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APPENDIX

4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters,
3/4/18.

- O.C. "A" Coy.
- O.C. "B" Coy.
- O.C. "C" Coy.
- O.C. "D" Coy.

BATHS

The Baths at HOPOUTRE will be available to Companies as under on the 4th. inst.

- "A" Company 8.30 a.m. to 9.10 a.m.
- "B" Company 9.10 a.m. to 9.50 a.m.
- "C" Company. 9.50 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.
- "D" Company 10.30 a.m. to 11.20. a.m.
- Headquarters 11.20. a.m. to 12 noon.

Companies not engaged at the baths will carry on with the same procedure as for today.

A. WhiteLieut.
Adjutant 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

Form.

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Service Instructions.			By.....		
Handed in at.....			Office.....m.		Received.....m.
TO <u>3rd and 4th A.I. Bns.</u>					
*Sender's Number. <u>GT. 1</u>		Day of month. <u>6/4</u>	In reply to Number. <u>-</u>		AAA
<u>The</u>	<u>G.O.C.</u>	<u>would</u>	<u>like</u>		
<u>the</u>	<u>following</u>	<u>training</u>	<u>carried</u>		
<u>out</u>	<u>tomorrow</u>	<u>please</u>	<u>see</u>		
<u>Morning</u>	<u>: 3 to 4</u>	<u>miles Route</u>	<u>Drill Order</u>		
	<u>March</u>	<u>. Drill Order</u>	<u>see</u>		
<u>Afternoon</u>	<u>: 3 hours</u>	<u>Rapid-</u>	<u>Leading</u>		
	<u>work.</u>	<u>work.</u>			

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	To.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....
	By.....			
TO { <i>Kaj!</i> <i>H. H. G. J.</i>				
* Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA	
<i>JD 2.</i>	<i>6/4/18.</i>			
<i>Is "Hughes" still on?</i>				
<i>Reveries in Melkman is on</i>				
<i>line + my front is as</i>				
<i>clear as in day light AAA.</i>				
<i>From observation of Smoke</i>				
<i>I think wind is not</i>				
<i>suitable. AAA. Keep me advised</i>				
<i>by wire. AAA.</i>				
<i>[Signature]</i>				
From	<i>100/c</i>			<i>[Signature]</i>
Place				
Time				
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"C" Form. Army Form G. 2123.
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SECRET					
Handed in at.....		Office.....		Received.....m.	
TO	1-234 A.I.B.N.S				
*Sender's Number. GT4		Day of Month. 7/8		In reply to Number. AAA	
<p style="text-align: center;">Hereinwith SITUATION MAP</p> <p>The FOURTH DIV hold the NORTHERN Sector and the THIRD DIV the SOUTHERN</p> <p>The DIV. boundaries pencilled in have only been received unofficially.</p> <p>More detailed information will be forwarded as soon as available are</p> <p>FOURTH DIV. H.Q. are at BEAUCOURT THIRD DIV. H.Q. are at ST. GRATIEN FIFTH DIV is in another CORPS</p> <p style="text-align: right;">J. J. Hanning to Bde. Major</p>					
FROM	1 st A.I.B.N.S				
TIME & PLACE	1730				

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 At m. Service.
 To From 4198
 By (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By

This message is on a/c of:
4th BATTALION
A.I.

TO 3.4 Bn.

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 * 7042 8/4/18

Regade will probably
 move tomorrow

From P. A. T. Bob.
 Place
 Time

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 To From 4190
 By (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By

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TO 1.2 3.4 Bn P. A. T. M. B

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 * 7038 8/4/18

Warn troops that owing
 to exigencies of service
 the V.D. hospital for
 women in AMIENS have been
 closed and the remainder
 released

All Coys to note & return
 P. A. T. Bob

From P. A. T. Bob
 Place
 Time

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- O. C. "A" Company.
- O. C. "B" Company.
- O. C. "C" Company.
- O. C. "D" Company.

Battalion Headquarters,
9th. April, 1918.

The following message received from Brigade.

"Detail 12 men for duty with 1st. A.M.G. Coy. as carriers, volunteers if possible and men that have had M.G. experience. Men detailed to report to Brigade Headquarters RAINNEVILLE, at 12 noon today, with complete kit and 24 hours rations".

Please submit the names of 3 men by 1000 and instruct men whose names have been submitted to report to Bn. Orderly Room by 11.45 a.m. today.

White
..... Lieut.
Adjutant 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters.
9th April, 1918.

- O.C. "A" Co.
- O.C. "B" Co.
- O.C. "C" Co.
- O.C. "D" Co.
- R.S.M.

The following Route march will be carried out in fighting order on the 10th inst;-

Commencing Point -Cross Roads at B.12.A. to Cross Roads at B.26.A., and return to billets.

March will commence at 0930.

In the afternoon Companies will parade from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m., giving Musketry ~~Pr-cti~~ Instruction of which half an hour will be utilised for rapid loading and aiming. Fire direction and control by Platoons and Sections will also be practised.

E. K. White
.....Lieut & Adjt.

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1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

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4205

Brigade Headquarters,
9th April, 1918.



- 1st Aust. Battalion,
- 2nd Aust. Battalion,
- 3rd Aust. Battalion,
- ✓ 4th Aust. Battalion,
- 1st Aust. L.T.M.Bty.

In the recent attack on the 4th Australian Division the enemy used our steel helmets. This not only made it difficult to distinguish friend from foe but the enemy also used the helmets to make signals for retirement.

All troops should be warned accordingly.

[Handwritten signature]
Major,

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Brigade.

O/S A - H.W.
 " B - H.W.
 " C - G.P.B.
 " D -
 Sig ofr - S.H.
 Intell. off - asa
 Ass/Adm -
 R.S.M. -

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	To				From
	By				By

TO: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Aust Divs
1st Aust Bty 4th Aust Div

Sender's Number: AZA 61
Day of Month: 9/4
In reply to Number: A A A

Forecast of probable movement of
3rd Battalion to BAIZIEUX and
2nd Battalion to FRICKENCOURT

Forecast of probable movement to find
3rd Aust Bty to BAIZIEUX and
2nd Aust Bty to FRICKENCOURT.

From: [Signature]
Place: [Signature]
Time:

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Secret

Copy No 3

4th Aust Ln Order No 3

Pm Hdqts
10/4/18

Reference Map
Sheet 62nd NW

Information

The enemy has captured the village of MILLERS BUCAGE. Both hold line B1A.09 - B.13. central.

Intention The 4th Ln will withdraw by stages & reassemble in wood in square B.1.B.

Instructions (a) At 12.30 PM. C + D Coy. will retire & take up a position on the high ground in squares 11.5 + 18. C coy to square 11.5 + D coy to square 18.

(b) On receiving word "Kippo". A + B coys will withdraw ~~by stages~~ through C + D coy

(2)

through MOTTIENS-DE-BOIS reform in wood in square B.1.B.

(c) On receipt of word wood C + D coys will fall back through ~~the~~ to wood in square B.1.B. reform.

Reports To Pm Hdqts in wood square B.1.B.

OK Whitebridge
4th Pm

Found at 11.45 AM.

Distribution

Copy No 1	by runner	to Coy
" 2	"	B "
" 3	"	C "
" 4	"	D "
" 5	"	map
" 6	"	maps
" 7	"	1 st Am Gp
" 8-9	"	stave

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D Coy
10.4.18

To 13, 14, 15, + 16 Platoons

The enemy having captured ~~Villers~~
VILLERS-BOCAGE the Battalion will
withdraw to Wood in B1B

At 12.30 pm D Coy will withdraw
in Artillery formation protected by
A + B Coys + take up a position
on high ground from B18 A 08 to
road at B18 B 13 13 14 + 15
Platoons in line from right to left
+ 16 Platoon at Coy HQ in trenches
at 18 A 59

This Coy will cover the retirement of
A + B Coys LxMG's being placed
to cover roads

On receipt of further orders Platoons
will retire in order 13 14 15 16
through 2nd Bⁿ to Wood
acknowledge
+ March 10.4.18

call Platoons of Coy

T.17 2. 10.4.18. P.A.D.

KIPP

[Signature]
of A Coy

R4 Runner

12.50

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All Platoons of Coy.
 JA 1 10.4.18 - 1717.
 enemy has captured village
 VILLERS BOCCAGE BOIS
 The Battalion will withdraw
 on receipt of word ~~to~~ to
 wood in B.I.B. to conform to general
 at 12.30 D.T.C. Coys will with-
 draw to high ground in Sg. 11418
 On receipt of word KIPPO #4 B
 Coys will withdraw through
 D.T.C. to wood in Sg. B.I.B.
 A. Coy. will withdraw via same
 road - #23 - #18 Coys through
 Molien's-au-Bois to wood in
 Sg. B.I.B.
 Order of withdrawal + platoons
 at 100 yds in order 1, 2, 3, 4
 ACKNOWLEDGE
 P. R. R. H. Woodhouse Capt
 1. 2. 3. 4
 11.30 O.C.A.

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					To	From	
					By	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By
TO		O.C.			Fury Lane Bury		
Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number		AAA			
*	10						
1) Bgde. on our right had been driven back 2) You will withdraw along main road through village RAINNEVILLE to wood in rear of MOLINES passing through E & D Coys who have taken up a defensive position half way between villages RAINNEVILLE - MOLINES - Cpl H. G. with reserve platoon ACKNOWLEDGE							
From							
Place							
Time	1130						
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ALL PLATOONS,

The company will retire at 12.30 to high ground in squares A. 11 & 5.

The order of retirement will be No 9, 10, 11 and 12.

No 9 platoon will occupy high ground about 1500' from X roads at A. 12. A. B. 6 & will protect right flank.

No 10 & 11 platoons will occupy ground from left of No 9 to road.

No 12 platoon will be in reserve behind ridge.

Coy. H. 9 will be at A. 6. A. 7. 9. 2.

Platoon will retire by double actions ~~at~~ in extended order.

No 9 Platoon will commence to move at 12.30.

W. J. Day Capt
o.c.c. Coy.

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TO	HQ				
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA	
1009	20th				
Des shells on my					
right in the					
village and the					
Received 3 mg men					
from the post camp					
and everything quiet					
on my front at present					
FROM	VC 10 Coy				
TIME & PLACE	1240				
*This line should be erased if not required.					
800,000.—John Rissen, Ltd —5/17.—3922. Forms C2122.					

10/4/18

O.C. 1st D Coy
 Have occupied Co
 Coy old bunkers.
 15 in on night.
 1st Platoon gone forward
 to reinforce 1st Coy
 Send me sketches
 of bunkers if possible

R. Gassner
 20/4/18

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

TO { 1st 2nd 4th Battns 1st LTMB
 2nd Coy Dv Train

Sender's Number. * AWH 2	Day of Month. 10	In reply to Number.	AAA
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The Brigade will entrain tomorrow
 and 3rd Battalion will return from
 BAIZIEUX tonight and be distributed
 as follows: HQ + 1 Coy at CHATEAU
 MONTIGNY and 2 Coys FRECHENCOURT
 and 1 Coy BEAUCOURT and O.C's
 2nd + 4th Battns will close up their
 commands and arrange accommodation
 for 3rd Batta in conjunction with
 TOWN MAJORS concerned and Brigade
 representative will call at 2nd +
 4th Battns to ascertain arrangements
 and Acknowledge

From	1 st Bde
Place	
Time	
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<i>Special</i>					Sent	Date.....
SECRET.					At.....	From.....
<i>MM</i>					To.....	By.....
					By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Aust. Battalion,
1st Aust. L.T.M.Bty..

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* AZA 838	10/4	-----	AAA

Reference tomorrows move aaa Lorries have been arranged for conveyance of blankets, packs and steel hats which will be made up as carried on the man aaa Units will dump this gear by Companies at the following places aaa 1st Battalion Cross Roads Sq. A.12.A. West of MOILLENS au BOIS at 11 a.m. aaa 4th Battalion and 1 Coy. 3rd Battalion Church BEAUCOURT at 11 a.m. aaa 2nd Battalion, 2 Coys. 3rd Battalion and 1st L.T.M.Bty., at Cross Roads B.30.B. at 12 noon aaa Brigade Headquarters, H.Qrs. and 1 Coy. 3rd Battalion Cross Roads Sq. B.11.D. at 12 noon aaa Following guard and loading party will accompany kits 1 Officer per Battalion 1 N.C.O. and 6 O.R. per Company aaa Loading Parties will post sentries to pick up lorry trains on arrival aaa Reference Map 62D aaa Battalions will probably march directly after lunch aaa

Acknowledge

From 1st Aust. Inf. Bde.
Place
Time 10.45 p.m.

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Andrews* Major,
Bde. Major, 1st Aust. Bde.

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Br H. 8
11/4/18

All Coys
of 13 Bn Coy
D.M. & T.O.

Reference to days
more - forms have been analysed
for conveyance of blankets, packs
& steel hats, which will be
made up as carried on the march.
Gear will be dumped by
Coys at Church BEAUCOURT at
1045.

Following guard & loading party
will accompany kits:-
1 N.C.O. & 6 O.R. per Coy.

Battalion will probably
march directly after lunch.

Lt Col
H. 8
11/4/18

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

TO 1st 2nd 3rd 4th Battalions

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* Aya 76	11		

Battalions will move to AMIENS
today and be up in billets
until due to move to entraining
point area. Each Battalion will
send 1 Billeting Officer at once
to Brigade HQ when a car
will convey party to AMIENS and
Billeting Officers will meet units as
they arrive in vicinity of CITADEL
and units will time their march
so that the outskirts of AMIENS will
be reached at the following times and
3rd Batta 5pm 4th Batta 5:30pm 1st
Batta 6pm 2nd Batta 6:30pm and
2nd Army march distances will be observed and
Battalions may make own arrangements
for drawing blankets & packs from ST ROUW
if wanted and acknowledge

From
Place
Time 1:15 PM 15th A & Bde

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12-4-18.

The Adjutant
4th Bn

A composite
Bn - 92nd Bde composite
Bn - occupy a line
at edge of wood at
W. 30 W/ 9.8 & 101
Cameronian 19th Bde on
their left.

I have seen
the B.O 92nd Bde composite
Bn and he would like
a trench that has
already been partly dug
by engineers to be
occupied by the Coy.
This trench runs from
W. 30 M. 3. 2 to W. 30. B. 5. 2.
Can this trench be
occupied please?
D. P. 1 Coy Capt
D.C. R. Ray

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

TO { Adj/4 Bn

Sender's Number * J. 17 2	Day of Month 12. 4. 18	In reply to Number —	AAA
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Dispositions of Coy.

No 1 Platoon	W 24 D 8.8
" 2 "	W 24 B 8.0
" 3 "	W 24 B 8.5.50
" 4 "	W 24 D 1.6 (Support)
Coy H.Q.	W 24 D 0.6.

Have located meat & potatoes ^{at farm}
farm & am getting a meal cooked
Am in touch with M.D Coy on right.
The road junction X 19c is signposted
by middle sex troops. 999
Cameronian M.GUNNERS out on right
front.
Have not as yet located anyone
on left.

From 02. 20

Place W. 30. B. 5. 2

Time 11.00

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Date

At m. Service.

From

To

By

(Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO

H B

Sender's Number.

Day of Month.

In reply to Number.

AAA

* *OCD 1001*

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<i>All</i>	<i>quiet</i>	<i>AAA</i>	<i>Am</i>
<i>digging</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>position</i>
<i>laid</i>	<i>down</i>	<i>AAA</i>	
<i>Am</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>touch</i>	<i>with</i>
<i>English</i>	<i>supporting</i>	<i>troops</i>	<i>+</i>
<i>arm</i>	<i>getting</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>touch</i>
<i>with</i>	<i>flank</i>	<i>AAA</i>	
<i>Tools</i>	<i>would</i>	<i>be</i>	<i>useful AAA</i>

D Coy

From

Place

Time

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*To 4th Bn
1715*

*A Coy. in touch with
Angels on left. distance
400 yds. - line cross fire
in to their front*

04:10 *Prepodhane Capt.
A Coy*

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13-4-18.

The Adjutant

H. L. Bn.

Situation: Normal, men are resting during day time double sentries for each platoon being posted.

Dispositions: As per previous reports. A sketch will be sent in as soon as map is returned.

Suggestions: all rations should be sent up cooked. one tin can for making tea should be sent for each platoon.

D. H. Day Capt

O.C. C. Coy

An officers patrol has been in touch with 3rd Bn.

D. H. Day Capt

6.7.18

O.C. C. Coy

13/4/18

The Adj. 4th Bn.

My two right platoons have been advanced as instructed & are now engaged digging themselves in, in line with "A" & "C" Coy. The position approximately is:-

Sketch by W 19 C 5.8

Passing

10.30 pm.

for O.C. "D" Coy

13/4/18

Dear Wife,

Herewith particulars, -
am sorry I am late but
we had to vacate Coy HQ
owing to intense shelling, -
but it safer in a trench.

Yours
D. Barrett

13-4-18,

The adjutant,
4th Bn.

Situation: Normal
Enemy shelling has subsided
much lately.

works: all
relations are improving
this over trenches.

80 sawn pickets & 900⁺
wire arrived from
STRAZEELE Station
Engineers are at present
laying this in front
of our posts.

11 p.m. D. H. G. Capt
D. C. G. Coy

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

TO

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

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14 21
15 9
16 14
P.H.O. 14
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Mr. Adj.
H. B. G. F.

From

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

TO { Adj/ Lt Col.

Sender's Number Day of Month In reply to Number AAA
 * JA 6 13 -

50 yds double arrow wiring completed. AAA
 benches widened & deepened.
 Cameronian's are now occupying the posts on our left in touch with them & also with Coy on the right.
 ct.
 (Woods)

From 10
 Place
 Time

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 4th Bn
 All SAA & Bombs in my old position were handed over to 1st Bn & receipt obtained. Other stores were brought with Coy.
 I haven't a sheet 27" 40000 map can you please give me to have.
 A Coy
 O. Wood
 Lt. Wood

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

TO { J A. B. C. D.

Sender's Number * 4209 Day of Month 13 In reply to Number AAA AAA

Personnel to be left
out of the line
as per lists furnished.
will report to Major
EA Lloyd at Horse
Lines PRADDLES at
daybreak. AAA the following
officer will report Captain
Moody & Lt. L. H. Holt
& all day.

From LAMP
Place
Time

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The adj. H. Bn.

13-4-17.

NEW ZEALAND RIFLES & CAMERONS
The former on left of road on our left
& latter on right of that road advised
The front line still unbroken
59% Details withdrawn by arrangement
to road near road on our right
These detailed have since
RETURNED to former position
on Hill in front of MERRIS' ORDERS

The New Zealanders are
organising counter attack.

(We are all feeling
"dreadfully bucked")

Our position has been
slightly shelled with
high bangs during the
last hour.

I have sent party of 16 men
to R.T. dump in STRAZELLE
for wire & pickets & we will
get as much of this as possible
by tonight. Monday Capt
8 p.m. S.I. of Coy

APPENDIX

1241

Prefix Code m. Words Charge
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 At m. Service From
 To By
 (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO {
 A-18

Sender's Number Day of Month In reply to Number AAA
 * 795 13-4-18 To: Memor.

continuing on work started
 by tunnellers this morning.
 Now have continuous trench
 350-400 yds long with double
 apron wire in front for 300 yds.
 Have 13 bays wanted - 12 by my
 own men & one ^{also 12 ft long in reserve in addition} by stragglers. AAA
 Have 8000 pounds SAA in boxes
 distributed along trench AAA
 could do with a reserve of SAA &
 bombs at Coy H.Q. AAA
 could do with some sand bags. (17/11)

Wood

From 19:55
 Place
 Time

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27
 4th Br 13-4-18
 2000
 B coy have
 moved out of
 village & are
 digging in behind
 C coy 4th Br
 W L took left
 0 5
 B

APPENDIX 16 242

H 644th Bn.
13th.

7.55 p.m.

To Coy. Woodmaning.

A Bn of French
In conjunction with

troops are coming in on
your left to right.

You will push your
own sections into reach
of the right of the town forward
Sergeants please get

the tanks up in position
4th Hampshire Co. in between
e show from your left
we have it with them. This
is your Coy.

is urgent inform us when
they are in position.

C. D. Rose Lt. Col.

4th Bn.
13th.

7.55 p.m.

O.C. D Coy.

In conjunction with
Officers commanding A & C Coys

You will push your
two right platoons forward
to take up a position
between ~~the~~ A & C Coys

approximately
in line with them. This
is urgent inform us when
they are in position.

C. D. Rose Lt. Col.

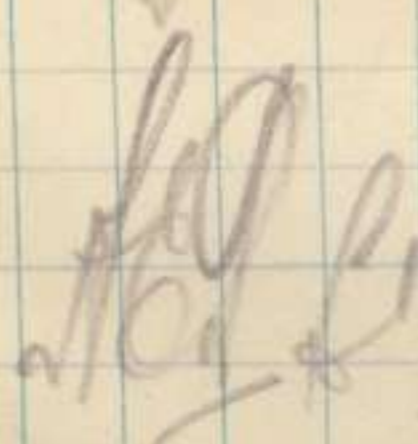
APPENDIX

4th Bn.
13th

17.55 pm.

O.C. D Coy.

In conjunction with
Officers Commanding A & C Coys
you will push your
two right platoons forward
to take up a position
between ~~them~~ ^{A & C Coys} approximately
in line ~~to~~ with them. This
is urgent inform us when
they are in position.

 C. D. Rose 16 Bn.
20/15

13-4-18.

The Adjutant,
4th Bn,

Trench near
Coy H.Q. being shelled slightly
casualties - Lieut. Taplin
gave wound.

Am sending
patrol of 1 N.C.O. & 6 O.R.
along road to X road at
X. 25. H. 7. 6.

Am going
forward to see an officer
of the forward party.

Friday Capt
O.C. Coy.

A 7th
T.A.H. 13 4 18 P.H.P.

Sheet HAZELTROUGH 8th
Colonel of Cameronians reports
that Huns have got through
junction of Queens front.

APPROX 4 H 35-80 AM
Some Huns Queens? have fallen
back & are digging in on my direct
front 8-900^x

A wounded man of Coy Cameronians
reports that his Coy has fallen back & that
material is still apparently held
by our troops.

Have sent a patrol up to locate
the Huns that are digging in on
my front.

Woodhouse Capt.

P.H.P.
18 15

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TO O.C. 4th A.I.F.

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

Am informed by Cameronians
 their left flank is turned
 & enemy advancing from
 OULSTERSTEENE in
 numbers & they are forced
 to retire on road E of
 STRAZEELE I have arranged
 with your P Coy to extend
 left as far as possible and
 can you send another
 Coy to reinforce & extend
 line to lateral line N.E. woods

FROM Command 92 Composite Bn.
 PLACE & TIME

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TO O.C. 4TH Bn A.I.F.
Report to Bn B.G. & 3rd Bn

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

To conform to movement of
 GUARDS BDE who are withdrawing
 The E LANCASHIRE R are
 withdrawing their right flank
 to E12 B42 to E17 central
 This does not affect my
 position or that of Batta on
 my right which remains as
 before - Will you please
 communicate this information
 to 3rd Bn A.I.F. - I am
 moving 200 of my men to
 support 11 E. LANC'S but consider
 my position is sufficiently
 safe with your support in
 rear

FROM Command 92 Composite Bn.
 PLACE & TIME

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16 246

13-4-18.

