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Of LEFT GROUP Artillery,
1ST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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Place	Date	Hour	VOL. IX.				Summary of Events and Information	Page 178.	Remarks and references to Appendices
YPRES	OCT. IST. 1916		BATTERY FIRING	NO. OF ROUNDS XXXXXX Shrap. H.E.	TARGET	MAP CO-ORDINATES	REMARKS.		
		1215	4TH	39	4I ✓	ZERO LINE	Great difficulty is experienced with fuzes of all date and lots. Ammunition has been in pits for considerable time.		
		1600	3RD	24	10 ✓	I 35 A 6.8 to I 29 C75.10 and searched in rear.	On known MG position in retaliation.		
		till 1700	3RD	4 ✓		ZERO	Verification of Range.		
		1630	101ST	6	6 ✓	J 31 C 3.6 J 32 C70.65	Retaliation our last say.		
		1630	2ND	14	II ✓	I 29 D 2.6 to I 30 C 0.5	Searched area of gun firing from approx J 31 A on to vicinity of I 21 D.		
		1715	4TH	24		BARRAGE LINES	Fired in retaliation to hostile gun firing in vicinity of I 21 A.		
ACTION OF ENEMY ARTILLERY									
			TIME	POSITION OF BATTERY	DESCRIPTION OF PROJECTILE	NO. OF ROUNDS	LOCALITY SHELLED	REMARKS.	
		1635	Approx.	J 31 A	77mm Spl.	20	I 21 A	Damage Nil.	

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YPRES	1916 OCT 2ND		BATTERY NO. OF ROUNDS TARGET FIRING Shrap. H. E.	MAP CO-ORDINATES.	REMARKS.	
			Nothing of any importance occurred on this Front.			
	OCT 3RD	1345	4TH	37 Front Line Trenches	I 29 D Central	Reported T.M. positions Good effect Many direct hits obtained.

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			BATTERY FIRING	NO. OF ROUNDS Shrap. H.E.		TARGET	MAP CO-ORDINATES.		REMARKS.	
		1300	1ST	40	6		I 29 D 0.4 to I 35 A 6.8)		
		1330	2ND	25	20	Searched 400 yds	I 29 D 2.6 to I 30 C 0.5)	Combined Group	
		1310	3RD	12	13	SOS Bage Line	I 29 C 8.1 to I 35 A 6.8)	Retaliation on Enemy	
		1320	3RD	8	8)	Front Line, Trench	
		1310	4TH	25	30		I 29 D 0.5 I 29 D 3.7)	Junctions Known M.G. & T.M. positions.	
						and in rear.)		
		1245	101ST		48)	Hostile fire ceased.	
		1310	to "		50	GUNS	J 31 C 3.6)		
		1330	"			Trench Junctions	I 35 B 10?50 I 35 B 25.75)		
							I 30 C 0.0. I 29 D 55.35)		
		2355	3RD	I44		TRENCH	I 29 D 1.4 to I 29 D 3.7)	In accordance with instructions	
			"			Commn. TRENCH	I 29 D 30.25 "I 29 D 70.45)	Divisional Artillery Order NO.	
		TO	1ST	87	95	TRENCH	I 29 D 3.7 to I 29 D 6.6)	60. Table attached thereto.	
			4TH	76	73	M.G. POSITIONS	I 29 D 7.6 & I 29 D 8.5)		
		0015	101ST	-	84	" " "	I 29 D 5.4 & I 29 D 65.50)		
						T.M. POSITIONS	I 29 D 6.2 & I 29 D 8.3)		
ACTION OF ENEMY ARTILLERY.										
OCT 4TH 1916			POSITION OF BATTERY	DESCRIPTION OF PROJECTILES.	NUMBER OF ROUNDS	LOCALTY SHELLED	REMARKS.			
		1015	In I 35 D.	77mm	30	I 23 B 65.20				
		1210	Unknown	4.2"	10	I 28 D				
		1305	"	77mm	3	I 20 C 5?8?				
		1315	"		Salvo	I 29 B 3.9.				
		1325	"		4 Salvoes	I 29 A 5.5				
<p style="text-align: right;"> <i>Th G. Burgess.</i> Lieut.-Col. Cmg. 3rd Bde. F.A. A.I.F. </p>										

