

Trenches.	Coy. Taking Over	Remarks.
H.5. Old & New. J.1. J.10. S.P. 12.	B. Coy. - " - - " - - " -	
J.3. Right & J.3. New J.2. J.4. J.11. S.P. 13.	D. Coy. - " -	
J.3. left. K.1. K.1.a. K.1.b.	C. Coy. - " - - " -	Garrisons come under Command of O.C. left sector.
K.2. K.2.a.	A. Coy.	" " " "

MACHINE GUNS.
 J.1. J.4. K.1. S.P. 12.
 S.P. 13 Team with M. Gun. found by 5th King's Own.

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<i>night</i>	<i>AAA</i>	<i>Wind</i>	<i>S. W</i>
<i>Distribution of Troops.</i>			
<i>J1</i>	<i>officer</i>	<i>one</i>	<i>other Ranks</i>
<i>J10</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>" "</i>
<i>H5 old New</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>" "</i>
<i>SP12</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>" "</i>
<i>SP13</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>" "</i>
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<i>J3 Right</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>" "</i>
<i>J3 Left</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>" "</i>
<i>K1</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>" "</i>
<i>K1A</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>" "</i>

From <i>machine guns in K1, J1, J4, SP12, SP13</i>	
Place <i>OC</i>	
Time <i>Y-H 4 am</i>	

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *T Know Shaw*

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OPERATION ORDER No. 52.

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by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. RAVENSHAW. C.M.G.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Reference VIERSTRAAT 1/10000

27th July 1915.

Sheet 28 1/40000

1. The following reliefs take place tonight.
To 2/Cheshire Regt 84th Brigade.
Machine gun emplacements in J.1. J.4. & S.P.12.
Trenches H.5. J.1. J.2. J.3(right) J.3(new) J.3(left)
J.4. J.10. J.11. S.P.12. & ROSSIGNOL ESTAMINET.

The 1/York & Lancaster R. evacuate SIEGE FARM but
this farm does not pass to 84th Brigade.
1/York & Lanc'r R. relieve M-gun Detachment 2/King's Own R.
in K.2.a.
2. On relief 1/York & Lancaster Regt. move to huts
M.29.a. (sheet 28 Belgium).
3. The garrisons of 1/York & Lanc.R. in K.1. K.1.a. K.1.b.
new fire trench K.1. to K.2. K.2. and K.2.a. will
come under the orders of O.C.Left Sector at 9 p.m.
4. All trench stores will be handed over and receipts
forwarded to this office. The amount of ammunition
handed over will also be reported.
5. All details as to relief will be arranged between
O.C. 2/Cheshire Regt. and O.C. 1/York & Lancaster R.
the latter will inform 83rd Brigade Hqrs. by wire
of the time and place at which relieving units will
be met by guides.
6. Lieut-Colonel Bayley D.S.O. will Command in the
area to be handed over until the relief is complete.
7. Completion of relief will be repeated to Brigade Hqrs.
by wire.

Issued at 12-10 p.m.

*R.S. Follett*Captain
Brigade Major.
83rd Infantry Brigade

- Copy No.1. War Diary
2. 2/King's Own R.
 3. 1/K.O.Y.L.I.
 4. 1/York & Lancr.R.
 5. 5/King's Own R.
 6. 28th Divn.
 7. 84th Brigade.
 8. 2/1 Northumbrian Fd.Co.
 9. No.2 Coy. A.S.C.
 10. 3rd Brigade R.F.A.

App XXIV

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No. 12.

OPERATIONORDERSApp XXV

by

Lieut-Col. G. E. Bayley D.S.O.
Comdg. 1st Bⁿ York and Lancaster Regt.
Tuesday 27th July 1915.

XXV1. 2/1/15

The following reliefs will take place tonight.
 The 2nd Cheshire Regt. 24th Bde. will take over trenches
 J.1. J.10. H.5. S.P.12. from B Coy.
 J.2. J.4. J.11. J.3. right, J.3. New. from D Coy.
 J.3. left from E Coy.
 The Machine Gun emplacements in J.1. J.4. + S.P.12.
 Hd. Qrs. and ROSSIGNOL ESTAMINET.

2.

O.C. Coy. will arrange to relieve the garrison of
 D Coy. in S.P. 13.

3.

The Machine Gun Team in S.P.12. will ~~be sent~~
~~send~~ relieve the Machine Gun and team of 2nd Kings Own
 in K.2.a.

4.

O.C. A Coy. will evacuate SIEGE FARM at 9.30 p.m. but
 will not be relieved

5.

On relief the Cos. will form up by the Church in
 KEMMEL and march to ~~the~~ LOCRE. (M.29. a, 2nd 28)
 under Coy. Comdr's. by the road through M.24.

6.

The Hd. Sq. Coy. will march under the Supt.-Major.
 The Machine Gun Teams will march under the M. Gun Sgt.
 Lieut Gibben will take charge of the M. Guns in K.1.
 K.2.a. + S.P.13.

7.

Capt. J.E. Forster will relieve Capt. H.S. Johnson, and
 Command the Detmt of 1st Lt L. Regt. In K.1. K.1.a. K.1.b.
 K.2. K.2.a. S.P.12. + New fire trench K.1. to K.2. This
 Detmt. will come under the orders of A.C. left Sector
 at 9 p.m.

8.

The rations and water for this Detmt. will be sent
 to SANDBAG VILLA.

9.

O.C. Cos. will arrange to send guides from each trench
 to be taken over by 2nd Cheshire Regt. who will report to at
 Bn. Hdqrs. at 8.30 p.m.

10.

The Machine Gun Officers will send guides from J.1. J.11.
 + S.P.12. who will report at Bn Hdqrs at 7 p.m.

Trench stores will be handed over and the receipts
 will be forwarded to Bn. Hdqrs. with handing over report
 and work report by 8 p.m. The amount of ammunition
 handed over will also be ~~forwarded~~ ^{forwarded} by 8 p.m.

Officers trench kits and all water bins must
 be at dumping ground by 9 p.m.

11.

Coy. Officers' Charges will be at KEMMEL CHURCH.

12.


O.C. Cos. and Machine Gun Officers will report by wire to Br. Hdqrs. when relief is completed.

13.

The attached Platoons of 10th W. Yorkshire Regt. and 4th E. Yorkshire Regt. will leave the trenches as soon as it is dusk, so as to be clear before the relieving units arrive.

14.

Cos. will occupy billets in LOCRE and will meet their Quarters Masters Sergeants at LOCRE CHURCH.

 T Knox Shaw Lieut.,
Adj. York & Lancashire Regt.

Copies 1. & 2. War Diary.

Copy 3. O.C. Coy.

4. B. Coy.

5. C. Coy.

6. D. Coy.

7. O.C. Left Sect.

8. M.G. Officer.

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24/5- App^{to} XVI
7
10TH (SERVICE) BATTALION.
WEST YORKSHIRE REGT.

My dear Bayly (Dope I have spelled yr name properly)

I cannot sufficiently thank you for the great help you have so kindly given to my noveries. They must have been a great nuisance to you, but you seemed to find time somehow to tell them every thing there was to be told. I can only wish you & your Battalion the best of good luck.

I believe me that the 10th West
Yorkshires will always remember
the kindness shown by you

I am
Yours sincerely

J. Kempfreville

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OPERATION ORDER No. 53

COPY No. 4

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. RAVENSHAW, C.M.C.,

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Reference :- SHEET 28.

Wednesday, 28th July, 1915.

1. At 1 p.m. tomorrow, the 2nd King's Own Regiment march from SCHERPENBERG via LOGRE - DRANOUTRE - CROSS ROADS S.5.b - CROSS ROADS S.6.b. - CROSS ROADS T.1.C - T road T.1.d.4.7. road junction T.1.d.9.1. - CROSS ROADS T.2.c.7.7., to Farm T.2.d.2.3., where they will come under the orders of the 85th Brigade.
2. At 2.30 p.m., the 1st York & Lancaster Regiment will march from LOGRE to huts at SCHERPENBERG.

*R S Follett*Captain,
Brigade Major, 83rd Inf. Bde.

Issued at 10.30 p.m.

- Copy No.
1. War Diary.
 2. 2nd King's Own Regt.
 3. 1st K.O.Y.L.I.
 4. 1st York & Lancaster Regt.
 5. 5th King's Own Regt.
 6. 28th Division
 7. 85th Brigade.
 8. No. 2 Coy. A.S.C.
 9. Signals, 83rd Brigade.

App XXVII

XXVIII

Copy No 1 — No 13.

Operation Orders

By
Lt. Col. G. E. Bayley D.S.O.
Comdg. 1st Bn York & Lancaster Regt.
Thursday 29th July 1915.

1. The Battalion will march to the Huts at SCHERPENBERG at 2.30 p.m. today.
Order of March: - B, D, A, Hd. Sq. Coys.
Starting point A Coy. billets on the LOCRE-LA-CLYFFE ROAD.
2. M. Gunnets will march to the Huts after practice on the range at SCHERPENBERG at 2.30 p.m.
3. O.C. Cos. will render written statements to the Adjutant that the billets are left clean.

— Knox Shaw Lieut.
Adj 1st York & Lancaster Regt.

Issued at 11.15 am.

- Copies 1-2 War Depts
- Copy 3 O.C.A. Coy
- 4 - B "
- 5 - C "
- 6 - D "
- 7 M.G. Sgt.
- 8 O.C. Detmt.

App XXVIII

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OPERATION ORDER No. 54.

Copy No. 3.....

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by
BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.G.
Commanding 83rd Infy Brigade.

Reference

VIERSTRAAT

30th July 1915.

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10,000

1. On the night 30th - 31st July 1/K.O.V.L.I. with two companies two machine gun teams and two machine guns, 50th Brigade attached, will relieve 5/King's Own Regt. and all attached troops on 83rd Brigade front.
2. Details of relief will be arranged between Officer Commanding 1/K.O.V.L.I. and Major Robertson 1/York & Lancaster Regt., Commanding Left Sector.
3. The detachment of 50th Brigade will report to O.C. 1/K.O.V.L.I. at 7.30 p.m. ready to march off.
4. The relieving units will not pass barrier on LA GLYTTA & KEMMEL road N.20.b.2.7. before 8.30 p.m.
5. Signallers of relieving units will take over at 8 p.m.
6. Major E.C. Robertson will Command until the relief is completed.
7. Completion of relief will be wired to this office.
8. On relief the 5/King's Own will move to bivouacs at SCHERPENBERG.

Issued 4.15 p.m.

R.S. Follett
Captain
Brigade Major
83rd Infantry Brigade.

- Copy No. 1. War Diary
2. 1/K.O.V.L.I.
 3. 1/York & Lancaster R.
 4. 5/King's Own R.L.R.
 5. 28th Divn.
 6. 50th Brigade
 7. No. 2 Coy. A.S.C.
 8. Signals 83rd Bde.

App XXIX

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OPERATION ORDER No. 55.

Copy No. ³.....

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.G.

Reference
VIERSTRAAT

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade

31st July 1915

1

10,000

1. The troops of 50th Brigade attached to 1/K.O.Y.L.I. will return to the headquarters of their respective battalions tonight.
2. One company and two machine gun teams with guns 1/York & Lancaster Regt. will leave SCHERPENBERG at 8 p.m. and march to SIEGE FARM N.16.c.2.8. On arrival this detachment comes under the orders of O.C.1/K.O.Y.L.I. who will accommodate the company at SIEGE FARM and allot the machine guns and teams to emplacements *in relief of machine guns of 50th Brigade*
3. Completion of relief will be reported by wire to this office.

Issued at 5.48 p.m.

R.S. Follitt
 Captain.
 Brigade Major .
 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Copy No. 1. War Diary
 2. 1/K.O.Y.L.I.
 3. 1/York & Lanc'r R.
 4. 5/King's Own R.L.R.
 5. 28th Division.
 6. 50th Brigade
 7. Machine Gun Officer 83rd Bde.
 8. Signal " " " "

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Copy No 1

No 14-A Operation Orders

By

Major E. S. Robertson

Commanding 1st York Lancaster Regt.Saturday, 31st July 1915.

1. W Coy. and 2 Machine Gun Teams, with Guns will parade at D Coy Billet at 8 pm. to-night and will march to SEIGE FARM. The following will be attached:-
 Signallers - 3.
 Stretcher Bearer - 2.

2. On arrival this Detachment will come under the orders of OC 1st K.O.V.L.I., who will allot places for the Machine Guns.

3. OC W Coy will report to OC 1st K.O.V.L.I. as soon as the Farm has been taken over.

4. The Transport Officers will arrange transport for M Guns, Officers Kits and rations.

5. Sick Wastage & Casualty Returns will be rendered to the Adjutant by OC W Coy direct, at the usual hours.

Copies 1 & 2 - Not being

Copy 3. Transport Officer

" 4 M Gun Officer

" 5 OC. W Coy

T Knowl Shaw Ricent.
 Adjutant, 1st York Lancaster Regt

83rd Bde.
28th Div.

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1st YORK & LANGS

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On His Majesty's Service.

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1st York & Lancaster Regt.

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<p>August 1st FARM at SCHEERTEN BERG. Aug 2nd 3pm 6pm</p>	<p>Resided in Bellets Brigade operation orders no 56 amendment.</p>	<p>App I</p>
<p>Aug 3rd 11am 7.30pm</p>	<p>Battalion operation orders no 14. The Battalion left the huts and marched to the trenches. Major Robertson was in Command as Lt Colonel Bayley was still on leave. The relief was complete by 11.50pm. The Welsh Regt 84th Brigade was on our right and the 1st Royal on our left. The trenches were dirty and the telephone wires were handed over in poor condition.</p>	<p>App II</p>
<p>Aug 4th ROSSIGNOL ESTAMINET. 4.30am</p>	<p>Situation quiet. Very little sniping from PETIT BOIS. Distribution of Troops see quiet all day. Col Bayley rejoined in the morning.</p>	<p>App III</p>
<p>Aug 5th " " " " " " " " 12 noon 1.30am</p>	<p>Casualty report: wounded O.R. two. Burst of rapid fire on our right following a report of a mine explosion. Situation quiet all day.</p>	
<p>Aug 6th " " " " " " " " 12 noon 4.30am 12 noon</p>	<p>Casualty report nil Situation quiet all day Casualty report wounded O.R. two.</p>	
<p>Aug 7th " " " " " " " " 4.30am 12 noon</p>	<p>situation quiet all day. Casualty report wounded O.R. one</p>	
<p>Aug 8th. 4.30am 12 noon 4.30pm</p>	<p>situation quiet all morning casualty report wounded O.R. one situation now normal. H2 & H3 shelled between 1.30 & 2.30pm Causing some casualties. T1 & T10 and between T1 & T2 shelled between 2 & 2.30pm damage slight.</p>	
<p>Aug 9th 7pm 2. am</p>	<p>Heavy bombardment audible from the YPRES salient. Bombardment started all along line. Very heavy in HOOBE direction. It lasted till after 4am & recommenced again at 7am. The enemy did not reply to any extent on our front.</p>	
<p>4.30am 12 noon</p>	<p>Situation fairly quiet in our trenches. Nothing to report. Casualty report killed O.R. 1; wounded O.R. 1.</p>	

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St York's Lancaster Rgt

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<p>Aug 9th ROSSIBNOZ HQ. 4.30pm 7pm 9pm</p>	<p>Situation quiet. operation orders no 58 one Company of the 6th LEICESTER RGT 37th Division was attached to our Companies in the trenches for instruction. They were to remain in for 48 hours.</p>	<p>App IV</p>
<p>Aug 10th " " 4.30 am 12 noon 6.15pm 11.50pm</p>	<p>quiet all day Casualty report wounded. O. R. one. Brigade operation orders no 59. Relief of 5th Wergown attached to our Battⁿ reported complete. During the night patrols were sent out to investigate the crater in front of H4 and to listen for sapping in front of T3 (right). Only negative information was gained.</p>	<p>App V</p>
<p>Aug 11th " " 4.30am 12 noon 5.20pm</p>	<p>quiet all day casualties nil. operation orders no 60 Battⁿ operation orders no 15 The 6th Leicesters who were attached for 48 hours left the trenches at dusk. The Battⁿ was relieved by 2nd Wergown and marched by the browns at SCHERPENBERG. The relief was complete at 12.10 am.</p>	<p>App VI App VII</p>
<p>Aug 12. SCHERPENBERG.</p>	<p>Rested in Bellets. casualty report nil. Rested in Bellets</p>	
<p>13th " " 14th " " 15th " " 16th " " 17th " "</p>	<p>Rested in Bellets " " " " " " " " " " " " Brigade operation orders received no 62. Battalion operation orders no 17</p>	<p>App VIII App IX</p>

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1st York & Lancaster Regt-

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
17 th August 7.30pm	The Battalion marched to the trenches and relieved the 2 nd Kings own. The relief was carried out by 11.5pm. The Companies were distributed according to attached scheme	App I
18 th August ROSSIGNOL H.Q.	Quiet all day wind westerly casualty report nil.	
19 th August "	4.30am Situation quiet. no enemy mortars, enemy sniping less than usual. 12 noon Casualty report. other ranks 2 wounded. quiet all day.	
11.15pm 1.15am	5th Battalion practised an alarm. Capt Lucas, Capt Lynch, C.S.M. Barlow & L/Cpl Hobson went out to far edge of the crater in front of T ₃ (left) and threw grenades into the German trenches. Considerable alarm was caused. The enemy replied with mortars, rifle and hand grenades & rapid fire. The listening post in front of T ₃ (left) report that they heard groans from the enemy's trenches shortly after the explosion of our second bomb.	
20 th August	quiet all day. Casualties nil.	
21 st "	12. noon 2 nd Lt J.M. HOLLIS joined from the 3 rd Battalion 9pm quiet all day	
22 nd August	12 noon Casualties one wounded on Dampier ground weekly return showing Battalion strength 9.30pm Brigade operation orders no 65 received. 10.30pm Found a machine gun perched up a tree S of ROSSIGNOL WOOD on to PETIT BOIS. all shots went well over our trenches, except a few which fell near T ₃ (right). quiet all day. casualties wounded one.	App XI App XII
(9 29 6) W 4141-463 100,000 9/14 H W V	Forms/C. 2118/10 The 25 men of 5th Kings own in H5 were relieved at 9.50pm by the 3 rd Devonshire Regiment	

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1st York & Lancaster Regt.

