to Launceston (wharf)	.. ..	14 "
Hobart to Melbourne Wharf	.. ..	30 to 38 "

These times vary according to weather conditions.

Metric System.

LINEAR.

1 inch	=	25.4 millimetres
1 foot	=	0.305 metres
1 yard	=	0.914 metres
metre	=	3.281 feet or 39.371 in.

SQUARE.

1 inch	=	6.45 sq. centimetres
1 foot	=	9.29 sq. decametres
1 yard	=	0.84 sq. metres

CUBIC

1 inch	=	16.39 cubic centimetres
1 foot	=	0.028 cubic metres
1 yard	=	0.76 cubic metres
1 cubic metre	=	35.3 cubic feet

CAPACITY.

1 litre	=	1.76 pints
1 decalitre	=	2.2 gallons
1 hectolitre	=	22 gallons
1 hectolitre	=	2.75 bushels
1 gallon	=	4.55 litres

WEIGHT.

1 kilogramme	=	2.2 lbs.
1 pound	=	.45 kilogrammes
1 ton	=	1016 kilogrammes

CUBIC OR SOLID MEASURE.

1728 cubic inches (12 x 12 x 12 in.)	=	1 cubic foot
27 cubic feet (3 x 3 x 3)	.. ..	= 1 cubic yard
40 cubic feet	.. ..	= 1 ton of shipping

LAND, SQUARE, OR SUPERFICIAL MEASURE.

144 square inches (12 x 12)	=	1 square foot
9 square feet	.. ..	= 1 square yard
30½ square yards.. ..	=	1 square pole
40 poles (rods or perches)	=	1 rood
4 roods, or 43,560 sq. feet	=	1 acre
16 poles	=	1 square chain
10 square chains.. ..	=	1 acre
640 acres	=	1 square mile

CALENDAR NOTES, 1918.

Golden Number 19.

Epact 17

Dominical Letter F.

Julian Period (year of) 6631.

The year 5679 of the Jewish Era begins on September 7th.

The year of 1337 of the Mohammedan Era begins on October 7th.

Ramadan (the month of abstinence observed by the Turks) begins on June 10th.

PERSONAL MEMORANDA.

My Name is

My Address is

In case of Accident please notify

The No. on the case of my Watch is

The No. on the Works is

My Weight was on

My Height feet inches

Size of Hat Hosiery

Gloves Collar

Drawers Cuffs

Shirt Shoes

My will is

On leave in Scotland

1 January TUESDAY 1-364

Commonwealth Day—Public Holiday

Went to Inverock via Glasgow
 & met Peter Scott there, arrived
 back in Edinburgh at 9.30 p.m.
 met Annie Macintosh & Winnie
 Hamilton & had supper.
 Peter & I also visited Townsh
 & Port Glasgow by train
 from Inverock.

2 WEDNESDAY 2-363

Went for a walk round
 Edinburgh & then to dinner
 with Annie Macintosh &
 Miss Mac Donald. After I
 went to see Epil. Tweedie &
 family, had afternoon tea
 there & in the evening
 went to tea with Mrs.
 Mill. Left there for
 train at 9.15 p.m. leaving
 Edinburgh at 10 p.m. It
 packed train all the way
 but slept fairly well.

3 THURSDAY 3-362

Had breakfast & a wash at the
 Union Jack Club & then took a
 bus for Bateham, arriving
 there at noon, & stayed went to
 see Mrs & Miss May. Caught
 the 4.15 p.m. train to Bateham &
 then the 5.50 from Waterloo, arriving
 at Tidworth at 8.15 & found
 several letters & my Xmas
 cake & pudding waiting
 for me.
 Very cold & wet here
 after Scotland.

5 SATURDAY 5-360

Went to the pictures with
 Brook Howden & Ritchie.

6 SUNDAY 6-359

Church & communion at 10 a.m.

JANUARY

1st Month—1918

1918—31 Days

JANUARY

7 MONDAY 7-358

10 THURSDAY 10-355

8 TUESDAY 8-357

11 FRIDAY 11-354

*Missed for the school again,
much to my disappointment.*

9 WEDNESDAY 9-356

12 SATURDAY 12-353

13 SUNDAY 13-352

*Church at 10 a.m. Concert in
the theatre at night.*

14 MONDAY 14-351

15 TUESDAY 15-350

16 WEDNESDAY 16-349

17 THURSDAY 17-348

asked whether I would be re-classified or march out owing to missing for the school so decided to march out

18 FRIDAY 18-347

Had a most enjoyable dance in the mess & although a lot of new dances to me I braved the storm & hardly missed any, having a bon time.

19 SATURDAY 19-346

Went to the pictures with Brook, Richie, Betty & Tim King.

20 SUNDAY 20-345

Persuaded by St. Clair to stay on church at 10 a.m. then come over after.

21 MONDAY 21-344

Very cold & frosty morning,
very hard to keep warm
down at the depot.

22 TUESDAY 22-343

Persuaded to the Dr. to be
re-classified but he did not
examine me & said he
could not do it so I
was waiting orders to
march out.

23 WEDNESDAY 23-342

Told to hang on again.

24 THURSDAY 24-341

25 FRIDAY 25-340

Harry Chin saw Major
Scales about me & he said
to either wait for another
board or march out & he
would see that I was re-
classified whenever I went.

26 SATURDAY 26-339

Foundation of Australia—Public Holiday

27 SUNDAY 27-338

Church at 10. Went with
Brook Fowler, to Mrs. Samples to
tea.

