

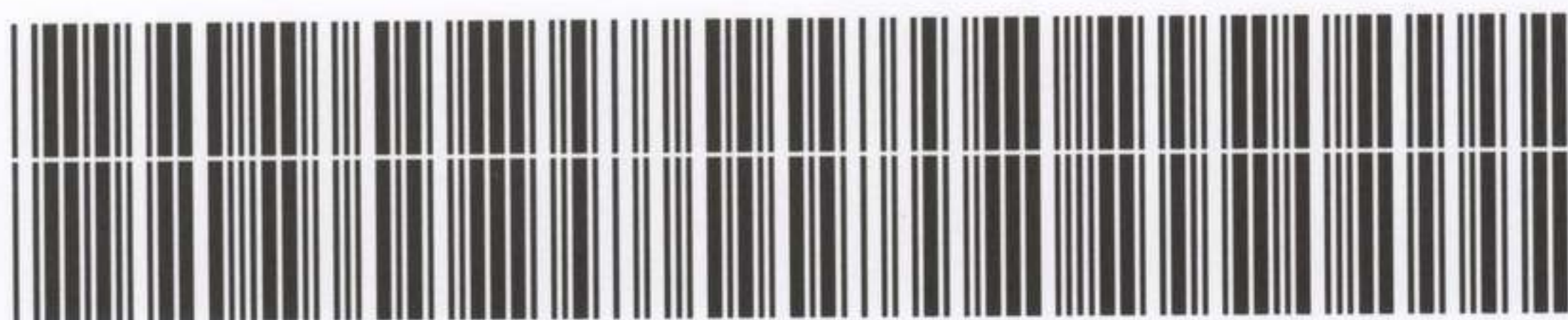
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1916.			
ALBERT.	August.	a.m.		
	1	1.20	Artillery reports green rockets sent up at half-minute intervals, five at a time. Rockets bursting into four or five stars. Our communication trenches being shelled intermittently.	
		4.42	6th Infantry Brigade reports enemy shelling normal. Occasional Heavy burst.	
		4.45	Artillery report situation normal.	
		5.26	Situation - Shell fire less during the night. Enemy employed lachrymatory and gas shells on CONTALMAISON during night. Our artillery fired throughout the night wire cutting and bombarding O.G.1 and O.G.2 in accordance with programme. Working parties were employed laying out new line of trench 200 to 250 yards in front of present front line. Point 58 occupied and communication trench to it dug.	
		5.43	Enemy has been shelling consistently and heavily all valleys and approaches to front line, as also communication trenches. Work much interfered with.	
		6.40	C.R.E. reports no work in forward line carried out owing to enemy shelling.	

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AUBERT	August 1	a.m. 7.45	Letter from 1st Anzac conveying Corps Commander's desire that there shall be no failure in contemplated operation. A Brigade of the 4th Aust. Division will be moved up to BRICKFIELDS at disposal of G.O.C., 2nd Aust. Division.	
		10.35	6th Brigade (on left) reports shelling very light since 5 a.m. - now quiet on front.	
		11.27 p.m.	Enemy plane has dropped red balloons and a kite near MUNSTER ALLEY.	
		12.27	Situation normal, position unchanged. Shelling of POZIERES lighter.	
		4.12	D/O letter from Divisional Commander to G.O.C. 7th Infantry Bde. pointing out importance of work to be carried out to-night, and suggesting best method of working.	
		4.40	5th Aust. Infantry Bde. report situation on front quiet. Hostile artillery not so active as usual. Have sapped forward 100 yards in EMU AVENUE - expects to complete to-night - consolidation proceeding.	
		4.50	Work-table of task to be carried out to-night issued to all concerned. New forward line to be worked on throughout its length and new portions dug to tramline. Trench to be dug as deep as possible - working parties on work site by 10.30 p.m. - Engineers responsible line correctly marked out before infantry arrive on line - A Battalion Commander from 7th Infantry Brigade to control all work of that Brigade.	Appx. CXVI.
		7.45	1st Anzac wires 12th Aust. Infantry Brigade will move to BRICKFIELDS this evening and will be at disposal of G.O.C.	
		7.30	Orders issued to 5th and 7th Aust. Infantry Brigades to place ² Vickers Guns as defence against enemy aeroplanes flying low at night near ammunition and bomb depots. These guns to be relieved by 4 guns (in pairs) from 12th Aust. Infantry Brigade.	Appx. CXVII
		8.10	Left Brigade (6th Inf. Bde.) reports enemy heavily shelling front and rear of POZIERES. 12th Aust. Inf. Bde. Group marched in and came under orders of G.O.C. 2nd Aust. Division.	

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ALBERT.	1916 August 1	p.m. 9.58 z	7th Aust. Inf. Brigade - observations as to enemy barrages - generally placed ^{from} for X.9.b. central to X.11.d.central and from X.10.a.8.0 to CHALK PIT. X.11.a.8.9 also a dangerous corner as many H.E. shells fall there.	
		10.20	6th Brigade reports shelling on their front still very heavy - wires to front line out. Barrage S. side of POZIERES.	
		11.11	Left Brigade reports searchlight playing across front from approximately R.35.b.5.6.	
		11.1	From Anzac ordering move 1st Aust. D.A.C. to MONTRELET - H.Q. 1st Aust. Div. Artillery to HERISSART.	
		11.23	Right Brigade reports capture of unwounded prisoner belonging to 1st Bn. 84th Reserve Regt. Documents found on prisoner being forwarded by special messenger.	
		11.35	5th Aust. Inf. Bde. reports machine guns in position near GORDON DUMP.	
		11.41	Large fire reported burning inside enemy lines west of POZIERES.	
		11.48	6th Brigade reports debris along road X.10.a.5.5. caused by enemy fire.	
	2	12 mn.	Enemy shelling ALBERT - C.R.A. reports three pairs of green flares seen about 5 deg. E. of our right sector - Confirms report of searchlight. One of our Howitzers fired on point at which reported and searchlight was extinguished.	
		a.m. 12.12	Message to 1st Anzac and Divisions on Flanks confirming report of searchlight in R.33.b.5.6 - Light seen by Artillery Observing Officers - Extinguished when fired on.	
		4.30	Heavy shelling throughout night - work pushed on as well as possible (5th Inf. Bde.)	
		5.10	5th Inf. Bde. reports enemy shelled new line and communications during night. O.G.1 occupied for another 100 yards towards railway - otherwise no change.	
		7.30	6th Bde. reports tasks allotted Brigade for last night practically completed.	

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ALBERT	August 2	a.m.		
		7.35	Report from 12th Aust. Infantry Brigade that it has arrived at BRICKFIELDS.	
		7.49	From 1st Anzac forwarding Reserve Army Letter S.G.19/0/19, dated 28/7/1916 and 19/0/24, dated 1st August, 1916 re limit of Corps Area.	Appx. CXVIII
		10.0	7th Aust. Inf. Bde. reports work on forward line almost completed. About 1 hour's work for 200 men still to be done.	
		10.23	Since last report 5th Infantry Brigade Bombing party in O.G.1 driven back 80 yards. Our post only 20 yards in advance of former position - enemy artillery activity increased. Heavy shelling 5 to 6 a.m.	
		10.55	6th Inf. Brigade reports new and heavier guns firing on new trenches in R.34.central - Enemy patrol seen moving from 27 to 95 bombed and three wounded seen being carried over parapet - No new work noticeable on enemy's lines - Situation unchanged and conditions normal.	Appx. CXIX
		p.m. 12.10	Work-table for to-night issued to all concerned. (G 1/106)	Appx. CXX
		4.30	Situation quiet since 10 a.m. (6th Inf. Bde)- Consolidation work proceeding.	
		4.45	7th Brigade report on work on new forward line carried out last night received. Work delayed by enemy shelling - Estimate 200 men can complete work in two hours.	7th Bde. B.M.353 of 2-8-16
		5.42	6th Inf. Brigade reports enemy seen carrying timber and wire between points 09 and 77.	
		6.0	One Bn.(47th) from 12th Infantry Brigade moved up from BRICKFIELDS to TARA HILL area (W.24.d). 2 Bdes. R.F.A. (Lahore) attached 4th Aust. Division, arrived in Reserve Area.	
		6.40	Artillery programme for this evenings bombardment 8 - 9 p.m. issued to all concerned. An intense bombardment of all heavy and medium Howitzers on O.G.1 and O.G.2 and communication trenches between these lines.	

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ALBERT	August	p.m.		
	2	6.40	G.O.C. 6th Infantry Brigade reports position of bombing post pushed forward N.E. of 36 to be at R.34.c.4.7 and not 58. Point now occupied by enemy reported to contain a machine gun. Action being taken to capture and consolidate the point under Stokes Mortar fire and bombing parties - On completion this action forward line will be linked up in accordance with scheme.	
		7.45	Enemy shelling ALBERT with H.E. shells mostly falling in vicinity of Church.	
		8.20	2" Medium Trench Mortars cutting wire in front of O.G.1 from R.36.c.4.3 to R.35.c.2.6.	
		9.50	Left Brigade reports heavy shelling on front line and POZIERES. to CHALK-PIT Artillery reports barrage fire from POZIERES to CHALK PIT very heavy 9.18 - dying down 9.30 p.m. Many rockets and flares being sent up by enemy.	
		10.0	Several planes dropping Very and red lights over POZIERES flying high - identity not established. B.M. Artillery reports II Corps Heavy Artillery doing counter-battery work. III Corps Heavy barraging enemy's trenches.	
		10.45	6th Brigade reports heavy shelling since 8.30 p.m. - Runners unable to get through barrage Fire now slackening.	
		11.0	Enemy heavily shelling of POZIERES practically ceased - situation normal. CONTALMAISON shelled between 6 and 6.30 p.m. - No report from right Brigade front battalion received since 9.35 p.m. Communication stopped by heavy barrage.	
		11.4 a.m.	5th Brigade reports (10.35 p.m.) heavy shelling of POZIERES nearly ceased.	
	3	4.40	5th Inf. Brigade (right) reports line unchanged. Hostile artillery less active since last report. Armoured cable unearthed in EMU AVENUE five feet below surface. Our fire yesterday reported effective. Enemy trenches and wire much damaged.	

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ALBERT	1916. August 3	a.m.		
		5.40	Right Brigade reports intense bombardment of front line and POZIERES. Barrage continuous on front line. CHALK PIT heavily shelled. Bombardment of strong point 48 not successful. Special bombing party detailed to carry point before daybreak but no report received yet.	
		6.44	Bombardment of POZIERES less severe. Situation now fairly quiet. Consolidation work being pushed on. Anzac drawn attention to effect obliteration O.G.2 between X.5.b.0.8 and R.35.c. 0.4 will have oh plans for operations against this line.	
		9.18	5th Brigade asks that artillery will not barrage within 150 yards of enemy position if captured if S.O.S. signal sent up as patrols will be out by day and night.	
		9.26	Anzac cancels S.525 - Artillery instructions.	
		11.1 p.m.	Artillery reports enemy fired about 100 5.9 and 77mm shells into POZIERES between 8 and 10 a.m.	Appx. CXXI G.493
		12.10	Table of work to be carried out to-night issued to all concerned.	Appx. G.1/106
		12.18	7th Brigade works report received.	
		12.27	5th Brigade works report received.	
		1.18	Message to 5th, 6th, and 7th Inf. Brigades re companies of 46th Bn. being placed at disposal of G.O.C.	
		4.22	Heavy barrage along KAY TRENCH (west of POZIERES) and in CHALK PIT. Three red lights fired by enemy on our left flank.	
		4.25	Situation quieter during day. Our shelling last night forced enemy to evacuate some of his trenches in O.G.1 and O.G.2 south of tramline. Parties sniped at by our men when enemy seen evacuating his positions. Intermittent shelling on right/ Bde. front. Line unchanged.	
		5.35	Artillery report engaging suspected m.g. emplacements at X.5.a.9.5, X.5.b.4.3, X.5.a.7.9 and X.5.b.5.4 $\frac{1}{2}$. Signal communication with 6th and 7th Bdes. broken by shell fire.	

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ALBERT	1916. August 3	p.m. 4.30	Corps Commander approves working and carrying parties discarding arms and equipment (except gas helmets) if tactical situation allows. Arms and equipment to be stacked at alarm posts. Troops allotted to protective duties to be fully equipped.	
		6.9	Heavy shelling on our front with H.E. and shrapnel. Well with water up to less than six feet of top found at X.4.a.9.1. Germans reported seen taking wounded out along front trench from Pt. 58 past 97 and 48. Heavy barrage in front of POZIERES and CONTALMAISON valley.	
		7.50	Heavy shelling X.4.b. and X.5.a. continuing. Reported to Anzac Heavy Artillery who are undertaking counter-battery work. Report by R.F.C. observer that wire from X.5.b.3 $\frac{1}{2}$.6 to 3.7 $\frac{1}{2}$ and R.35.c.2.8 to O.G. unbroken.	
		8.0	2nd Aust. Div. Order No 37 for attack on enemy trenches O.G.1 and O.G.2 issued to all concerned with sketch and tables.	Appx. CXXII
		8.50	6th Art. Brigade reports enemy balloon up direction COURCELETTE.	
		10.10	6th Brigade reports intermittent shelling on front - barrage at intervals south of POZIERES.	
		10.31	20th Bn. reports artillery fire most intense on our front. Barrage fire across southern end of POZIERES. SUNKEN ROAD near BLACK WATCH ALLEY being shelled. Gas and lachrymatory shells freely used since 8.51 p.m. Enemy wire shelled by our medium T.M's. Line unchanged. 25th Bn. relieved 19th Bn. in Tramline Trench at 7.30 p.m. M.G's left in position.	
		10.45	B.G.G.S. 1st Anzac telephoned that Divisional Commander is at liberty to make use of Reserve Brigade (12th Aust. Inf. Bde.) now at BRICKFIELDS as and when desired.	
			Operations mentioned in 1st Anzac operation order No 18 on our right and left are taking place to-night and partly to-morrow night. The operations fixed for to-morrow night are likely to affect our own operations more than those taking place to-night. III Corps is attacking intermediate line - zero time 1.10 a.m..	
		11.0	51st Division reports gas on their front. No report from our front of any gas.	

