

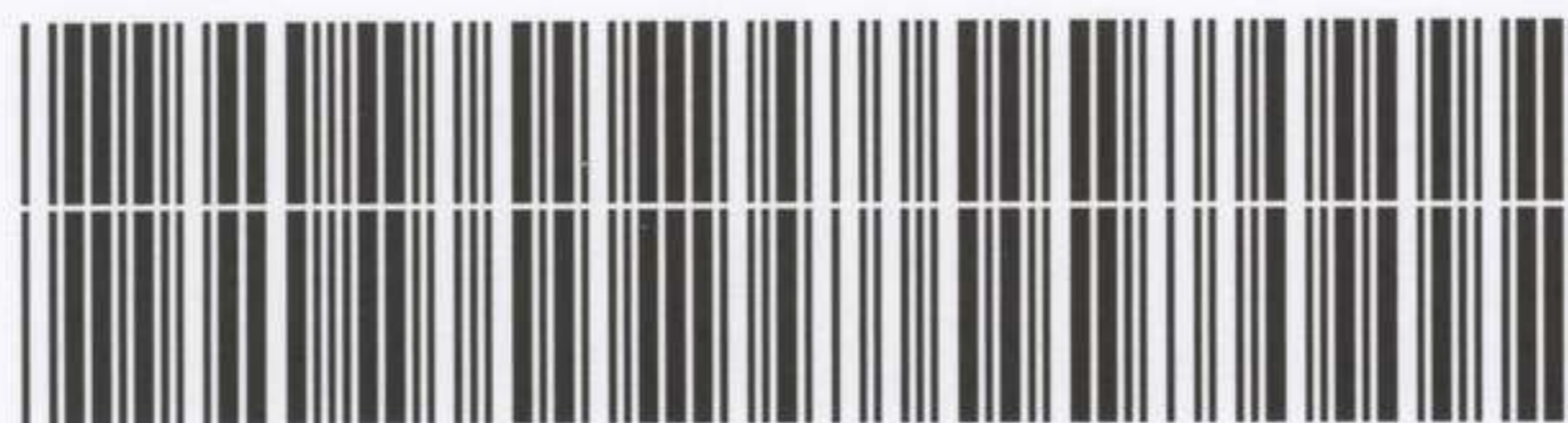
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
E.II Central w/ ALBERT	1916 Aug 19		<p>Visited Field Ambulances and Corps main Dressing Station, DERNANCOURT. Found Ambulances now found necessary to bring patients down to where road is destroyed there they are transhipped into motor ambulances. A certain amount of work has been done on it, but not sufficient. Renewed request for this to be done. 152<sup>nd</sup> Infy. Bde less 1/8<sup>th</sup> Arg Litch's Highrs takes over tonight from 150<sup>th</sup> Infy. Bde. 160<sup>th</sup> of 1/5<sup>th</sup> Arg Litch's Highrs reports that after a short march of 3 miles, many of the men were distressed, due he thinks to late Gas effects. This communicated to Divl. Headquarters 4 M.O. of 1/5<sup>th</sup> A.S.H. instructed to send all men he considers necessary to hospital, remainder to be used for fatigues. Cmg. Gen. O'Keefe, 10th S. Fourth Army called and discussed arrangements. He also visited BECORDEL Dressing Station. Sient. A.C. LAING, R.M.C. posted to medical charge of 1/5<sup>th</sup> Arg. Litch's Highrs.</p> <p>2. Visited Dressing Station &amp; Advanced Divl. Headquarters interviewing C.R.E. re work on road and QUARRY. Both have been much improved. Road is now usable by motor Ambulances and there is a certain amount of shelter at the QUARRY. Arranged for this to be improved. numbers of wounded have decreased to a great extent.</p> <p>3. Visited Advanced Dressing Station. Evacuation is proceeding smoothly. numbers of</p>	



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	Aug	3	<p>d wounded small. Lieut. J.A. MacArthur, R.A.M.C. from 1/5<sup>th</sup> Gordon Highls. to duty with 1/2<sup>nd</sup> (Highland) Field Ambulance. Capt. R.V. Bruce, R.A.M.C. 1/2<sup>nd</sup> Highland Field Ambulance to duty with 1/5<sup>th</sup> Gordon Highlanders. A.M.S. 50<sup>th</sup> Division called inquiring into medical arrangements in this area. These were explained and he was shown over Advanced Dressing Station.</p>	
		4	<p>Visited 153<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Brigade Medical Officers inquiring regarding medical arrangements. Visited BECORDEL Dressing Station and Collecting Post at FILE FACTORY. Captain S.S. MEIGHAN, R.A.M.C. reported for duty and attached to 1/2<sup>nd</sup> Highl. Fd. Ambulance</p>	
		5	<p>Visited Advanced Dressing Stations at BECORDEL, MAMETZ and QUARRY and found things satisfactory. Road to QUARRY through the Valley is much improved. QUARRY Dressing Station being improved. Protection is considerably increased. Issued Operations Order No 15 for moves of medical units tomorrow and made arrangements for collection and disposal of sick from Brigades when they arrive in new area. Relief of R.A.M.C. of this Division by 33<sup>rd</sup> Division arranged with A.M.S. 33<sup>rd</sup> Division. Capt. N.G.W. Davidson, R.A.M.C. reported for duty with 250<sup>th</sup> Bde R.F.A. in relief of Captain G.B. Mackay. He is posted to that unit and instructions are issued to Captain Mackay to</p>	



