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AUCHY-LES-HESSIN. Sat: Nov 11 th (cont)	also. cinema and Gymnasium which belong to the bottom Factory. Major G. M. Truman departed to command the 1 st Corps Cavalry Regt with rank of Temp Lt Col. Capt W R Styles departed to England with orders to report to Cavalry Section Machine Gun School UCKFIELD. 2 nd Lieuts DAVIDGE and PALMER went to England on leave.	
AUCHY-LES-HESSIN Sun: " 12 th 1916	The Dismounted Party returned. Remained in Billets.	
Mon: " 13 th "	Remained in Billets	
Tues: " 14 th "	Remained in Billets	
Wed: " 15 th "	Remained in Billets	
Thurs: " 16 th "	Fine, cold day. 2 nd Lt Frost returned from leave. Remained in Billets	
Fri: " 17 th "	Lt O'Rourke + 2 OR's went on leave. Reinforcements 3 chargers and 19 Riding horses joined	
Sat: " 18 th "	Capt's Charrington + DAVIDSON went on leave to Paris (SPECIAL LEAVE) Remained in Billets	
Sun: " 19 th "	General Greenly, C.M.G., D.S.O. cmdg. 2 nd GAR DIV came to lunch with the Colonel.	
	Extract from Times 15 th 16. LIEUT AP BODEN. awarded Military Cross	
	Extract " London Gazette 25 th 16. CAPT. H.C. MAYDOR. mentioned in despatches	
	KHARTOUM 8 th 16. Regt Cinema show opened. Remained in Billets.	
Mon: " 20 th "	Remained in Billets	
Tues: " 21 st "	Capt RICHARDSON and 3 OR's went on leave to England. Remained in Billets	
Wed: " 22 nd "	CO's inspection of "C" Sqn Hotchkiss gun sections at 11.0 AM. 8 men of RAMC arrived attached to Headquarters. 2 NISSEN HOTS armed for "C" Sqn. Remained in Billets.	
	Regt cinema gave a very successful show.	
Thurs: " 23 rd "	CO's inspection of "B" Sqn ^{HOTCHKISS GUN} sections at 10.0 AM. FODEN lorry arrived for disinfecting mens blankets. Remained in Billets	
Fri: " 24 th "	CO's inspection of "A" Sqn HOTCHKISS Gun sections at 10.0 AM. "A" and "B" Sqn's and HQ OR's blankets disinfected. 2 nd LT A S C BROWN and 2 OR's went on leave to England	
	Remained in Billets.	

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AUCHY-LES-HES DIN. Sat: Nov 25 th 1916	Gen Greenly, G.M.C., D.S.O. Cmag. 2 nd Cav. Div. came on a visit to the Regt. best horses inspected at WAIL. NCO's and men registered as skilled went to WAIL for Tests. 45 men of Pioneer Company inoculated. Remained in Billets.	[Signature]
Sun Nov 26 th 1916	Capt WYNHAM QUIN went on special leave to PARIS. Roman Catholics went to Church at St. GEORGE. Remained in Billets. Gave a Cinema show.	[Signature]
Mon: Nov 27 th 1916	11 NCO's went to DIV. GAS SCHOOL for two days course. Sgts Inelling + Gregory went to CADET. SCHOOL. Remained in Billets.	[Signature]
Tues Nov 28 th 1916	Capt Lister left to take over command of 4 th Corps school, with temp rank of Major. 2 nd Lieut Straker and 5 OR's went on leave to England. 'B' Pack Party rejoined Regt from GARNY. 7 men 10 Horses. Remained in BILLETs.	[Signature]
Wed Nov 29 th 1916	Capt CHARRINGTON and servant left for DUBLIN for Training at RES. REGT. 12 horses handed over to No 7 MVS for evacuation. Officers of Pioneer company went to DIV. GAS School (2 days course). Remained in Billets.	[Signature]
Thurs Nov 30 th	Lt Col Fene. went on leave to England. HOTELIER'S Sun TEAMS carried out. Training at Auchy + BLIVEL. Remained in Billets. 60 men inoculated.	[Signature]

[Signature] 2nd Lieut
for
Lt. Col.

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AUCHY-LESHESDIN Friday Dec 1 st	2/Lieut. C. V. H. Bartwright admitted to Hospital. Remained in Billets	CF
Saturday - 2 nd	Staff ride for Sqdn Leaders. 2/Lt McBean and 5 O.R. went on leave. Remained in Billets.	CF
Sunday - 3 rd	R.C.S. went to ST GEORGES for Church Service. Reinforcements 5 O.R.s 2 L.D. Horses. Capt Richardson came back from England.	CF
Monday - 4 th	Sqdn Staff rides Lt J. M. Brown M.C. departed to England on 3 mths leave to proceed to South-Africa	CF
Tuesday - 5 th	Sqdn Staff rides 'H' Pack Party rejoined	CF
Wednesday - 6 th	Sqdn Staff rides and Muster by Lt. D. N. Stewart-Jamie M.C. & 5 O.R. went on leave to England.	CF
Thursday - 7 th	Col J. F. Atherton C.B. came over to see the Regiment.	CF
Friday - 8 th	Capt G. B. Bryant D.S.O. attacked R.F.C. came over to see the Regiment	CF
Saturday - 9 th	Remained in Billets	CF
Sunday - 10 th	Church in the Cinema Hall. Remained in Billets	CF
Monday - 11 th	2/Lt John B. O'Gilvy & 5 O.R. went on leave. C.O. came back from leave. Remained in Billets	CF
Tuesday - 12 th	Reinforcements of 5 O.R. joined. Remained in Billets	CF
Wednesday - 13 th	GOC 5 th Cav. Bde inspected the horses of the Regt in watering order. Remained in Billets	CF
Thursday - 14 th	Young class of Signallers commenced training. Regimental Concert in the Cinema Hall at 7.0 pm.	CF
Friday - 15 th	Reinforcements 36 Riding Horses and 2 Chargers joined. 2/Lt J. McCreary and 5 O.R. went on leave. Regt's Concert in the Cinema Hall. General Greenley cmdg 2 nd Cav Divn attended.	CF
Saturday - 16 th	Regimental Scheme. Field Firing	CF
Sunday - 17 th	Col C. M. Fauman came over to see the Regiment	CF
Monday - 18 th	Col Lane D.S.O. went to Paris on leave	CF

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AUCHY-LES-HESDIN Tuesday Dec 19 th 1916	General Greenley Comdg 2 nd Cav Div went round H+B Sqns at Stables Remained in Billets	✓
Wednesday 20 th	Capt Knop and Capt Aldridge T.A.M.C. and 5 O.R.s went on leave. Remained in Billets	✓
Thursday 21 st	Remained in Billets	✓
Friday 22 nd	C.O. came back from Paris Regimental Boxing competition at 3pm some very fine fights and good attendance.	✓
Saturday 23 rd	Regimental Marching Order parade Finals of Boxing Tournament at 3pm.	✓
Sunday 24 th	Church Parade 9-30 AM. Regimental Cinema Show at 5 pm for children + civilians. Concert at 7-30 pm.	✓
Monday 25 th	Xmas Day C.O. went round dinners. Lt Bass + 5 O.R. went on leave via Calais as Boulogne closed. Col Truman and Capt Bryant D.S.O. came to spend Xmas with the Regiment	✓
Tuesday 26 th	Remained in Billets	✓
Wednesday 27 th	Regimental Marching Order parade. Lt O'Rourke went to GAUMARTIN on a 14 days Intelligence course.	✓
Thursday 28 th	G.O.C. 2 nd Cav Div inspected the saddlery of No 1 Troop B Sqdn and was well pleased. Remained in Billets.	✓
Friday 29 th	Capt Wyndham Quin and 5 O.R.s went on leave.	✓
Saturday 30	Capt Richardson and servant went to England to report to Cadet School Kildare. Despatch Runners Scheme.	✓
Sunday 31 st	Church Parade 10-45.	✓

Acuttane Lieut-Colonel
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1914 Auchy-les-Hesdin. Mon. Jan. 1st.	"A" Squadron Field Firing. "B" Squadron went to R.H.A. "C" Squadron Troop Rides. Afternoon holiday.	✓
" " " Tues. " 2nd.	11 Remounts arrived. "B" Squadron Field Firing. 2 Troops Marching Order.	✓
" " " Wed. " 3rd.	"C" Squadron Field Firing. 3 Troops Marching Order. S.Q.M.S. West, Commission; posted 14th Bn Hampshire Regiment. Sergt Kent, Commission 2/Lieut, 1st Bn Dublin Fusiliers.	✓
" " " Thurs. " 4th.	Hotchkiss Gun Teams, "A", "B", and "C" paraded at Auchy, 9-30 a.m. 1 Troop each Sqdn Marching Order.	✓
" " " Fri. " 5th.	Hotchkiss Gun Teams, Paraded. Col C. Fane., D.S.O., inspected billets of "C" Squadron, at BLINGEL. 2 Troops "C" Saddle inspection. Lieut Vass returned from leave.	✓
" " " Sat. " 6th.	Hd Qrs paraded in Marching Order for inspection by the C.O. Hd Qrs, and "A" Sqdn. (all ranks armed with a revolver) paraded mounted, for practice. A/S.S. Eatherly proceeded to Divnl School for duty.	✓
" " " Sun " 7th.	Lt General Kavanagh, C.V.O., C.B., D.S.O., Corps Cmdr Attended Regtl Church Parade. Regtl Football Team played match with 20th Hussars & lost 5-0.	✓
" " " Mon. " 8th.	"C" Squadron carried out Revolver practice, mounted. Lt-Col CM Truman, & Major Norton, came to lunch.	✓

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1917 Auchy-les-Hesdin. Tues. Jan. 9th.	"B" Squadron carried out Revolver Practice. L/Cpls Biggs, 1st & 2nd, and Pte Rayner, proceeded to England for Commissions. L/Cpl Clarke, 2nd Field Squadron, R.E. Attached for Duty.	CF
" " " Wed. " 10th.	2/Lieut Hammond and 6 O.Ranks went on leave to England. 4 O.Ranks, 8 Horses, 2 G.S. Wagons arrived from 4th Reserve Park. (Cav) Capt M.G.O'Connell rejoined from Hospl.	CF
" " " Thur. " 11th.	Horses of Regiment inspected by A.D.V.S. The Artists Rifles gave a very successful Concert in Cinema Hall, in aid of Prisoners of War Fund	CF
" " " Fri. " 12th.	All Officers and Seniors ^{N.C.O's} attended Staff Ride. Remained in Billets.	CF
" " " Sat. " 13th.	Col. C.Fane., D.S.O., gave lecture to 3rd Army School. Remained in Billets.	CF
" " " Sun. " 14th	1 Officer, 16 O.Ranks, and 10 Horses, reinforcements arrived from ROUEN. A and B Teams played Football in afternoon. 2/Lieut Freer, and 5 O.Ranks, went on leave to England.	CF
" " " Mon. " 15th.	"A" Squadron carried out Field Firing Scheme. C"O" Inspected "A" Squadron XXXXXXXX Bombers 2/Lieut Ford, and 4 N.C.O's attended Divnl Gas School for instruction.	CF
" " " Tues. " 16th.	"C" Squadron carried out Field Firing Scheme. Inspection of Bombers, 2-30 p.m. L/Sergt Stagg left for Cadet School. BLENDÉCQUES.	CF

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1917. Auchy-les-Hesdin. Jan. 17th. Wed.	Billeting Party left for training area, RECLINGHEM. Snowing very heavily. Field General Court ^{Medals} assembled to try Sergt Mumford. Remained in Billet.	07
" " " " 18th. Thur.	Snow still laying. Very Cold. The Regiment was under orders to move on to training area near RECLINGHEM, but parade cancelled owing to heavy fall of Snow. 2/Lieut McIlwaine and 6 O.Ranks went to England on Leave. Capt Yeatherd, Lieuts Rawnsley, and Williams returned from Divisional School.	07
" " " " 19th. Fri.	Snow still laying. Unable to get off roads for work. Medals and Awards. Major (T/Lieut Colonel) C.M. Truman, awarded D.S.Q. 4556 FQMS Wyville, awarded Meritorious Service Medal. (London Gazette, dated 1/1/17. London Gazette Extracts. Capt C.H.G. Black.) Mentioned in " G.B. Oliphant.) Despatches. D/ Bvt. Col. T.J. Atherton.) 13/11/16 Major. (T/Lt-Col.) Truman.) London Gazette. Lieut. (T/Major) H.A. Wernher.) d/ 4/1/17.	07
" " " " 20th Sat.	A.D.M.S. inspected the Sanitary arrangements of Regiment. Snow still laying, and very cold. Remained in Billets.	07
" " " " 21st Sun.	Snow still laying and very cold. Roads very slippery. Regiment attended Divine Service in Cinema Hall. "A" & "B" Teams played football in the afternoon. Remained in Billets.	07

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Auchy-Les-Hesdin. ¹⁹¹⁷ 22nd Jan. Mon.	"A" & "C" Squadrons carried out Bombing practice with live bombs. 12 N.CO's and Men proceeded to WAIL to pass Tradesmens Test. Capt Maydon & 5 O.Ranks went on leave to England.	JF
" " " 23rd. " Tues.	Weather still very severe and snow still laying. "A" Squadron carried out a despatch runners scheme, but roads very slippery and pace slow. "B" Squadron carried out Bombing Practice with live bombs. Brigade Boxing Competition between 5th & 3rd Brigades, at Auchy-les-Hesdin. 3rd Brigade won with 5 fights to 2.	JF
" " " 24th " Wed.	Frost still very severe, roads slippery. C.O. inspected all packs/ saddles of the Regiment. Remained in Billets.	JF
" " " 25th " Thur.	C.O. inspected Regimental, and Young Class of Signallers. Still very cold and frosty. Remained in Billets.	JF
" " " 26th " Fri.	Still very cold and frosty. Roads bad. Lieut C.C.L. Williams and 5 O.Ranks went on leave to England. "A" & "C" Squadrons carried out Bombing "stunt" with live bombs. Remained in Billets.	JF
" " " 27th " Sat.	Brigadier inspected all Hotchkiss Gun Teams. Still very cold and snow still lying. Hd Qrs Football Team won against "B" Squadron, 2-0 Remained in Billets.	JF

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Auchy-les-Headin. Jan. 28th. Sun.	Church Service was taken by Capt E.A. Aldridge. English Leave stopped until further orders, owing to congestion of French Railways. Pte Whatoff, & Pte Armstrong rejoined from ROUEN.	J
" " " "	29th. Mon. Advance party 4 Officers and 81 O. Ranks proceeded to new area to prepare billets. Still very severe frosts. Remained in Billets.	J
" " " "	30th Tues. "A" Squadron carried out revolver shooting. "B" Staff Rides, and "C" Inspections. C.O. & Adjutant visited new area. Found Billets very good. Stabling good. Remained in Billets.	J
" " " "	31st Wed. Heavy fall of Snow. Difficult to get horses out Still Snowing.	J

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<p>¹⁹¹⁷ Auchy les Hesdin Thurs. 1st Feb.</p>	<p>Snow still lying. Weather very severe. C.O. inspected I ixap troop of "C" Squadron. "C" Squadron ordered to move into new billets at Grigny. Stabling Good. A great improvement on their old billets at BLINGLE.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OF</p>
<p>" Fri. 2nd Feb.</p>	<p>Snow still lying. Frost very severe. Major Maydon and Lieut Mailwaine returned from Leave. C.O. inspected all Bombers. Remained in Billets.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OF</p>
<p>" Sat. 3rd Feb.</p>	<p>Inspection of Young Hotchkiss Gunners by C.O. Still very severe frosts. Football. Headquarters played A.V.C. winning by 5 goals to nil.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OF</p>
<p>" Sun. 4th Feb.</p>	<p>Divine Service 10 a.m. in the Cinema Hall. Lt Col Fame and 4 O.Ranks went on leave to England. Lt Col Truman paid regiment a visit, and stayed to lunch. Football. Headquarters played R.A.M.C. and lost by 1 goal to nil. "C" Squadron moved into their new billets at GRIGNY.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OF</p>
<p>" Mon. 5th Feb.</p>	<p>Snowing very heavily. Unable to get out for work with Horses. Remained in Billets.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OF</p>
<p>" Tues. 6th Feb.</p>	<p>Staff Ride for all Officers and Senior N.C.O's under Capt. M.L. Yeatherd. Lecture at 12-15 p.m. in Cinema Hall on work done during morning. Roads very slippery and still freezing very hard.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OF</p>
<p>" Wed. 7th Feb.</p>	<p>"A" Squadron had a competition of Hotchkiss Gun Teams, coming into action. firing gun, changing barrel, and giving fire orders, Nos 1 and 4 Teams being well in front. "B" Squadron practice in revolver shooting, mounted. Medical Inspection of "A" Squadron.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OF</p>

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Auchy les Hesdin. Thurs. 8th Feb.	"A" Squadron carried out Staff Ride with all Officers Hotchkiss Gun practice. Divisional Commander attended and was very pleased with what he saw. "B" Squadron Troop Leaders and Sergeants, under Capt. M. L. Yeatherd for Tactical Ride. "C" Squadron preparing Billets at Grigny.	— 07
" " Fri. 9th Feb.	"A" Squadron carried out a bombing "stunt" with live bombs "B" Squadron held a Hotchkiss Gun Competition, No 4 Troop winning by 2 points. "C" Squadron paraded for Baths. English Leave cancelled until further orders.	— 07
" " Sat. 10th Feb.	"C" Squadron Staff Ride for all Officers and Senior N.C.O's. "B" Squadron under Squadron Leader. "A" Squadron Baths. Football. Headquarters played the Regimental Team in afternoon. Result Headquarters lost by 1 goal to nil. Pte Young went to ST POL to spar with Sergt Instructor "Billy" Wells. S.S. Cooper and L/Cpl Bailey also went to fight in the Open Competition, weight 9st 7lbs. Cooper won the Cup, L/Cpl Bailey, Runner Up.	— 07
" " Sun. 11th Feb.	Church for R.C's at AUCHY. Remained in Billets.	
" " Mon. 12th Feb.	Pioneer Company paraded in Marching Order, at AUCHY-Les HESDIN. 2/Lieut A.S.C. Browne, admitted to Hospital. Headquarters and "C" Squadron played Football in the Afternoon, "C" Squadron winning by 4 goals to 1.	— 07
" " Tues. 13th Feb.	"B" Squadron carried out a Despatch Riding Scheme. "A" Squadron Officers, Senior N.C.O's and Hotchkiss Gun Corps Staff Ride under C.O. Football Competition. Hd Qrs, v B. Win for Hd Qrs. 3-2 A v C. Win for A. Squadron. 4-0.	— 07

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Auchy Les Hesdin. Wed. 14th. Feb.	"C" Squadron carried out Despatch Riding Scheme. Hotchkiss Gun Teams of "A" and "B" Squadrons paraded under Lieut McIlwaine. Football. "A" v "B" Squadrons. Win for WA". 5-0	OT
" Thurs. 15th Feb.	Pioneer Company. 259 strong paraded for G.O.C's inspection 10. a.m. Afternoon Football Competition. "A" won the Competition with 17 goals. Remained in Billets.	OT
" Fri. 16th Feb.	Inspection of Saddlery. Saddlery of the Pioneer Company Stored. Transport of the "Greys" and 20th Hussars arrived and billeted for the night, Remained in Billets.	OT
" Sat. 17th Feb.	Pioneer Company postponed for 48 hours on account of roads. Remained in Billets.	OT
" Sun. 18th Feb.	R.C's attended Church at AUCHY, 9-0. a.m. Remained in Billets.	OT
" Mon. 19th Feb.	C.O. inspected all Horses of the Regiment for Clipping. Remained in Billets.	OT
" Tues. 20th. Feb.	"A" "B" and "C" Squadrons, carried out Staff Rides. The Pioneer Company was again Postponed for an indefinite period. 2/Lieut Smith, 12th Royal Lancers, Temp Capt. Rhodesian Horse, awarded Military Cross.	OT
" Wed. 21st Feb.	"A" Squadron carried out Staff Rides for Officers and Senior N.C.O's, under the Squadron Leader.	OT
" Thurs. 22nd Feb.	"B" Squadron Hotchkiss Gun Teams, carried out Range Practice Schemes. Remainder Troop Staff Rides. Afternoon "A" Squadron dug Strong Point. Regimental School of Instruction commenced under Capt. P.G. Davidson.	OT

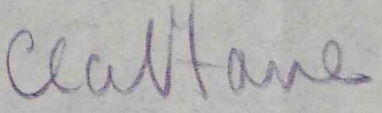
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Auchy Les Hesdin.		
Fri. 23rd Feb.	Pioneer Company cancelled from going. Squadrons dug strong points. L/Cpl Simpson departed to England for Commission.	✓
" Sat. 24th. Feb.	Remained in Billets. Lieuts. Bennett, Mylrea, and Gould joined the Regiment. 15 O'Ranks armed	✓
" Sun. 25th, Feb.	R.C.s attended Church at AUCHY. Remained in Billets.	✓
" Mon. 26th. Feb.	"A" and "B" Squadrons paraded under Squadron Leaders. "C" Squadron Hotchkiss Gunners, paraded for Range Practice. N.C.O's Course under Capt. P.G. Davidson.	✓
" Tues. 27th. Feb.	"A" and "C" Squadrons Staff Rides, under Squadron arrangements. "B" Squadron Baths. Colonel lectured to Subalterns Officers and Sergt Eardley also lectured on Map Reading. N.C.O's Class under Capt Davidson, Divisional Boxing Competition in the afternoon. General Greenly C.M.G., D.S.O. lunched at Headquarters. Lt Col Reynolds also visited the Regiment.	✓
" Wed. 28th. Feb.	"A" and "B" Squadrons Staff Rides under Squadron Leaders. N.C.O's Class under Capt P.G. Davidson, Capt. R.S.W.R. Wyndham Quin. Lecture in the afternoon by Lieut G.W. Freer and Capt Aldridge. Squadrons dug strong points.	✓
<p>Look Subalterns for Staff Ride</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">  Lieut Colonel. Commanding 12th Royal Lancers. </p>	

