

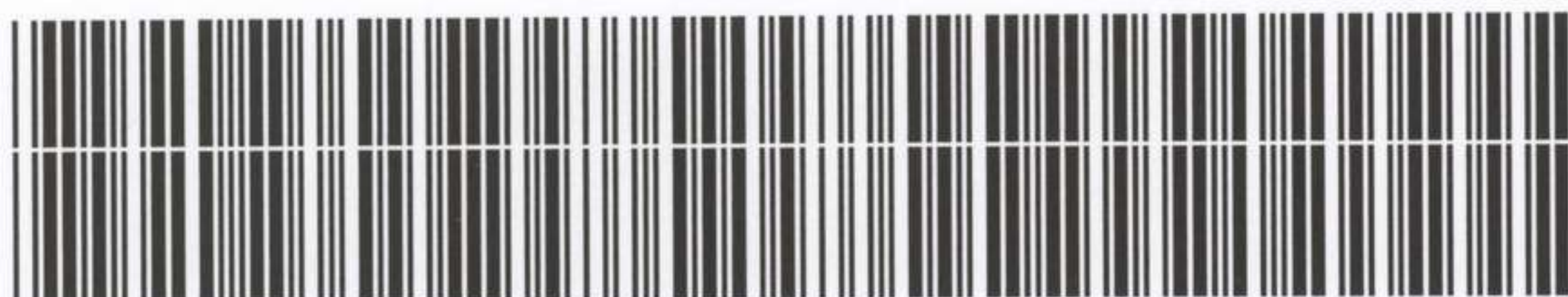
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APPENDIX XXXV

To.	From.	Time sent.	Information.	In Out	Date.
D.I.O.	Col. Milligan.		Wnd Bde. report prisoner badly wounded belonging to 3rd Coy. 23 I.R. caught on X.25.c. at 2-35 a.m.	OUT	1/5/18.
Army "I" Corps "I"	D.I.O.		D.I.O. report. Prisoner taken this morning in X.25.c.7.4. belongs to 3rd Company 1st Btn. 12th Div. normal. Prisoner very severely wounded.		
All coned.	1st A.D.		Evening report. Day very quiet. Light shelling of forward systems during afternoon. E.A. active over our lines during morning.		
XV Corps	"		Locations as at 6 a.m. 2nd inst. 1st D.H.Q. P.28.b.2.3. 1st Bde.H.Q. X.1.a.0.6. 2nd Bde.H.Q. W.26.a.5.8. 3rd Bde.H.Q. W.7.b.9.4.		
XV Corps	"		Right Brigade report capture of wounded prisoner of 23 INF. REGT' in X.25.c. at 2-35 a.m. Identification not yet confirmed by D.I.O.		
All coned.	"	5-30 a.m.	Morning report. Enemy posts were rushed in three places and prisoners captured in each and other casualties inflicted. Identifications normal and have been forwarded to Corps. Slight enemy artillery and M.G. fire on right sub-sector. Quiet on left sub-sector. About 50 gas shells fell in W.30.c. Captured six prisoners one severely wounded.		
1st Bde. Capt. McCracken.	"	9-30 a.m.	Platoon at Sq. R.33.d.4.9. will be withdrawn to within divisional sector today.		

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1st Bde.	1st A.D.	9-38 a.m.	Parties of both Bns. operated during night. No mans land reported clear of enemy. Patrols reached forward enemy posts on several occasions. One prisoner brought in from isolated post at X.20.d.0.8. at 9-30 p.m. Working partybat X.15.central dispersed. All our patrols returned safely.	IN	1/5/18.
15th XV Corps	"	1-18 a.m.	Have you yet received my wire G.387 dated 30th.		
15th Corps "I"	"	2 p.m.	Reference reconnaissance by No. 6. Sqn. R.A.F. No. 4. Sqn. report reconnaissance between 8 a.m. and 11-30 a.m. today No movement or troops seen in METEREN area and no shrapnel barrage observed between BORRE and PRADELLS.		
15th Corps.	"	4-45 p.m.	Warning oder. JARGONEL EAGLE will be prepared to entrain for transfer to KEEL in zone of french SAPPHIRE on 6th May. Details of times and stations of entrainment will be issued later.		
2nd Bde.	"	5-2 p.m.	Evening report. Enemy artillery generally quiet. About 20 rounds from heavy T.M. fell in E.6.s. between 3 and 4 p.m. Wind N.E. 8 mph. Estimated casualties nil.		
1st Bde.	"	5-3 p.m.	Evening report. Day very quiet Light shelling of forward systems during afternoon. Enemy planes active over our lines during morning. Prisoners and Materials nil.		
29th Div.	"	5-30 p.m.	Situation report. Some shelling of MORBECQUE section and RUE DU BOIS otherwise quiet. Captures nil.		
29th Div.	"	5-36 a.m.	Situation report. Situation quiet. Right Bde. report. Quiet night Ground observers report no movement observed opposite Bde.front during day patrol reports working party near BEAULIEU FARM. Left Bde. report. Situation on front very quiet. Wind N.E. 8 mph Captures nil.		
15th Corps	"	6-28 p.m.	Evening report. With the exception of light shelling on various points of forward system the day has been quiet along the whole Corps front. Our artillery carried out harassing fire last night and this afternoon on batterypositions south of BAILLEUL and on roads and communications between DOULIEU - ESTAIRES. Captures 5 or 1 of these reported in G 391 of today has since died.		

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2nd Bde.	1st A.D.	3-52 a.m.	One severely wounded prisoner of 3 K. 23 Inf.Regt. captured in X.25.c. about 2-35 a.m.	IN	1/5/18.
1st Bde.	"	4-55 a.m.	Morning report. Very quiet night along whole front. Enemy artillery T.Ms and M.guns inactive. Low flying planesmil. Prisoners captured 2.		
2nd Bde.	"	5-12 a.m.	Morning report. Slight artillery activity on sub sector and a little snipping on right section. Enemy post in X.25.c. was mopped up 3 enemy being killed and one wounded prisoner taken. Identification 3 K 23 I.R. About 50 gas shells have fallen in W.30.c. Wind N.E. 8 mph. Estimated casualties 1 O.R. wounded.		
2nd Bde.	"	5-30 a.m.	About 4 a.m. 3 prisoners of 4 K. 63 I.R. were captured in E.5.d.		
15th Corps	"	6-53 a.m.	Morning report. Right Div. front quiet night. Left Div. front enemy posts rushed in three places. Prisoners taken in each. Identification normal Other casualties inflicted. 6 prisoners. Fifty gas shells in W.30.c.		
2nd Bde.	"	7 a.m.	At about 2-30 a.m. this morning a party of 8 from the left section moved out from X.25.c.3.2. threw bombs into and then rushed an enemy post X.25.c.7.0. The post was held by 4 enemy 3 of whom were killed and one wounded and taken prisoner. Identification 3 K 2 I.R. At about 4-15 a.m. another party of 8 left our right section from E.5.d.3.7. and moved towards post at E.5.d.7.4. which was surrounded. The post contained 5 men 2 of whom were killed and 3 taken prisoners. Identification 4 K 63 I.R. Our casualties for both operations 1 O.R. wounded.		
D.I.O.	"	7-20 a.m.	D.I.O. report. Enemy order of Battle along our front from N to S 10 R.I.R. 156 I.R. 22 I.R. 11th Res.Div. 23 I.R. 63 I.R. 12th Div. The two latter regiments identified in their normal sectors		
2nd Bde.	"	9-19 a.m.	Information as follows from patrols. Enemy posts located at E.6.b.2.7. E.6.b.4.7. E.5.d.8.4. E.6.a.5.4. X.20.c.8.5. Sniper about E.6.d.6.5. Working party along hedge from X.20.c.8.4. to X.20.c.9.1. Listening post X.20.c.6.8. AZB 691 gives identification along our front and information of two patrols. No mans land in good condition.		
15th Corps	"	9-30 a.m.	Continuation morning report. Identifications were not all normal. Prisoners taken at X.20.d.3.8. belonged to 11th Res.Div.		

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29th Div.	1st A.D.	5-20 p.m.	situation report. LE TIR ANGLAIS and LE GRAND HASARD shelled otherwise quiet. Captures nil.	IN	2/4/18.
29th Div.	"	5-35 p.m.	Morning situation, report. Quiet night Slight T.M. activity against centre Bn. left Bde. Ground observers report individual movement on GARS BRUGGHE LE CORNET PERDU road. Wind N variable 5 mph. Captures nil.		
25th Corps	"	6-30 p.m.	Evening report. Scattered shelling over the Corps front area especially TIR ANGLAIS GRAND HASARD PETIT SEC BOIS HAXEBROUCK and vicinity of STRAZEELE Our heavy artillery fired concentration on STEENWERCK and on roads and approaches 2 E.A. flew low over left of left Div. front this morning and one bomb was dropped on FLETRE. Prisoners last 24 hours nil.		
1st A.D.	15th Corps	10-25 a.m.	Patrols. Nothing further to report.	OUT	2/4/18
"	"	2-10 p.m.	Hedges are being cut down in V.30.d. and D.6.b. by Lieut. KEATING 210 Field Coy. R.E. working under instructions from C.E. 15th Corps and C.R.E. 31st Div. As these hedges are necessary to give cover to selected battery positions for this and the Reserve Division artilleries may the work be stopped at once.		
"	All concd.		Morning report. At 2-30 a.m. at E.6.a.3.8. enemy put down box barrage for 30 minutes. Portion of posts damaged. Several phosgene gas shells at 11 p.m. at X.25.b.1.7. Patrols report no sign of enemy. Otherwise enemy quiet and inactive and apparently nervous many flares being used throughout the night.		
"	3rd Bde. C. R.E.		C.O. 1st Pioneer Bn. will supervise necessary technical work in preparation of THIEUSHOUK locality. Responsibility for preparation is already to 3rd Bde. nucleus Bn.		

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1st Bde.	1st A.D.	4-35 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet. Slight shelling of left support with 77s during night otherwise Artillery inactive. T.M. and M.G. inactive.	IN	2/4/18.
2nd Bde.	"	5-25 a.m.	Morning report. At 2-30 a.m. at E.6.a.3.8. enemy put down box barrage for 30 mins. Portion of posts damaged. Several phosgene gas shells at 11 p.m. at X.25.b.1.7. Patrols report no sign of enemy who appears nervous as numerous flares were fired from point front posts. Wind 2 mph East. Estimated 2 O.R. killed 5 wounded.		
15th Corps	"	6-50 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet At 2-30 a.m. at E.6.a.3.8. a box barrage was put down by the enemy for 30 mins. no infantry action followed. Few phosgene gas shells were fired into front line in the vicinity of NORD HELF.		
1st Bde.	"	9-4 a.m.	Enemy patrols not operating. No mans land reported clear throughout the night. Trench in rear of hedge at X.15.c.4.9. to X.15.c.9.2. occupied and being worked on. Snipers post located at X.21.a.3.5.		
2nd Bde.	"	9-15 a.m.	Patrols. Nothing further to report.		
1st Bde.	"	12-14 p.m.	May message rockets be made available. Would gladly exchange messenger dogs for rockets.		
1st Bde.	"	12-58 p.m.	Our own planes fired into our front line between 3 and 4 p.m. May 1st in vicinity of Sq.X.16. We have recovered bullets.		
15th Corps	"	2-49 p.m.	Wounded prisoner 23 I.R. captured yesterday states he had been back to fetch up rations shortly before he was captured and saw men of 161 I.R. 185 Div. who told him that they were to relieve his regiment yesterday (1st May).		
2nd Bde.	"	4-53 p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet on subsector. A few salvos in W.28.d. One low flying hostile plane over the front at midday. Wind N N E 3 mph. Estimated casualties nil.		
1st Bde.	"	4-55 p.m.	Evening report. Light scattered shelling in X.9.d. X.10.e., X.1.d. and X.14. during day otherwise very quiet day. Two low flying E.A. over our forward area this morning. One low flying plane dropped a bomb on FLETRE at 2-30 p.m. Prisoners and material captured nil.		

