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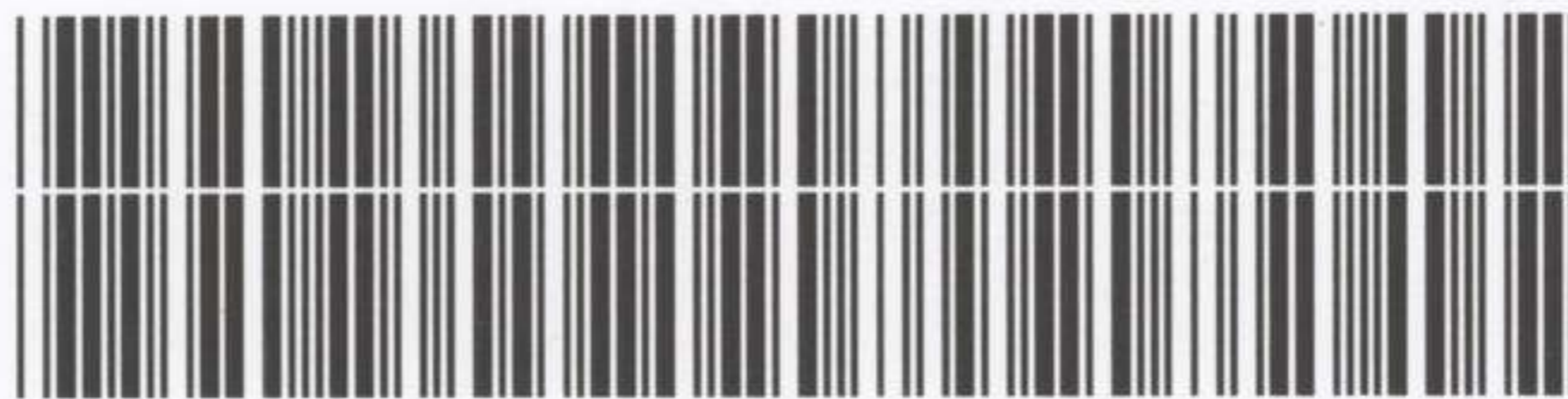
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..... LT. COL.  
COMMANDING 2nd AUSTRALIAN DIV. TRAIN.

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Mallowville	7/7/1918		<p>Major H. A. NUGENT proceeded on 14 days leave to D.K. went round all Companies with acting S.S.O. Cap Blackman. Visited Cannon Gardens Strawberries almost done, potatoes just commencing. Whole works there going on well. Lt HARRISON ill with influenza, brought Capt GIBBINS off to train HQ temporarily. Medical Officer reports he fears some of the cases are turning to pneumonia in the Companies and will therefore evacuate them.</p> <p>Influenza going right through the Train, more men down today, but an equal number recovering. Private Kinnister W.M. Hughes + Minnie for Navy S. Cook inspected a representative number of men from all units today, 6 officers + 9 other ranks of Train present. Car 14295 sent in for repairs to brake. Saw the G.O.B. as he went down ward + obtained permission for him + parade before him tomorrow. Lt Rutherford wrote in asking to withdraw his application to go to the Train. Saw the G.O.B. so that he stated that the matter had gone to Corps + it was too late to alter matters. Numerous American transport weapons here. They are British horse, bayonets + harness, with American drivers, they have no training at all, and the men talk about anything. They go as far as the extreme in neglect + carelessness as the British go in the opposite direction.</p>	