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MARCH. 1917. AUCHY-LES-BESDIN. Thurs 1st.	Hotchkiss Gunners paraded under Lieut.G.W. MacIlwaine. Capt.H.V.S.Charrington.M.C. re-joined from Command.Lectures by Capt.M.L. Yeatherd, and Lieut.C.C.L.Williams.	HCh
" " " Fri. 2nd.	"A" Squadron Despatch Riders Scheme under Squadron Leader. Hotchkiss Guns paraded under Lieut.G.W.MacIlwaine.New N.C.O's School commenced under Capt.R.S.W.R.Wyndham Quin.	HCh
" " " Sat. 3rd.	Exercise under Squadron Leaders.Subalterns under Capt.P.G.Davidson,Capt.E.A.Aldridge R.A.M.C. lectured to N.C.O's at 2-30.p.m. All teams H.Gunners under Lieut.G.W.Mac-	HCh
" " " Sun. 4th.	Ilwaine for Field Firing Scheme. The Pioneer Coy departed to SAVY.82 men per Squadron. Remainder Exercise under Squadron Leaders.R.C's Church at 9-30.a.m.at Local Churches. N.C.O's returned from Divisional School.	HCh
" " " Mon. 5th.	N.C.O's under Capt.R.S.W.R.Wyndham Quin. Adjutant R.E.School came and lectured to N.C.O's Class on Demolitions,Officers attended	HCh
" " " Tues. 6th.	Selected N.C.O's went out under Captain.R.E. W.R.Wyndham Quin. 2nd Lieut.R.Straker lectured at 2-30.p.m. Capt.P.G.Davidson at 4.p.m. Major.H.C.Maydon,Lt.M.H.O Rorke, 2nd Lieut.W.Vass returned from Divisional School.	HCh
" " " Weds. 7th.	N.C.O's under Capt.Wyndham Quin.G.O.C. Brigade inspected men and horses of "C" Squadron and attended a Lecture on"Strong Points" to all Officers "A","B" Squadrons given by Major.H.C.Maydon.Lecture by F.Q.MS Wyvill and Sergt Eardley.	HCh

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MARCH. 1917. 2nd Sheet.Cont. Thurs. 8th.	N.C.O's under Capt.Wyndham Quin. Squadron exercise. Heavy fall of snow.Remained in Billets.	HClm
Auchy-Les-Hesdin.Fri. 9th.	N.C.O's under Major.H.C.Maydon.Lecture in afternoon by R.S.M. W.Lockyer and Sergt Eardley. REMAINER Remained in Billets.	HClm
" " " Sat. 10th.	Lieut.M.H.O'Rorke. went to Divisional School as Instructor to N.C.O's. N.C.O's Class under Major.H.C.Maydon. Remained in Billets.	HClm
" " " Sun. 11th.	Capt.H.V.S.Charrington.M.C., 2nd Lieut.Hon.B. A.A.Ogilvy and 2nd Lieut A.A.McBean and 3 Sergts went to 4th Course at 2nd Cavalry Divisional School.Regtl Football Team played "J" Battery R.H.A. in Divisional Football Cup at LIGESCOURT.result Draw = 2-2. Cinema Show in evening.	HClm
" " " Mon. 12th.	N.C.O's Staff Ride,lectures by Major.Maydon Sergt Eardley. Remained in Billets.	HClm
" " " Tues. 13th.	Selected N.C.O's Class under Major.H.C.Maydon. Lectures by MAJOREXXXXXXXXXXXX Capt.P.G. Davidson and 2nd Lieut.W.Vass.Hotchkiss Gun Teams under Lieut.G.W.MacIlwaine.Inspection of Explosives Pack by C.O. Two O.Ranks proceeded to REMER BOULOGNE for a Course in Pigeon Flying.	HClm
" " " Wed. 14th.	Selected N.C.O's Class under Major.H.C.Maydon. Lectures by F.Q.M.S.Wyvill.Conference by Brigadier,of C.O. 2nd in Command,Adjutant, Signalling Officer and all Squadron Leaders at Auchy. Regtl Football Team played "J" Battery R.H.A. in Divisional Cup.A win for the Regtl Team by 4 goals to 1. Remained in Billets.	HClm

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MARCH. 1917. 3rd Sheet. Cont. Thurs. 15th.	Selected N.C.O's under Major H.C. Maydon. Pioneer Coy returned from SAVY.	HClm
AUCHY-LES-HESDIN. Fri. 16th.	Squadrons Paraded under Squadron Leaders. Remained in Billets.	HClm
" " " Sat. 17th.	2nd Lieut. R. Straker proceeded to No. 35 Flying Squadron for a three days instruction in Signalling. Inspection of Saddlery by C.O. Regtl Football Team went to QUEND to play 3rd Hussars in Divisional Cup. A win for the Regtl Team by 5 goals to 3.	HClm
" " " Sun. 18th.	Staff Ride for all Officers and Troop Sergts under C.O. Lt. Col. A. Reynolds visited the Regiment.	HClm
" " " Mon. 19th.	Staff Ride. Remained in Billets.	HClm
" " " Tues. 20th.	Staff Ride "A" Squadron. Very windy and wet.	HClm
" " " Wed. 21st.	Staff Ride on Wood-fighting under Major H.C. Maydon. Regtl Football Team played the Supply Column and won 5 goals to 1. We now play the 20th Hussars in the Final for the Divisional Cup.	HClm
" " " Thurs. 22nd.	Snowing very heavily. New Pack Saddlery arrived for Hotchkiss Guns.	HClm
" " " Fri. 23rd.	Carried out Scheme with aeroplanes, very successful. Machine found Posts and dropped sketch at Regtl Headquarters. New Hotchkiss Pack Saddlery arrived.	HClm
" " " Sat. 24th.	Lieut. M. H. O'Rorke and N.C.O's returned from Divisional School. Remained in billets.	HClm
" " " Sun. 25th.	Remained in billets.	HClm
" " " Mon. 26th.	Staff Ride for "A" and "C" Squadrons. Very difficult owing to crops.	HClm
" " " Tues. 27th.	Regiment Paraded in Marching Order at 10 a.m. and did 1 hour's Regtl Drill at ROLLENCOURT.	HClm

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MARCH 1917.		
4th Sheet. Cont. Tues. 27th.	All wagons of "A" & "B" Echelon, Dismounted Party and 1st Reinforcements Paraded at 3.P.m. for inspection by C.O.	HCh
AUCHY-LES-HESDIN. Wed. 28th.	Squadrons went out under Squadron Leaders. The Final for the Divisional Football Cup 12th Lancers V 20th Hussars, near PT. PREUX, result. The Regtl Team won by 3 goals to 2, after a very exciting match. The Cup and Medals were Presented by the General. C.T. McM. Kavanagh. C.V.O., C.B., D.S.O. the Corps Commander.	HCh
" " " Thurs. 29th.	Scheme with aeroplanes cancelled owing to weather, very wet and windy. Remained in billets.	HCh
" " " Fri. 30th.	Regiment Paraded for wood fight, but weather too bad. Snow and rain, very cold.	HCh
" " " Sat. 31st.	Lieut. M.H. O'Rourke admitted to Hospital. Divisional Gas Officer tested all Box Respirators issued to Regiment.	HCh
	<p style="text-align: center;">HChaydon Major, Commanding 12th Royal Lancers.</p>	

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<p>1917. AUCHY-LES-HESDIN. 1st April. 1917.</p>	<p>Conference of all Officers on Strong Points at "C" Squadron. Lts Boden and Brand came over from the Division to lunch. Cinema Show in evening. 51 Riding, and 2 L.D. Horses joined on 30th inst.</p>	<p>JA</p>
<p>2nd " "</p>	<p>Divisional Staff Ride. C.O.'s Competition in Digging Strong Points was won by "B" Squadron.</p>	<p>JA JA</p>
<p>3rd. " "</p>	<p>Heavy fall of snow, unable to carry out Route March. Regiment paraded in Marching Order for inspection by O.C. Dismounted Party left under Capt. C.C. Lister for the Forward Area, 2 men, 4 Chargers arrived for Regiment.</p>	<p>JA</p>
<p>4th. " "</p>	<p>Regiment marched from AUCH-LES-HESDIN to REMAISNIL. Horses picketed in field, very bad billets.</p>	<p>JA</p>
<p>REMAISNIL. 6th April. 1917.</p>	<p>All arrangements cancelled for 24 hours. Remained at REMAISNIL. Very wet afternoon, horses and men very miserable.</p>	<p>JA</p>
<p>" 7th " "</p>	<p>Brigade March into Area and joined up with Regiment. Remained at REMAISNIL. Capt. Charrington took over Command of the Regiment.</p>	<p>JA</p>
<p>" 8th " "</p>	<p>Easter Sunday, very bright day. Received orders to march to GRINCOURT, arrived about 7.p.m. All men were billeted in huts, and nearly all horses under cover. Orders to stand to at $\frac{1}{2}$ hours notice. Very wet and cold night.</p>	<p>JA</p>
<p>GRINCOURT. 9th. " "</p>	<p>Very wet and windy. Received sudden orders to turn out at once. The Squadrons turned out in a very remarkable short time, in very trying weather. Regt marched in rear of Brigade, being Reserve Regt, arrived at ARRAS about 4-30.p.m. where we heard the Infantry attack had been a great success. Regt proceeded straight up the Cavalry Track and joined up with the Division on Telegraph Hill, owing to Infantry being held up at FEUCHY LA CHAPEL we retired to WAILLY</p>	

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WAILLY. 10th April.1917.	<p>arriving about 3-30.a.m. after a very trying march owing to congestion of traffic on roads. All men and horses slept in open field woke up covered in snow. Remained in camp till 12-30.p.m. when we were turned out at a moments notice and marched straight to Telegraph Hill after a short halt we moved forward through TILLOY over the hill to WANCOURT, coming under a light German barrage, very few casualties as a heavy snow storm was hindering any observation by Germans. The Brigade formed up immediately in front of the old German third line which our infantry had captured that morning, and were then occupying with a few small posts in front. The Germans were still holding WANCOURT MONCHY, so that we could not go forward, about 6.p.m. the snow cleared off and we were spotted by the Germans who shelled us for about a $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. Casualties 1 Officer, 12 Men wounded, 2 killed, and about 20 to 30 horses. We remained in this position all night, the enemy shelling us at intervals the whole time night. It was a bitter cold night, snow on ground, every man stood to his horse the whole night.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">A</p>
11th April.1917.	<p>Directly daylight broke the Germans opened heavy Artillery fire which continued until we were withdrawn about 2 hours later, it was impossible to move as we were under direct observation. The conduct of the men was splendid, no trace of unsteadiness, although casualties were occurring, every minute, losing in all 1 Officer (Capt M.L. Yeatherd killed, 1 dangerously wounded, 4 wounded. Lt. D.N. Stewart-Savile, M.C. Lt. F.F.F. Spicer, M.H. O'Rorke, 2nd Lieut. Vass, W. R.L. McCreery., 36 O.Ranks, killed and wounded. The Divisional Commander told the C.O. on our return</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">A</p>

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WAILLY. 12th April. 1917.	<p>that the conduct of the Regt was magnificent and that the fact of their remaining in position behind the Infantry who at the time had no supports undoubtedly caused that part of the line to stand xxxxxxx fast at a very critical moment, as the Germans had sent up re-inforcements during the night, and were counter-attacking strongly. We spent about 2 hours at TILLOY and from there to Telegraph Hill where we remained until about 4.p.m., we then marched back to WAILLY in a very heavy snow storm, and stayed the night.</p>	JF
GRINCOURT. 13th April.	<p>Still very cold, 8 horses died during night from exposure, received orders to march back to GRINCOURT starting off with 49 dismounted men, arrived about xxxxxx 6-30.p.m., getting nearly all our horses under cover. "B" Echelon in charge of Major. H.C. Maydon joined in here.</p> <p>40 Riding horses joined from Remount Depot PAS. Remained in camp. Spent the day in fixing up horses and men. The Divisional Commander and Brigadier sent the following letter :- "I wish to express to you and all ranks of your Command my admiration of the behaviour of the 5th Cavalry Brigade yesterday and today under most trying conditions. Your support to the Infantry was of great value to the general situation at a time which without you might at any moment have become critical in event of counter-attack". The Brigadier while deeply regretting the losses sustained by the Brigade wishes to place on record his keen appreciation of the fine soldierly conduct and high standard of discipline displayed throughout by all Officers, N.C.O's and Men.</p>	JF JF

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GRINCOURT. 14th April.	G.O.C. 2nd Cavalry Division visited camp. Medical Officer inspected all Mens feet. Remained in camp.	CF
" 15th "	Very wet day, church service cancelled owing to Corps Commander visiting the Regt. 83 Remounts arrived, and 24 men from Digging Party arrived from PAS. Remained in camp.	CF
" 16th. "	Very wet and cold, camp a quagmire. 22 Remounts arrived from FREVENT. Remained in camp. 2nd Lt. A.A. McBean went to forward area to salve kit etc.	CF
" 17th. "	Still raining and very cold. Lt. McBean returned from forward Area with saddlery, lances, etc. having buried Capt. M.L. Yeatherd, L/Cpl. Pfeiffer, Cpl. Williams, Pte. Walker Pte, Pipkin, Pte. Davis near WANCOURT. N. 10. Sheet 51 b 1st Edition.	CF
" 18th. "	Remained in Camp. Very wet and cold. Regiment paraded in Marching Order to check deficiencies. 20 men arrived from Dismounted Party.	CF
" 19th. "	Remained in camp.	CF
" 20th. "	The Regiment marched to new area vis DOULLENS, to WAVANS. BEALCOURT. NOEUX. BEAUVOIR RIVIERE, BEAUVOIR CHATEAU. Very good billets, plenty of stabling and cover for men. H.Q. billeted in the CHATEAU on main road. "A" Squadron at NOEUX. "B" Squadron at BEAUVOIR RIVIERE, and BEALCOURT. "C" Squadron at WAVANS, all Squadrons very pleased with billets.	CF
BEAUVOIR CHATEAU. 21st "	Weather very bright and warm, everyone cleaning up billets and getting settled in. All Dismounted party rejoined from FREVENT under Capt. C.C. Lister. 11 Riding Horses, 2 L.D. Horses joined from FREVENT. Remained in billets.	CF

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1917. BEAUVOIR CHATEAU. 22nd April.	Very bright and warm, everyone busy cleaning up. Remained in billets.	JF
" " 23rd. "	All remounts were out for training, remainder exercise and grazing. General cleaning up of billets in the afternoon.	JF
" " 24th. "	All remounts out training, remainder exercise and grazing, great improvement in all horses. Remained in billets.	JF
" " 25th. "	Hotchkiss Gun teams, training young hands to make up casualties. Remounts training. Remainder exercise and grazing. Remained in billets.	JF
" " 26th. "	Baths allotted to "A" Squadron 9.a.m. to 12.Noon. "C" Squadron 2.p.m. till 4-30.p.m. Baths situated at FROHEN PETIT. Very clean, men enjoyed it very much. 2nd Lt. W.E. Ford went on special leave to England. Remained in billets.	JF
" " 27th. "	Remounts out training. Remainder exercise and grazing. Musketry in afternoon. Remained in billets.	JF
" " 28th. "	G.O.C. Inspected Regt at work and in billets, everything very satisfactory. 49 N.C.O's and men and 14 horses arrived from Base depot.	JF
" " 29th. "	Remained in billets. Regiment attended Church Parade in the Orchard near BEAUVOIR CHATEAU. The Divisional Commander attended this parade and remarked on the smart appearance of the Regiment. Lt. Col. C. Fane. C.M.G.,	JF
" " 30th. "	D.S.O. rejoined from sick leave. G.O.C. 2nd Cavalry Division inspected the Regt at work and in billets and was very pleased with what he saw. Remained in billets.	JF
Commanding	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>C. Fane</i> 12th Royal Lieut. Col, Lancers.</p>	

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BEAUVOIR CHATEAU 1/5/17.	Remount training and grazing. Hotchkiss Gun Teams training under Squadron Hotchkiss Gun Officers. Musketry for all ranks in the afternoon.	CF
" " 2/5/17.	Signallers working in conjunction with Kite Balloon. Lt. W. Vass awarded MILITARY CROSS by Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief. Major H. C. Maydon awarded the Order of the NILE 4th Class. The D.D.R. inspected horses for Casting, 53 being Cast in all, mostly for old age and worn out.	CF
" " 3/5/17.	Remainder out grazing. Musketry in afternoon. "A" Squadron ordered to move billets from NOEUX to BEALCOURT. "B" Squadron baths 9.a.m. to 1.p.m.	CF
" " 4/5/17.	"C" Squadron grazing and working in conjunction with aeroplane and signallers, very good results. Captain. C. C. LISTER proceeded to England, exchanged with Capt. J. A. Purdey 21st Lancers. Remounts out training, remainder exercise and grazing, musketry in afternoon.	CF
" " 5/5/17.	Remount training, Hotchkiss Guns and Musketry. Remained in billets.	CF
" " 6/5/17.	R.C.'s attended WAVAN Church. Lt. M. H. O'RORKE, 2nd Lt. LAMB. 2nd Lt. C. K. Olney rejoined from the BASE. Depot. 43 Horses evacuated (Remount cases).	CF
" " 7/5/17.	Signalling scheme in conjunction with aeroplanes at 10.a.m. Hotchkiss Gun Teams firing on range. Musketry in afternoon. Capt. J. A. PURDEY arrived from England having exchanged from 21st Lancers with Capt. C. C. LISTER. 12 Horses evacuated (Veterinary cases).	CF
" " 8/5/17.	Very wet. Exercise. Musketry in afternoon.	CF
" " 9/5/17.	Remount training. Exercise and grazing. Afternoon Musketry. Capt. R. S. W. R. WYNDHAM QUIN went to PARIS on leave.	CF

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BEAUVOIR CHATEAU. 10/5/17.	Baths for all three Squadrons. Scheme with flags and flares. Aeroplane forced to land owing to engine trouble, did not get away till late at night. Two chargers arrived, 1 for 2nd Lt. W.E. FORD, and 1 for 2nd Lieut. J.W. BENNETT.	07
" " 11/5/17.	Dismounted party left for WAMIN 171 strong, including Capt. J.A. PURDEY, 2nd Lts. SCOTT, ANGUS, OLNEY, BENNETT, . Regimental Dump opened at BEAUVOIR CHATEAU. All spare kit dumped, and every one packed up ready to move billets tomorrow.	07
" " 12/5/17.	Regiment marched to BERTEAUCOURT via HEUZECOURT - BERNAVILLE - LANCHES - DOMART. Left WAVANS 9.a.m. and arrived BERTEAUCOURT 12-30.p.m. mid-day. Horses and men very fit, and all comfortable. Weather quite hot. 2nd Lt. H.A. LAMB admitted to Hospital with fever.	07
BERTEAUCOURT. 13/5/17.	The Regiment paraded at 8-45a.m. and marched to QUERRIEU via FLESSELLES - VILLERS BOGAGE - RAINNEVILLE arrived at QUERRIEU at 1-15.p.m. all men and horses camped in meadow near river. Very warm all the men enjoyed a swim in the afternoon.	07
QUERRIEU. 14/5/17.	The Regiment marched to SUSANNE via CORBIE - BRAY - SUZANNE and camped near VAUX. Men were in huts.	07
VAUX. 15/5/17.	The Regiment marched to TINCOURT via HERBECOURT - BIACHES - PERONNE - DOINGT, arriving at TINCOURT about 11-30.a.m. watered and went on to HAMEL where we picketed down horses and was allotted a sector of HAMEL for billets. Not very clean, most men preferred to sleep in the field in shelters.	07

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HAMEL. 16/5/17.	Received orders to find 100 men per Squadron Dismounted to take over a sector of front line with Major.H.C.MAYDON in charge.Remained in billets very wet, but not cold.Capt.H.V.S. CHARRINGTON,M.C. went on PARIS leave.	JF
" 17/5/17.	Very wet,Dismounted party went into the Reserve Line under Major.H.C.MAYDON,taking over from the Carabineers.Total number going in:- 13 Officers. 325 O.Ranks.	JF
" 18/5/17.	3 O.Ranks went on leave to England.Remained in camp.Very short of men in horse lines, 1 man to 3 and 4 horses.	JF
" 19/5/17.	Capt.J.A.PURDEY went up to relieve 2nd Lt. R.STRAKER,who was required to train signallers. Remained in camp.	JF
" 20/5/17.	One man went on leave to England.Very quiet in the line. Horses out grazing all day.	JF
" 21/5/17.	Capt.H.B.KNOP. Lieut.W.VASS,M.C. and 2 O.Ranks went on leave to England.Very quiet in the line.Small raid of Q.O.O.H. failed.Two valuable prisoners captured;Veterinary Officer inspected "A" Squadron and H.Q.horses.	JF
" 22/5/17.	Very wet,horses unable to graze,and Veterinary Officer cancelled his inspection. Quiet day in the line.	JF
" 23/5/17.	Fine. Camp dried up; Veterinary Officer inspected "B" & "C" Squadrons horses.Pte Young went to AUXI-LE-CHATEAU to fight 10 rounds contest with Sergt.VOYLES.Irish Guards. Pte Young broke his wrist in fourth round.	JF
" 24/5/17.	Trench party took over front line from Carabineers,quiet night.	JF

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HAMEL. 25/5/17.	Report from the line quiet. Corpl. POULTER shot through the head by a sniper, L/Cpl OUSELEY hit in the thigh by shell splinter.	OJ
" 26/5/17.	Fine. Report from the line, quiet. Work being done on Green Line.	OJ
" 27/5/17.	All horses were branded, any men wishing to forward their names for Artillery Commissions can do so. Report from line, quiet.	OJ
" 28/5/17.	2nd Lieut. H. PALMER granted leave to England also 3 O. Ranks granted leave to England. Report from the line, quiet; Shelled quarrys by TEMPLEUX.	OJ
" 29/5/17.	Report from the line, quiet. 3 O. Ranks proceeded on leave to England. C.O. went up to the line and visited all the posts.	OJ
" 30/5/17.	Report from line, increased shelling during the night, otherwise quiet. 1 O. Rank was killed by sniper. Men up for commissions were interviewed by G.O.C. 5th Cavalry Brigade.	OJ
" 31/5/17.	Line quiet, 5th Cavalry Brigade Headquarters departed for the line. 12th Royal Lancers come under orders of 3rd Cavalry Brigade from the 1st. C.O. showed Officers the way up to the trenches, so as they will be able to take their reliefs up themselves by Squadrons.	OJ

Cliff Lane Lieut. Colonel,
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June 16 th - 27 th HAMEL	Regiment carried out Squadron Training, and a lot of work was put in to the new accounts of which we had a great number. They worked very well and improved a lot.	
June 17 th "	10 Signallers (not very well trained) and 33 good accounts, mostly Canadians arrived from ^(Base)	
June 18 th "	Dismounted party of 88 men went up to the Quarries, with 3 Officers under Major McCOMBIE, R.S.G.	
June 19 th "	G.O.C. 5 Cav Bde inspected the horses. 5 NCO's given permanent Infantry Commissions S.Q.M.S. HIGGS. Sgts. LANE, EMMS, HEPWORTH and WEST.	
June 22 nd "	6 Senior Officers of the Regiment attended the funeral of MAJ. GEN. BROADWOOD at SHILLY SUR LA LYS, who had been killed 2 days previously while commanding the 57 th Inf Div. He had been full Colonel of the Regiment since 1909, and his loss is felt heavily by all ranks who know him.	
June 23 rd "	Presentation of Medals by Coyr Commander Lieut VASS received his Military Cross.	
June 25 th "	Divisional Commander, inspected the horses of the Regiment.	
June 26 th "	Regiment won three firsts and four seconds, at an excellent show held by the 17 th Lancers for the 5 th Cav Bde and their own men. 2 NCO's, Sgts. NICKALLS + VAUGHAN given permanent commissions.	
June 27 th "	Regiment Dismounted Company (368 strong) under Lt Col FANE, relieved the 4 th Hussars in the Quarries and HARDY BANK at 4 p.m. Relief carried out without casualties.	Appendix I
June 28 th Brown Hill QUARRIES de TEMPLEUX, LE GUERARD	Regiment relieved the 6 th D.G.s at 6 p.m. at and took over their old posts A.B.C. in the front line. Relief took place without casualties.	
June 29 th Green Hill.	Quiet Day in the line. 2 O.R.s. wounded No 3651 Pte West. No 5935 Pte Hutchinson both of A ^(Squad)	
June 30 th	Quiet Day in the line. Our artillery bombarded the enemy heavily about 11 p.m.	