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1st A.D.	1st A.D.A.		No counter preparation tomorrow. Harassing fire only.	IN	3/5/18.
1st A.D. All concd.	1st A.D.	5-20 a.m.	Morning report. Enemy artillery fairly active on STRAZEELE town and Station and also in left sub-sector from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. No touch gained with enemy by patrols. Enemy reported wiring and consolidating on right section of right sub sector.	OUT	3/5/18.
XV Corps	"	10-10 a.m.	Continuation of morning report re patrols. Enemy listening post at X.17.a.2.5. rushed. Enemy escaped but left rifle marked E.R.I.R. 52 Maps and secret documents dated up to 17/3/18 found on dead Bosche in E.11.b. Documents are of 42nd Division.		
XV Corps	"	4-50 p.m.	Reference telephonic conversation trench strength returns are as follows. 1st Brigade 104 Officers 2163 Other ranks. 2nd Brigade 115 Officers 2700 other ranks. 3rd Brigade 115 Officers 2320 other ranks.		
All concd.	"		Evening report. Situation generally quiet Light harassing fire on STRAZEELE and E X.4.c. and support positions during day. Our 60 pdrs carried out good shoot on working party at X.23.a.0.8. at 3-15 p.m. One low flying E.A. over forward area at 1 p.m. One of our planes type S.E. 5 crashed at X.7.b.3.7. at 11-15 a.m.		
1st D.S.C.	"	5-20 p.m.	Reference 1st Aust.Div.Order No. 83. Please arrange to synchronise watches with 36th French Corps at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. tonight.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
2nd Bde.	1st A.D.	5-0 p.m.	Evening report. Situation generally quiet q STRAZEELE and left section front have been shelled during day. 60 pdrs carried out good shoot on working party at X.23.a.0.8. at 3-15 p.m. One low flying E.A. over left section at 1 p.m. Wind N.E. 6 mph Estimated casualties 1 O.R. killed 4 O.R. wounded.	IN	3/5/18
29th Div.	"	5-28 p.m.	Situation report. Some shelling of LE TIR ANGLAIS LA MOTTE PAPOTE and battery position in D.30.d. also N edge of BOIS D'AVAL Otherwise quiet Captures nil.		
3rd Bde.	"	5-50 p.m.	Following xxxxxxx recommended as new sites for reserve Brigade camps. Bde.H.Q. V.11.c.9.2. One Bn. V.11.d.5.3. One Bn. V.12.d.1.9. (Fields on each side of road) Accommodation already exists for 500 men in field at V.11.d.8.3.		
133 F.Div.	"	5-55 p.m.	Report 1700 the day was calm at 9 a.m. gas shell on LA LEVRETTE and LA MANCHE at 11-15 a.m. enemy aeroplane shot down by British airmen shelling of our support lines. Our artillery very active.		
15th Corps	"	6-35 p.m.	Morning report. Right Div. situation very quiet. Left Div. report enemy artillery active from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. on STRAZEELE town and station, and extreme left pf Corps front. No enemy patrols encountered. Harassing fire continued on enemy back areas and roads.		
25th Corps	"	6-48 p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet Some shelling of back areas and support positions during day. One low flying enemy aeroplane over forward areas of left sector at 1 p.m. One of our aeroplanes crashed at X.7.b.3.7. at 11-55 a.m. We carried out shoots on working party hostile batteries enemy encampment and back areas also harassing fire on all roads to the front. Captures NIL.		
2nd Bde.	"	10-31 p.m.	Enemy bombarding forward positions of Right Btn. with tear gas shells.		
29th Div.	"	12-40 p.m.	House at E.7.b.0.9. is required for Infantry Bde. Now occupied by battery H.Q. of N.Z.Arty Bde. under 1st Aust.Div. May they be ordered to evacuate it as the House is urgently needed at once.		
29th Div.	"	12-45 p.m.	A Battery of N.Z. Arty Bde. is in position in hedge just south of Battn.H.Q. at E.2.c.5.0. Very difficult to find Bn.H.Q. and battery drawing fire. Could Battery be asked not to put guns close to farm houses especially when they are battalion H.Q in our area.		

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1st Bde. 1st A.D.		4-40 a.m.	Morning report. Very quiet night. Enemy artillery slightly active from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. M.Gs and T.Ms inactive. Patrols nothing to report.	IN	3/5/18
2nd Bde.	"	5-18 a.m.	Morning report. Enemy artillery fairly active round STRAZEELE and Station otherwise quiet. No touch with enemy gained and he is reported wiring and strengthening his positions opposite Right section. Estimated casualties 1 O.R. killed 4 wounded. Wind N.E. 2 mph.		
29th Div.	"	5-20 a.m.	Morning report. Situation on whole front very quiet. Patrol who went out to K.4.b.5.0. report no hostile movement captured nil. Wind N.E. 6 mph		
2nd Bde.	"	7-55 a.m.	As a result of aerial combat a plane came down in flames in enemys lines about X.21. at 6-30 p.m. It could not be identified.		
1st Bde.	"	8-46 a.m.	Patrols re rifle marked E R.I.R. 52 captured from enemy listening post C.17.a.2.5. Enemy very alert but ran from post when engaged.		
2nd Bde.	"	9-13 a.m.	Patrols. Various maps secret documents and Codes found on dead Bosche about E.14.b.8.0. at 4 a.m. this morning. Latest date on map 17/3/18 Secret documents are from 42nd Division. Otherwise nothing of importance.		
15th Corps	"	10-40 a.m.	Following received from Second Army timed 8-45 a.m. Situation report. Our line was advanced slightly E of VILLERS BRETONNEUX. Hostile artillery active near MERICOURT L'ABBE and S. of LENS. Patrols of 61st Div. destroyed. enemy M.G. post and captured 3 prisoners. Hostile trench mortars active N.E. of NIEUPORT were silenced by Belgian T.Ms and artillery.		
15th Corps.	"	11-18 a.m.	Continuation of morning report G. 420. & 1st Aust.Div. report. Enemy listening post at X.17.a.2.5. rushed. Enemy escaped but left rifles marked E.R. I.R. 52 Maps and secret documents dated up to 17/3/18 found on dead Bosche in E.11.b. Documents are of 42 Div.		
1st Bde.	"	12-29 p.m.	Could a further supply of sheets 27 S.E. and METEREN Sheet 1 in 20,000 be supplied please.		
1st Bde.	"	4-55 p.m.	Evening report. Enemy artillery slightly more active Harassing fire on X.4.c. and support positions from 2-30 p.m. to 3-15 p.m. One low flying hostile plane over forward area at 1 p.m. One of our planes type S.E.5 crashed at X.7.b.3.7. at 11-55 a.m. Prisoners and material nil.		

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3rd Bde.	1st A.D.	6-35 p.m.	It is essential that identifications be obtained as early as possible. With this end in view please prepare plans for a raid to take place at an early date. Patrolling will also be continued with the same object.	OUT	4/5/18.
XV Corps	"	6-45 p.m.	Enemy plane crashed in flames at E.12.d.2.3.		
4 Sqn RAF.	"		D.I.O. report. Prisoner taken this evening in X.16.b.2.4. belongs to 95th I.R. 38th Division.		
Army "I"					
C corps "I"					

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				and LA MOTTE Captures nil.	IN	4/5/18.
2nd Bde.	1st A.D.	6-26	p.m.	Enemy plane crashed in flames at E.12.d.2.3.		
15th Corps	"	6-46	p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet. Hostile artillery inactive. a FLETRE was shelled with 8 inch and LE TIR ANGLAIS LE MOTTE HAZEBROUCK PRADELLES CAESTRE and LE PEUPLIER were also shelled. Our heavy artillery increased their harassing fire during afternoon and fired on DOULIEU DOULIEU- XXXXXXXXXX ESTAIRES road and STEENWERCK. Prisoner last 24 hours nil.		
2nd Bde.	"	9	p.m.	Between 5-45 p.m. and 6-5 p.m. enemy bombarded our position in E.6.a. and W.30.d. with phosgene gas shells. At 7-25 p.m. H.E. again bombarded some positions with gas shells phosgene.		
D.I.O.	"	12-55	p.m.	D.I.O. report. Papers taken from German killed this morning at X.17.a.0.6. show him to belong to 9th Coy. 96th I.R. 38th Division.		
1st A.D.	All comd.			Morning report' Enemy artillery active on right sub-sector up to about 2 a.m. Some lachrymatory gas shell on right Bn. Our patrols were unable to gain touch and report that his listening posts have been withdrawn No reports yet received from left flank but the Divisional O.P. reports double green flares from that vicinity which appear to indicate that objective has been gained.	OUT	4/5/18.
A1	"	9-50	a.m.	1st Bde. attained objectives and posts are dug in on new line. No opposition on left but some fighting on right. No prisoners.		
"	133 F.Div 1st Bde.			Left flank of 1st Aust.Bde. will be extended to Sq. X.11.c.7.0. Right of French Division is being extended to Sq. X.11.c.9.3. Junction and liaison will be arranged direct between flanking unitsM.		
"	1st ADAD 29 Div.	3	p.m.	Artillery unit occupying house at E.7.b.0.9. will hand this over to Inf. Bde. of 29th Div. H.Qs at D.11.d.4.6. Inf.Bde. is to allot other accommodation to artillery unit. Two guns of battery now near Bn.H.QS at E.2.c.5.0. will reconnoitre for other suitable positions in the vicinity with view to occupation as early as can be conveniently arranged.		
"	All comd.	5-5	p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet. Ten 8 inch shells fell in FLETRE during the morning. Decrease in aerial activity no low flying E.A. Prisoners and material captured nil.		