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RIBEMONT	Aug	5	to proceed to BOULOGNE and report to DIONS there. Lieut. J.A. Gilfillan R.A.M.C. reported for duty with the Division and posted to 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> High. Hd. Ambulance.	
		6	Field Ambulances on relief move to new positions in Brigade Group Areas: - 2/1 <sup>st</sup> High Hd. Amb. with 154 <sup>th</sup> Inf. Bde; 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> High Hd. Amb. with 152 <sup>nd</sup> Inf Bde & 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> High Hd. Amb. with 153 <sup>rd</sup> Inf. Bde. Divisional Headquarters move to RIBEMONT and A.D.M.S. Office opened there. These moves on completion reported to Div. H. Qrs. Signals and I.C.M.S. XV. Corps.	
		7	During the time the Division was in the line, the DIONS XV Corps has called daily. Instructions received that for moves of Divisions from one Army to another, mechanical transport would not move with Divisions, but that an exchange would be effected. Strong letter of protest written in view of the fact that Ambulance Cars are very necessary when Division is on the move, for picking up sick and hurt, also that a number of the cars are specially gifted to this Division. DIONS XV Corps also interviewed regarding this matter. 51 <sup>st</sup> (H) O. Operations Order No. 75 received containing instructions for move of transport of Division by road on 8/9 <sup>th</sup> August. Contents, so far as they affect medical units communicated, but medical units move under orders of Brigade Groups and will receive instructions from them. Further orders received regarding move of the Division into PONT-REMY-LONGPRE area. These	



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RIBEMONT	Aug	7	These communicated. Infantry & dismounted troops move by train. Lieut. G.F.C. HEALY, R.A.M.C. from Western Command, England reported for duty with the Division and posted temporarily to 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> Highland Field Ambulance.	
		8	Orders for entrainment of dismounted troops of Division on 9 <sup>th</sup> Aug received and distributed to Field Ambulances and Sanitary Section. Transport of Field Ambulances moved with affiliated Brigades and were billeted as follows: 2/1 <sup>st</sup> H.F.A. at POULAINVILLE; 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> H.F.A. at CARDONETTE, and 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> H.F.A. at POULAINVILLE. Dismounted troops remained.	
		9	Instructions received from 4 <sup>th</sup> Army that motor Ambulances were to be left behind on leaving this area with Supply Column. In accordance with 51 <sup>st</sup> (H) O. Order they were instructed to join Supply Column at HEILLY and with it proceed to SOREL. Dismounted troops entrain at EDGEHILL and MERICOURT and move: 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> H.F.A. to AIRAINES; 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> H.F.A. to SOREL; and 2/1 <sup>st</sup> H.F.A. to LIERCOURT. Transport joins them at these places. Div. Headquarters moves to PONT REMY. Now in X <sup>th</sup> Corps. Reported there and received instructions as to evacuating sick and returns required. Field Ambes transport only has arrived today.	
		10	Administrative Instructions A.I. No 4, received and copies sent to Field Ambulances. Field Ambulance dismounted personnel arrived this forenoon at new billeting area. Visited	



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PONT REMY	Aug	10	<p>Visited all Field Ambulances and Supply Columns. Arranged that 1 Medical Officer with Ambulance car should be at each entraining station when troops of the Division are entraining and detraining. Issued Medical Arrangements for present area as received from 101st Div. 7th Corps arranged evacuation to HAZEBROUCK of any casualties on detraining.</p>	
		11	<p>Divisional Headquarters moved from PONT REMY to RENESCURE. Division is moving by train to billet in BLARINGHEM area. Visited ADMS, New Zealand Division regarding medical arrangements in his Divisional area, which 51st Division is to take over.</p>	
RENESCURE		12	<p>Field Ambulances arrive and are billeted. 2/10 H.A. at EBBLINGHEM; 1/3rd H.A. at WARDRECQUES, and 1/2nd H.A. at BLARINGHEM. Sanitary Section billeted at RENESCURE. Visited all New Zealand Field Ambulances and Advanced Dressing Stations and discussed medical arrangements. Visited 101st Div. II A.N.Z.A.C. and obtained information re disposal of sick.</p>	
		13	<p>Issued Operations Order No 16 Appendix B. Visited ADMS, New Zealand Division. Visited all Field Ambulances.</p>	B
		14	<p>1/2nd High Fd. Ambulance move with 15th Inf Bde to L'ESTRADE; 2/10 High Fd. Ambulance move from EBBLINGHEM to BLARINGHEM. Notified 1/2nd + 1/3rd H.F. Amb. that from the time they move into forward area until 10am on the 18th they are under administration of ADMS New Zealand Div.</p>	



