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Albert. Баранки	May 1st.		General receipts from Base, including picketing gear, wheels etc.	
"	2/5/17		General receipts from Base including S.D. clothing, leather leggings (Aust. Patt)., hats, etc.	
"	3rd.) 4th.)		General receipts including horse shoes, oils, etc., also 2 kitchen travelling bodies and limbers for 30th. Battalion, 1 wagon limbd. G.S. complete for 14th. Field Ambce, 2 Wagons Ambulance for 15th. Field Ambce., 1 cart officers' mess for 49th. Battery, 2 wagons pontoon for 15th. Field Coy., and 2 hind portions wagon limbered G.S. for 53rd. Battalion.	
"	5th.		General receipts and issues. Three Vickers Guns received from 5th. Army Gun Park for 8th. M.G. Coy.	
"	6th.		Carriage 18-pdr received from Base for 53rd. Battery. Quantity winter clothing returned to Base.	
"	7th.		General receipts and issues. 784 pairs boots F.S. returned to Base.	
"	8th.		A.D.O.S., 1st. Anzac called. General receipts including picketing gear and equipment from Base. Advance party sent to Favreuil to take over camp occupied by Ordnance 2nd. Aust. Division.	
"	9th.		General receipts including S.D. clothing and boots ankle from Base. Following vehicles also received from Base:- 1 wagon ambulance for 15th. Field Ambce, 4 wagons limbered C.S. for 8th. Field Coy Engrs., 1 wagon limbered R.E. for Divl Signal Coy.,	
"	10th.		Depot and office moved to Favreul.	

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Favreuil	11/5/17.		D.D.O.S., Fifth Army visited called. General receipts from Base including horse shoes, oils, grease, etc., also 4 cases to take No. 7 Dial Sight received for 5th. D.A.C.	
	12th.		General receipts from Base including box respirators, picketing gear etc.,	
	13/14th.		A.D.O.S., 1st. Anzac called. General receipts from Base including 1500 Respirators anti-gas for horses; these were issued as follows: D.A.C. - 400, 2 Arty. Bdes, each - 200, Divl. Train 140, 12 Inf. Bns, 25 each., Pioneer Bn, 40; M.G. Coys, Field Coys, & Field Ambulances, each 20, and D.H.Q. 10 - total- 1500. 6 Bell Sets received from Base and issued - 2 each to 8th., 14th., & 15th. ALTMBtys. 120 Grenades dummy No. 5 & 120 grenades, dummy, rifle, received and issued to Becourt Training Camp, also 1500 dummy cartridges .303". 113 Rods cleaning .303" Machine Guns received and issued to units.	
	15th.		Eleven (11) overpoint gauges received and issued - 3 to D.A.C. and 1 each to 18-pdr and 4.5" How. Btys.	
	16th.		Conductor Anderson returned from course of instruction at Calais Base.	
	17th.		General receipts and issues. 2 Vickers .303", and one (1) Lewis Gun .303" received from Fifth Army Gun Park.	

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Favrieul	18/5/17.		General receipts from Base including 18 wheel supports for Howitzer Batteries; 10 wheels, also two (2) 3" Stokes Mortars Nos.4484 & 4189 for 15th. ALTMB., and 3 3" Stokes Mortars for 8th. ALTMB. (Reg. Nos. 4301, 4143, & 4380). 12 protractors semi-circ. 6-inch received and issued - 4 each to 8th., 14th., and 15th. ALTMBtys.	
	19th.		One (1) 3" Stokes Mortar. No.2937 received for 15th. ALTMBty. Sgt. Ohlsson proceeded on leave.	
	20th.		General receipts and issues. Sgt. Simondson proceeded to Calais for course of instruction.	
	21st.		26 sets Lamps daylight signalling, Lucas pattern received from Base and issued:- 2 each to 12 Infantry battalions and 2 to 5th. Pioneer Bn.	
	22nd.		Depot moved to H4.d10. 4 situate near Beaulancourt on Peronne Road. Ord. Q.F., 4.5" How. Reg. No.2075 received from Base for 114th. How. Bty; also 15 wheels received from Base.	
	23/24th.		Ord., Q.F., 18-pdr gun, w/out B.M. (No.6042) received from Base for 55th. F.A.Bty. Quantity 18-pdr and 4.5" How. spare parts received from Fifth Army Gun Park; also 2 Vickers .303" Guns, Nos.669 & 948; and 2 Lewis Guns, Nos.39032 & 38818 received from Gun Park. W	
	25/26th.		Quantity of Vickers and Lewis Gun spare parts received from Gun Park. General receipts from Base; including 3 wagons ammunition 18-pdr. Mk.II to replace 3 wagons ammun. Mk.I returned by 5th. D.A.C. to Base. 21 wheels received for 10th. A.A.S.C.	

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Bapaume.	27/5/17.		<p style="text-align: right;">50th. Bty.,</p> <p>General receipts and issues. 1 water cart received for B.X.X., & 2 limbered G.S. wagons for 5th. Divl. Signal Coy; received from Base, also 1 hind portion wagon limb. G.S. for 57th. Battalion. 104 rubber ear cushions received from Base and issued - 8 each to Pioneer & Infantry Battalions.</p>																	
	28/29th.		<p>General receipts and issues, including 7 wheels for 28th. A.A.S.C. Following vehicles received from Base:- 1 water cart for D.H.Q., 1 limbered G.S. wagon for Signal Coy., 2 limbered G.S. wagons for 32nd. Battalion, 1 limbered G.S. wagon for 15th. Field Coy., and 1 hind portion limbered G.S. wagon for 55th. Battalion. 100 'Yukon Packs' received from Base and held as Divisional Stores. <u>Division moved to IVth. Corps.</u></p>																	
	30/31st.		<p>General receipts and issues. Move reported - Division attached to Third Army from Fifth Army. During the month the following quantities of special winter clothing etc, were returned to Base:-</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Blankets G.S. - 5940</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Boots P.S.prs. - 2004</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rugs Horse - 1475&245.</td> <td>Boots gum thigh prs 532</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Vests sheepskin- 5360</td> <td>Capes macintosh 5800</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jerkins leather- 5410</td> <td>Greatcoats sheepskin- 110</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Coats Fur - 165</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Coats Sheepskin lined - 98</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gloves fingerless prs. 2430</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gloves worsted prs. - 503</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Blankets G.S. - 5940	Boots P.S.prs. - 2004	Rugs Horse - 1475&245.	Boots gum thigh prs 532	Vests sheepskin- 5360	Capes macintosh 5800	Jerkins leather- 5410	Greatcoats sheepskin- 110	Coats Fur - 165		Coats Sheepskin lined - 98		Gloves fingerless prs. 2430		Gloves worsted prs. - 503		
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