

S E C R E T.

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All recipients of 49th Inf. Bde.

order No. 182 of today's date.

49th Inf. Bde. No. B.O. 182/1 - 24-11-17.

The following additional paragraph will be made to
49th Inf. Bde. Order No. 182 :-

The 48th T.M. Battery will relieve the 49th T.M. Battery
in the CENTRE and LEFT Subsections tomorrow. Relief to
be complete by 4 p.m. 49th T.M. Battery will, on completion
of relief, proceed to MOYNE CAMP.

T. C. Macdonald

Captain,

Brigade Major, 49th Infantry Brigade.

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19th Inf. Bde. Order No. 188.

14th Nov. 1917.

1. The 2nd R. Dublin Fus. and 7/8th R. Irish Fus. will relieve the 7/8th R. Innis Fus. and 7th (S.I.H) Irish Regt. in the CENTRE and LEFT SUBSECTIONS respectively tomorrow, 25th instant.
2. Details will be arranged between Commanding Officers concerned.
3. 7/8th R. Innis Fus. will attach two platoons complete to the 2nd R. Irish Regt. from tomorrow. C.O. 7/8th R. Innis Fus. will arrange for them to report to 2nd R. Irish Regt. by 12 noon 25th.
4. (a) All trench stores, No. 9 Periscopes, gun boots, ammunition, grenades, etc, will be carefully handed and taken over. A return of above will be rendered to reach this office by 6 p.m. 26th. Particular attention will be paid to No. 9 Periscopes and gun boots.
(b) All work in hand and proposed will be carefully handed over in writing to ensure continuity.
5. Relief of Left Subsection to be complete by 4 p.m. and Subsection by 5 p.m.
6. Advanced parties to include observers, snipers and Nos. 1 of Lewis Gun Teams, will take over 4 hours before their respective reliefs.
7. On completion of relief 7th (S.I.H) R.I. Regt. will march to BELFAST CAMP, and the 7/8th R. Innis Fus. to EMBISKILLEN CAMP. Billeting parties will take over camp by 11 a.m.. 1st R. Dublin Fus. will march to ARMAGH CAMP.
8. All movements will be made by platoons at 5 minutes interval.
Owing to bad state of ROBE LANE it will not be used for purposes of relief during daylight unless completed tonight.
9. Command of LEFT SECTION will pass to G. O. C. 18th Inf. Bde. on completion of relief.
H.Q. 19th Inf. Bde. will then move to HAME LINCOURT.
10. Completion of relief will be notified to 18th and 19th Inf. Bde. H.Q. by Code Word "VICTORY".
11. ACKNOWLEDGE.

A. Mac Donnell Captain,
Brigade Major, 19th Infantry Brigade.

Issued through Signals,

Copy No. 1 to G. O. C.	11 to 16th Div. (G).
.. 2 Staff Captain.	12 16th Div. (Q).
.. 3 Bde. Signal Officer.	13 16th Div. Artillery.
.. 4 Bde. Int. Officer.	14 180th Bde. R.F.A.
.. 5 2nd R. Irish Regt.	15 17th Inf. Bde.
.. 6 7th (S.I.H) R.I. Regt.	16 18th Inf. Bde.
.. 7 7/8th R. Innis Fus.	17 Left Brigade.
.. 8 7/8th R. Irish Fus.	18 157th Field Coy. R.E.
.. 9 19th I.G. Company.	19 14th Coy. A.S.C.
.. 10 19th T.M. Battery.	20-21 War Diary.
	22 File.

SECRET.Copy No 649th Inf. Bde. Order No. 183.28th Nov. 1917.

1. The 49th Inf. Bde. will relieve the 48th Inf. Bde. in the Left Section on 30th November according to attached march table.
2. All details will be arranged between G.O. Units concerned.
3. The Subsections of the LEFT SECTION are as follows :-

Brigade Headquarters	T.21.d.5.9.
Right Subsection.	U.14.a.7.2 to U.8.c.1.2. Headquarters U.13.b.9.1.
Centre Subsection.	U.8.c.1.2 to U.7.b.4.2. Headquarters U.7.c.9.8.
Left Subsection.	U.7.a.8.2 to U.1.c.1.8. Headquarters T.6.d.10.95.
4. (a) All trench stores, plans of defence, No. 9 Periscopes, ammunition, grenades, etc, will be ^{carefully} taken over.
- (b) All work in progress and proposed will be carefully taken over in writing to ensure continuity of work.

Aeroplane photographs will not be taken over.

A return of above will be forwarded to Brigade H.Q. by 6 p.m. 1st December.

5. Advance parties, to include snipers, observers and Nos. 1 of Lewis Gun teams, will take over four hours before their respective reliefs.
Lilleting parties will report to their respective camps by 11 a.m. 30th instant.
6. All units will send to Brigade H.Q. a sketch showing their dispositions to include Headquarters, posts and Lewis Guns as soon as possible after taking over.
7. Completion of relief will be notified to Brigade H.Q. by code word "DOVER", when command of Left Section will pass to G. O. C. 49th Inf. Bde.

8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

I. S. Macdonald. Captain,

Brigade Major, 49th Infantry Brigade.

Issued through signals.

