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~~W. Sampson~~

Major Burford Sampson

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New Year's Day 1918.

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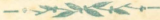
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# JANUARY, 1918.

5. Last Quarter	11h 50m A.M.
12. New Moon	10h 38m P.M.
19. First Quarter	7h 38m P.M.
27. Full Moon	3h 14m A.M.
M. W. <i>Sundays, Holidays, &amp;c.</i>	
1 Tu.	Circum. Bank Hol., Scot. [Hol. Stock Exchange]
2 W.	
3 Th.	
4 F.	
5 S.	Dividends due at Bank
6 S.	<i>Epiphany</i> . Twelfth D.
7 M.	
8 Tu.	Camb. Lent Term, beg.
9 W.	Fire Insurances expire
10 Th.	
11 F.	Hilary Law Sittings beg.
12 S.	
13 S.	1 after <i>Epiphany</i>
14 M.	Oxford Lent Term beg.
15 Tu.	
16 W.	
17 Th.	
18 F.	
19 S.	
20 S.	2 after <i>Epiphany</i>
21 M.	
22 Tu.	
23 W.	
24 Th.	
25 F.	Conversion of St. Paul
26 S.	
27 S.	<i>Septuagesima Sunday</i>
28 M.	
29 Tu.	
30 W.	
31 Th.	

# FEBRUARY, 1918.

4. Last Quarter	7h 52m A.M.
11. New Moon	10h 5m A.M.
18. First Quarter	0h 57m A.M.
25. Full Moon	9h 35m P.M.
M. W. <i>Sundays, Holidays, &amp;c.</i>	
1 F.	Partridge and Pheasant [Shooting ends]
2 S.	Purif. of V. M. Candlemas. Scottish Qtr. Day
3 S.	<i>Sexagesima Sunday</i>
4 M.	
5 Tu.	
6 W.	
7 Th.	
8 F.	Half Quarter Day
9 S.	
10 S.	<i>Quinquagesima Sun.</i>
11 M.	
12 Tu.	Shrove Tuesday
13 W.	Ash Wednesday
14 Th.	
15 F.	
16 S.	
17 S.	1 in Lent. Ember Week
18 M.	
19 Tu.	Ember Day
20 W.	
21 Th.	Ember Day
22 F.	Ember Day
23 S.	Ember Day
24 S.	2 in Lent. St. Matthias, [A.P.]
25 M.	
26 Tu.	
27 W.	
28 Th.	

## CHRONOLOGICAL NOTES, 1918.

Golden Number	.. .. 19	Dominical Letter	.. .. F
Epact	.. .. 23	Roman Indiction	.. .. 4
Solar Cycle	.. .. 27	Julian Period (Year of)	.. 6632

## ECLIPSES IN 1918.

Of the SUN, Two; of the MOON, One.

I. JUNE 8-9. Total Eclipse of the Sun. Path of Total Eclipse passes over Borodina Isles, Chehalis, Denver and the N.W. of the Bahamas. Partial Eclipse visible in the Arctic Regions, the N.E. of China and Siberia, in Japan, the Pacific, N. and Central America, the extreme N.W. of S. America and the Western Atlantic.

	<i>d. h. m.</i>	<i>Long.</i>	<i>Lat.</i>
Eclipse begins	8 7 29 p.m.	in 150°E	16°N
Central "	8 32 p.m.	73°E	26°N
" ends	11 41 p.m.	75°W	24°N
" "	9 0 46 a.m.	95°W	16°N
" "	<i>d. h. m.</i>		
" "	<i>h. m.</i>		

At Montreal begins 8 5 27 p.m., ends 7 9 p.m. (Eastern Time).

# MARCH, 1918.

6. Last Quarter	0h 44m A.M.
13. New Moon	7h 52m P.M.
19. First Quarter	1h 30m P.M.
27. Full Moon	3h 33m P.M.
M. W. <i>Sundays, Holidays, &amp;c.</i>	
1 F.	St. David
2 S.	
3 S.	3 in Lent
4 M.	
5 Tu.	
6 W.	
7 Th.	
8 F.	
9 S.	
10 S.	4 in Lent
11 M.	
12 Tu.	
13 W.	
14 Th.	
15 F.	
16 S.	
17 S.	5 in Lent. St. Patrick
18 M.	Bank Holiday, Ireland
19 Tu.	
20 W.	
21 Th.	Spring com. 10h A.M.
22 F.	
23 S.	Oxford Lent Term ends
24 S.	<i>Palm Sunday</i>
25 M.	Annunc. Lady D. Qtr. D
26 Tu.	[Camb. Lent Term e.
27 W.	Hilary Law Sittings end
28 Th.	Maundy Thursday
29 F.	<i>Good Friday</i>
30 S.	Easter Even
31 S.	Easter Day

# APRIL, 1918.

4. Last Quarter	1h 33m P.M.
11. New Moon	4h 24m A.M.
18. First Quarter	4h 8m A.M.
25. Full Moon	8h 5m A.M.
M. W. <i>Sundays, Holidays, &amp;c.</i>	
1 M.	Easter Mon. Bank Hol.
2 Tu.	Easter Tuesday
3 W.	Oxford Easter Term beg.
4 Th.	
5 F.	Dividends due at Bank
6 S.	
7 S.	<i>Low Sun.</i> —1st Easter
8 M.	Quarter Sessions Week
9 Tu.	Easter Law Sittings beg. [Fire Insurances expire]
10 W.	
11 Th.	
12 F.	
13 S.	
14 S.	2 after Easter
15 M.	
16 Tu.	
17 W.	
18 Th.	Cambridge Easter Term
19 F.	[begins]
20 S.	
21 S.	3 after Easter
22 M.	
23 Tu.	St. George
24 W.	
25 Th.	St. Mark, Evan
26 F.	
27 S.	
28 S.	4 after Easter
29 M.	
30 Tu.	

## ECLIPSES IN 1918—contd.

II. JUNE 24. Partial Eclipse of the Moon. Visible in N. and S. America, the Pacific and Australia.

Moon enters shadow	<i>h. m.</i>
leaves	.. 9 45 a.m.
	.. 10 10 a.m.

III. DECEMBER 3. Annular Eclipse of the Sun. The line of Annular Eclipse passes over the E. of the Pacific, Santiago de Chile, Buenos Ayres, the S. Atlantic to Angola. Partial Eclipse visible in the Eastern Pacific, S. America (except the northern part), the S. Atlantic and Africa, S. and W. of a line from Sierra Leone through Sokoto and Beira.

	<i>h. m.</i>	<i>Long.</i>	<i>Lat.</i>
Eclipse begins	.. 0 21 p.m.	in 100°W	6°S
Central "	.. 1 29 p.m.	119°W	1°S
" ends	.. 5 15 p.m.	15°E	15°S
" "	.. 6 22 p.m.	4°W	10°S
" "	<i>h. m.</i>		

At Cape Town begins 5 57 p.m., ends 6 4 p.m. } African Time.

## MAY, 1918.

3.	Last Quarter	10h 26m P.M.
10.	New Moon	1h 1m P.M.
17.	First Quarter	8h 14m P.M.
25.	Full Moon	10h 32m P.M.

M. W. *Sundays, Holidays, &c.*

1 W.	SS. Philip and James.
2 Th.	[Holiday, Stock Exch.]
3 F.	
4 S.	

5 S. *Rogation Sunday*

6 M. King's Acc. 1910. Rog. D.

[Bank Hol. Scot. Royal

Rogation D. [Acad. op.

7 Tu. Rogation Day

8 Th. Ascension D. Proc. King

[George V. Half Qtr. D.

11 S.

12 S. *Sunday after Ascension*

13 M.

14 Tu. [(Whitsunday)

15 W. Scottish Quarter Day

16 Th. [Oxf. Easter Term ends

17 F. East. Law Sittings end.

18 S. Oxford Trinity Tm. beg.

19 S. *Whit Sun.* Ember Wk.

20 M. Whitsun Mon. Bk. Hol.

21 Tu. Whitsun Tuesday

22 W. Ember Day

23 Th. Empire Day, Emb. Day

24 F. Ember Day

25 S. *Trinity Sunday.* Queen

[Mary born, 1867

27 M. Trinity Law Sittings b.

28 Tu.

29 W.

30 Th. Corpus Christi

31 F.

## JUNE, 1918.

2.	East Quarter	4h 20m A.M.
8.	New Moon	10h 3m P.M.
16.	First Quarter	1h 12m P.M.
24.	Full Moon	10h 38m A.M.

M. W. *Sundays, Holidays, &c.*

1 S.	
2 S.	<i>1 after Trinity</i>
3 M.	King George V. bn., 1865
4 Tu.	
5 W.	
6 Th.	
7 F.	
8 S.	

9 S. *2 after Trinity*

10 M. Ramadan (Turk. Lent) b.

11 Tu. St. Barnabas, Ap.

12 W.

13 Th.

14 F.

15 S.

16 S. *3 after Trinity*

17 M.

18 Tu.

19 W.

20 Th.

21 F.

22 S. [Summer com. 6h A.M.

Cor. King Geo. V., 1911.

23 M. *1 after Trinity.* Prince

[of Wales born, 1894

24 M. St. John, Baptist. Mid-

summer Day. Qtr. D.

25 Tu. Camb. East. Term e.

26 W.

27 Th.

28 F.

29 S. St. Peter, Ap.

30 S. *5 after Trinity*

31 F.

## JULY, 1918.

1.	Last Quarter	8h 43m A.M.
8.	New Moon	8h 22m A.M.
16.	First Quarter	6h 25m A.M.
23.	Full Moon	8h 35m P.M.
30.	Last Quarter	1h 14m P.M.

M. W. *Sundays, Holidays, &c.*

1 M.	Quarter Sessions Week.
2 Tu.	[Dominion Day, Canada
3 W.	[Independence
4 Th.	Declaration of American
5 F.	Dividends due at Bank
6 S.	Oxford Trinity Tm ends
7 S.	<i>6 after Trinity</i>
8 M.	
9 Tu.	Fire Insurances expire
10 W.	
11 Th.	
12 F.	
13 S.	
14 S.	<i>7 after Trinity</i>
15 M.	
16 Tu.	
17 W.	
18 Th.	
19 F.	
20 S.	
21 S.	<i>8 after Trinity</i>
22 M.	
23 Tu.	
24 W.	
25 Th.	St. James, Ap.
26 F.	
27 S.	
28 S.	<i>9 after Trinity</i>
29 M.	
30 Tu.	
31 W.	Trin. Law Sittings end

HAMEL

## AUGUST, 1918.

6.	New Moon	8h 30m P.M.
14.	First Quarter	11h 16m P.M.
22.	Full Moon	5h 2m A.M.
28.	Last Quarter	7h 27m P.M.

M. W. *Sundays, Holidays, &c.*

1 Th.	Lammas Day. Scottish
2 F.	[Quarter Day
3 S.	
4 S.	<i>10a Trin.</i> War dec bet.
5 M.	[Gt. Britn. & Germany, '14
6 Tu.	Bank Holiday. Royal
7 W.	[Academy closes
8 Th.	
9 F.	
10 S.	
11 S.	<i>11a ft. Trin.</i> Half Qtr. D.
12 M.	Grouse Shooting begins
13 Tu.	
14 W.	
15 Th.	
16 F.	
17 S.	
18 S.	<i>12 after Trinity</i>
19 M.	
20 Tu.	Black Game Shooting
21 W.	[begins
22 Th.	
23 F.	
24 S.	St. Bartholomew, Ap. <b>OUT</b>
25 S.	<i>13 after Trinity</i>
26 M.	
27 Tu.	
28 W.	
29 Th.	
30 F.	
31 S.	

4-28 am ZERO

EXPLANATION OF CALENDAR.  
TIMES—The time given is Greenwich mean time.

1918.	JEWISH CALENDAR.	5678.
Jan. 14 .. .. .	.. .. .	Sebat 1
Feb. 13 .. .. .	.. .. .	Adar 11
" 23 Fast of Esther ..	.. .. .	" 14
" 26 Purim .. .. .	.. .. .	" 15
" 27 Shushan Purim ..	.. .. .	Nisan 1
Mar. 14 .. .. .	.. .. .	" 15
" 28 Festival of Passover	.. .. .	" 10
" 29 .. .. .	2nd Day .. .. .	" 21
April 3 .. .. .	7th .. .. .	" 22
" 4 .. .. .	8th .. .. .	Yiar 1
" 13 .. .. .	.. .. .	" 1
" 30 Festival 33rd of Omer ..	.. .. .	" 18

## 1918. JEWISH CALENDAR—contd. 5678.

May 12 .. .. .	.. .. .	Sivan 1
" 17 Pentecost, 1st Day	.. .. .	" 6
" 18 .. .. .	2nd .. .. .	" 7
June 11 .. .. .	.. .. .	Tamuz 1
" 27 Fast of Tamuz ..	.. .. .	" 17
July 10 .. .. .	.. .. .	Ab 1
" 18 Fast of Ab .. .. .	.. .. .	" 9
Aug. 9 .. .. .	.. .. .	Elul 1
Sept. 7 New Year 5679	.. .. .	Tisri 1
" 8 .. .. .	2nd Day .. .. .	" 2
" 9 Fast of Guedaliah ..	.. .. .	" 3

5679.



# SEPTEMBER, 1918.

5. New Moon	10h 44m A.M.
13. First Quarter	3h 2m P.M.
20. Full Moon	1h 1m P.M.
27. Last Quarter	4h 39m A.M.

M. W. *Sundays, Holidays, &c.*

1 S.	14 after Trinity
2 M.	Partridge Shooting beg.
3 Tu.	
4 W.	
5 Th.	
6 F.	
7 S.	Jewish Year 5679 begins
8 S.	15 after Trinity
9 M.	
10 Tu.	
11 W.	
12 Th.	
13 F.	
14 S.	
15 S.	10 aft. 1 run. Ember wk.
16 M.	
17 Tu.	
18 W.	Ember Day
19 Th.	
20 F.	Ember Day [Day
21 S.	St. Matthew, Ap. Ember
22 S.	17 after Trinity
23 M.	Autumn com. 9h P.M.
24 Tu.	
25 W.	
26 Th.	
27 F.	
28 S.	
29 S.	18 after Trinity st.
30 M.	[Michael & All Angels.
	[Mich. Day. Qtr. Day

# OCTOBER, 1918.

5. New Moon	3h 5m A.M.
13. First Quarter	5h 0m A.M.
19. Full Moon	9h 35m P.M.
26. Last Quarter	5h 35m P.M.

M. W. *Sundays, Holidays, &c.*

1 Tu.	Camb. Mich. Term beg.
2 W.	[Pheasant Shooting beg.
3 Th.	
4 F.	
5 S.	Dividends due at Bank
6 S.	19 after Trinity
7 M.	Moham. Year 1337 beg.
8 Tu.	
9 W.	
10 Th.	Oxford Mich. Term beg.
11 F.	
12 S.	Mich. Law Sittings beg.
13 S.	20 after Trinity
14 M.	Quarter Sessions Week.
15 Tu.	[Fire Insurances expire
16 W.	
17 Th.	
18 F.	St. Luke, Evan.
19 S.	
20 S.	21 after Trinity.
21 M.	Nelson Day (1805)
22 Tu.	
23 W.	
24 Th.	
25 F.	
26 S.	
27 S.	22 after Trinity
28 M.	SS. Simon and Jude
29 Tu.	
30 W.	
31 Th.	

# NOVEMBER, 1918.

3. New Moon	5h 2m P.M.
11. First Quarter	4h 46m P.M.
18. Full Moon	7h 33m A.M.
25. Last Quarter	10h 23m A.M.

M. W. *Sundays, Holidays, &c.*

1 F.	All Saints' Day. Hol.
	[Stock Exchange
2 S.	
3 S.	23 after Trinity
4 M.	
5 Tu.	Gunpowder Plot
6 W.	
7 Th.	
8 F.	
9 S.	
10 S.	24 after Trinity
11 M.	Martinmas. Scottish Qtr.
	[Day. Half Qtr. Day
12 Tu.	
13 W.	
14 Th.	
15 F.	
16 S.	
17 S.	25 after Trinity
18 M.	
19 Tu.	
20 W.	
21 Th.	
22 F.	
23 S.	
24 S.	26 after Trinity
25 M.	
26 Tu.	
27 W.	
28 Th.	
29 F.	
30 S.	St. Andrew. Ap.

# DECEMBER, 1918.

3. New Moon	3h 10m P.M.
11. First Quarter	2h 31m A.M.
17. Full Moon	7h 18m P.M.
25. Last Quarter	6h 31m A.M.

M. W. *Sundays, Holidays, &c.*

1 S.	1 in Advent. Queen
2 M.	[Alexandra born, 1844
3 Tu.	
4 W.	
5 Th.	
6 F.	
7 S.	
8 S.	2 in Advent
9 M.	
10 Tu.	Black Game and Grouse
11 W.	[Shooting ends
12 Th.	
13 F.	S.O.S Broke up.
14 S.	
15 S.	3 in Advent. Emb. Wk.
16 M.	
17 Tu.	Oxford Mich. Term ends
18 W.	Ember Day
19 Th.	Camb. Mich. Term ends
20 F.	Ember Day
21 S.	Mich. Law Sit. end - St.
	[Thomas, Ap. Emb. Day
22 S.	4 in Advent. Winter
23 M.	[commences 4h P.M.
24 Tu.	
25 W.	Christmas Day. Qtr. D.
26 Th.	St. Steph., M. Boxing D.
27 F.	St. John, Evan. [Bk. Hol.
28 S.	Innocents' Day
29 S.	1 after Christmas
30 M.	Quarter Sessions Week
31 Tu.	Back to FRANCE

## 1918. JEWISH CALENDAR—contd. 5679.

Sept.	16	Day of Atonement	..	..	Tisri	10
"	21	Feast of Tabernacles	..	..	"	15
"	22	"	..	..	2nd Day	16
"	27	Hosana Raba	..	..	"	21
"	28	Feast of 8th Day	..	..	"	22
"	29	Rejoicing of the Law	..	..	"	23
Oct.	7	..	..	..	Hesvan	1
Nov.	5	..	..	..	Kislev	1
"	29	Dedication of Temple..	..	..	"	25
Dec.	4	..	..	..	Tebet	1
"	13	Fast, Siege of Jerusalem	..	..	"	10

## FIXED AND MOVABLE FESTIVALS, &c., 1919.

January — Epiphany (6); February — Septuagesima Sunday (16); March — St. David (1); Quinquagesima—Shrove Sunday (2); Ash Wednesday (5); Quadragesima—First Sunday in Lent (9); St. Patrick (17); Annunciation—Lady Day (25); April—Palm Sunday (13); Good Friday (18); Easter Day (20); St. George (23); Low Sunday (27). May—Accession of King George V. (6); Proclamation (9); Rogation Sunday (25); Queen Mary's Birthday (26); Ascension Day—Holy Thursday (29); June—King's Birthday (3); Whit Sunday (8); Trinity Sunday (15); Corpus Christi (19); Birthday of Prince of Wales (23); St. John Baptist (24). September—St. Michael and All Angels—Michaelmas Day (29). November—First Sunday in Advent (30); St. Andrew (30). December—Queen Alexandra's Birthday (1); St. Thomas (21); Christmas Day (25).

## ALMANAC FOR 1919.

## Memoranda

## INVERARY

6999 KING, Edw<sup>d</sup> Samuel  
buried at

WESTHOF FARM

Sheet 28 T19 & 3.5.  
Plot 2 Row D No. 14.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Septuagesima

Sunday ... Feb. 16

Good Friday ... April 18

Easter Day ... " 20

Ascension Day—

Holy Thursday May 29

Pentecost—Whit S. June 8

1st Sun. in Advent Nov. 30

INVERARY

no friend

FADE

FACT

FADDIST

FADE

FILE

FUDGE

FUNK

FRISKY

FANCY



# MY TRAINS

NO OF BANK BOOK 45207

11	11	WATCH	
11	11	BICYCLE	
11	11	STORES TICKET	
11	11	SEASON	11
11	11	TELEPHONE	

Revolver  
Trench  
Field Glasses.

SIZE IN BOOTS *8 1/2* - GLOVES

COLLARS      HATS

WEIGHT	HEIGHT
100	68
110	70
120	72
130	74
140	76
150	78
160	80
170	82
180	84
190	86
200	88
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## INSURANCE.