J. Charrier per Capt
XII Royal Lancers

Appendix I

PRELIMINARY ORDERS FOR RELIEF
 BY
 Lieut. Colonel. C. Fane. C.M.G. D.S.O.
 Commanding 12th Royal Lancers

25/6/1917.

MOVEMENTS:- (Reliefs)

The Regiment will relieve the 3rd Cavalry Brigade in Support on night of 27/28th June, and 4th Cavalry Brigade on night of 28/29th June.

Squadrons will occupy the same Sub-Sectors as during the previous tour of duty in the Line.

Headquarters and Squadrons will find the following:

HEADQUARTERS:-

Commanding Officer:-.....Lt.Col.C.Fane. C.M.G. D.S.O.
 Adjutant:-Lieut. W. Vass. M.C.
 Signalling Officer:-Lieut.J.R.C. Rawnsley
 Medical Officer:- Major.E.F.B.Wilson R.A.M.C.
 Intelligence Officer:-2nd Lieut. E. Gould.
 R.S.M. Lockyer
 A/Orderly Room Clerk:- L/Cpl Walker
 Cycle Orderly:- Pte Page.
 Batmen:- 6 men.
 Cook:- Pte Drummy
 Signallers

S Q U A D R O N S:-

"A" Squadron:-

Officers	Sergts	Signallers	Other ranks	Total
Captain.P.G.Davidson				
2nd Lieut A.F.Davidge	5	1 Cpl & 4 men	67	77
2nd Lieut H.A. Lamb				

"B" Squadrons:-

2nd Lieut. H. Palmer				
2nd Lieut H.M.B.Chester	5	1 Cpl & 4 men	59	69
2nd Lieut. J.W. Bennett				

"C" Squadron:-

Capt: R.Wyndham Quin				
2nd Lieut A. Angus	5	1 Cpl & 4 men	61	71
2nd Lieut.Hon:B.A.A.Ogilvy				

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1917.		
HAMEL. 1st July. 1917.	Very quiet in the line.	✓
" 2nd " "	Very quiet in the line, 1 man slightly wounded still at duty. Sgt. TOMPKINSON, Sgt. LAWRENCE, Cpl. FROST, L/Cpl. BULBECK, and Pte WEIR and SPENCE received Certificates from the Divisional Commander noting their gallant conduct in the Field.	✓
" 3rd. " "	4 Remounts arrived from Remount Depot ROUEN. The Regiment 308 strong were relieved by the EXXIX Carbiniers in the GREEN LINE and took over the BROWN LINE in Support.	✓
" 4th. " "	The relief took place without any casualties. 6.0. Ranks went on leave to England.	✓
" 5th. " "	Very quiet in the line.	✓
" 6th. " "	The Regiment remained in QUARRIES very quiet. The Regiment under Lt. Col. C. FANE. C.M.G., D.S.O. were relieved from the BROWN LINE by the 35th Infantry Brigade, and returned to back Area. Total casualties during the tour from 27th June to 6th July. 6.0. Ranks wounded.	✓
" 7th. " "	Regiment allotted baths, all clothing and bedding disinfected.	✓
" 8th. " "	Showery weather. Church cancelled. Captain. R.S.W.R. WYNDHAM QUIN, and 1 servant left for Cadet College KILDARE to relieve Capt. D.C.H. RICHARDSON. M.C. Lt. M.H. O'RORKE and 3.0. Ranks went on leave to ENGLAND.	✓
" 9th. " "	Regiment paraded strong as possible for Squadron Drill. Still very heavy showers.	✓
" 10th. " "	Regiment paraded in Marching Order for inspection by C.O.	✓
" 11th. " "	Cleaning up Camp etc, ready for move.	✓

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1917.		
HAMEL, 12th July.1917.	The Regiment (less the Dismounted Party) marched to SUZANNE via DOINGT-MT.ST.QUENTIN-FEULLAUCOURT-CBERRY-MARICOURT. Arriving in Camp about 12.noon. The Dismounted Party 90 strong under 2nd Lieut.S.SCOTT remained at HAMEL to join up with the Divisional Dismounted Party under Major.WEBSTER. (Carbiniers). Lieut.Col.C.FANE. C.M.G.,D.S.O. and 3.O.Ranks went on leave to England.	J
SUZANNE, 13th " "	The Regiment marched to MORLANCOURT via BRAY arriving in Camp about 10-30.a.m. Very hot and dusty march.	J
MORLANCOURT, 14th " "	The Regiment marched to SARTON via HENENCOURT-SENLIS-FORCEVILLE-LOUVENCOURT. Arriving in Camp about 11-30.a.m. Showery.	J
SARTON, 15th " "	the Regiment marched to REBREUVIETTE via HALLOY-LUCHEUX-IVERGNY. Roads very heavy after a very wet night. Billets very bad. Regimental Headquarters at BROUILLY. 11.O.Ranks went on leave to England.	J
BROUILLY, 16th " "	Squadrons engaged in cleaning up billets.	J
" 17th " "	Remained in billets. Umbala Brigade passed through billets. Col.J.T.ATHERTON visited the Regiment.	J
" 18th " "	30.O.Ranks rejoined from Dismounted Party. Secunderabad Brigade passed through billets. Remained in billets.	J

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1917. BROUILLY, 19th July. 1917.	15.O.Ranks rejoined from Dismounted Party. 1.Officer (Lieut.G.W.MacILWAINE) and 12.O. Ranks went on leave to England.	CH
" 20th " "	Regiment marched from REBREUVIETTE to MEZEROLLES via BOUQUEMAISON-BARLY, "A" Squadron billeted in very comfortable billets at LE. MEILLARD. "B" and "C" Squadrons with Headquarters at MEZEROLLES.	CH
MEZEROLLES. 21st. " "	Very busy getting billets cleaned up. Jumps erected for practice at Divisional Show. Remained in billets.	CH
" 22nd. " "	Remained in billets.	CH
" 23rd. " "	2nd Lieut.N.L.McKINNON, and 18.O.Ranks went to England on leave. Remained in billets.	CH
" 24th. " "	Jumping for all competitors entering for Divisional Horse Show. Horses jumped very well, including Interpreter DURAND'S who made a good show.	CH
" 25th. " "	Preparing horses etc for the Divisional Horse Show. Remained in billets.	CH
" 26th. " "	Preparing for Show. Remained in billets.	CH
" 27th. " "	Horse Show, 2nd Cavalry Division held at CHATEAU FREVENT. Events won by Regiment NIL. One 2nd Prize for two horsed Water Cart. The best troop of 25 horses were left in for the final tomorrow. 1.Officer, 18.O.Ranks went on leave to England.	CH

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1917. MEZEROLLES, 28th July 1917.	<p>Finals for the Divisional Horse Show took place. Weather peffect. The Regiment took 2nd place for the best troop of 25 riding horses.</p> <p><u>SPECIAL ORDER</u>, Extract from London Gazette. His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to appoint Major General. W.H. GREENLY, C.M.G., D.S.O. to be Colonel-in-Chief of the 12th (Prince of Wales's) Royal Lancers. The following letter has been sent to Major General W.H. GREENLY, C.M.G., D.S.O. on his appointment as Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment. Officers, N.C.O's and men of the 12th (Prince of Wales's) Royal Lancers wish to express to you their pleasure at the honour of having you as Colonel-in-Chief.</p>	CF
" 29th " "	<p>Very heavy thunder storm. No Church Parade. Lieut. Col. C.M. TRUMAN, D.S.O. and Lieut. Col. A.B. REYNOLDS stayed the day and night. Evening Church Service 6-30.p.m.</p>	CF
" 30th " "	<p>Backward men of each Squadron parade 6-30.a.m. under Adjutant and 2nd Lieut. H. PALMER for instruction. 2 Officers, 8 N.C.O's per Squadron at 9-0.a.m. under Adjutant. C.O, Inspected "C" Squadron lines. 5 Remounts joined.</p>	CF
" 31st " "	<p>"B" Squadron carried out a Field Firing Scheme Backward men, 8 N.C.O's and 2 Officers per Squadron paraded for instruction under the Adjutant. 18.O.Ranks went on leave to England. Captain. D.C.H. RICHARDSON, M.C. returned from Cadet School, KILDARE.</p>	CF

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MEZEROLLES. 1st Aug. 1917.	Very wet day. Field Firing Scheme cancelled. Lectures and inspections by Squadron Leaders. 12 Remounts joined from FREVENT.	07
" 2nd " "	Very wet. Field Firing Scheme cancelled. C.O. inspected Cast Horses at morning stables. Remained in billets.	07
" 3rd. " "	Officers & Still very wet. Staff Rides for all N.C.O's under Squadron Leaders. Selection of mares considered suitable for Brood Mares.	07
" 4th. " "	Brigade Hotchkiss Gun Competition (2nd Lieut A.F. Davidge's Team). Pioneers parade for Demolitions under Officer R.E. 1 Officer and 22 O.Ranks went on leave to England.	07
" 5th. " "	Church parade "B" & "C" Squadrons at 10.a.m. "A" Squadron. 6.30.p.m. 2nd Lieut. R.G. HOFFNUNG. GOLDSMID joined from 9th Lancers.	07
" 6th. " "	"B" Squadron Musketry. "C" & "A" Squadron Staff Rides.	07
" 7th. " "	"B" Squadron carried out an Advance Guard scheme "C" Squadron Musketry. "A" Squadron Bathing. Afternoon all Officers paraded for tent pegging. Hotchkiss Guns of "C" Squadron fired on the range.	07
" 8th. " "	"A" Squadron Musketry. "B" Squadron scheme. "C" Squadron paraded in Marching Order. 20th Hussars sports at OUTREBOIS. 2 Officers 20 O.Ranks went on leave to England.	07

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MEZEROLLES. 9th August. 17.	Squadrons paraded under Squadron Leaders. Watering Order parade for "A" Squadron. 20th Hussars cancelled owing to rain.	U7
" 10th. " "	Parades under Squadron Leaders. Stretcher Drill and Gas Drill afternoon.	U7
" 11th. " "	parades under Squadron Leaders. Regiment held Aquatic Sports in the afternoon.	U7
" 12th. " "	Church parade for "A" Squadron at LE.MEILLARD at 8.30.a.m. Voluntary Service at 6.p.m. MEZEROLLES. 1 Officer 18.0.Ranks went on leave to England.	U7
" 13th. " "	parades under Squadron Leaders. 20th Hussars held their Regimental Sports. In the Open events the N.C.O's were first in Section Tent pegging, Jumping Section second. 10 remounts arrived.	U7
" 14th. " "	"C" Squadron Musketry, remainder under Squadron Leaders.	U7
" 15th. " "	"A" Squadron Musketry. Remainder under Squadron Leaders.	U7
" 16th. " "	"B" Squadron Musketry, Remainder under Squadron Leaders. preparing for Regimental Sports to be held Saturday 18th inst. 1 Officer, 18 O.Ranks went on leave to England.	U7
" 17th. " "	parades under Squadron Leaders.	

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MEZEROLLES. 17th Aug. 17.	Contd. Preliminary heats run off for Regtl Sports. A Concert was given in the evening, a great success.	JH
" 18th. " "	parades under Squadron Leaders. The Regiment held their Regimental Sports in the afternoon and in spite of a heavy thunder shower was a great success. "C" Squadron winning most of the events. General GREENLY was present and presented a Cup for the best trained Troop Horse, which was won by Sergt. B.P. EDWARDS. on his horse "TRIXIE". The Jumping open to the Brigade was won by Lieut. A. STURT 20th Hussars. A Regimental Dinner was given in the evening in honour of Major-General W.H. GREENLY, C.M.G., D.S.O., as Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment, and a concert was given after (which was a great success). Officers present were Major-General W.H. GREENLY, C.M.G., D.S.O., Colonel T. L. ATHERTON, C.B., Lt. Col. C. FANE, C.M.G., D.S.O., Major H. C. MAYDON, Capt. H. V. S. CHARRINGTON, M.C., Capt. D. C. H. RICHARDSON, M.C., Capt. P. G. DAVIDSON, Capt. J. A. PURDEY, Lieut. M. H. O'ROKKE, Lieut. W. VASS, M.C., 2nd Lieut Hon. B. A. A. OGILVY, STRAKER, FORD, HAMMOND, PALMER "DAVIDGE", MACILWAIN, FREER, BARRON, HOFFNUNG, GOLDSMID, CHESTER, MYLREA, SCOTT, MC. KINNON, LAMB, OLNEY, BENNETT, GOULD, Capt. D. KENNEDY, R.A., M.C.	JH
" 19th. " "	Church parade 10.30 a.m. Carbiniers sent a team of Officers to play rounders in the evening.	JH

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MEZEROLLES. 20th Aug. 17.	"A" Squadron. Musketry. "B" & "C" Squadrons Staff Rides. Afternoon. "C" Squadron Bridging, and Raft making. 2 Officers and 19 O.Ranks went on leave to England.	07
" 21st " "	"B" Squadron. Musketry. "C" Squadron Staff Rides. "A" Squadron. Bridging and Raft making.	07
" 22nd. " "	"A" & "B" Squadron. Mounted Revolver practice. "C" Squadron. Musketry. Half Holiday.	07
" 23rd. " "	A Regimental Scheme was carried out which was very instructive. Returned to billets 4.30.p.m.	07
" 24th. " "	9 Officers, 12.N.C.O's were instructed by R.E's in quick bridging. 2 Officers and 20 O.Ranks went on leave to England.	07
" 25th. " "	Regtl Hqrs and Signal Troop Musketry. Hotchkiss Guns of "A" "B" & "C" Squadrons paraded under C.O. on Ranges at FROHEN-LE-GRAND.	07
" 26th. " "	Church parade 10.30.a.m. "A" Squadron held Squadron Sports at LE.MEILLARD in the afternoon which were a great success.	07
" 27th. " "	Parades under Squadron Leaders. Bridging and Raft making in the afternoon.	07

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MEZEROLLES. 28th Aug. 17.	Troop Staff Rides and Map Reading. 1 Officer and 12 O.Ranks went on leave to England.	OF
" 29th. " "	Squadron parades. Very wet day. Leave to England stopped on account of the bad weather.	OF
" 30th. " "	Major. General. W. H. GREENLY. C. M. G., D. S. O. inspected the Regiment in the System of Training. The programme of work for 3 hours was carried out as follows:- Backward men under the Adjutant. No. 2 Troop "C" Sqdn in Drill Order. "A" Sqdn. Drill. dismounted action etc. "B" Sqdn Field Firing. Hotchkiss Guns of "B" Sqdn in action. "C" Sqdn Map Reading and Report writing. (Scheme). 1 Troop of each Sqdn quick bridging and raft making. Despatch runners scheme (Mounted). Bayonet drill. (Games physical exercises). Gas Drill.	OF
" 31st. " "	Despatch runners scheme under Squadron Leaders. 4 Remounts arrived from FREVENT.	OF W. J. J.
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>ceal fane</i> Lieut. Colonel, Commanding 12th Royal Lancers.</p>		

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MEZEROLLES. 1st Sept. 17.	Parades under Squadron Leaders. Cavalry Corps Horse Show was held at PRONAY. No. 2 Troop "C" Squadron entered for the best 25 Troop Horses and obtained 4th place out of 9 entries. Cold and showery. The Commander-in-Chief was present.	<u>CF</u>
" 2nd " "	All horses ordered to be put under cover. 1 Troop of "C" Squadron to go to LE. MEILLARD stabling being built for remaining horses standing outside.	<u>CF</u>
" 3rd. " "	Squadron Leaders Parades. 1 Officer and 14 O. Ranks went on leave to England.	<u>CF</u>
" 4th. " "	"B" and "C" Squadron Baths. "A" Squadron tactical Ride.	<u>CF</u>
" 5th. " "	Despatch Runners Scheme. Half Holiday. Royal Scots Greys held their Regtl Horse Show. The open events were Team Jumping won by 20th Hussars. Tug of War won by 12th Royal Lancers, great credit is due to Staff. Sergt. Ashby for training this Team.	<u>CF</u>
" 6th. " "	Reg tl Scheme. "A" Squadron escort to convoy, "B" and "C" Squadrons attacking, a very interesting day, many points in training were brought out and discussed in the evening.	<u>CF</u>
" 7th. " "	patrol scheme under Squadron Leaders.	<u>CF</u>
" 8th. " "	Equitation under Squadron Leaders. 1 Officer 14 O. Ranks went on leave to England.	<u>CF</u>

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MEZEROLLES. 9th Sept. 17.	Church parade at 11.a.m. C.O. inspected all Cooks xxxx in the Regiment, also all clothing proposed for casting.	<u>57</u>
" 10th. " "	Brigade Scheme. Regiment found 5 Umpires.	<u>57</u>
" 11th " "	patrol Scheme under Squadron Leaders. C.O. inspected all horses over 12 years of age, and any under that were proposed for casting. 2 O.Ranks went on leave to England.	<u>57</u>
" 12th. " "	Brigade Scheme carried out by Regiment against a skeleton force, General Greenly watched operations and expressed himself pleased with the way the Regiment was handled, but criticised the lack of information sent back. 1 Officer and 16 O.Ranks went on leave to England.	<u>57</u>
" 13th. " "	Nine Remounts arrived from the Base, eight of which were chestnuts and posted to "B" Squadron. 54 N.C.O's and men proceeded to Base as 2nd Re-inforcements.	<u>57</u>
" 14th. " "	A Skeleton Force was furnished by the Regiment for a Brigade Scheme against the 20th Hussars. Troops were represented by Troop Officers and red flags.	<u>57</u>
" 15th. " "	A Field Firing Scheme in neighbourhood of LE. MEILLARD had to be cancelled on account of bad weather. Gas Helmets were worn for one hour throughout the Regiment.	<u>57</u>

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MEZEROLLES. 16th Sept. 17.	Divine Service for "A" Squadron in the morning and for "B" & "C" in the evening. Lt. Col. C.M. Truman came over from the S. Irish Horse for the week end. Lieut. Hon. B.A.A. Ogilvy went on leave to Paris, and Lieut. v and 14 O.Ranks to England. Gould	<u>JA</u>
" 17th. " "	The C.O. watched a Brigade Scheme between the Greys and 20th Hussars in the morning. Bathing and patrol schemes under Squadron Leaders.	<u>JA</u>
" 18th. " "	Squadrons carried out training of patrols. Assistance was rendered to farmers to help them get their crops in during the fine harvesting weather that is prevailing.	<u>JA</u>
" 19th. " "	The Regiment carried out a Brigade Scheme in neighbourhood of HEUZECOURT against a skeleton Force, provided by Scots Greys. General Campbell expressed himself very pleased indeed with the way the Regiment was handled. 2 O.Ranks proceeded on leave to England.	<u>JA</u>
" 20th. " "	A Scouts and Snipers Class of 1 Corpl and 3 men per Squadron was started under Major. H.C. Maydon. The C.O. inspected the Dismounted Company in Marching Order, and also interviewed Candidates for Temporary Commissions in the Infantry. Captain. P.G. Davidson and 21 O.Ranks proceeded on leave to England.	<u>JA</u>
" 21st. " "	Squadrons paraded under Squadron Leaders and Major. H.C. Maydon took the Regimental Scouts out on a small flag scheme. 2 O.Ranks went on leave to England	<u>JA</u>

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MEZEROLLES. 22nd Sept.17.	<p>The Advance Billeting party for the Dismounted Company proceeded to LOOS Area. A Half Holiday. The returns given below are actual battle casualties from the beginning of the present campaign in Officers and Other Ranks up to 1st May 1917, and of Horses up to 9th Sept.17.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="739 825 1739 972"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Officers.</th> <th>O.R.</th> <th>Horses.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Killed.</td> <td>9.</td> <td>83.</td> <td>240. &</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wounded.</td> <td>14.</td> <td>346.</td> <td>84.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>& includes horses captured by enemy in MAUBEUGE.</p>		Officers.	O.R.	Horses.	Killed.	9.	83.	240. &	Wounded.	14.	346.	84.	J
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" 23rd "	<p>The Dismounted Company embussed for the LOOS Area. Capt. J.A. Purdey was in charge. The first football match of the season between "A" Sqdn and Headquarters, was played "A" won 1.0. 2.0. Ranks proceeded on leave to England</p>	J												
" 24th. "	<p>The C.O. Inspected all the transport of the Regiment and considered "C" Squadron the best turned out. Regimental Snipers tested their rifles in afternoon. Major. H.C. Maydon, and 21.0. Ranks, and one Special Leave proceeded on leave to England. Lieut. Hon. B.A.A. Ogilvy returned from paria.</p>	J												
" 25th "	<p>Squadrons paraded under Squadron Leaders, and snipers practised under Squadron Sniping Officers.</p>	J												