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Allanville	3/4/18		<p>Went to D. &amp; R. sparaded to barracks before 6.06. to explain personally his reasons for applying to return to Australia. Commenced on salvage work, in billets Bretonneux under Salvage Officer; 9 G.S. troops being detailed. Few more cases of Influenza. Notified by Army &amp; Corps that 65000 lbs oats coming on pack would have to be sent to La Folie Reserve Dump in order to turn over a similar quantity there. Car 14295 returned from repair shop.</p>	
	4/7/18		<p>Went over to Corps &amp; saw Q. Branch. System of Light Railway to be utilized to utmost. Division drawing from Ailly sur Somme to delina &amp; Poulainville Light Railway System &amp; then cut-out Motor &amp; Horse Transport to Querrieu. Division instruct reconnaissance to be made with a view to ascertaining requirements in labour &amp; machines to cut crop in front of Blangy Aubigny system. Detailed Capt Stabler &amp; WO Fortescue to proceed. then report on results. Heavy bombing all around this area at night but no perceptible damage. New lease allotment issued giving us 10 for the month. Visited all Companies, no damage sustained by last night bombing. Visited Canon Garden, could employ a few more men there if could obtain them. Strawberries ending &amp; currants beginning. Labour for picking unavailable. Capt Stabler reported over 150 acres of crop in Blangy system most of which can be cut by machines. Starting with 1 mow tomorrow, &amp; call to be issued to units as to extra forage. Could utilize quite a number of machines if available to units as to extra forage.</p>	
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allowville	6/7/18		<p>Proceeded to D.H.Q. Nothing of importance there. Gen. Capt. Stables report on Crop in Blangy system to D.H.Q. Ins. for his information. Started cutting with the 1 machine available but it broke down almost at once, and cannot be repaired until new parts can be found. Search being made for same. Advised D.H.Q. and promised that about 3 machines will be available in 2 or 3 days.</p> <p>Held conference with Company Commanders informed them of the C.O.'s requirements in regard to the condition of harvest vehicles. I consider them a waste of energy + a certain cause of dissatisfaction and friction with the men, being non-essential. The transport is at present maintained in a high state of efficiency, but is not a show affair, in future it will require the both things, mind is going to extremes. Some of the influenza cases have developed pneumonia and will require the evacuated. Fortunately only 2 or 3 have reached this stage. Everything very quiet + normal. Cut 2 acres of crop today, but very poor quality. Issuing to units tomorrow.</p>	
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Allairville	9/7/18		<p>Asks for another 30 men to be made available for work at Cannon Gardens. Also asked for approval for crop now being cut to be made into hay for two seasons. At present it is in the latter stage thro a quantity of Poppy with it. If dried &amp; turned into hay it will sweeten &amp; the Poppy be less harmful. Also we have a quantity of Clover &amp; grass available which will be finished in about 10 days. The hay will then take its place. Saw Corps who agree to this course as do Division. Cannon Gardens are producing 150 lbs Currants &amp; 50 of Strawberries all supplied to Casualty Clearing Station and over 2000 lbs fresh vegetables then providing the 200 pen man to complete the vegetables short out on the back rain. This is the only Division to achieve this and the Staff Q.M.S. Hogan in charge deserves all the credit. Advised that Lieut. Wentworth is promoted Captain from 5/7/18 and the 3rd Division have been asked if they will accept the transfer of Lt Rutherford. Corps state that warrant officer Lewis is doing excellent work instructing their personnel in stable routine &amp; management. Adpatant in with Influenza</p>	

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Altonville

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
			<p>1 officer + 30 men detailed for dug at Caumon gardens from 6<sup>th</sup> Brigade. This will enable a lot more work to be done. Gentle rain fell today being of incalculable benefit, as owing to long spell of dry weather, everything suffering. Capt Cook ill, Capt Wentworth detailed to act as Adjutant temporary. Visited 70<sup>th</sup> Company, number of men ill sensibly decreasing. Medical Officer is of opinion this rain will help to improve matters considerably. Two men Sgt Buckridge + Owen Wilson boarded being returned to Base as medically unfit.</p> <p>Applied for short leave to Paris + Houlgate 10 days. Adjutant getting better and health of all ranks nearly right now. Went out to area between Blangy + Villers Bretonneux where we are cutting the crop to secure a clear field of fire. But, I know ready to get but hope to have more in a few days. Visited the Caumon Gardens + found most excellent progress being made. The lettuce plants are fit to pick within 2 weeks of being transplanted. Saw D.H.Q. nothing there. Establishment of Train augmented by 1 Riding Horse for Veterinary Officer which now belongs to Train instead of being attached to it.</p>