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
August 22 ROSSIGNOL H.Q. 11.15pm	Lt Wales & Sgt B. Baker of D Coy went out in front of crater to left of T ₃ (right) and bombed enemy's trench. Enemy replied with a few mortars which did no damage. During the day enemy shelled SP.13. Knocking down parapet & two dug outs. The garrison moved into C.T. no one hit. Quiet all day.	
August 23.	Casualties 3 wounded.	
12 noon	Ballation operation orders no 18.	App. XIII
3 pm	Enemy sent 40-50 rifle grenades over T ₁ ; one fell in the trench & killed a sergeant & wounded 3 men	
5.30 pm	The Ballation was relieved by 2nd Kings Own Regt and march back to the two craters at SCHERPENBERG.	
11 pm	Resided in billets. Casualties 1 killed: 6 wounded.	
August 24 th SCHERPENBERG	Lt. Workman, Morton & Gibben left to join the 2nd R. Irish Rifles 3rd Division	
3 pm	Lt Cole took over duties of machine gun officer.	
25 th	Capt Vickerman & 2nd Lt Cole joined the Ball ⁿ from 1st East Surrey Regt. He former took over command of "D" Coy.	
26 th	Report on observations by Lt L.A.K. Halcomb, Ball ⁿ Intelligence officer	App. XIV
27 th	Resided in billets Lt H.C.H. HOWARD rejoined the Ball ⁿ	App. XV
28 th	Two companies worked on the subsidiary line all night.	App. XVI
29 th	Brigade operation orders no 66	App. XVII
ROSSIGNOL H.Q.	Return showing Ball ⁿ strength etc	App. XVIII
10 pm	operation orders no. 19.	
The Ballation relieved the 2nd Kings Own in the centre sector at 9.45 pm.	Listening Post in front of T ₁ reported movement in front of German parapet, given away by rattling of tins. The listening post was withdrawn and rapid fire opened on the place from T ₁ & T ₂ .	

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1st Yorks Lancaster Regt.

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Aug 29. ROSSIGNOL HQ 11pm	The Listening Post on being relieved noticed a party of about 6 Germans away on the left going to the left. As soon as this was reported the enemy threw bombs between T ₃ R & T ₃ L. Fire was immediately opened from T ₁ in the direction of the smoke which could be clearly seen. no casualties on our side.	
Aug 30 th	<p>4.30 am Situation report "quiet"</p> <p>Distribution of Troops according to attached scheme.</p> <p>12 noon Casualty report. wounded other ranks two</p> <p>a German working in a white coloured shirt on a CT N07NW corner of PETIT BOIS at range of 400yds was hit by a sniper from H₄.</p> <p>4 pm Situation quiet all day.</p> <p>The enemy shelled SP13 and knocked in a dugout during afternoon.</p>	App. XVIII
Aug 31 st	<p>4 am Situation quiet.</p> <p>12 noon casualty report wounded. O.R. two.</p> <p>9 pm 2nd Lt. Bates. 8092 Sgt Cooper. 2852 Pte Collier formed a patrol which went out in front of H₄ to inspect enemy's wire south of PETIT BOIS. as far as could be seen, it consisted of low entanglements about 20 yards from parapet and 20 feet thick in good condition.</p> <p>Mr. Gullatt, an Australian Press correspondent arrived at 6pm and after dining at H. Q went up to spend the night in the trenches. He crawled out through the parapet in T₃ Right into the crater and saw the German line German line 20 yds away. After going round with the C.O in the morning, he left at 12.45 pm</p>	

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OPERATION ORDER No. 56

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by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.G.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade

Reference
VIERSTRAAT---1---
10,000

2nd August 1915

1. (a) On night 3rd - 4th Aug. the 1/York & Lancaster R. with two companies and two machine guns 5/King's Own R. attached will relieve 2/Cheshire Regt. 84th Brigade in all trenches held from H.2 to J.11 (vide attached schedule)
The 5/King's Own Regt. will garrison trenches H.2 H.3 and H.5 and their machine guns will be mounted in H.3 and S.P.12.
- (b) On same night 1/York & Lancaster Regt. will relieve 1/K.O.Y.L.I. in trenches K.1 K.1 new K.1.a and S.P.13.
- (c) Garrisons will be in accordance with attached schedule.
- (d) The company 1/York & Lancaster Regt. now attached to 1/K.O.Y.L.I. will come under command of O.C. 1/York & Lancaster Regt. at 11 p.m.
2. The Hqrs. of Right Sector will be at ROSSIGNOL ESTAMINET. The reserve Coy. of Left sector at SANDBAG VILLA and YORK HOUSE. The reserve coy. of Right Sector at -SIEGE FARM.
3. All details of relief will be arranged between O.C. 1/York & Lancaster Regt and O.C. 2/Cheshire Regt. *oc. K.O.Y.*
The relieving Units will not pass barrier N.20.b.8.7 before 8.30 p.m.
4. Signallers of relieving units will take over at 3 p.m. 3rd Aug.
5. The necessary reconnaissance will be carried out before relief.
6. O.C. 2/Cheshire Regt. will command until relief is completed; Completion of relief to be reported by wire to this office. *L K.O.Y. U.*

Issued at 2 p.m.

R.S. Yallett
Captain
Brigade Major
83rd Infantry Brigade.

- Copy No. 1 War Diary
2 2/East York' R.
3 1/K.O.Y.L.I.
4 1/York & Lanca'r R.
5 5/King's Own R.L.R.
6 28th Division.
7 84th Brigade.
8 3rd Brigade R.F.A.
9 No 2 Coy. A.S.C.
10 O.C. Signals 83rd Bde.
11 M.G.O. 83rd Brigade .

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AMENDMENT TO OPERATION ORDER No 56

SECRET

2nd Aug. 1915

Para 1.(d) add:-

The two machine guns and teams 1/York & Lancaster R. now attached to 1/K.O.Y.L.I. and garrisoning K.1 & S.P.13 will come under the orders of O.C. 1/York & Lancaster Regt. on the completion of relief.

Delete para 3 and substitute:-

All details of relief will be arranged between O.C. 1/York & Lancaster Regt. and O.C. 2/Cheshire Regt. and O.C. 1/K.O.Y.L.I.

Delete para 6 and substitute:-

O.C. 2/Cheshire Regt. will command in the sector occupied by his battalion until the completion of the relief by 1/York & Lancaster Regt.; similarly O.C. 1/K.O.Y.L.I. will command in those trenches now occupied by his battalion until they are relieved by 1/York & Lancaster R.

Insert new Para.

7. At 11 a.m. 3rd August 2/East Yorkshire Regt. will march from LOCRE to SCHERPENBERG where they will bivouac until the departure of the 1/York & Lancaster Regt. when they will take over their huts.

Issued at 5 p.m.

Copy No.1 War Diary
 2 2/East Yorks R.
 3 1/K.O.Y.L.I.
 4 1/York & Lanc R.
 5 5/King's Own R.
 6 28th Division
 7 84th Brigade
 8 3rd Brigade P.F.A.
 9 No2 Coy. A.S.C.
 10 O.C. Signals 83rd Bde
 11 M.C.O. 83rd Brigade.

R.S. Follett
 Captain
 Brigade Major.
 83rd Infantry Brigade

DISTRIBUTION OF TROOPS IN TRENCHES

RIGHT SECTOR

Trench	Establishment	Distribution	Machine gun
H.2	60	K.0.	
H.3	45	K.0. B(0)	1.M.-G. (K.0)
H.4	50	K.0.	
H.5	75	B(2)	
J.1	50	R(2)	1.M.-G.
J.2	40		
J.3 new	30	A(0)	
J.3 (R)	15		
J.3 (L)	20	A(3)	
J.4	50	A(4)	
J.10	30	B(4)	1.M.-G.
J.11	50	A(2)	
K.1	50	C(2)	(already in) 1.M.-G.
K.1 new	40	C(0)	
K.1.9	35	C(3)	1.M.-G. (K.0)
S.P.12	25	A(3)	
S.P.13	35	C(4)	1.M.-G.
<u>700</u>			

LEFT SECTOR

Trench	Establishment	Distribution	Machine gun
K.1b	25		
K.2	35		
K.2.a	65		1.M.-G.
K.2.b	50		
K.3	50		
L.1	15		
L.1 new	40		
L.2	45		
L.3	30		
L.4	35		
L.5	65		1.M.-G.
L.6	45		1.M.-G.
L.7 (R)	25		
L.7 (L)	40		1.M.-G.
<u>505</u>			

Copy No. 1

Operation Orders No. 14.

By

Major E. B. Robertson,
 Commanding 1st Bⁿ York & Lancaster Regt.
 Tuesday, 3rd August 1915.

1. The Battalion will march into the trenches tonight in the following order

Machine Guns with Limbers	7-30 p.m.
C. Company	7-35 p.m.
A ---	7-40 p.m.
B ---	7-45 p.m.
Two Companies of 5 th King's Own Regt.	7-50 p.m.
Two Machine Gun Teams of 5 th King's Own Regt. under Lieut. C. Gibben, 1 st York & Lancaster Regt.	} 7-25 p.m.
Headquarters Coy under the Serjt. Major	
Transport	8-0 p.m.

Cos. will halt for 5 minutes en route.

Reliefs will take place in accordance with the attached schedule.

2. Guides will be provided at the Barricade (N. 20. b. 8. 7. Sheet 28.)


3. Officers kits and trench kits will be handed into the Quartermaster Stores by 6 p.m.

4. O.C. Cos. will arrange for an officer and their Quartermaster ~~Sergeant~~ Sergeants to proceed to the trenches in advance to take over trench stores.

5. Two sandbags per man will be drawn from Quartermaster Stores at 4 p.m.

6. O.C. Cos. and the Machine Gun Officers will report to Bⁿ Hdqrs. by wire when relief is complete.

Appr. 11


SCHEDULE OF TRENCHES

Company	Trenches	Units handing over.
A th Coy	J. 3 new. J. 3. right J. 3 left. J. 4. J. 11 S.P. 12	} 2 nd Cheshire Regt. (Guides for these trenches will be found at the barriers.)
B Coy.	J. 1. J. 2. J. 10. H. 4.	} 2 nd Cheshire Regt.
C th Coy.	K. 1. K. 1. new. K. 10. S.P. 13.	} 1 st K.O.T.L. 1.
5 th Kings Own Regt.	H. 2. H. 3. H. 5.	} 2 nd Cheshire Regt. (Guides will be found at the Barriers)
Machine Gun. 1 st York & Lancaster Regt.	J. 1. J. 4. K. 1. S.P. 13.	} 2 nd Cheshire Regt. The present teams will remain in. K. 1. and S.P. 13.
5 th Kings Own Regt.	H. 3. S.P. 13.	} 2 nd Cheshire Regt. (Guides will be found at the Barriers)

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TO { 83rd I. B }

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Distribution of Troops.				
<i>K₁</i>	<i>officer</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>other Ranks</i>	<i>43</i>
<i>K₁ new</i>	"	<i>1</i>	" "	<i>40</i>
<i>K_{1A}</i>	"	<i>1</i>	" "	<i>45</i>
<i>SP13</i>	"	<i>1</i>	" "	<i>45</i>
<i>J₃ left</i>	"	<i>1</i>	" "	<i>21</i>
<i>J₃ Right</i>	"	<i>0</i>	" "	<i>15</i>
<i>J₃ new</i>	"	<i>1</i>	" "	<i>31</i>
<i>J₄</i>	"	<i>1</i>	" "	<i>42</i>
<i>J₁₁</i>	"	<i>0</i>	" "	<i>44</i>
<i>SP12</i>	"	<i>1</i>	" "	<i>23</i>
<i>J₁</i>	"	<i>2</i>	" "	<i>58</i>
<i>J₂</i>	"	<i>1</i>	" "	<i>43</i>
<i>J₁₀</i>	"	<i>1</i>	" "	<i>45</i>
<i>H₄</i>	"	<i>1</i>	" "	<i>43</i>
<i>STEEGE FARM</i>	"	<i>4</i>	" "	<i>170</i>
<i>H₃</i>	"	<i>2</i>	" "	<i>48</i>
<i>H₂</i>	"	<i>1</i>	" "	<i>69</i>
<i>H₅</i>	"	<i>1</i>	" "	<i>85</i>

C Coy
under Capt LUCAS.

A Coy
under
Capt FORSTER.

B Coy
under
Capt BUCKLEY.

D Coy *Capt LYNCH.*
54 keep own

From <i>H₅</i>	Place <i>O.C. YTL</i>	Time <i>4.30 am</i>
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SECRET.COPY No. 2OPERATION ORDER No. 58

by

Brigadier-General H.S.L. Ravenshaw, C.M.C.,
Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Ref. VIERSTRAAT
1
10,000

Monday, 9th August, 1915.

1. a. On night of 10th August, 1915, the 5th King's Own Regiment will relieve their garrisons in H. 2., H.3., and H.5., trenches, and the machine gun detachments in H.3., and S.p., 12, attached to the 1st York & Lancaster Regiment.
- b. Relieving units will not pass barrier on LA CLYTTE - KEMMEL Road before 8.30.p.m.
- c. Signallers of relieving units will take over at 3 p.m., 10th instant.
- d. All details of relief will be arranged between O.C., York & Lancaster Regiment and O.C., 5th King's Own Regiment.
Necessary reconnaissance will be carried out before relief.
- e. Completion of relief to be reported to this office by O.C., 1st York & Lancaster Regiment.

R.S. Foltett Captain.
Brigade Major, 83rd Inf. Bde.

Issued at *6* p.m.

- Copy No. 1, War Diary.
2, 1st York & Lancaster Regt.
3, 5th King's Own Regt.
4, 28th Division.

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COPY No. 5.....

OPERATION ORDER No. 59.

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.G.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade

Reference
VIERSTRAAT

10th August 1915.

1 and sheet 28
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1. (a) On night 11th - 12th August 2/King's Own Regt. will relieve 1/York & Lancaster Regt. in the Right Sector.
- (b) The two companies and two machine guns 5/King's Own R. now attached to 1/York & Lancaster Regt. will come under the orders of O.C. 2/King's Own Regt. on completion of relief.
- (c) All details of relief will be arranged between Officers Comdg. 2/King's Own Regt. and 1/York & Lancaster Regt. necessary reconnaissance will be carried out before relief. Relieving units will not pass barrier on LA CLYTTÉ ~~EMMEL~~ road before 8.15 p.m.
- (d) Signallers of relieving units will take over at 3 p.m. 11th instant.
- (e) O.C. 1/York & Lancaster Regt. will command in Right Sector until relief is completed. Completion of relief to be wired to this office.
2. On relief 1/York & Lancaster Regt. will take over bivouacs at SCHERPENBERG vacated by 2/King's Own Regt.
3. At 2 p.m. 11th August 5/King's Own Regt. will move to bivouac in square M.11.c.4.5. with their transport in M.17.c.6.5.
4. At 4 p.m. 11 August the 3/Monmouth Regt. join the Brigade and will bivouac in square M.22.d.4.6 with their transport in square M.22.c.9.6. These fields are now occupied by 5/King's Own Regt.

Issued at 4.45 p.m.

- Copy No. 1. War Diary
2. 2/King's Own
 3. 2/East Yorks
 4. 1/K.O.Y.L.I.
 5. 1/York & Lancs.
 6. 5/King's Own.
 7. 3/Monmouths.
 8. 28th Divn.
 9. 84th Brigade.
 10. 3rd Brigade R.F.A.
 11. No 2 Coy A.S.C.
 12. O.C. Signals 83rd Bde.
 13. M.G.O. 83rd Brigade.

R.S. Follett Captain
Brigade Major
83rd Infantry Brigade

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Copy No. ⁶.....

OPERATION ORDER No. 60.

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.C.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Reference,
VIERSTRAAT Sheet 28
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11th August 1915

1. (a) On night 12th - 13th August 1/K.O.Y.L.I. will relieve 2/East Yorkshire Regt. in the Left Sector.
- (b) The company 6/Leicester Regt attached to 2/East Yorkshire Regt. will come under orders of O.C. 1/K.O.Y.L.I. on completion of relief.
- (c) All details of relief will be arranged between Officers Commanding 2/East Yorks Regt & 1/K.O.Y.L.I. Signallers of relieving unit take over at 3 p.m. 12th inst.. 1/K.O.Y.L.I. will not pass barrier on LA CLYTTE - KEMMEL road before 8.15 p.m.
- (d) O.C. 2/East Yorks Regt. will command until relief is completed. Completion of relief to be wired to this office.
2. (a) Brigade Headquarters move at 3 p.m. 12th inst., to Farm square M.18.d.5.1.
- (b) Trench stores on 12th inst will be drawn from this Farm. Wagons will approach from the West Via BRULOOZE Cross Roads Square M.24.a.

Issued at 4.30 p.m.

- Copy No. 1. War Diary
2. 2/King's Own
 3. 2/East Yorks
 4. 1/K.O.Y.L.I. - 6. 1/York & Lancs.
 5. 5/King's Own
 7. 28th Division
 8. 3rd Brigade R.F.A.
 9. No. 2 Coy A.S.C.

R.S. Follett
Captain
Brigade Major
83rd Infantry Brigade.

App VI

Copy No 1

Operation Orders No 15.

by
Lt. Col. G. E. Bayley D.S.O.
Comdg. 1st York & Lancaster Regt.
Wednesday 11th Aug 1915.

1. The battalion will be relieved by the 2nd Kings Own Regt tonight. On relief Cos. will rendezvous at KEMMEL CHURCH and march back under Coy. Comd'rs. to the bivouacs at SCHERPENBERG.

The M. Gun teams will rendezvous at the DUMPING GROUND, and march back under the M. Gun Officer.

2. Coy. Comd'rs. chargers will be at KEMMEL CHURCH.

3. Officers trench kits and all water tins must be at the DUMPING GROUND by 9 p.m.

4. The Coy. of 6th Leicester Regt. at present in the trenches will leave the trenches as soon as it is dusk and march back to their billets. Guides will be found by O.C. Cos. if necessary. The guides will report at Bn. Hd. Qrs. after the departure of Det'm't. of 6th Leicestershire Regt. from the DUMPING GROUND.

5. The two Cos. and two M. Guns of 5th Kings Own Regt. now attached will come under the orders of O.C. 2nd Kings Own Regt. on completion of relief.

