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# WAR DIARY

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FLEURBAIX	MAY 4 <sup>th</sup>	2015	Officers patrol went out from N. 5. C. 95 - object to examine report on enemy wire & BOMMANS LAND - very satisfactory result.	Reference Maps France 1/10000 Sheets 36 N.W. " " S.W.
"	5 <sup>th</sup>	0700	Our 7.7mm fired 3 rds on enemy trench at party carrying timber.	
"		1045	50 H.E. at I. 31. C. 43 - 5 failed explode - little damage done. 34 shells near CITY ROAD.	
"		1200	10 H.E. 15 c.m. fell at Bde. Hd Qrs. FLEURBAIX - very little damage done.	
"		1315	9 to 1315 - 12 H.E. and 30 shrapnel at N. 6. C. 39 - very little damage.	
"		1345	84 H.E. & shrapnel at LONDON WALL - a little damage done.	
"		1400	36 H.E. shells at I. 31. C. 43.	
"		1930	all ranks throughout Bde. standing to arms as usual.	
"		1945	intense bombardment commenced on trenches 46, 46, 47 and WELLS FARM SALIENT - I. 31. C.; close support Coy. of C & D Bns. ordered to move up to front line & then place taken at 1945 by 2 more Coys.	
"		1950	Left artillery group opened on enemy trenches in response to call from front line. Our 3.7" T.M. Bty. was ordered.	
"		2015	B Coy of D Bn (8 <sup>th</sup> ) moved to ELBOW FARM; gas alarm passed from 6 <sup>th</sup> Bde. on our left; Telmet put on & rolled up.	
"		2020	Close support Coy. to B Bn. arrived - 1 platoon at HUDSONS; 1 platoon at BREWERY, 2 platoons at TRAYS.	
"		2025	2 <sup>nd</sup> Div. reported enemy seen leaving trenches 52 & 53 - both reserve Bns. of Bde. on our left moved to POIS GRENIER Barrage put on road to traps in rear B Bn; no attack on A Bn; communication maintained with our right and left Bdes.	
"		2130	Enemy shelling ceased.	
"		2150	our artillery ceased and position became normal. <del>C &amp; D Bns. ordered to return to billets</del>	
"		2220	C & D Bns. ordered returns to billets.	
"		2330	D Bn. returned to billets.	
"	6 <sup>th</sup>	0025	Casualties :- Offs. 1 wounded; O. Ranks. 4 killed, 23 wounded, 3 shell shocks. C Bn. returned to billets.	
"		1300	10 H.E. fell at H. 36. 2. 73 - 5.9" calibre.	
"		2100	M. C. Coy fired 750 rds. on N. 12. A. 86 & N. 12. B. 40 - results unobtainable.	
"		2030	Officers patrol went out from N. 10. B. 7595. and returned 2230.	
"	7 <sup>th</sup>	0130	Patrol went out from N. 10. B. 7595. and returned at 0230 - no enemy patrols met.	
"		0900	30 H.E. landed on Trench 37.	
"		2030	M. Gun Coy fired 750 rds. indirect fire on tram line N. 12. C.	