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RENESECURE	Aug	15	Visited 2/12 High. Hd Amb. 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> High. Hd Amb. 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> High. Hd. Amb. has now moved to ARMENTIERES, taken over from 1 <sup>st</sup> New Zealand Hd. Amb. and opened Main Dressing Station at MATERNITE Hospital. Advanced Dressing Station at BRICKFIELD, LA CHAPELLE D'ARMENTIERES.	
		16	Office Routine. Issued instructions to Field Ambulances regarding evacuation of sick and wounded, infectious cases etc. Prepared memo. on Ophthalmic treatment.	
		17	1/2 <sup>nd</sup> Highland Field Ambulance moved to ARMENTIERES. Capt. J. H. Hunter, 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> H. F. Amb. and Capt. S. S. Meighan, 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> H. F. Amb. transferred sick to C.C. Str. 10 AM proceeded to ARMENTIERES. in morning; took over various papers from ADMS 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> Division and discussed medical arrangements with him. Visited 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> and 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> High. Hd. Ambulances.	
		18	Visited 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> High. Hd. Amb.; Advanced Dressing Station at NOUVEL HOUPLINES and cellars in factory behind it, also 3 Aid Posts in HOUPLINES and 1 in L'EPINETTE salient. ADMS moved to ARMENTIERES with Lt Col. Headquarters and Office opened there at CIVIL HOSPITAL. Visited 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> High. Hd. Amb. Advanced Dressing Str. at BRICKFIELD and 3 Aid Posts of that sector at SQUARE FARM. All Adv. Dressing Strs and Aid Posts have thus been visited today. Capt. O'CONNOR SULLIVAN, M.O. att'd. 1/5 <sup>th</sup> Seaforth Highs reported absent since morning of today. This notified to Lt Col. Headquarters for transmission to A.P.M. Officer detailed from 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> Highland	



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MONTIERES	Aug	18	Field Ambulance for duty with 1/5 <sup>th</sup> Seaforth Highls.	
		19.	Major W. B. Dickson, R.A.M.C. 24. from Recruiting Medical Board, Scotland reported for duty with 1/7 <sup>th</sup> Royal Highls. and is posted temporarily to 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> Highl. Fd Amb. till exchange can be effected. Capt. O. Sullivan reported by Dms. Second Army to be sick in No 2 C.C.S. Headquarters A 152 <sup>nd</sup> Inf. Bde and 1/5 <sup>th</sup> Seaforth Highls notified. Visited all Field Ambulances and Sanitary Section. Prepared Medical Arrangements Scheme for Area. Appendix C	C
		20	Visited Dms. Second Army re case of Capt. SULLIVAN. Visited 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> Highl. Fd Amb and Isolation billet. Held Conference of Town Committee attended by Town Major, OC Sanitary Section, D.A.C.M.S. Office work very heavy during past 3 days. 90 Diphtheria contacts of 1/6 <sup>th</sup> Gordon Highls have been isolated. 4 cases of Diphtheria notified positive from this Battalion between 14 <sup>th</sup> & 18/6/16. Billets have been disinfected.	
		21	Visited Left Sector Advanced Dressing Station and Aid Posts in HOUPLINES. Arranged preventive antitoxin inoculations of diphtheria contacts. Wrote O.C. No 5 Canadian Mobile Laboratory requesting swabbing of throats and examination of contacts. Held Medical Board for examination of candidates for transfer to R.F.C (5) and men considered unfit for service (3) D.A.C.M.S. (Sanitation) Second Army called and discussed general sanitary arrangements	



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	Aug	21	and diphtheria cases. Visited 2/12 High. Id. Ambulance at L'ESTRADE	
		22	Capt. J.S. STEWART 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> High. Id. Amb. leaves for England on completion of his contract which he refuses to renew. Visited 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> High. Id. Ambulance. Visited Contact Isolation Billet. Swabs of throats of contacts have been made up for examination and all contacts have been ordered Antitoxin.	
		23	Visited Diphtheria contact isolation billet. Bombers Stretcher Bearers Band have been isolated from other H.Q. company details. Visited Advanced Dressing Station at BRICKFIELD. Regimental Aid Posts at SQUARE FARM and part of line in front occupied by 1/4 <sup>th</sup> Gordon Highlanders, viewing wells etc.	
		25	Visited Camping Area to be occupied by 154 <sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade on coming out of trenches tomorrow. Visited site of Divisional Rest Station in STEENWERCK and interviewed W.O.s of ANZAC regarding increasing accommodation there. Saw W.O. 5 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Mobile Laboratory regarding diphtheria cases in 1/6 <sup>th</sup> Gordon Highls. Further 5 have been found carriers and are evacuated today. Remainder again swabbed and examined. Wrote to Headquarters G & Headquarters 152 <sup>nd</sup> Inf Bde recommending that none of these men be allowed to leave billet until declared free. This in view of the fact that 1/6 <sup>th</sup> Gordon Highls. go into the line on evening of 26 <sup>th</sup> . This was arranged.	



