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CROIX DU BAC.	1.4.17.	Morning	<p>Situation normal.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>Ammunition expended. 744. 4.5" How. 526. M.T.M. 10. H.T.M. Nil.</p> <p>Casualties N i l.</p>	

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CROIX DU BAC.	2.4.17.	Morning	Situation normal. Operations as per Intelligence Summary. Ammunition expended. 18 pounder 309. 4.5" How. 72. M.T.M. 83. Casualties N i l.	

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CROIX DU BAC.	3.4.17.		Morning. Situation normal.	
			Operations as per Intelligence Summary.	
			Ammunition expended. 18 pounder 293. 4.5" How. 83. Trench Mortar.N i l.	
			Casualties. N i l.	

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	4.4.1917.		Situation normal.	
	Morning		Operations as per Intelligence Summary.	
			Ammunition expended. 18 pounder 281. 4.5" How. 67. M. Trench Mortar. 13.	
			Casualties Nil.	

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Place CROIX DU BAC.	Date 5.4.1917.	Hour Morning	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			Situation normal.	
			Operations as per Intelligence Summary.	
			Ammunition expended. 18 pounder 456. 4.5" How. 202. Medium Trench Mortar. 40.	
			Casualties Nil.	

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CROIX DU BAC.	6.477.	Morning.	<p>Situation normal.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>Ammunition expended. 18 pounder 401. 4.5" How. 71. Medium Trench Mortar. 10.</p> <p>Casualties Nil.</p> <p>The 12th. N.Z. F.A. Batteries came under Command of 3rd. Australian Divisional Artillery. midnight 6th - 7th.</p> <p>Front covered by 3rd. Australian Divisional Artillery extended to Ash Lane in the north.</p> <p>Front now covered by 3rd. Australian Divisional Artillery extends from I.16.b.2.7. on the South to Ash Lane, U.S.c.60.63. on the North.</p>	

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CROIX DU	DU	BAG.		
	8.4.17.		Morning. Situation normal.	
			Operations as per Intelligence Summary.	
			Ammunition expended. 18 pounder. 547. 4.5" How. 185. M.T.M. 98. H.T.M. 2.	
			<i>ale.</i> Casualties. 1 ¹ <i>Thin</i> 1 ¹ <i>F.A. Shelley-Jones, Shellshock; 3 O.R. Shellshock; See Shelling of 107th How. Battery, Intelligence Summary.</i>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
CROIX DU BAC.	12.4.17.		<p>Morning. Situation normal.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>Ammunition expended. 18 pounder 235. 4.5" How. 31. Trench Mortar. Nil.</p> <p>Casualties. Nil.</p> <p>Operation Order No. 13 issued by 3rd. Australian Divisional Artillery.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
CROIX DU BAC.	23.4.17.	12.30 am.	The enemy, under cover of a heavy bombardment of our trenches in Localities 7 and 8, attempted to raid in C.29 but failed to effect an antry. Ammunition expended while replying to S.O.S. Signal. A. and A.X. 1472. B.X. 385.	
	Morning.		* Situation normal.	
			Operations as per Intelligence Summary.	
			Ammunition expended. 18 pounder 1639. 4.5" How. 465. M.T.M. 30.	
			Casualties. Killed One Other Rank. Wounded. One Other Rank. Both of 8th. F.A. Brigade.	
			Extract from Divisional Routine Orders.	
			The Divisional Commander has pleasure in highly commending the undermentioned Officer for meritorious and gallant service rendered.	
			2nd. Lieut. F. A. SHELLEY-JONES. 107th. How. Battery 8th. F.A. Brigade.	
			Lieutenant. Shelley-Jones was superintending repair work to guns of the 107th. Battery near PLOEGSTEBERT on April 8th, 1917, when the position was subjected to Heavy Hostile Fire with 5.9 and Gas Shells. He at once ordered the men to vacate the position and proceeded to a flank with them, but immediately returned through very heavy fire to see if all ranks were clear. By his action, he not only set an excellent example of bravery and coolness under shell fire, but was unable able to assist in carrying a gunner, whom he found unconscious, in a gun pit, to a place of safety.	
			The Corps Commander has awarded the Military Medal to 29307. Gunner Kirton B. 107th. How Bty.	
			On April 8th. the 107th. How Battery in action near PLOEGSTEBERT came under heavy fire from 5.9 and Gas Shells. The detachment having vacated the pits under orders, Gunner Kirton ran up under heavy shell fire and entered a gun pit to see if all ranks were clear, and, if necessary, to render any assistance. He showed a high example to all by his action and was also able to assist an Officer to carry to a place of safety a gunner who was found unconscious in a gun pit.	

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Place		Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	<p>DE IX DE BAC.</p> <p>26.4.17.</p> <p>Morning.</p>	<p>Situation normal.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>Ammunition expended. 18 pounder 156. 4.5" How. 105. M.T. M. 28.</p> <p>Casualties. Nil.</p> <p>Midnight 25th/26th. 175th. Brigade R.F.A. withdrew from the line to their Wagon Lines.</p>	

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CROIX DU BAC.	27.4.1917.	Morning.	<p>Situation normal.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>Ammunition expended. 18 pounder 4.5" How. M. T. M.</p> <p>Casualties. 1 O.R. 2 O.R. Killed; Attached to Trench Mortars from 11th Infantry Brigade; 1 O.R. Shellshock; Attached to Trench Mortars from 3rd D.R.C.</p>	

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	28.4.1917.	12.33 a.m. Morning.	<p>Gas was released from our trenches at head of ST.YVES Avenue at 12.33 a.m. The wind was favorable After the discharge of gas there was a noticeable absence of Very Lights, Rifle and Machine Gun fire from enemy trenches in this part of the line.</p> <p>The Left Group Artillery "Stood To" while smoke gas was being released.</p> <p>Situation normal.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>Ammunition expended. 18 pounder 198. 4.5" Howitzer. 55. M. T. M. 40.</p> <p>Casualties. Killed. 2 Other Ranks. Medium Trench Mortar Battery. 2. 3 A. <i>1 O.K. Wounded Accidentally. 8th J.R.B.</i></p>	

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CROIX DU BAC.	29.4.17.	12.30 a.m.	<p>Gas was discharged at 12.30 a.m. along the Divisional Front and from portions of the old Divisional Front on each side of the River Lys. The wind was favorable and patrols were sent out to endeavour to enter the enemy's lines. One patrol reached a bridge within 150 yards of Frelinghien and reported Frelinghien extremely silent and deserted. While gas was being released the Left Group Artillery "Stood To".</p> <p>Morning. Situation normal.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>Ammunition expended. 18 pounder 119. 4.5" How. 92. T.M. Nil.</p> <p>Casualties. ^{Nil.} Wounded One. Other Rank. 8th. F.A. Brigade. (Accidental.)</p> <p><i>Polling Day - Commonwealth Federal and State Elections</i> <i>All ranks were given the opportunity to vote.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>ale</i></p>	

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Place CROIX	Date DU BAC.	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	30.4.1917.	4.15 a.m.	<p>About 4.15 a.m. the enemy opened a heavy bombardment of our lines from U.28.a.northwards to U.8.x. At 4.22 a.m. a raiding party, protected by smoke bombs, came over in three waves and entered our trenches at two unoccupied places. U.15.d.38.90. and U.15.d.55.70. Enemy did not penetrate beyond Front Line and were immediately expelled, leaving 2 dead in our trenches and several more in No Man's Land.</p> <p>Our ammunition expenditure while assisting to repel raiders. 2291 A., 1474 AX. 660 B.X.</p>	
		Morning.	<p>Situation normal.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>Ammunition expended. 18 pounder. 2372 4.5" How. 702. T. M. Nil. 38 68</p> <p>Casualties. Nil. 1 O.K. wounded; 8th F.A.B. (Attached from 7th F.A.B.)</p>	

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3rd Aus. Div. Avelly Sqrs.*

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
OPERATION ORDER NO.13.

RELIEF. The 8th.A.F.A. Brigade will relieve the 7th.A.F.A. Brigade in the Line by the night 14th/15th instant. Relief will be carried out as follows :

- Night 13th/14th. - 1 Section of each battery 8th.A.F.A. Brigade will relieve 1 Section of each battery 7th.A.F.A. Brigade.
- Night 14th/15th. - 2 Sections of each battery 8th.A.F.A. Brigade will relieve 2 Sections of each battery 7th.A.F.A. Brigade.

Advance parties will report to Group Headquarters, 7th A.F.A. Brigade at B.12. central at 10 a.m. 13th instant.

All arrangements will be made between Group Commanders concerned.

COMMAND. Command passes at 10 p.m. night 14th/15th instant. Completion of Relief will be reported to D.A.H.Q.

Lt-Col. ALLSOP will take over Command of the 8th.A.F.A. Brigade in the Line at 10 p.m. on night 14th/15th.

Lt-Col. DERHAM D.S.O. will assume Command of the D.A.C. on the departure of Lt-Col. SHELLSHEAR.

Major SWALLOW will remain in temporary Command of the 30th. Battery, 8th.A.F.A. Brigade.

TRAINING. The 7th.A.F.A. Brigade will march to the Training Area on the morning of 16.4.1917.

WAGON LINES. The 8th.A.F.A. Brigade will take over the Wagon Lines of the 7th.A.F.A. Brigade.

The 7th.A.F.A. Brigade will move into New Zealand Wagon Lines at present occupied by the 175th.F.A. Brigade.

175th.F.A. Brigade will move from New Zealand Wagon Lines back to their ^{own} wagon Lines.

All moves to be carried out by 6 p.m. 13.4.1917.

Arrangements to be made between Os.C. 7th.A.F.A. Brigade, 8th.A.F.A. Brigade, & 175th.F.A. Brigade.

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- 5 8th. " "
- 6 175th.Bde.R.F.A.

- 7. 3rd D.A.C.
- 8. Lt-Col.Derham DSO.
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Major R.A.
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3rd.Aust. Divn.
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12.4.1917.
by D.R.

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3rd. AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER NO. 14.

1. (a) The 57th. Division are taking over the EPINETTE - HOUPLINES Sector. The Frontage of the 3rd Australian Divn. will then extend from the RIVER LYS on the South to ASH LANE inclusive.
 (b) The 10th. Aust. Inf. Brigade will accordingly be relieved by the 171st. Inf. Brigade under arrangements to be made between the Brigadiers concerned. The Relief will be ~~carried~~ completed by midnight 26th April.
2. The 10th Australian Inf. Brigade will relieve the 11th. Aust. Inf. Brigade in the PLOEGSTEERT - ST. YVES Sector under arrangements to be made between the Brigadiers concerned. The Relief to be completed by midnight 28th April.
3. The 9th. Aust. Inf. Bde. will relieve the 75th. Inf. Brigade in the LE POUQUET Sector under arrangements to be made between the Brigadiers concerned, the relief to be completed by midnight 29th April.
4. The Southern boundary of the Division will be amended from 30th April (inclusive) to run as follows :-
 (Ref. Map. 1/20,000. Sheet 36.) : 36.G.10.b.9.9. - G.5.b.6.4. - B.25.c.8.5. - B.26.d.0.5. - Along CROIX DU BAC - LES TROIS TILLEULS Road inclusive to LES TROIS TILLEULS - along BAILLEUL - ARMENTIERES Railway to Railway Bridge over RIVER LYS - along RIVER LYS to FME DELMOTTE (C.19.b.1.1.) - thence direct to C.15.d.0.1. along RIVER LYS to Front Line.
 57th. Division will be responsible for all Bridges over the RIVER LYS.
5. The 175th. Army Bde. R.F.A. will be relieved by the Left Group 57th. Divl. Artillery on the nights 24th/25th April and 25th/26th April. Detailed arrangements to be made between Group Commanders.
 The 175th. Army Bde. R.F.A. will march out with full Echelons, and proceed to Wagon Lines on 27th instant, in accordance with 2nd. ANZAC G.124/-/ dated 21.4.17.
 Batteries will ~~take~~ take over all O.Ps., Trench Stores, communications, Defence Schemes, Maps, Log-books, etc., from out-going batteries.
6. The D.T.M.O. 3rd. Aust. Divn. will arrange with the D.T.M.O. 57th Division direct, for the relief of Medium & Heavy Trench Mortars in ARMENTIERES Sector. This relief to be completed by 6 p.m. 26th instant.
 Instructions as to the subsequent disposal of T.M. Units relieved will be given direct.
7. Command will pass on completion of relief.
8. Completion of Reliefs to be reported to Divl. Artillery H.Qrs.
9. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Copies to CORPS. R.A.
 57th. Divl. Arty.
 RIGHT GROUP.
 LEFT GROUP.
 D.T.M.O.

(Sgd) T.A. Playfair. Maj.
 For Brigade Major.
 3rd. Aust. Divl. Artillery.