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ALBERT	1916			
	August 3	p.m. 11.50	Anzac cancels (i) and (iii) para. 3 of Corps Order 18 of 2-8-1916.	
	4	a.m. 12.32	12th Division reports 2 Companies Buffs already gone over and got into German trenches. 2 prisoners taken belonging to 11th Regiment.	1.7 a.m. Third
		1.9	12th Division reports whole objective appears to have been gained by Right Brigade. 23 prisoners taken.	
		1.50	12th Division reports RATION TRENCH occupied.	
		3.8	12th Division reports RATION TRENCH occupied up to X.33.d.2.6.	
		6.15	12th Division Situation - Ration trench only held from X.2.b.9.4 to X.3.a.5.9.	
		6.45	23rd Division Situation.	
		6.53	12th Division reports capture of 43 prisoners - 42 of 11th Res. Regt. 1 of 86th Res. Regt.	
		7.5	6th Inf. Brigade F.O.O. reports large numbers of Germans with fixed bayonets seen in trenches at X.3.b.5.8. Reserve standing to.	
		7.30	Above report not confirmed.	
		8.20	23rd Division reports 4 men of a Pioneer working party bombed Germans at angle of intermediate line about S.2.c.8.6. Enemy fled.	
		8.50	5th Infantry Bde. reports considerable movement in sq. R.32. Counter-attack expected.	
		10.33	Wires to all brigades cut by shell fire - steps being taken to re-open communication.	
		11.8	Orders from Anzac re move 4th Aust. Inf. Brigade (G.A.302) to-night.	
		11.9	Signals report lines to Brigades restored.	Appx.

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ALBERT	1918 August 4	p.m.		
		12.22	Message from contact patrol showing situation of infantry unchanged.	
		2.19	7th Brigade reports headquarters will move to X.10.d.3.2 this afternoon.	
		4.47	Anzac wires that III Corps have arranged to synchronise their operations to-night with ours. Artillery which was timed to open at minus one zero will now start firing at zero. (paras. 1 and 2 of Instructions No 53).	
		5.0	Weather bright and fine wind N. to N.E.	
		7.45	No 2 Coy. 5th Bn. Special Brigade R.E. reports men and mortars in position.	
			From Anzac - report on bombardments from 10 p.m. 3-8-16 to 6.30 a.m. 4-8-16.	Appx. CXXIII
		8.15	7th Brigade reports work in connection with operations from to-night completed.	
		9.37	Anzac Heavy Artillery F.O.O. reports large numbers of red lights fired near POZIERES but not in groups of three.	
		8.55	6th Aust. Inf. Bde. - 22nd Bn. on their way up to trenches blocked in C.T's. by wounded - anticipated they would be in position in time.	'phone.
		9.30	Signals - Out of touch with 7th Inf. Brigade.	'phone.
		9.37	Anzac Heavies - Many red flares seen in vicinity of POZIERES.	wire 896
		9.40	Div. Art. - That we can get communication with 7th Bde. through Div. Art.	'phone.
		9.45	Signals - Communication with 7th Bde. re-established.	
		9.46	6th Brigade - Green flares observed in direction of O.G.2 - probably signals our arrival there.	Wire 891 sent 9.45

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	19 16			
ALBERT	AUGUST 4	p.m.		
		9.48	7th Brigade - Conditions normal at commencement of bombardment.	wire 898 sent 9.25
		9.50	To 1st Anzac - Conditions normal at commencement of bombardment.	
		10.0	Div Art. - 4th F.A.Bde, report enemy putting heavy shell behind POZIERES.	
			6th Brigade - Five green flares, probably that 22nd Bn. holds O.G.2 (Signal at 9.48)	wire 500 sent 9.55
		10.5	To 12th Bde.- Giving Gen. Glasfurd situation.	'phone.
		10.10	23rd Division - Telling us that our artillery on right flank firing short.	'phone.
		10.11	To 34th Div. Artillery - telling them that the guns covering the right are firing short.	'phone.
		10.12	Div. Artillery - 5th F.A.Bde. in communication with 21st Bn. Enemy putting up ordinary barrage. Shells falling S.W. of POZIERES.	
			6th F.A.Bde. report red rockets going up on our flanks (10.10 p.m.)	
			4th F.A. Bde. report green rockets near WINDMILL.	'phone,
		10.18	6th Brigade - At 10.5 p.m. three pairs of green flares seen opposite cemetery. Signal of occupation of O.G.2 line.	wire 501 sent 10.12
		10.20	To Anzac .- informing them of the above message.	
		10.23	23rd Division - G. report B. and D. companies 13th D.L.I are in MUNSTER ALLEY and are bombing up it.	'phone.
		10.30	6th Brigade - Green signal has been seen 22nd Bn. in O.G.2. Ammunition and stores are going to O.G.1. Sergt. just returned says all goes well.	'phone.

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ALBERT	August 4	p.m. 10.30	5th Inf. Brigade - Situation. Enemy artillery very active from 9 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. in vicinity of Brigade Battle Headquarters. No report in yet from front line but enemy flares. Plenty green flares visible. Our artillery very active.	
		10.30	1st Anzac. - Reserve Army timed 9.15 p.m. No change since morning report. Large numbers German dead round trenches captured.	
		10.35	Signals - Line down to 7th Brigade. Every effort being made to repair.	'phone.
		10.36	To Anzac - Giving situation.	'phone.
		10.40	B.M.Art. - 6th F.A.Bde report 18th Bn. has brought in 7 or 8 prisoners. Gen. Napier informs him whole O.G.2 occupied.	'phone.
		10.42	To Anzac Heavies - Giving situation.	'phone.
		10.50	B.M.Art. - 6th F.A.Report wounded have returned stating all O.G.2 has been taken. B.G.R.A. Anzac informed him that in event of counter-attack we may use heavies without reference.	'phone.
			7th Brigade - B.D.C. ^{coys.} says 26th Bn. are digging in in O.G.2 reported by Major Currie, wounded.	
			To 1st Anzac - Situation.	
			Capt. MacCallum - Men from 18th Bn. report enfilading m.g. fire on communication trenches and heavy barrage. 20th Bn. reported first objective gained and prisoners.	
		10.55	6th Brigade - Two batches of prisoners coming through from our front.	Unofficial
			From Gen. Gellibrand to Col. Bridges - Two batches of prisoners coming through from our front.	'phone.
		11.3	7th Brigade - B, C and D. companies 26th Bn. digging in in O.G.2.	wire 506 sent 10.50
		11.5	To 1st Anzac.- Giving situation.	'phone.

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ALBERT	1916. August 4	p.m. 11.6	To C.R.A. - informing him that 3 companies 26th Bn. digging in in O.G.2.	'phone,
		11.7	To Anzac Heavies - Informing him that 3 companies 26th Bn. digging in in O.G.2	'phone.
		11.10	Artillery Liaison, 7th Brigade.- Batches of prisoners coming in.	'phone.
		11.15	23rd Division.- 23rd Division attack held up by m.g. fire at junction of TORR Trench and MUNSTER Alley.	'phone.
		11.23	Liaison Officer with 12th Div. - Centre Bn. of 23rd Div. reached its objective 33.c.9.1 to 33.d.23	wire 513
		11.25	To Anzac.- Situation to Anzac.	wire.
		11.27	6th Inf. Bde. - Report by visual. Heavy shelling along our front.	wire.
		11.28	Div. Artillery - 22nd Howitzer Brigade. Red light bursting into stars seen in vicinity of X.5.a.7.8.	'phone.
		11.33	To 5th Bde. - Asking re tools. 19th Bn. to carry to 18th and 20th Bns.	'phone.
		11.35	Liaison Officer, 15th Brigade.- Prisoners being sent back. Both lines taken. Trenches badly knocked about.	
		11.22	5th Inf. Bde. - Wounded men report 1st and 2nd objectives taken. Little opposition first wave 20th Bn. digging in in O.G.2. Shovels urgently required. A bomb fight apparently going on in TORR TRENCH.	wire 509 sent 11.15.
		11.43	6th Brigade - Wounded prisoners state attack unexpected, nearly all m.g's. buried.	wire 511 sent 11.35
		11.45	34th Division - information re capture of trenches.	'phone.
		11.43	To Anzac etc. - Left Bn. Right Bde. report O.G.1 and O.G.2 taken. O.G.2 levelled. Heavy shelling on left brigade front.	wire.

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	4	11.50	Capt. MacCallum - 7 prisoners passed BAILIFF WOOD. Many of our shells falling short.	wire 512 sent 11.15
		11.50	7th Brigade - Wounded report 25, 26 and 27th Bns. reached their objectives and digging in.	wire 514 sent 11.45
		11.52	To Div. Artillery - That all battalions are now identified.	'phone.
		11.58	To Anzac Heavies - That our front line 6th Brigade being heavily shelled.	'phone.
	5	12.8	5th Brigade - 18th, 20th and 28th Bns. in touch in O.G.1. O.G.2 merely a series of shell holes.	wire 516 sent 11.58
		12.12	7th Brigade - 25th Bn. taken second objective.	wire 517 sent 11.57
		12.14	To 1st Anzac etc. - Situation. Both objectives taken. Situation in 504 TORR Trench not clear.	wire.
		12.15	5th Brigade - Reporting British attack on MUNSTER ALLEY held up at request of 68th Brigade being made by mortars.	wire 518 sent 12.5
			To "G" 23rd Division - Shall we co-operate and rush TORR Trench - for consideration.	'phone.
	v	12.17	7th Brigade - 27th Bn. reported at 10.30 that their first objective had been reached.	wire 519 sent 12.5
			Capt. MacCallum - 10 p.m. 26th Bn. reported in O.G.2. No opposition. 20th Bn. reported in O.G.2.	wire 520 sent 11.50
		12.23	To 5th Brigade - Asking Gen. Holmes to co-operate with 68th Bde. against TORR TRENCH - attack from N.W. G.O.C. 68th does not wish more to be done than bomb from N.W. end.	'phone.
		12.35	4th Inf. Bde. - 4th A.Bde. and F.Engnrs at BRICKFIELDS at 12.15 a.m.	wire 521 sent 12.20
			Capt. MacCallum - Reports from wounded were of 25th and 27th Bns. O.G.2. Trenches very badly knocked about.	Cyclist Ordly. at 11.35

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ALBERT	19 16. August 5	a.m. 12.50	To 34th Div. Art. - Barrage to be reduced to 100 per battery per hour. Still trouble at TORR TRENCH.	'phone. We sent same message to 25th Art. by 'phone at 1
		12.57	6th Brigade.- O.G.1 and O.G.2 definitely retained - being consolidated. Our 18-pdr. shells falling short.	wire 523 sent 12.30
		1.0	To Anzac - Giving Gen. White situation. O.G.1 and 2 retained. Barrage reduced. Consolidation proceeding.	'phone.
		1.7	To 6th Bde. - To Gen. Gellibrand re artillery fire. Is it short on N.E. or N.W. - on NE. Impressing importance of gaining ground. Barrage to be lifted 400 yards so patrols can get out. G.O.C. Brigade going round lines.	'phone.
		1.12	To Div. Artillery - Telling to lengthen 100 or 200 yards as patrols going out on N.W. front Barrage to keep clear of line R.33.d.99 - R.34.a.65. R.34.b.12 - 60. line of our artillery N.E. Flank barrage to be lifted out.	'phone.
		1.20	To Div. Artillery - Patrols going out - barrage must be outside R.33.d.99 - R.34.a.53.	'phone.
		1.22	7th Brigade.- 27th Bn. captured 18 unwounded and 21 wounded enemy.	wire 529 sent 12mn.
		1.27	Capt. MacCallum - Reported that 20th and 18th Bns. connected at O.G.1 and being consolidated. 5th M.G. Company placing guns in O.G.1 at 11.45.	wire 526 sent 12.50
		1.30	12th Division. - 37th Bde. reports point 90 sq. X.2.d. being connected up across No-Man's Land to trenches.	wire 530 sent 1.30
		1.34	Capt. Evans, Engrs. - Our sappers in enemy lines at 10.55 p.m.	wire 526 sent 11.45
		1.40	To 12th Division.- Arranged with him for his artillery not to fire within 400 yds. of our N.W. flank.	'phone.