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No.2.S.C. 1st A.D.		12-32 p.m.	Reference O.O.6/18 HOLMAN.	BN	4/5/18.
R.E. 29th Div.	"	12-40 p.m.	House at E.7.b.0.9. is required for Infantry Bde. Now occupied by Battery H.Q. og N.Z. Artillery Bde. under 1st Australian Division. May they be ordered to evacuate it as the House is urgently needed at once.		
29th Div.	"	12-45 a.m.	A Battery of N.Z. artillery Bde. is in position in hedge just south of Battalion H.Q. at E.2.c.5.0. Very difficult to find Bn. H.Q. and Battery drawing fire. Could Battery be asked not to put guns close to farm.houses especially when they are battalion H.Qs in our area.		
15th Corps "I"	"	12-55 a.m.	Message from 22nd Corps wind timed 11 p.m. begins. German airman captured today states definitely that the enemy are to attack tomorrow. Zero hour not known. ends. This attack if it takes place will probably be made in conjunction with an attack on SCHERPENBERG and MONT NOIR .		
15th Corps	"	1-34 p.m.	There are indications that our harassing fire is hindering enemy in completing preparations for attack. Until further orders intensity of harassing fire will be increased as follows field artillery 100 % heavy Artillery 50%		
15th Corps	"	2-40 p.m.	Reference 15th Corps order 189 of 3rd May. 30 UNA less 149 SOPHY will be attached to PEONY for supplies and ordnance from 8th May inclusive. Otherwise will be administered by ALGY. 64 RUTH will be attached for supplies to PEONY from 8th May inclusive. 25 UNA will be attached for supplies to Corps troops pack from 8th May inclusive.		
2nd Bde.	"	4-47 p.m.	Evening report. Situation generally quiet on sub-sector Good shooting by our artillery on targets opposite left section. Low lying E.A. nil. Wind N.E. 2 mph. Estimated casualties nil.		
1st Bde.	"	4-58 p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet. Light scattered shelling on forward area during day. Ten 8 inch fell in FLETRE in morning. Great decrease in aerial activity. No low flying planes. Prisoners and material captured nil. Estimated casualties nil.		
15th Corps	"	5-30 p.m.	While WORMHOUDT - HERZEELE road is being repaired following amendments to second Army traffic map will be enforced forthwith until further orders WORMHOUDT HERZEELE road to be oneway road from west to east. HERZEELE-WYLDER - WORMHOUDT road to be one way road from east to west.		
29th Div.	"	5-40 p.m.	Situation report. Shelling below normal mostly between LE TIR ANGLAIS		

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1st Bde. 1st A.D.		4-59 a.m.	Morning report. Very quiet night. Enemy artillery less active than usual. T.M. and M.G. inactive. Patrols nothing to report.	IN	4/5/18
2nd Bde.	"	5 a.m.	Morning report. Enemy artillery active up to about 2 a.m. on support positions left section. Enemy very alert and nervous firing many flares and our patrols unable to gain touch with him. Wind N.E. 2 mph. Estimated casualties 3 O.R. wounded. Both line sections report enemy listening posts withdrawn and he apparently holds strong posts further East.		
29th Div.	"	6-15 a.m.	Morning situation report. Intermittent shelling of road near LE TIR ANGLAIS Little gas shelling near edge of forest between 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. considerable shelling on front line H.E. and has. Patrols report working and wiring parties in front of farm BEAULIERS Shoulder strap of recently dead German belonging to 141 Regt. found in front of left Bde. Wind N.E. 3 mph Captures nil.		
18th Corps	"	7-18 a.m.	Morning report. Hostile artillery generally more active. Considerable shelling of right div. front in the early morning with H.E. and Gas shell Right section left division also shelled up to 2 a.m. Patrols of left Division unable to get touch with enemy and report his listening posts withdrawn. No report yet of operation on left of left Div. but double green flares seen from divisional O.P. indicating objective gained. Shoulder strap of recently killed German of 141 Regt. found in front of left of right division Our artillery xxxx carried out harassing fire on roads and communications.		
15th Corps	"	9-6 a.m.	Following from Second Army received 1-30 a.m. Begins. 2nd French Cav. Corps report enemy attacked BUTTERFLY FARM BRULOOZE CABARET BRULOOZE and LOCRE HOSPIER at 8-15 p.m. Opposite BRULOOZE CABARET attack stopped by M.G. fire and very little ground lost No news from left of attack.		
1st Bde.	"	9-30 a.m.	Patrols nothing further to report.		
2nd Bde.	"	9-40 a.m.	Patrols nothing further to report.		
3rd Bde.	"	9-44 a.m.	At 1-30 a.m. two huts at Bde.H.Q. were smashed by shell fire. Lieut.TERRY and one other rank wounded.		
15th Corps	"	11-56 a.m.	Following received from Second Army timed 10-10 a.m. DAN reports at 8 a.m. Minor operations this morning resulted in our occupation of BUTTERFLY FARM FAIRY HOUSE M.18.d.4.1. eastern edge of wood in M.29.c. and M.35.a. High ground south of KOUDEKOT houses about HILLE FARM north of HAEGEDORNE. We captured about 50 prisoners.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
3rd Bde.	1st A.D.	1-50 a.m.	Relief complete.	IN	5/5/18.
D.I.O.	"	2-10 a.m.	D.I.O. report. Prisoner taken this morning evening in X.17.a.5.6. Identification 5 Coy. 2nd Bn. 95 I.R. 38 Div. Three or four Gruppe of the 9th I.R. were to attack at 9-30 p.m. and retake post occupied by us morning of 4th. Prisoner along with his Coy. Sergt.Major. were to keep in touch with the 9th I.R. Sergt.Major. was killed and prisoner being wounded wandered on into our lines. Prisoner states wire is being erected in front of their posts and no attack is contemplated by them. Coy.strength 63. Coy.received 15 18 year old reinforcements about 8 days ago who are employed as ration carriers. The 38 Div. to comply with prison promises should be relieved in 2 days time. Relieving Div.unknown. Prisoner states that contemplated attack by the 9th I.R. was broke up by artillery and M.G.fire confirmed by no elements reaching our post.		
29th Div.	"	2-56 a.m.	Deserter of 8 Coy. 172 I.R. 39 Div. taken in E.23.a. about 11 p.m. Nothing known of any German attack in this sector but orders are to put out wire. 39th Div.came into this area from Cambrai about 17th April Order of battle not known. Man of 61 I.R. 35th Div. seen near DOULIEU on 24th April.		
29th Div.	"	3-20 a.m.	Reference to our letter CGS 80/17 of the 3rd inst. railing party all back.		
29th Div.	"	4-30 a.m.	Prisoner of 7 Coy. 132 I.R. 39th Div. taken in E.11.d. at 2 a.m. this morning Order of Battle N to S 192 I.R. 172 I.R. with 126 I.R. in rest, near DOULIEU. No knowledge of any impending attack. Wire is being erected on this sector.		
1st Bde.	"	4-54 a.m.	Morning report, Enemy artillery more active than usual on roads in support area. T.Ms active against front posts in X.16.b. from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. M.Gs inactive.		
3rd Bde.	"	5-26 a.m.	Morning report. Hostile artillery active at intervals on W.16.d. W.22.b., W.29.a., X.25.a., and B, X.19.a. X.18.d. Enemy dump in F.1.a burnt. A few gas shells into W.22.b. casualties nil. No patrol information yet to hand.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
29th Div. 1st A.D.		6 a.m.	Situation report quiet on front. Dawn patrols report enemy wiring on line E.23.c. d and close to BEAULIEU FARM Deserter from 172 I.R. 37th Div. came into our line at 11 p.m. and as result of a raid 1 unwounded prisoner of 132 O.R. and one light machine gun was brought in by us. 5 enemy so far reported killed by raiders who state that our artillery caught enemy well and caused considerable casualties. Our losses 1 Offr. killed and 3 O.R. slightly wounded. Enemy ran away as soon as our barrage opened and our men had to run after them or more might have been captured. Light S.W. wind.	IN	5/5/18.
15th Corps	"	8 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet. Enemy artillery more active than usual, on left Div. Gas shelling of E.6.a. and W.30.d. during evening. Intermittent shelling of STRAZEELE HAZEBROUCK and CAESTRE. Right Div. carried out raid and captured prisoner 132 I.R. Our artillery carried out harassing fire during night on batteries and in support of raid. Left Div. report enemy dump burnt on F.1.a. Prisoner of 95th I.R. taken by left Div. at X.17.a. A deserter of 172 I.R. came into our line about E.23.a. Captures prisoners 3 M.G.1.		
1st Bde.	"	9-20 a.m.	Patrols nothing further to report.		
1st Bde.	"	10-36 a.m.	Total prisoners this morning now four. 5th Coy. 62 I.R. 12 Div. One wounded ADS.		
3rd Bde.	"	11-50 am.	Liaison officers with flanking units. Capt. JORGENSEN 12th Bn. right Bde. Lieut. MITCHELL 12th Bn. right Bde. front Btb. Lieut. GOODE 10th Bn. right Bde. support Bn. Lieut. SANDOZ, 12th Bn. Left Bde. Lieut. McINERNEY 11th Bn. Left Bde. front Bn. Lieut. LIGHTBODY 10th Bn. Left Bde. support Bn.		
29th Div.	"	12-55 a.m.	Rfce. No. CGS 80/17 of 3rd inst. gas projectors not discharged in Sheet 36 E.17.a. wind unfavourable.		
15th Corps Q	"	1-10 p.m.	Following from 2nd Army Reference construction of defensive lines it is most important that G.R.O. 1674 be strictly complied with.		
1st Pnr. Bn.	"	4-20 p.m.	Enemy shelling area W.12.a. time 4-30 a.m. 5/5/18 Cal. 77 Gas No. of rounds about 18 approx. direction of shelling from S. of METEREN.		
3rd Bde.	"	4-48 p.m.	Evening report. Intermittent shelling on STRAZEELE X.19.a., X.20.c. and X.25.c. shelled at intervals with 21 Cm Howitzer Visibility bad in morning now good Casualties nil.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
1st Bde.	1st A.D.	5-5 p.m.	Evening report. Slight scattered shelling on X.3.c. X.4.c. 15Mb. at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. 4.2s and 77s M.Gs active on X.4.d. in early morning. 2 low flying hostile planes over FLETRE and METEREN 3-30 p.m. Prisoners captured 2 wounded 3 unwounded. Casualties nil.	IN	5/5/18.
29th Div	"	5-25 p.m.	Situation report. Slight shelling of MORBECQUE LE TIR ANGLAIS RUE DU BOIS and D.28. Otherwise quiet. Captures 2 or already reported.		
1st Bde.	"	6 p.m.	Left flank junction is quiet satisfactory now.		
15th Corps	"	6-43 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery quiet except for rather prolonged shoot with 15 and 21 cm hows. in vicinity of BORRE HAZEBROUCK MORBECQUE were also shelled and vicinity of FLETRE with gas in the early morning. 2 E.A. flew low over FLETRE and METEREN at 3-30 p.m. Our heavy artillery carried out concentration on batteries and localities and harassing fire on roads and communications. Prisoners last 24 hours 7 already reported.		
15th Corps	"	7-50 p.m.	In continuation of 15th Corps G 442 of 4th May. Until further orders intensity of harassing fire by all natures of artillery will be 50 per cent above normal.		
3rd Bde.	"	8-50 p.m.	Patrols. Patrols operating on left Bn. front encountered no enemy. Right Bn, liaison patrols report touch no other patrols out.		
1st A.D.	Army "I" Corps "I"	2-30 a.m.	Please correct Sigs.error in wire G.P. 109 of this morning. Instead of 9 I.R. please read 96 I.R.	OUT	5/5/18.
"	All concd.		Morning report. Enemy artillery more active than usual. Gas bombardment of E.6.a. and W.39.d. at 5-45 p.m. 6-5 p.m. and 7-25 p.m. with phosgene A few gas shells on W.22.b. during morning. Hostile T.Ms active against posts in X.16.b. from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. M.Guns inactive. Enemy dump in F.1.a. burnt One prisoner 95 I.R. 38 Div. taken at X.17.a.5.6. No patrol information yet to hand.		
1st.A.D.	XV Corps.	10.30.a.m.	Four prisoners of 12th Div were captured in an enemy post 50 yards in front of right Battalion Left Brigade near METEREN BECQUE about dawn this morning, further information later.	OUT.	
1st.A.D.	All concd.		Evening Report. Intermittent and scattered shelling on X.3.C. and X.4.C. and front zone defences during day, STRAZEELE again shelled. Vicinity of right Bde H.Q. shelled by heavy gun during afternoon W.12.A. shelled with gas from direction of METEREN during early morning Two low flying E.A. over	OUT	

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From.	To	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
1st.A.D.	All Concerned..	(Evening Report continued.)	FLETRE and METERN at 3.30.p.m. Prisoners 2 wounded 3 unwounded.	out	5/5/18

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
3rd Bde.	1st A.D.	4-56 p.m.	Evening report. Light intermittent shelling of forward area. 10-30 a.m. to 11 a.m. six enemy planes flew over our rear area. Casualties 2 O.R. wounded.	IN	6/5/18.
29th Div.	"	5-40 p.m.	Situation report. Very quiet. Captures nil.		
15th Corps	"	7-18 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery quiet. HAZEBROUCK and MORBECQUE shelled and area north of METEREN heavily shelled at 2-45 p.m. Our heavy artillery continued with harassing fire on roads and communications. Prisoners last 24 hours nil.		
1st Bde.	"	10-44 p.m.	HUGHES did not perform owing to the Brewery being on fire and it being too bright to complete arrangements.		
1st A.D.	All concd.	5-20 am.	Morning report. Quiet night on left sub-sector. Hostile artillery active over right sub-sector chiefly harassing forward areas. M.Gs also active. Strong fighting patrols sent out but no enemy patrols met, but enemy very alert.	OUT	6/5/18.
"	XV Corps		Six enemy planes reported over STRAZEELE at 10-30 a.m.		
"	All concd.		Evening report. Quiet day on divisional front. Area N. of METEREN shelled heavily by 4-2s at 2-45 p.m. Light intermittent shelling between FLETRE and Le ROUKLOSHILLE and forward area of right Bde. Slight hostile aerial activity. 6 enemy planes over rear area between 10-30 a.m. Prisoners and war material nil.		

