

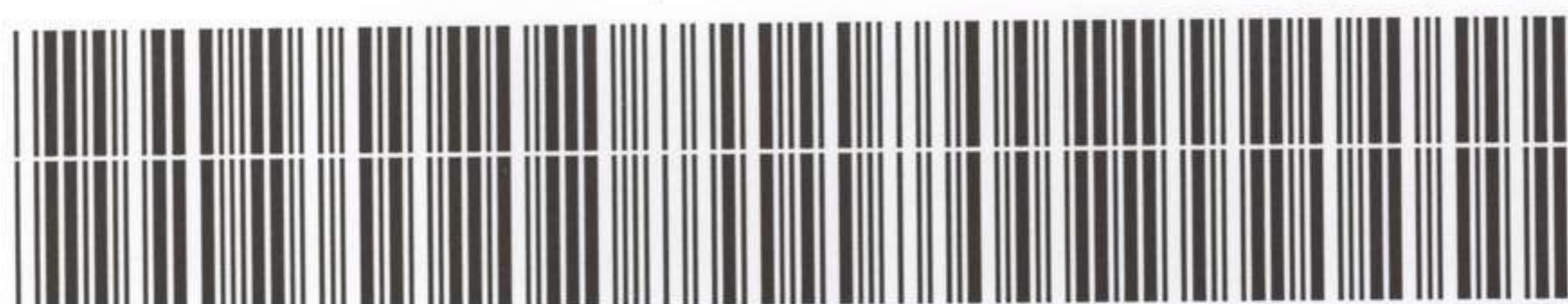
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**Title:** 38th Infantry Battalion

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29-8-18

C.O.  
38<sup>th</sup> Battalion  
 Time 2.35 P.M.

I am at ~~H.4.2.4.4~~ with  
 Company.

C and D Companies appear  
 to be on their first objective but  
 are held up by machine gun  
 fire most of which comes from  
 the left flank.

I cannot see A Company. There  
 is no machine gun fire in this  
 direction.

B Company  
 Mansfield  
 of 2. B.C.

By \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.") 157

TO RUGA

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**

\* AA56 29

Our right Company has reached  
 first objective. AA Time  
 1.55 pm.

From DORO

Place \_\_\_\_\_

Time 2.35 pm

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34<sup>th</sup> Bn  
40<sup>th</sup> Bn

PM 29. 8. 18

L. H. Pakisla have met opposition  
from recently junction  
Wood B 28 a.

1<sup>st</sup> Sec 18<sup>th</sup> Bn is moving  
forward to be at disposal  
of 38<sup>th</sup> Bn for opportunity targets  
- It is under Lt. WINDYER  
27<sup>th</sup> Battery will be looking  
probably for 38<sup>th</sup> Bn HQ at  
MONACU

2.40 pm

R. Lambie Captain  
B. W. M. M. M.  
10<sup>th</sup> AIC

C.O. 98: Ballalans. PM

Team in SAUCISSE TRENCH  
Light Horse held up by  
sniper.

Am sending vanguard  
of SAUCISSE in direction  
of OLD QUARRY WOOD.  
H 11 a 2.16.

D. Olden Scout

2.45 PM.

29-8-18.

To \_\_\_\_\_  
 By \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.")  
 From \_\_\_\_\_

TO RUCA

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* AA57. 29th

Centre Coy has passed first objective AAA. At 2.25pm met with M.C. fire AAA. Pushing forward AAA. Is in touch with left flank ~~Company~~ Company 38<sup>th</sup> AAA Has temporarily lost touch with right flank Company.

From DORO  
 Place  
 Time 3pm

(Z) *[Signature]*  
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To \_\_\_\_\_  
 By \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.")  
 From \_\_\_\_\_

TO D Coy 38<sup>th</sup>

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* AA58 29

Let in touch with right flank immediately AAA. Report when in touch AAA. What is present position AAA B Coy. is moving in support along road through H 2 C & D and H 3 C & D AAA Do you need any support

From 38<sup>th</sup> Coy  
 Place  
 Time 3.10pm

(Z) *[Signature]*  
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TO RUCA

From \_\_\_\_\_  
By \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**

\* AA59 29

Left Company 38<sup>th</sup> Bn  
reached objective 2.25 pm  
AAA support Company at  
H 4 a 4.4 at 2.35 pm AAA  
Companies are being troubled  
with m.B. fire from direction  
of Battalion's left flank

From DORO

Place \_\_\_\_\_

Time 3.20 pm

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B.O. 38<sup>th</sup> Battalion Lt  
By Panguard to now in  
French at H 5 & north  
of OLD QUARRY WOOD.  
Am making enquiries of  
action being taken by Company  
on left.  
D. Robbins Lt  
3.20 PM  
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TO C Coy. 38<sup>th</sup>

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* AA 60 29

Are you in touch with  
 40<sup>th</sup> Bn which is your  
 left flank guard? AAA  
 maintain touch with same  
 and with Company on  
 right a.a. B Coy in  
 support is situated at  
 H 4 a 44 time 2.35 pm  
 AAA. Let me know  
 present position by return  
 number

From 38<sup>th</sup> Bn  
 Place  
 Time 3.20 pm  
 The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) R Robbins Lt  
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TO B Coy 38<sup>th</sup> Bn

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* AA 61 29

A C & D Coys report  
 having reached first  
 objective AAA If you  
 know of any good field  
 Artillery targets report  
 to me immediately.

From 38<sup>th</sup> Bn  
 Place  
 Time 3.25 pm  
 The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) R Robbins Lt  
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To \_\_\_\_\_  
 By \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By \_\_\_\_\_

TO RUCA

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* AA62 29 AAA

At 2:45 right Company reports being up SAUCISSE TRENCH aaaa. Light horse held up by snipers aaaa. Right company sending vanguard up SAUCISSE in direction of OLD QUARRYWOOD Hill. a 26 aaaa. No support yet asked for by the 3 Advanced Guard Companies

From 38th Bn  
 Place H 2 d 5.4  
 Time 3.35 pm

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To \_\_\_\_\_  
 By \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By \_\_\_\_\_

TO A Coy 38th Bn

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* AA63 29 AAA

B + C Coys report having reached their first objectives aaaa. Are you in touch with Centre Company (D 38th)? aaaa. Do not get into touch immediately aaaa. B Coy 38th is in support at H 4 a 4.4 aaaa. Do not keep too much to the right aaaa. <sup>own 38th</sup> Second objective is to advance NE. + get high ground in B 29.

From 38th Bn  
 Place H 2 d 5.4  
 Time 3.40 pm

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TO

RWC/A

Sender's Number. * AA64	Day of Month. 29	In reply to Number. AAA
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Vanguard of right Coy.  
38<sup>th</sup> is now at H 85 C  
North of OLD QUARRY  
WOOD. AAA Time 3.20pm

From

38<sup>th</sup>

Place

H2 d 54

Time

3.40pm

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z)

Robbins Lt

Censor.

