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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks reference Append
HAYNECOURT AREA.	OCT. 1st.		See Narrative attached.	O.O. 4 Narrative
	2nd.		Battalion was relieved at 0300 hours by the 26th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. Battalion moved out to HAYNECOURT AREA, without suffering any casualties. Battalion rested until 1500 hours, when we moved back to SAINS-LEZ-MARQUION AREA.	
SAINS-LEZ MARQUION.	3rd.		Battalion cleaned up today. Rifle Inspection during the morning. Enemy bombed BOURLON heavily during the night. 2 horses wounded in our lines. No other casualties.	
	4th.		Companies paraded independently at 1000 hours for Rifle and S.B.R. inspection. Lewis Gun Training carried out during the morning. Lieut. Colonel Peck, D.S.O. was evacuated to No. 1 C.G.S. Major J.A. Scroggie M.C. assumes command of the Battalion.	
	5th.		Battalion moved at 1300 hours to HAUCOURT. Comfortably settled in shelters and dugouts. Orders received to move to the line tomorrow, HAMBLAIN SECTOR, Brigade Support position, East of MONCHY.	O.O. 5
	6th.		In accordance with 3rd. Cdn. Inf. Bde O.O. 282 Battalion moved from VIS EN ARTOIS and relieved the 1st King's Own in Support Position. Major Scroggie in command of the Battalion, Lieut. W.C. Lowry Asst. Adjutant. Company Commanders:- Lieut. McIntyre, Captain Wallis, Major Hope and Lieut. Kerans. Lieut. Dunlop. Intelligence Officer Lieut. Graham Scout Officer, Lieut. Bennett Lewis Gun Officer. Relief Complete at 1725 hours. No casualties.	O.O. 6
BRIGADE SUPPORT.	7th.		All Company and Intelligence Officers reconnoitred defence position. One Officer and one O.R. per Company and one from Battalion Headquarters reconnoitred left front line. Two hours Lewis Gun Training was carried out under the Lewis Gun Officer. No. 2 Company report one man accidentally wounded in ankle, by striking himself with a pick. Situation quiet. Operation Order No. 283 re "Chinese" attack was received and conference of Company Commanders was held.	
	8th.		On account of "Chinese" attack the Battalion "stood to" at 0530 hours. No orders were received to move and the Battalion stood down at 1000 hours when all was quiet. Two hours Lewis Gun Training carried out under the L.G.O. One Officer and one O.R. per Company reconnoitred left front line.	