6. O.C. Cos. will detail one guide per trench to report at the KEMMEL BARRIER at 8.15 p.m.

The M. Gun Officer will detail one guide from each team to report at Bn. Hd. Qrs. at 8.45 p.m. The O.C. Det'm't. 5th Kings Own Regt. will detail one guide for the platoon of 6th Leicestershire Regt. attached for 48 hours. The guide will report at KEMMEL BARRIER at 8.15 p.m.

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7. O.C. Cos. and M. Gun Officer will report completion of relief to
Bn Hd Qrs.

The guides to S.P. 12, and S.P. 13, will at once return to Bn. Hd. Qrs.
to report relief as soon as they have conducted their parties to
these places.

8. Handing over reports, Work reports, and receipts for trench
stores will be rendered to the Adjutant by O.C. Cos. by 8 p.m.

9. O.C. "H" Coy. will furnish a guard for Bn. Hd. Qrs. which
will mount as soon as the Coy. reaches the bivouacs.

Whose In is Lieut.,
A/Adj. 1st to York & Lancaster Regt.

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| 3 | | O.C. A Coy |
| 4 | | " B " |
| 5 | | " C " |
| 6 | | " D " |
| 7 | | M. Gun Officer |
| 8 | | Transport Officer |
| 9 | | Quartermaster |
| 10 | | 3 Kings Own Regt. |
| 11 | | O.C. 7 Kings Own Regt |
| 12 | | O.C. Detmt. 5 th Kings Own Regt. |
| 13 | | O.C. . . . 6 th Leicestershire Regt. |

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<i>snipers</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>J I</i>	<i>yesterday</i>	<i>morning</i>
<i>milled</i>	<i>two</i>	<i>germans</i>	<i>working</i>	<i>on</i>
<i>their</i>	<i>parapets.</i>	<i>AAA.</i>	<i>above</i>	<i>shows</i>
<i>our</i>	<i>snipers</i>	<i>are</i>	<i>vigilant</i>	<i>and</i>
<i>only</i>	<i>fire</i>	<i>when</i>	<i>there</i>	<i>is</i>
<i>a</i>	<i>target</i>	<i>when</i>	<i>they</i>	<i>do</i>
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OPERATION ORDER No. 62.

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by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.G.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Reference, VIERSTRAAT 1/10,000
Sheet 28 1/40,000

16th August 1915.

1. (a) On night 17th - 18th August 1/York & Lancaster Regt., will relieve 2/King's Own Regt., in the present Right Sector, 5/King's Own garrison in H.5 & their Machine Gun team in S.P.12..
- (b) 5/King's Own Regt., will hand over their Machine Gun in S.P.12 to 1/York & Lancs., and will leave 25 men in H.5, who will come under orders of 1/York & Lancaster Regt..
2. (a) On night 17th - 18th August 5/King's Own Regt. will take over from Northumberland Fusiliers 84th Brigade the following trenches:-
- | | |
|---------|-------------------------|
| G.4 | 35 men |
| G.4.a | 50 men |
| New Sap | 65 men & 1 Machine Gun. |
| H.1 | 55 men |
| S.P.11 | 30 men & 1 Machine Gun, |
- and will still garrison trenches H.2 & H.3, the command of which will pass to O.C. 5/King's Own with 25 men in H.5 as in para 1.(b).
- (b) Headquarters 5/King's Own Regt., will be at the Stables KEMMEL CHATEAU.
3. (a) All details of reliefs will be arranged between the Commanding Officers of battalions concerned.
- (b) Signallers of relieving units will take over at 3 p.m. 17th instant.
- (c) Relieving units will pass barrier N.20.b.6,8
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| 5/King's Own Regt | at 8 p.m. |
| 1/York & Lancaster Regt | at 8.15 p.m. |
- (d) On relief 2/King's Own Regt. move to bivouacs SCHERPENBERG
4. Lists of trench stores taken over from Northumberland Fus. will be sent to this office.
5. Completion of reliefs will be wired to this office.
6. On completion of relief 83rd Brigade front will be divided into three sectors:-
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| Right Sector | 5/King's Own Regt. |
| Centre Sector | 1/York & Lancaster Regt. |
| Left Sector | 1/K.O.Y.L.I. |

Issued at 10 p.m.

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2	2/King's Own	
3	2/East Yorks	
4	1/K.O.Y.L.I.	
5	1/York & Lancs.	
6	5/King's Own	
7	3/Monmouths	11 No.2 Coy A.S.C.
8	28th Divn.	12 Staff Captain
9	84th Brigade	13 O.C. Signals 83rd Bde.
10	3rd Bde	R.F.A. 14 M.G.O. 83rd Bde.

R.S. Yallett Captain
Brigade Major
83rd Infantry Brigade.

App VIII

Copy No 2. Operation Order No 17.
 Lt. Col. F. C. Bayley D.S.O.
 Comdg. 1st York & Lancaster Regt.
 Tuesday 17th Aug. 1915.

1. The Battalion will relieve the 2nd Kings Own Regt. tonight, and take over trenches in accordance with attached schedule.

2. Order of March:-

Machine Guns	4.15 p.m.
C Coy	4.20 -
D -	4.25 -
B -	4.30 -
A & Hd. Sq. Cos.	4.35 -
Transport	4.50 -

3. O.C. Cos. will arrange to send 1 Officer & their Coy. Lt. Mr. Sgt's. in advance, to take over trench staves.

4. Officers Kits and trench Kits will be handed in to the 2nd Mrs Storer by 6 p.m.

5. O.C. B, C & D Cos. will arrange to draw 2 sandbags per man from the 2nd Mrs Storer.

6. Water bottles will be carried filled.
 O.C. A Coy will detail parties to carry the water bins up to the trenches on completion of relief.

4. Two stretcher bearers will be attached to each Coy.

5. Signallers will be allotted for stations in K.1. J.4. J.1. J.2. SIEGE FARM and Headquarters.

6. The 5th Kings Own Regt. will hand over their Machine Gun in S.P. 12. and will leave 20 men in H.S. to be under the orders of the O.C. 1st York & Lancaster Regt.

7. O.C. Cos. & Machine Gun Officers will report by wire to Bn. Hdqrs. when relief is complete. The relief of S.P. 12. & S.P. 13. will be reported direct to Bn. Hdqrs. by Coy. Orderlies.

8. The sector held by the Battalion will in future be known as CENTRE SECTOR.

Copy No 1 } War Diary
 2 }
 3 O.C. A Coy
 4 - B -
 5 - C -
 6 - D -
 7 Transport Officer
 8 O.C. 2nd Kings Own
 9 O.C. 5th Kings Own
 10 Machine Gun Officer.

T Knox Shaw Lieut.
 Adj. 1st York & Lancaster Regt.

Company	Trenches taken over	Unit handing over	Remarks.
"A"	SIEGA FARM.	2 nd King's Own Regt.	
"B"	H.4. J. 1. J. 2. J. 10.	} 2 nd King's Own Regt.	
"C"	K.1. K.1.a. K.1. new. J.3. left. S.P. 13.		
"D"	J.3 right J.3. new. J.4. J.11. S.P. 12.	} 2 nd King's Own Regt	
	H.5.		5 th King's Own Regt
Machine Gun and Teams.	K.1. J.4. J.1. S.P. 13.	2 nd King's Own Regt.	
Machine Gun Team only	S.P. 12.	5 th King's Own Regt.	

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Sender's Number. ** KS42* Day of Month. *18* In reply to Number *AAA*

Distribution of Troops.			
	officers	all rank	
<i>J1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>55</i>	<i>J3 right 0</i>
<i>J2</i>	<i>1 Coy</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>J3 new 1</i>
<i>J10</i>	<i>1 Coy</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>J4 1 Coy</i>
<i>H4</i>	<i>1 B</i>	<i>38</i>	<i>J11 0 A</i>
			<i>SP12 1</i>
<i>J3 left</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>H5 1</i>
<i>K1</i>	<i>2 Coy</i>	<i>30</i>	
<i>K(new)</i>	<i>1 0</i>	<i>44</i>	
<i>K1A</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>SIEGE FARM</i>
<i>SP13</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>3 officers 184 other rank of A Coy.</i>

Machine guns in K, J, J4 SP13.
Team in SP12 with gun of 5th Coy own

From *OC*

Place *Y+L*

Time *4.30 am*

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *T Knox Shaw Lt*

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App XII

S E C R E T.

OPERATION ORDER No. 65.

Copy No. 5.....

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.G.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Reference, VIERSTRAAT 1/10,000
Sheet 28 1/40,000

22nd August 1915.

1. (a) On the night 23rd - 24th August 2/King's Own Regt., will relieve 1/York & Lancaster Regt., in Centre Sector.
- (b) The twenty five men of 3/Monmouth Regt., in H.5 will come under the orders of O.C. 2/King's Own Regt., on completion of relief.
2. On night 24th - 25th August 1/K.O.Y.L.I. will relieve 2/East Yorkshire Regt., in Left Sector.
3. (a) All details of above reliefs will be arranged between Commanding Officers concerned.
- (b) Relieving units will pass barrier N.20.b.6.8 at 7.45 p.m.
- (c) Signallers of relieving units will take over at 3 p.m. on the day of relief.
- (d) Commanding Officers of Battalions to be relieved will command in their sectors until relief is completed. Completion of relief to be wired to this office.

Issued at 7.45 p.m.

Copy No.1 War Diary
 2 2/King's Own
 3 2/East Yorks
 4 1/K.O.Y.L.I.
 5 1/York & Lancs
 6 5/King's Own
 7 3/Monmouths
 8 28th Division
 9 84th Brigade
 10 3rd Bde R.F.A.
 11 2/1 Northumbrian Fd.Co.R.E.
 12 No.2 Coy.A.S.C.
 13 O.C. Signals 83rd Bde
 14 M.G.Officer 83rd Bde
 15 Staff Captain.

R.S. Follett Captain
 Brigade Major
 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Copy No. 1.

OPERATION ORDERS No 18.

Lt. Col. G. C. Bayley, D.S.O.

Comdg. 1st Bⁿ York & Lancaster Regt.

Monday 23rd Aug 1916.

1. The battalion will be relieved by the 2nd Kings Own Regt. tonight. On relief the Companies will march back independently under Coy. arrangements, to the bivouacs at SCHERPENBERG.
The Machine Gun teams will rendezvous at the DUMPING GROUND and march back under the Machine Gun Officer.
2. Chargers of O.C. B, C, & D Cos. will be at the DUMPING GROUND and that for O.C. A Coy. at SIEGE FARM.
3. Officers Trench Kits and all Water tins must be at the DUMPING GROUND by 9 p.m.
4. The 25 men of 3rd Monmouthshire Regt. in H.S. will come under the Orders of O.C. 2nd Kings Own Regt. on completion of relief.
5. O.C. Cos. and Machine Gun Officers will report completion of relief to Bⁿ Headqrs.
Relief of S.P. ^{S.P. 13} will be reported direct to Bⁿ Headqrs. by runners.
6. Standing over reports and Work Reports will be rendered to the Adjutant by O.C. Cos., by 8 p.m.; and receipt for trench stores as soon as possible.
7. O.C. A Coy. will furnish a guard for Bn. Headqrs. which will mount as soon as the Coy. reaches the bivouacs.
8. No guides are required.

T. Knox Shaw Lieut.,

A/Adj. 1st Bⁿ York & Lancaster Regt.

Issued at 1-45 pm

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- 2 - - -
- 3 O.C. A Coy.
- 4 - B -
- 5 - C -
- 6 - D -
- 7 M. Gun Officer.
- 8 Transport Officer
- 9 O.C. 2nd Kings Own.
- 10 - 3rd Monmouthshire Regt.

App XIII

Report on Observations

by

1st BN York Lancashire Regt.

App^{xiv}

(The detached Post, referred to below as DP, is situated between K1B and K1 Trenches.)

- (1) From DP, at bearing 95° Mag: an Artillery Observation Station can be seen, on the brick-stack, on the ridge between the Grand Bois + Wytschate wood. A thin slit revetted with planks is the look-out post. At 7 o'clock from this slit + nearly at the bottom of the stack a dug out can be seen also.
- (2) From DP, at bearing 80° mag, a working party was seen, deepening their third line of trenches, about 800 to 900 yds range. The men worked without coats or equipment, but one man, who appeared to come + superintend at intervals wore a grey tunic and

round grey cap. He did not wear equipment. The men had beards as if they had been in the trenches a long time. A few yards (say 10) to the right of where these men were seen, the parapet was built up of 2 yellow, 2 pink, several black the rest white sand-bags.

(3) From the DP, bearing 85° mag, a working party was sighted, digging just inside the Grand Bois. They wore white shirts no coats or equipment. Another man was also sighted just outside the Grand Bois, dressed in grey tunic, round grey cap with bright badge on it no equipment. This man was quite young & very tall.

(4) From loop-hole at right hand end of Stadrian's wall, adjoining T4 trench, bearing 140° mag. Point under observation is enemy's trench immediately

in front of right-hand tree of the
WYTSCHATE WOOD - An opening has
been cut here down the whole depth
of the parapet, about 3 ft wide & seems
to open onto an open gap in the grass
in front. Behind the parapet long
boards were lifted up out of the
trench & thrown onto the parapet.
About a dozen boards, each say 15 ft
long, were seen being thrown on.
Digging is also going on at this point
in the trench.

L. A. K. Stalcomb. Lt.
"C" Company.
1st Bn. York Lane. Regt.

23/8/15.

S E C R E T.

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OPERATION ORDER No. -66.

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.G.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

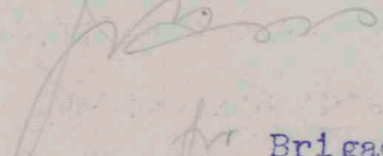
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27th August 1915.

1. On night 28th - 29th August 5/King's Own Regt will relieve 3/Monmouth Regt in Right Sector and the Machine Gun teams 2/King's Own Regt & 1/K.O.Y.L.I.
2. On night 29th - 30th August 1/York & Lancaster Regt will relieve 2/King's Own Regt in centre sector.
3. On night 30th - 31st August 2/East Yorkshire Regt will relieve 1/K.O.Y.L.I. in Left Sector.
- 4.(a) All details of above relief will be arranged between Commanding Officers concerned.
- (b) Relieving units will pass the barrier N.20.b.6.8 at 7.15 p.m.
- (c) Signallers of relieving units will take over at 3 p.m. on day of relief.
- 5.(a) Officers Commanding battalions to be relieved will command in their sectors until the relief is completed.
- (b) Completion of relief to be wired to this office.

Issued at 9.35 a.m.

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2	2/King's Own	
3	2/East Yorks	
4	1/K.O.Y.L.I.	
5	1/York & Lancs	
6	5/King's Own	
7	3/Monmouths	
8	28th Division	
9	84th Brigade	
10	3rd Bde R.F.A.	
11	No.2 Coy.A.S.C.	
12	2/1 Northumbrian Fd.Co.R.E.	
13	O.C.Signals 83rd Bde.	
14	M.G.Officer 83rd Bde	
15	Staff Captain.	


 Captain
 Brigade Major
 83rd Infantry Brigade.

App XV

Appx. XVI

1st Bn York & Lancaster Regiment

Extracts from Battalion Returns 24.8.1915.

Total Strength	Officers <u>25</u>	Other ranks. <u>964.</u>
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On Command	<u>1.</u>	86.
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TRENCH STRENGTH

Distribution	Officers	Other ranks	Remarks
Battalion Headquarters	11	14	
Stretchers Bearers	—	19	
Signallers	—	29	
Machine Gunners	1	40	
Reflex in Trenches	17	693	
TOTAL	22	795.	

SICK WASTAGE.

Admitted to Hospital during week.	6 Other ranks
Discharged during week	6 — " —

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T. W. Shaw Lieut.
Adjutant, 1st Bn York & Lancaster Regt.

Copy No 1.

App XVII

Operation Orders No 19.

By

Lieut. Colonel G. E. Bayley, D.S.O.

Commanding 1st Bn York & Lancaster Regiment.Sunday, 29th August 1915.

1. The Battalion will relieve the 2nd King's Own Regiment tonight and take over trenches in accordance with the attached schedule.
2. Order of march.

M. Gun Section	6-15 p.m.
C. Coy.	6-20 .
D. .	6-25 .
B. .	6-30 .
A. Coy + Hdqrs.	6-35 .
Transport	7 .
3. O.C. Cos. will arrange to send 1 officer and their Quartermaster Sergeants in advance to take over trench stores.
4. Officers Kits and trench Kits will be handed into the Quartermaster's Stores by 6 p.m.
5. O.C. B, C & D Cos. will arrange to draw 2 sandbags per man from the Quartermaster's Stores.
6. Water bottles will be carried filled.
O.C. A Coy. will detail parties to carry the Water Tins up to the trenches on completion of relief.
7. Two stretcher bearers will be attached to each Company.
8. Signallers will be allotted to Stations in K.1., J.4., J.

J.2, H.5, SIEGE FARM and Battalion Headquarters.

9. O.C. Cos. and Machine Gun Officers will report by wire to Headquarters when relief is complete.
The relief of S.P. 12 and H.5. will be reported by wire from the latter Signal Station.
The relief of S.P. 13 will be reported by orderly.
10. O.C. A Coy. will furnish a guard for Battalion Headquarters. This guard will mount immediately on arrival of the Company at SIEGE FARM.
11. O.C. Cos. will tender a certificate to Orderly Room before leaving Bivouacs that their lines have been left clean.

T. Knox Shaw Lieut.
Adjutant, P. B. York of Lancaster Regt.

Copies 1 and 2 War Diary.
Copy 3 O.C. A Coy.
4. B.
5. C.
6. D.
7. Transport Officer.
8. Quartermaster.
9. O/C M. Gun Section.
10. O.C. 9th King's Own Regt.

Issued at 9.15. p.m.

Company.	Trenches to be taken over.	Unit handing over.	Remarks.
'A.'	SIEGE FARM.	} 2 nd King's Own Regt.	
'B.'	H. 4, J. 1, J. 2, J. 10.		
'C.'	K. 1, K. 1. a., K. 1. new. J. 3. left. S. P. 13.		
'D.'	J. 3 right. J. 3. new, J. 4, J. 11, S. P. 12, H. 5,		
Machine Guns + Teams.	K. 1, J. 4, J. 1, S. P. 13.		
Team only	S. P. 12.		

