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# Australian Imperial Force.

# WAR DIARY

OF

4<sup>th</sup> Aust Dr<sup>y</sup> claims office

FOR

March 1918

Signature of Officer compiling

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4<sup>th</sup> Ave D.C. O

Signature of Officer Commanding

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Lieut. Colonel  
A. A. & Q. M. G. 4th Australian Division



# WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118.

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## or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
SCHERPENBERG CAMP, BELGIUM.	1918. March 1		D.C.O. Routine.	
MERRIS, FRANCE.	2		4th. Aust. Div. Headquarters moved to this village.	
	3		D.C.O. and G.S.O.III with Rent Officer of No. 5 Area, FRANCE, inspected and approved Parade, Manoeuvre Grounds and Rifle ranges for 12th. A.I. Brigade.	
	10		D.C.O. and G.S.O.III with Rent Officer No. 6 Area, BELGIUM, inspected and approved ditto for 4th. and 13th. A.I. Bdes.	
	11		A.A. & Q.M.G., 4th. Aust. Division, approved at my request, and published in D.R.O. No. 463, p. 2018.	App. 1
	13		D.C.O. President of Aust. Corps Court of Enquiry on Fire at NIEPPE on 23/2/18.	
	14		D.C.O. Routine.	
	15		D.C.O. Routine. It is found very difficult to obtain manoeuvre and parade grounds and Rifle Ranges for units owing to the French and Belgian Governments having given orders to civilians that every Are of ground is to be used for Crops and pastures. In view of the expected offensive by the Germans, these grounds are also absolutely necessary to carry out schemes and tactics and there is therefore a direct conflict of interests. D.C.O. has had considerable work in adjusting the same both in FRANCE and BELGIUM.	
	16		D.C.O. Routine.	
	17		Letter to D.H.Q. on result of recent experiences in going round areas re amount of equipment to be salved.	App. 2.
	18		D.C.O. Routine. Second Army takes over from Fourth Army.	APP. 3.
LOCRE-BELGIUM.	19		D.C.O. detailed to conduct Sir HARRY REICHEL of Bangor, Wales, to 13th. A.I. Bde. Headquarters to deliver lecture on "Sea Power". A most interesting man and the lecture was a sound one and well attended by Officers and N.C.Os. of the whole Division. A.A. & Q.M.G. published para. 2026 re Grazing in D.R.O. 470, 19/3/18, and asked D.C.O. to first suggest amendments.	App. 4.



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MERRIS.	1918. March			
	20		D.C.O. Routine.	
	21		G.R.O. No. 58, Para 3630, 16/3/18, deals with subject of D.C.O.'s letter of 17/3/18 (see app.2) G.R.O. para 3591 deals with duties of Area Commandants and (inter alia) the matter of Claims. These rules now place all matters on proper basis re status of Area Commandants.	App. 5.
			D.C.O. detailed to accompany Mr. Martin Withers, Editor London "Economist", to lecture on the finance of the war at 13th. A.I.Bde. under auspices of War Office. This was carried out and Mr. Withers taken to "A" Mess and introduced to Major-General MACLAGAN, C.B., D.S.O.	
	22		Accidents to French Citizens employed in British dealt with under G.R.O. No. 60 para 3637, 18/3/18.	
	23		D.C.O. detailed by A.A. & Q.M.G. to act for A.P.M. during his absence in PARIS.	
			Things are moving quickly and word just to hand for 4th. Aust. Div. to move at a moment's notice. Aust. Corps also moving South to resist German offensive just begun, and now being carried out with great violence. D.C.O. to <del>remain</del> remain behind in this area for a few days to "clean up". Forwarded D.R.L.S. message to all units of Division to settle Claims under past practice.	
	24		4th. Aust. Div. Headquarters moved South with Headquarters to be at BASSEUX, 10 miles south of Arras. These Headquarters were changed by Army three times and in 24 hours Division was in three Corps, so rapidly did the position change from hour to hour.	App. 6.
	25		D.C.O. Routine. Battle proceeding violently down south and D.C.O. now out of touch with Division. Made good all French and Belgian Claims in Division's late area.	
	26		D.C.O. Routine and arranged rations and billets for men left behind in charge of dumps at MERRIS and METEREN.	
VADENCOURT SOMME.	27		Forwarded Second Army 1056/4 to Aust. Corps.	App. 7.
	28		D.C.O. and French Interpreter left for DOULLENS via STRAZEELE and HAZEBROUCK at 8 a.m.	
	to		Arrived ETAPLES Midnight and left for LONGPRE at 2 a.m. next morning. Arrived at ABBEVILLE at 7 a.m., left there for LONGPRE at 10.30 a.m. and arrived there at 11.30. Left LONGPRE for DOULLENS at 8 p.m. arrived DOULLENS at midnight. Slept in train. Left for PUCHEVILLERS at 7.30 a.m. Arrived at D.H.Q. at 2 p.m. at VADENCOURT and BAIZIEUX.	
	31			
	30		D.R.O. No. 472 of 30/3/18 Para. 2038 re looting, etc., published	App. 8
	31		Forwarded A.F.N. 1531A to Paymaster through D.H.Q. after obtaining signature of G.O.C.	App. 9
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## WAR DIARY