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Prefix ..... Code ..... m. Words Charge  
Office of Origin and Service Instructions. This message is on a/c of: Recd. at ..... m.  
Date .....  
Service.  
From .....  
At ..... m.  
To .....  
By ..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By .....

TO

60 38<sup>th</sup> / 1914

Sender's Number. * CJW14	Day of Month. 29	In reply to Number. AA58	AAA
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Arm m. m. trench with  
Right flank. AAA trench Position  
of Coy is is Trench Trench  
AAA Haze just left Capt  
OC Coy who is still on  
front objective with patrol Parkin  
toward down Code valley AAA  
have down any trench markers  
with you they could be  
used with effect at Code  
valley against them. AAA M.G.  
one heavy with almost accurate  
same A.A.A. sniping considerable. A.A.A.  
 Cavalry in rear of trench  
occupied by B Coy fired at by snipers  
on left side of position 15 minutes  
ago AAA Artillery Range has shotted.

From

B Coy

Place

H4 d 60 10

Time

4.15 pm

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z)

Robbins Lt

Censor.

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750,000. W 2180. M33. H. W. & V., Ltd. 6/16.

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(Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO

A Coy. 38th

Sender's Number.

Day of Month.

In reply to Number.

AAA

\* AA65

29

Are you in touch with anybody on your right and have you established touch yet with D Coy on your left. If AA do you require any support from artillery or machine gun Coy.

From

38th Bn

Place

H 2 d 54

Time

4:20 pm

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

J. K. Roberts

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TO

RUCA

Sender's Number.

Day of Month.

In reply to Number.

AAA

\* AA 67

29

Right Coy 38th is in SAUCISSE TRENCH with vanguard in trench at H 5 d 11 of OLD QUARRY WOOD AAA my Centre Coy is in TOURNOI TRENCH in H 4 AAA my left Coy is at first objective with patrols pushing forward down CODE VALLEY AAA my support Coy is at H 4 d 2.9 AAA All three Coys are in touch AAA M.G. fire heavy and accurate AAA much sniping AAA Cavalry in rear of my support Coy. fired at by M.G.'s AAA Enemy has shortened his artillery

From

Place

H 2 d 54

Time

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(Z)

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CO 38th Batt. ~~ML~~ 29-8-18.

I am now at H. 4. D. 2. 9.

I ~~have seen~~ <sup>can see</sup> considerable  
movements of small parties  
of enemy along skyline from  
B. 18. Central to B. 24. C. 9. 5.

They moved forward over  
the skyline and appeared to  
take up positions in old  
trenches there.

Time: 4.15 P.M.

~~Handwritten signature~~  
of 06 B Coy.

29-8-19

L. O. C. O. 38th Bn P.I.F.

4.45 p.m. Position still same at  
approx. H 4 50.40.

In close touch with 40th Bn (Lt James  
is platoon of Capt Mahoney) who  
state that they have no contact  
with any British troops on left.

Also in close touch with D Coy  
(Capt Collins).

Am endeavouring to improve  
positions by filling through  
old C. T. h.

Quantity of M. G. & amount of fire  
greatly increased & continued right  
in front too on flanks (left).

Heavy patrols have been  
driven in by M. G. fire chiefly  
in profusion.

Sniping causing very active,  
so are few.

16 Enemy observed in trench  
at C 19 8.4 to C 25 C 88

M. G. fire comes mainly from  
B 29 central. H 5 b & d.

Four to  
Seven

(2)

Patrols have pushed out along  
C, T's about 200 x 1 report  
unfavourably on their suitability  
for occupation with immediate  
improvement present position.

~~Patrols~~  
Capt

Runner  
Just  
4:50 pm

C Coy  
25th Div

C Coy  
Mansell

1:50 pm

"C" Coy have moved  
1 Casualty, B.S.M. Long

Runner

Platoon Capt

Appendix

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Service Instructions

To: 1/27/19  
By: [Signature]

Handed in at Langford Office Langford m. Received 5:30 m.

TO

* Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
<u>MC 11</u>	<u>29</u>		<u>AAA</u>

LH report period attempt  
to move NE from  
CELLE trench D28C lines  
on by b to go from right  
probably GLANDS ALLEY area  
3/4 Bn starting about  
2 30 pm in coming along  
on our left flank  
making for 11/4 to and  
TERLINE TR to point just  
at B29 d central area the  
3/4 pm will extend line  
from this point to E of  
CLERK try to get trench  
area and Dis area all  
hourly situation

FROM

PLACE & TIME

Langford

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(11201.) W528/M1970. 25,000 Pads. 10/5/17. P. & C. Ltd., B. (E 1213).

Charges to Collect

By: [Signature]

To: \_\_\_\_\_

Service Instructions Ruga

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Handed in at \_\_\_\_\_ Office \_\_\_\_\_ m. Received 5:30 m.

TO

* Sender's Number	Day of Month.	In reply to Number	AAA
<u>Bn 187</u>	<u>29</u>		<u>AAA</u>

until the 34<sup>th</sup> Bn occupies  
its objective TERLINE trench  
the 40<sup>th</sup> Bn will protect  
left flank this Rd by  
holding GLANDS ALLEY from  
B28 d Cont to B29 d Cont area.  
58<sup>th</sup> Div have been  
ordered to occupy trench  
system from MAUREPAS through  
B25 C B21 a C and d and B28 a  
area added all concerned

FROM

PLACE & TIME

Langford  
5:30 pm

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W. 14820-200,000-217-B.P.Co.-(E930.)

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By \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By \_\_\_\_\_  
 TO RUCOA

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**  
 \* AA67 (cont) 29

Range AAA Artillery doing  
 very little damage AAA  
 trench mortars could be used  
 with effect at CODE HLEY  
 against enemy MG's AAA (cont)  
 light T.M's. I sent forward  
 to my left company AAA  
 Have NOT used section of  
 Artillery AAA They are  
 in Quarry in H.I.C. AAA  
 10th M.G. Coy. are in Quarry  
 in H 2 C AAA Just reported  
 to me AAA @ 4.15 pm  
 considerable movement could  
 be seen along skyline from  
 B 18 Cent. to B 24 C 9.5. AAA  
 they moved over skyline

From and appeared to take up positions  
in old trenches there  
 Place H 2 d 54 38th B  
 Time 5.22 pm

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By \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By \_\_\_\_\_  
 TO RUCOA

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**  
 \* AA69 29

our Battn H 2 d 54  
are still at H 2 d 54

From 38th B  
 Place H 2 d 54  
 Time 5.27 pm

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To: *W 492*  
 By: (Signature of "Franking Officer.")  
 From: *W 492*  
 By: (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO: *ABC & D Coy 38<sup>th</sup> Bn*

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**  
 \* *AA 69* *29*

Light horse patrol attempting to move NE. from CELLE TRENCH B 28 C fired on by M.G.s from the right probably BLANDS ALLEY AAA 34<sup>th</sup> Bn started about 2.30pm and are coming along on our left flank and making for hill 110 and TERLINE TRENCH to a joint post at B 29 d cent AAA. The 38<sup>th</sup> Bn will extend line from this post to east of CLERY and try to get touch with 2nd Division. AAA On receipt of this order Coys. will move at

From: *H 2 d 5 4*  
 Place: *(over)*  
 Time: *(over)*

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 (3796.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E. 1187.)