Copy No.	1 to G. O. C.	12 to	16th Division (Q).
..	2 Staff Captain.	13	16th Div. Artillery.
..	3 Bde. Signal Officer.	14	47th Inf. Bde.
..	4 Bde. Int. Officer.	15	48th Inf. Bde.
..	5 2nd R. Irish Regt.	16	Left Brigade.
..	6 7th (S.I.H) R.F. Regt.	17	180th Bde. R.F.A.
..	7 7/8th R. Innis Fus.	18	157th Field Coy, R.E.
..	8 7/8th R. Irish Fus.	19	14th Coy, A.S.C.
..	9 49th M.G. Company.	20-21	War Diary.
..	10 49th T.M. Battery.	22	File.
..	11 16th Division (G).		

RELIEF TABLE TO ACCOMPANY 49th INF. BDE. ORDER No. 183.

Relieving Unit.	Unit to be relieved.	Location.	Relief to be complete by:	Relieved unit marches to:	Remarks.
2nd R. Irish Regt.	8/9th R. Dublin Fus.	Right Subsection	3 p.m.	ENNISKILLEN CAMP.	2 platoons in QUARRY.
7th (S.I.H) R.I. Rgt.	2nd R. Dublin Fus.	Centre Subsection.	3 p.m.	BELFAST CAMP.	2 platoons in QUARRY.
7/8th R. Innis Fus.	10th R. Dublin Fus.	Support.	3 p.m.	CLONMEL CAMP.	1 Coy. sunken rd. T. 23. a. 1 Coy. sunken rd. T. 23. c. 1 Coy. sunken rd. T. 23. d. 1 Coy. sunken rd. T. 23. e.
1st R. Dublin Fus.	7/8th R. Irish Fus.	Left Subsection.	4 p.m.	ARMAGH CAMP.	
49th T.M. Battery.	48th T.M. Battery.	Left Section.	4 p.m.	HOYNE CAMP.	

All movement to be by platoons at 5 minutes interval.

The platoons at QUARRY will be utilised as carrying parties for rations, etc. for their respective Battalions.

WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
In the Field	1	Dec 1917	Battle holding Centre Subsector - Situation Normal - 2 ORs seriously wounded (copy of movement order attached)	attch
	2		Relieved by 21st Middlesex Rgt & marched back to Belfast Camp ERVILLERS (copy of movement order attached)	attch
	3		Battle left ERVILLERS at 10/30am marched to BARASTRE & occupied billets (copy of movement order attached)	attch
	4		Standing to to move at very short notice from BARASTRE. Lewis Gun Class - firing	attch
	5		Marched to TINCOURT & billeted there for the night (copy of order attd)	attch
	6		Battle marched to STEMILIE (copy of movement order attd.)	attch
	7		Occupied posts at Support Outpost line in front of STEMILIE from 5.0am to 9am	attch
	-		the returned to Billets. Equipment checked. Battle left STEMILIE	attch
	-		relieved the 1st R. Dublin Fusiliers in the Left Section (copy of order attd)	attch
	8		Battle in Left Section - Situation normal.	attch
	9		Situation normal - Repairing trenches etc - Working parties at night	attch
	10		Situation quiet during day - trenches cleaned etc. During enemy bombardment at night about 25 Germans seen by our post W. side of LEMPIRE RD. proceeded towards PRIEL CUTTING. About 1/2 an hour later portion of this party when returning towards CATELET COPSE, was bombed by our post & also fired on by our Lewis Gun. 2 of the enemy were killed & several believed wounded (identification photographs)	attch
	11		2 of our men were wounded. ^{For gallant conduct} the M. Medal was awarded to 198 Sgt Bolton L. by ^{Comd. & P. Comm. & Certificate} to 4 other ranks by Sgt. Owen. Trenches repaired. Enemy artillery active shelling front line from PRIEL FARM to CATELET COPSE (50 shells 3" calibre) Our machine guns active during night. Patrol went to PRIEL FARM & were fired on from vicinity of EAGLE QUARRY.	attch

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 Highest conduct during battle
 attch Lawson Capt. 1st Lt.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	Dec 12		Battl. relieved in evening by 7/8 R. Innis Fus. returned to billets at ST EMILIE. Billets shelled & 28 men killed & 40 wounded. Capt Vernon & 1 OR wounded during relief. Battl. moved out of billets & occupied Railway Cutting.	copy of movement order att'd att'd
	13		2 boys had baths at Villers Faucon. Battl. mainly occupied cleaning up & erecting bivouacs etc in Railway Cutting.	att'd
	14		Remaining 2 boys had baths at Villers Faucon. A working party of 4 officers and 170 ORs was supplied to work under Hants Pioneers in forward area.	att'd
	15		Improving shelters etc during morning. In afternoon a working party of 4 officers and 200 men was supplied to work in forward area under Hants Pioneers.	att'd
	16		Equipment checked - small working parties supplied to Town Major OR & Co. Troop heavily shelled at night, 1 man wounded.	att'd
	17		Battl. relieved by 8/9 R. Dublin Fus. and marched to BUIRE and occupied billets vacated by the 2nd R. Dublin Fus. Heavy fall of snow (copy of order att'd).	att'd
	18		Battalion rested.	att'd
	19		Battl. marched to TINCOURT & entrained for VILLERS FAUCON & occupied billets vacated by 6th Leicesters.	att'd
	20		Baths for half of Battl. Lewis Gun blars resumed.	att'd
	21		Baths for remainder of Battl.	att'd
	22		Parades by boys for inspection & checking of equipment.	att'd
	23		Left Section of the Right Sector reconnoitred by a party Church Parades. Relieved 6th Bonn Rangers in the Left Section of the Right Sector. Heavy shelling of LEMPIRE VILLAGE during night.	att'd

(Copy of movement order att'd.)
att'd Lawson
Capt. Hall

S E C R E T.Copy No *4*49th Inf. Bde. Order No. 186.1st Decembor 1917.