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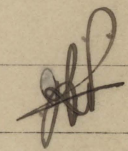
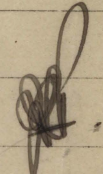
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BRIGADE SUPPORT.	OCT. 9th.		Two hours Lewis Gun Training was carried out. Orders received from Brigade, that in the event of an inter-Battalion Relief the 16th. would relieve the 13th. in the Right Front Line. Orders received to have reconnoitring party look over area at 0.5.c. and 0.11 a & b with a view to moving two Companies to that area. Baths were allotted to Battalion and three Companies were sent.	
	10th.		Balance of Battalion paraded to Baths. One hour's Lewis Gun Training was carried out.. 0.0. 284 received, ordering Battalion to relieve 13th. Battalion in Right Front Line tonight. Commanding Officer, Intelligence Officer and one Officer per Company went forward to reconnoitre. Lieut. Bennett went to Rear. Battalion moved off at 1900 hours and Relief was completed at 0100 hours 11th. No. Casualties. No. 1 Coy. Right Front Line, No. 2 Company Left Front Line. No. 3 Support. No. 4 Reserve.	
FRONT LINE.	11th.		Information received that the 8th. Division had been ordered to break the DROCOURT QUEANT LINE between FRESNES-BREBIERES ROAD and Dan Tranch at D.13.d.1.1. 15th. and 16th. Battalions were to be prepared to take opportunity action if ordered by G.O.C. 3rd. Cdn. Inf. Brigade. No. 4 Company were ordered to be prepared to move forward on a moments notice.	
		0700	No. 4 Company were ordered to move their Company forward by Platoons, one Platoon was to remain for future orders. No. 2 Company was ordered to send out a Platoon as patrol to get in touch with the enemy. This patrol encountered no opposition and at 1000 hours were reported at J.20.c.70.50.	
		1240.	Commanding Officer moved forward to J.26.c.90.90 and reported No. 1 Company had captured and holding SAILLY, one Company advancing on DROCOURT QUEANT LINE. Two M.G's firing from DROCOURT QUEANT LINE. Apart from that, no opposition. No. sign of 15th. Battalion on left. No. Casualties.	
		1430.	Major Scroggie reports Battalion in DROCOURT QUEANT LINE on Battalion Front and thought to be on ridge beyond. G.O.C. moved up to 16th. Battalion Headquarters and he and Col. Matthews of Division had lunch with us.	
		1440.	Major Scroggie reports 12 prisoners 358th Regiment and 6 of 140th Regt.	
		1530. 1550.	Battalion Headquarters moved to J.26.c.9.9. Battalion in Sunken Road 17 c, 16 d and 16 c. Intend to advance to NOVELLE. Advanced Headquarters at 21 Central. No opposition.	
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FRONT LINE.	OCT. 11th.	1620.	Brigade report that prisoners taken state that Boche left 16 men and 1 N.C.O. per Battalion behind. After Noyelle there will be no more opposition till Canal is reached.	
		1800.	Battalion Headquarters moved to J.15.d.45.25. No. 4 Company at J.16.a.35.90. No. 1. do. 17 a. No. 3 do. 12 c. No. 2 do. 11 d.	<i>Sh</i>
		2100.	Front Line Companies report both flanks in touch. Lieut. Metzler reported at Battalion Headquarters and O.C. No. 1 Company directed transport to Companies. Casualties:- Killed 1. Wounded 1. Gassed 4.	
	12th.		At 0500 hrs Orders were received that the Battalion would continue the advance at 0600 hours. Battalion moved off No. 3 on right, No. 2 on left, No. 1 in Support and No. 4 in Reserve.	0.0.53
		0730.	Battalion report Centre under Lieut. Graham located at J.10.b.6.0 and got communication with Brigade. Commanding Officer moved to report Centre and kept in communication by Visual.	
		0830.	Two wounded men report that the Battalion were held up by M.G. Fire from Factory at K.3.c. and were ordered to retire to sunken road in K.2.a & d.	<i>Sh</i>
		0915.	Battalion Headquarters moved to J.12.a.9.1.	
		0940.	Lieut. Graham reports two Companies held up in Sunken Road in K.2. a, c, and d. by Machine Gun Fire from E.26. Central. Artillery was called for on this point.	
		1030.	15th. Battalion reported by Brigade to be in E.25 and K. 1.b. "B" Company 13th. Battalion were located at J.12.a.3.7. Considerable enemy artillery on GOUY. "J" Battery Brigade M.G's located at J.11.b.6.0. No. 1 Coy. and No. 4 Coy. in 7 a.	
		1130.	Runner from No. 4 Company 15th. Battalion reports their Headquarters at E.25.a.3.1. Parts of two Companies in village at E.19.c. & d where they are being held up by artillery and M.G. fire from the left. 15th. Battalion Headquarters at E.25.c.13.90.	
		1230.	Companies report that M.G's in E.26 Central have been quieted by artillery but are still these.	
		1430.	2nd. Brigade reported to be in Factory at K.3.c. No 3 Company commenced to move forward. Enemy M.G. reported to be at E.26.d.8.6. Some enemy movement on high ground N.E. of FERIN	
		1615.	Battalion moving up to Canal. No opposition. Hun reported to be retiring from FERIN.	
		1620.		

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FRONT LINE.	OCT. 12th.	1620.	Orders received that Battalion would be relieved by 2nd. Cdn. Bn. tonight.	00 54 JH JH JH JH JH
		1730.	Coy. Guides repositioned at Battalion Headquarters.	
		1800.	Relief arrived and guides took respective Companies to positions.	
		2030.	All Companies have reported Relief Complete, and Battalion reported to Brigade.	
		2130.	All Companies with the exception of one platoon of No. 3 Company have passed battalion Headquarters and balance of Headquarters with C.O. moved off. Lieut. McLennan remained to locate and bring out the platoon. Battalion moved to P.13 and Headquarters located at P.13.d.8.8.	
ETERPIGNY.	13th.		Battalion in Shelters and dugouts.	00 55 JH JH JH JH JH
	14th.		Rifle and S.B.R. Inspections also L.G. Training. carried out during morning. Weather for last few days has been showery.	
	15th.		Battalion paraded to St. ROBERT FACTORY for Baths., during the morning. Battalion was paid today.	
	16th.		Inspection, Arm Drill and L.G. Training carried out during the morning. Lieut-Col. C.W. Peck, D.S.O. returned from hospital today, taking over command.	
	17th.		Companies and Units paraded to Gas Hut during the day. Exchanges and repairs to S.B.R.'s were effected. The funeral of the late Major, Second in Command, R.O. Bell-Irving M.C. and the late Lieut. Widmeyer M.M. took place this afternoon. Battalion paraded at 1430 hours and marched to the cemetery under the R.S.M. Many mourners attended the funeral, including the Brigade and Divisional Commanders and Staffs.	
	18th.		Information received that the enemy are likely to withdraw. Orders received to move to ESTREES at 0730 hours. Stayed here for lunch and moved out at 1600 hours for LEUARDE. Batt'n comfortably settled in Billets for the night. Orders received at midnight that the Battalion will continue the advance kicking off from present front line at app. A.9.b.5.4 to A.22.c.4.0. (51 A. 1/40000) at 0900 hours. The 2nd. Cdn. Inf. Bde. hold this front.	
	19th.		Battalion assembled in a dense fog and started off at 0900 hours. Ideal morning for the advance. No opposition was encountered. At BRUILLES-LES-MARCHIENNES, the first village	