Issued at 9 p.m. 23.4.1917. by D.R.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 31.3.17. - 6 a.m. 1.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. Retaliatory fire during the day was directed against enemy trenches in I.5.c. & d. and C.17.a. Hows. fired 36 rds. on concrete M.G. emplacement at C.23.b.2.5. Several direct hits were obtained, and the emplacement partly destroyed. Screens erected in the vicinity of FIE DE LA VACHERIE in C.18.a. were fired on.

LEFT GROUP.

Dispersed working parties. 30 rds. were fired on hostile battery at D.13.a.25.99., in co-operation with Heavy Artillery. A wireless station in FRELINGHIEN at C.11.c.80.65. was fired on during the day. 4 direct hits were obtained. Machine gun emplacement and M.W. emplacement were fired on. 169 rds. were expended on targets in U.30.b. & U.29.b.

TRENCH MORTARS.

Fired 10 rds. on target at C.10.b.42.33. 5 rds. fired at house at C.10.b.72.30. - suspected sniper's post. 3 direct hits were obtained.

HOSTILE FIRE.

35 rds.	77mm.	fell in our support line in C.28.c. & d.
45 "	"	& 4.2. fell in support line in I.5.c.
35 "	"	" " C.23.a.
10 "	"	" " U.15.d.
35 "	"	4.2. & 5.9. " " U.25.d.
12 "	4.2.	" " U.19.c.
10 "	"	" " U.21.d.
60 "	"	& 77mm. " " LA BIZET. - PLOEGSTERT ROAD.
15 "	77 mm.	" " U.28.a.
20 "	"	" " C.22.b. & d.

Enemy's fire in U.25.a. & U.15.d. appeared to be directed against traffic & movement at Cross Roads in this vicinity. During enemy's shoot, on U.25.a. & 2.25. gas shells were used. Apparent registration carried out by the enemy - NIL.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Working parties were observed at C.11.d.85.40. Defences. U.29.a.80.45., I.11.d.05.00., I.17.a.95.55. These parties were dispersed by the fire of 18 Pdrs. Pine-apple bomb position at U.22.c.7.4., and Sniper's Post at C.10.b.72.30. were engaged with effect. O.Ps. at U.30.b.00.95. & U.29.b.30.62. were fired on by Hows. of the Left Group. Several direct hits were obtained.

Observation of 15.55. A party of men was observed entering house at J.13.b. the enemy.

Miscellaneous. Smoke was seen rising from engine moving in a South-erly direction, 12 deg.L. of PERENCHIES CHURCH, from HECTARINE STACK. Smoke was seen rising at several points in enemy's front & support lines. The night was comparatively quiet. Visibility fair.

1.4.1917.

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Intelligence Officer.
3rd. Australian Divl. Artillery.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 1.4.17. - 6 a.m. 2.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. 44 rds. retaliatory fire for enemy's H.T.M. shoot were directed against enemy's trenches in C.17.d. and C.23.b. 98 rds. were also fired on enemy's trenches in I.11.a. b. & c. and C.17.a. (Retaliation for hostile fire.) 80 rds. were expended while carrying out covering fire for P.M.s. Considerable damage to enemy's works in I.11.a. & C.29.c. during this shoot. Hows. fired 14 rds. on M.W. emplacements from C.29.d.50.02. to I.5.b.60.94. 12 rds. were expended on Sniper's Post at I.11.a.60.55. Movement in J.14.a. was also fired on.

LEFT GROUP. Sugar Refinery at U.17.d.4.6. was fired on by 18 Pdrs. 3 direct hits were obtained on the tower portion of the building. An enemy cookhouse in U.15.c. was fired on. A working party in U.29.b. was engaged. Fire during the day was directed against targets in U.30.d. & U.28.a. & b.

T.MORTARS. Fired 15 rds. on enemy's wire & parapet at C.29.a. 4.1. Fired 30 rds. on parapet emplacement and wire at I.11.a.5.3. 38 rds. were expended on targets at U.22.c.4.7. & U.22.c.4.3. Retaliation for these shoots was heavy.

HOSTILE FIRE.RIGHT SECTION.

26 rds. 77mm. fell in our supports in C.28.
 30 " " " vicinity of GRAND PORTE EGAL FARM.
 25 " " " I.10.b.
 33 " " " C.17.a. & c.

LEFT (PLOGSTEERT) SECTION.

The enemy again shewed considerable activity

15 rds. 77mm. fell in U.15.a.
 6 " M.W. " U.15.d.
 10 " 77mm. & 7 rds. 5.9. fell in U.21.a. & b.
 50 " 5.9. fell in B.12.b. & C.1.c. & d.
 40 " 4.2. " between CONVENT FARM & LANCASHIRE SUPPORT FARM.
 50 " 5.9. " in vicinity of C.1.central and PLOGSTEERT.

An B8 Pdr. battery at U.25.a.6.3. was fired on by 5.9. & 4.2. during the morning. No material damage was done. Full particulars were forwarded to the Counter-Battery Office.

Apparent Registrations Carried Out By The Enemy.

At 4 pm. a hostile 5.9. Bty. registered 107th. How. Bty. of the Left Group. Control Station at the Battery was destroyed. No casualties were sustained. Gun flashes of the hostile battery firing were observed 81 deg. T.B. from MOLLY. O.P. - U.27.d.97.37. This bearing intersects a 5.9. position at V.20.c.55.00. Heavy Artillery engaged, and immediately silenced this battery.

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Enemy Working parties were observed as follows :
 Defences. C.17.c.7.9., U.29.b.2.7. These parties were dispersed.
 A suspected M.C. emplacement was located at U.30.c.83.75. M.W. position was located by cross bearings, at C.23.b.62.55.
 Observation of 3 mounted men were observed riding along road at C.12.a.9.4., proceeding in a Northerly direction.
 the 7 men were observed in front of FLE DU GRAND VERQUIN, enemy. at C.17.c.02.92.
 3 men were seen proceeding in a Southerly direction C.12.b.80.15.
 Party of men was observed moving along road at I.24.a.30.95.
 5.20 pm. - A Train was observed proceeding towards QUESNOY from PERENCHIES.
 5.25 pm. Another Train was observed proceeding in the direction of QUESNOY.

Miscell- A Screen has been erected at right end of FLE DE aneous. LA VACHERIE, in C.18.a.

A quiet night was recorded.

Visibility fair.

2.4.1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY. APPENDIX
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From 6 a.m. 2.4.17. to 6 a.m. 3.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery.)

RIGHT GROUP. Movement observed on road in rear of enemy's lines was fired on several times during the day. 55 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy works in I.6.d., Illl.a. & I.17.c. 8 rds. were fired on suspected M.W. emplacement at C.23.b.50.05. Target registered. Hows. fired 30 rds. on M.W. emplacement at I.5.d. 6.9. with good effect. Enemy billets at J.14.a.65.40. were engaged, and direct hits obtained.

LEFT GROUP. NIL.

T. MORTARS. NIL.

HOSTILE FIRE.

In the Right (HOURLINES) Section :

30 rds. 4.2. fell in our F.L. system in I.10.d.

10 " 77mm. " " C.29.a.

17 " 4.2. & 77mm. fell in I.10.b. & I.5.c.

14 " 77mm. " " C.28.b.

13 " 4.2. & 77mm. were directed against our Subsidiary line in C.28.c. & I.4.a.

In the Left (PLOGSTERT) Section :

Hostile Artillery fire was directed against battery positions and roads in our back area. Very few rounds fell in our Trenches.

150 rds. 5.9. & 4.2. were directed against an 18 Pdr. Battery at U.25.a.7.2.

Ranging was carried out with aeroplane observation. No material damage was done, apart from a few rds. of ammunition being set on fire. No casualties were sustained. 2 hours after the shelling had ceased, the enemy again directed 20 rds. 5.9. against this position. No damage was done in this instance.

The absence of fire from guns of 77mm calibre is most noticeable.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

Enemy Artillery, with aeroplane observation, registered an 18 Pdr. position (27th. Bty.) at C.1.b.0.2. 20 rds. 5.9. were fired.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Working parties were observed at I.11.c.62.78. and Defences. C.18.a.45.98., and fired on by 18 Pdrs.

A dug-out, previously located at C.24.a.90.48. has now been reinforced by concrete. A M.G. emplacement was located at C.4.d.22.44. New enemy wire was observed behind support line, between U.28.d.28.52. and U.28.d.28.32.

Observation of the enemy. 4 men with Wagon & Horses were seen at J.1.d.4.6. Considerable pedestrian & vehicular traffic was observed during the day in C.11.d., J.1.a. & d., D.2.a., C.17.b., and D.8.d.

2.35 pm. smoke from Train was observed in rear of FUNQUEREAU., D.26.c. moving South, and disappearing behind trees T.B. 91 deg. from EDINBURGH CASTLE., C.26.d.28.68.

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INTELLIGENCE.

Hostile Batteries. 12.35 pm. - 3 flashes were observed 90 deg.T.B. from EDINBURGH CASTLE, C.26.d.28.68.

Miscellaneous. A considerable amount of work is being carried out in rear of FACTORY FARM, in U.16.c. 3 men with field glasses were observed in this vicinity. Green rockets were fired by the enemy during the night, but no apparent action followed.

Visibility poor, especially during the afternoon, on account of a snowstorm.

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3.4.1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 3.4.17. to 6 a.m. 4.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. 60 rds. fired on enemy's P.L. & support trenches C.17.e., b., & c. whilst carrying out covering fire for trench mortars.

36 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy works in C.29.c., J.1.d., I.11.c., & I.17.a. 50 rds. expended on movement observed on roads in C112.b., I.6.b., C.18.c., & C.12.a. & c.

LEFT GROUP. Fired 10 rds. on O.P. house at U.30.a.85.85. and house at U.24.b.95.95. Traffic on the FORT ROUGE road was engaged during the day. Hows. of Left Group attempted a shoot on bridge at U.29.b.2.4. with balloon observation. 6 rds. were fired, but the bursts could not be observed.

T. MORTARS. A shoot was attempted on enemy's wire at C.17.a.35.22. and 12 rds. were expended on enemy's wire and parapet with good effect at C.23.b.15.57.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION.

20 rds. 4.2. were directed against our trenches in I.11.c.

11 " 10.5. fell in I.18.a.

12 " 77mm. " " I.14.a.

17 " do. " " C.28.c. & d.

10 " 5.9. " " vicinity of ASYLUM in I.2.a.

LEFT SECTION. 21 " 77mm & 4.2. " C.4.c.

8 " 4.2. fell in C.4.a.

6 " 4.2. " " vicinity of Inverness Dump.

10 " 4.2. " " C.10.a.

APPARENT REGISTRATION CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY. - NIL.

INTELLIGENCE.

Observation of the enemy. A considerable amount of pedestrian traffic was observed on roads in D.1.b. c. & d., C.12.b., I.6.b., and J.1.a.

5.15. pm. Column of many Wagons, loaded with baggage, together with a number of mounted men, was observed proceeding in an Easterly direction along road in D.2.c. Considerable movement was observed in vicinity of house at C.6.b.6.0. Men were continually seen entering and leaving this house. Several mounted men were also seen to visit this place.

4 pm. Several trains were observed moving along light Railway, and several 4-horse lorries passed the Cross Roads at C.6.b.30.18. A large motor transport was observed moving South on LES ECLUSES Road in C.6.b.2.5. 2.15 pm. Steam was observed from an engine of a train in the direction of QUESNOY, proceeding in a South-easterly direction.

Miscellaneous. 2.40 am. an enemy aeroplane flying very low, passed over our lines in the direction of ARMENTIERES, & then proceeded in a Northerly direction. No apparent action followed.

The night was comparatively quiet, and the enemy's Artillery shewed little activity. Between 4.30 & 5.30 am. the enemy sent up 3 red lights. No apparent action followed. Visibility low, but greatly improved towards the afternoon.

4.4.1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 4.4.1917. to 6 a.m. 5.4.1917.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. Enemy billets at J.14.a.3.2. were shelled by 18 Pdrs 13 rds. fired on house at J.1.a.05.70. 3 direct hits were obtained. Party of men was seen to enter this house immediately before the shoot.

88 rds. were expended in bombardment of enemy's works in I.11.c. This shoot proved satisfactory. A working party was dispersed during the morning.

LEFT GROUP. M.G. located at C.4.d.22.44. was effectively engaged 8 rds. being fired. 18 Pdrs. carried out a successful shoot on Cross Roads at C.11.b.33.93. with balloon observation.

Movement in the vicinity of PONT ROUGE BRIDGE was engaged during the day. Target at U.30.b.15.99. (Cross Roads) and U.12.c.30.05. to U.12.d.50.76., (Enfilade Roads) were fired on with Aeroplane observation, and O.Ks. received. 22 rds. were fired. 350 rds. were fired on enemy's strong points in C.4.b., U.28.b., & U.29.b. & c.