H^o Coy, Following received from
S.C. 9th Bde composite Troop
Bosche are advancing in small
numbers from the direction
of O~~U~~TERSTEEN NORTH. They
are at a point roughly due
west of the E in BECQUE
and 50 yards W of road
joining O~~U~~TERSTEEN &
E of MOOFENFELDE.

Situation on Coy
front - Resulting shelling,
and little machine gun
fire.

Casualties -
1 killed P.W. 14 wounded f.
wounded " 17 f.

Friday Capt
S.C. Coy
3-55 p.m.

To The Adjutant
14th B²

Herewith message received
from Lieut Bollerath at 1420.
About 300 British troops have
passed through on our right
to the rear but they say
that they were relieved AAA
Situation normal - Shelling
died down AAA.

Am digging further strong
point 200' NE of Coy HQ. AAA
British troops (East Surreys)
sent word that they were
being relieved on our right AAA
They have departed posts are
now vacant AAA
Enemy m.g fire coming
from S.W. AAA Also rifle fire
R Matthews Coy

1420

C. Long.

C.O. of East Surrey's
has just sent message
to say he is moving
back to 2nd line at
Pradelle, where he
is to be relieved.

D. W. P. 2nd Lt

13.4.18.

27

13-4-18

The Adjutant,
4th Bn,

The line we hold
has been shelled intermittently
with H.E. & shrapnel since
10-15 a.m.

Casualties 1.

Plt. Connelly, J. a slight
shell wound in hand.

Enemy is firing
machine gun along our front
from MERRIS. Sniping is
also taking place from here.
It is thought his snipers &
machine guns are in high
buildings in MERRIS.

Shelling on our
position slightly increased
today.

D. W. P. 2nd Lt
O.C.C. Coy.

1.12 p.m.

APPENDIX

16
248

18 7 18

To The Adjutant

There a mixed lot of British troops holding a line in front of us

C Coy are on our right A Coy on our left

There are the remnants of a Welsh Brigade in our rear between us & STRAZELLE

R. Matthews Capt
O.C.D Coy

27

13-4-17.

4th Bn,

Situation NORMAL. A deal of enemy shelling taking place on left front. This has decreased much lately.

Can arrangements please be made -

1. To send water cart up to right for purpose of getting water bottles.

2. To send two companies cooks to company cooking can be done in Warhouse just in rear of line.

P. J. J. Day Capt
O.C. C Coy

B. H. 5 2. 17.

APPENDIX

249

Disposition Report

Coy. H.Q. In Juton building at 30.B.5.H.
 No 9 Platoon In trench 25.C.2.9.
 No 10 " " " 25.A.1.4.
 No 11 " " " 30.A.5.2.
 No 12 " " " 30.B.4.3.

The front line trenches are held by 9th Bde. Com. Bns

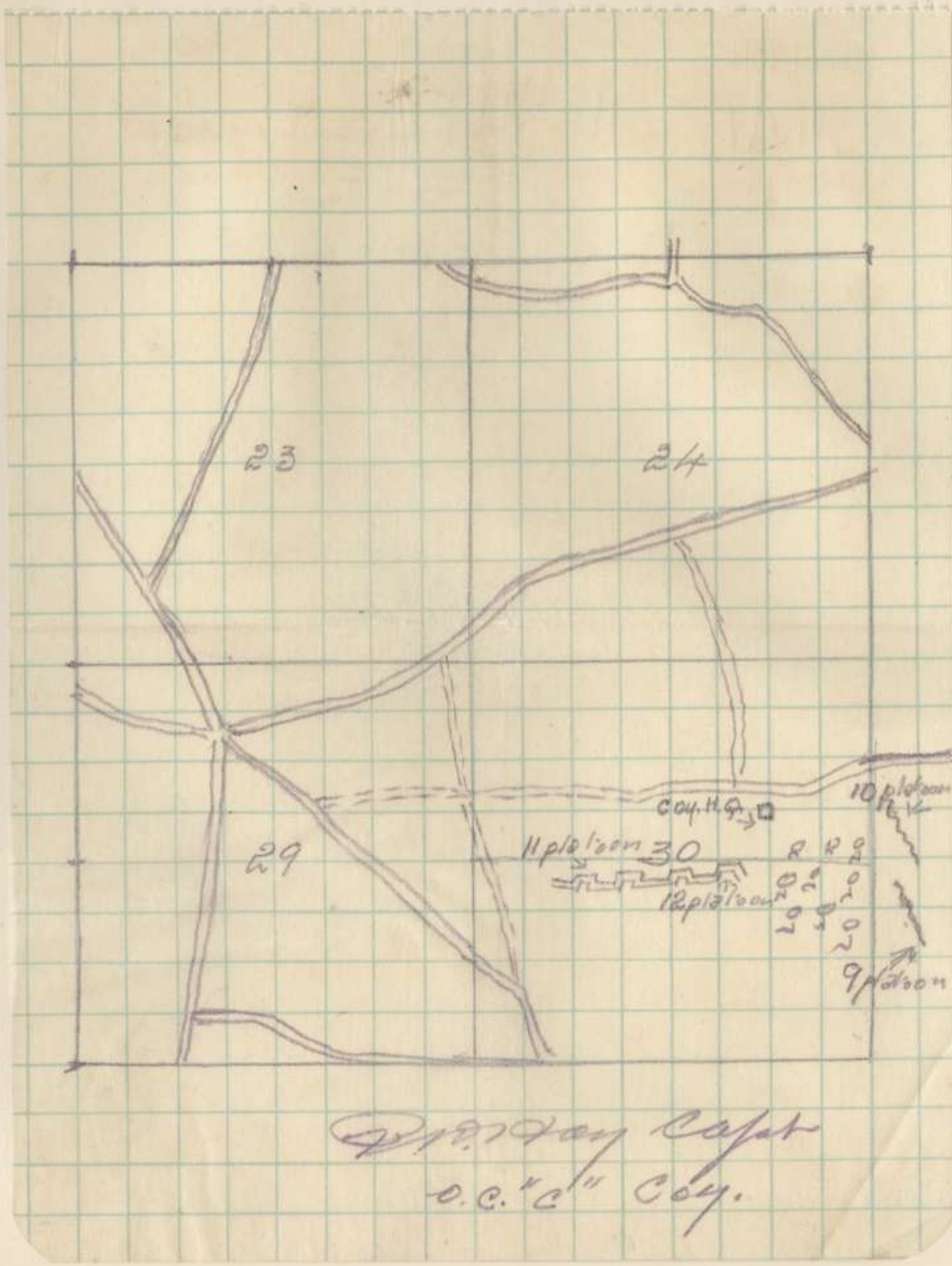
Flanks. Left. 1st Cameronian Bn.
" " D Coy. 4th Bn.

Right English Troop's details (about 20 N. Fusiliers & about 50 Trench mortar)

Right 3rd Bn.

In case no 9 & 10 platoon have to withdraw they will fall back to continuation of trench between 11 & 12 platoons.

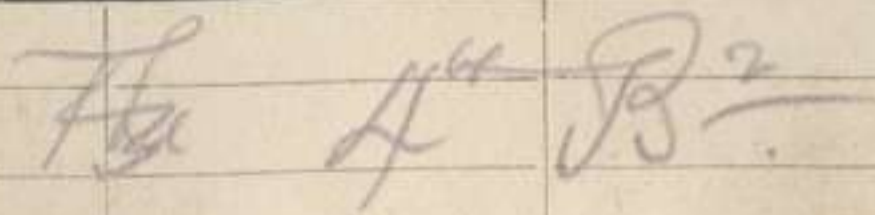
Private Capt
D.C.C. Coy



To the adjutant.

Situation - quiet - weather
 slightly foggy
 Posts being unbreached
 Troops in front on flanks
 located by patrol

8 15 am D Coy

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					At	m.	Service.
					To		
					By	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	
TO							
Sender's Number.		Day of Month.		In reply to Number.		AAA	
* Situation - quiet - AAA					No		
sign of enemy.							
					D Coy		
8 5 am							
From							
Place							
Time							
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APPENDIX

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251

13-4-18,

The adj.

4th Bn,

Have arrived
at position.

English troops,
1st Bn. Cameron are
digging in about 1/2
250 c 58. One
company is here.

will commence
digging in position given
to me.

2107 Coy Capt
-o.c. c/ Coy,

27

Rm Hqts
13/4/18.

A Coy

B "

C "

D "

(1) Ensure without delay
that each coy has a
range card prepared & that
every man is thoroughly
familiar with same.

(2) Rations - A hot meal will
be brought forward at
8 P.M. today & delivered to
companies. Unless otherwise
notified the same conditions
will prevail daily.

Ekwhitkooy

APPENDIX

16

252

CAMP

B coy. started to dig
in the rear of E coy
sector. A sector of
trench of approx 100x
lying between 3rd Bn
& C Coy 4th Bn was found
to be empty. This
was occupied by 3
 platoons of B coy.

This trench was occupied
by about 60 G.P. of a
composite coy this
afternoon and these
men apparently cleared
off at dusk.

All rts. are well
dig in. ~~campfire~~
External latrines are
maintained.

- Quiet on the front from
2200

W. J. Cooke Capt.

6 Coy

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Prefix.....	Code.....	Words.....	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
		£ s. d.	From <i>1st Bde</i>	At.....m.	<i>EFU</i>
Charges to Collect			By <i>Smith</i>	To.....	<i>13/4/18</i>
Service Instructions.			<i>147</i>	By.....	
Handed in at.....			Office.....	m. Received.....	m.
<i>H. Ballin</i>					
TO					
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month. -	In reply to Number.		AAA	
<i>42497</i>	<i>13</i>				
<i>Officers</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>all</i>	<i>units</i>		
<i>will</i>	<i>make</i>	<i>reconnaissance</i>	<i>and</i>		
<i>both</i>	<i>by</i>	<i>day</i>	<i>and</i>		
<i>night</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>approaches</i>	<i>to</i>		
<i>the</i>	<i>line</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>support</i>		
<i>positions</i>					
FROM	<i>1st A.I. Bde.</i>				
TIME & PLACE					
*This line should be erased if not required.					
#00,000.—John Rissen, Ltd.—5/17—8250. Forms C2123.					

£ s. d.	From <i>4111 Bde</i>	At <i>EUD</i>	Received <i>13/4-18</i>
Charges to Collect	By <i>W. A. Bde</i>	To	Office m Received <i>9.30 P.m.</i>
Service Instructions	TO <i>EUF</i>		
*Sender's Number. <i>A 2412</i>		Day of Month. <i>13</i>	In reply to Number. <i>AAA</i>
<p>Portion of 29th Det being withdrawn from the line tonight and are assembling at E2 central</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>27</i></p>			
FROM	<i>1st A Bde</i>		
TIME & PLACE			

800,000.—John Bissen, Ltd.—5/17.—3280. Forms C2128.

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Prefix	Code	Words	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Once stamp.
			From <i>EUA</i>	At <i>EUD</i>	<i>13-4-18</i>
Charges to Collect	By <i>W. A. Bde</i>		To	Office m	Received <i>9.30 P.m.</i>
Service Instructions	TO <i>EFU</i>				
*Sender's Number. <i>AXA 99</i>		Day of Month. <i>13th</i>	In reply to Number. <i>AAA</i>		
<p>An extra line of defence will be built under the supervision of the first Field Coy Engineers on the immediate outskirts of STRAZELLE and working parties will be arranged direct between field Coy and Second Battalion</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(4)</i></p>					
FROM	<i>1st A Bde</i>				
TIME & PLACE					

800,000.—John Bissen, Ltd.—5/17.—3280. Forms C2128.

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APPENDIX 1254

Prefix.....	Code.....	Words..... g s. d.	Received. From <i>1st Bde</i>	Sent, or sent out. At.....m.	Office Stamp. <i>EFV</i>
Charges to Collect			By <i>Smith</i>	To.....	<i>13/4/18</i>
Service Instructions.			By.....		
Handed in at.....		Office.....m	Received.....m.		
TO	<i>4th Batta</i>				
*Sender's Number. <i>A2A95</i>	Day of Month. <i>13</i>	In reply to Number.		AAA	
<i>Immediately</i>	<i>our</i>	<i>line</i>	<i>is</i>		
<i>threatened</i>	<i>the</i>	<i>G.O.C</i>	<i>1st</i>		
<i>A.I. Bde</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>take</i>	<i>command</i>		
<i>of</i>	<i>the</i>	<i>Bde</i>	<i>sector</i>		
<i>and</i>	<i>all</i>	<i>troops</i>	<i>therein</i>		
<i>aaa</i>	<i>Battalions</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>line</i>		
<i>will</i>	<i>act</i>	<i>similarly</i>	<i>in</i>		
<i>their</i>	<i>own</i>	<i>sectors</i>	<i>aaa</i>		
<i>Troops</i>	<i>falling</i>	<i>back</i>	<i>if</i>		
<i>not</i>	<i>required</i>	<i>for</i>	<i>immediate</i>		
<i>use</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>be</i>	<i>instructed</i>		
<i>to</i>	<i>proceed</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>PRADELLES</i>		
<i>to</i>	<i>reorganise</i>	<i>aaa</i>	<i>on</i>		
<i>reorganisation</i>	<i>they</i>	<i>will</i>			
<i>communicate</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>and</i>			
FROM					
TIME & PLACE					

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300,000.—John Rissen. Ltd —5/17.—3230. Forms C2123.

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Charges to Collect			By.....	To.....	
Service Instructions.			By.....		
Handed in at.....		Office.....m	Received.....m.		
TO					
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA	
<i>strength</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>these</i>	<i>Hqrs</i>		
<i>was</i>	<i>1st</i>	<i>Batta</i>	<i>Hqrs</i>		
<i>at</i>	<i>PRADELLES</i>	<i>aaa</i>			
<i>Acknowledgd</i>					
FROM	<i>1st A.I. Bde</i>				
TIME & PLACE					

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300,000.—John Rissen. Ltd —5/17.—3230. Forms C2123.

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	SentService.	Date.....
At..... m.	To.....	From.....	By.....
By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

TO } 4th Bn

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
A 2 A 104	13th		

SOS arrangements
are as follows aad
unit will send
back SOS. Followed
by map square
where barrage will
concentrate on
protective barrage
line as it runs
through that square
aad
sample message
SOS. 619 aad
acknowledge

From	1st Lt J Rde
Place	
Time	

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

TO } 3rd 4th MG Coy 17th Mch 1st Fld Coy AF

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* 5. C 19	13/4		

Returning ration and other
tambos must bring back some
SAA. from Dump on road between
STRAZEELE town and Station aad
SAA. to be dumped at Cross Road
PRADELLES W 21 2 3. 5.

~~1st Lt J Rde~~ to order return

From	1st Lt J Rde
Place	
Time	

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APPENDIX

256

4/4/18

To Lt Col D Coy

Our 8 inch guns are all
bursting short some only
200 yds in our front. Kindly
advise to lengthen range
considerably

W. G. G. G.

1500 hrs

W. G. G. G.

14-4-18

The Adj. LAMP

12-20 p.m.

nos. 9 & 10

platoon posts were subjected to
heavy shelling of 4.2 calibre
at 11-30 a.m.

Oblique machine
gun fire is also occasionally
tracked on these posts from
the direction of METRIEM.

It is suspected
that enemy snipers & machine
guns are in METRIE'S church
tower & METRIE'S convent.

Two rifles
have been broken by
shell fire, can two
other rifles please be
sent up with search
of this note

W. G. G. G.
O. G. G. G.

Office of Origin and Service Instructions

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Sent _____ Service.

At _____ m.

To _____

By _____ (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

Date _____

From _____

By _____

TO { *Be Australian Troops*

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

Enemy have enveloped our flanks and advancing on our Centre. Be ready for all eventualities.

To Adjutant,

This message just received from taking necessary precautions

R. M. Miller Capt & Coy

From *R. M. Miller Capt & Coy*

Place *12 Bn The Cameronians*

Time

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

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APPENDIX
1258

14-4-18.

*The Adjutant
H. C. Coy*

*Our own
artillery are still firing
short. Battery is firing
from position of STRAZEELE
and shells are landing
in rear of wood at
W. 30. B. 5.5.*

*Our position
was heavily shelled at
1-45 p.m. -
Casualties - 4 killed & wounded.
I have been round
posts & to Cameronian
positions on our left.
The situation is
unchanged.*

*Enemy sappers & M. Co.
are very active & movement
in daytime is nearly impossible
2-40 p.m. *R. M. Miller Capt & Coy**

To 4th Bn.

Our own artillery
(probably 4.5's or 18 lb's)
put a salvo into
our reserve platoon &
Coy HQ W 24 C 53
at 1052 am.

This is at least 500⁺
behind line

R. Matthews D Coy
Capt

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		At			m.
		To			From
		By			By

TO { 4th Bn.

Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
* JA 9	fourteenth		

Eleven A.M. Report

Post established by CAMERONIANS
 six O.R. is situated
 in our trench at
 X 19 B. 05 AAA
 Works Report.

Improvements to wiring and
 extra aprons consolidation AAA
 Canadian tunnellers working on
 wire and communications AAA
 Two direct hits on
 Coy. H.Q. this morning two slight
 casualties artillery fire normal situation

From: otherwise quiet. AAA

Place: _____

Time: 0900

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

TO { 4th Australian Bn.

Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
* D 24	14	J.C.V. 13	

I sent you to-day a sketch of
 which I attach another
 copy AAA your barrage line
 will annihilate most of my
 men AAA please get in touch
 as soon as possible with
 Artillery AAA

From: 1st Cameronian

Place: X 13, D-1-9

Time: 11-20 hr

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Censor: _____

Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name: J.H. Duffell

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APPENDIX

1660

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

TO Adjutant 4th Australians

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 * DL 19 14th

Your A 242 received.
 During this afternoon our Field
 Guns firing from a direction of North of
 STRAZEELE were bursting shells
 in Sheet 27 X 13 C + d.

12.30 am

Off duty news
 for Capt & Adj

From
 Place
 Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z)

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O.C. 4th Australian Bn.

The 4th King's (Liverpool)
 Regt are relieving 1st
 Queens on my left.
 Tonight our line is
 holding its original posts
 and is ~~in~~ in touch with
 your Bn on right with
 Queens on the left.
 Can you please send a cyclist
 orderly in place of dismounted
 man. Orderly I sent by you was
 wounded with a bicycle. ^{and}
 what is a situation on your side?
 Lt Col.

14/4/18.

J. B. Draper
 8 pm

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CB1

4th Australian Bn

In reply to your A 289.
 Have captured prisoner who states
 attack was planned for tonight
 against our line but was stopped
 by our artillery fire, prisoner states
 that attack will be renewed
 tomorrow morning a.m.

14/4/18. J. Duffell Lt Col
 Comdg. E & B.

10.30 pm

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

TO { 40 00 4th Australian Regiment

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
*	14		

Enemy are forming up and
 digging in ~~in~~ front of our
 posts. We have captured a
 prisoner who states that they
 will push forward in the
 morning ~~and~~ we will do
 our best but we have
 had an ~~bad~~ shelling and
 no reinforcements available at
 hand. Be prepared to protect
 your left flank. ~~At 10~~

From J. M. Miller Capt
 Place 4th Coy
 Time 10.30 pm The Camerons

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14-4-18

L.A.M.P.

To lessen use of
messengers as much as possible
will use B.A.B. code
for urgent messages.

(Enemy advancing Right
small force) will send

M.N.N. 368 726 854
888, 918, 670 925, 925,
914, 918, 888,

Can you please
send a reply for this
pocket book.

Can issue of
soup or hot tea please
be sent up for men?
We only had one hot meal
last night & men are cold.

D.W. Hay Capt
8.50 a.m. O.C. J.C.

14-4-18.

The Adjutant, L.A.M.P.

Situation: Enemy artillery
active along whole company front
from 7 a.m. to 7.55 a.m.
No 9 platoon post has been
heavily shelled with H.E.'s.
Shelling now ceased.

CAMERONIAN'S reported small
party of enemy advancing ^{at 7.50 a.m.} on left.
Advance has ceased & situation
remains normal, necessary
precautions now taken by us.
I have been in touch with
left flankers.

We have 3 Vickers Guns
(English) in touch near N:11

~~platoon~~
~~CASUALTIES~~ NIL

~~Enemy machine guns active,~~

~~8.25 a.m. O.C. J.C.~~

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

TO { LAMP

Sender's Number * 14 Day of Month 14 In reply to Number AAA

Ref. yr. A 233 SAA
 My intention is
 to put 4 platoons
 in line buffering
 a few details out
 support - details such
 as AA L.M.G. AAA

From
 Place
 Time

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4th Bn

14-6-18

Situation normal.
 From dawn enemy moved
 forward & attempted to occupy
 posts vacated by our
 troops last night. These
 were fired on & dead are
 claimed. Enemy also attacked
 3rd Bn on right. Attached
 pushed by some artillery
 fire. It appears that 2
 of posts were vacated. A
 few sent a patrol to
 ascertain 3rd position &
 intention. Situation is now
 normal. We want
 12000 SAA & 8 tons bombs.
 3 flame pistols & necessary
 flares.
 One L.M.G. has been damaged
 the 4 are ready to B.O.P.
 4th Bn may fire it up
 8 minutes - dit

[Signature]

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

TO: *OT 4th Australian Battalion*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>D 19</i>	<i>14th</i>		

*The line at present held by
 my Coy is as follows. Ref
 sheet 24 AAA Approx X25 d-4-2
 - X25 a 10-3 - there about 200 yds
 in front of road running E from
 road junction about 200 yds
 about X25 a 6-5 - point about
 X20 - C-6-2 AAA Ref. my left
 being heavily attached AAA
 His line believed to be X20.
 Central - X21 a 1-2 AAA Note
 touch on his left flank AAA
 He have no intention of
 with drawing at present AAA
 please inform me of
 your disposition AAA My*

From _____
 Place _____
 Time _____

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

TO: _____

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

*right Coy HQ are at
 road junction X25 a 6-5 AAA
 He reports he is in touch
 with your Coy AAA*

From *1st Cameronians*
 Place *X13 b 1*
 Time *2-55 AM*

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14-4-18.

The Adjutant

H^o Bin.

Have been in communication with Cameron's troops on our left. They occupy a line of posts in front of X roads at N. 25° W. G. 7. They also have troops on ridge in front of MERRIS about F. 1. H.

May confirmation of the letter - British troops on Ridge - ~~the~~ confirmed the obtained from you please as it was understood withdrawals were to take place on this sector.

W. J. Gray Capt
oc. 1. 1. 1.

4th Bn.

Enemy moving forwards in open order from direction of MERRIS about H. It is reported they are in fair numbers. C Coy & A Coy L. H. Guns are firing on enemy. As yet enemy are out of range of B Coy. Wanted a V.M.C. up here also S.A.A. reserves should be established close handy to Coy H. Gm.
- Light shelling.

W. J. Cooke Capt

C. B Coy

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

TO { 4th J.A.