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MEZEROLLES. 26th Sept.17.	Twelve Officers rode to 3rd Army School at AUXI-LE-CHATEAU to hear a Lecture on "physical Training" given by Lt.Col.Campbell.	<u>JA</u>
" 27th " "	Squadron parades. 1 Officer and 6 .O.Ranks went on leave to England.	<u>JA</u>
" 28th " "	3rd Machine Gun Sqdn held their sports, a great success.	<u>JA</u>
" 29th. " "	parades under Squadron Leaders. Remained in Billets.	<u>JA</u>
" 30th. " "	Church parade at LE.MEILLARD for "A" Sqdn. C.O. inspected clothing of all Squadrons, also horses for Casting. Sergt Lipman proceeded to School of Musketry LINGHEM.	<u>JA</u>

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MEZEROLLES. 1st Oct. 1917.	Regtl Staff Ride, all Officers and N.C.O's. 1 Officer and 22 N.C.O's left for CAMIERS for a four days Musketry Course.	<u>IMC</u>
" 2nd. " "	Regtl Scheme to show method of advancing by bounds carried out by composite Squadron. Rapid wiring, Officers and 7 N.C.O's per Troop carried out Drill in Rapid Wiring in the afternoon.	<u>IMC</u>
" 3rd. " "	Regtl patrol Scheme carried out by "C" Sqdn and skeleton Squadron. 2nd Lt. R. Straker and 6 O.Ranks went to England on leave. Mobile Supply Column rejoined their respective Units.	<u>IMC</u>
" 4th " "	patrol Scheme carried out by "B" Squadron and skeleton Squadron. Rapid wiring. "A" Sqdn carried out Drill in Rapid Wiring at LE. MEILLARD. 1 N.C.O and 10 men proceeded to ABBEVILLE to draw 22 Remounts. The Dismounted Squadron arrived back from LENS District at 6.0.p.m.	<u>IMC</u>
" 5th. " "	parades under Squadron Leaders. Snipers Scheme under Lieut. M.H.O'Rorke. 2nd Lt. E. Gould proceeded to G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon for an interview. 22 Riding Horses arrived from ABBEVILLE.	<u>IMC</u>
" 6th " "	Very wet, Regiment paraded in Marching Order. Mobile Supply Column left for ESTREE WAMIN. 23 N.C.O's left for CAMIERS for a four days Course of Musketry.	<u>IMC</u>

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MEZEROLLES. 7th Oct. 17.	Church Parade cancelled owing to Division moving on 8th inst. All surplus kit stored in Dump at LE. MEILLARD. 1 Officer and 5 O.Ranks left for ST.POL to attend an Assault and Recreation Course. Billeting party under Capt. H.V.S.CHARRINGTON.M.C. left for new Billeting Area N.of ST.POL.	In Case
" 8th. " "	The Regiment marched to new Billeting Area. HERNICOURT -PIERREMONT - WAVRANS.via ST.POL. Very wet, and windy.	In Case
HERNICOURT. 9th. " "	Very wet. No orders received to move. Conference of C.O's and Adjutants at Brigade Headquarters. Remained in Billets.	In Case
" 10th. " "	Still raining.No definite orders.Remained in Billets.	In Case
" 11th. " "	parades under Squadron Leaders.Training of Hotchkiss Gunners,Pioneers etc. Remained in Billets.	In Case
" 12th. " "	Parades under Squadron Leaders.Still waiting for forward move. Lieut. M.H.O'Rorke and 14 O.Ranks went to England on leave.	In Case
" 13th. " "	Parades under Squadron Leaders. Remained in Billets.	In Case
" 14th. " "	Squadron parades. Church for Roman Catholics. Remained in Billets.	In Case

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HERNICOURT. 15th Oct.	17. Parades under Squadron Leaders. Remained in Billets. 9 O.Ranks left for work at the Divisional School.	<u>15 Oct</u>
" 16th "	" C.O. inspected Officers and Sergeants of "A" Squadron in the use of the Hotchkiss Gun. "B" & "C" Squadrons under Squadron arrangements. 2nd Lieut. Hon. B.A.A. OGILVY and 9 O.Ranks went to England on leave.	<u>16 Oct</u>
" 17th. "	" C.O. inspected Officers and Sergeants of "B" & "C" Squadrons in the use of the Hotchkiss Gun. Corpls WHITTY, RAYMOND, NUTLEY, and L/Cpl. BEATTIE were transferred to the R.F.A.	<u>17 Oct</u>
VACQUERIE-LES-BOUCQ. 18th.	" The Regiment marched to Billeting Area MONCHEL-CONCHY-SUR-CANCHE and VACQUERIE-LES-BOUCQ. Regtl Headquarters and "A" Squadron were billeted at VACQUERIE-LES-BOUCQ. "B" Squadron CONCHY-SUR-CANCHE, and "C" Squadron at MONCHEL. One Officer and 70 O.Ranks left for FLAMMICOURT to form a Working party for the purpose of building Huts and Stables for Winter Billets. 2nd Lieut. A.A. McBEAN, Corpl. PHILLIPS, and Corpl EVERARD left for the physical and Bayonet Training School, at ST. POL.	<u>18 Oct</u>
BETHENCOURT. 19th. "	" The Regiment marched to Billeting Area. ST. OUEN and BETHENCOURT, via VILLERS HOPITAL - LE. MEILLARD - BERNAVILLE - ST. LEGER. "A" & "B" Sqdns were billeted at ST. OUEN. Hqrs and "C" Squadron Billeted at BETHENCOURT.	<u>19 Oct</u>

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NAMPS -AU-MONT. Oct 20th.	Regiment marched to Billeting Area NAMPS-AU-MONT.- TAISNIL. - RUMAISNIL. Headquarters and "A" Squadron Billeted at NAMPS-AU-MONT. "B" Squadron RUMAISNIL. "C" Squadron at TAISNIL. 1 Officer Lt.G.W.MacIlwaine and 10.O.Ranks went to England on Leave.	Im Capt
" " "	Oct 21st. Remained in Billets.	Im Capt
" " "	" 22nd. Remained in Billets. 3 O.Ranks arrived as Reinforcements from ROUEN.	Im Capt
" " "	" 23rd. Remained in billets.	Im Capt
" " "	" 24th. Parades under Squadron Leaders. 30 O.Ranks proceeded to join Dismounted party at BRIE for work on Divisional Huts and Stables. 10.O.Ranks proceeded on leave to England.	Im Capt
" " "	" 25th. Parades under Squadron Leaders. Capt. H.V.S. CHARRINGTON. M.C., and 2nd Lieut. H.PALMER 4 Servants, and 6 Horses proceeded to Div School at BUSSY -LES-DAOURS, for duty. Lt.Col.C.FANE., C.M.G., D.S.O. proceeded to England on 26th Oct. 17 on leave. parades under Squadron Leaders. 1.N.C.O. and 8 O.Ranks returned from BUSSY-LES-DAOURS.	Im Capt
" " "	" 27th. Parades under Squadron Leaders. Hotchkiss Gun training against enemy enemy Aircraft while on the march. 2 P.B. Men joined for duty. Lieut. F.F.F.SPICER.LT.C.V.A.CARTWRIGHT. 2nd Lt.W. MONKS, and LT.W.O.BERRYMAN.M.C. joined from 1st Reserve Cavalry Regiment.	Im Capt

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NAMPS-AU-MONT. 28th Oct.	Church parade for "A" Squadron in School-Room NAMPS-AU-MONT at 9.30.a.m. 9.0.Ranks went on leave to England.	<i>J.H. Coe</i>
" " " 29th "	Parades under Squadron Leaders. pte. PULLING proceeded to England to join Cadet School prior to Commission.	<i>J.H. Coe</i>
" " " 30th "	Parades under Squadron Leaders. Hotchkiss Gun training against enemy Aircraft.	<i>J.H. Coe</i>
" " " 31st."	Regimental Tactical Ride for all Subalterns of the Regiment. parade at Cross Roads 1 Mile N.E. of TAISNIL on the TAISNIL - AMIENS road at 9.a.m.	<i>J.H. Coe</i>

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NAMPS AU MONT. 1st November. 1917.	parades under Squadron Leaders. 3 horses per Squadron paraded to select 1 Demonstration horse for the Corps Equitation School, and 3 Riding School horses for the Divisional Equitation School. 2 O.R.'s went on leave to England.	J
2nd " "	G.O.C. 5th Cavalry Brigade inspected all horses of Regiment, Horses looking very well. "C" Squadron looking much the best, next in order:- "B" Squadron and "A" Squadron 3rd. Lieut. C.V.A. CARTWRIGHT proceeded to FLAMMICOURT to relieve 2nd Lieut. J.S. SCOTT at working party.	J
3rd " "	Squadron parades. Selection of Horses for Div and Corps School. 2nd Lt. J.S. SCOTT returned from Working party at FLAMMICOURT.	J
4th " "	Church parade for "B" Squadron at RUMAISNIL. Clothing inspection by "G.O. 2nd Lt. J.S. SCOTT proceeded to U.K. to embark to SOUTH AFRICA on 3 months leave. 2nd Lt. H.A. LAMB proceeded to Hqrs R.F.C. on probation as an Observer.	J
5th " "	parades under Squadron Leaders. Route March by all Transport of the Regiment. Route :- QUEVAUVILLERS - CREUSE - RUMAISNIL, about 10 miles. 2 O.R.'s went on leave to England.	J
6th " "	parades under Squadron Leaders. 2 Remounts arrived from No. 3 Base Depot DIEPPE and posted to "C" Squadron.	J

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NAMPS AU MONT. 7th Nov. 1917.	Parades under Squadron Leaders, 2nd 2nd Lt. W. MONKS proceeded to Dismounted Battalion to relieve 2nd Lt. W.E.FORD ordered home to England to take up duties of A.D.C. to Governor of BAHAMAS.	✓
8th " "	Parades under Squadron Leaders. "A" Squadron carried out Marching Order. 9 Officers attended a Lecture given by REV. Col. GIBBON, on the "French Revolution" in the Cinema Hall SALEUX.	✓
9th " "	Parades under Squadron Leaders. 2nd Lt. W.E.FORD left for England to take over up an appointment as A.D.C. to Governor of BAHAMAS. 1.O.R. went on leave to England.	✓
10th " "	parades under Squadron Leaders. A Regimental Point to Point Handicap was held over a Course about 3 miles all Officers of Regiment to compete. was won by Lieut. R. STRAKER, 1st. 2nd Lt. Hon. B.A.A. OGILVY. 3rd Capt. D.C.H. RICHARDSON. M.C.	✓
11th " "	Church parade for Wesleyans, Presbyterians at 9.a.m. at NAMPS AU MONT. Voluntary Service for C. of E. at 6.45.p.m. at TAISNIL. Clothing inspection by C.O.	✓
12th " "	parades under Squadron Leaders.	✓
13th " "	Baths allotted to Regiment at CONTY. 2nd Lieut. N.L. MCKINNON and 1. O. Rank went on leave to England for 14 days. 1 man 1 horse arrived from Base, posted to "B" Squadron.	✓
14th " "	Parades under Squadron Leaders. XXXXXXXXXXXX C.O's	✓
15th " "	Conference at Brigade Headquarters. Parades under Squadron Leaders. C.O. issued orders for March to forward Area.	✓

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LAMOTTE. 16th Nov 17.	The Regiment marched to LAMOTTE leaving NAMPS AU MONT Area at 12.30.p.m. arriving LAMOTTE at 8.p.m. progress very slow owing to roads being blocked by Divisional Ammunition Column. Horses nearly all under cover.	07
MONTECOURT. 17th Nov. 17.	The Regiment marched to MONTECOURT being the Divisional Concentration Area, horses in standings with overhead cover, men in huts, roads still blocked by Div Col.	07
MONTECOURT. 18th " "	All Ammunition Stores and Iron Rations made up for an advance. Orders received to march at 1.30.p.m. on 19th.	07
SAULCOURT. 19th " "	The Regiment marched to Forward AREA Rendezvous near SAULCOURT. Arrived via VILLERS FAUCON about 6.30.a.m. Hot soup was provided for the men. Horses were watered, all horse rugs and blankets dumped.	07
GOUZEAUCOURT. 20th " "	The Regiment moved forward to GOUZEAUCOURT ready to proceed up the Cavalry Track which had been prepared. At 2.30.p.m. the Brigade moved forward news having been received that the Infantry attack had been successful. Arrived at point R.5.C.8.4. formed up in Mass. Information received that the Bridge at MASNIERS had been destroyed and we were to cross by a bridge South of MASNIERS, push forward and seize the high ground WAMBAIX COPSE WAMBAIX sending out patrols to CATTENURNES and WAMBAIX halt. At 4.30 p.m. news received that 1 Squadron of Canadian Dragoons had crossed, but the bridge had been broken in by a tank trying to cross it. Orders Orders received to march back to old Rendezvous, but cancelled shortly after. Brigade picketed down for night.	07

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SAULCOURT. 21st Nov. 17. R.5.C.8.4.	The Regiment stood to ready to move forward, at 12. mid-day orders received to move forward, but could not get on more than 500 yards L.36 xxxx Central. The enemy was now counter-attacking strongly. Orders received at 4.30 p.m. to march back to Area SAULCOURT. Moved off about 5 p.m. being the last Regiment of the Division. Considering the bad conditions of the track and the dark night the pace was good, and the Regiment arrived in Camp with no casualties, excepting a few scratches from barbed wire. Horse rugs and blankets being issued men settled down to sleep. Stayed in Camp near SAULCOURT.	OT
SAULCOURT. 22nd " " FINS Area. 23rd " "	No orders until mid-day when orders were received to send billeting party to TINCOURT Area. At 4.30 p.m. orders were received to saddle up and go forward to FINS Area, arrived about midnight, pegged down with orders to stand to. at 9am at 9 a.m. moved camp about 200 yards near DESSART WOOD. At 9.30 p.m. orders received to move forward at 7.30 a.m. next morning. Wind blowing hurricane, and raining heavily.	OT
" " 24th. " "	Reveille at 5 a.m. saddle up ready to move off at 7.30 a.m. a bitter cold morning, wind very strong. Moved off in direction of BORLOUN WOOD the Division being given their objective the high ground N.E. of BORLOUN WOOD Squares X 19 20.26. Marched via METZ en COUNTURE -PRESCOURT to RIBECOURT where the Division concentrated for the attack. at 10.30 a.m. a few shells burst round us killing an Officer of R.S. GREYS 2nd Lt FILMER, and 2 men. pte WAGHORN 12th Lancers 1 man of 20th Hussars. 1 man wounded L/Col. KIRBY 12th	OT

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FINS Area 25th Nov. 17.	Contd. Lancers. Nothing of importance happened although the Regiment stood in Mass under direct observation of RUMILLY, at 3.30 p.m. orders received to form a Dismounted Battalion, each Reg forming a Company of about 200 strong. "A" Squadron dismounted 58 men "B" Squadron 64 men "C" Squadron 62 men. Capt D.C.H. RICHARDSON.M.C. being in Command of 12th Lancers' Company with Lieut. G.M.BROWN.M.C. 2nd in Command. Platoon Commanders Lt.G.W.MACILWAINW, A.A.MCBEAN, 2nd Lt A.E.HAMMOND, with 12 Hotchkiss Guns, and Ammunition and food packs. The remainder marched back with the horses to DESSART WOOD arriving about 6 p.m.	JA JA
" " 26th. " "	Remained in Camp heavy gunning all night, and very cold.	JA
" " 27th " "	Mounted party remained in Camp at DESSART WOOD. Dismounted Company moved up into the front line N.E. corner of XXXXXXXX BOURLON WOOD. 10 remounts and 1 charger arrived with "B" Echelon from TETREY Area. 2 O.Ranks arrived from the Base. Heavy gunning all night.	JA
" " 28th. " "	Mounted party remained in camp. Dismounted Company holding advance post XXXXXXXXXX in N.E. corner of BOURLON WOOD facing FONTAINE-NOTRE DAME, had a very hot time. Lieut. G.M. BROWN.M.C. was killed whilst making an attempt to save an Hotchkiss Gun. 2nd Lieut. A.E.HAMMOND killed. Lieut. A.A.McBean, and T/Lieut. G.W.MacILWAINW, and 11 O.Ranks were wounded repelling a counter-attack.	JA
" " 29th. " "	Mounted party remained in camp. Dismounted Party still holding N.E. Corner of BOURLON WOOD suffered heavy casualties. Capt. D.C.H.	

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Nov 29th. Cont.	<p>RICHARDSON.M.C. wounded, and 3 O.Ranks Killed, and 48 O.Ranks wounded. Sergt B.P.EDWARDS since died of wounds (1 man missing. No.536.Pte.H.CUMMINGS). Lt.Col. C.FANE.C.M.G.D.S.O., and T/Capt. D.KENNEDY Medical Officer visited No.48 C.C.S. and saw Capt.D.C.H.RICHARDSON.M.C., and T/Lieut G.W.MACILWAINE, and a good number of O.R's who were all doing well. The whole of the Dismounted party rejoined the Regiment at DESSERT WOOD at 3.p.m. all looking very tired and done up, but cheery. Out of the 5 Officers, and 184 O.Ranks, the total losses were:- 5 Officers 61 O.Ranks, and 3 wounded at duty.</p>	<p>✓</p>
FINS AREA. 30th Nov.17.	<p>Remained in camp, baths were allotted to the Regiment at FINS. Very heavy gunning has been going on since day-break. 1 O.R. went on leave to England.</p>	<p>✓</p>
	<p><i>Clair Fane</i> Lieut. Colonel, Commanding 12th Royal Lancers.</p>	

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<p>DESSART WOOD. Dec 1st 17.</p>	<p>At 11. a.m. yesterday orders were received to saddle up at once news having been received that the line had been broken at GONNOLIEU. Regiment moved to R.3. Central. in Brigade Reserve, 20th Hussars and R.S. Greys advanced on foot and took up line from QUEENS CROSS to REVELON FARM at 3-30. p.m. orders received for the Regiment to advance mounted in direction of GOUZEAU COURT and if opportunity arrived to gallop round the E. side of GOUZEAU COURT and cut off any Germans retiring from the Village. 2 Officers patrols were sent out. Lieut. C.C.L. Williams and 2nd Lt A.F. Davidge, but could not get over the ridge as the enemy put down a barrage, Lt. C.C.L. Williams having his horse shot under him. The Regiment with "A" Squadron leading swerved off in direction of REVELON FARM and halted under ridge. Lt. Colonel. C. Fane. C.M.G., D.S.O. and Adjutant went forward on personal reconnaissance and decided to send "A" Squadron on to ridge near GOUZE SOPSE and if successful to follow with the other two Squadrons and hold the Ridge. Immediately "A" Squadron started off the enemy put down a barrage which they galloped through, on reaching ridge the Umbala Brigade cut across the right front, Capt. P.G. Davidson turned lefthanded with two troops the other two being mixed up with the Umbala Brigade, he then dismounted and pushed forward on to ridge, but owing to heavy shell fire and machine gun fire he was ordered to retire xxxx in small parties which was successfully carried out, the Squadron getting back with one man killed, 4 wounded, 2 missing. and 18 horses knocked out. Col. Fane lost both his Chargers by direct hit from a shell, the Regiment stood to their horses the whole night at W.10 -D. with orders to concentrate at dawn.</p> <p>Orders received to move back to DESSART WOOD and to be saddled up and ready to move at 7. a.m. Remained in camp</p>	

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DESSART WOOD. 1st Dec. 17.	remainder of day. A Working Party of two Officers and 70 men were sent to dig a Reserve Line at W.5. Central, and arrived back in Camp about Mid-night, no casualties	H
" " 2nd " "	Remained in Camp at DESSART WOOD, standing to at $\frac{1}{4}$ hours notice. A Working Party of 2 Officers and 75 men were detailed to work on Reserve Line at W.5. Central, arrived in Camp about Mid-night, no casualties.	H
" " 3rd. " "	Orders to stand to at $\frac{1}{4}$ hours xxx notice, at Mid-day received orders to form a Dismounted Company, and Regimental Headquarters for the Battalion and stand to ready to go into the Line near REVELON FARM at 5 minute notice, Col Fane went forward and reconnoitred the position by day and make his dispositions in case of a move in the dark. At 5-30.p.m. orders received that the Dismounted Party would not be required that night, but a Working Party of 2 Officers and 60 men would be required to work on the Reserve Line at W.5. Central. The Party returned at 1.30.a.m., no casualties, very cold night about 12 degrees of frost.	H
" " 4th " "	Orders received for the Dismounted Battalion to take over the Line from QUEENS CROSS to REVELON FARM and to hold the front line and reinforce it from supports on Railway on left, if the left is driven back hold the line of Railway. Reserves occupy BLUE LINE, and that line is to be held to the East., but if the Guards are holding the Railway, Reserves must reinforce and if necessary counter-attack at once to regain the Railway <u>by night</u> . If by day, a properly organised counter-attack will be made to re-establish the line on Railway so long as the Guards remain on it. C.R.A. will be in telephonic communication with Brigade Headquarters, With reference above order the Dismounted Company moved into the Line and took up their positions about 6.p.m.	