OF

*4<sup>th</sup> Aust Div<sup>n</sup> Claims Officer*

FOR

*March* 191*8*

## LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.	Subject.
<i>1</i>	<i>D.R.O NO 468 re Fields</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>Letter 17/3/18 re Salvage</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>Reconstitution of 2<sup>nd</sup> Army</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>D.R.O NO 470 re Slaying of animals</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>Duties of Area Commandants</i>
<i>6</i>	<i>Telegram of 23/3/18 re Settlement of claims</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Army 1036/4</i>
<i>8</i>	<i>D.R.O 472 re Looting</i>
<i>9</i>	<i>A.F.N 1531<sup>A</sup></i>

*arr. H. M. A. W.  
 4<sup>th</sup> Aust Div C.O.*



## ROUTINE ORDER NO. 498,

by

Major-General E.G. SINCLAIR MACLAGAN, C.B., D.S.O.,  
Commanding 4th. AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

11th. March, 1918.

**SCHOOL RESULTS.** 2015. The Divisional Commander desires to congratulate the undermentioned personnel on having obtained very satisfactory reports at 8th. Power Buzzer Course, 4th. Aust. Div. Signal School.

No. 3833 L/Upl.	ROSE	F.H. 45th. Battalion.
3836 Pte.	MOORE	V.C. 46th. Battalion.
3173 Pte.	McPHERSON	N. 47th. Battalion.
1828 Pte.	BARRY	A.J. 48th. Battalion.
2519 Pte.	WELCH	W.A. 49th. Battalion.
5092 Pte.	FRASER	J. 40th. Battalion.
6115 Pte.	MUGGE	E.C. 50th. Battalion.
2061 Pte.	NICHOLAS	S.C.F. 50th. Battalion.
3275 Pte.	BROWNELL	L.A. 51st. Battalion.
3428 Pte.	PARSON	G.A. 51st. Battalion.
3102 Pte.	ANDERSON	T.H. 52nd. Battalion.
3130 Pte.	CLARKE	T. 52nd. Battalion.

**FIELD PUNISHMENT COMPOUND.** 2016. The Aust. Corps Field Punishment Compound will close at RAILLENT and open at T.10. Central at noon Monday, 11th. inst. In consequence of this move all men sent to the Compound for F.P. or safe custody will be sent equipped with Box Respirators.

**MEDICAL.** 2017. Units without Medical Officers attached will arrange for medical attention with nearest R.M.O. of this Division. Except in cases of emergency, sick men not be sent to Medical Units of other Divisions - for attention without reference to A.D.M.S. Office

**FIELDS.** 2018. Complaints have been received that soldiers are walking over ploughed fields and growing crops, and playing football on pasture land, etc. This practice is to cease immediately and disciplinary action is to be taken to prevent a recurrence, otherwise steps must be taken under this Office Memo. No. 63 of 22/7/17.

**DRESS ON LEAVE.** 2019. It is reported that H.C.Os. and men of the A.I.F. are being sent on leave to NICE and Other places in the South of FRANCE without belts or bandoliers. C.Os. will ensure that other ranks proceeding on leave are properly dressed and are warned of the necessity of appearing properly dressed at all times.

