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<u>LETORQUET.</u>	<u>1.5.17</u>	<u>6 am</u>	<p><u>Left Sector</u>: Intermittent artillery activity throughout day. Enemy Machine Guns and rifle fire quiet. Aerial activity throughout day. Situation Normal.</p> <p>Work Done. Guns arms and equipment cleaned. Improvements continued to Section Headquarters. Hot day with cool breeze blowing. Visibility: Good.</p>	
			<p><u>Centre Sector</u>: Generally quiet during day and night. Aerial activity during day. Work Done. Guns and emplacements cleaned. Visibility: Good. Mild wind.</p>	
			<p><u>Right Sector</u>. Gun at C <math>\frac{9d}{47.17}</math> fired 750 rounds on W <math>\frac{29c}{35.50}</math></p> <p>Nothing to report of any importance took place during the past 24 hours.</p> <p>Situation: Normal.</p>	

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<u>LETORQUET.</u>	<u>2.3.17</u>	<u>6 am</u>	<p><u>Right Sector</u>:- Gun fired at C <math>\frac{90}{4717}</math> 750 rounds on U <math>\frac{28d}{95.100}</math>.</p> <p>Hostile Artillery was rather more active throughout the day, Machine Guns more active at night. Situation, Normal.</p> <p>Work Done. Guns and emplacements cleaned ammunition replenished.</p> <p><u>Centre Sector</u>. Generally quiet during day and night. Eight enemy F.A. shells landed in vicinity of RESERVE FARM. - Aircraft active during day.</p> <p>Situation Normal. Visibility: Good Mild. wind.</p> <p><u>Left Sector</u>. Enemy Artillery more active throughout day, at about 12.45 P.M. two F.A. shells fell in the vicinity of Section Headquarters. Machine Gun &amp; rifle fire generally quiet. Aerial activity throughout the day. Hot day fine &amp; clear Mild N.E. wind. observation good.</p> <p>Work Done Guns, arms, &amp; Emplacements cleaned. Improvements continued at Section Headquarters.</p> <p>Company Headquarters. Location C <math>\frac{13d}{7095}</math>. about 3.30 p.m. 7 enemy shells landed in the immediate vicinity of Company Headquarters.</p>	

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<u>LETORQUET</u>	<u>3.5.17</u>	<u>6. am</u>	<p><u>Right Sector:</u> Gun fired from C <sup>9d</sup> 4717 750 rounds on U <sup>22d</sup> 3040. With the exception of a few shells from enemy Field Artillery, this Sector was very quiet.</p> <p>Situation. Normal. Guns and emplacements cleaned and Ammunition inspected and replenished.</p> <p><u>Centre Sector:</u> Fairly quiet during and night. 12 enemy F.A. at 7. AM and 10. F.A at 10.30. AM. landed near <u>reserve FARM.</u> 3 H.E in the Vicinity of <u>NICHOLSON</u> position at 11.15. A.M. Aircraft fairly active</p> <p>Work done. Guns &amp; Emplacements cleaned. Emplacement renovated at <u>RESEVE. FARM.</u></p> <p><u>Left Sector.</u> Desultory enemy artillery activity throughout the afternoon and night. Moderate Machine Gun and rifle fire during the night. Considerable activity by friendly aircraft. Friendly aeroplanes flew over the Vicinity of <u>F.G.A.P.</u> and appeared to drop bombs on enemy line.</p> <p>Situation. Normal.</p> <p>Hot day. fine and clear - good observation. Fresh E.N.E. wind prevailed throughout day and night.</p>	