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ALBERT	1916 August 5	a.m. 1.42	Div. Art. - 6th F.A.Bde. report 7th Brigade see no signs of counter attack - shelling getting lighter.	'phone.
			Capt. MacCallum - Men of 26th and 27th Bns. report O.G.1 being consolidated. Supplies going forward steadily.	wire 527 sent 1.15
			5th Brigade - 20th Bn. report front line dug in 300 yds. in front of O.G.1 at 12.15 a.m. Our artillery shooting 25 yards ahead of front line. 20th Bn. right flank protected by Lewis gun.	wire 528 sent 1.30
		1.45	Capt. MacCallum - Men of 27th Bn. report Bn. in O.G.2. No hand to hand fighting reported. 18th and 20th report consolidation going on well.	wire 529 by cyclist ordly at 12.25.
		1.50	To Anzac - Prisoners with 55 on shoulder straps been taken.	
		2.5	To Div. Art. - To tell them 6th F.A.Bde. report enemy fire increasing.	'phone.
			5th Brigade - Officer of 84th R.I.R. taken.	
		2.10	5th Brigade - Viney reports Brigade have established block in TORR TRENCH 50 yards down from tramline.	'phone.
		2.20	To Anzac - Reporting slightly wounded officer of 84th R.I.R. taken.	
			Div. Artillery - 5th F.A.Bde reports fire on trenches not severe. Also enemy fire on S. and S.E. POZIERES.	'phone.
		2.30	Capt. MacCallum - 25th and 27th reported to be connected up in O.G.1. M.G. T.M's. Supplies being taken forward. O.G.2 line obliterated in front of right of 27th.	wire 532 sent 2.
		2.35	7th Brigade - O.G.1 and 2 captured - consolidation continues - situation on front satisfactory No news as to WINDMILL.	wire 533 sent 2.15.

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ALBERT	August 5	a.m.		
		2.40	To 23rd Division - Asking for situation in TORR TRENCH. 23rd report not yet at junction with MUNSTER ALLEY.	'phone.
		2.45	23rd Division - Reporting they are 70 yards up MUNSTER ALLEY and not yet at junction with TORR TRENCH. Col. Bridges suggests co-operation between G.O's. C. 5th A.I. and 36th Inf. Brigades.	'phone.
			To Anzac - Centre brigade reports O.G.1 and 2 taken and consolidation going on.	
		2.47	6th Brigade - Observer in front reports enemy shelling on our left heavier.	wire 534 sent 2.40
		2.50	12th Division - Communication trenches being dug from X.3.a.9.5 through point 90 in X.2.d to RATION TRENCH.	wire 541 sent 2.50
			Capt. MacCallum - Capt. Sadler, 18th Bn. reports O.G.2 being consolidated. No signs of counter-attack. C.T's being dug out from our line - bombs, stores, etc. being sent up, at the double.	By cyclist Ordly at 1.40 a.m.
		2.53	Capt. MacCallum - Reports enemy shelling heavier.	wire 536 sent at 2.35 a.m.
		3.5	Div. Art. - Anzac Heavy counter-batteries coming into action.	'phone.
		3.8	6th Brigade - At 2 a.m. 22nd Bn. report situation well in hand.	wire 537 sent 3 a.m.
		3.18	7th Brigade - 27th Bn. report second objective completely obliterated. Casualties severe.	wire 538 sent 3 a.m.
		3.20	23rd Division - Their men just in front of junction of TORR TRENCH and MUNSTER ALLEY. G.O.C. 68th Bde. against T.M's being used. Sending officer to fix plans with Gen. Holmes.	'phone.
		3.23	6th Brigade - Movement N.W. of line 85 - 91 (R.34) impracticable.	wire 539 sent 3 a.m.

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ALBERT	1916- August 5	a.m. 3.57	To 6th Brigade - Informing them 12th Division report RATION TRENCH held from R.33.d.4.6 south-westwards. Bombing N.E. to 78 in R.33.d.	wire.
			12th Division. - 37th Inf. Brigade situation.	wire 542 sent 2.45
		4.2	5th Bde.- Situation. Enemy shelling weak, ours heavy. Left Lt. Burnell 25th Bn. reports consolidation going on. Has had no report from front since 2.5 a.m.	wire 542 sent 4.2
		4.4	12th Division - Situation(does not affect us).	wire 543 sent 2.45
		4.10	To Anzac Heavies - Our artillery keeping up splendid bombardment - enemy fire weak.	
		4.22	Capt. MacCallum - 7th Bde. taken T.M. into O.G.1 - emplacements being made. Enemy Minenwerfer on to O.G.2. Supplies going up well. Enemy occupy trench in front of O.G.2 crossing BAPAUME ROAD in R.35.d.	544 By cyclist orderly at 3.25 a.m.
		4.23	C.R.E.- Vicars emplacement completed at 77 in R.34.d also strong post at Tramway.	Unnumbered
		4.30	To 1st Anzac - 162 prisoners reported to have passed through our hands.	wire.
		4.40	Capt. MacCallum - One M.G. captured - right flank of 6th Bde. in touch with left of 7th.	wire 545 sent 4.5
		4.45	6th Brigade - Had received visual message that three red rockets were seen to go up from his N.W. corner. Wants heavier barrage but not closer.	'phone.
		4.50	25th Div. Artillery -(to)- informing them of red rocket signal - asking for heavier barrage but barrage not to be brought closer.	'phone.
		5.2	7th Brigade - Situation satisfactory - saps blocked with carrying parties. Enemy shelling POZIERES. Reserve Bn. less one company garrisoning TRAMWAY line.	wire 546
		5.5	6th Bde.- Enemy rifle and M.G. fire eased down - almost nil.	'phone.

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ALBERT	1918 August 5	a.m.		
		5.4	6th Brigade - Enemy shelling slackened. Consolidation continues. 1 off. and 60 B.Ranks captured also M.G. Our casualties slight. Situation good.	wire 547 sent 4.40
		5.15	Capt. MacCallum - Heavy rifle and M.G. fire opened on right flank. Capt. MacCallum - Men from 20th Bn. state their line is linked up on left. Enemy in O.G.2 had all their gear packed up. Apparently relief in progress. this borne out by prisoners.	wire 549 sent 4.50 wire 548 sent 4.35
		5.18	7th Brigade - Consolidation still continues. Position at WINDMILL uncertain.	wire 550 sent 5.18
		5.20	To Anzac - Brigades reached objective. Consolidation continues. Enemy attempted counter-attack-no success.	
		5.51	7th Brigade - 12 prisoners of 162nd Regt. taken at 4.55 a.m. Three red rockets reported by 6th Brigade to have gone up on their front.	wire 551 sent 5.30
		6.0	O.C.Pozieries - Strong ^{counter} bombing attack on R.34.b.1.2 also 7th Bde. front. Artillery support required. To I.G. Anzac - 12 prisoners of 162 Regt. reported.	wire 553 wire.
		6.5	To Anzac Heavies - Reporting enemy attack on R.34.b.1.2 and 7th Bde, front - asking for artillery support.	wire
	6.6 6.6		6th Brigade - Occupies following line at 4.30 a.m. 77-60-12-91. 22nd Bn. 90-58-85. 23rd Bn, 24th Bn. 58-75-23.	wire 554 sent 4.30 'phone.
		6.10	To 25th Div. Art. - Reporting enemy counter-attack and asking for support on N.W. front.	'phone.
		6.15	6th Bde. - Report received that there had been a counter-attack which was repulsed.	'phone.
		6.23	6th Bde. - Enemy counter-attacked at 5.8 on R.34.c. Asked for heavier artillery fire on N.W. front.	'phone.

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ALBERT	1916. August 5	a.m. 6.25	To 25th Div. Artillery - Asking to make barrage heavier on N.W. corner front.	'phone.
			18th Division - Situation report. Holding RATION TRENCH from R.33.d.4.6 to X.2.b -94-90-62	wire 555 sent 5.30
		6.28	7th Brigade - 26th Bn. reports that both objectives had held at 1.55 a.m. line apparently continuous.	wire 556 sent 6.28 557
		6.35	6th Brigade - Enemy counter-attacking on 6th front and 7th Bd. front. Reported that line for 100 yards N.E. of 58 in 34.0 has been evacuated. One company 24th ordered to fill breach. Reserve Battalion being sent forward.	wire 557 sent 6.20
			7th Brigade - 27th Bn. reports at 5.10 a.m. enemy counter-attacked on R.35.c.7.3. 25th Bn. report being counter-attacked.	
		6.40	To Div. Art.- asking for maximum barrage on account of counter-attack.	'phone.
		6.45	To Anzac Heavies - asking for support against counter-attack on R.34.b.9.8 R.35.b.7.3.	'phone.
		6.51	7th Brigade - Wounded men report counter-attack repulsed.	wire 561 sent 6.40
		6.55	Div. Artillery - Enemy shelling POZIERES heavily. Our artillery informed Heavies.	'phone.
		6.58	23rd Div. - Reporting situation at MUNSTER ALLEY still not clear. Probably hold MUNSTER ALLEY to within 40 yards of C.5.b.7.3.	wire 564 sent 6.5
		6.51	"Blood" (22nd Bn)- reports our 18-pdr. artillery shelling O.G.1 R.24.central to 34.d.77	wire 560 sent 6.5
		7.5	To 1st Anzac - Reporting failure of enemy counter-attack against our main front N.E. and N.W. front.	wire.
		7.5	To Div. Art. - To order 18 prs. to lift 200 yds. as they are shelling O.G.4. R.34.Cent. - 34.d.7.7.	'phone.

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ALBERT	August	a.m.		
	5	7.5	Lt. Graham - Reporting enemy heavy guns troublesome on O.G.2. Considers line too thickly held.	wire 563 untimed. For reply see G 75.
		7.12	Capt. MacCallum - Situation unchanged. All Battalions holding their ground. Enemy shelling POZIERES heavily.	wire 564 sent 6.5
		7.15	1st Anzac - Pointing out necessity to find out exact position of flanks. Asking about patrols etc.	wire 565 sent 7.5
			To 7th Brigade - Asking if steps have been taken to reduce front line. If not to do so at once.	wire.
		7.20	^{III Corps.} 7.20 Panel messages seen F.E.B.M. 'short of ammunition' also 'O.O.O.O' from X.4.a.5.9.	'phone.
		7.25	Anzac - Report red lights from S.16.b.9.5 and X.6.c.7.5. Green lights at R.39.c.9.9, 9 ¹ / ₈ , 42 and 51.	'phone.
		7.30	To 1st Anzac - That 7th Brigade report enemy attacked about 4.40 a.m. but were repulsed. Enemy reported to be surrendering in large numbers. One batch of 200 gave themselves up.	wire.
			7th Brigade - 25th Battalion report enemy attacked about 4.40 a.m. but were repulsed. Enemy surrendered in large numbers. Batch of 200 came in.	wire 566 sent 7.15
			Div. Artillery - Report enemy counter-attacked at 4.40 etc.	'phone.
		7.43	O.G. 24th Bn. - O.G.1 and O.G.2 from R.39.90, 12,60 and 90,09,28,58 being heavily shelled.	wire 569 sent 7.23
		7.40	To 6th Brigade - Asking situation. Can barrage be reduced -- Yes!	'phone.
		7.45	To 25th Div. Artillery - Asking them to reduce barrage to normal (100 rounds per Bde, per hour)	'phone.

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ALBERT	1916. August 5	a.m.		
		7.45	To Anzac Heavies - Telling him O.G.1 and O.G.2 from R.34, 90, 12, 60 and 90, 09, 28, 58, 77 being heavily shelled. Artillery retaliation asked for.	wire.
		7.55	C.R.A. - 7th Brigade have asked for barrage to cease - batteries have been instructed to lengthen 50 yards and carry on at slow rate.	'phone.
		8.5	To 1st Anzac - Situation Report. Line on left flank as yesterday. Now joined to R.34.a.9.1 Appears to have been two counter-attacks both no use. Patrols who moved out joined found strong enemy post within 50 yards of our trench.	wire.
		8.18	5th Brigade - No reports on patrols yet received.	wire 570
		8.20	7th Brigade - 2 companys 25th Bn. sent up to reinforce at 7 a.m. ordered to withdraw again into reserve. Units instructed to thin their front line.	wire 571 untimed.
		8.35	7th Brigade - Enemy bombardment on O.G.2 increasing. Retaliation asked for.	wire 574 sent 8.35
		8.40	To Div. Artillery - G.O.C. would like officer with telescope sent to OVILLERS to watch N.W. flank for counter-attack from O.P.	'phone.
		8.55	To C.R.A. and Anzac Heavies - Centre Brigade report enemy shelling O.G.2 heavily. Retaliation required.	wire.
		9.22	7th Brigade - At 8.45 a.m. 27th Bn. report O.G.1 and O.G.2 and WINDMILL taken. Casualties estimated at 3 officers and 400 - 500 O. Ranks.	wire 576 untimed.
		9.37	7th Brigade - 26th Bn. reports trenches being enfiladed from THIEPVAL. Enemy can be seen retreat- ing.	wire 567 untimed.
		9.45	To Anzac Heavies - Asking for counter-battery work as centre brigade being heavily shelled.	wire.
		9.46	1st Anzac H. Artillery - Double barrage on outside of POZIERES. Our main trouble is getting up supplies for infantry.	wire 580 sent 9.35

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ALBERT	August 5	a.m. 10.10	Gen. Holmes - Suggesting his brigade being relieved as his men should not be subjected to further strain.	wire 582 untimed.
		10.23	6th Brigade - Front line being heavily shelled. Asks for counter battery work.	wire 585 sent 10.20
		10.27	5th and 12th Bdes (to) - Telling brigades to make preparatory arrangements for relief to take place night of 5/6th Aug.	wire.
		10.30	To Anzac Heavies - 6th Brigade front being heavily shelled. Counter-battery work asked for. They promised to tell II and III Corps Heavies.	'phone.
		10.46	7th Brigade - Asks in which direction enemy was seen to retreat.	wire.
		10.50	5th Brigade - Enemy been shelling new front line. Communication trenches between O.G.1 and 2 points 77 - 05 completed.	wire 586 untimed.
		10.57	Anzac Heavies - Reporting they are obtaining all help they can.	wire 588 untimed.
		11.0	To Anzac - Situation report. Right Bde. situation quiet. completed C.T. between O.G.1 and 2 at points 77 - 08. Centre brigade reports capture of WINDMILL.	wire.
		11.16	7th Brigade - Situation. Nothing further to report.	wire 590 sent 10.45
		11.40	To Anzac - R.F.C. report an underground trench from R.35.d.27 - 57. Dug-outs in trench 35.d.27 - 57. TORR TRENCH blown in.	wire.
		p.m. 12.10	5th Brigade - Giving front line position as in 12.30 message to Anzac.	wire 594 sent noon.
		12.30	To Anzac - Situation report giving right Brigade frontage X.5.b.2.6 thence along O.G.2 with left on BAPAUME ROAD. O.G.1 from X.5.b.2.0 - point 79 in X.5.a..	wire
		12.40	To 5th, 6th and 7th Brigades - Asking Brigades if Heavies need carry on with their strong fire.	wire.

