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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	N.2.18.		Brigade still in the line. Harassing Fire as usual. Weather misty, visibility very poor.	
	2.2.18.		Harassing Fire. Weather still misty.	
	3rd. Army Brigade Aust. F. A.		commenced to take over HOLLEBEKE Group, from this Brigade. One Section of each Battery was relieved by a section of the corresponding Battery of the 3rd. Brigade.	
	3.2.18.		3rd. Army Brigade Aust. F. A. took over HOLLEBEKE Group, at 12 noon, and this Brigade moved into Wagon Lines vacated by the 3rd. Brigade. Headquarters being situated in a Farm House at T.2.e.4.6 (Sheet 28), the position of Headquarters is unsatisfactory as it is some distance from the Batteries. Wagon Lines were in a dirty condition and a great amount of cleaning had to be done before they were habitable.	
	4.2.18		Arrangements are made for a systematic training of all ranks during this period of rest. Vacancies for various schools have been allotted to this Brigade by Australian Corps. Weather clear and fresh.	
	5.2.18.		Great interest is being taken in sports, Australian Corps are holding a sports meeting on 28th. inst., competition is likely to be very keen.	
			Brigade harness is being thoroughly overhauled, and wagons painted. Stables are being whitewashed.	
			Great trouble is being experienced through an epidemic of Mange, amongst the Horses. Aust. Corps have allotted a dip to this Brigade for a few days. All the horses are to be dipped.	
	6.2.18.		Advice has been received that Lieut. Col. H.W. LLOYD C.M.G., D.S.O. is to take over the command of this Brigade. Lieut. Col. T.I.C. WILLIAMS D.S.O. is to proceed on leave to U.K., and thence back to 10th. Brigade A.F.A.	
	7.2.18.		Lieut. Col. H.W. LLOYD C.M.G., D.S.O. took over command of this Brigade.	
	8.2.18.		The C.O. and Adjutant inspected the Batteries. A position which would be more suitable for Headquarters was found at (Sheet 28 S.12.a.7.1) this position is in every way more suitable than the present place, it is handy to the Batteries.	
	9.2.18.		The weather still continues to be fine. Several football matches were played by this Brigade, in which they were successful.	
			The Brigade has been appointed G.H.Q. Reserve.	

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10-15.2.18					Harness cleaning and general smartening of the Brigade being rigorously carried out. Weather still good.	
16.2.18					The new position for B.H.Q. has been approved by Corps. The C.O. had an inspection of one wagon and team from each battery and the B.A.C.	
17.2.18					B.H.Q. moved into new position.	
18-24.2.18					Nothing special to report. Condition of the equipment of the XX Brigade satisfactory.	
25.2.18					Nothing to report.	
26.2.18.					Boxing finals were held by Corps. Brigade won the Heavyweight.	
27.2.18.					Weather showery and cold.	
28.2.18.					The G.O.C.R.A. Aust. Corps inspected a massed parade of the Brigade. Parade satisfactory.	
<div>.....Lieut.</div> <div>Adjutant, 13 h. Army Brigade Aust. F. A.</div>						

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