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YPRES	OCT. 5TH 1916		<p>VOL. IX.</p> <p>BATTERY NO. OF TARGET MAP</p> <p>FIRING. ROUNDS. CO-ORDINATES. REMARKS.</p> <p>Shrap H.E.</p>																																																											
			Nothing of any importance occurred.																																																											
	OCT. 6TH.	1220	IST	30	45	Tramhead Dug-outs & MG.	I 29 D 0.0. I 35 B 00.95. to I 29 D 10.35	GENERAL RETALIATION SCHEME "SEVENTH"																																																						
			2ND	30	30	MG. position	I 29 D 4.6.																																																							
			"	11	7	Com. Trench	I 29 D 3.7.																																																							
			3RD		36	Trench Junc Mine Shaft TM.	I 35 A 85.95. I 35 A 80.75. I 35 A 85.65.																																																							
			4TH	28	8	Tramhead MG at	I 29 D 34.34. I 29 D 25.55.																																																							
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		1200 1310	2ND 101ST	11 18	(SNOUT)	I 29 D 3.7 J 26 A 9.2.	Demonstration Shoot for O.C. CHAMPION. Gun in action. Retaliation. Enemy fire ceased.		
ACTION OF ENEMY ARTILLERY.									
			POSITION OF BATTERY	NO. OF ROUNDS	DESCRIPTION OF PROJECTILE.	LOCALITY SHELLED	REMARKS.		
		1030 1330	UNKNOWN "	8 6	4.2" How " "	Vicinity of Lankhof Farm " " " "	Damage Nil. " "		

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			BATTERY	NO. OF	TARGET	MAP	
			FIRING	ROUNDS		CO-ORDINATES	REMARKS.
				Shrap H.E.			
		1020	103RD	9	Susp Gun posn.	I 30 D 25.85	
		1550	"	12		I 36 C 95.65.	Retaliation.
			ACTION OF ENEMY ARTILLERY				
			POSITION	NO. OF	DESCRIPTION	LOCALITY	
			OF BATTERY	ROUNDS	OF PROJECTILE	SHELLED	REMARKS.
		0945	to Unknown	30		Vicinity of	
	1916 OCT 9TH	1020				I 32 A 80.95 & DUMP at I 32 A 75.95.	Damage Nil
		1600	"	6	4.2"	I 28 D	" "
			BATTERY	NO. OF	TARGET	MAP	
			FIRING	ROUNDS		CO-ORDINATES	REMARKS.
				Shrap H.E.			
		0905	103RD	48		I 36 B 62.45, I 35 B 70.48 I 35 B 90.65, I 29 D 50.25	
		0910	4TH	21	19	I 29 D 3.6 , I 29 D 8.3	
			9TH	33	13	I 35 A 8.7 , I 35 B 52.62 I 35 B 0.9 , I 35 B 62.45	
		1130	8TH	28	THE "SNOUT"	I 29 D 30.50.	General retaliation carried out in reply to intermittent & erratic hostile fire directed over scattered portions of our Sector. On each occasion enemy fire was quickly silenced.
		1230	7TH	37		I 29 D 3.7	
		1350	9TH	40		I 35 A 85.75, I 35 A 85.62	
		1525	4TH	23	21	I 35 A 85.70.	
		1530	7TH	32	9	I 35 D 2.8 , I 35 D 9.7	
		1535	103RD	48		I 30 C 2.1 , I 30 C 3.2 I 30 C 5.3 , I 35 B 0.2	
		1545	8TH	41	5	I 29 D 2.5 , I 29 D 5.4	

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		I430	I03RD	48	J 31 A 2.1. , J 31 C 3.6. J 32 C 70.65, J 26 A 9.2. J 26 C 3.3	In general realiation. Enemy fire ceased. Our last say.			
		I645	9TH	14	I 35 A 3.5.	Testing Sights after adjustment.			
		ACTION OF ENEMY ARTILLERY							
			POSITION BATTERY FIRING	NO. OF ROUNDS	DESCRIPTION OF PROJECTILE.	LOCALITY SHELLED	REMARKS.		
		I015	UNKNOWN	9	5.9"	I 28 C 9.2 to I 28 C 7.5	Damage NIL		
		I415	J 32 C 70.62	12	4.2"	I 20 C 30.12.	" "		

