

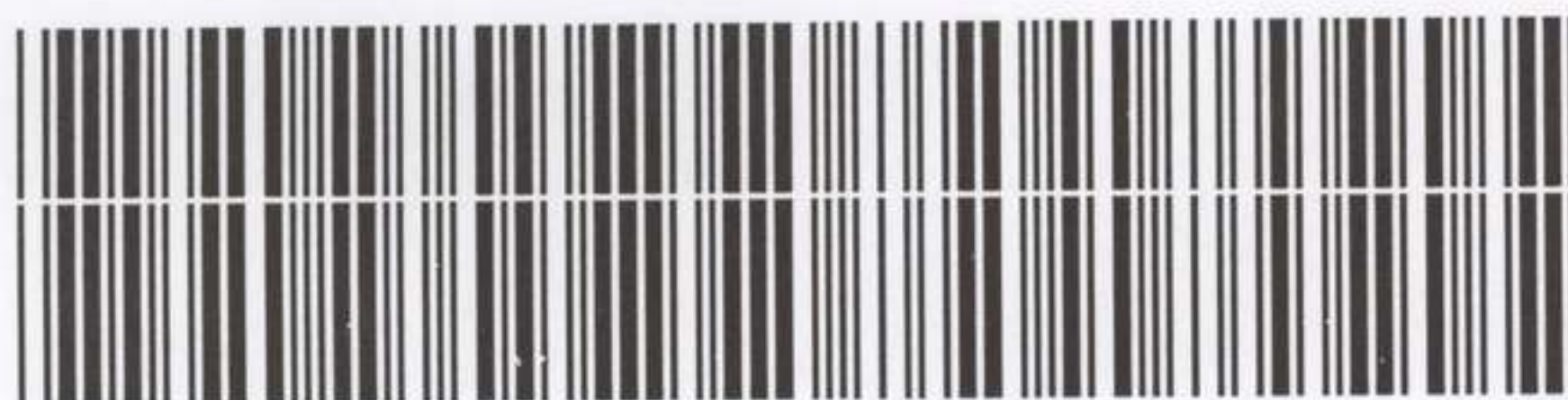
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January 1918



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7th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<u>ARMENTIERES.</u>				
January.				
	1st		During the day concentration tests were carried out by Batteries on Localities and Posts, with good results. Our Artillery expended 206 rounds on Movement and Trench Mortar emplacements with good effect. Hostile Fire active, 358 rounds falling on the Group Sector, the majority on our Support Trenches and HOUPINES Area. Aeroplanes active all day on both sides, our lines being crossed several times during the day. Visibility Good. Operation Order No.3 issued, for operation to take place on 3rd instant.	Appendix No.6. Appendix No.1.
	2nd		Registrations were carried out by 18-pdrs. and Howitzers, 68 rounds being expended. Billets, Battalion Headquarters, and a hostile Battery in D.14.a. were also engaged, 183 rounds being expended on this work. Hostile Fire was below normal, under 60 rounds falling on the Sector. Aircraft activity normal, Visibility low. Warning Order - copy attached - was issued regarding relief. Instructions received that 3rd Aust. Divl. Artillery would move on 6th instant to METIEREN Area for rest.	Appendix No.2.
	3rd		Programme as per Operation Order No.3 (Appendix No.1) was carried out. Hostile Artillery was particularly active during the day, 900 rounds falling on the Sector, many of which fell in the vicinity of two of our forward Gun positions. No damage, however, was sustained and all Guns returned without loss of any kind. Aeroplanes active all day. Visibility excellent.	
	4th		44 Rounds were expended by 18-pdrs. in registration, also 106 rounds on hostile Batteries, M.Ws. and Movement. The Hows. expended 75 rounds on Train movement and M.Ws. (Zone Calls). Hostile fire normal, 168 rounds falling - principally on our Support Trenches. Relief as per Warning Order attached (Appendix No.2) carried out.	
	5th		Relief as per Warning Order completed. Instructions regarding Wagon Lines etc. in Rest Area, and March-Table, issued - Copy attached.	Appendix No.3.
	6th		Brigade moved to Rest Area as per March-Table.	

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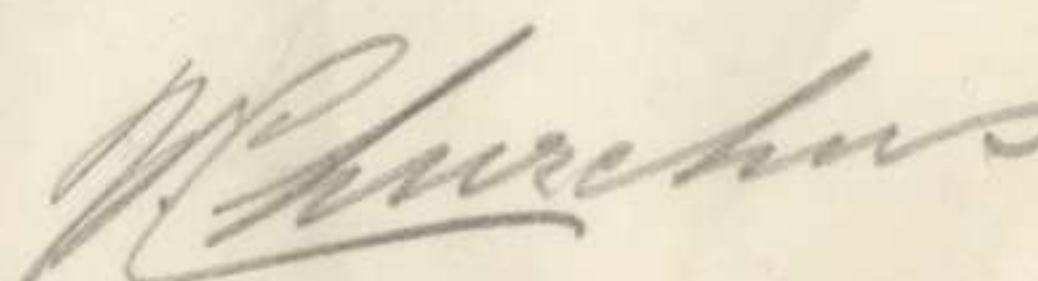
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	January.			
	7th)		This period was occupied in the straightening up of Billets, Horse standings etc.	
	8th)		On the 8th January 1918, Lieut-Colonel H.D.K. MACARTNEY D.S.O. handed over command of the 7th Australian Field Artillery Brigade to Lieut-Colonel W.G. CHURCHUS D.S.O., Lieut-Col. MACARTNEY going to Australian Corps Headquarters.	
	9th) to) 29th)		During this period, Programmes of Training - Copies attached - were issued and carried out. A Course of Signalling was held for the training of Battery Signallers and Officers, under the Brigade Signal Officer. At 9.p.m. on 26th instant Orders were received that the 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery would relieve the 2nd Australian Divisional Artillery on 30th and 31st January 1918. On the 27th instant, Operation Order No.1 - attached - was issued.	Appendix No.4.
	30th		Relief as per Operation Order No.1 was carried out.	Appendix No.5.
	31st		Relief as per Operation Order No.1 completed.	
<p style="text-align: right;">  Lieut-Colonel, Commanding 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade. </p>				
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WAR DIARY

OF

7th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

FOR

JANUARY 1918.

LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.	Subject.
Appendix No.1	3rd Aust. Artillery Group Operation Order No.3. (In Trip)
"	A Shoot by single Guns moved to detached positions.
" 2	Warning Order (In Triplicate) for Relief of 3rd Australian Artillery Group by 57th Divisional Artillery.
" 3	Instructions re Wagon Lines in Rest Area, METEREN, and March Table (In Triplicate).
" 4.	Programmes of Work in Rest Area, METEREN. (In Trip.)
" 5.	7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade Operation Order No.1. (In Triplicate). Relief of the 5th Aust. F.A.Brigade by the 7th Aust. F.A.Brigade.
" 6.	Results of Concentrations Tests held on 1st January. (In Triplicate).
" 7.	List of O.Ps. with Co-ordinates. (In Triplicate).
" 8.	Return showing Strength of Brigade at beginning of month, and at end of month. (In Triplicate). Also Casualties incurred during month (In Triplicate).
" 9.	Daily Intelligence Returns for each day the Brigade was in the line in action, during January 1918. (In Triplicate).
" 10.	MAP of the ARMENTIERES Sector, showing Battery Zones, Infantry Posts, Battery Positions and O.Ps. (One Copy).

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APPENDIX

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W A R D I A R Y .

of

7th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

for

JANUARY 1918.

NOTES ON APPENDICES:-

- Appendix No.1 These Tasks were carried out by Single Guns from each Battery, in an advanced position to be taken up early in the morning and vacated for return to normal positions the same night. The idea being to use these Guns during the day for harassing fire, and to take on any target that might be offered. It also prevented to a large extent the possibility of permanent Battery positions from being given away to the enemy.
- Appendix No.2 In accordance with this Warning Order the 3rd Australian Artillery Group was relieved by the 57th (English) Divisional Artillery on the 4th and 5th January 1918. 3rd Aust. Divl. Artillery going back to the Rest Area.
- Appendix No.3 Instructions regarding positions to be occupied by Batteries in Rest Area.
- Appendix No.4 Programmes of Work while in Rest Area. During the period of Rest, a Recreation Officer from each Battery was appointed; these Officers arranged Football Matches when conditions were favourable, and, in the 27th Battery, a Boxing Tournament was held.
A great deal of credit and thanks are due to the Divisional Artillery Y.M.C.A. Representative, Mr.NORMAN, who arranged for Concert Parties and Pierrot Shows to appear at the Wagon Lines.
- Appendix No.5 This Operation Order shows details as to the Relief of the 5th Aust.F.A.Brigade by the 7th Aust.F.A. Brigade, on the 30th and 31st January. The 25th and 27th Batteries joined the 8th Aust.F.A.Brigade - Left Group - under the command of Major S.G.ROWE D.S.O.

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APPENDIX
7th AUST.F.A.BRIGADE WAR DIARY FOR JANUARY 1918.
NOTES TO APPENDICES.

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Appendix No.6 These Concentration Tests were carried out on Localities and Posts with the idea of giving Batteries practice in this Work. The fire was observed by an Officer from an O.P. and was seen to be very effective.

Appendix No.7 List of O.Ps. giving Names and Map Co-ordinates.

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1-1-18.

3rd AUSTRALIAN ARTILLERY GROUP.

OPERATION ORDER No.3.

Appendix /

Reference Maps - 36 N.W., 36. N.E. and 28 N.E. 1/20000.

1. TASKS.

Tasks as per attached Task-Table will be carried out on 3rd January 1918, by single Guns, of 25th, 26th, 27th and 29th Batteries from advanced positions as follows :-

25th Battery - C.27.c.70.87.
26th Battery - C.20.b.60.20.
27th Battery - I.9.a.90.22.
29th Battery - I.2.d.9.2.

Guns will be in advanced positions before 7 a.m. and back on original positions by 6 p.m. the same day.

2. REGISTRATION.

All Guns will be registered in their new positions by 10 a.m. on the 3rd January 1918.

3. AMMUNITION.

Allotment for shoot is 300 rounds per Gun engaged. Ammunition remaining in allotment after completion of Tasks will be expended on Targets to be chosen by Officers in charge of detached Guns.

4. RATES OF FIRE.

In Tasks, 5 rounds per Gun per minute.

5. CHANGE OF GUNS AND PERSONNEL.

Guns and personnel (including Officers) will be other than those engaged in the shoot on 31st December 1917.

6. SYNCHRONISATION.

Watches will be synchronised by telephone from Group Headquarters at 6 a.m. and again at 12 noon on 3rd January 1918.

7. REPORT.

Guns will be reported in position by sending the code word "JULIUS" and back in their original positions by the Code-word "CAESAR", to Group Headquarters by telephone.

8. Please ACKNOWLEDGE By wire.

C. Greenhill

Captain,
Adjutant, 3rd Australian Artillery Group.

DISTRIBUTION :- No.1 25th Bty. 6. 9th Inf. Bde.
2 26th Bty. 7. 11th Inf. Bde.
3 27th Bty. 8. FILE.
4 29th Bty. 9,10,11. WAR DIARY.
5 3rd D.A.H.Q.

TASK-TABLE - As per OPERATION ORDER No.3 - 1-1-18.

	<u>Time</u>	<u>Rounds per single Gun .</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Total rounds on each Target.</u>
1.	a.m. 10.15.	10	Junction, D.13.a.05.40	40.
2.	10.20	10 (50% Incy.)	Dump, D.14.a.60.00.	40.
3.	10.25	10	Trench & Trench Junction D.25.a.50.80	40.
4.	10.30	10	Junction, I.12.b.95.85	40.
5.	p.m. 12.30	10	House, I.17.b.90.50	40.
6.	12.35	10	Junction, I.22.b.95.80	40.
7.	2.30	10	Battery at D.14.a.40.60	40.
8.	2.35	10	Battery at C.24.a.30.60	40.
9.	3.20	10	House, C.18.d.15.31	40.
10.	3.25	10	House, C.30.a.10.80	40.