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	5 August	p.m.		
		12.10	5th Brigade reports new line runs X.5.b.2.6 - 20 yards north of tramline, thence along O.G.2, left on BAPAUME Road. All O.G.1 from X.5.b.2.0 to 7.9. in our hands.	
		12.46	20th Bn. reports O.G.2 being heavily shelled. Many casualties. Trenches much knocked about. Men unable to do work. Several Lewis guns knocked out. Asks for artillery retaliation.	
		12.48	7th Brigade says require every man to hold line. Fire very heavy. Requires two strong companies in support in tramway trench to-night.	
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		1.27	6th Brigade reports enemy artillery fire slackening on our counter batteries getting to work. Rate of fire may be reduced.	
		1.37	Message from 4th Division to 4th Brigade to hold a battalion ready to relieve one battalion 6th Brigade to-night. Orders re relief to be issued by this Division.	
		1.40	Enemy shelling 7th Brigade front heavily. Counter battery work continues.	
		2.0	7th Brigade reports enemy digging new trench from MOUQUET FARM to R.22.c.0.0.	
		2.3	7th Brigade states only 3 officers 200 men left in 27th Battalion front trenches.	
		2.45	6th Brigade reports situation satisfactory at 1 p.m. Heavy casualties from bombardment. Recommends periodical counter-battery fire.	
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		3.37	Moves in accordance with Anzac S.565 to take place to-night.	
		3.41	Anzac orders 120 men 4th Divisional Artillery to ALBERT this afternoon. Arrangements to be made for 4th Aust. Div. Artillery to relieve 2 bdes. 1st Aust. Divisional Artillery.	

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		12.46	5th Brigade - Front line O.G.2 being heavily shelled. Heavy artillery retaliation asked for.	Wire 596 untimed.
		12.48	7th Brigade - Casualties heavy. Every man required to hold line. Shell fire very heavy. 2 strong companies required as support in Tramway trench to-night.	wire 597 sent 12.20
		1.0	5th Brigade - In answer to G.97 asking if further report is required. Answer "No" sent by telephone.	wire 598 sent 12.50.
		1.5	To Anzac. - Situation report. Right Bde report enemy shelling O.G.2 heavily - trenches knocked about - several Lewis Guns knocked out. Centre Bde. reports very heavy shell fire and asks for 2 strong Coys. to be in support at TRAMWAY TRENCH to-night.	wire G.98. sent 1.5.
		1.27	6th. Brigade - Situation report. Enemy's fire slackened considerably after our Artillery engaged them. Suggest fire be reduced.	wire 600 sent 1.00.
		1.40	7th Brigade - Enemy shelling O.G.1 and O.G.2 very heavily. Counter-batteries still required to reduce hostile shell fire.	wire 602 sent 1.30.
		2.00	7th Brigade - Observer reports enemy are constructing fresh flanking trench running approximately from MOUQUET FARM towards R.22.c.O.O.	wire 603 sent 1.00
		2.3	7th. Brigade - O.C. 27th. Bn. reports only 3 Officers and 300 men left holding the line.	wire 605 sent 1.45.
		2.20	1st. Anzac and Anzac H.A. - Repeating message received from 7th Bde. at 2.p.m. about enemy constructing new trench.	Wire G.101.
		2.25	25th. Div. Art. - Asking if Artillery barrage is to continue. - Reply "Yes"	'phone.
		2.30	1st. Anzac. - R.F.C. report considerable train movement into BAPUME from N.E. and E. - 7 hostile balloons up.	Wire 608 sent 2.30.
		2.45	6th. Brigade. - Situation of 21st. Battalion satisfactory, but men have suffered severely.	Wire 607 sent 2.25

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ALBERT	August 5	p.m.		
		2.58	1st Anzac - Prisoner reports SUNKEN Road running from O.G.2 line at R.34.b.12 to COURCELETTE is reserve position.	wire 609 sent 2.40
		3.15	To 3 Brigades - Reporting SUNKEN Road at O.G.2 at R.34.b.12 to COURCELETTE is reserve.	wire.
		3.19	7th Brigade - 27th Bn. have fallen back from O.G.2 to O.G.1 - wounded left behind.	wire 611 sent 2.40
		3.50	To 6th Brigade - 24th Bn. to relieve 22nd or 23rd. Bn. of 4th Brigade to go into reserve to-night.	wire.
		4.0	To 4th Brigade - giving situation.	phone.
		4.20	To Anzac etc - Reporting right bn. centre Brigade fallen back from O.G.2 to O.G.1 on account of shell fire and that relieving Bn. is going up at dusk to O.G.2.	wire.
		4.39	1st Anzac - Asking if observation of R.33.d.7.8 is possible from left flank in O.G.2.	wire 617 sent 4.30
		4.45	To 6th Brigade - asking 6th Brigade same question.	wire.
		5.8	7th Brigade - Liaison Officer reports enemy in morning retired towards COURCELETTE.	wire 619 sent 4.55
		5.12	7th Brigade - Enemy fire been very severe along O.G.2 line N. of BAPAUME Road. Men withdrawn from O.G.2 to O.G.1 for better cover.	wire 620 sent 5 p.m
		5.20	6th Brigade - Situation normal. Heavy shelling during morning. Work going on well.	wire 622 sent 4.55
		5.27	6th Brigade - R.33.d.7.8 can be seen from left flank of O.G.2	wire 624 sent 4.55
			Anzac - On no account will O.G.1 be evacuated. Men to go forward into shell holes rather than fall back. Line probably too strongly held.	wire 623 sent 5.15
		5.30	To Anzac - Situation - Right brigade shelling decreased. Centre Brigade O.G.2 left for O.G.1 Left Brigade situation normal. Work going on well.	wire.

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ALBERT	August 5	p.m. 3.55	(thru 1st Anzac.) Congratulation telegram from C. in Chief in first objective on successful capture of ob- jective last night.	Published in D.R.O. of Aug 10 th
		5.12	7th Brigade reports severe shelling all day. Portions of O.G.2 north of BAPAUME ROAD entirely blown in. Men withdrawn to O.G.1 where better cover.	
		5.27	Anzac wires. O.G.1 on no account to be evacuated. Line appears to be held too strongly in- stead of by a few well placed machine guns. Shelling likely to continue for some days. Better for men to go forward to shell holes.	G467 Appx. CXXV
		5.29	6th Brigade reports R.33.d.7.8 visible from O.G.2	
		5.55	Reserve Army Intelligence Reports number of big covered motors probably containing troops seen proceeding from GREVILLERS through PYS to COURCELETTE. Our artillery firing on north end COURCELETTE.	
		6.0	2nd Aust. Divisional Order No 38 for relief of 2nd Australian Division by 4th Australian Division issued. Relief under the programme will be completed on night 7/8th August.	Appx. CXXVI
		5.56	7th Brigade reports companies 28th Bn. except wounded withdrawn from front line by 4 p.m. Heavy casualties.	Appx. CXXVII B.M. 162
		6.15	12th Division reports Germans still holding out in RATION TRENCH and 5th Avenue now rounded up. 1 officer and 102x 112 men captured. Large numbers of enemy dead. Prisoners belong to 11th and 9th Reserve Regiments.	
		6.30	1st Anzac instructions (S.574) for further operations 6/7th August and S.575 re relief of Division received.	Appx. CXXVIII S.574 & 5.
		6.33	12th Aust. Inf. Brigade Headquarters arrived at old 7th Inf. Brigade Headquarters near 6th Infantry Brigade Headquarters.	
		6.42	A.D.M.S. reports 25 prisoners admitted 2nd F.Amb. including men of 162 and 166 Regiments.	

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ALBERT	August	p.m.		
	5	5.30	To Anzac - R.33.d.7.8 can be seen from left flank in O.G.2.	wire.
		5.35	12th Division - Situation (nothing to affect us).	wire 628 sent 5.10
		5.37	12th Division - Situation (" " " ").	
		5.48	5th Brigade - Small mid-day enemy shelling decreased. position unchanged.	wire 618 sent 4.40
		5.55	To Brigades - On no account vacate O.G.1. Line probably too thickly held. Hold with Lewis guns. Send men forward into shell holes.	wire.
		5.56	7th Brigade - At 4.33 28th Bn. withdrawn from O.G.2 to O.G.1.	wire 627 sent untim ed
		5.55	1st Anzac - Motor transport conveying troops from OVILLERS to COURCELETTE seen.	wire 626 sent 5.40 repeated t C.R.A. and Heavies 85 & 34 Divs.
		6.42	To 1st Anzac - Extracts from Staff Officer RLE. report, 7th Bde. 4.30 p.m. Two enemy kite balloons up giving bearings. New enemy line dug about R.33.b.39 to R.28.d.76 giving formation of ground O.G.1 and O.G.2.	wire.
		6.42	A.D.M.S. - reporting 25 German prisoners admitted to 2nd A.F.Amb.	wire 632
		6.45	23rd Division - Situation (does not affect us).	wire 630 sent 5.40
		6.55	To 1st Anzac - (Ig) - Reporting 25 prisoners admitted to 2nd Fld. Ambulance.	wire.
		7.0	Ig. Anzac - total prisoners taken 3 officers and 280 O.Ranks.	'phone.

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ALBERT ↑ Vide Pages 798 ↓	August 5	p.m.		
		7.20	6th Brigade - Reconnoitring Party from 24th Bn. from 91 to 58 discovered post with enemy M.G. and captured it.	wire 634 sent 6.55
		7.22	Anzac - Counter-attack probable. Warn brigades and push men out forward. Positions indicated X.11a and X.3.b. Another Bn. of reserve going to W.30	wire 635 sent 7.10
		7.30	Anzac - giving II Corps situation.	wire 636 sent 7.5
		7.47	To Anzac etc. - Reporting capture of enemy M.G. by 24th Bn.	wire,
		8.0	To Brigades etc.- Forwarding news of expected counter-attack from Anzac and issuing instructions.	wire.
			To 1st Anzac - 7th Brigade position and strength.	wire.
		8.30	C.R.A. and Heavies - Left Brigade reports R.34.a.1.2 and 74 strong points . We now hold point 59 in R.34.c.	wire.
		9.16	6th Brigade - Enemy closing in on left 91 - 12 Shelling front and support lines.	wire 638 sent 9.15
		9.25	To C.R.A. and Heavies - Repeating above message.	wire.
		9.40	To 6th Brigade - Remember patrols to N.E. and N.W. Have you plenty of flares - yes! If gap occurs can you fill it up? Yes!	'phone.
		9.42	5th Brigade - At TARA HILL - rest of brigade expected 11 p.m.	'phone.
		9.46	6th Brigade - Asking for name of patrol leader of 24th Bn. who captured M.G. (patrol leader Capt. NICHOLAS, 24th Bn.)	wire.
		10.30	6th Brigade - Left flank being very heavily shelled. Gas shells at CHALK PIT.	wire 641 sent 10.15

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ALBERT	1916. August 6	p.m. 11.0	Signals - Communications 6th Brigade by phone other by telegraph. 7th Brigade - Situation. Enemy fire heavy. Cables to Bns. broken. C.R.A.- Situation normal.	'phone. wire 645 sent 10.45 wire 646
		11.25	C.R.A. - F.O.O. 23rd Bn. reports enemy massing at R.34.a.5.3 and R.34.a.1.4. No fire on trenches. At 10.55 enemy shells on POZIERES stopped.	'phone.
		11.30	To C.R.A. - Artillery asked to take action re above. 12th Division.- Situation normal.	'phone. wire 648 sent 11.10 'phone.
		11.35	To 25th Div. Art. - asked for barrage on points where enemy supposed to be massing.	wire
		11.50	To Anzac etc.- Situation report - Centre Brigade report enemy fire still heavy. No report from 7th Brigade.	wire 649 sent 11.35
		11.45	Anzac - Army Commander considers O.G.2 should be held by 4 Vickers and 12 Lewis guns. O.G.1 by about four times that number. Rest of garrison to be withdrawn and await attack.	wire 650 sent 11.25
		m-night	12th Division - Situation (does not affect us).	wire 651 untimed
		a.m. 12.12	5th F.A.Bde.- Enemy shelling continuously. 5th Brigade handed over to 12th Bde. at 11.30 p.m. To 1st Anzac - Unconfirmed report enemy massing at R.34.a.1.4 and R.34.a.5.3. Shelling in ALBERT destroyed all lines.	wire. wire.
		12.40	To 1st Anzac - Reporting 5th Brigade handed over to 12th Brigade at about 11.30 p.m.	wire.