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YPRES	1916 OCT 13TH		BATTERY FIRING	NO. OF ROUNDS		TARGET	MAP CO-ORDINATES										REMARKS.																									
				Shrap	H. E.																																					
		0815	4TH		12	MG posn	I 35 A 80.85											Direct hits obtained .																								
		1240	7TH	30		Road	I 29 D 65.05	to	I 36 A 7.5											In accordance with instructions. In																						
		"	8TH	16	6		J 25 C 9.0		J 25 C 45.40											retaliation.																						
		"	9TH	12		Road	I 36 B 00.35		J 31 C 35.90											" " "																						
		"	4TH	12		Rd & com														" " "																						
		"				trenches	J 31 C 30.90		J 25 C 7.0											" " "																						
		"	I03RD		12		I 36 B 30.15		J 31 D 2.9											" " "																						
		"					J 25 C 95.00		J 25 C 8.4											" " "																						
		1400	I03RD		24	Gun posn	I 36 D 9.5	&	I 36 C 95.65											Our last say																						
		1515	7TH	12		Road	I 29 D 65.05		I 36 A 7.5											General retaliation (Scheme EIGHTH)																						
			8TH	12			J 25 C 9.0		J 25 C 45.40											in reply to hostile 77mm directed																						
				6	18	On front														in vicinity of Dump at I 32 A 70.95																						
						& spt lns														and approaches to trenches 43 & 44.																						
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						SNOUT	I 29 D 30.65																																			
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			I03RD	12	12		I 36 B 30.15		J 31 D 2.9																																	
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<u>Action of Enemy Artillery</u>																																										
A hostile 77mm Gun fired several rounds on Dump & road at I 32 A 70.95 also on trenches 43 & 44 .																																										
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			Shrap	H.E.				
		1130	9TH	13	12	I 35 A 3.5 I 36 B 00.35 to	Registration for relieving Officer.	
		1150	9TH	15	4	J 31 C 35.90 I 35 D 85.82 I 35 B 00.90	Searching road in retaliation.	
		1247	9TH	13		I 36 B 00.95 J 31 C 35.90		
		1230	7TH	12	ROAD	I 29 D 65.05 I 36 A 7.5	Retaliation.	
		1245	4TH	12	Rds & com Trenches	J 31 C 35.90 TO I 25 C 7.0	Retaliation enemy fire ceased.	
		1250	8TH	12	ROAD	J 25 C 9.0 J 25 C 45.40	Retaliation	
		1300	103RD	48	Road Jun.	I 36 B 30.15 J 31 D 2.9		
		1520	7TH	12	ROAD	J 25 C 95.00 J 25 C 8.4	Verification of Zero Line for	
		1730	7TH	12	Enemy tren.	I 29 D 65.05 I 36 A 7.5	information of relieving B. C.	
		1800	8TH	42	SNOUT	I 29 D 35.70 I 29 D 30.65 & Vicinity of	Result satisfactory.	
						I 29 D 15.15 also trenches	Retaliation.	
						I 29 D 50.55 I 29 D 85.50	In retaliation of TM'S firing on	
		1735	103RD	12		I 36 C 95.65 I 36 C 7.4	our trenches Minnenwerfer observed	
		2030	4TH	94	Nml Bge Lines	I 29 D 0.4. I 29 C 75.10	here. Reverse & enfilade fire.	
			8th	48	Bge. Lines	I 29 D 0.0 to I 29 D 2.2	Enemy fire ceased.	
			8TH	71	Bge. Lines	I 29 D 25.65 I 29 D 85.55	Gun positions.	
			9TH	35		I 35 A 3.8 I 35 A 6.8	In retaliation to heavy hostile	
			103RD	43		I 35 B 1.8 I 35 B 25.75	fire directed on to trenches 42	
						J 31 A 2.1 J 26 A 7.2	& 43	
						P 2 A 8.7 J 20 D 5.3.		
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			POSITION OF BATTERY	NO. OF ROUNDS FIRED	DESCRIPTION OF PROJECTILE	LOCALITY SHELLED	REMARKS.	
		1715	UNKNOWN	?	T.M's	REAR OF TRENCHES		
			"	30	77mm	43 & 44 Verbrandenmolen	Damage unknown " "	

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				Shrap.	H. E.				
		1200	103rd		10		I 29 D 32.72	Registration for relieving Officer.	
		1215	9th	10	13	I 35 A 3 .5 I 36 B 00.35 to J 31 C 35.90	do do do		
<p>-----</p> <p><u>ACTION OF ENEMY ARTILLERY.</u></p> <p>-----NIL-----</p>									

