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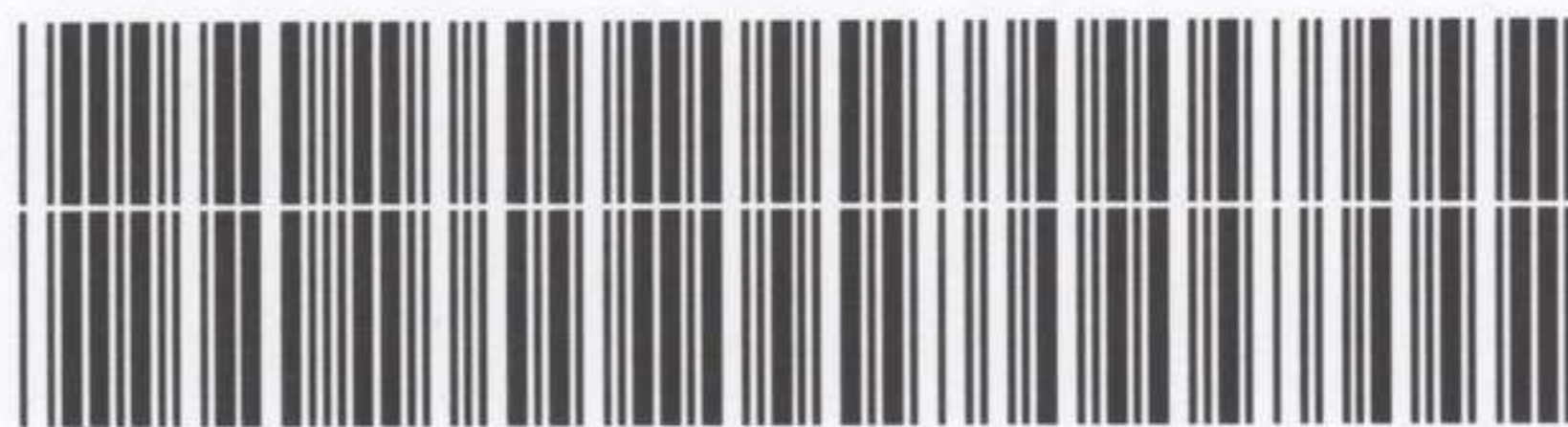
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1914-18 War**

Machine Guns

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	VOLUME 6	Remarks and references to Appendices
ARQUES	1-8-17	9 PM	Nothing to record today.		Adb
"	3-8-17	1 PM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Aus. Div. memo received appointing Major H. ORDISH as Divisional Machine Gun Officer and to command this Divisional M. G. Coy.		Adb
"	4-8-17	9 AM	A.I.F. list No 212 received. Sgt. Major Johnson promoted to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant.		Adb
"	23-8-17	11 AM	All units of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aus. Div. less artillery & div. train & including this Company were inspected in a "march past" by General BIRDWOOD. The parade took place on the tow-path between CAMPAGNE & WARDECQUES (Ref. map 27 SW 1/50000). The day was very rainy.		Adb
"	29-8-17	11 AM	This company as part of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aus. Div. was inspected in a ceremonial parade by Field Marshall Sir DOUGLAS HAIG. Parade took place near CAMPAGNE (map 27 S.W. 1/50000). The Field Marshall expressed himself as very satisfied with the turnout & appearance of the men.		Adb
	31-8-17	9 AM	During the month 6 O.P. have been evacuated to hospital & 5 O.P. have rejoined from hospital. 1 O.P. has been transferred to A.F.C. as mechanic & left on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> list. 1 O.P. was also transferred to Cadet Training.		Adb



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Andoverdale Capt  
for O.G. 22nd AUST, M.G. Coy.