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<u>FRONT LINE.</u>	OCT. 19th.		occupied, several civilians were encountered. 1 Prisoner taken. Battalion passed quickly through SOMAIN, ERRE and rested at HORNAING, for two hours. During the afternoon orders were received to alter Battalion Boundaries, consequently our advance continued N.E. toward BOIS ST. AMAND. This wood was taken and an outpost established for the night East of the wood. The Platoon of Cyclists attached to the Battalion moved forward and occupied WALLERS. En route the Battalion received an overwhelming welcome from the civilian populace. 7 Prisoners were taken during the day.	pl
	20th.		Battalion Headquarters at T.30.b. 90.10. Battalion left Boundary V.14.b.90.50, Right Boundary on Railway U.21.c.80.80 (Sheet 44 S.W. 1/20000) Orders received early this morning to continue the advance, the 15th. Battalion passing through the 16th. at 0900 hours. Owing to strong opposition from western outskirts of BOIS DE WALLERS no advance was possible during the day. 15th. Battalion suffered casualties. Battalion in support overnight,	0.056 pl
	21st.		The 15th. Battalion pushed off at 0900 hours, 16th. Battalion supporting. When the 15th. Batt'n objectives had been gained the pushed through the wood towards the VALENCIENNES & ST AMAND ROAD. During the afternoon we gained touch with the enemy about 500 feet west of the road. At dusk strong patrols were pushed forward from the leading companies (Nos. 3 & 4 Coys.) who gained touch with the enemy about 1730 hours. At 1800 the village of VIOGNE was entered and posts established well in front of the village and the VALENCIENNES - ST. AMAND ROAD as far as the Railway Embankment. The night passed quietly and we gained touch with the Battalions on either flank.	0.057 pl
	22nd.		Contrary to Operation Orders we moved to WALLERS, as the pattalion was very tired and all ranks in need of a rest before a long march. Comfortably settled in Billets for the night.	0058 pl
<u>SOMAIN.</u>	23rd.		The Battalion paraded at 1330 hours and marched to SOMAIN. Good Billets in this town and a rousing reception from the inhabitants.	0.059 pl
	24th.		The pattalion paraded for training. One Company on Lewis Gun Training, the remainder on Close Order Drill. Weather fine.	pl
	25th.		Battalion Training. Weather fine.	pl