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					To _____	By _____	
					By _____	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { 83nd I B

Sender's Number. VS3 Day of Month. 30 In reply to Number _____ AAA

Distribution of Troops

<u>H4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>officer</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>other ranks</u>
<u>J1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>J2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>J10</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>J2R</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>J2N</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>J4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>J11</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>H5</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>SP12</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>J3L</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>K1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>K1 (new)</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>K1A</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>SP13</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>"</u>

From one Company in SIEGE FARM

Place _____

Time Y+L 8 am

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) T. W. H. Shaw Lt

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28th Div.

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1st York & Lancaster Regt

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Sept 1 st ROSSIGNOL 4.30am 11.9.5.am	Situation quiet Capt. Buckley crawled out in front of H4 to inspect enemy wire. He lay in long grass + used a periscope.	
12.20am	Casualty report, one killed; four wounded	
3.20pm	Enemy sent three 5.9 high explosive shells into ROSSIGNOL WOOD.	
6.10pm	Enemy sent eight shrapnel shells which burst just over the KEMMEL-VIERSTRAAT road. Fortunately no working party was on the road at the time. Large working parties working by day on the Subsidiary line must have been noticed by the enemy.	
10pm	Capt Wales & Sgt Barker went out from T ₃ Right to reconnoitre enemy wire. They found bodies of many Royal Scots who had been out there since last year. Two bombing parties went out from K trenches at different times; composed as follows. Capt Lucas 9136 Lt Hobson 20252 Plt Barrett and 2 nd Lt Hollis 9136 Lt Hobson, 4995 Lt Curry 11	
Sept 2 nd " " 4.30am	Situation normal	
12.20am	Casualty report. Three wounded.	
4.30pm	quiet all day.	
11.55pm	Battalion operation orders no 67	Appendix I
Sept 3 rd " " " " 4.30am	quiet all day.	
11.55pm	Casualties nil	
1pm	Battalion operation orders no 20 owing to the 3 rd Monmouths leaving the Brigade, the Battalion had to hold a longer bit of the line. For one night the Companies did not make a complete	Appendix II

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ROSSIGNOL H.Q.	but occupied the new trenches with platoons from support trenches. Two Companies of 5 th Kings own came under the Command of Col. Bayley. The relief was complete by 7.5 pm	
4 th Sept.	4.30 am Situation normal. Enemy sniping much heavier during early part of night.	
	11. am Brigade operation orders no 68.	Appendix III
	12. noon Casualties nil.	
	1. pm Battalion operation orders no 21	Appendix IV
	Return showing Battalion strength etc	
	6 pm Captain Lynch was wounded in the head by a piece of shrapnel. He was able to walk to B ⁿ H.Q. to get it dressed and then on to the ambulance.	Appendix V
	9.45 pm The Battalion was relieved by 2 nd Kings own at 9.45 pm & marched back to billets in LOCRE.	
5 th Sept. Six Bruecres on Zuster LOCRE.	Rest in Billets	
	Casualty return. Captain Lynch & two other ranks wounded.	
	Rest in Billets	
	" " "	
	" " "	
Sept 6 th		
Sept 7 th		
Sept 8 th		
Sept 9 th	9 am 2 nd Lt. H. N. Aston joined from the 3 rd Battalion.	
	12 noon The Battalion was inspected by Lt. General Sir H. Plumer. Comdg II army in field occupied by "D" Coy. He was accompanied	

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LOCRE	<p>by General Bulfin & Staff. Capt Jackson, his A.D.C. was with him. Extrait from Battⁿ orders no 128. Lt general Sir H Plumer Comdg II army expressed his satisfaction today at the smart appearance of the men. The Divisional Commander wishes all ranks to be told that he was extremely pleased at everything and said the Battalion fully came up to what he expected of it.</p>	
Sept 10 th	<p>10 pm Brigade operation orders no 70 received 2 pm Battalion operation orders no 22 5.45 pm Battalion left LOCRE and marched to the trenches to relieve the 2^d Kings own. The relief was complete at 9.15 pm</p>	Appendix 6 Appendix 7
Sept 11 ROSSIGNOL H.Q. 4.30 am	<p>Situation quiet. Distribution of troops 12 noon Casualty report 1 wounded. 12.5 pm Enemy were creeping H₁. our heavy artillery replied and silenced enemy.</p>	appendix 8
4.30 pm 9 pm	<p>quiet. 2nd Lt. R. F. Halcomb, Sgt Marshall & 20319 Pte Podmore went out from T₃ Right and throw six bombs into enemy's trench Return showing Battalion strength etc</p>	appendix 9
Sept 12 " " 4.30 am	<p>Situation quiet 12 noon Casualty report 2 wounded. situation quiet all day.</p>	

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1st York & Lancaster Regt-

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Sept 13 ROSSIGNOL ESTAMINET. 5 am	Quit all morning. 2nd Lt Pearman was wounded in the ear while trying to observe an enemy working party.	
12 noon	Enemy dropped 3 mortars into K ₁ , only one did any damage. Casualty report, Killed one, wounded officer and other ranks two. quiet all afternoon.	
Sept 14 th	Very quiet all day. 12 noon Casualty report wounded one 5 pm Brigade operation orders received Very quiet all night	Appendix 10
Sept 15 th	quiet all day 11 am our heavy battery B/130 fired on enemy's trench and machine gun emplacement in front of Petit Bois. good shooting 12 noon casualty report wounded one 3.30 pm Enemy shelled K _{1A} with H.E and damaged the trench. our artillery replied and silenced enemy 6 pm Three officers, one from 9 th and two from 10 th K.O.V.L.I. were attached for 24 hours. 9 pm 5 th King's own relieved the two companies in Right Sector.	
Sept 16 th	4.30 am Situation quiet 12 noon Casualty report Killed one, wounded four; (one killed & two wounded were caused by bombs carelessly played with grenade) 3 pm The attached officers left for Bde H.Q. 9 pm The Battalion was relieved by the 2 nd King's own and march back to their billets at LOCRE.	Appendix 11
Sept 17 th LORCE	Remained in billets. Found working parties for subsidiary line. 12 noon Casualty report one killed, one wounded.	

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1st Bⁿ Yorks Lancasls Rgt

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Sept 18 th LOCRE	Rested in billets	
Sept 19 th "	" " "	
" 20 th "	Brigade operation order no 72	appendix 12
Sept 21 st "	Brigade operation order no 73	appendix 13
" 22 "	" " " " 74	" 14
" 23 "	Batt ⁿ " " " 24 9am The Batt ⁿ left LOCRE at 9 am; the Brigade band leading. The Brigade marched passed the Corps Commander (Gen. Ferguson) in the Square at BAILLEUL + reached billets between METEREN + OUTERSTEENE at 11.30 am	" 15
Sept 24 near METEREN	Batt ⁿ went for Route march in morning + practised Physical exercises in afternoon. Brigade anxious to get men fit.	
Sept 25 near OUTERSTEENE	B ⁿ Headquarters were moved to a farm near OUTERSTEENE where Col Bagley had billets his Company Oct 15 1914.	
" " "	6pm Wire from Brigade. "you will hold yourself ready to proceed by Route march at two hours notice if ordered"	
Sept 26 " " "	3.20am Brigade wire all troops 83 rd Bde will proceed by route march, lead of Column passing OUTERSTEENE 6 am.	
" " "	3.45am Brigade operation order no 74	appendix 16
" " "	Batt ⁿ " " " 27 The Batt ⁿ fell in on alarm post at 5.30am and marched to MERVILLE where we expected to get billets and allow men to breakfast, but orders were received to march on to ROBECCQ where the Batt ⁿ arrived at 11.30 am and found billets. About 60 men fell out on the way but rejoined later. As they had had no breakfast the march was most creditable.	" 17
" " "	12.30pm Orders received to continue march at 2 pm.	
" " "	Brigade operation order no 74 continued	appendix 18

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1st Bⁿ York & Lancaster Regt

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Sept 26 ROBECCQ	The march was continued at 2 pm. After going about 2½ miles the Brigade halted and after waiting an hour was ordered to return to ROBECCQ where it rested for the night.	appendix 19
7.50 pm	Brigade operation order no 75	
7.45 am	Ball ⁿ " " no 28	" 20
Sept 27 th "	Orders received to leave in Busses at 1 pm.	
10.30 am	Brigade operation order no 76	" 21
12.30 pm	As no motorbuses were available the Brigade went in motor lorries. The Convoy passed through BETHUNE and stopped at NOYELLE. The Ball ⁿ bivouaced in a field half way between NOYELLE + VERMELLES.	" 22
5 pm	The C.O. Coy Cmdr & adjutant went up the HULLOCK ROAD to H.Q. of Brigade to make arrangements to take over trenches. While there, the orders for relief were cancelled and our officers returned to Ball ⁿ .	
Sept 28 th NOYELLE. 2.6 am	Brigade was your battalion will move at once to Clark's KEEP. VERMELLES to come under orders of 25 th I B. The 26 th I B will have six guides at CLARKS KEEP at 2.30 am to meet Ball ⁿ and conduct it to CENTRAL BOYAU.	
This message was received at 2.30 am and by 2.50 am Ball ⁿ was on the move. The guides were picked up at CLARKS KEEP, but they did not know what they had to do.	The C.O. halted the Ball ⁿ on arriving at the railway line and made the companies line the hedge while he went forward for instructions.	

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St York & Lancaster Rgt.

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Sept 28 VERMELLES 4.45 am	The CENTRAL BOYAU was blocked by the Middlesex Rgt going up. one of the guides led the C.O; Coy Comdr & adjutant to Brigade H.Q. Before leaving the following message was sent to 83 rd I B.	
11.25 am	"Left CHARKS KEEP 3.30 am with guides. Arrived at entrance to CENTRAL BOYAU and found it blocked by Middlesex Rgt 85 th Bde. Luckily, discovered my Coy being wrongly led by guides. Have collected my Batt ⁿ at entrance to CENTRAL BOYAU. Have received no instructions. Guides do not know where they are taking us. Am leaving my Batt ⁿ at entrance to Central Boyau and going on myself with Coy Commanders to ascertain what is required of us".	
11.25 am	After wandering for many hours we arrived at H.Q 85 Bde. The C.O of Royal Fusiliers was acting Brigadier. On reporting our arrival the Coy officer returned and the C.O & adjutant remained for orders, and rejoined the Batt ⁿ about 10 am.	
11.25 am	85 th Brigade wire " Please bring up your Batt ⁿ and occupy front line of old British Trench".	
11.25 am	The Batt ⁿ filed up the Central Boyau. The narrow C.T was hopelessly blocked by men of Highland Division trying to get out. On arriving at old British front line, we found it full of troops, so the C.O	
11.25 am	look the Batt ⁿ back to the Reserve Trench. Casualty report - Killed 7, wounded 3, wounded missing 3.	

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1st York & Lancaster Regt

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Sept 28 th	85 th Bde wire "Reported that Germans are attacking HOHENZOLLEN REDOUBT. Be prepared to give support. Can you move 2 of your Companies up to close support?"	
9.15pm	85 th Bde wire The Buffs have so many casualties that they cannot hold on. Will you please send two Coys to relieve them in DUMP TRENCH. The Buffs on being relieved will occupy BIG WILLIE filling up gap between FUSILIERS Right in Redoubt and Middlesex left. The Buffs position is from the junction of South Face and DUMP TRENCH to the junction of BIG WILLIE and DUMP TRENCH. (note the Buffs did not hold this position. only a small section of Dump trench near where it joins Big Willie was held by our troops).	
11.30pm	The C.O & Adjutant of Middlesex Regt came to report weak situation of Buffs. Major Robertson, Captain Forsler & Buckley went back with them to BIG WILLIE to investigate and arrange to send back guides for A & B Coys to take them up to support the Buffs.	
Sept 29 th	3 am. As no guides had arrived A & B Coys set off to go to BIG WILLIE. Guides from the Middlesex Regt were met on the way. On arrival about 5 am the Coys halted in the trench waiting for the parties sent out by C.O of the Buffs to return and report on position of the Buffs.	

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<p>Sept 29. In trenches opposite HOKENZOLLIEN REDOUBT.</p>	<p>about 6 am A Company advanced through BIC WILLIE and two platoons had entered the advance trench when the Germans commenced a strong bomb attack on the left flank. The Buffs meanwhile were filing out & the trenches were very congested. The position at this stage was as follows</p> <p>The order was given by the Adjutant of the Buffs to "about turn", but this was almost impossible owing to the congestion, although no 4 Platoon of 'A' Coy was able to file into an empty trench to allow Buffs to pass. Capt Buckley a 2nd Lt Ellison in response to a request for bombs lead the bombers of 'B' Coy over the top & delivered an attack, returning when the supply of bombs was exhausted. The wounded passing down made the trench more congested still & the order was given to charge.</p>	

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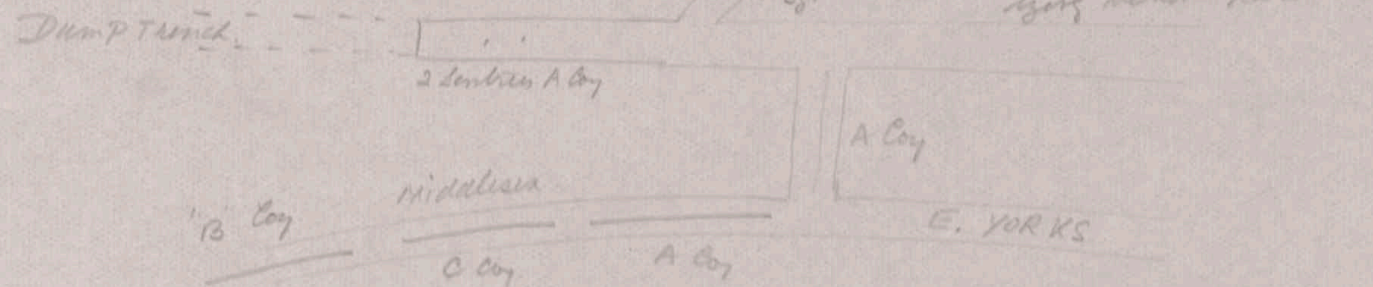
Sept 29th.

The Charge was led by Major Robertson and Capt Forster + was successful in preventing the Germans coming over the top + also drove them back along their trench. All the platoons of 'A' Coy and the nearest platoon of 'B' Coy led by Capt Buckley took part in the charge.

Major Robertson, Capt Forster, Lt Howard & 2nd Lt Cole were killed, while Capt Buckley, 2nd Lt Ellison & 2nd Lt Aston were wounded.

As all the officers of 'A' Coy were casualties, Sgt Major Reckell ordered the men of 'A' Coy to return to Bee W ILLIE and the Communication trench.

The position then was as under.



There was a lull in the fighting & 'A' Coy was reorganised by Sgt Major Reckell. 2nd Lt B. A. Baltes was instructed to take temporary command of 'A' Coy and during the course of the morning he handed over to 2nd Lt A. C. Essex who arrived from Headquarters, where he had remained behind as he was sick. Shortly after his arrival 'A' Coy occupied advanced trench.

After Capt Buckley was wounded, Lt Colis took command of 'B' Coy & was reinforced by a platoon of D Coy under 2nd Lt R. F. Halcomb.

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1st York, Lancaster Regt.

Hour, Date, Place

Summary of Events and Information

Remarks and references to Appendices

Sept 29

St Colis received an unintelligible message from the Adjutant of the Middlesex Regt asking him whether he proposed to retire. Not understanding it, he went down the trench to make enquiries. On the way he found some empty traverses which had previously been held by 'D' Coy of Middlesex Regt. He then returned & went to the oc. 'C' Coy Middlesex Regt. to ask for an explanation & to state that he would not retire.

Meanwhile 2nd Lt Bates, C.S.M. Wiggly & a few men went down to the left of the Trench to find out the situation. About 15-20 traverses were found empty and the Germans who had evidently crept up an unused Communication Trench were established in BIC WILLIE with a supply of bombs. The party withdrew to report & were ordered to return with bombs.

In the meantime the Germans had advanced up the Trench slowly and were assisted by gas fumes which emanated from a burning mop stepped apparatus which had been placed on our parapet.

There was a shortage of bombs and so St Colis went to the right to try to arrange for a supply which was eventually obtained through the E. YORKS, while 2nd Lt Bates superintended the operations on the left flank.

Messages explaining the situation were successfully carried across the open by Cpl Atkinson and delivered to Col. Bayley.

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Sept-29 th	<p>The bomb fight continued for 6 hours on the left flank and on two occasions charges were made, one of which was successful in dislodging the Germans from 6 Travours. The East Yorks bomb officer & his men rendered invaluable assistance during the whole of this time.</p> <p>The Germans had been driven to the last Travourse when D^o Coy arrived and took up a position on the left causing the Germans to retire.</p> <p>During the morning 'C' & 'D' Coy occupied the old British front line trench. It was from this position that Pte Harvey gallantly carried one of the boxes of bombs across the open under heavy rifle fire to the HOLLER ZOLLER REDOUBT until he was wounded.</p> <p>At 1.40 pm 85th Bde wire was received saying "Send one Company immediately to ridge on right of E / Surrey line." 'C' Coy were then ordered to reinforce the right of the East Surrey's & moved into the advanced British fire trench just behind the Redoubt.</p> <p>At 5 pm there was a sudden panic in the Redoubt and about 50 men rushed over the top into our trench.</p> <p>The order was given to fire bayonets. About 5.30 pm Capt Lucas gave the order to charge.</p> <p>The left flank put out of action a bombing party which was stationed at the corner of the Redoubt and a communication trench.</p>	

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Sept 29 th	<p>Capt Lucas & 2nd Lt HOLLIS were wounded in the charge. 10th Coy were then moved to the right and finally occupied a portion of the advanced British front line trench. 2nd Lt Adsett was wounded in the stomach about this time while working his machine guns.</p> <p>About 6 pm "D" Coy were ordered to get in touch with "B" Coy in B1 C WILLIE. They filed into the Redoubt and halted there among the Royal Fusiliers while Capt Vickerman went to report to Col Bayley. On returning he moved his Company up B1 C WILLIE until he got in touch with "B" Coy on his right. The Royal Fusiliers were on his left.</p> <p>At 12.30 pm Capt Vickerman reported that all was quiet. During the night one Coy of 1st KOYLI under Lt Heath relieved the middle section & the few Buffs that remained in B1 C WILLIE. They occupied a portion of the trench between "A" Coy & "B" Coy.</p> <p>The casualties during the day among other ranks were 6 killed, 20 wounded, 2 missing, 4 missing believed killed, 5 wounded & missing.</p>	
Sept 30 th	<p>The Companies in B1 C WILLIE worked hard at improving the trench and making fire steps. Parties were sent up the communication trench leading towards the German line to make stops and fell in for 50 yards.</p> <p>"A" Coy had to repel repeated bomb attacks from the Dump Trench and "D" Coy were able to repel successfully</p>	

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P York, Lancaster Reg

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Sept 30 th	<p>The bomb attacks on their left flank. The three Companies & the Coy L in Big Willie were relieved by the Northumberland Fusiliers. Owing to one of the Companies losing touch the relief was considerably delayed, and the Companies did not start to file out until before 5 am. The Cheshire relieved the Royal Fusiliers on our left and left a gap of at least 100 yards in Big Willie. 'D' Coy luckily occupied this by pushing out before any damage was done. 'A' Coy filed out through the East Gorts and so missed a bomb attack made by the Germans on the Redoubt as our 'B' Coy and Coy L were filing through. The last two platoons of 'B' Coy were kept by the Cheshire to help in a counter attack. Owing to the congestion in the Trench, the enemy bombs and mortar did considerable damage. The Coy of Coy L lost heavily.</p> <p>The casualties during the day were as under: Other Ranks. 12 killed, 15 wounded, 9 missing 10 missing believed killed, 32 wounded & missing.</p> <p>Throughout the two days fighting no part of a trench was given up by our men, although fragments on our flanks did leave positions which we had to retake.</p>	

Appendix I

SECRET

COPY No. 5

OPERATION ORDER NO. 67

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. RAVENSHAW, C.M.G.,

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

References. VIERSTRAAT $\frac{1}{10000}$ 2nd September, 1915.
BELGIUM, SHEET 28.