To: *ABC & D Coy 38<sup>th</sup> Bn*  
 By: (Signature of "Franking Officer.")  
 From: *W 492*  
 By: (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**  
 \* *AA 69* *29*

once to take up this new line AAA. "B" Coy 38<sup>th</sup> from joint post in B 29 d cent to H 5 b 20.50 AAA. "D" Coy 38<sup>th</sup> from H 5 b 20.50 to H 5 b 60.00 AAA. "A" Coy 38<sup>th</sup> from H 5 b 60.00 to H 6 C 60.70. AAA "B" Coy will move from H 6 C 60.70 to the east of CLERY and endeavour to get in touch with 2nd Division. AAA Regular and prompt reports must be sent at least every hour. AAA On receipt of this order Coys. will advance to posts further east. AAA Same will be

From: *(over)*  
 Place: *(over)*  
 Time: *(over)*

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To: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_  
 By: \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By: \_\_\_\_\_

TO { 38<sup>th</sup> 40<sup>th</sup>

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* MCI02 29

No reports for some time where is most advanced line? AM Is CLERY cleared? where is 38<sup>th</sup> H.Q. AM To economise wire, time and work CO's should endeavour to select H.Q.s on a central line and to hand over to successors as they advance.

From: W. Gansoy McNeill  
 Place: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Time: 5.45 pm

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At \_\_\_\_\_ m. Service: TELEGRAPHS  
 From: \_\_\_\_\_  
 By: \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By: \_\_\_\_\_

TO { 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 38<sup>th</sup> 40<sup>th</sup> for inf.

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 Bm 188 29

Send 3 subs report at once 38<sup>th</sup> 40<sup>th</sup>

From: 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup>  
 Place: 5.45 pm  
 Time: \_\_\_\_\_

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Order No. 1625 Wt. W325 P 511 27/2 H. & K., Ltd. (E. 2634)



TO { 38 40

TELEGRAPHS

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* 157189	29		
Artillery	will	strafe	village
CLERY	CODE	ALLEY	east
of 5	Central	and VALLEY	in
H 6a	and	B 30 C	from
6:30 pm	to 7	pm	

6:30 pm

From 10<sup>th</sup> A/B

Place

Time 6 pm

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) R. Samburattan

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By (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By

TO { ABCD Coys 38

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* AA69	29		
in the vicinity of Road			
running East and West			
through H 3c and d			
and H 4c and d AAA			
Be careful that you give			
correct letters and figures			
in map co-ordinates AAA			
On receipt of this order			
move immediately.			

From 38<sup>th</sup> Bn

Place

Time 6:15 pm

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To..... From.....  
 By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....

TO { D and C Coys 38<sup>th</sup> Bn

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A I  
 \* AA70 29

Artillery tree strape village  
 CLERY, CODE ALLEY East  
 of 5<sup>th</sup> Central and valley  
 in H 6 a and B 30 C  
 from 6.30 pm to 7 pm  
 tonight AAA

Three light trench mortars  
 are reporting to 38<sup>th</sup> Bn  
 at once

Note this was  
 received from  
 Brigade at  
 6.30 pm  
 HR

From 38<sup>th</sup> Bn  
 Place #2d 34  
 Time 6.35 pm

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Hy A 5040 29/8/18

660 30<sup>th</sup> Bn

Have just had an enquiry from  
 C.O. 30<sup>th</sup> Bn if we are prepared  
 to have one. If not he will  
 push his Bn through us.

Have replied that we will  
 probably go on if have enquired  
 from B.L. if they are ready  
 to push one suggesting 6<sup>th</sup> Bn  
 zero

5.50 pm  
 Runner  
 C Coy 30<sup>th</sup> Bn

Heath  
 received by  
 6.40 pm

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H. to 50.40.

29/8/17.

To C.O 38<sup>th</sup> Bn A.I.F.

3<sup>rd</sup> Coy Scouts reported to our Left Platoon that their Bn is advancing on Left of 40<sup>th</sup> Bn. with an alternate objective of C.19.

This with the changes in Bde Boundary Bns the B29 objective. If we will now continue eastward.

We are ready to move on. I have asked A & D Coy if they too are prepared.

5.45 am  
Runner  
Vail  
C Coy 38<sup>th</sup> Bn

Rec'd 6.40 PM

At .....	Service .....
To .....	From .....
By .....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.") By .....

TO { A and B Coy 38<sup>th</sup> Bn

Sender's Number. * AH 71	Day of Month. 29	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Referring to AH 69 you will move forward by bounds AAA. CLERY is not in our hands AAA. Artillery will strap CLERY, CODE ALLEY east of 5 Cent. and valley in A. 6a and B 30c from 6.30 pm to 7 pm tonight.