28 MONDAY 28-337

29 TUESDAY 29-336

30 WEDNESDAY 30-335

31 THURSDAY 31-334

Finally decided to march out to
 Hertsburg & if considered fit get
 back to the battery, & if re-
 classified might try for home.
 Put in for 6 days marching out
 leave & got it. Going to Aberdeen
 with Gloom, Dick & two boys
 from ~~Hertsburg~~ ^{February} FRIDAY 32-333
 Foundation Day, Queensland
 Left Lidworth at 4:10, arrived at
 Waterloo at 6:50 p.m. caught a taxi
 & made straight for King's + Stet.
 just in time to catch the 7:15
 train for Aberdeen. Train very
 crowded & did not sleep much.
 Arrived at Aberdeen at 9 a.m.
 via York, Newcastle, Edinburgh &
 Dundee. Had breakfast & booked
 beds at the Douglas Hotel, did
 the city & made trips to the
 beach, Bridge of Don, Bridge
 of Dee, & ~~Victoria~~ ^{SUNDAY 34-331} Victoria
 Park. Left Aberdeen at

4 MONDAY 35-330

8.45 this morning arrived at Dundee
 at 10.40 & did the city & trips
 to Blackness, Nine Wells,
 & Broughty Ferry, where there
 is a very nice beach &
 promenade etc. Had dinner &
 tea at the Queen's Hotel & left
 for the south at 7.19 p.m.

5 TUESDAY 36-329

Book & Rick had to come straight
 on to London as they only had
 four days but Roger Dean, Iance
 Brunning & self detained at
 Edinburgh at 9.7 & stayed at
 the Waverley Hotel (no bar).

6 WEDNESDAY 37-328

Went for a tram to Ponto
 Belto with Douglas Hill
 in the morning & then
 came back, had dinner at
 Ponto Belto the new cafe.
 Went to the theatre with Annie Allen
 at night & saw "The Loutheyr
 Maid", not bad. Left for

London at 10 p.m. arriving
 in London 7 THURSDAY 38-327 at 8 a.m.
 Had breakfast at the
 Howard Hotel & had a
 look round the strand
 then went to Horseferry
 saw Will Fuller & myself
 Greenwood had dinner at
 the Warblet Club & the
 went to a matinee at
 the Haymarket & saw "The
 Chin Chow" which was a
 very pretty play. Left
 Waterloo at 5.50 & arrived
 at Sidworth at 8.15 p.m.
 after a very fine time.

9 SATURDAY 40-325

Went to the theatre
 & saw the "Merchant of
 Venice" a Shakespearean
 play.

10 SUNDAY 41-324

Went to tea at Ludgehall
 with Dr. Williamson.

11 MONDAY 42-323

Getting ready to proceed
to Hextesbury at 9.40 a.m.
to-morrow.
Mess meeting at night.

12 TUESDAY 43-322

Left for Hextesbury at 9.40,
passing there via Andover
Salisbury & Godford at 2 p.m.
drew my bed and blankets &
wrote letters. Met Jack Doby &
Tom Humphreys at the F. M. C. D.

13 WEDNESDAY 44-321

Went to the M. C. & was
passed as fit, he never
examined me so had
no trouble.

Went for a ride, the first
since leaving the battery.

14 THURSDAY 45-320

In charge of stable picket
at night, so am soon
at the old game
again.

15 FRIDAY 46-319

This is a very easy going
sort of a place & practically
nothing for old hands to do.

16 SATURDAY 47-318

Received a parcel from
home, also some letters &
papers.

17 SUNDAY 48-317

Church parade 9.15 a.m. &
marched to the church in
Hextesbury

18 MONDAY 49-316

19 TUESDAY 50-315

20 WEDNESDAY 51-314

Ash Wednesday

In charge of stable picket
again.

21 THURSDAY 52-313

Walked to Clifton Park
with Jack Risby, Blam Howard
& Jack Johnston, saw
Clay Elliston & Fred House
there.

22 FRIDAY 53-312

Wounded for draft, examined
by the Dr. & dentist & wounded for
draft inoculated.

23 SATURDAY 54-311

Went through the Lachrymatory
Gas in the morning & in the
afternoon to Clifton Park with
Warrimster with Ris, Jack
Johnston, Blam Howard & Oscar
Gruar.

24 SUNDAY 55-310

Handed all hit into Brigade P.O.
& made up shortages.

25 MONDAY 56-309

26 TUESDAY 57-308

27 WEDNESDAY 58-307

28 THURSDAY 59-306

Setting ready to move off
in the morning.

Went to a concert in
the F. M. C. D. with Jack
Johnston & then congregated
at N's canteen for supper.

1 March FRIDAY 60-305

Moved off from Hoptesbury at 11 a.m.
^{under} moved into Bedford, embarked there
& left at 1.30 for Southampton
via Salisbury, arrived there at
3 p.m., embarked on the Lydia
& left at 4 p.m. Packed in like
sandbags & had my worst boat trip
to date, everybody sick & near
sloves. Arrived at Le Havre at
midnight, disembarked at 8 a.m. &
had a seven mile march to Douville
via Harfleur, arriving there tired
out at 10.30 a.m. Went to the
theatre here at night with Loo & her
from the battery.

2 SUNDAY 61-304

3 SUNDAY 62-308

Busy at the gas school till 4 p.m.
Then went to Le Havre at night
& had a look round.

4 MONDAY 63-302

Did practically nothing all day but went to Le Havre with Jack Hammond (Lindisfarne) & Foot & Kernal, had a good look round & caught the 8.30 p.m. train home.

5 TUESDAY 64-301

Paraded ready to move off at 8.15 a.m. & after standing about with full packs up left for Le Havre at 9.15 arriving there at noon, drenched to the skin as it rained & snowed all the time. ⁶ WEDNESDAY 65-300 Left at 4 p.m. & proceeded via Motteville, Audley, Amiens, Lillers, Hazebrouck & detained at Bastre, ~~to~~ marched about a mile to a rest camp just outside the town & stayed the night there.

7 THURSDAY 66-299

Left Bastre at 9 a.m. in motor lowries & made for the line via Meteron, Baillieux & on to Dranoutre. Had lunch there & then on to the battery wagon lines, joining the old battery again at 2 p.m. ⁸ FRIDAY 67-298 Many strange faces in the battery but still a good number of the old drivers left. Attached to A sub. Everything very quiet.

9 SATURDAY 68-297

Had a game of football against the 52nd Batt. & we got a pretty easy win. Doing orderly room work for the present.

10 SUNDAY 69-296

Nothing doing. Charlie Scott came to see us.

11 MONDAY 70-295

Capt. & Salchner left for
a school in Blagay &
St. Smith taken over
at the wagon lines.