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From.	To.	Time Recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
1st Bde.	1st A.D.	4-59 a.m.	Morning report. Very quiet night along whole front. Enemy artillery M.Gs and T.Ms inactive. Patrols nothing to report. Estimated casualties nil.	IN	6/5/18.
3rd Bde.	"	5-15 a.m.	Morning report. Hostile artillery active during night chiefly harassing fire on forward area. Three enemy balloons up during the evening. Patrol information Enemy very alert M.Gs active. Fighting patrols attempted to obtain identification but could not get touch with the enemy Casualties 3 wounded 1 killed.		
29th Div.	"	5-25 a.m.	Situation report. Right Bde. patrol report no enemy movement and reports received so far show that BEAULIEU FARM was unoccupied. Captures nil.		
15th Corps	"	6-46 a.m.	Morning report. Quiet night. Hostile artillery active in forward area of right section left division. At 3-15 a.m. right division raided BEAULIEU FARM but found it empty. Harassing fire by our artillery on roads and communications continued all night.		
3rd Bde.	"	8-36 a.m.	Patrols. No enemy encountered along front. Working parties heard. Our patrols sniped at from about X.20.c.8.5.		
3rd Bde.	"	10-45 a.m.	Six enemy planes reported over STRAZEELE at 10-30 a.m.		
15th Corps	"	10-50 a.m.	In continuation of 15th Corps G 467: of 5th. From today inclusive harassing fire will be at normal rates for field artillery and 50 per cent above normal rate for heavy artillery.		
15th Corps	"	3-19 p.m.	G.H.Q. reports 10-20 a.m. begins. 3rd Aust. Div. carried out further operations last night between the SOMME and the ANCRE rivers as the result of which they advanced their line to a depth of 500 yards on a front of 2000 yards west and south-west of MORLANCOURT and captured over 150 prisoners 2 M.Gs and a trench mortar. 3rd Div. advanced their line slightly during the night between LOCON and the LAWE river. Fighting is still taking place in this locality On the remainder of the British front there is nothing to report.		
1st Bde.	"	4-40 p.m.	Evening report. Very quiet day. 4-2 active against X.90 at 2-45 p.m. Intermittent shelling of W.6.b. X.1.a. and d with 4-2s and 5-9s during afternoon. Slight aerial activity. Prisoners and material nil.		

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TELEPHONE MESSAGES.

Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initials.
6/5/18.	10-35 pm.	Col. Mackay.	Relief of guns covering right brigade completed by 11-45 p.m. One officer seriously wounded. Lieut. MARGATE Changes in dispositions of guns covering left brigade were also effected.		JDR.
"	2-5 p.m.	2 S. Coy. RE.	Coy. will project tonight at the hour arranged for projection last night. Brigades to be warned.	Bdes, warned by phone and also by secret letter.	AL.
"	5 p.m.	BM 2st Bde.	A scarcity of pickets is holding up our wiring on the brigade front.	Note on G's table.	JDR.
"	5;40 p.m.	BM 1st Bde.	Asking whether all was quiet on the front. Reply was "Yes" all quiet, hostile artillery have been "farm shelling" with 5-9s.		GFP.
	10-25 pm.	BM 1st Bde.	On account of the METEREN brewery being on fire the entire whole of their front is lit up and it will be impossible to get the gas arrangements carried out. Billy Hughes has turned them down.	Informed.	JDR.

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TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS.

Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action Taken.	Initials.
7/5/18	3-45 a.m.	XV Corps G.	Asking if this Divisional front was being shelled. Wat in- formed that the shelling was two Divisions away on the left.		S.L.M.
"	9-20 a.m.	XV Corps G Training.	Following allotment of vacancies are allotted this Division. A Course. 3 Off. 19 O.Rs 14 days from May 9th. B " 5 27 do. C " 5 26 do. D " 5 24 do- Gas Course 4 21 May 9th to May 13th.		S.L.M.
"	10-40 am.	XV Corps I	5 telescopes are available at P.3.r.d.2.2. Directors will be available there tomorrow.		J.D.R.
"	1-5 p.m.	XV Corps G	German wireless intercepted by 11th Corps wireless set begins. Bdes in "Complete barrage along the whole front at 2-30 (German time line informed. our time 1-30) The firing is to start at this time; white light falls; message ends.		G.F.P.
"	8 p.m.	Liaison Off. 133 F.Div.	Our guns are firing short on the French right. On being asked informed that he thought it was 18 pounders.	Informed BM 1st D.A.	J.D.R.
"	8-40 p.m.	Liaison Off. 133 F.Div,	Our artillery have lengthened range, only a few shells falling short now. No further support from our artillery at present required.	"	G.F.P.
"	10-30 pm.	Capt. May. No. 2. S.C.R.E.	117 projectors fired successfully into METEREN.		A.L.

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From.	To.	Time Recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
3rd Bde.	1st A.D.	4-40 p.m.	Evening report. Enemy artillery quiet during morning slight activity on forward area during afternoon. Nothing happened on our front at 1-30 p.m. Aircraft nil. Visibility fair. Casualties nil.	IN	7/5/1918.
29th Div.	"	5-30 p.m.	Situation report. Quiet. Battery position in D.23.a. shelled otherwise shelling scattered. T.M.active on E.22.c. and E.28. Captures nil.		
1st Bde.	"	6-13 p.m.	Situation report. Intermittent shelling over forward areas otherwise quiet.		
15th Corps	"	6-28 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery quiet. Light intermittent shelling of forward area of left Div. and of STRAZEELE Rue de BOIS HAZEBROUCK and LE PEUPLIER. Prisoners last 24 hours nil.		
3rd Bde.	"	7-2 p.m.	Enemy 4-2 and 5-9 artillery has been active about MOOLENACKER during the afternoon. Artillery liaison getting counter battery on suspected emplacements.		
1st Bde.	"	10-14 p.m.	HUGHES performed in good style to packed house.		
15th Corps BI	"	10-50 p.m.	Today's photos . 4 BI 11 S. of Bailleul NUMEROUS tracks and battery (C.F.4.b.24 and 30) 4 B 212 S of Bailleul tracks and batteries (OF 4 B 35 and 38) 4 B 213 and 214 W. of Bailleul tracks more marked and battery near stream (C F 4 B 178) and 179) XXXX 4 B 221 and 222 front line W. of MERRIS tracks more marked (C.F. 4 B 196) 4 B 229 S.W. of MERRIS screens or barricades on roads (C.F.4 B 106) 4 B 227 S. of OUTERSTEENE TRACKS AND POSTS MORE marked (C F 4 B 138 and 139) 4 B 242 N of MERRIS front line posts distinct (C.F. 4 B 101 and 130) 4 B 243 S.W. of MERRIS new tracks and work on holes (C.F. 4 B 201 and 202)..		
1st A.D.	All concd.		Morning report. Gas projectors were successfully fired on to vicinity of MERRIS at 10-30 p.m. Burning brewery in METEREN lit up that area so gas projectors were not fired there. Enemy artillery carried out harassing fire on forward area Right Bde. during night and fired on X.l.d. early in night. Patrols report enemy quiet but alert and not patrolling.	OUT	7/5/18.
"	"		Evening report. Light intermittent intermittent shelling of forward areas. Prisoners and war material and hostile aircraft nil.		

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From.	Time	1.	INFO.	101	IN	7/5/18.
1st Bde. 1st A.D.	4-37 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet. Enemy artillery active in X.I.d. early in night otherwise very quiet. T.Ms and M.Gs inactive. Patrols nothing to report. Casualties 1 O.R. wounded.				
3rd Bde.	"	4-57 a.m.	Morning report. Enemy artillery carried out harassing fire on forward area during night. Gas projectors fired on to vicinity of MERRIS brought no retaliation. Patrols report enemy quiet but alert and not patrolling. Casualties nil.			
29th Div.	"	5-55-a.m.	Situation report. Quiet night. Occasional hostile T.M.fire on left Bde. front. Patrol of left Bde. reports occupied enemy posts at E.23.a.33.95. and E.23.a.central. Patrols right Bde.front report no hostile movement. Gas successfully discharged on hostile positions N.W. of VIEUX BERQUIN at 10-30 p.m. Wind easterly 3-5 mph. Captures nil.			
115th Corps	"	7-32 a.m.	Morning report. Hostile artillery fire chiefly confined to harassing fire with H.V.guns on HAZEBROUCK MORBECQUE STRAZEELE and also on the forward area of the Right Brigade of the Left.Div. and on X.I.d. Gas projectors were discharged successfully on to the vicinity of MERRIS and N.W. of VIEUX BERQUIN at 10-30 p.m.			
3rd Bde.	"	8-3 ⁴ 1 a.m.	Patrols. Enemy showed greater activity along front during night. Several wiring parties were located but only one enemy patrol observed. Snipers and posts were also located.			
15th Corps	"	10-5 a.m.	Second Army wire begins. Following received from G.H.Q. timed 10-45 p.m. Hostile post in neighbourhood of BOIS DE VAIRE (south-east of HAMEL) was occupied early this morning and garrison accounted for. Prisoners taken by 3rd Aust.Division last night in neighbourhood of MORLANCOURT exceed 290. Estimated 150 Germans killed in hostile trench system alone. As result of minor operations by 3rd Div.reported this morning a small bridge head had been established west of PONT TOURNANT in orchard S.E. of LOCON. Hostile artillery active, on VILLERS BRETTONEUX-ALBERT front and on forward areas of 4th Corps also on different points and LA BASSE Canal. Heavy shelling on area north of METEREN. Our artillery active north of the LYS river. Ends.			