1. a. The front of 83rd Brigade will be re-distributed on night 3rd - 4th September into a RIGHT and LEFT SECTOR ACCORDING TO THE ATTACHED TABLE, the Garrisons of 5th King's Own Regiment coming under the orders of Officer Commanding, 1st York & Lancaster Regiment.
- b. All details of relief will be arranged between Commanding Officers of the present three Sectors.
- c. The 5th King's Own Regiment (less two Companies and ~~four~~ ^{three} machine guns) will proceed to SCHERPENBERG on relief.
- d. Completion of relief to be wired to this Office.
- e. The present Headquarters of RIGHT SECTOR in KEMMEL will be vacated.
2. a. On 3rd September, 3rd Monmouth Regiment will march via RENINGHELST and POPERINGHE to join 49th Division, passing Cross Roads M.17.c., at 9 a.m.
- b. Guide from 49th Division will meet this Battalion at POPERINGHE.
- c. Supply wagons will draw rations for consumption on Saturday and accompany the Battalion.

Issued at 9.45pm

R.S. Yellott

Captain,
Brigade Major, 83rd Inf. Bde.

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4. 1st K.O.Y.L.I.
5. 1st York & Lancaster Regt.
6. 5th King's Own Regt.
7. 3rd Monmouth Regt.
8. 28th Division.
9. 3rd Brigade R.F.A.
10. 84th Infantry Brigade.
11. 2/1 Northumbrian Field Coy R.E.
12. No. 2 Coy A.S.C.
13. 52nd Brigade.
14. Staff Captain, 83rd Inf. Bde.
15. Machine Gun Officer, 83rd Inf. Bde.
16. Signals, 83rd Infantry Brigade.

GARRISONS

	<u>Trench</u>	<u>Garrison</u>	<u>Unit</u>
<u>RIGHT SECTOR</u>	G.4.	35	5th King's Own Regt.
	G.4.a.	45	"
	H.1.a.	60	"
	H.1.	40	"
	S.P.11.	25	"
	H.2.	50	1st York & Lanes Regt.
	H.3.	40	"
	H.4.	40	"
	H.5.	50	"
	J.1.	40	"
	J.2.	40	"
	J.3.R.	15	"
	J.3.new	30	"
J.3.L.	20	"	
J.4.	40	"	
J.10.	30	"	
J.11.	25	"	
K.1.	40	"	
K.1.a.	30	"	
S.P.12.	25	"	
S.P.13.	30	"	
<u>LEFT SECTOR</u>	K.1.new.	40	2nd East Yorkshire Regt.
	K.1.b.	25	"
	K.2.	30	"
	K.2.a.	50	"
	K.2.b.	30	"
	K.3.)	60	"
	L.1.)		
	L.1.new.	35	"
	L.2.	40	"
	L.3.	30	"
	L.4.	35	"
	L.5.	50	"
	L.6.	40	"
	L.7.R.	20	"
L.7.L.	35	"	

2/9/15.

MACHINE GUNS

<u>Trench</u>	<u>Guns</u>	<u>Unit finding gun</u>	<u>Unit finding Team</u>
<u>RIGHT SECTOR: -</u>			
H.1.a.	1	5th King's Own	5th King's Own
S.P.11	1	do.	do.
H. 3.	1	do.	2nd King's Own
J. 1.	1	1st York & Lancaster	1st York & Lancaster
J. 4.	1	do.	do.
K. 1.	1	do.	do.
S.P.12.	1	5th King's Own	do.
S.P.13	1	1st York & Lancaster	do.
<u>LEFT SECTOR: -</u>			
K.2.a.	1	2nd East Yorks	2nd East Yorks
L.5.	1	do.	do.
L.6.	1	do.	do.
L.7.	1	do.	do.

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OPERATIONAL ORDERS No 20.

Appendix II

Lieut-Col. G. C. Bayley D.S.O.,
Comdg. 1st Bⁿ York & Lancaster Regt.

Friday, 3rd Sept. 1915.

1. The following reliefs will take place this evening.
 - (i) O.C. "C" Coy. will withdraw the garrison in K,1, new, on being relieved by the 2nd East Yorkshire Regt, and distribute them in K,1, and K,1,a.
 - (ii) O.C. "D" Coy. will relieve the 5th Kings Own Regt. in H,2, with his garrison in H,5.
Reliefs to start at 6.30 p.m.
 - (iii) O.C. "B" Coy. will relieve the 5th Kings Own Regt. in H,3, with his garrison in J,10.
Relief to start at 6 p.m.
 - (iv) O.C. Cos. will arrange to take over French stores in advance.
2. The 2nd Kings Own Regt. will find a team for the 5th Kings Own Regt's Machine Gun in H,3.
3. Signallers will take over telephone in H,2.
4. The two Cos. of the 5th Kings Own Regt. will come under the command of O.C. 1st York & Lancaster Regt.
5. The CENTRE SECTOR will in future be called the RIGHT SECTOR.
6. Reliefs will be reported by wire to Bⁿ Adj. 2nd.
7. The 5th Kings Own Regt. will report their relief to their C.O.

T. Knox Shaw, Capt,
Adj. 1st York & Lancaster Regt.

Issued at 8, p.m.

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| " | 7 | O.C. 2 nd Kings Own Regt. |
| " | 8 | " 2 nd East Yorkshire Regt. |
| " | 9 | " 5 th Kings Own Regt. |
| " | 10 | Machine Gun Officer. |

Appendix IV

SECRETCopy No. 5OPERATION ORDER No. 68

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. RAVENSHAW, C.M.C.,

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Reference :- VIERSTRAAT $\frac{1}{10000}$ 4th Sept. 1915.
BELGIUM, SHEET 28.

1. The 2nd King's Own Regiment relieve the 1st York & Lancaster Regiment on night 4th - 5th September in all trenches of RIGHT SECTOR occupied by the latter Battalion (see table issued with Operation Order No. 67).
2. The 1st K.O.Y.L.I., relieve the 2nd East Yorkshire Regiment in LEFT SECTOR on night 5th - 6th September.
- 3.a. Signallers of relieving units will take over at 3 p.m., on the day of relief.
- b. Relieving units will pass barrier N.20.b.6.8., at 7 p.m.
- c. Completion of relief will be wired to this Office.
4. On relief 1st York & Lancaster Regiment proceed to Billets at LOCRE.

Issued at 9 a.m.

R.S. Follett Captain,
Brigade Major, 83rd Inf. Bde.

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6, 5th King's Own Regt.
7, 28th Division,
8, 3rd Brigade R.F.A.,
9, 84th Infantry Brigade.
10, No. 2 Coy, A.S.C.
11, 2/1 Northumbrian Fld. Coy. R.E.
12, Staff Captain, 83rd Inf. Bde.
13, Machine Gun Officer, 83rd Bde.
14, Signals, 83rd Infantry Bde.

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OPERATION ORDERS No. 21

App. IV

By

Lieut.-Col. G. E. Bayley, D.S.O.

Comdg. 1st York & Lancaster RegimentSaturday 4th Sept 1915.

1. The Battalion will be relieved tonight by the 2nd Kings Own Regt. On relief cos. will rendezvous at KEMMEL CHURCH and march back to billets at LOCRE, via BUTOZZE, under Coy. Comd'rs.
- Machine Gun Teams will rendezvous at the DUMPING GROUND and march back under the Machine Gun Officers.
2. Chargers of O.C.'s B, C & D Cos. will be at KEMMEL CHURCH and that for O.C. A Coy at SIEGE FARM.
3. Officers trench kits and all water tins must be at the DUMPING GROUND by 8 p.m.
4. The two Cos. of 5th Kings Own Regt. will come under the orders of O.C. 2nd Kings Own Regt. on completion of relief.
5. O.C. Cos. and Machine Gun Officers will report completion of relief to Bⁿ Hd. Qrs.
- Relief of H, G, and S, P, 12, will be reported for H, G.
6. Handing Over Reports and Work Reports will be rendered to the Adjutant by O.C. Cos by 4 p.m. and Receipt for Trench Stores as soon as possible.
7. O.C. A Coy will furnish a guard for Bn. Hd. Qrs. which will mount as soon as the Coy. reaches LOCRE.
8. No guides will be required.

T. Knox Shaw Capt,
Adj. 1st York & Lancaster Regt.

Issued at 1 p.m.

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 " " 4 " B " "
 " " 5 " C " "
 " " 6 " D " "
 " " 7 M.G. Officers.
 " " 8 Transport Officers
 " " 9 O.C. 2nd Kings Own Regt.
 " " 10 O.C. 5th " "
 " " 11 O.C. Det. 5th Kings Own Regt.



1st Bn York Lancaster Regt

Appendix V

Extracts from Regimental Returns.

Present with Battalion
Details

Officers	Other ranks
23	864
2	87
25	951

TOTAL STRENGTH.

TRENCH STRENGTH.

Battalion Headquarters
Stretchers Bearers
Signallers
Machine Gunners
Rifles in Trenches

Officers	Other ranks
4	14
-	20
-	30
1	39
16	671
21	774

TOTAL.

Sick Wastage.

Admitted to hospital during the week
Discharged from — " —————

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T. Wilson Shaw Captain
Adj. 1st Bn York Lancaster Regt

*Appendix 6*SECRETCOPY No. 5

OPERATION ORDER No. 70

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. RAVENSHAW, C.M.G.,

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

References: - VIERSTRAAT $\frac{1}{10,000}$
 BELGIUM, SHEET 28.

Thursday, 9th September, 1915.

1. On night 10th-11th September, the 1st York & Lancaster Regiment will relieve 2nd King's Own Regiment in the RIGHT SECTOR.
2. On night 11th-12th September, 2nd East Yorkshire Regt., will relieve 1st K.O.Y.L.I., in the LEFT SECTOR.
- 3.a. Details of above reliefs will be arranged between Commanding Officers.
- b. Signallers will take over at three p.m., on day of relief.
- c. Relieving units will pass barrier N.20.b.6.8., at 6.45.p.m.
- d. The present O.C., Sectors will command until the relief is complete. Completion of relief to be wired to this office.
4. On relief 2nd King's Own Regiment proceed to LOCRE, 1st K.O.Y.L.I., to SCHERPENBERG.

Issued at 9-15 p.m.

RS Follett
 Major,
 Brigade Major, 83rd Inf. Bde.

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 11. 2/1 Northumbrian Field Coy R.E.
 12. Signals, 83rd Inf. Bde.
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 14. Machine Gun Officer, 83rd Bde.

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Appendix 7

OPERATIONS ORDERS No. 22.

By Lieut.Colonel G.E.Bayley.D.S.O.

Cmdg.1st.York & Lancaster Regt.

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- (1) The Battalion will relieve the 2nd. King's Own Regt. in the trenches tonight, and occupy them as follows:-

C Coy.	D Coy.	B COy.
K.1	J.3.right.	H.2.
K.1.a.	J.3.new.	H.3.
J.3.left.	J.1.	H.4.
J.4.	J.2.	H.5.
S.P.12.	J.10.	
S.P.13.		

A Coy SIEGE FARM&

Machine Guns and teams in K.1.,J.1.,J.4.,S.P.13.

Teams only in S.P.12 and H.3.

Order of march:-

Machines Guns	5.15.pm.
D COy	5.20.pm.
C Coy.	5.25.pm.
B Coy.	5.30.pm.
A Coy & H.Q. Coy.	5.35.pm.
Transport	6. pm.

- (2) O.C. Coy's will arrange that an Officer and their C.Q.M.S. proceed to the trenches in advance to take over.
- (3) Officer's kits and trench kits must be ready to be fetched by transport by 4.pm.
- (4) Completion of relief will be wired to Bn.H.Q.
Relief of S.P.12 will be reported from H.5.,S.P.13 from K
- (5) On completion of relief the detachment of the 5th. King's Own Regt. will come under the command of O.C.1st. Y & L Rgt.
- (6) O.C."A" Coy will arrange to provide carrying parties for water, and a Guard for Bn. Headquarters.

T Knox Shaw Captain.

A/Adjutant,1st.York & Lancaster Regt.

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3 O.C. A Coy.

8 O.C. 2nd. K.O.

4 O.C. B Coy.

9 O.C. Det. 5/K.O.

5 O.C. C Coy.

10 Transport Officer

6 O.C. D Coy.

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TO

83^{1A} I.B.

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number	AAA
* KS216	11		

Distribution of Troops.						
K1	1	officer	C Coy	40	other	Ranks
T3 left	0	"		22	"	"
J4	1	"		22	"	"
K1A	0	"		20	"	"
SP 12	1	"		20	"	"
SP 13	1	"	D Coy	30	"	"
J1	1	"		35	"	"
J2	2	"		43	"	"
T3 R.	1	"		13	"	"
T3 new	0	"		44	"	"
J10	1	"	B Coy	22	"	"
H2	1	"		52	"	"
H3	1	"		45	"	"
H4	1	"		45	"	"
H5	1	"		31	"	"
G4A	1	"		38	"	"

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by 1 officer			38 other Ranks
HIA 2 "		5 th Coy	55 " "
H1 2 "			34 " "
SP11 1 "			42 " "
SIEGEFORM 5 " A Coy			176 " "
Machine guns on K, J, L, H, SP12			
SP13. SP11 HIA			

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1st Bn York Lancaster Regt
 Extracts from Regimental Returns dated 10th Sept 1915

Distribution	Officers	Other ranks	Remarks
<u>Trench Strength.</u>			
Battalion Headquarters	4	13	
● Stretcher Bearers	—	20	
Signallers		32	
Machine Gunners	1	39	
Rifles in Trenches.	16	679	
	21	783	
<u>Strength of Battalion</u>			
Present with Unit	23	865	
● Details	3	85	
Total strength	26	950	
<u>Sick Wastage.</u>			
Admitted during previous week	1 ^x	8	● ^x Capt. Lynch wounded
Discharged - do -	—	6	

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 1915

[Signature]
 Captain,
 Adjutant, 1st Bn York Lancaster Regt.

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OPERATION ORDER No.71.

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.G.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Reference, VIERSTRAAT 1/10,000
Sheet 28 1/40,000

14th September 1915.

1. On night 15th - 16th Sept., 5/King's Own will relieve their garrisons and machine gun teams in the Right Sector.
2. On night 16th - 17th Sept., 2/King's Own Regt., will relieve 1/York & Lancaster Regt in Right Sector
3. On night 17th - 18th 1/K.O.Y.L.I. will relieve 2/East Yorkshire Regt. in Left Sector.
4. (a) All details of reliefs will be arranged between Commdg., Officers.
(b) Signallers will take over 3 p.m. on day of relief.
(c) Relieving units will pass barrier N.20.b.: 6.8. at 6.45 p.m.
(d) The present O.C. Sectors will command until the relief is complete. Completion of relief to be wired to this office.
5. On relief 1/York & Lancaster Regt., proceed to LOCRE; 2/East Yorkshire Regt., to SCHERPENBERG.

Issued at 4 p.m.

Copy No.1 War Diary
 2 2/King's Own
 3 2/East Yorks
 4 1/K.O.Y.L.I.
 5 1/York & Lincs
 6 5/King's Own
 7 28th Division
 8 84th Brigade
 9 3rd Bde R.F.A.
 10 No.2Coy, A.S.C.
 11 2/1 Northumbrian Fd.Co.R.E.
 12 O.C. Signals 83rd Bde.
 13 M.G. Officer 83rd Bde.
 14 Staff Capt., 83rd Bde.

RS Yallett Major,
 Brigade Major,
 83rd Infantry Brigade.

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OPERATION ORDERS No. 23.

By

Lieut. Colonel G.E. Bayley. D.S.O.

Cmdg. 1st. York & Lancaster Regiment.

Thursday. sept. 16th. 1915.

- 11
- (1) The Battalion will be relieved by the 2nd. King's Own Regt. tonight. On relief Companies will march back to LOCRE to their billets, under Coy. arrangements. Machine Gun teams will rendezvous at the DUMPING GROUND and march back under the M.G. Officer.
 - (2) Chargers of O.C.'s B, C, D, Coys. will be at KEMMEL CHURCH and that for O.C. A Coy. at SIEGE FARM.
 - (3) Officer's trench kits and all water tins must be at the DUMPING GROUND at 7.30 pm. Servants will see kits are put on the Transports.
 - (4) The two Coys. of 5th. King's Own Regt. will come under the orders of O.C. 2nd. King's Own Regt. on completion of relief.
 - (5) O.C. Cos. and M.G. Officer will report completion of relief by wire to Bn. Headquarters.
 - (6) Handing over Reports and Work Reports will be rendered to the Adjutant by O.C. Cos. by 4 pm. and receipts for Trench Stores as soon as possible.
 - (7) O.C. A Coy. will furnish a Guard for Bn. H.Q. which will mount as soon as the Coy. reaches LOCRE.
 - (8) No guides will be required.