Sender's Number Day of Month In reply to Number AAA
 * JA 8 14.4.18 A212.

By 5 J.A. 6 of 10:15 - 13.4.18 speaks
 of my being in touch with the
 cameromians on my left. They have
 a continuous line ~~to the~~ ^{to the} ~~right~~ ^{right}
 my left post 118° Mag. from left to ^{Co's HQ} ~~right~~
 At present there is a gap of about
 2-350' to their right post. They are
 arranging for the to move to the
 right post.
 They have a large working party
 at present digging a forward
 trench from their trench.

From 06.19
 Place
 Time

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 To By
 (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { 4th J.A.

Sender's Number Day of Month In reply to Number AAA
 * JA 10 14.4.18

18th post station are falling short
 on eq. X 19 & 13 W 24 & 18
 14.45
 cut
 cut

From
 Place
 Time

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4th Australians.

Your A 218 showing your dispositions noted.

Herewith sketch map showing our dispositions. Our D Coy is in touch with you just East of wood in W. 30. do. You might please inform your Bde that you join up with us at this point and not at X 19. B 5.5. Our people with whom your A Coy report they are in touch are not a reserve company but merely a party of several details with Bⁿ HQ.

The Battⁿ on my left which was attacked and driven back a short distance this morning have now re-established their line, but has still a gap on his left. I would suggest that you keep a cyclist order at my disposal and shall leave one with you. If you agree to this keep the order who brings this message and yours one as soon as possible.

Yr W. D. P. Officer
Cndy The Camerons

14/4/18

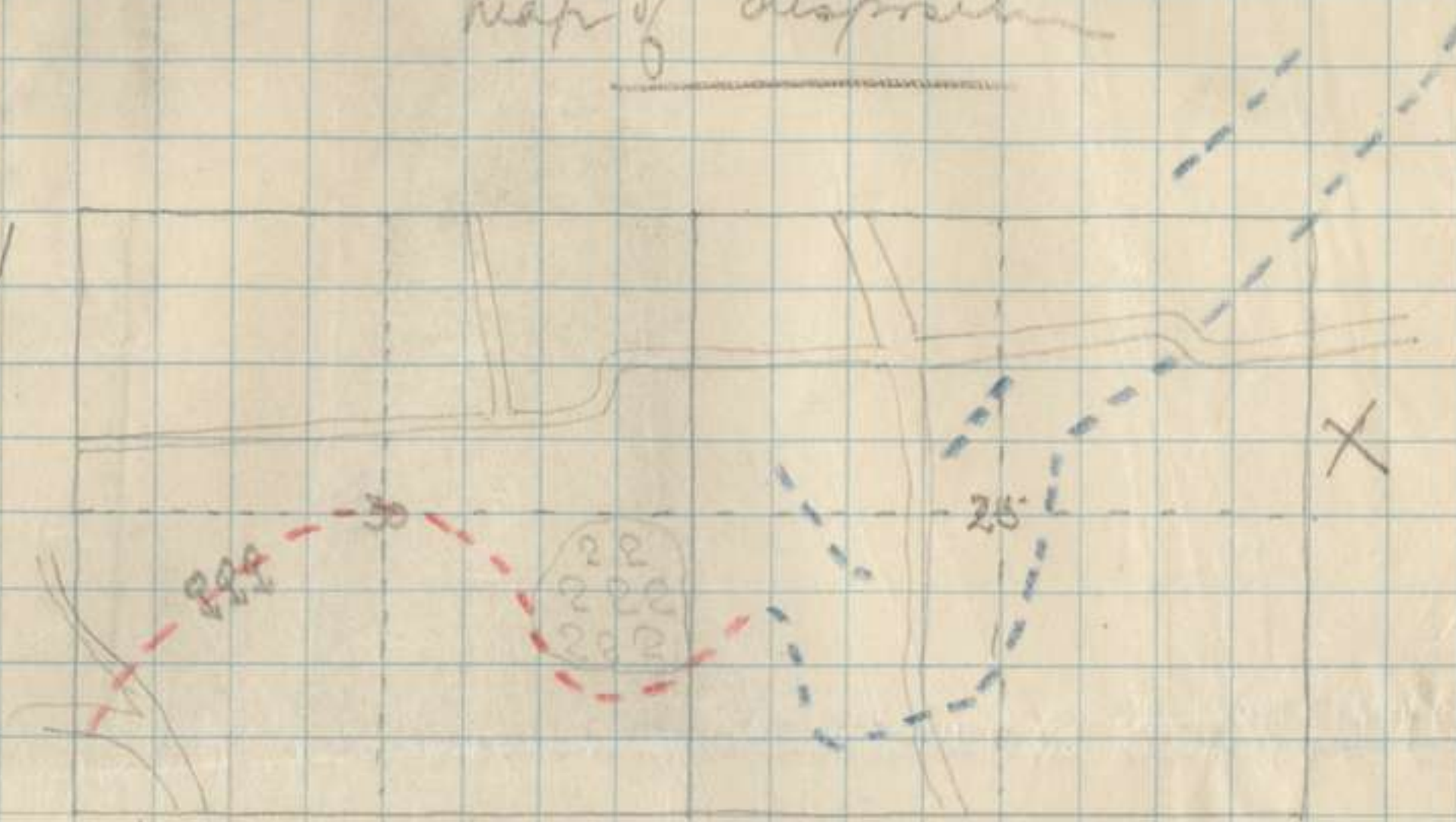
11.10 am

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Sheet 27 W + X

heap of despatches

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- Line of posts held by us
 - Line of posts held by you showing junction between battalions

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

TO { LAMP }

Sender's Number * 14 Day of Month In reply to Number AAA

Ref S.O.S. Plans supplied by you tonight are - red - green - yellow - not - red - red - red as ~~has~~ been given out.

From
Place
Time
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) W. Stooker P.M.
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 At.....m. Service
 To..... From.....
 By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....

TO { The Adjutant }

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

W. Company report, W. Company front line now 18 paces deep battery facing from north on to open line. may make reference he given to these

W/30.

Reported to Lt. Group ✓

From
Place O.D. Coy
Time
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)
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 Received. Sent, or sent out. Once Stamp.
 From.....At.....m.
 Charges to Collect By.....To.....
 Service Instructions. By.....

Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO LAMP

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
SC25 14

Your PM store and
 transport has been given
 orders to withdraw to
 behind BORRE MAH
 location later

FROM LACK.
 TIME & PLACE

*This line should be erased if not required.
 800,000.—John Bissen, Ltd —5/17.—3280. Forms C2123.

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 Charges to Collect By.....To.....
 Service Instructions. By.....

Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO EUA

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
A211 14th

Can you provide working
 party of half crew
 to rendezvous at W28B7.5
 at 5AM where a
 guide from 1st field
 crew will be stationed
 and they are wanted
 for just defences of
 straggled and reply as
 soon as possible

See A211 message
Sal

FROM EUA
 TIME & PLACE

*This line should be erased if not required.
 800,000.—John Bissen, Ltd —5/17.—3280. Forms C2123.

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

TO 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, X Bns. M.G. Coy.
L.T.M. Bty. 1st Div. 2nd Bde.
19th Inf. Bde. Group Artillery.

Sender's Number. * AWH 38.	Day of Month. 14/4	In reply to Number. ----	AAA
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GREEN Very Lights are now available and are being sent up to Line Units ⁷aaa At midnight to-night the following S.O.S. Signal will be brought into use ^{aaa} A succession of GREEN flares will be fired until protective barrage comes down ^{aaa} Units will arrange distribution of necessary repeating stations in accordance with usual practice ^{aaa} This cancels the S.O.S. Signal mentioned in Defence Organisation No. 2 of to-day ^{aaa} Acknowledge

previously issued.

From 1st Aust. Inf. Bde.
Place
Time 7.15 p.m.
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]* Major
Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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

TO 3rd + 4th Batus

Sender's Number. * AZA 116	Day of Month. 14	In reply to Number.	AAA
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An active patrol policy will be instituted and maintained as soon as your front is clear of friendly troops ^{aaa} These patrols will be of fighting strength and will cover your front during hours of darkness or fogs ^{aaa} It is necessary to put the wind up the Hun and keep him well away from your posts

From 1st A.I. Bde
Place
Time 2 am
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]* Major
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Prefix	Code	Words	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
		£ s. d.	From <i>E U A</i>	At m.	<i>802</i>
Charges to Collect			By <i>L. J. G. A.</i>	To	<i>14/1/18</i>
Service Instructions.			By	Received <i>5.40 p.m.</i>	
Handed in at	Office	m			
TO	<i>E U D E U F.</i>				
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA		
<i>AWH 111</i>	<i>14th</i>				
<p>The inter battalion boundary will be altered tonight to a line running through Strageek Square FICOO aaaa This will involve a company frontage which will be taken over by the left battalion aaaa Commanding officers concerned will consider the advisability of establishing a combined post on the inter battalion boundary aaaa and report addressed 3rd & 4th Battns, repeated 1st & 2nd Bns, 1st MG Coy group artillery 2nd brigade and 1st Ausc- Division</p>					
FROM	<i>E U A</i>				
TIME & PLACE	<i>3.30 p.m.</i>				

*This line should be erased if not required.

Code	Words	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
	£ s. d.	From <i>E U A</i>	At m.	
Charges to Collect			By <i>C. Bayfield</i>	To
Service Instructions.			By	Received
Handed in at	Office	m		
TO	<i>Lamp</i>			
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA	
<i>AZA 123</i>	<i>14</i>			
<p>Major <i>E F</i> <i>HARRISON</i> has been sent to French HQs at Centre <i>CAESTRE</i> for liaison duty</p>				
FROM	<i>Lack</i>			
TIME & PLACE				

*This line should be erased if not required.

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of Origin and Service Instructions.		This message is on a/c of:		Recd. at..... m.
Sent		At..... m.		Date.....
To.....		By.....		From.....
By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		By.....
TO { 4th Bn				
Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA	
* 132 127	14th			
<p>A man dressed in British officer's uniform in hall without straps and wearing gas mask. He was seen in vicinity of today this morning is suspected of being on a purposeless mission and if seen he will be apprehended and examined for credentials.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(81)</p>				
From	1st A.I. Bde			
Place				
Time				
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.		(Z)		
Censor.		Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.		
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Prax.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.				Sent
			At.....m.	From.....
			To.....	By.....
			By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO } *4th Bn*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>AWH 37</i>	<i>14/4</i>		

The following message received from 1st Aust. Inf. Bde. is forwarded for information. No retirement will take place without an order in writing signed by a responsible officer who must be prepared to justify his action before a court-martial. If unable to do so he will be held responsible.

From	<i>1st Aust. Inf. Bde.</i>
Place	<i>15th Nov</i>
Time	

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

TO } *1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, X Bns, M.G. Coy.
L.T.M. Bty., 1st Div., 2nd Bde.,
19th Inf. Bde., Group Artillery.*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>AWH 41</i>	<i>14/4</i>	<i>----</i>	

Following amended barrage line will take effect from midnight to-night aaa
 E.11.D.0.0., E.12.A.1.6., E.6.C.7.3.,
 X.25.D.3.8., X.19.D.3.7. aaa Flanking
 Brigades are being requested to co-ordinate
 aaa Barrage task for 4.5 Hows will
 include all roads approaching position aaa
 C.O. 1st M.G. Coy. will also superimpose
 18 pdr barrage by engaging all forward
 lines of approach aaa Acknowledge aaa
 Addressed Group Artillery repeated all
 Units concerned

From	<i>1st Aust. Inf. Bde.</i>
Place	
Time	<i>7.25 p.m.</i>

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Ambrutchen*
 Major,

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

TO } *[Handwritten signature]*

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 * *AVH 44* *14/4* - *AAA*

Following special programme of night firing will take place tonight over Bursts of Fire at

<i>10 pm</i>	<i>10.15 pm</i>	<i>11 pm</i>	<i>11.45 pm</i>
<i>5.30 am</i>			
<i>Targets - 18 total.</i>			
<i>28</i>	<i>Side</i>	<i>cross Roads</i>	<i>X 27 D.9.2</i>
		<i>Road Junction</i>	<i>F 7 B.0.9</i>
<i>285</i>	<i>---</i>	<i>Road</i>	<i>F 1 D.5.2</i>
		<i>Cross Roads</i>	<i>F 2 D.1.1</i>
<i>286</i>	<i>---</i>	<i>---</i>	<i>F 1 B.7.1</i>
		<i>---</i>	<i>F 1 C.6.6</i>
<i>64</i>	<i>---</i>	<i>---</i>	<i>F 13 A.7.2</i>
		<i>Roads + Railway</i>	<i>F 7 C.8.9</i>
		<i>4.5 Hours</i>	

Over roads and approaches except

From _____
 Place _____
 Time _____

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

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

TO } *[Handwritten signature]*

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 * *2-* *14/4* - *AAA*

that at 5.30 am all 4.5 hours that can bear fire into wood at F.7.C.15. aac

H.A.

Over approaches to and over MERRIS and VIEUX BERQUIN

From *1047 H.A. Side*
 Place _____
 Time *8.25 pm*

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

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.		This message is on a c of:	
Sent	At	m.	Service.
To			Date
By	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		From
TO	4th Aust. Battalion, ✓ 1st Aust. M.G. Coy..		
Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* AWH 47	14/4	-----	
<p>Left Brigade advise their front line junctions with you at Cross Roads X.25.A. running thence to X.20. Central aa Division direct that these Cross Roads become your left flank aa 19th Brigade will assume responsibility from that point onwards aa you will arrange therefore to effect a solid junction with the Cameronians at the Cross Roads and withdraw your left company in 19.C. into a position of support aa The battery of Vickers Guns now emplaced N.E. of KLIFE-HILL will also be withdrawn to suitable positions within or about the limits of the new boundary aa Report when complete aa Addsd. 4th Bn. 1st M.G. Coy., repeated 19th Inf. Bde., 1st Aust. Division for information.</p>			
From	1st Aust. Inf. Bde.		
Place	11.11 p.m.		
Time			
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.		(Z)	Major,
Censor.	Signature of Addressor or Person authorised to telegraph in his name.		
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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.	Service.	From.....	
	To.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer")	By.....	

TO } B. H. Bone

Sender's Number. * <u>2130</u>	Day of Month. <u>15/4</u>	In reply to Number. <u>AAA</u>
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Bde of French Artillery
will come into position
today covering our front
and liaison is being
arranged here

From 1st A.S. Bde
Place
Time 1040
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]
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A. Coy 4th Bn A.I.F.
1100 - 15.4.18.
Works Report.

General strengthening of
trenches AAA. Shell fire very
slight AAA. Casualties nil AAA
Situation normal AAA

New post the batt.
G.E. A. Coy

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	A	Wool	B
	Co	Shaw	cock
P		Coat	Black
Passmore		Barker	Robin
Thomas		Howard	Wald
Thont			

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SUMMARY REPORT

SECRET

B Coy 4th Aust Inf Bn from 4.30 AM

15/4/18 to 11. AM 15/4/18.

(4) The enemy machine guns are very active playing over our parapet from our direct front and right flank

Sgt H. Anderson

N.L. Cooke Capt

O.C. B Coy

Lebon

4th Bn 15. 4. 18

Intelligence Summary
From 4.30 am to 11 am

Shelling

Our own artillery has been very active during this period. One 18 pounder gun is firing at two yards short. Shells landing just in front of Kato lat. The enemy artillery has been fairly quiet during this period.

Machine Gun

Very little machine gun fire has taken place on either side.

Sniping
Enemy snipers are active

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most of the sniping comes
from the Church at Sparrow
or its near vicinity
to a distance

one
of the Montague
River Government

It was reported by Cameron
troops that the enemy was
massing in front of their
right front about 5.30 am
Small parties of enemy
have since been noticed
to withdraw.

Works.

During night trenches
occupied by the company
have been improved and
No 9, 10 and 12 platoons
are now connected by

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by continuous trench
wire has also been placed
in front of our position
Patrols

We maintained lateral
connection with our own
company and flanked by
patrols at frequent
intervals during the
hours of darkness.

We also patrolled to the
front frequently but
did not encounter the
enemy

Monday 20th

7.12.14. D.E.C. Coy

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£ s. d.			From <i>Lack</i>	At.....m.	<i>EUF</i>
Charges to Collect			By <i>Smith</i>	To.....	<i>15/4/18</i>
Service Instructions.			<i>1.5 PM</i>	By.....	
Handed in at.....		Office.....	m.	Received.....	m.
TO <i>LAMB + LAMP</i>					
*Sender's Number.		Day of month.	In reply to Number.		AAA
<i>AHH49</i>		<i>15</i>			
<i>Artillery</i>		<i>S.O.S</i>	<i>line amended</i>		
<i>as follows</i>		<i>aaa</i>			
<i>E17B4.0</i>		<i>to</i>	<i>E17A9.9</i>		<i>to</i>
<i>E12A0.6</i>		<i>to</i>	<i>X25D3.8</i>		
<i>to</i>		<i>X25B3.4</i>	<i>to X20C3.0</i>		
<i>aaa</i>		<i>would</i>	<i>you suggest</i>		
<i>that</i>		<i>this</i>	<i>line</i>		<i>be</i>
<i>drawn</i>		<i>closer</i>	<i>in</i>		<i>aaa</i>
<i>reference map</i>		<i>sheet</i>	<i>27</i>		
<i>and</i>		<i>36A</i>			
FROM		<i>Lack.</i>			
TIME & PLACE		<i>12.5 PM.</i>			
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200,000.—John Bissen, Ltd —5/17.—8280. Forms C2123.					

15-4-18.

4th Bn.
 Lt O C B Co
 Our Artillery 18 pieces
 are firing on 3rd Bn
 Post & only 100 yds
 in front of our posts
 at X 25 C 28
 A. Michler Lt
 W. L. Cooke Capt
 O. C
 B Coy

Sent		Date
At	m.	Service.
To		From
By		By

TO 6th Australian Battalion

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* 525	15th		

You order which received
 AAA have received details
 order from my records
 not those from my present
 position on your left AAA
 the camp at present some
 250 yds W of road ends etc
 X 250 yds AAA I understand further
 order to the subject will
 shortly be issued by you AAA
 the Battalion is being relieved
 tonight by 5th Battalion 19th
 of 13th

From 1st American
 Place 1340
 Time 1500

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 Wt. W 3253/P511. 500,000 Pads. 1/18. B. & S. Ltd. (E2389.)

A. Coy 4th Bn. A.I.F.
1700 - 15.4.18.
Works State.
 Deepening and widening trench,
 raising 30' parapet, building
 latrines and making general
 improvements. Situation quiet

Woodhouse Capt.
O. B. A. Coy

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1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters,
15th April, 1918.

SECRET.

- 1st Aust. Battalion,
- 2nd Aust. Battalion,
- 3rd Aust. Battalion,
- 4th Aust. Battalion,
- 1st Aust. M.G. Coy.,
- 1st Aust. L.T.M. Bty.,
- Artillery Group,
- 1st Aust. Division,
- 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.,)
- 19th Inf. Bde.) (for inf.).

For the ready passage per telephone in clear of map references the following simple code will be adopted as from 6 a.m. 15th inst. :-

The following number will be added to the Squares as numbered on the map -

To Squares in large Square	"V"	add	100
" " " "	"W"	"	200
" " " "	"X"	"	300
" " " "	"D"	"	400
" " " "	"E"	"	500
" " " "	"F"	"	600

Subdivisions of small squares will be referred to as "A", "B", "C", "D" as at present and co-ordinates quoted in the usual manner.

The following is a type code message:-

" Meet me at Sq. W.25.A.3.6. "
= " Meet me at 225.A.3.6. "

ACKNOWLEDGE.

*acknowledged
2230*

[Handwritten Signature]

Major,

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Brigade.

This message is on a c o f :

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

TO 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, X Bns, M. Coy.,
L.T.M. Bty., Artillery Group.

Sender's Number. * AZA 159	Day of Month. 15/4	In reply to Number. *****	AAA
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Following from 9th Corps aas Prisoner
states attack impending on line BAILLEUL -
KEMMEL aas Yesterdays operations
preliminary to this aas Intention to
penetrate to a depth 3,000 or 4,000
yards aas ends

From 1st Aust. Inf. Bde.
Place 10.30 p.m.
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) Major,
1st Aust. Inf. Bde.

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To CO
left Batt.

Sir I have just received a
message from my O.C. through
Bde that ~~front line work~~ is
cancelled tonight and Coy
will work on new switch
line therefore section will not
be available for working

16/4/18
Richard Ho
1st Lt. Eng

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Adjutant 4th Bn

P7. 15/4/18 — AAA

Corrected map references of
Stokes guns attached to 4th Bn

X 19 a 20.05.

W 30 b 50.50.

W 30 b 55.50.

The two guns in W 30 b are
covering the wood in front
of C. Coy.

