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2/9 November  
9/11/17

| Hour, Date, Place       | Summary of Events and Information                                                                                                                                                | Remarks and references to Appendices           |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 1/2/17 Blackdown        | The Battalion received orders to prepare for embarkation and proceeded overseas as follows                                                                                       |                                                |
| 1/2/17 do               | Advance party                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |
| 15/2/17 do              | Transport and details                                                                                                                                                            |                                                |
| 16/2/17 do              | Main body                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                |
| 4/7/17 BOIS GRENIER     | The advance party proceeded via BOULOGNE and proceeded to front line in the BOIS GRENIER Sector for instruction and reconnaissance and remained there until arrival of Battalion | See APPENDIX I<br>For Strength and Composition |
| 16/2/17 GRANDE SEC BOIS | The transport and details disembarked at LE HAIRE, detained at BAILLEUL and proceeded to GRANDE SEC BOIS                                                                         |                                                |

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| <p>BAILLEUL 6 AM 21/2/17<br/>8 AM 22/2/17</p> | <p>The main body disembarked BOULOGNE and proceeded to in 2 trains to BAILLEUL arriving as follows:-<br/>1<sup>st</sup> Train<br/>2<sup>nd</sup> Train<br/>Billeted at OUTERSTEENE</p> |                                                 |
| <p>21/2/17 OUTERSTEENE</p>                    | <p>Transport and details joined main body from GRANDE SEC BOIS</p>                                                                                                                     |                                                 |
| <p>22/2/17 "</p>                              | <p>Battalion proceeded by march route to ESTAIRES and billeted</p>                                                                                                                     |                                                 |
| <p>23/2/17 ESTAIRES</p>                       | <p>Advance party joined Battalion.</p>                                                                                                                                                 |                                                 |
| <p>25/2/17</p>                                | <p>The Battalion now completely concentrated - - - -</p>                                                                                                                               | <p>For details of personnel see Appendix II</p> |

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25/2/17 ERQUINGHEM

Battalion proceeded by march route <sup>billets in</sup> to ERQUINGHEM and relieved the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion of the CANTERBURY RIFLES 2<sup>nd</sup> NZ Inf Brigade 2<sup>nd</sup> A.N.Z.A. Corps as divisional reserve in the BOIS-GRENIER Sector

26/2/17 ERQUINGHEM

The relief of the 2<sup>nd</sup> NZ Inf Brigade being complete on this date. The disposition of the 172 Inf Brigade in the sector was as follows:-

|                    |                                 |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| Right sub Sector   | 2/10 Bn The Kings (L'pool) Regt |
| Left               | 2/4 Bn South Lancashire Regt    |
| Brigade reserve    | 2/5 Bn South Lancashire Regt    |
| Divisional reserve | 2/9 Bn The Kings (L'pool) Regt  |

See SKETCH MAP No.   
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9/9th Battalion "THE KING'S" (Liverpool) Regt.

APPENDIX 1.

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1st ADVANCE PARTY Preceded 1/2/1917.

OFFICERS.

OTHER RANKS.

Capt. D.A. Wilson.  
" R.N. Mountfield.  
" G.F. Buckle.  
Lieut. H.E. Wiggzell.  
2/Lt. F.B. Clement.  
" L.T. Lecan.

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2nd ADVANCE PART. (TRANSPORT AND DETAILS)

OFFICERS.

OTHER RANKS.

MAJOR. S. RHODES.  
Lieut. A. Berry.  
Lieut. A.G. Petter.

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HORSES.

VEHICLES.

| Offrs. | Riding. | Draught. | Pack. | Wagens. | Carts. | M.Guns. | bi-cycles. |
|--------|---------|----------|-------|---------|--------|---------|------------|
| --     | 13.     | 46.      | 6.    | 18.     | 4      | 16.     | 0          |

MAIN BODY.

OFFICERS

OTHER RANKS.

Lieut. Col. A.F.S. Leggatt.  
Major J.G. Paris.  
Capt. N.A.R. Van Gruisen.  
" H.H. Wilkenson.  
" H.M. Williams.  
" C. Myers.  
" A.S. Parkinsen. R.A.M.C.  
" Rev. E. Fisher. C-E  
Lieut. & Adj. J. Wright.  
" & Q.M. G.W. Cresble.  
Lieut. P.H. Parker.  
" H.J. Hallett.  
" F.W. Voysey.  
" A.P. Candler.  
" A.E. Hunt.  
" W. Monks.  
2/Lt. E.G. Pevey.  
" F.W. Foster.  
" L. Walthew.  
" A.T. Barker.  
" J.W. Smith.  
" N.H. Sheard.  
" H.B. Briggs.  
" H.J. Sparge.  
" J.M. Parkes.  
" A.J. Harrison.  
" A. Rec.  
" L.T. Lecan.

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