## ACCIDENT

## BURGLARY

FIRE

LIFE

SERVANTS

OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS

POSTAL DISTRICT

TUESDAY

New Year's Day. Snow  
 TEMPLEUX - LA - FOSSE  
 100 men + 2 officers "B" Co  
 working on Corps Reserve  
 Line near SAULCOURT.  
 Adjt on leave to ENGLAND  
 Capt. Heffer a / adjt  
 Lieut. Robinson + Cpl. Wilson  
 proceeded to H. T. B.  
 Hun aeroplane brought  
 down, fell near Div. HQ.  
 M.G. Bullet thru petrol tank  
 Pilot + observer taken alive  
 after setting fire to plane  
 wearing electrically heated  
 jacket.  
 Cold in Tents at night  
 intense fog + foggers. Smothering  
 bottle beer + rum at lunch  
 + lot of Rum @ night  
 Grose for dinner.

WEDNESDAY

Lieut. Fraser from HAYRE  
 Brigade sent. 18 + 14<sup>th</sup>  
 representing Huns. "Bullish"  
 To Dentists at H. H.  
 M.O. Capt. O'Regan M.C. to  
 H. H. Field Amb.  
 Reg. M.O. Major Craig arrived  
 to take over R.M.O.  
 wrote Gen + Brother.  
 Shoe Freezing.  
 Working parties on Roads  
 to Cher. 21<sup>st</sup> Div. Sector.  
 Self to NURRU Canteen  
 Major G.W. Craig B.M. ret'd  
 from "Blighty" League  
 Rations Short. No Bread.  
 Fine, Snow frozen

3 January

1918

THURSDAY

Major Corrigan awarded  
the D.S.O.  
Brigadier Brand the C.B.  
also Willy Glasgow  
Full M.O. Parade  
PARKS leave on again today  
Football Match in p.m.  
Day Day. 7000 ft.  
All men & officers to either  
make wills or notify  
Horseferry Rd. where will  
is lodged or if they decline  
to make one.  
Bitterly Cold.

1918

January 4

FRIDAY

Capt. G.A. F. Smith to "A"  
Capt. Porter M.C. to "B"  
Company to Parks, no change  
Lewis Gunners instructed  
in VICKERS & Hunt M.G.  
Capt Glasgow & self to NURCU  
Thayer visited 6000 ft. Sector  
More snow fell.  
Guy Luffell to Hospital.  
New Year Observance of V.M.  
arrived, very good. Sent  
one to Chamme & Jan.  
Major McMaisters R.F.A. called  
to see me with Harry, is  
at NURCU & C. "Archies".  
To FAO with J.P. & saw Lower,  
Garcia, Cole & Schultz.  
Med early bad night  
with tooth & damaged  
ear drum.



5 January

1918

SATURDAY

boy for Duty.  
 Hogan & Rae returned  
 from "Whisky" Leave.  
 Atkinson M.C.  
 Col. McSharry a/Ring  
 Corrigan C.O. pro Horn.  
 to Denbist, will not do  
 both until after move.  
 Rae says folk in England  
 very windy over air raids  
 & despondent over situation  
 Generacay.  
 Kunkler visited 16th Area,  
 reports line very quiet.  
 Rumoured that Whigdar  
 is going to CORPSt that  
 Gen. Woodward is leaving  
 Australian Army Corps.  
 Lecture to Senior Officers  
 in Cinema Hall at 9-15 P.M.  
 on "Strategical Situation."  
 by Dr. Cornish

1918

January 6

SUNDAY  
 EPIPHANY

Hogan to 21<sup>st</sup> Div. Sector.  
 Trasey boy. D.O.  
 Capt. Porter Wn. D.O.  
 boy E. Parade @ 10-45 A.M. in  
 Pierret Hall, prayers for  
 Peace by request of H.M.  
 E.A. active last night  
 Bombing Wack area.  
 Conference at HQ re. Secret  
 mission; officers to be over  
 25 and under 35. Pay at  
 English rates plus 1/2 day.  
 Radwood & Moss volunteered.  
 Preparatory move pieces out.  
 To move Jan 10<sup>th</sup> by  
 rail from PERONNE.

7 January

1918

MONDAY

Logan Coy O.D.  
 Kynkhen on leaves for  
 England. 4  
 Fatigues & Training  
 Snow & Sleep 4  
 Letter from J. G. S.  
 Snow Orders  
 Self Ade Debraining Off  
 13 Coy Supplies  
 4 officers & 100 O.P. to  
 be unloading party.

1918

January 8

TUESDAY

Baths 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
 Heavy Snow  
 Conference at 1 p.m. HQ  
 no move  
 Debraining Mr. BAILLEUL  
 officers of unloading party  
 Lieut Fraser 1/c  
 " Hooker  
 " Barwood  
 " Gross  
 Capt. Porter M.C. to take  
 command of Coy.  
 Self to travel in first  
 train 10/1/18  
 Page Sick. Inf.

9 January

1918

WEDNESDAY

"B" Coy for Duty.  
Self, Mess Dickinson  
to NVRLV for stores.  
Move at 6 AM. pass  
Starting Point 6-34 AM.  
Transport @ 6 AM.  
We remain on duty  
until 13th "C" group is  
clear of BAILLEUL.  
Major McMaster at 13th  
to see me.  
Harry Murray on leave  
to-morrow  
Valises to be loaded by  
6 AM.  
Heavy Rain.

1918

January 10

THURSDAY

"B" Coy unloading party  
marched out at 6-20 AM  
under Lieut Fraser.  
Roads very slippery.  
Embarked PERONNE  
9-30 AM No. 16 Train  
Arrived BAILLEUL at  
11 P.M.  
13th group arrived @ 2 A.M.  
Unloading party worked  
well.



11 January

1918

FRIDAY

Unloading Trains

14<sup>th</sup> P.W. arrived 6-30 AM.

Left a dump of stuff

15<sup>th</sup> P.W. arrived 8 am.

Working Party did well

16<sup>th</sup> P.W. arrived at 2 PM.

Two Motor Bories to each

train quite sufficient

4<sup>th</sup> F.E. Coy & 7<sup>th</sup> AASC

arrived at 8-30 P.M.

Capt. Hunter to meet 4<sup>th</sup> P.W.

& 24<sup>th</sup> P.W. Coy which

arrived 11 P.M.

Discipline of Working Party

not good towards P.W.

1918

January 12

SATURDAY

4<sup>th</sup> Pioneer P.W. & last

train No. 24 arrived

at 3 am to 5 am.

Nations arrived &

CQMS about 5-30 AM.

Arranged Bunks at

10 am.

Party marched out

at 12-30 P.M. & reached

LA CLYTTE about 3-30 AM.

Ryan on absence

Murphy & Jackson were

arrested for theft on

BAILLEUL Station

Reported at 12<sup>th</sup> HQ at

4-30 P.M. to take up duty

as A.B.M.

Col. J. McSharry acting

Brigadier

Capt. Richards to command

'B' Coy in my absence.

13 January

1918

SUNDAY  
1 AFTER EPIPHANY

Church Parades  
Major Sovell a/p.m.  
Parade of Vds Staff  
at 2-30 P.M. in Hall M.O.  
Rifle Turnout  
Capt. J.C. Browne Town  
Major of LA CLYTTE  
Training Grounds for Pnd.  
& Locations  
Col. Douce visited  
Brig @ 3 P.M.

1918

January 14

MONDAY

a/p Brig, P.M. + I.O. to  
line  
Self to BAILLEUL to  
4<sup>th</sup> Field Amb. for  
Dental Treatment.  
13<sup>th</sup> Vds in line  
13<sup>th</sup> " in support  
4<sup>th</sup> " " Reserve  
15<sup>th</sup> require 20000 Saa  
14<sup>th</sup> " 15000 "  
Defence Scheme read  
& notes taken.

15 January

1918

TUESDAY

Go.C. visited five  
with Wm. H. L.O.  
Self to 15th & 16th  
guard at Div 240  
to remain for a week

1918

January 16

WEDNESDAY

Go.C. visited Line  
Hr. Tweedie & Self to  
11th Me. Concert at  
LOCKE.  
Tea with Gen Cannan  
Capt Jard & Quickshank

At 10th Me. Hospital  
Dined at 10th Me. Hospital  
10th Me. Hospital  
10th Me. Hospital



17 January

1918

THURSDAY

A.M. sick  
JOC & self to 16<sup>th</sup> &  
15<sup>th</sup> W. HQ.  
Major Cowman Capt  
Glasgow PARIS leave  
Major Dickinson W/CO,  
15<sup>th</sup> W.

Lt. Col R. Harwood, Sick  
Name of ACO for Secret  
Mission wanted by 8 P.M.

1918

January 18

FRIDAY

A.M. Sick  
Conference of CO & D.O  
at 9-30 am  
JOC to Lines  
Self & Capt. Thomson  
to 12<sup>th</sup> W. HQ.  
New arrangement #13  
+ 13<sup>th</sup> W. to hold D.O.  
Front from night 20/21  
Arrange about 8 P.M. ad  
Post to be relieved

Don't see  
(odd) 8.5.73 etc

19 January

1918

1918

January 20

SATURDAY

10<sup>th</sup> sick  
 Conference at HQ of  
 CO. + HQ 9-30 am  
 Div. Staff arrangements  
 very shabby.  
 Capt. Atkinson from leave.  
 More order received  
 13<sup>th</sup> + 15<sup>th</sup> on line, 16<sup>th</sup> support  
 to 14<sup>th</sup> in the zone.  
 14<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> March Route,  
 others held + march  
 G.O.C. to 12<sup>th</sup> Bde HQ.

Page 20 Frances  
 Pay from 1<sup>st</sup> Bde £7.6.8 (200)

SUNDAY  
2 AFTER EPIPHANY

1<sup>st</sup> Bde. Entraining Officer.  
 13, 15 + 16 entrained from  
 KILMARNOCK to SPILL BANK  
 1<sup>st</sup> Bde HQ at LOCK @ 5pm.  
 Relief carried on  
 successfully.  
 1<sup>st</sup> Bde. Works Officer.  
 Dig. Ringing up all night  
 Enormous amount of  
 work to be done  
 Worked all night  
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 Dig. Ringing up all night  
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 work to be done  
 Worked all night  
 1<sup>st</sup> Bde HQ at LOCK @ 5pm.



21 January

1918

MONDAY

a/G.O.C. to line.  
Tunnellers wanted.  
Working Party Table.  
Div. hits.  
Self with Act. Brig.  
up Canal Walk & Im-  
perial Avenue to FADE  
with CO. 13th Field Coy.  
& discussed works with  
Gade.

Shelling Imperial Avenue,  
five direct hits.  
Spoke to Gade Cooks  
about smoke & works  
& Maintenance officers about  
Camouflage of new work.  
Called in at 13th Field HQ.  
Party to report to Capt.  
PORTER, M.C. daily (1200)  
Night Quiet.  
FADE, POTSDAM POST shelled  
casualties - five wounded.

1918

January 22

TUESDAY

Breakfast @ 8 A.M.  
G.S.O.2 to see a/Brig.  
Jouell, Thomson & Thredde  
to line.  
Party to Tunnelling Coy 184th  
"Fact" late one hour  
Revising Works Parties.  
Self to FACT HQ to see  
works & Maintenance officers  
re parties.  
Oak Avenue, Canal Walk  
shelled heavily from 4 P.M.  
to 4-4.5 P.M. Duckwalk  
hit in several places.  
Revised FACT working  
parties. Saw Capt. McKeith  
re same.  
Major Carr to Dinner.  
No messages forward to be  
sent in clear.



23 January

1918

WEDNESDAY

To FADE HQ.

Fine day. H.Q. H.Q.

Artillery maintenance

works &amp; maintenance

Officers' mess &amp; mess

flashed weekly reports

maps. Location must

be given. J.A. H.Q.

visited H.Q. weekly

works &amp; post.

G.O.C. H.Q.

Visited FILL HQ.

General Brand to

H.Q.

J.A. H.Q.

Called in at H.Q.

H.Q. H.Q.

H.Q. H.Q.

H.Q. H.Q.

H.Q. H.Q.

H.Q. H.Q.

1918

January 24

THURSDAY

To Transport Corner

to meet FAO Party to

work on CALUMET DUMP.

Inspected Imperial Avenue

and Stafford Walk.

Enemy Artillery Shelling

MOLEN DUMP and

WHITE CHATEAU.

Visited Engineers H.Q.

&amp; discussed works.

5pm. to RODNEY DUMP

&amp; met 14th Party 30ft x

100 ft. punch.

Arranged trains for

14th parties.

Identification wanted

by Corps.

Feeling capture of Gray

Huns &amp; a raid contemplated.

Quiet Night

25 January

1918

FRIDAY

Tooele, Thomson & Macdick  
to the line.  
Div. Works officer here.  
Sketch to accompany  
Works Report each  
week & will be returned  
by Div. after race is taken.  
Hun plane brought down in  
flames, fell Brooke side.  
Balloon cut adrift by Hun  
high velocity gun.  
No one to meet 14<sup>th</sup> Party -  
2nd Artillery responsible.  
Shelling normal.  
7 P.M. to Railway dugouts,  
forward end Olaf Avenue,  
visited working parties,  
called in at FILE HQ.  
returned @ 11 P.M.

1918

January 26

SATURDAY

Weather fine & cold  
14<sup>th</sup> Party to transport  
corner 1 down later.  
Works being pushed  
on.  
Visited Snip Olaf to  
Oak Avenue.  
13<sup>th</sup> Outpost killed a Hun  
& secured identification.  
No 8 Coy 2nd Pz. 93<sup>rd</sup> J.R.  
had newspapers & letters  
on him.  
Hohle, Artillery - Normal  
3rd Pz, with Col. LWS  
& 15<sup>th</sup> Adft. round forward  
line. Works allowed to  
fall in by Tommy troops.



27 January

1918

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY

Thick fog.  
 Visited Night Sector  
 & 110th How. Battery, Co.  
 Major A. A. Evans MC.  
 Went with Staff Capt. to  
 Transport Lines.  
 Major Corrigan DSO and  
 Capt. Glasgow MC. returned.  
 Party of 14.40 AM only reported  
 to Ammunition 130 Strong  
 8 P.M. to 13th Field Coy  
 to get particulars.  
 15th P.M. shot a Fritz  
 & obtained identification  
 MP 10 Coy. 2 P.M. 1st Regt  
 Bavarian's papers stuck  
 on the main.  
 To look 8 at 10-30 P.M.

1918

January 28

MONDAY

Fine & Sunny  
 Shelling much better.  
 GOC. 1st round line  
 with Acting Brig.  
 To 15th P.M. to see Works  
 officers re Report etc.  
 Saw 13 & 16 Works officers  
 returned along Amp.  
 Avenue.  
 Stafford walks smashed in  
 two places by shell fire.  
 New Works Programme  
 for 30th Sept.  
 Reliefs to take place  
 night 29/30



29 January

1918

TUESDAY

June Sunday  
Trains arranged for  
Working Parties.  
Morning from Bardenburg  
at 7-25 A.M. return from  
Spill Bank 2-45 P.M.  
Evening from Bardenburg  
at 3-40 P.M. no return  
train available  
Order detaining train  
officer @ Spill Bank.  
No working parties to-day.  
Reliefs carried out  
without Casualties.

1918

January 30

WEDNESDAY

Hard frost bright Sun.  
New working Party list.  
To 14<sup>th</sup> Bn. 4816<sup>th</sup> Bn. HQ  
to see works officers re  
works maps.  
Enemy activity normal.  
At 10 PM. Shelled FAD  
with Gas Shells.  
Casualties - 64 OR  
O'Neillman decapitated by  
direct hit.  
FACT - 14 Gas Casualties  
DART - 10 officers passed  
Capt. Richards to 12<sup>th</sup> T.B.  
Lieut. Lathred severely  
burnt at Transport Lines.  
Gen. Brand visited us.

THURSDAY

Thick Fog.  
 Self + Major Carr to  
 works on Right Sector.  
 Good progress being made.  
 Unearthed a German  
 Anti-Tank Gun + some  
 500. armour piercing shells.  
 Drainage of Support Line  
 very difficult.  
 Arranged with FILE to  
 secure 150 per Gun boots  
 for working parties.  
 Capt. Porter slightly  
 gassed last night.  
 Padre Howlands returned  
 from flight to FAD.  
 Quiet Night.  
 Colonel Mc. to Conference  
 at Div. HQ.

FRIDAY

Dull + Thick Fog.  
 To 13<sup>th</sup> Field Coy.  
 Major Carr + self + other  
 working parties left  
 Sector. FAD HQ. very  
 gassy, effects of Gas.  
 Inspected Support  
 Line - very bad state.  
 IMPERIAL AVENUE being improved.  
 Works going well.  
 Gen. Birdie visited Pde.



2 February

1918

SATURDAY

Dull & Foggy.  
With Major Carr visited  
Right Bn Sector. Good  
progress being made  
with S. P. & Cleaning  
out pill boxes.  
Four Runs of one Pice  
Box, a German Anti  
Tank Gun salvaged  
one of four Derelict Tanks  
in vicinity, probably  
knocked out by the  
Carr.  
Visited Claff Imperial  
Avenues in Pm &  
13<sup>th</sup> Field Coy at night.

1918

February 3

SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY

Bright & Clear.  
To Norfolk Bridge, fished  
out site for gun & took  
store. Visited work  
in vicinity of White  
Chateau. Good progress  
being made.  
Puckboard back from  
Bow to Triangle Dugouts  
now complete.  
To Masurie Camp to see  
Major Tolley re new  
working parties.  
2 new 16<sup>th</sup> Bn. Killed  
at Molen Dugout.  
To Spoil Banks to see  
O.C. 13<sup>th</sup> Engineers re  
15<sup>th</sup> Bn. Complaint re  
working parties



4. February

1918

MONDAY

Works in good progress.  
Visit from Brig. Gen.  
Gen. Glasgow Acting  
Sgt. L.W. McHugh  
on leave.  
Two new missions from  
14th Post in the Belgian  
Chateau Group.  
Dulew Dump heavily  
shelled.  
Majority evacuated - gas.  
Works map not yet  
returned from Det.

1918

February 5

TUESDAY

Busy with Works Report.  
Left Lock 8 at 3 P.M.  
At LA CLYTTE with  
Capt. Thomson.  
12th Bde returned 4th.  
Relief carried out  
without casualties.  
Acting Sgt. arrived at  
11 P.M.  
Dark night & cloudy.  
Few working parties.  
No work to be made.

## 6 February

1918

WEDNESDAY

TOURNAMENT

DE ZON

MURKUMBIDGEE

CURRAGH

Sgn. Brand, v. 1842.

New Working Parties

To-morrow 110500

Salvage Conference

at 2 P.M. Present

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4skf

RE shortage of material  
Salvage Paramount

1918

February 7

THURSDAY

THURSDAY  
Shower.  
So I read in the paper  
of Kilauea for  
April 20th.  
To see how far I go  
with my paper. I  
think I can do it.  
I asked to defer my  
leave of absence until  
to go to W. E. and  
be sent to  
night duty.

8 February

1918

FRIDAY

Rain & mud  
working Park's did  
good work same 14<sup>th</sup>.  
Visited 15<sup>th</sup> TOORNAI  
Brasserie Corner &  
Spel party in wood.  
J.C. to mess, after  
went to Jun. Coy.  
Injies all to Blazes.  
15<sup>th</sup> injured, we  
are due for leave.  
C of on Erik Nara.  
W.O. returned.

1918

February 9

SATURDAY

14<sup>th</sup> still being sent  
away, effects of gas.  
New working party  
list out.  
Heavy day in office  
Letter from Spunnie.  
Puthilo not yet recd.  
from Wright & Sons.  
Trig to see us, he  
goes on leave 11<sup>th</sup>.



10 February

1918

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY

*[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten notes, possibly describing a journey or work schedule.]*

1918

February 11

MONDAY

*[Handwritten notes for Monday, February 11, 1918.]*  
10 miles from ...  
...  
To ...  
To ...  
Works ...  
Camp ...  
Coy.

12 February

1918

SHROVE TUESDAY

Pierrot's opening night  
Major Johnston returned  
3<sup>rd</sup> Div. Carried out  
successful raid near  
Warneton. Secured  
37 prisoners.