*R. Dowds*  
Lieut.-Colonel,  
A.A. & Q.M.G.,  
4th. AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Notices.

**E.F.A. Telegrams.** There is great pressure on ordinary traffic on the cables, especially to EGYPT, INDIA, and AUSTRALASIA, and E.F.A. messages are subject to considerable delay. In some cases E.F.A. telegrams are sent over a portion of the route by post, and senders of such telegrams, especially at Camp and Field Post Offices, should be warned of the delay - amounting in some cases to over three weeks which is likely to occur in transmission.

P.T.O.



## APPENDIX, /

## 2.

2. Loss of mails at sea.

Mails from Australia and New Zealand, containing a few letters and a considerable number of newspapers, etc., and parcels posted approximately as shown below, were on board a ship which has been sunk by enemy action.

Mails from	Dates of posting.		
	Letters.	Newspapers, etc.	Parcels.
New Zealand	14 - 18 Dec.	14 - 18 Dec.	12 - 17 Dec.
New South Wales	3 - 5 Dec.	17 Nov - 5 Dec.	17 - 28 Nov.
Victoria	Nil.	26 - 28 Nov.	22 Nov - 2 Dec.
Queensland	Nil	15 Nov - 3 Dec.	Nil
South A'lia	Nil	27 - 30 Nov.	19 - 28 Nov.
West A'lia	Nil.	13 - 24 Nov.	12 - 23 Nov.
Tasmania	24 - 28 Nov.	24 - 28 Nov.	17 - 28 Nov.

The greater part of the mails has been lost. Delivery of the articles recovered has, where possible, been effected.

3. Salvage of Paper.

The following are the amounts of Paper and Cardboard salvaged by Formations of Aust. Corps for week ending 8/3/18 :-

	Paper	Cardboard.
Corps Troops	209 lbs.	34 lbs.
1st. Aust. Division	1000	330
2nd. Aust. Division	71	64
3rd. Aust. Division	6372	4700
4th. Aust. Division	385	95
5th. Aust. Division	1253	315
Others	268	200



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Headquarters,  
4th. Australian Division.  
17th. March 1918.

Headquarters,  
4th. Australian Division.  
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I respectfully beg to submit the following  
for your consideration.

1. That an organisation be established in FRANCE to thoroughly and systematically collect and salvage the Government Property left behind by units, more particularly in the back areas.

2. Experience shows there is a large quantity of Clothing, Stores and Equipment of all kinds to be found throughout the Villages, which have been occupied previously, by all units.

3. In many cases the inhabitants have been given these articles wrongly, or have used them under the impression that same have been lost or abandoned.

4. It would be necessary to have a house to house search to make the scheme effective and successful.

5. Presumably this would involve some arrangement being made with the French Government, and the inhabitants could be informed that no action would be taken except with the consent of the French Authorities.

6. There is little doubt that thousands of pounds would be salvaged and recovered by the Government if this organisation were established and worked successfully.

7. At present A.P.Ms. exercise their best efforts to recover such Government Property, but under most favourable conditions their efforts cannot be more than spasmodic and perfunctory.

The matter has come under my notice as a Divisional Claims Officer and I make the above proposal in the interests of the Public; I feel certain from a business point of view, there are big possibilities in the scheme.

It would appear to be very obvious that, notwithstanding G.R.Os. on the subject, and every care being taken by those concerned, units are, more or less, still neglectful in losing equipment.

  
Major.  
D.C.O.  
4th. AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.



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SECRET

Copy of Second Army No. 230/1(G) dated 14th. March, 1918.

In accordance with instructions received from G.H.Q., the Second Army H.Q. has been reconstituted.

All Units under Fourth Army will therefore from 15th. March come under Second Army, General Sir Herbert Plumer having assumed command from that date.

(2)

No. G. 18/78/1

- 4th. Aust. Inf. Bde.
- 12th. " " "
- 13th. " " "
- 4th. Aust. Div. Arty.
- O.R.E.
- 4th. Aust. Pioneer Battalion.
- 24th. Aust. H.G. Coy.
- 4th. Aust. Div. Train.
- 4th. Aust. Div. Signal Coy.
- AD.M.S

The above copy of Second Army letter No. 230/1(G) dated 14th. March is forwarded for your information.