1. The 10th Division (less Artillery, Field Coys. R.E. and Pioneers) is being relieved in the line at once by 40th Division, (less Artillery, Field Coys R.E. and Pioneers).
2. The 49th Inf. Bde. (with 1st R. Dublin Fus. but less 7/8th R. Irish Fus) will be relieved in the LEFT SECTION by the 191st Inf. Bde. on December 2nd and night of 2nd/3rd in accordance with attached table.
3. Advance parties, to include snipers, observers, Nos. 1 of Lewis Gun Teams and Brigade Bomb Store keepers will take over during the morning of 2nd December.
4. Billeting parties of 49th Inf. Bde. will report at respective camps by 11 a.m. 2nd December.
5. All trench maps of 1/10,000 and 1/20,000 scale, air photographs, trench stores, plans for future work, defence plans, working party lists, etc. will be carefully handed over and receipts taken. Copies of receipts to be sent to Brigade H.Q. by noon 3rd December. No. 9 periscopes and No. 18 (Vigilant) periscopes will be brought out of the line, and NOT handed over.
6. No troops are to be withdrawn until they have been properly relieved.
7. Completion of relief will be wired to Brigade H.Q. by code words as follows :-

Right Subsection.	CAVALRY.
Centre Subsection.	GUNNER.
Left Subsection.	INFANTRY.
Support Battalion.	SAPPER.
M.G. Company.	CYCLIST.
T.M. Battery.	MEDICAL.
8. On and West of the main DAPAUME-ARRAS Road intervals of 200 yards will be maintained between Battalions, Battalion Transport and similar units. Attention is drawn to the Instructions as to March Discipline issued under 49th Inf. Bde. No. S.C.C. 12/131 dated 9.11.17.
9. (a) Two platoons of R. Innis Fus. attached to 2nd R. Irish Regt. will return to their own unit on completion of relief.
(b) All personnel attached to 157th Field Coy, R.E. have been ordered to rejoin their own units.
10. Headquarters, 49th Inf. Bde. will close at T.21.d.4.9 and open at HAMELINCOURT on completion of relief, at which hour command of LEFT SECTION will pass from G.O.C. 49th Inf. Bde. to G.O.C. 191st Inf. Bde.

11. ACKNOWLEDGE.

H. J. Cowen

 Captain,

A/Brigade Major, 49th Infantry Brigade.

Issued through Signals at P.M.

Copy No. 1 to G. O. C.
.. 2 Staff Captain.
.. 3 2nd R. Irish Regt.
.. 4 7th (S.I.H) R.I. Regt.
.. 5 7/8th L. Innis Fus.
.. 6 1st R. Dublin Fus.
.. 7 49th M.G. Company.
.. 8 49th T.M. Battery.
.. 9 Bde. Signal Officer.
.. 10 Bde. Int. Officer.
.. 11 Bde. Transport Officer.
.. 12 17th Inf. Bde.
.. 13 103rd Inf. Bde. (for inf).
.. 14 16th Division (G).
.. 15 13th Division (Q).
.. 16 16th Div. Artillery.
.. 17 A. D. H. S.
.. 18 180th Bde. R.F.A.
.. 19 121st Inf. Bde.
.. 20 155th Field Coy, R.E.
.. 21 157th Field Coy, R.E.
.. 22 144th Coy, A.S.C.
.. 23-24 War Diary.
.. 25 File.

MOVEMENT TABLE TO ACCOMPANY 49th INF. BDE. ORDER No. 186.

Unit to be relieved.	Relieving Unit.	Location.	Guides.	Remarks.	Relieved unit moves to :
2nd R. Irish Regt.	13th Suffolk Regt.	RIGHT SUBSECTION.	As arranged by C.O.'s of units.	Details of relief to be arranged by unit commanders concerned.	CLONMEL CAMP.
7th (S.I.H) R.I. Rgt.	21st Middlesex Rgt.	CENTRE SUBSECTION.	As arranged by C.O.'s of units.		BELFAST CAMP.
1st R. Dublin Fus.	20th Middlesex Rgt.	LEFT SUBSECTION.	See (a) below.		ARRAGH CAMP.
7/8th R. Innis Fus.	13th York. Regt.	SUPPORT.	See (b) below.		ENNISKILLEN CAMP.
49th M.G. Company.	121st M.G. Company.	Right, Centre and Left Subsections	To be arranged between unit commanders concerned.		MOYNE CAMP.
49th T.M. Battery.	131st T.M. Battery.	Right and centre subsections.			MOYNE CAMP.

(a) 1st R. Dublin Fus. will provide one guide per platoon, 1 per Coy. H.Q. 1 per Battalion E.Q. all under an officer who will meet relieving unit at MAISON ROUGE T.25.c.8.9 at time to be wired later.

(b) 7/8th R. Innis Fus. will provide same party as in (a) to be at MAISON ROUGE at time to be wired later.

movement to be by platoons at 500 yards distance.

SECRET

Copy No 4

16th Inf. Bde. Order No. 187.

reference map sheet 57.c.
1/40,000.

2nd December 1917.

1. (a). The 16th Division (less Artillery, Field Coys, R.E. and Pioneers) will move tomorrow, December 3rd, to the area ROCQUIGNY - BARASTRE - BEAULENCOURT.

(b). The 16th Inf. Bde (less 7/8th R. Irish Fus. but with 1st R. Dublin Fus), and with 113th Field Ambulance and 14th Coy, A.S.C. will move to BARASTRE Area tomorrow, 3rd December 1917 according to attached March Table.