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		25	(see above) Issued Operations Order No. 14. Appendix D	D
	Aug.	26	Further 4 carriers evacuated from 116 <sup>th</sup> Gordon Highls. Part of H.Q. company now declared free. This was notified to O.C. H.Q. Company and M.O. of 116 <sup>th</sup> Gordon Highlanders. Visited 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> , 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> Highls. Hd. Ambcs. also Sanitary Section discussing medical and sanitary arrangements. Visited Isolation billet.	
		27	Visited 3/12 <sup>th</sup> Highls. Hd. Ambce at L'ESTRADE arranging for move of Rest Station from there to STEENWERCK. Visited 154 <sup>th</sup> Bde. Camps and sections of 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> Highls. Hd. Ambce there. Visited Isolation billet. Signallers & Lewis Gunners declared free to move out today. 1 Carrier evacuated. 5 carriers from billet at 44 Boulevard Guishebe arranged for removal. Prepared report on fly prevention and a	
		28	Held Medical Board for examinations of candidates for commissions (5) and men recommended for transfer to Base as unfit (9). Issued Operations Order No. 18. Appendix E. Visited 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> Highls. Hd. Ambce. Capt. G.A.E. ARGO rejoined 2/11 <sup>th</sup> Highls. Hd. Amb. from hospital.	E
		24	Intimation of 13 diphtheria carriers received from O.C. Canadian Mob. Laboratory. Arranged for these to be removed at once. Re-examination of suspicious cases and of all contacts again undertaken. One of 13 carriers was removed to Hospital yesterday suffering from Diphtheria.	
		29	Divisional Headquarters moves from ARMENTIERES to STEENWERCK and ADMS Office opens there.	



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STEENWERCK	Aug	29	Visited 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> & 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> High. Hd Ambres and Sanitary Sections, also part of billeting area in ARMENTIERES, Divisional Baths Laundry and Swimming Bath. Visited Section of 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> High. Hd. Ambres at 154 <sup>th</sup> Inf. Bde Camp. Captain T.M. DAVIE, R.A.M.C. (SR) from 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cavalry Division, reported for duty and posted temporarily to 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> High. Hd. Ambulance	
		30	Visited Divisional Rest Station which has moved today from L'ESTRADE to STEENWERCK. Held conference of Medical Officers of the Division. Agenda Appendix F. Lieut. S.H.L. ARCHER, R.A.M.C., J.C. from 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> High. Hd. Amb. to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cavalry Division. Captain T.M. DAVIE, R.A.M.C. SR. posted to medical charge of 1/5 <sup>th</sup> Gordon Highls.	F
		31	Major D. DICKSON, R.A.M.C., J.C. from 1/2 <sup>nd</sup> High. Hd. Amb. to report to D.D.M.S. ETAPLES.	

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COLONEL  
A. D. M. S., 5th (HIGH) DIV.

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5th Division R.A.M.C.  
Operation Order No 15.

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Reference Map ALBERT. Combined Sheet 1/40,000.

1. The 33rd Division will relieve the 5th Division on the 6th August and night of 6/7th August.
2. The Dressing Station at SUBWAY BECORDEL occupied by 1/2nd (High) Field Ambulance will be handed over to 99th Field Ambulance.
3. The Collecting Station at the FILE FACTORY occupied by 1/3rd (High) Field Ambulance will be handed over to 99th Field Ambulance.
4. Advanced Dressing Stations at QUARRY and MAMETZ will be taken over by 101st Field Ambulance.
5. Any stores in excess of mobilization equipment plus additions authorised in General Routine Orders will be handed over to incoming units.
6. Advance parties from 33rd Divisional Field Ambulances should arrive at 8 am. on 6th inst. and Dressing Stations be taken over at 10 am.
7. On completion of Relief, Field Ambulances will proceed to billeting areas as follows:
 

2/12 High. Fd. Amb.	with	154th Inf. Bde. Group.	to	D. 18. C.
1/2nd	"	"	"	E. 13. C.
1/3rd	"	"	"	D. 12. d.

 Field Ambulance areas will be allotted by Staff Captains of respective Brigades.  
 No transport should be on the road after 12 noon on 6th inst.
8. Divisional Headquarters will be at RIBEMONT and A.D.M.S. Office will close at E. 11. Central at 10 am. on 6th inst. and open at RIBEMONT at the same hour.
9. Completion of moves to be reported to this Office.
10. Acknowledge.

W. Robertson.

Captain, R.A.M.C. 44.  
1500MS for A.D.M.S.  
5th (High) Division.

H.Q. 5th (H) Division  
5th August 1916

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  3. A.D.M.S. XV Corps
  4. A.D.M.S. 33rd Division
  5. OC. 1/2nd High. Fd. Amb.
  6. OC. 1/3rd High. Fd. Amb.
  7. OC. 2/12 High Fd. Amb.
  8. OC. Dressing Station, SUBWAY
  9. War Diary
  10. File



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51ST. (HIGHLAND) DIVISIONAL R.A.M.C.

OPERATION ORDER NO. 17.

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Reference Map HAZEBROUCK 5A. 1/100,000.

1. 154th. Infantry Brigade goes into Camp 1 mile S.E. of BAILLEUL on evening 26th. August. 1916.
2. O.C. 1/3rd. (Highland) Field Ambulance will detail 1 section with necessary transport and equipment to proceed to this camp on 26th. inst. and open in the tents allotted to R.A.M.C. Sick from the Brigade will be received here.
3. This party will be in camp and transport clear of the road by 6 p.m.
4. Sick will be disposed of as from a Main Dressing Station but returns will be rendered through and incorporated with those of 1/3rd. (Highland) Field Ambulance.
5. Acknowledge.