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						YPRES (Belgium) OCT 1916	
						15th During the nights of 14th-15th, 15th-16th Oct 1916 the batteries of the LEFT GROUP Artillery were relieved by the 2nd Aust. Divisional Artillery as follows:-	
						4th Battery was relieved by 18th Battery	
						7th " " " " 15th "	
						8th " " " " 16th "	
						9th " " " " 17th "	
						103rd " " " " 105th "	
						The 4th Battery & 3rd F.A.Bde on completion of the above relief moved to their respective wagon lines positions in the vicinity of OUDERDOM. The O.C. 3rd F.A.B handed over the command of the LEFT GROUP Artillery to O.C. 5th F.A.B (Lieut.Colonel H.W.Lloyd D.S.O) at 2130 on 15th instant.	
OUDERDOM					16th	The Brigade marched from Wagon line posns near OUDERDOM at 0932 to CASSEL & billeted there for the night.	
CASSEL					17th	The Brigade moved into the 1st Aust Divl concentration area WEST of ST OMER, leaving CASSEL at 0732 & marching via WREMAERS-CAPPEL, WATTEN, NORDASQUES, TOURNEHEM, to BONNINGUES arriving at 1730 & billeting there.	
BONNINGUES					20th	The Vote of the 3rd F.A.B in accordance with the "MILITARY SERVICE REFERENDUM ACT 1916" was taken.	
BONNINGUES TO LONGUEAU					21st & 22nd	The Brigade marched from BONNINGUES to ST. OMER, batteries moving independently & entraining as follows:- Bde Hqs & 7th Battery entrained & train departed at 0503, 8th Battery at 0753, 9th Battery at 1103, 103rd Battery at 1403 on the 22nd instant. One quarter of 1st D.A.C. No. 3 section was also entrained on each of these 4 trains	
LA NEUVILLE					23rd	During the afternoon of the 22nd, & night of 22nd-23rd instant the Brigade arrived at LONGUEAU, units detraining & marching independently via CAMON - & DAOURS to LA NEUVILLE & billeting there.	
LAVIEVILLE					24th	Brigade marched from LA NEUVILLE via BONNY HEILLY, BUIRE sur L'ANCRE to D18A9.8 south of LAVIEVILLE & camped there.	
FLERS					25th	GROUP & Battery Commanders with right sections of all batteries moved into line to carry out first part of relief of 3rd & 4th N.Z. F.A.Bde	
FLERS					26th	Remainder of Batteries moved up to complete relief.	
					2100	At 2100 on 26th instant O.C. 3rd F.A.Bde took over command of 3rd New Zealand from Lieut.Colonel J.T. Standish D.S.O. The GROUP now becomes 3rd Australian Artillery Group, the 3rd & 21st F.A.Briganades, 1st Aust Div Artillery relieving N.Z.Units as follows:- 3rd F.A.Bde relieves 3rd N.Z.F.A.Bde at S18C5.5. 7th Battery 3rd F.A.B relieves 11th Battery N.Z.F.A.Bde at M36C10.75 & S6A5.4	
					8th " " " " 12th " " at M35D8.7		
					9th " " " " 13th " " M36C5.8		
					103rd " " " " 4th " " S6A4.2		
					21st F.A.B 1st Aust Div relieves 4th N.Z.F.A.B at S18C5.5		
					22nd Bty 21st F.A.B relieves 8th Bty N.Z.F.A.B at T7C2.8		
					23rd " " " " 10th " " " " T7C1.9		
					24th " " " " 14th " " " " N32C7.6		
						" " " " N32C6.4	
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M.L.H. Murgers Lieut. Col
Commandg 3rd F.A. Brigade.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information				Remarks and references to Appendices
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FLERS (France)	1916 OCT 26th		BATTERY	NO. OF ROUNDS. S. H.E.	Target	REMARKS.	
		1600	to				
		1600	8th	130	18D35.10- 18D05.10	Retaliation.	
		"	9th	156 18	Barrage Lines	" "	
		"	23rd	196 54	Barrage Lines & S.O.S Fired 200		
		"			Signal.	yds in rear	
		"	103rd	151	Normal Barrage Lines	Schd & swept.	
		"	22nd	10 rounds per hour	on normal barrage lines		
		"	22nd	50 50	Barrage Lines	Retaliation.	
		1130	7th	40	M5C55.10	Cross Roads	
		1400	7th	29	Normal Barrage Lines	Retaliation	
		1615	7th	40 36	M18C1.9-M18C3.7	Verification	
		1600	24th	35	S. O. S. WZNB	of Barrage Line	
=====							
ENEMY ARTILLERY ACTIVITY							
Enemy heavily shelled us between 1600 & 1620 when he sent up 2 Red Rockets. He especially shelled our extreme right.							
<p><i>W. H. Burgess</i> Lieut.-Col. Cmg. 3rd Bde. F.A. A.I.F.</p>							

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FLERS	1915 OCT		VOL IX					
			Battery	No. Rounds				
			Firing	Shrap. H.E.	Target	Remarks.		
	27th	1600	=====					
	to	to	7th	79	125 M 18 C 1.9-M 18 C 3.7	Barrage Lines.		
	28th	1600	7th	121	M 18 D 1.1	Wkg pty dsprsed.		
	"	"	8th	195	52 M 18 D05.10M 18 D35.10	Barrage Lines		
	"	"	9th	120	1 M 18 D35.10 to 6.1	" "		
	"	"	103rd	210	N 7 B 8.5	Registration.		
	"	"	22nd	132	133 Normal Barrage Lines			
	"	"	23rd	30	Zero Line	Registration.		
	=====							
	Enemy Activity was intermittent & ineffective shells falling mostly on vacant ground except on one occasion at S6 A 1.1							
	28th	"	7th	275	30 M 18 D 1.1-M 18 C 8.2	Barrage Lines		
	to		8th	320	7 M 18 D35.10 - 05.10	" "		
29th		9th	117	21 M 18 D35.10 - 6.1	" "			
		103rd	80 HE	Normal Barrage Line				
		22nd	142	48 M 18 C 8.1 - M 18 D05.10				
		23rd	142	48 T 7 C 1.9				
=====								
ENEMY ACTIVITY								
-----NIL-----								
<div style="text-align: right;">  Lieut.-Col. Cmg. 3rd Bde. F.A., A.I.F. </div>								

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FLERS	1916		VOL IX				Page 192
	OCT	1600	BATTERY	NO. OF ROUNDS	TARGET	REMARKS	
	29th	to	Spl.	H.E.			
	to	1600	2th	121	78	Normal Barrage Lines Retaliation	
	30th		8th	135	78	18D35.10-18D05.10	
			9th	145	8	18D35.10 & Road at N1C55.10 & N7B6.7	
			103rd	bx 96		Barrage Lines Registration	
			22nd	127	115	" " " " Checking	
			23rd	180	60	T 7 C 1.9	
	=====						
	Enemy activity normal, intermittent shelling chiefly 77mm & 5.9.						
	=====						
	30th	1600	7th	50	50	Barrage Lines Retaliation	
	to	to	8th	68	12	18D35.10-18D05.10	
	31st	1600	9th	1130	20	18D35.10 & Road at N7 B 6.7	
		103rd	bx 220		Normal Barrage Lines		
		22nd	110	37	" " " "		
		23rd	78	90	T 7 C 1.9		
=====							
Enemy Artillery Activity was normal slight shelling chiefly 77mm & 5.9.							
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N. G. H. J. J. J.
Lieut.-Col.
Cmde. 3rd Bde. F.A., A.I.F.

