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La Creche	1917 Feby. 24/28		<p>867th Company - L/Sgt. Ludemann A. appointed temporary S/Sgt. Farrier, and L/Cpl. Gilmour temporary Cpl. Farrier - 27.2.17. 21 Drivers marched out to Advanced Horse Transport Depot, Abbeville, 28.2.17, and struck off strength as from that date - with 41 H.D. and 1 L.D. Horses, and 21 G.S. Waggon - under Capt. Gordon, 2 Sgts. & 1 Cpl. who will return to the Train. Dvr. Altson D., evacuated to No. 8 C.C.S. & struck off strength. Pte. Gurski struck off stg. 3rd Div. Train F.P.O. and transferred Railhead F.P.O. Pte. H. Boddy taken on stg. vice Gurski.</p> <p>869th Company - Lieut. A.V. Galbraith, promoted Captain as from 15.2.17.</p> <p>A.D.V.S. Inspected Train Horse Lines, with C.O. and Adjutant - 23.2.17.</p>	
	March 1/3		<p>867th Company - 2 O.R. discharged from Area Hospital. L/Cpl. Crayford transferred to 3rd Mob. Vet. Section and struck off strength as from 1.3.17. Cpl. Renwick R.L. promoted Pay Sergeant, attached Train Headquarters, and carried supernumerary to establishment.</p> <p>868th Company - 1 O.R. admitted Area Hospital. Dvr. Short V. transferred No. 2 C.C.S. and struck off strength. Dvr. Stewart D. transferred same hospital. 1 H.D. struck off strength 1.3.17.</p> <p>869th Company - 8 H.D. struck off strength 19.1.17 to 23.2.17. 5 H.D. struck off taken on strength from Remounts 23.2.17.</p>	

