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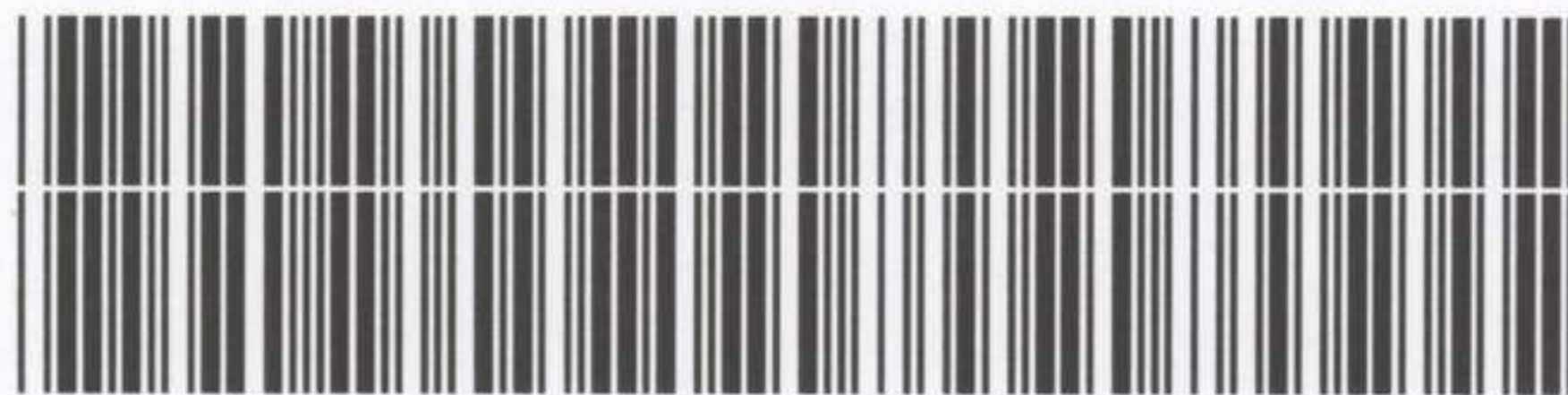
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Cairo Suez	1/6/16		Everything quiet	
	2/6/16		Major Manning returned from leave & Major Dwyer proceeded on leave. Major Sauer acting as S.O.	
	7/6/16		Saw witnesses at Donnelly's case. Engineers building platform sheds at refilling points for supplies. Weather wet & unpleasant. Sent in report to S.H.Q. re Donnelly.	
	6/6/16		Advised in Angae orders that Lieut. Bosanquet is placed on the strength of 2 nd Div. Train. On the way back from Egypt.	
	7/6/16		Received instructions from S.H.Q. re warning inhabitants' units in a certain area in case of an alarm.	
	8/6/16		Donnelly of 16 th Coy. paraded before G.O.C. 2 nd Div. re his complaint dismissed. Lieut H.H. McAra went into Hospital 5 th F.A. injured foot.	
	9/6/16		Saw Lt Col. Gibbs re recommendation for Honours, K.C.O.'s men, sent him a list for his approval since he alone knew the various qualifications when at Angae.	
	10/6/16		Requisitioning Coy reports broken tub. Sending to S.P.C. in morning.	
	10/6/16		Received recommendation from Lt Col. Gibbs & acted on same Recommended, but seen, horse, Horse, Galia & Blankman of 16 th Coy, Matthews & Sullivan of 20 th Coy, Sgt. Hogan of 15 th Coy.	
	11/6/16		Engineers commencing supply dumps at Refilling Points. Progressing very slowly, & had made from beginning. Advised that Court martial of M. McAra comes off tomorrow & the Adjutant to act as Prosecutor. Collected 4/16/16 from Field Cooks due to Div. Train from Egypt & handed over to S.H. to S.H.Q. as contribution to Interdivisional Train Competition.	