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Appendix 2.

3rd AUSTRALIAN ARTILLERY GROUP.

WARNING ORDER - 1-1-1918.

1. RELIEF.

The 3rd Aust. Divl. Artillery at present in the line will be relieved at an early date by the 57th Divl. Artillery.

Probable details of relief are as follows :-

25th Bty.	Will be relieved by	B/286 Bty.
26th Bty.	" " "	" A/286 "
27th Bty.	" " "	" C/285 "
29th Bty.	" " "	" C/286 "
107th Bty.	" " "	" D/286 "

Relief of one section of each Battery will probably take place on the 4th January and night 4th/5th January 1918, and 2 sections of each Battery on the night 5th/6th January 1918.

2. GUNS.

It will be notified later whether or not Guns will be taken over "in situ".

3. PERSONNEL.

Personnel on relief will withdraw to their present Wagon Lines.

4. WAGON LINES.

The 57th Divl. Artillery will take over the Wagon Lines at present occupied by the 3rd Aust. Divl. Artillery. Detailed arrangements will be notified later.

5. MOVE.

On relief the 3rd Aust. Divl. Artillery will move to the METHEREN Area.

6. Command of the Artillery in the line will pass from the C.R.A. 3rd Aust. Divn. to the C.R.A., 57th Divn. at 12 noon on the 5th January 1918.

Command of Batteries will pass on completion of relief. Command of Group will pass at 10 a.m. on 6th Jan'y. 1918.

7. Please A C K N O W L E D G E.

for *A. E. Paayford* Captain,
Adjutant, 3rd Australian Artillery Group.

DISTRIBUTION :-

No. 1	25th Bty.	10.	107th Bty. W.I.
2	26th Bty.	11.	29th Bty. W.I.
3	27th Bty.	12.	A/147 Bty. W.I.
4	107th Bty.		
5	29th Bty.		
6	A/147 Bty.		
7	Signal Officer.		
8	A/R.S.M.		
9, 10, 11	WAR DIARY.		
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7th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.INSTRUCTIONS RE WAGON-LINES IN REST AREA.

Reference Maps - Sheets 27, 28, 36, & 36A 1/40000.

1. HORSE STANDINGS.

The following is the allotment of Horse Standings to Units, when Batteries move into the Rest Area.

<u>Unit.</u>	<u>Co-Ordinate</u>	<u>Accommodation</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
25th Bty.	X.27.d.3.7	200	Complete.
26th Bty.	A.2.c.9.7	200	"
27th Bty.	F.12.a.7.4.	200	"
107th Bty.	F.11.c.4.8	200	"

2. ADVANCE PARTY.

Advance Party consisting of one Officer per Battery will meet the Brigade Orderly Officer at Cross-Roads - A.16.a.8.5. at 10 a.m. 3rd January 1918, for the purpose of reconnaissance of Wagon Lines, and allotment of Billets to Units.

3. MAP.

Map showing Corps Rest Area and allotment of Billeting Areas to Units of the Divisional Artillery, is attached hereto.

4. Please ACKNOWLEDGE.

G. J. Greenshields Capt

Sgd. - G. J. GREENSHIELDS Capt.
Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade

DISTRIBUTION:-

- No.1 25th Battery.
- 2 26th Battery.
- 3 27th Battery.
- 4 107th Battery.
- 3 3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q.
- 6, 7 & 8. WAR DIARY.
- 9 FILE.

MARCH - TABLE.

APPENDIX. 3

(Reference 3rd Aust. Divl. Arty. O.O.No.41)

Move to new Wagon - Lines.

Appendix 3.

Date - 6-1-1918.Starting Point. - Cross-Roads A.22.a.2.8.Route. Independently to new Wagon Lines.

<u>Unit.</u>	<u>Time to pass Starting Point.</u>	<u>Krom</u>	<u>To.</u>
Headquarters	10.30 a.m.	A.30.c.4.1.	F.12.a.7.4.
25th Battery	10.33 a.m.	G.3.b.5.5.	X.27.d.3.7.
107th Battery	10.39 a.m.	A.30.c.4.2.	F.11.c.4.8.
26th Battery	10.45 a.m.	G.6.a.2.9.	A.2.c.9.7.
27th Battery	10.51 a.m.	G.10.b.2.3.	F.12.a.7.4.

NOTES.

- (a) Distances to be maintained :- 100 yds. between Batteries.
25 yds. between every six vehicles.
- (b) Only authorised transport is to move with Units.
- (c) The Commanding Officer wishes Battery Commanders *to make a* ~~to~~ very special effort to ensure a good turn-out.

Captain,
Adjutant, 3rd Australian Artillery Group.

DISTRIBUTION :-

- No.1 25th Battery.
2 26th Battery
3 27th Battery.
4 107th Battery
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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade,
5th January 1918.

To
Battery Commanders.

Appendix 3.

Reference MARCH-TABLE for Move to new Wagon Lines.

1. Brigade Headquarters will move independently to new Wagon Lines in BAILLEUL.
2. The column "Time to pass Starting-Point" is amended to read as follows :-

25th Battery	-	10.30 a.m.
105th Battery	-	10.36 a.m.
26th Battery	-	10.42 a.m.
27th Battery	-	10.48 a.m.

G.J. Greenshields Capt

Sgd. - G.J. GREENSHIELDS Captain,
Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade,
9th January 1918.

To
3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q.

Attached is a Programme of Work to be carried out
by the Batteries of this Brigade from 9-1-18 to 16-1-18.