2. Dinners will be cooked in cookers on route, and will be served out on arrival at destinations.

3. Billeting Parties as follows will report to Staff Captain at Town Major's Office, BARASTRE, at 10 a.m. 3rd December 1917 :-

Battalions (including 7/8th R. Irish Fus. but excluding 1st R. Dublin Fus.) each - 1 Officer 5 Other Ranks on horses or cycles.

H.Q. Company - 1 Officer 3 Other Ranks, on horses or cycles.

T.M. Battery - 1 N.C.O. on cycle.

Bde. H.Q. - Sgt Johnston on a cycle.

Interpreters - M. Laguerre and M. Reisel - (Lieut. Quinn will warn former, 2nd R. Irish Regt. will warn latter).

Each unit's party and the two interpreters must be in possession of map sheet 57.c. scale 1/40,000, and each unit's party must know exact billeting strength in officers, O.R., horses and vehicles.

4. Supply Wagons of units will march with 14th Coy. A.S.C. 1 representative from units concerned will be sent by Staff Captain from BARASTRE to cross roads O.S.b.O.8 to act as guides for these wagons to unit's camps.

5. All Trained Reinforcements from Depot Battalion will join Brigade Headquarters tomorrow as it passes through SAFFIGNIES. These reinforcements will be sent to Battalions as soon as guides from battalions reach new Brigade H.Q.

6. Clean Parties under an officer will be left behind to clean and hand over camps and transport lines to units of 16th Inf. Bde.

Each party will obtain receipts and usual certificates as to cleanliness from incoming units, and will rejoin their units as soon as possible afterwards.

7. Motor Lorries for 1st blankets have been allotted as follows :-

One to each Battalion.

One to H.Q. Company and T.M. Battery.

One to Brigade Headquarters.

These will be at present camps at 8 a.m.

In case of each Battalion only - its motor lorry may be sent back on a second journey to Boxing Hall, ERVILLERS, (or camp as case may be) to bring to new destination the second blankets.

A suitable guard must accompany each load, and an intelligent guide with a map must be on the lorry. These guides will learn their new destinations on applying to Staff Captain at Town Major's Office, BARASTRE.

8. Distances as follows will be observed on the march :-

- 200 yards between Companies.
- 200 yards between Battalions.
- 200 yards between each Battalion and its transport.

9. ACKNOWLEDGE.

[Handwritten signature]
Captain,

A/Brigade Major, 49th Infantry Brigade.

Issued through Signals at 11.45 p.m.

Copy No.	1	to G. O. C.
..	2	Staff Captain.
..	3	2nd R. Irish Regt.
..	4	7th (S.I.H) R.I. Regt.
..	5	7/8th R. Innis Fus.
..	6	1st R. Dublin Fus.
..	7	7/8th R. Irish Fus. (through 49th Bde.)
..	8	49th L.G. Company.
..	9	49th T.M. Battery.
..	10	49th Inf. Bde.
..	11	114th Coy, A.S.C.
..	12	113th Field Ambulance.
..	13	16th Division (G).
..	14	16th Division (Q).
..	15	Bde. Transport Officer.
..	16-17	War Diary.
..	18	File.

SECRET.Copy No 4

49th Inf. Bde. Order No. 189.

Ref. Map Sheets (57.C)
and (22.D) 1/40,000.4th December 1917.

1. The 49th Inf. Bde. Group will march tomorrow, 5th December 1917, to TINCOURT AREA according to attached table.
2. (a) Regulation halts - i.e. from every 50 minutes to the clock hour - will be observed.
- (b) Distances as follows will be kept :-
200 yards between units.
- (c) First line transport will march with units.
3. Billeting Parties (as laid down in Bde. Order No. 188) will report to Staff Captain at Town Major's Office, TINCOURT at 11 a.m.
Maps as above must be taken.
4. Dinners will be cooked enroute and served out on arrival in camp.
5. Supply Wagons will march with 144th Coy, A.S.C.
6. Motor lorries for blankets have been asked for. Guides from units will report at Brigade H.Q. at 7 a.m. tomorrow to conduct same to units' camps. When filled these lorries should go to TINCOURT and report to Staff Captain at Town Major's Office.
7. Camps must be left scrupulously clean, but no rear parties will be left for handing over.
8. Brigade H.Q. will close at BARASTRE at 8.45 a.m.
Reports to head of column while on march.
Brigade H.Q. will open in TINCOURT area on arrival.
9. The 155th Field Coy, R.E. will join rear of column as it passes through ROUQUIGNY about 10.30 a.m. and will continue on the march under orders of G.O.C. 49th Inf. Bde.
A billeting party of 8 A.C.O.'s on cycles will report to Staff Captain as detailed in para 3.

10. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Captain,

A/brigade major, 49th Infantry Brigade.

Issued through signals at 10.30 p.m.

Copy No. 1	to G. O. C.	14	to Bde. Sig. Officer.
2	Staff Captain.	15	Bde. Int. Officer.
3	2nd R. Irish Rgt.	16	16th Div. (G).
4	7th (S.I.H) A.I. Rgt.	17	16th Div. (Q).
5	2/8th R. Irish Fus.	18	17th Inf. Bde.
6	7/8th R. Irish Fus.	19	18th Inf. Bde.
7	49th M.G. Company.	20	A.D.H.S. 16th Div.
8	49th T.M. Battery.	21	16th Div. Train.
9	155th Field Coy, R.E. 22-25		War Diary.
10	157th Field Coy, R.E. 24		File.
11	144th Coy, A.S.C.		
12	115th Field Amb.		
13	Bde. Transport Off.		