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FLEURBAIX	May 7 <sup>th</sup>	2030	Casualties to 5 <sup>th</sup> May at 1200 throughout Brigade - Killed 11 O. Pans - Wounded 1 O.P.P. 35 O. Pans.	Reference Maps FRANCE Sheet 36 NW " 36 SW 1/10,000	
		2245	Officers patrol went out from H. 10. B. 7595 and returned at 2200 to examine our wire.		
			Enemy patrol seen in NO MANS LAND - M.C. fire opened on it.		
		8 <sup>th</sup>	2030 2105 2200		M.C. Coy fired 750 rds indirect fire on O. 13 a. 45 and O. 13 a. 8.4. Enemy fired several red and green rockets on our left. Patrol went out from H. 6. C. 09. - An officers patrol was fired on as it left our trenches and compelled to return. Today marked by inactivity hostile artillery.
		9 <sup>th</sup>			Very uneventful day and no activity on either side. During night patrols went out but owing to state of NO MANS LAND movement was impossible - 4 T.M. bombs fired into trenches during night at WELL FARM SALIENT - no damage done.
		10 <sup>th</sup>	1800		During morning our artillery registered on enemy trench opposite H 7. No. 4 sect. of M.C. Coy. relieved No. 2 in front line. Owing to weather conditions no patrolling possible listening posts only established.
		11 <sup>th</sup>	1030 1630 2200		Enemy shelled one of our working parties at H. 36. C. 38 - no casualties one of our aeroplanes brought down by hostile shrapnel and fell in line of fire on our left. Officers patrol went out at H. 10. B. 7595 to construct new trench in NO MANS LAND.
			2330		Two of our working parties fired on by enemy - casualties 2 wounded.
		12 <sup>th</sup>	0930 1300 1400		Enemy fired 12 aerial bombs on trenches H 5 and H 6 - 1 man killed, 4 wounded. 40 H.E. shells fired at H. 36. B. 61. 50 " " " " " "
			2015		During day our 3.7" T.M. fired 8 rounds on enemy trenches with considerable effect. Officers patrol went out at H. 10. B. 7595 and returned 2400 - object to see if new constructed previous night was successful - no results obtained. During night M.C. Coy fired 500 rds. at MARTINS CORNER and "BANK HIGHS" " " enemy fired 7 bombs at trenches H 5 & H 6 - no damage.
		13 <sup>th</sup>	1445 1700 2100		30 H.E. & 20 shrapnel at H. 35. C. 55 30 H.E. on RUE DAVID. During night 5 bombs fired across trench H 7 - no damage. " " M.C. Coy. brought indirect fire on crossroads H. 12. A. 12. Listening posts out opposite night front to cover relief.

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FLEURBAIX	MAY 13 <sup>th</sup>	2100	7 <sup>th</sup> Bn commenced to relieve 5 <sup>th</sup> Bn as per Pde Order No. 12 attached - Appendix III	Reference Map FRANCE 1/10000
		2400	relief completed without casualties.	Sheet 36 N.W.
			Casualties throughout Penguée from 1200 on 6 <sup>th</sup> to 1200 on 13 <sup>th</sup> : Killed 5 ORanks; Wounded 20 ORanks.	" " S.W.
	14 <sup>th</sup>	0230	5 <sup>th</sup> Bn returned to billets in "C" Bn area.	
		0705	20 H.E. landed at N. 5. P. 85.	
		1200	8 strapnel burst over N. 5. P. 42.	
		1230	enemy shelled N. 5. P. 22.	
		1215	13 strapnel burst over trench 42 - no casualties.	
		2100	Listening posts established acrossed left Bn front to cover relief. 8 <sup>th</sup> Bn commenced to relieve 6 <sup>th</sup> and 2A 1/2 T.M. Bn to relieve 2A 1/2 T.M. Bn as per Pde order No. 13 - attached.	
		2325	2A 1/2 T.M. Bn reported correct in trench billets	Appendix IV
		2340	6 <sup>th</sup> Bn. " " " " " " ("D" Bn)	
	15 <sup>th</sup>	1150	52 H.E. 6" fired at CONVENT WALL.	
		1215	2A 1/2 T.M. Bn registered on CORNER FORT. - enemy replied with 6 bombs - casualties 3 killed, 4 wounded	
			During night T.M. Bn fired on CORNER FORT. One man of our working parties killed.	
	16 <sup>th</sup>	0215	enemy traversed our parapets with M. G. fire.	
		1045	4 rifle grenades landed on our trenches.	
		1200	80 H.E. at H. 33. C. 33.	
		1240	40 H.E. at N. 5. P. 81.	
		1600	25 H.E. 4.2" shells on trenches 52 & 53.	
		2000	8 bombs fired at trench 47 - all fell short	
		2240	17 M. bomb landed at I 31. C. 11 - 1 man killed, 5 wounded.	
		2240	Aeroplane heard in rear of our front trenches - various colored & white lights observed.	
	17 <sup>th</sup>	1115	53 H.E. and strapnel shells fell in vicinity N. 5. P. 33.	
		1300	45 shells in vicinity N. 5. C. 84 - very little damage done.	
		1500	52 6" shells at H. 35. C. 84 - no damage	
		1545	47 H.E. and strapnel at above place - no damage done.	