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<u>LETORQUETA</u>	<u>4.5.17</u>	<u>6 a.m.</u>	<p><u>Right Sector:</u> Very quiet throughout the 24 hours. During night Machine Guns inactive. Situation Normal. Very bright day. Light wind.</p> <p>Work done. Relief of Section.</p> <p><u>Centre Sector.</u> Gun at Seven TREES fired from C <math>\frac{30}{7040}</math> on ROAD at C <math>\frac{110}{4090}</math> to C <math>\frac{110}{8080}</math> 1000 rounds from 9 to 11.30 p.m. Quiet during day &amp; night. Severe Bombardment on our left at 3.35 a.m. Situation Normal.</p> <p>Work done. Guns. and emplacements Cleared, emplacement made at SEVEN TREES.</p> <p><u>Left Sector.</u> Intermittent artillery activity throughout the day generally quiet during the night. Machine Gun and rifle fire quiet. Considerable aerial activity during the day. An unknown, believed to be a friendly aeroplane passed over our lines at about 9.45. again at 11.15 p.m. appearing to signal by buzzer on return journey. Situation Normal.</p> <p>Mild N.E. Wind prevailed throughout the day. Hot day inclined to be Hazy. Visibility fair, improved in the afternoon. Coy. Headquarters about 12 p.m. eight enemy H.E shells landed in the immediate vicinity of Company Headquarters. Lieut S.R. Gleese rejoined unit from M.G.B. II Coy. Headquarters.</p>	

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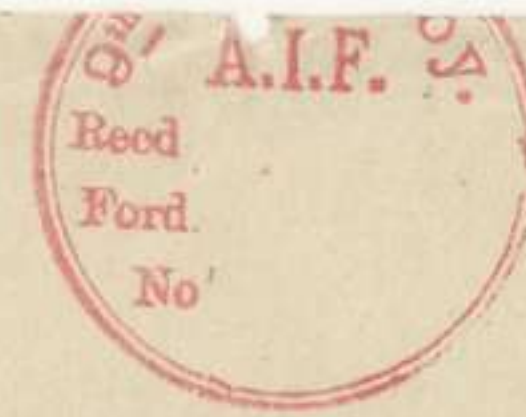
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<u>LE TORQUET</u>	<u>5.17</u>	<u>6 am</u>	<p><u>Left Sector:</u> All Guns fired 50 rounds testing Guns.</p> <p>Desultory artillery activity throughout the day, increasing in intensity during the night. Afternoon D.F.A. shells fell in the vicinity of Section Headquarters, hitting the brick wall in front. Machine Gun and rifle fire generally quiet - not the usual aerial activity during the day, towards evening friendly aeroplanes became more active. Situation more normal.</p> <p>Fresh N.E. wind throughout the day, the day was hot and sultry, towards evening a cool change in the atmosphere. Visibility fair.</p> <p><u>Centre Sector:</u> Gun at SEVEN TREES fired 750 rounds from C <math>\frac{35}{7046}</math> on X ROADS at C <math>\frac{114}{3494}</math> between 9 &amp; 10.30 p.m. Quiet during day 8.30 to 9.30 p.m. enemy shelled back area over Centre Sector. Aircraft fairly active during day.</p> <p>Artillery on both sides active during the night.</p> <p>Fresh wind. Visibility fair.</p>	

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<u>LETORQUET</u>	<u>5.5.17</u>	<u>6 a.m.</u>	<p>Right Sector: Gun- SCREER GUN. fired 1000 rounds from C <math>\frac{96}{9015}</math> on CROSS ROADS at U <math>\frac{28d}{5050}</math> from 9.30 p.m to 11 p.m. Generally quiet throughout day, very little enemy Machine Gun fire activity during night. Very bright day. Light wind. Company Headquarters. Heavy intermittent fire shelling by enemy in the vicinity of Coy Headquarters. Estimated 300 shells fell near by during night. No 272. Corporal Slater. J.J. + 2113 Pte. Maloney. J.B. marched out on leave to AMBLETUSE.</p>	

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<u>LE TORQUET</u>	<u>6.5.17</u>	<u>6 a.m.</u>	<p>Left Sector: Intermittent artillery action throughout day. Machine Guns &amp; rifle fire more active than usual during night. Not much aerial activity. Situation Normal. Weather fine but Cool breeze blowing observation good.</p>	
			<p>Centre Sector. Gun fired from SEVERN TREES firing 750 rounds from C <math>\frac{30}{7040}</math> on to C <math>\frac{50}{6013}</math> between 9 &amp; 10.30 p.m.</p>	
			<p>Fairly quiet during day &amp; night Situation Normal. Mild wind. Visibility good.</p>	
			<p>Right Sector. SCREEN GUN. from C <math>\frac{96}{9048}</math> on LoopHole FARM. at U <math>\frac{220}{1525}</math> from 9.30 p.m. to 11 p.m. 750 rounds.</p>	
			<p>Very quiet throughout the day. Machine Guns more active than usual during night. Considerable aerial activity.</p>	
			<p>Situation Normal. Work Done Guns and Emplacements Cleared Ammunition replenished</p>	
			<p>Bright day. Light Wind.</p>	
			<p>Capt J.M. WELLS marched out on leave of absence to England</p>	

