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BERTANGLES Sheet 62E. Sq. F. 18.c.	1.			
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	18.		Reference Map Sheet 62E. Square F.18.c. Corps in line between D.24.central and U.6.a.O.O. Ref. Map Sheet 62D	
	27-7-18.		III Corps took over from AUST. CORPS between D.24.central and K.1.d. Sheet 62D.	
	31-7-18.		AUSTRALIAN CORPS took over from 31st FRENCH CORPS--our Northern Boundary being RIVER SOMME, and Southern Boundary HOUGRES Sheet 66E. ----- Appliances in Hand at beginning of July : Same as at end of June 1918. Organisation at beginning of July. : Same as at end of June 1918. Conditions and difficulties at do. do. : Same as at end of June 1918. ----- Class of work in Hand at beginning of July:- OFFICE WORK : Plotting of British Trenches from Air-photos and Rough Surveys. General Mapping required by Corps Staff. Plotting of Enemy Work from Air-photos. FIELD WORK : Resection of Field Artillery Battery positions, and supply of boards for same. Revision Survey of Square F., 62E. completed. Revision Survey of Square L., 62E. commenced. ----- 31-7-18. Work done during Month:- OFFICE WORK : Maps of British and Enemy Work Targets, &c., brought up to date and issued. General Mapping required by Corps Staff. List of Special Maps produced during Month attached. Total number of Maps published by Section during month : 10396. FIELD WORK : Number of Field Artillery Battery positions resected : 87. Number of Battery Boards supplied : 48 Revision Survey of Square L. Sheet 62E. 30% completed. ----- Improvements made to Appliances and Organisation during Month:- 1 Ordoverax Table.	

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FOR

July 1918**LIST OF APPENDICES.**

No.

Subject.

1 Statement of Special Maps produced.

STATEMENT OF SPECIAL MAPS PRODUCED BY AUSTRALIAN CORPS TOPOGRAPHICAL
SECTION DURING JULY, 1918.

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805	1-7-18	Litho	Intelligence	1/40,000	Hostile Shelling 23-6-18 - 29-6-18	Spl. 1/40,000	80	I
806	1-7-18	"	"	1/20,000	TRONVILLE Trench Map British	TRONVILLE	450	I
807	2-7-18	Hand	"	1/40,000	Smoke Barrage Map	Spl. 1/40,000	20	I
808	2-7-18	Duplicator	"	1/20,000	Message Map No. 5	BAYONVILLERS	500	I
809	2-7-18	Litho	"	1/20,000	Barrage Map H.A.		270	I
810	2-7-18	Helio.	Operations		Panorama (from WELCOME WOOD) (6.		30	G
811	3-7-18	Duplicator	Intelligence	1/20,000	Message Map (VILLERS-BRETONNEUX) No.	TREUX	300	I
812	4-7-18	Litho	"	1/20,000	TREUX Trench Map	LA NEUVILLE	250	I
813	4-7-18	Hand	Corps Cdr.	1/20,000	Objective Map	Spl. 1/40,000	3	Corps Cdr.
814	4-7-18	Hand	Operations	1/40,000	Infantry Dispositions Map 7-7-18		30	G
815	6-7-18	Litho	"	1/40,000	Machine Gun Flash Deflector		1	G
816	6-7-18	Hand	Intelligence	1/20,000	XXXXXXXXXXXX American Brigade		60	I x
817	6-7-18	Duplicator	4th Army	1/20,000	in Corps Area Map			
	7-7-18	Hand	4th Army	1/20,000	Administrative Army Map, 62.D.	1/20,000	1	4th Army
					N.E., S.E., N.W., S.W.			
818	8-7-18	Litho	Intelligence	1/40,000	Hostile Shelling 30-6-18 - 6-7-18	Spl. 1/40,000	80	I
819	8-7-18	"	"	1/20,000	BAYONVILLERS Trench Map (enemy)	BAYONVILLERS	350	I
820	8-7-18	Duplicator	"	1/40,000	Disposition Map, Enemy	MERICOURT	150	I
821	9-7-18	Litho	Operations	1/20,000	Army System of Dug-Outs	DAOURS	60	G
822	9-7-18	"	Intelligence	1/20,000	BAYONVILLERS Target Map	BAYONVILLERS	400	I
823	9-7-18	Duplicator	Intelligence	1/25,000	Captured Enemy Map		150	I
824	10-7-18	Hand	"	1/20,000	Tanks Operations HAMEL Offensive	BAYONVILLERS	3	I
825	11-7-18	Hand	"	1/20,000	Barrage Map	BAYONVILLERS	3	I
826	12-7-18	Hand	"	1/20,000	MORGHMONT WOOD (2nd Division)	1/20,000	400	I
827	12-7-18	Duplicator	"	1/20,000	Water Supply - Corps Area.	BERTANG LES	130	C.E.
828	13-7-18	Litho	C.E.	1/40,000	Layer Map, 62.D.N.W. and S.W.	62.D. 1/20,000	1	G
829	13-7-18	Hand	Operations	1/20,000	New Edition Army Master Map	"	1	I
830	14-7-18	Hand	Intelligence	1/20,000	Map showing Corps Advances	Spl. 1/40,000	40	I
831	14-7-18	Hand	"	1/40,000	TREUX Target Map	TREUX	350	I
832	14-7-18	Litho	"	1/20,000	Corps Area Map	ST. SAUVEUR	120	I
833	15-7-18	"	"	1/40,000	Hostile Shelling 7-7-18 - 14-7-18	Spl. 1/40,000	80	I
834	15-7-18	Duplicator	"	1/20,000	Patrol Map, 5th Division	1/20,000	200	I