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken.	Initials.
8/5/18.	3-30 am	3rd Bde.	Barrage on 11th Bn. front	Informed D.A.	A.L.
"	4 a.m.	BM 3rd Bde	Fire has now slackened possibly Possibly a raid that did not reach our line.	"	A.L.
"	4-20 am	to BM 1st D.A.	Both groups and heavies have been supplying counter preparation fire. Right group now slowing off.		A.L.
"	4-30 am	3rd Bde. BM	Normal situation along the front.	"	A.L.
"	11-15 am	from BGGS 15th Corps	Asking that boundaries of new Div. sector be arranged with Major. Osborne when latter came to D.H.Q.	Arr. with Maj. Osborne	T.B.
"	11-10 am	To BM 3rd Bde.	Bde. will probably be required to take up line to hold boundary at X Roads on night 9/10th May.		T.B.
"	11-20 am	To BM 1st Bde.	Bde. will be relieved in line by 31st Div. on 9/10th May.		T.B.
"	11-30 a.m.	To BM 2nd Bde.	Div. boundary after 9/10th May will probably be METREN-BECQUE-Nth of ROUGE CROIX - to junction of CAESTRE and BORRE BECQUES-2nd Bde. will require to come down into Div. area. Except probably 5th Bn. Accommodation may spread westward. Reconnaissances to be carried out.		T.B.
"	10-5 pm	From G.S. Corps	108 busses arrived 6 p.m. at 31st Div. rendezvous.		T.B.
"	10-15 p.m.	From C.R.A.	S.O.S. reported on junction between 1st A.D. and 29th Div.		T.B.
"	10-30 p.m.	From BM D.A.	G.O.C. 3rd Brigade had requested that fire cease. as he considered that enemy red flare had been mistaken for ours.		T.B.
"	11 pm	To. BM 1st Bde.	Informed BM 1st Bde. 108 busses would be available but embussing point would be west of CAESTRE also Fld. Amb. and Fld. Coys. would go to Res. area.		T.B.
"	11 pm	BM Trainee 3rd Bde.	Enemy put down sharp barrage on right Bn. front at 10 p.m. but as far as can be ascertained at present no S.O.S. went up. Barrage died down again and everything quiet now.	Informed GS01	J.D.R.

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initials
8/5/18	11-15 p.m.	BM 1st Bde.	Lieut. PIGGOTT of 74th Sqn. 11th Wing. crashed in X16.b. today. Lieut. PIGGOTT unhurt is coming back and will stop the night at Bde.H.Q.	Informed 11th Wing who had reported this officer missing all day.	J.D.R.
"	11-15 pm	GSO 2 Corps	Arrange for representatives 15th Corps, 31st and 1st Aust.Div. to meet at 31st D.H.Q. re bus move at 10-30 a.m. 9th.		T.A.B.
"	11-35 pm.	GSO 11 (I) Corps.	Suspicion is that Bosche tried last night to send up our S.O.S. Is there anything to suggest that he may have done the same tonight.	Gave BM 3rd Bde. the tip.	J.D.R.

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From	To	Time Recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
15th Corps	1st A.D.	6-27 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile arty quiet generally though active on front of Right Bde. of left Div. Light shelling of HAZEBROUCK, GRAND HASARD STRAZEELE. Our Heavy Arty. bombarded houses in MERRIS with aerial observation. E.A. very active on right Div. front and right of left Div. Prisoners last 24 hours 1.	IN	8/5/18.
D.I.O.	"	7-34 p.m.	D.I.O report. Prisoner take in X.20.c.9.7. this evening. Identification 5th Coy. 62nd I.R. 12th Div. Normal. Prisoner confirms our supposition. Front line held only by watch and run posts, who immediately warn M.G. nests 400 or 500 metres in rear. Prisoner is confident no attack is contemplated by them. Wire is being rapidly erected in front of their main line of resistance.		
15th Corps	"	9-20 p.m.	Situation qire from 2nd Army timed 7-12 p.m. Fighting continues on the VIERSTRAAT front. Our line believed to run along KEMMEL BEEK with elements in KLEIN VIERSTRAAT thence N.E. along support trenches to western edge of RIDGEWOOD. Along western edge of wood thence N.E. along original front line.		
15th Corps	"	10-16 p.m.	Today's photos. Increase in tracks especially. Those leading S.E. from reference METEREN-BAILLEUL road also a little wire in MERRIS METEREN sector.		
31st Div.	"	10-25 p.m.	Tomorrow 9th inst. Major WHITE 13th York and Lancaster RegtL will report at H.Q. of General Infanterie de Division of the 168th French Division to act as Liaison officer relieving Lieut. MINING of the 1st Aust. Div. He will acquaint himself with 93rd Brigade and call at 31st Div. H.Q. en route.		
1st A.D.	All coned.		Morning report. A quiet night. at 3-10 a.m. enemy placed barrage along right brigade front zone. Normal at 4-30 a.m. Light intermittent shelling along west of front during night. Bosche dead apparently 24 hours 42nd I.R. found at F.1Ma.05.70. Has projectors fired into METEREN at 10 p.m. successfully.	OUT	8/5/18.
"	15th Corps	9-40 am.	Two EA. reported patrolling our front area between FLETRE and STRAZEELE at 9-25 a.m.		
"	All coned.		Evening report. Enemy artillery active on forward area right brigade quiet on left Bde with exception of some 4-2 shelling on flanks. One prisoner captured reported to be 62 I.R. confirmation follows. E.A. active on right brigade front.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
15th Corps 1st A.D.		12-4 p.m.	36th French Corps report 9-15 a.m. On the left progress has been made in the direction of POMPIER We captured the farms between BUTTERFLY and LE POMPIER Estaminets N.14.a.5.0. We do not appear to have captured the farms to the north east of POMPIER estaminet. Some prisoners were taken.	IN	8/5/18.
15th Corps	"	1-46 p.m.	Following from G.H.Q. timed 10 a.m. Australian troops carried out 3 small operations last night between the SOMME and ANORE advancing their line 500 yards on a 600 yards front east of SAILLY LE SEC 300 yards on a front of 500 yards west of MORLANCOURT and slightly NE of SAILLY LE SEC. 14 prisoners captured.		
15th Corps	"	3-33 p.m.	Wire from 2nd Army timed 1-10 p.m. begins. 22nd Corps reports 12-25 p.m. Latest reports show we hold KLEIN VIERSTRAAT N.10.a. in touch with troops on left and to right rear. but not in touch on right. Enemy reported to have footing in front line at RIDGEWOOD but we hold parts or whole of wood.		
3rd Bde.	"	4 p.m.	Prisoners belonging to 62nd I.R. captured at X.20.c.9.7. will arrive Bde.H.Q. 5 p.m. Details later.		
3rd Bde.	"	4-20 p.m.	Enemy arty fire easing down.		
3rd Bde.	"	4-36 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile arty active on forward areas. Enemy aircraft active Prisoner of 62nd I.R. captured at X.20.c.9.7. Visib. good. Casualties 1 Off killed 1 Off. wounded 5 O.R.wounded.		
1st Bde.	"	4-57 p.m.	Evening report. Very quiet day. Marked decrease in enemy arty activity. Few rounds from 8" How. fell at X.10.c.7.4. at 2 p.m. Several 4-2 fired into FLETRE during afternoon. Hostile planes not active.		
15th Corps	"	5 p.m.	Wire from 2nd Army timed 2-20 p.m. begins. 22nd Corps reports 1-15 p.m. French line runs along VYVERBEEK N.10.c. thence we hold KLEIN VIERSTRAAT and along to support line to S.W. corner of RIDGEWOOD. North of this we hold original line Ends. French line reported verbally BUTTERFLY FARM N.14.c.1.6. N.13.b.8.2. N.14.a.6.9. S.E. to N.15.c.5.7. N.9.c.7.3. thence along the BEEK with British troops east of KLEIN VIERSTRAAT. Fighting continues.		
29th Div.	"	5-32 p.m.	Situation report. E.A.very active. 10 cm gun battery fired salvos on RUE DUE BOIS slight shelling of back areas also by 10-5 cm and 15 cm Hows. Captures nil.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
3rd Bde. 1st A.D.		4-5 a.m.	Enemy shelling left Bn. apparently light barrage behind front line mostly mostly about NORD HELF.	IN	8/5/18.
3rd Bde.	"	4-25 a.m.	11th Bn. obtained identification from dead Bosche 62nd I.R.		
3rd Bde.	"	4-40 a.m.	Situation normal.		
1st Bde.	"	4-55 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet on whole front. Light scattered shelling of forward area during night. M.G. and T.M. inactive. Patrols nothing to report. Estimated casualties 5 O.R. wounded.		
3rd Bde.	"	5-15 a.m.	Morning report. Quiet night until 3-10 a.m. when enemy opened barrage along left Bn. front being especially heavy at NORD HELF. 4-5 a.m. fires slackened over 4-32 a.m. left Bn. front again quiet. Dead man of 62nd I.R. found at F.l.a.05.70. appears to have been dead about 24 hours. Casualties 5 O.R. wounded		
29th Div.	"	5-37 a.m.	Situation normal except for hostile arty shelling on front of our left Bde. Right Bde, report hostile arty active at intervals during the night. Patrols report no movement opposite right Bde. front. Captures nil.		
15th Corps	"	6-55 a.m.	Morning report. Right Div. report situation normal except for shelling on front of left Bde. Left Div. report quiet night except between 3-10 and 4-30 a.m. when enemy placed barrage along right bde front alone. Gas was projected into METEREN successfully. Our arty put down a counter preparation at 3-25 a.m. in reply to enemy barrage on left Div. front. Harassing fire on enemy communications and back areas continued during night. Dead german of Y62 I.R. apparently killed about 24 hours found at F.l.a.05.70.		
3rd Bde.	"	9-30 a.m.	Patrols. Body found at F.l.a.05.70. does not appear to have been dead more than 24 hours. Identification 62nd I.R. patrols operated along the Bde. front but no touch was gained with the enemy. He is not patrolling.		
1st Bde.	"	9-30 a.m.	Patrols nothing further to report.		
3rd Bde.	"	9-27 a.m.	Two E.A. patrolling our line between FLETRE and STRAZEELE		
15th Corps	"	11-56 a.m.	SANCHO to be prepared to relieve left RUFF PEONY on night 9/10th orders later.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
92nd Bde.	1st A.D.	8-9 p.m.	92nd Bde. has taken over from 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.	IN	9/5/18.
2nd Bde.	"	9-56 p.m.	Moves completed.		
15th Corps	BI "	9-58 p.m.	Today's photos. Nothing important.		
1st A.D.	All concd.		Morning report. Under cover of field gun and T.M. barrage enemy attempted to raid one of our posts in E.6.a. at 10 p.m. but was repulsed. Light shelling of forward areas.	OUT	9/5/18.
"	XV Corps	10-30 a.m.	Patrols. Enemy pack found in E.11.b. contained greatcoat bearing number 138 on shoulder strap. Patrol reports that articles have not been there long.		
"	1st Bde.		Today Major. WHITE 13 York and Lancaster Regt. will report at H.Q. of General Infanterie de Division of 168 French Division to act as liaison officer relieving Lieut. MINING of this Division.		
"	All concd.		Evening report. Light intermittent shelling of forward area during day. One low flying enemy plane over FLETRE rear areas at 3-30 p.m. Otherwise very quiet.		