February 13

1918

ASH WEDNESDAY

Major Johnston took over  
14<sup>th</sup> Div.  
Morning train derailed,  
two 16<sup>th</sup> Div. injured.  
Weather miserable.  
Front very quiet.  
Pierrot Show at night  
F.G.C.M. at 18de HQ

14 February

1918

THURSDAY

Adverse report from  
Engineers on 14<sup>th</sup> Bn.  
Working Party.

With CO. to Kokini  
+ Brasserie Camps.

W.C. boxing to decide  
representatives for 15<sup>th</sup> Bn.  
Trains for Working Parties  
inadequate. Trains  
overcrowded.

February 15

1918

FRIDAY

Trains to Spal Bank very  
much overcrowded.

Boxing 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Bn.

Ramsay 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Bn.

Good contest Ramsay won.

Novell's & Wood's leave

to NICE approved.

With CO. to 15<sup>th</sup> Bn. Re  
Working Parties and  
transport for same.  
Party on Burying Cable  
to be reduced.

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16 February

1918

SATURDAY

SATURDAY

To 12<sup>th</sup> Mile HQ per Motor  
with Col. McSharry  
Tovell & map Frasco to  
Spaul Bank.  
Birdie visited line.  
To relieve 12<sup>th</sup> Mile 20/21  
My leave hung up  
Micros. at night  
2 trains for 660 OK.

1918

February 17

**SUNDAY**

1 IN LENT

Fine & Cold.  
 Leckington former Buzzard  
 at Detroit Hall 3 P.M.  
 Lt Col Brockman returned  
 from England, to be  
 Acting Brigadier.  
 Major Corrigan from January  
 at Boulogne.  
 Major Phynston 14 P.M.  
 16 P.M. Party ceased work  
 owing to shelling at  
 Hill 60. Report from  
 Major Tolly re same.  
 Much talk of a German  
 offensive.

18 February

1918

MONDAY

Bright & Sunny  
Lt Col McSharry to 15<sup>th</sup> Avn.  
Acting Brig to 12<sup>th</sup> Afd Hq.  
Salvage party cancelled  
for next three days  
Self to 13<sup>th</sup> Field Coy  
Tovee & Thomson to  
12<sup>th</sup> Afd Hq.

1918

February 19

TUESDAY

Bright & Sunny following  
heavy frost  
Acting Brig & Tovee to line  
Conference at 16<sup>th</sup> Afd Hq at  
4 pm. Discussion on  
Policy.  
Wiring emphasized  
New arrangement of P.O.s.  
Enemy plane brought  
down near Bow R.A.P.  
Two M.G.s. secured.

WEDNESDAY

Heavy frost, afterwards  
 dull & foggy.  
 New Working Party List.  
 16th & 13th Inf Motor Regt.  
 15th & 14th Bp March Route  
 Relief Complete by 9:30 PM.  
 No Casualties.  
 Self Night officer.  
 Woke much weaker  
 than previous tour.  
 Steady rain set in  
 at 10 PM.

THURSDAY

Bright & clear.  
 TO FADE & FILE HQ  
 discussed working  
 parties.  
 TO St. Eloi Saw 14  
 tunnels. Very dirty.  
 TO 13th Field Coy.  
 Evening to FILE HQ  
 & Dart HQ.  
 Difficulty in finding  
 parties at all strength.  
 Much aerial activity  
 on both sides during  
 day & night.



22 February

1918

FRIDAY

Dull & slight drizzle  
to 13th Field Coy with  
major Carr to F.A.C.T.  
HQ. Inspected D.A.K.  
Support. Wire pretty  
good. Crossed Canal  
by new track to  
F.A.D.E. HQ. A/ S.O.C. to  
G.S.O. & Col. Brockman  
there.

New arrangement of  
Working Parties.  
Returned. Got new list  
typed & sent out.  
With Capt. Wedge to  
Dart HQ.  
Heavy Barrage on  
from 9 p.m. to 10-30 am.

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February 23

SATURDAY

To Dart HQ re Works.  
To Right & Left Support  
Lines & S.O.S.  
Met Col. Miles & Rae in  
Claf Avenue - C.O.  
disappointed with New  
Working List. Told  
him same were classic.  
Railway Embankments  
gap shelled 12-30 P.M.  
Returned via Claf &  
Canal back.  
Lunch with Major Carr.  
Ride Major 3rd Linc up &  
about. Taking over etc.  
To 13th Field Coy. about new  
arrangement of Works.  
Imp. Avenue hit in  
several places by gas  
shells.

\* Major A.W. Hutchins

24 February

1918

Dull.

SUNDAY  
2 IN LENT

Lieut. Graham 3<sup>rd</sup> Bde  
works officer to HQ.  
Took him over left  
Sector through Imp.  
Support back near  
Old Canal Walk.  
CD 15<sup>th</sup> requested some  
barbed wire altered.  
Strong smell of Gas in  
vicinity of Railway  
Dump.  
Night very bright  
bad for success of  
15<sup>th</sup> Bn. Raid.  
Heavy barrage at  
8 p.m.

1918

February 25

Wet

MONDAY

Several parties from  
3<sup>rd</sup> Bde to inspect  
Vde. Sector.  
Capt E W Shulloah 11<sup>th</sup> X  
Capt Cornish 10<sup>th</sup>  
Ady to respectfully.  
Took Lt. Thompson of  
works Coy 3<sup>rd</sup> Bde  
over Right Sector &  
through Queen Victoria  
Tunnels at ST. ELOI.  
Will Diller his Coy.  
there to work on Support.  
15<sup>th</sup> captured two Huno,  
one at H106 post & other  
at 4 P1 post. Hun  
attempted a Raid &  
failed. Prisoners from  
466<sup>th</sup> R & R. Our Casualties  
two slightly wounded.  
Rain cleared at noon.  
Go on leave 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar.



26 February

1918

TUESDAY

Bright & Clear  
Large parties from 3rd Bde  
to visit line.  
Lt. Col. Rafferty 11th Bn.  
To FADE HQ re working parties  
acted as guide for Staff.  
Captain 3rd Bde.  
Good progress being made  
with Support Line &  
Wire

1918

February 27

WEDNESDAY

Weekly Works Map not  
received from Div.  
Vicinity of 13th Field Coy.  
Shelled & NORFOLK BRIDGE.  
To STELOI and inspected Queen  
Victoria Tunnels. 14th Bn. left  
same in tidy & clean state.  
To 13th Field Coy, who march  
out to-morrow.  
Conference at Bde HQ of Bn.  
Commanders re possible  
Sun attack to-morrow.  
14th Bn. brought up from TOURNAI  
to man Reserve Line.  
Bde HQ. to advance Bde in  
Canal. Whole Bde stood  
to at 4 am. Restless  
night. Fritz very quiet.



28 February

1918

THURSDAY

Fine & bright.  
 Brigadier returned.  
 Capt. Thompson & self to  
 FACT HQ. who expressed  
 dissatisfaction with collecting  
 arrangements. Returned  
 at 1 AM. Driven off duck-  
 boards by shell fire. Lt.  
 Railway cut in several places.  
 Two American officers to  
 take & back by experience.  
 Hun plane brought down  
 in front of Right Bn.  
 Night Quiet.

Nothing but shop at mess,  
 old man incorrigible.  
 Honours & awards, usual  
 "Bulsh".

Chevrons & A's to be made  
 a Compulsory matter.

1918

March 1

FRIDAY

Hard frost, bright & clear.  
 Spoil Bank shelled  
 by enemy about 9-30 AM  
 & again at 10-30 AM.  
 Cold rain & sleet. Sat.  
 in about noon.  
 To ST. ELOI to see CO. 3rd  
 Wde. Works Company.  
 Gen. Brand & Col. Buchanan  
 to Front Line.  
 Major Gould RE & officers  
 to see me & works.  
 Wde. Staff proceeded to  
 new area per diary  
 at 2 PM.  
 Capt. Thompson & self by motor  
 to Waterloo Camp.  
 Heavy Barrage attack  
 on Right Bn as relief was  
 in progress. Attack  
 failed. Major Henwood 10th  
 killed & Lieut. Cassin 13th  
 Communications cut by shell fire.

2 March

1918

SATURDAY

Very Cold. Snow.  
 my leave? granted from  
 3rd inst. 14 days.  
 1 German officer & 50th  
 taken prisoner last  
 night & 10 feet 27 ft  
 killed our side of  
 wire. A heavy shell  
 at the outset cut  
 buried cable in the  
 Canal near 13th Me  
 HQ. Mail started with  
 heavy T.M. Barrage on  
 front line & heavy shells  
 on C.T.O.  
 Visited Bailloul.

1918

March 3

SUNDAY

3 IN LENT

Heavy Snow.  
 To Greenwerch Ply. Stn.  
 entrained at 4 P.M.  
 Arrived CALAIS  
 at 9 pm. with Capt.  
 Crickshank, secured  
 bed at Hotel du Commerce.  
 Town full, no lease  
 boats for 3 days on  
 account of rough  
 weather.

4 March

1918

MONDAY

Very cold.  
 Embarked at 11-30 AM  
 arrived DOVER at  
 1 PM. Train to  
 Victoria Station and  
 at 3 PM. Reported  
 at Room 13 at  
 Horseferry Road.  
 Oblained B.W. Coat  
 at Clothing Store  
 for 2/-  
 Went up queueing &  
 spoke to Gen. by  
 overhead telephone  
 to Queen's Road  
 Bed at 9-30 PM.

1918

March 5

TUESDAY

Horseferry Road. Pay  
 Jew at 10 General Post  
 Machine receiving  
 "Chu Chin Chow."  
 Jew delighted with London  
 speaker.  
 Had 1/6/4 to Const. Comfort  
 Stand for Gen. Brand.



6 March

1918

WEDNESDAY

To Marie Montomericia  
Highgate.  
5-30 pm to Yorkshire.  
Fred meeting us at  
Leeds. Stn.

1918

March 7

THURSDAY

at Fannies.

8 March

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1918

March 9

To York

FRIDAY

To Harrogate

SATURDAY

10 March

1918

SUNDAY  
4 IN LENT

Fairlea

1918

March 11

MONDAY

Dewsbury & at 6pm  
train to London  
Arrived Amelia's  
at 11pm.



12 March

1918

TUESDAY

"Maid of the Mountains"  
7 pm. Train to  
Weymouth.

1918

March 13

WEDNESDAY

Weymouth.  
Dress gown. Well &  
fit. Rib well but  
very thin.  
Dinner at "Tree"  
Applied for leave for  
Bill by Telegram &  
letter.

14 March

1918

THURSDAY

Weymouth  
Dinner at "Joe"  
Bill's leave turned  
down by CO. Rhaa  
Heytesbury.

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March 15

FRIDAY

Dorchester back  
to Weymouth  
Trains to Heytesbury  
no good

16. March

1918.

SATURDAY

Beach. Roberts &  
Coles. Bed cam.  
Luna troubles.

1918

March 17

SUNDAY

5 IN LENT

Parted at 5-10 pm  
on Weymouth Rly. Stn.  
Arrived Annias at  
10 pm.



18 March

1918

MONDAY

Victoria Bn @ 8 Am.  
to Dover.

Embarked at 3-30 pm  
arrived Calais at  
6 pm.

Wind fine but on an  
hour.

Light cloudy & dull.  
Enemy aircraft busy  
bombing.

1918

March 19

TUESDAY

Left Calais @ 10 am.  
arrived Bailleul at  
2-10 pm.

Reached Bde at  
4-30 pm.

Heavy rain

Enemy shelling

BAILLEUL & KEMMEL

20 March

1918

WEDNESDAY

To 15th Regt HQ. C.O.  
 back from leave  
 undecided whether  
 I remain at 1st  
 13 V 15 - 3rd Lt 1  
 Harry to be killed  
 Commanding MG Bn.  
 Back area heavily  
 shelled during day  
 night

1918

March 21

THURSDAY

Brig. says to remain  
 as I work's officer, as  
 we go in; about 14 days  
 time.  
 Back area very heavily  
 shelled by Heavy. H.V.  
 Gun. Many casualties  
 amongst Artillery and  
 Transport Lines.  
 One man (Constable) killed  
 and one (Bray) wounded.  
 Two tanks wrecked.  
 50 horses killed on 11th. How  
 many times during day.  
 Heavy bombardment in  
 front of 5th Army front  
 followed by Infantry attack.  
 Attack repulsed with  
 heavy loss.  
 Identification feared on  
 whole Aust. Corps front.



22 March

1918

FRIDAY

8 am to DOUDOU FARM to  
superintendent Corps wiring  
pit. Two parties each of  
250 from 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Bns.  
work done very satisfactory  
2600 yds. Double apron  
Completed. All wooden  
bunks, no iron pickets  
available.  
One shell killed 6 to  
wounded 9 of 13<sup>th</sup> Bn.  
including Lieut John Brown  
Both legs blown off.  
13<sup>th</sup> Bn. moved into VAUXHALL  
Camp at 6 pm.  
8 men killed at HILLSIDE  
Camp by one steel plant  
4-15 pm. 8<sup>th</sup> Bde  
Neuve Eglise shelled during  
night.  
News from S. very bad.

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March 23

SATURDAY

8 am. Continued wiring pit.  
Completed at 11 am.  
Motor lorry left with  
tools from 14<sup>th</sup> Bn. Rang  
them up & instructed them  
to return same to R.E.  
Camp at Steenwerck.  
Bde under short notice  
to move.  
Fritz attack in enormous  
numbers on narrow fronts  
Campani way developing.  
He has gained much ground  
with large losses.  
Rugby final won by 13<sup>th</sup> Bn.  
Transport lines heavily stalled.  
Several horses killed.



24 March

1918

PALM SUNDAY

11 A.M. Ade Transport on the  
Road to march to ESTAIRES  
AREA via STEENWERCK  
Column  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles long.  
5 P.M. arrived AIR GROUNDS  
8 P.M. received orders to  
march at 11-30 P.M. via  
MERVILLE.

Marched all night to  
CHOCQUES, Div. Transport  
parked on Training Ground.  
Horses & mules did  
journey well.

L.M.S. Wickers Juns  
picked up by Motor  
Lorry at 9-30 P.M.  
taken to Unnik.  
Ade. embussing to night.

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March 25

MONDAY

7 am. Made Camp.  
NOON resumed march  
via MARLES-LES-MINES-  
BRUAY- HOUDAIN- AUBIGNY  
to HERMAVILLE  
7 P.M. Billeted in HERMAVILLE.  
Horses & men very tired,  
for want of sleep

26 March

1918

TUESDAY

Marched at 9 am.  
via ARESNES - LE COMTE -  
BARLY, arrived BAVINCOURT.  
Received orders to disperse  
transport to Bellefleur  
Centres, sending on Column  
& Officers hacks.  
Proceeded with Davis  
to SAULTY & reported  
to Brig. Gen.

Bosche reported in HEBUTERNE  
Hole to drive him out.  
With Hdn. to FONVILLERS.  
BOSCHE not in HEBUTERNE.  
Wde. So into line to night  
13, 15 + 16 Wm. 14<sup>th</sup> in Reserve.  
Self to 1st division as  
Diamond Officer.  
He went in with much  
trouble, captured "Hoch", 49  
A.F.A. in Hebuterne.  
To COLINCAMPS + 80% in touch  
with N.I. at 4 pm 27

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March 27

WEDNESDAY

Bosche attacks repulsed.  
Hde. to outside HEBUTERNE  
in old dugouts on right  
side of Road.  
Heavy fighting all day.  
15<sup>th</sup> Wm. attacked at 12:30 PM  
attack repulsed.  
At 5 pm. enemy reported in  
K 11 & 12. 14<sup>th</sup> Wm. ordered  
to Rendezvous at K 10 Central  
& then clear K 11. English  
Hde. to counter attack with  
Tanks to clear ROSSIGNAL WOOD.  
Heavy barrage in front line  
at 7 PM. Self continuing on  
the move from Div. & Hde.  
1 am. to Hde. with orders for  
whole of K 11 to be cleared.  
Div. moving to SOLEASTRE  
Secured bombs for Hde.  
75 boxes of No. 23



28 March

1918

THURSDAY

SOVASTRE.

Prisoners from 126<sup>th</sup> & 49<sup>th</sup>  
 captured by 13<sup>th</sup> Bn in  
 the Cemetery near  
 HEBUTERNE

10 a.m. moved to new Div. HQ.  
 Mosche attacked on BUCQUOY  
 (5) beaten off.

Roads heavily shelled  
 around FOUQUEVILLERS  
 position obscure in K11 + 12  
 & we ordered to clear K11  
 at 4 p.m. Self to take HQ.  
 14<sup>th</sup> & 2 Coy 16<sup>th</sup> to do it.

Heavy rain & wind.  
 To hear, I saw Lucie.

Not on telephone  
 Water question & bombs.

Newspapers lying - Moral  
 & handling of English  
 troops poor. A doubt  
 not a retreat in places.  
 Leadership poor

1918

GOOD FRIDAY

J.F.S.

SOVASTRE.

Fine, but overcast.  
 Guns being held, but our  
 men very tired & worn.  
 Spirits good, full of fight.  
 attack at 3 pm by 4<sup>th</sup>  
 & 2 Coy 16<sup>th</sup> holding  
 Mosche out of old trench  
 system in K11 & 12.  
 Very heavy bomb fight.  
 Hall, Rife & Haldsworth  
 wounded.

Left Pde. at 7-30 pm.  
 fight progressing but  
 each position vague.  
 FOUQUEVILLERS & COMMECOUET  
 heavily shelled during  
 afternoon. Visual obs.  
 art. Pde. wrecked.  
 Night fairly quiet.



30 March

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March 31

SATURDAY

Fighting still in  
progress around the  
Crucifix. 2 MG's taken  
Heavy fighting on NZ  
Div. front 8/80 AM  
taken, identification  
seven units and  
30 MG's

Crucifix not held.  
Hebuterne heavily shelled  
Rain set in at midday.  
To rear Bde HQ.  
62nd to be relieved by 37th  
Divn. night 12/2nd  
Rest of 4th Aust. Divn. holding  
line near RIBEMONT with  
3rd Aust. Divn.  
Line unchanged. Persistent  
Bombing attacks on 14th  
+ 15th Av. Sqdts  
4th Aust. Bde to remain  
in line + come under  
37th Divn.

EASTER DAY

SUNDAY

Fine & Sunny.  
Howas now in position.  
Conference at SAILLY at  
10 A.M.  
Took two pay his of  
37th Div. officers to Adv.  
Div at FONQUEVILLERS.  
Visited Bde HQ. G.O.C.  
away at conference.  
Intermittent enemy  
shelling around Bde HQ.  
5th Aust. Div reported to be  
at ACHIEUX & BUS  
Heavy showers about 5pm.  
Reconnitred once with  
A.S.O.3 62nd Div

April 1

1918

EASTER MONDAY  
BANK HOLIDAY

Last night situation normal.  
Fine & bright.

11 am to 1 Pm. Lowell sick,  
self ordered to act as Pm.  
from 1 Pm.

6<sup>th</sup> relieved by 37<sup>th</sup> Div  
Shut by F-LE at 2 pm.

Successful. Prisoners  
71-49<sup>th</sup> I.R. over 100 guns  
accounted for, 3 M.G.s.

Identifications 49<sup>th</sup> and  
126<sup>th</sup> Reg. Report that  
relief was badly furnished  
by our Artillery last night.  
16<sup>th</sup> Casualties in shut  
2 killed 5 wounded  
night quiet and fine.

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April 2

TUESDAY

Conference at 37<sup>th</sup> Div HQ.  
Our line to move to the  
right to K 2. Central.  
Conference at 13<sup>th</sup> HQ at  
2 pm. of all C.O.s  
Details discussed & fixed  
about future moves.  
10<sup>th</sup> HQ. to be moved to K 7  
14<sup>th</sup> to move to K 2 and 8  
from J.F.S. dated 28/3/18  
One Coy 14<sup>th</sup> to remain with  
& under orders of C.O. 15<sup>th</sup>.  
Sweetie from Rear 10<sup>th</sup>  
Major Harwood, Esq. Liaison  
with 37<sup>th</sup> Div at HENV.  
Heavy rain at night.  
Carkin selected new  
10<sup>th</sup> HQ. at SUNKEN  
ROAD K 7 C.15.45.