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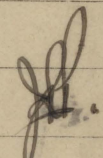
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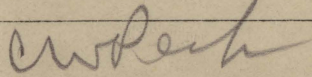
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OCTOBER 1918.				
			<div>Officers</div> <div>O.R's.</div>	
			STRENGTH AT BEGINNING OF MONTH. <u>46</u> <u>1084.</u> Reinforcements during month. <u>12.</u> <u>167.</u>	
			Casualties, Sick and Transferred. <u>58</u> <u>1251.</u> <u>15.</u> <u>458.</u>	
			STRENGTH AT END OF MONTH. <u>43.</u> <u>793.</u>	
			<u>DECORATIONS AWARDED DURING THE MONTH.</u>	
			<u>BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.</u> Lieut-Colonel C.W. Peck, D.S.O. D.R.O. 5464 d/2-10-18.	
			<u>BAR TO THE MILITARY CROSS.</u> Lieut. A.M. McLennan M.C. ditto.	
			<u>THE MILITARY CROSS.</u> Lieut. (A/Capt.) C.B.F. Jones. Lieut. D. Green. Lieut. D.W. MacPherson. Lieut. G.S. McCreery. ditto.	
			<u>THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.</u> A20447 CSM. J. Porter. 21764 Sgt. J. Stephen. 4262 52 Sgt. H.F. McLennan. 420504 Cpl. J. Campbell. 29028 Sgt. A.R. Taylor. 718967 Pte. F. Sumner M.M. DITTO.	
			<u>BAR TO THE MILITARY MEDAL.</u> 29369 Sgt. Mowat A. M.M. 718752 L.Cpl. F. Vanderbosch. M.M. D.R.O. 5456 d/2-10-18.	
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			<u>THE MILITARY MEDAL.</u>	
			<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> 420123 Sgt. H.C. Walker. 198167 L/Sgt. A. Watson. 420378 L/C. P. Cooley. 29406 L/Sgt. W.H. Jackson. 28529 L/C. A. Newling 429189 L/C. J. Crompton. 150457 Pte. C. Johnstone. 1000525 Pte. M. Black. 859854 Pte. N. Christiansen. 1000599 Pte. J.J. McDonald. 624835 Pte. D. Carey. 186695 Pte. R.C. Sherrit. 859170 Pte. D. Edwards. 29118 L/Sgt. J. McIvor. 198259 Pte. R. Elmer. 129196 Pte. H. Laycock. </div> <div> 114354 L/Sgt. C. Napier. 700746 Cpl. J. Gibson. 420129 Sgt. W.J.F. Reidh. 859036 Cpl. D. Lowdon. 420172 L/C. H.H. Hunt. 150480 Pte. E.J. Lafournie. 466703 Piper J.W. McAllister. 859873 Pte. C.E. Spring. 28733 Pte. (A/L/C.) G.A. Gravlin. 737089 Cpl. L.R. MacDonald. 23546 Cpl. E.L. Cormier. 1000662 Pte. H.G. Bone. 226765 Pte. O.I. Haynes. 736662 Pte. D.J.M. Gilmour. 28800 Pte. A.M. Skae. 693301 Pte. R. Campbell. </div> </div>	D.R.O. 5456 d/2-10-18.
			<u>THE MILITARY CROSS.</u>	
			Lieut. J. Dunlop. First Army R.O. 3050 d/25-9-18.	
			<u>THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.</u>	
			29348 CSM. F. Macdonald. M.M. (D.R.O. 5530 d/18-10-18.) 420375 Sgt. C.A. Bent. M.M. (A.R.O. 3089 d/12-10-18.)	
			 Lieut-Colonel, Commanding, 16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."	
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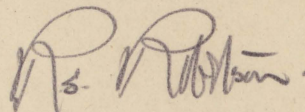
OPERATION ORDER No. 50.

Ref. Map:- 51 B. 1/40,000

5th. October 1918.

1. MOVE. Under orders from 3rd Can. Inf. Bde. the Battalion will move at 9.00 a.m. today to VIS-EN-ARTOIS.
2. PARADE. Companies will parade independently in front of present billets.
3. ORDER OF MARCH. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 & H.Q. Company. 100 yards distance will be observed between Companies.
4. PIPES AND DRUMS. will report to their respective Companies at 8.50 a.m.
Half Hour Dress.....8.30 a.m. Quarter Bugle.....8.45 a.m.
5. DRESS. Battle Order.
6. BILLETING PARTY. One O.R. from each of Nos. 1, 2, & 3 Coys. will report to Lieut. Graham at Orderly Room at 8.00 a.m. Guide from No. 3 Company will arrange to secure billets for No. 4 Coy. Guide from No. 2 Coy. will arrange for billets for H.Q. Coy.
7. TRANSPORT. Will move in rear of Battalion.
8. ROUTE. CAGNICOURT, Cross Roads P.31.e.60.10., VIS-EN-ARTOIS.
9. BILLETS. Will be left in a clean and sanitary condition.
10. REAR PARTY. Two O.R.'s from each Company will report to Lieut. Lowry at 8.30 a.m. at Battalion Orderly Room. This party will march off with the Battalion.
11. COMPLETION OF MOVE. On completion of move Companies will notify Battalion Headquarters giving location of Company Headquarters.
12. OFFICERS KITS AND MESSE BOXES. Will be ready by 8.00 a.m. at Q.M. Stores.
13. MARCHING OUT STATES. To be in Battalion Orderly Room by 8.00 a.m.
14. DISCIPLINE. Strict march discipline will be observed en route.

Issued by runner at.....3.45 a.m.



