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C. 196.01. Poperinghe	1 Nov.		<p>Area still the same as noted in previous months diary. Progress being continued with the making and distribution of grease traps. Converting biscuit boxes into grease traps. Sanitary reports on Area by inspectors indicate improvement being made generally throughout the Area.</p>	
	13		<p>Camps occupied as staging camps by moving troops still continue to give trouble through lack of attention to Sanitation, thus causing next occupants unpleasant fatigue duty. Complaints forwarded to Adms. of troops concerned, no remedies being effected as troops were distant.</p>	
BOMY	14		<p>Received movement order from Adms. Pauzac Corps to rejoin Division as Division had moved to Zone of Communication Area. Rejoined Division at Bomy, move being made by motor lorry. Owing to Division about to move through A of B to rest Area - Section ordered to stand by pending attachment to a Field ambulance for the move in accordance with "C" Staff instruction.</p>	
EQUIRRE.	16		<p>Section received orders through Adms to join 4th Aust Field Amb and remain attached till move had been completed. Joined ambulance at Equirre.</p>	

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EQUIRRE	16		Detached three inspectors to 13th Inf Bde and 3 to 12th Bde HQ to supervise as far as practicable sanitation on the march. 4th Inf Bde being attended to by inspectors attached to 4th Field Amb. Brigades moved complete.	
AVONDANCE	17		First day of march. Moved to Avondance from Equivre. March completed by midday.	
OFFIN	18		Moved to Offin from Avondance, remaining here until 20th inst.	
STREMY AU BOIS.	20		Moved to St Remy au Bois from Offin.	
MACHIEL	21		Moved to Machiel from St Remy au Bois.	
LAMOTTE BULLEUX	22		Moved to Lamotte Bulleux from Machiel.	
OCHANCOURT	23		Moved to Ochancourt from Lamotte Bulleux.	
FRESSENEVILLE	24		Moved to Fresseville from Ochancourt.	
	25		Inspection of units commenced. Owing to scarcity of timber in this area, sanitation is primitive. Engineers have been approached, the only material they can supply is poles, hessian for screens and overhead shelter, as a result deep trench with pole for seat is used.	
BUIGNY	28		Section moved to Buigny under instructions from Adms. 4th Aust Division. Further inspection of the area indicates that units generally are making a sincere effort to comply with	

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BUIGHT	28		<p>all sanitary orders. Many Battalions with the exception of flyproof latrines, could be classified sanitary. Other Divisional units not so forward with sanitation are receiving close supervision and advice from the inspectors supervising their camps.</p> <p>As a number of villages are being occupied by Divisional Troops, the question of public conveniences and general cleanliness of these villages is being considered.</p> <p>Aluc. Goldstein Major. Co. 4th Aust San Sect</p>	
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