MARCH TABLE TO ACCOMPANY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 189
1

UNIT.	STARTING POINT.	TIME.	ROUTE.	REMARKS.
Edc. H. Q.	O. 15. d. 5. 8.	9 a.m.	O. 21. 6. 3. 1. - C. 27. a. 7. 7. - M'QUIGNY - DE LESMIL - EN - ARROUAISE - U. 6. c. 1. 6. - U. 11. 6. 5. 3 - LANAN COURT - LCISTALIN - THIPIEUX - LA - FOSS - J. 1. 6. 5. 5. - J. 16. 5. 5. 2.	Bill tting Guides Will meet Units on Rout .
7/8 Irish Regt.		9.5 a.m.		
2/8 Irish Regt.		9.15 a.m.		
7/8 Irish Fus.		9.25 a.m.		
7/8 R. Innis. Fus.		9.35 a.m.		
157 Fd. Coy. R.E.		9.45 a.m.		
49th I. G. Coy.		9.50 a. .		
49th T. I. B.		10.5 a.m.		
113 Fd. Arch.		10.10 a. . .		
144 Coy. A. S. C.	10.15 a.m.			

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Copy to 4

19th Inf. Bde. Order No. 190.

5th December 1917.

Ref. Map Sheet 62.C scale 1/10,000.

1. (a) The 16th Division (less Artillery) is to relieve 55th Division (less Artillery) in the line from F. 2. a. 0. 0 to the MALASSISE ROAD inclusive. Relief to be complete by 10 a.m. December 7th, when command of the front will pass to G.O.C. 16th Division with Headquarters at VILLERS FAUCON.
- (b) The 19th Inf. Bde. will move tomorrow, 6.12.17, as detailed in Table attached, to STE. ERELIE and front-line area.
2. Distances as follows to be observed:-
- 200 yards between Companies and similar units,
300 yards between units transport.
3. One blanket will be carried on the man. Instructions re second blanket will be issued later.
4. Billeting parties will report to Staff Captain at the present Brigade H.Q. in STE. ERELIE at 9 a.m.
5. Supply Wagons filled will report to units at 9.30 a.m. and will march with each unit's transport to destination where rations will be immediately offloaded and wagons sent back to 14th Coy, A.S.C.
6. A.E. and Medical Reliefs will be carried out under arrangements to be made by C.R.E. and A.D.N.S. respectively.
7. All working parties, guards, anti-aircraft defences, maps, defence schemes, ammunition including S.O.S. Signals and reserve rations will be taken over. A list of all ammunition, showing locations of dumps, will be sent at once to Staff Captain, Brigade Headquarters.
8. Brigade H.Q. close at TINCOURT at 10.30 a.m. and reopen on arrival at STE. ERELIE.
9. ACKNOWLEDGE (stating time of receipt).

A. J. Owen
Captain,

A/Brigade Major, 19th Infantry Brigade.

Issued through signals at 11 a.m.

Copy No. 1 to G.O.C.	14 to C.R.E.
2 Staff Captain.	15 A.D.N.S.
3 2nd A. Irish Regt.	16 112th Field Ambulance.
4 7th (S.I.H) A.I. Regt.	17 155th Field Coy, R.E.
5 7/8th A. Innis Fus.	18 55th Division.
6 7/8th A. Irish Fus.	19 19th Inf. Bde.
7 19th A.G. Company.	20 18th Inf. Bde.
8 19th T.M. Battery.	21 164th Inf. Bde.
9 157th Field Coy, R.E.	22 Bde. Transport Officer.
10 144th Coy, A.S.C.	23 Bde. Signal Officer.
11 112th Field Amb.	24 Bde. Int. Officer.
12 16th Div. (G).	25-26 War Diary.
13 16th Div. (Q).	27 File.

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TABLE TO ACCOMPANY 19th Inf. Bde. Order No. 100.

Unit.	Starting Point.	Time.	Route.	Remarks.
Brigade H.Q. (less T'port)	J. 18. d. 8. 3.	10. 30 a.m.	By lorries via MOISEL - STE. EMELIE	Units to be detailed being
19th M.C. Company. (less T'port)	do.	10. 35 a.m.	to E. 93. c. 5. 0. where units will	marching off from unit
2nd A. Irish Regt. (less T'port)	do.	10. 40 a.m.	debus on north side of road facing	grounds into lorry loads
			lorries.	25 each.
7/8th A. Irish Fus. (less T'port)	J. 18. d. 8. 3.	11. 15 a.m.	By march route via MARQUAIX -	
7th (S.I.H.) A. I. Regt. (less T'port)	do.	11. 25 a.m.	MOISEL - K. 16. b. 3. 3 - VILLERS -	
19th T.M. Battery.	do.	11. 35 a.m.	FAUCON to E. 93. d. 9. 4. where	
			billeting guides will meet unit.	
19th A.G. Coy. T'port	J. 18. d. 8. 3.	11. 40 a.m.	Via MARQUAIX - MOISEL - K. 16. b. 3. 3	Under command of Bde. Tr
2nd A. Irish Regt. T'port.	do.	11. 50 a.m.	to VILLERS FAUCON.	Officer.
Brigade H.Q. T'port.	do.	13. 10 a.m.		
7/8th A. Irish Fus. T'port.	do.	13. 15 p.m.		
7th (S.I.H.) A. I. Regt. T'port.	do.	13. 25 p.m.		
7/8th A. Innish Fus. T'port.	do.	13. 35 p.m.		
7/8th A. Innish Fus. (less T'port)	J. 18. d. 8. 3.	13. 40 p.m.	By lorries via MOISEL - STE. EMELIE	Units to be detailed being
			to E. 93. c. 5. 0 where unit will debus	marching off from unit
			on north side of road facing lorries.	ground to lorry loads of
				each.