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Allonville	11/1/18		<p>Experiencing some difficulty in getting a suitable paint for wagon marking. The paint issued lacks some substance which renders it quite a dead colour, and discolours &amp; fades very quickly. Bought some varnish to make up with to get some gloss. Visited Headquarter Company, everything quite normal. Coy 14295 broke down differential gear. Obtained leave warrant from S.H.Q. to proceed on leave to Paris &amp; Boulogne tomorrow for 10 days. Keapa Charlton to take over command temporarily. The G.O.C. had a long talk re transport &amp; desires to raise the present standard. B. Harrison ill today, Capt Cook a little better. G.O.C. suggests the substitution of mules for horses in his transport and D.A.C. and I quite agree as the mule is handier, less susceptible to casualties &amp; more economical in every way. The horses to be drafted to A.S. &amp; Artillery and mules drawn in lieu. Had Keapa Charlton up at Headquarter and explained all matter pending &amp; discussed anything that might arise in my absence.</p>	



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ALLOHYVILLE	13/7/18.		<p>Col C. H. E. MANNING D.S.O. proceeded on leave to PARIS. MAJOR J. R. CHARLTON reported to Train HQ Dtk to act as C.O. temporarily during the C.O.'s absence. The following Reinforcements reported from Base No 6454 Sgt J. OLSEN to 17<sup>th</sup> A.A.S.C. 8926 Cpl C. MITCHELL to 20<sup>th</sup> A.O.S.C. 6400 Cpl S. G. FRASER to 16<sup>th</sup> A.A.S.C.</p> <p>The following temporary promotions made today No 6533 Cpl E. MANN to Sgt 17<sup>th</sup> A.A.S.C. 7926 L/Cpl S. E. TAYLOR to Cpl 17<sup>th</sup> A.A.S.C.</p> <p>The S.S.O and adjutant visited W.O FORTESCUE in the forward area and inspected the lay the detachment is cutting found he had about 16 bays which will be ready for carting &amp; distributing to units on the 16<sup>th</sup> inst. D.H.O asked that names of owners to be obtained if possible of the land the lay is cut from, CAPT STABLER and the Subaltern instructed to obtain this information. Adjutant inspected the 15<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> &amp; 17<sup>th</sup> Bays today and found everything in order.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">HAC</p>	

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ALLONVILLE	14/7/18		<p>Received instructions that Railhead would change to LAMOTTE BREBIERE SIDING tonight. time of drawing 11 pm. The artillery are changing over with 3<sup>rd</sup> Aust Div. and coming on to 2<sup>nd</sup> Aust Div Pack tonight. This will be the first occasion we have drawn from Railhead at night. Have instructed all the Coy's to recommit the Railhead and the approaches to same so that no hitch will take place tonight. The 16<sup>th</sup> Coy are supplying an officer and r.c.o to supervise the traffic. Fortunately the siding is quite suited for a Railhead and improvements in Land will make it more so. all convoys will be in charge of an officer, and all supply officers will attend. The train has to be off loaded as speedily as possible and all surplus supplies will be taken back to SALEUX by motor lorries. The train has to be clear of this line by 3.30 am each morning. No R.S.O will be appointed to this Railhead</p>	

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ALLONVILLE	14/7/18 continued		<p>at present under the present arrangements supplies drawn from this Railhead will be taken back to the present Refilling Points &amp; left loaded till morning, then dumped, and the previous days issued to units &amp; delivered by train vehicles, it will mean very long hours for men and horses, but a great saving to M. T.</p> <p>Received instructions that CAPT. J. SHEARER who is on the Super<sup>m</sup> but has been tried by a G. C. M. and the Court sentenced him to take rank and precedence in his Corps, and in the A. I. F., as if his appointment to Captain bore date 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 1917 and to be severely reprimanded. #A.</p> <p>The train did not come in last night at LAMOTTE BREBIBRE SIDING owing<sup>to</sup> the engine running off the lines. The pack was taken to SALEUX. The S.S.O. waited until 3.30 am, and then informed CORPS and Division, who arranged that supplies would be delivered to Refilling Points by M. T. - Division insisted us that we must leave ALLONVILLE by 5 pm. <sup>on 14<sup>th</sup> inst</sup> <del>today</del> the area Commandant informed us also that 2 Brigades of Americans were</p>	