WEDNESDAY	Kit Inspection by Section Commanders. Physical Training & Saluting (Short parades). Half-holiday.
THURSDAY	Section Gun Drill. Laying. Physical Training. Saluting.
FRIDAY	Morning - Route March. Afternoon - Gun Drill & Laying, Testing of Sights.
SATURDAY	Instruction in packing of Vehicles, by Section Commanders. Marching & Saluting. Gun Drill and Laying.
SUNDAY.	Church Parades. Half-holiday.
MONDAY	Morning - Route March. Afternoon - Battery Gun Drill. Laying. Testing of Sights.
TUESDAY	Marching Order Parade. Physical Training & Saluting. Battery Gun Drill and Laying.

In addition to the above:-

- (a) Particular attention will be paid to Stable Management, Harness Cleaning and the exercising of Horses. Drivers will be exercised in the fitting of Harness.
- (b) All backward Gun Layers will be formed into a separate class which will be held every day under the command of a competent Non-Commissioned Officer.
- (c) All Guns and Vehicles will be thoroughly overhauled.

Sgd. - G.J. GREENSHIELDS Capt.
Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Bde.

G.J. Greenshields Capt.

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade,
14th January 1918.

To

Battery Commanders.

3rd Aust.D.A.H.Q. (For information).

With reference to this Office A/7/684 of 8th inst. attached is a General Programme of Work to be carried out from 16th to 22nd January 1918 inclusive :-

WEDNESDAY. Battery Gun Drill. Short lecture on saluting, by Section Commanders. Half-holiday.

THURSDAY. Battery Gun Drill and Laying. Testing of Sights. Skeleton Battery Drill - order dismounted, (if ground can be arranged).

FRIDAY. Morning - Route March.
Afternoon - Gunnery Lectures by Section Commanders.

SATURDAY. Kit Inspection. Packing of Vehicles -(vehicles to be stripped before commencing and time to be taken to pack correctly.)

SUNDAY. Church Parades. Half-holiday.

MONDAY. Morning - Route March.
Afternoon - If ground available, skeleton Drill.

TUESDAY. Lectures by Battery Commanders.
Methods of advancing a Battery.
Methods of retiring a Battery.
Practice of above (skeleton order)
Gun Drill and Laying.

G. J. Greenshields Cap

Sgd. - G. J. GREENSHIELDS Captain,
Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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A/7/684.

7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.
21st January 1918.

To

Battery Commanders.

3rd Aust.D.A.H.Q. (For information).

With reference to this Office A/7/684 of the 14th instant attached is a General Programme of Work to be carried out from 23rd to 29th January 1918 inclusive I-

WEDNESDAY Gun Laying Tests. Half-holiday.

THURSDAY Physical Training & Saluting, Section Gun Drill, Gun Laying Tests.

FRIDAY Morning - Route March.
Afternoon - Gunnery Lectures by Section Commanders, Gun Laying Tests.

SATURDAY Kit Inspection, Gun Laying & Gun Drill.

SUNDAY Church Parades. Half-holiday.

MONDAY Morning - Route March.
Afternoon - Packing off Vehicles.

TUESDAY Gun Drill and Laying, Skeleton Battery Drill.

Gun laying Tests will be held and the number of qualified layers will be sent to reach this Office by 6 p.m. Saturday 26th instant.

Sgd. - K.C.RADFORD Lieut.,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. F.A.Brigade. Per-Captain,

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7th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

OPERATION ORDER No.1.

Appendix 5

Reference Maps - Sheets 28 S.W. & 36 N.W. 1/20000.

1. RELIEF.

The 7th Australian Field Artillery Brigade will relieve the 5th Australian Field Artillery Brigade as follows :-

The 25th and 27th Batteries, in the line, will come under the tactical command of the C.O., 24th Left Group.

30-1-18. One Section per Battery of the 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade will relieve one Section per Battery of the 5th Aust. F.A. Brigade.

31-1-18. Two Sections per Battery of the 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade will relieve two Sections of per Battery - of the 5th Aust. F.A. Brigade.

Right Sections of Batteries will be relieved on the 30th, and Centre and Left Sections on 31st instant.

2. DETAILS OF RELIEF.

Headquarters, 7th F.A.Bde.	will relieve	HQ. 5th F.A.Bde.
25th Bty.	" "	13th Battery.
26th Bty.	" "	14th Battery.
27th Bty.	" "	15th Battery.
107th Bty.	" "	105th Battery.

3. GUNS.

Guns will be handed over "in situ", but no Sights, Tools or Spare Parts.

4. ADVANCE PARTIES.

Battery Commanders, a portion of the Signal personnel, and one subaltern Officer per Battery will proceed to the line on 30th instant and remain until completion of relief.

5. WAGON LINES.

The 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade will occupy Wagon Lines at present occupied by the 5th Aust. F.A. Brigade, as per Wagon Line Instructions which are being issued separately.

6. MOTOR TRANSPORT.

The following Motor Transport has been asked for. Confirming wires, if available, will be sent to Units as early as possible.

<u>No. of Lorries</u>	<u>Report.</u>	<u>Unit.</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
1	9 a.m. 31st	7th F.A.B.H.Q.	-
4	8 a.m. 30th	Battery W.L.) 1 per Battery
4	8 a.m. 31st	" ") for Bty. personnel.

7th Aust. F.A. Brigade Operation Order No.1.- Continued.

7. COMMAND.

Command of Batteries will pass on completion of relief.

Command of Group will pass at 3 p.m. on the 31-1-18.

The Code-word "BOHEMIA" will be wired by Batteries to Group Headquarters on completion of relief.

8. Acknowledge.

[Signature] Lieut.,
For C.O., 7th Australian F.A. Brigade.

DISTRIBUTION :-

Copy No.1	25th Battery.
2	26th Battery.
3	27th Battery.
4	107th Battery.
5	5th Aust. F.A. Bde.
6	8th Aust. F.A. Bde.
7	Signal Officer.
8	R.S.M.
9	FILE.
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14)	SPARE.

