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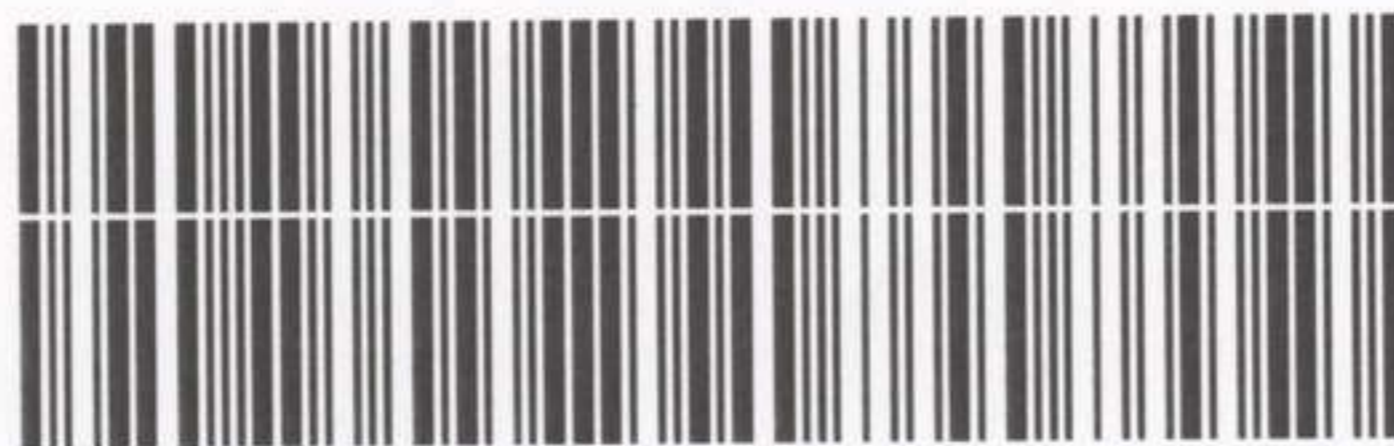
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I ANZAC TOPOGRAPHICAL SECTION.
WAR DIARY

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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DECEMBER, 1917.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
FLETRE. Sheet 27.	1917. Dec. 1.		<p><u>APPLIANCES, ORGANIZATION and Class of Work in hand at beginning of December, 1917.</u> <u>also conditions and difficulties under which work has to be carried out.</u> Exactly similar to description giving in War Diary under date 15-11-17.</p>	
	Dec. 1. to Dec. 31.		<p><u>OFFICE WORK.</u>- Drawing staff employed on ordinary routine work. List of Maps produced during December. Copy of those now available, and of value for War records purposes, attached. Copies of other Maps produced by Army and G.H.Q. of interest for War Record purposes also attached.</p>	<p><i>Maps being sent direct to Australian War Records London.</i></p>
	Dec. 1. to Dec. 31.		<p><u>FIELD WORK.</u>- Field Battery positions re-sected - - - 17. Map Boards supplied for Field Batteries - - - 25. Reconnaissance survey (of Corps Area) commenced. About 30% completed by end of month.</p>	
	Dec. 4.			
	Dec. 31.		<p><u>Improvements made to Appliances & Organization during month.</u></p> <p>Organization.- Nil. Appliances.- 1 Telescopic Box Sextant substituted for a non-telescopic Box Sextant. One Motor Bicycle extra on loan.</p>	
	Dec. 1.		<p><u>Record of Daily Strengths, Evacuations, Casualties etc.</u></p> <p>1 Officer - 15 O.R.'s. and 1 Officer and 30 O.R.'s attached.</p>	
	Dec. 3.		<p>1 " - 14 " " 1 " " 3 " "</p>	(1 O.R. transferred to II ANZAC Topo Section & promoted to Commissioned Rank.)
	Dec. 10.		<p>1 " - 13 " " " 3 " "</p>	(1 O.R. evacuated sick to Hospital 1 Attached Officer transferred to another Unit).
			<p>1 " - 14 " " " 4 " "</p>	(1 O.R. attached from strength of G.O.C., R.A. AUST. CORPS.)
	Dec. 28.		<p>1 " - 15 " " " 4 " "</p>	(1 O.R. re-joined from Hospital.)
			<p>No other entries for December. <i>Allduchanan</i> Lieut.</p>	

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WAR DIARY

OF

I Anzac Corps Topographical Section

FOR

December 1917.

LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.

Subject.

1. *Statement of Special maps produced by section during month*

STATEMENT OF SPECIAL MAPS PRODUCED BY I ANZAC TOPOGRAPHICAL SECTION FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1917.

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Particulars of Map.	Section No.	Sheet.	Scale.	Method of Production.	No. of Copies Produced.	Remarks.
Staff Map (Layered).	343.	Regular Issue.	1/10.000	Hand.	1	Intelligence.
" " "	344	" "	"	"	1	G.O.C., R.A.
Fuses of German Shells	345.	-	-	Litho.	60	C.C.A.
Trench Map O 10 - D.18.	346.	-	1/20.000	"	200	
Situation Map showing New Enemy Work.	347.	O.10.- D.18.	1/20.000	"	140	
Defences -Mont Kemmel.	348.	-	1/5.000	"	35	C.E.
Staff Map.	349	Regular Issues.	1/10.000	Hand.	1	D.A.& Q.M.G.
Boundary Map-Sub-Areas	350	" "	1/20.000	"	1	G.O.C.
Hostile Shelling	4/12/17.	-	1/40.000	Ellam's Dup.	30	
" "	6/12/17.	-	1/40.000	" "	30	
Boundary Map.	352	Regular Issues.	1/20.000	Hand.	1	A.P.M.
Army Defences.	354.	-	1/10.000	Ellam's Dup.	40	C.E.
Army Areas.	355	-	1/100.000	Hand.	2	G. and Q.

9/12/1917.

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 O.C. I ANZAC Topographical Section. Lieut.

APPENDIX

STATEMENT OF SPECIAL MAPS PRODUCED. 1ST. ANZAC TOPOGRAPHICAL SECTION.

16/12/1917.

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Section Map No.	Particulars of Map.	Sheet.	Scale.	Method of Production.	No. of copies Produced.	Remarks.
356	Map showing wet and marshy ground opposite Corps front.	O.10.-D.18.	1/20.000.	Hand	4	
357	Lorry Parks, Refilling Points, etc.	Hazebrouck. Grey.	1/100000.	Hand	1	
358	Diagram showing periods in line of Divisions in 1st Anzac Corps.	-	-	Hand	2	
359	Patrol Map Sheet I.	-	1/10.000	Litho.	250	Secret.
360	Patrol Map Sheet H.2.	-	1/10.000	"	250	
361	" " " 2A.	-	1/10.000	"	250.	
362	Defence Map.	28SW-36NW.	1/20.000	"	21	Secret.
363	Corps Area Maps.	do	1/20.000	"	23	Secret.
364	O.10-D.18. Corrections to 8/12/17.	O.10.D.18.	1/20.000	"	250	
365	Woods proposed to be exploited for Fuel.	28SW. & 36NW.	1/20.000	Hand.	1	for Q.
366	Rifle, bombing, bayonet and other ranges, SAMER Area.	CAIAIS.	1/100000.	"	1	for G.
367	Rifle, bombing, bayonet and other ranges, present Corps Area.	Sheets 28 & 36.	1/40.000	"	1	for G.
368	Medical Arrangements, Corps Area.	Sheets 28 & 36.	1/40.000	"	6	for B.G.G.S.
369	Polling Booth Notices.	-	-	"	2	for Camp Commandant.
370	Copy of Master Map (British) supplied by Left Division.	Regular Issues.	1/10.000	"	2	1 For Army. 1 For File.