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DESSART WOOD. 4th Dec 17.	6.p.m. without any casualties, Battalion Headquarters being established at REVELON FARM. The night was very cold, no fires being allowed, hot tea and rum was provided for the men about 9.p.m. at REVELON FARM and carried up to the Line. A Working Party of 30 men per Company were sent to improve the front line, a good deal of shelling during the night, but no casualties.	H
" " 5th " "	Hot breakfast was sent up from REVELON FARM consisting of Quaker oats and fried bacon. tea and rum at 7.a.m., as little movement as possible being ordered as the line was on the forward slope, and under direct observation from GONNELIEU. At 11.a.m. advanced parties of the 11th and 12th Royal Scots and Scottish Rifles arrived and orders were received that the Battalion would be relieved in the evening about 6.p.m. The Relief took place very smoothly and without casualties, the enemy guns were more active but all short. The Companies marched back to DESSART WOOD independently, arriving about 9.p.m. Orders received for the Division to move back into Billets, One Officer Lieut. J. Hickey, and 67 O. Ranks having arrived as Reinforcements.	H
CARTIGNY. 6th " "	The Regiment formed up to move at 9.a.m. and moved off to an Area near CARTIGNY via NURLU - MONT ST QUENTIN - CARTIGNY arrived about 1.30.p.m.	H
AUBIGNY. 7th " "	The Regiment marched to CORBIE Area via BRIE - VILLERS - CARBONELL - VILLERS - BRETONNEUX to AUBIGNY arriving about 3.30.p.m.	H
FRICAMPS. 8th " "	The Regiment marched to Billeting Area LINCHEUX via ST NICOLAS - ST. SAUFLIEU - NAMPS AU MONT - FRESNOY to FRICAMPS and THIEULLOY-L' ABBAYE. Regimental Headquarters and "A" Squadron billeted in FRICAMPS, "B" & "C" Squadron billeted in THIEULLOY L' ABBAYE. The Officers and N.C.O's who were at the Divisional School were recalled. Major.	

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FRICAMPS Dec 8th. 17.	Major.H.V.S.Charrington.M.C. as Instructor to Officers' Class.Captain.J.A.Purdey- Lieut.G.H.Freer - Lieut.A.F. Davidge. Instructor to N.C.O's Class Lieut.J.R.C. Rawnsley.N.C.O's Sergt. Wesley + Smith - Page -.Sergt Wakeman to be Acting R.S.M.	H
" " 9th. "	Orders received to select 125 horses for EGYPT.The C.O. selected these from 12 horses per Troop from each Squadron.	H
" " 10th "	Horses selected for EGYPT were ordered to be at LINCHEUX for final selection, and branding at 10.30.a.m.Squadron Leaders and S.S.M's to be present, 90 were selected and branded.	H
" " 11th "	<p>40 more horses for EGYPT were ordered to parade at NAMPS AU MONT of which was 20 were selected and branded.It. F.F.F.Spicer, 2 servants.2 horses proceeded to Cavalry Corps Equitation School at CAYEUX-SUR-MER. C.O. inspected Clothing of "B" and "C" Squadrons at THIEULLOY-L& ABBAYE</p> <p><u>SPECIAL ORDER.</u></p> <p>I wish to congratulate all Ranks of the Division upon the admirable way in which you met the many varied demands made upon you during the recent operations. Fighting,work.continuous exposure and want of rest were all carried through with a courage and determination which no Troops could surpass, and I wish once again to record my deepest admiration and appreciation of your conduct and services. I wish also to congratulate all concerned,but especially the Squadron and Troop Commanders upon the present condition of the horses,the fact that they have maintained their efficiency as they have is not only the best proof of the good working condition in which you produced them, but also the best reward for the unremitting work and care previously devoted to them,(Sd) W.H.GREENLY.Maj.Gen, Cmdg 2nd Cav Division.</p>	H

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FRICAMPS. Dec 12th. 17.	The C.O. inspected all horses proposed for Casting at 9.a.m. The Veterinary Officer inspected the horses of the Regiment.	He
" " 13th "	Remained in Billets at FRICAMPS. C.O. inspected Billets of Regimental Headquarters and "A" Squadron,	He
" " 14th "	Remained in Billets. Lieut. Col. C.Fane. C.M.G., D.S.O. detailed as President of a Field General Court Martial to to be held at SELINCOURT. Lieut. Hon. B.A.A. Ogilvy and one servant proceeded to ENGLAND on transfer to the Irish Guards.	He
" " 15th "	Remained in Billets at FRICAMPS. Conference for all Squadron Leaders and S.S.M.'s and S.Q.M.S.'s reforming Dismounted Company which will go into the Line about 19th inst. Saddle inspection. Major. H.V.S. Charrington MC Captain. J.A. Purdey, Lieuts Freer. and Davidge returned from the Divisional School.	He
" " 16th "	Chateau De FRICAMPS. Church Service and Holy Communion were held at THIEULLOY at 10.30.a.m. and at FRICAMPS at 11.30.a.m. Roman Catholics attended attended their own Church.	He
" " 17th "	The Dismounted Company paraded in Dismounted Marching Order for inspection by the C.O. All rifles were inspected by the Armourer.	He
" " 18th "	The Dismounted Company and Regimental Headquarters proceeded to SALEUX on their way to Forward Area, 13 Officers and 218 O.Ranks. Lieut. C.C.L. Williams Cpls Ryal and Bultitude proceeded to YZEUX for instruction in Power Buzzer.	He
" " 19th. "	Exercise under Squadron arrangements, no news of the Dismounted Company.	He
" " 20th. "	Details remained in Billets, <u>SPECIAL ORDER.</u> Under Authority delegated by His Majesty the King. The Corps Commander has	

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FRICAMPS. Dec 20th.17.	<p>has awarded the Military Medal to the undermentioned for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at BOURLON WOOD on 27th and 28th November.1917.:-</p> <p>No.2824 Sergt.Cockman. H.J. No.2763 " Gardner. J.H. No.1084 L/" Smith. L.W. No.5578 Pte Clarke. A.F. No.6675 " Hawden. P. No.3699 " Layden. S.</p>	He
" " 21st. "	<p>their names will be published in the London Gazette in due course.</p> <p>Remained in billets, roads very bad for traffic, 8 horses of "B" Squadron, 1 of "C" Squadron evacuated for Other than Veterinary Reasons.No news from the Dismounted Company.</p>	He
" " 22nd "	<p>Remained in billets, still snowed up,very quiet in the line.</p>	He
" " 23rd. "	<p>Remained in Billets,<u>SPECIAL ORDER.</u> <u>Under Authority granted by His Majesty the King the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief</u> has awarded the undermentioned decorations for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at BOURLON WOOD 27th and 28th November.1917.:-</p> <p>Bar to Military Cross :- T/Capt.D.C.H.RichardsonM.C. The Distinguished Conduct Medal :-No.6125.Pte. A.Kerrison.</p>	He
" " 24th "	<p>Remained in billets,made preparation for men's Xmas dinners.</p>	He
" " 25th. "	<p>Remained in Billets,N.C.O's and Men had a very good time,all sat down to a good dinner of roast pork and plum pudding,supplied by E.F.C. arrived just in time.</p>	He

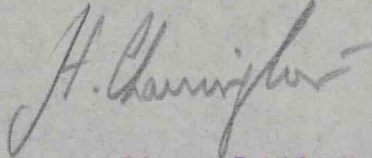
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FRICAMPS. Dec 26th. 17.	Remained in Billets. Heavy fall of snow.	He
" " 27th "	Lieut. J. W. Bennet and L/Cpl. H. Hawkins went to Le. TOUQUET to attend a Course of Instruction in the Hotchkiss Rifle.	
" " 28th "	40 of the horses selected for EGYPT, (20 from "B" and 20 from "C" Squadron) proceeded to SALEUX where they were entrained for Port of Embarkation, Lieut. C. C. L. Williams and 13 O. Ranks accompanied these horses as Conducting Party to the Port of Embarkation. <u>SPECIAL ORDER.</u> The following message Message received from His Majesty the King was republished :- I send to all Ranks of the Navy and Army my hearty good wishes for Christmas and the New Year, I realise your hardships patiently and cheerfully borne, and rejoice in the success you have won so nobly. May God Bless you henceforth and give us Victory.	
" " 29th "	Pte Simkins proceeded to 5th Army Sniping and Scout- ing School at VADENCOURT, All quiet in the line.	He
" " 30th."	Remained in billets. Roman Catholics attended their own Local Churches. All quiet in the line.	He
" " 31st."	Remained in Billets. Quiet in the Line.	He
	 Captain. Commanding 12th Royal Lancers.	

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December 17 th 1917 FRICAMPS	The 5 th Dismounted Brigade travelled by lorry to SALOUEL where we billeted for the night.	JF
" 18 th SALOUEL.	Entrained at 7-30 am, travelled via AMIENS and PERONNE to ROISEL where baggage was transported by 24 th Division G.O. Wagons and Companies marched to VENDELLES where night 18 th /19 th was spent in huts.	JF
" 19 th VENDELLES	Companies paraded at 9 am and were conveyed by lorry to HARGICOURT and marched there straight into front line. XX Hussars took over from a Company of 8 th Bn. R. W. Kent Regt and 12 th Royal Lancers and Royal Scots Greys Companies relieved 8 th Bn. Queens Royal West Surrey. Relief completed by daylight.	JF
" 20 th	Night of 19/20 th very quiet but a Vickers Post of 72 nd M.G. Co at junction of TURNIP LANE and FARM TRENCH was bombed by enemy patrol and 1 Sgt and 1 man were wounded. Guns opened fire and patrol retired.	JF
" 21 st	Quiet day and night. 12 74mm shells were put over on to Railway above EGO about 11 am. C.O. left in afternoon for a Court martial.	
" 22 nd	Several enemy aeroplanes flew very low over our lines from 11 am up till about 2 pm. The R. Sigs wire was somewhat damaged by mine sweeper and French mortar fire by junction TURNIP LANE and CART SUPPORT. A few 84mm shells	

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23 rd December	<p>fell near MARTEN POST about 4 am. The G.O. C went round the sector. The G.O. returned from Court Martial in the evening. Casualties to date of sick.</p> <p>Frost still hard, clear sunny day. G.O. and COL. DUGDALE went round line in morning. The bombardment at 4-15 am by guns of the 24th Division was reported to have been very accurate on trenches.</p>	CF
24 th —	<p>There was increased M.G. fire by the enemy on front held by 20th Hussars, perhaps on account of colder weather, about 4-15 am the Boche heavily shelled the posts held by the Platoon in THOMPSON'S REBT so that it was impossible to occupy them till 6-45 am. The F.G.G. (Butter Hill) was shelled intermittently all night but none actually fell in the quarry. The G.O. C came up at about 11 am, also Brigade Major, and Staff Captain and Intelligence Officer and the Assist. Signalling Officer at various times during the morning. Some snow about 8 am and very hazy all day.</p>	CF
25 th —	<p>night of 24/25th very quiet indeed, usual very lights. R.S. gyps sent out 2 patrols from MER TRENCH about 250 yards into the valley. Found a number of disused trenches but saw or heard no signs of enemy. Some rain fell and a slight thaw set in.</p>	CF

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26 th December	<p>night of 25/26th very quiet indeed. No trench mortaring or artillery fire at all. Enemy air craft very active during the morning while relief was going on and soon after the artillery started shelling roads just behind line killing 1 20th Hussar and wounding 4 at HARGICOURT terminals of tramway. Relief completed by 3am and all 4th Dismounted Brigade in full possession. Billeted in Reserve at VENDELLES and 12th Lancer Company at PRIELE WOOD.</p>	JF
27 th —	<p>The 20th Hussar and R. I. Grys bathed at BERNES in the morning. The C.O. is selected sites for posts for defence of VENDELLES. An enemy aeroplane was shot down on the outskirts of the village by one of our own machines.</p>	JF
28 th —	<p>The 20th Hussar Company relieved the 12th Lancers at the intermediate line by PRIELE WOODS and at HETTY, Gandy posts. The R. I. Grys supplied a night working party of 120 men. Lieuts. W. MONKS, J. HICKEY, and N. L. MCANNON went to Bark area on leave till 3rd Jan 1918. Very windy and extremely cold.</p>	<p>all Favre Lieut Colonel</p>

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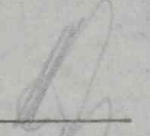
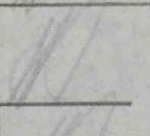
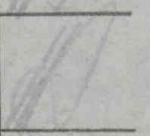
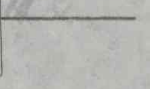
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Jan. 1st 1918. FRICAMPS.	Remained in Billets at FRICAMPS. New Years Greeting received from G.O.C., 5th Cavalry Brigade as follows :- "I wish to express to you Officers, N.C.O's and men, of all units of the 5th Cavalry Brigade, my admiration and thanks for the manner in which you have invariably carried out all duties which you have been called on to perform during the past year. I wish you, individually and collectively, all Happiness, and the Best of Good Luck in the New Year. May it prove Victorious. No news from the line.	
" 2nd. " "	Major. H.V.S. CHARRINGTON M.C, Lieut. G.H. FREER, Lieut. J. HICKEY, Lieut. J.R.C. RAWNSLEY, 2nd Lieut. W. MONKS, 2nd Lieut. N.L. MCKINNON, and 25 O.R.'s proceeded to the Forward Area on relief duty. Captain. R.S.W.R. WYNDHAM. QUIN and 1 servant rejoined Regiment from Cadet School KILDARE IRELAND. L/12937. Cpl. Kilgour, 7186. Pte. Golds, 4454. Pte. Thompson proceeded to Divisional Headquarters on their return from VII Corps Trench Mortar School to form a Divisional Trench Mortar Battery.	
" 3rd. " "	Remained in Billets. Very quiet in the Line.	
" 4th. " "	Remained in Billets. Dismounted Company moved into COTE WOOD, very quiet.	
" 5th. " "	Remained in Billets. Dismounted Company remained in COTE WOOD.	

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Jan. 6th 1918. FRICAMPS.	"B" and "C" Squadrons attended Church at THIEULLOY-L'ABBAYE 8.p.m. The C.O inspected all clothing on parade at THIEULLOY-L'ABBAYE and FRICAMPS. L/13652.Cpl.Bulbeck proceeded to VILLERS CARBONNEL to attend a Gas Course.	R
" 7th " "	Remained in Billets. The Dismounted Company took over the Front Line Trenches. Relief took place very quietly no casualties. T/2nd Lieut.H.R.HUDSON and T/2nd Lieut.L.WILLIAMS arrived from Base ROUEN. Dismounted Company remained in Front Line very quiet.	R
" 8th " "	8 Horses selected for IV Corps Equitation School paraded for inspection. The Regiment attended the Baths at HORNOY from 9.a.m. to 5.p.m. Dismounted Company remained in Front Line. L/11380.L/Cpl.F.C.Atkins slightly wounded.	R
" 9th " "	Remained in Billets. Dismounted Company remained in Front Line, very quiet. 5523.Pte. Marshall invalided to ENGLAND.	R
" 10th " "	Remained in Billets. Captain.R.S.W.R.WYNDHAM QUIN was a member of F.G.C.M. held at Headquarters R.S.Greys. 1 O.R went on leave to ENGLAND. Dismounted Company remained in Front Line, very quiet.	R
" 11th " "	Remained in Billets. Dismounted Company moved into reserve at HESBECOURT, no casualties.	R


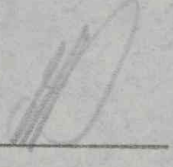
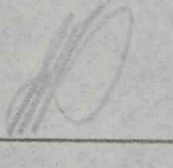
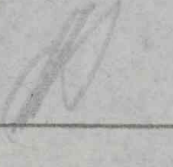
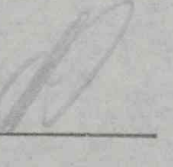
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Jän. 12th 1918. FRICAMPS.	Remained in Billets. Dismounted Company remained in reserve. Captain. J.A. PURDEY granted special leave to ENGLAND.	
" 13th " "	Church Service at FRICAMPS 8-30.a.m. and at THIEULLOY-L'ABBAYE 9-30.a.m. No. 3125. Cpl. A.G. TEHAN awarded the Military Medal for conspicuous gallantry. 2 O.R.'s went on leave to ENGLAND. Dismounted Company remained in reserve at HESBECOURT.	
" 14th " "	Remained in Billets. Lieut. M.H. O'RORKE and 18640. Cpl. Case proceeded to Hotchkiss Rifle Course at LE. TOUQUET. Lieut. Col. C. FANE CMG., DSO and 2nd Lieut. C.K. OLNEY went on leave to PARIS. 2nd Lieut. J.W. BENNETT proceeded to Forward Area. Dismounted Company moved into PRIEL WOOD support line and HETTY POST.	
" 15th " "	Remained in Billets. 1 Officer, 500 O.R.'s proceeded to Forward Area. T/2nd Lieuts. R.E. BULLEN and C.P. BEAVON joined the Regiment from Base ROUEN. Dismounted Company remained in PRIEL WOOD and HETTY POST.	
" 16th " "	Remained in Billets. The following Officers and N.C.O.'s proceeded to the Divisional School for instruction 2nd Lieuts. F. MYLREA, R.G. HOFFNUNG. GOLDSMID and H.M.B. CHESTER. Sgts. Cockman, Page, and Darcy. Dismounted Company moved back into Reserve at HESBECOURT.	
" 17th " "	8 N.C.O.'s arrived from 6th Battalion Tanks	

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Jan. 17th (contd) FRICAMPS.	for instruction in Hotchkiss Rifle. 7 O.R.'s (Reinforcements) arrived from ROUEN. Dismounted Company remained in reserve.	<i>[Signature]</i>
" 18th 1918. "	Remained in Billets. Dismounted Company remained in reserve HESBECOURT.	<i>[Signature]</i>
" 19th " "	Remained in Billets. Sgt. Clinton proceeded to Musketry Course PONT. REMY. The A.D.M.S. 2nd Cavalry Division inspected the Billets of the Regiment. Dismounted Company remained in reserve HESBECOURT. Captain. P.G. DAVIDSON and 2nd Lieut. A.F. DAVIDGE proceeded to Forward Area.	<i>[Signature]</i>
" 20th " "	Church Service at FRICAMPS 5.p.m. 2 Officers and 50 O.R.'s proceeded to Forward Area by lorries to AMIENS thence by train to ROISEL. Dismounted Company remained in reserve. Major. H.V.S. CHARRINGTON M.C rejoined from Forward Area.	<i>[Signature]</i>
" 21st " "	Remained in Billets. All quiet in the line.	<i>[Signature]</i>
" 22nd " "	Remained in Billets. Dismounted Company remained in reserve. 1 man wounded.	<i>[Signature]</i>
" 23rd. " "	The Regiment attended Baths at HORNOY. The Dismounted Company went into the Front Line, relief took place without casualties.	<i>[Signature]</i>
" 24th " "	Remained in Billets. Dismounted Company remained in Front Line. Report all quiet.	<i>[Signature]</i>
" 25th " "	Remained in Billets. Dismounted Company remained in Front Line. All quiet.	<i>[Signature]</i>

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Jan 26th .FRICAMPS.	Remained in Billets. 7.O.Rks joined from Base ROUEN.Dismounted Company still in front line.All quiet.	P
" 27th. "	Remained in Billets. Lt HICKEY admitted to Hospital. Dismounted Company remained in Front line,trenches very bad under foot. L/Cpl J.Baker.M.M. was killed by a sniper. Church Service was held at FRICAMPS 9.a.m. and at THIEULLOY L'ABBAYE at 10.15.a.m. General GREENLY attended service at THIEULLOY L'ABBAYE	P
" 28th. "	Remained in Billets.The Dismounted Company was relieved by the 6th EniskillingDragoons relief took place without any casualties. Major.H.V S.Charrington M.C. went on leave ϕ to England.	P
" 29th. "	Remained in Billets. The Dismounted Company returned to Billets,arriving in lorries from SALEUX about 6.p.m. 2nd Lt. W.Monks and Corpl Osbourne proceeded to LE.TOUQUET for Hotchkiss Rifle Course. Lieut. M.H.O'Rorke left for Corps Equitation School at CAYEUX-SUR-MER.	P
" 30th. "	The Regt attended Baths at HORNOY.6 O.Rks were re-transferred to 16th Lancers. 10 O.Ranks rejoined from 5th Lancers.	P

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Jan. 31st. FRICAMPS.	<p>Remained in billets. 4 Officers 20 O.Ranks went to Forward Area to take over Billets now occupied by 6th Iniskilling Dragoons.</p> <p><i>Asst Capt. for</i> Lieut. Colonel, Commanding 12th Royal Lancers.</p>	<p><i>D.</i></p>

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FRICAMPS. Feb 1st.1918.	Remained in Billets. Medical inspection of all ranks by M.O. 4 O.Ranks rejoined from Hospital.	JF
" " 2nd "	Squadrons paraded in Marching Order strong as possible Heavy baggage of "B" & "C" Squadrons collected by two lorries and taken to SALEUX en route to Forward Area. Billeting party of 2 Officers and 4 O.Ranks arrived from Central Indian Horse to take over billets. 1 Officer, 8 O.Ranks went on leave to England.	JF
" " 3rd. "	Exercise strong as possible, all packs loaded every horse saddled up. The Dismounted Party left by train from HORNOY Station en route to the Forward Area. Pte Grasby proceeded to the Fifth Army Cookery School. F.C.M.S. Ashby, and Sergt Page were awarded the Belgium Decoration Croix de Guerre for good services and devotion to duty in the Field.	JF
" " 4th. "	The Regiment paraded in Marching Order and marched to the Area, VERS -BACQUEL -PROUZEL -PLACHY BUYON, and arrived in area 12.30.p.m. Headquarters and "A" Squadron billeted at VERS, "B" Squadron PLACHY BUYON. "C" Squadron PROUZEL. all horses under cover men very comfortable.	JF
VERS. " 5th. "	The Regiment marched to Area PROYART at 8.30.a.m. via ST.FUSCIEN -BOVES -DOMART -AUBERCOURT-MARCELLEAVE - LA MOTTE - to PROYART arriving about 3.30.p.m. Appreciation. Brig General T.T.PITMAN C.B. wishes to thank the Officers N.C.O's and Men of the 5th Cavalry Brigade for their good work in the line, while he was in Command of the 2nd Dismounted Division. The unfailing cheerfulness and keenness of all ranks in spite of the severe weather conditions enabled	