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of 3RD FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE & LEFT GROUP ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY (Erase heading not required.)

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YPRES (Belgium)	OCT. 1916	1st to 7th 8th to 15th	SUMMARY OF AMMUNITION EXPENDED DURING OCTOBER 1916.						
			BATTERY	SHRAPNEL	H. EXPLOSIVE.	TOTAL	REMARKS.		
			1st Battery(a)	157	146	303	NOTE:- (a) 1ST FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE was relieved by the 3RD FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE during the night of 7th-8th October 1916. (b) The 4th Battery remains in it's present position in the LEFT GROUP Artillery.		
			2nd Battery(a)	80	79	159			
			3rd Battery(a)	192	67	259			
			4th Battery(b)	192	189	381			
			101st Battery(a)	6	254	260			
			TOTAL:-	627	735	1362	From Oct 1st to Oct 7th(inclusive)1916		
			7th Battery(c)	220	59	279	NOTE:- (c) The 3RD FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE relieved The 1ST FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE during the night of 7th-8th October 1916		
			8th Battery(c)	230	102	332			
			9th Battery(c)	402	110	512			
			4th Battery(d)	198	52	250	(d) The LEFT GROUP Artillery was relieved by the 2ND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY on the nights of 14th-15th, & 15th-16th instant.		
			103rd Battery(c)	---	338	338			
			TOTAL:-	1050	661	1711	From Oct 8th to Oct 15th(inclusive)1916		
			TOTAL FOR OCTOBER 1ST - 15TH	1677	1396	3073	FIRED BY LEFT GROUP BATTERIES.		
			TOTAL FOR OCTOBER 1ST - 15TH	852	609	1461	FIRED BY 3RD FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE		
			TOTAL TO DATE OCTOBER 15TH	43819	31739	75558	FIRED BY 3RD F.A.BDE. since arrival in FRANCE		
			GRAND TOTAL TO DATE 15-19-1916.	50481	40803	91284	(d) FIRED BY BATTERIES UNDER COMMAND OF O.C. 3RD FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.		

(d) FOR DETAILED AMMUNITION EXPENDITURE BY BATTERIES OTHER THAN THOSE OF 3RD F.A.BDE. see next page ().									
W.L.H. Burgers LIEUT. COLONEL.									
NOTE: The above Ammunition Summary does not include the Ammunition fired at Somme Front (FLERS) between Oct 26th & Oct 31st 1916. M.L.H.B.									
COMMANDING 3RD.FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.									

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3rd FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE, 1ST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.
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SOMME (FLERS) FRONT.

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SUMMARY OF AMMUNITION EXPENDED DURING OCTOBER 1916.
Oct. 1st-7th (YPRES)

BATTERY	SHRAPNEL	H.E.	TOTAL.	REMARKS.
1st Battery (a)	157	146	303	NOTE (a) The 1st F.A.B. was relieved by the 3rd F.A.B. during night of 7th-8th Oct. 1916, (b) The 4th Battery remains in it's present position in LEFT GROUP ARTY.
2nd Battery (a)	80	79	159	
3rd Battery (a)	192	67	259	
4th Battery (b)	192	189	381	
101st Battery (a)	6	254	260	

TOTALS 627 735 1362 From Oct 1st-Oct 7th 16 (inclusive)

Oct. 7th-15th 1916 (YPRES)

BATTERY	SHRAPNEL	H.E.	TOTAL	REMARKS.
7th Battery (c)	220	59	279	NOTE (c) The 3rd F.A.B. relieved the 1st F.A.B. during night of 7th-8th October 1916.
8th Battery (c)	230	102	332	
9th Battery (c)	402	110	512	
103rd Battery (c)	---	338	338	(d) The LEFT GROUP ART Y was relieved by 2nd AUS DIVL ARTY during nights 14th-15th & 15th-16th 1
4th Battery (d)	198	52	250	

TOTALS 1050 661 1711 From Oct 8th-Oct 15th 16 (inclusive)

Oct. 26th-Oct 31st 1916 (SOMME FLERS)

BATTERY	SHRAPNEL	H.E.	TOTAL	REMARKS
7th Battery	755	319	1074	NOTE 3rd FAB was relieve 3rd NZFAB during nights 25th-26th & 26th-27th Oct. 1916.
8th Battery	848	149	997	
9th Battery	1668	68	1736	
103rd Battery	----	767	767	

TOTALS 3271 1303 4574 By 3rd F.A.B.