*L. Craig*  
Lieut-Colonel,  
G.S., 4th. AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

- Copies to -
- D.A.D.V.S.
  - A.P.E.
  - D.M.G.O.
  - D.C.O.
  - D.A.D.O.S.
  - D.M.O.
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  - French Mission.
  - Belgian Mission.



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APPENDIX



## ROUTINE ORDER NO. 470.

by

Major-General E.G. SINCLAIR MACLAGAN, C.B., D.S.O.,  
Commanding 4th. AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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19th. March, 1918.

HONOURS AND REWARDS. 2024. The Corps Commander has awarded the Military Medal to the undermentioned Other Ranks, and desires his congratulations to be conveyed to the recipients. The Divisional Commander desires to add his congratulations to those of the Corps Commander.

No. 2753	Sgt. T.J. WATKINS	15th. Battalion.
5473	Sgt. P. MCCOY,	15th. Battalion.
1001	L/Opl. H. ALEXANDER,	15th. Battalion.
7037	Pte. R.A. PURVIS,	15th. Battalion.

STEWART CLIPPING MACHINES. 2025. All Clipping Machines on issue to Units of the Division will be returned to the 4th. Aust. Mobile Vet. Section at Sheet 28, S.28.b.2.2. by the 21st. Inst., where they will be overhauled and adjusted before being sent to the Base through D.A.D.O.S., 4th. Aust. Division.

The trimming of manes and forelocks will be continued and hand clipping machines will be drawn in accordance with establishment laid down in G.R.O. 1812 - 2% of strength of animals.

GRAZING  
OF  
ANIMALS.

2026. Animals will be allowed to graze as often as circumstances and conditions will allow.

Now that the grass is showing, good grazing may be had on roadsides in the back areas and unused plots of ground in evacuated areas. On no account are pastures, either in the back or forward areas, to be entered upon for this purpose.

Animals should only be allowed to graze for half an hour each day until they get used to this change of feed, otherwise digestive and bowel troubles may be expected.

VACCIN-  
-ATION.

2027. Reference G.R.O. No. 54 dated 12/3/18, para 3585 - All men proceeding on leave from 4th. Aust. Division will be examined by R.M.Os. In case of units without Medical Officer, men will be examined by Medical Officer who is at the time providing medical attention for the unit concerned.

P.T.O.



2.

**ARMY BOUNDARIES.** 2028. Horses are not to be exercised outside the Second Army Boundaries. The Boundaries of First Army are marked on notice boards at sides of roads, and particular attention should be paid to them.

*R. D. Dows*

Lieut-Colonel,  
A.A. & Q.M.G.,  
4th. AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Notices.

- a. Lost or Stolen from billet of Divisional Trench Mortar Officer, HERRIS, on night of 14th/15th. instant -  
 Mare, dull bay, riding, height about 14.2, dipped 3 months ago, mane recently clipped, legs not clipped. Stoutly built, slightly roach backed, pony head. Information to 4th. Aust. Div. Trench Mortar Officer.
- b. Salvage of Paper. The following are the amounts of paper and cardboard salvaged by formations of Aust. Corps for week ending 18th. March, 1918 -

	<u>Paper.</u> <u>lbs.</u>	<u>Cardboard</u> <u>lbs.</u>
Corps Troops .....	627	255
1st. Aust. Division .....	903	510
2nd. Aust. Division .....	1408	357
3rd. Aust. Division .....	443	122
4th. Aust. Division .....	1095	408
5th. Aust. Division .....	1308	334
Others .....	555	77.



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CIRCULAR ISSUED WITH G.R.O. 3591.

### DUTIES OF AREA GROUP COMMANDANT, AREA COMMANDANT AND TOWN MAJOR.

In this order the words "Area Commandant" and "Town Major" should be treated as synonymous.

The Area Group Commandant will be responsible to the Army for the general supervision of the three Areas under his control.

The Area Commandant is there for the benefit and convenience of Troops occupying or passing through the Area.

The fact of his existence in no way relieves Officers of formations or units of their responsibility.

He should be given every assistance by Officers Commanding Troops in his Area.

