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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
VILLERS FAUCON	1-11-18		Nothing to report W.H.F.	
	2-11-18			
	3-11-18		Capt W. PINDER and one other rank proceeded on leave to United Kingdom, Capt W. H. FELSTEAD takes over duties of R. T. M. O. One other rank rejoined from Base. 11 th Aust. F. A. Bde advise one O.R. attached to them evacuated sick 29.10.18. W.H.F.	
	4-11-18		One O.R. rejoined from leave to U.K. One O.R. rejoined from Aust. Corps Signal School. Lieut W. CHALONER evacuated sick. W.H.F.	
	5-11-18		Two O.R. proceeded on detachment to 11 th Aust. F. A. Bde and one O.R. to 10 th Aust. F. A. Bde. One O.R. rejoined from leave to U.K. W.H.F.	
	6-11-18		Three O.R. proceeded on leave to U.K. One O.R. in custody in U.K. whilst on leave struck off strength. W.H.F.	
	7-11-18		Nothing to report W.H.F.	
	8-11-18		One O.R. rejoined from leave to U.K. Two G. S. wagons from 11 th Aust. D. A. C. reported to unit and conveyed 4 6" Newton T. Ms. to O. M. W. CARTIGNY to have mobile carriage fitted. One O.R. accompanied mortars. 11 th Aust. F. A. Bde advise that 3 O.R. reported to them from Base on 23.10.18 and was taken on attachment, one O.R. killed in action and two O.R. evacuated sick 3.11.18 and one O.R. evacuated sick 27.10.18. W.H.F.	

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VILLERS FAUCON	9.11.18		10 th Aust. F. A. Bde report one OR evacuated sick 7.11.18. One OR admitted to hospital 1.11.18 whilst on leave to U.K., and one OR admitted to hospital 26.10.18 whilst on leave to U.K. are struck off strength. 11 th Aust. F. A. Bde reports 2nd P.C. SAINT wounded in action 16.10.18 and remaining at duty. 10 th Aust. F. A. Bde report one OR evacuated sick 10.11.18. 10th	
	11 } 12 } 13 } 14 }	11.18	Nothing to report. 10th	
	15.11.18.		One OR evacuated sick from Unit. 10 th Aust. F. A. Bde reports following casualties & sick evacuations:- 1 OR evacuated wounded 17.10.18. 1 OR evacuated sick 17.10.18. 1 OR evacuated sick 22.10.18. 1 OR evacuated sick 28.10.18. 2 OR evacuated sick 29.10.18. 1 OR evacuated sick 14.11.18. 10th	
	16.11.18.		Two motor lorries reported at noon to move the Unit with all guns, stores etc to LE CATEAU. Left VILLERS FAUCON at 2 pm, lorries very heavily loaded and in addition each lorry tows 3 G.S. limbers heavily loaded. It would have been impossible to move all stores etc in two lorries but a lorry from a Pontoon Park in VILLERS FAUCON took a load of stores & kits and also towed a limbered G.S. wagon. Route:- RONSOY, LE CATELET, GOUY, BEAUREVOIR, PONCHAUX, GENEVE MARETZ, REUMONT arriving at LE CATEAU about 8 pm. Billeted at Chateau & tile factory opposite LE CATEAU Railway Station which are also occupied by 1102 Section 4 th Aust. D.A.C. Stores etc unloaded same night. 10th	

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LE CATEAU	17.11.18		Advice received from D.A.H.Q. that quota of T.M. personnel will remain at present location as guard on Divisional Ammunition Dump. W.H.	
	18.11.18		One OR transferred to 11 th Aust. F. A. Bde. One OR reported from 10 th Aust. F. A. Bde as guard on dump. Two OR reported from 10 th Aust. F. A. Bde as guard on dump. W.H.	
	19.11.18		10 th Aust. F. A. Bde report one OR evacuated sick. W.H.	
	20.11.18		7 OR proceeded on detachment to 11 th Aust. F. A. Bde. Four mobile carriages and beds for 6 th Newton mortars delivered to Unit by D.A.C. transport. W.H.	
	21.11.18		Two OR reported from 10 th Aust. F. A. Bde as guard on dump. Lieut W. PINDER rejoined from leave to U.K. and resumed duties of D.T.M.O. W.H.	
	22.11.18		One OR proceeded on leave to U.K. Lieut W. H. FELSTEAD and one OR proceed on detachment to 11 th Aust. F. A. Bde. One OR rejoined from O.M.W. CARTIGNY bringing 4 6 th Newton T.Ms with beds altered to fit mobile mountings. 10 th Aust. F. A. Bde report Sgt D. N. Moore proceeded on 75 days leave to U.K. on 19/11/18 and he is struck off strength. W.H.	
	23.11.18		One OR rejoined from leave as sick. W.H.	
	24.11.18		One OR proceeded on detachment to D.A.H.Q. W.H. Two OR attached from 10 th Aust. F. A. Bde returned to Unit. W.H.	

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LE CATEAU	24.11.18		10 th Buss. F. A. Bde one OR evacuated sick 24.10.18 also one OR rejoined from sick 30.10.18	
	25.11.18		Nothing to report. W.M.	
	26.11.18		11 th Buss. F. A. Bde report one OR evacuated sick 20.11.18 W.M.	
	27.11.18		Nothing to report. W.M.	
	28.11.18		Nothing to report. W.M.	
	29.11.18		Lieut W. PINDER, evacuated sick W.M.	
	30.11.18			

~~W.M.~~ Lieut.
D. J. M. O.
11th Buss. Div.