12 TUESDAY 71-294

A new order we the
Chevrons & "A's" just out
so have some work
ahead.

13 WEDNESDAY 72-293

Played the 3rd. I. H. C.
football & after a good
game got a win.

Went down to see me,
he looks very well & has
just had his A.M.
presented him.

14 THURSDAY 73-292

Still very quiet & with
the exception of a
few rounds of big stuff
landing round about
in the evening.

15 FRIDAY 74-291

Pay day, otherwise
nothing special. A
few more round of
big stuff in the evening
but not very close.
Splendid weather.

16 SATURDAY 75-290

Rode to forward wagon
lines with Mr. Smith &
payed there, then took
the remainder of the money
& Reg. doll to the guns. Saw
but & none of the old boys.

17 SUNDAY 76-289

Still fairly quiet with just
an occasional shell about.

18 MONDAY 77-288

Very busy getting the return for A.S. & Chevrons ready.

Went to the dentist at Dranoutre & met Charlie Williams at the A.S.B. there.

19 TUESDAY 78-287

Some pretty heavy stuff flying round between Hamil & Bailleul, some dropping near us. A pretty heavy stunt at about 3 a.m.

20 WEDNESDAY 79-286

The heavy iron nations still making things uncomfortable & finally also dropped some bombs at night getting on to the 5th Div. wagon line pretty badly.

21 THURSDAY 80-285

Mr. Lannaway is taking over at the office & I am to go to the forward wagon line to-morrow after I go to Estaires.

22 FRIDAY 81-284

Left for Estaires at 8 a.m. & arrived there via Dranoutre, Bailleul & Doullen at 10:30 a.m. Went to see Madame & family, where we left our packs 18 miles ago. Had a very hearty

23 SATURDAY 82-283

welcome, stayed to dinner & left again at 1 p.m. saw Carl Schinnen at Bailleul arriving back at 4:30 p.m. Had tea & left for the forward wagon line.

24 SUNDAY 83-282

I shall coming about every hour but luckily about 100 yards over.

25 MONDAY 84-281

The big gun has shoutered up
 & is hitting them all round
 us, very near the stables,
 luckily we have had no
 casualties with men or
 horses.

26 TUESDAY 85-280

Quiet during the morning
 but about 3 p.m. we got
 4 shells very close in quick
 succession & got the horses
 away to the right flank.

27 WEDNESDAY 86-279

Quieten to-day & shells
 falling short.

28 THURSDAY 87-278

Orders came for me to
 proceed to the guns so
 I humped the pack &
 arrived there at 3 p.m.
 Attached to E. sub.
 detachment under Lpl.
 Boylson. A few gas shells
 came over about midnight.

29 FRIDAY 88-277

Good Friday

Only one gun duty gun fired.
 Some shells falling in our
 left front. Had to go as
 N^o 1 of D sub. for the night
 to replace Sgt. Smyth, who
 gone to C. S.

30 SATURDAY 89-276

Easter Saturday

Quiet all day
 on guard at night.

31 SUNDAY 90-275

Easter Sunday

Transferred temporarily to F
 sub. to replace Bomb. Mauchant

APRIL

1 April MONDAY 91-274

Easter Monday

2 TUESDAY 92-273

3 WEDNESDAY 93-272

4 THURSDAY 94-271

5 FRIDAY 95-270

6 SATURDAY 96-269

Sun posy taken over by Annie
7 SUNDAY 97-268

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Letters from home. Handled in
all surplus hit in view of the
coming move.

8 MONDAY 98-267

Easy all day getting ready for a move at 3 a.m. to-morrow. The dome is dead favourite.

9 TUESDAY 99-266

Moved out at 4 a.m. & wrote marched to bastie via Railleul & Chetevy arriving there at 7-15 entrained there & left for the st. at 9 a.m. running via St. Leger, Balais, Etaples, Polougre etc. & arrived at ¹⁰ ~~st. Leger~~ at 7-30 p.m.

10 WEDNESDAY 100-265

After detraining & watering we route marched to our present wagon lines at Francvillers, arriving here at 3 a.m. all dead tired.

Did nothing much all day except clean up etc. but food very scarce & un-obtainable.

11 THURSDAY 101-264

All detachments went to the guns & all corporals had to go up & leave the gun limbers at the guns & bring the teams back. Up again at 9 p.m. with ammunition arriving back at midnight. Saw 8 dead horses on the road.

12 FRIDAY 102-263

Moved our wagon lines & billets to the other end of the village. Up again with ammunition at night. Heavy firing during the early morning.

13 SATURDAY 103-262

Another trip with ammunition, some more horses gone west on the main Albert road.

our reserve gun position & W. Lines

14 SUNDAY 104-261

Orderly hosp. for the week. All d. left rode back towards Becker with Capt. Faulkner to see

15 MONDAY 105-230

Chail from home. Rode to
Behepcourt to the 37th Bty
W. Lines ~~but~~ in the hopes
of seeing Alf but he
was up at the pits.
Very bad news fromlanders.

16 TUESDAY 106-259

More bad news from the
North & our last gun posse
& wagon lines are looking
very sick & likely to be
occupied by the Hun.
Another trip to the guns
with ammunition.

17 WEDNESDAY 107-258

Hot day. Met Jeff Martin
& Eric Walker of the 17th Bty,
also Bliff of Potterswood.
Had a walk with Keith
Roxburgh after tea.

18 THURSDAY 108-257

Hot & cold again.
Nothing much doing.
Met Jack Turner in the
village Rene, looking very
well.
Eric Richardson & Howe
evacuated sick.

19 FRIDAY 109-256

Another trip with ammunition,
some coalboxes landing
round the old aerodrome
to the right front of the
gun posse.

20 SATURDAY 110-255

Walked to La Houslie with H.
Rox. Fairly heavy firing
in front of Corbie.

21 SUNDAY 111-254

Grazing horses in the morning
the afternoon off.
Met Regbrook & heard of
Cornelison's death.

22 MONDAY 112-253
Eight Hour Day, Melbourne

Tracing & harness cleaning.
Talked to Bonney & the old
Prison camp with H. Cox.
I saw Lieut. Inglis who is
in the 31st Bty. now.
Heavy firing on our left from
8 till 10 p. m.