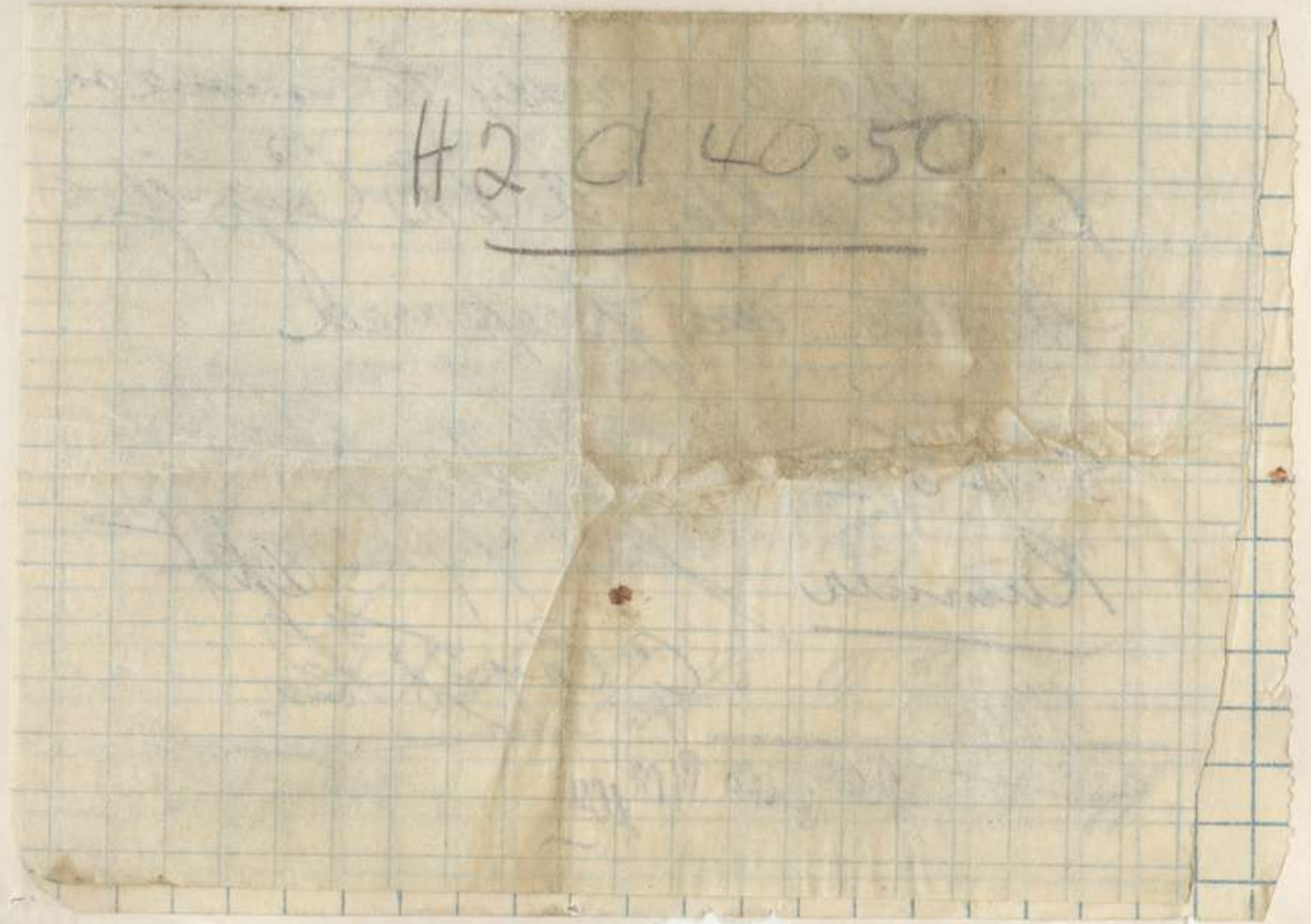
Note above rec'd from Bde at 6.30 pm

From 38 <sup>th</sup> Bn
Place
Time 6.40 pm
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]
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To: \_\_\_\_\_  
By: \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { O.C. A Coy

Sender's Number. AA72 Day of Month. 29 In reply to Number. AAA

\* Referring to your memo re HEILBRONNTRENCH please comply immediately - if you have not already done so - with the following:-  
AA 69 (urgent) and AA 71 which are to be read in conjunction with "C" and "D" Coys have moved forward <sup>on the way</sup> to second objective viz: from B29 d cent down to CLERY AAA Please conform at once if you have not already done so. AAA Forward report immediately.

From 38th Bn  
Place H2 d 5.4  
Time 7.30 pm

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) R Robins  
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To: \_\_\_\_\_  
By: \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { RUCOA

Sender's Number. AA73 Day of Month. 29 In reply to Number. AAA

\* Companies have moved forward towards objective B29 d cent to CLERY AAA 34th Bn supporting on their left flank.

From 38th Bn  
Place H2 d 5.4  
Time 7.15 pm

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C. O. 29-8-18  
38<sup>th</sup> Battalion

I am at H. 5. C. 7. 2

I am in touch with A. D.  
and C. Company who have  
gone forward <sup>about 200</sup> ~~for~~ hundred  
yards to consolidate.

B. Company

Handing off  
of O.C.

Time 7-40. P.M.

H 6 C 80.40 <sup>8 P.M.</sup> // Aug 29-1918

to C. O. 38<sup>th</sup> Bn A.I.F.

We have advanced & now  
occupy CLERY along a line  
which is approximately  
H 6 d 10.30 through H 8  
Central.

After going through CLERY  
C Coy is best able to keep a  
defensive flank forming up  
with the 43 Bn A.I.F.  
position at present  
undefeated.

A & D Coys are in the  
village which is after all  
only a heap of bricks.

Situation generally somewhat  
obscure more as soon  
as possible  
No further casualties.

Adjutant Capt  
C Coy 38<sup>th</sup> Bn

(2) 29-8-18  
C.O. 38<sup>th</sup> Battalion

My last message was sent before I received your A.A. 69. a.a. Since then I have proceeded through to east end of CLEARY and am approximately on objective. It is too dark to ascertain exactly a.a. I am in touch with C Company who are on my left but have not yet found A or D Companies a.a. C Company appear to have come too far to the right a.a. Enemy intellegence was fairly heavy as we came through village but is now quiet. a.a.

W. Mansfield Lt  
4/06. R. Day

Time: 8-30 P.M.

repeated  
140-6-0 38<sup>th</sup> Bn AIF. 24/8/18 10pm

I have got into touch with the 35<sup>th</sup> Bn who are being relieved by 34<sup>th</sup> to night.  
35<sup>th</sup> = 14<sup>th</sup> - their present position is now. Right flank B. 25. 9. 4. 0. When I have informed me that beyond that is their barrage area. If I advanced my right flank would be unprotected. + in danger of barrage.  
Please advise URGENT  
W.P.M.

P.T.O.

I am now in the  
vicinity of trenches  
at H.I. D. 4. 8.  
+ one platoon on the  
right flank of  
35th Pz  
W.P.P.  
1.10.19

[Blank grid paper]



To.....  
By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer") By.....