Captain and Asst. Adjutant

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2. Commanding Officer.
3. Adjutant.
4. No. 1 Coy.
5. No. 2 Coy.
6. No. 3 Coy.
7. No. 4 Coy.
8. Signallers.
9. Intelligence Officer.
10. Q.M. Stores.
11. R.C.M. & Details.
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OPERATION ORDER No. 51.

Ref. Map:- 51 B. 1/40,000.

6th. October 1918.

1. RELIEF. In accordance with 3rd. Cdn. Inf. Bde. O.C. 262 the Battalion will relieve the 1st King's Own in Brigade Support today, 6th. October 1918. Relief to be made in daylight. Companies will relieve corresponding Companies of King's Own.
2. PARADE. Companies and Units will parade in front of billets ready to move off at 2.30 p.m.
3. DRESS. Battle Order.
4. ORDER OF MARCH. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, & H.Q. Coy. 100 yards distance will be maintained between platoons.
5. L.G. LIMBERS. 1 Limber will report to Nos. 1 & 2 Coys at 1.45 p.m. and one to 3 & 4 Coys at the same hour. Limbers will march with leading platoon of No. 1 & No. 3 Coy respectively.
6. MESS BOXES AND BED ROLLS. Will be delivered to Q.M. Stores at 1.30 p.m.
7. PACKS. All Packs will be delivered to Stores by Noon, clearly marked with men's names and Companies. Parties will be paraded by an H.Q.C.
8. TRENCH STORES ETC. All Trench Stores, Maps, Aeroplanes Photographs etc. will be handed over by Units relieved.
9. DISPOSITION REPORTS. Disposition Sketches and list of trench stores will be forwarded to Battalion Headquarters as soon as possible after relief.
10. RELIEF COMPLETE. Will be wired to Battalion Headquarters by using Company Commander's name.

11. All other details will be arranged at Conference this afternoon.

Issued by runner at 11.30 p.m.

R. S. [Signature]
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Narrative of Actions of 11th. and 12th. October 1918.

Reference Map:- 51 B. 1/20,000.

The 16th. Cdn. Battalion took over the Right Sub-Sector, Hamblain Sector, from the 13th. Cdn. Bn. on the night of 10/11 October 1918.

Orders were received at 0830 hours, 11th. October 1918 from the 3rd. Cdn. Inf. Bde. that the 16th. Battalion were to push out strong patrols with the High Ground beyond the DROCOURT-QUEANT LINE as objectives, it being believed that the enemy was evacuating his positions.

I ordered the Reserve Company, No. 4, O.C. Lieut. Kerans, to advance through our Front Line and occupy the village of SAILLY EN OSTERVANT. This advance was made by Platoons, each in a line of Sections and was carried out in a most orderly manner. No opposition was encountered until the Front Line had been crossed. After that light machine-gun fire was opened from a point in the DROCOURT QUEANT LINE and from the high ground beyond. No enemy were found in SAILLY and a line was established in shell holes on the far side of the village. I then ordered the Support Coy. No 3., O.C. Major Hope, to advance on the DROCOURT QUEANT LINE. This they did, two Platoons passing SAILLY on the South and two on the North. They then regained touch and the Company advanced in two lines of Sections with Scouts ahead. They entered the DROCOURT QUEANT LINE with no resistance other than light M.G. fire from the high ground beyond.

Battalion Headquarters were then brought forward to J.26.d.8.8.

I next ordered Supt No. 2 Company (O.C. Capt. Wallis.) who had originally been left front Company to advance into the DROCOURT QUEANT LINE to the left of No. 3 Company. This was done without opposition except from sniping by 12 of the enemy from our left flank. A Lewis Gun was pushed out, which cut off their retreat and forced them into shell holes. A Section then advanced and took them prisoners. They made no attempt at resistance.

I then ordered No. 2 Coy. and No. 3 Coy. to continue their advance, with Scouts well ahead and Nos. 1 & 4 to keep in touch with them as Supports.

The 15th. Battalion had by this time occupied the ground on our left flank. Our right flank was protected by flooded ground to the south.

Rifle fire was opened on our left flank from J.15.d.5.4. Lieut. Stevens with a Section of the 3rd. Cdn. T.M. Battery immediately drove this party into a dugout by a few well placed Stokes Shells. No. 2 Company then advanced and took the party prisoners. Our advance continued without any further opposition. By 6.00 p.m. a line had been established by Nos. 2 & 3 Companies in J.5.d and J.12.8 & c. No. 1 Company in Support at J.11 Central. and No. 4 Company in Reserve at sunken road in J.10.c & d. Battalion Headquarters :- J.15.d.4.4.

Touch had been obtained with the 2nd Brigade on our right and the 15th. Battalion on our left rear.

