

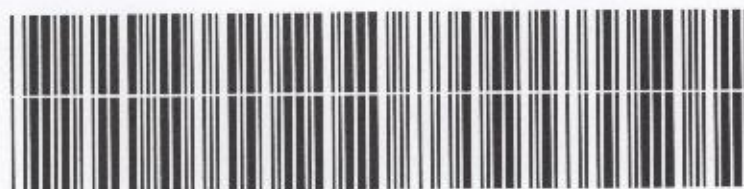
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<del>SERAPEUM</del> SERAPEUM	18.3.16		Lt Col. C. M. MACNAGHTEN evacuated to Hospital - Major I. G. MACKAY left Bn on special entraining <sup>re</sup> duties Capt. B. V. STACY assumed temporary command.	
"	19.3.16		Usual camp duties. Promotions to 2/Lt. dated 16/3/16 - Cpl V. V. BROWN, Cpl G. S. CHAMPION,	
"	21.3.16		L/C D. B. GREY, L/C C. W. HOOPER. DATED 21/3/16 CSM. T. JOHNSTONE, SGT. R. E. HORNIMAN, Cpl W. A. SYMINGTON.	
"	22.3.16		Left camp about 1600. leaving Lt Phillips Lt HOOPER in charge of surplus men, crossed canal & bivouacked for night	
"	23.3.16		At 0400. entrained Bn with all baggage. Train arrived Alexandria at 12.30. Embarked on H.M.T.S. SIMLA about 1400. H.M.T.S. SIMLA left port at 21.00.	
H.M.T.S. SIMLA.	24.3.16		Usual ship's duties. Ship's arrangements satisfactory but men were rather crowded and fresh meat was scarce.	
"	25.3.16		Arrived outside MARSEILLES at 21.00.	
MARSEILLES. on TRAIN.	30.3.16		<del>At</del> Bn disembarked from ship at 12.30 and entrained at 14.00.	
"	21.3.16		Nothing of import occurred.	
STAPLE	1.4.16		Detrained at STAENBECKE at 0400 & Bn marched to STAPLE into billets at 08.00.	
"	2/4/16		Training proceeded of companies under company commanders.	
"	3/4/16			
"	4/4/16		Bn was lectured on gas & was marched through trench containing gas trench in which lachrymatory shells had burst.	
"	7/4/16		Route March to near CASSEL in full marching order. Major I. G. MACKAY returned to Bn and assumed command.	
"	9/4/16			