Dissued at 2 pm.

Copy No. 1 & 2 War Diary.

3 O.C. A Coy.

4 " B "

5 " C "

T. Knox Shaw
Captain.
A/Adjutant. 1st. York & Lanc. Regt.

Copy No. 6 C.C. D. Coy.

7 " M Guns.

8 Transport Officer.

9 O.C. 2/K.O.

10 O.C. 5/K.O.

11 O.C. 5/K.O. Det.

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OPERATION ORDER No. 72.

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.G.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Reference, VIERSTRAAT 1/10,000
Sheet 38 1/40,000

19th September 1915.

1. (a) On night 20th - 21st Sept. eight platoons 25th Bn. 5th Canadian Bde., will be distributed throughout the fire and support trenches (exclusive of K.1. K.1.a & S.P.13) of Right Sector.

Eight platoons of 22nd Battn., 5th Canadian Bde., will be similarly distributed throughout Left Sector and in K.1. K.1.a & S.P.13.

- (b) After the arrival of the above, 1 coy., 5/King's Own and one & a half coys., 2/King's Own & 1/K.O.Y.L.I. will be withdrawn (see para 3).
- (c) The above platoons will be placed between platoons of 83rd Brigade. They will not garrison supporting points, H.4. J.3 right & left, K.1 or K.3.
- (d) The Company Commanders & one other Officer of each of the half companies relieved (mentioned in sub para (a)) will remain in the front line.
- (e) Machine Gunners of 5th Canadian Bde., will be allotted to emplacements by the Brigade Machine Gun Officer but will not mount their guns. Machine Gunners 83rd Brigade will not be withdrawn.
2. (a) O.C. Sectors will furnish an officer & guides at barrier N.20.b.6.8 to meet 22nd Battn., at 6.45 P.M. and 25th Battn., at 7.15 P.M.
- (b) All details of reliefs will be arranged between Commanding Officers concerned. Completion of relief to be wired to this office.
- (c) Officers of 83rd Brigade will continue to command in both the Sectors and trenches under their charge.
- (d) VIA CELLIA will not be used before 8.15 P.M.
3. On relief the 2/King's Own will proceed to bivouacs in field M.22.d. at LOCRE. The 1/K.O.Y.L.I. will proceed to field near farm M.11.d.2.7 (K.O.Y.L.I. Headquarters).

Issued at 6.40 P.M.

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| 2 2/King's Own | |
| 3 2/East Yorks | |
| 4 1/K.O.Y.L.I. | |
| 5 1/York & Lancs | |
| 6 5/King's Own | |
| 7 28th Division | |
| 8 84th Brigade | |
| 9 3rd Bde R.F.A. | |
| 10 No.2 Coy A.S.C. | |
| 11 2/1 Northumbrian Fd.Co.R.E. | |
| 12 O.C. Signals 83rd Bde | |
| 13 M.G. Officer 83rd Bde | |
| | 14 Staff Captain 83rd Bde |
| | 15 5th Canadian Brigade |
| | 16 52nd Brigade |
| | 17 22nd Battn. Canadian Bde |
| | 18 25th Battn. Canadian Bde |

P.S. Yallett
Major,
Brigade Major,
83rd Infantry Brigade.

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OPERATION ORDER No.73.

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L.Ravenshaw C.M.G.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade

Reference HAZEBROUCK 5a.

20th September 1915.

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1. On 23rd September the Brigade will march to billets about
OUTTERSTEENE via LOCRE - BAILLEUL - OUTTERSTEENE road.

2. Starting point LOCRE CHURCH.
Order of March.

TIME

Billeting parties of all units
as a formed body under
Captain Brazier 1/K.O.Y.L.I. 8 a.m.

Brigade Headquarters	8.58 a.m.
1/York & Lancaster Regt.	9. a.m.
2/King's Own Regt.	9.10 a.m.
2/East Yorkshire Regt.	9.20 a.m.
1/K.O.Y.L.I.	9.30 a.m.
5/King's Own Regt.	9.40 a.m.
2 Ambulances 84th Field Ambulance	9.50 a.m.

Clearing up parties of all units
as a formed body under
Captain Carew R.Dub. Fusiliers. 11. a.m.

3.(a) 5/King's Own will detail a rearguard of one Officer & 12
other ranks to march in rear of the ambulances & collect
any stragglers falling behind the Brigade.

(b) One Officer per battalion & one N.C.O. per Coy., will march
in rear of the 1st line transport of each unit to collect
stragglers.

(c) No individuals or small parties will be allowed to march
except as laid down in para 2 of this operation order.

(d) Attention is drawn to Standing Orders for marches issued on
13/6/15 and re-issued on 19/9/15.

(e) There must be no check when marching into billets. Billeting
parties will meet their own units well back on the line of
march & conduct companies transport vehicles etc direct to
their appointed places, leaving the road clear for the
battalion following them.

4. The Corps Commander will be in BAILLEUL to watch the
Brigade pass through. Compliments will be paid to all
General Officers.

5. Brigade Headquarters will be at OUTTERSTEENE on Conclusion
of the march.

Issued at 10 p.m.

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- 2 2/King's Own
- 3 2/East Yorks
- 4 1/K.O.Y.L.I.
- 5 1/York & Lancs.
- 6 5/King's Own
- 7 No.2.Coy, A.S.C.
- 8 Staff Capt. 33rd Bde
- 9 O.C.Signals 83rd Bde
- 10 M.G.Officer 83rd Bde

R.S. Follett
Major,
Brigade Major,
83rd Infantry Brigade.

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OPERATION ORDER No. 74.

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.G.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade

Reference, VIERSTRAAT 1/10,000
Sheet 28 1/40,000

21st September 1915.

- 1.(a) On the night of the 21st - 22nd September the 5th Canadian Bde., will mount their machine guns in the following emplacements:- L.6. L.5. S.P.11. S.P.12. S.P.13. & H.1 (new).
- (b) Two machine gunners of the 83rd Brigade will remain in each of the emplacements for instructional purposes, the remainder of the teams and guns will be withdrawn from the above mentioned emplacements and rejoin their first line.
- (c) During the morning and afternoon of the 22nd inst, the 5th Canadian Bde., will mount their machine guns in the remaining emplacements.
- (d) Two machine gunners of the 83rd Brigade will remain in each emplacement and the remainder of the teams and guns will be withdrawn and rejoin their first line.
- 2.(a) On the 22nd inst. the 25th Battn., will relieve the 2/King's Own & the 5/King's Own in Right Sector and the 22nd Battn., will relieve the 1/K.O.Y.L.I. in the Left Sector according to the following table:-

(b) TABLE OF RELIEFS.

UNIT	PLACE	PLACE.	TIME.
1 Platoon "A" Coy 22nd Battn.	83rd Bde	Hqrs.	9.45 a.m.
1 Platoon "A" Coy 22nd Battn.	-do-		10.30 a.m.
1 Platoon "B" Coy 22nd Battn.	-do-		11.15 a.m.
1 Platoon "B" Coy 22nd Battn.	-do-		12. Noon.

- (c) 10 Guides from 1/York & Lancaster Regt will be at Brigade Hqrs at 9.45 a.m. 22nd inst. to conduct 2 platoons "A" Coy 22nd Bn. to Headquarters 2/King's Own Regt..

10 Guides from 2/East Yorkshire Regt. will be at Brigade Hqrs. at 11.15 a.m. to conduct 2 platoons "B" Coy 22nd Battn, to 1/K.O.Y.L.I. headquarters.

- (d) 2/King's Own R. & 1/K.O.Y.L.I. will furnish trench guides to be ready to guide above platoons to their respective trenches.

- 3.(a) On the night of the 22nd - 23rd inst. the 25th Battn. will complete the relief of the 2/King's Own R. and 5/King's Own R. in the Right Sector & the 22nd Battn. that of the 1/K.O.Y.L.I. in the Left Sector. *except the Reserve Companies. Orders*

- (b) An Officer and guides from each Sector will meet the relieving ~~one & a Half~~ Coys. at the barrier N.20.b.6.8. as follows:-

Right Sector 25th Battn. at 6.30 P.M. *2 Coy 25th Bde*
Left Sector 22nd Battn. at 6.45 P.M. *1 Coy 22nd Bde*

4. All details will be arranged between Commdg. Officers concerned.
5. Completion of relief will be reported to this office by wire both by Sector commanders & the Officers relieving.

6. ORDERS FOR THE RELIEF OF 83rd BRIGADE TELEPHONES.

Operators of relieving units will be posted to telephone offices in the trenches during the daytime on the 22nd inst. under arrangements to be made between the Signal Officers 83rd Brigade & 5th Canadian Brigade.

The 83rd Brigade operators will however not hand over,

(a) In the trenches, until their company is entirely relieved.

(b) At Battalion headquarters until the relief of the whole Sector is complete.

All telephones and other signalling equipment & appliances, belonging to the 83rd Brigade (except the telephone wires) will be brought out of the trenches by the units of the 83rd Brigade.

Issued at 4⁴⁰ P.M.

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 5 1/York & Lancs
 6 5/King's Own
 7 3rd Bde R.F.A.
 8 No. 2 Coy A.S.C.
 9 2/1 Northumbrian Fd. Coy. R.E.
 10 3rd Canadian Bde.
 11 5th Canadian Bde.
 12 22nd Battn. 5th Canadn. Bde
 13 25th BattN. " " "
 14 52nd Brigade.
 15 Staff Captain
 16 O.C. Signals
 17 M.G. Officer

J. V. L. R. Russell
Br General

Jr Major,

Brigade Major,
 83rd Infantry Brigade.

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Operation Orders No:

By
Lieut Colonel G. E. Bayley, D.S.O.
Commanding 1st Bn York & Lancaster Regt.
Wednesday, 22nd Sept 1915

Reference Map - Sheet 27 or HAZE BROOK. Sheet S. 2.

1. The Battalion will march to billets near OUTERSTEBNE via BAILLEUL on 23rd Sept

Starting point - Loose Church

Time - 9. am
" Signallers

Order of march -
" A Coy.
" B. "
" C. "
" D. "

Stretchers Bearers.
Officers servants, Coy Cooks, etc
under the Sgt Major Cook.
1st Line Transport.

2. Lieut. R. F. Halcomb and one N.C.O. from each Coy, will form a rear party and march in rear of 1st Line Transport and collect stragglers. This party will report at Orderly Room at 9. am.

Sanitary Squads will parade with Spikes parties from other units, in the field behind Mr. Hodges at 10.30 am and march off under Capt. Carew. R. Dublin's direction.

3. The Coy. Ambulances and a N.C.O. from M. Gun Section will parade at Loose Church at 8. am. and march under Capt. Brazier. 1st K.O.Y.L.I.

This party will meet the Cos. well back on the line of march and conduct their Cos. direct to their billets, leaving the road clear for the Battalion following behind. There must be no check

3. The Brigade Band will march in front of the Battalion.
4. The Corps Commander will be in front of the main in GRAND PLACE, BAILLEUL on the right of line of march to watch the Brigade pass through. Compliments will be paid to all General Officers.
5. Water bottles and water carts will be filled before marching off.
6. On arrival at billets a "Marching in" Salute will be rendered to the Adjutant.

(Sd) T. Knox Shaw Captain

Issued at 6.50 pm.

Copies	10	2	War Diary
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	5		" C "
	6		" D "
	7		Transport Officer
	8		Quartersmaster

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OPERATION ORDER No. 74.

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.G.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

app. 16.

Reference, HAZEBROUCK 5a.

26th September 1915.

1. The troops in 83rd Brigade area will march via VIEUX BERQUIN & NEUF BERQUIN to billets about MERVILLE today according to attached table.
- 2.(a) O.C. 84th Field Ambulance will detail two ambulances to follow in rear of Echelon B 1st Line Transport to pick up men unable to march.
- (b) O.C. 2/King's Own Regt. will detail a rear-guard of one officer and twenty other ranks to march in rear of above two ambulances to collect all stragglers.
3. All Train waggons of 83rd Inf. Brigade will join No.2.Coy., A.S.C. by 5 A.M.
- 4.(a) Billeting parties will meet Staff Captain at Cross roads due W. of B in LA BRIANNE 3/4 mile N.E. MERVILLE at 8.30 A.M.
- (b) 2/East Yorkshire Regt., will approach starting point by METEREN - OUTTERSTEENE road.

Issued at 3.30 A.M.

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 3 2/East Yorks
 4 1/K.O.Y.L.I.
 5 1/York & Lancs
 6 5/King's Own
 7 3rd Bde R.F.A.
 8 84th Field Ambulance
 9 No.2.Coy, A.S.C.
 10 3rd Bde Ammunition Column
 11 Capt. Poake 2/King's Own
 12 Lt. White
 13 Staff Captain
 14 Bde M.G. Officer
 15 O.C. Signals.

R.S. Follett Major,
 Brigade Major,
 83rd Infantry Brigade.

STARTING POINT OUTERSTEENE CROSS ROADS.

Order of March,

Brigade Headquarters	6 A.M.
1/K.O.Y.L.I.	6.1. A.M.
2/East Yorkshire Regt.	6.7. A.M.
1/York & Lancaster Regt.	6.13 A.M.
2/King's Own Regt.	6.19 A.M.
5/King's Own Regt.	6.25 A.M.
Brigade S.A.A. Reserve	6.29 A.M.
Echelon B. 1st Line Transport	6.30 A.M.
3rd Brigade R.F.A.	6.35 A.M.
3rd Brigade Ammunition Column.	6.55 A.M.
84th Field Ambulance	7.3. A.M.
No.2.Coy, A.S.C.	7.7. A.M.

Operation Orders No. 27 Apt 17

By
Lieut. Colonel G. E. Bayley, D.S.O.
Commanding 1st Bn York & Lancaster Regt
Sunday, 26th Sept 1915

1. The Battalion will march to billets at
MERVILLE.
Battn. Alarm Post - Starting point.
Time - 5.30 am.
Order of march -
 Signallers
 A Coy
 B
 C
 D
 Machine Gun + Stretch Bearer
2. Two ambulances will be detailed to follow
in rear to pick up men unable to
march.
3. O.C. D Coy. will detail one officer
and O.C. Cos will detail one NCO each
to form rear party behind the Battalion.
4. Major Robertson + O.C. Cos. + Machine
Gun Officer and two guides detailed
by O.C. Transport will form a Billeting
Party.
They will meet the Staff Captain at
Cross Roads due W of B in

in LA BRIANNE 3/4 N. E. MERVILLE
at 8.30 am.

Ref. Map HAZEBROUCK, See S.A.

T. Knox Shaw Captain,
Adjutant, 1st York Lancashire Regt

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OPERATION ORDER No. 74 Continued
by
BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. RAVENSHAW, C.M.G.
Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade

Sunday, 26th Sept. 1915.

1. Troops will resume the March as follows :-

Starting Point, Bridge over Canal, S.E.,
of ROBECC on ROBECC-BETHUNE ROAD.

Order of March :-

Brigade H.Q.,	1.59.p.m.
1st York & Lancs	2 p.m.
1st K.O.Y.L.I.	2.6.p.m.
2nd E.Yorks	2.12.p.m.
2nd King's Own	2.18.p.m.
5th King's own	2.24.p.m.
Bde S.A.A. Reserve	2.28.p.m.
Echelon B,	2.29.p.m.
3rd Bde R.F.A.	2.34.p.m.
3rd Bde Ammn.Col.	3.4.p.m.
84th F. Amb.	3.12.p.m.
2 Coy A.S.C.	3.16.p.m.

2. The 2/1 Northumbrian Field Coy will join the Column in rear of No. 2 Coy A.S.C., at T Roads Mt. BERNENCHON on the ROBECC-BETHUNE Rd at 3.40.p.m.

PS Follett

Major.
Brigade Major, 83rd Bde.

Issued at 11.20.

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2. 2nd King's Own,
3. 2nd E.Yorks.
4. 1st K.O.Y.L.I.
5. 1st York & Lancs
6. 5th King's Own
7. 3rd Bde R.F.A.
8. 84th F. Amb.
9. No. 2 Coy A.S.C.
10. 3rd Bde Ammn. Col.
11. Capt. Peake.
12. 2/1 Northumbrian Fld Coy. R.E.

Appendix 19

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OPERATION ORDER No. 75

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. RAVENSHAW, C.M.C.
Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

REF: - HAZEBROUCK Sa. Sunday, 26th Sept.
1915.

1. All units will be held in readiness to move at one hour's notice.
2. Each unit will select an alarm post.
3. Place of assembly, to which all units will move on receipt of orders will be ROBECQ-BETHUNE Road, with head of column at Bridge over canal half a mile S.E., of ROBECQ, except 2/1 Northumbrian Field Coy R.E., who will remain on their alarm post until receipt of orders. Units in same order as laid down for this afternoon's march.
4. A mounted officer from 8rd Brigade R.F.A., 2/1 Northumbrian Field Coy. R.E., No. 2 Coy A.S.C., and 84th Field Ambulance will report in future to the Brigade Major at the starting point, prior to the commencement of any march. This officer will accompany the Brigade Headquarters on the march so as to carry direct any orders that G.O.C., Column may issue.
5. All units in the Brigade area will send a mounted or cyclist orderly to Brigade as soon as they have arrived in billets or bivouacs. This orderly will remain at Brigade Headquarters until it moves: he must bring his own rations.

6. Brigade Headquarters ^{are} in ROBECC near the Church on the LILLERS Road.

Issued at

p.m.

R. S. M. T.

Major,
Brigade Major, 83rd Bde.

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| | 5. | 1st York & Lancs. |
| | 6. | 5th King's Own. |
| | 7. | 3rd Bde R.F.A. |
| | 8. | 84th F. Amb. |
| | 9. | No. 2 Coy A.S.C. |
| | 10. | Capt. Peake. |
| | 11. | 2/1 Northumbrian Field Coy R.E. |

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Operation Orders No: 28 aff/20

Lieut Col. G.E. Bayley D.S.O.
Commanding, 2nd York & Lancaster Regt.
Sunday, 26th Sept. 1915.

Reference map - HAZEBROUCK, Sheet 5a.

1. The Battalion will be held in readiness to move at 1 hour notice.
2. The Battalion alarm Post will be on the ROBECQ - BETHUNE Road extending from A to H. Q. Billé's.
All Cos. will close up to A and fall in in the following order.