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LE TORQUET.	7.5.17.	6 a.m.	<p>Left Sector: Gun at READING FORT fired 2250 rounds. SOS. F GAP.</p> <p>Gun at LAWRENCE FARM. fired 1250 rounds SOS and barrage fire orders</p> <p>Intermittent bombardment throughout the day. Enemy commenced heavy barrage accompanied by smoke at 7.45 p.m. lasting until 9.45 p.m. At about 7 p.m. two carrier pigeons from the direction of ARMENTIERES flew in the direction of WARNETON. Aerial activity. Situation Normal during day. Mild N.E. Wind throughout day and night. Fine and clear day - observation good.</p> <p>Centre Sector. Day fairly quiet. 15 enemy FA shells fell near RESERVE FARM. at 4.45. Severe bombardment by enemy at 8.30 to 10 p.m. No shells in Centre Sector - 11 p.m. our artillery straped for 5 minutes. Situation Normal</p> <p>Light wind. visibility</p> <p>Right Sector. Generally quiet during day. at 3.30 p.m. 5 straped fell near H.G FARM. GUN. Intense enemy bombardment right of our sector 7.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. During this time our front was bombardment with Minnie mortars &amp; Straped. no damage done to M.G. position. Remainder of night quiet. considerable aircraft activity. Situation normal</p>	

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<u>LE TORQUET</u>	<u>9.5.17</u>	<u>6-am</u>	About 9 a.m. CULVERT-GUN. fired a few bursts on B. GAP. on doubtful S.O.S. A number of H.E. shells fell close to Coy Headquarters doing much damage to buildings. Casualties were also believed to have been inflicted.	

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<u>LETORQUET</u>	<u>8.5.17</u>	<u>6 a.m.</u>	<p><u>Left Sector:</u> All Guns fired, 50 rounds. Testing Guns.          Enemy artillery quiet throughout day. Machine Gun and rifle fire quiet, Aerial activity nil. Bombardment on our left at about 11.15 p.m. Retaliation by our artillery at 11.25 p.m. Generally quiet throughout the night. Mild N. wind prevailed throughout day &amp; night. Raining during morning Cloudy all day          Visibility Fair</p> <p><u>Right Sector</u> Gun-SCREEN. GUN fired 750 rounds on C6 <sup>B</sup>/<sub>3010</sub> X ROADS. Enemy artillery very quiet. Machine Guns and rifles fire also quiet. Situation Normal. Dull day with slight rain falls.</p> <p><u>Centre Sector.</u> Day fairly quiet enemy artillery quiet throughout day and night          Aerial activity nil. Machine Gun and rifle fire also quiet          Raining slightly during morning. Cloudy and dull day visibility fair. Situation Normal.</p>	

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<u>LETORQUET</u>	<u>9.5.17</u>	<u>6 a.m.</u>	<p><u>Right Sector</u> - SCREEN GUN fired 500 rounds on C5 <sup>A</sup>/<sub>3040</sub> Bridge over LYS.</p> <p>Enemy heavy Artillery very active. Machine Gun and rifle fire active. Aeroplane activity.</p> <p>Situation Normal weather fine, observation good.</p> <p><u>Centre Sector</u> SEVEN TREES Gun fired 1000 rounds from C <sup>3C</sup>/<sub>7040</sub> on ROAD C <sup>11C</sup>/<sub>11090</sub> - C <sup>11C</sup>/<sub>8150</sub> from 9.30 p.m. till 11 p.m. Fairly quiet during day. intermittent shelling by our Artillery throughout day. About 10 Shrapnel landed near RESERVE FARM. about 9 p.m. Light Wind - Visibility fair.</p> <p><u>Left Sector</u>. All Guns fired Testing Guns 50 rounds. Enemy heavy Artillery active throughout day, apparently searching back area for Artillery - Enemy Machine Guns fairly active during earlier portion of night. Enemy Aerial activity practically nil. At about 1.30 p.m. 4 <del>light</del> Whizzbangs Shrapnel fell immediately in front of aeroplane over lines between 1 &amp; 2 a.m. 10.5.17. appeared friendly. Mild NNE wind prevailed throughout the day &amp; night. Fine Clear Day. Observation good. Heavy mist during night.</p>	