23 TUESDAY 113-252

Jim Hilmar's birthday. Took
two waggons of ammunition &
the gun whippers from east
sub. to bring back gun liners.
Very heavy bombardments &
attacks by Fritz & us in the
early morn.

24 WEDNESDAY 114-251

Mr. Townsend (left X) left his
four head quarters & Mr.
Kingsmill came from the
C. & B. 40th Bty. back
from Franklin, now 40th Bty.
the first time since he left
here about 8 years ago.

25 THURSDAY 115-250

Drac Day. Tracing in the
morning, got leave &
cycled to Millencourt in the
afternoon & saw Alf, who
is looking very well.
News of a raid on
Astend & Jeebrughe.

26 FRIDAY 116-249

Heavy bombardment in the
early morning, the village of
Villers-Bretonneux taken by
our infantry. Standing to
at 4.30 a. m. Up with
ammunition at night.

27 SATURDAY 117-248

Tracing in the morning, harness
cleaning in the afternoon.
Living very well & having
an easy time.

28 SUNDAY 118-247

Tracing & watered at Millencourt.
Up with ammunition again at
night.

29 MONDAY 119-246

Standing to at 4.30 a.m.
A few Yanks billeted in the
village here, our first real
view of them & we are
waiting to see their doing
under fire. Very poor
uniform. Two other planes
brought down here.

30 TUESDAY 120-246

Weather showery still. The
Yanks have very peculiar ways
of doing things, everything
backwards to us. I came
from Bechenourt to see me.

1 May WEDNESDAY 121-244

Wet day again. Letters from
home dated Feb. 26th & Mar. 5th.
Walked to Bechenourt with
Keith Mac to see Iff, who
is moving off in the
morning.

2 THURSDAY 122-243

A nice day. Grazing in the
morning, harness cleaning in
the afternoon.

Another letter from home & two
from G. & Ida Feb. 21st & 26th.

3 FRIDAY 123-242

Very warm again. Heavy
bombardment in the early
morning.

4 SATURDAY 124-241

but grazing & rode to Bechenourt
for water. 4th Div. adv. on the move
south. Went to the guns to
relieve Sgt. Kilmarin, No. 1 gun.

5 SUNDAY 125-240

Right X no firing till 11.45 p.m. when
Eric & I went off harassing fire till
12.45 a.m. firing 60 rounds per gun.

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Major Cooper left us & gone to
the 108th Av. Bty.

6 MONDAY 126-230
Eight Hours Day, Brisbane

Inspection by Gen. Birdwood in the
afternoon & he shook hands with
all the old hands.

The batteries were in action at
3 p.m. & fired about 60 rounds.
Then later I fired 47 rounds at
two different targets.

7 TUESDAY 127-238

Hot day, practically did
nothing. Units put a few
shells into Gnale, the village
just in rear, at 8.30 p.m.

Left section on harassing
fire at night for three hours.

8 WEDNESDAY 128-237

A bunch of aeroplanes flew over
us at 7 p.m. & suddenly two
Fritzes, disguised as our own
appeared in amongst ~~at~~
them & made things quite
exciting for a few minutes,
but none came down.

9 THURSDAY 129-236

Hot & cold, no firing.
An attack on our night
front about daybreak.

10 FRIDAY 130-235

Changed gun positions & guns with
the 31st Bty. Fired a few rounds before
they took over at 4 p.m. Drilled ~~down~~
new gun posy just west of Heilly &
find we are in a real hole, no
firing unless ordered. We are a
reserve brigade. 131-234

Went back to wagon lines again
& Sgt. Hilmarin came up.

12 SUNDAY 132-233

but for a ride on Holl & Hankus
in the morning.

MAY

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13 MONDAY 133-232

Not grazing & watered at Bonny
 & shelling very heavily a
 little to the left, in front
 of Heilly, also dropped four
 in Bonny when we were
 there, but no casualties with
 us. A heavy bombardment in the
 early morning.

14 TUESDAY 134-231

Very hot, nothing much
 doing. Another heavy bombard-
 -ment in the early morning
 & Kinty gave us a few more
 bombs.

15 WEDNESDAY 135-230

In the morning at 5.30 a.m. a
 big gun started to shell the village
 & we got away into the fields with
 the horses till the shelling ceased. Then
 just as we started breakfast at 8 a.m.
 he started again & we had to cast
 off again. Only about five shells
 the second time but about 15 the
 first, & only one civilian killed,
 much to everyone's lamentation.

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One shell landed in amongst some of
 our horses & one man but not one
 was hurt, a marvellous escape.
 All the 1st & 2nd gun teams went for a
 ride to the reserve battery position in
 the afternoon. (16th)

16 THURSDAY 136-228

In the morning all 1st & 2nd gun team
 drivers went over the cross country track
 to form the guns to the reserve posy
 just south of La Houssie. At 10.30
 p.m. Kinty dropped six bombs in
 the village but as far as I know there
 were no casualties.

17 FRIDAY 137-228

Making out a list of all
 shortages with Sgt. Kilmartin.
 Very hot day. But with ammuni-
 -tion waiting from 8 p.m. till 2 a.m. for
 G.H.C. waggons & they never turned
 up, this is very too.

18 SATURDAY 138-227

Sgt. Kilmartin accidentally injured
 & I had to go to the guns & take
 his place. Not ready for a stunt
 & were registering our targets &
 the piston of my gun broke at the 1st
 shot & it was out of action for the
 night. Ended at 3 a.m.

19 SUNDAY 139-225

Got notice to come out of action
 at 9 p.m. arriving at wagon
 lines at 9.30 p.m.

MAY

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MAY

Very hot day. 20 MONDAY 140-225

Our village was shelled again at 6 a.m. by a very fast & big naval gun. Two men killed & four wounded in the 103rd Bty. next door to us, our usual luck again. Busy making up gun shortages in the afternoon.

21 TUESDAY 141-224

Very hot again. In the afternoon Eric, L. Hollos, Dick Lucas, Harry Hunter & myself went for a swim at Edenport & then went. Eric & I went on to Freshencourt to see Tas, who is looking very well.