*W. Robertson*

Captain, R.A.M.C., T.F.  
D.A.D.H.S. for A.D.H.S.  
51st. (Highland) Division.

26th. August. 1916.

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51<sup>st</sup> (Highland) Divisional R.A.M.C.  
Operation Order. No 16.

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1. 51<sup>st</sup> (Highland) Division relieves New Zealand Division between 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> August.
2. Right Sector will be relieved on 14/15<sup>th</sup> August by 154<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade (112<sup>nd</sup> (Highland) Field Ambulance attached)
3. Left Sector will be relieved on 16/17<sup>th</sup> August by 153<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Brigade (113<sup>th</sup> (Highland) Field Ambulance attached)
4. A.D.M.S. <sup>51<sup>st</sup> (Highland) Division</sup> assumes responsibility for evacuations on completion of relief of 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> New Zealand Field Ambulances on 16/17<sup>th</sup> August.
5. Reliefs will be carried out according to attached table.
6. Receipts will be given for any stores taken over by 51<sup>st</sup> Divisional Field Ambulances and duplicates forwarded to this Office.
7. Detailed list of positions of Field Ambulance main and Advanced Dressing Stations is attached.
8. Completion of moves to be reported to this Office.
9. Acknowledge.

W. Robertson.

Captain R.A.M.C. 1<sup>st</sup>  
D.A.D.M.S. for A.D.M.S.  
51<sup>st</sup> (Highland) Division

13<sup>th</sup> August. 1916.

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TABLE OF RELIEFS

DATE	UNIT	FROM	TO	RELIEVES
<u>AUG.</u> 14 <sup>th</sup>	1/2 <sup>nd</sup> (High) Ld. Amb.	BLARINGHEM	ARMENTIERES	1 <sup>st</sup> New Zealand Ld. Amb.
16 <sup>th</sup>	1/3 <sup>rd</sup> (High) Ld. Amb.	WARDRECQUES	ARMENTIERES	3 <sup>rd</sup> New Zealand Ld. Amb.
18 <sup>th</sup>	2/12 <sup>th</sup> (High) Ld. Amb.	EBBLINGHEM	L'ESTRADE	2 <sup>nd</sup> New Zealand Ld. Amb.

Detailed orders for the move will be issued later.  
Advance Parties will proceed one day previous to day of relief.

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Position of Medical Units and Aid Posts.

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Reference Sheet 36. 40,000

A. Right Sector.

1. Regimental Aid Posts.

SQUARE FARM. { 1 q. a. 8. 3.  
1 q. a. 7. 0.

2. Advanced Dressing Stations

BRICKFIELD. I 8. b. 3. 7.

3. Main Dressing Station

MATERNITE Hospital. B. 30. c. 6. 4.

B. Left Sector.

1. Regimental Aid Posts.

C. 21. b. 8. 3 }  
C. 21. d. 6. 8. } HOUPLINES  
C. 21. e. 8. 4. }  
I. 4. b. 4. 6 } L'EPINETTE

This last aid post is for battalion of right sector but is more conveniently cleared to left sector Advanced Dressing Station.

2. Advanced Dressing Stations

NOUVEL HOUPLINES - C. 26. b. 8. 1.

3. Main Dressing Station

RUE MESSINES. ARMENTIERES. C. 19. c. 1. 1.

C. Divisional Collecting Station

INSTITUTE ST JUDE,  
RUE DENIS PAPIN } B. 30. d. 9. 8.  
ARMENTIERES }

D. Divisional Rest Station is at

L'ESTRADE. B. 25. a. 6. 4.

E. Sanitary Section

ECOLE PROFESSIONELLE  
ARMENTIERES



## Hours of Transport by Road.

Transport will move in Brigade Groups according to following table.

- 1/12 High Field Ambulance with 151<sup>st</sup> Brigade Group.
- 1/13<sup>th</sup> High Field Ambulance with 153<sup>rd</sup> Brigade Group
- 2/14 High Field Ambulance with 152<sup>nd</sup> Brigade Group

Hours lines of relieved New Zealand Field Ambulances will be taken over.

DATE	UNIT	FROM	TO	REMARKS
AUG 14	1/12 (High) Field Ambulance	BLARINGHEM AREA	ARMENTIERES	STARTING POINT Cross Roads, LES CINQUES RUES. Time 5.30am. HAZEBROUCK MERVILLE, LA GORGUE thence S. of river. LYS. To halt when head of Column reaches W end of LA GORGUE moving on again at 2 pm.
16	1/13 (High) Field Ambulance	BLARINGHEM AREA	ARMENTIERES	STARTING POINT X roads 1/4 mile W of E of BLARINGHEM. Time 5.30am. Route BOESECHEM - CROIX - MARAISSE - MERVILLE - LA GORGUE thence S of River LYS. To halt when head of Column reaches W end of LA GORGUE moving on again at 2 pm.
18	2/14 (High) Field Ambulance Sanitary Section	BLARINGHEM AREA	L'ESTRADE	STARTING POINT Junction of roads at LE CROUQUET. Time 5.30am. Route STEENBEQUE STATION - CROIX MARAISSE - MERVILLE - LA GORGUE thence S of river. LYS. To halt when head of Column reaches W end of LA GORGUE moving on again at 2 pm.