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	<p>a great deal of hard work to be accomplished. 1 O.Rank went on leave to England.</p>	✓
PROYART. Feb 6th.1918.	<p>The Regiment marched into new billets at ENNEMAIN arriving about 12.30.p.m. Men and horses fairly comfortable, a good deal of cleaning up to be done. Cpl. Townsend proceeded to VILLERS CARBONNEL for a Gas Course. 1 horse taken on the strength from 5th Cavalry Brigade Headquarters. 1 horsex "B" Squadron destroyed. 1 Horsex attached No.7. M.V.S. 2nd Lieut. A.F. Davidge, and 7 O.Ranks went on leave to England.</p>	✓
ENNEMAIN. Feb 7th. "	<p>Regiment employed in cleaning up billets and making themselves and horses comfortable. The Divisional School closed and reopens at BUSSY-LES-DAOURS on 17th February 1918. The following Officers arrived from the Course 2nd Lieut. R.G.H. Colasmid, Lieut. H.M.B. Chester and 2nd Lieut. F. Mylrea. The Mule wagons attached to the Regiment proceeded to join their own Unit.</p>	✓
" " 8th. "	<p>General fatigue, cleaning up and re-arranging billets. Pte Michele proceeded to Cavalry Corps as Italian Interpreter.</p>	✓
" " 9th. "	<p>Exercise and General Fatigue 1 Officer each Squadron and 2 N.C.O's went up to reconnoitre the route by which the Regiment would proceed to the Brown Line in case of emergency.</p>	✓
" " 10th. "	<p>The Regiment attended Church Parade in the Library at 9.30.a.m. No work. Lieut. J.R.C. Rawnsley, 2nd Lieut C.K. Olney and 6 O.Ranks went on leave to England.</p>	✓

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ENNEMAIN. Feb 11th. 1918.	Exercise and general fatigue. Col. C. Fane. C.M.G., D.S.O. and Capt. P.C. Davidson went on leave to Paris. I/Cpl. Cooper proceeded to ABBEVILLE to collect 1 Charger for Lieut. F.F.F. Spicer.	✓7
" " 12th. "	Baths and general fatigue. 2nd Lieut. R.E. Bullen and 2 O.Ranks attended a Pigeon Course at HERVILLY. 2nd Lieut. G.A. Morris and 5 O.Ranks joined the Regiment from ROUEN.	✓7
" " 13th. "	The Regiment turned out on a practice Parade in accordance with the Divisional Defence Scheme. The Regiment with transport moved off 15 minutes after the order was received. A Working Party of 6 O.Ranks reported to R.E. Dump at FOURQUES.	✓7
" " 14th. "	Exercise under Squadron arrangements. Remainder of the day to be given to games. 2 Officers and 6 O.Ranks went on leave to England.	✓7
" " 15th. "	Exercise, General fatigue. A Lecture was given in the Cinema Hall ATHIES by the Secretary Navy League on the Navy. Troop Officers and Sergts reconnoitred the tracks to the Brown Line in case of a sudden turn out. Medical inspection.	✓7
" " 16th. "	Exercise, 1 O.Rank and 3 Chargers joined from Advance Remount Depot ABBEVILLE.	✓7

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ENNEMAIN. Feb 17th. 18.	Church Service 11.a.m. 3 Officers, 3 N.C.O.'s proceeded to the Divisional School. The Corps Commander presented Medal Ribbons to the following N.C.O's and Men:- S.S.M. A.A.Savage M.C. , Pte Herrison. D.C.M., Sergt Cockman, M.M., Pte Clarke M.M., Pte Hawden. M.M., 1 Officer and 50 O.Ranks attended attended this parade at which was held at DEVISE.	✓
" " 18th. "	The Regiment stands to for 9 days in readiness for the Divisional Defence Scheme. 2 Officers and 6 O.Ranks went on leave to England. Capt & Qmr H.B. Knop reported sick and went off to the Field Ambulance.	✓
" " 19th. "	7 men, 7 horses attached to the 5th Machine Gun Squadron for instruction, in addition 7 men daily attend from 8.30.a.m. to 12.30.p.m. 2.30.p.m. to 4.30.p.m. for 3 weeks instruction. 2 Squadron football matches were played.	✓
" " 20th. "	Squadrons paraded in Marching Order for Squadron Drill. Practice turn out "South" for Defence Scheme. The Regiment were at place of Rendezvous in 40 minutes. 2 Squadron football matches were played.	✓
" " 21st. "	The Regiment stands to for 3 days- ready to turn out in one hour's notice. Inspection by C.O. on parade Clothing inspection.	✓
" " 22nd. "	Regimental drill. R.S.Greys band played in the Canteen from 7.p.m. to 8.30.p.m.	✓

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ENNEMAIN. Feb 23rd. 18.	Regimental Drill. G.O.C. came round and saw the Regiment drill- He was quite pleased.	✓
" " 24th. 18.	Church parade at ATHIES at 10.a.m. Final of Squadron Football :- "A" beat "C" 6 goals to 2. "A" Squadron selected to represent the Regiment in Brigade Inter Squadron Football Competition.	✓
" " 25th. 18.	Regimental Drill.	✓
" " 26th. 18.	"A" Squadron Musketry. "B" and "C" Squadrons bathing. Work in lines during the afternoon.	✓
" " 27th. 18.	Brigade Field day. At 2.30.p.m. the G.O.C. came round the Lines and was pleased with the work done and the cleanliness.	✓
" " 28th. 18.	The Regiment received orders to Stand to at 1 hour's notice. Football in the afternoon.	✓
<p><i>C. A. Fane</i> Lieut. Colonel, Commanding 12th Royal Lancers.</p>		

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March 1st ENNEMAIN	Received orders to change billets and closed in on the R S Grey's, Oxford Hussars took over billets part of the 4th Brigade T/2nd Lieut J MARSHALL joined from ROUEN	OF
" 2nd "	Orders received re Dismounted Party, 12th Royal Lancers form the Battalion Headquarters Lieut R STRAKER proceeded to Cavalry Corps Signal School YZEUX as instructor 3rd Lieut F MYLREA and 5 other ranks went on leave to ENGLAND	OF
" 3rd "	Divine Service was held at ATHIES at 11-15 am Remained in billets Lieut MOON RAMC temporarily attached	OF
" 4th "	Squadron Leaders inspected their Dismounted Parties A lecture on the present situation was held for Officers and Sergeants, which was interesting to all Remained in billets	OF
" 5th "	The Dismounted Party moved off mounted at 1-30 pm in the following order :- Headquarters - 12th Royal Lancers - R S Greys - 20th Hussars Transport brigaded under 2nd Lieut C K OLNEY Route :- DEVISE - MONTECOURT - TERTRY - CAULAINCOURT to VERMAND The horseholders proceeded at 1-50 pm in lorries to VERMAND to bring back led horses Lieut, Col, C, FANE C M G., D S O commanding 5th Dismounted Battalion, Captain R, S, W, R, WYNDHAM QUIN commanding 12th Royal Lancers Company	OF

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Contd	Lieut F F F SPICER 2nd in Command of 12th Royal Lancers Company Total strength of Company 14 Officers, 242 other ranks, 23 horses Captain P G DAVIDSON remained at ENNEMAIN in command of details left behind	<p style="text-align: center;">07</p>
March 6th ENNEMAIN	Exercise and Stables 5 other ranks went on leave to ENGLAND Reconnaissance of defences by C O's of Dismounted Party	<p style="text-align: center;">07</p>
" 7th "	Remained in Billets Dismounted Company remained at VERMAND, 100 other ranks formed a working party and proceeded to ESSLING REDOUBT	<p style="text-align: center;">07</p>
" 8th "	Remained in billets Dismounted Party remained at VERMAND, a working party of 100 other ranks proceeded to ESSLING REDOUBT "B" Squadron attached to 16th Lancers in ESSLING REDOUBT under Lieut F F F SPICER	<p style="text-align: center;">07</p>
" 9th "	Remained in billets Dismounted Company remained at VERMAND, working party of 100 men 1 other rank went on 1 Month's leave to ENGLAND Summer time starts midnight tonight	<p style="text-align: center;">07</p>
" 10th "	Church parade at ATHIES 10-30 am, VERMAND 2-30 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">07</p>

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March 11th ENNEMAIN	The Dismounted Battalion rejoined the Regiment marching from VERMAND 2 chargers arrived from ABBEVILLE sent up for Lieut M H O'RORKE 1 2nd Lieut W MONKS Major C E BRYANT, D S O came to dinner	✓
" 12th "	Exercise strong strong as possible, received orders to march to QUESMY	✓
" 13th ENNEMAIN) QUESMY)	The Regiment paraded at 7 am and marched to QUESMY via HAM - GUISCARD arriving about 12-30 pm and bivouaced on the edge of the BOIS-de-ANTREGCOURT 1 other rank went on 1 Month's leave to ENGLAND 4 chargers taken on strength from ROUEN for the following Officers Lieut W T HARVEY 1, 2nd Lieut J MARSHALL 2, 2nd Lieut W H THORLEY 1	✓
" 14th QUESMY	A Dismounted Company was formed and a conference of all Officers and N C O's concerned was held at 2-30 pm Lieut Col, A, B, REYNOLDS came to lunch being billeted quite close 5 other ranks went on leave to ENGLAND	✓
" 15th "	The Dismounted Party paraded for practice in embussing at ST MARTIN under Captain D C H RICHARDSON, M C 2nd in Command 2nd Lieut A F DAVIDGE for Lieut C G L WILLIAMS, Platoon Commanders Lieut W O BERRYMAN, M C, 2nd Lieut W MONKS, 2nd Lieut N L MACKINNON Remainder of Regiment remained in billets Camp	✓
" 16th "	Exercise under Squadron arrangements All senior Officers of Dismounted Company were taken to forward area on reconnaissance, and 2	✓

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March 16th (Contd)	Officers and 1 Sgt per Squadron went up mounted under Capt R S W R WYNDHAM, QUIN to reconnoitre the crossings over the River OISE	J
March 17th QUESMY	Church Parade 11 am in the Lines Football in afternoon, Regimental Team V R S Grey's 6 other ranks went on leave to ENGLAND.	J
" 18th "	Officers of the Dismounted Company proceeded to forward area to reconnoitre the ground, the Dismounted Company may have to counter-attack.	J
" 19th "	C O inspected the horses of the Regiment A working party of 2 Officers and 155 other ranks proceeded to FAILLIOUEL and were attached to 18th Division.	J
" 20th "	Remained in Camp Working party employed in cutting wood at M-33 A Sheet Sheet 66c	J
" 21st "	Heavy bombardment going on since 4 am this morning, the remainder of the Dismounted Company were ordered up to join the working party at JUSSY Capt D C H RICHARDSON, M C in command of Company, 2nd Lieut A F DAVIDGE 2nd in Command, Platoon Commanders Lieut H M B CHESTER, 2nd Lieut L WILLIAMS, 2nd Lieut N L MACKINNON, strength of Company 5 Officers 203 other ranks and proceeded by buss to JUSSY. Debussed and marched to MONTES-COURT, and covered the retirement of 14th Division until they had crossed bridges at JUSSY, retired through through JUSSY to FAILLIOUEL arriving 6-30 am 22nd	J

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March 22nd QUESMY	<p>Bombardment still going on, no news through of Dismounted Company A further 34 men and 1 officer were detailed to stand to ready to reinforce the Dismounted Company French reinforcements arrived in Village, and Regiment made room for 150 of them in tents giving the Officers dinner at Regimental Headquarters, and soup and tea for the men No definite news from the line, Casualties 4 other ranks</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">J</p>
" 23rd	<p>The 1 Officer and 34 men detailed were turned out mounted for mounted action, Lieut J R C RAWNSLEY being in charge of party with Lieut W O BERRYMAN, M C, with orders to report to General CULLEN at BUCHOIRE Remainder of Regiment stand to with led horses. More French troops arriving. Orders received to move horses to PONTOISE at once Left camp via NOYON to PONTOISE arriving about 6-30 pm, Casualties other ranks 12.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">J</p>
" 24th PONTOISE	<p>Orders received to march to CAREPONT, no news of Dismounted Party, arrived CAREPONT about 5 pm and received orders to proceed to BAILLY arriving at 10 pm. Casualties killed 2 wounded 14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">J</p>
" 25th BAILLY	<p>Orders received at 6am to form a composite Regiment from R S Grey's, 12th Royal Lancers, and 20th Hussars, each Regiment to find 90 mounted men, Lt Col, C, FANE C M G., D SO to take charge of Regiment, Major H V S, CHARRINGTON, M C in command 12th Royal Lancers Squadron,</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">J</p>

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March 25th (Contd)	Major D McCOMBIE in command R S Grey's Squadron, Captain HALL in command of 20th Hussars Squadron Regiment marched to PONTOISE in support to 18th Division, at 7-15 am received orders to march to CHIRY and hold up enemy who were advancing from NOYON, arrived at CHIRY 10 am and received orders to hold high ground MT RENAUD Squadron 20th Hussars took up position dismounted with other 2 Squadrons in reserve,	JF
" 26th	Patrol being sent out to NOYON and PONT LEVEQUE At 8 am orders received to proceed at once to DIVE le FRANC and try and hold up enemy who were advancing from direction of CRISOLSES Major H V S CHARRINGTON, M C in command of 12th Royal Lancers Squadron had orders to proceed with all haste and try and make good high ground overlooking SEUZOY but found enemy with machine guns in sunken road S W of SEUZOY, a line was established and enemy were pushed back but held us up, at 5 pm enemy attacked and pushed us back about 500 yards Regiment was reinforced by 4th Brigade and eventually relieved about 11 pm at 12-30 am	JF
" 27th	Orders were received to march to CHIRY arrived about 1-30 am with orders to stand to at dawn Received orders to march to VENETTE via COMPIEGNE arrived about 6-30 pm with orders to stand to ready to move at 5-45am All parties joined up with Regiment which is now complete	JF
" 28th VENETTE	Orders received to march N W with a view of dismounted action, enemy reported to have broken	JF

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March 28th (Contd)	<p>through at MONTIDIER, arrived NOROY at 9 am and received orders to concentrate at CHEPOIX CHEPOIX where 2nd Cavalry Division were put under orders of G H Q., 56th Division, French Army, with orders to provide a Dismounted Company of 100 all ranks, the Canadian Brigade the 3rd and 4th Brigades were ordered to support 2nd line, 5th Brigade to form a mounted reserve at LA HERELLE</p>	<p>07</p>
" 29th LA HERELLE	<p>Officers Patrols sent out to get in touch with French troops, marched at midday to CAGNY where billeted</p>	<p>07</p>
" 30th CAGNY	<p>Marched from CAGNY to BOIS-DE-BLANGY near VILLERS BRETONNEUX assisted with Australians to counter-attack on wood east of BOIS-DE-HANGARD, attack successful, casualties killed 3 other ranks wounded 2 Officers Capt W VASS, M C 2nd Lieut F MYLREA, and 10 other ranks, returned to BOIS-DE-BLANGY</p> <p>Deputation from 9th Australian Brigade thanking Regiment for work done, copy of report from 9th Australian Infantry Brigade</p> <p>" H Q., 61st Division</p> <p>I beg to forward herewith detailed report of counter-attack operations carried out by 9th Australian Infantry Brigade on afternoon and evening of 30th March the assistance rendered by 12th Royal Lancers 2nd Cavalry Division was invaluable and my Officers and men are enthusiastic of the work done by the 61st Cavalry</p> <p>(Sd) G ROSENTHAL B.G. for</p> <p>G O C., 9th Australian Infantry Bde</p> <p>Copies to 5th Army etc etc</p>	<p>07</p>

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March 30th (Contd)	<p>Extracts from above report, "The 12th Royal Lancers preceded the Battalion and reached wood East of the BOIS-DE-HANGARD at about 4-15 pm (this wood will in future will be referred to as LANCER WOOD) on our way to LANCER WOOD we passed several bodies of troops peculiarly and uselessly entrenched in queer places and large parties of stragglers. On reaching the wood we found the whole front line garrison withdrawing although there was no hostile fire of any kind and no signs of attack. I met 2 Brigadiers and a Battalion Commander in the wood and informed them of what was happening and asked that they should get these men back to the line at once, this they promised to do, the Cavalry Commander also helped in the matter by sending a Squadron dismounted to re-establish their line.</p> <p>The Infantry went forward then with the Cavalry but in a reluctant manner; during the whole time we went forward men were constantly leaving the line; there seemed to be no effort to stop this straggling; it was a proud privilege to be allowed to work with such a fine Regiment as the 12th Royal Lancers.</p> <p>Their approach much installed in the men the utmost confidence and enthusiasm and I am glad to say did much to counteract the effort of the straggling.</p> <p>They lost no time in effectively clearing LANCER WOOD and got there just in time, as the enemy had obtained a footing in the Southern and S E edges of the wood, and allowed us to move forward to the attack.</p> <p>On seeing the Cavalry there, the enemy shelled LANCER WOOD very heavily with 5-9's paying</p>	<p>CT</p>

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<p>March 30th (Contd)</p>	<p>particular attention to the outer fringes - fairly heavy casualties casualties to horses were inflicted, the horses were soon led from the wood to a position W of VILLERS BRETONNEUX - AUBERCOURT road. The discipline shown during this heavy shelling was an object lesson. During the attack the Cavalry protected both our flanks - the left with hotchkiss guns. They withdrew at about 7 pm, all ranks were eager to give every possible help to us and throughout there was whole hearted co-operation. The experience gained in this our first operation with Cavalry was invaluable. One was able to judge of the splendid work they are doing for the Army at the present time, and they cannot be too highly praised.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Sd) L MORSHEAD Lieut Col Commanding 31st Australian Infantry Batt</p> <p>The following received from G O C, 5th Cavalry Brigade "A report on the counter-attack operations carried out by the 9th Inf Bde has been received. It In it the G O C 9th Australian Inf Bde expresses his appreciation in enthusiastic terms of the fine work of the 12th Royal Lancers who acted in co-operation with this attack. The G O C, 5th Cavalry Brigade wishes to record afresh his pride in having the 12th Royal Lancers under his command and considers that the Regiment has won fresh honours for itself and the Brigade by earning the appreciation in action of such gallant comrades as the 9th Australian Inf Bde"</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Sd) W F Collins Lieut Col, Commanding 5th Cavalry Brigade</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">07</p>

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March 31st	Remained in close support, BOIS L'ABBAYE <i>Cecil Lane</i> Lieut Colonel, Commanding 12th Royal Lancers	<i>df</i>

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<u>Captain D C H Richardson's, M C Detachment</u>		
March 22nd	Attached 43rd Infantry Brigade and ordered to ^{prepare} counter-attack, JUSSY the order being cancelled & later, after dark the Company was ordered forward to dig line in front of FAILLOUEL	07
" 23rd	The Company was in support to 43rd Infantry Brigade in sand pits, enemy attacked and Company received orders to hold on to sand pits and cover the retirement of 43rd Brigade. The Hotchkiss Guns had good targets, German Cavalry advancing in column of Troops at 1,000 ayds, a great number of casualties were inflicted, Company then retired to ridge in front of FAILLOUEL under heavy shell and Machine Gun fire, 12 other ranks wounded; held ridge for half-an-hour then retired to wood west of FAILLOUEL where Company was lying in open. German plane came down to about 100 feet and opened Machine gun fire along the line but inflicted no casualties, spent night at LA NEUVILLE	07
" 24th	Fought rear-guard action in conjunction with French troops, casualties 2 killed 14 other ranks wounded; ordered back to BEAURAINS where horses were to be provided. 100 men mounted on 20th Hussars horses, and proceeded to VAUCHELLES where ordered to join General HARMAN's Force Force at LAGNY, at 6 pm a Dismounted Party of 1 Officer 50 other ranks was detailed to counter-attack along canal at CATTIGNY	07

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<p>March 24th (Contd)</p>	<p>This party was caught under heavy Machine gun fire and horses were brought up to get them away The Detachment was then ordered to attack mounted but came under heavy machine gun fire in the semi-darkness Dismounted outposts were then formed to allow French troops to re-organize and take up positions on Canal bank, 1 other rank missing. Detachment withdrawn to DIVES during the night</p>	<p>07</p>
<p>0306h0066h March 25th</p>	<p>Detachment under Lieut J R C RAUNSLY joined up and the Brigade party 0306h was formed into a Regiment under Major LITTLE, D S O 20th Hussars Regiment galloped into action at FARM CHARBONNEAU east of LAGNY and Dismounted Party dug in in face of ridge to right of French troops linking up with 4th Brigade. Held on to 3 pm when French retired on left ordered to cover these Lieut M H O'ROKKE wounded, S S M CARTER believed killed, retirement then ordered back to horses under heavy shell fire Casualties 2 other ranks killed 14 wounded Lieut Col, COOK D S O 0306h commanding Brigade being amongst those killed Brigade then ordered to march to ELLENCOURT for night</p>	<p>07</p> <p>07</p>
<p>March 26th</p>	<p>Rejoined Regiment at VENNETTE</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>C. A. Hane</i> Lieut Colonel, Commanding 13th Royal Lancers</p>	

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<p>Lieut J R C RAWNSLEY'S Detachment - composite Squadron forming Regiment under Captain BONHAM,, R S Grey's</p>		<p><i>J</i></p>
<p>March 23rd</p>	<p>Composite Squadron 30 men each from R S Grey's 12th Royal Lancers and 20th Hussars, 1 Troop from 12th Royal Lancers under Lieut W O BERRYMAN, M C Moved to BUCHOIRE to 3rd Corps Headquarters thence to come under General HARMAN at BERLANCOURT, Patrols to FLAVY and GUIVRY, despatched at midnight to hold spurs UGNY North of UGNY-le-SAY Relieved by French troops and sent to bivouac at GUIVRY.</p>	<p><i>J</i></p>
<p>" 24th</p>	<p>Returned at dawn to BERLANCOURT, patrols to PLESSIS and PATTE de L'OIE, enemy broken through ESMERY HALLON sent to restore situation, patrols into village and positions taken up guarding exits which kept back enemy all day. Withdrawn to FARM de BOIS BRULE and FARM de ROUVREL which was placed into state of defence</p>	<p><i>J</i></p>
<p>" 25th</p>	<p>Outposts and patrols in direction of GUISCARD ROUVREL and FLAVY but had to be withdrawn owing to retirement of French Joined Captain D C H RICHARDSON's M C force at LAGNY</p>	<p><i>J</i></p>
	<p><i>Carlton</i> Lieut Colonel, Commanding 12th Royal Lancers</p>	

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Extracts from Report of G.O.C. 9th Inf. Bde.
3rd Australian Division attached to 61st Division,
who on the evening of 30th March 1918 made a Counter
Attack.