3 April

1918

WEDNESDAY

Met & ...  
 FACT, FADE &  
 FADIST HQ.  
 Shelling normal.  
 14th Bn. 9 Coy. rejoined  
 1 Coy. 13th Rifle Brigade  
 in K 8 Central.  
 2 Coys. to K 8 & 2.  
 1 Coy. remains with FADE  
 under Co. FADE's orders.  
 Minor shunt by FACT  
 spirit by rain.  
 16th captured 2 MG's &  
 killed 50 Boche.  
 Heavy rain at night.  
 330% to work on rear  
 positions in K 14, 8 & 7.  
 Our left insecure owing  
 to weak policy of Tonnay  
 Bde. Apparently they do no  
 patrolling.

1918

April 4

THURSDAY

Met & ...  
 Met officers of 33% at  
 FILE HQ at 10 am &  
 reconnected line of re-  
 tirement & position in  
 Bawdon Road K 7 C 15.45  
 for New Bde HQ.  
 Returned at 1 P.M.  
 1 day in 5th Bn.  
 per hour is 5-30 am.



5 April

1918

FRIDAY

Dull & showery  
 on ROSSIGNOL WOOD.  
 Tanks failed to get up.  
 Irish objective gained by  
 63rd Bde. & held till 4pm.  
 54th + 140 VR captured &  
 Tommies fell back to old  
 line at 4pm.  
 Working parties failed  
 to get up to Readezvous.  
 Very heavy day for all.  
 Lovell came up 4pm  
 & stayed on here.  
 Gas bad in R.C. dugout.  
 Rain set in @ night.  
 Fraser wounded.  
 G.O.C. decided against  
 move to Sunken Road.  
 Bde Casualties about 75.

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April 6

SATURDAY

5.15am Heavy Enemy  
 Hostile Barrage put  
 down on front, support  
 & back areas lasting  
 until 10.30am. Resumed  
 at 11am until noon.  
 5.30 our attack launched

Fine Day.

Hostile shelling light.  
 To meet working parties  
 154th did not get  
 up. To 4th West Riding  
 HQ in SALLY, have  
 excellent accommodation  
 for a while.  
 Major Towell B.M.

7 April

1918

LOW SUNDAY  
1 AFTER EASTER

Dull & at times clear  
rain set in at 3pm.  
Work on line of  
retirement.  
Parties all to fine  
& worked splendidly.  
Salved all wire & pickets  
in area. Sp. Dug.  
Goe to Conference at  
IX Corps HQ.  
Enemy shell fire not  
so heavy. Support find  
back area quiet.  
Quiet night.  
JANE

1918

April 8

MONDAY

Wet  
With Sig. Officer to Chester  
Castle. Quite suitable  
for role HQ.  
New Arrangements for  
Relief. Faddist to relieve  
File to night.  
Fact remains in till 14/15th  
Fate relieved by Tommies  
to-morrow night. File  
Fate go back to Divisional  
Farm for five days.  
Duckwards recently needed  
by Fact & Faddist.  
Self scouting for sage from  
old British front line,  
very few.  
Dirty night. Shell fire  
slight. State of feet  
giving anxiety.  
Self Duty Officer all night.



9 April

1918

TUESDAY

Dull + threatening, with  
occasional showers.  
Staff Capt. to Rear.  
12 M. to Saddist + McGloy.  
Salvage Duckboards for  
14<sup>th</sup> + 13<sup>th</sup> Bns.  
16<sup>th</sup> relieved by Essex Regt.  
15<sup>th</sup> " " A. Fusiliers  
Both went back to  
ROSSIGNOL FARM.  
Geef sent back to  
Rear Bde.  
Ground very muddy

1918

April 10

WEDNESDAY

Dull + misty.  
ROSSIGNOL FARM.  
Wm. Cleaning up +  
getting fished in COVIN.  
Bde. heavily shelled.  
Sigs. Simmonds  
Killed on the spot.  
15 + 16 Bns. for Stand by  
at half hour's notice.  
Weedie + Barnes away  
all day getting shovels  
+ ammo.  
Busy night with phone  
Guy Rutledge + Joe  
Taylor to mess.



11 April

1918

THURSDAY

Bright & clear  
 Staff Capt from here  
 Tweedie exchanged.  
 S.O.C. our Div visited  
 Lines this am.  
 S.O.C. 37<sup>th</sup> Div in the  
 afternoon. Spoke to  
 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Divs  
 Lines quiet.  
 14<sup>th</sup> Div to move on  
 12<sup>th</sup> inst. at noon  
 16<sup>th</sup> to move up on 13<sup>th</sup>  
 Trenches 13<sup>th</sup> Fusiliers  
 15<sup>th</sup> to relieve 13<sup>th</sup> Div  
 night 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> in left  
 Sub-sector  
 16<sup>th</sup> to relieve 14<sup>th</sup> in Right  
 Sub-sector night 14/15<sup>th</sup>  
 14<sup>th</sup> to go into Support R8.

1918

April 12

FRIDAY

Glorious Day.  
 14<sup>th</sup> H.Q. moved to CHESTER  
 CASTLE at noon.  
 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> busy cleaning up.  
 To COVIN at Q 37<sup>th</sup> Div.  
 re Iron Rations & Motor Lorries.  
 15<sup>th</sup> Marched out at 9 P.M.  
 to occupy position in T12.  
 Sun. attack expected  
 about dawn to-morrow.  
 E.A. very active all day  
 Quiet night.

13 April

1918

SATURDAY

Dull, thick mist  
& very cold wind.  
News from North vague  
16<sup>th</sup> Dr. moved up to  
K14.

LUNA.

No show attack  
Shelling normal

April 14

1918

SUNDAY

2 AFTER EASTER

Cold wind & dull.  
Sighting of trenches in  
Purple & Red lines had  
sighting very poor.  
Will these damn  
Germans never learn or  
profit by experience?

15 April

1918

MONDAY

To A.P.M. 37<sup>th</sup> Div at  
COVIN

Gen. Williams to see  
13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Divs.

File captured 6 Boche  
+ m.g. identifications  
119<sup>th</sup> Grenadier Regt. (Bar)  
night quiet.

1918

April 16

TUESDAY

Dull & overcast  
with Major Corrigan to  
fact re Composite P.W.  
& assembly position in  
case of emergency.

To COVIN & pass with  
Corrigan & Koch.

42<sup>nd</sup> Div relieved 37<sup>th</sup> Div  
We come under 42<sup>nd</sup>.  
Apparently Austrians  
are French stores - Relief  
for Englishmen but not  
for us.

Now between Johnson &  
Harwood. Jones called  
latter a 10 - Rear.



17 April

1918

WEDNESDAY

Dull morning, rain  
set in at 1 p.m.

Johnson-Harwood embroglio  
amicably settled.

Sent up 75 Duckboards.  
Thomson from Adv Bde.

16<sup>th</sup> Line 15<sup>th</sup> Close Support  
14<sup>th</sup> Support 13<sup>th</sup> Reserve at

COIGNEUX

Reinforcements for Bde.

15<sup>th</sup> recd 8-247 quite a  
number of gals. Wn. men

Smith & Hosnan to 47<sup>th</sup> Bn

Wn. very windy, another

Hun attack expected.

Dump at NEUVE EGLISE  
has gone, now in Wsche  
hands.

1918

April 18

THURSDAY

Dull & misty.  
No Hun attack, but  
Warage put down on  
front to support lines.  
Supplies from C.K.F.  
being obtained much  
more readily.  
Officers from 33<sup>rd</sup> to front  
to reconnoitre ground  
for Composite Bn.

19 April

1918

FRIDAY

Line & Clear  
Desultory Shelling.  
36 Grenades w/ great  
success.  
Squashie - Longueville  
Road heavily shelled  
between noon & 2 P.M.  
E.A. Active.

1918

April 20

SATURDAY

33% Training making  
good progress. Red  
Construction of Red  
Line defences going on  
well.  
16<sup>th</sup> relieved by 15<sup>th</sup>  
no casualties.

21 April

1918

SUNDAY

3 AFTER EASTER

Bright & Sunny  
Church Parade.  
Line quiet, back area  
intermittently shelled

1918

April 22

MONDAY

Dull & threatening  
Details usual train-  
ing.  
To stake command role  
transport to new  
area



23 April

1918

TUESDAY

Recognized Roads  
for Transport to  
RAINNEVILLE.  
from COIGNEUX via  
BUS to ACHEUX as laid  
down by the quite impossible  
West route. Roads  
77b 76 Bus + Berkmancourt  
to Achenx & soon to  
destination.  
Busy afternoon.

1918

April 24

WEDNESDAY

CARDONNETTE

Brigade Transport  
passed starting point  
at 9 am. Day was  
dull & misty making  
visibility poor. So  
load was practicable.  
Transport travelled  
well. Midday halt  
outside TOUTENCOURT  
and RAINNEVILLE 4:30 pm.  
French troops there  
as fine a looking lot of  
men as I have ever  
seen. Would much  
rather fight alongside  
them than these damn  
stupid Englishmen  
who always clear out  
when most wanted.  
Hdz + 16 Cardonnette  
Others Allouville

25 April

1918

## ALLONVILLE

THURSDAY

Uddr. 11m. 10.1 Sig. O. and.  
at 7am. Relief carried  
out satisfactorily.

Ordered to report to  
Wp. for duty.

Reported 11m. at noon.  
To take over command  
of B<sup>1</sup> Coy for night.  
Pow. wolv at Wp. HQ.  
at 3pm.

Officers arrangement in Barn  
very unsatisfactory.  
Reports at night.  
Wp. killed in

ALLONVILLE

1918

April 26

## ALLONVILLE

FRIDAY

Busy getting men bathed.  
Wp. had breakfast.  
Wp. to stand to lat  
1/2 hours notice.  
Cp. Parade inspection.  
Roll of Officers to go in  
4 33 1/2. Wp. stop out  
to 13th Field Coy. 1st  
Coy to Camp. Ch. G. and  
16 Mags. per Gun.



27 April

1918

## ALLONVILLE

SATURDAY

Shoe order received  
at 10-30 am.

March out at 2 p.m.

Inspected by Corps  
Commander.

Arrived at PONT-NOYELLES  
at 3-45 p.m.

C.O. & Coy. Commrs  
moved to O 22 + 23

near VILLER-BRETONNEUX

Preliminary arrangements  
made for Campaign  
Wn.

Returned at 7 p.m.  
Quiet night  
Coy. in billets.

1918

April 28

## PONT NOYELLES

SUNDAY

+ AFTER EASTER

R.C. Church Parade 9-30 am

Conference @ 10 am

Fact + Faddist line

Trade + File Support

Moved up into Support  
Areas at 5 pm settled  
down by 11 pm.

Shell fire intermittent  
1 Casualty - Mr. Greenwood  
splinter in knee.

Rain fell during night



29 April

1918

MONDAY

## VILLERS-BRETONNEUX

Enemy shell fire incessant,  
especially on village.  
Impressed on all necessity  
for concealment & alertness  
essential about GAS.

Much liquor in village,  
took steps to prevent  
drunkenness & looting.  
Conference at Br HQ Sat  
9-30 P.M.

Front line reconnaissance

Visibility poor

Casualties for 24 hours Nil  
FACT Captured two barrels

1918

April 30

TUESDAY

## VILLERS-BRETONNEUX

Dull & misty  
Enemy artillery active  
during night.  
Large numbers of enemy  
dead in & around the  
village.

CHATEAU in an awful state  
Self, Grant & G. At 10:30  
at midnight to front  
line - Fuddist right Coy  
night very dark. Attempt  
to destroy hangars only  
partially successful.  
Shell fire normal.  
Enemy M. G.'s very active.  
Casualties for Coy Nil  
Two sick to Hospital

1 May

1918

WEDNESDAY

VILLERS-BRETONNEUX

Dull + misty  
work on S.P. Sun  
plane flying very low +  
with new markings  
over at 5 P.M. About  
6 P.M. Sun shape of village  
+ new work. Capt.  
"Boss" Wallace killed  
+ 4 others wounded. A  
good spot gone.

E. Archery very active  
all night. At 4 A.M.

Gas shelled gracefully.

Casualties for Coy.

2 severely wounded, both  
feet blown off.

7687 Busiko J.C.

7794 Williamson H.A.

1918

May 2

THURSDAY

VILLERS-BRETONNEUX

FINE + warm. Visibility good  
about midday. Working  
on S.P. work, not good.

Shelling intermittent.

E.A. active, one crashed  
in flames about 12-15 P.M.

Laid out tapes @ night.

Conference at 6 P.M.

GOLD FLAKE



3 May

1918

YADP ART  
FRIDAY

## VILLERS-BRETONNEUX

Heavy shelling @ 2-5 am  
Our attack on Monument  
Wood, only partially  
successful. 60 trucks  
taken.

Day bright & sunny  
visibility good. Much  
aerial activity.

Shelling heavy during  
day, especially aft 7-30 pm.  
1000 tons killed.  
Relief night 4/5.

## STANDARD.

Heavy shelling with 8" How  
5.9 + 4.2 by hour from 7 pm  
till 8-15 P.M.

Drybrough party to Post.  
Sgt. Fought right arm blown  
off.

Mr. Busick died of wounds,  
both feet blown off.  
Lt. Col. Dare wounded.

1918

May 4

YADP ART  
SATURDAY

## VILLERS-BRETONNEUX.

Finished digging S.P.S.  
Moved at midnight  
to advanced outposts.  
Night dark & drizzling.  
Relief completed without  
casualties.

Rations up, late party  
got out without loss.  
Artillery very active during  
night on both sides.  
Enemy fire kept down  
by our B.G.s & Grenades.

AM 11  
Welcome Haggart



5 May

1918

ROGATION SUNDAY

P25 May 9530 Sheet E2  
 all most connected  
 except left & right Cakes.  
 By constant retaliation  
 with L & S Grenades  
 Spit, quietened down.  
 Artillery both sides  
 active.  
 Enemy planes busy.  
 Own 18 spz. falling, short  
 uneventful days

LUNA

Chairman

1918

May 6

MONDAY

P25 a 9530  
 Our snipers doing well  
 also Rifle Grenadiers  
 Spit very quiet, very  
 little movement.

LUCY HINTON

7 May

1918

P25a

TUESDAY

Grip, Quiet.  
 Enter Company Relief  
 "A" in without loss.  
 Very windy in rear  
 Hurt attack imminent.  
 They said to hold up  
 relief. Carried on at 12  
 midnight & complete by 2 p.m.

1918

May 8

P25a

WEDNESDAY

Heavy Rain  
 Support trench in a  
 very bad state.  
 Dig through to 16th  
 left during night.  
 Carrying for "A".

PEACH

APPLE

9 May

1918

THURSDAY

P25/a  
 Signaller Matthews on  
 S.S. No. 6311 for work  
 laying Ark Line  
 Past night, very wet night  
 before  
 46<sup>th</sup> Relieved 15<sup>th</sup>  
 going march out for  
 fired men. No 4<sup>th</sup>  
 food ready at Cookers.  
 Shelters & trench "possies"  
 Self & "A" Coy C.O. last  
 to leave at 11 a.m.  
 Got out without any  
 Casualties

PEAR

1918

May 10

BLANGY

FRIDAY

G. Mrs Goodell  
 Ivy Cottage  
 SCALBY  
 SCARBORO

T4 under shelters.  
 Swimming in Canal for  
 whole Bn. Band present  
 & has much improved.  
 Conference & decision as  
 to who stands down  
 this time in.  
 To relieve 13<sup>th</sup> Bde 13/14<sup>th</sup>  
 15<sup>th</sup> into support (56<sup>th</sup> Bn.)  
 Dorneney. A  
 Gordon B  
 Tiff. C  
 Bradley D  
 Major Corrigan take Bn.

~~EWHA~~



11 May

BLANGY

1918

SATURDAY

T4  
Pay. 33% to change  
over with old 33%  
at LA MOTTE. March out  
at 1-30 P.M.

Drew 150 francs.

McKay & neg from each  
platoon to forward area  
to look over support  
trenches held by 503<sup>rd</sup> Pz.  
Porter not back, self to  
take Coy. in again.

Team.

Drybrough, Kuntler, McKay  
& Jarwood.

Weather fine & sunny.  
French troops on our right.  
Rain fell at night.

B. Southwell sent me a  
note to meet him 0130.

1918

May 12

SUNDAY

AFTER ASCENSION

T4  
Dick four years old today.  
Troops get marched to  
SOMME for swimming.  
Cold & wet. Had  
dinner there.  
Co. reps from each Coy.  
to line.

Self nursing sore heel  
& edoion.

Visibility in evening  
very good. Much P.A.

Activity.

X Roads heavily shelled  
at 4 pm. Tagans at  
night with P.A.

C.O. will take P.A. in  
troop Major Corrigan.

13 May

1918

MONDAY

Wet windy & cold.  
Conference at "C" Coy's  
HQ at 10 am.

Shelters. nco. P.O.R.  
Sgt. McLaughlin. P.O.R.

2577 1/2 Sgt. Dinsley R. MM

5724 Sgt. McIntyre W. MM

6245 W. Dabelstein A.E. MM

6472 " Barnes W.M. MM

7292 " Peut W. MM

Relieve 50 Bn. in the

CACHY SALIENT.

Trench Shores. 100 yds 35

Relief Complete by

10 P.m.

Casualties Nil

1918

May 14

TUESDAY

CACHY SALIENT

Trench system bad.

Crisscrossed shelters for  
150 men.

Every shell Road  
& wood at intervals  
and the prepared at  
any odd hour.

Excellent work done by  
all platoons.

Wierich troops on our  
right. Moroccans

15 May

1918

WEDNESDAY

## CACHY SALIENT

These French troops are good, fresh soldiers, brave and brave. far ahead of the English. No doubt they are a military nature. Unlike the English they do not worry about, non-essentials; but the things that really count - the essentials. Camouflage with them is an art - concealment and cover. They can teach us much.

1918

May 16

THURSDAY

## CACHY SALIENT

Work on trenches & wire. Nations good up to time. Energy, shelling very methodical & persistent. Devotes most of his attention to the Wood behind us & the CACHY-VILLERS BRETONNEUX road. No one casualty last night.

CO. visited up towards me to connect Smith with AUBIGNEY system. Ground very hard. German Tank brought in from No Man's Land a good piece of work! Heavier than our male tanks but appears more vulnerable.



17 May

1918

FRIDAY

## CACHY SALIENT

My concernment and  
keeping quiet by day  
we should escape  
casualties.

The practical objections  
given us by the French  
in this respect worth  
a lot.

Reconnected front line  
B to relieve B. Taddist  
night 18/19. Will  
function with French  
on my right.

Taddist shelled by Gas.  
35 Casualties including  
back up.

Visit by Porter wanted  
me to change over to  
take a shot. Decided  
against this.

1918

May 18

SATURDAY

## CACHY SALIENT

Conference at D. HQ  
details of Chief discuss  
settled.

Tactical wire completed  
to French deep approach  
to AUBIGNEY system.

Capt. Mitchell & M.B. 10  
badly wounded -  
shell fragment in body.

Started to relieve at  
11 PM. finished by  
midnight - no loss.

"C" Coy. killed 2. Wounded  
Sgt. Carlyle - foot man  
killed by shell.

Front line system bad.  
trenches shallow and  
badly sighted.

19 May

1918

WHIT SUNDAY

## MONUMENT WOOD

Arranged International  
Post with French,  
Australians & Snatch  
mixed, put McKay  
in charge. Scheme  
works well & French  
very pleased about it.  
Killed by 80 Frenchmen  
a failure - caught in  
own Parage - Five  
wounded.

French Artillery good,  
obtained direct hit  
on direct tank  
& set it on fire.

1918

May 20

WHITSUN MONDAY

BANK HOLIDAY

## MONUMENT WOOD

Very little enemy move-  
ment.

Own Artillery dropping  
short-fine shells all  
around 7 Blabon's  
Risteaning Post.

C. T. dug to rear from  
Dryburgh's position.  
Captured enemy M.G.  
by Haywood's platoon  
also, Maps & papers.  
41st Bn arrived at  
10-30 am. Relief

Completed by 11-30 P.M.  
No Casualties in getting  
out.

Marched to old position  
S of BLANEY-TRONVILLE.  
French very pleased that  
Aust & 4th English troops  
were relieving us.