T. MORTARS. Carried out a shoot on U.16.c.3.0., 20 rds. were fired, and considerable damage was done to enemy's parapet & wire in this vicinity. Target at I.11.c.80.24. was engaged by M.T.Ms. 20 rds. fired. Effect good.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION. 25 rds. 77mm. were directed against our subsidiary line in I.4.a. 45 rds. 77mm. fell near Railway salient in I.11.a. (Retaliation for our fire.)
12 rds. 77mm. fell in I.10.d.
16 " " were directed against our F.L. - I.5.c.4.3.
21 " " " " " target I.4.d.60.75.
30 " 4.2. fell in C.28.a. & c.
48 " 77mm. were directed against PEAR TREE FARM and
39 " ") PORTE EGAL FARM respectively.
56 " 10.5.cm. were directed against the Distillery at I.4.a.5.9.

LEFT SECTION.
45 rds. 4.2. fell in C.3.a. & b.
A number of rds. 4.2., 77mm., & M.W. were directed against our F.L. & S.L. in C.4.a.
50 rds. pine-apple bomb fell in vicinity of LANCASHIRE SUPPORT FARM.
24 rds. 4.2. & 77mm fell in U.28.c.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

The enemy appeared to carry out registrations on PEAR TREE FARM, PORTE EGAL FARM, and THE DISTILLERY- I.4.a.5.9. Our F.L. at I.5.c.4.3. and our trenches at C.28.b.9.3. were apparently registered during the morning.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Working parties at C.18.c.50.65. and U.23.b.50.35. Defences. were engaged and dispersed.

Observation of the enemy. Smoke, apparently from the engine of a train moving in a Southerly direction from QUESNOY, was observed. One man was observed baling water from trench at C.29.c.65.95.

Considerable movement was observed throughout the day in D.25.c. and J.1.b. & d.

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Observation of the enemy.

One mounted man was observed at U.23.b.50.35. A party of men seen shortly afterwards at this spot, was engaged, and 2 casualties inflicted. 1.30 pm. A board was observed in front of enemy's Trenches at U.22.b.9.9., on which was written the number "177".

3 pm. It was noticed that this board had been removed.

A wiring party at U.30.a.87.90. was engaged. This party immediately took refuge in MYSTERY HOUSE, close to this spot. The house was fired at, and one direct hit obtained.

Party of Germans was observed beneath PONT ROUGE BRIDGE engaged in adjusting what appeared to be a pontoon.

Visibility fair.

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5.4.1917.

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From 6 a.m. 5.4.17. - 6 a.m. 6.4.1917.

OUR OPERATIONS.
(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. 19 rds. expended on movement in FME DU GRANDE VERQUIN, in D.7.c.
 18 rds. fired on dug-out in C.23.b.
 12 rds. were fired on enemy observation post in I.11.a.27.65.
 20 rds. were fired on revolver gun at I.5.d.1.5. Shoot successful. 60 rds. fired at I.11.c.96.80.

LEFT GROUP. Numerous working parties observed during the day chiefly in U.22.a., U.28.a., & U.15.c. were fired on and dispersed by 18 Pdrs.
 17 rds. were fired on suspected O.P. at U.17.d.4.6. Movement was observed in DEULEMONT at U.24.c.6.5. Buildings in this vicinity were fired on, and direct hits obtained.
 80 rds. were fired on enemy's works and strong points in U.22.c., U.28.a,b,c, & d., U.27.d. & C.4.d. (Retaliation for hostile fire.)

T. MORTARS. 10 rds. were fired on Target at C.10.b.2.3. (Sniper's Post) Effect good.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION. 20 rds. 77mm. fell in C.28.b & d.
 14 " " were directed against our trenches in C.29.a. & c.

LEFT SECTION. 12 rds. 77mm. fell in LONG AVENUE.
 (PLOEGSTBERT) 90 " 4.2., 77mm., & 5.9. fell in C.4.c. & U.28a & c.
 10 " 4.2. & 77mm. " " U.15.c.
 23 " 4.2. " " C.3.b.
 No. of rds. 77mm. were directed against RESERVE FARM in C.10.b.

ENEMY'S NEUTRALISATION FIRE. 9.30 pm. About 60 rds. 5.9. were directed ^{against} an 18 Pdr. battery position at U.25.a.6.3. (26th.Bty.) Several direct hits on buildings were obtained, but no damage sustained to guns, and no casualties were inflicted. A number of Lachrymatory shells were fired.
 Previous to this the enemy commenced a heavy bombardment on the Left, and this Battery was shelled evidently for the purpose of neutralising its fire.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY- NIL.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Defences. Working parties were observed at I.16.c.00.25., U.28.a.85.95., U.17.c.05.23., U.22.a.00.55., and were dispersed by the fire of 18 Pdrs.

Observation of the enemy. Movement was observed in enemy's front line, at C.23.a.2.1. Considerable pedestrian traffic was seen on road North of LA HOULETTE, through FME DU GRANDE VERQUIN in D.13.a., D.7.c., & C.12.b. Party of men was observed near house at I.17.b.30.57. Smoke was observed rising from dug-out at C.23.b.20.58. Engaged; 5 direct hits obtained.

Miscellaneous. An enemy observation balloon was observed 5 deg R. from LOMME CHURCH, from MECTARINE STACK. 1.15 p.m. 1.20 pm. A heliograph was observed T.B. 54 deg. from TAIHAPÉ, possibly from roof-top of house in C.12.b. Visibility fair.

6.4.1917.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 6.4.17. - 6 a.m. 7.4.17..

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. 55 rds. fired on large dug-out in enemy's communication trench at I.11.c.96.80.
18 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy trenches in I.5.c. & d. and I.11.b.
31 rds. fired on movement in vicinity of C.12.central and D.7.c. Dispersed working parties.

LEFT GROUP. 25 rds. were directed against dug-out at C.4.b.3.5. Fired on M.W. positions.
120 rds. were directed against enemy works in C.4.b., U.17.c., & U.22.b.
Suspected O.P. at C.6.b.00.53. was fired on during the day. 150 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy trenches in U.28.b. & d. & C.4.b.

T. MORTARS. 56 rds. were fired on target at U.22.a.20.15., and U.22.a.10.45. Effect appeared to be very good, and considerable damage was caused to enemy works in this vicinity.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION. 18 rds. 77mm. fell in I.3.c.
6 " 10.5 " " I.9.b.
7 " " " " I.28.c.
6 " 21 cm. " " vicinity of C.19.d.65.55.

LEFT SECTION. 40 rds. 10.5 & 77mm fell in PLOEGSTEERT WOOD.
(PLOEGSTEERT) 22 " Granatonwfr & 77mm. fell in G.4.d.
12 " 77mm. fell in U.28.c.
10 " " " " S.W. edge of PLOEGSTEERT WOOD.
10 " " " " U.21.c.
11 " 5.9. " " C.19.b.

26th. Bty. at U.25.a.7.3. was again shelled, but no damage sustained.

Enemy apparently attempted to range on 107th. How. Bty - (C.1.d.1.5.) with 10.5 cm. 12 rds. were fired.

At 3.15 pm. the enemy again ranged on this battery. 7 rds. were fired at intervals of approximately 5 minutes. No damage caused in either instance. Method of Ranging appears to have been carried out by Aeroplane in the morning, and Sound Ranging in the afternoon.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY - NIL.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Working parties were observed at I.5.c.90.25., and Defences. I.5.b.65.50., and engaged by 18 Pdrs.

Aeroplanes and Anti-aircraft guns. Enemy aeroplanes were active during the morning. 2.30 pm. A hostile plane flying extremely low, passed over support lines in I.5.b. & d. Enemy Anti-aircraft gun, mounted on lorry, was observed on road W. of VENANT FARM, moving in a N.W. direction. A large covered-in motor lorry was shortly afterwards observed on this road, evidently ammunition supply.

Observation of the enemy. Movement was observed about FARM DU GRANDE VERQUIN in D.7.a. 3.55 pm. - Steam from Train was observed 67 deg. F.B. from TAIHAFÉ. Smoke was observed rising from Stack approximately at J.34.b.95.95.

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Miscellaneous. Large enemy periscope, disguised as a cross, at U.16.c.55.00. was observed. This periscope, which was close to a tree, was engaged. 1 shell which fell at the foot of the tree, caused a large explosion. This is presumably an ammunition dump and M.W. position. One of the enemy was observed coming from a dug-out near by.

Night comparatively quiet.

Visibility fair.

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7.4.1917.

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From 6 a.m. 5.4.17. to 6 a.m. 8.4.17.

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OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. 60 rds. were directed against enemy works in I.5.c. & I.11.a. while affording covering fire for T.Ms. 20 rds. BK were directed against enemy O.Ps in FRELINGHIEN.

30 rds. were fired on movement observed on road in C.19.d.

11 rds were fired on dug-out at I.11.c.96.80.

A shoot on Road Junction & LA HUTTE FARM at J.1.d.4.4. and D.26.a.40.75. respectively with Aeroplane observation was attempted. This shoot proved unsuccessful owing to cloudy conditions, which rendered observation impossible.

LEFT GROUP. 15 rds. were fired at house at U.29.d.9.9. 10 rds. were directed against road at C.12.b.60.45. Retaliatory fire was directed against enemy works in U.23.a. & U.16.d.

Registration of Cross Roads at U.29.d.88.88. with balloon observation was carried out.

Registrations were carried out on targets : U.30.b.15.45., U.29.b.73.35., & U.23.a.75.95. with balloon observation. These shoots proved successful.

Hows. directed 20 rds. against targets at C.4.b.16.60. & C.4.b.35.40.

T. MORTARS. 40 rds. were fired on enemy's wire and parapet at I.11.a.58.65. and I.5.c.65.13. Effect good. One rd. caused 5 small explosions. 28 rds. were fired on target at C.17.c.70.92. 30 rds. were directed against enemy trenches and Sniper's Post at C.10.b.70.31. Result satisfactory, and Sniper's Post destroyed.

H.P.Ms. registered target at C.17.a.32.23.

Total expenditure - M.P.Ms. 98 rds.

H.P.Ms. 2 rds.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION. 30 rds. 77mm. fell in C.22.d.
20 " " " " C.28.a.
18 " " " " C.23.d.
28 " " " " C.17.a. & c.
9 " 10.5cm)
10 " 77mm.) " " C.29.a. & b.
10 " 77mm. " " I.10.a., b., & d.

LEFT SECTION. 12 " " were directed against our support trenches in U.21.d.

11 rds. 4.2., 77mm., & M.M. fell in vicinity of RESERVE FARM.

70 rds. 5.9. were directed against houses in C.13.c.4.8.

12 rds. 77mm. fell near SURREY FARM.

A number of rds. 77mm. & T.M. fell in C.4.b.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

Enemy appeared to register our F.L.Trenches in C.23.a. & C.17.c.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Defences. Working parties in CEMETERY DRIVE - C.12.c., I.11.c.96.80., U.29.b.6.2., & U.21.b.83.65. were engaged and dispersed by the fire of 18 Pdrs. A considerable amount of new work appears to have been carried out by the enemy from FACTORY FARM to THE BIRD CAGE. New Sandbags, timber, rivetting frames, and screens, have been erected in this vicinity.

Observation of the enemy. 2 men on horse-back were observed on road at C.12.b.9.C. Considerable movement was observed in C.19.d. A number of small parties of men were observed throughout the day, near FARM DU GRANDE VERQUIN.

Miscellaneous. A white flag, with what appeared to be a Red of Black cross was observed on Chateau 108 deg. T.B. from TAIHAPÉ (Probably Chateau VERVOOTE, in J.11.c)

Visibility good.

8.4.1917.

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From 6 a.m. 8.4.17. to 6 a.m. 9.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. 26 rds. were fired on road from C.12.b.95.08. to C.12.b.45.95. 30 rds. were expended while carrying out covering fire for T.Ms. in C.17.a. & c. 12 rds. were fired on dug-out at I.11.a.9.6. 35 rds. were fired on M.W. emplacements at C.23.d.35.76. and C.17.b.18.15. Direct hits were obtained in each instance. 42 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against LA FRESHELLE, LA PREVOTE, PREMESQUES, & PERENCHIES.

LEFT GROUP. 10 rds. were fired on traffic at Cross Roads at U.30.c.2.7.

Registered ; 31 rds. fired.

100 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy's works in U.18.b., U.16.c., U.15.b., U.17.a. & c., U.12.c. & d.

Hows. fired 20 rds. at hostile battery at U.17.a.75.85. with balloon observation, but owing to ground mist shoot could not be continued.