R. C. Piper Lt
1st Lt 4th Bn

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

TO J A B C D

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* SCN. 20.	15 th		

S.O.S. Signal from 9 pm tonight
will be the Rocket Signal starting
into RED over GREEN over YELLOW and
one inch GREEN Very Lights now
on issue will be with drawing
and returned to By HQ tonight

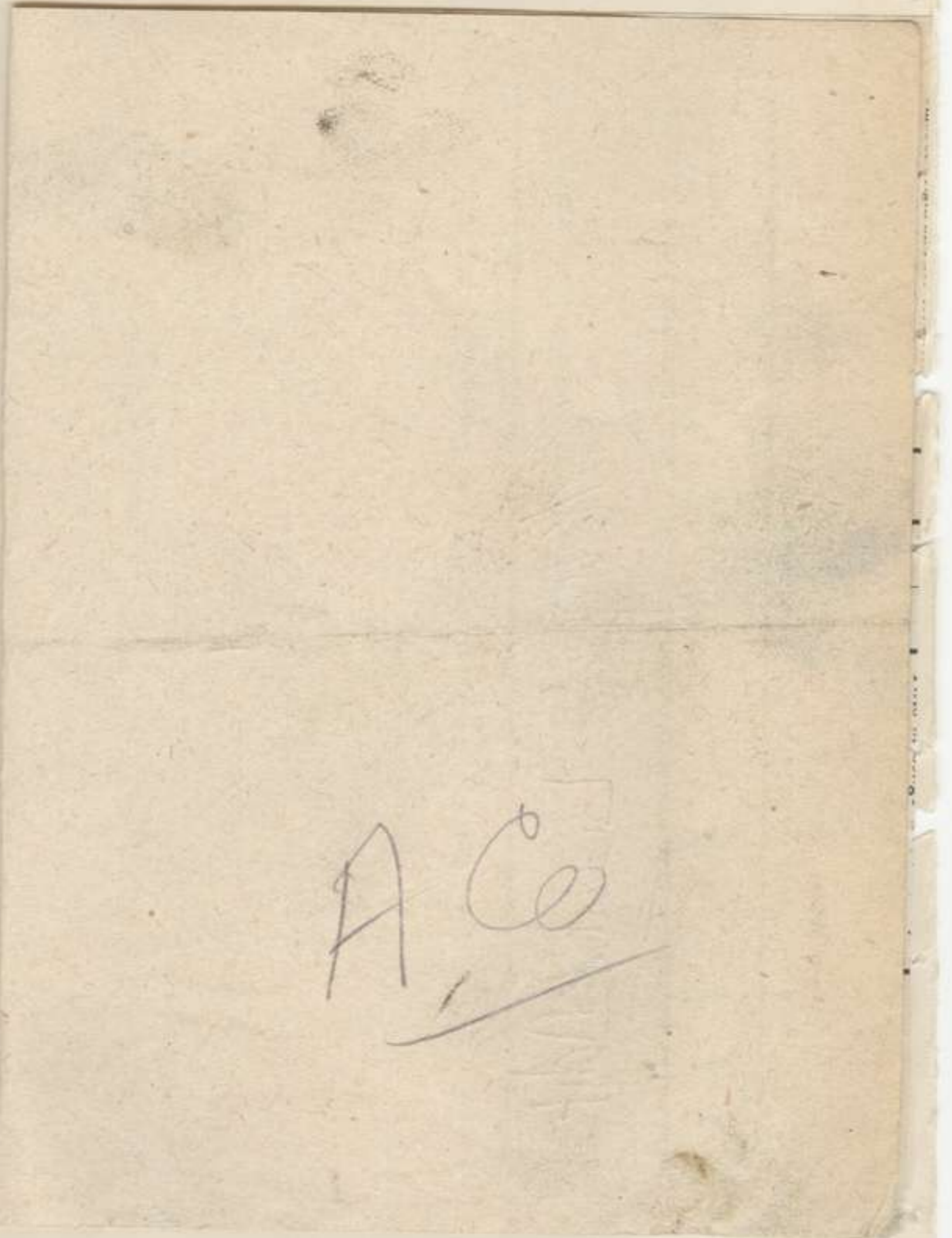
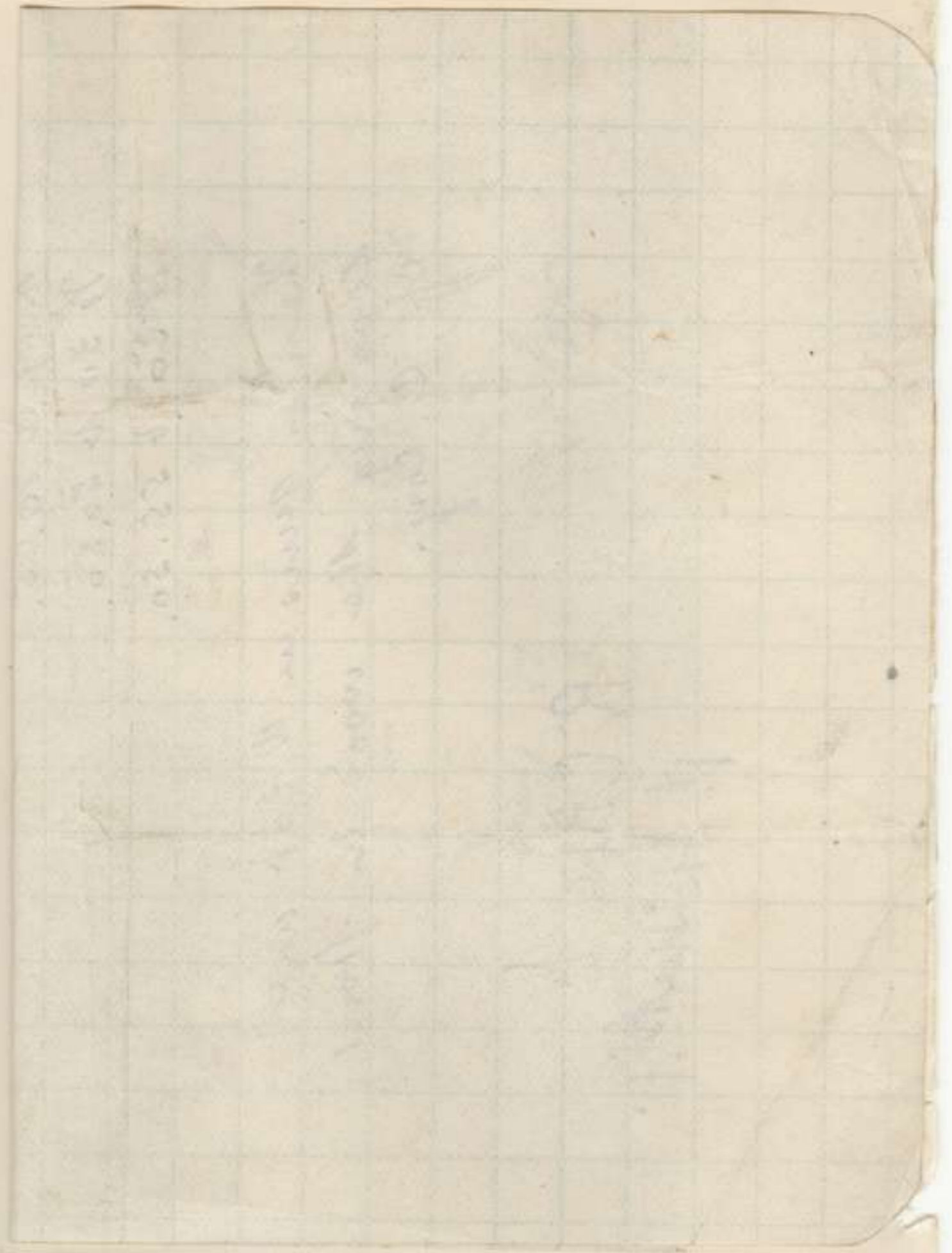
J A R
J B
J C
J D

From	B. White Lieut & Adjt.
Place	
Time	

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.		Title (Message No.)		Date	
Sent		Service		Date	
At m.				From	
To				By	
By		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")			
TO { LAMP					
Sender's Number		Day of Month		In reply to Number	
*		15		AAA	
<p>at approx. X 25 central (to direct front from our trench at W 30 64 050) there are some troops. Can it be stated whether there are friendly or hostile troops. We have fired on these troops but they appear to be dressed in our uniform & tin hats. It has been observed that our artillery has been firing on these troops. These troops were first noticed about midday</p>					
From		B Coy			
Place					
Time					
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.				(Z)	
B. W.				W. L. [Signature]	
Censor.				Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.	
* This line should be erased if not required.					
(7700.) Wt. W192/M1647 110,000 Pads. 5/17 C. & R. Ltd. (E. 1187.)					

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		£ s. d.	From <i>JC</i>	At.....m.	<i>EUF</i>
Charges to Collect			By <i>Canfield</i>	To.....	<i>18/4/18</i>
Service Instructions.				By.....	
Handed in at.....			Office.....m	Received.....m.	
TO	<i>Lack Lamp</i>				
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA	
	<i>15</i>				
<i>following</i>	<i>message</i>	<i>received</i>	<i>from</i>		
<i>Cameronians</i>	<i>machine gun</i>	<i>firing</i>	<i>from</i>		
<i>right</i>	<i>position</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>the</i>		
<i>of</i>	<i>the</i>	<i>MERRIS</i>	<i>- MOOLAN</i>		
<i>ACRRE</i>	<i>ROAD</i>	<i>AAA</i>	<i>guns</i>		
<i>no</i>	<i>been</i>	<i>company</i>	<i>inform</i>		
<i>the</i>	<i>above</i>				
FROM	<i>OC JC</i>				
TIME & PLACE					

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 200,000.—John Bilsen, Ltd.—5/17.—3290. Forms C3123.

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35 Henry St
Tighes Hill

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Service Instructions.			By.....		

Handed in at..... Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO LAMP

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

Following received from my left post - There is a battery of our own 18 pdrs. still firing short AAA. The shells are mostly all duds and are falling about the right flank post of the Cameronians AAA. This battery was in action from 2-15 to 2-20 p.m. & 4 shots were again fired at 2-37 p.m. AAA another 500k range is required to reach enemy position AAA.

X25c central

R. M. Day Capt
J. O.

*This line should be erased if not required

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Service Instructions.			By.....		

Handed in at..... Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO CO 4th Bn.

*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
AWH 48	15	—	AAA

Prisoner recently captured states that an attempt to take BAILLEUX will take place today 15th inst. This message received from 1st Aust Div.

FROM 1st Aust. Bde.

TIME & PLACE

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MESSAGES
Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
£ s. d.

Charges to Collect

Service Instructions

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LAMP

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.

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Charges to Collect			By.....	To.....		
Service Instructions.			By.....			
Handed in at.....			Office.....	m.	Received.....	
TO	LIAMP.					
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA		
—	15th	—				
I saw with Bosses 1 helmet						
I rifle which were left by						
patrol that shot their. It						
away last night.						
also I saw very						
light by heater						
FROM	Monday Capt					
TIME & PLACE	J.C.					
*This line should be erased if not required.						
999.026.—John Wilson 243—5/17—8296 Form 1924						

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15th April, 1918.

4th Aust. Battalion.

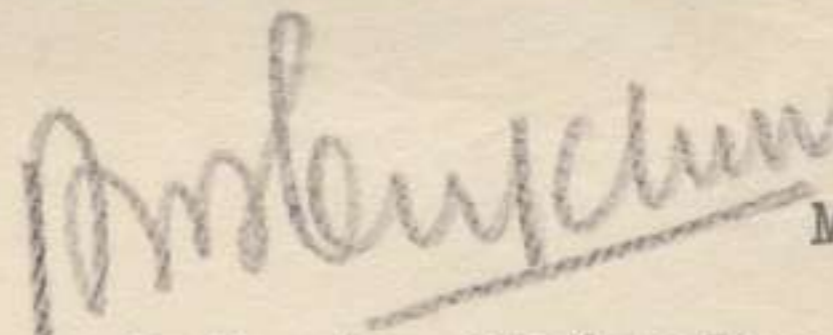
The position as to the junction between you and the
Cameronians is still obscure.

My latest information is that their line runs X.25.C.4.3.-
X.25.A.7.2. - X.26.A.0.8.

Please verify this to-night and, in conjunction with
their C.O. arrange to lift your line forward to junction with
his present right flank.

Wire when this has been done and send in the pin point
of the junction.

It is essential that this matter be cleared up
definitely to-night.



Major,

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Brigade.

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				By.....	

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TO LAMP

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

Two platoons of D Coy, have moved forward and we are preparing to advance further. My left flank is in support of Postbag traps but I have arranged with O.C. D Coy 5th Scottish to send a platoon up to connect up with me. The casualties in D Coy have been fairly heavy. Machine guns & snipers are still exploding me from left flank.

FROM advise of 1st Bn have advanced
 TIME & PLACE 1st day Cape

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893,038.—John Sisson, Ltd.—4/17—3526 Form 10/22

O.C. Coy

Prefix.....	Code.....	Words.....	Received.....	Sent, or sent out.....	Office stamp.....
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			By.....	To.....	
				By.....	

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TO LAMP

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

Situation - Normal.
 Artillery - Both our own & enemy artillery have been fairly quiet during the last 24 hours.
 Machine guns - Both sides quiet.
 Sniping - A deal of movement can be seen on ridge in front of MERRIS opposite our position. Our own men have been very busy sniping since daylight.
 Thanks. The Cameronians who were on my left were relieved by the 15th SCOTTISH RIFLES last night. D Coy under command Capt. KERKWOOD are now on my left. I saw from personally the morning & we

FROM exchanged schemes of defence &
 TIME & PLACE scheme of co-operation in

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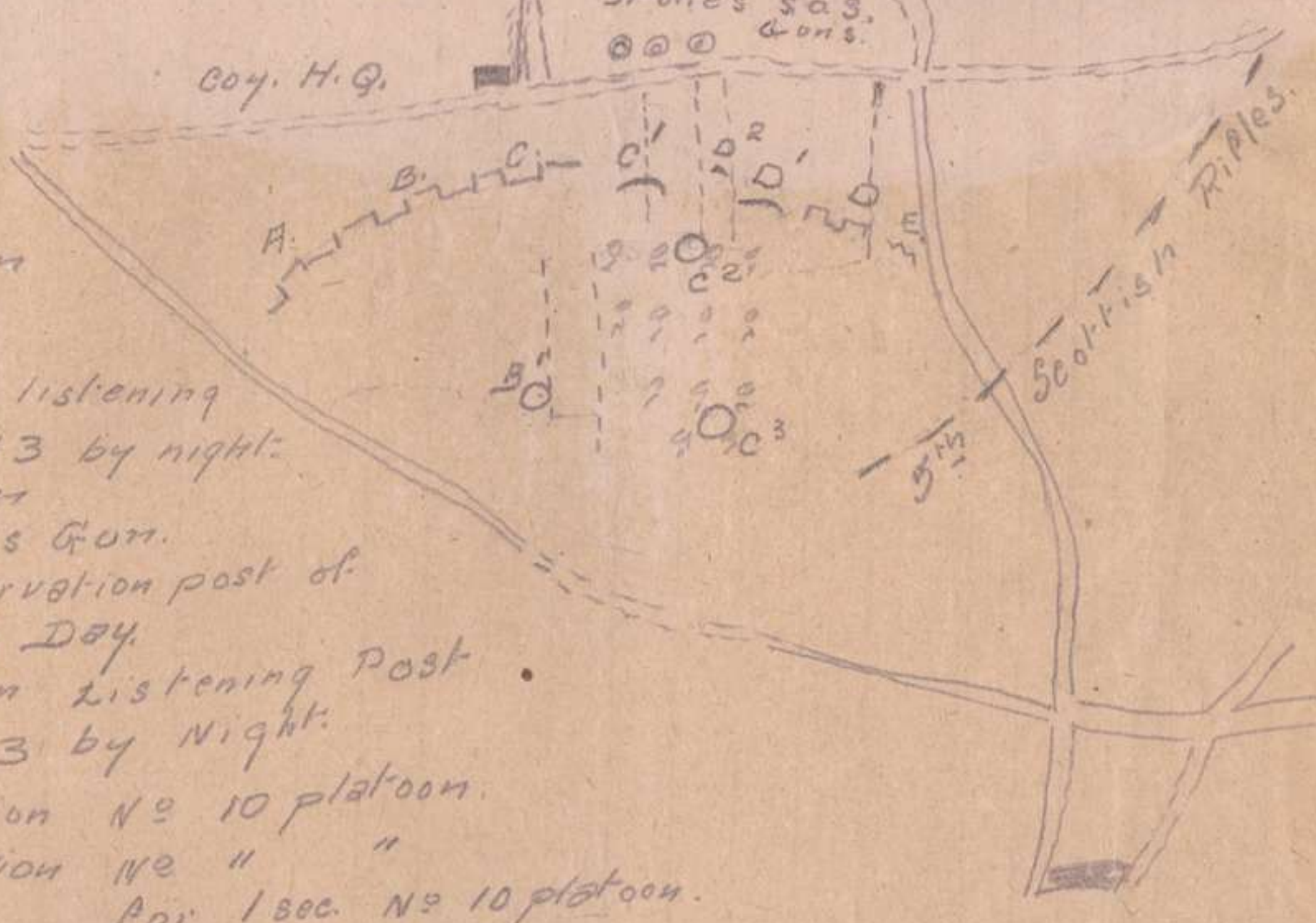
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case of attack.
 Identification: an officer of
 5th Scottish Rifles who got
 forward of his own position
 was challenged by two Boats.
 He fired at them with his
 revolver killing both. The
 1st was belonged to 132nd Reg.
 work: the wire in front of
 our position was much
 strengthened during the night
 & we now have practically
 a belt running along the
 whole day front.

FROM Prosser Capt
 TIME & PLACE J. C.

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 DEP. 009.—John Wilson Ltd—5/17—8526

Disposition Map e Coy. 4th BM.
 Coy. H.Q. L. Gun

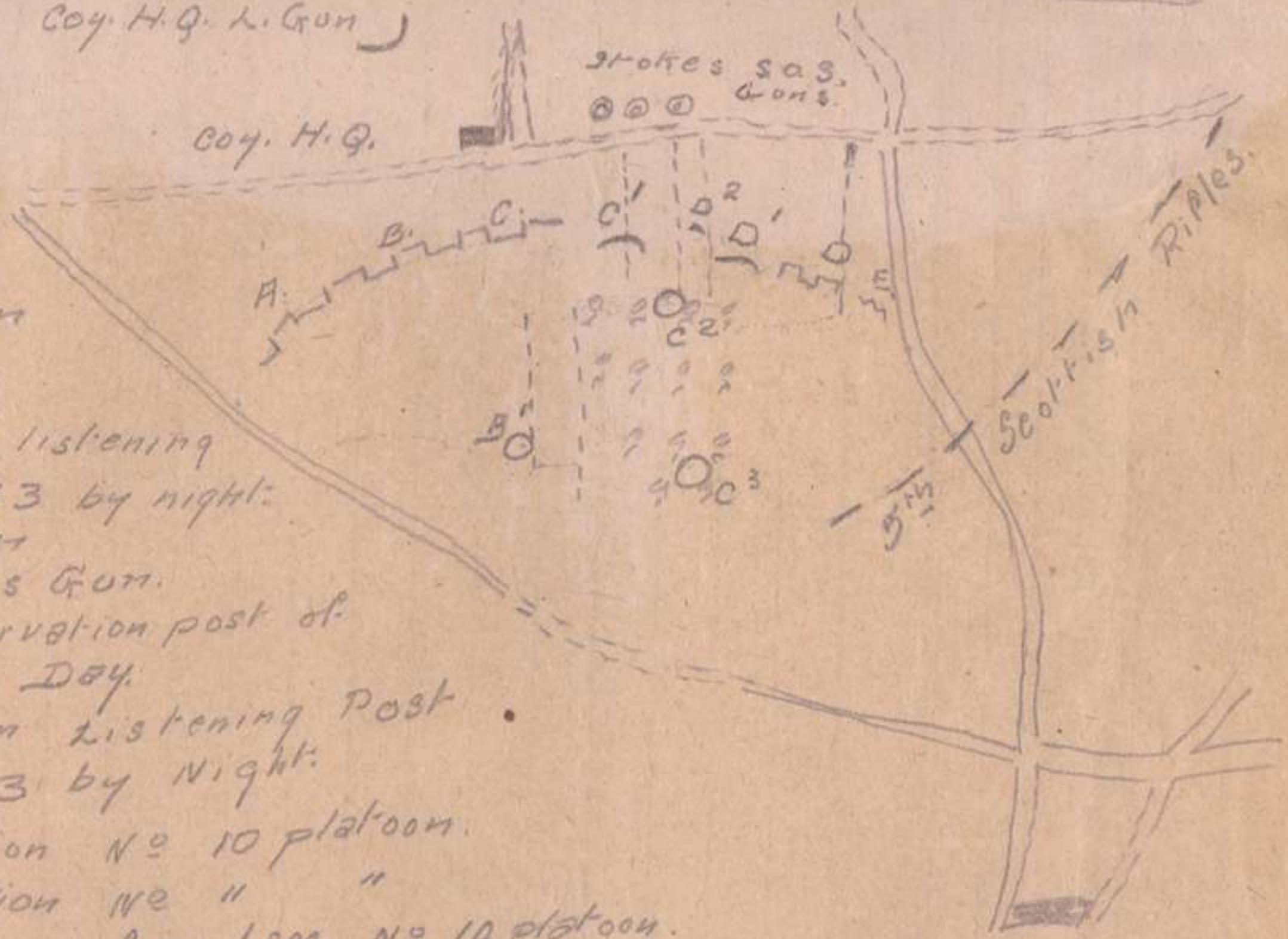


DETAIL.

- No 11 platoon
- No 12 "
- No 12 platoon listening post of 143 by night.
- No 9 platoon
- No 9 " Lewis Gun.
- No 9 " Observation post of 143 by Day.
- No 9 platoon listening post of 143 by Night.
- D. Day position No 10 platoon.
- D. Night position No " "
- D. " " Poi 1 sec. No 10 platoon.
- E. Rf. post 5th Scottish Rifles

MERRIS
 Prosser Capt 10-11
 O.C. 6 Coy.

Disposition Map E Coy 4th BM
Coy. H.Q. L. Gun



DETAIL.

- A. No 11 platoon
- B. No 12 "
- B' No 12 platoon listening post of 143 by night.
- C. No 9 platoon
- C¹ No 9 " Lewis Gun.
- C² No 9 " Observation post of 143 by Day.
- C³ No 9 platoon listening post of 143 by Night.
- D. Day position No 10 platoon.
- D¹ Night position No "
- D² " " Por 1 sec. No 10 platoon.
- E. Rt. post 5th Scottish Rifles

MERRIS

Plt Day Capt 10-11
O.C. E. Coy.

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H¹th Bn,

Left flank are in position. Centre & right flank have yet to move forward about 100 yards for good fire position. Require two more platoons to reinforce.

P.W. Hay Capt
S.C.C. Coy

16-4-18.

H¹th Bn,

Am in position & digging in. Our casualties in centre near hop fields heavy, am getting one platoon D Coy. to reinforce.

P.W. Hay Capt
8-20 pm S.C.C. Coy

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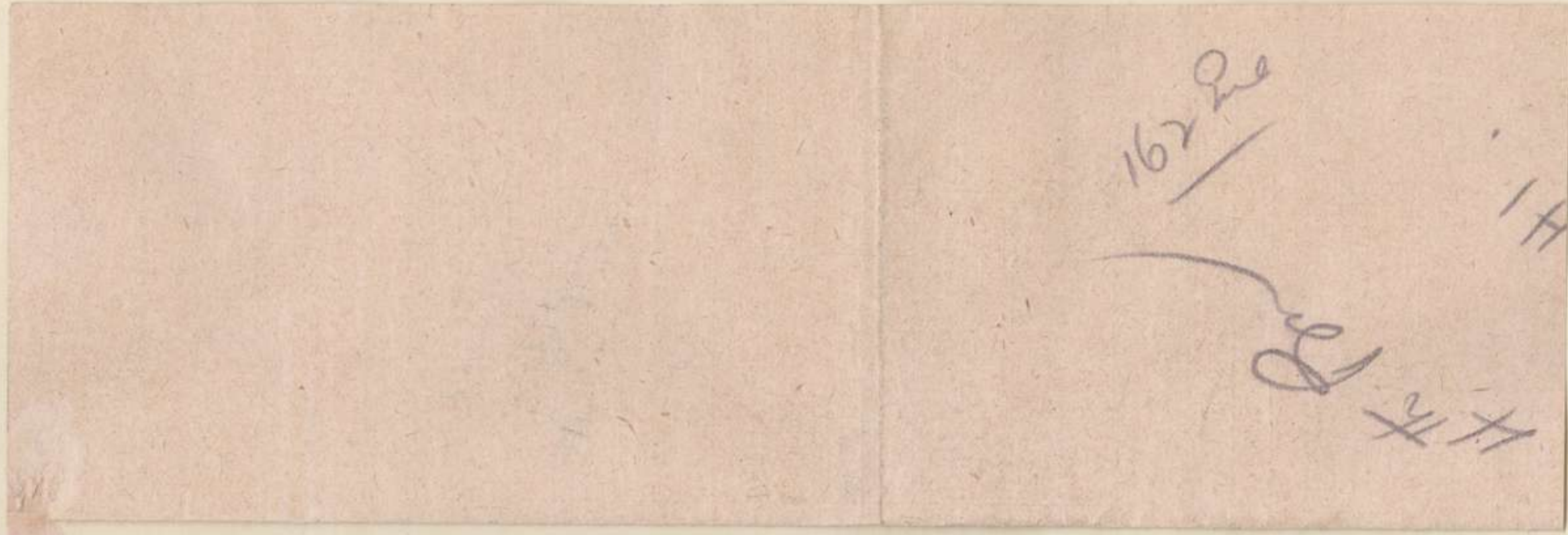
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Service Instructions.				By.....	
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TO	1st Lt J. G. Bde				
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA		
<p>Message will be attached to your log for use in case of emergency. To be sent by hand if possible. The dog will be used to find you. You will be told to "GET HOME" when it is not possible to get out or if you are in a position where you should be given these instructions. I have had the dog for a day or two.</p>					
FROM	1st Lt J. G. Bde				
TIME & PLACE					

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300,000.—John R. ... Ltd—5/17—3287. Forms C2123.