22 WEDNESDAY 142-223

Then we arrived back we had to get ready to go into action again at 11 a.m. I was carting ammunition till after midnight & turned in at 2 a.m.

Very hot again. (22nd) At 10 p.m. thirty aeroplanes came over & dropped a lot of bombs round us & the eight battery lost

four men wounded, 30 horses killed & the same wounded. One civilian was killed. 23 THURSDAY 143-222

24 FRIDAY 144-221
Empire Day

25 SATURDAY 145-220

Played cricket, the right half of battery versus left half & left beat us on the front by two runs. Up to the guns with ammunition in the evening.

26 SUNDAY 146-219

The village was shelled by a 4.2ⁱⁿ. L. gun & also bombed, the 8th Bty. & some infantry & Pioneers had casualties.

27 MONDAY 147-218

Waggon lines shelled again & we had four casualties, ~~at~~ two killed & as far as we know another died of wounds. They were Pdr. Chalk, Lvt. Gannaway & Dvr. Kannel killed & Dvr. Turnbull wounded. We were out in the fields till from 8.30 till 10.30 p.m. & just as we were ⁱⁿ ~~about~~ again we had to clear out again.

Shelled again at 2 p.m. & we had one horse killed & several wounded & the 103rd Coy & 3 horses killed & several wounded, also 3 men wounded. Moved our waggon lines in the evening to a gully near Behercove. WEDNESDAY 149-216

Working hard all day making bomb proofs & lines for the horses & our thumpys.

Very hot day & we found ourselves bumping at the breech towards night.

30 THURSDAY 150-215

Very hot again. Up with ammunition at night & as we were coming home Linty shelled Transvillers just as I was passing through & I made the pace on my horse Moll Sanders till I got clear.

31 FRIDAY 151-214

Still working on bomb proofs for the horses. Very comfortable in our new grassy.

1 June SATURDAY 152-213

Foundation Day—Public Holiday, W.A.

Played a cricket match, left half of battery versus right half & the left beat us by two runs. Up to the guns with ammunition in the evening.

2 SUNDAY 153-212

The village bombed & shelled & some Infantry, Pioneers & of the battery. Lost casualties.

3 MONDAY 154-211

Birth of King George V., 1865

Up with ammunition in the evening, everything quiet here but we hear of bad news from the south.

General routine, harness cleaning & grazing.

4 TUESDAY 155-210

Very hot again, the usual routine.

Started a match with the Tank boys next door & went fairly well, scoring 93. A one innings match.

5 WEDNESDAY 156-209

Heavy bombardment in the early morning & an attack by units, which ended in a great victory to us, several Germans taken prisoner & the rest left in "No mans Land." Finished the match with the Tank boys & won by 45 runs.

6 THURSDAY 157-208

Military sports next door to us so we had the afternoon off & had a good time.

7 FRIDAY 158-207

Very hot again, everything quiet here but bad news from the south. Up with ammunition at night.

8 SATURDAY 159-206

General routine, harness cleaning & grazing. Had a swim in the river at Behencourt.

9 SUNDAY 160-205

Spraying in the morning & played the Tank boys cricket in the afternoon, winning easily.

10 MONDAY 161-204

Wet day. A good heavy bombardment started about 10 p.m. & lasted a couple of hours.

11 TUESDAY 162-203

Up at 4 p.m. standing to in the evening up with ammunition to the guns.

Last night's stunt very successful & we were congratulated on the brigade shooting.

12 WEDNESDAY 163-202

Usual routine, grazing & harness cleaning.

Sunday 16th Port.

near Mericourt Station. Left at 9 p.m. & arrived back at 12 a.m. Had a fall off my horse, she trotted into a shell hole but neither of us hurt.

13 THURSDAY 164-201

Same again. Up with ammunition at night. Lts. Parmley & Gillespie wounded at the battery position. We had an open air concert here at the wagon line at 7 p.m.

14 FRIDAY 165-200

Usual work during the day & in the evening had a scratch cricket match.

15 SATURDAY 166-199

Up with ammo in the evening. Expecting Fritz to attack in the early morning but it didn't come, all gun teams were standing to from 3 a.m. till 6 a.m.

16 SUNDAY 167-198

Had another cricket match in the afternoon. Up carting ammo from the 1st position to another position.

17 MONDAY 168-197

Played the Balloon Section here cricket in the evening but turned in early as I had to turn out at 5 a.m. & take A & B sub. gun limbers up to move the guns to the new passy, arriving back at 5 a.m.

18 TUESDAY 169-196

Everything fairly quiet.
Usual routine, fine weather beginning to break.

Cricket shelling Behencourt & a stray dropped up against us when we were playing cricket, no one hurt.

19 WEDNESDAY 170-195

Rather wet day, mostly heavy sun showers.

20 THURSDAY 171-194

Wet day again.
Cricket shelling Behencourt pretty heavily with a big gun.

21 FRIDAY 172-193

Lt. Fred House left us to proceed to the O.V.B. in Blighty. Walked to Transvillers with H. Rose to see Lt. George Blave of the 7th Bty, an old 9th boy. Very wet night. Standing to 3:30 p.m.

22 SATURDAY 173-192

Major Lee returned to the Bty after a spell in Blighty. Rode to Pontchelle to have teeth attended to, but couldn't get them done.

23 SUNDAY 174-191

Prince of Wales Birthday.
Played the 185th cricket & beat them fairly easily.

JUNE

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24 MONDAY 175-190

Inspection by Gen. Coxan at 11.30 a.m. Played the 8th Bde. Machine Gunners cricket in the evening & led easily on the first innings.
Standing to at 3.30 a.m.

25 TUESDAY 176-189

At the dentist at Pont Noelle till mid-day & then rode, with Harry Hunter, to Fresnescourt, Montigny, Molliers au Bois & Dechencourt, arriving home at 6 p.m. Finished last night's match & won easily.

26 WEDNESDAY 177-183

Half holiday. Played the 8th Bde. cricket & won again.

Good news from Italy, everywhere quiet here with the exception of a few bombs.