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<u>LETORQUET</u>	<u>9.5.17</u>	<u>6.am</u>	<p>Company Headquarters. Intermittent heavy shelling of BILLETs and ROADs in the immediate vicinity of Coy Headquarters.</p> <p>Over 300. 5.9 and 4.2 shells landed around between the following hours of the day. 10.15 to 10.45. AM., 1.35 to 2 pm. 3.30 p.m. to 4 pm., 7.25 p.m. to 7.50 p.m. 6.15 to 9.00 pm. The severest bombardment took place between 6.15 pm. and 9 pm. when it became necessary for most of the men to go into cellars.</p> <p>In the latter part of the bombardment GAS shells were used.</p> <p>Lieut O.J. Wood and 2/Lieut Forsett E. marched out to PARIS on leave.</p>	

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<u>LETORQUET.</u>	<u>10.5.17</u>	<u>6 am</u>	<p><u>Left Sector:</u> All Guns fired, Testing guns. 50 rounds.</p> <p>Enemy artillery fairly quiet throughout the day and night, increased activity of enemy machine guns during early hours of the night.</p> <p>Enemy observation by balloon and aeroplane practically nil.</p> <p>Desultory enemy rifle fire throughout the night.</p> <p>Very mild wind throughout the day and night. Hot and hazy.</p> <p>Observation poor but improved towards evening.</p> <p><u>Centre Sector:</u> SEVEN TREES gun fired 1000 rounds from C <math>\frac{30}{7040}</math> on the BRIDGE.</p> <p>at C <math>\frac{50}{6013}</math> between 9 &amp; 11 p.m. Fairly quiet during day except for about 30 Minnewater which fell between RESERVE FARM, NICHOLSON and GAP II.</p> <p>at intermittent intervals throughout day. Light wind, day fairly dull at times.</p> <p><u>Right Sector:</u> SCREEN GUN. fired 750 rounds on to C <math>\frac{116}{4090}</math> T. ROADS.</p> <p>Enemy artillery quiet during day also Machine Gun &amp; Rifle fire. Day fine and and hot with cool breeze. Visibility good.</p> <p><u>Company Head Quarter:</u> a few shells landed near Billets and on road leading to MOTOR CAR CORNER, 6pm. to 6.30pm about 20. H.E shells landed &amp; quiet during the whole of night.</p>	

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<u>LETORQUET</u>	<u>11.5.17</u>	<u>6 am</u>	<p><u>Left Sector.</u> All Guns fired. Testing Guns. 50 rounds. Artillery activity generally reduced. Normal aerial activity, friendly planes predominating. Enemy machine Guns fairly active during early hours of night. Situation Normal.</p> <p>Mild wind N.N.E. Hot hazy. Visibility fair.</p> <p><u>Centre Sector: SEVEN TREES.</u> Gun fired 1000 rounds from C <math>\frac{30}{7040}</math> on to enemy lines at U <math>\frac{257}{6014}</math> - U <math>\frac{250}{11041}</math> between 9 and 11 p.m. Fairly quiet during day about 15 minutes sweeps landed vicinity RESERVE &amp; FARM at 10. am. Situation Normal. Light Wind. Hazy day.</p> <p><u>Right Sector: SCREEN GUN.</u> fired 750 rounds on C <math>\frac{116}{4090}</math>. T. ROADS.</p> <p>Enemy artillery more active than usual. Several H.2. Shells fell about Section Headquarters during night. Enemy Machine Guns also active.</p> <p>Situation Normal. Hot day with Cool breeze, observation good.</p> <p><u>Company Headquarters.</u> Very little attention to back area, in vicinity of Coy. Headquarters, by enemy artillery. Quiet during day and night.</p>	