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4th Bom

16-4-14

- 1) C Coy advanced at 0730.
- 2) B Coy gave covering fire with all Lewis Guns.
- 3) Enemy send up green flares for his S.O.s. which was slow on opening up, and fairly heavy & deep on dept.
- 4) B Coy had 1 casualty (Plt Venterman)
- 5) I have sent a party ^{from right to} get in touch with C Coy on my left and propose digging in with a platoon in space between. as my main trench line has now been covered by C Coy advance. I must let you know, but if I act as stated above as stated or are other steps being taken.

W.L. Brooke-Cole
O.C.

"A" Form
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2121
(in pads of 100).

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions		Sent		Service
.....		At.....m.		From.....
.....		To.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer")	By.....
.....		By.....			

TO { J.C. J.D.

Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
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* A 567 16

If possible use two platoons of D Coy remainder of your Coy. stake enemy trench referred to in attached message. Organise your final advance carefully before attempting same.

From	
Place	LAMP
Time	

The above may be forwarded as now connected.

Censor.....

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

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Prefix _____ Code _____ Words _____
 £ s. d. From _____ At _____ m. **AG 32**
 Charges to Collect _____ By _____ To _____
 Service Instructions _____ By _____ **16/4/18**

Handed in at _____ Office _____ m. Received _____

TO **AG 32**

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**
AZA 177 **16**

Prisoners	taken	states	Boche
will	make	local	attacks
against	STRAZELLE	to-night	
51	tomorrow		

FROM **ED 25**
 TIME & PLACE **1115**

*This line should be erased if not required.

523.000—John Blyden Ltd—5/17—8222. Form 93128

Prefix _____ Code _____ Words _____
 £ s. d. From _____ At _____ m. **AG 32**
 Charges to Collect _____ By _____ To _____
 Service Instructions _____ By _____ **16/4/18**

Handed in at _____ Office _____ m. Received _____

TO **AG 32**

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**
AZA 179 **16**

Counter	preparation	shoot	will
take	place	from	4.30
am.	to	6 AM	to -
tomorrow			

FROM **ED 25**
 TIME & PLACE **7:30 PM**

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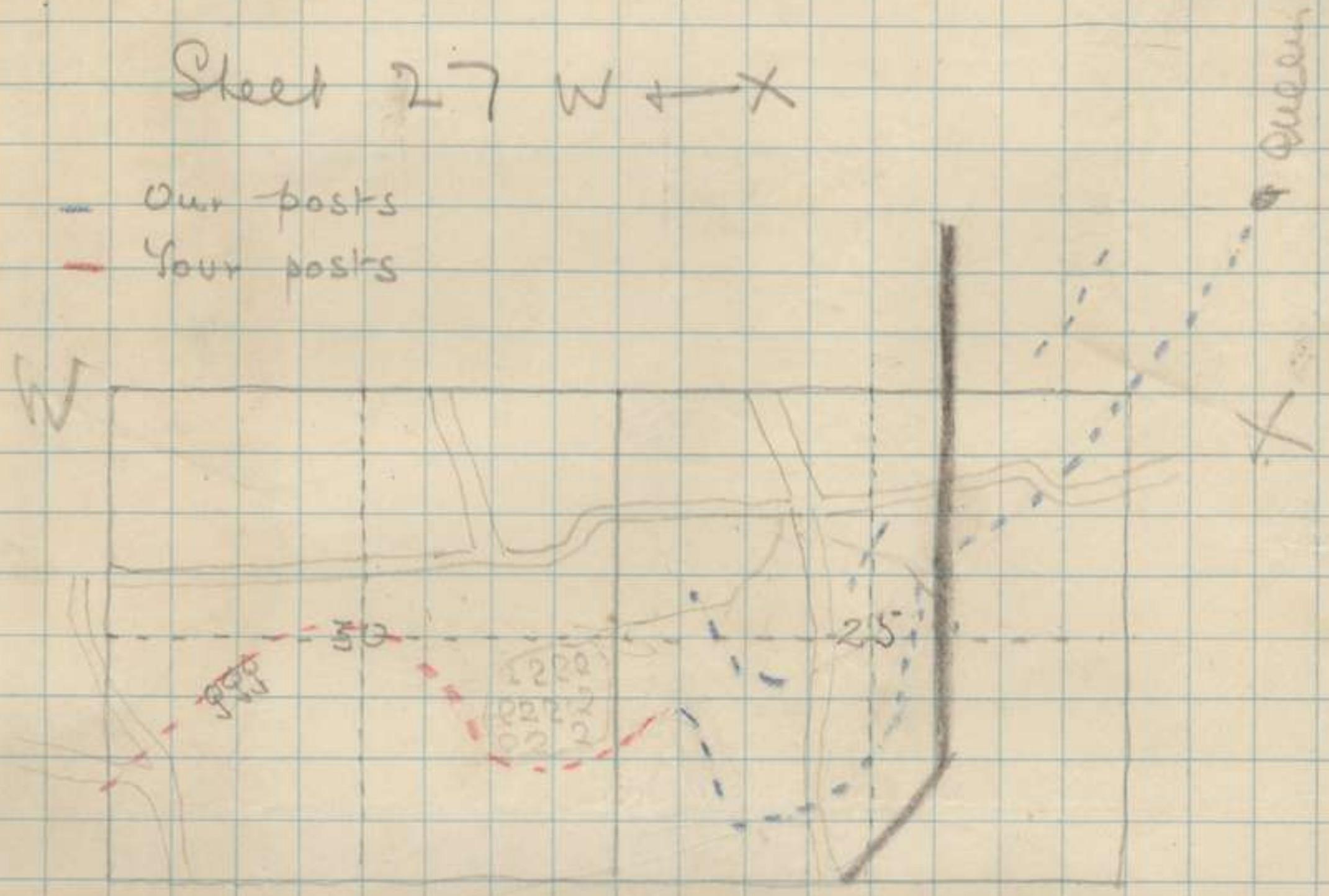
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- Our posts
- Your posts



Line of blue represents my posts
Thick pencil your barrage line

H.W. Draffault

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 L s. d. From..... At.....m.
 Charges to Collect By..... To.....
 Service Instructions. By.....
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO Australians

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
A 20 16 AAA

Enemy	in	small	numbers
in	SE	corner	of
METEREN		AAA	
bunker	attack	is	being
made.	AAA		
Above	received	from	19 th
Inf:	Bde:		

FROM 57. Leo - Rep
 TIME & PLACE 10 10 A.M.
J. P. Madigan
Capt

*This line should be erased if not required.

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 L s. d. From..... At.....m.
 Charges to Collect By..... To.....
 Service Instructions. By.....
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO O.C. 4th Anst Bn.

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
S 21 16 AAA

- 1) Latest from Bde. was enemy crossed line in village between X16 & X17.
- 2) Enemy seen advancing along ridge towards METEREN at X15 & checked about 40 men in 5 min.
- 3) Since then the line from X 20 to N.E. to old corner of METEREN was shelled heavily for 5 minutes. Then the barrage lifted forward. No advance yet seen. It is
- 4) I am trying to get in position from Bn on my left. My centre right all quiet.

Stg Lt B. Spalding

FROM O.C. 5th or 6th Rifle
 PLACE & TIME 12 noon

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(1963) *V1520/M1970. 300,000 Pads 4/17. M.C. & Co., Ltd. (M1233)

APPENDIX / B96

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 £ s. d. From.....At.....m.
 Charges to Collect By.....To.....
 Service Instructions By.....
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO *A 14 Australians*

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**
A 14 16

*The enemy have occupied
 that high ground east
 of BAILLEUL. The
 situation is well in
 hand. Aaa
 for your information.
 Above received from 19th
 Infantry Brigade.*

FROM *5TH SCOTTISH RIFLES*
 TIME & PLACE *12.30 am Hight Sp. 26th*

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TO *Australians*

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**
A 38 16

*can you tell me
 what is happening beyond
 my right I hear
 one of your boys has gone
 forward.*

FROM *5th Scottish Rifles Hight Sp. 26th*
 PLACE & TIME *7.22 p.m.*

*This line should be erased if not required.

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Prefix.....
 £ s. d. From..... At..... m.
 Charges to Collect By..... To.....
 Service Instructions. By.....
 Handed in at..... Office..... m. Received..... m.

TO Australians.

*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
A 25	16/4		AAA
D. B.	4 th Kings	has	just
been	over	to see	me.
his	left	flank	has
been	turned	his	left
is	now	facing	north
I	am	reinforcing	with
1 Sect.	R. E's	and	one
platoon			
M. Co	are	expanding	my
line	from	hill	N. W.
of	church	4	haystack
near	church	and	
so	far	as	I know
there	is no	attack	on
my	front		
trench	are	coming up	on

FROM
 TIME & PLACE

*This line should be erased if not required.

£ s. d. From..... At..... m.
 Charges to Collect By..... To.....
 Service Instructions. By.....
 Handed in at..... Office..... m. Received..... m.

TO

*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
	16/4		AAA
to	RED LINE	AAA	
I	have	informed	my
Brigade	and	suggested	a
counter	attack	to	be
made	at	once.	I
understand	that	this	is
being	done.		
Later.	Bn:	on my	left
is	still in	front	position
my	left	by	* line running
N. E.	X 50 cent.	300'	each side
position	obscure.	my	right Coy
attacked	at	1.30 p.m.	Attack
was	beaten		

FROM S/Sgt. D. P.
 TIME & PLACE High B. P. S. D. H. S.

*This line should be erased if not required.

10000—John Brown, Ltd.—2011—2141—Form 3222.

APPENDIX 1298

Major commanding
32nd French B^{on}
To C.O. 4th B^{on} Australian

The enemy has
been attacking at about
4 P.M. the whole front
of the right brigade of
33rd ^{British} Division in front
of METEREN. He has been
repulsed everywhere
except at one point, from
where he has been repulsed
by a strong counter-attack
with heavy losses for
the enemy. During the
whole of evening very heavy
bombardment about
Nouve Eglise & Messines.

Wauthier
C. Fung
de Vallerie

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Le C^t du 32^e B^{on} à
Messines le C^t du 4^e B^{on}

Ouest, alien

16.4.18

1.450 matin

Bailleul vient de tomber
aux mains de l'ennemi qui
commence déjà à déborder
au Nord et à l'Ouest.

Renseignement fourni par
l'artillerie française.

Wauthier

A Coy 4th Br. A.I.F

0430-17418

Notes Report

The Coy moved from
 trenches in X 19 A to trenches
 in W 24 D at 0130 on 17th inst.
 Casualties: 1 OR wounded by
 MG fire
 shell fire nil
 Situation normal.

W. P. Hoff Capt
OC A Coy

SUMMARY REPORT.

SECRET.

B Coy 4th Australian Inf. Bn
 from ~~17th~~ 5⁴ AM 16/4/18 to 5 AM 17/4/18

- 1) Our Stokes Mortar was firing at 4.10 AM 17/4/18.
 Our machine guns were active during C. Coy's attack
 at 7.30 PM 16/4/18 expiring 1250 rounds (approx)
- C) From 5 AM 16/4/18 to 5 AM 17/4/18 machine guns fired 2000 (approx)
- 2) A) Enemy bombarded in rear of our position
 with 5. ^{14.2}/₁₁ at 7.45 PM 16/4/18.
- B) Enemy machine gun played over our
 parapet at frequent intervals during the
 night 16/4/18 and morning 17/4/18.

~~Nothing to report.~~

Pte W. M. Bentley

P. L. Cooke, Capt
 OC B Coy
 W. P. Hoff

4th Bn
A I - 17th Time 13:50

C. Coy is not more than
50 Strong at present all told.

AAA Sniping is very active.

Coy Hq Coy is at present in old front
line. AAA

Support line is well manned
at present.

Situation in front line well in hand

R Crawford
C Coy

To Ady. 4th Bn

Have been round A B & D
Coy's line - Have arranged
for full relief of C Coy and
they have 10-15 men left
C Coy.

I have 15 men in trench
occupied last night by A
Coy Hq Coy and

So far have not located
Lt Crawford or his men
am on his track
to be seen

60.
4th Bn.

I have been instructed to move my company (6 boys & 200) to a position just in rear of STRAZEELE & am sending a guide to you for instructions.

17/4/18

W.P. for guses bay
D.C. Coy

The Adj. 14/4/18
Completed
11. B. & P. Coy.
Am in charge
of D Coy.
W.P. as usual
L

4th Bn.

- 1) Sniping was carried out actively during day. Enemy did not offer much target as previous day but 4 hits are claimed.
- 2) Two platoons of D Coy formed up in front of right part of Coy and were engaged for about ^{from E 62 to 68} on top fields at approx E 66 to 67 but fortunately they did not attack as if they had been able to consolidate their right flank would have been 500' in the air. Enemy has posts about 3 in number in part of top field and one to the left of top field again & in line with other posts.
- 3) 15 milk milk grenades were flung at about posts from an advanced position taken up at E 62 to 68.
- 4) Enemy in position before MERRIS was much

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Harassed by L.M.C & rifle fire during night as all his movements were plain & weak by means of the fire in MERRIS.

- 3) Enemy sent up green & some red flares for his SOS. The barrage at 0430 was slow in opening - considerable in depth and composed of practically all H.E. wise-bung 4.2- & 5.9. - barrage lasted about 3 1/4 hours on forward area & about 1 hour a back area.
- 6) Coy. H.Q.s moved to W 30 64.

N.L. took off

6.0 p.m.

14-4-18

- 1800 0600.

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 From..... At.....m.
 Charges to Collect By.....
 Service Instructions To.....
 By.....

Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO O.C. 4th A.I.F.

* Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
A 48 17 AAA

I am informed by O.C. 1st A.I.F. that a Coy of your Bn. somewhere of this is relieving my right Coy to night. Is this correct. If so, please let me know when they will be up.

FROM O.C. 5th Sea Beach Ref. High B. Sp. Lt. Col.
 PLACE & TIME

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L S. a.
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 From..... At.....m.
 Charges to Collect By.....
 Service Instructions To.....
 By.....

Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO O.C. 4th Australians

* Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
A 52 17 AAA

I am leaving the platoon who were holding my right front as they were not relieved and are needed to fill the gap between the two battalions. They will come under your orders and have been so informed. Can you get them water. They have none as they were to come out. I hope they will get out early tonight. Please send our cyclist to R 19 a 5.1.

FROM of Sea Refs.
 PLACE & TIME 5.45 p.m. p/m. Capt.

* This line should be erased if not required.
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Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge	This message is on a/c of:	Reed. at.....m
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent		Service
.....	At.....m.	From.....
.....	To.....	By.....
.....	By.....	Signature of *Franking Officer. 1

TO {	4 TH	B.N.	
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Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
* V.V.B. 1	17		

Scottish post at X.75.G.6.5
+ Right 1st B.N. post at
X.25.C.8.7.0 are being attacked
AAA They are holding
enemy, but have asked
for more artillery support
+ reinforcements AAA
Everything else O.K. AAA
What is 4th B.N. situation

V.V. Brown
11.20 A.M.

From			
Place			
Time			

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

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

* This line should be erased if not required.

(7700.) Wt W492/M1647 110,000 Pads 5/17 C. & R. Ltd (E. 1187.)

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Prefix.....	Code.....	Words.....	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
£ s. d.			From.....	At.....m.	
Charges to Collect			By.....	To.....	
Service Instructions				By.....	
Handed in at.....			Office.....	m	Received.....m.
TO	J A B H [initials]				
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA	
A 280.	17	—			
A Coy will be prepared to relieve C Coy on the left & B Coy relieve D Coy on the right. AAA Advance officers will be sent forward at dusk to Meon. AAA Relief will not take place till ordered, probably 10 PM AAA					
FROM	GK White				
TIME & PLACE	[unclear]				

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800,000.—John Rissen Ltd—5/17—3280. Forms C2123.

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4th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters,
8th April, 1918.

- O.C. "A" Co.
- O.C. "B" Co.
- O.C. "C" Co.
- O.C. "n" Co.
- Q.M.

The Brigade Commander noticed the following matters on his inspection today.

- (1) Diet sheets were not placed at cookers. The Brigadier directs that the Sgt Cook is to prepare a daily diet sheet, and this is to be placed up in a conspicuous position at the cooker; also that Platoon Commanders and Company Commanders should be able to say what is on the diet sheet for the day.
- (2) A number of men were without colours. This matter is to be attended to at once.
- (3) A number of men did not know the name of the Brigadier. This should be amongst the first things which are told men on joining the Battalion.

J. K. White
Lieut & Adjt.
 4th Australian Infantry Battalion.

Part of Sheet 27 1:40,000

Scale 1:20,000



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APPENDIX

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"C" Form.
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2123.
(In books of 100.)

No. of Message

Prefix.....	Code.....	Words..... £ s. d.	Received. From <u>ED25</u>	Sent, or sent out. At.....m.	Office Stamp. <u>19/4/18</u>
Charges to Collect			By <u>RO'D</u>	To.....	<u>AG32</u>
Service Instructions.			<u>at 1625</u>	By.....	

Handed in at..... Office..... m Received 4.25P m.

TO NA17 5099 + AG32
JA JB

*Sender's Number. <u>1096</u>	Day of Month. <u>17th</u>	In reply to Number.	AAA
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One round gunfire for
18 pounders will be
put down on S.O.S.
lines at 6 p.m a.a.
Instruct ground observ-
ers to report result.

FROM	<u>ED25 AG32</u>
TIME & PLACE	<u>4 p.m.</u>

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900,000.—John Rissen, Ltd.—5/17.—3280. Forms C2123.

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

TO { 1 2 3 4 *Boon MG Coy*
T M Bay

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A
 * *Aza 206* *18/4*

A german prisoner states
 Germans are going to
 attack today or tonight
 to capture Strazeele

All copy
To now return
100 A I Bde
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From *100 A I Bde*
 Place
 Time *11.7*

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

Office of Origin and Service Instructions. Recd. at m.
 Sent Service. Date
 At m. From
 To By (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { *1st 2- 3- 4th Bn 1st MG Coy 1st LTM Bty*
2nd div of Inf Bde French Battalion
29th Div

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A
 * *Aza 208* *18/4*

Further interrogation
 of prisoner *aaa* an
 attack will take
 place today most
 likely towards dusk
 objective STRAZEELE
 troops attacking *12th*
 Division

From *1st AF Bde*
 Place
 Time *12.10pm*

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

TO { 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12
 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24
 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36
 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48
 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60
 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72
 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84
 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96
 97 98 99 100

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A
 * 212 1/4

It is believed the 12th German Division is about to attack the Crack Australian Division at today and the Brigades

knows
 1.

he will win

1001 A. J. B. B.

From
 Place
 Time

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

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 (3796.) Wt. W 492/M 1647. 60,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E, 1187.)

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

TO { ~~1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12~~
~~13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24~~
~~25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36~~
~~37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48~~
~~49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60~~
~~61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72~~
~~73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84~~
~~85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96~~
~~97 98 99 100~~

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A
 * 212 18/4

It is hoped to have your new Battle Hqs complete by 6 PM tomorrow night with signal communication through

1001 A. J. B. B.

From
 Place
 Time

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

* This line, except A A A, should be erased if not required.
 Wt. W 3253/P 511. 500,000 Pads. 1/18. B. & S. Ltd. (E2389.)

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Prefix.....Code.....m:	Words	Charge.	This message is on ac of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent		Service.
.....	At.....m.	To.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	From.....
.....	By.....			By.....
TO } <i>4th Battalion</i>				
Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA	
* <i>H 2</i>	<i>18</i>			
<p><i>A relay post has been established at farm W21A95.90 AAA this station will receive all despatches and telegrams for Brigade & transmit</i></p>				
From	<i>1st a / Bde</i>			
Place				
Time			<i>16 20 pm</i>	
<i>The above may be forwarded as now corrected.</i>			(Z)	
Censor.		Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.		
*This line should be erased if not required.				
(12965.) Wt. W12952/M1294. 127,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)				

1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.Brigade Headquarters,
18th April, 1918.SECRET.

1st Aust. Battalion,
2nd Aust. Battalion,
3rd Aust. Battalion,
✓ 4th Aust. Battalion,
1st Aust. M.G. COY.
1st Aust. L.T.M. Bty.

The Corps Commander considers it is essential that the present line should be held. The Divisional Commander therefore directs that prompt counter-attacks should be initiated in the event of any local penetration by the enemy. Where these are on a somewhat large scale, as little delay as possible should take place, but adequate arrangements for artillery fire in such cases should always be completed before the infantry are launched.

[Signature]
Major,

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Brigade.

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1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

AZA 227

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Brigade Headquarters,
18th April, 1918.

War Diary

- 1st Aust. Battalion,
- 2nd Aust. Battalion,
- 3rd Aust. Battalion,
- ✓ 4th Aust. Battalion,
- 1st Aust. M.G. Coy.,
- 1st Aust. L.T.M. Bty..

Our counter batteries have been organised in this locality and are now open for business.

Murdoch

Major,

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Brigade.

Extract from German Operation order taken from wounded officer of 23. I.R. 12 Divisions on 18/4/48

12th Inf. Div. 15/4/48

10200 April 48

(Ia) Will ref to attacks on Steenward Div Order for the preparation of the attacks.

1. It is intended that the 6th Army should carry out a combined attack in a N.W. direction on 17.4.48 to capture the high ground

a. On our right the 3rd Bav. Army Corps with the 8th Res. Inf Div on its left flank.

B. In the centre the XIX Command with the 42nd 12th Reserve and 33rd Inf Div

c. On the left of XIX command the LV Comm. with the 108th Reserve

2. Div on its right flank.

2. The 12th Div. will attack through the 42nd Div

The boundaries of the attack will be: On the right HAUTE MAISON (Sheet 56A NE F 14 D) Eastern outskirts of NORD HELE (Sheet 27 NE W 30 B X 25 A)

Western outskirts of Fleure (Sheet 27 SE G 22 B)

On the left Western outskirts of BLEU (Sheet 36 A NE F 19 B)

Eastern Outskirts of Strageele Western Outskirts of Carstia Western outskirts of FECKE

3. The Inf. attack will be carried out by the 62nd Regt. on the right the 63rd Regt on the left followed by the 23rd Regt in reserve

4⁵⁹ Reconnaissance tasks
for the Inf. - Our own &
enemy front line, Possible
assembly points, Points of
entry B. H. G. and Battle zone
Regt. Addendum to Para 6.