27 THURSDAY 178-187

away at the dentist again. & after went to St Erater & Molliers au Bois with Ronnie Hay. Played the Machine Gunners again & finished up leading by 85 runs. Fritz dropped some bombs pretty close about midnight.

28 FRIDAY 179-186

29 SATURDAY 180-185

30 SUNDAY 181-184

~~The senior officers of the brigade played the 1st Bde. but were beaten by the 1st Bde. sent it another 1200 yds.~~

1 July MONDAY 182-183
Separation Day, Victoria

2 TUESDAY 183-182

3 WEDNESDAY 184-181

4 THURSDAY 185-180

5 FRIDAY 186-179

It mail in from home
& I got letters date Apr.
23rd & May 1st & 9th.

Up with ammunition
at night & started to
get the Dogs Disease?

6 SATURDAY 187-178

Got too clever, Dogs
Disease" well on.

& Quite a lot gone to
our bty hospital here.

7 SUNDAY 188-177

Still no bon. It came
to see me, much to
my surprise & pleasure.

8 MONDAY 189-176

Feeling a little better
but still off colour.

9 TUESDAY 190-175

10 WEDNESDAY 191-174
Quite b. k. again.

11 THURSDAY 192-173

Promoted temp. sergt.
I am to get c. sub.
much to my delight.

12 FRIDAY 193-172

Keith Rose. reported to
Ad. Pres. in view of
going to the school
at the end of the
month.

13 SATURDAY 194-171

Went to a place W. of
Bussy Dours to a
board. Martial gave
evidence against Bill
Taylor.

14 SUNDAY 195-170

John S. M. during his absence
played cricket but had
to postpone on account
of a fair

15 MONDAY 196-169

Getting ready for a move to-morrow, going a little further south & are changing over with the 43rd. Regt. Right section gunners change over to-night.

16 TUESDAY 197-168

Very wet morning but cleared up about 9.30 a.m. & we got on the move arriving at the new wagon line East of Point d'Orvelles at 12.30 p.m.

17 WEDNESDAY 198-167

Busy cleaning up & harness cleaning etc. Sent 450 rounds up to the guns at night. Still det. C. Co.

18 THURSDAY 199-166

Harness cleaning again. Keith Cox left for the C. I. B. Sent six more wagons of ammunition up. Capt. Faulkner went to the guns.

19 FRIDAY 200-165

General clear up in the morning & half holiday in the afternoon. Went for a swim.

20 SATURDAY 201-164

Inspection of wagon lines by the det. C. I. of 3rd Regt, Major Lee. Reg Cooke came to see me.

21 SUNDAY 202-163

Played golf & went to see the doctor easily. The 2nd came over to see us in the evening.

22 MONDAY 203-162

Went to Gentangles on duty, proceeded via Bond Nogelles, Querieux, Allonville & Coulonville & returned via Dillens Bogage, Haineville, & Querieux. Met Gen Whisker on the way home, the first time since being back here.

23 TUESDAY 204-161

Went to the dentist at Bussey & the on to the 15th Feb. Amb. to see Gen Whisker & had dinner with him. Fairly quiet all round.

24 WEDNESDAY 205-160

Hot day. Pulled out of action. I had to take the the night half gun teams up to arrive at the guns at Vaux by 10.15 p.m. Some shells came into the village just as we were about to leave & wounded two horses.

25 THURSDAY 206-159

Washing wagons & harness & had a swim at night getting ready for battery swimming sports at night tomorrow night.

26 FRIDAY 207-158

Cleaning & oiling wagons & harness etc. Had battery swimming sports at night which were very successful.

27 SATURDAY 208-157

Away all day at Vaux en Amierois with the guns to have them calibrated & arrived back at 6.30 p.m. to find we had to go into action in front of Vaux.

28 SUNDAY 209-156

24 I forgot all about it till midday. Getting the put ready for a start tonight.

JULY

7th Month—1918

29 MONDAY 210-155

Started the attack at 12:30 a.m.
 & altogether fired about 200 rounds
 a gun up till 2 a.m. Then I fired
 30 more at 3:30 a.m. 10 at 4:30 a.m.
 & then another 30 at 5:45 a.m.
 Went just over to our left & saw
 it at 7 p.m. Called out of action
 at 9:30 p.m. 30 TUESDAY 211-151

Washing & cleaning wagons
 & harness. Played the 10th
 battery cricket in the afternoon
 & were beaten on the spot.

31 WEDNESDAY 212-153

Grazing horses & oiling
 wagons.

Running maces in the
 afternoon, also a horse
 trot & a couple of
 mule maces.

1918—31 Days

AUGUST

1 August THURSDAY 213-152

Grazing & cleaning up in the
 morning.

Swimming in the afternoon.

Good news from the south.
 Quiet all round here.

2 FRIDAY 214-151

Very wet day. Getting
 ready to go in again &
 sent 1200 up to a position
 just forward of Vaux.
 informed by the Capt.
 that Sam next for the 6th I.B. &
 will probably be away for the 20-88.

3 SATURDAY 215-150

Wet again. Half holiday
~~but~~ but too wet to
 do anything. Another 1200
 rounds gone up, the
 wagons arrived back at 3 a.m.
 Another 1200 rounds gone up,
 getting ready for something
 above the average.

4 SUNDAY 216-149

5 MONDAY 217-148

Bank Holiday

Q., N.S.W., Tas., S.A., W.A.

Very wet. Up to the new gun posy with Mr. Smith laying out the lines of fire. Got checked & did not arrived home till after 8 p.m. & was wanted to go fir with the guns at 9:30 p.m. arrived there at 12:30 a.m. got our line & covered up, turning in at 4:30 a.m. & stayed there till 2 p.m. & had breakfast & dinner in one. It rained but cleared up towards night.

7 WEDNESDAY 219-146

Letting 500 rds. in each pit ready to start at 4 a.m., working till midnight & then got about three hours snore.

30 rds per gun each shoot. Birthday cake arrived & went in no time.