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	15/7/18 <u>Continued</u>		coming in to this village. as Railhead is now at LAMOTTE BREBIERE and companies will need to move further up - decided to go into LAMOTTE BREBIERE if any accommodation can be procured. The Adjutant saw the Area Commandant and arranged billets, which are very poor all officers sleeping in tents. Everything satisfactory at Railhead tonight. Train came in to time and the off-loading was finished about 2 am. Weather very hot and sultry. looks like rain. Hal	
LAMOTTE BREBIERE	16/7/18		Train Headquarters moved from ALLONVILLE to LAMOTTE BREBIERE at 10 am today. Division quite pleased we are near there. Adjutant saw Q Branch this morning, also arranged for telephone to be connected in new office. 20 <sup>th</sup> Coy will move near CAMON tomorrow. The acting C.O. & Adjutant saw the C.O. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Div Train and arranged to take over their Hd Qs by lines. During the afternoon the A.A. & Q.M.G. & the P.D.M.S. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Aust Div inspected the 20 <sup>th</sup> Coy lines and stated that the lines were very unsanitary. Received from Div today a copy of a wire from 3 <sup>rd</sup> Div stating that 3 <sup>rd</sup> Div Train would not take over the 20 <sup>th</sup> lines until they were made sanitary.	

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LAMOTTE BREBIERE	16/7/18		The S.S.O. returned from leave from U.K. today <del>left</del> UPWARD, <del>left</del> NORRES, <del>left</del> BRUCE promoted to Lieutenants; and CAPT WENTWORTH'S promotion promulgated in A.I.F. Orders 355 of 12/7/18. H.A.C.	
	17/7/18		<p>Acting C.O. visited D.N.O. re Companies moving up nearer to Railhead. decided that they should <sup>remain</sup> in present camps and deliver to units enroute to Railhead, this will mean that wagoons will not have to be turned out again the next morning, thus relieving men and horses 20<sup>th</sup> Coy did not move today owing to HQ 2<sup>nd</sup> Coy of 3<sup>rd</sup> Div train not vacating their Camp. They will possibly move on 18<sup>th</sup> inst. The supply section with wagoons in charge of CAPT BARRETT &amp; LT COX are camped on 3<sup>rd</sup> Div Refilling Point SHEET 62<sup>nd</sup> M.S.D.</p> <p>The Pack train did not arrive to time last night. it being 2 hours late, Division trying to overcome this as horses have to be kept waiting so long, and Railhead is rather an unpleasant place these moonlight nights owing to enemy aircraft; quite a number of Hum Planes over last night. Division advise that P.O.C. will inspect Coy tomorrow with the Actg C.O. Brought in 12 tons of hay from the Toward area yesterday. H.A.C.</p>	

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LAMOTTE BREBIERE	18/7/18.		<p>LIEUT L NORRIS 20<sup>th</sup> A.A.S.C. proceeded on leave to U.K. Received a new allotment of leave to U.K. which gives us 9 up to the 31<sup>st</sup> inst. 20<sup>th</sup> Coy moved to LAMOTTE BREBIERE today. They will have to build horse lines etc. The Inspection by the G.O.C. was cancelled today, but will take place tomorrow. Train was 1 1/2 hours late again last night. Collected 6 tons of hay from the forward area. The hay cutting party will commence cutting in the SYDNEY SYSTEM in a few days. He will need to have the Gas officer's opinion, whether the hay is fit to use, as this system has been heavily skilled with gas. <sup>H.C.</sup></p> <p>The D.A.G.M.G. called at T.H.Q. reference to installing Railhead, which is very bad in wet weather, he says Corps is arranging with Army to have metal sent up as soon as possible. Pack train arrived to time last night, finished off loading in 1 hour &amp; 40 minutes. Army Council instructions state Hay Ration to be raised by 1 lb. with effect from July 21<sup>st</sup>. Intended Capt STABLER and the Subaltern to make another reconnaissance of Forward area re cutting of crops for hay. We are collecting 6 tons a day of hay already cut. <sup>H.C.</sup></p>	