When possible every opportunity should be taken by troops in the area of the Area Commandant to refer to him any questions between themselves and the French. He is a permanent official and more in touch with local affairs than units temporarily quartered there.

His duties include the following:—

(a) Allotment on demand of all billets and stabling to Staffs, Units or Details; this to be done in conjunction with the Maire.

Obtain from the Maire the necessary "Billet de Logement" for British officers and other ranks. These are served on the inhabitant and retained by him.

(b) Keep up to date a Billet list of the Area, and be in a position to give incoming units full information and particulars concerning all billets, stabling, baths, watering arrangements, etc.

(c) Keep up to date lithographed maps of the Area showing all Headquarters, billets, messes, canteens, baths, ranges, bombing grounds, parade grounds, trench system, football grounds, etc., etc.

(d) Keep up to date copies of Billet Store Schedules showing the equipment and stores allotted to the Area or to the billets in charge of billet wardens.

(e) Keep up to date inventories of targets, bayonet sacks, parry sticks, R.E. tools and stores, etc., etc.

(f) Care of billets, hutments, recreation rooms, etc., when not occupied or allotted to troops.

(g) Erect notice boards and directing boards at the entrance of each billet. Billets will be numbered according to their map reference (*vide* (c) above).

(h) Issue salvage schemes and form central salvage dumps.

(i) *Sanitation*.—General sanitation of the town or area as distinct from sanitation of occupied billets for which the occupants are held responsible.

Will take steps to control and safeguard the water supply of the area.

(j) Will issue the pay of the police under his command and any details on the town staff, and is responsible for the administration and discipline of "B.I." men acting as billet or camp wardens or employed on sanitary duties, etc., in his area.

Application should be made to Corps or Army Headquarters if he wishes to assemble a F.G.C.M.

(k) The A.P.M. of a town or Town Major will invariably inform the Divisional Staff of the Division in whose area the town is situated of all arrangements for the control of the town, and will consult with them as to any alterations in the arrangements which may be required.

The wishes of the Division concerned will be carried out as far as possible, and any changes necessitated thereby will be communicated to the A.P.M. of the Corps by the A.P.M. of the Town or the Town Major.

(l) Will act as intermediary between occupants of billets and French Authorities, and will make the preliminary investigations into all complaints and claims for damage within the area, and will bring such cases as require settlement to the notice of the O.C. unit concerned, or, if necessary, of the Requisition Officer concerned.

[P.T.O.]



(m) Will assist the Civil Authorities to safeguard the property of inhabitants, and in towns which have been evacuated is responsible that houses and rooms that have been closed are not used by troops except in cases of absolute necessity, and the houses or rooms should be opened under their personal supervision, and an inventory made of the contents.

(n) If in a town will make the necessary arrangements to deal with outbreaks of fire, and will see that units are issued with the necessary fire orders.

(o) He should have in his possession a copy of Instructions as to Requisitions, Billeting and Quartering, dated October, 1917.

(p) Where there is no A.P.M. he will "viser" the passes of civilians, when this is necessary, under the instructions of the Corps A.P.M. in which the town is situated.

(q) Will draw up Standing Orders for the town and issue Routine Orders when necessary, such orders being submitted for the approval of the Corps or Army Headquarters.

(r) He will bring to the notice of the Corps which administers his Area any roads or approaches in urgent need of repair, also any horse troughs, stand-pipes, and horse standings, which he is unable to repair and maintain with the personnel under his command.

(s) With the assistance of the Commandant of Gendarmerie he will ascertain that the orders issued to the inhabitants of the town are being carried out, and will bring to the notice of the Maire and the A.P.M. immediately responsible all cases where these orders are not complied with.

(t) He will make arrangements to give warning to the Civil inhabitants of gas or aerial attacks.

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Return 2<sup>d</sup> <sup>2</sup> Army Q 1056/4

Under G.R.O. 763

Total amount claimed: £ 4224. - (including those sent to C.C.<sup>m</sup>  
for final settlement)  
Total amount awarded: £ 185. -  
No. of Claims: 4.  
No. Disallowed: 2

Under G.R.O. 634.

No. of claims: 4

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*W. H. H. H. H.*  
Major. 4<sup>th</sup> Aust. Inf. Bn. D.C.O.