Instructions as regards train movement of dismounted personnel will be issued later.

Moves will be on the following days:-

UNIT	DATE OF MOVE
1/12 (High) Field Ambulance	August 14 <sup>th</sup>
1/13 (High) Field Ambulance	August 16 <sup>th</sup>
2/14 (High) Field Ambulance	August 18 <sup>th</sup>



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Refilling Points

Aug 13<sup>th</sup> - 153<sup>rd</sup> Group. WARDRECQUES 9 a.m.

152<sup>nd</sup> - 154<sup>th</sup> Groups. - LYNDE. WALLON CAPPEL  
roads. 9 a.m.

Each Brigade Group will refill at above points  
on day of movement. Refilling points on day  
after arrival in ARMENTIERES area will be at  
the billet of the Train Company of each group.



T.1134. Wt. W708-776. 500000. 4/15. Sir J. G. & S.

(In Witnessing)

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1, 2, + 3 F. Ambo. Klenck.

Amendment to 5<sup>th</sup> (High)  
Dial Operations Order 22/6, dated 13-8-16

Page 6 - Refilling Point.

Cancel this para. + substitute it

"Refilling points on day of  
arrival in ARMENTIERES Camp  
will be in the evening at the  
billet of the Train Company of  
each group."

13/8/1916.



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MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS for present 51st. (Highland)

Divisional Area .

This cancels previous instructions issued with  
R.A.M.C. Operation Order No. 16. dated 13/8/16.

Please acknowledge receipt.

*W. Robertson*

Captain, R.A.M.C., T.F.  
D.A.D.M.S. for A.D.M.S.  
51st. (Highland) Division.

23rd. August. 1916.

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| " "        | 2 A.                                 |
| " "        | 3 152nd. Infantry Bde.               |
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| " "        | 5 154th. Infantry Bde.               |
| " "        | 6 C.R.A.                             |
| " "        | 7 C.R.E.                             |
| " "        | 8 Signals                            |
| " "        | 9 A.D.V.S.                           |
| " "        | 10. Divisional Train.                |
| " "        | 11. D.D.M.S. II. A.N.Z.A.C.          |
| " "        | 12 do.                               |
| " "        | 13 1/2nd. High. Fd. Ambce.           |
| " "        | 14 1/3rd. High. Fd. Ambce.           |
| " "        | 15 2/1st. High. Fd. Ambce.           |
| " "        | 16 M.O. 1/c 255th. Bde. R.F.A.       |
| " "        | 17 M.O. 1/c 256th. Bde. R.F.A.       |
| " "        | 18 M.O. 1/c 260th. Bde. R.F.A.       |
| " "        | 19 M.O. 1/c Divl. Amn. Col.          |
| " "        | 20 M.O. 1/c Divl. R.E.               |
| " "        | 21 M.O. 1/c 1/5th. Seaforth Highrs.  |
| " "        | 22 M.O. 1/c 1/6th. Seaforth Highrs.  |
| " "        | 23 M.O. 1/c 1/8th. Gordon Highrs.    |
| " "        | 24 M.O. 1/c 1/8th. Arg. & Suth. Hrs. |
| " "        | 25 M.O. 1/c 1/6th. Royal Highrs.     |
| " "        | 26 M.O. 1/c 1/7th. Royal Highrs.     |
| " "        | 27 M.O. 1/c 1/5th. Gordon Highrs.    |
| " "        | 28 M.O. 1/c 1/7th. Gordon Highrs.    |
| " "        | 29 M.O. 1/c 1/9th. Royal Scots       |
| " "        | 30 M.O. 1/c 1/4th. Seaforth Highrs.  |
| " "        | 31 M.O. 1/c 1/4th. Gordon Highrs.    |
| " "        | 32 M.O. 1/c 1/7th. Arg. & Suth. Hrs. |
| " "        | 33 M.O. 1/c 1/8th. Royal Scots.      |
| " "        | 34 M.O. 1/c Divisional Train.        |
| " "        | 35 A.P.M.                            |
| " "        | 36 Sanitary Section.                 |
| " "        | 37 War Diary.                        |
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MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS.

Reference FRANCE. Sheet 36. 1/40.000.  
Sheet 36.N.W. 1/20.000.

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1. (A) Right Sector.

R.A.M.C. Bearers.

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|--------------------------------|----------------|---|
| (1) Regimental Aid Posts.      |                |   |
| Square Farm                    | { I.9.a.8.3. } | 4 |
|                                | { I.9.a.7.0. } |   |
| (2) Advanced Dressing Station. |                |   |
| BRICKFIELD.                    | I.8.b.3.7.     | 8 |
| (3) Main Dressing Station.     |                |   |
| MATERNITE HOSPITAL             | B.30.c.6.4.    |   |
| ARMENTIERES.                   |                |   |

By day patients are carried by hand via Leith Walk from from Regimental Aid Posts to Advanced Dressing Station and from there are conveyed by Ambulance Car or Horsed Wagons to Main Dressing Station. By night, cars convey patients from Regimental Aid Posts to Main Dressing Station.

1 N.C.O. and 20 bearers are detailed daily at Main Dressing Station to be in readiness to proceed to Advanced Dressing Station if necessary

(B) Left Sector.

