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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
YPRES	15		Work continued as usual with the exception that A company worked to UHLAN T SQUARE. KEEPS B company were moving on the following keeps: SQUARE, UHLAN and JASPER. B company continued work as usual.	fs
	16		The diversion at KANSAS CROSS from the PANEA ROAD to the KANSAS - ZONNEBEKE road has been completed by B company, and work was commenced on a single loop road from the KANSAS - ZONNEBEKE road from approximately D 20 2 2 2 (Sheet 23 NE) to D 21 C 8 6 S. A loop is being made in preference to doubling the existing single plank road on account of the difficulties presented by the formation of the ground.	fs
	18		From 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. the enemy shelled YPRES fairly steadily in the neighbourhood of the station and HQ. HILL'S of this battalion. 1 man was killed and four others wounded.	fs
	19		Work continued as usual. A company is making Machine Gun rays in the Army Battle zone.	fs
	20		B company proceeded to TRAPPISTES FARM in WAROU area to where C company is now.	fs
	21		B company took over B company's work. Work has been received from 8 th Division HQ that the division is under five hours notice to move.	fs
	22		As moved by train to PATERINGHE.	fs
	23		Bad. entrenched at PAPERINGHE (HOPOTRE SIDING) at 1 p.m. "A" and "C" companies detached at MARCELLOVE & GUILLAYCOURT.	fs
SOMME			"B" Coy & Transport at GUILLAYCOURT when they marched to ROSIERES NA CHAIX where they were collected.	fs
	24	4 a.m.	The B's (less transport) marched off under instructions from Division to FRESNES via CHALLUNES and then on to OMIECOURT via MARCHELEPOT where they rested for a short time, and then moved forward to PERTAIN and after a reconnaissance had been made "H" Coy took up a position about 3 p.m. west of MARCHAIN on a line to	fs

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SOMME	25/11/18	March	approximately from B 18.C.1.8 through POTTÉ WOOD to a point B 24.d.2.7 this line being held until the pressure by the enemy became too great and at 6-45 pm the boy withdrew to a line 500 yds west of POTTÉ WOOD where "B" and "B" boys dug a new trench of about 500 yds, after this trench was completed "B" boy took up a position on the left of "H" boy extending across the PERTAIN-MORCHAIN ROAD and "C" boy were in reserve at PERTAIN. At 9 am the enemy attacked in strength and it was found necessary to withdraw owing to our flanks being isolated, and a line was taken up on the N.E. of PERTAIN which after being held for about an hour & again with flanks in the air it was decided to retire on to ORMECOURT to a line approximately B 9.a.2.7 to B 9.b.3.3. This position was taken up about 12 noon and held until orders were issued for the B's to withdraw at 4 pm to CHARLÈS RIDGE N.E. of CHARLÈS. Estimated casualties 14 officers and 400 OR. At dawn on the 26 th the B's were withdrawn to L'HONS and at 7 am took up a position on the East of the village across the L'HONS-CHARLÈS ROAD this line being held until 3-30 pm. When the B's were withdrawn in a South Westerly direction to a position W of ROSIÈRES (BRICK FACTORY). At 12 noon today an officer from each boy with three NCOs were detached to make a reconnaissance of the front line N.E. of ROSIÈRES. At 1-30 pm the C.O. received instructions from G.O.C. 8 th Division to take his B's to just N.E. of HARBONNIÈRES with a view to making a counter attack. This was carried out in conjunction with the 2 nd DEVONS, "B" boy, D.L.I. being	
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SOMME	1918		on the right of the DEVONS. This counter attack was a great success pushing the enemy back in a N.E. direction for a distance of about 1000 yds to the MAIN AMIENS-ESTREES ROAD, where a trench was seized and held. Many prisoners were taken. Casualties were comparatively light, but the G.O. & 2nd Lt. Scott were both wounded & subsequently died of wounds. On receiving orders from GEN. ARMITAGE (OC attacking troops) "A" & "C" Coy's withdrew in an orderly manner in a S.E. direction N of HARBONNIERS and then S to CHAIX when they were marched back to MORISSEL. At 3-30 am "B" Coy finding that their left flank was in the air got into communication with Brigade and at 9 am received orders to withdraw to CHAIX; and at 2 p.m. were ordered to proceed to SUMEL where they were billeted. Casualties about 15 O.R. At 7 p.m. "A" & "C" Coy's moved from MORISSEL to SUMEL where they joined "B" Coy and the transport. At 9-45 am the Bn were marched from SUMEL via GUYENCOURT to COTTENCHY arriving at mid-day. At 4 p.m. instructions were received from Division to report to the 25th Bde at CASTEL and Bn moved off at 5 p.m. On reporting at Bde H.Q. the G.O. was ordered to take up a position N.W. of the MOREUIL-DENUM ROAD with the right flank resting on the edge of the wood N-N.E. of MOREUIL. "B" & "C" Coy's holding this line with "A" Coy in support.	
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