

WAR DIARY

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ARMY FORM C. 2118.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			<u>The Battle of ARMENTIERES on the Operations of 21st April 1918.</u>	
			Before relating our details the events covered by the above date it would be well to give a short resume of what the Battalion has done since the 14th July 1917. The Battalion has been through a very hard time and has suffered a very heavy loss. It has been in the front line for a long time and has been subjected to a very heavy bombardment. It has been in the front line for a long time and has been subjected to a very heavy bombardment. It has been in the front line for a long time and has been subjected to a very heavy bombardment.	
			7th - 19th March. In the front line just N of BULLECOURT.	
			21st March. In actions round ST LEGER.	
			22nd March. Came out of actions in early morning, and marched again in afternoon to BIENVILLERS.	
			23rd March. Marched to GRAND ROLLECOURT.	
			24th March. Marched to N DEUX.	
			25th March. Marched to FREVENT.	
			26th March. Bombarded and marched to ARREWAGE.	
			27th March. Marched to ESTAIRES.	
			28th March. Marched to ERQUINGHAM.	
			29th March. Came into the FRONT LINE.	
			30th March. In the FRONT LINE.	
			31st March. In the FRONT LINE.	
			It must thus be seen that during the thirty odd days that preceded the battle the Battalion had not had one single day of rest.	
			The 7th April found the Battalion still in the FRONT LINE.	
			<u>THE OPERATION.</u>	
			During the 7th & 8th April a terrific gas bombardment of ARMENTIERES and the neighbourhood including SAND D'ECORNER where our position was, was put down by the Germans. The bombardment went on from 8 pm till after 6 am and during this time 10,000 gas shells were dropped on the town. The effect of the gas was not felt until 6 to 24 hours after the bombardment had ceased.	

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Casualties - Period Apr 7th - 21st

OFFICER CASUALTIES

2 nd LT. J. N. BOUGHAY	See Effects	8-4-18.
2 nd LT. W. REASON	"	8-4-18.
CAPT. B. A. BARRON. M.C.	"	9-4-18.
CAPT. W. H. HINE. M.C.	"	9-4-18.
2 nd LT. O. L. MORRIS	"	9-4-18.
2 nd LT. C. F. CAMPBELL	"	9-4-18.
2 nd LT. B. H. RIDGARD	Wd. & Missing	10-4-18.
CAPT. H. E. C. KNIGHT	Missing	11-4-18.
LIEUT. W. E. MILWARD	"	11-4-18.
2 nd LT. J. ROWBOTTOM	"	11-4-18.
2 nd LT. R. T. DUFFERIN	Wounded	11-4-18.

OTHER RANK CASUALTIES

KILLED - 12.	MISSING - 138
WOUNDED - 58.	HOSP. (SICK) 63.
WPO & MISSING - 2.	HOSP. (SICK) 24.