T. MORTARS. H.T.Ms. fired 11 rds. with good effect on target at C.17.a.7.6. Considerable damage was done to enemy works in this vicinity during the shoot.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION. Hostile Artillery fire dispersed one of our Working Parties in I.2.c.

Fire was then directed against CHAPELLE D'ARMENTIERES, - 30 rds. being fired.

100 to 150 rds. 15 cm. fell in I.2.a. & I.1.b. The enemy appeared to be searching in the vicinity of the ASYLUM, and direct hit was obtained on gunpit of an 18 Pdr. battery - (C/175.) No damage caused.

44 rds. 77 mm. fell in C.17.c.

60 " " & T.M. " " C.22.b. (retaliation on our H.T.M. position.)

100 rds. 15 cm. fell in C.19.d.45.25., apparently directed against section of 60 pounders near by.

20 rds. 10.5 cm. fell in C.25.b. & C.26.a.

41 " " & 77mm. fell in C.17.c. & C.16.d.

LEFT SECTION.

50 rds. 15 cm. were directed against road in C.19.b.

31 " 4.2 & 77mm. fell in C.10.b. & c.

25 rds. chiefly 5.9. fell in C.25.a. & b.

Few rds. 4.2. & 77mm. & M.W. were directed against our trenches in U.21.c. & d. & U.28.a. & c.

Enemy shelled vicinity of 26th. battery - U.25.a.65.30 with 5.9. & 8" on two occasions during the day. 30 rds. were fired.

11 a.m. Enemy ranged on 107th How. Bty. at C.1.d.1.5. with 10.5 cm. Shelling continued for 2½ hours - 1 rd. being fired at approximately every 5 minutes. 3 direct hits were obtained on gun pits, carriage of one gun being slightly damaged, and a dug-out destroyed.

2 hrs. later the enemy directed 50 rds. 15 cm. against this position. After another interval of 15 mins. enemy fired 30 rds. 15 cm. gun-fire. This was followed shortly afterwards by 40 rds. 10.5 cm. Lachrymatory shells. Enemy continued to fire odd rds. of 15 cm. against this position until 7 p.m. No further damage was done, and no casualties sustained.

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~~APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY - NIL.~~

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Defences. A considerable amount of work is being carried out in enemy's lines from FACTORY FARM to a point 200 yds. North. Heavy fire was brought to bear on this area, causing immediate cessation of work. Suspected Granatenwerfer position at U.15.d.95.37. " " " " " U.15.d.93.85. M.G.

Observation of the enemy. Transport was observed moving on roads about RIVER DURE, near VENANT FARM. 3 p.m. clouds of white smoke were observed rising 106 deg. N.B. from HECTARINE STACK. 4.45 pm. clouds of white smoke were observed rising 98 deg. N.B. from HECTARINE STACK. 6.15. pm. German Aeroplane was seen to land in rear of trees in front of WAMBRECHIES CHURCH, E.26.d.4.0.

Miscellaneous. 7.10 am. Enemy Observation balloons were observed 3 deg. R. and 8 deg. R. of QUESNOY and LOMME CHURCHES respectively, from TAIHAFE. Enemy observation balloons were observed 141 deg, and 74 deg. T.B. from I.8.b.22.75.

Visibility good.

9.4.1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 9.4.17. to 8 a.m. 10.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. 42 rds. were expended on working parties in C.12.c. and enemy cookhouses in C.17.a. 35 rds. were expended while affording covering fire to T.Ms., fire being directed against M.V. positions and enemy strong points in C.17.b. & d., and C.23.c. & d.

Enemy's support line in C.29.a. was registered - 18 rds. fired. Movement in the vicinity of FME. DU GRANDE VERQUIN was engaged with effect - 26 rds. fired. 7 rds. were directed against suspected dump at J.13.c.05.43.

LEFT GROUP. 90 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy works in C.10.d. and enemy's front and support lines in U.15.b. & d. 8 rds. were fired on traffic on Cross Roads at U.30.c.21.53. 9 rds. were fired on suspected O.P. at U.17.c.45.50. 2 direct hits obtained. Revolver gun position at U.22.a.95.35. was registered. 12 rds. were directed against hostile 77 mm battery at C.6.a.93.60.

T. MORTARS. M.T.Ms. fired 28 rds. with good effect on enemy's wire and parapet at C.23.c.78.68.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION. 53 rds. 10.5. & 77mm fell in C.23.a.
10 " 77mm. " " I.5.a. & c.
8 " 10.5. " " C.28.c.

LEFT SECTION. Enemy's Artillery shewed increased activity . 30 rds. 77mm. fell in C.10.d. 12 rds. 8" were directed against an 18 Pdr. battery in U.25.b. No damage sustained. 21 rds. 4.2. fell in vicinity of RESERVE FARM in C.3.b. 25 " " were directed against road in C.1.d. 4 " fired from a revolver gun fell in vicinity of ST.YVES O.P.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Defences. A large working party of 50 to 70 men wearing a grey-blue uniform, observed at U.12.a.2.6. This target was out of range for Field Guns, but was effectively dealt with by 60 Pdrs. of the Heavy Artillery Group.

Observation of the enemy. A party of men sawing wood was observed in vicinity of house at C.17.d.03.80. 10.30 am. Train moving S. towards QUESNOY was observed in O.2.b.

Hostile Batteries. 6.35 pm. Flashes from hostile guns were observed 109° T.B. from SURREY O.P. Area shelled, and nature of guns were not ascertained.

Miscellaneous. 3.15 pm. White Rockets were observed 3 deg.L. of FRENCHES CHURCH from LELLANT. No apparent action followed. 1.0 to 2.0 am. Anti-Aircraft searchlights were observed 117 deg. & 119 deg. 30' T.B. from SURREY HOUSE. Aeroplanes were active throughout the night over ARMENTIERES, returning over the German Lines in the direction of FOLLINGHIAN. Visibility good at times during morning, but low in the Afternoon.

A. G. Howley

10.4.1917.

Intelligence Summary

From 6 a.m. 10.4.17. to 6 a.m. 11.4.1917.

OUR OPERATIONS.
(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. 44 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy works from C.17.b.0.0. to C.17.d.20.78. 25 rds. were fired with good effect on working party at C.12.d.8.8. 16 rds. were directed against FME DU GRAND VERQUIN. Movement in C.23.b., D.1.d., and C.12.central was fired on; 32 rds. fired. 24 rds. were directed against target at I.18.a. 30.76. 24 rds. were fired at I.24.b.25.10. and I.17.d.98.62.

LEFT GROUP. 105 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy works in U.21.b., U.22.c., U.22.a., and U.15.d. 155 rds. were directed against targets - U.15.d., U.16.c., U.28.c. & d., & U.29.c.

T. MORTARS. Activity NIL.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION. 12 rds. 77 mm. fell in C.22.b.
14 " 10.5 cm. " " I.8.c. and I.4.a.
14 " " " " " C.23.a.
10. " T.M. " " "
12 " 77mm. " " "
25 " " & 10 rds. T.M. fell in C.17.c.
19 " " fell in C.16.b. & d.
12 " " were directed against our S.L. in C.28.b. & c.
22 " M.W. " " against our F.L. in C.17.a. & b.

LEFT SECTION. Enemy again showed little activity. 45 rds. 77mm & 4.2. were directed against our F. & S.L. in U.28.a. 26 rds. 4.2. fell in C.4.c. 12 " 77mm. " " U.15.a. 30 " " & 4.2. fell in U.28.c. 7 " " fell in C.10.c. & d. 8 " 4.2. " " C.3.b. & c. 11 " " & 77mm. fell in C.9.d. Enemy shelled Cross Roads in U.25.d. 12 rds. 8" and 15 cm. were fired.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

The enemy appeared to register our trenches in C.17.c. and C.22.b. with 77mm. & P.M.s.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy New enemy wire was observed in the vicinity of Defences & U.28.a.47.61. A green screen is clearly visible in New Works. front of wall of building at C.11.c.50.51. Screen in front of MYSTERY HOUSE at U.30.a.9.9. has been increased in size. Working party at C.12.d.8.8. was fired on and dispersed.

Hostile Batteries. 4.25 pm. Flashes of 77mm. battery were observed T.B. 144 deg. 30' from TAIHAPÉ. 10.20 pm. Flashes from 10.5 cm. How. were observed 131 deg. T.B. from TAIHAPÉ. No. of rds. fired - 4. Area shelled - C.28.c.

INTELLIGENCE.

TRAIN

Miscellaneous. At 6.20 am. a ~~train~~ was observed moving in the direction of QUESNOY from VERLINGHEN. Traffic on road in D.l.a. & b. appeared to be above normal. Smoke was observed rising from Dump at U.3.d.09.40.

Visibility only fair.

11.4.1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 11.4.17. - 6 a.m. 12.4.1917.

OUR OPERATIONS.
(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. 20 rds. were fired on suspected dump at C.18.c.8.3. 16 rds. were fired ^{with} good effect on road from C.12.b.5.7. to C.12.b.95.02. 24 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy works in C.17.d. & C.23.b. 21 rds. were expended while carrying out registrations.

LEFT GROUP. Registered - 81 rds. fired. 36 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy works in U.22.a. & c. and U.8.b. & d. 4 rds. were fired on Granatonwerfer position at U.16.c.05.56. 20 rds. were fired on Revolver-gun at U.22.a.40.43. Cross roads at U.23.c.8.5. were engaged by Hows. of the Left Group with Aeroplane observation. - 1 O.K. and 2 Ys. were reported, but owing to unfavourable weather conditions, results were not consistent.

T. MORTARS. Activity NIL.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION. 9 rds. 77mm. fell in vicinity of HOBBS FARM - C.23.a. These shells were fired at very long range. 45 rds. 15 cm. & 10.5. cm. fell in C.26.c. 30 " 10.5. cm. " " C.23. between HOBBS & EDMEDS FARMS. 32 " " " " I.10.b. & d. 19 " 77 mm. " " C.23.a. 9 " 10.5. cm. " " C.22.d. 6 " " " " I.9.c. 10 " " " " I.4.a. & d.

LEFT SECTION.

12 rds. 77mm. " " U.8.d. 38 " " " " U.27.b. & c. 15 " " " " C.3.b. 20 " " were directed against our F.L.P. between BELCHERS COTTAGE & RUTTERS LODGE. 30 " 10.5 cm. fell in vicinity of RESERVE FARM - C.3.b. & C.4.a. & d. 38 " 4.2. & 77mm. fell in U.28.c. 11 " M.V. " " U.15.d. 13 " 4.2. " " U.22.c.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

Enemy appeared to be carrying out registrations on RESERVE FARM - C.3.b., Trenches in the vicinity of C.4.a.&d, F.L. between BELCHERS COTTAGE & RUTTERS LODGE, LANCASHIRE FARM - U.27.b. and RED HOUSE - U.27.c. It appears that these registrations are being carried out by new batteries. The enemy registered C.26.c.8.6. with Aeroplane observation. 20 rds. 10.5.cm. being fired. Registrations of out trenches at C.23.a. and I.10.b. were also carried out.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Defences. U.30.b.9.7. A working party of about 20 men was observed at U.30.b.9.7. This party was engaged by 18 Pdrs. Observation of the enemy. Traffic was observed on the DEULEMONT - QUESNOY Rd. at intervals during the day. Normal movement was observed on roads in D.1.b., C.12.b. & J.19.c. Visibility poor.

12.4.1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 12.4.17. to 6 a.m. 13.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. Fired 8 rds. during the day which were directed against houses in D.19.a. & J.14.a. - Billets in FRENCHIES. During the night Artillery of the Right Group fired in reply to S.C.S. Signal in Localities 14, 15, & 16.

LEFT GROUP. Fired 68 rds. retaliatory fire, which were directed against enemy works in U.15.a. & c., U.16.c., U.21.b., & U.25.a.

T. MORTARS. Activity NIL.

RAID.

At 10.20 p.m. The enemy, under cover of a heavy bombardment, attempted to raid our trenches in the vicinity of HOBBS FARM - C.23.a. The raiders were repulsed by Lewis Guns & Artillery fire, and failed to effect an ontry. Ammunition expended whilst assisting to repulse this Raid - 870 A & AX, 335 BX.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION.	33 rds. 77 mm.	fell in C.17.c.
	80 " 10.5. 77mm & T.M.	were directed against our trenches in C.23.a.
	20 rds. 10.5.	fell in I.10.d.
	24 " M.T.M. " "	I.5.a.
LEFT SECTION.	10 " 15 cm. " "	U.22.c.
	70 " " 77mm., 10.5. & T.M.	fell in U.15.c.&d.
	13 " 77 mm.	fell in U.28.c.
	26 " 10.5. & 77mm.	fell in C.3.a, b, & c.
	28 " 10.5.	" " U.21.b.
	18 " 77 mm.	" " U.13.d.
	26 " " "	" " C.4.a. & c.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Defences. Concrete emplacements or dug-outs are being constructed at C.29.a.75.05. Large quantity of newly turned earth, covered by new sheep-hurdles was observed in C.30.b.45.65. A number of new sand-bags was observed about C.28.a.6.0. An O.P. is suspected at U.22.a.40.65. The object-glass of a periscope is visible through loophole at this point. New screens have been erected in CEYLON LANE in C.12.b. & D.1.c. New Cupolas & timber were observed in trench at C.29.d.95.55. This appears to be a strong point, and new wire on Knife-rest is visible at this point.