21 May

1918

WHITSUN TUESDAY

Blaggy Trouville.  
Swimming in canal  
Arranged March to  
FRECHENCOURT.  
37<sup>th</sup> to take over  
from us

1918

May 22

WEDNESDAY

FRECHENCOURT  
Sick - French fever  
In. Billed in village  
HQ in CHATEAU.  
37<sup>th</sup> took over at  
10-20 am. We marched  
out at 11 am. Terribly  
hot day roads a swirl  
of dust with traffic  
Midday meal halt at  
BUSSY. Marching good  
withstanding sore feet  
arrived FRECHENCOURT  
at 5 pm. Capt. Porter  
to meet us. Don't  
like idea of billeting  
in village, too risky.  
C.O. says will shift out  
in open tomorrow.



23 May

1918

THURSDAY

FRECHENCOURT.

Enemy bombing planes  
very active during  
night & morning.  
Reik's friend Moss very  
badly wounded. John  
will die I fear.  
Sick in Bed with  
French Fever - Temp  
103.4 - feel rotten.

1918

May 24

FRIDAY

FRECHENCOURT

Sick in Bed  
John died at 3 P.M.  
Lying at VIGNACOURT  
Bombs at night, 13  
horses killed & 3  
men wounded

25 May

1918

SATURDAY

FRECHENCOURT

Still seedy, got up Ham  
Moved out of village  
Parade at 1-30 PM  
Ceremonial & Corrie  
enjoyed himself piffing  
us about till 4-30 PM  
a damn stupid show  
with a few at night  
bombing.  
Full moon.

1918

May 26

TRINITY SUNDAY

FRECHENCOURT

Parade to  
Glou. 12  
Today. Long dusty  
march  
Marching of 15<sup>th</sup>. He  
best by far. Had  
a lovely singing & song  
has improved out of  
sight.  
Heavy bombing at  
night.  
Rumoured that Monash  
will get Aust. Corps.

27 May

1918

YAC MONDAY

FRECHENCOURT

Bathing in Canal  
A clear change  
Stunk at night.

1918

May 28

TUESDAY

FRECHENCOURT

Took by to Canal  
Spent day looking  
in the sun. Swimming  
exhibition in aid  
of new light Armoured  
motor Car. Don't  
think much of it.  
Too top heavy & no  
protection for engines



29 May

1918

WEDNESDAY

FRECHEN COURT  
 Enemy Bombing.  
 Two killed.  
 Useful training of  
 L.S. personnel.  
 Sports "B" Coy at Canal  
 Side - good programme  
 We called to Camp  
 at 1-30 pm.  
 Sports fund 105 frs.  
 held by self.

1918

May 30

THURSDAY

Back area shelled  
 all day. 14<sup>th</sup> 49<sup>th</sup> at old  
 Barn - one shell  
 killed 25 & wounded  
 61. What madness  
 to crowd men into  
 buildings. The old  
 Barn just a sickening  
 shambles.  
 I.C.M.'s on 15<sup>th</sup>

If this beastly slaughter  
 of 14<sup>th</sup> 49<sup>th</sup> does not keep  
 buildings in shell zone  
 from being used as bills &  
 nothing ever will.  
 From a back point of view  
 above, men should not  
 be crowded into these  
 old shacks, but sleep  
 out in the open & thus  
 escape casualties.

31 May

1918

FRIDAY

Bn. moved to line 8 am.  
33% to Woodward.  
Canal in line moved.  
Moved down to small  
creek to make camp.  
With shelters & boughs  
strengthened.  
14 - 211 OR.  
Holding line in front of  
HAMELET much digging  
to be done.

1918

June 1

SATURDAY

PICNIC CAMP  
Training of L & Sigs  
Bathing in Canal  
All villages out of  
bounds.  
Draper & Phagan & details.  
Enemy bombing at  
night.  
Bn. went in without  
casualties.

2 June

1918

SUNDAY  
1 AFTER TRINITY

Transport Brigaded  
 Northover returned  
 from LE TOQUET,  
 Officers School to be  
 carried on with 33%  
 Conference at 14<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
 at 9-30 am. re  
 School + 33% action  
 in case of Hun attack

1918

June 3

MONDAY

CANAL

School Commenced  
 Busy training L. J. Siggs  
 Swimming in Canal  
 & clay, change for all  
 Hunt Horn wounded,  
 severe, chest.

LUNA



4 June

1918

TUESDAY

CANAL

To 13<sup>th</sup> Field Coy HQ.  
near DAOURS in old  
woollen mill.

Bummy Bridges over  
SOMME. Quite good. X  
air photos show no  
difference to real Bridges.  
H. S. active on  
AMIENS road & back  
areas.

Foden & Lorry disinfecting  
blankets.

1918

June 5

WEDNESDAY

CANAL

Good progress with  
framing.

Front line quiet.

Casualties - 3 wounded  
Jack Rae returned

C.O. the C.M.G.  
Fred Craig D.S.O.  
back to line to  
Newland to Rescoe.

C.O. & Self to Bn HQ, a very  
pleasant ride along  
Canal Bank to 19th  
thence on foot.  
Front line very quiet.

THURSDAY

## CANAL

Conference at H.Q. 4 pm  
re "Lessons of the Recent  
Fighting"

West "Flagout" Competition;  
Good fun & a most  
Creditable show.

Kunkler returned  
from C.C.S.

Kross still unconscious  
& right side paralyzed.  
Enemy bombing at night.  
Heavy gunfire at dawn.  
Horses suffering with  
ulcerated mouths - cause  
obscure. Said to be  
effects of eating Greenstuff  
tainted with Gas.

FRIDAY

## CANAL

Fine summer weather. Outing  
Lunched at Officers School.  
"Details" to be arranged  
before 9:00 in a night stunt.  
J.C.M. at H.Q. HQ  
Self, Atkinson & Rosburgh  
Capt's com. Officer present  
Pross 16<sup>th</sup> Prosecutor.

8 June

1918

SATURDAY

# PICNIC CAMP

To #4 Mather St. saw  
 J. J. Cannon at gate.  
 looks very fit.  
 Monash. has Corps  
 Sellitzgauer 3rd Div  
 Billy Glasgow 1st Div  
 Rosenthal 2nd Div  
 CO. leave to Paris left  
 at 3 pm.  
 Page recd Cable "Dad  
 died 2<sup>nd</sup> apply for exemption  
 Mother"

1918

June 9

# PICNIC CAMP

SUNDAY

2 AFTER TRINITY

To 4<sup>th</sup> Field Unit with Dick.  
 Good Dentist.  
 Saw Hunter & O'Regan  
 Heavy dust storm at 5 pm.  
 Inter-company relief -  
 Mosche got on to them. Two  
 killed & wounded.  
 Sgt. Durvill wounded  
 Page's application sent in  
 for exemption.



10 June

1918

MONDAY

## PICNIC CAMP

Showery & strong wind.  
Major Dickinson to ABBEVILLE

also A.B. Smith

Self warned for Corps

Gas School - start

about 16<sup>th</sup> inst.

Both Rusiko & Williamson

died of wounds.

Gross still alive but has not  
regained consciousness.

Q.M. Smith to ABBEVILLE.

Lt Col Reddie - Killed

1918

June 11

TUESDAY

## PICNIC CAMP

Competition - Dash per  
conscripted & kept dug  
out " of Labour Coy.  
An Excellent turn out  
very difficult to find  
Hot Baths at Bancy.  
3rd Div. Swimming Sports,  
some excellent finishes.  
J.C.M. on the show at  
Rear Side. Fajed Finchy  
Self as to Character.

12 June

1918

WEDNESDAY

PICNIC CAMP

Solid Training

1918

June 13

THURSDAY

ABBEVILLE per motor car  
Town, not drunk but  
so much as expected.  
Returned @ 11-30, four  
hours on the road.  
Mr. R. R. Caldwell Killed  
J. W. forehead.

14 June

1918

FRIDAY

PICNIC CAMP

Usual routine

Sgt. Holland - Killed

1918

June 15

SATURDAY

PICNIC CAMP

Court of Inquiry on sent  
bullet in 14<sup>th</sup> line.

Cricket Match 15<sup>th</sup>  
beat 14<sup>th</sup> by an 'innings

C.O. returned at 6 p.m.



16 June

1918

SUNDAY  
SAFETY TRINITY

# PICNIC CAMP

Ans. Mail - news of Bill  
at last - died in Hospital  
CO & self to Ade HQ + on  
to Battalion.

Shut last night was  
successful. 2 Huns  
captured identification  
of 3 Hqs. obtained.

Our Casualties

2 killed & 17 wounded.  
One of our Balloons sent  
down in flames by Hun.  
Visited the U.S. Engineers  
in Gun Wood the fine  
man, will do well.

1918

June 17

Picnic Camp MONDAY

CD. sick.  
Officers School finished.  
33% who are rested  
to go up to line to  
relieve others.

With Dick to Staffant  
for Dinner.  
Kierst - Col. McCracken & HQ  
onetime H. K. M. O. C. C.

Honours still being  
sadly prohibited, all  
sorts of rotten in the Staff.  
Puckling off DCOs + M.C.S.  
O.B.E. a stupid farce

18 June

1918

TUESDAY

Picnic Camp.  
 7.30 am. at near Hde  
 on Opl & five men  
 of 4th Field Gens.  
 changed with shooting.  
 Youard - not killed.  
 One of our balloons sent  
 down in flames by Hun  
 about midday.  
 Major Corrigan goes to 46<sup>th</sup> Bn.  
 CO & staff to U.S. Engineers  
 in Gen Wood.

W. H. King (undated)  
 Saint Street.  
 Newmarket  
 Brisbane

Pte Edward Samuel King  
 died of wounds received  
 at Messines.

16/8/17

1918

June 19

WEDNESDAY

Picnic Camp  
 soft rain falling.  
 Much aerial activity.  
 At 2 pm. on horseback to  
 Hde HQ. Bridg. very much  
 off colour - influenced a.  
 Atkinson to Hde as Staff Trainee.  
 To Hde HQ (Hamelet).  
 Round line at night  
 with Major Corrigan.  
 Much M.C. fire & shay  
 spelling of C. T. & trenches.  
 Returned at 2 am. whilst  
 having supper driven  
 down below by enemy  
 shell fire. Cellar is  
 strong & well propped.

Lieut. Moss Def W at  
 3rd Gen. Hospital  
 France



20 June

1918

Lying  
In HQ

THURSDAY

Setting details from Corigan  
of defences etc.

Crossed Canal & viewed  
Country from O.P.

C.O. arrived at 6 p.m.  
+ Major Corigan returned  
to MCNIC CAMP.

Heavy rain commenced  
to fall at 9 p.m.

C.O. round trenches with  
I.O. + Adjts.

Usual shelling  
to 16<sup>th</sup> with C.O.

1918

June 21

Lying  
In HQ

FRIDAY

Two American officers  
(Twist and Downing) + five  
Sgt. to us for a few days  
tour of Trenches, Upper  
ground men + a fine type.  
Heavy rain. Americans  
to front line at night.  
Artillery Liaison Officer,  
Orchard (Toog) arrived to  
relieve 5<sup>th</sup> Div. Arty Officer.  
C.O. to 10de. Very dark  
night, rain + wind.  
Heard that Moss has  
died of wounds at 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Sgt. LE TREPOT, 19/6/18  
Capt. Toft arrived + also  
hear Fraser is back from  
England + Charlie Black  
on his way.



22 June

1918

Lyne  
Br. HQ

SATURDAY

Fine - strong wind.  
To Artillery OP. with  
Orchard. Splendid  
view + well screened.  
To Pde with C.O. re  
proposed shunt. Tanks  
to co-operate + strong  
Artillery Barrage. As  
promised. Great secrecy.  
to be observed.

Lieut. George Sellers  
arrived. Dues killed  
at midnight in the  
support line. Shell  
fragment thro' throat.  
One of the best boys in Bn.  
Lieut. Twist V. G. wounded  
while on patrol with  
Chataway - bomb, not  
serious.

1918

June 23

Lyne  
Br. HQSUNDAY  
4 AFTER TRINITY

Bright sun, strong wind.  
Persistent enemy shelling  
of village from 11 am to 2 pm.  
To Pde HQ. at 3 pm.  
With I.O. for 19 Coy.  
Inspected new Bn. HQ,  
nearly completed.  
Everything very rough.  
R.A.P. not yet finished.  
J.C. on leave. Lieut. Col  
Wickham acting J.C.  
Night quiet - heavy shrapnel  
towards dawn.  
C.A. dropped bombs on  
Reserve + support lines,  
no damage done.

24 June

1918

Line  
In HQ.

MONDAY

Full Moon

Americans Completed  
Tour in line.Well & who were  
with CO. to apt had  
observed front line &  
later through CORBIE  
to the HQ.CO. 51<sup>st</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> the I.O.  
on inspection preparatory  
to taking over.  
Official photographer came  
up - no pictures.  
Word sent from 24<sup>th</sup>  
MC Coy that Enemy  
were massing on our  
front. No foundation.  
Bright on leave.

June 25

1918

Line

TUESDAY

In HQ.

No truth in report that  
was massing on our front.Dull & threatening.  
Officers from 51<sup>st</sup> Reg. to  
reconnoiter our line. Adj  
& Coy. Commanders, no date  
fixed as yet.Swamp in Lagoon. Q. M.  
to HQ, approached re snaps  
of graves in Cemetery.CO. with I.O. to line.  
Intermittent shelling.  
Much fun our activity over  
our line. Air photos. show  
near HQ very prominently.

26 June

1918

Line.

WEDNESDAY

Blair & Secumy.  
Gun planes much more  
active.  
5th relieved 4th.  
Relief complete by 2am.  
Passing ABBIGNEY station.  
Gas cloud, said to be  
caused by one of our  
own gas dumps being  
exploded.  
Camp situated about  
800' from Dour's Railway Bridge,  
in dug out in bank.

1918

June 27

THURSDAY

AVBIGNEX LINE.

Slept in until noon.  
With C.O. to Picnic Camp  
return. Mcintosh & Loch  
from England.  
To Conference at St. Remy.  
Lasted till midnight.  
Heavy bombing on both sides.  
Enemy planes very  
active.



28 June

1918

FRIDAY

J.G. C. at Rear Bde Hq.  
 Corps except on J.G. C.'s  
 Capt. Eric Johnson from  
 1st to 2nd, Hugo's Reg.  
 Tank Hunt to last 3  
 days.  
 To Bde. with C.O. plans  
 for next operation etc.

1918

June 29

SATURDAY

C.O. to Tank Hunt.  
 Self to ALLONVILLE &  
 CARDONNETTE to see 43rd  
 Inf.  
 Americans (1 Coy) to go in  
 with us.  
 Self to go in with Rear Bde  
 of 10th night of Hunt.  
 Americans arrived, 132nd Inf.  
 a Coy & 9 Coy. 9 to 15th  
 Fine stamp of men, good  
 physique & intelligent.  
 Had a long march, arrived  
 about 2 am.  
 C.O. decided to attach  
 one platoon to each of our Coys.  
 One Tank platoon with  
 each wave.  
 Yanks need a lot of  
 practical training,  
 not "Tommy Rot" &

LUNA

30 June

1918

SUNDAY

5 AFTER TRINITY

Bright fine, hot sun  
Americans settled down  
much the same sort of  
chaps as ourselves both  
physically & mentally.  
Keen & alert faces.  
Not wooden like the  
English Tommy. They  
have much to learn especially  
in their A & Q branch.  
Capt. Mallan USA & Self forthcoming,  
he is to join with me.  
Tanks to co-operate. At  
first I wanted to make  
it a Tank Hunt & very  
little Artillery support.  
Now Tanks to be available  
& full heavy barrage is  
promised.  
With C.O. Capt. Mawson &  
Mallan to U.S. Engineer  
Camp in Green Wood.

1918

July 1

MONDAY

Fine weather continues.  
U.S. Troops inspected and  
addressed by G.O.C. 4th Div.  
His remarks somewhat un-  
fortunate, like all English  
by lack of tact & savvy.  
Busy organising Yanks  
splitting themselves amongst  
our own men.  
Jim Fraser to have pack troop,  
25 Mules per Bn.  
Egg bombs available will  
be issued. Conference  
with Tank Officers & A.F.C.  
who will do contact work.  
Supply Tanks to be used  
& marked with Bn. Colours.  
5th Bn HQ to go up night 2/3  
remain under self 3/4.  
HQ assembly points etc.  
all arranged.



2 July

1918

TUESDAY

Very day fixed - hour.  
 to be made known later.  
 Maps etc received.  
 Billy Hughes & Joe Cook  
 addressed us at 3pm.  
 J.C. Corps & Gen. Birdwood  
 with them.

Preparations completed.  
 HQ & 42 Bn. moved up  
 at 10 pm. taking the  
 Canal Route.  
 Tanks moved up after  
 dark not much noise.  
 Capt. Menzies & Lt. Hynes  
 arrived to supervise landing  
 gear etc.  
 Night fine & Cloudy.

1918

July 3

WEDNESDAY

6 am message by runner  
 from C.O. "To move off early  
 to take Canal route."  
 Bn. was very late owing to  
 congestion in getting in  
 Runner to remain at post as  
 guide for adjt. self.  
 51st arrived about 11 am.  
 At 2 pm reconnoitered route  
 for the night with 4000.  
 Moved with remainder  
 of Bn + Capt. Mallin USA  
 by direct route at 9 pm.  
 + arrived Supp. at 11 pm.  
 Bn. all formed up on the  
 jumping off tape at 2 am.  
 Bn. assembled with very  
 little noise, all cool,  
 calm & collected.



4 July

1918

THURSDAY

Harrel Offensive  
 3:45 am Barrage fell.  
 Good report. Barrage  
 fell report. We were  
 involved in heavy fighting.  
 Our self with 4th wave.  
 Many of our own killed  
 by spirit of the offensive.  
 The offensive was by our  
 artillery. Strong guns and  
 much of the front killed and  
 captured. Captured  
 at 4:45 am. The  
 tank missed. The tank  
 did well. Supply tank  
 captured. Americans  
 fought well. But getting  
 tired. Battle  
 established in place 30  
 minutes after. 40-170  
 No counter attack

1918

July 5

FRIDAY

Pear French  
 Lieut. Spencer Hewster  
 Davidson AE killed  
 Capt. Porter Carter. Lieut.  
 Rae. Black, Hambley  
 Stephenson, Hameroka SS.  
 Remaining in last wave  
 Capt. Glasgow Lieut. Northern  
 Greenwood. Hinds  
 Lieut. Jim Thacker killed.  
 Prisoners of war - about  
 1100 + a dozen officers.  
 All our dead collected  
 for burial with Americans.  
 Many war trophies sent  
 back. We captured  
 37 MGs + 2 trench mortars.  
 We moved into old  
 front line at midnight.  
 4th wave taking over  
 from us. American  
 Corp. withdrawn back  
 back to nucleus.

6 July

1918

SATURDAY

Pioneer Dispatch.  
 Secured from Pde. re  
 Honours & Awards - 200  
 + 30 or. Whatan in itself.  
 Completed burial of  
 our dead & arranged  
 for crosses.

Identification of prisoners -  
 13th Div. 77th Div. 13th MWK,  
 50th Reg. 202, 202 Regt.  
 Hun Artillery very late  
 with Counter Barrage.  
 44th Div. raided by Hun  
 Counter raid by 44th  
 Secured 50 prisoners  
 2 Anti Tank Guns &  
 17 mgs.

1 Pde. HQ moved back  
 to Chateau at CORBIE.  
 Capt. Dorneney returning  
 from Pde. Capt. W. G. G. to  
 take his place.  
 Capt. Glasgow to rear.