7th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.WAGON LINE INSTRUCTIONS.ISSUED IN CONJUNCTION WITH 7th AUST. F.A. BRIGADE O.O. No. 1.

Reference Maps - Sheets 23 S.W. & 36 N.W. 1/20000.

1. INTENTION.

The Brigade will occupy new Wagon Lines as follows :-

7th Aust. F.A. Bde. Headquarters	-	B.11.d.1.3.
25th Battery	-	B.14.a.3.5.
26th Battery	-	B.14.c.8.8.
27th Battery	-	B.14.c.9.6.
107th Battery	-	B.8.c.00.50.

2. MOVE.

Batteries, less Guns, will move as per March Table attached.

3. DISTANCES.

300 yards between Batteries.

4. ADVANCE PARTIES.

Wagon Line advance parties consisting of 1 Officer and as many men as it is thought necessary will report to new Wagon Lines at 8 a.m. 31st instant, and take over Camp, Area Stores, etc. A Statement of all Area Stores taken over will be forwarded to reach this Office by 10 a.m. 1st February 1918. Units will retain any Gum Boots now in possession.

5. REAR PARTIES.

Rear Parties will be left behind on old positions to hand over Guns (but no Sights, tools or spare parts), Camp, and Area Stores. These parties will include an Officer. Lines are to be left in a thoroughly clean state.

6. TURN OUT.

Marching Order. No unauthorised equipment will be carried on vehicles.

7. BAGGAGE WAGONS.

Baggage Wagons will be detailed by the 867th Coy., A.S.C., to report to present Wagon Lines at 6 pm. 30th inst.

8. AMMUNITION.

The 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade will march out with Echelons full. Ammunition wires and States will be rendered by Units to this Office commencing 12 noon, 1st February. States for this date must be an accurate count of ammunition taken over

9. SYNCHRONISATION.

An order from Headquarters will give Batteries synchronised time before 10 a.m. 31st January 1918.

A. C. H. [Signature] Lieut.,
For. C.O., 7th Aust. F. A. Brigade.

DISTRIBUTION. To all recipients of 7th A.F.A. Bde. O.O. No. 1.

MARCH TABLE - Reference 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade Operation Order No.1.

Reference Maps - Sheets 28 S.W. and 36 E.W. 1/20000.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Starting Point</u>	<u>Time to pass Starting Point.</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Route.</u>
31st Jan.	Bde. Hqts.	Cross Roads, LE GRAND BEAUMONT. (A.22.a.2.8.)	12 noon.	B.11.d.1.3.	STEENWERCK - TROIS ARBRES - RABOT.
"	26th Battery	Do.	12.7 p.m.	B.14.c.9.6.	Do. Do. Do.
"	26th Battery	Do.	12.14 p.m.	B.14.d.8.8.	Do. Do. Do.
"	25th Battery	Do.	12.21 p.m.	B.14.e.3.6.	Do. Do. Do.
"	107th Battery	Do.	12.28 p.m.	B.8.c.00.50.	Do. Do. Do.

Appendix 5.

RESULT OF TEST CONCENTRATIONS CARRIED OUT ON 1-1-18.

<u>Time order sent</u> <u>from O.P. to</u> <u>Group Hqrs.</u>	<u>Time order sent</u> <u>to Batteries</u> <u>from O.P. Group</u> <u>Headquarters</u>	<u>Time first</u> <u>round</u> <u>landed.</u>	<u>Time re-</u> <u>ported</u> <u>all fired.</u>	<u>REMARKS.</u>
<u>CONCENTRATE LOCALITY 12.</u>				
p.m. 12.20.45	p.m. 12.23	p.m. 12.24.45	25th Bty. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " 25th Bty. 4" 27th Bty. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " 29th Bty. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Bursts very effective. All bursting at most effective height.
<u>CONCENTRATE LOCALITY 9.</u>				
12.48.20	12.52	12.50.30	26th Bty. 3" 25th Bty. 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " 27th Bty. 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " 29th Bty. 6"	"
<u>CONCENTRATE EILEEN.</u>				
3.0.05	3.1	3.3.00	27th Bty. 4" 26th Bty. 9" 27th Bty. 9" A/147 Bty. 9"	"
<u>CONCENTRATE CYNTHIA.</u>				
3.21.15	3.30.45	3.32.30	27th Bty. 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ " 26th Bty. 5" A/147 Bty. 6"	"

APPENDIX No.7.

Appendix 7.

APP. 7.

To 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade WAR DIARY for JANUARY 1918.

LIST OF O.Ps. USED BY 3rd AUSTRALIAN
ARTILLERY GROUP IN THE ARMENTIERES
SECTOR.

MOSQUITO PALACE	I.15.b.70.90
GLENFIELD	I.9.c.41.52
BRENTWOOD	C.26.d.32.87
EDINBURGH CASTLE	C.26.d.22.62
EREWHON (or NOWHERE)	C.27.b.68.92
POPPY BANK	C.27.b.72.52.

APPENDIX No.8.

Appendix 8

APP.8

to

7th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE WAR DIARY for JANUARY 1918.STRENGTH RETURN.

Strength of Brigade	31/12/17	32 Officers	797 Other Ranks.
Strength of Brigade	31/12/18	30 "	782 " "
Evacuated Sick during Month		-	46 Other Ranks.
Killed in Action during Month		NIL.	
Wounded in Action during Month		NIL.	

"A" Form
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2121
(in pads of 100).

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	At.....m.		Service.	From
	To			By
	By		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO	3 rd DA HQ		
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Sender's Number. * 7/241	Day of Month. first	In reply to Number. .	AAA
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Intelligence Report 56 an.
aaa our fire.
18 pds fired 25 rds on
Traffic route at C.18 a. 76 8
15 rds on working party at L11a 6 3.
aaa latter target also
engaged by Hovrs. - 25 rds.
aaa Enemy Artillery
quiet throughout the
night

From	75526		
Place			
Time			

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.	(Z)
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3rd AUSTRALIAN ARTILLERY GROUP.