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ALBERT	1918 August 5	p.m. 7.20	6th Brigade reports reconnoitring detachment captured machine gun. Patrol was moving from Point 91 towards point 58. Gun had been very troublesome.	
		7.22	1st Anzac wires - Every indication counter-attack. Brigade to push men with Lewis guns out in front after dark. Suggests reserve be got into position as light allows. Positions indicated. Another Bn. 4th Brigade may be moved to vicinity W.30 as additional Reserve.	Appx 1st Anzac G.453. CXXIX
		7.33	4th Brigade reports 16th Bn. leaving BRICKFIELDS for W.30 at 8.30 p.m.	
		9.16	6th Brigade reports Germans closing in on left of point 91. Front and support communication trenches being shelled. Asks artillery to keep special watch for S.O.S.	
		9.50	Enemy wounded passed through 2nd and 4th Fld. Amb. 25 and 16 respectively.	Report from A.D.M.S.
		10.30	Heavy shelling along 6th Inf. Brigade front.	
		11.0	7th Brigade reports artillery fire fairly very heavy - otherwise normal - Communication to battalions cut.	
		11.45	Anzac forwards opinion Army Commander suitable garrison for O.G.1 and O.G.2.	
			12th Division reports total prisoners 173 including 2 officers.	
	6	m-night	G.O.C. 5th Inf. Bde. reports handed over to G.O.C. 12th Brigade 11.30 p.m. 5th Inf. Brigade Headquarters now at TARA HILL.	Appx 1st Anzac G.477.
	6	a.m. 5.27	Enemy shelling KAY trench, SAUSAGE VALLEY and POZIERES. Patrols not yet returned (6th Inf. Bde).	
		6.21	7th Brigade reports continuance of barrage. Communication with battalions difficult. Situation unchanged.	

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ALBERT	August 6	a.m. 7.51	12th Brigade reports relief impeded by shelling. 2 Battalions now in position. Communications cut. 2 prisoners captured. Casualties not known.	
		8.5	7th Brigade reports 27th Bn. being withdrawn to SAUSAGE VALLEY.	
		9.30	Conference under Corps Commander of G.O's.C. 4th and 2nd Aust. Divisions and staffs at which it was decided to relieve 2nd Division entirely to-day and to-night. The 4th Infantry Bde. to relieve the 7th and 6th Infantry Brigades. Brigades on relief to assemble near TARA HILL. Artillery to remain in line for present. Relief to be arranged later between C.R.A's. Field Companies to be relieved as found possible. 2nd Australian Pioneer Bn, except one company, on work on tramline, to be relieved under C.R.E's. orders. G.O.C. 4th Aust. Div. to assume command of area and front at 9 a.m. on 7th August.	Appx (Order CXXXI 39.)
		p.m. 3.30	Army Commander called at D.H.Q. Orders issued for relief	↓ Appx. CXXXII
		5.0	2nd Australian Divisional Order 39 Table 'A' issued in lieu of table issued with Order 38. D.H.Q. to move to-morrow to RUBEMPRE.	

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ALBERT	1916. August 6	a.m.		
		12.45	To 4th, 6th, 7th and 12th Brigades - Forwarding Army Commanders wishes as regards holding of O.G.1 and O.G.2.	wire.
		12.57	Signals (to) - G.O.C. 5th Brigade handed over to 12th Brigade at 11.30 p.m.	wire.
		1.0	7th Brigade - Barrage blocked all C.T's. 27th Bn. 100 strong. 26th Bn. Headquarters cannot be found.	wire 652 sent 12.25
		1.8	To 6th Brigade - 26th Bn. headquarters cannot be found. Another runner has been sent to verify.	wire.
		1.7	4th F.A.Bde. - Enemy aircraft dropping lights over SAUSAGE VALLEY (12.52)	'phone.
		1.40	12th Aust. Inf. Bde. - Re Army Commanders wishes. Do you mean whole Div. front.	wire 653 untimed.
		1.47	To 12th Brigade - Army Commander means whole Divisional front.	wire.
		3.0	5th F.A.Bde.- Report gas shells in SAUSAGE VALLEY,	'phone.
		5.27	6th Brigade - Heavy shelling along along 5th Bn. KAY TRENCH and POZIERES. Consolidation continues.	wire 654 sent 4.25
		5.30	To Anzac etc. - Situation. Left Brigade reports shelling of KAY and POZIERES. ALBERT lightly shelled throughout the night.	wire.
			23rd Division - Situation (no effect on us).	wire.
		6.25	7th Brigade - Centre Brigade reports enemy barrage still continues. Communications with Battalions difficult. No change.	wire 656 sent 5.35
		6.37	To Anzac.- Repeating above message.	wire.
		7.10	25th Division - Asking if slow barrage on N.W. front may be stopped - yes!	'phone.

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ALBERT	August 6	a.m.		
		8.8	To Anzac - 12th Bde. relief impeded by gun fire. O.G.2 practically obliterated. Two prisoners taken.	wire.
		8.10	22nd Howitzer Brigade - Report three enemy sausages up.	'phone.
			To Anzac - repeating above to Anzac and R.F.C.	wire.
		8.15	7th Brigade - 26th Bn. patrols unable to go far. No signs of enemy. S.O.S. signal seen at 5.10 a.m. Enemy fire heavy. No signs of enemy attack. Tramway trench blown in. Short of stretcher bearers.	wire 660 sent 6.55
		8.40	7th Brigade - About 4.45 enemy sent up many green rockets on right front.	wire 662 sent 7.30
		8.5	7th Brigade - 27th Bn. withdrawn and on way to SAUSAGE VALLEY.	wire 659 untimed.
		8.45	7th Brigade - Bombing attack on centre repulsed. Reported no wounded left in O.G.2 vacated. COPSE Avenue and enemy trenches destroyed.	untimed.
		9.22	12th Division - Reporting that enemy had made liquid fire attack on RATION TRENCH.	wire 644 sent 8.45
		9.2	To Anzac - 7th Brigade report patrols found no sign of enemy in front of O.G.1. 28th Bn. reports that their trenches were improved during night. Left flank in touch with 48th Bn. (flank of right brigade). In touch also with 6th Brigade on left. Asking that Brigade may be relieved. Very short of stretcher bearers. We sent stretcher bearers from Field Ambulance to assist.	
		9.25	7th Brigade - From General Paton reporting that captured trenches were very lightly held. Continuous shell fire last night. Garrison not in front line, collected in rear. General state of exhaustion. Fresh troops required. Lewis guns manned by scratch teams.	personal to Col. Bridges.
		9.45	7th Brigade - 26th and 28th Bns. in reserve near Brigade Headquarters. Battalions very weak.	wire 665 sent 9.20

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ALBERT	1916. August 6	a.m. 10.0	1st Anzac - Reporting enemy balloon up at 8.41 a.m.	wire 665A sent 9.40
		11.8	12th Brigade - Heavy shelling along O.G.1 and 2. 48th Bn. taken five more prisoners.	wire 668 sent 10.53
		11.10	6th Brigade - Quiet night. Digging back from 91 - 98.	wire 669 sent 11.10
		11.11	Div. Artillery - Enemy balloon up. Shelling of MAMETZ WOOD.	'phone.
		11.31	7th Brigade - Enemy still shelling front line. 3 M.G's out of action.	wire 671 sent 10.45
		11.23	Corps Cage - Reporting one prisoner and one deserter of 63rd Regiment.	wire 670 sent 11.8
		11.20	To Anzac etc.- Situation. Right Bde. reports enemy shelling O.G.1 and 2. Centre Bde. reports front line being held with M.G's. In touch with flank brigades. Left Bde. reports quiet night.	wire.
		11.30	II Corps. - Situation. Reports use of liquid fire by enemy in RATION TRENCH.	wire 672 sent 10.5
		11.50 P.M.	To Ig. Anzac - Forwarding captured documents.	wire.
		12.20	7th Brigade - reporting that enemy concentrating in trenches on next ridge about 1000 yards away.	No 673 sent 11.42
			To C.R.A. - Reporting above and asking him to let Heavies know.	'phone.
		12.30	To Anzac etc. - Reporting the above.	wire.
		1.29	7th Brigade - Making composite battalion under Major Stone to relieve 26th and 27th Bns.	wire 667 untimed.
		3.15	Signals - No communication with TARA HILL.	'phone.
		3.50	1st Anzac - Situation Report.	wire 682 sent 3.30

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ALBERT	1916. August 6	p.m. 3.50	C.R.A. - 6th F.A.Bde. reports enemy heavily shelling O.G.2.	'phone.
		4.25	To 12th Brigade - There will be no operation on your flank to-night not does the Brigade on your right flank require your co-operation.	wire
		4.59	12th Brigade - Situation report . Enemy can be seen between TORR TRENCH and our line at about X.5.b.4.3. Casualties in Brigade 5 officers and 44 other ranks killed. 10 officers and 172 other ranks wounded.	wire 685 sent 4.20
		5.23	12th Division - Situation report. No change.	wire 686 sent 5.5
		5.24	7th Bde. - Situation report. Shelling of O.G. 1 and 2.	wire 688 sent 5.0
		4.50	C.R.A. - Situation. Enemy heavily shelling trenches near WINDMILL.	wire 684
		5.30	To 1st Anzac etc. - Situation. Right Brigade report shelling of O.G.1 and 2. Left Bn. left O.G.2 for O.G.1 on account of shelling. Centre Brigade reports shelling. Left Brigade no report.	wire.
		6.5	23rd Division - Situation (does not affect us). 6th Brigade - Enemy heavily shelling front line.	wire 691 sent 5.42 wire 690 sent 6.0
		6.15	23rd Division - Report they are working up MUNSTER ALLEY and are within 150 yards of SWITCH. Enemy can be seen in shell holes in front of TORR TRENCH. Can we help.	'phone.
		6.20	To 6th Brigade - Situation in TORR TRENCH given to Gen. Glasfurd. He will help with M.G's and T.M's.	'phone.
		6.23	To 23rd Division - Informing 23rd Div. of above.	'phone.
		6.25	To 12th Bde. C.R.A., Anzac Heavies - Informed as to situation above in TORR TRENCH.	wire.

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ALBERT	1916. August 6	p.m. 6.25	To 1st Anzac etc. - Continuation of Situation report (No 175) Left Brigade reports shelling of front line. Otherwise quiet.	wire.
		6.40	7th Brigade - O.G.1 being heavily shelled. 1st Anzac - Every effort must be made to get all wounded in from O.G.1 and 2. To 12th Bde. (23rd Div) - Liaison Officer to report to the H.Q. Brigade on your right. To Anzac etc. - Gun position located at R.29.a.2.9. R.29.a.9.9.	wire 694 sent 6.5 wire 693 sent 6.0 wire.
		6.55	To 3 Bdes. - Every effort to be made to recover wounded from O.G.1 and 2.	wire.
		7.30	To C.R.A. Heavies, 6th and 7th Bdes.- 23rd Division report having bombed up MUNSTER ALLEY to within 150 yards of switch. Enemy in shell holes in front of TORR TRENCH. 12th Bde. to help with M.G's and T.M's.	wire.
		7.45	To 1st Anzac - Considerable movement along trench between R.29.a.5.7. and 27.b.9.7. Also reports trench opposite RATION TRENCH strongly held.	wire 697 sent 7.30
		7.55	To Brigades - Estimated number of prisoners 3 officers and 400 pther ranks.	wire.
		8.10	To all units - Reporting enemy movements in trench R.27.a.5.7 - 27.b.9.7 etc.	wire.
		9.0	C.R.A.- Single red rockets going up on right of 7th Brigade. Heavy enemy firing. II and III Corps and Anzac Heavies warned.	'phone.
		9.3	25th Div. Artillery - Asking for situation. Informed of the red rockets and is chipping in.	'phone.
		9.10	To 1st Anzac - At 9 p.m. C.R.A. informed no heavy enemy fire on left of right brigade. Single red rockets going up. Heavy artillery warned.	wire,

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ALBERT	1918. August 6	p.m. 9.15	To 12th Brigade - Asking for news. They inform us that single red rockets going up may be on account of shortage of rockets in front line.	'phone.
		9.20	C.R.A.- 22nd Art. Bde. report red rockets going up at minute intervals in X.5.b.0.8. Rockets break into three.	'phone.
			III Corps - Pigeon message. Heavy casualties in MUNSTER ALLEY from enemy in shell holes in front of TORR TRENCH. Can we help.	'phone.
		9.22	To 12th Brigade - Reporting the above. Can you do anything to help. General Glasfurd told us that G.O.C. 36th Brigade would ask for help if he required it. Have told my men to get on to enemy with M.G's and T.M's. -Q..Have you any Lewis Guns in front of O.G.1. A.. None S. of BAPAUME Road. All probably knocked out.	'phone.
			12th Brigade - Very heavy shelling of O.G.1 and 2. May barrage be increased please.	wire 699 sent 9.10
		10.5	25th Division - F.O.O. reports shelling normal.	'phone.
		10.7	To Anzac Heavies - Shelling now normal on POZIERES.	'phone.
		10.15	6th Brigade - Brigade relief complete.	wire 706.
		10.35	1st Anzac - Asking us to help Division on right as enemy in shell holes in front of TORR TRENCH causing casualties.	wire 703 sent 10.20
		10.40	To 23rd Division - Can we do anything to help or have you any plan? 23rd said they intended to hang and suggested we should hold TORR TRENCH as they did not intend to occupy it themselves. Pointed out to them undesirable to do so owing to uncertain situation.	'phone.
		11.0	12th Brigade - Enemy shelling O.G.1 and 2 heavily. Patrols going out to reconnoitre situation at WINDMILL.	wire 705 sent 100
		10.55	Anzac - Captured documents say relief takes place 2 a.m.	'phone.