1918

July 7

SUNDAY

6 AFTER TRINITY

Pioneer Dispatch.  
 CD. to Pde HQ on receipt  
 Bussy to meet French  
 President Clemenceau.  
 Twenty five men per each  
 Hq. who were in front. A  
 damn shame to drag tired  
 & shamed men from line.  
 As usual all the leaders  
 on Div. Hq. A.P.M. & M.P.  
 in the foreground - the real  
 fighting not given a chance  
 Recommendations being  
 sent in. Difficult to get  
 the stories out of the men  
 & find the right man.  
 Capt. Glasgow showed out  
 above others, when the line  
 was held up at near French.  
 Cpl. Taylor then. Simon  
 by Barrage Conference at  
 Bussy.  
 Lieut. Northover to Rear



8 July

1918

MONDAY

Pioneer Scout.  
 Visited Coys with Logan.  
 Crew just played out both  
 physically and mentally.  
 Good helpness if the hour  
 attacks with weight.  
 What a beauty our English  
 Soc. is, goes on scene with  
 his bow still in the line,  
 after doing a fine stunt. No  
 thanks to his rotten Staff. A plan  
 Wind Vertical. - Co. to  
 16<sup>th</sup> HQ. Attack expected.  
 Fairly quiet night, barring  
 intermittent shelling on both  
 sides.  
 Fritz strafed a 16<sup>th</sup> Post  
 very heavily with T.M.S.  
 2 killed & 8 wounded.  
 Major Dickinson to HQ  
 to assist with recommendations.

J.F.S.

1918

July 9

TUESDAY

Dull & threatening.  
 C.O. 38<sup>th</sup> M. Officers and  
 to reconnoitre line.  
 Took Lt. Col. Hurry this 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 in command round our  
 boys. Rain set in about  
 5 p.m. Hell fell 7 p.m.  
 Villers-Bretonneux heavily  
 shelled about 5 p.m.  
 Newspaper report of Hamel  
 fight absurd & ridiculous.  
 Brig. to Div. Threeman  
 asking Soc. & 4<sup>th</sup> Bde.  
 38<sup>th</sup> to relieve us & use 30  
 to 40<sup>th</sup> area at Querrix.  
 Recommendations completed  
 and sent in to 1<sup>st</sup> Bde.  
 Dalsiehl put up for N.C.  
 1614 Bob Grant died of wounds  
 & hear that McDowell was  
 killed.  
 Quiet night



10 July

1918

WEDNESDAY

Fine + cloudy.  
 With I.D. round Coys.  
 Had a good look round  
 Vaire Wood + Central Copse.  
 Saw position one of great  
 natural strength - splendid  
 field of fire + well concealed.  
 Three distinct fire positions  
 + numerous M.W. emplacements.  
 Great number of Hun dead  
 unburied. Stench awful.  
 Great quantities of M.G. Ammo.  
 C.O. to H.Q.

Crosses erected over our  
 dead in Cemetery near  
 VAIREWOOD

Enemy shelling much lighter.  
 Advance party from 38<sup>th</sup>  
 Bn. arrived for H.Q. + Coys.  
 Slight rain fall at night.  
 Very little aerial activity  
 on both sides.

1918

July 11

THURSDAY

Fine + clear, later showery.  
 Major Richardson reported  
 to rejoin Bn.  
 Narratives in from Coy +  
 Platoon Commanders.  
 With C.O. round line  
 + saw all Coys visited  
 Cemetery. Went up to  
 PEAR TRENCH saw C.O.  
 H.Q. Bn. Very quiet.  
 Heavy rain squall at 5 p.m.  
 Col. Brockwood to 12<sup>th</sup> Bde. as  
 acting S.O.C. Our C.O. to our  
 own 13<sup>th</sup> Bde. as acting S.O.C.  
 38<sup>th</sup> Bn. very late in arriving  
 relief not complete till  
 2-30 a.m. 12/7/18.  
 No casualties coming out.

J.F.S.





14 July

1918

SUNDAY  
7 AFTER TRINITY

Church in Chateau Souds.  
Cricket Match A+B  
versus C+D won by latter.  
Accommodation for men  
poor + shelter scanty.  
HQ shell in village &  
far too many men around  
HQ under one roof.  
Canteen supplies hard to  
get. Writing next of kin  
& men killed or D of W.  
Meeting to arrange for  
Sports - Prizes to be given  
by officers. Self to collect.  
Germ destroyed three  
of our balloons.

J.F.S.

1918

July 15

MONDAY

Pay.  
Busy with routine.  
Cricket Match against  
4 Field Amb. - our team very  
poor + were lucky to win  
by 5 wickets.  
Narrative of Mail operations  
sent to Americans with  
maps.  
Germ destroyed two of  
our balloons.  
Heavy rain fell all night,  
with thunderstorms.  
German offensive began  
against Breton 85 kilo  
front.

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16 July

1918

TUESDAY

Men very wet & miserable  
 in A & B by trenches.  
 J.C.M.s at 18de HQ.  
 Conference at Wain. of  
 Mr. Commins at 18de.  
 Sports ground claimed  
 by 13th. Drang as see.  
 are absolute failure.  
 Saw Harry Murray says  
 he is going to Australia.  
 Collected 790 ft. from  
 brother officers for  
 Mr. Sports.

1918

July 17

WEDNESDAY

Sports at 9 am.  
 Weather warm & overcast.  
 Swimming events quite  
 good. Swimming limited  
 to a few. Selected  
 reps. for 18de Sports.  
 Cricket match v 14th  
 on 14th 19th ground.  
 14th 88 + 91 15th 62 + 67.  
 Hobbey at 14th - 32000 ft.  
 stolen from Asst. Adj. W.  
 tent during night.

J.E.S.

18 July

1918

THURSDAY

Sick. Diarrhoea & dog's  
disease. Lying in bed all day.  
Decided to run a  
look at sports.  
Many men sick.

1918

July 19

FRIDAY

Hummy very bad.  
Bad accident last night.  
Cricket match 9/16  
16/18 won by 16/4  
by 12 runs.  
Sick in bed.

20 July

1918

SATURDAY

Wde. Sports.  
Great Success.  
Mr. Booth, excellent  
Totalisator well run  
by McIntosh & Glasgow.

1918

July 21

SUNDAY

S. AFTER TRINITY

Corps Commander's  
Inspection & Presentation  
Parade  
2-15 P.m. by Motor  
Bus to Corps Gas. School  
Arrived 4 P.m.



22 July

1918

Corps Gas School

MONDAY

1918

July 23

Corps Gas School  
Heard Capt. Smith  
Skenamis of Div HQ  
Killed at Divisional  
Race Meeting yesterday

TUESDAY

J.F.S.

24 July

1918

WEDNESDAY

Corps Gas School

1918

July 25

THURSDAY

Corps Gas School  
light operations and  
demonstration of a  
projector release (6)

J.F.S.

AMU-1

26 July

1918

FRIDAY

Corps Gas School  
written & oral exams.  
in the morning.

Swimming School in  
the afternoon.

46th Bn. Land Came.

Secured a good pass.

87, 100, 90, = 92%.

LUNA

1918

July 27

SATURDAY

Left Corps Gas School at  
10-30 am & arrived at

QUERRIEU at 11-30 am

Bn HQ had moved to

Bois de Train. Capt Cochran

had lunch when fixed him

up with a horse & sent

his valise on by Limber.

Heavy Rain all pm

cleared at night.

Frik Bombing

C.O.s very seedy.

Mr. "Standing to" at short

notice. May move at

any moment



28 July

1918

QUERRIEU

SUNDAY  
9 AFTER TRINITY

Parade at 11 am in  
Chateau Grounds.  
Major Dehon & Wynes  
to VIGNACOURT  
visit from Corrigan  
& two Yank officers.  
Orders for three officers  
CO self & 20 to report  
at 10de at 4-30 am  
tomorrow. Probably to  
relieve French N 5C.  
CO. a Par to D.S.O.

1918

July 29

QUERRIEU

MONDAY

4-30 am by motor ferry  
to P.C. Bouloug, HQ of  
2nd Louave Regt.  
Recognized Sector.  
10w. will be right line Nn  
of 10de. H.Q. at V15C  
P.C. SOLANGE.  
We relieve 11th 10w. of  
2nd Louave Regt  
night 31/1 Aug.  
French allow no move-  
ment by day at all.  
CO. a bar to DSO  
Glasgow DSO  
Bradley & Stephenson  
the M. C. & Jefferies  
Bill Lynas DSO

J.F.S.

30 July

1918

1918

U15c

July 31

QUERRIEU TUESDAY

On horseback with CO.  
Q.M. and T.O. to Ironville  
Wood, which will be  
staging camp for 1000.  
Weather perfect - nice &  
hot - visibility poor.

Visited Wm. HQ & arranged  
supplies etc.

Returned to Querrieu  
about 5 pm.

Nucleus to go to RIVERY  
Q.M. + transport BOVES  
Major Dickinson O.C. Nucleus.  
Advanced Party + CO.  
Companies left at 6 pm.

Capt. R.B. Mcintosh wound  
right leg broken by  
shell fragment near  
CACHY MONUMENT

Line WEDNESDAY

Marched out of Querrieu  
at 7 am. arrived at  
Canal at 9 am. &  
camped under trees  
till 3 pm. thence to  
Ironville Wood. At 9 pm.  
leading platoon + HQ  
marched.

Relief complete, at 1 am.  
No Casualties, very  
fortunate considering  
shelling. Fine trench  
wounded by aerial bomb.  
Wounded up to time.  
Capt. Domenege arrived to  
take Mcintosh's place.  
Doc Hunter's R.A.F.  
very decent & safe.  
CO. 11 2nd Division  
a fine soldier & courteous  
gentleman. These French  
men are the goods O.K.



1 August

1918

1918

August 2

U15C

THURSDAY

Hangard Wood (west)  
C.O. far from well  
Accommodation at Briffy  
limited.

Visited B+C Coy.  
W. line in wood. Could  
be easily raided on  
account of thick scrub.  
Conference at Bde HQ  
self representing Colonel.  
Brig. wants him to go back  
to Rear Bde for spell.  
Bde HQ shelled by 5.90  
New post established on  
B Coy's right.  
13th Bde relieved trench  
on our right. Heavy shrapnel.  
Have destroyed four of  
our balloons.  
vicinity HQ. shelled at  
night about 10-11 p.m.  
Canadian Brig. visited  
Solange at 1 p.m.

U15C

FRIDAY

Rainy + drizzle  
C.O. to Rear  
Trenches in a filthy muddy  
state - no drainage.  
10th Coy established a post  
on right to fill gap between  
our right & 13th Bde.  
Enemy quiet but alert.  
Shelled Lema Wood about  
4 p.m. Officer & 4 killed.  
Cpl. Watts M.M. sniped through  
shoulder near Hangard Wood.  
Wet + miserable night.  
German resistance down  
Serreson & Rheims suffering.  
Have artillery active on  
back areas.  
Reported Hun shows signs  
of retreating near DERNANCOURT.  
Cpls. Canadians up.  
Col. of Canadians killed  
near GENTELLE  
J.F.S.



3 August

1918

U15C

SATURDAY

light drizzle.  
 Abell 49th & two Coy.  
 Commrs. to see me  
 re details of relief. 4/5  
 Orders to move direct  
 to New Area, after  
 relief.  
 C.R. Cans. Div & Eng. officers  
 to HQ on reconnaissance.  
 Arranged Guides for 49th.  
 C.O. feeling better.  
 French take SOISSONS.  
 Rumour re DERNANCOURT  
 corroborated further south.  
 Advance parties of 49th  
 to receive B+C tomorrow.  
 T.O. arrived re transport  
 night of relief.  
 V.T.A. to go straight out  
 if no relieving troops arrive.

J.F.S.

1918

August 4

U15C

SUNDAY

10 AFTER TRINITY

Fine, but dull, trenches  
 still very muddy & wet.  
 Hun very quiet.  
 Party of Canadians up  
 to reconnoitre.  
 Hun raid on 51<sup>st</sup> Bn. with  
 heavy artillery barrage. 8  
 four missing, 2 officers wounded  
 & 70 K. Eleven Poles wounded  
 prisoners & several killed.  
 took place about 3.10 am. <sup>3rd</sup> Inst.  
 Relief very late. Bn.  
 all clear by 2.45 am  
 1 killed & 8 wounded going  
 out through CACHY.  
 Day broke in vicinity of  
 FUILLOX. So took canal  
 route to escape Hun  
 observations.

5. August

1918

MONDAY  
BANK HOLIDAY

W  
Arrived at position of  
Readiness at 5 am.  
Steady drizzle set in.  
C.O. at side in chateau.  
All ranks bred. In camp  
under trees in wood.  
Noon C.O. joined us.  
Conference re forth coming  
operation. Tim dies to be  
carried to signal planes.  
Three tanks to with 100.  
section of How. 100 yds.  
1/2 section 100 yds.  
Two sappers 12th Field Coy.

J.F.S.

1918

August 6

TUESDAY

X  
C.O. Killed. Bivouac  
heavily shelled from  
4-30 am to 6 am.  
C.O. Killed about 5 am.  
C.O. died of wounds, Adjt  
badly wounded 30th.  
Killed 4 11 wounded.  
Self to assume command  
for short. Pige has lent  
ing Capt. Atkinson as Adjt.  
Burial at CORBIE at 6 pm  
Gen. Brand, Major, &  
Cannan & 100 yds.  
& officers present. Arrive from  
Gen. Midwood re C.O. death.  
Trying to get in to break up  
barricades on our left.  
Hugs raided them 100 yds  
to hold some of their line.  
Bombs dropped near  
lines at night.



7 August

1918

WEDNESDAY

30. Bahencourt with BM  
 & Capt. Boyk to get touch with  
 173rd Bde. 38th Division.  
 Final details with Capt. Ginn.  
 Conference at Bde at 7pm.  
 Move to 1st position at  
 8am. Word to move to  
 2nd position on word from  
 CO. 16th Bn. Everything  
 finalised. Three tanks  
 collected 1st position  
 up. Cherry village.  
 Men sent in good heart  
 & anxious to avenge the CO  
 whose death is felt most  
 keenly by whole Bn.

Haw bombing planes  
 paid great attention to  
 Vaire & Hamel.

1918

August 8

THURSDAY

"Z"  
 4-20 am Barrage fell  
 Very thick fog & impossible  
 to see more than 10 yds.  
 5-40 Bde. moved in artillery  
 formation to record position.  
 Very difficult to keep touch  
 & direction. Moved on to  
 X Road near GAILY Hospital.  
 Paused. In touch with 14th  
 8-20 crossed blue line  
 & attacked objectives.  
 Gained by 9 am brief. D  
 held up on right & left by  
 14th also. 2pm all gained  
 prisoners about 340 & Gens,  
 1 mine & over 20 M.G.  
 Casualties 9th 27 wounded  
 Relieved by 1st Bn at end  
 night & moved up to  
 rear of Red Line. 10m.  
 HQ in Worecourt village.  
 in old Roche HQ



9 August

1918

FRIDAY

Dudgeon Wood  
 9 P.C. & D dug in on  
 terraces in Q 23 a + b.  
 10<sup>th</sup> HQ moved at 4 PM  
 from village to Bank  
 in Q 23 a 6.6  
 5 PM attack by English  
 & Americans N of river  
 under barrage going well  
 8 PM. 10 Coy showed  
 up to support 16<sup>th</sup> Pz.  
 Intermittent enemy  
 shelling during night.  
 10 Coy dug in on new  
 16<sup>th</sup> Pz line.  
 Good progress reported  
 from South. Total bag  
 about 19000 + 200 Junk  
 Much enemy transport  
 in Valley. New Pz  
 put into action by our  
 Div. Artillery

1918

August 10

SATURDAY

Q 23 ~~Contd~~ a 6.6.  
 Fairly good night's rest  
 ground cold hard. Heavy  
 shelling valley all night.  
 Bombing planes over &  
 many bombs dropped.  
 13<sup>th</sup> Pz moved across  
 river. Conference at 10<sup>th</sup>  
 HQ of 19<sup>th</sup> Commanders  
 Heavy shrapnel of village &  
 vicinity. 44<sup>th</sup> Pz to  
 relieve 13<sup>th</sup> & 43<sup>rd</sup>. 10 Coy  
 much bombing. 1st of  
 M.G. Coy killed by snail.  
 Relief complete midnight.  
 Marched to T 24 C via  
 Cerisy - Gully & Sully  
 Laurette. Men dog  
 tired & transport  
 late. 10<sup>th</sup> HQ at  
 SAILLY-LE-SEC.

11 August

1918

1918

August 12

SUNDAY  
11 AFTER TRINITY

V. J24C Time that  
men slept till noon  
Day bright & sunny.  
Wrote up recommendations  
for Honours & Awards.  
Recommendations for  
Direct Commissions.  
Major Craig left for  
Australia via London.  
Recommended Powers for  
Q.M. Cookers brought  
across river at 1 pm.  
Brigade with latest oil,  
13<sup>th</sup> Bde shut a success  
line outside Bray - 3<sup>rd</sup> div  
situation obscure.  
Much bombing  
Five men wounded in  
"B" Coy by German Bomb.  
English press stories of  
stunt - unfair & untrue.  
never mind the French  
& can't know the facts.

MONDAY

W. J24H Not sunny day  
Spring in Canal for a  
Platoon got a fine  
8<sup>th</sup> Bde floor for Brigade.  
Lieut. E. Robinson from Midlands  
to take over Adpt.  
Chitaway to be I.O.  
13<sup>th</sup> Bde clean up Chichester  
high ground near Bray.  
Men resting in old trench  
system & dug out along road.  
Haw Shelling Bray - Orice  
road with H.Q. Gun.  
Burial parties busy on  
stung & horses, stench  
very bad.  
Recommendations for  
Direct Commissions &  
honours & awards complete.

J.F.S.



13 August

1918

X

TUESDAY

Very hot

J24 Moved at 5-32 p.m.  
via Sully. to Sec Canal  
Muzencourt, Hamel  
Lignolles-en-Saunders,  
Bagny Villers to W17.  
Very hot & dusty. To  
Bivouac & move up on  
night of Sept.  
Transport to remain at  
Vauze Wood. Conference  
at Pde in Tunnel under  
Railway line 2 day Thurs.  
4 Tanks, 1 M.L. 5\* with 1 p.w.  
We go through 2nd. Pde.  
8 Men killed in "A" Coy &  
3 wounded by shell from H.V.  
Sun 106 Fuse near Bagny Villers  
Disturbed night by  
enemy planes & shell fire.

1918

August 14

Y

WEDNESDAY

Very hot.

W17. Reconnaissance of  
position off place. Do  
not like it. we will have  
to come back behind line  
to clear Barrage. 3 mins  
& moves at 100 yds per 3 mins.  
Conference with Tank Co  
Enemy shelling Anger Wood  
& Sg heavily & VILLIERS.  
To 2nd Pde. H.V. CO. will help  
with Machine Boards etc.  
5 p.m. message "Shunt is  
postponed indefinitely"  
To relieve 2nd Pde night 15/16  
take over 1200' line.  
Advances parties with  
1.9 left at 7-30 p.m.  
Next night, our guns  
& Trip Minors.  
All officer recommendations  
except Capt. Doremy &  
Dunker reserved. Others  
none on except Casey.



15 August

1918

W17

THURSDAY

X28b47

Real Australian Day  
 nice shot. Best from  
 M.T. a nuisance & danger.  
 Arrangements well in hand  
 for relief transport and  
 Cooks at DAYONVILLERS.  
 1pm Capt. Ha to 2nd Bn. HQ  
 7pm HQ details moved off  
 to X28b47.

Heavy shells falling about C.C.S.  
 Relief complete at 12:15am  
 Heavy shelling - no 15<sup>th</sup>  
 casualties - 5 wounded 2nd Bn.  
 Nations arrived on line.  
 Front system poor & shallow.  
 Enemy shelling severe  
 throughout the night.  
 Another rest.

1918

August 16

X28b47

FRIDAY

Hot & sunny.  
 Trace received of proposed  
 new front line & scored re  
 "peaceful penetration".  
 11am. to 13m. HQ's. Heavy  
 shelling by enemy & lines  
 much cut along.  
 Conference at 16<sup>th</sup> Bn. HQ. 4pm.  
 Brig. & all CO's present.  
 Agenda paper discussed.  
 HQ. shelled at 1pm. One  
 man, Hansen killed.  
 Whole forward area very  
 heavily shelled by enemy  
 guns of all calibres.  
 Our own shells falling shot 9pm.  
 Brig. informed me that  
 Capt. Ha do not agree to my  
 having 10m. C. Johnson 10m.  
 Sgt. 2d x Roubik take 45<sup>th</sup>.  
 Worrying dead Boche  
 thor sets.  
 J.F.S.

17 August

1918

SATURDAY

(D.S.O.)