Appendix 9.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 am. to 6 pm. - 1-1-18.

OUR FIRE.

During the day Concentration Tests on enemy front line opposite Localities 9 and 12, and Posts EILEEN and CYNTHIA were carried out by the 18-pdr. Batteries, 84 rounds being fired.

18-pdrs. also fired :-

- 18 rounds on suspected enemy O.P. at C.23.d.20.64.
- 15 rounds registration on Zero Point (I.23.a.3.6.)
- 123 rounds on enemy T.M. emplacements at I.21.b.65.00
 - I.22.a.66.05 I.22.a.40.30
 - I.22.a.97.36 I.22.c.58.95.
 - and I.22.c.92.40

4.5" Hows.:-

- 30 rounds on active enemy Battery at C.24.a.30.60.
- 11 rounds on house at C.18.d.15.31 where movement was observed. Shoot was effective, no further movement being visible.
- 9 rounds on houses at C.30.a.10.80 where movement was observed. Three direct hits on a house were obtained, and a fire apparently started as large volumes of smoke were seen to arise from the spot. No further movement was observed.

HOSTILE FIRE.

<u>Duration</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Rounds</u>	<u>Nature</u>	<u>Area shelled.</u>
a.m.				
8.45 to 9 45.	T.B. 85° from C.27.b.70.91	10	5.9	C.21.a and b.
10 to 10.30		50	L.T.M.	C.17.c and C.23.a.
10.30 to 11.30	QUESNOY	80	5.9 & 4.2	C.20.c.
Do. Do.	do.	100	4.2.	C.23.a.2.6.
10.37		11	5.9	Distillery in I.4.a. (Ranging)
10.42		12	5.9	C.26.a.
10.45	T.B. 64° from C.27.b.70.91	7	4.2.	C.28.c.
11.30		9	8"	ARMENTIERES.
A sound bearing of a heavy gun was taken from I.9.c.41.52 and read 130 degrees True Bearing.				
p.m.				
12.40	T.B. 85° from C.27.b.70.91	5	5.9Gas	C.21.c.
1 p.m.	T.B. 64° from C.27.b.70.91	4	4.2.	C.27.b.
1.45 p.m.		10	5.9	I.1.a.
1 to 2 p.m.	QUESNOY	60	5.9 & 4.2.	C.20.c.

AIRCRAFT.

Aeroplanes of both sides very active all day. Our lines were crossed several times during day. A-A and M.G. fire very heavy on both sides.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

VISIBILITY GOOD.

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Lieutenant,
Orderly Officer, 3rd Aus. Artillery Group.

APPENDIX 9

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Army Form C 121
(in pads of 100)."A" Form
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....an.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service.	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO

3220 HX

Sender's Number. * 7/242	Day of Month. 2nd	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Intelligence Report to base on our fire, 18 pds. fired 15 rds on working party at 1165414 with good effect also 20 rounds on the M.G. emplacement on I 22.6 and Hoos. fired 80 rds on a hostile Battering at C24a 30 60 for hostile fire, except C22 b in early part of night. Position remained very quiet and			
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From	G 526
Place	
Time	

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3rd AUSTRALIAN ARTILLERY GROUP.INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 am. to 6 pm. - 2-1-78.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 11 rounds on C.23.b.35.60 where movement was observed., 12 rounds on Battalion Headquarters and Dump at C.24.a.60.40, also 31 rounds registration.

4.5"Hows. fired 160 rounds destructive shoot on hostile Battery at in D.14.a. Visibility was poor, but the line of trees was bracketted and the shots appeared to be well on the target. Billets to the North were given a good deal of attention, a proportion of Gas-shell being used.

In Registering CENSOR FARM, Hows. gained 6 direct hits and expended 37 rounds.

HOSTILE FIRE.

<u>Duration</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Rounds</u>	<u>Nature</u>	<u>Area shelled.</u>
Noon	CENSOR FARM	2	5.9	C.27.c.
12.40 p.m.	LA HOULETTE	3	77mm	C.21.b.
2.30 p.m.		50	4.2 Gas	C.27.b.
2.55 p.m.	About D.13.b.	4	77mm	C.21.d.
2.30 to 4pm.	E. OF F'HIEN.		casualty and erratic shooting on C.21. took place. Calibre 4.2 & 77mm.	

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

VISIBILITY LOW. No movement observed.

AIRCRAFT.

Activity on both sides was about normal. At 1.45 p.m. one large enemy plane flew over HOUPINES and ERQUINGHEM at a low altitude, and was heavily engaged by our A-A fire.

[Signature]
Lieutenant,
Orderly Officer, 3rd Aus. Artillery Group.

(3796.) Wt. W-492/M1647. 650,000 Pals. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E. 1187.)

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 am. to 6 pm. - 3-1-18.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 791 rounds, in execution of Programme as per Operation Order No.3, and in shooting on various points where movement was observed, Trench Junctions etc. Visibility was excellent throughout the day, and results were observed to be very effective.

18-pdrs. also fired 32 rounds neutralising fire on an active Battery in GRAND MARAIS FARM - C.28.c. - and 75 rounds on various registrations.

4.5" Hows. fired 21 rounds on Target at D.13.d.06.60 with aeroplane observation. 100 yards bracket was obtained, when plane sent C.I. and came in before the shoot was completed.

4.5"Hows. also fired 24 rounds on an active Battery at D.5.b.40.20, causing two explosions.

HOSTILE FIRE.