22 nd Batt.	561	383	944	NOTE (e) 21st F.A.B. relieved 4th NZFAB during nights 25th-26th & 26th-27th Oct 1916
23rd "	626	252	878	
24th "	35	-	35	

TOTALS 1222 635 1857 By 21st F.A.B

TOTAL 4123 1912 6035 Fired by 3rd FAB during October 1916

TOTAL 47090 33042 80132 Fired by 3rd FAB since arrival in FRANCE.

GRAND TOTAL TO DATE 54974 42741 97715 (f) fired by Batteries under command of O.C. 3rd F.A.B. 1st Aus. Division

(e) The 21st F.A.B. was attached from Oct 25th 1916 to 3rd F.A.B. & together form the 3rd Australian Artillery Group.

(f) For detailed expenditure of ammunition by batteries other than those of 3rd Field Artillery Brigade see next page (195)

W.L.H. Burgess
Lieut. Colonel
COMMANDING 3rd FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF AMMUNITION EXPENDED BY 3RD FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE, & ALL OTHER VATTERIES ATTACHED & PLACED UNDER COMMAND OF O.C. 3rd FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE FOR TACTICAL PURPOSES AT VARIOUS PERIODS SINCE ARRIVAL IN FRANCE (March 29th 1916) UP TO PRESENT DATE (October 31st 1916).

BATTERY	SHRAPNEL	H.E.	TOTAL	REMARKS.
7th Battery	14160	6956	21096	
8th "	17275	8681	25956	
9th "	15491	6421	21912	
103rd "	164	11004	11168	

3rd Field Artillery
Brigade.

TOTAL	47090	33042	80132	TO DATE
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1st Battery	828	604	1432	
2nd "	483	300	783	
3rd "	718	223	941	
4th "	884	362	1246	
22nd "	1792	2312	4104	
23rd "	626	252	878	
24th "	2060	1027	3087	
38th "	309	6	315	
39th "	36	37	73	
101st "	148	4406	4454	
110th "	---	170	170	

OTHER

BATTERIES

ATTACHED

TOTAL	7884	9699	17583	TO DATE
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GRAND TOTALS	54974	42741	97715	TO DATE
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PERCENTAGE FOR WHOLE PERIOD SHRAPNEL 56.26%
High EXPLOSIVE 43.74%

OCTOBER 31st 1916

W. H. B. J. B. J.

Lieut. Colonel.

COMMANDING 3RD FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY of Operations of LEFT GROUP Artillery 1st. Australian Division.

For period 1800 Sept. 27th 1916 to 1800 October 4th 1916. (Erase heading not required.)

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			Reference Map:- ZILLEBEKE 28. N.W.4 & N.E.3. (parts of) 10,000	180 a	
			<p>1. During this period the artillery action on both sides has been comparatively quiet on this Group Frontage. The slight increase in enemy activity of artillery reached at the end of last week has been maintained during the first few days of this period, gradually slackening towards the end.</p> <p>2. The enemy is still active with MINNENWERFER, occasionally developing into considerable volume, usually during the late afternoon and evening. The hostile activity is evidently more pronounced in this respect on the RIGHT GROUP FRONT than on our own.</p> <p>3. On every occasion of hostile activity either artillery or minnenwerfer, the LEFT GROUP Batteries have engaged vigorously, and maintaining a steady fire until after enemy activity has ceased. During these retaliation series several known minnenwerfer and Machine Gun positions have been repeatedly shelled, the Howitzer battery also engaging known active battery positions in our front. Judging by the prompt cessation of hostile fire these series seem to have been effective.</p> <p>4. The recent wet and misty weather has rendered definite observation of fire difficult and the heavy rain not only interfered with general repair work on emplacements and dug-outs but caused a large amount of extra work. The construction and repair work is steadily being carried on as weather and supply of material permit. A camouflage expert has visited all the battery positions, and his recommendation regarding them and O.P's are being put into effect as rapidly as possible.</p> <p>5. A series of combined schemes for artillery and Trench Mortar action has been arranged which covers any particular portion on the whole of the GROUP FRONT, and can be put into operation at any time at short notice. Owing to the incomplete and present inadequate condition of the front line trenches and works, and in accordance with the wishes of the G.O.C. 3rd Inf Brigade I have refrained from initial aggressive action, but compensate for this as far as possible whenever retaliation is required.</p> <p>6. The enemy mining area about I 29 C 8.I has been intermittently shelled with 18pdr H.E. & T.S. A new Trench Mortar position to deal with this area is nearly completed and when finished combined Howitzer and T.M. series will be fired against this objective in accordance with Headquarters instructions.</p> <p>The close proximity of the opposing lines in this locality, power of the 4.5" H.E. Shell variation in shooting due to wear of guns, charges, and constant change in temperature and barometer, render it essential to temporarily withdraw our infantry before firing these series. Arrangements have been made to do this and to give one hour's clear notice in code before engaging.</p> <p>7. <u>CASUALTIES DURING PERIOD</u></p>		
			2449 Wt. W14957/M90 750,000 1/16 J.B.C. & A. Forms/C.2118/12.		
			No casualties have occurred during the period.		