Observation of the enemy. Considerable movement was observed during the morning in the vicinity of house at D.19.a.15.95. Men were seen carrying timber in this vicinity. At 2.45 pm. a large fire was observed at a considerable distance in rear of enemy's lines. 3 trains were observed leaving WARWENTON between 10 & 11 a.m. 3 trains were again seen leaving WARWENTON between 3 & 4 pm. All proceeding in an Easterly direction. 9 a.m. 2 flashes from 77mm gun were observed 85 deg.30' T.B. from TAIHAPÉ, probably near LA BOULOIRE in D.13.c. Visibility fair.

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13.4.1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 13.4.17. to 6 a.m. 14.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. 40 rds. were directed against enemy's F.L. and support trenches in I.11., I.5.c., & d. while affording covering fire for T.Ms. 9 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy works in C.29.c. & d. 5 rds. were fired with balloon observation on target at I.12.b.95.80. 4 direct hits were obtained. 11 rds. were directed against targets at D.13.a.57.24. with balloon observation.

LEFT GROUP. 72 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy's support line in U.15.b. 25th Battery carried out a wire-cutting operation on enemy's wire from C.10.b.63.15. to C.10.b.65.10. with H.E. direct action. 100 rds. were fired; shoot appeared successful. Hows. fired on suspected hostile battery position in building at C.11.c.55.55.

T. MORTARS. M.T.Ms. supported by Artillery fire of the Right Group, fired 40 rds. on enemy's wire at I.11.a.5.3. and I.5.c.81.21. Effect good. A large explosion was caused at I.11.a.5.3. H.T.Ms. fired 6 rds. with effect on target at I.11.c.95.55.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION. 13 rds. 10.5 cm. & 77mm. were directed against our support line trenches in I.4.a. 45 rds. 77mm. fell in C.28.d. 73 " " " " I.5.a. & c., I.11.a., I.10.a.b. & d. Enemy's fire on our trenches in I.5.a. & c., I.11.a., I.10.a. b. & d. appeared to be retaliation for our operations.

LEFT SECTION. 25 rds. 4.2. fell in DESPIERRE FARM - C.3.c. 79 rds. 10.5., 77mm, & M.W. fell in C.4.c. & d. 30 " 10.5.cm. " " U.28.c. 18 " " " " U.27.b. & c. 87 " " & 77 mm. " " U.15.a.b.c. & d. 27 " 10.5. cm. " " U.21.d. 63 " " & 77 mm. " " BOIS DE PLOEGSTBERT. 13 " 10.5.cm. fell in vicinity of HYDE PARK CORNER, in U.19.b.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY - The enemy registered HEATH TRENCH in the vicinity of O.P. U.7.a. during the day. 8 rds. 10.5. cm. were fired.

INTELLIGENCE.

Observation of the Enemy. During the morning, small parties of men and Wagons were observed on road at D.7.b.9.8. 3 p.m. An engine was observed on line about U.12.a.58.00. Enemy observation balloon was observed over WARNETON. Visibility good.

14.4.1917.

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From 6 a.m. 14.4.17. - 6 a.m. 15.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

- RIGHT GROUP. 71 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against LA PREVOTE - J.1.d., and suspected battery position at J.1.b.15.00.
12 rds. were fired at Road Junction in LA PREVOTE - J.1.d.4.4. with aeroplane observation. Shot proved successful ; target registered.
6 rds. were directed against dump at D.26.c.12.24. with aeroplane registration. O.K. reported on second round.
34 rds. were directed against INANE DRIVE - I.5.b.- suspected enemy relief.
Hows. fired 20 rds. at an active 15 cm. battery at I.30.b.7.5.
12 rds. were directed against PERENCHIES.
- LEFT GROUP. Left Group fire consisted entirely of registration. 164 rds. fired.
- T. MORTARS. M.T.Ms. fired a few rds. for instructional purposes on enemy F.L. in C.29.c.

HOSTILE FIRE.

- RIGHT SECTION. Approximately 400 rds. 15 cm. & 10.5 cm. were directed against an 18-pr. position in C.26.c. Registration was carried out with aeroplane observation. No material damage caused.
270 rds. 15 cm. fell in C.25.b., & C.26.a. apparently directed against a Section of 60-prs. in this vicinity. No apparent damage sustained. Registration in this instance was also carried out by aeroplane.
16 rds. 15 cm. fell in I.5.a. & c.
22 " 10.5. " " C.17.c.
- LEFT SECTION.
32 rds. 10.5. fell in U.14.b. & c.
12 " " were directed against our F.L. in U.15.a.
52 " " & 77mm. fell in C.4.c.
Few rds. 77mm & 10.5. cm fell in C.10.c., C.1.d., and U.27.b. & c.
- APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.
The enemy registered our trenches in C.17.b. 12 rds. 77mm. were fired.

INTELLIGENCE.

- Observation of the enemy. Trains were observed at WARNETON, in U.12.a. at 11.30 am., 1 p.m., 2.30 pm., & 4.30 pm.
Smoke was observed near PERENCHIES. - J.14., apparently from a train proceeding in a North-easterly direction.
Normal movement was observed on Roads in D.1.c. D.19.d. & J.8.d.
- Hostile Battery positions. A hostile was located at D.19.d.25.25. Flashes were observed at this point.
- Visibility good.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 15.4.17 - 6 a.m. 16.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. Fired 60 rds. while affording covering fire to Trench Mortars.
 24 rds. were directed against enemy support lines and M.W. emplacements in I.11.a. & C.23.b.
 12 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against FUNQUEREAU in J.1.b.

LEFT GROUP. 101 rds. were expended while carrying out registrations. 9 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy's trenches in U.15.d.
 Hows. directed 10 rds. against an active M.W. position in U.22.a.

T. MORTARS. M.T.Ms. fired 34 rds. on M.G. emplacement in enemy's F.L. at I.11.a.59.40. Effect good; retaliation heavy.
 H.T.Ms. fired 12 rds. on target I.11.c.88.40. to I.11.c.73.20. An enemy cookhouse was destroyed during this shoot.
 40 rds. were directed against enemy's wire and parapet at C.23.c.8.7. and C.23.b.15.50.
 30 rds. were fired with good effect on target at U.15.b.45.50. Total expenditure - M.T.Ms. 104 rds.
 H.T.Ms. 12 rds.

ENEMY RAID.

At 7.45 pm. the enemy carried out a heavy bombardment of our F.L. system on the whole of our front, and subsequently raided our trenches at two points, but was immediately repulsed. The enemy shelling continued until 9 p.m. Our ammunition expended during this bombardment was :

	A & AX	BX
RIGHT GROUP. -	1,410	300
LEFT GROUP. -	4,307	235

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION. 15 rds. 77mm. were directed against our trenches in C.29.a. & c.
 52 rds. 77 mm. fell in C.28.b.
 39 " " " " C.16.c. & d.
 32 " " " " C.17.a. & c.
 15 " T.M. " " I.11.a.
 14 " " " " C.23.a.
 10 " 10.5. " " C.27.d.

LEFT SECTION.
 20 rds. 77mm. " " C.16.a.
 16 " 5.9. & 4.2. " " C.3.b. & d.
 40 " 77mm. " " U.14. & 15.
 20 " 5.9. " " C.1.c.
 43 " 4.2. " " vicinity of ST. YVES.
 14 " 5.9 & M.W. " " C.4.a. & c.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.
 During the day the enemy registered our trenches in C.16.c. & d. & C.17.a. & c.

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INTELLIGENCE.

Observation At 10.30 am. the enemy was observed pumping
of the water from his P.L. Trench at C.23.c.9.5.
enemy. At 4 pm. 1 man was observed at C.23.b.5.5.
carrying material from 3 light trucks.
A cyclist was seen on road at I.6.b.9.7.
Smoke was observed rising from several points
in the enemy's P.L. & Support trenches in
C.29.c. & d. & U.28.c.

Visibility poor.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

From 6 a.m. 16.4.17. - 6 a.m. 17.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery.)

RIGHT GROUP. 20 rds. were expended while registering C.29.d.95.50
New work is being carried out in this vicinity.
28 rds. were fired on working parties observed
in C.17.c. and C.23.d.
8 rds. were directed against dug-out at C.23.d.45.00
5 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against target
at I.12.b.97.82. - Infantry request.

LEFT GROUP. Registered. 30 rds. fired.
A working party on road at U.23.d.0.6. was fired
on and dispersed.

T. MORTARS. Activity NIL.

HOSTILE FIRES.

Right Section. 15 rds. 10.5. & 77mm fell in C.28.a.
26 " 10.5. " " I.10.b.

Left Section. 120 rds. 5.9. & 4.2. " " C.2.d.
25 " 77mm. were directed against our
support trenches in U.8.c.
Few rds. 4.2. & 77mm. fell in U.13.a., U.15.d., U.21.c.
547 rds. 5.9. & 4.2. were directed against an 18-pr.
battery position at C.1.b.05.19. One gun was slightly
damaged. 4 gun-pits were severely damaged, and
remained untenable. No casualties were sustained.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

The enemy registered our support line in I.5.c.
6 rds. fired.
Our trenches at U.21.d.58.56. were also registered during
the afternoon, 25 rds. being fired.

Hostile Batteries Active.

A 5.9. How. battery at U.30.d.76.41. was active throughout
the day. Flashes from this battery were observed from
LAWRENCE FARM - 2 guns firing.

INTELLIGENCE

Enemy Defences. Working parties were observed at U.23.d.0.6.,
C.23.d.75.00., and in C.17.c. These parties were fired
on and dispersed.
5 loopholes and a periscope near by, were observed
at C.17.a.52.38.

Observation of the enemy. Considerable movement was observed on road in U.5.c.
during the day.
Traffic on the QUESNOY Road in D.1.d. appeared to be
above normal, particularly so during the afternoon.
1 man, limping badly, was observed on road at
C.24.c.8.6.
Numerous parties of men were observed on roads in
D.13.a., I.23.d., and C.12.c.
At 3.30 pm. a woman was seen entering a house at
J.8.c.30.45. A small child left this house shortly
afterwards. A man & woman were observed to pass this
house, proceeding in the direction of FRENCHIES.

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INTELLIGENCE.

Observation of the enemy. A girl was seen to enter house at J.7.d.9.5. 2 men (civilians) with a small boy were observed walking in front of houses at J.8.c.30.45. 1 man remained in front of house at J.8.c.30.45 for 1 hour. He appeared to be looking at some instrument. 6.30 pm. A train was observed in U.17, travelling in the direction of WARNETON.

Visibility fair.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 17.4.17. - 6 a.m.18.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery.)

RIGHT GROUP. 60 rds. were fired on enemy's front, support line, and communication trenches in I.5.b., I.11.a. & c., and I.17.a. - covering fire for Trench Mortars.
12 rds. fired on working party at C.17.a.77.05.

LEFT GROUP. 14 rds. fired on M.V. positions at C.41b.16.60. and C.4.b.35.10.
12 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against UERICA AVENUE.
2 working parties observed during the day at U.9.c.6.5. were engaged and dispersed. 24 rds. fired.

T. MORTARS. 20 rds. fired on enemy's wire & parapet at C.10.b.42.31 & C.10.b.7.3.
25 rds. were fired with effect on target at U.8.d. 8.0.
62 rds. were fired on enemy's wire and parapet in I.5.b., I.11.a. & c. Considerable damage was done to enemy's works in this vicinity, and effective covering fire was afforded by the Right Group Artillery.
H.T.Ms. fired 15 rds. on enemy's works from I.11.c.5.5. to I.11.e.48.00. Effect good.
Total Expenditure - M.T.Ms. 107 rds.
H.T.Ms. 15 rds.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION. 65 rds. 10.5 cm & 77mm. fell in I.16.b.c. & d. - retaliation for our Trench Mortar shoot
Few rds. 15 cm. & 77mm. fell in I.15.b., C21.b., and C.28.c.