<u>Duration</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Rounds</u>	<u>Nature</u>	<u>Area shelled.</u>
a.m.				
10.30 to 11.20		50	4.2.	DESOLANQUE FARM, I.14.d. O.P. at I.14.b.48.18.
(6 direct hits were obtained on the FARM and 3 on the O.P)				
10.37		10	4.2	DISTILLERY, I.4.a.
10.50		12	8"	Back areas
do.		8	5.9	I.9.b.
10.30 to 3pm.		150	4.2	I.15.b.
10 to 11.15		10	4.2.	C.22.b.
11.5 a.m.	PREMESQUES	10	4.2.	I.3.c.00.25.
11 to 3 pm.	PERENCHIES	50	4.2	I.9.a & b.
do.		80	5.9	C.25.d.
12.50p.m.	127° T.B.from C.26.d.22.62(S)	10	5.9	St.CHARLES CHURCH, -NOUVEL HOUPINES.-
12.55	About D.26.a.	20	5.9	C.26.b.
1.15	93.30° T.B.from C.26.d.22.62 (F)	5	5.9	ARMENTIERES.
1 to 5 p.m.	110° T.B.from C.26.d.22.62 (S)	100	8"	ARMENTIERES.
1.25 to 1.40	103° T.B. from I.9.c.4.5.(S)	18	4.2	MOSQUITO PALACE I.15.b.77.95.
1.30 p.m.	About D.19.c.(S)	10	5.9	C.21.b.
1.45 to 2.15	103° T.B. from I.9.c.4.5.(S)	40	4.2.	MOSQUITO PALACE I.15.b.77.95.
2.30 to 4.30	PERENCHIES	200	5.9, 4.2, & 77mm.	I.8.b. & I.3.c.
3.30	127° T.B.from C.27.b.7.9.(S)	15	5.9.	C.27.c.70.87 (forward position of one 25th Battery Gun.)
3 p.m.	PERENCHIES	100	4.2.	LILLE POST.

AIRCRAFT.

Several enemy balloons up all day, and Aeroplanes of both sides very active.

VISIBILITY EXCELLENT.

[Signature]
Lieutenant,
Orderly Officer, 3rd Aus. Artillery Group.

APPENDIX. 9

1/400 Fourth.

APPENDIX. 9

Intelligence Report to 6 am aaaa
Our fire nil aaaa Hostile fire

7.30 to 9 pm. 10 rds. 4.2 on road in C12d

1.30 to 2.30 am. 30 " 5.9 on C27a

from direction of PERENCHIES

During night light intermittent
shelling of with 4.2s. of ARMENTIERES
aaaa Otherwise night very quiet.

3rd AUSTRALIAN ARTILLERY GROUP.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 am. to 6 am. 4-1-18.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs.

32 rounds on active hostile Battery reported firing from I.28.c.56.60
64 ~~84~~ rounds on J.2.c.9.5. where movement was observed, round train.
44 rounds on various Registrations.
10 rounds on M.W. position at CENSOR FARM. (C.24.c.)

4.5"Hows.

10 rounds on movement at J.13.c.2.6 (Zone call)
10 rounds on train and movement at J.2.c.9.5. (Zone call)
45 rounds on train at D.13.d.06.60. (Zone call) Several direct hits obtained on this Target.
10 rounds on each of 4 enemy T.M.S. firing from C.22.d.20.75., C.22.d.20.75, C.17.a.75.80, and C.17.d.15.60.

HOSTILE FIRE.

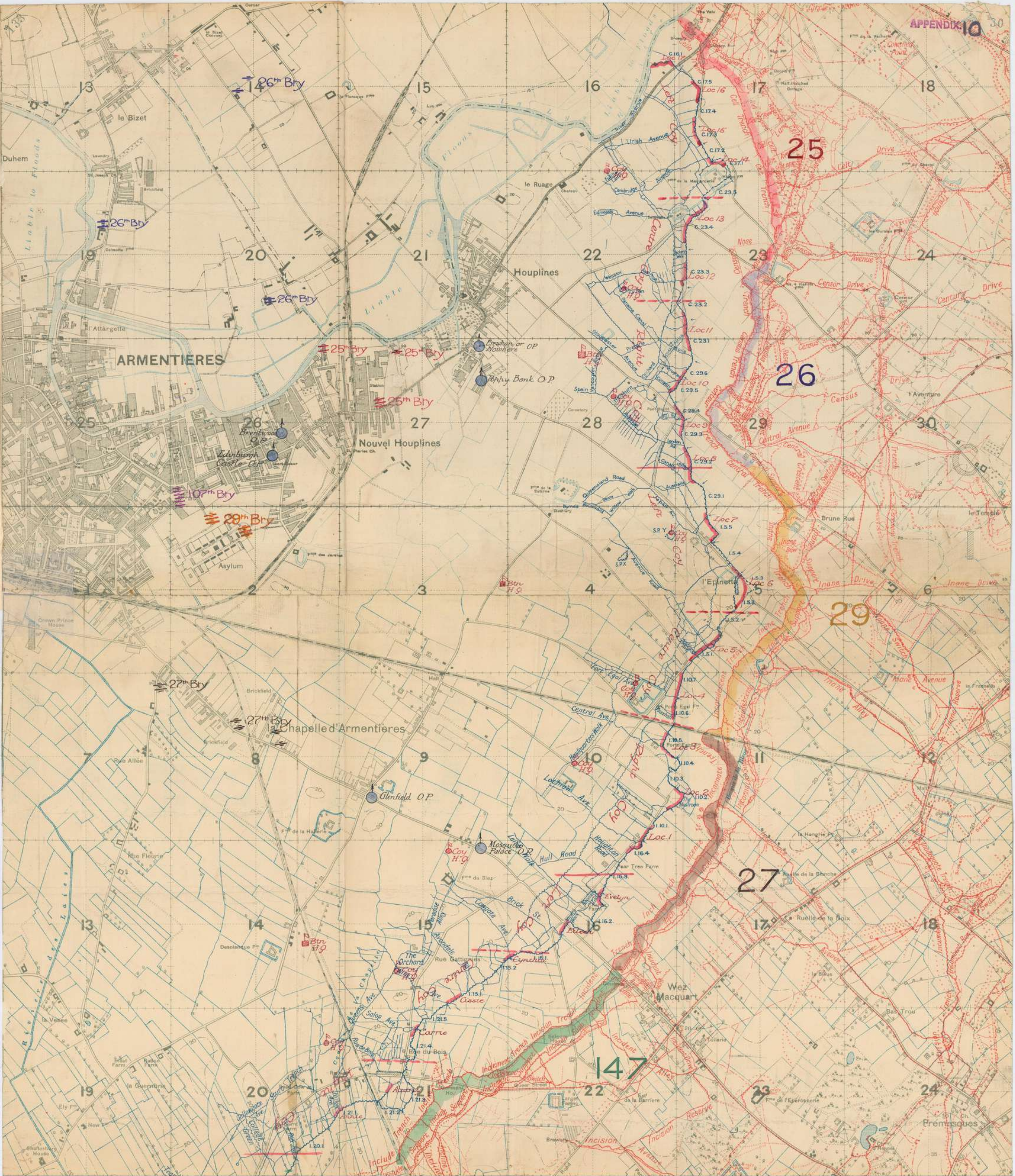
<u>Duration</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Rounds</u>	<u>Nature</u>	<u>Area shelled.</u>
a.m. 10 to 11	85° T.B. from C.27.c.70.91 (S)	10	5.9	C.21.c.
10.45	125° T.B. from C.26.d.22.62 (S)	5	8"	ARMENTIERES.
11.20	-	5	77mm	C.28.b.
11.45	64° T.B. from C.27.c.70.91 (S)	4	4.2	C.22.d.
p.m. 12.30 to 1	-	15	5.9	C.8.c.
12.45,	85° T.B. from C.27.c.70.91 (S)	32	5.9	C.21.c.
1.35	PERENCHIES	20	4.2.	I.14.a.
2.30 p.m.	-	50	M.T.M.	C.22.d and C.28.b.
3.35 p.m.	-	15	4.2.	C.17.c.
3.40 p.m.	68° T.B. from C.27.c.70.91	12	H.T.M.	C.17.c.