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835	16-7-18	Duplicator	Intelligence	1/40,000	Situation Map, Enemy Dispositions	MERICOURT	180	I
836	17-7-18	Duplicator	"	1/10,000	Patrol Map "C"	1/10,000	300	I
837	17-7-18	Litho.	Operations	1/40,000	Infantry Disposition Map	Spl. 1/40,000	30	G
838	17-7-18	Duplicator	Intelligence		4th Division Sports Programme 2nd Division			I
839	17-7-18	"	"	1/250,000	Situation Map, MARNE offensive	1/250,000	250	I
840	18-7-18	Litho	"	1/2	Programme, Band Performance		130	I
841	18-7-18	Duplicator	"	1/10,000	Patrol Map "B"	1/10,000	300	I
842	18-7-18	Litho	"	1/20,000	TREUX Target Map	TREUX	250	I
843	19-7-18	Duplicator	"	1/20,000	MORGEMONT WOOD	1/20,000	250	I
844	19-7-18	Litho	"	1/40,000	Enemy Disposition Map	MERICOURT	130	I
845	20-7-18	Litho	"	1/20,000	BAYONVILLERS Target Map	BAYONVILLERS	350	I
846	20-7-18	Hand	"	1/25,000	Copy of Captured Enemy Battery Map	1/25,000	1	I
847	20-7-18	Helio	Operations		Rifle Range Plan		24	G
848	22-7-18	Duplicator	Intelligence	1/10,000	Patrol Map	1/10,000	250	I
849	22-7-18	"	"		Programme, Band Performance		100	I
850	22-7-18	Litho	"	1/40,000	Hostile Shelling 15-7-18 - 21-7-18	Spl. 1/40,000	80	I
851	23-7-18	Litho	"	1/20,000	LA NEUVILLE Trench Map	LA NEUVILLE	450	I
852	23-7-18	Duplicator	"		Tank Exercise Map		300	I
853	24-7-18	Litho	"	1/20,000	BONNAY Trench Map	BONNAY	300	I
854	25-7-18	Hand	"	1/20,000	Alteration of Corps Area	1/20,000	16	I
855	26-7-18	Hand	Operations		Plan of Group Bridges and Mined		1	G
856	26-7-18	Duplicator	Intelligence	1/10,000	Roads. Message Map No. 7 1/2		300	I
857	27-7-18	Litho	"	1/20,000	TREUX Barrage Map	TREUX	300	I
858	27-7-18	Duplicator	"	1/10,000	Message Map No. 8.		300	I
859	28-7-18	"	"	1/10,000	Message Map No. 9		300	I
860	29-7-18	Litho	"	1/40,000	Hostile Shelling 22-7-18 - 28-7-18	Spl. 1/40,000	80	I
861	29-7-18	Duplicator	"	1/40,000	Situation Map, Corps Area	MERICOURT	200	I
862	29-7-18	Hand	Operations	1/20,000	New Layered Map	62.D. 1/20,000	1	G
863	30-7-18	Litho	Intelligence	1/20,000	River LUCE Extension	1/20,000	330	I
864	30-7-18	Litho	"	1/10,000	BOUZENCOURT Trench Map	1/10,000	300	I

Appendix 1