LEFT SECTION. 81 rds. 15 cm. 10.5.cm. & 77mm. fell in U.27.a. & b.
26 rds. 10.5 cm. fell in U.21.a.
14 " " " " vicinity of HYDE PL. CORNER.
160 rds. 15 cm & 10.5 cm. fell in C.2.d.
14 " 10.5.cm. " " C.3.c.
50 " 77mm. were directed against our trenches in U.8.c. & d. and U.14.b. & c.
90 rds. 10.5. cm. & M.V. fell in C.4.c. & C.10.a.&b.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY. - NIL.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Defences. The enemy has repaired his support line in the vicinity of dug-out at I.11.c.25.80., recently destroyed by Artillery fire.
A hurdle screen has been erected at I.11.a.80.25.
Working parties at U.9.c.6.5. were dispersed on two occasions during the day.

Observation of the enemy. Normal movement was observed on roads in D.1.c. & d. J.1.a. C.10.a. b. & d. C.24.d. & D.19.c.
2.50 pm. A train was observed moving in a S.W. direction towards GUESNOY.
3.5. pm. Smoke was observed apparently from a train moving in the direction of WAMBRECHIES.
Visibility good at intervals.

18.4.1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 18.4.17. - 6 a.m. 19.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery.)

- RIGHT GROUP. Fired 5 rounds on target I.17.a.5.5.
- LEFT GROUP. Registered - 118 rounds fired.- Hows. directed 22 rounds against enemy's Support trenches in U.15.d. - Retaliatory fire -.
- T. MORTARS. Medium Trench Mortars fired 40 rounds on enemy's wire and parapet at U.15.a.70.75. Effect appeared to be good and considerable damage was caused to enemy's works in this vicinity.

HOSTILE FIRE

- RIGHT SECTION. 20 rounds T.M. fell in the vicinity of our F.L. trenches in C.29.a.& c. 32 rounds 10.5 cm. were directed against our Front and Support Line in I.10.d. 29 rounds 10.5.cm. fell in C.23.a.& c. and C.22.d.
- LEFT SECTION. 20 rounds 77 mm fell in C.4.a. and c. 29 " 77 mm " " vicinity of ST.YVES. 8 " 10.5.cm." " C.9.b. 30 " 77 mm " " U.C.a.c. and d.

APPARENT REGISTRATION CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

The enemy registered our trenches in C.23.a. and c. and C.22.d. - 29 rounds 10.5 cm fired.-
 Our trenches in C.4.c. were registered by the enemy - 14 rounds 77 mm. fired.
 Registrations were also carried out on our trenches in U.8.a.c.and d. - 20 rounds 77 mm fired. -

INTELLIGENCE

- Enemy Defences. An enemy dugout was located at U.28.d.08.20. Smoke was seen rising from this point.
- Observation of the enemy. Normal movement was observed on QUESNOY road in D.1.d. One man mounted was observed on road in J.1.d.
- Miscellaneous. Smoke was observed rising from enemy's Front Line trench at U.28.c.80.90. At 7.55 p.m. the enemy sent up three red rockets each of which burst into three green stars. No apparent action followed. Visibility poor throughout the day.

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19.4.17.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 19.4.17. - 6 a.m. 20.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. Fired 8 rds. on working party at C.17.a.55.18.
60 rds. were directed against enemy works in
I.11.a. & c., and against enemy's F. & S. Line in
C.29.a. & c. - covering fire for Trench Mortars.
90 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against
M.W. positions in C.29., and enemy works in J.1.a.
and d. Hows. fired 20 rds. on target at I.5.b.13.48
25 rds. were fired enemy's roads & trenches in
C.12.b.
During the night 20 rds. retaliatory fire were
directed against enemy F.L. & S. Trenches in I.5.d.

LEFT GROUP. 19 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against
enemy's trenches in C.4.a. & U.22.a.
Hows. fired 50 rds. on Cross Roads at U.23.a.87.76.
Registered; 32 rds. fired.

T. MORTARS. 22 rds. were fired with effect on enemy's wire &
parapet at I.11.e.9385. and I.5.b.13.48.
40 rds. were fired on targets at C.29.e.4.9. &
C.29.a.80.65.
40 rds. were fired on enemy's wire at U.8.d.9.7.
and U.15.a.40.75.
M.T.Ms. fired 8 rds. on target I.17.a.9.0. - Effect
good. - Retaliation heavy.
Total Expenditure :- M.T.Ms. 102 rds.
H.T.Ms. 8 rds.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION. 38 rds. 15 cm. 10.5.cm. & L.M.W. fell in C.28.a&b.
12 rds. 77mm. & Granatenwerfer " " C.16.b&d.
and C.17.a. & c.
85 rds. 10.5. cm. & L.M.W. fell in C.28.e. & d.
and C.29.a. & c.

CENTRE AND
LEFT SECTION. 70 rds. 77mm. fell in U.21.b.
12 " " & M.W. fell in vicinity of ST-YVES
AVENUE.
40 rds. 77mm. were directed against our support
line in U.14.b. & U.8.d.
62 rds. 15 cm. & 77mm. were directed against
RUTTERS LODGE at U.27.b.8.C.
75 rds. 10.5.cm. & 77mm. fell in U.14.b. &
U.15.a. & d.
10 rds. 77mm. were directed against RABEQUE FM.
at C.4.a.40.65.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

The enemy registered our support line in C.28.a. 18 rds.
10.5. fired.

Our support line in U.14.b. was registered during the
morning; 20 rds. 77mm. fired.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Working parties observed at C.23.c.85.25. &
Defences. C.17.a.55.18. were dispersed by fire of 16-prs.
Visibility low throughout the day.

20.4.1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

From 6 a.m. 20.4.17. - 6 a.m. 21.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery.)

RIGHT GROUP. 60 rds. were directed against enemy's front and support line in C.17.a. & c. and C.29.a. & c. - covering fire for Trench Mortars.

22 rds. were fired on screen & sandbags erected at C.17.a.6.6.

Registered; - 100 rds. fired.

36 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy works in C.23.b. & M.W. positions in C.17.b.

30 rds. were directed against roads in C.12.b.

20 rds. were fired on active T.Ms. at C.17.a.5.3. and C.17.a.40.35. This shoot appeared to be very effective.

LEFT GROUP. 20 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy's support line in U.25.a.

Registered; - 64 rds. fired.

10 rds. were directed against a dug-out at U.28.d.00.20.

How. registered road at U.4.a.4.7.

T. MORTARS. M.T.Ms. fired 60 rds. on enemy's wire & parapet at C.17.a.65.10. & C.29.c.65.60. Effect in both instances, good. During the latter shoot an Ammunition Dump in the enemy's trench was blown up.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION.

44 rds. 77mm. were directed against our F.L. Trenches in C.29.a. & c.

12 rds. 77mm. fell in C.26.a.

18 rds. 10.5. 77mm. & T.Ms. fell in C.28.a. & b.

51 rds. 77mm. & L.W. fell in C.17.a., C.23.a., & C.28.d. - retaliation for our T.M. shoot.

20 rds. 77mm. fell in C.16.d.

CENTRE AND

LEFT SECTION.

58 rds. 15 cm. fell in C.3.b. & c.

31 " 10.5 cm. & 77mm. fell in U.21.a. & b.

17 " 10.5 cm. fell in U.8.d.

18 " " & 77mm. fell in U.14.b.

76 " 10.5 cm. fell in U.27.b. & c.

15 " 77mm. fell in U.25.b.

12 " 10.5 cm. were directed against our F.L. Trenches in U.1.d. & U.2.c.

35 rds. 15 cm. fell in vicinity of ST. YVES.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

Our Front Line Trenches in C.29.a. & U.8.d. were apparently registered by the enemy during the day. 4 rds. 77mm. and 10 rds. 10.5 cm. were fired respectively.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

Flashes of a 10.5 cm. battery were observed 24 deg. R. of MESSINES CHURCH from U.13.a.75.21. This battery is located at U.5.a.1.8. and was engaged by the Heavy Artillery, and silenced.

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INTELLIGENCE.

Observation of the enemy. Men were observed on road W. of FME DU GRAND VERQUIN, proceeding in the direction of LA HOULETTE.
Enemy observation balloons were up for the greater part of the afternoon.

Miscellaneous.

4 pm.- Clouds of black smoke, followed by volumes of white smoke were observed in rear of enemy's lines 10 deg.L. of U.28.d.50.62. from U.27.e.49.80.
3.20 a.m.- An enemy searchlight was observed for a short period only 130 deg.T.B. from TAIHAPÉ.

SUPPLEMENTARY.OUR OPERATIONS.

LEFT GROUP. Hows. fired 40 rds. on enemy's support line in U.16.e.

HOSTILE FIRE.CENTRE & LEFT SECTION.

6 rds. 10.5.cm. were directed against our F.L. Trenches in the vicinity of RABOUÉ FME.
150 rds. 15 cm. were directed against N.E. Battery position at T.24.c.00.85. No material damage was caused, and no casualties sustained.
11 rds. Granatenwerfer fell in C.4.c.

Visibility fair.

21.4.1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

From 6 a.m. 21.4.17. - 6 a.m. 22.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery.)

RIGHT GROUP. 18 prs. fired 14 rds. on an enemy cookhouse at C.17.a.95.22, direct hits were obtained.
18 rds. fired on active Granatenwerfer position suspected at I.11.d.68.99. Enemy fire effectively silenced.
57 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy works in I.5.d., C.23.c., and C.29.a.
35 rds. were fired on enemy's front & support trenches in I.11.c. - covering fire for T.Ms.
Targets at I.12.d.98.C2., D.13.a.57.24., and C.24.c.50.40. were engaged with balloon observation, 9 rds. 6 rds. & 7 rds. respectively being fired. Targets registered.
An effective shoot was carried out on dug-out at C.23.b.37.68. - 18 rds. fired.
Hows. fired 10 rds. on dug-out at I.5.d.05.10.
Hows. engaged tramway at D.19.c.77.90., with
Aeroplane observation. - 2 rds fired. - Visibility low, owing to mist.

LEFT GROUP. 18-prs. fired 18 rds. on movement in vicinity of cookhouse at C.10.b.6.2.
20 rds. fired on sniper's post at U.21.b.75.60. - S.P. partly demolished.
Hows. fired 22 rds. on road from U.23.a.85.95. to U.29.b.60.23. - Retaliation. 18-prs. fired 16 rds. on enemy's F.L. Trenches in C.4.d. - retaliation. 18-prs. fired 22 rds. while registering day & night lines.
M.W. position at C.4.b.55.47., active during the morning, was registered by 18-prs. - 26 rds. fired.

T. MORTARS. H.T.Ms. fired 10 rds. with effect on enemy's works at I.11.c.88.68.
M.T.Ms. fired 20 rds. on enemy wire at I.11.2.58.40.
20 rds. were fired on enemy wire and parapet at U.9.c.1.5., with good results.

HOSTILE FIRE.RIGHT SECTION.

14 rds. H.T.M. & 77mm. were directed against our trenches in I.5.c.
27 rds. 10.5.cm. fell in I.9.b.
20 rds. 77mm. " " C.29.a. & c.
22 rds. " & T.M." " C.28.a. & c.
30 rds. " & 10.5." " I.10.c. - retaliation for our T.M. shoot.
22 rds. Granatenwerfer & 77mm. fell in I.10.b. & e. and I.11.a.

CENTRE & LEFT SECTION.

The enemy showed considerable activity during the day. His fire was mainly directed against roads and targets in the back area.
284 rds. 15 cm. were directed against Heavy Battery position in B.18.a.
Few rds. 4.2. & 77mm. fell in U.21.b., U.8.c., U.14.b., and C.3.c.
70 rds. 5.9. & 77mm. fell in C.7.c.

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HOSTILE FIRE.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

Registration of our trenches in L.5.c. & C.29.a. was carried out with 77mm. by the enemy - 6 rds. & 14 rds. fired respectively.

The enemy appeared to register our front line trenches in U.8.d. 34 rds. 10.5.cm. & 77mm. were fired.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Defences. A P.M. emplacement was located at U.8.b.10.95.

Observation of the enemy. During the morning a number of men were observed on road in D.7.a., c., & d. proceeding in the direction of LA HOULETTE. 6 men were observed pushing a truck in rear of FME DU GRAND VERQUIN. - apparently a Light Tramway at this point.

6.30 pm. - Steam & smoke were observed issuing from building at I.12.b.8.6.

7.45 pm. - 6 Wagons G.S. were observed moving Northwards on road West of VENANT FARM - D.3.c., D.7.a., c., & d.

4.45 am. - Smoke, apparently from a train, proceeding in a Northerly direction was observed 85 deg. T.B. from TAIHAPÉ.

Aircraft. Enemy aeroplanes showed considerable activity during the day, and directed hostile fire against a Heavy Battery position in B.18.a.