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FLEURBAIX	17 <sup>th</sup>	2020	Gas alarm sounded from Belle on our left - firing line stood to with gas helmets but reported all clear. Light too bright and moonlight for patrolling.	Reference Map FRANCE 1/10000 Sheet 36 S.W. " N.W.
"	18 <sup>th</sup>	0030	Division on our left again reported gas alarm.	
"		0940	55 shells fell at N. 5. A. 73 - no damage.	
"		1350	15 " " " " N. 4. D. 83	
"		1700	21 " " " " N. 5. B. 77 and at 1900 H. H. E. fell at H. 26. B.	
"		2000	4 T.M. Bombs fell into our trench at N. 6. B. 99 - no damage	
"		2050	M. Gun & rifle fire very busy	
"		2300	An officers patrol left N. 4. D. 9705 returning 0130 - whole front searched for sappers - no result. During day 6 rifle grenades fell in our trenches without doing any damage.	
"	19 <sup>th</sup>	1010	27 shrapnel at MILL ROAD POST. & 6 large shells at N. 4. D. 8520.	
"		1400	15 shells at H. 36. B. 62.	
"		1700	21 " about N. 5. B. 77.	
"		1900	H. H. E. fell at H. 26. B.	
"		2100	Officers patrol left N. 6. B. 45 returning at 2230 - moved to within 50 yds CORNER FORT - no encounter with enemy	
"	20 <sup>th</sup>		Casualties from 1200 on 18 <sup>th</sup> to 1200 on 19 <sup>th</sup> :- Wounded. 21 O. Ranks.	
"		1345	42 shells landed at N. 5. B (central)	
"		1630	50 " " " " " "	
"		1800	11 <sup>th</sup> Sect. M.C. Coy. relieved 11 <sup>th</sup> 3 in front line.	
"		1930	15 H. E. 4.2" shells fell in FLEURBAIX.	
"		2030	4 T.M. Bombs thrown on our line.	
"		2215	Enemy aeroplane reported in neighbourhood. Enemy becoming more active. M. Gun fire very persistent. Listening posts out to protect working parties.	
"	21 <sup>st</sup>	1100	16 shells H. E. fell in our support lines.	
"		1030	T.Mortars registered under cover our artillery.	
"		1230	40 shells at N. 5. central.	
"		1400	30 H. E. fell at CROIX MARECHAL.	
"		1830	20 4" 9 6" in FLEURBAIX - 50% failed to explode.	
"			During evening officers patrols left N. 5. C 51 and N. 6. B. 3055. Both patrols found NO MANS LAND very wet. Enemy aeroplanes very active during day	

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FLEURBAIX	MAY 22 <sup>nd</sup>	0700	32 H.E. fired at N. 5. A.	Reference Map FRANCE 1/10000 Sheet 36 S.W. " 36 N.W.	
		1130	25 H.E. landed at N. 5. A & N. 5. B.		
		1135	30 H.E. " " H. 34. A.		
		1500	25 H.E. " " H. 34. central.		
		"	70 H.E. " " N. 5. A & N. 5. B.		
		2105	Our T.M.s fired 6 shots at N. 6. D. 2560. Listening posts put out across front. Enemy sniping & M. Gun fire very much quieter.		
	"	23 <sup>rd</sup>	0930		50 H.E. shells fired at THE BREWERY.
			1000		37 H.E. " " " N. 5. B. central.
			1335		25 H.E. " " " N. 5. A. central.
			1400		17 shrapnel fired at N. 5. A. central 6 bombs fell on our wire at N. 6. B. 14 without doing any damage.
		2115	Officers patrol left sally port N. 6. B. 89. & returned 2355 - enemy working at the ANGLE. M. Gun Coy. employed indirect fire during night. One gun fired over parapet on enemy wire.		
		"	24 <sup>th</sup>		1125
	1230				BARRIER FARM shelled and partly burnt down.
	1200				22 shrapnel on N. 5. B.
1220	30 H.E. on JAYS POST.				
"	25 <sup>th</sup>	1302	14 H.E. on N. 5. C.		
		1330	Our 3.7" & 2" T.M.s fired on CORNER FORT & N. 6. d. 37.; 60 bombs fired, results unknown During day M. G. Coy. employed indirect fire on MARTINS CORNER & again at night.		
		1650	8 <sup>th</sup> Ptn. report 1240. enemy wire removed opposite trench 43. - all precautions taken, working parties cancelled & artillery trained - listening posts established as usual.		
		1330	20 H.E. fell on N. 5. D. 08.		
		1500	11 shrapnel fell on DEAD DOG AVENUE at fatigue party. During night indirect M. Gun fire on tram line at O. 7. A. 7585. Casualties from noon 19 <sup>th</sup> to noon 25 <sup>th</sup> : - Offs. 1 killed; 0. RANKS. 17 wounded.		

