

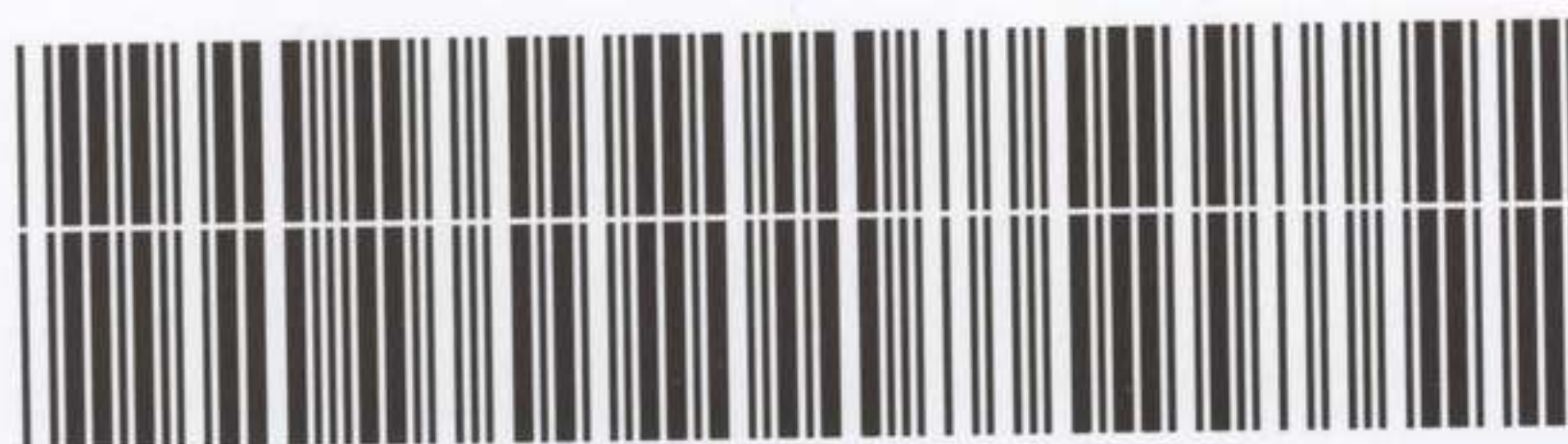
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
L'Estrade.	1 July '16.		Received orders from A.D.M.S., that I have to send 1 Officer and 10 O.R. as an Advance party to take over a dressing station from 72nd. Field Ambulance, R.A.M.C., at Kandahar Farm.	
"	2 July '16		Received orders from A.D.M.S., that I have to send 1 Officer and 30 O.R. to proceed to sighte selected to form a Main dressing station. During the afternoon orders were received for this party to return as the movement orders had been cancelled. Dvr. Heath T. wounded in leg.	
"	3 July '16		The 2nd. Australian Divisional Rest Station which was under my command since 26th April was taken over by the 12th Australian Field Ambulance and orders received for me to proceed to Bailleul and take over portion of Headquarters of 73rd. Field Ambulance, R.A.M.C., Captain Savage with an additional 30 men proceeded Kandahar Farm to work in conjunction with the previous Advance party, and to relieve a party of 73rd Field Ambulance as an Advance Dressing Station. The party under Capt. Chapman which returned on 2nd again proceeded to site selected to form a Main Dressing Station with full equipment.	
Bailleul.				
Bailleul.	8 July '16		All parties recalled to Headquarters as per instructions from A.D.M.S., and prepared to leave present area.	
"	9 July '16		Complete Field Ambulance left Bailleul and marched to Borre where we billeted for the night. Ambulance now under orders from the 5th Infantry Brigade.	
Borre.	10 July 16		Left Borre at 9.30 a.m. and proceeded to Renescure where we billeted for the night. Motor Transport now attached to Divisional Supply Column. Several cases from battalions were attended to and evacuated during march.	
Renescure.	11 July 16		Left Renescure and marched to St. Omer where personnel and horse transport entrained. Movement so far without any hitch.	
Longneau.	12 July 16		Arrived at Longneau at 4.30 a.m. and detrained and marched to Picquigny where our Mechanical Transport rejoined us and again prepared to receive patients.	
Picquigny.	17 July 16		Left Picquigny today for Longpre.	

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Longpre	17 20 July 16		Paid a visit of inspection to old first line of German trenches in the vicinity of Ericourt and observed all Medical arrangements in that zone.	
"	20 July 16		Left Longpre and arrived at Harponville. In company with Officers of 6th and 7th Field Ambulances I paid a second visit to first and second line of German trenches in the vicinity of Montaubon and also visited Advanced Dressing Stations and Dressing stations in this area.	
Harponville	22 "	16	2 Officers & 78 Other Ranks (Bearer Divisions) left Harponville attached to 5th Infantry Brigade who are moving to Albert to take action.	
Harponville	22/7/16		Received instructions from A.D.M.S., to send Bearer Divisions of Ambulance to join 5th Infantry Brigade who are to move up to the front. Two Officers and 78 O.R. left at 6 p.m. and proceeded to a site in the vicinity of Albert where they bivouacked for the night.	
"	23 July 16		One Officer and 13 O.R. attached to No. 3 C.C.S., Puchevillers for duty.	
"	25 "	16	Have received word that my Bearers attached to 5th Brigade are in action in Contalmasion and Poiziers area	
"	27th "	16	Received instruction that I am to take over duties from the 3rd Australian Field Ambulance Tent Division & Transport left Harponville at 2 p.m. and arrived at Albert in the afternoon 1 Tent Division reported at Becourt Chateau and relieved 3rd Field Ambulance of duties also duties taken over by rest of Ambulance at North Chimney Station, Tramway Terminus, Gordon Dump. Bearer Sections from 6th, 7th & 12th Field Ambulances are now attached to and are working in conjunction with my Bearers in the line. Motors Ambulances from 6th, 7th, 12th. & 13th Field Ambulances are attached to me. I visited xxx Dressing Stations at Chalk Pits, Contalmasion, & Bailiff Wood and everything is working satisfactorily.	
Becourt	28 "	16	Have decided to make my Head Quarters at Becourt Chateau and ^{am} only leaving 1 Medical Officer and about 30 Other ranks at North Chimneys to carry on. Major Fry D.A.D.M.S. & myself inspected the area and have decided to make an extra Dressing Station at Gordon Dump, the Engineers are assisting in the work of making a dug out.	

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