Signallers

A Coy

B

N

C

Machine Guns & Stretcher Bearer.

on the order to assemble

3. Side Hdqrs. are in ROBECQ near the Church on the HILLERS Road.

W. Knox Shaw Captain

Adjutant, 2nd York & Lancaster Regt.

Issued at 7.50 pm.

Copy No. 1 A Coy. Copy No 2 B Coy. Copy 3 C Coy.

7.58 W. Knox Shaw

9 M.G. Officer

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OPERATION ORDER No. 78.

by
BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.C.
ooooooooooooCommanding 93rd Infantry Brigade
Ref: - HAZENROUCK Sa. 27th Sept. 1915

1. Today the Brigade will proceed by bus to BETHUNE & march from there to BEUVRY where it will halt for the night.
- (b) All 1st line transport will march under Capt Peake 2/King's Own to BEUVRY.
2. Embusment stations in order of move: -

Brigade Hqrs.	On ROBEQ - BETHUNE road
1/York & Lancaster B.	do do
1/K.O.V.L.I.	do do
2/East Yorkshire B.	On ROBEQ - ST VINANT RD.
2/King's Own B.	do do
5/King's Own B.	On ROBEQ - MERVILLE RD.

Busses arrive ROBEQ 12 noon.
Battalions will be drawn up ready to embus 12.30 P.M.
3. (a) No extra ammunition will be issued.
(b) Machine gunners will go in busses.
(c) Machine guns travel with 1st line transport.
4. All officers chargers will be sent to field opposite Brigade Hqrs. by 11.15 a.m. & proceed under 2/Lt P.J.C. Simpson 1/K.O.V.L.I. to GRAND PLACE, BETHUNE to await the arrival of the Brigade.
5. At 1.30 P.M. the Brigade S.A.A. reserve & the whole of 1st line transport will be formed up on ROBEQ - BETHUNE road with head of column at ~~BETHUNE~~ Bridge 1/2 mile S.E. of ROBEQ. Order of march same as yesterday.

5. Continued

yesterday afternoon. Route MT BERNENCHON -
BETHUNE - BEAUVRY.

Issued at 10²⁰ A.M.

R. S. Blunt Major,
Brigade Major,
83rd Infantry Brigade.

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5	1/York & Lancs
6	5/King's Own
7	No. 2 Coy, A.S.C.
8	Capt. Peake 2/King's Own.

Operation Orders No: 24. app/22

^{By}
 Licut. Colonel G. E. Bayley D.S.O.
 Commanding 1st Bⁿ Fort of Alexander Regt.
 Monday, 27th Sept. 1910.

1. The Batta. will proceed by bus to BETHUNE and march from there to BEURY when it will halt for the night.
2. The Batta. will fall in at Alarm Post ready to march off at 12 noon.

Order of march -

Party for 1st Hdqrs. Bns.

A Coy

B

C

D

M. Gun Section.

Stretcher Bearers

Pioneers.

3. All 1st Line Transport will march under Capt. Peake, 2nd King's Own Co to BEURY

4. Officer chargers will be sent to a field opposite Pde. Hdqrs. by 11:15 am. and proceed to Grand Place, BETHUNE to await the arrival

of the Brigade.

5. Marching in States & Casually States will be rendered to the Adjutant on arrival at Billets.

T. Knox Shaw Captain
Adjutant, 1st Bn. Grenadier Regt

Issued at 11.15 am.

Copy No. 1	2	W. G. Henry	Copy No. 3	A Coy
"	4	B Coy	"	5
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83rd Bde.
28th Div.

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Division left for Salonika November 1915.

1st YORK & LANCS

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York, Lancaster Regt

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
VERMELLES Sept 1 st 6am	The Battalion was relieved by the Northumberland Fusiliers and went to the LANCA SHIRE TRENCHES. Here the Batt ⁿ bivouaced all day until relieved by the South Staffordshire Regt in the evening.	
12 noon	casualties killed 1, wounded 2 missing 1.	
9pm	Batt ⁿ marched to ANNEQUIN. Difficulty was experienced in finding billets as 22 nd Bde were occupying houses in our area. Headquarters did not get settled till 2.30 am.	
Oct 2 nd ANNEQUIN.	Cleaned up in billets. Total strength of Batt ⁿ including quartermaster & m.o was officers 14, other ranks 800.	
Oct 2nd	The Batt ⁿ had to be ready to move at 1 hour notice. <u>Bde wire</u> 83 rd Bde relieve 84 th Bde on night-3 rd - 4 th inst. Reconnoitring officers will be prepared to leave billets 11 am on the 3 rd . These officers will await the arrival of the Batt ⁿ at BARTS on	
Oct 3 rd	<u>Bde wire</u> You Batt ⁿ will march to CLARKS KEEP at 11 am.	
9.45 am	Batt ⁿ operation order no 30	appendix 1
10 am	<u>Bde wire</u> You Batt ⁿ will march to CLARKS KEEP at 1 pm	
12 noon	casualties killed 1 wounded 6	
1 pm	The Batt ⁿ marched off and on arriving at CLARKS KEEP found the road blocked by 2 nd East-Yorks. The C.O ordered the Batt ⁿ to move along road till clear of KEEP and sit down.	
	while he went to reconnoitre BARTS TRENCH.	

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1st York & Lancaster Regt.

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Oct 3 rd	after tea the Batt ⁿ moved up to the Reserve Trench.	
Oct 4 th HQ in Reserve Trench	1:45 am Copy of instructions given to 2 nd East Yorks Regt and 1 st K.O.Y.L.I. with reference to the attack to be launched at 4.45 am. 3:15 am The Batt ⁿ moved up into the Support Trenches. Co D Coys on the right and A & B on the left of CENTRAL BOYAU. 4:15 am There was no appreciable artillery bombardment. 4:45 am The Germans clearly knew the attack was coming off, as they opened fire with machine guns before attack started. Neither Batt ⁿ was able to get into the Redoubt.	Appendix 2
12 noon	Casualties wounded two B Coy went to support the K.O.Y.L.I. and were placed in a Reserve trench in centre of their line.	
5 pm	C Coy was sent to relieve a company of the 2 nd Kings own which were holding the fire trench on right of position occupied by K.O.Y.L.I. This Coy of 2 nd Kings own had been sent to support the Coy of K.O.Y.L.I. which had lost heavily in the attack. Situation was quiet all day in front line. Enemy shelled the CENTRAL BOYAU and Reserve Trench particularly all day.	
Oct 5 th	12 noon Casualty report. wounded 5	

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1st York, Lancaster Regt.

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Oct 5 th 5 pm 6.30 pm	Informed that 2 nd Guards Brigade would relieve 83 rd Bde Batt ⁿ operation order no 31 owing to the congestion due to narrow communication trenches the relief was not over till 6 am. The Companies marched independently to ANNÉQUIN	Appendix 3, " 4
Oct 6 th ANNÉQUIN 7.30 am 10 am 10.30 am 12 noon 1.30 pm	Headquarters reached billets at ANNÉQUIN. Brigade operation order no 77 Batt ⁿ " " no 31 Casualty return wounded one The Batt ⁿ marched to BONNEHEM after passing through BETHUNE an hour's halt was made for tea. The Batt ⁿ reached BONNEHEM at dusk. (marching in strength 707), and was billeted in farms.	Appendix 5 " 6
Oct 7 th BONNEHEM.	Rested & cleaned up in billets. Lt W.H. Cullen joined & took command of 'C' Coy.	
Oct 8 th "	Batt ⁿ commenced a system of training, particular attention being paid to bomb throwers: 50% of Batt ⁿ being trained in bombs. 2 nd Lt F. HUGHES & 2 nd Lt T.W. MOORE joined from 3 rd S. Lancs Regt.	
Oct 9 th "	The Corps Commander (Gen Gough) inspected the Companies training. 2 nd Lt F.H. CLAYDON joined from 10 th S. Lancs Regt.	
Oct 10 th "	Church Parade in morning. Two Coy dug trenches for bomb practice in afternoon	
Oct 11 th "	Batt ⁿ practised attacking over trenches. Bombs practised working down C.T.s & bombing traverses, over ground previous prepared for practical demonstrations.	

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St. York, Lancaster Rgt.

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<p>Oct-12th GONNEHEM Oct-13th " 10 am</p>	<p>Battⁿ Route march & Training Brigade inspected by Gen Bridges C.O.C. 28th Division. Afterwards he watched Battⁿ practising trench warfare. 2nd Lt Halcomb left Battⁿ on sick leave. 2nd Lt Green joined Battⁿ from 2nd Middlesex Rgt.</p>	
<p>Oct-14th " Oct-15th " 3.30 pm 4.20 pm</p>	<p>Route march in morning. Brigade operation order no 78 Battⁿ marched to BEUVRY and occupied billets previously used by Bedford Rgt, arriving at 7.30 pm 2nd Lt Trethowan & 2nd Lt Coppock joined from 11th Battⁿ 3rd Lt Gibson joined from 3rd Battⁿ. 2nd Lt Essex reported sick and went to hospital</p>	<p>appendix 7</p>
<p>Oct-16th BEUVRY 10.15 am 3 pm 5.30 pm</p>	<p>C.O. Coy Comdes, Trampat office & adj. rode to Cambrai to reconnoitre reserve trenches held by 2nd Warwick Brigade operation order no 79 Battⁿ " " no 31 The following officers joined from 3rd Battⁿ Lt Angus, Lt Bedford, 3rd Lt Stedman.</p>	<p>appendix 8 appendix 9</p>
<p>Oct-17th 11.30 am</p>	<p>Battⁿ left BEUVRY and marched to HARLEY ST. CAMBRI. The 2nd Warwickshire Rgt was relieved by 12.30 pm.</p>	
<p>Oct-18th 12 noon</p>	<p>Capt Hartley (Indian Cavalry) joined & took over duties of senior major G.O.C 28th Division visited Battⁿ in morning Casualties O.R one wounded.</p>	

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1st Yorks Lancashire Rgt.

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Oct 19 HARLEY ST.	Visit by Gen Gough Corps Command.	Appendix 10.
Oct 20 th " " 2pm	CofE operation order no 80.	" 11.
9pm	Batt " " no 32	
Oct 21 st " "	The following honours were awarded for distinguished conduct during action on Sept 29 th in B1 & WILLIE. 2 nd Lt B. A. Bates Military Cross. 8336 Sgt J Brown, 18271 Pte a Street, 18271 Pte J Shaw 18165 Pte T Jones, 17531 Cpl J Atkinson D.C.M.S.	
2pm	The Batt ⁿ was relieved by 1st Kings Rgt 6 th Bde and marched back to billets at Gonnehem. Casualty report, 8 A.M. 3 wounded by shell. Preparations for move. 4 th Bde in Smoke Helmets etc.	Appendix 12
Oct 22 nd GONNEHEM.	Barrade order no 81 Batt ⁿ order no 33	" 13
Oct 22nd		
Oct 23 rd " " 5 am	C Coy and the Transport started for the Station, so as to be entrained when the rest of the Batt ⁿ arrived. 11 at 9.20 am	
7 am	Det of Batt ⁿ marched to	
4pm	The first stop was at L	
24 th Train	left Arrived at VILLENEUVE men served with tea 130pm changed engines at DT	

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1st York + Lancaster Rgt-

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
24 th Oct Train 7.30pm	Halted at MACON. men had tea and were allowed to go to Buffet. officers dined at buffet. Left at 8.30pm	
25 th " 9am	Halted at PIERRELATTE, where men had tea.	
5pm	arrived at MARSEILLES, about six hours late due to an accident on line to train in front of ours. Skunked back to another station where Bull ^d detrained.	
7pm	Marched away from station to Quay. Streets crowded with applauding populace.	
8.30pm	Reached S. S BORNIVU and embarked. The horses and transport men were left behind under Lt Walker, to come on afterwards. All the timber was on board by	
26 th S S BORNIVU 11am	2am after shipping timber of East Surrey Rgt. the boat left the harbour. encountered rough sea in Gulf of Lyons. Some officers and many men incapacitated.	
27 th " 10am	Went round the ship with Captain. men cheering up. Parrels detailed for each boat. Alarm stations fixed. Coy on duty found eleven sentries and a platoon as a submarine guard.	
9pm	lights out wet day. Rounds at 10 am	

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1st York + Lancaster Regt.

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<i>Oct-29th S.S BORWU</i>	<i>Fine weather. Half hour physical exercise for men each day. Practised a fire alarm at 5 pm Dined up a bath for men. Getting much warmer usual routine. 3 men sick with diarrhoea. after rounds practised standing to in boat parties</i>	
<i>Oct 30th</i>		
<i>Oct 31st</i>		
<i>Nov</i>		

Operation Order No. 30. Appendix 1.

By
Lieut Col G.E. Bayley, DSO.
Commanding 1st Bn York & Lancaster Regt.
Sunday, 3rd October 1915.

1. The Batta. will fall in on the Alarm Post ready to march to CLARKS KEEP, VERMELLE.
Starting Point - Batta. Hdqrs.
Time 11. am.
Order of march - Signallers, A Coy, B Coy, C Coy, D Coy, M.Guns, Pioneers, Slicker Bearers, 1st Line Transport.
2. Officers Kits must be slacked at the Transport Lines at once.

T. Knox Shaw Captain
Adjutant, 1st York & Lancaster Regt.

Issued at 9.45 am.

Copy 1 & 2	War Diary	Copy 3	OC A Coy
" 4	OC B Coy	" 5	" C "
" 6	" D "	" 7	" M.Guns "
" 8	Quartermaster	" 9	Transport "

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at 4-45 a.m. 4th Oct. 15 2/1st
 Yorks Regt. and two Coy.
 1/1st Coy. with one Coy. 2/1st King's
 own Regt. attached with assault
 HOHENZOLLERN REDOUBT AAA
 First objective western face of
 redoubt second objective THE
 CHORD AAA. At 4-15 a.m. with
 with bombs were heard until
 4-45 a.m. when they will lift
 on to enemy communications
 trenches AAA when the bombardment
 commences the first and second
 line of platoons will get
 over the parapet advance
 towards the enemy parapet and
 be down AAA Absolute silence

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TO	2/ East Yorks Regt		
	1/R.O.Y.L.I.		

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will be maintained until	the enemy trench is reached	AAA	The assault of the
CHORD will be undertaken	without delay once the "REDOUBT"	has been gained AAA all	communication trenches leading
from captured works towards the	enemy will be filled in and	blocked AAA	Two sections R.E.
will follow behind last platoons	and dig communication trenches	back from captured work to	old British Line AAA Signal
Office 83rd	Brigade will arrange	to place a telephone on	western face of REDOUBT directed by

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 with more up to hold
 the front British line as
 it is vacated by 2/12/11
 yards and 1/12/11 AAA
 support Regt will be in
 support trenches behind 1/12/11
 and 1/12/11 Regt AAA 5/12/11
 Regt will be at CENTRAL
 KEEP in reserve.

From 83 Brigade	Place _____	Time 1-4 5 4 m-
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- 1 - 21 Guards Brigade will relieve 83rd Brigade tonight in all trenches, according to attached table
- 2 - On relief battalions will march to NORTH ANNEQUIN; ~~company~~ guides will meet them there & conduct them to their billets - Companies may march independently -
- 3 - Officers comdg. battalions 83rd Brigade will command in their own sectors until relief is complete - completion of relief to be wired to Brigade Hqs -

4 - R S Follett Major
 5 Sept 15. Brigade Major 83rd Brigade

- copy No 1. 1st Lt. 1/1 R.O.Y.C.
- 2 - 2/1 King's Own - 4 of 4th Lt's
- 3 - 2/0 Yorks - 5 5th King's Own

TABLE OF RELIEFS.

1. 2/ Grenadier Guards relieve 2/ King's Own Regt. in BIG WILLIE.
2. 1/ Scots Guards will relieve 5/ King's Own Regt and 1 Coy 2/ East Yorks Regt. from HULLUCK ALLEY to RIGHT BOYAU (exclusive).
3. 2/ Irish Guards relieve 3 Coy 2/ East Yorks Regt + 1 Co. 1/ Light James Regt. from RIGHT BOYAU to LEFT BOYAU (both inclusive)
4. 1/ Coldstream Guards relieve 1/ KOYLI from LEFT BOYAU (exclusive) to VERMELLES - AUCHY road (inclusive)
5. Guards Pioneer Battalion relieve Middlesex Regt in RESERVE TRENCH.

R. S. Tollett

Major
Brigade Major
83rd Air Bn

5 Sept 15.

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Operation Order No 31
By Lt Col. G. E. Bayley D.S.O
Cmdg, 1st York & Lancaster Regt

Tuesday October 5th 1915

1. 2nd Guards Brigade will relieve 83rd Brigade in all trenches tonight.
2. The Irish Guards will relieve "C" Coy: The Coldstream Guards "B" Coy. On completion of these reliefs, O.C. Coys will at once report by orderly to Battⁿ HQ.
3. The O.C. D & A Coys will be informed by orderly, from Battⁿ HQ when they can move as no battⁿ will be going into their trenches.
4. Coy will march independently under their own Coy Cmdrs to NORTH ANNEQUIN where guides will meet & conduct them to their billets.

5. The M. Guns in front line as soon as relieved will rendezvous at the DUMP and march back with the transport.
6. Officers charges will meet them at CLARK'S KEEP.
7. The march will be continued at 12 noon tomorrow. Coy Cmdrs will arrange for dinners before the start.
8. There will be a halt for tea during the march.
8. The O.C. Transport will see that baggage wagons accompany the Battⁿ on the march.
9. Transport officer will make the usual arrangements for officers kits.

issued at
6.30pm

T. Knox Shaw Capt
Adjutant
1st York & Lancaster Regt

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OPERATION ORDER No. 77

by

BRIGADIER GENERAL H.S.L. RAVENSHAW, G.M.C.
Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Ref. BETHUNE
combined sheet.

Wednesday, 6th October, 1915.