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FLEURBAIX	May 25 <sup>th</sup>		Indirect M. Gun fire by M. Gun Coy. carried out during night on O. T. A. 7585. Front line guns harassed enemy wire	Reference maps
"	26 <sup>th</sup>	1225	up to 1600 32 straphel on N. 5. C central	FRANCE 1/10000
"		1810	Enemy opened on Trench 47 with H.E. also on BAY AVENUE. Wire in front 47 cut for 10400 & 5yd. breach in parapet at N. 6. B. 99 - no casualties.	Sheet 36 N.W.
"		1830	24 shells at N. H. B. During night M. G. Coy. brought indirect fire on O. T. A. 2595. Our sappers disposed enemy working party. Enemy's M. Gun & rifle fire much quieter during night than usual.	" " S.W.
"	27 <sup>th</sup>	0300	Enemy shelled Trench 47 - our artillery retaliated.	
"		1520	50 shells fired at N. 5. B. 44. & 50 shells at H. 26. C. 95.	
"		1555	61 " " " N. 5. A. 80.	
"		1830	35 large calibre shells at gateway in CONVENT WALL (N. 5. A. 83)	
"	28 <sup>th</sup>		During day our T.M.'s fired 8 rds. at N. 4. D. 83 - 7 fell in enemy parapet, much timber & earth thrown <span style="float: right;">main.</span>	
"		1315	23 H.E. shells at O.P. in THE BREWERY.	
"		1730	70 H.E. thrown 300 yds S. of FERRETS HOUSE.	
"			During night our M.G.'s harassed enemy parapet & wire. Enemy rifle & M.G. fire quiet but no. Comb. thrown in our trench without doing any damage.	
"		2130	Patrol left N. 6. D. 0590 to search area CORNER FORT for missing PIONEER officers & N.C.O. No traces found.	
"		2100	5 <sup>th</sup> Ptn commenced relieve 7 <sup>th</sup> Ptn in A Coy - attached Bde order	Appendix I
"		2320	Relief completed.	
"	29 <sup>th</sup>	0030	German soldier of 20 <sup>th</sup> Bav. R.I.R. taken by our listening post at N. 6. central.	
"			Patrol left N. 6. D. 0590 to search for missing officers & man & returned 0130 - no result.	
"		0250	Enemy shelling "B" Ptn. front.	
"		0400	45 rds. H.E. at JAY POST - no damage, no casualties.	
"		1400	22 straphel at Church in FLEURBAIX.	
"		1800	20 shells at CROIX MARECHAL	
"		2100	6 <sup>th</sup> Ptn & 2A/2 L.T.M. Bty. commenced relieve 8 <sup>th</sup> Ptn & 2A/2 L.T.M. Bty. in "B" Ptn front - Bde order attached	Appendix VI
"		2230	Officers patrol left N. 10. B. 7595 to try get into touch enemy patrols - no result.	
"	30 <sup>th</sup>	0010	8 <sup>th</sup> Ptn & 2A/2 L.T.M. Bty. both returned to billets in FLEURBAIX.	





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2nd Aust. Inf. Bde Order No 12.

by

Brigadier General J.K.FORSYTH. Commanding.

Headquarters

2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

12th May 1916.

