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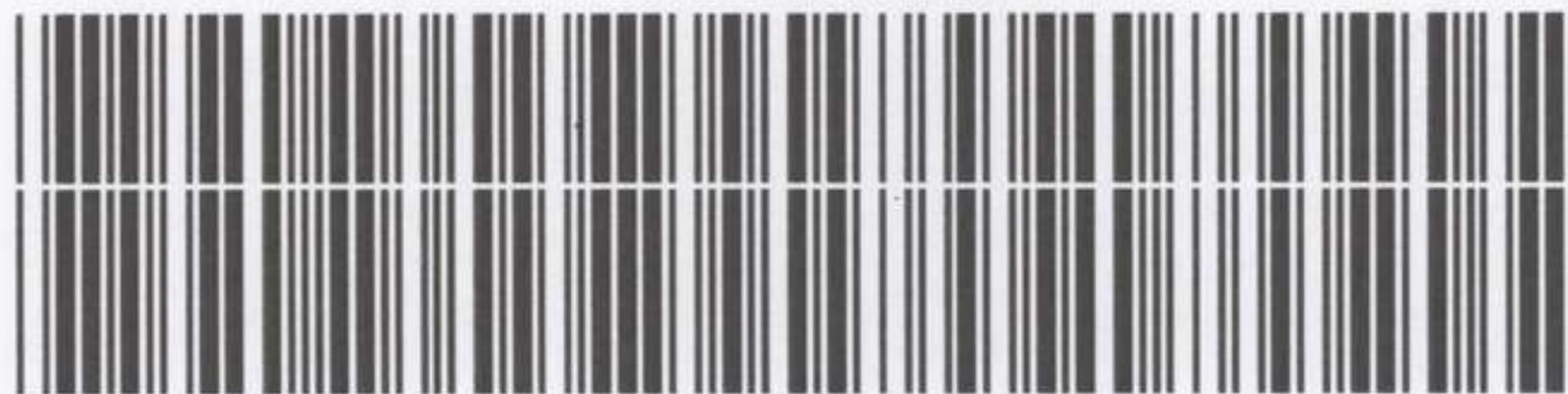
**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,  
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**Engineers**

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## WAR DIARY

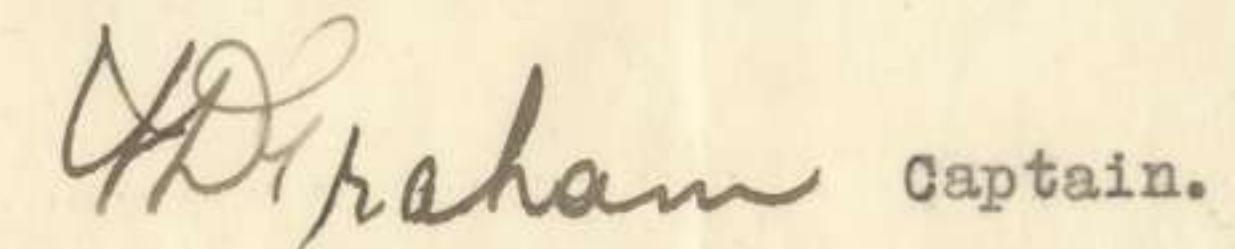
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1/5/17 to 5/5/17, inclusive.		All Companies Decauville Tramway Construction.	
	6/5/17 & 7/5/17.		Battalion Resting.	
	8/5/17.		Battalion moved to St. Gratien. Left Fremecourt Camp at 5 a.m. and arrived at St. Gratien at 11 p.m.	
	9/5/17.		Physical Training, Squad Drill etc. Sports in the afternoon.	
	10/5/17.		Physical Training, Squad Drill etc. Sports in the afternoon. "A" and "B" Coys. inoculated.	
	11/5/17.		Physical Training, Squad Drill etc. Sports in the afternoon. "A" and "B" Companies swimming parade. "C" and "D" Companies inoculated.	
	12/5/17.		Physical Training, Squad Drill etc. Sports in the afternoon.	
	13/5/17.		Physical Training, Squad Drill etc. Sports in the afternoon.	
	14/5/17.		Swimming in the morning. Battn. Route March. Sports in the afternoon.	
	15/5/17.		Battalion moved to Lavieville at 2 p.m. arriving at 6 p.m. and billeted in the town.	
	16/5/17.		Battn. moved off at 7.30 a.m. Reached entraining point (Albert) at 9.15 a.m. Entrained.	
			Reached detraining point (Casstre) at midnight.	
	17/5/17.		Reached billets at Vieux Berquin at 1 a.m. Batt. Rested.	
	18/5/17.		Companies paraded at 9 a.m. and continued training in squad drill etc.	
	19/5/17.		Physical training. Battalion bathed at Merris Baths. (Coys.)	
	20/5/17.		Church Parades, (All Denominations). Transport and H.Q. bathing.	
	21/5/17.		Physical training, squad drill etc.	
	22/5/17.		Physical training, squad drill etc. Lecture on revetting.	
	23/5/17.		Battn. moved to open ground at T 21 b 3.0. and erected trench shelters.	
	24/5/17.		Battn. resting. Inspection of work.	
	25/5/17 to 31/5/17, inclusive.		Companies working on new roads, etc., under C.R.E., N.Z. Division.	