R.A.M.C. Bearers.

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| (1) Regimental Aid Posts.                  |                 |     |
| HOUPLINES.                                 | { C.21.d.3.8. } | 4   |
|  | { C.27.b.7.6. } |     |
|  | { C.27.b.8.7. } |     |
| L'EPINETTE                                 | I.4.b.4.8.      | 8.  |
| (2) Collecting Post and Bearer Relay Post. |                 |     |
| HOUPLINES                                  | C.27.b.7.7.     | 4   |
| (3) Advanced Dressing Station.             |                 |     |
| NOUVEL HOUPLINES                           | C.28.d.5.9.     | 16. |
| (4) Main Dressing Station.                 |                 |     |
| ECOLE, RUE MESSINES.                       | C.19.c.1.1.     |     |
| ARMENTIERES.                               |                 |     |

Casualties from L'EPINETTE are conveyed by hand and wheeled stretcher carrier to Collecting Post. From there and from Aid Posts in HOUPLINES they are carried by wheeled carrier, Horsed Ambulance Wagons, or Ambulance Cars to Advanced and Main Dressing Stations.

2. This Scheme applies to sick as well as wounded from the front area.
3. Medical Officers i/c Units should inform O's.C. Advanced Dressing Stations when they take over an Aid Post and communicate its position.
4. Other Units in Front Area, e.g. Artillery Groups, should inform O's.C. Advanced Dressing Stations of positions of their Aid Posts so that casualties may be collected.
5. In the event of delay occurring in the removal of patients, the following cellar accommodation would be used;-
 

(a) Right Sector Field Ambulance.	Accommodation.
(1) Civil Hospital	100 lying
(2) Maternite Hospital	100 lying
(3) Ecole Professionelle	400 lying
(b) Left Sector Field Ambulance	
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- (b) Left Sector Field Ambulance. ACCOMMODATION
- (1) Brasserie de la LYS. 800 lying.  
RUE DES PRES.
- (2) RUE DE MESSINES.
- (2) Factory behind Advanced Dressing Station. 800 lying.
6. Divisional Rest Station is at L'ESTRADE B.25.a.6.4.
7. Convalescent Company is at B.26.a.7.8.
8. Sanitary Section is at ECOLE PROFESSIONELLE. ARMENTIERES. ( B.30.b.5.9.)
9. Evacuation of
- (a) Sick and wounded is to 2nd. Australian Casualty Clearing Station at TROIS ARBRES and Casualty Clearing Stations at BAILLEUL on alternate days.
- (b) Infectious disease cases is to Isolation Hospital, BAILLEUL.
- (c) Self-Inflicted wounds is to C.C.S. BOESCHEPE.
- (d) Dental cases and cases for X ray examination is to No.9 Australian C.C.S. TROIS ARBRES.
- (e) Ophthalmic cases is to No.15 C.C.S. HAZEBROUCK.
10. Billet at 42 FAIDHERBE BOULEVARD (H.6.b.5.7.) is reserved for isolation of contacts of cases of infectious disease.
11. Bacteriological laboratory for the Division is No.5 Canadian Mobile Laboratory, BAILLEUL.



ARRANGEMENTS IN THE EVENT OF ACTIVE OPERATIONS.

1. Os.C. Field Ambulances will arrange for additional and sufficient personnel to be detailed to Regimental Aid Posts. Reserve bearers will also be posted to Advance Dressing Stations and Collecting Post.
2. Bearers of Divisional Rest Station Field Ambulance will be distributed as follows;-
  - (a) 2 bearer Subdivisions with Officers and 3 Ambulance Cars will report to O.C. Left Sector Field Ambulance at ECOLE RUE DE MESSINES and will be under his orders to assist in evacuation from Left Sector.
  - (b) 1 bearer subdivision with Officer and 2 Ambulance Cars will report to O.C. Right Sector Field Ambulance at MATERNITE HOSPITAL and be under his orders to assist in evacuation from Right Sector.
3. All Field Ambulance personnel employed in Sanitary duties in ARMENTIERES will be at once recalled to their Units.
4. A Divisional Collecting Station for walking cases will be opened at
 

INSTITUTE ST. JUDE.	}	B.30.d.9.8.
RUE DENIS PAPIN.		
ARMENTIERES.		

 Cellars here accommodate 400 sitting cases.
5. Conducting parties will be posted at LEVEL CROSSING (I.1.d.4.9.) and ABATTOIR (C.26.a.2.1.) and other points according to tactical situation for the purpose of Directing Walking cases to the Divisional Rest Station. Os.C. Field Ambulances will post these men for their own sectors, and will arrange for fixing the prepared direction signs for walking cases in suitable positions.
6. Stragglers collected by the Military Police should be sent to Divisional Collecting Station if thought to be requiring medical attention.
7. Divisional Collecting Station will be staffed by Rest Station Field Ambulance. 2 Officers, a sufficient number of other ranks and the necessary medical and surgical equipment will be detailed by O.C. Divisional Rest Station.
8. Additional Cellar Accommodation in buildings used as billets would probably be available.
 

