

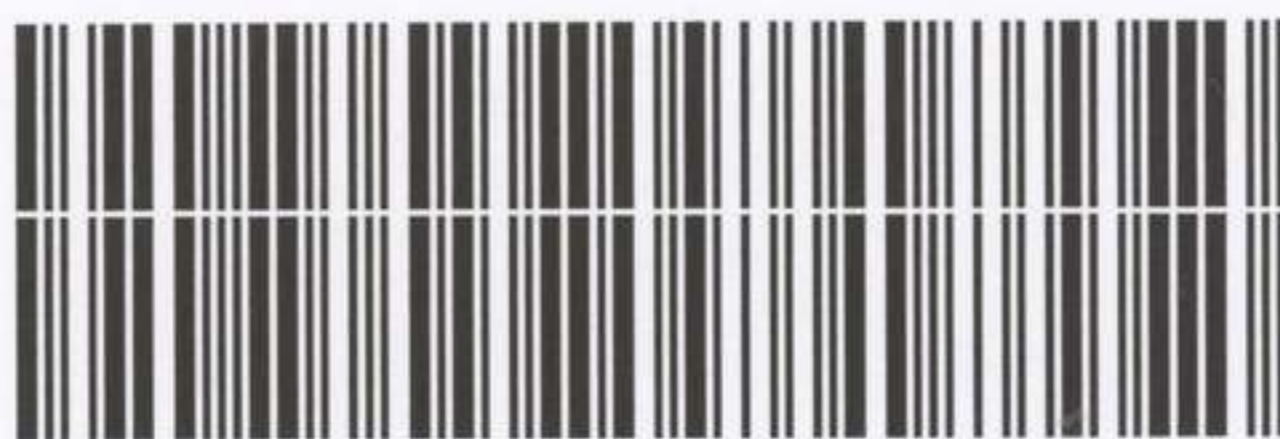
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Disemont (France)	1919 Apr 1st		Demobilisation train arrived today consisting of 16 flats & 6 covered trucks. Vehicles loaded & checked. Preparations made to load stores tomorrow. Units collected available stores.	
	2 nd		Stores loaded in covered trucks & locked. Train left 1800 with guard in charge of Capt Anderson. One ton stores advised. Paid Train.	
	3 rd		3 rd Div H. Q. stores were collected from Blangy by our Lorry & duly checked in. The 3 rd Aust Div Sanitary Section also passed their Mob stores in. Pte Shann whilst assisting to collect Rations at Translay had his hand crushed & was evacuated to the 3 rd A. G. Hospital Abbeville. An operation was immediately performed. One ton stores to hand etc Base.	
	4 th		The 40 th Battalion Mob stores duly received & checked. Arrangements to close the Ammunition Shop were made & the internal fixings dismantled. The Conductor visited several units for the purpose of inspecting stores.	

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Disemont	apl 5 th		The 3 rd Divl Signal Company returned the stores of the Wireless Sections today. As corps have requested more rapid progress with the return of Units Lists a few were despatched by evening D.R.L.S. to corps. An s/sgt Drew & Wynn to day proceeded on leave to U.K. in charge of Armours tools & equipment.	
	6 th		The return of the 35 th Battrn Mob Stores was completed today. The Mob Stores of the 11 th Field A.E. Coy were inspected during the day. Good progress has been made with the completion & checking of several units lists, 2 of which, in triplicate were mailed to A.D.D.S. corps troops to day.	
	7 th		Capt Anderson & train guard reported arrival at Abbeville & a Lorry was duly despatched to return them. The 23 rd A.F.S.C returned their mob stores & same were found in very good condition. A further package of lists were completed & despatched to corps. Authority by wire was received today from V.C. A.F. O.C. France to release all Armours	

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Disemont	Apr 7 th		Continued: Arm Artificers for Repatriation. One Amouner's services to be retained for assistance in closing down the Amouner's Work Shop.	
	8 th		Advice was received during the day that the train of flat trucks etc balais which had been requested for this date would not be available & could not be despatched until 14 th Inst. This rearrangement of our train programme will result in a slight congestion in the vehicle Park. As no Unit had been instructed to return Mob Stores the free day was put to very good advantage by the various groups in checking & packing their various sections ready for despatch. Further completed lists were duly despatched by mail to A.D.D. S. B. O. P. S.	
	9 th		The Mob stores of the 11 th & 12 th Bns were received today & duly checked. Two trucks of Stores came to hand on the Supply train. Advice received that S/Sgt L. H. Giff has been kept	