S E C R E T.Copy No ³...49th Inf. Bde. Order No. 192.7th December 1917.

Ref. Maps Sheets 57.c.S.E.
62.c.N.E.
1/20,000.

1. The 7th (S.I.H) R.Irish Regt. will relieve the 1st R. Dublin Fus. in the Left Subsection of the SECTOR held by the 48th Inf. Bde. tonight (7th/8th Decr. 1917). Arrangements will be made between C.O's concerned.
2. The head of the 7th (S.I.H) R.I.Regt. is to be at the road junction F.10.c.35.60 (Sheet 62.c.N.E) by 8 p.m. where guides from 1st R. Dublin Fus will meet them.
3. All trench stores, periscopes, gum boots, ammunition and grenades will be carefully taken over and list of same will be forwarded to Brigade H.Q. by 6 p.m. 8th December 1917.
4. Completion of relief to be reported to ^{H.Q.} ~~48th~~ and 49th Inf. Bde. H.Q. by the code word "POINTER".
5. On completion of relief the command of the portion held by the 7th (S.I.H) R.I.Regt. will pass to G.O.C. 49th Inf. Bde.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

K. J. Bowen

Captain,

A/Brigade Major, 49th Infantry Brigade.

Issued through Signals p.m.

Copy No. 1 to G. O. C.
.. 2 48th Inf. Bde.
.. 3 7th (S.I.H) R.I.Regt.
.. 4 ~~File.~~

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49th INF. BDE. ORDER NO. 197.

11th Decr. 1917.

Ref. Maps Sheets 57.c.S.E.
62.c.N.E.
1/20,000.

1. The 47th Inf. Bde. (less M.G. Company) is relieving the 48th Inf. Bde. (less M.G. Company) in the Right Section of the Divisional Front from F.24.a.0.0 to F.11.a.8.6 on the night 11th/12th December 1917.
2. The following reliefs will be carried out on the night of the 12th/13th December 1917:-
 - (a) 7/8th R. Innis Fus. will relieve 2nd R. Irish Regt. in the front line from F.11.a.8.6 to F.4.d.8.9, and the 7th (S.I.H) R. Irish Regt. from F.4.d.8.9 to the MALASSISE FARM - CATELET COPSE ROAD (inclusive).
 - (b) The 2nd R. Irish Regt. will relieve the two Companies of 7/8th R. Irish Fus. - MALASSISE FARM and ground to the S.E. The one Company of the 6th Leicester Regt. in support from F.8.a.6.7 to F.1.b.8.0 will also be relieved by two platoons of the 2nd R. Irish Regt.
 - (c) The 7/8th R. Irish Fus. will relieve the 9th Leicester Regt. now situated in the Right subsection of the 110th Inf. Bde. Front from the MALASSISE FARM - CATELET COPSE ROAD (exclusive) to a line through X.28.b.0.8 - X.27. central - X.27.c.0.6 - X.26.d.0.0 - F.2.a.0.5 (this line being the Northern Boundary of the 16th Div. with the 21st Division). Battalion H.Q. at F.1.b.75.80.
3. Arrangements for relief to be made between C.O's concerned.
4. After relief, the 49th Inf. Bde. will be disposed as follows :-
 - Brigade Headquarters at STE. EMILIE.
 - 7/8th R. Innis Fus. Front line from F.11.a.8.6 to MALASSISE FARM - CATELET COPSE ROAD (inclusive).
 - 7/8th R. Irish Fus. Front line from MALASSISE FARM - CATELET COPSE ROAD (exclusive) to the Northern Boundary of Div. Front (see para. 2 (c)).
 - 2nd R. Irish Regt. In support along EPEHY - LEMPIRE RIDGE, with two Companies in the area SANDBAG ALLEY, ZEBRA and YAK POSTS, EMFER COPSE and MAY COPSE, and two Companies in the area OLD COPSE, MALASSISE FARM and ground to N.W.
 - 7th (S.I.H) R.I. Regt. in Brigade Reserve at STE. EMILIE.
 - 49th M.G. Company. In line.
 - 49th T.M. Battery. In line.
5. (a) All trench stores, periscopes (if any), gum boots, ammunition, etc, to be carefully handed and taken over. A return of same to reach this office by 6 p.m. 14th instant.
- (b) All work in hand and proposed will be carefully handed over in writing.

6. On completion of their relief the 7th (S.I.I) R.I.Regt. will move to billets in STE. EMILIE.
7. Completion of relief will be wired to Brigade H.Q. by code words as follows :-
- Relief 2 (a). By both units concerned - "PRESUME".
- " 2 (b). By 2nd R. Irish Regt. - "ASSUME".
- " 2 (c). By 7/8th R. Irish Fus. - "CONSUME".
8. 7th (S.I.I) R.I.Regt. will report their arrival in STE. EMILIE by code word "PICCADILLY".
9. On completion of relief 2(c) the command of that portion of the front will pass from G.O.C. 110th Inf. Bde. to G.O.C. 49th Inf. Bde.
10. ACKNOWLEDGE.