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Ist Australian Division.

For period 1800 Sept. 27th 1916 to 1800 4th Oct. 1916:

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Page 180 b.	Remarks and references to Appendices																												
			8. <u>AMMUNITION EXPENDED DURING PERIOD.</u>																														
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			<p><i>W. L. H. Jurgens.</i> LIEUT COLONEL.</p> <p>Commanding LEFT GROUP Artillery.</p>																														

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of Operations of LEFT GROUP Artillery.

Ist. Australian Division.

For Period 1800 October 4th to 1800 October 11th. 1916.

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- REFERENCE MAP:- ZILLEBEKE 28 N.W. 4, & N.E.3(parts of) I 10,000.
1. During the night 7th.-8th.inqt., the Batteries of the 1st. F.A.Brigade were relieved by the 3rd.F.A.Brigade, 7th. Battery relieving the 1st.Battery, 8th., the 2nd., 9th.,the 3rd.,103rd. the 101st.Battery. In the absence of the O.C.103rd. Battery, Captain J.C.Selmes;O.C.101st. Battery remains in the line in Command of the 103rd.Battery.
 2. On the Left Group Front the Artillery action on both sides has been normal during the above period; and a slight decrease in the hostile artillery activity is noticeable.
The enemy Anti-aircraft guns still retain their/normal activity against our aircraft, but on the average less ammunition has been expended in the numerous engagements than previously.
A marked decrease in Minnenwerfer action is also evident on this front.
 3. On the night 4th.-5th. inqt. 2355 the batteries of the Group co-operated with the offensive action by 2nd. Australian Division, by creating a diversion at the "SNOUT". Very little hostile artillery retaliation occurred.
 4. Several combined artillery and trench mortars schemes have been fired in retaliation and also the numerous special objectives allotted by Ist. Aus. Div. Hdqrs. have been engaged. The simultaneous and rapid fire opened on the widely distributed targets appears to have been most effective and has always resulted in cessation of enemy artillery fire.
 5. In pursuance of instructions received a combined scheme has been arranged for the simultaneous seraching and sweeping of enemy roads and approaches to the LEFT GROUP Frontage. This will be put into execution forthwith in retaliation.
 6. The enemy mining area immediately South of Hill 60 has been repeatedly shelled by 18 Pdr.Batteries at irregular intervals, but up to the present the Howitzer Batteries have not engaged their objectives owing the close proximity of the trenches at this point and the difficulty of clearing our own during the recent changes and reliefs.
Arrangements are now completed for Medium Trench Mortar Action against this particular target.
 7. Arrangements are completed for the occupation of new position by the 101st.Battery at I 2I A 7.3 as auxiliary to LEFT GROUP Batteries for special operation when required.
 8. The finer weather experienced of late has permitted of increased progress in repair, improvement and constructional work at Battery positions. Two new emplacements are already completed at the Howitzer position at I 20 C 70.05.
 9. CASUALTIES during the period:- NIL.

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			10; <u>Ammunition Expended During Period.</u>				
			BATTERY	SHRAPNEL	H. EXPLOSIVE	TOTAL	REMARKS.
			1st Battery	117	140	257	(a) Includes 559 rounds fired by
			2nd Battery	41	48	89	1st, 3rd, 4th & 101st Batteries
			3rd Battery	144	36	180	after 1800 on 4th Oct 1916. NOTE:-
			4th Battery	104	81	185	1st F.A.Bde were relieved by 3rd
			101st Batty		150	150	F.A.Bde during nt: 7th 8th Oct 1916
			TOTAL:-	406	455	861	(a) From Oct 5th to Oct 7th (inclusive)
			7th Battery	69	9	78	NOTE:- 3rd F.A.Bde relieved 1st F.A.
			8th Battery	41	33	74	Bde during night 7th-8th Oct 1916
			9th Battery	47	53	100	4th Battery (2nd F.A.Bde) remains
			4th Battery	44	40	84	in the LEFT GROUP.
			103rd Batty		165	165	
			TOTAL:-	201	300	501	From Oct 8th to Oct 11th (inclusive)
			TOTAL FOR PERIOD	607	755	1362	From Oct 6th to Oct 11th (inclusive)