Extract from Brigade Commander's Remarks.

The assistance rendered by the 12th Lancers, 2nd
Cavalry Division, was invaluable, and my Officers and
men are enthusiastic in their admiration of the work
done by the Cavalry.

Extract from Report of O.C. 33rd Battalion, 9th Inf. Bde.

It was a proud privilege to be allowed to work with
such a fine Regiment as the 12th Lancers. Their approach
march instilled in the men the utmost confidence and
enthusiasm and I am glad to say greatly counteracted the
effect of so much straggling. They lost no time in
effectively clearing LANCER WOOD and got there just in
time as the enemy had obtained a footing on the Southern
and South Eastern edges. The Lancers protected the
edges and allowed us to move forward to the attack.

On seeing the Cavalry there, the enemy shelled LANCER
WOOD very heavily, chiefly with 5.9", paying particular
attention to the outer fringes. Fairly heavy casualties
to horses were inflicted there; the horses were soon led
from the wood to a position West of the VILLERS BRETONNEUX -
AUBERCOURT road. The discipline during the heavy shelling
was an object-lesson.

During the attack the Cavalry protected both our flanks,
the left with two Hotchkiss guns. They withdrew at about
7 p.m.

All ranks were eager to give every possible help to us;
throughout there was whole-hearted cooperation. The
experience gained in this our first operation with Cavalry
was invaluable. One was able, too, to judge of the splendid
work they are doing for the Army at this present time, and
they cannot be too highly praised.

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From 1st April 18.

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
April 1st 1918.	Dismounted Company 150 men under Captain. R. S. W. R. Wyndham Quin moved mounted to DOMART-en-SUR la Lua to take part in counter - attack on wood N of the village. Horses returned to wood. Attack successful, but many casualties to Division. In Regiment Killed 2, wounded 24 O. Ranks. Congratulatory messages from C-in-C, Corps Commander, Army Commander, XIX Corps Commander.	J7
" 2nd. 1918.	Dismounted Party returned, remained in Support till 5. p.m. when moved to billets at CAMON.	J7
" 3rd. "	Moved billets a short distance, reinforcements in men and horses arrived.	J7
" 4th. "	Rain. Reorganisation of Regiment continued. Lieut. W. T. HARVEY evacuated to Base. Lieut C. C. L. Williams returned.	J7
" 5th "	Remained in Reserve at CAMON, rain. "B" Echelon marched at 9.30 p.m. 2nd Lieut. H. Palmer, and A. F. Davidge promoted Lieuts.	J7
" 6th. "	Marched to YAUCOURT BUSSUS to billets. Two O. Ranks and 2 chargers joined from Base.	J7
" 7th "	1 Officer, (Lieut. G. P. Williams) 110 O. Ranks arrived as reinforcements. 50 12th Lancers 60 from Yeomanry Units. Voluntary Service Church of England in evening.	J7

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
April, 8th 1918,	63 O. Ranks arrived as reinforcements.	JF
" 9th "	T/2nd Lieut. WA. Stratford. joined from the Base, and posted to "A" Squadron.	JF
" 10th, "	Two O. Ranks to Hotchkiss Rifle School at GRANDSART. Regiment marched North to GENNE IVERGNY in consequence of heavy German attacks on Portugeese and 1st Army.	JF
" 11th. "	Remained in readiness to move, weather greatly improved.	JF
" 12th "	Marched at Mid-day to MATRINGHEM via HESDIN and FRUGES. Billeted in 1st Army Musketry Camp.	JF
" 13th. "	Marched at Mid-day via BLARINGHEM to LES SCISSEAUX near SERCUS.	JF
" 14th. "	Concentrated in BOIS des HUITRUES in support of left flank of 1st Army. Returned to billets near SERCUS.	JF
" 15th. "	Concentrated at dawn in the FORET de NIEPPE in support of 1st Australian Division. 1 O. Rank wounded. Battle proceeding favourably. Returned to billets at LYNDE.	JF
" 16th. "	Stood to at 2 hours notice, and moved to fresh billets near BLARINGHEM.	JF
" 17th "	Stood to at 2 hours notice, moved in afternoon to position of readiness at PAPOTE keeping Squadrons in liaison with 1st Australian Bde and two Brigades of 5th Division.	JF

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April 18th. 1918.	Returned to billets in afternoon, situation being unchanged.	JF
" 19th "	Remained in billets at 3 hours notice. "B" Echelon rejoined.	JF
" 20th, "	Remained in billets. Brigade in waiting 2 hours notice.	JF
" 21st "	Remained in billets 3 hours notice. Captain, RS.W.R.WYNDHAM QUIN, Capt J.R.C.RAWNSLEY, Lieut.A.F.DAVIDGE, T/Lieut.E.A.W.BARRON, Lieut P. R. ASTLEY awarded M. C.	JF
" 22nd "	Remained in billets. Capt.J.V.ADAIR (N.I.H) joined.	JF
" 23rd. "	Remained in billets. "C" Squadron Orderly Squadron saddled up ready to move at moments notice. Remainder at 1 hours notice.	JF
" 24th. "	"B" Squadron proceed to position of readiness at PAPOTE returning in evening.	JF
" 25th. "	Remained in billets.	JF
" 26th. "	Remained in billets at 1 hours notice.	JF
" 27th. "	2nd Lieut.J.STURROCK joined from R.F.C. formerly Fife and Forfar Yeomanry.	JF
" 28th. "	Remained in billets, Lieut.N. L.MACKINNON and patrol sent to LE GRAND HASARD. Lieut E.W.COOPER, and A.T.CAMPBELL joined from Leicester Yeomanry.	JF

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April, 29th. 1918.	Marched from BLARINGHEM to RADINGHEM via ROQUETOIRE and BOMY, 2,0. Ranks and 1 horse rejoined from Brigade Headquarters.	<i>CF</i>
" 30th "	Remained in billets at 3 hours notice to move.	
	<p><i>ceallfane</i> Lieut. Colonel, Commanding 12th Royal Lancers.</p>	<i>CF</i>

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May 1st, 1918.	Remained in Billets, reinoculation of Regiment begins.	UT
" 2nd. "	Remained in Billets. 2 O.R's proceeded to Hotchkiss Rifle School.	UT
" 3rd. "	Remained in Billets.	UT
" 4th "	Four O.R's rejoined from Reinforcement Camp ABBEVILLE.	UT
" 5th. "	March to new area at OFFIN between MONTREUIL and HESDIN.	UT
" 6th. "	Extended area to include Village of HESMOND vacated by R.G.Greys.	UT
" 7th. "	Remained in Billets. 4 O.R's, 8 Riding horses joined from the Base.	UT
" 8th. "	Remained in Billets. Quarter Guard MANE mounted at Regimental Headquarters. 2 O.R's proceeded to Hotchkiss Rifle School. Lieut. Col. C. FANE, C.M.G., D.S.O. proceeded on leave to U.K. Major H.V.S. CHARRINGTON, M.C. assumed Command.	UT
" 9th. "	Remained in Billets. Lieut. C.C.L. WILLIAMS proceeded to Cavalry Corps Equitation School. 2nd Lieut. G.P. WILLIAMS rejoined from G.H.Q., Hotchkiss Rifle School.	UT

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May 10th, 1918.	<p>Presentation of Medal Ribbons by the Corps Commander to recipients of immediate awards in recent operations :- Lieut. J. R. C. RAWNSLEY, M. C., Lieut. A. F. DAVIDGE, M. C., T/Lieut. E. A. W. BARRON, M. C., Captain. R. S. W. R. WYNDHAM. QUIN, M. C., Lieut. P. R. ASTLEY, M. C. were unable to attend. 2937. S. Q. M. S. MACKAY, M. M., 815. Sig/Cpl. RYALL, M. M., 4135. Cpl. SMITH, M. M., 6631. L/Cpl. WARD, M. M., 7652. L/Cpl. MURRAY, M. M. (Died of Wounds) were 1688. Pte. HANLON, M. M. (& Bar)) unable to attend.</p>	vt
May 11th, "	<p>Remained in Billets. L/12900. R. Q. M. S. DOMONE granted Commission permanent Quartermaster to the Regiment.</p>	vt
" 12th "	<p>Remained in Billets.</p>	vt
" 13th "	<p>T/2nd Lieut. J. W. THORLEY & 1 O. R. reposted to 17th Lancers, left to join that unit.</p>	vt
" 14th "	<p>12 Remounts 8 O. R.'s joined from ABBEVILLE.</p>	vt
" 15th "	<p>Regiment took part in Brigade Scheme. Dismounted converging counter attack on position recently gained by enemy, and with aeroplane co-operation.</p>	vt
" 16th "	<p>Musketry training on Regimental Range. Weather very favourable.</p>	vt
" 17th. "	<p>Remained in Billets. Musketry training continued. 2nd Lieut. H. L. RICHARDS joined.</p>	vt

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May 18th, 1918.	2nd Lieut. H. R. OWEN., No. 6. Squadron R. A. F attached for instruction in Cavalry work with view to aeroplane co-operation. Musketry continued.	JF
" 19th "	Remained in Billets. Officers tactical ride.	JF
" 20th "	Remained in Billets. Captain. W. VASS, M.C rejoined from ENGLAND.	JF
" 21st "	Remained in Billets. 1st Field Troop billeted night with "A" Squadron.	JF
" 22nd. "	Remained in Billets. Regimental parade mounted in Marching Order.	JF
" 23rd. "	G.O.C., 5th Cavalry Brigade inspected the horses and saddlery in Billets. Very wet day. "A" & "B" Echelons turned out for inspection. G.O.C reported very satisfactory on all he saw.	JF
" 24th "	Remained in Billets. 1 Riding horse, 1 O.R joined from Reinforcement Camp ABBEVILLE.	JF
" 25th "	Remained in Billets. Report received from G.O.C 5th Cavalry Brigade "The Brigadier wishes to convey to all Ranks his appreciation on the very fine turn out of the Regiment on today's inspection".	JF
" 26th "	Remained in Billets. 2 O.R's went on Special Leave to ENGLAND. Lieut. A. F. DAVIDGE, M.C and 3799. Cpl. PINNOCK proceeded to Hotchkiss Rifle School LE TOUQUET for 2 weeks instruction.	JF

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May. 26th.	1918	(cntd)	The Regimental Pierrots gave a concert to "C" Squadron and Regimental Headquarters.	of
"	27th	"	Remained in Billets. The Regiment paraded mounted in Marching order for inspection by the G.O.C 2nd CAVALRY DIVISION who was impressed by the smart appearance of the Regiment.	of
"	28th	"	Remained in Billets. Regiment carried out a scheme in Woodfighting. A very instructive scheme bringing out many points.	of
"	29th	"	Remained in Billets. "A" Squadron Musketry on Range. Scouts trained under CAPT. ADAIR. J.V. Hotchkiss Rifle Training. The Concert Party of "C" COMPANY, 1st DIVISIONAL WING, CANADIAN CORPS REINFORCEMENT CAMP gave a very good concert to the Regiment which was much appreciated by all Ranks.	of
"	30th	"	Remained in Billets. "B" Squadron Musketry on Range. 5th MACHINE GUN SQUADRON held Boxing meeting. 5th CAVALRY BRIGADE Polo Ground opened at 3 p.m.	of
"	31st	"	Remained in Billets. "C" Squadron Musketry on Ranges.	of
			<p><i>W. G. H. H. H.</i></p> <p>Lieut. Colonel.</p> <p>31st May, 1918. Commanding 12th Royal Lancers.</p>	

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OFFIN. JUNE.1st.1918.	<p>Remained in Billets. Regimental Rifle Meeting was held commencing at 10.a.m.. The Following Competitions being shot off :-</p> <p>Match.1. Best Shot Sergeants. Won by No.3125 SGT. A.G.TEHAN.M.M, "A" Squadron.</p> <p>Match.2. Best Shot Corporals and Privates, won by No.3699 PTE.S.LAYDON.M.M, Signal Troop.</p> <p>Match.3. Troop Competition, won by No.2 Troop, "C" Squadron.</p> <p>Match.4. Officers v Sergeants team shoot, won by Sergeants.</p> <p>Match.5. Officers Team Shoot, open to 5th Cavalry Brigade, won by Royal Scots Greys.</p> <p>Match.6. W.Os and Sergeants team Shoot, open to 5th Cavalry Brigade, won by 12th Royal Lancers.</p> <p>LIEUT.J.W.BENNETT and 1 other rank went on leave to the UNITED KINGDOM.</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>
OFFIN. JUNE.2nd.1918.	Remained in Billets. Church Parade at 9 a.m.	✓
OFFIN. JUNE.3rd.1918.	Remained in Billets. "A" Squadron carried out Hotchkiss Rifle Training. Every Officer.N.C.O and man instructed in feeding and firing the rifle.	✓
OFFIN. JUNE.4th.1918.	Remained in Billets. "C" Squadron Hotchkiss Rifle training. Scouts under CAPTAIN.J.V.ADAIR, HON.LIEUT.& QTR. W.DOMONE went on leave to the UNITED KINGDOM. The Box Respirators of the Regiment were tested and fitted in Gas Chamber.	✓

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OFFIN. JUNE 5th. 1918.	<p>Remained in Billets. Officers and Sergeants of "B" Squadron paraded for Tactical Ride under Commanding Officer. Hotchkiss Rifle training. The Royal Scots Greys held Aquatic Sports at their billets BRIMEUX. Open events were all won by the Regiment as follows :-</p> <p><u>Open 100 yards.</u> Won by 73464. CPL. M. O'BRYNE, "C" Squadron. 12th Royal Lancers.</p> <p><u>Open Inter-Squadron Relay Race.</u> (Team of 6). Won by "A" Squadron. 12th Royal Lancers.</p> <p><u>Open Officers Relay Race.</u> Won by Officers, 12th Royal Lancers. The Team was:-</p> <p>MAJOR. H. V. S. CHARRINGTON. M.C. LIEUT. R. STRAKER. LIEUT. H. PALMER. 2nd LIEUT. N. L. MACKINNON. 2nd LIEUT. J. MARSHALL.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OF</p>												
OFFIN. JUNE 6th. 1918.	<p>Remained in Billets. The Regiment carried out a wood Fighting Scheme. Very instructive to all ranks.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OF</p>												
OFFIN. JUNE 7th. 1918.	<p>Remained in Billets. Musketry on Ranges.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OF</p>												
OFFIN. JUNE 8th. 1918.	<p>Remained in Billets. A Friendly Rifle and Boxing meeting was held between the 1st Divisional Wing, Royal Canadian Corps and the 12th Royal Lancers, finishing up with a concert in the evening. A Very enjoyable day. Results were as follows :-</p> <table data-bbox="860 1669 1780 1858"> <tr> <td><u>Rifle Meeting.</u></td> <td>12th Royal Lancers.</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Canadians.</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Boxing.</u></td> <td>Canadians.</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>12th Royal Lancers.</td> <td>2</td> </tr> </table>	<u>Rifle Meeting.</u>	12th Royal Lancers.	2		Canadians.	2	<u>Boxing.</u>	Canadians.	3		12th Royal Lancers.	2	<p style="text-align: center;">OF</p>
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OFFIN. JUNE. 9th.1918.	Remained in Billets. Church Parade at 9.a.m. Formed an Air Raid First Aid Post in "A" Squadron billets.	JF
OFFIN. JUNE. 10th.1918.	Remained in billets. The Final selection for the best troop of Horses in the Regiment and the Best heavy and Light draught team was decided to-day. The Judges were. BRIG. GENL. NEIL HAIG. C.M.G LT. COL. A.C. LITTLE. D.S.O <u>Results were.</u> <u>Best Troop of Horses.</u> 1st. 3 Troop. "B" Squadron. 2nd. 1 Troop. "C" Squadron. 3rd. 3 Troop. "A" Squadron. <u>Best Team of Heavy Draught.</u> 1st. "A" Squadron. 2nd. "B" Squadron. 3rd. Regt. Headquarters <u>Best Team of Light Draught.</u> 1st. "A" Squadron. 2nd. Regt. Headquarters 3rd. "C" Squadron.	JF
OFFIN. JUNE 11th.1918.	Remained in Billets. The Divisional General inspected the horses of the Regiment in watering order. "B" Squadron were looking remarkably well.	JF
OFFIN. JUNE. 12th.1918.	Remained in Billets. 1 other Rank went on leave to the UNITED KINGDOM.	JF

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OFFIN. JUNE. 13th. 1918.	Remained in Billets. The 1st Divisional Wing, Royal Canadian Corps challenged the Regiment to tug-of-war (8 a side) and Officers Revolver shoot Results were:-12th Royal Lancers won tug-of-war, 2 pulls to one. Officers, 1st Divisional Wing, R.C.C won revolver shoot by 38 points. The Regiment gave a tent-pegging display which was very much appreciated by the Officers. M.C.Os and men of the 1st Divisional Wing, Royal Canadian Corps.	CF one
OFFIN. JUNE. 14th 1918.	Remained in Billets. Practiced Troop Rifle Competition.	CF
OFFIN. JUNE. 15th. 1918.	Remained in Billets. Practice for the A.R.A Troop Rifle Competition. 5th Machine Gun Sqdn held sports at LESPINOY.	CF
OFFIN. JUNE. 16th. 1918.	Remained in Billets. Church Service at 6-30.p.m. The Band of the 1st Divisional Wing.R.C.C by kind permission of LIEUT.COLONEL.COOPER.M.C played selections in the evening. LIEUT.R.STRAKER and 1 other rank went on leave to the UNITED KINGDOM.	CF
OFFIN. JUNE. 17th 1918.	Remained in Billets. All Officers and Senior N.C.Os proceeded to Brigade Headquarters mounted for practice passing horses through Gas Cloud. Troop Selected for A.R.A.Troop Rifle Competition practiced on Ranges. 2nd LIEUT.H.L.RICHARDS and 7014.L.CPL.E.BAILEY proceeded on Gas Course CAYEUX-SUR-MER.	CF

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OFFIN.	JUNE.18th.18.		Remained in Billets. The Final Selection for the Troop competing in the A.R.A Competition was decided. The Divisional Commander being present. No.3 Troop, "C" Squadron. Troop Leader. LIEUT. H. PALMER was selected. This Team will compete against the Brigade on Thursday, June 27th.1918. Revised Tool and Explosives Pack Loads.	
OFFIN.	JUNE.19th.18.		Remained in Billets. 3 Officers joined from Cavalry Reinforcement Camp ABBEVILLE :- 2nd LIEUT. D. J. TURVILLE. 2nd LIEUT. D. RABY. 2nd LIEUT. D.P.JONES. 2 Chargers arrived and posted as follows :- 1 to CAPTAIN. P. G. DAVIDSON. 1 to CAPTAIN. W. VASS. M.C	
OFFIN.	JUNE.20th.18.		Remained in Billets. "A" and "C" Squadrons carried out Field Firing Scheme in Direction of ST DENOEUX. The Divisional Commander Attended. Very instructive. Regimental Football Team played the 1st Divisional Wing, Royal Canadian Corps. result:- 4 all.	
OFFIN.	JUNE.21st.18.		Remained in Billets. C.O and Squadron Leaders attended a Brigade Staff Ride. Rendezvous first B in BOUBERS at 9-30.a.m.	
OFFIN.	JUNE.22nd.18.		Remained in Billets. C.O inspected all Yeomanry Reinforcements in Lance Drill Mounted.	

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OFFIN. JUNE.23rd.1918.	Remained in Billets. Church Service 11-30.a.m. LIEUT.COLONEL.C.FANE. C.M.G.,D.S.O proceeded to Cavalry Corps School Near DIEPPE for Staff Ride. The Band of the 1st Divisional Wing, Royal Canadian Corps by kind permission of LIEUT. COLONEL. COOPER.M.C played selections in the evening from 7p.m. to 9.p.m	VF
OFFIN. JUNE.24th.1918.	Remained in billets. The 9 last Joined Officers commenced a fortnights training under MAJOR.H.V.S. CHARRINGTON.M.C. Squadrons commenced Troop and Individual Training. Hotchkiss Rifle Sections Mounted Work. Lecture to Officers Class 2-30.p.m by CAPTAIN.W.VASS.M.C. 1 other Rank went on 1 months leave to the UNITED KINGDOM.	VF
OFFIN. JUNE.25th.1918.	Remained in Billets. Continued Training.	VF
OFFIN. JUNE.26th.1918.	Remained in Billets. Continued Training.	VF
OFFIN. JUNE. 27th.1918.	Remained in Billets. The Brigade Final of the A.R.A Troop Competition was held at LESPINOY. The results were :- 1st. 20th Hussars. 2nd. Royal Scots Greys. 3rd. 12th Royal Lancers.	VF
OFFIN. JUNE.28th.1918.	Remained in Billets. Continued Training. Lieut.C.V.A.CARTWRIGHT and 1 other rank went on leave to the UNITED KINGDOM.	VF

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12th Royal Lancers.

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OFFIN. JUNE 29th, 1918.	Remained in Billets. Officers Tactical Ride under C.O. Training continued. Novices Boxing Competition held in evening. Heats were boxed and 3 left in for the finals on Monday. Lieut.Col.A.B.REYNOLDS came to stay the night.	<i>OT</i> <i>OT</i>
OFFIN. JUNE 30th, 1918.	Remained in Billets. Church Parade 11.30.a.m.	

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19th Royal Lancers

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
July 1st, 1918. OFFIN (Contd).	<p>6 Rounds. 5774. Cpl. BAILEY. beat Pte. TATLOCK (12th R. Lancers). On Points (A.H.T. Company).</p> <p>6 Rounds. Pte. MACNALTY beat S.S. SILVERTON (5th M.G. Sqdn) On Points (No. 7. M.V.S).</p> <p>The Divisional Commander presented Prizes at the conclusion of the show.</p>	W.
July 2nd, 1918. OFFIN.	<p>Continued training. Commanding Officer inspected the Yeomanry Reinforcements in Lance Drill. L/12881. Sgt. BEETON, D.C.M. granted 1 month's leave to ENGLAND. 1 Other rank granted ordinary leave to ENGLAND.</p>	W.
July 3rd, 1918. OFFIN.	<p>Continued training. 11 Horses caste for other than veterinary reasons. 80869. Pte. PETTIT proceeded to ENGLAND for admission to Cadet School., R.A.F.</p>	W.
July 4th, 1918. OFFIN.	Continued training.	W.
July 5th, 1918. OFFIN.	<p>"B" Squadron and Hotchkiss Rifle Teams carried out a Field Firing Scheme North of HESMOND. Small head and shoulder targets were placed out to represent enemy Infantry advancing. Hotchkiss Rifle did good shooting the ground being dry, a good demonstration was witnessed, the G.O.C 5th Cavalry Brigade being present.</p>	W.