M. J. Sowerby

Captain,

A/Brigade Major, 49th Infantry Brigade.

Issued through Signals.

Copy No. 1 to G. O. C.

..	2	Staff Captain.
..	3	2nd R. Irish Regt.
..	4	7th (S.I.I) R.Irish Regt.
..	5	7/8th R. Innis Fus.
..	6	7/8th R. Irish Fus.
..	7	49th M.G.Company.
..	8	49th T.M.Battery.
..	9	Bde. Transport Officer.
..	10	Bde. Int. Officer.
..	11	Bde. Sig. Officer.
..	12	157th Field Coy, R.E.
..	13	144th Coy, A.S.C.
..	14	113th Field Ambulance.
..	15	16th Division (G).
..	16	16th Division (Q).
..	17	16th Div. Artillery.
..	18	D.M.G.O.
..	19	C.R.E.
..	20	A.D.M.S.
..	21	21st Division.
..	22	110th Inf. Bde.
..	23	47th Inf. Bde.
..	24	48th Inf. Bde.
..	25	Left Group R.F.A.
..	26-27	War Diary.
..	28	File.

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49th INF. BDE ORDER No. 199.

15th December 1917.

Ref. Maps 57.c.S.E.
62.c.N.E.
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1. (a) 48th Inf. Bde. (less M.G. Company) will relieve 49th Inf. Bde. (less M.G. Company) in the Left Section of Div. Front from F.11.a.8.6 to X.26.d.50.45 on the night 17th/18th December.

(b) In accordance with above, reliefs, as per table below, will take place, unit commanders concerned being responsible for arranging guides and other details of reliefs.

RELIEF TABLE.

Unit.	Relieved by	Location.
7/8th R. Innis Fus.	2nd R. Dublin Fus.	Right Subsection from F.11.a.8.6 to MALASSISE Fm. Rd. (inclusive).
7/8th R. Irish Fus.	1st R. Dublin Fus.	Left Subsection from MALASSISE Fm. Rd (exclusive) to X.26.d.50.45.
2nd R. Irish Regt.	10th R. Dub. Fus.	In support in MALASSISE FM Area, and in ZEBRA & YAK POSTS.
7th (S.I.H) R.I. Regt.	8/9th R. Dub. Fus.	In Bde. Reserve in STE. EMILIE.
49th T.M. Battery.	48th T.M. Battery.	

2. All (a) Trench Stores, (b) Ammunition, (c) Written Defence Schemes, (d) Written schemes of work in progress and proposed, and all other documents connected with the line will be carefully handed over to relieving units, and receipts taken for same.

Copies of (c) and (d) to reach Bde. H.Q. by noon 17th, and of (a) and (b) (with receipts) by 6 p.m. 18th.

3. (a) Completion of relief will be wired by code as under to Brigade Headquarters in the form of a message in reply to one numbered "B.M.C. 535".

2nd R. Irish Regt.	"NIL RETURN".
7th (S.I.H) R.I. Regt.	"NONE TO RECOMMEND".
7/8th R. Innis Fus.	"VAGASCIES ALLOTTED".
7/8th R. Irish Fus.	"1483 Sgt G. BAKER".
49th T.M. Battery.	"2466 Cpl T. WILSON".

(b) Brigade H.Q. REPORT CENTRE will close at STE. EMILIE on completion of relief and will reopen at same hour at HAMEL (J.18.d.8.1).

4. On relief the 49th Inf. Bde. will move back into DIV. RESERVE in HAMEL-TINCOURT Area, according to attached Move Table.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Captain,
Brigade Major, 49th Infantry Brigade.

Issued through Signal.

Copy no.	1	to G. O. C.
..	2	Staff Captain.
..	3	Asst. Staff Captain.
..	4	Bde. Int. Officer.
..	5	Bde. Signal Officer.
..	6	Bde. Transport Officer.
..	7	2nd R. Irish Regt.
..	8	7th (S.I.H) R.I. Regt.
..	9	7/8th R. Innis Fus.
..	10	7/8th R. Irish Fus.
..	11	49th M.G. Company.
..	12	49th T.M. Battery.
..	13	157th Field Coy, R.E.
..	14	144th Coy, A.S.C.
..	15	113th Field Ambulance.
..	16	16th Div. (G).
..	17	16th Div. (Q).
..	18	16th Div. Artillery.
..	19	D.M.G.O.
..	20	C.R.E.
..	21	A.D.M.S.
..	22	47th Inf. Bde.
..	23	48th Inf. Bde.
..	24	21st Division.
..	25	110th Inf. Bde.
..	26	168th Group R.F.A.
..	27-28	War Diary.
..	29	File.

MOVE TABLE TO ACCOMPANY 49TH INF. BDE. ORDER No. 199.

UNIT.	From.	To.	Remarks.
Brigade Headquarters	STE. EMILIE,	HAMEL J. 18. d. 8. 1.	By march.
7th (S.I.H) R. Irish Regt.	STE. EMILIE.	BUIRE.	By march. Dinners to be cooked enroute and had on arrival at destination. 200 yards distance between Companies and between rear Coy. and Transport.
2nd A. Irish Regt.	Support.	TINCOURT.	By train. Instructions re entraining and detraining points, times, etc, issued later by Staff Captain.
7/8th R. Innis Fus.	Right Subsection.	do.	do.
7/8th R. Irish Fus.	Left Subsection.	do.	do.
49th T.M. Battery.	Line.	do.	do.