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From.	To.	Time Recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
3rd Bde.	1st A.D.	W2-22 a.m. x	Enemy attempted raid at 10 p.m. at post E.6.a.8.8. was repulsed. Estimated casualties 4 killed 6 wounded Lieut. E.M. DOLLERY wounded. Interbattalion relief complete 1-40 a.m.	IN	9/5/18.
1st Bde.	"	4-34 a.m.	Morning report. Light intermittent shelling of forward and support areas. occasional burst of M.G. fire T.Ms inactive Patrols nothing to report. Estimated casualties nil.		
3rd Bde.	"	5-2 a.m.	Morning report. M Enemy attempted to raid our post at E.6.a.8.8. at 10 pm. but was repulsed. Enemy operations covered by a barrage from field guns and T.Ms Usual harassing fire on forward area. No patrol information yet to hand. Estimated casualties 2 Off.wounded 4 O.Rs killed, 6 O.R wounded.		
29th Div	"	5-50 a.m.	Situation report. Right Bde. report TIR INGLAIS heavily shelled with gas from midnight to 3 a.m. Roads and battery positions also gas shelled during this period. Left Bde. reports patrol fired on by M.G. at E.28.e.6.9. and E.A. active between midnight and 2 a.m. Situation now quiet. Captures nil.		
29th Div	"	6 a.m.	In continuation of this office G 5455. Right BdeL patrols reported all clear and quiet on front.		
15th Corps	"	6-55 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet. Heavy gas shelling about LE TIR ANGLAIS D.17. from midnight to 3 a.m. and on principal roads and battery positions in neighbourhood. Enemy attempted raid on one of our posts in E.6.a. under cover of heavy barrage of artillery and T.Ms but was repulsed. Enemy E.A. active during early hours of morning. Light hostile shelling of forward area.		
168 F.Div	"	8-20 a.m.	Compte rendu de la nuit de 8 a.m. 9 activite moyenne de l'artillerie francaise sable reaction ennemi.		
15th Corps	"	8-25 a.m.	Reference G 534 of 8th inst. 2nd Army report 1-5 a.m. 9th as a result of our counter attack it is believed we have regained all ground lost this morning. Reports still require definite confirmation. It is thought that the enemy who attacked with elements of at least 3 divisions must have suffered heavy casualties by our artillery fire. The temporary loss of parts of our front is believed to have been due to very heavy bombardment and not by directly to infantry action.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action Taken.	Initials.
9/5/18	10-25 pm	GSO 11 XV Corps	(a) Major. OSBORNE agreed to command of the sector passing to the G.O.C. 31st Div. at 4 a.m. to-morrow.	G informed Adv. 31st Div.	S.L.M.
"			(b) He also stated that this Division was to retain R.E. dump in V.S.c. until it was exhausted.	CRE informed	S.L.M.
"	10-45 pm.	do.	Cancelling (a) above. Command will pass on completion of the infantry relief. This includes command of the arty.	CRA informed G.informed.	S.L.M.
"	11 pm.	G XV Corps	Div.Gas N.C.O. has to report to C.Cdt. XV Corps H.Q. at 10 am. for duty as inrtuctor Corps Gas School.	DGO advised by phone	S.L.M.

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
15th Corps	1st A.D.	4-5 p.m.	Wire from 2nd Army timed 2-15 p.m. Belgian G.H.Q. reports that British naval operation took place last night at OSTEND. One concrete ship H.M.S. "VINDICTIVE" sunk well inside entrance to harbour. Ship lies at angle of 40 degrees across entrance.. Casualties light.	IN	10/5/18.
1st Bde.	"	4-15 p.m.	Move complete. More tents and shelters urgently required particularly mess tents or marquees.		
3rd Bde.	"	4-40 p.m.	Evening report. Very quiet on whole brigade front. Estimated casualties 2 O.R. wounded.		
31st Div.	"	5-12 p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet prisoners and material nil.		
29th Div.	"	5-52 p.m.	Situation report. Enemy was shelled road in E.25.a. with heavies from 10 a.m. till 12 noon. E.22.b. and D and E.16.d. shelled by 5-9s 11 a.m. till 12 noon. Several H.E. on station E.11.a. 12-30 otherwise quiet. Wind N.E. Light. Captures nil.		
15th Corps	"	6-30 p.m.	Evening report. Situation very quiet. Nothing to report. Prisoners last 24 hours nil.		
3rd Bde.	"	12 Mid.	W.28.b. and W.23.b. lightly shelled with gas at 10 p.m.		
1st A.D.	All concd.		Morning report. During early part of night some shrapnel was fired on rear area right brigade and harassing fire was carried out at intervals on the forward area. A few gas shells used. Patrols report nothing unusual. Command of left sub-sector passed to 31st Div. at 4-10 a.m.	OUT	10/5/18.
"	Capt. Westmacott. N C.R.A.		Command of left sub sector passed to 31st Div. at 4-10 a.m.		
"	All concd.	5 p.m.	Evening report. Very quiet on whole divisional front.		

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From.	To.	Time Recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
1st Bde.	1st A.D.	3-16 a.m.	Relief complete.	IN	10/5/18.
3rd Bde.	1st A.D.	5-3 a.m.	Morning report. Harassing fire carried out at intervals during the night on forward area. A few gas shells fired but very scattered. During early part of night considerable amount of shrapnel used on rear areas. Slight T.M. activity otherwise quiet. Estimated casualties 20. Rs wounded. Patrols report nothing unusual.		
1st A.D.A.	"	5-10 a.m.	Artillery command of Left sector passed at 4-45 a.m.		
31st Div.	"	5-16 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet.		
29th Div.	"	5-19 a.m.	Morning situation report. Situation quiet except for spasmodic shelling BOIS D'AVAIL. Wind N.W. 8 to 10 mph. Captures nil. Patrols reports not yet to hand.		
15th Corps	"	6-42 a.m.	Quiet night. Slight shelling of BOIS D'AVAIL Relief of RUFF of PEONY in left section by SANCHEO completed.		
268 F.Div.	"	7-35 a.m.	Compte rendu nuit di 9 au 10 Mai Aucune action d'infanterie activite moyenne deux artilleries de deux heures a trois heures trente bombardment de Mont des Cats par abus speciaux et obus explosives.		
3rd Bde.	"	8-50 a.m.	Patrols Enemy was not encountered but movements was seen and fired on occasionally. M.Gs were located at approx. E.6.a.5.5. and E.6.a.50.10.		
3rd Bde.	"	9-2 a.m.	Relief complete 4-30 a.m.		
15th Corps	"	12-26 p.m.	556th BROOM will be transferred to ALGY tomorrow 11th May and will move to area at present occupied by 431st BERYL TWITCH at D.19.a.2.2. under orders of CANOE 431st BERYL will be transferred to CELSUS on May 11th and will move to SARATOGA area under orders of CELSUS.		
1st M.G.Bn	"	3-40 p.m.	At 6 p.m. today 10th inst., Bn. H.Q will close at Q.34.c.5.3. and open at V.5.c.40.05. at same time. Documents of a very important nature may be sent to Q.34.c.5.3. up till 11 p.m.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initials
10/5/18	6 p.m.	G.2 Training XV Corps.	The rifle range at C.21.c. is available for Reserve Bde. It requires repair which should be carried out by troops using the ranges.	Bde.informed	S.L.M

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information	In Out	Date.
3rd Bde.	1st A.D.	5 p.m.	Evening report. quiet on whole Bde. front. Hostile arty firing occasional salvos. Estimated casualties 2 O.Rs wounded.	IN	11/5/18.
29th Div.	"	5-5 p.m.	Situation report. Quiet. LE TIR ANGLAIS heavily shelled with gas 9- to 11 a.m. E. edge of BOIS D'AVAIL shelled intermittently during afternoon Captures nil.		
31st Div.	"	5-30 p.m.	Situation report. Situation quiet. Enemy reply to our harassing fire by slight shelling on X.13.b.7.0.		
31st Div.	"	5-43 P.M.	Situation quiet. During the day enemy shelled west of METEREN with 77 MM also front line north of METEREN with 5-9 Captures nil.		
15th Corps	"	6-42 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery fire normal. Frequent bursts of fire including gas on STRAZEELE and PAPOTE Heavy gas shelling of LE TIR ANGLAIS from 9 to 11 a.m. E. edge of BOIS D'AVAIL front line N of METEREN and HAZEBROUCK and MORBECQUE were also shelled. During night left centre division was pushed forward and posts established at approx. X.20.c.6.4. - C.7.5 - C.8.6. Prisoners last 24 hours 4 already reported.		
3rd Bde.	"	8-40 p.m.	Following S.O.S. relay posts are being established. in rear of line between H.Q. W.25.d.8.3. W.28.a.85.40. W.21.d.2.0. W.21.d.1.9. W.16.d.9.2.		
1st A.D.	All coned,		Morning report. Gas concentrations on forward areas at intervals during the night. Otherwise quiet. Prisoner captured in X.20.c. Identification and details follow. Suspected 62 I.R. 12 Div.	OUT	11/5/18.
"	"		Continuation of morning report. 3 wounded and 1 unwounded prisoners taken in vicinity of X.20.c. Identification 62 I.R. 12th Div.		
"	XV Corps 31 Div.		During night left flank was pushed forward and posts established at approx. X.20.c.6.4. C.7.5. and C.8.6.		
"	All coned.		Evening report. Quiet day on Div. front. Hostile arty fired occasional salvos.		

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From.	To,	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
1st M.G.Bn	1st A.D.	1-20 a.m.	Relief completed.	IN	11/5/18.
3rd Bde.	"	3-49 a.m.	One prisoner captured 62 regt' more following.		
3rd Bde.	"	5-5 a.m.	Morning report. Gas concentrations on forward areas at intervals. Prisoner of 62 I.R. captured by left Battalion. Our patrols report no hostile patrols. Seen very little movement in the forward area. Estimated casualties 5 O.R. wounded.		
29th Div.	"	5-21 a.m.	Morning situation report. Our guns fairly active otherwise quiet. LE TIR ANGLAIS shelled gas from 12-50 a.m. to 13-30 15 shells a minute. Front line report very quiet. Wind N 3 to 6 mph.		
3rd Bde.	"	6-2 a.m.	3 prisoners 62 I.R. arrived Bde.H.Q. one wounded prisoner evacuated through Field Ambulance.		
3rd Bde.	"	6-56 a.m.	Left flank of left battalion pushed forward and posts established at X.20.c.6.4. X.20.c.7.5. and X.20.c.8.6. approximately.		
15th Corps	"	7 a.m.	Morning report. Quiet. Hostile arty quiet except for some rather heavy gas shelling of LE TIR ANGLAIS and some gas concentration of forward area of centre division at intervals. Our arty carried out usual harassing fire and twice successfully neutralised concentration of batteries which opened from BOIS D'AVAIL with gas. One prisoner captured by centre Division at X.20.c. identification confirmed unconfirmed but suspected to be 62 I.R. 12th Div.normal.		
15th Corps	"	7-20 a.m.	Continuation morning report. 3 wounded and 1 unwounded prisoners including one previously reported taken in vicinity of X.20.c. Identification 62 I.R. 12th Div.		
3rd Bde.	"	9-1 p.m.	Patrols. Nothing further to report.		
15th Corps	"	11-45 a.m.	Wife from 2nd Army begins. DAN reports 8 a.m. Last night we captured BRULOOZE and BRULOOZE CABT. taking 17 prisoners. But our troops were driven back to their original line this morning by hostile counter attack On the VYVERBEEK we counter attacked this morning and captured 30 prisoners Uncertain whether all objectives have been reached. Quiet night on rest of front.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action Taken.	Initials.
11/5/18	9-35 am.	G. XV Corps	Army is asking for division al with trained personnel for an additional 4 L.Guns per Bn. I asked that this Division might be nominated and this was agreed to.		SLM
"	4-50 pm.	R.O. D.A.	Gen.Walker will be out until 7-30 p.m. and Gen.Anderson should not come over to see G.O.C. until he is notified.		SLM

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To.	From.	Time sent.	Information.	In Out	Date.
Army "I" Corps "I" 29th and 31st Divs.	1st A.D.	1-45 a.m.	D.I.O. report 2 wounded and 9 unwounded prisoners taken last night in X.20.c.9.8. Identification 5th Coy. 2nd Bn. 62 I.R. 12th Div.	OUT	12/5/18
do do	do	2 a.m.	D.I.O. report. Prisoner taken last night in E.5. Identification 9th Coy. 3rd Bn. 62 I.R. 12th Div.		
All coned	do	5-27 p.m.	Morning report. 2 wounded and 9 unwounded prisoners of 62 I.R. and 1 M.G. taken in X.20.c. 3 unwounded 62 I.R. taken at E.11.b.5.9. Artillery quiet.		
"	do	5-10 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery active between STRAZEELE and Station other areas lightly shelled only.		
XV Corps CRA 29th Div.	do.		O.P. reports at 9 p.m. about 50 og enemy moving towards F.20. from F.27. A. and also a great deal of movement at roads at L.4.central. Train movement very active at ESTAIRES during afternoon.		