## ROUTINE ORDER NO. 472,

by

Major-General E.G. SINCLAIR MACLAGAN, C.B., D.S.O.,  
Commanding 4th. AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

30th. March, 1918.

DAMAGED  
ROADS.

2032. Units will report to D.H.Q. and cases of roads being much damaged and requiring repair to make them passable.

STRAY  
HORSES  
OR MULES.

2033. All stray horses or mules found wandering will be collected and sent to 4th. Aust. Mobile Vet. Section at AGNICOURT, near BAVLINCOURT. These animals will be examined by the O.C. M.V.S., and those fit for re-issue will be distributed by 'Q' to units requiring animals to replace wastage from shell-fire, illness or loss. No stray animals will be retained by units under any conditions. Animals unfit for re-issue will be evacuated to L. of C. in the ordinary way.

STRAY  
CATTLE.

2034. Stray cattle found in the evacuated areas occupied by units of this Division will be handed over to the A.P.M. at BAIZIEUX for evacuation to rear localities.

BURIAL  
OF DEAD  
HORSES.

2035. Units will arrange for the burial of dead horses in their vicinities as early as practicable.

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

2036. An advanced D.A.D.O.S. Store has been established at Vadencourt Chateau, where the exchange of dirty for clean socks can be carried out at any time.

TENTS AND  
SHELTERS.

2037.

No tents nor shelters are to be removed from the Corps Area.

## DISCIPLINE.

2038. Areas and villages occupied by troops will be adequately picketed by units in immediate occupation. Particular attention is to be given to prevention of destruction of property in vacated villages, fires and looting.

P.T.O.



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ORDERS. 2039. Attention is drawn to the following Orders :-

- A.R.O. 1881 - Immediate Rewards.  
 1891 - Issues of Spare Parts ( this Order will be strictly enforced).  
 1899 - Horse Shoe nail boxes.  
 1901 - S.A.A. Boxes (empties).  
 1912 - Derelict Tanks.  
 1919 - Casualties to General, Staff and Commanding Officers.  
 1921 - Trotting of Horses.

G.R.O. 3686 - Rifle Grenades - use of unauthorised Rods.

*Revised*

Lieut-Colonel,  
 A.A. & Q.M.G.,  
 4th. AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Notice.

Salvage of Paper - The following are the amounts of paper and cardboard salvaged by formations of Aust. Corps for week ending 22/3/18 :-

	Paper, lbs.	Cardboard. lbs.
Corps Troops	1352	245
1st. Aust. Division	1182	663
2nd. " "	2189	652
3rd. " "	128	46
4th. " "	1818	1159
5th. " "	2315	367
Others -	82	-



# FOR USE IN THE FIELD

Army Form N. 153 A. (adapted)

(To be made out in duplicate)

ACCOUNT of sums received and expended by the Imprest Holder. **4th. AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.** Unit.

for period from **28th. Feby. 1918** to **27th. March 1918** 491, in account with the Paymaster **A/12.**

Dr.								Cr.									
Date	No. of Voucher	From whom received	Particulars	Amount					Date	No. of Voucher	To whom paid	Particulars	Amount				
				Francs	c.	£.	s.	d.					Francs	c.	£.	s.	d.
1918									1918.								
Mch. 11	1098/4	4th.Aust.Div.	Supply Column	15					Mch. 7	1233/4	DEKERVEL G.	Hop Poles	20				
24	A/12.	4th.Aust.Div.	Paymaster	300					"	1235/4	VERWAERDE E.	do. do.	50				
									Mch. 26	1242/4	DUBAELLE A.	Hay	15				
									27	1256/4	DEVASSINE J.	Field	25				
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I certify that the above Account is correct.

Station and Date **In the Field - 27th. March, 1918.**

*A. W. Hymans*  
Major, Imprest Holder  
4th. Aust. D.C.O.

- This Account is to be made out by the Imprest Holder and should be forwarded, as soon after the termination of the period as possible, to the Field Cashier or Base Paymaster.
- Vouchers representing disbursements on this return should bear distinctive numbers.

*E. S. Leland MacLagan*  
Major-General,  
Commanding 4th. AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

APPENDIX 9