TO { H 10<sup>th</sup> AIB

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A  
\* AA74 29

Advance progressing AAA  
Companies in touch ~~AAA~~

From 38th Bn

Place H2d5.4

Time 9.20pm

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rec 1050

S.O. 38. Battalion

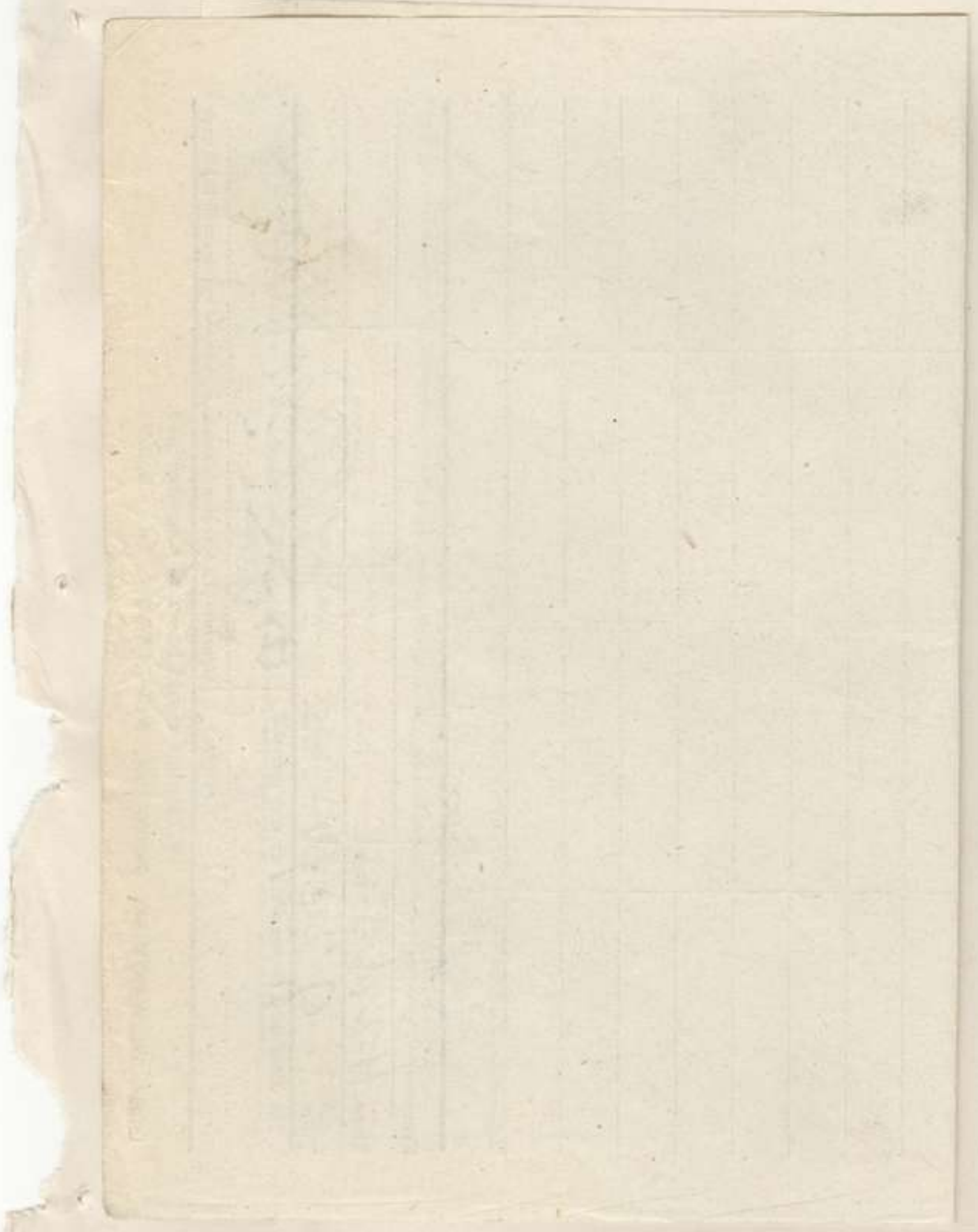
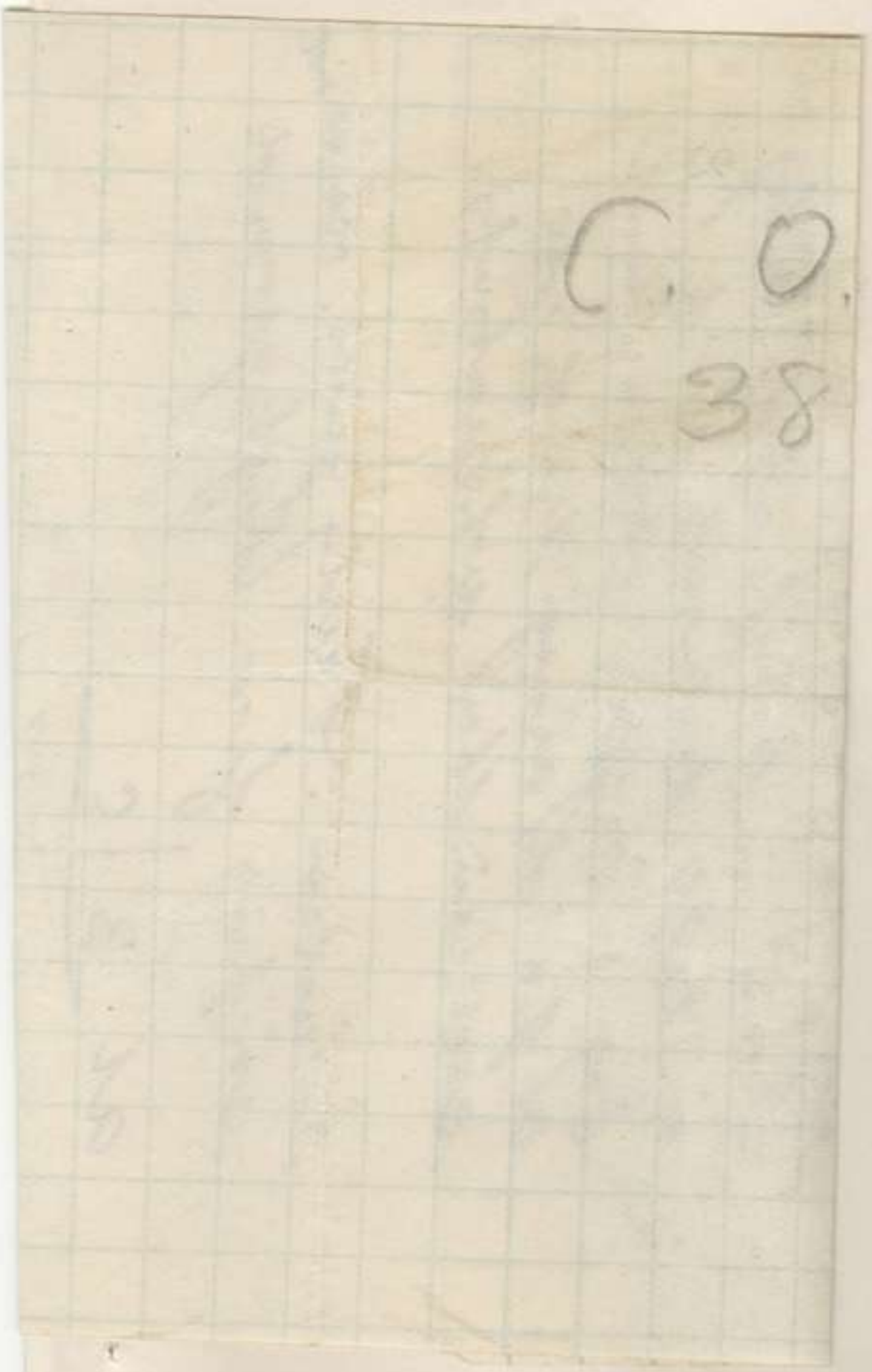
As in position at H5d60.00  
to H6c60.70.  
I am in touch with "B" Coy  
on left but not with "B"  
Coy on right. I have sent  
a patrol along trench to  
ascertain their whereabouts.