AIRCRAFT.

Aeroplanes of both sides active throughout the day.

VISIBILITY poor.

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Lieutenant,
Orderly Officer, 3rd Australian Artillery Group.
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Ed.	Câble sous-marin	Submarine cable.	Dynamiterie	magazine.	Hôtel-de-Ville	Town hall.	Phare	Light-house.	Source
olated.	Calvaire, Calv'	Calvary.		Dynamite factory.	Houillère	Colliery.	Pilier, Pil'	Post.	Sucrerie, Sucr'
aning.	Canal de		Ecluse	Sluice, Lock.	Huilerie	Oil factory.	Plaine d'exercice	Drill ground.	
ree.	déséchement.	Drainage canal.	Ecluse, Ecl'	Sluice.	Imprimerie, Impr'	Printing works.	Pompe	Pump.	Tannerie
arry	Canal d'irrigation	Irrigation canal.	Ecole	School.			Ponceau	Culvert.	Tir à la cible
	Fab' de caoutchouc	Rubber factory.	Ecurie	Stable.			Pont	Bridge.	Tissage
	Carrière, Carr'	Quarry.	Eglise	Church.			Poste	Drawbridge.	Tôlerie
	" de gravier	Gravel-pit.	Enallerie	Funnel works.	Jetée	Pier.	Station	Coast-guard station.	Tombeau
asylum.	Caserne	Barracks.	Embarcadere, Emb'	Landing-place.	Laminerie	Rolling mills.	Poste de garde-côte	Post.	Tour
	Champ de courses	Race course.	Estaminet, Estan'	Inn.	Ligne de haute	High water mark.	Poteau P ^{ss}	Pottery.	Tourbière
	" manoeuvres	Drill ground.	Etang	Pond.	Laisse	Low	Poudrière, Poudr'	Powder magazine.	Tourelle
	" tir	Rifle range.			" de basse marée	Low	Magasin à poudre	Water supply.	Tuileries
	Chantier	Building yard.	Fabrique, Fab'	Factory.			Prise d'eau	Pit-head, Shaft Well.	Uaine à gaz
ree.		Ship yard.	Fab' de produits	Chemical works.	Maison Forestière	Forester's house.	Puits	Artesian well.	" électrique
	Chantier de construction	Slip-way.	Fab' de produits chimiques	Pottery.	Malterie	Malt-house.	" artésien	Ventilating shaft.	" d'électr.
	Chapelle, Ch ^{le}	Chapel.	Faïencerie	Farm.	Marbrerie	Marble works.	" d'aérage	Boring.	" métall.
place.	Charbonnage	Colliery.	Ferme, F ^{me}	Spinning mill.	Marais	Marsh.	" ventilateur		" à aggr.
Season.	Château d'eau	Water tower.	Filature, Fil ^{re}	Foundry.	Marais salant	Salt marsh.	" de sondage		Verzerie, Verr'
nk.	Chaussée	Causeway.	Fonderie, Fond ^{re}	Spring, fountain.			Quai	Quay, Platform.	Viaduc
	Chemin de fer	Railway.	Fontaine, Font ^{ne}	Forest.	Marché	Market.	" aux bestiaux	Cattle platform.	Vivier
	Cheminée, Ch ^{nee}	Chimney.	Forêt	Dry dock.	Mare	Pool.	" aux marchan-	Goods platform.	Voie de charg
	Chêne	Oak tree.	Forme de radoub	Smithy.	Meule	Rick.	" des		" d'évite
aisle.	Cimetière, Cim ^{re}	Cemetery.	Forge	Mine, Pit.	Minère	Mine.	Raccordement	Junction.	" format
bridge.	Clocher	Belfry.	Fosse	Moat, Ditch.	Monastère	Monastery.	Raffinerie	Refinery.	" manon
pond.	Closterie	Nail factory.	Four	Kiln.	Moulin, M ⁱⁿ	Mill.	Râperie	Sugar refinery.	Zinguerie
ock.	Colombier	Dove-cot.	" à chaux	Lime-kiln.	" à vapeur	Steam mill.			
					Mur	Wall.			
					" crénelé	Loop-holed wall.			