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Date.	Time.	Message	Information.	Action taken.	Initials.
12/5/18	3-45 p.m.	XV Corps G.	a. 100 additional S.O.S. rockets are available. The supply is limited.		J.D.R.
"	6-55 p.m.	RO. D.A.	b. 15000 rounds extra. Reporting 18 enemy balloons opposite our front, greatest number/Corps between MERRIS and METEREN.	were requested to send Army planes to force them down and promised to do so.	S.L.M.
"	11-20 pm.	M.G.Btn.	Vacancies required for Army Schools. A.2 Off. 2 N.C.Os E -- CM 2 N.C.Os D- E- F- 1 Off. 4 N.C.Os.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
15th Corps	1st A.D.	5-40 p.m.	Wire from Second Army timed 2-50 p.m. begins. G.H.Q. reports 10-25 p.m. Hostile artillery has been active on the ANCRE valley about MERICOURT L'ABBE near HENDICOURT and on batteries in LANNOY OBLINGHAM sector (North west of METHUNE) heavy hostile trench mortar bombardment this morning of trenches N.E. of LOOS and S.O.S. at Ridge wood south of VOORMEZELE. No infantry action reported. Enemy attacked French yesterday morning at BOIS DE LA GAUNE (H.35.a. S.W. of MAILLY RAINEVAL and made some progress at first but was ejected by counter attack. French took about 100 prisoners.	IN	12/5/18
29th Div	"	5-46 p.m.	Evening situation report. SEC BOIS heavily bombarded from 11-45 to 12-15 p.m. BOIS D'AVAIL slightly shelled. Field guns active on back areas until midday. Captures nil.		
31st Div.	B	5-56 p.m.	Situation quiet. Enemy artillery occasional 77 mm H.E. in vicinity of front line. Own artillery active on X.21. X.22. X.27. and X.28. E.A. inactive. Captures nil.		
15th Corps	"	7-3 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery quiet some shelling of STRAZEELE and STRAZEELE station and heavy shelling of SEC BOIS for half an hour at midday. Except for field guns on right Div. front there has been practically no shelling on back areas during last 12 hours. Prisoners last 24 hours 14 already reported.		
15th Corps	"	7-16 p.m.	From prisoners statements captured last night enemy order of battle north to south from east of MOOLENACKER to VIEUX BERQUIN appears to be 2nd and 1st Bns. 62 I.R. elements of 63 I.R. (at most two coys) 3rd Bn. 62 I.R. (12 Div) and 132 I.R. (39 Div) XXX 23 I.R. and greater part of 63 I.R. (12 Div) are resting. 12 Div. expects relief tonight. Relief will probably take place between 11 p.m. and 1 a.m.		
3rd Bde.	"	9-30 p.m.	O.P. reports at 9 p.m. about 50 huns moving towards F.20. from F.27.a. also a great deal of movement at roads at L.4 central.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
3rd Bde.	1st A.D.	2-26 a.m.	Following from D.I.O. 9 unwounded and 1 wounded prisoner taken in X.20.c.9.7. Identification 5th Coy. and Bn 62 I.R. 12th Div.	IN	12/5/18.
3rd Bde.	"	2-52 a.m.	10 unwounded prisoners left here with escort at 2-30 a.m.		
31st Div	"	5-5 a.m.	Situation report. Enemy artillery inactive except for an occasional gas shell on X.10.d. Our arty fairly active. Situation in general very quiet.		
29th Div.	"	5-8 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet. Wind N.W. very light. Captures nil.		
3rd Bde.	"	5-14 a.m.	Morning report. One wounded and 9 unwounded prisoners of 5th Coy. 62 I.R. 12th Div. taken in X.20.c. One unwounded prisoner taken at E.11.b.5.9. belonging to 62 I.R. 12th Div. Arty quiet Patrol information not yet to hand.		
3rd Bde.	"	5-30 a.m.	Two more prisoners of 62 I.R. 12th taken in E.11.b.		
3rd Bde.	"	6-27 a.m.	Reference SL 128 of this morning. Identifications confirmed.		
15th Corps	"	6-55 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet. Enemy artillery inactive except for occasional gas shell on X.10.d. Usual harassing fire by our artillery. Captures by centre division as follows. 2 wounded 9 unwounded prisoners of 62 I.R. and 1 M.G. taken at X.20.c. 3 unwounded 62 I.R. taken at E.11.b.5.9.		
15th Corps	"	4-34 p.m.	2nd N.Z. Army Bde. R.F.A. will be withdrawn from action on night 13/14th May to its wagon lines and will be prepared to leave 15th Corps area by March route on 16th May under orders to be issued later.		
3rd Bde.	"	4-51 p.m.	Evening report. Enemy artillery active on E.4.v. and D and E.5. c and D. Other areas only lightly shelled. Other areas quiet. Estimated casualties O.Rs one killed three wounded.		
3rd Bde.	"	5-22 p.m.	Men employed 11th inst. on works One outpost system connecting up posts and strengthening wire 11 officers 319 other ranks. Support system 3 officers 80 other ranks permanent wiring party and 14 officers 486 other ranks digging in support line under R.E. BORRE defences 2 officers 80 other ranks. working daily under engineers.		

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To.	From.	Time sent.	Information.	In Out	Date.
All coned,	1st A.D.		Morning report. Enemy very quiet in forward area. Patrols report nothing unusual 1 prisoner of 62nd I.R. captured at XM20.c. Hostile planes bombed rear areas during night.	OUT	13/5/18.
"	"		Evening report. Enemy artillery active at intervals on forward areas. Other arms quiet.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken.	Initials.
13/5/18	12-10 am.	3rd Bde.	A prisoner of the 62 I.R. has been captured at X.20.c.	Bde.inst.send pris. to D.H.Q.	S.L.M.
"	6-10 a.m.	15th Corps "I"	Asking is prisoner has been sent to LE CISEAUX D.I.O.L report had been received.		S.L.M.
"	7 p.m.	ADCM Corps	Invitation to General WALKER and A.D.C. to dine with Corps Commander at 8 p.m. tomorrow 14th inst.	9 a.m. ADC accepted.	S.L.M.
"	7-15 p.m.	29th Div.	Asking for loan of R.G. Instructor for 4 days from tomorrow.		S.L.M.
"	9-15 p.m.	To BM 1st Bde.	1st Bde. were instructed to- (a) Send a Rifle Grenade Instructor to 29th Div.H.Q. to report to G.S.O. 2 at 9 a.m. tomorrow 14th. (b) To indent on Field Coy. attached for material and specialist labour required. (c) Arrange Contact aeroplane demonstration. Details outlined by G.S.O. III.		S.L.M.
"	10-30 p.m.	D.A.D.O.S.	From additional L.Gs per battalion has been authorised. Will we let battalions know.		J.D.R.

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
3rd Bde. 1st A.D.		3-10 a.m.	Prisoner despatched captured X.20.c.9.8. 62 Reg.	IN	13/5/18.
3rd Bde.	"	5-10 a.m.	Morning report. Prisoner of 62nd I.R. 12th Div. captured at X.20.c.9.6. Enemy very quiet all night Patrols report nothing unusual. Estimated casualties 2 or wounded.		
29th Div.	"	5-19 a.m.	Morning report. Quiet night. Patrols of right Bde. report no movement opposite their front. Left Bde. report light hostile shelling in back areas. Captures nil. Wind S.W. 4 to 6 mph.		
31st Div.	"	5-44 a.m.	Situation report. Persistent shelling on Cross Roads X.13.b. 7.1. and area X.13.b. and D Slight T.M. and 4.2 activity in X.9.a. and C. and X.16.a. special attention being paid to Farm X.10.c.20.35 with 4-2s. Situation otherwise quietM		
15th Corps	"	6-59 a.m.	Morning report. With the exception of some shelling about X.13.b. and D and on farm X.20.c.20.35, enemy has been very quiet. Hostile aircraft active over back areas. Bombs dropped near HONDEGHEM 3 hostile balloons forced to descend yesterday evening by our artillery. One prisoner 62nd I.R. captured by centre Div. at x.20.c.		
3rd Bde.	"	9-17 a.m.	Patrols. Nothing further to report.		
3rd Bde.	"	1-25 p.m.	O.P. reports one of our planes down in E.17.c.		
3rd Bde.	"	4-34 p.m.	Evening report. Enemy artillery active at intervals on forward areas. Other arms quiet. Casualties nil.		
31st Div.	"	5-48 p.m.	Situation quiet. Hostile artillery active this morning N.E. of METEREN and throughout day on roads W of METEREN. Captures nil.		
29th Div.	"	5-57 p.m.	Situation quiet. Intermittent shelling of LA MOTTE and eastern edge of BOIS D'AVAIL during morning. Hostile aircraft active during morning over Forest de Nieppe.		
15th Corps	"	6-56 p.m.	Situation report. Quiet day in forward area. Certain amount of hostile shelling of back areas including FLETRE CAESTRE LA MOTTE and area N.E. and W of METEREN. Hostile aircraft active this morning over Forest De Nieppe Our artillery carried out harassing fire on roads and approaches between BAILLEUL and ESTAIRES and concentrated shoots on active batteries and localities in the neighbourhood of DOULIEU STEENWERCK and BLEU Prisoners last 24 hours 1 O.R. previously reported.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
31st Div.	1st A.D.	5-38 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery active north of METERNN especial attention being paid to HAUTE PORTE FARM with 5-9s. Captured personnel and material nil.	IN	14/5/18.
15th Corps	"	6-37 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery quiet. 4 bombs dropped in BOIS D'AVAIL. Prisoners E.A. active over night Div. front last 24 hours nil.		
NO 2 S.C.R.E.	"	6-52 p.m.	Ref. O.O. 8/18 AAA COOMA.		
15th Corps	"	8-50 p.m.	Today's photos 4 B 4 7:8 road bridge at 36A E.23.a.70.52. destroyed and new light Bridge erected. 4 B 4 8 5 new road screen 36 A E.28.d.41.15. 4 B 490 line of posts at 27 X.30.c.90.29. 4 B 508 row of holes at 36 F.7.b.88.40. 4 B 507 emplacement and work at 36A F.1.c.19.56. 4 B 503 work on filled in shell hole at 36A XXXX F.13.a.05.05. 4 B 501 new element of trenches from 27 X.29.b.62.15. to X.30.a.10.60. 4 B 504 objects at 27 X.30.a.10.81. in different positions Slight increase of tracks on most photos.		
1st A.D.	XV Corps		Inter Brigade relief vompleted without incident at 12-50 a.m.	OUT	14/5/18
"	All coned.		Morning report . Quiet night. Light shelling of W.21.b. with 4-2s. Hostile patrols inactive.		
"	"	5-15 p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet. Some shelling on X.19. Enemy shelling V.30.d with heavy calibre since 3 p.m.		