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Section Map No.	Particulars of Map.	Sheet.	Scale.	Method of Production.	No. of Copies produced.	Remarks.
371	Copy of Master Map (British) supplied by Right Division.	Regular Issue.	1/10.000	Hand.	2	I for File. I for Army.
372	Enemy Front Line. British Front.	do	1/100000.	"	3	I for G.O.C. I for B.G.G.S. I for Common Room.
373	Map showing 2nd or Corps Defensive System.	Sheet 28SW.	1/20.000	"	5	for B.G.G.S.
374	Artillery Positions for First or Main Line.	Sheet 28sw.	1/20.000	"	1))))))) for G.O.C., R.A.
375	Artillery Positions for 2nd or Corps Line of Defence.	do	do	"	1	
376	Artillery Positions for 3rd or Army Line of Defence.	do	do	"	1	
377	British Front Line Posts and German Names.	Regular Issue.	1/10.000	"	1	for Intelligence.

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STATEMENT OF SPECIAL MAPS PRODUCED. 1ST. ANZAC TOPOGRAPHICAL SECTION, WEEK ENDING 23/12/1917.

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Section Map No.	Particulars.	Sheet.	Scale.	Method of Production.	No. of Copies.	Remarks.
371	Corps Area taken over from XV Corps.	36NW.	1/20.000	Hand	5	
372	Detailed Target Map.	Houthem.	1/10.000	Litho Press.	200	
373	-do-	Warneton.	"	" "	200	
374	-do-	Deulemont.	"	" "	200	
375	Enemy dispositions 19/12/17.	0.10.-D.18.	1/20.000	" "	140	
376	Patrol Map Sheet.3.				250	
377	" " " 4.				250	
378	Location Map. Sheet.	36NW.& 28SW.	1/20.000	Hand.	1	for Operations.
379	Enemy Dispositions 21/12/17.	36 NW. Flat.	1/20.000	"	30	
380	Traffic Map Corps Area.	Area Sheet.	1/10.000	"	8	
381	Enemy front Line 19/12/17.	Regular Issue	1/10.000	"	2	
382	British Trenches.	Bois Grenier.	1/10.000	"	2	1 for B.G.G.Ss map 1 for G.O.C's.
366	Reprints.	Calais.	1/100000	Ellam's Dup.	10	
367	""""""	Sht. 28 & 36.	1/40.000	" "	10	
383	Railways in Corps Area.	28SW&36NW.	1/20.000	Hand.	1	For G.O.C., R.A.
384	2nd or Corps Zone existing defences.	Ploegsteert. Wyttschaete.	1/10.000	Hand.	1	For B.G.G.S.
385	Proposed rear Defences.	Bois Grenier.	1/10.000	Hand.	1	For B.G.G.S.

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STATEMENT OF SPECIAL MAPS PRODUCED. 1ST ANZAC TOPOGRAPHICAL SECTION.
WEEK ENDING 30/12/1917.

Section Map No.	PARTICULARS.	SHEET.	SCALE.	Method of Production.	No. of Copies.	REMARKS.
386	O.10.D.18.Trenches corrected to 21/12/17.	-	1/20.000	Litho.	200	
387	Report Map "A"	-	1/10.000	"	300)) For 1st Aust. Division.
388	Report Map "B"	-	1/10.000	"	300	
389	Report Map "C"	-	1/10.000	"	300	
390	Patrol Map. 4a.	-	1/10.000	"	300	
391	Corps Area Map.	Regular Issue.	1/40.000	Hand.	1	
392	Traffic Routes, Railheads, D.G.T. Line.	2/Army Area.	1/100.000	"	35	
288	Reprints.	Waterdamhoek	1/20.000	Putty.	6	For G.O.C., R.A.
375	" "	Regular Issue.	1/20.000	Hand.	2	
393	Corps Area Map, showing new Southern Boundary & Rear Areas.	Second Army Area.	1/100.000	Hand.	20	
394	Diagram illustrating "Q" organisation of Corps Area during Third Battle of YPRES Septr. - November, 1917.	-	1/7.500	Hand.	1	For D.A.Q.M.G.

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