Casualties:- Officers - Nil.

O.R.'s - 1 killed, 2 wounded.

Prisoners taken - 18.

12th. October 1918.

At 0500 orders were received from 3rd. Cdn. Inf. Bde. to continue the advance with the Canal from K.3.c.8.8 to E.26.d.5.8 as objective. Zero 0600.

This advance was conducted in lines of Sections with Scouts ahead and encountered no opposition until within 300 yards of the objective, where they came under heavy M.G. fire from E.26 Central and points in the village of FERIN. Owing to lack of

cover the two front Companies withdrew to the road in K.2a,c & d. where they dug in. The Support and Reserve Companies dug in in K. 7.a.

Extremely heavy and accurate machine-gun fire made it impossible for the forward companies to continue this advance. Battalion Headquarters were moved to J. 12.c.6.6. Great difficulty was found in maintaining touch with Brigade owing to lack of telephone wire. German wire was salvaged, however, and touch maintained. Our field guns were brought up very quickly and close liason kept between Batteries and battalions.

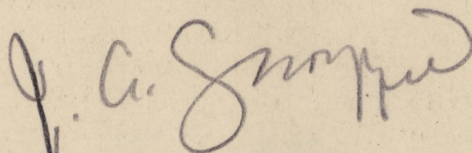
Our Artillery was directed on FERIN and on E. 26 Central, causing the enemy machine gun fire to slacken considerably. The enemy shelled intermittently with light field guns, the fire being very scattered. H.E. and Gas Shells were used. Owing to lack of bridging material it was impossible to cross the Canal.

At 1600 enemy resistance became much lighter and posts were pushed out to Factory in K. 3. c.

The Battalion was relieved at dusk by the 2nd Cdn. Inf. Bn. and moved back to ETERPIGNY.

Casualties:- Officers, Nil.

O.R.'s 10 Wounded, 2 Gassed.



Major,
Commanding,

16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "Canadian Scottish."

SECRET.

16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn.
"CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

Copy No.

OPERATION ORDER No. 53.

1. INTENTION. Acting under Orders from 3rd. Cdn. Inf. Bde the 16th. Battalion will continue the advance at 6 a.m. 12/10/18.
2. DISPOSITION. No. 3 Coy. on the right, and No. 2 on the left No. 1 in Support and No. 4 in Reserve.
3. NOTE. 2nd. Brigade will co-operate on our right. The 15th Battall on and 23rd Brigade on our left.
4. OBJECTIVE. Canal from K.3.c.8.8. to E.26.d.4.8. Bridge-heads will be established as opportunity offers. Battalion Headquarters will move to J.10.b.6.0. Battalion report Centre to J.12.a.9x5x 95.15. Cross Roads.
5. ZERO. 6 A.M.
6. DETAILS. Companies will make every endeavour to keep in touch with Battalion Headquarters. R.A.P. will move with Battalion Headquarters. If heavy enemy fire is met with from across the canal Companies will notify Battalion H.Q. so that Artillery Fire may be asked for.

(Signed.) W.C. Lowry.
Lieut. & A/Adjutant.

16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

O.O. No. 54.

12-10-18.

Under orders from 3rd. Cdn. Inf. Bde. the Battalion will be relieved by the 2nd. Cdn. Inf. Bn. tonight

1. DISPOSITION. "A" Company will relieve No. 1 Coy.
"B" No. 2 Coy.
"C" No. 3 Coy.
"D" No. 4 Coy.

3 GUIDES. 3 guides per Company will report to Battalion H.Q. at 5.30 p.m.

4 TRENCH STORES. All Bombs, Maps etc. will be handed over to the relieving Battalion and a receipt obtained.

5 LIMBERS. One per Coy. and one per H.Q. will be at Battalion H.Q. as soon after dark as possible.
Lewis Guns will be left at Battalion H.Q. One N.C.O. per Company to be left in charge.

6 RELIEF COMPLETE. On relief complete Coy. Commanders will report to Battalion Headquarters.

(Signed.) W.C. Lowry,
Lieut. & A/Adjt.

16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

OPERATION ORDER No. 55.

18-10-18.

Ref. Map. 51 A. NW. and 44 S.W. 1/20,000.

1. Under 3rd. Cdn. Inf. Bde. O.O. 288 the Batt'n will continue the advance leaving present Billets at 0700 hours Oct. 19th. 1918.
The Battalion will continue to advance until strong
2. opposition is encountered.