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2nd Bde.	1st A.D.	1 a.m.	Relief completed.	IN	14/5/18
2nd Bde.	"	5-5 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet on sub-sector except for light shelling of W.21.b. with 4-2s. No enemy patrols encountered. Wind nil mph Estimated casualties three.		
29th Div.	"	5-25 a.m.	Situation quiet. Hostile artillery nil. Wind NW 8 to 10 mph. Captures nil		
31st Div.	"	5-45 a.m.	Situation report. Right Coy. H.Q. Of left Bn. shelled by 77 mm six heavy T.Ms on front line between 11 p.m. and midnight. Hostile M.Gs fired occasional bursts on centre Coy. Situation quiet on right Bn. front. and elsewhere.		
15th Corps	"	6-50 a.m.	Morning report. Very quiet night nothing to report. Captures nil.		
15th Corps	"	11-6 a.m.	Following wire from Second Army timed 9 a.m. begins. G.H.Q. report unchanged 11-15 p.m. Situation unchanged. There was an increase in hostile artillery activity today on the fourth Army front. Considerable gas shelling in SOMME valley and heavy shelling of trench system near LAVIEVILLE. Battery positions near MAILLY-MAILLET bombarded this afternoon and hostile barrage put down early this morning near MOYENNEVILLE. On first Army front. North of BETHUNE heavily shelled for three quarters of an hour this morning. Otherwise no great activity. On Second Army front some hostile shelling between LA MOTTE and METEREN and about LOCRR and heavy shelling north of KEMMEL. Ends.		
29th Div.	"	4-18 p.m.	Body of dead German found last night at sheet 36A E.28.c.8.6. near FERME BEAULIEU belonging to 222 R.I.R. 48 Res.Div. From unposted cards found on him dated 12 April he would appear to have been killed about a month ago.		
2nd Bde.	"	4-50 p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet. Slight shelling in X.19. Enemy shelling V.30.d. with heavy calibre since 3 p.m. At 3-30 p.m. two 10 flying enemy planes passed over STRAZEELE and PRADELLES Estimated casualties nil. Wind S.W. 10 mph.		
29th Div.	"	5-30 p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet. E.A. active four bombs dropped in BOIS D'AVAIL.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information	Action Taken	Initials.
15/5/18	5-20 pm.	No.2 S.C.R.E.	Gas projector operation has been postponed owing to unfavourable weather conditions. 2nd Bde.notified.		S.L.M.
"	12-30 pm.	GSO 2 to 29th Div.	N.Z.F.A.Bde. has moved out of its position and left communications and positions with ammunition intact. Another Army Bde. is to move in		S.L.M.
"	12-35 pm.	GSO 11 to Div.Sig.Coy.	Telephone lines etc. left in position by N.Z.F.A. Bde. are not to be reeled in.		S.L.M.
"	4 p.m.	A.D.M.S. XV Corps.	A representative will call at this D.H.Q. tomorrow with detail of buried cable task to be carried out by the reserve Brigade of this Division.		S.L.M.

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
31st Div.	1st A.D.	5-30 p.m.	Except for hostile heavy T.M. fore near HTE PORTE FME and occasional shelling to W. of it situation generally quiet. Hostile aeroplanes xx carried out reconnaissance of our posts on left Battalion front. Captures nil.	IN	15/5/18.
29th Div.	"	5-36 p.m.	Evening report. Very quiet. Hostile arty very quiet.		
No.2 SCRE.	"	6-6 p.m.	Ref 00 8/18 COOMA.		
15th Corps	"	6-53 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery activity chiefly directed on centre Division front destructive shoots being carried out in area between RAILWAY and STRAZEELE HAZEBROUCK road. E.A. active over STRAZEELE and extreme left of Corps front line. Our artillery carried out usual harassing fire. Prisoners last 24 hours 1 wounded since dead already reported.		
29th Div.	"	7-0 p.m.	Ref 00 207 para 4 NOBBY.		
1st Bde.	"	8-45 p.m.	Enemy planes bombs in SERCUS LYNDIE area during night. No damage done.		
1st A.D. All concd.		5-35 p.m.	Morning report. Light harassing fire on centre section front and considerable activity vicinity of STRAZEELE with 5;9s and 4-2s. Few gas shells with H.E. detonation in STRAZEELE. Two heavy calibre pieces placed concentrated shoo in V.30.d. at 11 p.m. and at 4-30 a.m. One wounded prisoner who has since died captured in X.20.c. at 3-30 a.m. Identification 5 K 62 I.R. Enemy reported working opposite right company left section.	OUT	15/5/18.
"	"		Evening report. Destructive shoots carried out in W.28. E.4.b. STRAZEELE Stn. and W.25.d. throughout the day. 4 E.A. over STRAZEELE Prisoners or captured war material nil.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
31st Div.	1st A.D.	5-22 a.m.	situation report. Enemy shelled X.13.b. and D and X.14.a. and C with 77 mm Between 10 p.m. and 1 a.m. hostile T.Ms were active on X.16. and X.10. Generally quiet. Enemy aircraft active in the vicinity of HONDEGHEM between 10-14 p.m. and midnight bombs dropped N.E. of HONDEGHEM.	IN	15/5/18.
2nd Bde.	"	5-27 a.m.	Morning report. Light harassing fire on centre section front and considerable activity vicinity of STRAZEELE and PRADELLES with 5-9s and 4-2s Few gas shells with H.E. detonation in STRAZEELE Two heavy calibre pieces placed concentrated shoot in V.30.d. at 11 p.m. and 4-30 a.m. One wounded prisoner who has since died captured in X.20.c. at 3-30 a.m. Identification 5 K B 2nd I.R. Enemy reported working opposite right company left section. Wind south 2 MPH Estimated casualties 4 O.R.killed 19 wounded.		
29th Div.	"	5-30 a.m.	Situation report. Situation on front quiet. Both Brigades report heavy gas shelling between 11 p.m. and 2 a.m. Hostile E.A. very active bombing back areas between 8 p.m. and midnight. Wind S.W. 6 mph. Captures nil.		
15th Corps	"	6-47 a.m.	Morning report. Heavy gas shelling of right division sector between 11 p.m. and 2 a.m. Hostile artillery active on STRAZEELE Between 10-15 pm and midnight enemy aircraft active over back areas. 1 wounded prisoner since died captured in X.20.c. belonged 62nd I.R.		
1st Bde.	"	10-20 a.m.	Late afternoon 14th H.V. gun firing 73 degrees true from G.11.c.6.6. One every five minutes appeared to be firing at observation balloon No damage.		
15th Corps	"	12-5 p.m.	Second Army report timed 10-20 a.m. begins. DAN reports counter attack launched at 4-45 a.m. against HILL 44 which was occupied by us. 17 prisoners captured and line advanced south of DICKEBUSCH LAKE about 150 metres to a mound commanding the GODEZONNE-RIDGE WOOD road.		
15th Corps	"	3-20 p.m.	French airship started from PARIS this morning en route for CALAIS, Please inform all concerned.		
2nd Bde.	"	5-6 p.m.	Evening report. Destructive shoots carried out in W.28.e.4.8. STRAZEELE STATION and W.25.d. throughout the day. 4 enemy planes over STRAZEELE at midday. Estimated casualties 1 Off. and 1 O.R.killed and 2 O.R.wounded Wind S.W. 3 mph.		

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To.	From.	Time sent.	Information.	In Out	Date.
All concd.	1st A.D.	5-35 a.m.	Morning report. X.25. and STRAZEELE was shelled with gas shell between 10 p.m. and midnight. PRADELLES and BORRE intermittently shelled throughout the night with 5-9 and 4-2s. Enemy party of 8 approached a post in X.20.c. and were dispersed by our fire.	OUT	16/5/18.
"	"	5-15 p.m.	Evening report. Slight shelling of PRADELL and NORD HELF WOOD otherwise quiet day on whole front. Prisoners and war material nil.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken.	Initials.
16/5/18:	9-20 p.m.	Adj 1st M.G.Bn	At 5 p.m. today two French "Spads" flying at about 400 feet were engaged by about 20 British Anti-Aircraft Lewis Guns in the vicinity of V.3. and V.4. Sh.27. Although neither of the planes were brought down it seemed highly probable that they must have been badly hit. Their markings were very clearly visible to Capt.HOGG himself.	Informed GA	J.D.R.
14/5/18	6-50 pm.	ADC to GOC. 2nd Army.	Army Commander would like to see General WALKER at about 2 p.m. tomorrow 10th. We are to advise him only if Geb.WALKER cannot be home at that time.	Informed ADJ.	J.D.R.
15/5/18	8-55 pm	D.O.P.	Three parties each of about 1 platoon strong advancing in artillery formation through E.23.	Informed RO 1st D.A.	J.D.R
"	10 p.m.	XV Corps GSO 3	Can a reply be given now re number of Hill and Jackson XXXX AA sights. Promised him to let him know first thing in the morning.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
2nd Bde.	1st A.D.	5-5 a.m.	Morning report. X.25. and STRAZEELE was shelled with gas shell between 10 p.m. and midnight. PRADELLES and BORRE intermittently shelled throughout night with 5-9s and 4-2s. Enemy party of 8 approached a post in XM X.20.c. and were dispersed by our fire. Wind calm. Estimated casualties 6	IN	16/5/18.
29th Div	"	5-20 a.m.	Morning situation report. Situation quiet except for a little scattered gas shelling of BOIS D'AVAIL between midnight and 1 a.m. Patrols were out and report no enemy movement on our front. Wind S.E. 3 mph		
31st Div.	"	5-34 a.m.	Situation quiet. Enemy artillery fairly active against area X.14. X.1. FLETRE gas shells were used against first area. Interbrigade relief carried out during night. Enemy aircraft active between 10 p.m. and midnight in vicinity of HONDEGHEM bombs being dropped.		
15th Corps	"	6-45 a.m.	Morning report. Hostile artillery fire normal Concentrations of gas shells were put on area GRAND MARQUETTE FARM (E.7) and STRAZEELE. BOIS D'AVAIL NORDHELF and area west of METEREN were also shelled with gas. E.A. active during night. Bombs dropped at HONDEGHEM, Enemy party of eight approached a post in X.20.c. and was dispersed by our fire. Prisoners nil.		
2nd Bde.	"	4-55 p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet at 10 a.m. W.21. Central shelled with 4-2s and light shelling in X.25.a. by 77s has taken place. Estimated casualties nil. Wind N.E. 3 mph. Low flying E.A. nil.		
31st Div.	"	5-46 p.m.	Situation quiet. There has been continuous shelling of X.3.a. with 5-9 Aircraft very quiet. Prisoners nil.		
29th Div.	"	6 p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet. Enemy artillery inactive. Wind E.		
15th Corps	"	6-41 p.m.	Situation report. Some shelling about PRADELLES and the neighbourhood of X.3.a. Our artillery carried out destructive shots on batteries and harassing fire on back areas. Prisoners last 24 hours nil.		
29th Div.	"	7-26 p.m.	Refce 00 207 para 4 NOBBY.		
No.2 SCRE	"	7-34 p.m.	Ref. 00 8/18 aaa COOMA.		

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