8 THURSDAY 220-145

The big push started at 4 a.m. & we bombarded till 8 a.m. lifting from 3250 to 6850 about. Limbers then came & we advanced about 5 miles coming into action again soon after 11 a.m. Everywhere was fairly quiet considering but occasional bursts & some great air fights. Fired twice during the day. 9th. Pulled out at 11 a.m. & went to the wagon lines at Vaine Wood east of Hamel, dead tired.

10 SATURDAY 222-143

Ordered on again & went nearly E.S.E. through Herbon-nieres & Galloped into action where we are at present. Fired about 30 rds before dark.

11 SUNDAY 223-142

I went again at 4 a.m. & fired about 100 rds per gun. Repulsed six counter attacks during the day, firing about

11 AUGUST

8th Month—1918

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AUGUST

12 MONDAY 224-141

11 cont. *Lt. Newman* wounded
by a machine gun bullet.

Very quiet. Some shells
landed fairly close &
some air bursts above
us. Beautiful weather.

Dwelling on getting a
paper to get all the
news. Three horses killed at
wagon line.

13 TUESDAY 225-140

Lt. Solomon wounded about
1 a.m. Several shells &
bombs landed round us.

Heavy shelling at
intervals. Moved to another
position on our right front,
getting to bed at 2 a.m.

14 WEDNESDAY 226-139

Keeping our heads low
in a trench all day as we are
very close up & starting work
at dusk, going till midnight.

Heavy shelling & bombing
wound us & several planes
both ours & Fritz's, brought
down.

15 THURSDAY 227-138

Taking it easy but at 7.15 p.m.
had to move to another position
about 1000 yds in rear &
now occupy an old German
trench position. Working till
about eleven p.m.

Heavy shelling at intervals
along the railway line in front &
the railway line in rear.

16 FRIDAY 228-137

Nothing much doing except
occasional shelling & air
duels.

Went to the wagon lines to
get some gear.

17 SATURDAY 229-136

Heavy shelling just in rear
& the wood in front. The centre
section firing on harassing fire
from 11 p.m. till 1 a.m. & 4.15 a.m.
till 5 a.m.

18 SUNDAY 230-135

Saw *Lt. Elliston* at the 37th Coy just in
rear. All gone on leave to
Brighton.

19 MONDAY 231-134

Some lively bombarding all around
 & Kitz chopped over in front
 of us at 8:45 p.m. but the S.O.S.
 went up & we soon got at it. We
 hear Kitz got a complete knock
 back. No news about the school
 yet, much to my sorrow. Left X on
 harassing fire.

20 TUESDAY 232-133

standing to from 3:30 till 5 a.m. Lt.
 X on harassing fire.

Rations very poor &
 not enough for the
 amount of work. ^{interval}
 firing on different guns at
 intervals.

21 WEDNESDAY 233-132

Heavy shelling on both
 sides at intervals.

Good news from the south.
 25th cont.

To have in Amiens to be
 calibrated but a shell hit
 Esau. with the result Bird
 was killed, Dr. Peters wounded
 & 4 horses killed & 2 wounded.

22 THURSDAY 234-131

Great weather still.
 Air activity above the
 average.
 Good news from the south
 & north.
 One letter from home,
 dated June 20th.

23 FRIDAY 235-130

A big stunt just on our
 left & we were firing
 from 4:45 a.m. till 5:45 a.m.
 about 100 rds per gun.
 French officers here & we
 hear they are taking over
 from us.

24 SATURDAY 236-129

My gun & I moved out
 at 4 a.m. relieved by
 French 75's, quite a
 new thing for us, the
 first time in our history.

25 SUNDAY 237-128

Right & left X's pulled
 out at 1 a.m. & we
 now all at the wagon
 lines. Left all the guns

26 MONDAY 238-127

Gen G.M. left us to return to Australia. Got some bombs close to us during the night.

Washing harness & general clean up all around.

Good war news still.

Had a letter & parcel from C. H. H. H.

27 TUESDAY 239-126

More bombs very close.

The balloons have moving forward & we believe Knitz is evacuating all along this part of the front.

28 WEDNESDAY 240-125

The news arrived that Knitz is evacuating here & the balloons have gone right ahead.

The officers of the Bgde played the A.C.O. cricket & they beat us by 35 runs on the 1st inning.

Very chilly & showery.

29 THURSDAY 241-124

A.C.O.'s of the Bgde. played officers again & beat them easily. I bagged 14 runs & four wickets.

The 8th & 9th played football & the 9th won by 9 points.

Weather very chilly but fine.

Good war news from all around.

30 FRIDAY 242-123

Still good war news.

Blighty leave going well.

Nothing doing with us yet.

(1st cont) A good few big shells round us but no one hit. Dug forward with the digger & the 1st Bn.

1 September 243-122

The Major, the Smith Luns. & the Henshaw & myself left for the live at 8 a.m. proceeding via Bappy, Suzanne, Hem & picked a battery pass out on the left of the front. The battery came up at 8th. 1 September SUNDAY 244-121 A lot of shells flying round, Corp. Dornier wounded. Started at 5.30 a.m. fired about 1300 lbs. per gun.

2 MONDAY 245-120

Harrassing fire from 12 till 1 a.m.
 & a stunt again at 5-30 a.m.
 firing about 100 rds. per gun.

Advanced at 4 p.m. & came
 into action on the left. ^{1st Lt. G. W. G. W. G.}
 Struck a very hot barbed wire going
 in & with the result Jack Donald
 killed, ^{1st Lt. G. W. G. W. G.} corp. Kelly,
 & Dr. Emery wounded, also
 several houses.

3/9/18.

This added after I got home
 when I found this diary had
 been found in my possessions
 & sent home.

3 WEDNESDAY 247-118

3/9/18.

Advised to proceed to
 waggon lines to-morrow
 & then to C. I. C. in Blighty.
 However Fritz shelled us
 heavily soon after 9 p.m.

5 THURSDAY 248-117

inflicting several casualties
 including Chorm Crawford, killed
 (he was to leave for home in a couple
 of days on 1914 leave from camp)
 Lunn French, killed, Andy
 Anderson & another, cannot
 remember who, and myself
 wounded, so that was the
 end of things for me.