Reference Maps Sheet 36 N.W. 1/10,000  
Sheet 36 S.W. 1/10,000

- Relief 1. The 7th Bn., will relieve 5th Bn., in "A" Bn. frontage, the latter Unit going into right reserve ("C") Bn., on night of 13th/14th May.  
Details of relief to be mutually arranged by Battalion Commanders concerned.  
No Movement to take place before 2100 on 13th Inst. Troops not to be moved in parties larger than Platoons.  
5th Bn., will cover "A" Bn. front with requisite number of listening posts until relieving Unit has taken over trenches.
2. 7th Bn. Scouts and 3 men per Lewis Gun of M.G. Section will move into "A" Bn. area on night of 12th May.  
Bn. Commanders concerned will mutually arrange necessary billeting parties.  
Following parties of 5th Bn will report to Regl. Office, 7th Bn., at 1100 on 13th Inst.  
3 N.C.O's and 9 men to take over posts of "C" Bn., 2 men for duty at Bde. Canteen.
- Advance billeting parties.
- Reports. 3. On completion of relief both battalion commanders will report to Bde. Hdqrs., by wire and 5th Bn., will again report when all personnel has reached "C" Bn billets.



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2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

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8	M.G. Coy	"	"
9	2A/1 T.M. Batt.	"	"
10	2A/2 T.M.	"	"
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by

Brigadier General J.K.FORSYTH. Commanding

Headquarters

2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

13th May 1916.

Reference Maps. Sheet 36 N.W. 1/10,000  
Sheet 36 S.W. 1/10,000

- Relief. 1. The 8th Bn. will relieve 6th Bn. in "B" Bn. frontage, the latter Unit going into left Reserve ("D" Bn) on night of 14th/15th May.  
2A/2 L.T.M. Battery will relieve 2A/1 L.T.M. Battery on night of 14th/15th May, the latter moving into reserve in FLEURBAIX. Details of relief to be mutually arranged by Commanding Officers concerned.  
No movement to take place before 2100 on 14th Inst. Troops not to be moved in parties larger than Platoons.  
6th Bn. will cover "B" Bn front with requisite number of listening posts until relieving Unit has taken over trenches.
- Advance and Billeting Parties. 2. 8th Bn. Scouts and 3 men per Lewis Gun of M.G. Section and 2 men per Trench Mortar of 2A/2 L.T.M. Battery will move into "B" Bn. area on night of 13th Inst.  
Commanding Officers concerned will mutually arrange necessary billeting parties.  
The FLEURBAIX KEEPS will be taken over by 6th Bn. at 1200 on 14th Inst. by 7 N.C.O's and 21 men who will report at 8th Bn. Hqrs. at 1100 on that date.
- Reports. 3. On completion of relief all commanding Officers will report to Bde. Hqrs. by wire and 6th Bn. and 2A/1 T.M. Battery will again report when all personnel have reached their respective billets.



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10	2A/2 T.M. "	:	:
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12	5th Aust Inf. Bde:		"
13	3rd Aust Art. Bde:		:
14	3rd A.A.S.C.	:	:

2nd. Aust. Inf. Bde. Order No 14.

by

Brigadier General J.K.FORSYTH, Commanding

Headquarters

2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.  
27th May 1916.Reference Sheet 36 N.W. 1/10,000  
Sheet 36 S.W. 1/10,000

- Relief. 1. The 5th Bn. will relieve 7th Bn in "A" Bn. frontage, the latter Unit going into Right Reserve ("C") Bn. on night of 28th/29th May.  
Details of relief to be mutually arranged by Battalion Commanders concerned.  
No movement to take place before 2100 on 28th Inst. Troops not to be moved in parties larger than Platoons.  
7th Bn. will cover "A" Bn. front with requisite number of listening posts until relieving Unit has taken over trenches.
- Advance and Billeting parties. 2. 5th Bn. Scouts and 3 men per Lewis Gun of M.G. Section will move into "A" Bn. Area on night of 27th May.  
Bn. Commanders concerned will mutually arrange necessary Billeting parties.  
Following parties of 7th Bn., will report at Regimental Office 5th Bn., at 1100 on 28th May -  
3 N.C.O's and 9 men - to take over posts of "C" Bn., 2 men for duty at Bde. Canteen.
- Reports. 3. On completion of relief both Battalion Commanders will report to Bde. Hqrs. by wire and 7th Bn., will again report when all personnel has reached "C" Bn. billets.