Bns and attached formations
are to continue their
reconnaissance. Enemy
Bn must reconnoitre the
area. Station S of St. Yvres
- VERTE RUE - LESTRONS
F E P M E S - LE WATON.

G. S. /
X 14 Corps
18/4/18

End

~~Report~~
Situation Report

C Coy up to 5 pm
18/4/18

Work. — Nil

Shelling. — Quiet

Situation: 20 men under Lt. Hall

Sent forward to support A Coy.

Under arrangements with Lt. Hall.

Total at A Coy 30 men

" with C Coy 35 men 2 officers

W. W. H. H. H. H. H.
at C Coy

W. Ady.
U.S. 132

Re H 291.

The company is now
adjoined in this line

W. W. Adams Capt
C Coy

4th Bn

18-14-18

Re memo re
unsuccessful Boob attack.
It is asked that
all efforts be made
to get Tucker M. across
to assist in holding
the front line.

W. J. Crooke M.A.

O.C.

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Prefix..... Code..... Words.....
 From..... At..... m.
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at..... Office..... m Received..... m.

TO J.C.

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 A 291 18 AAA AAA

To Crawford was ordered to occupy the positions vacated by A Coy which were the old D Coy positions AAA He apparently did not understand this AAA you will dribble your men into those positions at once (situated in W. 24. D.

FROM LAMP
 TIME & PLACE C.K. White forage

*This line should be erased if not required.
 900,000.—John Bissen Ltd—5/17.—3290. Forms C2123.

Prefix..... Code..... Words.....
 From AG32 At..... m.
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at..... Office..... m Received..... m.

TO AG32 PP 20
 4247

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 A2A230 18/4 AAA

CP D30A 45 minutes

FROM ED 23
 TIME & PLACE 11 PM

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Prefix.....Code.....Words.....			Received. .	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
			From <u>ED75</u>	At.....m.	
Charges to Collect			By <u>Maple</u>	To	
Service Instructions.				By	
Handed in at			Office.....m	Received <u>1350</u> m.	
TO <u>AG 32</u>					
*Sender's Number.	Day of month.	In reply to Number.	AAA		
<u>AZAZ04</u>	<u>18th</u>				
<u>reported</u>	<u>enemy</u>	<u>parol</u>	<u>was</u>		
<u>knocked</u>	<u>into</u>	<u>at</u>	<u>300.15A</u>		
FROM <u>ED75</u>					
TIME & PLACE					
*This line should be erased if not required.					
300,000.—John Risson, Ltd —5/17.—3290. Forms C2123.					

Prefix Code Words
£ s. d.
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From *ED25* At m. *19/4/18*
 By *RO'D* To *AG32*
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions. *at 7.12 pm*
 Handed in at Office m Received

TO

NA17 + AG32

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
AZA 241 *19/4* *AAA*

<i>CPG 20</i>	<i>p 20</i>	<i>AAA</i>
<i>CPH 5</i>	<i>p 20</i>	<i>AAA</i>
<i>CPD 20</i>	<i>A 70</i>	<i>AAA</i>

FROM
 TIME & PLACE

1st A.I. BDE

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Prefix Code Words
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 From At m.
 By To
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions.
 Handed in at Office m Received

TO

AG32

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
AG 216 *19/4* *AAA*

*Reference my agenda
 of tonight for
 CP D 20 A 70 read
 CP D 15 A 30 and
 RHO CPES A 20*

FROM
 TIME & PLACE

ED 28

*This line should be erased if not required.

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APPENDIX

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To _____
By _____

Handed in at _____ Office _____ m Received _____ m.

TO ALL Coy

*Sender's Number. A 301 Day of month. 19 In reply to Number. - **AAA**

The	C.O.	wishes	you
to	read	this	order
carefully,	and	inform	your
men	of	its	contents
as	it	is	of
considerable	importance		

A DM
B W
C sub
D W

FROM Bn H.Q. District Lt
TIME & PLACE 9-10 Pm for Adyt

* This line should be erased if not required.
900,000.—John Rissen Ltd —5/17.—3280. Forms C2123.

Charges to Collect _____ By _____ At _____ m.
Service Instructions _____ To _____
By _____

Handed in at _____ Office _____ m Received _____ m.

TO ALL Coy

*Sender's Number. A. 302 Day of month. 19 In reply to Number. - **AAA**

Cases	of	Trench	feet
are	beginning	to	recede
Please	take	steps	at
once	to	ensure	that
men	in	posts	take
their	boots	off	at
least	three	times	daily
and	rub	their	feet
foot	powder	is	being
procured.	AAA	Platoon	Commander
will	report	on	this
Reports	to	reach	Bn
Hours	by	9 AM	daily

A DM
B W
C W
D W

FROM Bn H.Q. District Lt
TIME & PLACE 9-20 Pm for Adyt

* This line should be erased if not required.
900,000.—John Rissen Ltd —5/17.—3280. Forms C2123.

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Prefix..... Code..... Words..... Received.
 £ s. d. From JD At..... m. 2.00
 By John To..... 9/4/18
 Office Stamp.

Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at..... Office..... m. Received..... m.

TO adjt 4. Bn

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
JD 5 19th

Everything quiet on my front
 please expedite delivery of M.G.
 gas cylinder and rifle oil
 requested yesterday
 the bombs I have are not suitable for
 new cup arrangement
 Can you let me have two
 box of grenades with flanges

FROM O.C. D Coy
 TIME & PLACE 0925

*This line should be erased if not required.

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Prefix..... Code..... Words..... Received.
 £ s. d. From JD At..... m. 6
 By John To..... AC 32
 Office Stamp.

Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at..... Office..... m. Received..... m.

TO H.Q.

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
JD 7 19

Enemy battery 5.9
 shelling W 29 to 5.4 shells
 at 3 mins interval

FROM O.C. D Coy
 TIME & PLACE 1125

*This line should be erased if not required.

300,000.—John Rissen. Ltd —5/17.—3280. Forms C2123.

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To 4th Bn

DIN 10

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- (1) St Holt's party with Capt
Wolff relieved by
St. Crawford & 24 O.R
2 Lewis guns - ada
- (2) Am sending CSM Lees
back to Transport in place
of Sgt Dean aka
- (3) Situation normal
Dwbaes left
re C. Coy

4th Bn

20/4/19

I have to report that 2
 coils of wire were received
 by me on night of 19th inst.
 No pickets were received
 & also sapper who was
 to report to me did not
 turn up. As I could not
 solve any pickets no
 wire was put out

W. J. [Signature]
 20/4/19

Prefix _____ Code _____ Words _____
 Received. _____ Sent, or sent out. _____ Office Stamp. _____
 From O.C. Donkey At _____ m. _____
 By Captn P. To _____
 Charges to Collect _____
 Service Instructions. _____

Handed in at _____ Office _____ m. Received 8.16A
 TO AG 32

*Sender's Number. JD 12 Day of Month. 20/4/19 In reply to Number. _____ AAA

Everything quiet on my front and
 foot rubbing has been
 carried out, will expect
 powder and socks tonight

FROM O.C. Donkey
 TIME & PLACE 0815

*This line should be erased if not required.
 800,000.—John Rissen, Ltd.—5/17.—8288. Forms C3123.

Prefix _____ Code _____ Words _____
 Received. _____ Sent, or sent out. _____ Office Stamp. _____
 From JD At _____ m. AG 32
 By Smull To _____
 Charges to Collect _____
 Service Instructions. 1117 AM.

Handed in at _____ Office _____ m. Received _____
 TO AG 32

*Sender's Number. JD 13 Day of Month. 20 In reply to Number. _____ AAA

Nothing further to report
 everything quiet on my
 front and

FROM O.C. "Don" boy
 TIME & PLACE 1115 am

*This line should be erased if not required.
 800,000.—John Rissen, Ltd.—5/17.—8288. Forms C3125.

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4th Bn 20

A gun firing shrapnel
is shelling our tent
on rear (Coy HQ tent)
at 4.20 A.M. It
fired about 10 shells
& appeared to come
from a ~~gun~~ ^{westerly} direction.

It sounds like at 18 fms
but of course it might
be our own gun.

M. L. Cooke Lt

o.c.
Bn

Leban
A.M. Bn

20. 4. 18

To Adjutant

A thorough search
has been made regarding
our missing men
but nothing further can
be found of them in
the area occupied by C. Coy.

W. W. Haas
O.C. Captain
A.M. Bn

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Prefix.....	Code.....	Words.....	Received.....	Sent, or sent out.....	Office Stamp.....
£ s. d.			From.....	At.....m.	
Charges to Collect			By.....	To.....	
Service Instructions.			By.....		
Handed in at.....		Office.....	m	Received.....	

TO *Day AG 32*

*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
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<i>Gun</i>	<i>Living</i>	<i>shot</i>	<i>near</i>
<i>of yours</i>	<i>right</i>	<i>post</i>	<i>calibre</i>
<i>about</i>	<i>60 lb</i>	<i>back</i>	<i>having</i>
<i>about</i>	<i>260</i>		

FROM	<i>Mr Harris</i>
TIME & PLACE	<i>3099</i>

*This line should be erased if not required.
 800,000.—John Rissen, Ltd —5/17.—3228. Forms C9128.

Prefix.....	Code.....	Words.....	Received.....	Sent, or sent out.....	Office Stamp.....
£ s. d.			From.....	At.....m.	
Charges to Collect			By.....	To.....	
Service Instructions.			By.....		
Handed in at.....		Office.....	m	Received.....	

TO *AG 32*

*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
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<i>Asks</i>	<i>Bde</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>request</i>
<i>artillery</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>lengthen</i>	<i>range</i>
<i>immediately</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>request</i>	

FROM	<i>JD</i>
TIME & PLACE	

*This line should be erased if not required.
 800,000.—John Rissen, Ltd —5/17.—3228. Forms C9128.

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Prefix.....	Code.....	Words.....	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
Charges to Collect			From.....	At.....m.	
Service Instructions.			By.....	To.....	
Handed in at.....			Office.....	m	Received.....m.
TO <u>J.A.B.C.D</u>					
*Sender's Number.		Day of Month.		In reply to Number.	
<u>A 309</u>		<u>20</u>		<u>AAA</u>	
<u>LAMP now at</u>					
<u>W 222 D 9.8</u>					
<u>B. 156</u>					
<u>C.E. 8.</u>					
<u>For 60</u>					
<u>Don Coy.</u>					
<u>R.L.P.</u>					
<u>C.C. Coy.</u>					
<u>LAMP</u>					
<u>B.K. White</u>					
<u>17</u>					
*This line should be erased if not required.					

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Service Instructions.

Handed in at..... Office..... m Received.....m

TO AS 32

*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
<u>A2A264</u>	<u>20</u>		
<u>Stint</u>	<u>mentioned</u>	<u>in</u>	<u>my</u>
<u>A2A256</u>	<u>is</u>	<u>postponed</u>	<u>for</u>
<u>24 hours</u>			

FROM ED 25

TIME & PLACE

*This line should be erased if not required.

800,000.—John Rissen, Ltd.—5/17.—8289 Forms CR195.

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Prefix _____ Code _____ Words _____
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp
 From ED25 At _____ m. AG 32
 By Smith To _____
 Charges to Collect _____
 Service Instructions. 2.50 am By 20/4/18

Handed in at _____ Office _____ m Received _____

TO AG 32

*Sender's Number. Day of month. In reply to Number. AAA
AZA 248 20 _____ AAA

<u>28th</u>	<u>French</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>have</u>
<u>captured</u>	<u>prisoner</u>	<u>of the</u>	<u>22nd</u>
<u>Bavarian</u>	<u>Regiment</u>	<u>11th</u>	<u>Bav</u>
<u>Dion</u>	<u>near</u>	<u>Doncal</u>	<u>Farm</u>
<u>aaa</u>	<u>Prisoner</u>	<u>states</u>	<u>his</u>
<u>Division</u>	<u>being</u>	<u>relieved</u>	<u>tonight</u>
<u>by</u>	<u>two</u>	<u>Divisions</u>	<u>who</u>
<u>are</u>	<u>expected</u>	<u>to</u>	<u>attack</u>
<u>tomorrow</u>	<u>20th</u>	<u>Inst</u>	<u>or</u>
<u>next</u>	<u>day</u>		

FROM ED25
 TIME & PLACE _____

*This line should be erased if not required.

500,000.—John Rissen, Ltd —5/17.—5288. Forms C9122.

Prefix _____ Code _____ Words _____
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp
 From ED28 At _____ m. AG 32
 By Smith To _____
 Charges to Collect _____
 Service Instructions. 6.40 PM By 20/4/18

Handed in at _____ Office _____ m Received _____

TO AG 32

*Sender's Number. Day of month. In reply to Number. AAA
AZA 263 20 _____ AAA

<u>CP</u>	<u>G 35 P</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>and</u>
<u>CP</u>	<u>H 15 P</u>	<u>20</u>	

FROM ED25
 TIME & PLACE 6.10 PM

*This line should be erased if not required.

500,000.—John Rissen, Ltd —5/17.—5288. Forms C9122.

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Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	* Charge.	<i>This message is on a/c of:</i>
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent		Recd. at.....m.
	At.....m.		Date.....
	To.....		From.....
	By.....		By.....
(Signature of "Franking Officer.")			
TO	1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Bn. 1st M.G. Coy.		
	1st L.I. Bty.		
Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* AZA 255	20/4	-----	
<p>It is essential to obtain identification early to-night if possible in order to xxx ascertain enemy's intentions in regard to attack.</p>			
From	1st Aust. Inf. Bde.		
Place			
Time	3.55 p.m.		
<i>The above may be forwarded as now corrected.</i>			
	(Z) <i>H. H. Hunter</i> Major.		
	* This line should be erased if not required.	Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.	
* This line should be erased if not required.			
(1396A) Wt. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)			

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Prefix	Code	Words	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
# s. d.			From <i>EDYS</i>	At m.	<i>29/32</i> <i>20/4/18</i>
Charges to Collect			By <i>[Signature]</i>	To	
Service Instructions.			By		
Handed in at			Office	m	Received
TO			<i>2932</i>		
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA	
<i>29264</i>	<i>20</i>				
<i>CP D10H75</i>		<i>and</i>			
<i>CP EA30</i>					
FROM		<i>EDYS</i>			
TIME & PLACE		<i>1030pm</i>			
*This line should be erased if not required.					
<small>303,000.—John Rissen, Ltd —5/17.—9222. Form C9122.</small>					

1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters,
20th April, 1918.

SECRET.

1st Aust. Battalion,
2nd Aust. Battalion,
3rd Aust. Battalion,
✓ 4th Aust. Battalion,
1st Aust. M.G. Coy.,
1st Aust. L.T.M. Bty.
92nd Infantry Brigade.

1. A Gas Projector Operation against the enemy positions in the vicinity of MERRIS will be carried out to-night 20/21st April, if weather conditions are favourable.
2. Two hundred (200) Projectors will be placed in position at approximately Square W.30.D.7.8.
3. All troops located in Squares E.6., W.30. and X.25. and F.1. will wear Box Respirators from Zero minus five (5) minutes until Zero plus fifteen (15) minutes.
4. The Projectors will only be discharged if the wind is blowing from a direction from N.N.W. through West to West by South.
5. The Operation will be stopped if at ~~any~~^{the} time arranged for the discharge of the Projectors the wind is unfavourable.
6. Zero Hour will be communicated by code wire thus "Letters at (followed by time)".
7. If unfavourable weather conditions develop before 4 p.m. the projectors will not be emplaced but above instructions will hold good for any subsequent operation of this nature.

Acknowledge

Anderson
Major,

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Brigade.

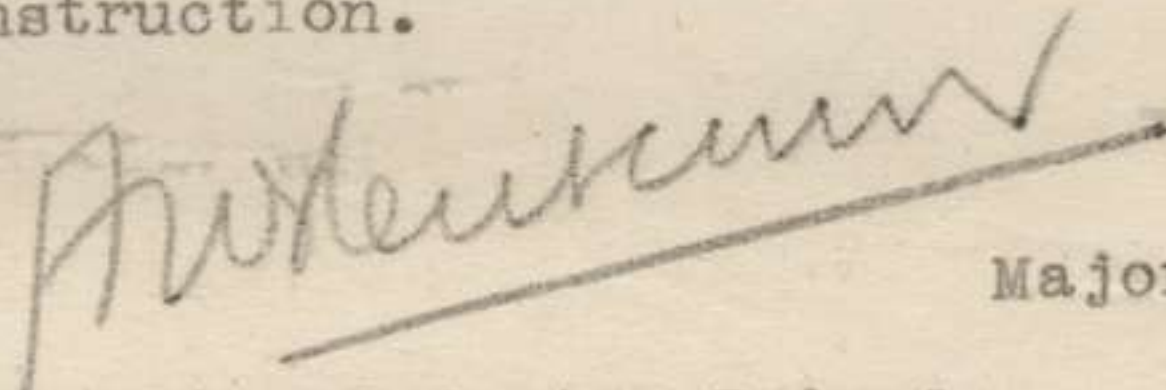
1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.Brigade Headquarters,
20th April, 1918.2nd Aust. Battalion,
4th Aust. Battalion,

Arrange to move to your new Headquarters to-day
and notify this Office of completion of move.

The accommodation in each place will be extended
but, in the meantime, is sufficient for a Battle Headquarters.

Personnel for which no room is available will be
accommodated under Unit arrangements.

R.A.Ps. will remain at present locations. New
R.A.Ps. are in course of construction.


Major,

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Brigade.

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Prefix.....	Code.....	m.	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....	m.			
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.				Sent		Date.....			
<p style="font-size: 2em; opacity: 0.5; transform: rotate(-45deg); position: absolute; top: 20px; left: 20px;">Secret</p>				At.....	m.	.....	Service.		
				To.....				From.....		
				By.....				(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....	
				TO: 4 th Aust Bde						
* Sender's Number.		Day of Month.		In reply to Number.		A A A				
* 420266		20/4		H 308.						
<p>My 420263 decoded runs as follows and counter preparation will be carried out this evening from 7.35 pm to 8 PM and from 8.15 PM to 8.35 am Key to this code has been sent to all units and CP means counter preparation and 9.35 means 7.35 the figures hours 1 to 12 are coded by the letters of the alphabet taking "A" for "1" and continuing on but missing the letter "I" and "P" gives AM or PM and this code P means next figures give the duration of the shoot and Acknowledge</p>										
From		1 st A. B. Bde								
Place										
Time										
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., Ltd. (E. 1187.)										

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From *J D* At.....m. *AG32*
 By *Smith* To.....
 Service Instructions. *1810* By.....
21/4/18

Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions.
 Handed in at.....Office.....m Received.....m.
 TO *AG32*

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
J D 13 *21* *AAA*

<i>Foot</i>	<i>rubbing</i>	<i>continued</i>	<i>and</i>
<i>socks</i>	<i>changed</i>	<i>aca</i>	<i>all</i>
<i>quiet</i>	<i>on</i>	<i>front</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>casualties</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>report</i>	<i>aca</i>

FROM *OC "Doh" Coy*
 TIME & PLACE *1800*

*This line should be erased if not required.

800,000.—John Risco, Ltd.—5/17.—1935. Form C9133.

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received. Sent, or sent out.
 From *OC D Coy* At.....m.
 By *Smith* To.....
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions.

Handed in at.....Office.....m Received.....m.
 TO *AG32*

*Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
J D 16 *21/4/18* *AAA*

inform MO that we would
take a sketch of Beaches Bay
Complete aca
posting to report aca

FROM *OC D Coy*
 TIME & PLACE *1715*

*This line should be erased if not required.

800,000.—John Risco, Ltd.—5/17.—1935. Form C9133.

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Prefix	Code	Words	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp
		l s. d.	From <i>ED25</i>	At	<i>AG32</i>
Charges to Collect			By <i>Smith</i>	To <i>4</i>	<i>27/4/18</i>
Service Instructions.			<i>1025</i>	<i>4373</i>	
Handed in at			Office	m	Received
TO	<i>AG32</i>				
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA	
<i>AZA295</i>	<i>21st</i>				
<i>CPDA</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>aaa</i>		<i>CPD</i>	
<i>15</i>	<i>A 30</i>	<i>aaa</i>			
<i>Counter preparation</i>					
FROM	<i>ED25</i>				

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1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters,
21st April, 1918.

SECRET.

- 1st Aust. Battalion,
- 2nd Aust. Battalion,
- 3rd Aust. Battalion,
- 4th Aust. Battalion,
- 1st Aust. M.G. Coy.,
- 1st Aust. L.T.M. Bty.

The following "Mots de railment" (Passwords) will be used by the D.A.N. French Army from 21st to 26th April.

21/22nd	ARRAS.
22/23rd	CASSEL.
23/24th	BORDEAUX.
24/25th	TOURS.
25/26th	NEVERS.

Hubert

Major,

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Brigade.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

119/80

Divisional Headquarters,
21st April, 1918.

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The following message from SECOND ARMY received through XV Corps is forwarded for information :-

" The Army Commander wishes to place on record his appreciation
" of the gallant conduct of the troops under your command in the
" present fighting and it is worthy of all praise and he wishes
" all ranks to be informed.

[Handwritten signature]
Lieut.-Colonel,
A. A. & G. Co.,
1st Australian Division.

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

TO { 1st 2nd 3rd 4th Aust Bde

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* agn 210.	28/4		

When in new area men must be kept together ready to counter attack at short notice. All officers must know the routes forward to both Brigades in line.

From 1st 7th Bde
 Place 15th
 Time 15 min
 The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)
 Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name. [Signature]

* This line should be erased if not required.
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22-4-18

4th Bde

Reference your A315 -
 It is not clear whether this post is in our area or not you say "beyond" the boundary he will arrange to take over the post if you will let us know the position - we have already 14 posts and I would have liked to have known about this earlier but can we do our best

12 20 pm
 W 9 B 04

J. J. Urch
 Comd. 6th Bde

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4th Bn

22-4-18

The 5th Bn are taking over my 3 left ~~posts~~ posts + also posts from 1st Bn. They say that my right post will be taken over by 6th Bn, so far I have not seen any 6th Bn officers. Would like to make sure that 6th Bn know that they are to take it over.

The 5th also asked me to remind you if guides promised them to guide them from Klite Hill to my 1st Bn.

H Coy

3.30 am

D. H. Coy
D. H. Coy

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1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters,
23rd April, 1918.

- 1st Aust. Battalion,
- 2nd Aust. Battalion,
- 3rd Aust. Battalion,
- 4th Aust. Battalion,
- 1st Aust. L.T.M.Bty.,
- 2nd Field Coy. A.E.

HEADQUARTERS, 1ST INFANTRY BRIGADE
No 18/1135
23 APR 1918

Working parties will not work for periods of longer than 4 hours.

Arden

Major,

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Brigade.

