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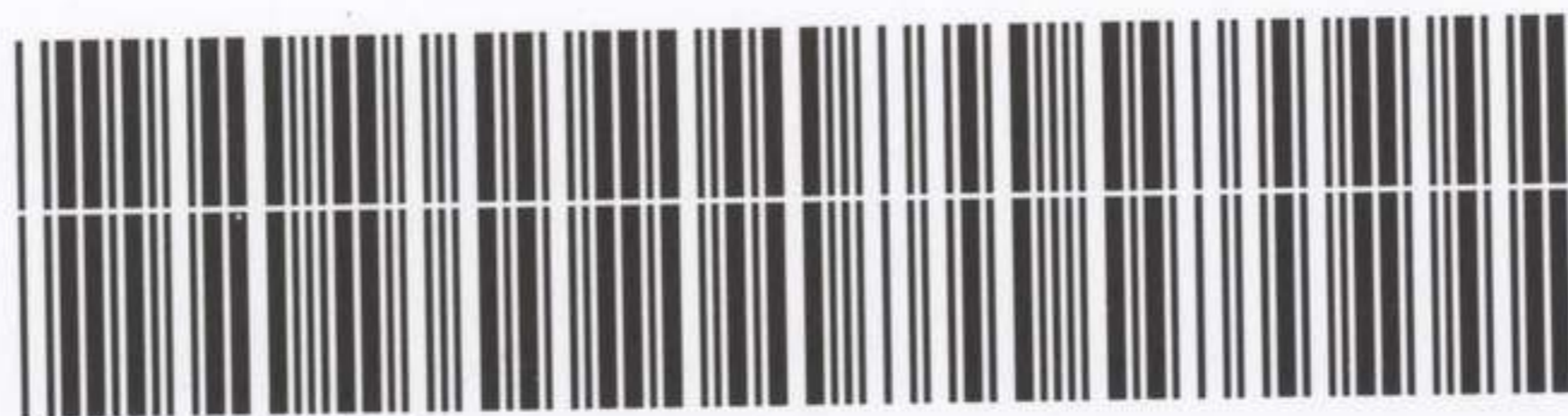
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OF

11th AUST. FIELD AMBULANCE

FOR

DECEMBER. 1917



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Nieppe	3-12-17		Capt Miller detailed as A/R.M.O. 41 <sup>st</sup> Battalion	<i>RM</i>
	16-12-17			<i>RM</i>
	4-12-17		Presentation of ribbons by General Sir W.R. Birdwood, Commanding 1st A.N.Z.A.C.	<i>RM</i>
	9-12-17		Capt Lewis admitted to Capt's Rest Station sick	<i>RM</i>
	10-12-17		Capt SWEENEY returned from A/R.M.O. 38 <sup>th</sup> Battalion	<i>RM</i>
	11-12-17		Military Service Referendum, 1917, 232 voted	<i>RM</i>
	14-12-17		Capt SMITH G.W. admitted Sick to 3rd London General Hospital whilst on leave in England.	<i>RM</i>
	"		" ROSS SODEN detailed as A/R.M.O. 43 <sup>rd</sup> Battalion	<i>RM</i>
	15-12-17		Handed over NIEPPE + Forward Area to 5 <sup>th</sup> Aust. Field Ambulance	<i>RM</i>
Bailleul	15-12-17		Took over D.R.S. BAILLEUL from 6 <sup>th</sup> Aust Field Ambulance	<i>RM</i>
	19-12-17		Capt Mc.DONNELL detailed as A/R.M.O. 3rd Pioneer Battalion	<i>RM</i>
	20-12-17		A. Section took over D.R.S. STEENWERCK from 10 <sup>th</sup> Aust Field Ambulance	<i>RM</i>
	28-12-17		Capt LEWIS returned from Hospital	<i>RM</i>
			<u>Presentation of Decorations</u>	
	30-12-17		Presentation of Medals by General Sir W.R. Birdwood, Commanding 1st A.N.Z.A.C. The following received M.M.:-	<i>RM</i>
			12659. M.T. Dvr. Pettigrove. C.R.	
			12791 Pk Stout L.H.G.	
			12764 " Stout J.A.D.	
			12733 " Linkson C.	
			12801 " Cleveland F.H.	
			12751 Sgt Porter J.E.	
			12670 " Stone S.H.	
			13098 Lt/Pl. Miles A.J.	
			12831 Pk Whallin V.A.	
			12792 " Wood T.B.	



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Baillene			<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Decorations</u></p> <p>Under A.I.F. List 219 of 1-1-18, the following Officers and Other Ranks, have been awarded Decorations:-</p> <table style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr> <td>Lieut Col. Burston S.R.</td> <td>D.S.O.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" " Downey M.H.</td> <td>"</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q.M. Hon Capt. Murray J.F.</td> <td>M.C.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No 12687 Private Wilks J.D.</td> <td>D.C.M.</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Mentioned in Despatches</u></p> <p>No 13097 Private MacKay A.R.</p>	Lieut Col. Burston S.R.	D.S.O.	" " Downey M.H.	"	Q.M. Hon Capt. Murray J.F.	M.C.	No 12687 Private Wilks J.D.	D.C.M.	<p style="text-align: center;">[Signature]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ruth aw to title</p>
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## LIST OF APPENDICES.

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| 1.  | <i>Operation Order No 17.</i> |
| 2.  | <i>Special Order.</i>         |

*John Major*

*a/c. 11th Aust. Field Amb.*





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11th AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANCE.

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SPECIAL ORDER.

1. The D.R.S. STEENWERCK will be taken over by 11th Aust. Field Ambulance on 20th December 1917.
2. Advance party consisting of :-  
 Sgt. BATTYE.  
 " PORTER.  
 " PATFULL.  
 " COVERDALE.  
 Cpl. BARTLETT. and one Private Clerk. will report at D.R.S. STEENWERCK by 3 p.m. on 19th December 1917 to make preliminary arrangements with regard to the take over.
3. Main body consisting of "A" Section will leave BAILLEUL at 9.30 a.m. 20th December 1917. Major BRUMMITT and Capt. MILLER will be included in the party.
4. "A" Section transport, 2 G.S. wagons of "C" Section and 1 Ambulance wagon and water cart of "C" Section will move with main body to STEENWERCK on 20th December 1917.
5. Major WILEY will take charge of D.R.S. BAILLEUL on 20th December. "B" Section and remainder of ~~the~~ "C" Section will administer it.
6. One Talbot Ambulance will remain at BAILLEUL. Remainder of M.T. will proceed to STEENWERCK on 20th December 1917.
7. Men's blankets will be rolled and stacked at Q.M. store at 9 a.m. on 20th December 1917.

*Robert Lamb*  
 .....Lieut. Col.

19/12/17.

C.O. 11th Australian Field Ambulance.

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