(1) HOSPICE MAHIEU.	
RUE DENIS PAPIN.	300 lying.
(2) BLUE BLIND FACTORY	400 lying.
(3) COISNE WAREHOUSE.	
RUE de la PAIX.	500 lying.
(4) COLLEGE des GARCONS	
RUE de COLLEGE	300 lying.
9. In case of gas attack, all bearers will be employed to rescue men overcome by gas in dugouts. Strict attention will be paid to rules already issued with regard to handling of gassed patients who will be treated as lying cases.



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ARRANGEMENTS IN THE EVENT OF A RETIREMENT.

I. To Subsidiary Line.

- (a) Advanced Dressing Station at BRICKFIELD (I.8.b.3.7.) will be withdrawn to present Divisional Collecting Station at INSTITUTE ST. JUDE. (B.30.d.9.8.)
- (b) Advanced Dressing Station at NOUVEL HOUPLINES (C.26.d.5.9.) will be withdrawn to present Main Dressing Station at "ECOLE" RUE DE MESSINES. (C.19.c.1.1.)
- (c) Divisional Collecting Station party will rejoin Unit.
- (d) Divisional Main Dressing Station will be at L'ESTRADE (B.25.a.9.4) and will be staffed by present Rest Station Field Ambulance.
- (e) Right and Left Sector Field Ambulances less Advanced Dressing Station parties will be withdrawn to STEENWERCK.

II. Beyond Subsidiary Line.

- (a) Advanced Dressing Stations will be withdrawn to L'ESTRADE.
- (b) Main Dressing Station will be established at STEENWERCK by present Right Sector Field Ambulance.
- (c) Present Rest Station and Left Sector Field Ambulances less Advanced Dressing Station parties will retire to VIEUX BERQUIN.



ARRANGEMENTS FOR CIVILIAN CASUALTIES.

1. Civil Hospital is in RUE SADI CARNOT. (B.30.c.6.1.)
2. The two Field Ambulances in ARMENTIERES have arranged to have stretcher parties available in case of shelling of the town, to collect troops or-civilians.
3. Civilian casualties should be sent to Civil Hospital. Male Civilians may be treated in Field Ambulances.
4. Evacuation of Civilians will be assisted by Field Ambulances.

Belgians are sent to Civil Hospital, POPERINGHE.

French " " " " " HAZEBROUCK or  
BAILLEUL.

*W. Robertson.*

*Capt.*

R.A.M.C., T.F.

D.A.D.M.S. FOR A.D.M.S.

51st (High.) Div.



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WAR DIARY

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51st. (Highland) Divisional R.A.M.C.

Operation Order No. 18.

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Reference Map: FRANCE Sheet 36. 1/40,000.

1. 3/1st. (Highland) Field Ambulance will move on 28th./30th. from L'ESTRABE to STEENWERCK and open Divisional Rest Station there in buildings to be vacated by 71st. Field Ambulance.
2. Advance party from 3/1st. (Highland) Field Ambulance will be at STEENWERCK at 9.30 a.m. Remainder of Unit will be clear of present Divisional Rest Station by noon 30th. August.
3. Receipts will be given or obtained for any articles taken or handed over and duplicates forwarded to this Office.
4. A.D.M.S. Office will close in ARIENTIERES at noon on 28th. Aug. and open at STEENWERCK at the same hour.

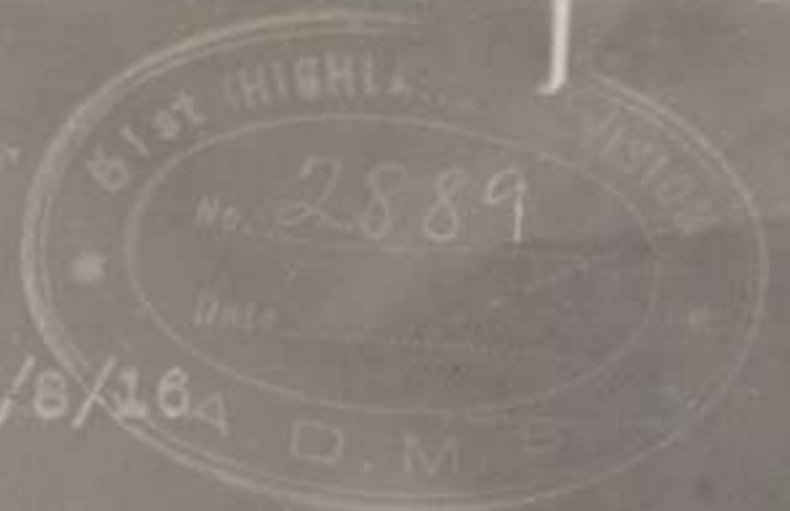
28th. August. 1916.

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CONFERENCE OF MEDICAL OFFICERS. - 30/8/18

AGENDA.

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1. Resume of Sanitary Arrangements by O.C. Sanitary Section
2. Water Supply. Carts will be tested by taking samples and getting them examined.
3. Issue of (1) Water Cart Instructions  
(2) Infectious Fevers Form to new M.O's.
4. Self Inflicted Wounds.
5. Trench Stretcher. p.252 (Victor)
6. Incinerators.
7. Training of Stretcher Bearers.
8. Latrines (deep). Latrine Covers.