Code.....		ords.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:		Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.		Sent		.....Service.		Date.....
.....		At.....m.		.....		From.....
.....		To.....		.....		By.....
.....		By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		By.....
TO	1	2	3	4	Boys	7/16 B
Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA		
*	274					
<p>Counter preparation will be put down along the Corps front from 3 30 to 3 50 am and from 4 05 ^{4 10} to 4 30 and from 4 35 to 4 45 am tomorrow 24th inst</p>						
From	<i>1002 J. B. B.</i>					
Place						
Time						
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.						
				(Z)	Signature of Addresser or person authorised to telegraph in his name.	
*This line should be erased if not required.						

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1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters,
23rd April, 1918.

SECRET.



- 1st Aust. Battalion,
- 2nd Aust. Battalion,
- 3rd Aust. Battalion,
- ✓ 4th Aust. Battalion,
- 1st Aust. L.T.M.Bty.

1. Commencing from 12 noon on 26th April, the S.O.S. Signal throughout the Army will be a rifle grenade signal bursting into coloured stars, Red over Red over Red.

The S.O.S. for French Corps will continue to be RED Light vide this Office AZA 209 of 18th Inst.

2. The new signal will be issued shortly and the old signal will then be returned to Brigade Headquarters.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

[Handwritten signature]

Major,

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Brigade.

*A G H
B H
L
D
F W*

All caps to note return

P. White

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

TO } 1st 2nd 3rd 4th Bn MGCoy
LTM Blg

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* aza 827	23/4		

Barrage at 8 pm tonight
is in vicinity of KEMMEL
aaa There is no news.
as to any fighting taking
place

From 1st A Bde
Place 810 pm
Time
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)

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23/4/18

All Coy
(1) Companies are
at the disposal of Company
Commanders for clearing
up & general reorganisation.

(2) Routes to both Line
Bdes will be reconnected
in case the Bn is required
to move forward for a
counter attack etc

(3) Personnel to relieve the
present nucleus will
be selected & lists forwarded
to Bn Hdqrs by 12 noon
today

(4) Coy HQ Lewis Gun will
be placed in position for
anti-aircraft defence

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4 guides to meet
 4 platoons of "A" Coy
 5th Bth on night of
 22nd at W. 23 A 9.4
 to guide them to left
 Coy H R.
 at 8.30

Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Charge.	Recd. at.....in.
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Sent	This message is an alc of:	
At.....in.	Service.	Date.....
To.....		From.....
By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....

TO } 4th Bth 4/401

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* 121	24/4		

Baths at W 7 L 0.5.
 available for 2600 at
 1 pm tomorrow and all
 following days as advisable
 send man along tomorrow
 morning to take over from
 2nd Bath party

T. B. P.

From	1 st A. B. P.
Place	
Time	

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

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

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 (18965.) Wt. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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Prefix _____ Code _____ Words _____
 From EUF At _____ m. EUF
 By Smith To 4/28 23/4/18
 Charges to Collect _____
 Service Instructions _____
 Handed in at _____ Office _____ m. Received _____ m.
 TO EUF
 *Sender's Number. sc163 Day of Month. 23 In reply to Number. AAA

<u>can</u>	<u>you</u>	<u>send</u>	<u>barter</u>
<u>please</u>	<u>to</u>	<u>cut</u>	<u>G.O.C.s</u>
<u>have</u>	<u>this</u>	<u>afternoon</u>	

 FROM EUA.
 TIME & PLACE _____
 *This line should be erased if not required.
 222,002.—John Eason, Ltd.—5/17.—2220. Forms C9125.

Prefix SM Code 7m Words _____
 From _____ At _____ m. _____
 By _____ To _____
 Charges to Collect _____
 Service Instructions By runner copied from original
 Handed in at Euc Office _____ m. Received _____ m.
 TO 4th Battr
 *Sender's Number Ayc 239 Day of Month 24/4 In reply to Number AAA

counter preparation will be carried out tomorrow 25th as follows aac from 5.5 am to 5.15 am

 FROM 1st A.I. Bde
 PLACE & TIME _____
 *This line should be erased if not required.
 (27802) Wt. W14832/M1523. [E 930] 100,000 Pads—3/17. M.R.Co., Ltd. Forms/C.2123.

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1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters,
24th April, 1918.

SECRET.



- 1st Aust. Battalion,
- 2nd Aust. Battalion,
- 3rd Aust. Battalion,
- 4th Aust. Battalion,
- 1st Aust. M.G. Coy.,
- 1st Aust. L.T.M. Bty.

Following are passwords for 3rd Aust. Inf. Bde.

Night	23/24th	METEREN.
"	24/25th	KIEBSEL.
"	25/26th	HOLLEBEKE.
"	26/27th	ROUEN.
"	27/28th	HAVRE.
"	28/29th	CALAIS.
"	29/30th	PARIS.

These will be issued daily as required.

M. Lawrence

Major,

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Brigade.

B. M. H. G.
24/4/44

All Coys

Party for Nucleus

B. will report to

B. orderly Room at

2.30 PM today

E. K. Whitebridge

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"D" ~~leg~~
C ~~leg~~
7 ~~leg~~
B ~~leg~~

24/4

All Coys

say at once

how many men you
have available for working
parties.

Please treat as very
urgent & ensure every
available man is included

E. K. Whitebridge

A ~~leg~~
B ~~leg~~
C ~~leg~~
"D" ~~leg~~

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Prefix	Code	nl.	Words	Charge	This message is on a c of:	Recd. at	nl.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.						Sent	Date
			At	m.	Service.		
			To				From
			By	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")			By
TO <u>O.C. "A" Coy.</u>							
Sender's Number.		Day of Month.		In reply to Number.		AAA	
* —		24/4		—			
The following working parties will be supplied for 25 th inst.							
"A" Coy. Capt. Wolff, 1 other officer + 50 of Ranks.							
"B" Coy. 1 officer 50 of Ranks.							
"C" Coy 1 officer 50 of Ranks.							
"D" Coy 1 officer 50 of Ranks.							
<u>Rendezvous</u>				<u>Time</u>			
Cross Roads W.17.C.4.0.				8 p.m.			
From <u>L^H.Bn.</u>							
Place							
Time							
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.				(Z) <u>[Signature]</u> Lt. H. H. H.			
Censor.				Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.			
* This line, except AAA, should be erased if not required.							
Wt. W 3253/P511. 500,000 Pads. 1/18. B. & S. Ltd. (E2389.)							

Rm Hqts
22/4/18

All Coys

The following
orduty officers are
detailed

24 # 1st	2d Lt Guan
25 # "	2d Lt Cowled
26 # "	1st Lt Holt
27 # "	2nd Lt Beale

RK White Lt
Capt

"D" Coy

B
A
C

Rm Hqts
22/4/18

All Coys

No leave out of
camp will be granted
under any circumstances &
need perquisite of 1 NCO +
3 men will be supplied
daily by C B + A in
that order as supplied by
D Coy at present.

Short parade from 9.45
to 11.15 AM + 1.30 PM to
3.15 PM will be held
daily when rapid loading
down gunnery reorganising
& stiffening of platoons &
sections will be carried out.
Companies will make their
own arrangements to prevent
drunk coming into their
lines & generally to keep
their companies available
at half an hours notice

RK White Lt
Capt

Office of Origin and Service Instructions. *Cyca*

Words. Charge. *4*

This message is on a/c of: Recd. at m.

Sent Date Service. *4*

At m. *4*

To From *4332*

By (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By

TO { *4th Div Bn.*

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

* *9324* *25*

*Heartly greetings to
all old comrades of
the Peninsula*

(25)

From *1st Div Dir.*

Place

Time

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

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

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Prefix Code m. Words. Charge.

Office of Origin and Service Instructions. *27*

This message is on a/c of: Recd. at m.

Sent Date Service.

At m.

To From *4*

By (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By *4332*

TO { *1-2-3-4 Anzac Bn LT Wagon*

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

* *9324* *25*

*The Brigadier sends greetings
to all on this the anniversary
of the landing on Gallipoli*

From *1st Div Dir.*

Place

Time

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

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

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Prefix	Code	Words	Charge	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at	m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.		Sent			Date	
		At	m.	Service	From	4358
		To			By	
		By		(Signature of "Franking Office")		

TO: 2nd Aus Bn

Sender's Number: * 245
Day of Month: 25
In reply to Number: AAA

Personnel nominated for Training Bn will be sent to nucleus Bn in the event of the Brigade taking over the line.

(+4)

pa Bn

From: _____
Place: _____
Time: _____

Work Report

Job	N ^o of Men	Nature of Work	Amount Done	Material	Time
1	62	Wiring single apron	400 yds	60 coils 30 pels 300	all work done all materials
2	50	" " "	300 yds	45 coils 230 pels	
3	36	Trench digging	60 yds x 2 1/2' x 4'	net	
4	50	" "	110 yds x 3 x 3 1/2'	net	
				19.8	

Recommend that time for rendezvous be 9 PM instead of 8 PM as set.

D. O. Haas Capt.
4d Bn
25-4-18

Baths situated at

W. 7. B. O. 5.

are available for use
between following hours

25" 4" 18

D. Coy. 1 Cell. + 4 Cell. ~~11~~

B. Coy. 4 Cell. + 7 Cell.

26" 4" 18
C. Coy. 9 Cell. + 12 Cell.

A. Coy. 12 Cell. + 3 Cell.

H.Q. 3 Cell. + 6 Cell.

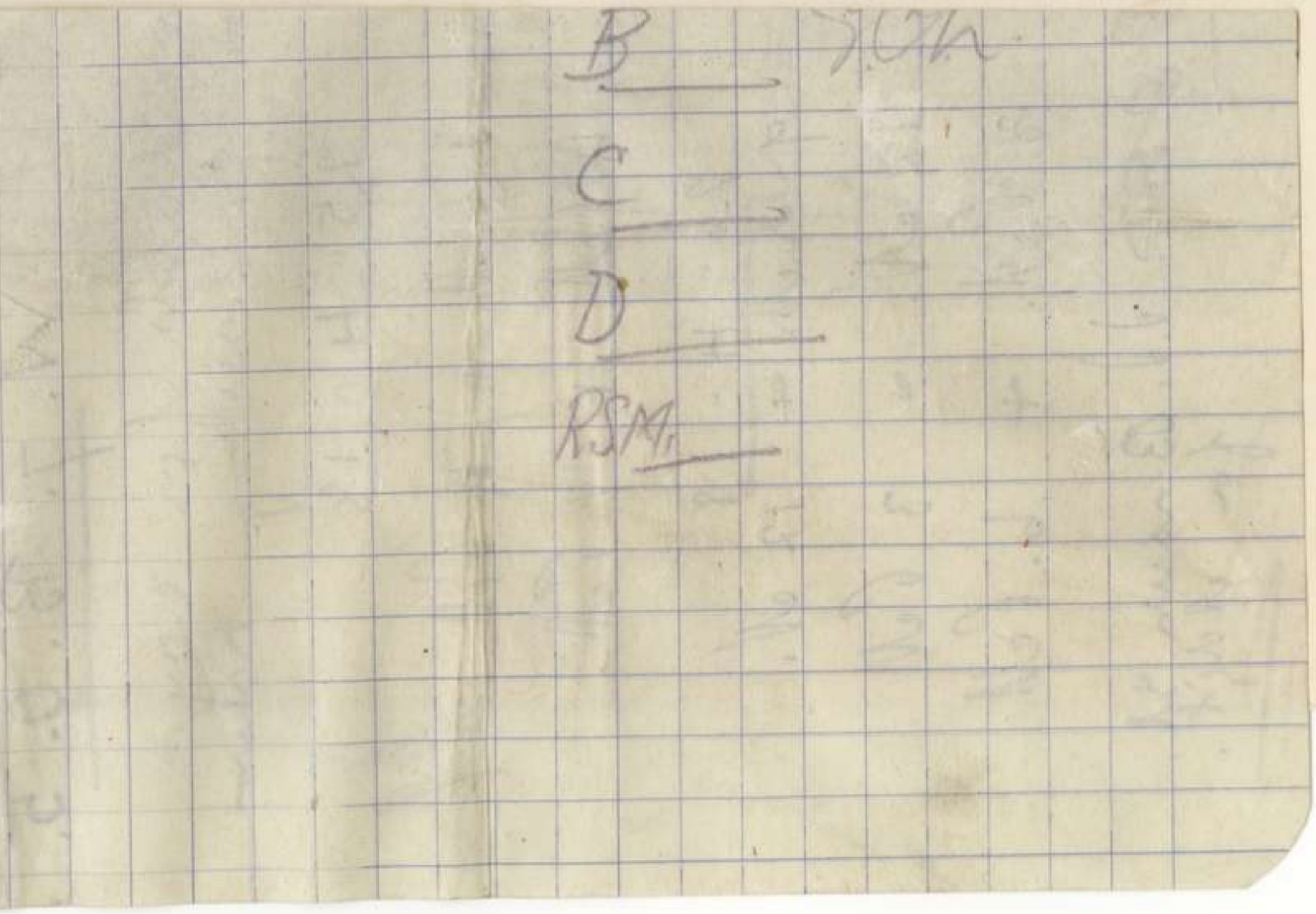
~~C. Coy.~~ v.d. B. room 41
for logit.

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M. D. P. 0-3

<u>B</u>	SON		
<u>C</u>			
<u>D</u>			
<u>RSM</u>			

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£ s. d. Charges to Collect Service Instructions.			From.....	At.....m.	
			By.....	To.....	
				By.....	
Handed in at.....			Office.....	m. Received.....	m.
TO					
All Coy's					
*Sender's Number.		Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA
A 320		25	AAA		
The Brigade commander					
notifies that cooks &					
their vicinity, are very					
dirty. AAA All Coy's					
will have placed in					
position at their cookhouse					
I maintained a dust					
sheet for one week ahead					
FROM			LAMP		
TIME & PLACE			PK White		
This line should be erased if not required.					
800,000.—John Wilson, Ltd. — 1914. — Patent 2013.					

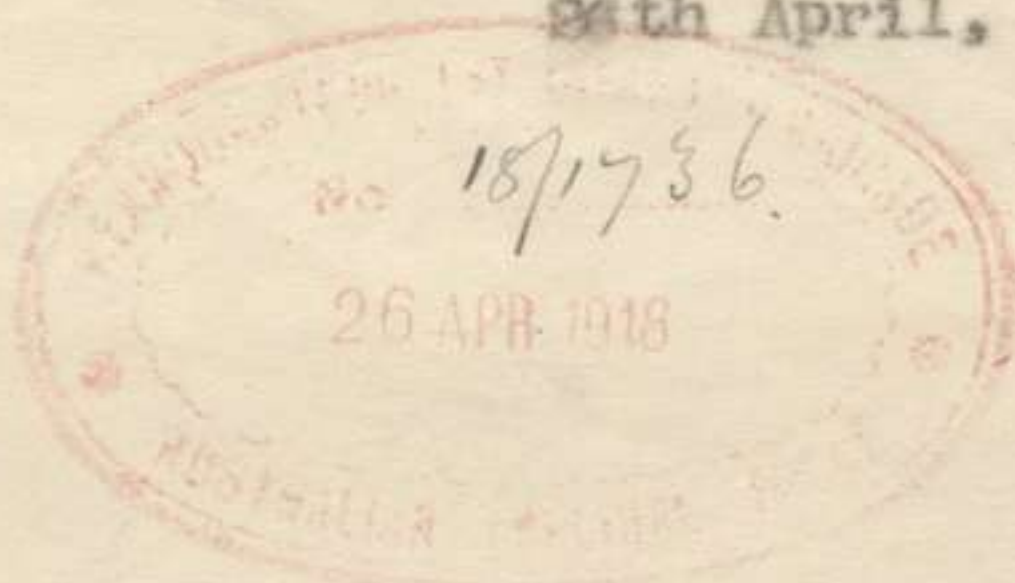
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1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

APPENDIX 16350

Brigade Headquarters,
26th April, 1918.

SECRET.

1st Aust. Battalion,
2nd Aust. Battalion,
3rd Aust. Battalion,
✓ 4th Aust. Battalion,
1st Aust. M.G. Coy.,
1st Aust. L.T.M. Bty.



The following from 1st Aust. Division is forwarded for information:-

"1. As a result of the operations of the last two days the following approximate line is now held - 1200 yards South of ST JANS CAPPEL to the DOUVE River South of LOCRE, SCHERPENBERG. East of LA CLYTTIE to the KEMMEL BECQUE along the BECQUE North of VIERSTRAAT, North of ST ELOY, HILL 80, ZILLEBEKE, HELL FIRE CORNER.

2. The German method of attack against strong positions is to endeavour to break through flanks and squeeze the positions out. This seems to have been the method employed against KEMMEL.

The next objective of the enemy will probably be the MONT ROUGE - MONT NOIR group of hills. It may also be anticipated that he will make an effort against the positions which are held by this Division on the foothills of MONT DES CATS Spur and against STRAZEELE.

The Corps Commander anticipates the next attack will be between BAILLEUL and STRAZEELE.

3. In view of this the Division has been ordered to proceed with the construction of a line covering FLETRE - LE ROUK LOSHILLE - COQDE PAILLE. This line will be in continuation of the COURTE CROIX Switch.

Instructions have already been issued for the employment of two Battalions and two Companies of Pioneers to complete this line by to-morrow morning.

4. The Corps Commander considers that STRAZEELE is the most important locality on the Corps Front and, if necessary, the whole strength of the Division will be employed to hold this locality. It is the pivot point upon which the defence of the whole sector depends. At the same time the penetration between METEREN Spur and STRAZEELE would have very serious results and on this account COURTE CROIX is to be held at all costs. "

A handwritten signature in dark ink is written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and appears to read 'A. J. ...'.

Major.

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Brigade.

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

TO All Regt 3425
 1520

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 *A 360 06 111 AAA

With reference to men available for fatigue parties the full strength of Companies will turn out & the following only accepted

- (1) Half Coy Boteman (2) cooks.
 - (3) C 2nd Coy elite. 2 men per anti-aircraft gun. Men on guard (only)
- Road brigades will be reduced to one N.C.O. to remain on duty till 10 PM.

From remain on duty till 10 PM
 Place 44 PM
 Time

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

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TO 12 2 4 1000 111

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 *A 3271 26/4 AAA

Counter preparation will be put down tomorrow 27th inst along the whole Corps front from 3.30 am to 3.45 am and along the front E.I. inclusive northwards from 4.15 am to 4.45 am and from 5 am to 5.5 am

From 1st Lt Bde
 Place 9.25 pm
 Time

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

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

TO: *All Coys*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>A 335</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>AAA</i>	

Cape Henry will hold a voluntary service in railway sheds at 10.30 AM tomorrow.

Please notify all men

*A
B
C
D*

From	<i>L.H. Br</i>	
Place		
Time		

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

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent		Service.
.....	At.....m.	Date.....
.....	To.....	From.....
.....	By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....

TO	1234 1234		
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Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* 50218	27.		

Warn all sentries to keep sharp lookout for French car No 993 d 8 par. If seen occupants to be detained and this office advised.

From	1st A & B Co		
Place			
Time			

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

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

TO { 1, 2, 3, 4 Aust. Battalion,
1st M.G. Coy., 1st L.T.M. Bty.

Sender's Number. A.I. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**
* 18/17/5 28/4.

WARNING ORDER. aaa The brigade will relieve the 3rd A.I. Bde. in the METERISH sub-sector to-morrow night, 27/28th inst aaa Battalions will be disposed as follows aaa Line Right 2nd Battalion, Line Left 3rd Battalion, Support 1st Battalion, Reserve 4th Battalion aaa Advance parties will be sent forward to-night to remain with opposite numbers until completion of relief aaa Addressed 1, 2, 3, 4. Aust. Battalion, 1st M.G. Coy., 1st L.T.M. Bty., repeated 3rd A.I. Bde. for information.

From
Place 1st Aust. Inf. Bde.
Time

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

* This line should be erased if not required.
(18963.) Wt. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

28/4/18
All Coy Lewis Gun teams
One per Company will
be at company lines
at 5 PM + guns will
be put in same
places. All be ready
at entrance to camp
at 5 PM.
M.G. gear (Coy) will
be ready at 7.15. Gear
taken forward will be put on
L.G. teams
EKW/18

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A
 C. D. D.
 B. J. J. J.
 D. J. J. J.

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"A" Form.
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2151.
(In pads of 100.)

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.				Sent		Service.
				At.....		From.....
				To.....		By.....
				By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { *All Coy* *14077*

Sender's Number. * <i>A 390</i>	Day of Month. <i>28</i>	In reply to Number. <i>AAA</i>	AAA
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*With reference to today's
more AAA Packs will
be dumped by companies
by 3 PM today AAA
Men will take ~~one~~
their blanket + waterproof
sheet forwards. Waterproof
sheet will be rolled round
blanket worn horse shoe fashion*

From
Place *4th Bn*
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *PK White*
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(3795.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (S. 1187.)

A
B
C Wood
D

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			Date.....
.....			At.....		From.....	
.....			To.....		By.....	
.....			By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		
TO {							
Sender's Number.		Day of Month.		In reply to Number.		A A A	
<p>Verbal message from Staff Capt.</p> <hr/> <p>Warn all sentries to keep a sharp lookout for French Car No 99308 If seen occupants to be detained and this office advised</p>							
From							
Place							
Time							
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. (E. 1187.)							

Position Calls.

1st Inf Bde	ED 25
1st Battalion	N A 17
2nd ✓	Y M 14
3rd ✓	S O 99
4th ✓	AG 32

Coy Calls

A Coy	O 123
B Coy	P 135
C Coy	Q 146
D Coy	R 153

Who Who Who Who Who Who
4th Bn

ARMISTICE

A Coy

Offg Capt
OC A Coy

W

28/4/18

The Adj 4th Bn

"Armistice"

2230

Ballard

Prefix.....	Code.....	Words.....	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
Charges to Collect			From.....	At.....m.	
Service Instructions.			By.....	To.....	
Handed in at.....			Office.....m.	Received.....m.	
TO	Rue Lamp				
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA		
D441	28				
H R M I S T I C E					
FROM	C.J. Dubois				
TIME & PLACE					

*This line should be erased if not required

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Charges to Collect			From.....	At.....m.	
Service Instructions			By.....	To.....	
Handed in at.....			Office.....m.	Received.....m.	
TO	RUE				
* Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA		
BJ1	28				
Armistice					
FROM	B.J.				
PLACE & TIME					

* This line should be erased if not required

(5554). Wt.14832, M1523. 2/17. 400m Books. N.P.Co. (E930). A.F. C2123.

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

TO { 1st, 2nd, 3rd 4th Bns
 1st M.G. Coy. 1st A.L.F. M.G.

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A
 * H.Z. 75 28th #

Special harassing fire will be carried out on roads and tracks between 11 pm & 1 am tonight 28th/29th April on account of suspected relief and counter preparation will be put down tomorrow 29th inst. along the whole corps front from 4.15 am to 4.30 am and from 4.40 am to 4.55 am.

From 1st Aust. Inf Bde
 Place
 Time 6 pm

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) H.D. Robb Point

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

TO { 1st Aust Bn

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A
 * H.Z. 75 28

We are moving from present location at 8 pm. This will allow you 40 mins before our leading Coy reaches your present location, we think.