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<u>LETORQUET</u>	<u>12.5.17</u>	<u>6 a.m.</u>	<p><u>Left Sector.</u> all. Guns fired - Testing of Guns. 50 rounds.</p> <p>Enemy Artillery &amp; Machine Guns extremely quiet throughout day and night.</p> <p>At about 7.15 p.m. five enemy aeroplanes manoeuvred over our front line without being engaged by our Anti-aircraft guns. By their action it would appear that excellent observation was obtained by their observer.</p> <p>Very mild wind prevailed throughout day and night. Hot hazy day.</p> <p>Visibility poor in the afternoon but improved towards evening.</p> <p><u>Centre Sector.</u> Fairly quiet during day 10 minnuwerpers landed in vicinity of RESERVE FARM and D. GAP. At about 9.50 a.m. about 12 enemy F.A. shells near RESERVE FARM. at 5 p.m. Situation Normal. Light Wind. Visibility fair</p> <p><u>Right Sector.</u> Enemy Artillery quiet - enemy aeroplane brought down in our lines this morning. Machine Gun fire also quiet. Situation Normal. Hot &amp; Sultry day.</p> <p>Company Headquarters. a number of H.E and shrapnel shells fell in the vicinity at 11 A.M. Enemy aeroplanes fell in the vicinity.</p> <p>Intermittent shelling of BILLETs and ROADS 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. 4.2 shells for the most part.</p>	

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<u>LETORQUET</u>	<u>12.5.17</u>	<u>6 am</u>	<p><u>PROMOTIONS</u> N°1. Temporary Sergeant Atkinson. E.A.C. to be Sergeant. Vice Sergeant O'Brien J. L. to ENGLAND dt- from 13-4.17.</p> <p>N°123. Temporary Corporal Thompson E.H. to be Corporal Vice Cpl Atkinson E.A. promoted dt- from 13-4.17.</p> <p>N°109. Temporary Corporal Sawyer. H.I.L. to be Corporal vice cpl Daniels H.M. promoted dt- from 13-4.17.</p> <p><u>CASUALTIES.</u> Lieut Badgoy M. F. Wounded. right arm both legs.</p> <p>No. 58. Sgt. W.M. Kelly. Wounded. Right arm both legs. No 77. Sgt. Holt. C.I. Killed in action.</p> <p>Lieut Brown D.J. <u>Secured</u>. wounded dt 18.3.17. Authority A.I.F. List 172, 41517.</p> <p>1 Corporal 12 men from 36 Battalion reported for attachment as Belt filling party.</p>	

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<u>LE TORQUET</u>	<u>13.5.17</u>	<u>6. am</u>	<p><u>Right Sector.</u> Enemy Heavy artillery very active throughout day, also his planes. Machine Guns and rifle fire active during night. Situation Normal.</p> <p>Hot day with very light Breeze. Thunder and Lightning, During night. Visibility Good</p> <p><u>Centre Sector</u> Day quiet our Artillery fairly active throughout day and night. Situation Normal. Light wind. Visibility fair during afternoon.</p> <p><u>Left Sector</u> All Guns fired - testing Guns 50 rounds.</p> <p>Enemy Artillery quiet all day. Moderate enemy machine Gun and rifle fire.</p> <p>Aerial activity among enemy aircraft.</p> <p>Very mild wind all day NE to E - hazy - little Rain - Visibility fair</p>	
<u>LE BIZET</u>	<u>13.5.17</u>	<u>6. am</u>	<p>Enemy Artillery very active in back area. 400 H.E. Shells landed in vicinity of Company Headquarters and Billets, very little damage done. Mostly 5.9. Shells. 8-15 AM. to 3.10 pm. during day.</p>	

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<u>LE TORQUET</u>	<u>14.5.19</u>	<u>6-am</u>	<p><u>Left Sector</u> All Guns firing - Including Guns 50 rounds. Enemy Artillery Generally quiet throughout the day, also Machine Gun and rifle fire. Considerable aerial activity from 7. to 8. p.m. Intermittent Artillery bombardment of back areas lasting all night. Otherwise Generally quiet. Mild wind throughout day and night, - Hot and sultry afternoon making atmosphere cooler. Visibility fair.</p> <p><u>Centre Sector</u> During morning several enemy F.A landed vicinity of II GAP and NICHOLSONS position - 3 Minnwerfer between RESERVE FARM and NICHOLSONS at 5pm. Artillery active during night. Light wind, morning dull - afternoon fairly clear.</p> <p><u>Right Sector</u> SCREEN GUN fired 2000 rounds on N<sup>250</sup> SoS Line.</p> <p>Artillery of both sides active throughout day and night. About 20 5-9 shells fell round Section Headquarters during morning.</p> <p>Morning hot. Rainfall during afternoon. Night very unsettled.</p>	