Miscellaneous. 4.15 am. - 3 green rockets, each bursting into 3 stars, were observed 141 deg. T.B. from TAIHAPÉ. No apparent action followed.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

From 6 a.m. 22.4.17. - 6 a.m. 23.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. Fired on movement in the vicinity of cockhouse at C.18.d.12.40. and FME DU GRAND VERQUIN in D.7.c. -, 20 rds. expended. Accurate fire was brought to bear on screen & sandbags erected at C.17.a.75.80. - 24 rds. fired. Works completely demolished. Fired 26 rds. on enemy Dump at C.18.c.80.23., & 24 rds. on emplacement and dug-out at C.23.b.3.7. Houses at I.18.b.4.1. were engaged with balloon observation. - 21 rds. fired. O.Ks. reported. 16 rds. fired on house at I.12.a.65.98., with balloon observation. - Registration abandoned, it being impossible to observe fire owing to trees. 30 rds. were directed against enemy's front and support line in C.17.a. & c. - covering fire for Trench Mortars. 101 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy works in I.5.b., c., & d., I.11.a. and C.29.c. & d.

46 rds. were fired on H.T.M. active at C.17.b.18.16. Fire effective, and T.M. silenced. Hows. fired 15 rds. on LA HUTTE FARM at D.26.a.40.75. with Aeroplane observation, but owing to cloudy conditions shoot was abandoned. LEFT GROUP. Dispersed working party at C.4.a.80.34. - 9 rds. fired.

Fired 11 rds. on Grazenwerfer emplacement at U.21.b.7.6. 2 direct hits obtained. 36 rds. were fired on M.G. emplacement and sniper's post at U.22.a.00.60. Many direct hits were obtained. Shelling caused a fire to break out at this point.

RAID.

At 12.30 am. the enemy, under cover of a heavy bombardment of our trenches in Localities 7 & 8, which afterwards extended to Locality 5, attempted to raid our trenches in C.29. Definite information has not yet been received. Ammunition expended by the Right Group in reply to S.O.S. Signals - A & AX 1472. EX - 385.

T. MORTARS. M.T.Ms. fired 30 rds. on enemy's wire at C.17.a.35.10. Effect good. Enemy retaliation heavy, and our trench mortar emplacement was destroyed by enemy's fire and the gun completely buried.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION.

41 rds. 10.5. & 77mm. were directed against our trenches in C.291a & c.
128 rds. 10.5.cm. 77mm. & T.M. fell in I.5.a. & c.
9 rds. 77mm. & H.T.M. " " C.28.a.
20 " H.T.M. fell in C.17.a.
90 " 77mm & 10.5.cm. fell in I.3.a. & d., I.4.a. & b., I.10.b., and I.5.a. & c.

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HOSTILE FIRE.

CENTRE & LEFT SECTION.

32 rds. 10.5 cm. & 77mm. were directed against our trenches in U.0.e. & d.

15 rds. 10.5 cm. & 77mm fell in U.13.a. & e.

350 rds. 15 cm. were directed against an 18-pr. position at T.24.e.00.85. 1 gun and pit were badly damaged.

Registration was carried out with Aeroplane observation.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY. - NIL.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Defences. Dug-cuts were located at U.28.d.0.9., 0.4.a.9.5., and U.28.c.70.37. Smoke was observed rising from these points.

Enemy Batteries Active. During the enemy's bombardment of our trenches in C.29.a. & c. flashes of hostile guns active were observed 95 deg., 110 deg., 116 deg. & 118 deg. T.B. from TAIHAPE.

Aircraft. Hostile aircraft were active during the day, and again directed hostile fire against a battery position.

Observation of the enemy. Considerable movement was observed during the day in vicinity of FME DU GRAND VERQUIN.
9.15 am. - A volume of smoke was observed in rear of PONT ROUGE.
3 pm. - smoke was observed in rear of PERENCHIES, 127 deg. T.B. from TAIHAPE.

Miscellaneous. 9.53 pm. - A searchlight was active 52 deg. T.B. from TAIHAPE.

Visibility good.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

From 6 a.m. 23 4.1917 to 6 a.m. 24.4.1917.

CUR OPERATIONS

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP.

57 rounds were directed against targets at C.12.a.7.4. C.12.b.5.7., C.12.b.95.00., and D.25.a.65.83. with balloon observation. - Results in all instances satisfactory. -

15 rounds were fired on Cross Roads at D.25.b.2.6. with aeroplane observation. - Target registered.-

LEFT GROUP.

29th. Battery registered their zero point. - 30 rounds fired.

Hows. fired 20 rounds on enemy's trenches in U.16.d.- Retaliation for Hostile fire.-

Target at U.29.b.19.68. was engaged with Balloon observation.

Dispersed two (2) working parties during the night.- 12 rounds fired.-

T. MORTARS.

Medium Trench Mortars fired 80 rounds on enemy's wire and parapet at U.15.d.22.03. and U.22.c.24.40. Effect very good. - Retaliation heavy.-

HOSTILE FIRE

RIGHT SECTION.

40 rounds 15 cm. fell in the vicinity of I.8.a.7.1.

34 " 10.5. " " CHAPELLE D'ARMENTIERES & HOUPLINES.

10 " 77 mm. were directed against our trenches in I.10.b. and C.23.a. and our Subsidiary Line in C.28.a.

CENTRE & LEFT SECTION.

Hostile fire in the Left Group area was again confined chiefly to Counter Battery Work and the shelling of targets in the back area.

140 rounds 5.9 were directed against an 18 pdr. (30th. Battery) position at U.25.a.65.24. Ranging was carried out with aeroplane observation. Casualties one (1) killed, one (1) wounded.

220 rounds 105 cm. were directed against gun pits in B.12.a. Direct hits were obtained on two pits and haystack set on fire.

133 rounds 15 cm. fell in U.25.b.

20 rounds 15 cm. fell in vicinity of U.25.c.83.38.

150 rounds 15 cm. 10.5 cm. and 77 mm. fell in U.15.a.b. and d. and U.21.a and d.

Few rounds 10.5 cm. fell in the vicinity of LAWRENCE FARM, GUNNERS FARM, and LANCASHIRE SUPPORT FARM.

APARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

Our trenches in U.15 a.b and d were registered by the enemy during the day. 16 rounds 10.5 cm. and 6 rounds M.W. fired. Registrations were also carried out on our trenches in U.21. a. and d. 15 rounds 77 mm. and 16 rounds Granatonwerfer fired. The enemy registered ST.YVES AVENUE with 10.5 cm. and 77 mm. 30 rounds fired.-

P. T. O.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy defences. A working party, consisting of 5 men was observed in D.7.b. New screens have been recently erected in this area.
A working party- 10 men- was observed on road at D.8.a.1.9.
A strong machine-gun emplacement was definitely located at G.29.c.66.59. This emplacement is apparently used for night firing only.
During the night working parties at U.15.b.55.20. and U.15.a.67.85. were dispersed by the fire of 18-prs.

Observation of the enemy. 4 men were observed walking across fields by VENANT FARM - D.2.B & d.
A horse-drawn vehicle was observed on road in D.1.a.
Normal movement was observed in vicinity of farm at D.19.a.25.95. and on road in C.6.d.

Aircraft. Enemy planes were active for the greater part of the day, and again directed hostile fire against battery positions and targets in rear of our lines.

Hostile Batteries active. A 15 cm. battery, located at U.30.d.73.41. was active throughout the day. 9 rds. 6" directed against this position failed to silence the gun.

Miscellaneous. 9.30 am. - A train was observed 72 deg. T.B. from U.13.a.75.21.
3 pm. - A train was observed proceeding in the direction of PERENCHIES. 110 deg. T.B. from TAIHARE.
3.30 pm. - Smoke, apparently from a train, was observed immediately in rear of QUESNOY.
At intervals during the afternoon dense clouds of smoke were observed rising in the direction of TOURCOING, 82 deg. T.B. from TAIHARE.

Visibility good.

24.4.1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 24.4.17. to 6 a.m. 25.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. Hows. fired 10 rds. on Cross roads at LA MAVORTE. 50 rds. were also directed against a hostile battery position at J.14.d.10.60. Fire effective, direct hits being obtained on building and house near by. Shelling caused a fire to break out which continued to burn for some considerable time. 150 rds. A & A, and 40 rds. B1 were directed against roads in I.12.b. & c., I.17.b., J.7.a., and J.1.d. Considerable movement was reported on these roads.

LEFT GROUP. Hows. fired 20 rds. on enemy support line from U.22.e.72.0.5. to U.22.e.53.45. - Retaliation.

T. MORTARS. Medium Trench Mortars fired 55 rounds on enemy's wire and parapet at U.9.e.00.60. Effect good and considerable damage was done to the enemy's works in this vicinity. Retaliation light.

HOSTILE FIRE.

RIGHT SECTION.

205 rds. 15 cm. fell in I.2.a.
15 " 77mm. " " C.28.a., b., & c.
11 " " " " C.22.b.

Few rds. 10.5 cm. & 77mm. fell in C.1.b., I.4.d., & C.21.d.
15 rds. 77mm. fell in the vicinity of I.5.a.5.9.

CENTRE & LEFT SECTION.

In the PLOEGSTEERT Sector hostile Artillery again showed considerable activity. Although our Trenches were at times heavily shelled, necessitating retaliation from the Heavy Artillery Group, the enemy's fire was mainly directed against targets in rear of our lines, while roads in the back area were systematically shelled.

21 rds. 77mm. fell in the vicinity of CONVENT.- U.27.b.

58 rds. 15 cm. & 10.5 cm. fell in U.21.a.b. & d.

70 rds. 77mm. were directed against our F.L.T. in U.15.d.

95 rds. 10.5 cm. & 77mm. fell in the vicinity of LAWRENCE FARM, RESERVE FARM, LANCASHIRE SUPPORT FARM, RED HOUSE, & BELCHERS COTTAGE.

300 rds. 10.5 cm. fell in C.1.a. - Searching fire.

70 rds. 15 cm. fell in the vicinity of T.30.a. & c.

65 rds. 77mm. were directed against our supportline in U.8.a.

165 rds. 10 cm. were directed against section of 4.5" Hows. (10th. Battery) at C.1.a.45.60. Camouflage of one gun-pit burnt, and 106 rds. of ammunition destroyed. Registration was apparently carried out by balloon observation.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

The enemy registered our trenches in C.28.a. & c. and C.22.b. - 20 rds. 77mm. fired.

Enemy also registered our trenches in U.21.b. & d.

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INTELLIGENCE.

Observation of the Enemy. 12 men were observed at J.l.c.15.90. These men appeared to be playing football.
 Smoke was observed rising from points in enemy's F.L.Trench in C.29.c.
 Smoke was observed rising from house at J.l.c.15.02.

10.45 am. & 2.30 pm. - Trains were observed proceeding in a Northerly direction towards QUESNOY.

11 am. - 2 Trains were observed proceeding the direction of MESSINES, from WARNETON.

Aircraft & Balloons. 12.15 pm. - An enemy Acroplane was brought down in flames in the BOIS GRENIER Sector.
 2.25 pm. - 3 enemy Aeroplanes were observed rising from D.27.cantral.
 Enemy observation balloons were observed 75 deg. 30 ' 141 deg.& 41 deg.T.B. from TAIHAFE - C.27.a.4.7.

Visibility good.

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25.4.1917.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 25.4.17. to 6 a.m. 26.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS

(Artillery)

RIGHT GROUP. 62 rounds were fired on targets at I.11.d.9.1. and C.11.e.45.90. - Registration and calibration. - 37 rounds were directed against houses at I.6.b.9.2. and J.1b.8.9. A working party at C.23.b.13.60. was dispersed by the fire of 18 pounders. - 3 rounds fired. -

LEFT GROUP. Fired on and silenced an active M.W. at C.4.b.16.60. - 28 rounds fired. M.W.'s active at U.15.b.70.32, U.15.b. 21.78, and U.16.e.10.65. were engaged by 18 pounders and effectively silenced - 48 rounds fired. - 12 rounds were fired on GRAND HAIE FMS. - Registration. Hows. fired 15 rounds on an Anti-Aircraft gun in action at U.24.c.5.5. in reply to Zone Call received. 15 rounds were directed against a hostile battery at U.30.d.75.40. with balloon observation. - Target registered, but shoot discontinued owing to failing light. Fired 30 rounds on train observed on light railway from U.5.b.8.1. to U.5.b.7.5. Fired 60 rounds on U.9.a.1.1. and Night Lines. - Registration. -

T. MORTARS. Medium Trench Mortars fired 38 rounds with effect on enemy's wire and parapet at U.22.c.23.67.

HOSTILE FIRE.RIGHT SECTION.

85 rounds 10.5 cm and 77 mm were directed against our Front Line and Support trenches in I.5.a. and C.11.b. and d. 29 rounds 10.5 cm and 77 mm fell in C.22.b and d. and C.28. a.b. and d. 8 rounds 77 mm fell in C.23.a. 10 rounds 77 mm were directed against target at I.4.a.5.9.

