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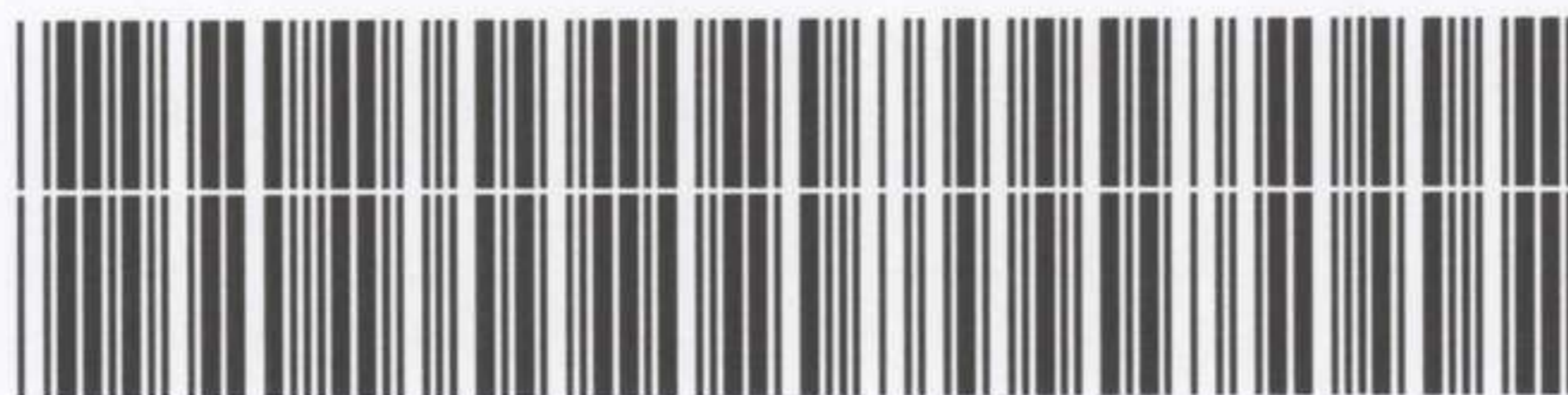
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YIEUX BERQUIN G.H.V.	Sep: 1-11 1917		<p>Nothing fresh, regarding movements, to report during this period. Every possible instruction is being given to 1st Line Transport in pack saddles - Three hundred extra pack saddles for the Division have just been received in excellent order requiring no re-padding. Sixteen additional personnel are attached to each 1st Line Transport unit, thus enabling one man to lead one pack horse. Iron bars with movable iron hook attachments are being supplied to units Regt Transport. These bars fit on the hooks of pack saddles on either side and nations are carried in sand bags which are hooked on these iron bar arrangements mentioned. Lieut. J.L. Smith and Lt. J. Lane of the Divisional Train have been acting as instructors visiting each unit of the Division in turn. This method has proved more satisfactory than having a fixed Divisional Pack School. Both these instructors have done very valuable work. The Div Artillery & HQ ASC Coy was^{came} out of the line on 8th & moved to ST. OMER area.</p>	

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SCOTTISH LINES NY DICKERBUSCH F.V.	Sep: 12 ^A 6 15 ^A 1917		On the 12 th of Sep: The Division, less Artillery, moved from VIEUX-BERQUIN and surrounding areas to BERTHEN, MIETERN and THIEUSHOUK areas prior to going into the line - Railhead changed from STEENWERCK to REHINGHELST on 14 th inst. Bde Companies moved with their respective groups -	
SCOTTISH LINES NY DICKERBUSCH F.V.	Sep: 16 ^A 6 18 ^A 1917		The division moved up into the line on 16 th to 18 th Sep: - The ^{Three} Bde Companies are bivouacked outside DICKERBUSCH. H.Q. of Train at SCOTTISH LINES with Rear D.H.Q. - Advance D.H.Q. being outside DICKERBUSCH - SCOTTISH LINES are 2 miles N.W. of DICKERBUSCH. RAILHEAD changed to DICKERBUSCH on 18 th inst. - SUPPLY system is as follows: - Bde Companies draw ^{supplies} by Horse Transport from Railhead, to Dumps situated in ^{B.C.} Company lines. Supplies are issued to Qr Hqs at these dumps - The supplies are then taken by Train Transport to Qr Hqs stores which are situated at 1 st L. Transport Lines - Rations are taken to troops & string line, under Regimental arrangements	

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SCOTTISH LINES NY DICKEBUSCH	Sep. 16 th 18 th 1917		using limbers, pack and manhandling - Lieut. F. L. Smith & CSM Lane of the Divisional Train have been employed on pack convoy duties, transporting water & Engineer stores to forward dumps - and upto date have performed their duties with few casualties only, although the ground is pitted with shell holes, and the ground swept by Enemy's Artillery and machine gun fire -	
SCOTTISH LINES NY DICKEBUSCH	SEP 19 th 21 st 1917		All supply and transport arrangements working smoothly and satisfactorily The weather keeping fine is greatly assisting all transport duties.	
STEEN-VOORDE	Sep 25 th 1917		The Divisional Artillery, moved out of the line to STEENVOORDE area between 22 nd and 24 th of Sep: partly by route marching and buses - Head Quarters of Division, Brigades & Div Train are billeted in STEENVOORDE - RAILHEAD changed from DICKEBUSCH TO CAESTRE on 23 rd inst: - Supplies are drawn from Railhead by	

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STEENVOORDE 9.11.	Sep: 25 th 1917		Horse Transport to Brigade dumps - where they are issued to Q ^r M ⁿ of units - Supplies are then issued transported to units - under Regimental arrangements.	
STEENVOORDE 9.11.	Sept. 26 th - 30 th 1917		The Division with Artillery are moving into the Line and started on 29 th inst. - Two Officers and Two other NCOs of the Provisional Train namely Lieut. Quiney & Lieut. Macrow, W.O. Vining and Serjt Hanam have been specially selected for pack work in the forward area under orders of the DA & H.Q. of the Division - Health of men good, condition of horses excellent. Discipline of Train good - F. J. Ash & Co. OC 1 st Am: Div Train <u>30-9-17</u>	