From
 Place
 Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) H.D. Robb Point

* This line should be erased if not required. (18965.) Wt. W12952/M1294. 127,500 Pads. 1/17. M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters,
28th April, 1918.

- 1st Aust. Battalion,
- 2nd Aust. Battalion,
- 3rd Aust. Battalion,
- 4th Aust. Battalion,
- 1st Aust. M.G. Coy.,
- 1st Aust. L.F.M. Bty.,
- 1st Field Coy. A.E.
- 3rd Field Coy. A.E.
- 1st Aust. Division (for inf.).



WORKS MEMO NO. 1.

1. RIGHT BATTALION SECTION (FORWARD).

The two jobs to be put in hand at once are

- (a) Front Line wiring: this is reported to be very incomplete at present.
- (b) Accommodation for Reserve Company. It is suggested that the Reserve Company be accommodated in trenches along the line generally X.14.C.8.2. - X.14.D.5.8. There are reported to be some posts here. C.O. 3rd Battalion will submit suggestions as to work necessary here and put same in hand.

2. LEFT BATTALION SECTION (FORWARD).

- (c) Front Line wiring: this is reported to be very incomplete at present.
- (d) It is proposed to run a line of trench from the present trench at X.10.C.3.4. to X.10.C.8.5. - X.10.D.0.7. - X.10.B.2.0. - Cross Roads X.10.B.8.5. Later a C.T. from Coy. H.Q. at X.10.C.3.4. to support line at X.16.A.3.7. will be considered.
A Company of the 1st Battalion will be available nightly to the 2nd Battalion to supplement their working parties.

3. SUPPORT AREA.

- (e) Improvement of existing earthworks.
- (f) Tactical wiring for V.M.Gs.
- (g) Construction of a series of posts in echelon in the vicinity of the following points - X.9.D.6.0. - X.9.D.2.3. X.9.D.0.6. - X.9.C.8.8.

Re (e) this will be a matter for Commanding Officers to decide.

Re (f) This will be gone into with the senior V.M.G. Officer in the area for which the Battalion is responsible.

Re (g) these will be the usual platoon posts and will be sited by the Battalion Commander concerned.

4. RECONNAISSANCES AND REPORTS.

The G.O.C. will be glad to have the fullest suggestions from G.Os. as to improvements necessary in the defences of the Sector. If these are put on the back of the daily works report they will be gone into and decisions issued right away. Works reports will please be sent in with the daily Intelligence Summary.

5. ENGINEER ASSISTANCE. Each Battalion in the line will have the assistance of one section of Engineers.

One Section is allotted to the Support System and one Section is employed on Brigade Tasks.

Aud...

Major,

Brigade Major 1st Australian Infantry Bde.

Prefix.....	Code.....	Words.....	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
£ s. d.			From.....	At.....m.	
Charges to Collect			By.....	To.....	
Service Instructions.			By.....		

Handed in at..... Office.....m Received.....m.

TO *All Corps*

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

*Following from 15th Corps aaaa
 Situation report aaaa. The latest
 report indicate that the enemy
 attack this morning was delivered
 on a front from Mont noir to
 Zillibcke Lakes on the French front
 the situation at 11.30 am appeared
 to be aaaa Heavy fighting at about
 Loire aaaa some enemy through
 as far as Hyde Park Corner M 17C
 & Southern slopes of Scherpenberg
 but not in strength aaaa French
 troops hold Scherpenberg
 Mont noir Montrouge Montvidigne
 aaaa on the 22nd British
 Corps front all attacks are
 reported to have been repulsed*

FROM
 TIME & PLACE

*This line should be erased if not required.

REF. 106.—John. Bissell. 245—577—856

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Charges to Collect			By.....	To.....	
Service Instructions.			By.....		

Handed in at..... Office.....m Received.....m.

TO

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

*the line intact except for a
 small portion of advanced
 trench aaaa. Result of
 attack came on 21st Div. aaaa
 25th Div. repulsed four attacks
 49th Div. also repulsed repeated
 attacks*

FROM
 TIME & PLACE *Spitzer Leir for adyt*

*This line should be erased if not required.

REF. 106.—John. Bissell. 245—577—856

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Prefix.....Code.....Words.....		Received		Sent, or sent out.		Office Stamp	
£ s. d.		From <i>EVA</i>		Atm.		<i>608</i>	
Charges to Collect		By <i>H. J. [unclear]</i>		To .....m.		<i>29/4/19</i>	
Service Instructions				By			
Handed in at.....				Office.....m.		Received.....m.	
TO {		<i>E.U.F.</i>					
* Sender's Number		Day of Month		In reply to Number		AAA	
<i>G 418</i>		<i>29</i>					
<i>Reported loss of SCHERPENBE</i>							
<i>-RG was incorrect and it is</i>							
<i>still held by the French and</i>							
<i>Result of last night and</i>							
<i>today's fighting is regarded</i>							
<i>by Army with great satisfaction</i>							
FROM		<i>AYA</i>					
PLACE & TIME							
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4th Br

Flares have just
been recd. but we
have no postals. Same
was sent up to
yesterday.

W. L. Powell left

6th Br

Prefix.....Code.....Words..... l s. d.	Received From <i>EVA</i>	Sent, or sent out. At <i>4 P</i>.....m.	Office Stamp
Charges to Collect	By <i>Chapin</i>	To	
Service Instructions	By		
Handed in at.....Office.....m.		Received.....m.	

TO *EUF*

* Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
<i>AWH 10</i>	<i>29th</i>		AAA
<i>General</i>	<i>Situation</i>	<i>aaa</i>	<i>enemy</i>
<i>has</i>	<i>taken</i>	<i>Scherenburg</i>	<i>as a</i>
<i>we</i>	<i>hold</i>	<i>Mont Rouge</i>	
<i>Mont</i>	<i>Noir</i>	<i>Licri</i>	<i>aaa</i>
<i>enemy</i>	<i>attack</i>	<i>is</i>	<i>being</i>
<i>again</i>	<i>pressed</i>	<i>forward</i>	<i>today</i>

FROM *EVA*
PLACE & TIME

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Prefix.....Code.....Words..... l s. d.	Received From <i>EVA</i>	Sent, or sent out. At <i>4.50 P</i>m.	Office Stamp
Charges to Collect	By <i>Chapin</i>	To	
Service Instructions	By		
Handed in at.....Office.....m.		Received.....m.	

TO *EUC + EUF*

* Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
<i>G/149</i>	<i>29</i>		AAA
<i>following</i>	<i>from</i>	<i>2nd</i>	<i>army</i>
<i>begins</i>	<i>let</i>	<i>troops</i>	<i>know</i>
<i>that</i>	<i>every</i>	<i>effort</i>	<i>is</i>
<i>being</i>	<i>made</i>	<i>by</i>	<i>our</i>
<i>AFI</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>AA guns</i>	
<i>to</i>	<i>deal</i>	<i>with</i>	<i>the</i>
<i>enemy</i>	<i>low</i>	<i>flying</i>	<i>airplanes</i>
<i>which</i>	<i>are</i>	<i>indivious</i>	<i>aaa</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>were</i>	<i>crashed</i>	<i>by</i>
<i>our</i>	<i>airplanes</i>	<i>before</i>	<i>12 noon</i>
<i>aaa</i>	<i>troops</i>	<i>might</i>	<i>help</i>
<i>with</i>	<i>MG</i>	<i>fire</i>	<i>from</i>
<i>the</i>	<i>ground</i>	<i>aaa</i>	

FROM *EVA*
PLACE & TIME

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APPENDIX 16363

4th Aust. Inf. Bn

- A Coy
- B "
- C "
- D "

Bn Hd. Qrs.
29/4/18

S.A.A. & Reconnaissance

1. Each Coy will send 1 N.CO. & 6 men to Bn Hd Qrs for their requirements in S.A.A. at the following hours:-
 A at 9 P.M. B - 9.30 P.M.
 C 10 P.M. D - 10.30 P.M.
2. Each Coy will send 1 officer & one N.CO. to reconnoitre routes to front line & the officer will call at 3rd Bn Hd Qrs. & obtain permission of Co. 3rd Bn to reconnoitre the line Bn front.
 Reconnaissance reports will be forwarded to Bn Hd Qrs.

R. White Lieut & Adj.
4th Aust. Inf. Bn.

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 Reconnaissance Report.
 by Lt Robin B. Coy.
 29. 4. 18.

I went forward from B. Coy. to Q¹⁰ at
 X 7. C. 2. 2. to 3rd Bn No. Q. at X 14 a. 3. 2.
 There is a good road all the way.
 The route followed was due south
 from X 1 d. 6. 1. to METEREN-FLÈTRE ROAD
 at X 7. d. 5. 4. thence along to X 8. C. 5. 0.
 then south to X 14. a. 3. 2. O

3rd Bn No. Q. are situated in a cello
 which has accommodation for about
 20.

B. Coy of the 3rd are in support
 and occupy a line of Strong Posts
 from X 14. a. 0. 4. 4 to X 14. a. 9. 5. O

There is a vicars gun emplacement
 in the rear of these Strong Posts
 at X 14 a 5. 6.

Robin Lt
 "B" Coy.

Forwarded
 W. J. Cooke Capt
 O C
 B Coy

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Prefix.....Code.....Words..... l s. d.	Received From..... By.....	Sent, or sent out. Atm. To By	Office Stamp
Charges to Collect			
Service Instructions			
Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.			
TO: 4 th Bn			
* Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
	29		
S.A.A. required to complete establishment Coy. reserve of 15000			
— 7000 rounds			
— 10 tommy tanks			
H.L. Books Call			
O.C.			
B Coy			
FROM			
PLACE & TIME			

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Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp
 From JA At 8.00
 By [Signature] To
 By 30/4/18
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received 11.33A.m.
 TO E.U.F.
 * Sender's Number Day of Month In reply to Number AAA
 JA 6 30 A 333
 Yes
 FROM JA
 PLACE & TIME
 * This line should be erased if not required
 (5554). Wt.14832 M1523. 2/17. 400m Books. N.P.Co. (E930). A.F C2123.

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp
 From JA At 8.00
 By [Signature] To
 By 30/4/18
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received 1.50P.m.
 TO E.U.F.
 * Sender's Number. Day of month. In reply to Number. AAA
 JA 1 30 A 334
 JA.2 JC 1.
 FROM JA
 TIME & PLACE
 * This line should be erased if not required.
 300,000—John Bisset, Ltd.—8/17—3420. Works SWISS

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

TO *The Adjutant.*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>JD 1</i>	<i>29th</i>	<i>B.O.R. 1</i>	

At present there are no bombs in the bay area. c/o S.A.F. in bay reserve. c/o Very lights.

From *O.C. D Coy.*
 Place
 Time *0045*

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

* This line, except AAA, should be erased if not required.
 Wt. W 3253/P511. 500,000 Pads. 1/18. B. & S. Ltd. (E2389.)

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

TO *The Adj.*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>JD. 2.</i>	<i>29/4/18</i>	<i>BOR 1.</i>	

"Reference Map Sheet 24 SE"
"D" Coy. HQ as at X8 D 2.8
 13 *Platoon* X8. A 8.2
 14 " X8 B 2.0
 15 " X8 C 3.2
 16 " X8 D 7.7

From
 Place
 Time

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

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 Wt. W 3253/P511. 500,000 Pads. 1/18. B. & S. Ltd. (E2389.)

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Prefix.....Code.....Words..... f s d.	From <u>EVA</u>	At
Charges to Collect	By <u>Johnson</u>	To
Service Instructions	By	
Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received... <u>0108</u> ...m.		
TO { <u>EUF</u>		
Sender's Number <u>AWH 17</u>	Day of Month <u>29</u>	In reply to Number <u>AAA</u>
<u>LADY</u>	<u>may</u>	<u>call upon</u>
<u>LAMP</u>	<u>for</u>	<u>working parties</u>
<u>up</u>	<u>to</u>	<u>200</u> <u>nightly</u>
<u>to</u>	<u>supplement own</u>	<u>parties</u>
<u>on</u>	<u>support line</u>	<u>AAA</u>
<u>Arrangements will be made direct</u>		
<u>between units concerned</u>		
FROM	<u>EVA</u>	
PLACE & TIME		

* This line should be erased if not required
(5554). Wt.14832 M1523. 2/17. 400m Books. N.P.Co. (E930). A.F C2123.

Prefix.....Code.....Words..... f s d.	Received From <u>EVA</u>	Sent, or sent out. At	Office Stamp <u>808</u>
Charges to Collect	By <u>Johnson</u>	To	<u>29/4/18</u>
Service Instructions	By		
Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received... <u>8 P</u> ...m.			
TO { <u>EUF</u>			
* Sender's Number <u>AWH 13</u>	Day of Month <u>29th</u>	In reply to Number <u>AAA</u>	
<u>CP C30</u>	<u>A20</u>	<u>and</u>	<u>D10 A20</u>
FROM			
<u>EVA</u>			
PLACE & TIME			

* This line should be erased if not required
(5554). Wt.14832 M1523. 2/17. 400m Books. N.P.Co. (E930). A.F C2123.

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Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp
 From JB At.....m. EUP
 By [Signature] To..... 30/4/18
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received 12 45 P m
 TO LAMP
 *Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 JB3 30th A 334
 This company has two
 rifle grenades discharger cups
 FROM JB
 TIME & PLACE
 *This line should be erased if not required.
 592,000—Jones River, Ltd.—4/17—3420. Form C 2123

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp
 From JD At.....m. EUP
 By [Signature] To..... 30/4/18
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received 11.30 A m
 TO EUP
 * Sender's Number Day of Month In reply to Number AAA
 JD1 30 A 333
 all containers returned by
 0130 today
 FROM JD
 PLACE & TIME
 * This line should be erased if not required
 (5554). W.L.14832 M1523. 2/17. 400m Books. N.P.Co. (E930). A.F. C2123.

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4th Bn.30th

It is asked that
the Bn. transport delivra
dry & wet rations to B
Coy. H. Qrs at X 2 C 0 2
instead at Bn H.Q.M.

This would be a
saving of 250^x for carrying
party. Road is good.
B Coy. a/c. M.S. who comes
up with rations would
act as guide.

W. L. Tooke Capt
O C B Coy

"C" Form.

AMEY FORM C. 2198.
(In books of 100.)

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

Prefix.....	Code.....	Words..... £ s. d.	Received. From <i>EUA</i>	Sent, or sent out. At.....m.	Office Stamp.
Charges to Collect			By <i>Banfield</i>	To.....	
Service Instructions				By.....	
Handed in at.....			Office.....	m received.....	m.
TO		<i>EUF</i>			
*Sender's Number. <i>AWH22</i>		Day of Month. <i>30</i>	In reply to Number.		<i>AAA</i>
<i>reference</i>		<i>Brigade</i>	<i>order</i>	<i>85</i>	
<i>CATTS</i>					
FROM		<i>EUA</i>			
TIME & PLACE					

*This line should be erased if not required.

500,000—John Ricker, Ltd.—5/17—3120. Patent 28158

4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

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Battalion Headquarters,
17th. April 1918.

REPORT ON MINOR OPERATION CARRIED OUT ON NIGHT OF 16/17th. APRIL.

At 7.30 p.m., with a view to straightening out our line and gaining some high ground "C" Coy. under Capt W.B.HAY advanced some 500 yards and established their position under cover of an Artillery barrage arranged by Brigade.

The Coy. advanced in a line of four Platoons preceded by a line of skirmishers and after advancing about 600 yards they came into a hop field at E.6.B.3.6. where they encountered heavy M.G. fire and had to get down temporarily.

From here the two left Platoons advanced again with a final rush of 50 to 70 yards and got into the German trench at E.6.B.9.5.

They stayed in the trench for over half an hour and inflicted numerous casualties estimated at quite 70 to 100 men not only on the occupants of the trench but also on supports that were moving up.

Unfortunately both Platoon Commanders became casualties, 2/Lieut. GREEN being wounded and Lieut. S. BANKIER killed. meanwhile the two platoons on the right had been held up at W.30.C.9.1. by a nest of M.G. and suffered severe casualties one Platoon Commander, COWELL, being killed, the other Lt. BRINBRIDGE, being wounded.

By now it was quite dark and the Company Commander went forward to take charge of the situation; he ordered the two left Platoons to withdraw about 100 yards here he reorganised his Company and was reinforced by two Platoons of "D" Company and a line of posts were dug from E.6.A.5.9. - W.30.D.5.0. - X.25.C.7.3., at 2.a.m. in Company with the Battalion I.O., I visited the new posts, they were well on the way to completion, a party of the 1st. Field Coy. Engrs. (20) under Lt. ROCHESTER giving very valuable assistance, also a hot meal was up to the men about midnight.

Throughout this difficult operation of advancing his Coy. up to a slope against an enemy entrenched with numerous M.G.'s. Capt. W.P.HAY handled his Coy. with the greatest skill and perfect confidence, His platoon Commanders up to the time that they were hit sent back very sound and useful information and he in turn kept Bn. H.Qrs. well informed as to how the situation progressed.

The tremendous stopping power of the enemy M.G.'s. well used was extraordinarily well emphasised throughout this operation, i.e. the advance on the right held up, digging interfered with and patrolling between posts made extremely difficult by the continuous sweeping of enemy M.G.'s.

After careful consideration enemy casualties are estimated at over 100. My former estimate of 70 being very conservative.

Our casualties 3 Officers one killed and 50 other ranks killed.

..... Lieut. Col.
Commanding 4th. Australian Infantry Bn.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters,
17th. April 1918.

REPORT ON ATTEMPTED ENEMY ATTACK
MORNING APRIL 17th. 1918.

The enemy opened up with a very intense barrage at 9.30 a.m. which gradually lifted back. After the lift enemy about 200 strong commenced to advance by short rushes towards my line. These were immediately opened on by our L.G.'s. and rifles and heavy casualties being inflicted the enemy got down he was now about 70 yards from our line.

About 20 minutes later about 60 of the enemy came on again but once more was met by our L.G. and rifle fire and retired in disorder many casualties being inflicted. Fortunately the enemy barrage which was intense missed both our front and support lines except in one post where 1 Officer and 10 men became casualties, but it effectually cut off communication for 2 hours.

.....Lieut-Col.
Commanding 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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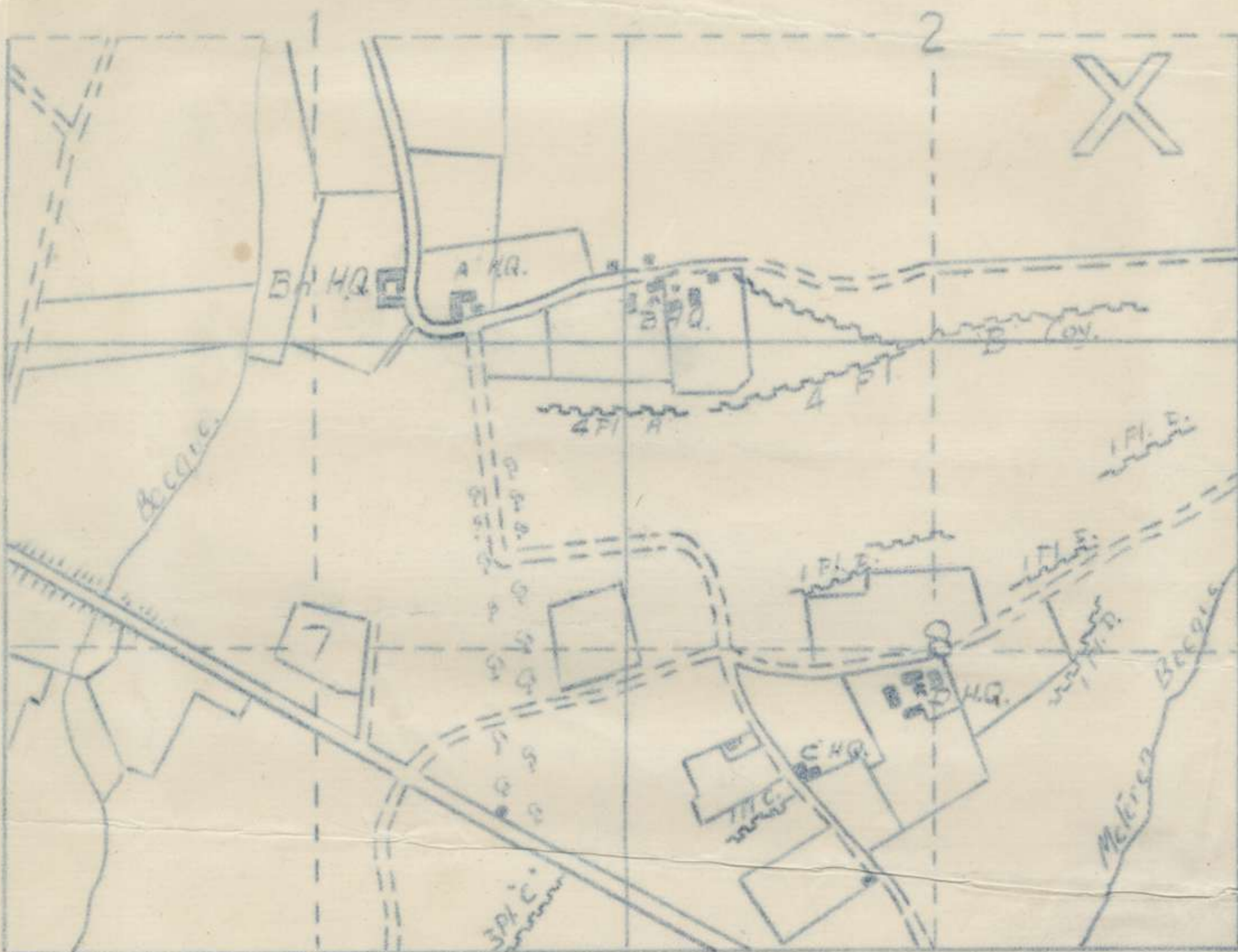
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Disposition Map.

4th Bn. A.I.F.

Scale 1:10 000

29.4.18.



32^{1/2} ou Chasseurs

War Diary

Le Bataillon s'installe défensivement face à Meteran
et à l'ouest de ce village en liaison à droite avec
un bataillon australien (voir croquis au verso)

L'ennemie tient fortement Meteran où, depuis
les débris d'un prisonnier allemand se trouvera
le 268^e Régiment d'infanterie -

Ce prisonnier pensait que son régiment allait
attaquer - Il y a eu ce matin un très violent
bombardement mais l'attaque paraît
dirigée sur le bataillon australien - Votre
compte rendu me l'a confirmé -

Les français devaient attaquer hier soir le

village de Meteren que l'on croyait
faiblement occupé - L'attaque n'a pas eu
lieu.

Pour le moment, on s'organise en vue de
repousser une attaque probable de
l'ennemi -

17 avril 17 heures ~~Metere~~

Flote



WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118.

Instructions regarding War Diaries and Intelligence
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and the Staff Manual respectively. Title pages
will be prepared in manuscript.

or
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
CHATEAU SEGARD AREA	1917 cont	30	AREA arriving in bivouacs about 2000.	

*Ly Moore Lt Col
Commanding 3rd Bn
AIF*

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