Situation. Fairly quiet. occasional  
sniping from high ground  
at  $\frac{B}{H} \mid \frac{C}{I}$ .

D. Aldwin Lewis  
9.15 P.M. 29-8-18  
a/c of A Coy  
Will report on same in line  
with "B" Coy.

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C. O.  
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To.....  
 By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.")  
 From.....  
 By.....

TO { RMO 38<sup>th</sup> Bn

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* AA75 29

Brigade wire states motor  
 post established at VAN X  
 CHURCH and H 9 a 7.9 AAA  
 Let me know at  
 once the present  
 location of your R.A.P.  
 AAA Bn H 8 is now at  
 H 3 d 00.50 (near point  
 where Road crosses railway)  
 AAA Guides are posted  
 at Railway crossing to  
 direct all comers to  
 38<sup>th</sup> Bn

From 38<sup>th</sup> Bn  
 Place H 3 d 00.50  
 Time 10 pm

(Z) R Roberts

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To.....  
 By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.")  
 From.....  
 By.....

TO { RMO

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* AA76 29

Battln Hd Qtrs now at  
 H 3 d 00.50

From DOR  
 Place H 3 d 00.50  
 Time 10/10 pm

(Z) R Roberts

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Service Instructions.

By.....  
Handed in at..... *Ruga* Office *840* m. Received *1030* m.

TO *58th Bn*

\*Sender's Number *DC 84* Day of Month *29* In reply to Number *AAA*

*18th Bn reports 2 Coy's  
N road running N  
and S through H15A  
and C and H21a aaaa  
enemy exploded 3 mines  
in FEUILLERS aaaa  
moving into FEUILLERS aaaa*

FROM *10th A.I.B.*  
TIME & PLACE

\*This line should be erased if not required.

No 60. 38<sup>th</sup> Coy P.T.O

We have taken up a position from A.I.C. 50.80 to H.I.A. 20.50.

We are unable to proceed to our objectives owing to our left flank not conforming to our movements.

If possible I will advance ~~with~~ with the Bn attacking on my left Coy HQ is at H.I.A. 20.10.

will probably change then when I advance.

29/8/18  
10.20pm

W.P. Murray Lt  
No 60. 38<sup>th</sup> Coy





route says that going  
 in direction of OLD QUARRY  
 D looks up with C  
 D C H Q are opposite  
 end of road  
 9 6 d 6 9

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TO { QMV 38<sup>th</sup> (A.T.O.) }

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**  
 \* AA77 29

Bearer will guide ration wagons to present Bn HQ near point where railway crosses road at G3d 1.5 AAA Ration parties will collect rations at Railway crossing as soon as possible but ~~must~~ must wait & see how rations duly delivered to carrying parties. The morning meal is to be at the same railway & road crossing by 6AM where it will be picked up by companies

From B8<sup>th</sup> Bn  
 Place G3B 005  
 Time 10 40 AM  
 The above may be forwarded as now corrected. **(Z)** J.P. Robbins Lt  
 Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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 (3796.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E, 1187.)

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By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....

TO { QSC Corp }

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**  
 \* AA78 29

As soon as possible after you have definitely established yourselves on the final objective as set out in my AA 69 send down to the railway crossing on the main road at G3d 1.5 (near present Bn HQ) 12 men and one NCO per company to carry back rations AAA they will report to R.R.M.S WATT who will be with the ration wagons until your parties arrive AAA when rations will reach that same crossing by 6AM at which time companies should if possible have

From 1 NCO and 12 men there per  
 Place the ration 38<sup>th</sup> Bn  
 Time 11 PM  
 The above may be forwarded as now corrected. **(Z)** J.P. Robbins Lt  
 Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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3 guides per Coy.

at 12.30 AM.

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appears to have a post a couple  
of hundred yards from the  
eastern edge of C L F R Y.

I am sending a message to  
A Company to send you the  
required information

As near as I can judge  
my line is H. 6. 5. 5. 6. to  
H. 12. 4. 5. 8 (?) with Company  
Headquarters at H. 12. 2. 4. 9.

Every day  
H. 12. 3. 8

and for  
of a B Coy

Time 11. 10 PM

To.....		By.....		(Signature of "Franchising Officer.")		By.....	
TO {		C Coy		VERY URGENT			
Sender's Number.		Day of Month.		In reply to Number.		A A A	
* 11714		29					

You are to provide at  
once three guides  
per company to guide  
the 3rd Bn to your  
positions ready for jumping  
off at 2 AM this morning.

These guides are to be  
at the H. B. T. by 12.15 AM  
without fail and are to  
come back with heavy  
AAA. This matter is exceedingly  
important - please select  
good men (if out of possible)

From	38th Bn		
Place	11.25 PM		
Time			

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)

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At ..... M.  
 To .....  
 By ..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

From .....  
 By .....

TO { Co. 38th Bn

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A

\* CJW16 29th

Am in position in trench  
 H56250 to H56000. A.A. message  
 was received at 7.45 pm A.A.  
 was then attacking village  
 CLERY - SUR - SOMME which was  
 cleared of enemy he being driven  
 to high ground on right in  
 B 30 C + D. A.A. Reg CLERY - SUR  
 SOMME and ground held by us has  
 been heavily shelled intermittently  
 since occupation.

*Remember told father was  
 we that left - he had seen  
 of the left - the other was  
 in his hands all the time he was  
 see 12 21*

From Clery  
 Place  
 Time 11.38 pm

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.  
 Censor. (Z) [Signature]  
 Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
 750,000. W 2186 - M33. H. W. & V., Ld. 6/16.

To .....  
 By ..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { R.M.C.A.

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A

\* AA 80 29

R.A.P. now established  
 at approx H 3 d 8.2 AAA  
 will you please inform  
 10th Field Ambulance

From 38th Bn  
 Place H 3d 0.5  
 Time 11.45 pm

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P.O. 38<sup>th</sup> Batt 29-8-18

A Company are now in touch with my left flank a.c.

I cannot give exact pin points at present as I cannot locate them in the dark. Mr Davis is not yet with me having apparently missed his way in the dark. As soon as he comes up I can get more reconnaissance done.

My line from A Company's flank to the river is properly organized and held.

The enemy is firing occasional rifle shots from their front and

NEWS.

CORPS SUMMARY TO 6 p.m. 29-8-18.

South of the SOMME our line has been pushed forward to the line of the SOMME CANAL representing an advance of about 7,000 yards and capturing the villages of FEUILLIERES, HERBECOURT, BIACHES, FLANCOURT, BAREUX, ASSEVILLERS, BELLOY-en-SANTERRE, ETERPIGNY, VILLERS CARBONELL, FRESNES, MAZANCOURT, and MISERY.

Total prisoners captured since 8th AUGUST, by Aust. Corps.