2 FORMATION. No. 1 Coy. Right Front.
No. 4 Coy. Left Front.
No. 2 Coy. Right Support.
No. 3 Coy. Left Support.
Each Company will advance in line of sections.
No. 1 & 4 Coys. with scouts well ahead.
~~300~~ Support Coys. 300 yards in rear of Front Coys.
One Platoon of Cyclists will move with Battalion Headquarters.

3 FLANKS. Left:- 1st Cdn. Inf. Bde.
Right:- 14th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. R.M.R.
Every endeavour must be made to maintain touch with these Units.

4 BATTAL ON HQ. will be located at H.15.c.5.1.

5 MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS. R.A.P. will be with Bn. H.Q.
Bn. H.Q. will move forward when situation permits.

6 EQUIPMENT. Bombs, Very Lights and Ground Flares will be drawn at Bn. H.Q. at 0530 a.m.

7 BOUNDARIES. As per attached Maps. All other details as arranged at Coy. Commanders Conference.

Signed. R.S. Robertson.
Captain and Asst. Adjutant,

16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "CANADIAN SCOTTISH."

Sheet 44.

Oct. 19th. 1918.

O.O. No. 56.

INTENTION. Under orders from 3rd. Cdn. Inf. Bde. the Bn. will assist in continuing the advance tomorrow Oct. 20th.

BOUNDARIES. Boundaries will conform roughly to today's boundaries. Produced in a N.Easterly direction. Exact Boundaries will be notified later.

OBJECTIVE. The Objective of tomorrow's operation will probably be the St. Amant - Raemes Raemes Road

METHOD OF ATTACK. The 15th. Bn. will pass through the 16th. Bn and continue the advance on the left Bn frontage. The Bn. will follow supporting the 15th. Bn within present boundaries and 800 yards in rear of support companies of 15th. Battalion. Companies will move in column of route within company boundaries. No. 2 & 3 Coys leading, and No. 1 & 4 following at 300 yards distance.

TIME. The advance will commence from present front line at 0900 hours.

BATTALION H.Q. Will move forward as situation permits.

LEWIS GUNS. Will be carried and cookers will move with Tpt.

(Signed) R.S. Robertson Capt.
Asst. Adjutant,

16th. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "Canadian Scottish."

OPERATION ORDER No. 57. Oct. 20th 1918.
Ref. Sheet 44 1/40,000.

ATTENTION. Acting under instructions from 3rd. C.I. Bde. the 16th. Bn. in conjunction with the 1st Cdn Inf Bde on the left and the 14th. Bn. R.M.E. on the right will continue the advance on Oct. 21st.

BOUNDARIES. As for today's operation.

METHOD OF ADVANCE. The 13th. and 15th. Bns. will push out strong patrols and establish themselves on the line ARREMBERG-GRANDBRAY ROAD. The 14th. and 16th. Bns. will then pass through the leading Bns. and establish themselves on the line VALENCIENNES - ST AMAND ROAD.

DISPOSITIONS. No. 3 Coy, Rt. Front Coy. No. 4 Coy Left Front Coy. No. 1 Coy. Support Coy. No. 2 Coy Res. Coy.

TIME. The 15th Bn advance will commence at 0900 hours. The 16th. Bn will stand to in present location ready to move off at 0900 hours but will not move until definite orders are received from Bn. H.Q.

L.G's will be carried and cooks will remain in present Billets.

It is understood that the advance will only be made if the opposition is slight. Heavy casualties are to be avoided.

(Signed.) R.S. Robertson.
Captain and Asst. Adjutant.

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OPERATION ORDER No. 58.

Oct. 22nd. 1918.

1. UNDER ORDERS FROM 3RD. C.I. Bde. the Battalion will be relieved on the morning of 2nd. Oct. 1918. by 43rd. Cdn. Inf. Bn. "Cameron Highlanders of Canada".
2. MOVE. The Battalion will move to SOMAIN via MALMAISON, WALLERS HELLESMEES HORNAINING ERRE.
3. PARADE. The Battalion will parade in front of present billet ready to move off at 1230 hours.
4. ORDER OF MARCH. H.Q., Nos. 1, 2, 3, & 4 coys.
5. DRESS. Battle Order. Greatcoats & und haversacks. If wet, groundsheets will be worn.
Company Pipers and drummers will meet Companies on eastern outskirts of Wallers.
6. L.G. LIMBERS. Will report to Coys. before 11 hours.
L.G. Limbers and Cokers will move by separate convoy.
7. BILLETING PARTY. Part has been detailed from Rear Details/
Guides will meet coys on HORNAINING - SOMAIN ROAD on outskirts of SOMAIN.
8. MAPS ETC. Will be retained by Coys.
9. ARRIVAL. In billets at Somain will be reported to Battalion Headquarters by runner as soon as possible.
10. Particular attention will be paid to march discipline en route.