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LAMOTTE BREBIERE	20/7/18		<p>The inspection by the G.O.C. Division was again cancelled yesterday owing to the G.O.C. being wounded in the morning whilst up the line. Cows all disappointed as they had their harness, wagoes, &amp; horses all looking splendid. Instructed LIEUT H.A.E. RUTHERFORD to upon the 20<sup>th</sup> Coy be to man his work, as the Army Bases are near Lamotte Brebriere. The actant of 6 G.S. from the 20<sup>th</sup> Coy attached to the 16<sup>th</sup> Coy. has been cancelled, and wagoes returned to the 20<sup>th</sup> Coy. 5 reinforcements reported from Base they are all old Drivers returned from Hospital Posted 3 to 15<sup>th</sup> Coy. &amp; 2 to 20<sup>th</sup> Coy. Pack train late last night, it did not come in till 12.30 am. <u>H.A.C.</u></p> <p>one reinforcement reported from Base, posted line to the 16<sup>th</sup> Coy map location of 20<sup>th</sup> Coy Hd Qrs of Coy and bulk of wagoes at Sheet 62<sup>D</sup> H.14.D.2.9. Supply Section &amp; supply vehicles at H.13.D.6.6. D.H.9 advise that the D.A.A.G. Aust Corps will inspect Railhead tomorrow morning. adjutant to be present. Pack Train to have been finished off loading in 1 1/2 hours. Weather fine and hot.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>H.A.C.</u></p>	

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LAMOTTE BREBIERE	22/7/18		<p>Inspection of Railhead has not taken place yet. All officers of the Train invited to the 4<sup>th</sup> Aust Div Sports Meeting to be held at ALLONVILLE today. The Acting C.O. and Adjutant attended the Sports which were an excellent turn-out. Officers from Army &amp; Corps and every Division in the Corps present. An unfortunate accident occurred during one of the races in which 2 officers were killed. About 10 planes landed on the ground belonging to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Aust Squadron. They afterwards gave a great exhibition in stunting. Aust Corps advise that horses may be grazed on any pasture land in "A" Divisional Area South of the Somme Valley &amp; East of the Railway from LONGEAU through T. I. A. Saw 3 of our Balloons brought down by Bosch Planes today. <u>HAL</u></p> <p>23/7/18            Wtl. S/Sgt HEATH 20<sup>th</sup> Coy A.A.S.C. proceeded on leave to PARIS today. Drivers RUSHBROOKE &amp; CAMPBELL 20<sup>th</sup> Coy A.A.S.C. unmanded for F.G.C.M. for being A.M.L. for 7 days. D/E CLARKE still absent without leave. The 9 wagons on salvage work sent back to Coy today as the forward area is full of gas. D.H.Q. says a very heavy bombardment took place last night. Recd Instructions to send the O.M.C. Cpl attached</p>	

