

WAR DIARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
VLANERTINGHE	29/15.		Reinforcements of 40. O.R. arrived.	
No.	3/9/15. to 6/9/15.		Rest.	
YPRES.	7/9/15.		Battalion proceeded to trenches. B Coy G.H.Q. SOUTH of MENIN ROAD C. Coy. N of MENIN ROAD. A + D. + Bn H.Q. dugouts. I. 15. 6. 9. 9.	
YPRES	8 th 9.		Quick.	
"	10/9/15.		4. O.R. wounded.	
"	11/9/15.		Left. Dugouts. I. 15. 6. 9. 9. to relieve 5 th OX + BUCKS. L.I. Bn. H.Q. + H. Coy. F. 2. H. 13. H. 19.	
"	12 th 5 th 14.		Quick.	
NEAR POPERINGHE.	15/9/15.		Relieved by. YORKSHIRES. returned to Bivouacs F. 27. C. 5. 8. All in billets by 2. A.M. On returning to Bivouacs D. Coy. were shelled and 2 O.R. were killed and 12. Wounded.	
"	16/9/15.		In Bivouac. Reinforcement of 46. O.R. arrived.	
"	17/9/15.		Battalion inspected by 2 nd Army Commander. (GENERAL PLUMER) 5.30 P.M.	
"	18 th 10. 23 rd		In Bivouac.	

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YPRES.	24/9/15.		The Battalion proceeded to the Trenches in fighting order on the night 23 rd /24 th September. Strength 14 Officers, 780 O.R. The Battalion was in disposition as follows:- A & D Coy H 13 to H 16 and supporting Trenches B Coy F. 13. C Coy Ramparts YPRES. Battalion H. Q. H. 16. At 3.50 a.m. an intense Bombardment by our own Guns took place lasting till 4.20 a.m. This was immediately replied to by the German A. Navy. Bombardment continued throughout the day. Casualties CAPT. S. G. BEAUMONT killed 3 O.R. killed, wounded 8 O.R.	
"	25/9/15.		At 1 A.M. The Battalion was in position in the Trenches as follows:- A Coy H. 13 & 14. D Coy H. 15a. and H. 16a. B & S. 15. C Coy Diagonal. At 3.50 a.m. intense Bombardment replied to by Germans immediately. At 4.5 a.m. Battalion in position for Assault A & D Coys, and 2 platoons of B with 2 Machine Guns and Signallers in Coy Column in front of our own lines. 2 platoons of B & C Coys in support in the Trenches. At 4.20 a.m. assault took place and we penetrated to Germans second line, but owing to the attack on the position on our right not getting home, and the Counter attack enveloping our left flank the position became untenable and the Battalion was forced to reoccupy our original line of trenches at about 5.15 a.m. The Germans bombarded heavily up till 1 P.M. and again from 9 P.M. till midnight. During the day the Battalion was reinforced by 2 platoons of the 16 th Somerset L.I. and were relieved in the Trenches at 11.30 P.M. by the 6 th D.C.L.I. Casualties:- Officers 3. O.R. 41. 280. 100. 7.	

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NEHR. POPERINGHE.	26/9/15.		Returned to Billet at F.27.c.5.8. The 5th Corps Commander visited the Battalion in Billets, and congratulated them on their bearing on the 25th inst and said they could rest assured that they had driven considerable forces of the enemy towards YPRES and prevented them from reinforcing down South. They could therefore say that they had materially assisted in the victory round FRRAS.	
"	27/9/15	to	12/10/15 In Billets. F27.c.5.8.	
YPRES.	23/10/15		Battalion proceeded to Trenches on night of 13th Entrained at Popeninghe for YPRES at 8. p.m. During the train journey the Germans sent over several shells but most of them failed to explode. On arrival at YPRES the town was being shelled very heavily, but there were no casualties. The Battalion relieved the 7th RBs. The disposition of Companies was as follows:- D Coy & 1 Platoon of B. F.13. C & B Coys and Bombers X1a. A & B Coys and Bapn. H.Q. Dugouts I B. b. 8.9. Relief complete by 11.30 p.m.	
"	14/10/15 & 15/10/15.		Quiet.	
	16/10/15.		At 5.20 a.m. an exceptional noise was heard and it was reported that H.20 Trench, occupied by the OX & BUCKS, had been blown up. We were ordered to stand to in case the enemy made an attack. No attack was however, made by them. At 9 a.m. the OX & BUCKS sent for our Bombers.	

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YPRES	17/10/15		D. Coy moved up to support OX & BUCKS. A Coy and BATTN H.Q. F.13.
"	18/10/15		Battalion relieved 8th R.Bs. in A sector. A Coy moved to F.3. B Coy to F.4. C Coy to X.3. D Coy to F.5. BATTN H.Q. POT/IZE WOOD near X.3.
"	19/10/15		Situation quiet. Considerable Aeroplane activity.
"	20/10/15		Rapid fire was opened on a German working party at 5 a.m. and 3 men were seen to fall.
"	21/10/15		Little activity displayed by the Germans. Battalion relieved by 1ST LEICESTERS
"	22/10/15		Arrived in Billeke near HOUTKERQUE.