CENTRE & LEFT SECTION.

15 rounds 10.5 cm fell in vicinity of C.8.a.7.2. 32 " 10.5 cm, 77 mm, and M.W. fell in U.27.b. and c. 53 rounds 77 mm., M.W. and Granatenwerfer fell in the vicinity of ST. YVES. 30 rounds 10.5 cm., 77 mm., and Granatenwerfer were directed against our Front Line and Support Trenches in U.21.d. - Retaliation for our Trench Mortar operations. 120 rounds 15 cm., 10.5 cm and M.W. fell in U.22.c. & U.28.a. 8 rounds M.W. fell in the vicinity of MONMOUTH HOUSE - C.4.c. 8 rounds 77 mm fell in the vicinity of our Front Line Trenches in U.8.c. and U.14.b. The increase in Hostile Minonwerfer fire in this Sector during the period is most noticeable.

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APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY. N I L.

HOSTILE
BATTERIES
ACTIVE.

10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. flashes of a hostile 15 cm Battery were observed 113° T.B. from U.13.a.75.21. Time from Flash to Report 16 1/2 seconds. This battery is definitely located at U.30.d.75.40.

INTELLIGENCE.

OBSERVATION
OF THE
ENEMY.

Movement was observed in rear of THE DU GRAND VERQUIN at D.7.c.0.9. 2 men were observed walking along road in J.1.b. apparently carrying heavy weights on their backs. 1.30 p.m. a locomotive drawing 3 oneeased trucks and proceeding in North Easterly direction from WARNETON was observed 71 deg. T. B. from U.13.a.75.21. 4 p.m. a locomotive was observed travelling in a North Easterly direction 70 deg. T.B. from U.13.a.75.21. A train consisting of three trucks and containing what appeared to be a gun in the end truck, was observed on light railway from U.5.b.8.1. to U.5.b.7.5.

MISCELL-
ANEOUS.

Smoke was observed rising from chimney of house at C.6.c.20.50. Smoke was also observed rising from enemy's support lines at U.28.d.10.15 and C.4.b.10.25.

Visibility poor owing to mist.

SUPPLEMENTARY.

LEFT GROUP. 5.30 p.m. 10 rounds were fired on target at U.16.c.10.65.
OUR FIRE. 26 rounds were fired on target at U.15.b.70.32. and U.15.b.21.78.

HOSTILE FIRE.

CENTRE & LEFT SECTION.

40 rounds 77 mm. fell in vicinity of our Support Lines in U.8.a. and c.

INTELLIGENCE.

8 p.m. a train was observed proceeding in a North Easterly direction towards WARNETON 21 deg. T.B. from U.13.c.73.40. Observation of the enemy.

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THIRD

AUSTRALIAN

DIVISIONAL

ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 26.4.17. to 6 a.m. 27.4.17.
-----OUR OPERATIONS
(ARTILLERY).

11 rounds were fired on target at U.28.c.70.40. - suspected cookhouse.- Smoke was seen rising from this point.
37 rounds were directed against suspected Company Headquarters at U.28.d.42.55.
A working party at U.20.c.80.48. was dispersed by the fire of 18 pounders.- 12 rounds fired.-
80 rounds retaliatory fire were directed against ULTIMO TRENCH in U.15.b.and d and an active M.W. at U.16.c.10.65.
40 rounds were fired on Night Lines - Registration.-
24 rounds were fired on a Hostile Battery at U.24.d.80.90.
18 pounders fired on M.G. emplacement at C.5.b.50.42.

T.MORTARS.

Medium Trench Mortars cut wire effectively at U.9.c.07.29 and U.15.d.82.55. -40 rounds fired.-

HOSTILE FIRE.

30 rds. 10.5. cm. & M.W. were directed against our F.L. & support trenches in U.21.b. & d.
31 rds. 15 cm., 10.5 cm. 77 mm. & M.W. fell in the vicinity of ST.YVES.
18 " 10.5 cm. & 77mm. fell in vicinity of ECCLES AVENUE.
180 rds. 15 cm. fell in T.30.a. & U.25.b.
29 rds. 10.5 cm. " " U.8.a.
100 rds. 4.2. " " U.7.a. & c.
23 rds. 10.5. & L.M.W. fell in U.27.b. & c.
Few rds. 77mm. fell in C.19.b., U.20.a., & vicinity of DOWNDES AVE.
A number of rds. 10.5 cm. were directed against roads in B.11.a. & b.
24 rds. 10.5.cm. were directed against WOOSTHOVE FARM.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY. NIL.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Defences. A working party was observed at U.28.c.80.48. and dispersed by the fire of 18-pdrs.
8.30 pm. - A working party in U.22.c. was fired on and dispersed.

Observation of the enemy. 10.55 am.- A train was observed in WARNETON.
12.10 pm.- A train was observed in U.13.d. T.B. 63 deg. from U.13.d.35.65.

Aircraft & Balleons. Enemy Observation Balleons were observed 9 deg 40' R. of U.28.d.63.83. from U.27.c.49.30.
Enemy Observation Balleons were also observed 2, 71, & 80 deg. R. of MESSINES CHURCH, from U.13.d.35.65.
12.20 pm.- A British plane was brought down in U.6.c. by fire of hostile anti-aircraft guns.

Hostile Batteries Active. 12.15 pm. - 6 flashes from a hostile gun were observed 21 deg.R. of MESSINES CHURCH from U.13.d.35.65.
Visibility good.

27.4.1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

From 6 a.m. 27.4.17. - 6 a.m. 28.4.17.

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery.) 18 Pdrs. fired 46 rds. on active M.Ws. at U.16.c.10.65., U.15.b.70.32., & U.15.b.21.78. Hows. & 18-pdrs. fired 33 rds. on enemy's strong point at U.22.a.00.55. 6 direct hits obtained. Shelling caused considerable damage to enemy's works at this point, exposing a dug-out, apparently constructed of concrete & steel rails. 35 rds. were fired on suspected O.P. at G.5.b.53.43. Several direct hits were obtained. A destructive series was carried out on O.P. - U.29.b.18.66. - 50 rds. fired. Many direct hits obtained. 76 rds. fired; registration & calibration. 26 rds. were directed against GREEN SCREEN VILLA - G.5.b.50.42. - suspected O.P. Screen partly destroyed. Retaliation for hostile shelling in U.15. was called for, from the Heavy Artillery. Fire was directed against ULSTER SUPPORTS, and proved effective. 60 rds. were fired on M.W. positions in U.16.c. and U.15.b.

TRENCH MORTARS. Fired 40 rds. at U. 15.b.6.3. Enemy's wire and parapet badly damaged at this point. A further Trench Mortar shoot could not be gone on with, owing to an accident.

HOSTILE FIRE.

80 rds. 77mm. fell in U.27.b. & d.
 50 rds. M.W. fell in the vicinity of U.22.c.1.1.
 87 rds. 10.5 cm., 77mm., & M.W. were directed against our F.L.Trenches in U.14.b. & d.
 35 rds. 10.5 cm. & 77mm. fell in U.8.a. & d.
 76 rds. 15 cm., 10.5 cm. & 77mm. fell in the vicinity of ST. YVES AVENUE, NEW CUT, & ECCLES AVENUE.
 15 rds. 77mm. fell in U.14.b.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.
 Enemy registered our support trenches in U.8.d. & U.14.b. firing 10 rds. from 77mm. guns.

INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy Defences. New works are under construction at U.22.a.00.55. apparently strong point. This target was effectively engaged by Hows. & 18 Pdrs. during the day. A considerable amount of work has been carried out on enemy's trenches in U.22.c.

Miscellaneous. 11.35 pm. - 11.50 pm. - About 20 green lights went up in enemy's lines on Left of Sector, followed by a heavy bombardment which gradually worked into our Sector as far as U.14.b.

Visibility poor, owing to heavy ground mist.

23.4.1917.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 28.4.17. - 6 a.m. 29.4.17. APPENDIX

OUR OPERATIONS.

(Artillery) 12 rds. were fired on carrying party at C.4.d.7.2. Dispersed.
 Registered; 24 rds. fired.
 12 rds. retaliatory fire were directed against enemy's trenches in U.8.d. and U.9.c.
 26 rounds were fired on house at U.29.c.90.85. - Suspected O.P.
 18 pounders registered Chimney Stack at U.29.d.50.45. - Suspected O.P. - 16 rounds fired.
 20 rounds were fired on an active M.W. at U.28.b.00.20.
 20 rds. were fired on target - U.28.b.30.53.
 40 rds. were directed against C.5.a.04.70.
 20 rds. were directed against enemy's trenches at U.28.b.15.50.

T. MORTARS. Activity NIL.

HOSTILE FIRE. Hostile Artillery showed little activity during the period.
 55 rds. 10.5. cm. & 77mm. were directed against our trenches in U.15.d.
 9 rds. 10.5 cm. fell in U.21.a & b.
 25 rds. 10.5. cm. fell in vicinity of GAS TRENCH - U.13.a.
 6 rds. 77mm. fell in U.14.b.
 36 rds. 77mm & 4.2. fell in our support lines in U.8.a.
 12 rds. 4.2. fell in vicinity of U.13.a.8.0.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.
 The Enemy carried out registrations of our front line and support trenches in U.15.d. A number of rds. 5.9. & 4.2. and 77mm. were fired.

INTELLIGENCE.

Hostile Batteries Active. Flashes from a hostile battery (10.5.cm) were observed 50 deg. T.B. from U.13.a.75.21. Area shelled - GAS TRENCH (U.13.a.) No1 of rds. fired, 25.

Miscellaneous. Smoke was observed rising from enemy's front line trench at U.28.a.75.10. and from his support line at U.28.b.10.00.

Hostile Batteries Active. 5.p.m. and 11.30 p.m. Flashes from hostile batteries were observed 52 deg. and 77 deg. T.B. from Post Office in U.15.d.
 (Continued.)

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29.4.1917.

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THIRD

AUSTRALIAN

DIVISIONAL

ARTILLERY

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 29.4.1917. to 6 a.m. 30.4.1917.

OUR OPERATIONS.
(ARTILLERY.)

30 rounds retaliatory fire were directed against enemy's Front Line and Support trenches in U.21.b. and U.22.c. 18 pounders fired 16 rounds on suspected Anti-Tank gun emplacement at U.28.d.60.35. Fired 28 rounds on suspected O.P. at U.23.c.9.9. - Direct hits obtained. 36 rounds were fired on ~~concrete~~ trench at U.3.c.6.3. Hows. fired 20 rounds on enemy's support and communication trenches in U.16.c. - retaliation. - Fired 10 rounds on target U.24.c.40.10. (Guns in action) in reply to aeroplane Zone Call received.

RAID.

4.19 a.m. - 5.28 a.m. The enemy carried out a heavy bombardment of our trenches in U.21.b., U.8., and U.15.d., razing our trenches at the latter point. The enemy effected an entry, but was immediately driven out, leaving two dead in our trenches and a number of dead in No Man's Land. Ammunition expenditure while assisting to repel this raid was as follows :-

2291 A. 1474 AX. 660 B.X.

5.40 a.m. - 5.45 a.m. Searching fire was directed against enemy support and communication trenches in U.16.d. Ammunition expended during this burst of fire is included in the above figures.

T. MORTARS.

Trench Mortar activity. Nil.

HOSTILE FIRE.

140 rounds 15 cm., 10.5 cm., and 77 mm and M.W. fell in U.15.d. 30 rounds 10.5 cm and 77 mm fell in U.21.d. 110 rounds 15 cm., 10.5 cm., 77 mm., and M.W. fell in U.8.a.c. and d. Few rounds 15 cm., and 10.5 cm fell in U.27.b. 8 rounds 77 mm fell in C.4.c.

APPARENT REGISTRATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ENEMY.

The enemy registered our trench system in U.15.d. and U.21.d. A considerable number of rounds from guns of different calibre were fired.

INTELLIGENCE.Enemy Defences.

Enemy's wire from U.21.b.6.4. to U.21.b.63.29. was considerably damaged by his own barrage on the night of the 28th/29th, inst.

A concrete dug-out was located at U.22.c.32.45.

Observation of the enemy.

6 men were observed proceeding in a westerly direction at U.3.b.1.1.

Smoke was observed rising from enemy's F.L. trench at U.28.a.4.6.

Hostile Batteries active.

4.45 p.m. Flashes from hostile gun were observed 58° T.B. from U.13.a.75.21.

5.40 p.m. Flashes were observed 58° T.B. from U.13.a.73. and 40° 7.50-8 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

4.15 to 4.30 p.m. two lights were observed apparently signalling to each other at 82° and 92° T.B. from U.13.a.75.21.

Visibility good.

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