X28647  
 Enemy shelling heavy.  
 Men very high & drawn.  
 USA officers to see me  
 may take over night 20/21  
 peaceful penetration in  
 process. To line, fixed  
 details with A & B. Saw  
 CO. 13 & 14. Met Briggs.  
 & discussed new year list.  
 See D.S.O. Heffer M.C.  
 8pm message from "A" B  
 that move is completed  
 8.50pm. that they are back in  
 old position. Ordered  
 move to be completed to-morrow.

2/9/18  
 Cliff Rene

Mayland Terrace.

Shkley.

Enemy shelling increased  
 at midnight. One  
 shell on entrance to HQ.  
 Night Cloudy.  
 Fine "A" Coy. wounded.

1918

August 18

SUNDAY

12 AFTER TRINITY

X28647

Fine & sunny.  
 Adjt. to line returned  
 2pm & reports new line  
 is well established &  
 pinching with 13th Bn.  
 USA officers Capt. Mallin  
 Mason & others with I.O.  
 American relief now off.  
 Report re. Chateau in  
 Abbeville - saw Briggs  
 D. relieve "B". Relief 1pm  
 Report re. Corps School  
 Taylor & Rack for Briggs.  
 2nd Bn. relieved by 32nd Div.  
 Heavy enemy shelling on  
 front & support lines.  
 1st Coy killed, 7th Coy wounded  
 Rich, & Thibault by Pan  
 on back areas.



19 August

1918

MONDAY

X 28<sup>th</sup> 47  
 Fine & Clear.  
 Reports from Harwood & Sgts.  
 Jackson & McKeish.  
 4 amp identification obtained  
 19<sup>th</sup> War. 1 Officer & 1 Man shot  
 by "B" Coy. near LIHU FARM.  
 G.S.O. 1 & 10m. called. No news  
 of proposed relief.  
 Quarry occupied by Yanks  
 heavily shelled intermittently,  
 several casualties.  
 C.O. & 1.O. 46<sup>th</sup> to see me.  
 Brigadier on leave.  
 Report from Jonison on bad  
 state of morals of "C" Coy -  
 passed to Wde.  
 S.O.S. up on night at 9-30 P.M.  
 Artillery answered well.  
 Right thick low clouds.  
 "C" relieved "A" in front line,  
 no casualties.

1918

August 20

TUESDAY

X 28<sup>th</sup> 47  
 Fine but dull & heavy.  
 20 line saw Jonison & McKeish,  
 moral state of "C" & "A" poor.  
 Relief soon imperative.  
 "B" Coy. getting their horses back.  
 Returned at 2 p.m.  
 Col. Drake-Brockman to  
 see me re Wde. Policy &  
 Defence Scheme. Probable  
 relief by the French.  
 9-30 P.M. heavy shrapnel H.Q.  
 Lieut. Cook wounded.  
 16<sup>th</sup> 10m. to release 14<sup>th</sup> 10m.  
 Wiring to be gone on with.  
 Heavy Art Shrapnel on  
 H.Q. & Quarry.

J.F.S.



21 August

1918

X 28647

WEDNESDAY

Bright & sunny.  
 Enemy shelling severe.  
 13<sup>th</sup> Pde. shelled from  
 N bank of Somme.  
 Movement must be  
 restricted, is drawing  
 heavy fire around HQ.  
 Details arranged for work  
 on support & front line.  
 Supply hinders with wire  
 & picnets arrived.  
 Working in progress.  
 Lieut. Jackson & Engelhardt  
 & 40 men reported  
 from nucleus.  
 Visit from Capt. Koch.  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Army making  
 good progress.  
 Two absentees from "C" Coy  
 returned voluntarily.  
 Lieut. Goss arrived &  
 took over command  
 of "B" Coy.

1918

August 22

X 28647

THURSDAY

Fine & sunny.  
 From 9 am to 1 pm constant  
 enemy shelling of X 28647  
 & with 4.2<sup>5</sup> & 8.2<sup>5</sup> 9's.  
 Conference at 14<sup>th</sup> HQ.  
 1st Div. started at dawn  
 for tomorrow night 22<sup>nd</sup> Div.  
 Barrage will fall 4:45 am.  
 Good news from both NXS.  
 Jackson put in application  
 for return to Australia  
 & objects, at supersession.  
 To recommend his replacement.  
 11 pm. Heavy shelling of HQ.  
 One shell at entrance.  
 Full moon & clear.  
 Enemy shell into Bomb  
 Dump, two wounded  
 by bomb fragments.

I.F.S.

23 August

1918

August 24

FRIDAY

X 28647  
 4-45. Parage fell.  
 4-48 attack began.  
 11 am. Reports that our  
 men to 32nd Div. Gained their  
 objectives. 16th P.M. took  
 1000 600th prisoners killed  
 over 30 Huns. Our front  
 line now is old French  
 line in 1916.  
 1st. Div. took 57-1900 6th many  
 guns including a 15"  
 15th P.M. Lanc. this. relieved  
 12th & 16th P.M. who embussed  
 for ALLONVILLE @ midnight.  
 French Regt. to relieve  
 us to-morrow night.  
 Moon bright, sky cloudy.

J.F.S.

1918

SATURDAY

X 28647. Fine  
 officers 1st P.M. 59th Regt.  
 on reconnaissance, also  
 Commandant 2nd P.M. 59th Regt.  
 1st P.M. relieves line, 2nd P.M.  
 Support & Reserve Line  
 Two Companies of 46th P.M.  
 attached to me.  
 Conferences with C.O. 1st  
 & 2nd P.M. 59th French Regt  
 subordinate officers.  
 Capt. Atkinson to rear, Sick  
 Linc. this. Colored HQ. which  
 French should have  
 embus at W15, after relief.  
 Jackson Embussing officer.  
 Enemy Bombing Planes very  
 active on roads.  
 11-30 P.M. Heavy Gas Shell  
 Bombardment of Front and  
 Support line by Enemy.  
 Severe & Continuous, lasting  
 until 4-20 am. 25/8/18  
 MOON. P.C. - J.F.S. & JOE



25 August

1918

Fine, foggy early morning.

SUNDAY  
13 AFTER TRINITY

Relief not completed until  
4-30 am. Self + adjt SGO  
+ details left 1st Bn at 5 am.  
Bn. marched independently by  
platoons to Railway line  
near HARBONNIERES there  
evacuated for ALLONVILLE.

Men very exhausted.  
M.O. evacuated 5 officers  
+ 1230 M. suffering from  
effects of Gas.

Gas was a mixture of  
several kinds, Blue +  
Yellow + + what is thought  
to be a new Gas.

Bn. billeted in Village  
Q.M. + Transport located  
in HENNESSEYS FARM.  
Main squalls at night.

Wdg at Coisy + 16<sup>th</sup>  
13<sup>th</sup> Boulainville

14<sup>th</sup> Carlonnette

1918

August 26

ALLONVILLE

MONDAY

Fine + clear  
Report rendered on Gas  
Shelling by Self + M.O.

No training, busy with  
farber, Tailor + Bootmaker.  
Nomination of Officer for  
Transport duty to Australia  
(Lieut. Joninon selected.)

Correspondence re Capt.  
McCrowne - to see me.  
I had returned from Coisy.  
Gun planes very active  
at night, bombing dumps  
at BOULAINVILLE.

Warning re sudden move  
likely, from a/ SGC. Wdg  
Reorganization of platoons  
+ allotment of Officers to Coys.  
Major Dickinson on leave.

34 Men being treated by  
M.O. in rest billets.



27 August

1918

## ALLONVILLE

TUESDAY

Fine, but cloudy.  
 Capt. Atkinson returned  
 to Brigade.  
 Baths at CARDONNETTE.  
 Inoculation (paratyphoid)  
 of all Coys. by M.O.  
 Correspondence re Brune  
 & Willis.  
 Shitz & Ward returned.  
 Wrote to Miss McSharry &  
 Mrs. Hines & Shaw.  
 Co. adpt 14<sup>th</sup> to reg. ad.  
 Willis returned to 1<sup>st</sup> N.  
 Jackson's papers sent in.  
 Rain set in at 4 p.m.  
 Conference of Coy. Commrs.

J.F.S.

1918

August 28

WEDNESDAY

Fine & Clear.  
 Capt. Atkinson on leave.  
 General cleaning up etc.  
 Sanitation being attended  
 to by M.O.'s Staff.  
 JOC. Dir. called & discussed  
 Health of Men, Training,  
 Future movements etc.  
 Beer obtained from Wde.  
 Pay obtained from Dir.  
 at Russy by Jackson.  
 Pierrots, shopping in Hungary,  
 aided by 1<sup>st</sup> N. & 2<sup>nd</sup> N.

29 August

1918

THURSDAY

Court of Inquiry on recent  
Sgt. Casualties.  
President - Col. Salisbury  
Members - Capt. Davies & Pdet.  
Sgt. Officer.  
Capt. Brown to see me.  
Applied for leave.  
Summaries for F.S. Co.  
Estampes enlarged & lifted.  
Football & Hockey to be  
started forthwith.

J.F.S.

1918

August 30

FRIDAY

Mrs. R. B. Sampson.  
Cliff Sene  
Mayland Gerrace  
J. Hiley  
YORKS  
Training especially R.G.  
Sigs & M.C.O.  
Training Grounds Good &  
fair Rifle Range.  
Football Matches started.

J.F.S.

31 August

1918

SATURDAY

Left Lieut. Col. Johnson  
4:45<sup>pm</sup>. to command this  
1<sup>st</sup> Bn. Major Leitch 50<sup>th</sup>  
to command 45<sup>th</sup> Bn.  
1<sup>st</sup> Bn. inspection & march  
past. Very fair turnout.  
Football match. ✓  
4<sup>th</sup> Field Art. won by  
15<sup>th</sup> 17 to 13  
Fine day but threatening  
to rain.

1918

September 1

SUNDAY

14 AFTER TRINITY

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Meeting at Ade Hq. to  
inspect new method of  
carrying L.G.s.  
Twenty men to help French  
get the harvest in.  
Church Parade with 14<sup>th</sup> Bn.  
TO ABBEVILLE.  
Fine, occasional showers  
Lt. Col. Johnson on leave (14)



2 September

1918

Altonville, MONDAY

Dull day, occasional showers.

Training carried on to Harvesting.

To ride to H. at 3 pm. to meet Bishop Long.

Director of Education A.I.F. Fine speaker. Great idea but obstacles in a fighting unit - enormous.

Conference by Commrs re D.W. farm out. Lieut. Francis returned.

1918

September 3

TUESDAY

Fine & sunny.  
By Commrs. at game.  
Preparatory to Div Commrs  
A.M.O. inspection.  
Training progressing.  
Heard to-day that  
Capt. Ward had died  
of wounds.

JFS

4 September

1918

WEDNESDAY

Got inspection  
Cancelled  
To BUSSY to meet the  
Australian Pressmen.  
Boeing Tournament  
in afternoon &  
Pierrot Show at night.  
Weather fine & clear  
Dinner at 4<sup>th</sup> Field  
Ambulance HQ  
at Coisy.

September 5

1918

THURSDAY

Fine & sunny.  
Move on Sunday to  
BIACHES area.  
Training satisfactory.  
Capt. Badley returned  
from England.  
Twenty men assisting  
trench with harvest.  
Full marching order  
Inspection & march past  
in Column of route.

JFS

6 September

1918

FRIDAY

Fine & Sunny.  
Advanced by our  
Corps E of Somme.  
Selling shells.  
Conference at Pde.  
Transport to move  
to-morrow.  
Capt. S. A. Richards  
returned from Eng. Bn.  
in England.

1918

September 7

SATURDAY

Fine.  
Transport moved out  
at 9 am.  
I.O. to Billeth's Party  
moved at noon.  
Inspection of Billeth's  
to Companies.  
Conference of Coy. Command  
at 3 pm.

JFS



8 September

1918

SUNDAY  
15 AFTER TRINITY

Dull & showery.  
Rde. embussed at 9-30am  
route Allonville - Quermeur  
Davours - Abigny - Fouilloy -  
Villers - Bretonneux - Warfuses  
Proyart - Herbécourt to  
BIACHES arrived 2-30pm  
1/2 hr. in dug outs & shelters.  
Ground damp - Rain  
Cleared at 5pm.  
Night fine - Guns  
active from 1am till  
4 am with bombing flares.  
Reconnaissance to be  
made of bridges from  
H 24 to D 26 & road  
up to Centre Div. Green  
line from CARTIGNY to  
MONS.

1918

September 9

BIACHES

MONDAY

Fine & sunny afterwards  
threatening & dull.  
Reconnaissance parties to BIAS.  
The Hun as dirty & swine as  
ever. Four pioneers blown to  
pieces in SAINTE PADAGONDE  
this pm. They were burying  
dead - a shuffling Fritz, lying  
on a stretcher, bomb soaked  
underneath. Lifted stretcher -  
Bang. Move order out.  
Lieut. Lack returned from  
England.  
JEANCOURT & VERMAND in our hands  
Conference at Rde.  
Booby trap. Thither nailed  
to a door by paws, mewing  
helpfully, poor little brutes.  
Billie runs forward to  
release puss - Eith the grim  
& our pacifist talk of  
Fritz as an equal & a man

10 September

1918

TUESDAY

Wet. Heavy rain up to  
3-30 pm. then cleared.  
Bn. moved by march route  
at 1-45 pm via Peronne,  
Hamicourt, Voingt, Bria's  
to Farme Sabine.  
Coy's in old buildings,  
dugouts made of old iron  
& canvas shelters.  
Pay - 25,000 fr.  
Cigarettes & Tobacco scarce  
also matches.  
Peronne a ruin & Railway  
terribly knocked about.  
Nucleus moved up to O8.  
Captured few documents,  
translated a pound of great  
interest, especially re the  
treatment of P of W.

1918

September 11

FARM S

WEDNESDAY

Heavy rain storm strong W  
wind. Cleared at noon.  
Men fairly comfortable,  
Cigarettes very short.  
Lieut. Mudge, from  
Livingstone, & Brooks from  
O.C.B. posted C.B. P & A Coy.  
Reconnoitered tactical line  
in front of BAYINCOURT to  
be occupied to-morrow.  
NCO & two men of "D" Coy  
wounded by "Rooby" trap  
about 8 p.m.  
Clear starlight night.



12 September

1918

FARM'S

THURSDAY

Cold & wet. Heavy rain  
& strong W. wind.  
Bde HQ being prepared  
in Orchard.  
Coys. moved up &  
dig in on line N+S-  
E of BOUVAINCOURT.  
4 Vickers Guns attached  
to Bde.  
Lieut. Gior reported  
also Heron.  
Direct Commissions  
through for Howers,  
Jamieson, Stone, Smith,  
& Shaughman - Taylor.

1918

September 13

Several

FRIDAY

Heavy wind westerly  
& rain squalls.  
10. to line & rep. from  
Coys. to support Bde.  
Two Hun Balloons destroyed  
by our planes about 4 pm.  
Many Hun Bombing  
planes over about 9 pm.  
Two brought down &  
occupants destroyed.  
Advised by Bde. that  
I am to proceed to next  
Senior Officers School  
at Aldershot.  
Good news from South  
Yanks & French take  
10000 in St. Mihiel Salient.  
Crashed for Co's leave.  
Coys. O.K. Good shelter

J.F.S.



14 September

1918

Reserve

SATURDAY

Fine - Strong W wind  
 News confirmed of  
 success - prisoners  
 now total 2000  
 pipes of our old hands  
 left for Australia via  
 Italy at 9-30 am.  
 Supply of Acc. Tobacco  
 & Tommy Cooker Re-fills  
 received from Comfortland.  
 Conference at 10:15 HQ  
 re attack on Hindenburg  
 Outpost line.

September 15

1918

SUNDAY

16 AFTER TRINITY

7  
 Fine, heavy wind.  
 Reconnaissance of front  
 assembly positions.  
 Plan of attack & all  
 details discussed with  
 Coy. Commanders.  
 B & A Left in depth.  
 C & D Right.  
 Order of Battle, 13<sup>th</sup> R  
 16<sup>th</sup> Co. 15<sup>th</sup> Left &  
 14<sup>th</sup> exploiting Bn. to BLUE.  
 Maps not yet to hand;  
 journey 4 from R.E.  
 13<sup>th</sup> Bde advanced, they  
 line to approx. hop off

Prime Minister visited  
 Bn & Robert Blackford.

16 September

1918

MONDAY

X  
Fine & Clear  
all details fixed for  
start.  
Lt. Col. C. M. Johnson DSO  
assumed Command.  
Pirouac spelled by  
H. V. Gurn at 6 pm.  
Left to 3rd Bde HQ.  
Bn. moved at 7 pm.  
& Relief completed by  
11-30 pm. Intermittent  
shelling by enemy to  
some gas.  
Nations arrived to  
line.  
Heavy rain at 11-30 p.m.  
Wet & uncomfortable  
night.  
HQ near JEAN COURT

1918

September 17

TUESDAY

X  
Clear, strong W wind.  
Established O.P. & picked  
up General line of our  
Advance.  
Midday ordered to go to  
Div. HQ. Left line  
& reached Div. at 5 pm.  
Instructed to act as  
liaison with 1st Div.  
E.A. active at night  
bombing roads & Train  
Lines.  
Rain slt. in at midnight.  
Zero to be at 5-20 am



18 September

1918

Z

WEDNESDAY

5 am Troops all ready.  
 5-20 am Barrage opened.  
 6-30 Brown line reached  
 about 450 prisoners from  
 LE VERGUIER.

10<sup>th</sup> Div. on horseback  
 all going well.

Prisoners coming in  
 freely.

11<sup>th</sup> Div. 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Div on the  
 Red Line. English as  
 usual behind & slow.

10<sup>th</sup> Div. 57-1148 Amms  
 7 pm our bag 62-1601  
 several guns & over 100 mgs.

Casualties for Div.  
 till 8 pm 9-430 OK.

11 pm. Blue reported  
 all in our hands.

1918

September 19

THURSDAY

10 am. To return to Am.  
 Prisoners:-

1 <sup>st</sup> Div.	57-1148
4 <sup>th</sup> " "	72-2045
Corps	129-3193

Gordon Smith. Died of W.  
 Granby Ward killed in  
 battle on 3<sup>rd</sup> inst.

M. Casanovic 1-47 OK.  
 Sgt. Holt killed.

15<sup>th</sup> took 325 prisoners  
 including Recb. Staff.

35 M.G.'s & 3.77. Guns  
 & some light M.W.S.

Leave Wargout for 14 days  
 Left with Hamerton for  
 Nucleus at 6 pm.

Arrived about 9 pm.  
 found them camped  
 near BARLEUX.



20 September

1918

FRIDAY

Beautiful day.  
On foot to BIRCHES &  
obtained clothes from  
Palisse.  
Jumped motor lorries to  
PROVART from there on foot  
to main road.  
Left in flying carpet  
to AMIENS.  
Caught train to ABBEVILLE  
arrived 8 PM.  
Put up at Hotel TETE-  
DE-BEUF.

1918

September 21

SATURDAY

Met & dull.  
Engaged Motor Car to  
BOUDOGNE with Lieut.  
Fisher 2nd PIONEERS.  
Arrived Boulogne at  
6 PM & put up at  
HOTEL DE LOUVRE

Gen.

22 September

1918

SUNDAY  
17 AFTER TRINITY

Caught leave boat 10 am.  
Rough & wet passage  
Reached London at  
3 pm. to Beckham  
by overhead electric.  
Amelia looking very  
drawn & white as well  
as Olive & Arthur.  
Particulars of Granby's  
flash to Paris from  
Italy. Poor laddie.

1918

September 23

MONDAY

Wet.  
Horseferry Road.  
Paid £67 to  
Lt Col. McSharry & Co  
£5 for saddlebag.  
To Empire for post. Saw  
Simon Porter.  
Called at St. Thomas' Hosp  
& saw Elston, took him  
to lunch at Simpson's.  
Drew clothing at Officers  
Store, Horseferry Road.  
To Amelia's for dinner.  
Elston & Frank Brown  
were.  
Dr. Morion came in.

24 September

1918

TUESDAY

Wet & dismal, lakes  
cleared up.  
To Cornmarket Bank  
deposited £47.  
Shopping & then to  
Presents Park for lunch.  
Left Kings Cross at  
4 p.m. Changed at  
HOLBECK & arrived  
at ILKLEY at 9-38 p.m.  
Jen on Station to  
meet me. Looks  
well but thin.  
Saw boy asleep in  
bed, looked splendid.  
Both of us full of joy  
& thankfulness.  
Parcel from Mater.  
& me.