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LAMOTTE BREBIERE	23/7/18 <i>contd</i>		to a School of Instruction in Sanitation to be held at CAGNY on the 26 <sup>th</sup> inst. applied for a F. I. C. M in the case of DRV CAMPBELL and DRV RUSHBROOKE. Heavy Rain fell to-day. <u>Hal</u>	
	24/7/18		Lt Col C. H. E. MANNING D.S.O returned from leave to PARIS. No green vegetable will be collected from CAMON GARDENS for at least a week, a great deal of transplanting has been done recently in the Gardens. Division advise that Labour Coy personnel will be available for this duty. The D.A.O.P. Aust Corps inspected Railhead yesterday & the D.A.D. Roads also inspected it this morning, believe the idea is to make a siding capable of taking R.E. material and ammunition. Cases of dysentery and diarrhoea are occurring in the Train, issued instructions to Coy Com <sup>d</sup> to pay the greatest attention to sanitation of their Camps. MAJOR J. R. CHARLTON returned to 20 <sup>th</sup> by a G.S.C from T. H. Q today. The Train is supplying 15 G.S. wagons for salvage tomorrow to make up for the 2 days the 9 wagons were unable to work in forward area owing to gas. <u>Hal</u>	

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La Motte Bachiere	23/7/18		<p>Inspected all Companies from horses looking particularly well, went to L.H.Q. and as they are urgently in need of men for the Battalion, arranged that the 40 men utilised on the Cannon Gardens should be released to their units + men for a Labour Group supplied through Corps substituted in their place. Fresh vegetable cut-out from today until a further quantity ripen in about 2 weeks time. Under L.H.Q. instructions attached. Lt Col of 16<sup>th</sup> Coy A.M.S. to the 129<sup>th</sup> Regt I.S. Infantry for purpose of instructing in Transport and Supply duties. Pack Train arrived at our Railhead, La Motte at 11 pm. and was cleared in an hour and a half. Fortunately the weather has been fine, as no light as possible except inside the trucks for elemental purposes. Very satisfactory waste paper return by the 16<sup>th</sup> Coy A.M.S. 2010 lbs paper for the past week. All Companies are taking more interest in regard to their Salvage, Paper, and Fat Returns and this interest has a wonderful effect on the quantities obtained. Major Ingers rather unwell, but carrying on. Capt Walker of 17<sup>th</sup> Company in bed with influenza but otherwise health of Train very good. Location, watering, and Refilling Points of units of Train set out in Detail</p>	I

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Lt Butler Bachman			<p>Held meeting of Company Commanders and dealt with many matters of interest. Saw D.H.Q. nothing of importance there. Inspected the 20th Company who are getting their lines in order. Company Commanders pointed out that supply officers are suffering from want of rest. Owing to drawing from rail being from 11.30 pm to 1 am. they do not get to bed until 2 or 3 am. then refilling in morning and checking records, and requisitioning grazing areas, visiting their Brigades they get no rest. Arranged that for the present they should not attend Railhead, a sufficient number of the supply personnel for checking purposes being all that is necessary. D.H.Q. wrote asking if there was any reason why least Lt P. MacIntosh of 10 Depot Unit of Supply should not be sent to the train for training. Replied asking that this officer should be sent to us as Lt UPWARD would go to the 10 Depot Unit in his place. Decided to give Lt RUTHERFORD another trial &amp; arranged he should take over a transport section of H.Q. Company for quite 3 months to report then be given by his O/C on his work. Capt MEDLYN to take over B Group Supply duties.</p>	

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<p>La Motte Brebiere Somme</p>	<p>27/7/18</p>		<p>Received memo from Corps through Division outlining harvesting scheme for gathering crops in Divisional Areas. Detailed Capt Stabler to take charge of operations for the Division, Saw the 6th Supply Company 139<sup>th</sup> Regiment U.S.A. Army, re exchange of personnel for training purpose. Suggested that one or two officers should be sent to us + I would attach them to the Companies of this train. He seemed very pleased, at the offer will probably take advantage of it. Their organization differs entirely from ours, following the French system and is not so efficient as our own, being aimed at forwarding a return of crop cutting performed in the Blaugy + Aubigny systems, in order to get a field of fire for machine guns + accidentally proved units with good forage. Blaugy System completed, Aubigny System so far still to cut. 42 tons has been cut + issued to units of this Division with corresponding underdrawal at Railhead, while 40 tons have been cut and are ready to issue. Cutting with 3 machines though for a time only 1 was available. This work commenced on the 6<sup>th</sup> July. Condition of horses excellent only 13 being on sick list for whole train and 2 deficient</p>	