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13th Royal Lancers

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
July 6th, 1918. OFFIN.	<p>Continued training. The Regimental Sports were held in the evening when a good programme was got through. The Bugle Band of the 1st Divisional Wing., C.C.R.C added to a very pleasant evening, the events were as follows</p> <p>Half Section Jumping.. won by "B" 2 Half Section. (Cpls & Ptes). Individual Jumping.... " " 1670.Cpl.WHYTE. (Cpls & Ptes). Individual Tent pegging " " 1423.L/Cpl.WEBB. (Cpls & Ptes). Limes & Pegs..... " " L/12918.S.S.M.GREEN (Sergeants). Open HalfMile Foot Race " " 2nd Lt.J.MARSHALL. Mounted Potato Race.... " "3903.Pte.FIELDING. 100 Yards Handicap..... " " 2461.Pte.MAHER. (Cpls & Ptes). 100 Yards Handicap. " " L/12918.S.S.M.GREEN. (Sergeants). 100 Yards Handicap.... " " 2nd Lt.J.MARSHALL. (Officers). Inter Squadron Relay Race " "C" Squadron. (1 Officer, 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl, 1 S.S, 1 Pte). Boat Race..... " "A" Squadron Team. Sack Race..... "12129.Pte.BARLOW. Mule Race (Officers)..... " No Team completed the (Bare back, 4 per Sqdn & Course Headquarters, 1st complete Team home to count). Band Race..... Won by the Big Drummer.</p> <p>2 Other Ranks went on leave to ENGLAND.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>HL</i></p>

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July 7th, 1918. OFFIN.	Church parade 11-30.a.m. Lt Lieut. J. STURROCK and 6123.L/Cpl. SEXTON proceeded to CAYEUX-sur-MER for Gas Course.	H
July 8th, 1918. OFFIN.	Continued training. Lieut. Colonel. KINKAID SMITH gave a lecture to all Officers, N.C.O's and men of the Regiment. Brigadier General N.W. HAIG, C.M.G and Staff also attended. Subject:- The Battle of the AISNE, 27th May, and War Savings Certificates.	H
July 9th, 1918. OFFIN.	Continued training. 2 Other Ranks went on leave to PARIS. Number of cases of P.U.O greatly increased 45 cases now in Hospital.	H
July 10th, 1918. OFFIN.	Continued training.	H
July 11th, 1918. OFFIN.	Divisional Commander inspected the horses of the Regiment in Watering Order. Horses much improved since he last saw them "B" Squadron looking much the best in the Regiment. C.S.M. CONNORS Army Gymnastic Staff Gymnastic Staff arrived for 5 days in instruct in Bayonet and Sword exercises.	H
July 12th, 1918. OFFIN.	Commanding Officer, Adjutant, and Squadron Leaders attended a Tank demonstration at SAURECOURT, very interesting.	H
July 13th, 1918. OFFIN.	Continued training. P.U.O still raging, 76 cases still down. 4 Remounts arrived from Remount Depot ABBEVILLE.	H

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12th Royal Lancers

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July 14th, 1918. CAUMONT.	<p>On orders received 12 midnight last night 13th July the Regiment marched today to BOUFFLERS Area and billeted night at CAUMONT. Route:- MARESQUEL - ST. ANDRE-AUY-BOIS - LAMBUS to CAUMONT arriving 1-30.p.m. All P.U.O cases 1 Officer and 86 Other Ranks were collected and evacuated by 5th Cavalry Field Ambulance to PROMESSENT to be known as Divisional Convalescent Camp. All spare horses were sent to a Camp at TUBERSENT under 2nd Lieut.W.A.STRAFORD.</p>	H
July 15th, 1918. IZEL-les-HAMEAU.	<p>The Regiment continued its march into the LE. CAUROY area via AUXI-le-CHATEAU - MEZEROLLES + BOUQUEMAISON - GRAND RULLECOURT - BEAUFORT - MANIN to IZEL-les-HAMEAU a very long and trying march. The Corps Commander inspected the Regiment as they marched through AUXI-le-CHATEAU. Horses were looking extremely well.</p>	H
July 16th, 1918. IZEL-les-HAMEAU.	<p>Remained in Billets. A very heavy thunderstorm during the night. All men and most of the horses were under cover. Water a difficulty only one pump available. Gun fire heavy from the South.</p>	H
July 17th, 1918. IZEL-les-HAMEAU.	<p>Remained in Billets. Squadrons carried out reconnaissance of all roads leading towards the forward area. 2nd Lieut.N.L.MACKINNON and 1 Other Rank went on leave to ENGLAND. 1 Other Rank went on leave to CHANTILLY.</p>	H

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July 18th, 1918. IZEL-les-HAMEAU.	Remained in Billets. Enemy aircraft bombed neighbouring Villages, no casualties in Regiment. Scouts paraded under Adjutant 8-30.a.m. Commanding Officer attended a Conference at Brigade Headquarters MANIN. Gun fire still heavy from South.	H
July 19th, 1918. IZEL-les-HAMEAU.	Continued training Scouts and Hotchkiss Rifle Teams. The Commanding Officer and Adjutant reconnoitred tracks to the forward area in case of a sudden call out.	H
July 20th, 1918. IZEL-les-HAMEAU.	Continued training.	H
July 21st, 1918. IZEL-les-HAMEAU.	Church parade 9.a.m. Commanding Officer proceeded to forward area to reconnoitre defences and trench system in vicinity of ECURIES North of ARRAS. Lieut.Colonel.A.B.REYNOLDS came to dinner. Received orders to move West tomorrow.	H
July 22nd, 1918. CAUMONT.	The Regiment marched at 9.a.m. in accordance with orders issued to the BOUFFLERS area, via BOUQUEMAISON - MEZEROLLES - AUXI-le-CHATEAU and billeted the night 22/23rd at CAUMONT. Captain.R.S.W.R.WYNDHAM, QUIN, M.C and 2nd Lieut. H.R.HUDSON and 4 Other Ranks went on leave to ENGLAND. Lieut.C.V.A.CARTWRIGHT returned from leave.	H
July 23rd, 1918. OFFIN.	The Regiment continued the march to OFFIN via LAMBUS - LA NEUVILLE - BEAURAINVILLE to OFFIN	

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July 23rd, 1918. OFFIN (Contd).	Inhabitants all very pleased to see the Regiment back again. 1 Officer, 92 Other Ranks, and 88 horses rejoined from TUBERSENT Camp. Lieut. F.F.F. SPICER and Lieut. R. STRAKER returned from English leave.	HL
July 24th, 1918. OFFIN.	Remained in Billets. 11 Riding horses from Royal Scots Greys and 2 Riding horses from Brigade Headquarters were taken on the strength of the Regiment.	HL
July 25th, 1918. OFFIN.	Commenced training. Hotchkiss Rifle Teams, Scouts	HL
July 26th, 1918. OFFIN.	Continued training. Very wet day. 2nd Lieut. R.E. BULLEN and 6 Other Ranks went on leave to ENGLAND.	HL
July 27th, 1918. OFFIN.	Continued training. Commanding Officer, Adjutant, and Intelligence Officer attended a conference at Divisional Headquarters MONTCAVEREL. 2 Chargers arrived from Brigade Headquarters and posted 1 to "C" Squadron, 1 to Regimental Headquarters.	HL
July 28th, 1918. OFFIN.	Church parade 9.a.m. Commanding Officer proceeded to Cavalry Corps Equitation School for 3 days. 73007. Sgt. Tp. MULLAN, 73213. Cpl. HAZLETT, 255647. Cpl. THOMSETT, 80276. Cpl. PEGRUM proceeded to ENGLAND to join Officers Cadet School.	HL
July 29th, 1918. OFFIN.	Continued training. Lieut. C.C.L. Williams and 16 N.C.O's and men with	

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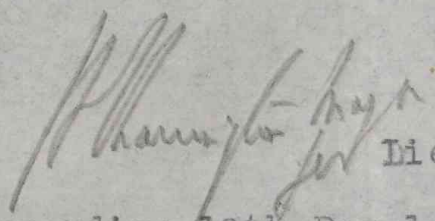
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July 29th, 1918. OFFIN (Contd).	<p>26 horses proceeded to to 17th Corps School MARESQUEL to instruct Infantry Officers in riding school. 2 Shoeing Smiths proceeded to School of Farriery ABBEVILLE for instruction in making special pattern shoes.</p>	HL
July 30th, 1918. OFFIN.	<p>Continued training. 3 Other Ranks went on leave to ENGLAND. Lieut. C.K. OLNEY and 2nd Lieut. D.J. TURVILLE rejoined from Hospital.</p>	HL
July 31st, 1918. OFFIN.	Continued training.	HL


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August 1st, 1918. OFFIN.	Continued training. Very wet day.	H.
" 2nd " "	Continued training.	H.
" 3rd " "	Continued training. Band of 1st Divisional Wing C.C.R.C by kind permission of Lieut. Colonel. COOPER, M.C played in the Paddock at Regimental Headquarters and was very much appreciated.	H.
" 4th " "	Church parade cancelled. Orders received to move to new area by night. Regiment paraded at 9.p.m. and marched with left Column consisting of 12th Royal Lancers, and 5th Machine Gun Squadron under Lieut. Colonel. C.FANE C.M.G., D.S.O. via BEAURAINVILLE - ST. ANDRE-aux-BOIS - LAMBUS - CAPELLE - REGEANVILLE to LE. BOISLE arriving 1.p.m. morning of 5th August.	H.
" 5th " "	Remained in LE. BOISLE awaiting orders. Orders received 6-45.p.m. to march to COULONVILLERS. Regiment to Rendezvous at Road Junction $\frac{1}{2}$ mile South of 2nd E. in LE. BOISLE at 9-15.p.m. marching via NOYELLE-en-CHAUSSEE - YVRENCHES to COULONVILLERS arriving 1.p.m. Orders received that as little movement as possible during day, horses to be watered in small parties. Lieut. C.A.MORRIS and Lieut. R.G. HOFFNUNG. GOLDSMID rejoined from Cavalry Corps School DIEPPE. 1 Other Rank went on leave to ENGLAND.	H.

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August 6th, 1918.	<p>Remained in COULONVILLERS. Orders received to march at 9.p.m. Regiment Rendezvous at junction of AILLY-le-HANT CLOCHER - ABBEVILLE and AILLY-le-HANT CLOCHER - ST. RIQUER Road at 9-40.p.m. Roads very congested with ammunition lorries etc. Arrived at AILLY-sur-SOMME at 2.p.m. marched via FLEXICOURT - BELLOY - LA CHAUSSEE - PICQUIGNY to AILLY-sur-SOMME. 2 Other ranks went on leave to ENGLAND. Lieut. A.A. McBEAN rejoined from ENGLAND. 1 Other rank and 2 horses despatched to 5th C.F.A. for duty.</p>	<p>HL.</p>
" 7th "	<p>Remained at AILLY-sur-SOMME awaiting orders. Orders Orders received to march at 12-15.a.m. via AMIENS to GISY arrived at 4-20.a.m. just as bombardment opened. Ordered to off saddle, water and feed.</p>	<p>HL.</p>
" 8th "	<p>At 5-30.a.m. orders received to saddle up and proceed forward to M.31.d.3.4. remained 1 hour, the Brigade then moved forward to CACHY where it became Corps reserve 12th Royal Lancers leading Regiment. At 11.a.m. orders received to move forward in support to 3rd Cavalry Division. Regiment crossed the River LUCE at IGNACOURT going forward to O.3.d.7.6. where the Brigade remained until 3rd Cavalry Division were withdrawn to Corps reserve. Regiment bivouaced for night at D.3.a.8.3.</p>	<p>HL.</p>
" 9th "	<p>Orders received to move forward $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N.E of BEAUCOURT and remain in reserve to 5th Cavalry Brigade who were forward round LE. QUESNEL ready to exploit any success that might occur.</p>	

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
August 9th, 1918 (Contd).	In the evening Brigade Headquarters and the Regiment moved forward to BEAUFORT, remained the night in wood K.5.a.o.6. Major.H.V.S.CHARRINGTON,M.C. was detailed for liason with the French (1st Army) operating on our right during which his horse and servant were blown up, not seriously injured.	H.
" 10th "	On morning of 10th August Regiment moved back to wood S. of CAYEUX until 2.p.m. when orders were received to move forward in support to 3rd Cavalry Division near VRELY and remained until dusk when orders were received to move to wood near BEAUFORT in K.4.d.6.8. # for the night.	H.
" 11th "	Remained in wood until 3.p.m. when orders were received to move back to area near IGNACOURT. All the Division to be clear by 5.p.m. The Regiment marched back to same Camp as on night of 8th August D.3.a.8.3.	H.
" 12th "	Remained in bivouac. A.1 and A.2 Echelons rejoined Regiment.	H.
" 13th "	Remained in bivouac. Captain.R.S.W.R.WYNDHAM.QUIN,M.C rejoined from "B" Echelon. Lieut.A.F.DAVIDGE and 6 other ranks, and 7 horses proceeded to Cavalry Corps School VARENCEVILLE.	H.
" 14th "	Remained in bivouac. All horses moved away from the Camp for the day to avoid aeroplanes spotting them and bombing by night. 2 Officers and 60 other ranks proceeded to vicinity of CAIX to bury dead Germans and horses. 3 other ranks proceeded on leave to ENGLAND.	H.

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12th R/Am

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August 15th, 1918.	Orders received at midnight to march to area ST. SAUVEUR. Regiment to pass starting point (G.5.8.8.) at 9-30.a.m. March back through German front line near HANGARD wood, a good many German dead lying about, then via BOVES - AMIENS - ALLY - ST. SAUVEUR arriving about 3.p.m.	He.
" 16th "	<i>LIEUT. COL. C. FANE, C.H.G., D.S.O. took over command of the 5th Cavalry Brigade in the absence of BRIG. GEN. N.W. HAIG, C.M.G.</i> Remained in bivouac during day and received orders to march at 9.p.m. to area FIEFFES via VIGNACOURT - CANAPLES, Bivouaced near Village MONTRELET arriving about 1.a.m. everyone being in open.	He.
" 17th "	Remained in bivouac during day. Received orders to march at 9.p.m. to area BOUFFLERS via BERNAVILLE - MAZICOURT - AUXI-le-CHATEAU to billets arriving 2.p.m. Troops very congested.	He.
" 18th "	Remained in bivouac until 3.p.m. when orders were received to move into billets at GENNE-IVERGNY. Regimental Headquarters being at SELLANDRE (A.3.9.3.) LENS Sheet 1/100,000. Every one very comfortable. General Order from General Sir H.S. RAWLINSON BART., G.C.V.O., K.C.B., K.C.M.G., Commanding Fourth Army "As the Cavalry Corps is now leaving the Fourth Army, I desire to place on record my high appreciation of the conspicuous and successful part they took in the battle of August 8th. The fine leadership and bold tactics employed show that the Corps has reached a high standard of training, and I desire to express to all ranks my warm thanks for what was a very fine performance"	

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August 18th, 1918. (Contd).	The lessons to be learned from the operation will, I trust, be carefully studied and taken to heart for future occasions.	He.
" 19th "	Remained in billets. Inspections of clothing, equipment, and saddlery.	He.
" 20th "	Remained in billets. Orders received 5-30.p.m. to march at 8.p.m. to area AMPLIER route DOULLENS - AMPLIER. arrived about 2.a.m. All horses picketed in field. Water arrangements good.	He.
" 21st " AMPLIER.	Regiment standing to at short notice. Horses remain unsaddled. Orders received to march at 7-45.p.m. to area about PAS. Route ORVILLE - HALLOY - PAS to GRINCOURT. Regiment billeted at GRINCOURT, arrived 10.p.m. T/2nd Lieut. D.J. TURVILLE and 14 other ranks went on leave to ENGLAND.	He.
" 22nd " GRINCOURT.	Remained in billets. awaiting orders. Orders received to march to area about BASSEUX at 10.p.m. independently with one Section of M.G.'s attached.	He.
" 23rd "	Regiment left BAILLEUVAL at 5 a.m under orders of Major H.V.S. CHARRINGTON. M.C. "A" Squadron went forward to MOYENNEVILLE to get touch with the Guards Division and send back any information they could collect to the	

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August 23rd, 1918 (Contd).	<p>Regimental Headquarters who has established a report centre near the Sugar Factory on the main ARRAS - BUCQUOY road S.W of BOIRY - ST-RICTRUDE. "C" Squadron went forward to get in touch with the 52nd and 56th Division who were attacking on front from MARCATEL to 1 mile South of BOISLEUX-St-MARE, and send back any information to report centre near Sugar Factory. "B" Squadron remained in reserve with Regimental Headquarters. T/2nd Lieut. D.I. MORGANS with a patrol pushed forward and crossed railway in front of HAMEL INCOURT coming under heavy shell fire on railway, and reported at 7-10 a.m. that the Grenadier Guards had taken HAMELINCOURT with very little opposition he then pushed on in to HAMELINCOURT and got in front of the leading Infantry, and sent back very good and valuable information. On the 52nd Divisional front T/2nd Lieut. J. MARSHALL pushed forward with a patrol with the attacking troops and reported that the 1st objective had been taken at 7-10 a.m., and that the Infantry were digging in front of hill M.31.c. and T.1.a & c. No Cavalry opportunity.</p> <p>On the 56th Divisional front Lieut. H. PALMER pushed forward with a patrol and reported the Infantry had reached T.7.b.6.10. - T.7.8. - T.13.6.8. - T.13.d.10. - T.20.a.central with advanced Platoon out in front about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, this being their final bound. These three Officers did exceptionally well and kept up a flow of information. No opportunity was given to exploit any success, the going was very bad for horses, wire everywhere making it impossible for Cavalry</p>	H.

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August 23rd, 1918. (Contd).	<p>operation. About 1.p.m. Regimental Headquarters and "B" Squadron moved up in support to "C" Squadron near BOISLEUX-au-MONT Railway Station and remained until 7.p.m. when Major.H.V.S. CHARRINGTON, M.C received orders to collect the Regiment and proceed to ACHIET-le-GRAND as soon as possible. On reaching HENDECOURT-lez-RANSART orders were cancelled and Regiment ordered to bivouac on same spot as in the morning near Sugar Factory. "A" Squadron being detached arrived in about an hour afterwards and after a very long and fatiguing day fatiguing day men were soon asleep.</p>	<p><i>HE</i></p>
August 24th, 1918.	<p>Orders received to stand to at short notice. 5th Cavalry Brigade being Divisional reserve. Rations were issued by Divisional Supply Column Lorries at 6-30.a.m. A.1 and A.2 Echelons moved up to HENDECOURT. Enemy's line in this sector now is West of SAPIGNIES and BENEIGNIES through ERVILLERS through B.9. and T.27. 3rd Army has ordered the advance to be continued today 24th and that no respite is to be given to the enemy. The advance is to be directed as follows 4th Corps LE-TRANSLOY - FINS - BOURSIES. 6th Corps QUEANT - VIS-en-ARTOIS. 1st Cavalry Division to take advantage of any opportunity to push forward on the following lines BAPUME - BOUCHAVESNES - BAPUME YTRES - FINS - BAPUME - CAMBRAI. 2nd Cavalry Division VAULX - VAUCOURT. Guards Division ECOUST.</p>	<p><i>K.</i></p>

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August 24th, 1918. (Contd).	4 Officers (T/Lieut. A. ANGUS, T/2nd Lieut. R. E. BULLEN, T/2nd Lieut. D. RABY, T/2nd Lieut. XXXX W. A. STRATFORD) 15 Other Ranks, and 24 horses rejoined Regiment.	<i>He.</i>
" 25th "	Orders received from 5th Cavalry Brigade to report to 17th Corps forthwith to be attached for duty as Corps Cavalry. Regiment marched to BERTENCOURT reporting to 17th Corps at 10 a.m. Bivouaced for day awaiting orders. Orders received to send one Troop to 52nd Division, one Troop to 56th Division for inter-communication duty. These Troops were furnished by "B" Squadron commanded by 2nd Lieut. H. L. RICHARDS and T/2nd Lieut. D. RABY respectively. Regiment received orders to move back in billets at WARLUZEL.	<i>He.</i>
" 26th "	Regiment marched at 8-30 a.m. to WARLUZEL via RIVIERE - LE-BAC-du-SUD - LARBRET - SAULTY - COUTURELLE arriving at WARLUZEL at 1 p.m. 5 Other Ranks rejoined from ABBEVILLE.	<i>He.</i>
" 27th " WARLUZEL.	Remained in billets. General clean up, refitting etc. "B" Echelon rejoined the Regiment from BOUFFLERS.	<i>He.</i>
" 28th " "	Baths were allotted to the Regiment at SOMBRIN. remained in billets. Carried out training for operation with the Infantry.	<i>He.</i>

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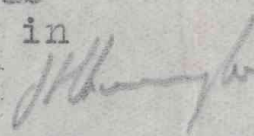
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12th R/Lancers

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
August 29th, 1918. WARLUZEL.	Continued training. 1 Troop of "B" Squadron under 2nd Lieut. N.L. MACKINNON proceeded to BRETEHCOURT for duty under the A.P.M., 17th Corps Headquarters. The Regiment ordered to stand to at 4 hours notice.	H.
" 30th " "	Continued training. 1 Other Rank went on Special Leave to the ENGLAND. The O.C., No. 12 Squadron R.A.F kindly invited the Regiment to a Cinema Show at the Aerodrome which was very much appreciated by all ranks.	H.
" 31st " "	Continued training. Two Troops of "A" Squadron proceeded to forward area to relieve the two Troops attached to the 56th and 57th Divisions. No. 2668. Pte. A.H. BATES Regimental Scouts was awarded the Military Medal for "Gallantry in the Field" on 23/8/1918 <div style="text-align: right;">  Major, Commanding 12th Royal Lancers. </div>	H.

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