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ALBERT	1916. August 6	p.m. 11.10	12th Division - Situation Report. Normal.	wire 708 sent 11.10
		11.20	C.R.A., 12th and 4th Bdes.- Re enemy relief at 2 a.m. M.G. fire to play on communication trenches.	wire.
		11.30	To 1st Anzac etc. - Situation. Right brigade reports heavy shelling of O.G.1 and 2. 4 Lewis guns out of action. No report from left Brigade.	wire 199
	6/7. Midnight a.m. 7	12.14	Enemy Shelling Albert about 1 round per Minute. 12th Brigade - 45th Bn. had helped flank Brigade in MUNSTER ALLEY.	wire 711 sent 11.50
		12.35	C.R.A. - Reporting German relief to take place at 2 a.m. Artillery arrangements to search enemy communication trenches and tracks.	wire 713 sent 12.8
		12.23	4th Brigade - Have relieved 6th Brigade and taken over line R.33.d.8.4 - 34.b.12 - 35.c.38. Enemy artillery fire very heavy in R.34.c.	wire 712 sent 10.45
		12.55	1st Anzac - Giving 23rd Division situation. To 1st Anzac - Reporting relief of 6th Brigade by 4th Brigade.	wire 715 sent 12.30 wire.
		1.45	23rd Division - X.5.a.9.9 - X.5.b.1.8 being heavily shelled by enemy.	'phone.
		2.30	12th Brigade - Heavy bombardment still continues on front line.	wire 716 sent 2.25
		4.0	C.R.A. - Enemy shelling SAUSAGE VALLEY, TARA HILL and O.G.1 and 2 in left brigade area. To C.R.A., 34th Div. Art. and Anzac Heavies - Reporting as in message above.	'phone. wire.
		4.10	C.R.A. - Two guns of 6th F.A.Bde. put out of action in SAUSAGE VALLEY.	'phone.
		5.42	12th Division - Situation (did not affect our situation).	wire 719 sent 5.5
		5.35	4th Bde.- Enemy shelled O.G.1 and 2 all night. Communications to front cut.	wire 718 sent 4.35

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ALBERT	1916. August 7	a.m.		
		6.30	23rd Division - Still hold MUNSTER ALLEY. Were heavily shelled all night.	'phone. phone.
		6.40	C.R.A.- 6th F.A. Brigade report enemy attacking our right brigade. C.R.A. had warned 34th Div. Artillery.	'phone.
		6.42	To 25th Div. Art. - Told them of the attack on our right.	"
		6.43	Communication cut with our right Brigade.	"
		6.45	Communication cut with our three brigades.	"
			Pigeon message addressed to 12th Bde. from O.C. 48th Bn. - Give artillery retaliation. Re-inforcements urgently required.	Timed 6.15
		6.50	To 23rd Division - Has 23rd Div. Art. news of an attack on our right? No - all was quiet at MUNSTER ALLEY at 6.30 a.m.	'phone.
		6.52	Anzac Heavies - (to) - Informing them of reported attack. They are opening and informing II and III Corps Heavies.	'phone.
		6.55	C.R.A. - No further news received.	"
		7.5	To 1st Anzac - Enemy reported to be attacking our right.	wire.
		6.53	23rd Division - Situation report. Situation in MUNSTER ALLEY. No change.	wire 721 sent 6.5
		7.20	To Heavies - 1 6" bty- 2 60-pdr. Btys. 1 8" Bty. all firing or behind R.35.d.3.5 - 27 and R.35.c.9.1.	'phone.
		7.35	To 7th Sd. R.F.C. - Telling them of heavy attack. They are sending up machine to scout.	'phone.
			C.R.A.- 6th F.A.Bde. reports attack beaten off at 6.40 a.m. 34th, 25th Div. Art. and Heavies been informed.	'phone.

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ALBERT	1916. August 7	a.m. 7.40	To 1st Anzac - Counter-attack reported to have been driven off at 6.40 a.m.	wire.
		7.52	23rd Division - Situation at MUNSTER ALLEY much quieter.	'phone.
		8.10	12th Brigade - At 5.52 a.m. Enemy attacked O.G.1 and 2 N. of WINDMILL. At 6.20 a.m. we counter-attacked and retook O.G.2 and 50 prisoners. All quiet now.	wire 723 sent 7 a.m.
		8.13	4th Brigade - At 4.30 a.m. 14th and 15th Bns. were attacked and our line receded. Enemy driven back again. 1 officer and 40 other ranks taken prisoner.	wire 724 sent 7 a.m.
		8.40	1st Anzac - General situation report.	wire 725 sent 8.35
			To 1st Anzac - Sending reports of enemy attack on our line.	wire.
		9.23	1st Anzac - III Corps sends thanks for our prompt action at MUNSTER ALLEY.	wire 726 sent 8.55
		9.40	To 4th Division - Sending on III Corps thanks for prompt action at MUNSTER ALLEY.	wire.
		10.25	To 1st Anzac - Reliefs of 26th and 28th Bns. completed at 1 a.m.	wire.
RUBEMPRE.		10.33	To 1st Anzac = G.O.C. 2nd Australian Division handed over to G.O.C. 4th Aust. Division.	wire.
		noon	Div. H.Qrs. closed at ALBERT And opened at RUBEMPRE.	
		noon	Enemy shelling ALBERT about one round a minute.	
		8		
CANAPLES.		a.m. 10.30	Div. H.Qrs. closed at RUBEMPRE and opened at CANAPLES.	
		10	H.Qrs. 2nd Aust. Div. Artillery arrived at CANAPLES.	
		p.m. 3.0	H.M. The King passed through WARLOY and inspected 7th Inf. Bde. Men paraded without arms with belts. Weather fine and warm.	

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ALBERT	Aug. 6/7	m.night	Enemy shelling ALBERT about one round per minute.	
	7	a.m. 10.30	Div. H.Qrs. closed at ALBERT and opened at RUBEMPRE.	
CANAPLES	8	10.30	Div. H.Qrs. closed at RUBEMPRE and opened at CANAPLES.	
	p.m. 10	p.m. 3.0	H.M. the KING passed through WARLOY and inspected 7th Infantry Brigade. Men paraded without arms with belts.	
		noon	H.Qrs. 2nd Aust. Divisional Artillery arrived at CANAPLES.	
	11	9.50	C.R.A. reports 5th and 6th F.A.Brigades and 2nd and 3rd Sections D.A.C. arrived at ST.LEGER. H.Qrs. 1st and 4th Sections D.A.C. at VAL de MAISON. 6th Infantry Brigade arrived BERTEAUCOURT. 7th Infantry Brigade arrived LA VICOGNE.	
	12	p.m. 10.0	7th Inf. Brigade and 2nd Pioneer Bn. to FIEFFES - MONTRELET and CANAPLES. Disposition of units to-night shown in appendix. Weather during day has been fine and warm. Morning misty.	Appx. CXXXIII
	13	10.0	Nothing to record.	
	14	8.30	Report on Operations 28/29th July and 4/5th August to 1st Anzac.	
	15	10.45	1st Anzac Order 26 re relief of 4th Div. by 1st Div. received. A brigade of 2nd Div. to move on 16th to LA VICOGNE - on 17th from LA VICOGNE to RUBEMPRE.	Appx. CXXXIV
		12.45	1st Anzac Order 27 re move of 2 brigades to LA VICOGNE - VADENCOURT - HARPONVILLE etc.	Appx. CXXXV
			2nd Aust. Div. Order No 40 re move 5th and 6th Inf. Bdes. Groups xxxx issued.	Appx. CXXXVI

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CANAPLES	1916.			
	August 16	p.m. 11.0	5th Infantry Brigade and 5th Field Company to LA VICOGNE. - 1st day Divisional Boxing Tournament. 2nd Australian Divisional Order No 41 issued.	Appx. CXXXVII
	17		5th Infantry Brigade and 5th Field Company to VADENCOURT - Orders from 1st Anzac of move of D.H.Q. to RUBEMPRES to-morrow - 2nd Day Div. Boxing Tournament. - G.S.O.(1) to ROUEN.	Appx. CXXXVIII
	18		D.H.Q. closed at CANAPLES 12 noon and opened at RUBEMPRES same time. General Cuxton and Canadian Staff Officer visited D.H.Q.	
RUBEMPRES	19	a.m. 8.50	1st Anzac order re relief by 2nd Division of 1st Aust. Division and consequent moves received.	Appx. CXXXIX
		p.m. 2.0	2nd Aust. Div. Order No 42 for relief of 1st Aust. Div. issued.	Appx. CXL
		noon	Conference of Brigadiers and C.R.A. at D.H.Q. Matters under discussion lessons and improvements to be deduced from last operations 27th July to 7th August.	
TARA HILL	23	a.m. 9.0	D.H.Q. moved from RUBEMPRES to TARA HILL. Command of front and "T" area taken over by Major-General Legge from Major-General Walker commanding 1st Aust. Division. Situation on taking over command - 5th Aust. Inf. Brigade holds Right Brigade sector from MUNSTER ALLEY to R.34.d.6.9 $\frac{1}{2}$. (19th Bn. on right and 20th Bn. on left) vide plan 17th Bn. in support, 18th Bn. in reserve. Left Sector taken over last night by 6th Inf. Brigade from R.34.d.6.9 $\frac{1}{2}$ to R.33.a.8.1. Three battalions in front line one in support. Artillery supporting us 2nd Aust. Div. Artillery and Lahore Div. Artillery (from 4th Aust. Div.) 7th Aust. Inf. Bde. in reserve 2 Bns. at TARA HILL and SASSAGE VALLEY 2 Bns at BRICKFIELDS. Relief of 19th Bn. and 20th by 17th and 18th Bns. 5th Aust. Inf. Bde. being carried out to-night commencing at 8 p.m. Weather fine with some clouds and misty.	Appx. CXLI Appx. CXLII
		10.35	Situation right sector generally quiet. Light shelling on support trenches. Snipers active. Situation left Brigade normal.	

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TARA HILL	19 16 Aug. 23	a.m. 9.0	Situation on front line as handed over by 1st Australian Division X.6.a.1.5 - R.35.d.0.5 - R.35.d.1.2 - R.35.d.1½.4 - R.35.c.3.8½ - R.34.b.6.0 - 13.- 07½ - R.34.a.9.9. - R.28.c.9.1 - 21 - ½1½ - 33.b.9½.9 - R.27.d.9.1 - 80 - 70 - R.33.b.5.9. with a small post pushed out to R.33.b.4½.9½. From R.33.b.5.9 - 6½8 - 4½7 - 55 - 54 - 3½2 thence round N. side of QUARRY to R.33.b.8.1.	See Map.
		p.m. 3.30	B.G.G.S. 1st Anzac visited D.H.Q. to explain policy and intended movements of 4th Aust. Div. into the line in relief of the 2nd Aust. Div.	
		4.0	1st Anzac S.739 re relief 2nd Aust. Div. by 4th Aust. Div. Recd.	Appx. CXLIII
		5.20	Left Brigade reports quiet during day. QUARRY occasionally shelled. Enemy aircraft active during morning. One enemy plane reported "crashed" near BAZENTIN. Work on strengthening QUARRY being carried out. Touch with Brigade on left not established.	
		5.50	Enemy aeroplanes active. Enemy artillery fire decreased on SAUSAGE VALLEY.	
		6.50	15th Divisional Order No 77 for operation against German trench S.2,c.9.9. and SWITCH LINE received. 1st Anzac Order No 33 detailing move of 4th Div. into S and T area and cancelling Order 31 received. The Lahore Artillery to remain attached to and at the disposal of the G.O.C. 2nd Aust. Division. Disposition of units given in appendix.	Appx. CXLIV
		10.12	1st Anzac Order No 34 re move of 1st Aust. Div. Artillery and 4th Aust. Inf. Bde. groups received.	Appx. CXLV

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TARA HILL	19 18. Aug. 23	p.m. 10.42	1st Anzac Instructions S.743 received (a) 1 Bde. 4th Aust. Div. to relieve 1 Bde. 2nd Aust. Division probably 26/27th (b) Reserve Bde. 2nd Aust. Div. available to relieve Right Bde. 2nd Aust. Div. probably 27/28th (c) G.O.C. 4th Aust. Div. to take over from G.O.C. 2nd Aust. Div. probably 9 a.m. 28th Aug. (d) two brigades 2nd Aust. Division to move to entraining area two Bdes. 4th Aust. Div. to come up in reserve probably 26/27/28 and following days (e) G.O.C. 4th Aust. Div. to carry out operation referred to in para. 3 of S.739 - after which it may be necessary to place a second Brigade of 4th Aust. Div. in line (f) Brigade in right sector to be relieved by a brigade of 1st Canadian Division and moved to entraining area probably 30/31st August. (g) a Brigade of 1st Canadian Division may take over portion of front from 4th Aust. Division probable date 31st Aug/1st Sept. (h) 2nd Aust. Div. will entrain probably 2nd September.	
		10.30	6th Brigade (left sector) reports situation normal. Consolidation Consolidation continues.	
		11.25	5th Brigade reports enemy shelling of front line from right of BAPAUME ROAD to MUNSTER ALLEY doing slight damage. Enemy aeroplanes active. Our planes engaged three hostile planes forcing them to retire. Line unchanged. Improvements to trenches continue.	
	24	a.m. 8.0	5th Aust. Inf. Bde. completed relief 11.15 p.m. Decreased enemy artillery activity. Generally quiet night. Heavy barrage rear of left Brigade lines along SUNKEN ROAD. Patrols out during night. Trenches being improved. Weather cloudy, wind 3 m.p.h. S to S.S.W.	
		10.25	Right Brigade reports stretcher bearers working in No Mans Land under white flag collecting wounded unmolested. Asks if practice to continue and are enemy to be allowed to act similarly. G.S.O.(1) spoke on 'phone. It must cease.	