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La Motte Becheville	28/9/18		Capt Stabler reports having seen Corps Agricultural Officer re harvesting, and was told that all cutting of crop for forage in the Aubigny System is over and the crop cut for grain, though not yet ripe. 3 reapers & binders available. Nothing of any moment occurred today.	
	29/9/18		Saw S.M. with Capt Stabler re order about ceasing to cut in Aubigny System & the reaper Corp who instructed to carry on as before. I have a very poor opinion of the Agricultural Officer who in my opinion does not know his business. Owing to shortage of men, Brigadier was trying to recall the loaders attached to the train. Applied to retain 3 B class men to Base, Clark, Goodwin & Phillips, as utterly useless, insubordinate, exercising a bad influence on the rest. These 3 class personnel appear to have been told at Base that they are to do only what they feel they can do, and also only minimum duties, consequently they are always malingering and are a perpetual nuisance not worth a day's pay.	
	30/9/18		Saw S.M. then rode up to HQ. 6th Army Brigade A.F.A. re transfer of Drivers to the Batteries. Approved transfer. Visited the area in the Aubigny System where cutting of Hay is going on both with mowing machine & haythes. The Reaper & Binder working on some Rye cutting for grain. The Hay cutting will soon be finished. Capt Stabler has arranged for 20 men from Infantry to cut the crop in the winter with Reaping hooks, that being the only possible way to get the crop in. Allotment of leave for August received 25 being given this unit in proportion of 1 officer to 13 of the Rank. One out now without leave for over 12 months.	

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<p>La MOTTE BREBIERE</p>	<p>30/7/18</p>		<p>Held a mounted inspection of 20<sup>th</sup> Company A.S.B. and was very pleased with turnout, horses, harness &amp; vehicles being in excellent condition. A plague of insects, blue flies has destroyed all the young plants put out at Cannon Gardens. This throws all production considerably backward.</p> <p>Entered an inspection of 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> &amp; 17<sup>th</sup> Companies A.S.B. for tomorrow.</p> <p>Saw D.M.O. nothing of importance there. Weather close &amp; hot.</p> <p>Salvage Return for July very excellent 17<sup>th</sup> Company being valued at £2854-18-11, Soldier 449 lb, lead 67 lb. 16<sup>th</sup> Company £2589-2-8, 15<sup>th</sup> Company £233-13-6, + 20<sup>th</sup> Company £149-15-3. The Druffan returns also of the 15<sup>th</sup> + 20<sup>th</sup> Companies were also excellent being over 500 lb each. The horses of all Companies have never looked better. Sickness among personnel very slight despite the dysentery &amp; diarrhoea prevalent and discipline is very good as evidenced by Crime &amp; offence reports. Brigade owing to shortage of men are agitating for return of all fit men attached to Companies as leaders. This is quite a reasonable request, and am taking steps in that direction.</p>	

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	<i>Map Location of Units of Train of Refueling Points of Watering Points</i>

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H.Q., 2nd Aust. Div. Train. Sht. 62D.N.13.d.8.7.

<u>15th. COY.</u>	Sheet 62D.M.16.b.4.7.	Refilling Point M.10.d.8.6.	Watering Point M.17.a.10.2.
<u>16th. COY.</u>	" M. 9.d.8.6.	" M. 9.d.8.6.	" M. 9.d.7.8.
<u>17th. COY.</u>	" M. 4.a.4.4.	" M. 4.c.5.9.	" M. 3.c.2.3.
<u>20th. COY.</u>	" M.14.d.2.9.	" N.13.d.4.8.	" N.14.d.3.2.

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No.2.A.M.T.Coy.	SALEUX.	Forward Area Detachment	Div. Fuel Dump. M.10.d.8.4.
		N.23.d.6.8.	

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14th. Army Brigade, R.F.A.	Refilling Point N.21.cent.
86th.	" N.8.b.5.5.
298th.	" N.8.b.5.5.

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