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	4/7		<p>867th Company - 1 O.R. admitted Area Hospital. 1 H.D. struck off strength 2.3.17.</p> <p>868th Company - C.S.M. Collins admitted Area Hospital 4.3.17. 1 H.D. struck off strength - evacuated hospital 4.3.17.</p> <p>869th Company - 1 O.R. admitted Area Hospital 3.3.17.</p> <p>870th Company - Interpreter C. Good reported to Liaison Officer for duty, and struck off strength.</p> <p>Lieuts. Doyle and Schuler transferred to Headquarters, in accordance with new establishment. Train Regimental Institute re-established at La Creche 5.3.17.</p>	
	8/12		<p>867th Company - Dvr. J.H. Mason transferred to No. 2 C.C.S. 28.2.17. Dvr. W. Henson reported for duty from Area Hospital 9.3.17. 4 H.D. evacuated from M.V. Section struck off strength 3rd & 6th inst. W.O. Bruce marched out to Cadet Battalion, Cambridge 5.3.17 & struck off stg.</p> <p>868th Company - C.S.M. Collins evacuated to No. 2 C.C.S. 5.3.17.</p> <p>869th Company - Result of Anti-Gas Course for week ending 3.3.17 - Lieut. C.W. Durack - Good. Cpl. C.S. Ross - Good. W.O. Wiseman proceeded to School of Instruction, Havre, 8.3.17.</p> <p>870th Company - 1 H.D. evacuated from Mob. Vet. Section 9.3.17.</p> <p>New Establishment operated upon - vide Train Routine Orders Nos. 153 and 154 of 12th and 13th March. Lieut. C.M. Treacey - 868th Company to be supernumerary.</p> <p>10th Brigade moved into back Area 11th inst. No. 2 Coy. turned out 20 waggons for their transport.</p>	
	13/15		<p>Headquarters, 3rd Divisional Train - Various transfers to Headquarters effected, in accordance with new Establishment - vide T.R.O. 155 - 15.3.17. - L/Sgt. Rawson C.C., to be Sergeant - Dated 12.3.17.</p> <p>870th Company - C.S.M. Tully J.H., to be W.O. Class 1 - Dated 1.2.17. Result of Anti-Gas Course - Cpl. F.C.H. Gibson - Very Good. Lieut. Doyle took over duties of Supply Officer 870th Coy. from Lieut. Harrison, transferred to Train H.Qrs. as Requisitioning Officer.</p> <p>Board appointed to inquire into loss of Bicycle No. F.181 - 870th Company.</p>	
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La Creche	1917 March 16/20.		<p>867th Company - 2 O.R. taken on strength from 1st Anzac Entrenching Battn. Farrier Frewin G. appointed Temp. Cpl. Farrier - vice Temp. Farrier Cpl. Gilmour W.J. - Reverted. 1 H.D. Horses died on lines 13.3.17. 1 O.R. admitted to Area Hospital 18.3.17. Major I. Isaacson V.D., placed on Supernumerary List - Dated 30.10.16.</p> <p>868th Company - Dvr. Edwards reported for duty from No.2 A.C.C.S. & taken on strength. Dvr. Woodgate reported for duty from Caestre.</p> <p>869th Company - 2 O.R. admitted Area Hospital suffering from Influenza and Scabies respectively. W.O. Wiseman proceeded to A.S.C. School of Instruction 8.3.17.</p> <p>870th Company - Interpreter Merman reported for duty and taken on attached strength.</p> <p>Headquarters - Pte.G.W.Walker reported for duty from Area Hospital. Lt-Col.F.L.L.Henley reported to Train Headquarters 18.3.17.</p> <p>Outbreak of Diptheria at Vieux Berquin and all Estaminets, etc. closed to British Troops. Board appointed to inquire into death of Brown Mare No.3.DT.89 - 867th Company.</p>	
"	21.		868th Company - marched out with 10th Brigade to Quelmes - Probably be away about 18 days.	
"	22/27		<p>Headquarters - Lt-Colonel F.L.Henley assumed command of 3rd Aust. Divisional Train, as from 18.3.17 - vice Lt-Colonel R. Dowse, to 4th Division. Lt-Col.R.Dowse departed 24.3.17. Lieut.H.C.W.Harrison - to be Captain - Dated 21.2.17. 7.3.17. Dvr.R.B.Kingsland transferred to 4th Aust. Division 24.3.17. Dvr.T.H.Haylock taken on strength from 4th Aust.Div. Train.</p> <p>867th Company - Dvr.Armstrong, 5 HD.Horses & 1 G.S.Waggon marched out with 868th Coy. 1 Officer, 15 O.R. 24 H.D.Horses, 3 Rides and 12 G.S.Waggons, marched out with 8th Field Artillery Brigade 26.3.17 - probable period of absence 18 days.</p> <p>868th Company - Result of Anti-Gas Course, week-ending 17.3.17 - Lieut.Simmons - Very Good. Cpl.R.H.Henderson - Good. Cpl.A.L.F.James - Fairly Good. Pte.L.R.Bayard taken on strength from "K" Supply Column 23.3.17. Dvr.Russell J. reported for duty from A.G.B.D. 24.3.17. Dvr.Moore W. transferred to 12th Infantry Brigade, 4th Aust. Division 27.3.17.</p>	

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La Creche	1917 March 22/27		<p>870th Company - 2 O.R., 6 H.D.Horses and 1 G.S.Waggon marched out with 868th Company. Captain E.E.Collins placed on the Seconded list - Dated 21.2.17. Lieut.J.Doyle granted the temporary rank of Captain, vice Collins seconded - Dated 7.3.17.</p> <p>Gas Demonstration at La Creche for all Companies by Divisional Gas Officer 22.3.17 - All Anti-Gas Appliances having been previously tested. D.V.S. inspected horses and horse lines, with A.D.V.S. and C.O. 21.3.17.</p>	
"	28/31.		<p>867th Company - Result Anti-Gas Course for week-ending 20.3.17 - Cpl. Steel - Fairly Good. 868th Company - Drivers. Trotter, Roache, and Turner, admitted Hospital - the two latter suffering from Mumps. 870th Company - Drivers. O'Halloran and Joseph admitted Area Hospital. L.D.3.DT.399 evacuated from M.V.S. and struck off strength as from 20.3.17.</p>	

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