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Disemont aplg	1919		Continued :- in England on Non-military employment Several units advise that their Adm. S/Sgts have been listed on Demob. Quotas in accordance with instructions from this office.	
	10 th		Two sections (Wireless etc) of the 3 rd Aust Divl Signal Coy were passed through the Dump to day. The staff have their time fully occupied at present for a great deal of checking & packing is necessary. 2 nd Lt A Sawyer reported to day from furlough. For the present he will be attached as D.A.D.O.S. trainee.	
	11 th		Good progress has been made in the office with Units lists which are all completed to date with the exception of two. The 3 rd Divl Train H. Rossby (22 nd A.D.S.B.) returned their stores to day. As a large bulk of this boys Mob Stores were handed in whilst they were attached to 3 rd Aust Divl Artillery there were not a large quantity of.	

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Disemont	Apr 11 th		continued:- vehicles & stores to handle. Several units collected what stores were available.	
	12 th		The 3 rd Aust M. G. Bn handed their stores in today. Both vehicles & stores were in a very satisfactory condition little difficulty was experienced in checking & completing their lists. The rest of the day was fully occupied in packing & vouchering out the accumulated stores & vehicles in preparation for the Demob train which is due in the morning.	
	13 th		Everything is now in readiness for the next train which is due tomorrow. All the staff who had their work completed & were financial were granted furlough to Amiens - arrangements having been made to run a leave train. The official Photographer visited the units & took several photos of the vehicle park & the Dump where the bulk of the Demob. stores are collected.	

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Disemont	Apr 13		<u>Continued</u> : - It has been decided to photograph the personal & also the Demob train during loading.	
	14 th		The weather to day is very bad and all ranks are not at all sorry that the train has not been sighted to day. In fact advice has come from Army that it is not available before the 18 th inst.	
	15 th		This Railway (Disemont) is now closed. All A.S.B. supplies etc are being drawn from Abbeville. It will be necessary to despatch a large quantity of Salvage by Lorry to Longfries in order to dispose of same.	
	16 th		The third Demob train which has been anxiously expected has not yet arrived. Two lorry loads of Salvage were despatched to day to Longfries & duly loaded. bpl Leane who returned yesterday was charged after 9 days absence was charged to day & fined 9 days pay.	

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Disemont	1919	17 th	Everything is in readiness for loading train on arrival. All ranks enjoyed a little sport to day both cricket + football material being available. Thanks to the ever beneficent Aust Comforts Fund.	
		18 th	The awaited Demob train has at last arrived consisting of 24 flats + 9 covered trucks. Good progress was made to day with the loading of same.	
		19 th	The train is still loading here. Things otherwise quiet.	
		20 th	The train has been loaded + is now awaiting orders to leave for Balais.	
		21 st	The train left to day. Owing to the Easter week end its arrival before the 22 nd was not permissible.	
		22 nd	Nothing of importance to record.	
		23 rd	The fifth Demob train has arrived + is being loaded. Great difficulty was experienced in collecting the fatigue party, which is not yet complete.	

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Disemont	1919			
	24 th		The train has been scheduled to leave at 4 pm. The farewell dinner to Major Jack was held this evening & proved a successful evening, judging by the casualties.	
	25 th		The 41 st Btltn returned their Mob stores today. They were all in order.	
	26 th		The 39 th Btltn returned their Mob Stores and as they were in a good condition they were easily checked.	
	27 th		H.Q. Sect 3 rd Div Sig Coy returned their Mob Stores today. The 25 th Coy A.F.S.C also returned their Mob Stores but owing to them being in a dirty condition they were not accepted but a unit took them back again.	
	28 th		A Lorry was sent to Abbeville with W.O. Bobb who was instructed to make arrangements for the return of salvage stores if possible. Arrangements made to return stores on 30 th inst. Arrangements made by D.A.D. for party of 6 men to report here for the purpose of cutting chocks for securing vehicles on Demob trains.	

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Disemont	1919 Apr 29 th		Nothing of importance to record.	
	30 th		Three lorry loads of salvage were dispatched to Base via Albeville Railhead. Wire received that lorry from Aust corps was at Boulogne awaiting a load of Revolvers, Binoculars etc. Arrangements made to send all Officers & equip. to Aust corps troops tomorrow in charge of W. V. bbb. Advice received that all Demob trains to Base are cancelled for the present.	

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