302 Officers, and 12,426 O.Rs.

Estimated Allies Prisoners 150,000.

ENGLISH Division on LEFT under cover of Artillery are attacking MARRIERES WOOD. 34th Battalion with them are making good trench running through C.19.c. & ROAD WOOD.

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AJM/254

29/8/18  
30 1.30 A.M

O.C. "B" Coy

5<sup>th</sup> Brigade have a stunt  
over river this morning 5 A.M.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Division states that enemy  
M.C. pat at approx. H 12 G. 3.8  
is causing them trouble -  
Please send out a patrol in  
the direction of pat and  
endeavour to silence the  
gun - USE RIFLE GRENADES -  
The 5<sup>th</sup> Bde will use the bridge -  
Report action taken &  
result as soon as possible

~~Handley~~  
Handley  
4/5 30/18

AJM/255

29/30-8-18  
2 P.M.

O.C. "B" Coy -

You have NOT REPORTED yet  
whether you are in touch  
with 5<sup>th</sup> Bde on right -  
Get into touch as instructed  
and report to me immediately

Handley

ASM/256

30 - 8 - 18

O.c. 607

Three Battalions of 2nd  
Division are crossing river  
through FEVILLERES and  
advancing East through  
CLERY

Maundley  
Major  
of Co. 38th

Please report (a)  
when 37th passes through you  
(b)  
when 2nd Div Battalions  
pass through you

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ASM/257

30 - 8 - 18

O.c. 607

1. Please ~~send~~ forward full report re present position
2. Are you in touch with D Coy
3. Where are your present C.I.S.
4. Forward reports as soon as any troops advance through you.

Maundley  
Major  
of Co. 38th

MEMORIX

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AJM/258

O.C. B Coy

3-8-18

5.40 AM

Re my AJM/254 of 29/8/18  
Please let me know per hearsay  
URGENTLY what machine guns  
you have in front of you giving  
trouble.

Report what you patrols  
did with enemy M.G. at  
approx. H 12 6 3.8.

The Brigadier requires this.

There is marked delay in getting  
information back to me.

Report @

Whether 37<sup>th</sup> or other battalions  
have passed through you & where

When battalions of 2<sup>nd</sup> Div  
pass E through CLERG

Handley  
of Co. 387<sup>th</sup>

Reply per hearsay urgently

AJM/259

O.C. B Coy

30/8/18

37<sup>th</sup> have occupied RED LINE  
which runs along ST GOND TRENCH  
northwards from river.

In order to make sure that  
enemy does not occupy E end of  
village clear same up straightaway  
past the bridgehead. If he has  
a M.G. there in any place surround  
same quickly and use rifle grenades.  
A column is sniping endeavor to  
break him down.

Re explosion reported at  
H 12 6 2.5 - Division wishes  
us to ascertain as quickly as  
possible whether explosion destroyed  
bridge or not.

Forward report as soon as  
possible about bridge as whether  
it is passable to vehicles or only  
foot traffic

Am sending out  
but rifle grenades

Am sorry for number

Handley  
of Co. 387<sup>th</sup>  
Do you require  
ammunition

ASMI/260

30/8/18

O.C. 'A' Coy

Have received your intelligence report -  
37' have line running along  
ST GOND TRENCH - that is their red  
line - position secure on green line  
Do you require ammunition

*M. M. M. M.*  
4/10 35/18

ASMI/261

30/8/18

O.C. 'D' Coy

Am not sure through what Coy  
Batt of 2<sup>nd</sup> Div will pass -  
I have 20,000 round ammunition  
here as a central dump -  
What quantity do you require  
to complete -  
What grenades do you require to  
complete -  
Send half dozen men for your  
requirements -  
Let your men rest today as  
much as possible -

Re dump of SAA & bombs - On account of  
uncertainty, you will do nothing  
at present

*M. M. M. M.*  
4/10 35/18

To { OC D Coy 38<sup>th</sup> Bn

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A  
 \* AA90 30

Please send to Bn Hdqrs  
 at once two men from  
 your Company who  
 know where the 4 M.Cs  
 captured by your Company  
 at CURLU are located. ~~that~~  
 they are to report to me  
 for instructions. ~~that~~ If  
 possible these guns will  
 be taken to Brigade Hdqrs  
 and from there despatched  
 to War Museum Section  
 A A A This is important.

Please say to which towns  
 in ~~the area~~ they are  
 sent.

From  
 Place  
 Time 11.55 AM.

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To { Leo. 38<sup>th</sup> Bn

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A  
 \* CJV21 30

20<sup>th</sup> Battalion 4. Coy are now  
 pursuing through 4 Coy Gunb A A A  
 This information obtained from a  
 Corp by a ~~person~~ A A A  
 This area again subjected to  
 a fairly heavy strike by  
 artillery at no special target.

From A Coy  
 Place H 506 6750  
 Time 1.20 pm

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*  
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 753,000. W 2186-M309. H. W. & V., Ltd. 6/16.

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L.O. 38<sup>th</sup> Battalion  
Intelligence  
 Enemy machine to steel  
 H5 to + C + H11. a.  
 Nothing else to report  
 30-8-18. *W. Addison*  
*of 12 by*

L.O. 38<sup>th</sup> Battalion  
 Enemy has during the  
 last hour increased the  
 amount of his shelling  
 considerably otherwise  
 nothing to report  
 1 P.M.  
 30-8-18. *W. Addison*  
*of 12 by*

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No 7.

30-8-18

C.O. 38<sup>th</sup> Batt.

Our 18 Pounders have carried out a shot on banks of the river at Bridge east of me and the 40<sup>th</sup> Battalion can now be seen moving slowly forward towards that position.

Nothing further to report.

Manford Lt.

of 86 B Coy 38<sup>th</sup> Batt.

Time 12 Noon.  
Rec 1.25 PM

No 8.

30-8-18

C.O.

38<sup>th</sup> Batt.

Reference your A.J.M. 264 I have not done anything towards mopping up the village eastwards because I have watched the 40<sup>th</sup> work in extended order through the whole of the ground and it would be duplication to follow them.

The machine gun post at H.R. b. 2.8 (approximately) has been dealt with by the 40<sup>th</sup> Battalion who are now in advance of that point. About 30 prisoners have come back from that locality.

Numbers of the enemy can now be seen making their way off communication trenches over ridge to the eastward and they are being shelled by our artillery.

I cannot give any definite information yet as to the explosion at H.R. b. 2.5 as it has not been possible to approach the bridge.

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owing to both an artillery fire and  
 enemy machine gun fire I will  
 patrol the locality at the earliest  
 possible moment.

Mandipet  
 of 06. B. Company

Time 1:15 PM  
 rec 2:00 PM

To: \_\_\_\_\_  
 By: \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { R U O A

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A  
 \* AA94 30

R.A.P. now established  
 at H 5 d 65.30 HAA  
~~time you~~ Please notify  
 10th F.A. new location

From 38th Bn  
 Place  
 Time 1:50 pm

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ATM/262

30/8/18

O.C. C Coy

Report received.