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Croic du Bac	17/6/16		<p>Hot & cold. Court martial being held on the Camp at 5th Brigade, Cantin Farm. In afternoon received orders from D.A.G. to make issue of rum. H.O. def carried this out.</p>	
	18/6/16		<p>Quar. matter of 1st Coy brought up before me for disobedience of orders. No case for Court martial reprimanded him. His general conduct has been unsatisfactory for some time. Saw him a talking to on the matter, hot & cold today. Another issue of rum made.</p>	
	14/6/16		<p>Ship pilot. Dabney, sent for me over the 7th Brigade moving to 24th Div. Lines. Went up to 24th Div. main H.Q. Bailliet was off. Got information as to localities of major lines & had a look over the road. No difficulties to be apprehended. Rum issue.</p>	
	15/6/16		<p>15th held a competition for hammer throws. Result excellent great improvement being noticeable in the whole Company. Capt Robinson has done excellent work in this Company. Lieut. Cook & Co's returned from transport & took at home today. Lieut. Gravelly, who was also at school & remained behind.</p>	
	16/6/16		<p>Went up to new hagon line of 7th Brigade with Lieut. Kerr & inspected refilling point of the 24th Div. for that Brigade. Very satisfactory & unsuitable. 25th & 26th Battalions moved up today. Gas attack at night very heavy Artillery firing. Major Myers returned from leave today, Major Sand returned his Company. Arrived orders for the Supply detail to rejoin the Company lines.</p>	

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Crini du Bac	17/6/16		Received notice from 1st Brigade that the 1st Div. Train would be inspected at 11 am. Inspection made at 12-45 pm. Turn out excellent - 18 Troops - 7 H.Q.s, 5-15 th - 4-16 th - 2-17 th . 7 th Brigade H.Q. & 2 regts Battalions moved up to new positions near Muret by last 6 day.	
	18/6/16		Lieut. R. Bosquet reported today for duty. Attached him to the 16 th Coy. Supply details removed from Bac & moved to their respective Companies this day. Received Order that 6 th Field Coy. Engineers would proceed tomorrow to 7 th Brigade lines.	
	19/6/16		Notified that move of 6 th Field Coy. Engineers postponed until tomorrow. Advised that the 1 st Div. won the Competition & W. 2 nd second. Saw Lt. Col. Gibbs return of M.C.B.'s breast harness & traces to store. Not being on new bus. Table he advised its return. Sent Car 119 to D.S. Co. for overhaul. New fore spring & a new tyre.	
	20/6/16		Change in D.H.Q. took place today. Lt. Col. Blaney gone to 10 th Div. 1 st Lt. Bridges come over from them. Major Whitton A.D.C., Major Briggs, & 1 st Lt. Jones. Capt. Officer D.R. R.M.S. Major Sando going on leave 21/6/16.	
	21/6/16		Major Sando proceeds on leave. Capt. Blackman commanding the 10 th Coy temporarily. Lieut. MacLise evacuated yesterday.	

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Croz du Bac	21/4/16		Forwarded recommendation for promotion of Major to temporary rank of Captain whilst holding position of Major. Informed by D.H.Q. that my own promotion was being sent forward.	
	23/4/16		Things very quiet.	
	24/4/16		D.H.Q. informed that the recommendation for promotion of Major was not approved owing to lack of seniority. Had same Capt. O'Brien of 17th Coy before me for breaking billet. Ordered reversion to Corporal. Received report of Judges on Inter-Division Competition, found that if the orders issued from this office had been carried out by Coy. Commanders, we would have come very nearly first.	
	26/4/16		Inspected Regimental Transport of 4th Brigade with Capt. Kerr. S.L.C. Car sent to S.I.C. for overhaul. Found Pioneer Battalion Transport in excellent condition. Regt. Transport of 4th Brigade - good.	
	27/4/16 28/4/16		Received hint from D.H.Q. that a mine would probably be laid next week. No particulars available.	

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27/6/16 Crosin du Bac	29/6/16		<p>Inspected Train Companies + gratified to find that the horse teams continue to show improvement. weather cold + showery. D.H.Q. orders notify that loaders will return to their units tomorrow.</p> <p>Instructions received from D.H.Q. re removal of 7th Field Ambulance to new area. Requested D.H.Q. to order that loaders attend at Refilling Point daily at 6-30 am for Div. troops by 8th Brigade + 7th am. for 5th + 6th Brigades.</p> <p>All leave stopped from 28th June.</p> <p>Heavy firing all along line last night. verbal continuation of move to new localities received from D.H.Q.</p>	

*D.H.Q. receiving reports
6/10 re work. Divisional Train*