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<u>LETORQUET</u>	15.5.1916	am	9 <sup>th</sup> A.M. Gun Coy relieved by 207 <sup>th</sup> M. Gun Coy. Headquarter all Maps-plans - defences, Schemes - important documents together with area stores at Headquarter handed over to O.C. 207 <sup>th</sup> M.G. Coy, By Lieut S.R. Cleere then Commanding 9 <sup>th</sup> A.M.G. Coy.	
<u>LE BIZET</u>	" "		On the night of 15 <sup>th</sup> 207 M.G. Coy. relieved the 9 <sup>th</sup> A.M.G. Coy in the line all trench and area stores handed over and Certificate obtained by section Commanders.	

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<u>LE TORQUET.</u>	<u>16-7-17</u>	<u>10 p.m.</u>	<p>On the night 16<sup>th</sup> half Company marched to CROIS-de-BAC. where they were Billeted at farm Houses.</p> <p>Remaining Half Company marched to CATACOMBS for Constructional purposes under Lieut Gordon &amp; Lt Kawara.</p>	
<u>CROIS-de-BAC</u>	<u>17-7-17</u>	<u>6am</u>	<p>Route March - Physical Training - Immediate action - Clearing and Checking of Guns and Stores.</p> <p><u>Promotions</u>. No. 272. Corp Sergeant W.E. to be T/Sergeant, vice Sgt. Kelly W.M. to No 2. Accs. dt. from 16.5.17. No 242. Cpl Slater J.G. to be T/Sergeant vice Sgt. Holt. Killed in action dt. from 16.5.17. No 28. Lance Cpl Elliott to be T/cpl vice cpl Sergeant E.W. promoted dt. from 16.5.17. No 117 Lance Cpl Soper W.C. to be T/cpl vice cpl Slater. promoted T/Sergeant dt. from 16.5.17.</p>	

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<u>CROIS DE BAC</u>	<u>18.5.17</u>	<u>6 am</u>	Route March - Physical Training - Immediate action - Gun Drill - Mechanism Judging Distance Visual Training. Lecture (use of Ground and Cover) Immediate action Drill on rough ground. Capt. J.M. Wells returned to Unit from leave to ENGLAND.	
" "	<u>19.5.17</u>	<u>6 am</u>	Route March - Physical Training Immediate action. Rough Ground Aux. tripod waggon Drill - Digging and Lecture "Barrage Fire" positions. Barrage fire and Gun Drill	

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<u>CROIS-de-BAC</u>	<u>20.5.17</u>	6.am.	Route March - Physical Training - Immediate Action - Elementary Tactical Handling Practice - Barrage fire - Aux Tripod - minor repairs and adjustments. Ammunitions supply - Practice Ammunition Supply. Half Company Relieved at CATACOMBS.	
- -	<u>21.5.17</u>	6.am	Route March - Physical Training - Immediate action - Rough Ground Drill Lecture open Warfare - Trench to Trench fighting.	

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<u>Crois-de-Bre.</u>	<u>22.5.17</u>	<u>6 am</u>	<p>Route March - Physical Training - Immediate Action - Packing Waggons            Signals and Controls - Barrage fire Mechanism - Tactical Handling under            Section officers.            Casualties. No 99. Sgt McHully. Accidentally wounded (in Billets).            Lieut O. J. Wood and Lieut Farnett. E. returned to Unit from leave to PARIS.</p>	
~	<u>23.5.17</u>	<u>6 am</u>	<p>Route March - Immediate Action - Gun Drill Stripping and Changing            barrels - minor repairs. Company in attack - Factors in Success of offensive action.</p>	