6 FRIDAY 249-116

After nearly three years
 in hospital being patched
 up I was eventually
 discharged, and attended
 as an outpatient for
 massage etc.

7 SATURDAY 250-115

in July 1921.

8 SUNDAY 251-114

9 MONDAY 252-113

M. W. Bennett

Monday

13.X.41

10 TUESDAY 253-112

M. W. Bennett

Tuesday

14.X.41.

11 WEDNESDAY 254-111

Good
old
music

12 THURSDAY 255-110

13 FRIDAY 256-109

14 SATURDAY 257-108

15 SUNDAY 258-107

SEPTEMBER

9th Month—1918

1918—30 Days

SEPTEMBER

16 MONDAY 259-106

17 TUESDAY 260-105

18 WEDNESDAY 261-104

19 THURSDAY 262-103

20 FRIDAY 263-102

21 SATURDAY 264-101

22 SUNDAY 265-100

SEPTEMBER

9th Month—1918

23 MONDAY 266-99

24 TUESDAY 267-98

25 WEDNESDAY 268-97

1918—30 Days

SEPTEMBER

26 THURSDAY 269-96

27 FRIDAY 270-95

28 SATURDAY 271-94

29 SUNDAY 272-93

SEPT. & OCT.

9th & 10th Months—1918

1918—31 Days

OCTOBER

30 MONDAY 273-92

3 THURSDAY 276-89

1 October TUESDAY 274-91

4 FRIDAY 277-88

2 WEDNESDAY 275-90

5 SATURDAY 278-87

6 SUNDAY 279-86

OCTOBER

10th Month—1918

1918—31 Days

OCTOBER

7 MONDAY 280-85
Eight Hours Day, Sydney

8 TUESDAY 281-84

9 WEDNESDAY 282-83
Eight Hours Day, Adelaide

10 THURSDAY 283-82

11 FRIDAY 284-81

12 SATURDAY 285-80

13 SUNDAY 286-79

OCTOBER

10th Month—1918

1918—31 Days

OCTOBER

14 MONDAY 287-78

17 THURSDAY 290-75

15 TUESDAY 288-77

18 FRIDAY 291-74

16 WEDNESDAY 289-76

19 SATURDAY 292-73

20 SUNDAY 293-72

OCTOBER

10th Month—1918

1918—31 Days

OCTOBER

21 MONDAY 294-71
Proclamation Day, W.A.

22 TUESDAY 295-70

23 WEDNESDAY 296-69

24 THURSDAY 297-68

25 FRIDAY 298-67

26 SATURDAY 299-66

27 SUNDAY 300-65

OCTOBER

10th Month—1918

28 MONDAY 301-64

29 TUESDAY 302-63

30 WEDNESDAY 303-62

1918—31 & 30 Days

OCT. & NOV.

31 THURSDAY 304-61

1 November FRIDAY 305-60

2 SATURDAY 306-59

3 SUNDAY 307-58

NOVEMBER

11th Month—1918

4 MONDAY 308-57
Eight Hours Day, Newcastle

5 TUESDAY 309-56
Melbourne Cup Day—Public Holiday
in Victoria

6 WEDNESDAY 310-55

1918—30 Days

NOVEMBER

7 THURSDAY 311-54

8 FRIDAY 312-53

9 SATURDAY 313-52

10 SUNDAY 314-51

NOVEMBER

11th Month—1918

11 MONDAY 315-50

12 TUESDAY 316-49

13 WEDNESDAY 317-48

1918—30 Days

NOVEMBER

14 THURSDAY 318-47

15 FRIDAY 319-46

16 SATURDAY 320-45

17 SUNDAY 321-44

NOVEMBER

11th Month—1918

18 MONDAY 322-43

19 TUESDAY 323-42

20 WEDNESDAY 324-41

1918—30 Days

NOVEMBER

21 THURSDAY 325-40

22 FRIDAY 326-39

23 SATURDAY 327-38
Proclamation Day, Victoria

24 SUNDAY 328-37

NOVEMBER

11th Month—1918

25 MONDAY 329-36

26 TUESDAY 330-35

27 WEDNESDAY 331-34

1918—30 & 31 Days

NOV. & DEC.

28 THURSDAY 332-33

29 FRIDAY 333-32

30 SATURDAY 334-31

1 December SUNDAY 335-30

DECEMBER

12th Month—1918

2 MONDAY 336-29

3 TUESDAY 337-28

4 WEDNESDAY 338-27

1918—31 Days

DECEMBER

5 THURSDAY 339-26

6 FRIDAY 340-25

7 SATURDAY 341-24

8 SUNDAY 342-23

DECEMBER

12th Month—1918

1918—31 Days

DECEMBER

9 MONDAY 343-22

10 TUESDAY 344-21
Separation Day, Queensland.
Bank Holiday

11 WEDNESDAY 345-20

12 THURSDAY 346-19

13 FRIDAY 347-18

14 SATURDAY 348-17

15 SUNDAY 349-16

16 MONDAY 350-15

17 TUESDAY 351-14

18 WEDNESDAY 352-13

19 THURSDAY 353-12

20 FRIDAY 354-11

21 SATURDAY 355-10

22 SUNDAY 356-9

DECEMBER

12th Month—1918

1918—31 Days

DECEMBER

23 MONDAY 357-8

24 TUESDAY 358-7

25 WEDNESDAY 359-6
Christmas Day

26 THURSDAY 360-5
Boxing Day

27 FRIDAY 361-4

28 SATURDAY 362-3
Proclamation Day, S.A.

29 SUNDAY 363-2

DECEMBER

12th Month—1918

NOTES FOR 1919

30 MONDAY 364-1

31 TUESDAY 365-0

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JULY—Cash Memoranda

AUGUST—Cash Memoranda

SEPTEMBER—Cash Memoranda

OCTOBER—Cash Memoranda

NOVEMBER—Cash Memoranda

DECEMBER—Cash Memoranda

Letter home

"1 on 11.3.18.

"2 " 25.3.18

"3 " 1.4.18

"4 " 8.4.18

"5 " 16.4.18

6 " 23.4.18

7 " 1.5.18

8 " 7.5.18

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