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TARA HILL	Aug. 24	a.m. 10.45	Situation quiet and little shelling on left. Enemy snipers active. Some damage to DOT TRENCH from artillery fire. Right of BAPAUME ROAD party of enemy about 50 left shell holes at daylight and returned to their front line. Shell holes approximately R.35.d.6.5 $\frac{3}{4}$ - R.35.d.9.5.	
		11.50	1st Anzac wires ordering continuation of bombardment of trenches R.33.a.4.7 to B.0.7, R.27.d.1.2 to c.90.63 - R.27.c.9.0 62 to b.48.05 - d.45.50 - 45 - 85 - 74 R.28.c.3.6 - 95.	
		p.m. 2.10	2nd Aust. Div. Artillery Summary for 24 hours - 9 a.m. 23rd to 9 a.m. 24th. Shows intermittent shelling MASH VALLEY and road near A.14.a - X.13.d. Barrage front and rear of POZIERES in morning. Less fire during afternoon. Some fire on SAUSAGE VALLEY. Fire on MASH VALLEY from N. and N.W. and COURCELETTE. Fairly quiet night. We maintained slow barrage German Trench R.55.d.3.5 - a.61 - a.08 being registered.	
		5.20	Right Brigade reports less enemy artillery activity. Enemy battery 4.2 (?) seen last night and to-day 359 degrees from O.P. at R.35.c.5 $\frac{1}{2}$.6 $\frac{1}{2}$. Another fixed by flash 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ degrees mag. Estimated 4000 yards range. Group of 77mm guns estimated 2500 yards, bearing 27 deg. mag.	
		6.10	1st Anzac Advance Order for moves in connection with relief by 4th Aust. Division. 1 Bde. from line to BRICKFIELDS 27/28th Aug. 1 Bde. from BRICKFIELDS to line 28/29th. 1 Bde. line to BRICKFIELDS 28th.	
		11.05	Increased enemy artillery fire on both brigade fronts during afternoon and evening. Our M.G's. active against enemy rear lines on right Brigade front during day. At 5 p.m. two enemy planes driven back from crossing our lines by our aircraft. Gas and tear shells thrown into SUNKEN ROAD near X.11.a.2.2 9.15 p.m. and still continuing. Work on DOT TRENCH progressing well.	

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TARA HILL	1916. Aug. 24	p.m. 11.05	Vicinity QUARRY, POZIERES, and CHALK PIT shelled during afternoon. 24th Bn. has taken over right sector right Bde. 21st Bn. left sector to prepare assault trenches for attack on 27 - 77 - 47 - 27. Enemy fire on N. front has caused many casualties.	
		11.35	Weather forecast - Wind S.W. 10 m.p.h. increasing and changing to S.W. or S.E. to 15 or 20 m.p.h. veering S.W. again. Mainly overcast with occasional drizzle. Mild and humid.	
	25	a.m. 4.54	Morning situation. Less enemy shelling during night than usual.	
		9.5	5th Inf. Bde. reports relief of 17th and 18th Bns. by 19th and 20th to-night.	
		10.40	Enemy artillery activity increased. Heavy shelling right Brigade front 8.45 to 9 a.m. Sniping both sides active. Enemy aircraft driven back by our planes. Five enemy balloons seen. Now quiet. Quiet on left Brigade front.	
		11.20	Corps Cage reports two prisoners of 2nd Bn. 5th Guard Grenadier Regt. captured by 6th Aust. Inf. Brigade 4.30 a.m. 25/8/1916. This Regt. relieved 69th Inf. Bde. last night.	
		p.m. 12.45	1st Anzac Order No 35 received re attack on 26th instant on enemy line R.33.b.2.7 - a.77 - a.54. Posts to be established at R.27.d.73 - 42 - and 12. Zero time ^{hour} to be 4.45 a.m.	Appx. CXLVI
		1.0	Right Brigade reports line now runs from MUNSTER ALLEY X.6.a.1.4 along DOT TRENCH to X.5.b.7 $\frac{1}{2}$.7 $\frac{3}{4}$ - R.35.d.50 - R.35.d.1 $\frac{1}{2}$.2 - R.35.d.24 - R.35.d.04 $\frac{1}{4}$ - R.35.c.3.5 $\frac{3}{4}$ O.G.2 at R.35.c.4 $\frac{1}{2}$.6 $\frac{3}{4}$. - R.35.c.3.7 $\frac{1}{2}$ - R.35.c.1.9 - O.G.2 to R.34.d.6.9.	

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TARA HILL	1916. Aug. 25	p.m. 1.20	Left Brigade reports MOUQUET FARM reconnoitred last night found unoccupied. Patrol found enemy O.P. and shot three of the occupants. artillery	
		3.15	2nd Aust. Div. Order No 43 issued dealing with attack on enemy position R.33.b.2.7 - a.77 - 54 to S.W. of MOUQUET FARM by 6th Inf. Bde.	Appx. CXLVII
		3.20	C.R.A. reports enemy showing no activity on front line WINDMILL to R.34.b.3.7 (report by Div. T.M. Officer just returned).	
		3.30	Report from 5th Inf. Bde. re enemy's position action occupying shell holes in front of their trenches during night. Our snipers now have ascendancy over enemy.	
		4.45	Right Brigade reports situation normal during day.	
		5.7	Enemy shelling decreased on Right Brigade front but still intermittent in support and centre. Attempted enemy air reconnaissance driven back by our planes. Work on front line trenches continues.	
		7.0	Observers report heavy barrage on POZIERES and front line 6.45 p.m.	
		10.55	Right Brigade report enemy artillery active between 6 and 8 p.m. At 4.15 p.m. 2 enemy planes attempting to reconnoitre our front chased off by our planes. Observers report three hostile batteries seen firing this evening near R. 22 23.c.40 and in cutting and sap due S. of that point.	
		11.0	5th Inf. Brigade reports relief completed.	

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TARA HILL	Aug. 25	p.m. 11.30	6th Inf. Bde. reports three prisoners taken by 21st Bn. belonging to 2nd Guard Reserve Regt. Their regiment to relieve 1st Bn. to-morrow night.	
			2nd Aust. Div. Order for relief of 5th and 6th Inf. Brigades by 7th and 4th Aust. Inf. Bdes. on 27th - 28th August issued.	Appx. CXLVIII
	26	a.m. 4.35	5th Brigade Situation report. Enemy artillery decreased and generally quiet during last six hours.	wire 999 sent 4.15
		5.0	6th Brigade. Shelling in front quiet. Situation in accordance with orders.	wire 945 sent 4.44
		5.15	To Anzac. Situation - reporting the two above wires.	wire.
		5.30	48th Div. Situation normal.	wire 947 sent 5.15
		5.50	C.R.A. Verbal report from Major Beasley that enemy retaliation is very slight. (From an F.O.O.)	
		6.15	C.R.A. Enemy batteries in action observed at R.7.b.8.9 - R.12.c.5.0 R.13.d.2.5.	
		6.37	15th Division. Situation report.	wire 950 sent
		6.45	6th Brigade. Line occupied from 27 - 100 yards E of 77. Point 54 found to be very strong. Consolidation proceeds.	wire 951 sent 6.20

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TARA HILL	Aug. 26	a.m. 6.55	To 6th Brigade. Asking Gen. Gellibrand situation. 54 not taken - 59 and 27 linked up - patrols in advance of 91 on way to 73 and in advance of 01 also on way to 95.	'phone.
		7.5	To Anzac. Giving situation.	wire 497
		7.10	P.B. Enemy counter-attack feared.	pigeon.
			21st Bn. Objective reached but point 54 not taken.	pigeon.
		7.15	6th Brigade. Gen. Gellibrand asked for "green" barrage. Artillery asked to put this on.	'phone.
		7.25	To 6th Brigade. Asking if whole of "green" barrage wanted. Yes - but keep clear of 31. Artillery informed.	'phone.
		7.30	21st Bn. Reporting they have been stopped and driven back at places. Front line being heavily shelled. Enemy appear to be advancing in strength.	954 addsd 6th Bde. (pigeon). wire 956 sent 7.28
		7.43	6th Bde. Line now runs 31 - 27 to near 77 - S. of 54 to S.W.	'phone.
		7.48	To Anzac Artillery. Gen. Napier (Anzac R.A.) putting on Heavies from 24 westwards.	wire 957 sent 6.50
		7.50	6th Brigade. 21st Bn. reports that they are at 77 and in front of 54. Increased artillery action required.	
		7.55	To(Lahore) C.R.A. Re above "black" barrage, moved to 2nd position.	
		8.5	To 5th Brigade. Asking situation. Informed that men at point 31 have been pushed back a little.	'phone.
		8.10	To C.R.A.Lahore. Enemy massing N. of MOUQUET FARM. Artillery rate been increased.	Verbal.
		8.25	21st Bn. Reinforcements arrived. We are held up at present 54 by M.G. fire. Shortage of Stokes Ammunition.	49 960.pigeon

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TARA HILL	19 16. Aug. 26	a.m. 8.30	Enemy reinforcing from 54. Small parties still holding shell holes. Heavy casualties in carrying parties.	966 961 pigeon
			C.R.A. Lahore. Enemy reinforcing and massing N. of MOUQUET FARM.	'phone.
		8.40	To 7th Brigade. 200 men to report to 6th Brigade as a carrying party for Stokes ammunition.	'phone.
		8.42	24th Bn. Points 31, 38, 27 not gained. Heavy M.G. fire from MOUQUET FARM. Enemy massing due north. (Lahore Artillery asked to give bursts of fire on area indicated by Col. Bridges).	946 pigeon.
		9.5	To Anzac. Giving situation. Enemy reported to be massing N. of MOUQUET FARM. Heavy and Div. Artillery turned on.	wire 500
		10.0	24th Bn. Point 31 in 27.d not taken. Enemy massing to north of MOUQUET FARM.	965 pigeon.
		10.5	No speaking communication with 6th Brigade.	
		10.20	Speaking communication with 6th Brigade re-established.	
		10.55	6th Brigade. Stokes Mortars did good work from QUARRY. Our barrage on line 42 westwards at 8 a.m. against enemy massing effective (but did not last long enough). Our men not close enough to 54 to handicap our heavy or field artillery. Enemy hold 31, 27 and MOUQUET FARM. 27 being attacked by our bombers. We hold line of shell holes from captured trench to within 250 yards of 77, then down to 81. Attack being organised against 54 for noon.	
			To Anzac Heavies and C.R.A. Arranged preliminary arrangements bombardment to attack on 54, trench west of 24 and trench immediately south of this line to take place at 11.30.	verbal.
		10.57	To II Corps Heavies. Should we like their heavies on 54? Yes, please.	'phone.
		11.0	To 1st Anzac. Reporting the three above to Anzac, Heavies, and C.R.A.	wire 500
		11.5	C.R.A. F.O.O. reports enemy barrage ceased. Quiet along our front.	

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TARA HILL	1916 Aug. 26	a.m. 11.25 p.m. 12.2	48th Division. Situation unchanged. 5th Aust. Inf. Bde. Situation report. 4.48 a.m. heavy enemy fire on left. Barrage along our line R.35.c.75 to X.5.b.7.7½. Front line damaged. DOT TRENCH R.35.d.0 to R.35.d.2.3 blown in. O.G.1 between 22 19 and 37 (x.5.d) badly hit. Parties repairing. SYDNEY STREET for 50 yards E.N.E. of junction with UNION TRENCH filled in for distance of 12 feet, also Lewis Gun positions DOT TRENCH blown in. New sites being constructed. 7 a.m. enemy fire slackened. Red flares sent us while our fire was on objective also green flares breaking into twin lights. From 7 a.m. everything quiet.	wire 970 sent 11.10
		12.5	From G.S.O.(1) to Gen. White. Situation as we believe it to be at present.	'phone.
		12.40	B.M.Artillery. One of our planes seen to fall in direction of POZIERES.	
		12.55	To 7th Sq. R.F.C. Report re plane mentioned above.	
		1.5	From Anzac. Inquiry re plane report repeated. Wish further information.	'phone.
		1.5	C.R.A. Enemy's fire has slackened off.	
		1.10	6th Brigade. From X.15.central plane observed to fall in CONTALMAISON direction at 12.30.	'phone.
		1.15	Anzac Heavies. Reported to us enemy's fire has slackened off. Heavies have slackened.	
		1.34	1st Anzac. From X.15.central plane observed to fall in CONTALMAISON direction.	G.8
		1.45	5th Inf. Bde. Plane 6743 fell near 44th Brigade, 500 yards S.E. 5th Bde. H.Qrs. Machine total wreck. Believe observer and pilot fatally injured. No hostile artillery or machine gun fire noticed observed.	wire 982
		1.47	To Anzac. Repeating above message re plane.	'phone.
		1.50	To 7th R.F.C. -do-	