Battalion is not attacking today as far as I know but today is acting as Brigade Reserve - yesterday it was the 5th Batt.

If you require ammunition send small parties here for same

~~Handley~~  
Handley  
at 10 30

ATM-263

30-8-18

O.C. "B" Coy

Referring to your memo No 5 - Same is not quite clear - Reply immediately, letting me know

1. Whether CLERY is in our hands or not.
2. What portion is in enemy hands - giving map coordinates
3. Where is enemy post East of CLERY which you are engaging
4. What is meant by para in your memo which reads:
  - "Some of our troops are making an attempt to rush through the village towards us, but are held up by machine gun fire from high ground to East of CLERY"

Who is meant by our troops?  
Who is meant by us.

5. If any enemy are in CLERY can you clear out same
6. Report required re bridge and explosion at H 126.2.5.
7. Please make meaning of message clear

Handley  
Coy

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A.M. 264

30. 8. 18

O.C. "B" Coy

Noted that B Coy 40<sup>th</sup> have  
passed through you -

Please clear CLERY up  
from your <sup>house</sup> posts East to edge of  
village -

Have you yet dealt with  
enemy post at approx H 12 6 3.8  
I have had no definite negative  
or affirmative information yet  
about it - act promptly -

Neither have I had definite  
information (negative or affirmative)  
re explosion at H 12 6 5.5 and re  
bridge over River near by

Please urge on ds Division  
are constantly worrying Brigade  
about it

Your memo dated 10 35<sup>th</sup>  
reached me at 12.30 P.M. - two  
hours -

Am hoping to push on the  
further forward as soon as positions  
occupied by other units of 10 Bde  
(who are advancing) vacate same  
There is only one phone line I will have to  
keep along same - ~~Manley~~ <sup>manley</sup>

A.J.M. - 265

30-8-18

O.C. "B" Coy

B Coy, 40<sup>th</sup> Batt rushed enemy post in building South of Village on H 12. a captured M.G. + 32 prisoners AAA. Many enemy fled eastwards estimated by number at 100 AAA. Later also reported that B Coy, 40<sup>th</sup> Batt rushed another post in East end of Village AAA 3 M.G. + 20 prisoners captured AAA. Enemy guns were turned on fleeing enemy & many were killed AAA-

I feel sorry that 38<sup>th</sup> did not get the pots but better luck next time. Perhaps these pots crept into position during night.

Are you certain that your night post & Coy H.Q. were at H 12. a. 7. 8

I have sent report re Bridge to Brigade.

*[Signature]*  
a/c. 88

Regular reports.

Landford.

M.G. at River

Peters re no reports

Slaney is at H. 5 C. 6. 2.

at 4.20 Am 37<sup>5</sup> had centre

in red line

Information of own troops.

10<sup>4</sup> M.G. bases through about 3.30

Tommy artillery working for position

4.30/5 - 3<sup>0</sup> Div 18 lbs Battery

bases here

5.55 - Light Horse 1 troop

6.30 - plenty of prisoners but trench not

6.45 on quiet line, in part maintained

MY BELONGINGS  
ON LIMBERS

Food for room

b. O. 38<sup>th</sup> Bn.

I am in touch with "B"  
on my right and with  
"D" on my left, both in position.  
My company H.Q. is at  
H 5 b 49.

Older  
of the Bn.

12:20 AM.  
30-8-18.

Right flank H 6 c 67  
Left flank H 5 b 50.

TO

O.C. D Coy IMPORTANT

Sender's Number.

\*AA 81

Day of Month.

30<sup>th</sup>

In reply to Number.

AAA

Instructions have already been sent you re the following but this is also being sent to you to guard against possibilities. PATROLS are to be sent out to cover your front & keep in touch with enemy - if possible until 37<sup>th</sup> takes over patrolling. 3 guides from your Coy are to report at HQ by 12:15 AM (time stated in my memo) to act as guides for the 37<sup>th</sup> Bn to go to your position. AAA 37<sup>th</sup> is going thro' this Bn tonight & will attack at 2 AM without artillery. We remain in Reserve & will not move without

From

Orders AAA PASSWORD - PINEAPPLE

Place

38<sup>th</sup> Bn

Time

12:30 AM

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z)

Censor.

Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

\* This line should be erased if not required.

(3796.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (S. 1187.)



By \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By \_\_\_\_\_  
 TO { B.O. 38th Btn

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **A A A**  
 \* 09W 17 29 30 A. 9M 251

Lt Posts at H 5 D. 60. 00.  
 H 5 B 50 20  
 H 5 B 35 20  
 H 5 B 20 50

Coy H. 2. H. 5 D. 67 50

Your message received 12.45 AM.  
 Not in touch with C. Coy. AAA.  
 Have patrol going out to obtain  
 touch AAA. Am in touch with  
 A Coy on Right.

rec'd 2.35 PM

From A Coy  
 Place H 5 D 0750  
 Time 1 am

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By \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By \_\_\_\_\_

TO { D Coy 38th

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **A A A**  
 \* 09B 30

Your C. J. W. 17<sup>just</sup> received AAA.  
 Make every endeavour to  
 locate C Coy AAA. You  
 must keep in touch  
 with Company on your  
 left AAA. Forward report by  
 runner on receipt of this.

From 38th Bn  
 Place H 5 D 0050  
 Time 2 35

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APPENDIX

1897

30-8-18

C.O. 38<sup>th</sup> Battalion

I have not been able to get into touch with the 5<sup>th</sup> Brigade.

It is too dark for scouts to ascertain anything.

I have not seen anything of the 37<sup>th</sup> B<sup>n</sup> yet

Time 3 AM  
Mandipua St  
apt C B by

C.O. 38<sup>th</sup> Battalion  
Intelligence Report

M.G. Light firing throughout  
Artillery & machine gun fire by  
fairly light guns.

FLARES. Fired occasionally  
throughout the night

4.5 AM but well back  
30-8-18 W.D. Dyer

to 38th Bn  
C.J.W. 18 30<sup>th</sup>

Have now established communication  
with C Coy on left. H.A.A. C Coy  
is in touch with 38th Bn on his left  
H.A.A. Am instructing occoys  
to forward you reports.

D Coy  
Beam

D. D. Holland capt

rec'd 5.20 AM 30/8/18  
M.A.

30-8-18.

C.O. 38th Battalion

An explosion has just occurred at 4.42. P. 2.5 and apparently the bridge there has been blown up by the enemy.

I have not heard from the Boole as to his action against machine gun but there has been no fire from our line front for nearly half an hour. Machine gun and firing have front about K.I.C.

I have not yet located any of the 5th Buzoko across the river.

See attached  
Time 5.35 A.M. Handwritten signature  
repeated 6.10 AM 30/8/18