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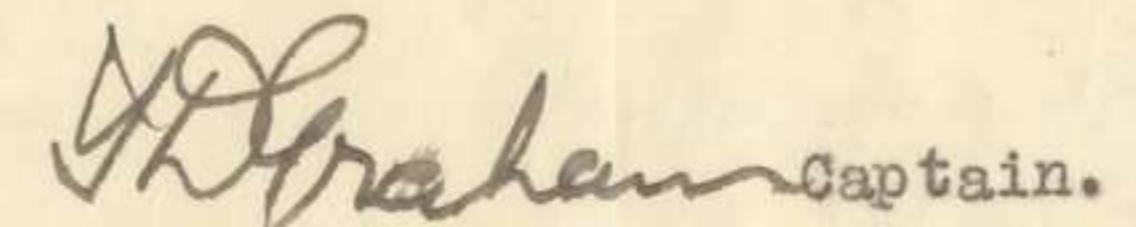
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<u>APPENDIX NO. I.</u>				
<u>CAUSALTIES.</u>				
7/5/17.	No. 5652	Pte Elliott A.A.B.	Wounded in right arm by bullet from enemy aeroplane.	
26/5/17.	3437	" Rubenach J.T.	Accidentally injured while on works. Crushed finger.	
27/5/17.	316	" Mansfield A.	Killed. H.E.Shell.	
28/5/17.	2594	" Duggan A.	Wounded in right thigh by H.E.Shell.	
29/5/17.	2626	" Geason C.	Wounded in back by H.E.Shell.	
29/5/17.	1883	" Keane H.G.	Accidentally injured while on works. First and second fingers of right hand crushed.	
30/5/17.	2398	" Jardine A.H.	Wounded in left buttock by H.E.Shell.	
31/5/17.	3369	" Hamilton W.D.	Shrapnel in right forearm. (Premature burst).	



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Place	Date	Hour	Effective Strength				On Roll	
			Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.		
	1/5/17	:	39	1002	44	1079		
	2/5/17	:	39	1004	44	1078		
	3/5/17	:	38	1000	44	1068		
	4/5/17	:	38	1004	44	1066		
	5/5/17	:	38	1002	44	1065		
	6/5/17	:	38	996	44	1064		
	7/5/17	:	38	990	44	1064		
	8/5/17	:	38	990	44	1064		
	9/5/17	:	37	1030	44	1112		
	10/5/17	:	36	1016	44	1110		
	11/5/17	:	35	992	44	1108		
	12/5/17	:	36	992	43	1110		
	13/5/17	:	33	982	43	1110		
	14/5/17	:	34	996	43	1112		
	15/5/17	:	34	996	43	1112		
	16/5/17	:	31	996	43	1112		
	17/5/17	:	31	996	43	1155		
	18/5/17	:	28	1050	43	1155		
	19/5/17	:	28	1054	43	1158		
	20/5/17	:	28	1054	43	1158		
	21/5/17	:	29	1031	43	1142		
	22/5/17	:	29	1032	43	1142		
	23/5/17	:	30	1032	44	1143		
	24/5/17	:	30	1026	44	1141		
	25/5/17	:	31	1029	44	1144		
	26/5/17	:	33	1038	44	1144		
	27/5/17	:	33	1046	44	1144		
	28/5/17	:	33	1046	44	1143		
	29/5/17	:	33	1048	44	1143		
	30/5/17	:	33	1049	44	1145		
	31/5/17	:	33	1048	44	1145		

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