			11.10.1916.		W.L.H. Burgess.		LIEUT. COLONEL
			1700				
			Commanding LEFT GROUP Artillery.				

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Please add to schemes previously issued with Memorandum NO. 43 (dated 30.9.1916). *Copy No 13*
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 NUMBER & DESIGNATION OF SCHEME PORTION OF ENEMY LINE ENGAGED OPPOSITE OUR OWN TRENCHES COVERING FIELD BATTERIES OBJECTIVE OF COVERING FIELD BATTERIES PERIOD & RATE OF COVERING ARTLY. FIRE REMARKS.
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NUMBER & DESIGNATION OF SCHEME	PORTION OF ENEMY LINE ENGAGED	OPPOSITE OUR OWN TRENCHES	COVERING FIELD BATTERIES	OBJECTIVE OF COVERING FIELD BATTERIES	PERIOD & RATE OF COVERING ARTLY. FIRE	REMARKS.
"EIGHTH"	ROADS & APPROACHES IN REAR OF HOSTILE LINE	WHOLE FRONT OF LEFT GROUP	7TH BATTERY (18pdr)	SEARCH ROAD Fm. I 29 D 65.05 to. I 36 B 00.35	12 ROUNDS PR BATTERY QUICKEST RATE PRACTICABLE.	Retaliation series arranged to search & sweep roads & approaches to LEFT GROUP FRONT.
			8TH BATTERY (18pdr)	SEARCH & SWEEP ROAD CENTRE VICINITY OF J 25 C 9.0 & J 25 C 45.40	" " " "	All batteries will open simultaneously & fire a rapid burst of 12 rounds on their respective objectives. If required this will be repeated by order of LEFT GROUP Artillery Commander.
			9TH BATTERY (18pdr)	SEARCH ROAD Fm. I 36 B 00.35 To. J 31 C 35.90	" " " "	
			4TH BATTERY (18pdr)	SWEEP ROAD & TRENCHES Fm. J 31 C 35.90 To. J 25 C 7.0	" " " "	
			103RD BATTERY (18pdr) (4.5" How.)	ON ROAD JUNCTIONS At. I 36 B 30.15 J 31 D 2.9 J 25 C 95.00 J 25 C 8.4	" " " "	

11.10.1916.

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LIEUT. COLONEL.

Commanding LEFT GROUP Artillery.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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of Operations of LEFT GROUP Artillery &
3rd Field Artillery Brigade, 1st Aust. Division.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			for Period 1800 OCT 11TH 1916 to 1800 OCT 15TH 1916.	Page 188a.
			<p>Reference Maps:- ZILLEBEKE 28 N.W.4 & N.E.3 (parts of) 10,000 BELGIUM Sheet 28 N.W. 1 20,000 BELGIUM HAZEBROUCK 5a 1 100,000</p> <p>1 During this period the general conditions & enemy artillery activity on the LEFT GROUP Front have been similar to preceeding week & comparatively quiet. Occasional & intermittent shelling of our Front Line, Support Trenches & approaches thereto has taken place, but the enemy action has been feeble & seldom sustained. Desultory enemy artillery fire has been directed against Railway Dug-outs, roads in vicinity of Shrapnel Corner, Area to the South West of WOODCOTE HOUSE & other areas between battery positions & support line. This fire appears to come from detached 10.5 cm gun or guns well to the S.E. of BATTLEWOOD & firing at long range. Very little material or other damage appears to have been done.</p> <p>2 Several simultaneous & combined series by all LEFT GROUP batteries have been directed against all roads, tracks and important trenches leading to the enemy support lines & also searching roads well to the rear. These series fired in retaliation to the above enemy action have proved most effective in stopping hostile fire, or in diverting it from our support lines to the more open country in the vicinity of battery positions.</p> <p>3 The special objectives allotted to the GROUP, trench mortar, machine gun, & dugout positions & areas have been frequently engaged by the LEFT GROUP Batteries. In most cases owing to their situation on reverse slopes, it is impossible to observe actual effect obtained, but in every case hostile artillery action and usually minnenwerfer activity has ceased shortly after the commencement of these distributed series.</p> <p>4 At 20.08 on the 14th instant, enemy opened sudden & heavy artillery & minnenwerfer fire on LEFT & RIGHT GROUP FRONTS. Infantry & Artillery Relief were in progress but all LEFT GROUP Batteries opened a steady fire on their barrage lines at 20.10. No hostile raid or other attack took place & enemy fire slackening and quickly ceasing after about six minutes action, LEFT GROUP Batteries gradually slowed down their fire & ceased at 20.20.</p> <p>5 During the nights of 14th-15th-, 15th-16th instants the batteries of the LEFT GROUP ARTILLERY were relieved by the 2nd Australian Divisional Artillery as follows:- 4th Battery were relieved by the 18th Battery. 7th Battery by the 15th Battery, 8th Battery by the 16th Battery, 9th Battery by the 17th Battery & 103rd Battery by the 105th Battery. The 4th Battery & 3rd Field Artillery Brigade on completion of relief moved to their respective wagon lines in the vicinity of OUDERDOM. The O.C. 3rd F.A. Bde handed over the command of the LEFT GROUP ARTILLERY to the O.C. 3rd F.A. Bde (Lieut Colonel H. H. Lloyd D.S.O.) at 21.30 on the 15th instant.</p>	

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		6	On the 16th instant the 3rd F.A.Bde marched from Wagon Line positions near OUDRDON to CASSEL & billeted there for the night.																																					
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