1918

September 25

WEDNESDAY

Wet.  
Breakfast in bed after  
good night's rest.  
Boys down wonderfully  
kittie looking well, but  
painfully thin.  
Ilkley a pretty & clean  
little town.



26 September

1918

THURSDAY

Met of dull  
Shopping, bought pair  
of 100 ft. S. Hoop  
Great to be home &  
in a real home of  
our own at last.  
Boys full of fun.

September 27

1918

FRIDAY

Met of dull  
Walk in p.m.  
Surroundings of  
Jekley very fine, lofty  
ranges & beautiful  
woods.  
Miss Annie Green & her  
brother in to supper.

28 September

1918

SATURDAY

Dull

10 LEEDS by train  
with Jeff.  
David Jap's called  
on Harry Jess &  
then out to Fairlea.  
Fred & Sam look well,  
but dreadfully cut up  
about Janby's death.  
Entrained at Keadingley  
8-57 pm. Crowded  
& slow train.  
To Green's in p.m.

1918

September 29

SUNDAY

18 AFTER TRINITY

Bizzle & high wind.  
Boss great fun.  
10. 10 am Rhodding Church  
at night. St. Saviour  
Mary Moseley.  
Congregation very poor.  
Why is it that at a  
time like this the  
Churches are not full  
to overflowing?

30 September

1918

1918

October 1

MONDAY

Fine but dull.  
To Mary's after lunch.  
She idolizes the boys,  
young monkeys are  
jolly near being spoiled.

TUESDAY

Wet.



2 October

1918

WEDNESDAY

Went to Leeds.  
Lunch with Legg's  
at theropole  
Dinner at Gai's.  
Home from  
Headingley 8:55pm

1918

October 3

THURSDAY

Dull & misty

4 October

1918

FRIDAY

Wet + cold  
arranged school  
for 100 at Godly,  
Shyll Khoyd.

1918

October 5

SATURDAY

Caught 8 ~~pm~~ am  
train for London  
at Amelia's by 4pm

SUNDAY

10 AFTER TRINITY

Train from Waterloo  
at 9-55 am. to  
Farnborough 11-25 am.  
Reported at S.O.S.  
HQ allotted quarters  
in Malplaquet Mess.  
Very pretty place  
splendidly kept roads.  
Dress turned up with  
Valise from France  
& will look after my  
room mate, Major  
Axel Poignant, West  
Yorks as well as self  
Brought letters from  
Doc Hunter & about  
band music.  
Dress good & simple,  
3/- per day, plus  
Sub of 25/- & of course  
drinks.

MONDAY

4 Fine.  
School assemble at  
9-30 am. Address  
by Commandant  
Lieut. Gen. Watson. Strikes  
one as a very fine man  
& right sort for the job.  
Preliminary address  
by Syndicate Commr  
& issue of books etc.  
Demonstration of drill  
& lecture by Major Heath,  
has lost left arm.  
Very keen & good drill.  
Lecture at 6 pm by  
Commandant on  
"personality".  
Purchased wristlet  
watch £1/5/-



S.O.S.

TUESDAY

Fine, keen wind.  
 W.S.C. in class room  
 drill & tactical  
 problems.  
 Personal interviews  
 by Commandant  
 at 3pm.  
 Reading up for next  
 days work.  
 Cycle ride with  
 Pignants round about  
 Farnborough.  
 Sunday at night of  
 S.S. 143 & I.T. Chap IX.

S.O.S.

WEDNESDAY

10 October

1918

S.O.S.

THURSDAY

1918

October 11

S.O.S.

FRIDAY

Eight 2:15 train to  
Waterloo  
Amelia's 5pm

12 October

1918

SATURDAY

Amelias.

1918

October 13

SUNDAY

20 AFTER TRINITY

Amelias.

Visited 3rd GH  
Wandsworth.

Lucy Hilder arrived  
from Scarborough &  
Mark from France.  
Returned to S.P.S.  
by 9-15 pm train



14 October

1918

MONDAY

S.O.S.  
wrote CO. 15th Apr.  
7796 Mr. Johnson H&V  
D.C. A. & T. P.O.

Letters from  
Walter, Meg, Dot,  
Doc Hunter, Gustafson,  
Col. Johnson, McCoole  
& Miss J.

1918

October 15

TUESDAY

S.O.S.  
Tactical Scheme 3.

16 October

1918

WEDNESDAY

S.O.S.

2.0.6

1918

October 17

THURSDAY

S.O.S.

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18 October

1918

FRIDAY

S.O.S.

1918

October 19

SATURDAY

S.O.S.  
week end to  
amelias.



20 October

1918

SUNDAY  
21 AFTER TRINITY

Amelia's. Leslee.  
Returned to S.O.S.

1918

October 21

MONDAY

S.O.S.  
Flying

Thompson's Tank.  
Left Haralors @ 6 am  
Wool 5 pm  
arrived S.O.S. 8:30 pm

22 October

1918

TUESDAY

S.O.S.  
Tactical Scheme

1918

October 23

WEDNESDAY

Wool  
Demonstration & Battle  
Practice by Tanks.  
Left Harbors @ 6am  
" Wool 5pm  
arrived S.O.S. 8-30pm

24 October

1918

S.O.S. THURSDAY

1918

October 25

S.O.S. FRIDAY

APRIL TRINITY

Returned by 9:15 pm  
Home to families



26 October

1918

SATURDAY

Sos.  
week end to p's

1918

October 27

SUNDAY

22 AFTER TRINITY

At Amelia's.  
Returned by 9-15 pm.  
train to Hamburg

28 October

1918

S.O.S.

MONDAY

TO THE TOWN

1918

October 29

S.O.S.

TUESDAY

S.O.S.

30 October

1918

1918

October 31

S.O.S.

WEDNESDAY

S.O.S.

THURSDAY



1 November

1918

1918

November 2

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

WEDNESDAY

Weymouth

3 November

1918

1918

November 4

SUNDAY

23 AFTER TRINITY

MONDAY

5 November

1918

TUESDAY

ST. ANTONY TERRACE

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1918

November 6

WEDNESDAY

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7 November

1918

THURSDAY

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
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November 8

FRIDAY

LeKley

LeKley

J.F.S. 

9 November

1918

SATURDAY

Lelley

November 10

1918

SUNDAY

24 AFTER TRINITY

Lelley  
K. H. @ 10 pm

11 November

1918

MONDAY

STREET 1000 A

S.O.S.  
Amishce Signed

1918

November 12

TUESDAY

London



13 November

1918

WEDNESDAY

1918

November 14

THURSDAY

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15 November

1918

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FRIDAY

To Continue

1918

November 16

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SATURDAY

17 November

1918

S.O.S. SUNDAY  
25 AFTER TRINITY

Will's Grave :-  
Sutton Veney Churchyard  
Military Section  
No. 330A on 17/4/18

1918

November 18

S.O.S. MONDAY  
26 AFTER TRINITY



19 November

1918

TUESDAY

S.O.S.

Sutton Vasey Churchyard  
Philby Section  
No 330A on 17/4/18

1918

November 20

WEDNESDAY

S.O.S.

21 November

1918

1918

November 22

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THURSDAY

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SOS

FRIDAY

2.0.2

23 November

1918

1918

November 24

S.O.S.

SATURDAY

Grain from ALDERSHOT  
arrived PORTSMOUTH  
at 6 p.m.

SUNDAY

26 AFTER TRINITY

PORTSMOUTH

Capt. A. F. Walker M.C.  
in charge of wounded in  
British Hospital.

Arrived at BROOKWOOD  
in Australian Division  
British Forces  
Brookwood Cemetery

Graves No. 183412

Wooden Cross Erected.



25 November

1918

MONDAY

S.O.S.

Capt. S.F. Porter M.C.  
died of wounds in  
Empire Hospital.

Buried at BROOKWOOD  
in Australian Military  
Burial Ground,  
Brookwood Cemetery.

Grave No. 182415

Wooden Cross Erected.

1918

November 26

TUESDAY

S.O.S.

27 November

1918

S.O.S.

WEDNESDAY

Capt. S. F. Porter, M.C.  
died of wounds in  
Cairns Hospital.

Buried at BROOKWOOD  
in Australian Military  
Recess Ground,  
Brookwood Cemetery.

Grave No 182415.

Wooden Cross Erected.

1918

November 28

S.O.S.

THURSDAY

29 November

1918

FRIDAY

S.O.S.

1918

November 30

SATURDAY

THURSDAY

S.O.S.

To Amelia's house



1 December

1918

SUNDAY  
1 IN ADVENT

*Amelia's*

1918

December 2

MONDAY

*S.O.S.*

3 December

1918

TUESDAY

110 ADYANT

S.O.S.

3.0.8

J.F.S.

1918

December 4

WEDNESDAY

S.O.S.

3.0.8

5 December

1918

S.O.S.  
THURSDAY  
Panishkalian mail

1918

December 6

S.O.S.  
FRIDAY



7 December

1918

S.O.S.

SATURDAY

Major A. POIGNANT  
9 St. Mary's Walk  
HARROGATE

1-14 Am. to WATERLOO

Web Equipment

School Bible

Poignant.  
French,

1918

December 8

SUNDAY  
2 IN ADVENT

Returned to S.O.S.  
by 9-15 pm train

9 December

1918

MONDAY

S.O.S.  
S.A.D.D.

THURSDAY

HARROGATE

WATERLOO

W.C. Engle

School Belle

Pregnant

French,

1918

December 10

TUESDAY

S.O.S.

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THURSDAY

11 December

1918

WEDNESDAY

S.O.S.

1918

December 12

THURSDAY

S.O.S.

Boeing ALBERT HALL

13/1/18



13 December

1918

FRIDAY

P. L. HALL

494 LANSDOWNE AVE.  
WESTMOUNT  
P.Q.  
CANADA

BROWN. J. H. I.

P.O. Box 324

St. Johns. P.Q.

Canada

School breaks up.

12-45 pm. Special

train from ALDERSHOT

to WATERLOO

4 pm train from

KINGS CROSS to

ILKLEY. Arrived

home @ 10 pm

1918

December 14

SATURDAY

ILKLEY

15 December

1918

SUNDAY

3 IN ADVENT

ILKLEY

294 LANDOVRE AVE.

WESTMOUNT

P.O.

CANADA

BROWN, J.H.I.

P.O. Box 324

13/1/19

St. John's P.O.

Canada

School books up

11:45 am church

Home for HILDERBROT

St. WATERLOO

4 pm train for

KINGS CROSS

ILKLEY. Arrived

Home 8 pm

1918

December 16

MONDAY

ILKLEY

17 December

1918

TUESDAY

ILKLEY  
TO LEEDS

1918

December 18

WEDNESDAY

ILKLEY



19 December

1918

THURSDAY

ILKLEY

December 20

1918

FRIDAY

ILKLEY

21 December

1918

1918

December 22

ILKLEY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

IN ADVENT

ILKLEY

*[Faint handwritten notes, possibly:]*  
The boys were  
very happy to be  
in the school  
and to be with  
the boys and  
the girls.

23 December

1918

MONDAY

ILKLEY

1918

December 24

TUESDAY

ILKLEY

Jen, Kit, boys & self  
by 11 am train to Leeds.  
Kit & boys to Headingley.  
Jen & I lunch with  
Harry Legg.  
Jen & I to Fair's.



25 December

1918

Fairlea

WEDNESDAY  
CHRISTMAS DAY

First real Xmas  
boys have had.  
Piah + Gertrude.

December 26

1918

THURSDAY  
BANK HOLIDAY

Fairlea  
So Leggo to lunch.

27 December

1918

Fairlea  
11am to <sup>FRIDAY</sup> Leckey.  
Charged excess fare  
from Leeds 9/-

1918

December 28

<sup>SATURDAY</sup>  
Left Leckey at  
9-15 am en route  
to France.  
Arrived King's Cross  
at 4 pm. To Victoria  
left luggage.  
To Amelia's.

29 December

1918

London

SUNDAY

1 AFTER CHRISTMAS

Train full. No leave  
Train.  
To Amelia's.

1918

December 30

London

MONDAY

Turned away from  
leave train.  
Returned to Amelia's.



London.

TUESDAY

Left Victoria at  
7-20 am. Y.  
Embarked Folkestone  
arrived Boulogne  
at 11 am.

Embarked @ 7-30 pm  
for Charleroi.  
*Jen.*

Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. 1919  
all day in train.

Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> 1919  
arrived Charleroi at  
8 am. Lorry to H<sup>nd</sup> field  
& thence by Ambulance  
to Philippeville at  
3 pm.  
Hn. in good billets.

Page had arrived 1/1/19

Howl.

Green's  
Piscuits

4.15

Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>. Fri.

C. on leave to England  
with Francis.  
Men appear "dopey,"  
spirit of unrest & all  
anxious to get home.

Jan 4<sup>th</sup>. Sat.

Fine weather.  
Hn. Parade - Ground too  
wet for Drill.  
Conference @ Hdr. 3 pm.  
Notified of award D.S.O.

Jan 5<sup>th</sup> Sun

Church Parade.  
To Koch's Billets.  
De-mob to be earlier  
than at first thought.

January

CASH MEMORANDA

1918

1918

CASH MEMORANDA

February

✓	Farrelly	20
✓	Shaw	20
✓	Soss	20
✓	Brane	20
✓	Major Dickenson	30
✓	" Sampson	20
✓	Capt. Glasgow	20
✓	" Loft	20
✓	Erinson	20
✓	Capt. Goff	20
✓	W. Hines	20
✓	James O'Callaghan	20
✓	Cogan	20
✓	Cook	20
✓	Smith	20
✓	Mons. Verdier	20
✓	Major Kennedy	30
✓	J. Hinds	20
✓	Simon	20
✓	<del>W. Hines</del>	
✓	Voss	20
✓	Longough	20
✓	Capt. Bradley	20
✓	Blane	20

✓	Capt. McIntosh	20
✓	Major Richardson	30
✓	" Gray	30
✓	Cpl. McSharry	100
X	Nicholson	20
✓	Hocher	20
✓	Willis	
✓	Atkinson	20
✓	Capt. Domeneq	20
X	Bowland	20
X	Barwood	20

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X	McKay	20
X	Smith AB	20

790 francs handed to  
Capt. Dickenson.

32,000 fr. stolen from  
Asst. adjt. 14th Bn.  
Lieut. Haghes.



Hats. Fishl.  
 Inv. Belts.  
 no Carriers.  
 Lin Hat Chin strap.  
 Cooks. Packer.  
 W.P. Sheet on Corp.  
 Mess tin under Hat.  
 Mass.  
 Playwits independently.  
 Open Banks March.  
 H.Q. to Regt.  
 Sigs & Signals.  
 Central Mail of Bn.  
 Whole of Transport.  
 Bands under Regt.  
 Bands play for own Bn.  
 as its inspected.  
~~100 Commrs. Hqs.~~  
 Sigs. W. B. McHavensick  
 in Regt with M.O.  
 Fletcher  
 Regt. in line with.  
 Polish Brass.

y Bde. Syllabus of Training  
 up to Sunday.

Make Work Compulsory.  
 Simmonds. Editor.  
 Hobart Mercury.

Fighting Order. Bn.

Packer with us.  
 Surplus Gear. Melbourne  
 Guns on Buses.

Arisley. Leave men  
 Corbie  
 Large hands.  
 Booby traps.

not B.O. but in fact



Jan 6<sup>th</sup> Mon.  
Usual Routine by  
Hugley against 4<sup>th</sup> Div. Coy  
at Chaumont now by  
15<sup>th</sup> 3 pts to nil.

Jan 7<sup>th</sup> Tues.  
Capt. Koch M.C. Crow &  
Black to Australia  
Claims Officer 4<sup>th</sup> Div.  
over re Claiming 150 ft.  
Handed in old Pay Book.  
Changed my Billets.

Jan 8<sup>th</sup> Wed. Fine  
Letter from Gen.  
Jenl. Birdwood, Michigan,  
Waggers & Cannan.  
Route March.  
Lecture on Bee keeping.

Jan 9<sup>th</sup> Thurs.  
Mudge £2.  
Football 4<sup>th</sup> Div. a Draw

Jan 10<sup>th</sup> Friday  
Route March.  
Beekeeping.  
Capt. Bradley M.C. Held.

Jan 11<sup>th</sup> Sat.  
Wet & cold.  
Parade Cancelled.  
Inspection of Billets.

Jan 12<sup>th</sup> Sun.  
Sports Committee.  
Church Parades.  
Soccer v Belgians. A draw.  
Belgian Ball at night.  
Preference Ball for Aust.

Jan 13<sup>th</sup> Monday.  
Comforts arrived to-day.  
Hugley 13 v 15 - lost 6 to 5  
a good hard game.  
Wrote Gen. Cannan.

8562) S.S. 14<sup>th</sup> Sect.  
 orders, messages & reports.  
 480. 1st Chap. 2nd

Jan 14<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, Dull.  
 Capt. Joff M.C. returned  
 visit by J.C. & B. in  
 preparing for 19de Sports.  
 3172 Mr. Smith A. application  
 on compassionate grounds.  
 Lieut. Lane reported.

Jan 15<sup>th</sup> Wed.  
 Wed. 19de Sports  
 postponed.  
 to 19de HQ to meet Sir  
 John Hobbs Corps Comm.  
 Pantomime at night  
 first performance

Jan 16<sup>th</sup> Thursday.  
 Draft for Australia  
 Lt. Stone & 40 O.R.  
 Football Rugby versus  
 4 Engineers. Won 3-0

Jan 17<sup>th</sup> Friday.  
 Conference @ Div. Arts  
 HQ. Demobilization.  
 With other CO's DINANT

Jan 18<sup>th</sup> Sat.  
 Brigade Sports. Heavy  
 rain set in at midday  
 & put a stop to things.  
 To 19de HQ Mess to Dinner  
 J.C. Div the Guest. After  
 to Pantomime

Jan 19<sup>th</sup> Sun. Fine & dull.  
 Church parade.  
 Bowers returned.



Jan 20 Monday  
 Hand frost & fine  
 Continuation of the Spots.  
 Simon Newland & Co. &  
 690k. to Australia.

Jan 21<sup>st</sup>. Tuesday.  
 Brig. Gen. McNeill came  
 & delivered lecture on Demost-  
 rig Hotel de Ville.  
 Rugby Match BVC 3-12

Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>. Wed.  
 J. Gen. at FLORENES.  
 Wicketed by in 65 mins.  
 with M.O.  
 Mess at 13<sup>th</sup> Bu.  
 C.O. Returned.

Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> Thurs.  
 Soc. Div. visited us.  
 Snow fell.  
 Rugby 813<sup>th</sup> on final  
 won by 11 pts to nil

Jan 24<sup>th</sup> Friday  
 Hand frost, parcel from  
 Australia, & books.  
 Sore throat & Cold.

Jan 25<sup>th</sup> Sat  
 Letters J.F.S. Mx6 & H.P.  
 News of W.V. Cole's death,  
 died on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>.  
 In bed, sore throat.

Jan 26<sup>th</sup> Sun.  
 In bed.

Jan 27<sup>th</sup> Mon  
 Snow. Still seedy.

Jan 28<sup>th</sup> Tues.  
 Bn. Photo.  
 Conference at Bde.  
 Orders to go to PARIS.

Jen.



Jan 29 Wed.  
Left Br. to Greenies  
thence to Corps @ HAIN for  
Motor Convoy.

Jan 30<sup>th</sup> Thurs.  
By motor to CHARLROI  
Entered @ 6pm.

Jan 31<sup>st</sup> all day in train

Feb 1<sup>st</sup> Sat  
Arrived Boulogne @ 10 am  
Embarked for PARIS @ 8.27 PM.

Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun.  
Arrived PARIS @ 7.10 AM.  
Accommodation at Y.M.C.A.  
Hotel Windsor, 26 Rue de  
Vergennes.

Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon.  
Interviews with G.O.C. Lt Col  
+ O.C. British Troops

Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Tues.  
Premises?  
File re MISS ROYT.

12/16 M. Wright Sons Ltd  
 Quorn Mills.  
 nr. Loughborough  
 11/ Moya's Elaski  
 Cavalry Dark Khaki