(Signed) R.S. Robertson,
Captain and Asst. Adjutant.

16th Edu. Inf. Bn. Canadian Sentinels
Operation Order No 59.

Ref. Valenciennes. 4/100000

Oct. 23 1918

Copy No.

- 1 Under orders from 3rd Edu. Inf. Brigade the Battalion will move by march Route to the SOMAIN AREA today 23-10-18
- 2 The Battalion will parade ready to move off at 13-30.
Half hour dress 13-00
Quarter. " 13-15.
- 3 Dress. Battle Order. Steel Helmets to be worn. Greatcoats to be rolled around haversacks. S. B. R. slung.
- 4 Order of March. No 1. 2. 3. 4 & HQ Coy.
- 5 L. G. Limbers to be packed by 12-30

6. All Officers kits & mess. Boxes to
be loaded by. 13.00.

7. Rear Party of 2. ORs per Coy will report
to Lieut L. E. Simpson at. 13.00.

8. Marching Out state to be in Bn. O.
Room. by. 12.30.

9. Boys will report to Bn. O. Room. on
arrival in new Area.

Copy. No. 1. O. G.

" No 2. 2nd i/c.

" No 3. CC. No. 1.

4. " " 2.

5. " " 3.

6. " " 4.

7. " Sigs

8. " Int.

9. R. S. M.

10. 3rd C. 9 B.

11. QM & TO.

12 & 14. WAR. DIARY

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OPERATION ORDER NO.49.

September 30th 1918.

Ref. Map 51 A. S.W.
SAILLY 1/20,000.

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- (1) As per instructions contained in 3rd, Cdn. Inf. Bde. O.O. No.278, the 16th Battalion will attack in conjunction with the 13th, 14th & 15th Battalions.
 - (2) Boundaries, Barrages and Assembly Positions as per C.O.'s Conference.
 - (3) The 13th Battalion's Objective will be East of the village of BLECOURT, including the village of SANDCOURT and BLECOURT.
 - (4) The 16th and 14th Battalions will attack, each on a one Company front, 16th. Battalion on the right, 14th Battalion on the left.
The 16th Battalion will attack in the following order:-
No.4 Company leading, No.3 Company Local Support, No.2 Coy. Support. No.1 Company Reserve.
 - (5) The 16th Battalion will capture CUVILLERS and make good the high ground in S.6 and M.36, joining up with the 14th Cdn. Inf. Battalion on the left and the 4th Canadian Division on the right.
 - (6) Watches will be synchronized.
 - (7) Zero Hour:- 5.00 a.m. October 1st 1918.
 - (8) Acknowledge.

(Signed) R.O. Kerans,

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Narrative of Action at CUVILLERS, October 1st 1918.

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The Brigade was disposed in depth as follows:-
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- II. ASSEMBLY. Our Assembly Position was in shell holes west of DOUAI-CAMBRAI ROAD.
The 16th Battalion attacked with one Company leading two Companies in Close Support and one Company in Reserve. The attacking Company went over in waves, the Support and Reserve Companies advancing in Artillery Formation.
The Assembly was carried out with no interference from the enemy, but under very wet weather conditions.

- III. ZERO. All was in readiness for Zero Hour:- 5 a.m.

- IV. BARRAGE. Our barrage opened up on time and nothing falling short. Enemy barrage was very light and we suffered very few casualties in kicking off.

- V. ACTION. The advance proceeded steadily, the only opposition coming from machine-gun nests and CUVILLERS was entered by our Troops at 7.45 a.m. We consolidated a line through S.5. a & c and pushed out outposts to the high ground S.5 Central. Shortly afterwards our outpost line was heavily attacked and was forced to withdraw to our main line of resistance in S.5.a & c.

The Division on our right had not kept touch with us so we threw out a defensive flank. We failed to get in touch with the 14th. Battalion on our left and for this reason our left flank was completely in the air. We were just in the act of establishing a defensive flank on the left when we found that the enemy had got around behind us, coming from the direction of BANTIGNY.

We sent messages for reinforcements and ammunition but could not get any reply.

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VII. COMMUNICATION. Communication was only possible from front to rear by Runner, owing to heavy machine gun and shell fire.

VIII. IDENTIFICATIONS. Various Regiments were identified on our front.

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