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7.	8th Bn.	"	"
8.	No 2. M.G. Coy.	"	"
9.	2A/1 T.M. Batt.	"	"
10.	2A/2 T.M. Batt.	"	"
11.	3rd Aust. Inf. Bde.	"	"
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13.	3rd Aust. Art. Bde.	"	"
14.	3rd A.A.S.C.	"	"

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by  
Brigadier General J.K.FORSYTH. Commanding.

Headquarters  
2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.  
28th May 1916.

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Sheet 36 S.W. 1/10,000.

- Relief. 1. The 6th Bn. will relieve 8th Bn in "B" Bn frontage, the latter Unit going into Left Reserve ("D" Bn.), on night 29th/30th May. One Coy 8th Bn. to provide garrisons for JAY, CITY, HUDSONS BAY and BREWERY POSTS. 2A/1 L.T.M. Battery will relieve 2A/2 L.T.M. Battery on night of 29th/30th May, latter going into reserve in FLEURBAIX. Details of relief to be mutually arranged by Commanding Officers concerned. No Movement to take place before 2100, on 29th Inst. Troops not to move in parties larger than Platoons. 8th Bn. will cover "B" Bn. front with requisite number of listening posts until relieving Unit has taken over trenches.
- Advance and Billeting parties. 2. 8th Bn. Scouts and 3 men per Lewis Gun of M.G. Section and 2 men per Trench Mortar of 2A/1 L.T.M. Battery will move into "B" Bn. area on night of 28th Inst. Commanding Officers concerned will mutually arrange necessary billeting parties. The FLEURBAIX KEEPS will be taken over by 8th Bn at 1200 on 29th Inst. by 7 N.C.O's and 21 men, who will report at 6th Bn. Hqrs., at 1100 on that date.
- Reports. 3. On completion of relief, all Commanding Officers, will report to Bde. Hqrs., by wire, and 8th Bn. and 2A/2 L.T.M. Battery will again report when all personnel have reached their respective Billets.

*L. J. Dowrick* MAJOR.  
Bde. Major. 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

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5.	6th Bn.	"	"
6.	7th Bn.	"	"
7.	8th Bn.	"	"
8.	No 2 M.G. Coy.	"	"
9.	2A/1 L.T.M. Battery	"	"
10.	2A/2 " "	"	"
11.	3rd Aust. Inf. Bde.	"	"
12.	5th Aust. Inf. Bde.	"	"
13.	3rd Aust. Art. Bde.	"	"
14.	3rd A.A.S.C.	"	"

Unit	Officers	Other Ranks	Total
Aust. Inf H <sup>d</sup> Q <sup>rs</sup>	4	<del>22</del> 22	26
2nd M.G. Coy	9	137	146
1/4 L.T.M. B <sup>ty</sup>	1	21	22
1/2 L.T.M. B <sup>ty</sup>	2	23	25
5th Batt <sup>n</sup>	28	932	960
6th Batt <sup>n</sup>	27	890	917
7th Batt <sup>n</sup>	28	934	962
8th Batt <sup>n</sup>	29	912	941
Total	128	3871	3999

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Effective Strength on 31<sup>st</sup> May 1916

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Unit	OFFICERS	O. RANKS	TOTAL
1 <sup>st</sup> Aust Bde HQ <sup>10</sup>	4	18	
2 M.G. Coy	9	135	
9/1 L.T.M. Bty	1	20	
9/2 L.T.M. Bty	2	23	
5 <sup>th</sup> Batt <sup>n</sup>	32	975	
6 <sup>th</sup> Batt <sup>n</sup>	30	941	
7 <sup>th</sup> Batt <sup>n</sup>	30	932	
8 <sup>th</sup> Batt <sup>n</sup>	31	998	
Total	139	4042	4181