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X5A M.T.M Bty

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			<p><u>Unit</u> X5A Medium Trench Mortar Battery.</p> <p><u>Personnel</u> O.C. Lieut W.H. Hind. Lieut. H.J. Filshie 21 Other Ranks.</p>	
	August 1917			
	1 st - 6 th		Battery in rest in billets previously occupied by No 1 Section 55 th D.A.C.	192
	7 th		Lieut. F.B. Tainton reported to X5A Battery from Z5A. Orders were received today that X5A Bty would be attached to 36 th D.A.C for duty.	193
	8 th		Lieut Hind (appointed Captain 26 th June) was transferred to command V5A Heavy Trench Mortar Battery. Battery moved to Blamebrughe and reported to 36 th D.A.C. Billeted under canvas.	192
	9 th		Orders were received that 1 officer and 6 other ranks with a party of 80 infantry and 24 G.S waggon were to be engaged in salvaging ammunition in vicinity of St Jean and that a salvage dump was to be established at Saville Road. I.C.3. Sheel	193

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August.	10 th - 13 th .		Battery engaged in salvage work. This work was extremely difficult, as the allotted area was subjected to heavy enemy shell fire. After numerous casualties to men and mules and after having the salvage dump blown up, it was decided to disband the idea for the time being.	192
	15 th .		X5A Battery in conjunction with Y5A were detailed to take over Stanley Dump. IIA. 2.2. (Belgium Sheet 28. N.W.)	192
	15 th - 22 nd .		Battery engaged in work at Stanley Dump. Still under orders from 36 th D.A.C.	192
	18 th .		Lieut Filshe H. J. assumed command of X5A Medium Trench Mortar Battery.	192
	23 rd .		Orders received for X5A Battery to report for duty to Head Qrs. D.T.M.O 5 th Aust. Division then attached to D.T.M.O 15 th Division.	192

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August.	24 th		<p>V5A Heavy T.M. Bty received instructions to get a mortar in position on Freyenberg Ridge for the purpose of bombarding enemy strong points. X5A Bty was detailed to assist and spent the night in carrying ammunition and in getting mortar in position.</p>	199
	25 th -31 st		<p>Battery still engaged in assisting V5A Battery by acting as ammunition fatigue.</p>	199
	26 th		<p>While returning from ammunition carrying, ^{No. 2148} G^r Hamilton of this battery fell from an ammunition waggon and sustained a fractured elbow. This necessitating his removal to Field Ambulance.</p>	199
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