1. The Brigade will march today independently by Battalions to billets in area Mt. BERNENCHON - CONNEHEM.
2. Starting point :- Cross Roads F.29.b.
Route :- BEUVRY - BETHUNE - OBLINCHEN - CONNEHEM.
Order of March :-

	Time
1st K.O.V.L.I.	12 noon.
2nd East Yorks	1 P.M.
1st York & Lancs	1.30 p.m.
5th King's Own	2 p.m.
2nd King's Own	2.30 p.m.
3rd Middlesex Regt.	3 p.m.
3. a. 1st Line Transport and baggage wagons will accompany battalions.
b. Two ambulances will march in rear of each Battalion.
c. An Officer from each Battalion will report to Lt. Colman, Surrey Yeomanry at SKATING RINK, BETHUNE, to be shown place WEST of BETHUNE where Battalions will halt for Tea.
d. Billetting parties will meet Staff Captain at forked roads, CONNEHEM W.13.a.8.5., at 12 noon
4. Strict march discipline will be maintained.
5. Brigade Headquarters leave ANNEQUIN 2.15 p.m.

*R. S. Yallett Major
B.M. 83rd Brigade*

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Operation Orders No. 31

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By
Lieut. Colonel G.L. Bayley, D.S.O.
Commanding 1st Bn York & Lancaster Regt.
Wednesday, 6th October 1915.

1. The Batta. will march to Belleli in area MT
BERNENCHON - GONNEM today.
Starting point - Batta Headquarters.
Time - 1-30 pm. In position 1-20 pm.
Route - BEUVRY - BETHUNE - OBLINGHEM - GONNEM
Order of march - Signallers - C Coy, A Coy, B Coy,
1st Coy M. Gun Section, Stretcher Bearer,
1st Line Transport and Baggage Wagon.
2. The Batta. will halt WEST of BETHUNE for tea.
3. Officers kits will be collected at 11-30 am.
4. Lieut. L.A.K. Halcomb will report to Rivet
Colman, Surrey Germany at the SKATING RINK,
BETHUNE and will be shown a place where the
Batta. will halt for tea.
5. OC Cos. will detail 1 N.C.O. each and OC
1st Coy 1 officer to form a Rest Party which
will march in rear of the Transport.

T. Knox Shaw Captain,
Adjutant, 1st York & Lancaster Regt.

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"	6	" C "	"	7	M. Gun
"	8	Transport Officer			

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Appendix 7
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Operation Order No. 78.

by
Brigadier General R.S.L. Ravenshaw C.M.G.
Commanding 33rd Infantry Brigade.Reference, BETHUNE (Combined sheet)
1/40,000.

15th October 1918.

1. The Brigade will march to Billeting area at 4 p.m.

2. Order of March:-

Brigade Headquarters	4 p.m.
2/King's Own Regt.	4.10 p.m.
1/W.G.F.L.I.	4.15 p.m.
1/York & Lancaster R.	4.20 p.m.
5/King's Own Regt.	4.25 p.m.
24th Field Ambulance	4.37 p.m.

Starting point Forked roads V.23.b.9.9.

2/East Yorkshire Regt. will march independently via OBLIGNEM -
BETHUNE to billets in ESSARS. Starting at 4.40 p.m.

3. The Brigade will be billeted as follows:-

2/King's Own Regt	LE PREOL
1/W.G.F.L.I.	LE QUESNOY
1/York & Lancaster R.	BEUVRY
5/King's Own Regt.	FERVE de ROI
2/East Yorkshire Regt.	ESSARS
24th Field Ambulance	BEUVRY

4. Guides from 9th Division will meet units at Forked roads
F.8.b.8.7. to guide them to their billets. Guide will meet
2/King's Own at Forked roads E.11.b.5.9.

5. Brigade Headquarters will be at BEUVRY.

Issued at 10.30 p.m.

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2 2/King's Own
3 2/East Yorks
4 1/W.G.F.L.I.
5 1/York & Lancs
6 5/King's Own
7 24th Field Ambulance.

J. J. J.
Major,
Brigade Major,
33rd Infantry Brigade.

B. A. C. S.

Join up on B Coy by

4-10-

Corp to be closed up
to B Coy by 4-10

Cartridges left
in bins

Cyclist Order.

Appendix 8

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OPERATION ORDERS NO, 79

Copy No..... 5

by

Brigadier General H.S.L. Ravenshaw, C.M.G.

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade,

Reference BETHUNE Combined Sheet, 1/40,000.

16th October, 1915.

1. The 83rd Brigade will relieve the 22nd Brigade tomorrow.
2. 1/K.O.Y.L.I. will relieve the 2/Queens and take over from THE LANE to HANOVER STREET exclusive.
2/King's Own will relieve the Welsh Fusiliers and take over from HANOVER STREET inclusive to CANAL.

3. 1st York & Lancaster will relieve the 2/Warwicks and be in Reserve in HARLEY STREET.

2/East Yorks will move to LE PREOL, taking over billets from S.Staffords,

5/King's Own will move to LE PREOL, taking over billets now occupied by the 2/King's Own.

3. Units will march at the following times :- (by platoons.)

1/K.O.Y.L.I.	9.30 a.m.	guides at HARLEY STREET	11 a.m.	} By platoons
2/King's Own	10.30 "	" " " "	11.30 a.m.	
1/York & L.	11.30 "	" " " "	12.15 p.m.	
2/East Yorks	10 a.m.	take over billets at	11 a.m.	
5/King's Own	10.30 a.m.	" " " "	11.30 a.m.	

4. 1/ K.O.Y.L.I. will find the Garrison for STAFFORD REDOUBT.

5. 1/York & Lancaster Regt. will place Machine Guns
 - Two in PONT FIXE
 - One in THE BULGE
 - One on Canal Bank, to sweep the front of the Brigade on the left.

The 34th Brigade R.F.A. will be covering the front of the Section.

7. 1st Line Transport of Bde. Hdqrs., 2/King's Own, 1/K.O.Y.L.I. and 1 /Y. & Lancaster Regts. will be parked about F.23 b. Brigade Transport Officer will select ground. 1st Line Transport 2/E.Yorks. & 5/ King's Own will remain with Battalions at LE PREOL.

8. Brigade Headquarters will move at 11 a.m. to CAMBRIN, A.19.d.63

Issued at 3 p.m.

- Copy No. 1 War Diary
 2 2/East Yorks
 3 2/King's Own
 4 1/K.O.Y.L.I.
 5 1/York & Lancaster R.
 6 5/King's Own
 7 28th Division
 8 22nd Brigade
 9 No.2 Coy.A.S.C.
 10 84th Field Ambulance
 11 C.C.Signals 83rd Bde
 12 M.G.Officer 83rd Bde

John A. Cape
 Major
 Brigade Major
 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Copy No: 1 Operation Order No: 31. app 9.
 By
 Lieut. Colonel G.E. Bayley, I.O.S.G.
 Commanding 1st Bn. York & Lancaster Regt.
 Saturday, 16th October 1915.

1. The 83rd Bde. will relieve to 22nd Bde. tomorrow.
2. The 1st York & Lancaster Regt. will relieve the 2nd Warwick's Line Regt. and be in reserve in HARLEY STREET.
3. Starting Point - Cross Roads South of Bde. Hdqrs.
 Time. 11-30 am.
 Order of march. Signallers, Pioneers, A.B.C. Co
 10 Cos. Machine Guns & Stretcher Bearer.
4. Banners will be issued in HARLEY STREET after taking over.
5. A Limber will be provided for officers' trench kits which must be stacked in the Square, BEUVRY by 10 am. except 10th Coy which will be collected by the limber.
6. Blankets will be collected and stacked by Cos. in the Square by 10 am.

7. Machine Guns will be placed as follows: -
 2 in PONT FIXE
 1 in THE BULGE.
 1 on Canal Bank to sweep the front of the Bde. on left.
8. The 1st Line Transport will be parked about T. 29.6. BETHUNE Combined Street.
9. O.C. Bco. will report to Battalion on completion of relief.
10. O.C. Cos. will detail 1 N.C.O. each and the O.C. Coy. 1 officer to form a rear party which will march in rear of the Bde.

L. Halpout. Lieut.
 Adjutant, 1st Bn York & Lancaster Regt.

Issued at 8.30 pm.

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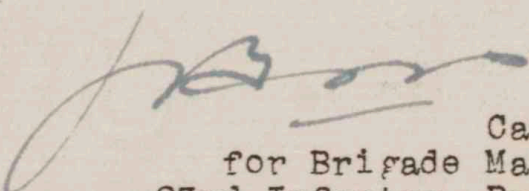
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*****Reference BETHUNE Combined Sheet
1/40,000.

October 20th 1915.

1. The 83rd Infantry Brigade will be relieved by the 6th Inf. Brigade on October 21st.
2. The reliefs will be carried out in accordance with the accompanying table.
3. All trench stores and bombs will be handed over to the 6th Infantry Brigade and all Programme of work proposed and in hand.
4. The relief of the machine guns will be carried out in accordance with attached table. Arrangements will be made by Battalion Machine Gun Officers. Guides to be at HARLEY STREET at 8.30 a.m.
5. The 62nd Trench Mortar Battery will remain with the 6th Brigade.
6. The 2/1 Field Coy. R.E. will be relieved by the 11th Field Coy. R.E. and will move to the 83rd Infantry Brigade Area.
7. On relief units will march independantly to their destinations which will be detailed later. Movements by companies.
8. Completion of relief and arrival of battalions at their destination will be reported to Brigade Headquarters.
9. The G.O.C. 83rd Brigade will remain in Command until relief is completed.
10. All transport will be prepared to move to new area tomorrow morning. Orders will be issued later.

Issued at 1.15 p.m.

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 4 1/K.O.Y.L.I.
 5 1/York & Lancas
 6 5/King's Own
 7 6th Inf. Bde.
 8 28th Divn.
 9 No. 2 Coy. A.S.C.
 10 2/1 Field Coy. R.E.
 11 84th Field Ambulance
 12 62nd Trench M. Batty.
 13 Staff Capt. 83rd Bde
 14 O.C. Signals 83rd Bde


 Captain
 for Brigade Major
 83rd Infantry Brigade.

UNIT	LINE	RELIEVED BY	GARRISON IN AREA	GUIDES TO BE IN HARLEY ST.
1/K.O.Y.L.I.	From THE LANE to RIDLEY WALK inclusive	5/King's Liverpool R.	PARK LANE Redoubt STAFFORD REDOUBT	10 a.m.
1/K.O.Y.L.I.	From RIDLEY WALK exclusive to HANOVER ST. exclusive	2/South Staffords R.	BRICKSTACKS KEEP	11 a.m.
2/King's Own R.	From HANOVER ST. inclusive to CANAL	2/South Staffords R.	LOVERS Redoubt CABBAGE PATCH Redoubt.	11 a.m.
1/York & Lanca'r R.	Support Area	1/King's Regt.	QUINCHY S.P. CAMBRIN S.P. PONT FIXE	12 Noon.
2 Platoons 1/York & Lancaster Regt.	BRADDELL POINT	5/King's Liverpool		10 a.m.

MACHINE GUNS WILL BE RELIEVED AS FOLLOWS.

P O S I T I O N	R E L I E V E D B Y
Railway Embankment PORTLAND PLACE B BRICKSTACKS.	South Staffords
GUN STREET WATERLOO PLACE SEYMOUR STREET OXFORD STREET	5/ Liverpools
CABBAGE PATCH IKEY TRENCH LOVERS REDOUBT.	1/King's Regt.
CUENCHY Support Point Machine Gun House STAFFORD REDOUBT BRADDELL REDOUBT	1/Herts Regt.

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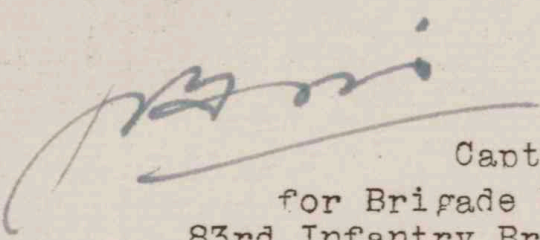
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20th October 1915.

1. On relief tomorrow units will march by BEUVRY - BETHUNE - OBLINGHEM to the same billeting areas they occupied when the Brigade were at GONNEHEM. Except that the 2/East Yorkshire Regt. with 1st Line transport will march at 10 a.m. by LE QUESNOY - BETHUNE - & OBLINGHEM to billets in LENGLET V.22.a.
5/King's Own Regt. will await further orders.
2. The 1st Line transport of the Brigade less cooks and less transport of 2/East Yorks & 5/King's Own will march under the Brigade Transport Officer to the billeting area of the Brigade, and proceed to same fields as before, leaving ANNEQUIN at 10.30 a.m.
3. 2/King's Own 1/K.O.Y.L.I. 1/York & Lancs will march to about F.13 West of BEUVRY by Companies and from there by Battalions independantly.
4. 2/1 Northumbrian Field Co.R.E. will march to billets in farm V.18.b.9.3. at 9 a.m.
5. 84th Field Ambulance will occupy same billets as before in GONNEHEM.

Issued at 5.45 P.M.

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 10 2/1 Northumbrian Fd.Co.R.E.
 11 No.2.Cov.A.S.C.
 12 62nd Trench M. Batty
 13 O.C. Signals 83rd Bde
 14 Staff Capt. 83rd Bde.


 Captain,
 for Brigade Major,
 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Copy No 2

Operation Orders No 92

Appx 11

By
Lieut Colonel P. E. Bayley, D.S.O.
Commanding 1st Bn York Lancs Regt.
Wednesday, 20th October 1915.

1. The 83rd Brigade will be relieved by the 6th Inftry Bde. on 21st October. The relief will be carried out in accordance with attached Schedule.
2. On relief Cos. will march independently under Coy. Commanders. to Billels previously occupied in GONNEHEM.
Route - BEUVRY - BETHUNE - UBLINGHEM.
When the Machine Guns of relieving Brigade are in position the Machine Gun Officers will be informed and will collect their Guns and Teams at Battn. Hdqrs. where the limbers will be found.
3. Coy. Q.M.Sgt. will proceed independently at 9 am. to take over Billels.
4. All officers Kits must be at Battn. Hdqrs. by 9 am. where they will be collected by the Transport Officers.
5. The 1st Line Transport (including pack animals less cooks and mess cart) will march under the Brigade Transport Officer leaving ANNEVAIN at 10.30 am.
The Cooks will go with their Cos.
6. All trench stores and bombs will be handed over to the relieving Regiments and all programmes of work proposed and in hand.
7. Completion of reliefs will be reported to Bde Hdqrs.
8. Officers chargers will beat Bde Hdqrs at the following hours:
C Coy at 10 am.
Machine Gun Officers at 11 am.
Remainder of Bde at 1 pm.
9. Each Coy. will detail its own Rear Party.
10. Marching in States will be rendered to the Adjutant on arrival at Billels.

T Knox Shaw Captain,
Adjutant, 1st Bn York Lancs Regt

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Copy 4	OC B Coy	5	" C
6	10	7	M.G. Section
8	Quartermaster	9	Transport Officer
10	Hdqt. Coy.		

Schedule of Reliefs

Coy.	Position	Relieved by	Guides to be at HARLEY ST. by.	Remarks.
A Coy	QUINCHY POINT. HARLEY ST.	1 st Kings Regt	12 noon	
B Coy	PONT TIXE	1 st Kings Regt	12 noon.	
C Coy	BRADDELL POINT } 2 platoons. } HARLEY ST. } 2 platoons. }	5 th Kings Regt.	} 10 am.	When BRADDELL POINT is relieved the whole Coy will march to Billet's.
D Coy	CAMBRIN SP. TOUBIERES TRAMWAY HARLEY ST.	1 st Kings Regt	12 noon.	

SECRET.

Copy no.

83RD Brigade Operation Order no 81. *11/12*

Reference BETHUNE
Combined sheets 1/40.000.

21st Oct. 1915.

1. The Brigade will entrain on the 22nd and 23rd at FOUQUEREUIL STATION according to details issued by 28th Division.
2. Units will march in accordance with table of times and train already issued, by the following Route GONNEHEM - CHOCQUES cross roads D. 6. B. 0. 8 - FOUQUEREUIL
3. Bde Headquarters will close at GONNEHEM at 2.30 PM 22nd inst.

Issued at M.

[Signature]
 Captain.
 Brigade Major.
 83rd Infantry Brigade

21st Oct 1915.

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Coy No 1 OPERATION ORDERS NO 33.

by
 Lieut Colonel G. B. Bayley. A.S.O.
 Commanding 1st Bⁿ York & Lancaster Regt.
 Friday 22nd October 1915

- ① The Battalion will entrain at 9.35 AM on the 23rd inst. at FOUQUEREUIL STATION.
- ② The Battalion will march via CHOQUEVES to FOUQUEREUIL.
 Starting Point - York Roads by Adq. Coy. Billet.
 C. Coy. and the Transport will pass the starting Point at 5 AM.
 The remainder of the Battalion:-
 Order of March:- Signaller, Pioneers, Orderlies, B Coy.
 A Coy, A Coy, Machine Gunners and
 stretcher Bearers.
 TIME - 4 AM.
- ③ O.C. "C" Coy and Transport will arrange to have breakfasts for the men cooked in cookers, ready to be served at the Station.
 For the remainder of the men O.C. Coos will arrange to have bacon cooked overnight and make their own arrangements for tea tomorrow morning.
- ④ All Officers Kits must be packed ready to be collected by the Transport Officers by 4 AM.
- ⑤ One blanket per man will be drawn at the Station and will not be landed on at Point of detrainment.
 Draw for trucks will be available at the entraining Station and will be issued under Battalion arrangements.
- ⑥ Immediately on arrival of the Battalion at the Station parties of 40, including the M.C.O. in charge will be detailed by Coy. Commanders.
- ⑦ The first halting place for tea and water is at LONGEVAU.

8 The following arrangements are made for rations for the journey.

Rations for the 23rd inst will be issued today.

For the 24th inst they will be drawn at the Station.

On 25th inst Iron Rations now in possession will be consumed (Iron Rations to replace these will be drawn at the Station)

Cos. will be informed later as to the issue of rations.

9 No NCO or men may leave the train without orders.

10 OC Cos. & M Gun Section will render marching out States to Orderly Room by 10 pm tonight.

T Know Shaw Captain
Adjutant 1st Bn York Lancs Regt

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9	Quartermaster
10	Hedge Coy.

1st Bⁿ York & Lancaster Regt.

ENTRAINING STATE

23rd October 1915.

Personnel		Horses	Mules	Vehicles		Remarks
Officers	Other ranks			Two wheeled	Four wheeled	
23	409	65	8	4	16	

M. Sneyd
 Commanding, 1st Bⁿ York & Lancaster Regt.
 Lieut Colonel