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<u>Ploegsteert</u>	25-5-17	4 a.m.	<p>Gun at Muziane fired 1000 rounds from U <math>\frac{140}{8800}</math> on enemy rear lines at U <math>\frac{10I}{1080}</math> from 8-10 p.m. Gun in this sector did not fire owing to order being misunderstood. Intermittent shelling by ours and enemy artillery throughout day. Several H.E. landed near PROUSE PT about 11 a.m. Slight damage. Night quiet. Enemy M.G. fairly active. Usual aerial activity about dusk. Light wind. Visibility good.</p>	

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<u>Ploegsteert.</u>	<u>27.5.17</u>	<u>4 am</u>	<p>Gun at Mudlane firing from U<sup>140</sup>/<sub>5500</sub> fired 1000 rounds on Tilleul FARM at U<sup>105</sup>/<sub>4055</sub> from 7 to 11 p.m. Gun at POST. OFFICE fired 750 rounds on U<sup>230</sup>/<sub>9190</sub> and U<sup>236</sup>/<sub>5064</sub>.</p> <p>Artillery activity on both sides during day. Several Minnewerfers and H.E. shells landed near PROWSE. Point. at about 1 p.m. and 8 p.m.</p> <p>Several shells landed near LEVEL. Cottage. Enemy Rifle and Machine Gun fire quiet during night, except during time of raid.</p> <p>Light wind. Visibility good.</p> <p>No. 30 Company. Lt. W.C. marched out on leave to England.</p>	

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<u>Ploegsteert</u>	<u>25.5.17</u>	<u>4 am</u>	<p>Gun at MOATED FARM fired 2750 rounds U <math>\frac{16a}{0050}</math> to U <math>\frac{17a}{4020}</math>.</p> <p>Gun at GERMAN HOUSE fired 1500 rounds U <math>\frac{16a}{4060}</math> to U <math>\frac{15d}{0593}</math>.</p> <p>Gun at MUDLANE fired from U <math>\frac{20a}{8895}</math> to Ulster RESERVE and GREY FARM at U <math>\frac{96}{5010}</math>.</p> <p>Intermittent Shelling by own and enemy artillery. Several Minnie weapons fell on Vicinity of PROUSE PT. during raid - Several Gas shells fell at same place.</p> <p>Aerial activity throughout day - Light wind visibility good.</p>	

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<u>Ploegsteert.</u>	<u>29.5.17</u>	<u>4 AM.</u>	<p>Gun at MUDLANE fired 1000 rounds onto enemy X ROADS at U <math>\frac{10C}{55.45}</math> from 9 p.m to 3 a.m.</p> <p>Gun at ST. YVES fired 950 rounds onto U <math>\frac{23a}{50.95}</math> from 7 to 11 p.m.</p> <p>Enemy Artillery Very active during day and specially from 3.30 to 4.30 p.m., Shells again falling vicinity PROWSE. PT. Light dull. Visibility poor</p>	

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<u>Ploegstreet</u>	<u>30.3.17</u>	<u>7.4 a.m.</u>	Gun at MUDLANE fired 750 rounds on Tilleul FARM from 7 to 11 p.m.	
			Gun at ST. YVES fired 850 rounds on POINT ROUGE from 9 to 11.30 p.m.	
			Artillery very active throughout day. Dugout at ST. YVES blown in - unoccupied at time, both positions at <del>pro</del> PROWSE. POINT damaged.	
			Visibility - fair - light wind.	
			No 132 Coy. M.G. Company G.M.S. Ward. J.T. marched out to officers Cadet School Exmouth England at 3.0/5/17.	

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<u>Ploegsteert</u>	31.5.17	6 am	<p>Gun at MUDHANE firing from U <math>\frac{140}{55.00}</math> fired 1000 rounds on CROSS ROADS at U <math>\frac{100}{55.40}</math> at intervals from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.</p> <p>Gun at ST. YVES firing from U <math>\frac{150}{11.45}</math> fired 880 rounds on POINT ROUGE at U <math>\frac{296}{65.30}</math> from 9 to 11.45 p.m.</p> <p>Heavy shelling by our own and enemy Artillery throughout day, enemy Retaliated heavily to our night bombardment. Light wind. Visibility good.</p> <p>Casualties. No 128. Corporal. Thompson. F.R. Wounded.</p>	

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