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TARA HILL	Aug. 26	p.m. 1.55	To 15th Division. Repeating message re plane.	
		1.47	C.R.A. 5th F.A. Brigade report enemy massing in R.27.d.4.2 - 7.3, R.28.c.0.3 - 0.4. Have warned batteries and quickened barrage.	wire 981 sent 127
		2.0	5th F.A. Bde. Strong bombing attack coming down trench R.27.d.7.3 - 6.9. Enemy massing at 73. Artillery support required.	wire 986
		2.1	24th Bn. Repeating above.	wire 984
		2.15	To Anzac Heavies and C.R.A. Informing them of above. Artillery barraging. Field Artillery from 78 - 12 and Heavies O.G. north to 51.	verbal & 'phone.
		2.20	To 7th Brigade. Re casualties and missing man reported in works report.	G. 12
		2.25	To Anzac. Report re bombing attack.	G, 13
		2.38	C.R.A. Enemy working in sap R.34.B. 7.8 shelled by us.	wire 987
		2.25	A.P.M. Three prisoners in Corps Cage.	wire 989
		3.0	To 1st Anzac. Out of touch with 6th Brigade. Enemy have heavy barrage on front trenches in 34.b 28.c. Asking for more counter-battery work.	G. 15
		2.45	R.F.C. Enemy M.G's. seen at R.27.d.12 and 55.	verbal.
		3.0	R.F.C. QUARRY R.33.b reported to be full of men.	'phone.
		3.20	To C's R.A. Lahore and 2nd Div., 5th Bde., Anzac, and 6th Bde. R.F.C. observer has seen machine gun (enemy) in action R.27.a.1.2 and R.27.d.5.5.	G. 16
		3.25	Anzac Cage. Intelligence report.	wire 990

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TARA HILL	Aug. 26	p.m. 3.35	From 1st Anzac. Have asked 2nd and 5th Corps to do all they can to assist in reply to G.15	wire 991
			Capt. MacCallum from 6th Inf. Bde. verbal report with situation at 2.25.	502
		4.0	4th Bde. Staff Captain. Report that B.M. and 2 companies of relief battalions have gone to 6th Inf. Bde. Headquarters.	'phone.
		4.5	From G.S.O.1 to Staff Capt. 6th Inf. Bde. Arrangements for relief of Bns.	'phone.
		4.10	From B.M. 6th Inf. Bde. Discussed relief time. G.O.C. 6th Inf. Bde wishes time earlier.	'phone.
		4.20	From 5th Inf. Bde. Situation report.	wire 992
		4.27	From 24th Bn. Heavy and 18-pdrs. falling in 91 01 and 21 inflicting many casualties. Lengthen range 200 yards 73 04 03 24 83 MOUQUET FARM 1/5000 Sq. 27 28.	wire 993
		4.30	21st Bn. Incomplete - completed 995.	994
		4.35	6th Brigade. 24th Bn. report Germans carrying tins on backs into trenches on right at 91 and MOUQUET FARM. Tins when hit by snipers one exploded another gave out black smoke. Held as forecast use of liquid fire.	995
		4.57	To 1st Anzac. Repeating 995.	G.19
		5.5	From B.M. 6th Bde to G.S.O.1. Instructions for relief verbal. written instructions to follow to be communicated to B.M.. 4th Bde. and Cos. Battalions relieving. Instructions numbered G.21	'phone.
		5.8	From 6th Inf. Bde. Situation at 9.20 a.m.	997.
		5.20	From 5th Aust. Inf. Bde. Situation supplementary report.	996
		5.45	To 1st Anzac. The three prisoners of 2nd Guard Reserve Regiment were taken at the QUARRY in R.33.b	G.23

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TARA HILL	1916 Aug. 26	p.m. 5.36	To Corps Cage. Three prisoners received since 5 p.m. last night.	wire 998
		5.55	From 15th Division. Situation report.	wire 503
		6.10	Report and map dropped by contact aeroplane showing position of 21st Bn. on 6th Inf. Bde. front at present. Lines shows our troops occupy shell holes to north of trench 27 - 77. Saw no men in 77 but just to south of it. Thence line runs to about 200 yards S.S.E. of point 77. This line verified by a second observer. No flares seen or mirrors flashed E. of point 27.	
		6.10	To all units. Situation report.	G.24
		6.25	From G.S.O.1 to Gen. White. Giving him situation.	'phone.
			From 7th Brigade reporting return of missing men.	504
		6.15	From Gen. Fraser to G.S.O.1. Giving following positions shown on photo 431 of 26th. 28.c.2.4, 28.c.9 $\frac{1}{2}$.4, R.28.d.2 $\frac{1}{2}$.5 $\frac{1}{2}$.	'phone.
		6.35	From C.R.A. Reported relief is taking place in R.28.d.60 - 47. Artillery firing on this xx trench.	wire 605
		6.40	From C.R.A. Battery flashes seen at M.19.d.6.8.	606
		7.10	To 1st Anzac Heavies, Ig. Anzac. Reporting the above two messages.	627
		7.30	From 1st Anzac. Reference tins being carried up by enemy (955) Ig. Army say these are for use with FLAMMENWERFER.	'phone.
		7.35	To Brigades. Forwarding on the above message and telling them to take the necessary precautions.	G.30
		7.45	From 6th Brigade. Artillery fire eased down.	'phone.
			From Anzac. Wind report S.W.	508.

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TARA HILL	1918 Aug. 26	p.m. 8.0	From R.F.C. Observer reports having seen large cloud of smoke or dust on BAPAUME ROAD just south of WARLENCOURT.	'phone.
		8.30	To Ig. Anzac. Reporting the above to Anzac.	G, 32
		10.20	From 5th Bde. Hostile artillery active between 6 and 8 p.m, mainly against DOT TRENCH. New Bde. O.P. at R.35.c.7.6 $\frac{1}{2}$. Since 8 p.m. generally quiet. Line unchanged.	509 <u>CIL</u>
		10.35	1st Anzac Order 36 re transfer of command of line to 4th Aust. Div. on 28th Aug. received.	Appx. <u>CIL</u>
		10.40	From 6th Brigade. Normal during afternoon.	508
		11.15	To 1st Anzac. Situation report as in above messages.	G.35
		11.18	From 1st Anzac. Wind forecast S.W. (repeated C's.R.A. and Brigades).	511
		11.30	From 48th Division. Situation normal.	512
	27	a.m. 6.0	Situation on Divisional front reported normal.-position unchanged.	
		7.0	Message to 1st Anzac. 21st and 24th Bns. have been relieved and are proceeding to BRICKFIELDS.	
			Divisional Order No 45 re moves on relief by 4th Aust. Div. issued.	Appx. <u>CL</u>
		9.0	Cloudy. Slight drizzle. Wind S.W.	<u>CIL</u>
		10.0	Heavy rain. Ground rendered very slippery and difficult to move over.	
		11.22	Situation. Very little shelling on our front. No enemy aeroplane activity.	
		11.30	In consultation with G.O.C. 4th Aust. Div. it was settled that 7th Aust. Inf. Bde. take over in addition to the 5th Bde. front a portion of the left Brigade sector now held by 23rd Bn. up to and exclusive of LOOP TRENCH. ✓ 7th Bde. to have 3 Bns. in front line - one Bn. in SUNKEN ROAD. 4th Inf. Bde. to hold front from LOOP TRENCH inclusive to point 77, with 2 Bns.	

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TARA HILL	Aug. 27	a.m. 11.30	<u>Continued.</u> in front line, one Bn. in WIRE WIRE TRENCH, one Bn. at LA BOISSELLE. 5th Inf. Bde. to move on relief three Bns. Bde. H.Q., L.T.M. Battery and M.G. Coy to BRICKFIELDS and one Bn. to TARA HILL. The latter Bn. to be relieved to-morrow by a Bn. of 4th Aust. Division. G.O.C. 4th Aust. Division is arranging to start relief of 7th Inf. Bde. on 27th August. 30th	
		p.m. 1.0	Telephone message to 5th Inf. Brigade (taken by Bde. Major) that Battalion for TARA HILL to be the strongest in the Bde. G.O.C. must be prepared to move forward one or more Bns. from BRICKFIELDS at short notice in case of necessity.	
		2.0	F.O.O. 6th Field Art. Brigade reports no shelling on our front line.	
		2.30	Enemy heavily shelling CONTALMAISON and MAMETZ VALLEY.	
		3.0	4th Inf. Bde. reports relief last night carried out with very little enemy shelling. Line taken over R.33.a.8.1 (on left) - through QUARRY to B.55. This line rather shallow average depth four feet and held by two platoons and four Lewis Guns. Strong point 33.a.8.1. Series of strong holes being connected up from from R.33.a.7.2 to R.33.a.75. Work in progress to connect 72 with 70 05 and to continue trench from R.33.a.75 to 77 a strong point. Trench started towards 27. 30 yards already dug, also from b.55 towards b.48. SKYLINE TRENCH from R.33.a.81 to c.14 not occupied. Enemy strong points at a.54 and b.27. A.54 visible from our position - b.27 not so.	
		6.52	6th Brigade reports relief of of Bde. now completed and Bde. in billets in ALBERT.	
		8.45	Orders received from 4th Aust. Inf. Bde. regarding attack on points 27 and 54 to-night.	
		9.30	Signals report line to 7th Inf. Bde. down.	

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TARA HILL	Aug, 27	p.m. 9.40	B.G.G.S. 1st Anzac informed G.S.O.(1) that 2nd Bavarian Corps had come into the line on a narrow front astride BAPAUME. This may indicate strong counter-attack against this sector of our front. 7th Bde. must be warned about gas. Readiness of supporting troops. Communications should be duplicated. Flares and Very lights provided in liberal quantities. Artillery to be prepared to put down barrage rapidly. G.S.O.(1) explained that all 2nd Div. Artillery now on our right Brigade front.	
		9.50	7th Inf. Bde. reports relief of 5th Inf. Bde. completed.	
		10.0	2nd Aust. Div. Artillery warned re above message. Arrangements for barrage fire for operations to-night made with C.R.A. Lahore.	
		10.20	SAUSAGE VALLEY and SUNKEN ROAD being heavily shelled with large calibre shells - 8" and over. One gun 104th Battery knocked out and some casualties caused.	
		10.25	Divisional Artillery reports very heavy shelling of SAUSAGE VALLEY.	
		10.35	Information from 4th Inf. Brigade that attack would be made at midnight.	
		10.55	G.O.C. 7th Brigade told by G.S.O.(1) about 2nd Bavarian Corps. All precautions to be taken. Asks if G.O.C. would consider question of increasing number of Lewis Guns in front line or close up. Informed him two batteries 47th Division Artillery available to cover his front and that all 2nd Div. Artillery now on the right Brigade sector. Enemy fire now on SAUSAGE VALLEY.	
		11.5	Anzac Heavy Artillery is on counter-battery work. Warned that they may be called on suddenly for assistance if 2nd Bavarian Corps attacks.	
		11.30	5th Aust. Inf, Bde. warned that units of the Bde. must be ready to move at short notice. One Bn. to be moved to LA BOISSELLE by 4 a.m.	
	28	12.30	Artillery reports 2nd Art. Bde. saw three green lights on our front 5 deg. to left of WINDMILL approximately at R.35.c.4.7. Had increased rate of fire. Art. informed that S.O.S. signal green rockets - not flares.	

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TARA HILL	Aug. 28th	a.m. 12-45	7th. Bde. informed re last message. G.O.C. reports all quiet on his front. Green lights had been seen but not considered to be our lights.	
		2-40	7th. Bde. reports relief of one Bn. in left sector of 7th. Bde. front complete.	
RUBEMPRE		noon	Transfer of command of "T" area to G.O.C. 4th. Aust. Division. Divisional Headquarters moved to RUBEMPRE. Situation on handing over - Two Brigades holding front line. 7th. Aust. Inf. Bde. on right from MUNSTER ALLEY to LOOP TRENCH (exclusive) with 3 Bns. in front line, 1 Bn. in Brigade Reserve in SUNKEN ROAD, Bde. Headquarters at X.11.a.2.2. Left Bde. sector held by 4th. Aust. Inf. Bde. from LOOP inclusive to 33.c. with a post at point 77. Germans still holding points 54 and 27 (S. of MOUQUET FARM) Brigade has 15th and 14th Bns in front line 13th and 16th Bns in Bde. Reserve in WIRE TRENCH and LA BOISELLE. Divisional Reserve - 5th Inf. Bde. disposed 1 Bn. TARA HILL, 1 Bn. LA BOISELLE, 2 Bns., Bde. H.Qrs., M.G.Coy., E.T.M. Battery and 6th. Inf. Bde. at BRICKFIELDS. Artillery supporting Divisional front - 2nd. Aust. Div. Artillery and Lahore Artillery.	ts
			Works Report from C.R.E. showing progress made during time Division in line received.	Appx. CLI
	29	p.m. 9-45	Letter S.783 from 1st. A.N.Z.A.C. forwarding instructions from 2nd. Army that Div. will, on arrival in new area take over from 4th. British Division line - Trench 54 (exclusive) to YPRES-MENIN ROAD by night of 9th/10th. September.	
			6th. Inf. Bde. moved to BONNEVILLE, 5th. Inf. Bde. halted at WARLOY - Moves to-morrow to LA VICOIGNE. 7th. Inf. Bde. and Artillery in line under 4th. Aust. Division.,	
	30	-	Nil.	
	31	a.m. 10-00	Order No. 46 issued, cancelling moves for 31st. August and 1st. Sept. as laid down in Order 45, and ordering moves to entraining area.	Appx. CLII
		p.m. 8-30	Orders for entrainment issued. Order No. 47.	Appx. CLXII
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