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111149th INF. BDE. ORDER No. 200

20th December 1917

1. The 49th Inf. Bde. will relieve the 47th Inf. Bde. in the Right Section on the 23rd December in accordance with attached table.
All details will be arranged between Officers Commanding units concerned.

2. The following will be carefully taken over by relieving units:-

- (a) Trench Stores;
- (b) Ammunition and Grenades;
- (c) Written Defence Schemes;
- (d) Written schemes of work in progress & proposed;
- (e) All maps and other documents connected with the line.

Copies of (a) and (b) will be forwarded to Brigade H.Q. by 6 p.m. 24th December.

- 3. Advance parties, to include snipers, observers and Nos. 1 of Lewis Gun Teams will take over during daylight and will proceed by march route.
- 4. A map showing dispositions of battalions will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters by 6 p.m. 24th December.
- 5. 49th Inf. Bde. H.Q. will close at HAMEL and reopen at STE. EMILIE on completion of relief.
- 6. Completion of reliefs will be reported by wire by the code word "SALVAGE".
- 7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

I. B. MacDonald.

Captain,

Brigade Major, 49th Infantry Brigade.

Issued through Signals.

Copy No. 1 to G.O.C.	15 to 16th Division (G).
.. 2 Staff Captain.	16 16th Division (Q).
.. 3 Bde. Int. Officer.	17 16th Div. Artillery.
.. 4 Bde. Sig. Officer.	18 D.M.G.O.
.. 5 Bde. T'port Officer.	19 C. R. E.
.. 6 2nd R. Irish Regt.	20 A.D.M.S.
.. 7 7th (SIH) R. Irish Rgt.	21 47th Inf. Bde.
.. 8 7/8th R. Innis Fus.	22 48th Inf. Bde.
.. 9 7/8th R. Irish Fus.	23 24th Division.
.. 10 49th M.G. Company.	24 Left Bde. 24th Div.
.. 11 49th T.M. Battery.	25 Right Group R.F.A.
.. 12 157th Field Coy, R.E.	26-27 War Diary.
.. 13 144th Coy, A.S.C.	28 File.
.. 14 113th Field Amb.	

RELIEF TABLE TO ACCOMPANY 19th INF. BDE. ORDER No. 200.

Relieving Unit.	Unit to be relieved.	Location.	Remarks.
8th R. Irish Regt.	6th R. Irish Regt.	Right Subsection.	Relieving unit not to be East of LEMPIRE before 5.30 p.m. Proceed by train leaving TINCOURT siding at 3 p.m. (K.13.c).
7th (SIR) A. Irish Regt.	6th Connaught Rangers.	Left Subsection.	By march route. Relieving unit not to be East of LEMPIRE before 5 p.m.
2/8th L. Innis Fus.	1st R. Munster Fus.	Support. LEMPIRE.	By train leaving TINCOURT siding at 5.30 p.m. Relieving unit not to enter LEMPIRE before 6 p.m. One Company to proceed by train leaving 3 p.m.
7/8th A. Irish Fus.	7th Leinster Regt.	Reserve. STE. EMILIE.	By march route. Relief to be complete by 1 p.m.
19th T.M. Battery.	17th T.M. Battery.	Right Section.	By march route under arrangements to be made by O.C. 19th T.M. Battery.
19th Inf. Bde. H.Q.	19th Inf. Bde. H.Q.	STE. EMILIE.	Move to be arranged by Staff Captain.

NOTE. - All movement East of STE. EMILIE will be by platoons at 5 minutes interval.
Units will report at the train 15 minutes before time of starting.

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19th INF. BDE. ORDER No. 201.

29th December 1917.

1. The 7/8th R. Innis Fus. will relieve the 2nd R. Irish Regt. and the 7/8th R. Irish Fus. will relieve the 7th (SIH) R. Irish Regt. in the Right and Left Subsections of the Right Section respectively on the night December 29th/30th.
 2. On completion of relief the 2nd R. Irish Regt. will proceed to Brigade Reserve in STE. EMILIE and the 7th (SIH) R. Irish Regt. to Brigade Support in LEMPIRE and ROMSSCY.
 3. Advance parties, to include snipers, observers and Nos. 1 of Lewis Gun Teams will proceed by daylight to take over. Taking over parties from units being relieved will report at Support and Reserve Battalion H.Q. by 3 p.m. 29th instant.
 4. Order of relief will be as follows :-
7/8th R. Irish Fus. will not be East of LEMPIRE before 4.30 p.m. Their leading two Companies will relieve the two back Companies of the 7th (SIH) R. Irish Regt. who will at once relieve two Companies of the 7/8th R. Innis Fus. in the LEMPIRE DEFENCES. As soon as latter relief is complete, the 7/8th R. Innis Fus. will commence to relieve the 2nd R. Irish Regt. Officers Commanding Battalions will maintain touch with their Companies during the relief. All movement will be by platoons at 500 yards interval.
 5. All other details will be arranged between Commanding Officers concerned.
 6. The following will be carefully handed and taken over:-
— (a) Trench Stores.
— (b) Defence arrangements.
— (c) Work in progress and proposed.
— (d) Working Parties.
Copies of (a) and (c) to reach Brigade H.Q. by 4 p.m. 30th instant.
 7. Completion of relief in front line will be notified to Brigade H.Q. by code word "MARGARINE".
7th (SIH) R. Irish Regt. and 2nd R. Irish Regt. will notify Brigade H.Q. when they arrive in Support and Reserve respectively by code word "BUTTER".
 8. The 18th Inf. Bde. is being relieved by 17th Inf. Bde. on the night December 29th/30th.
 9. ACKNOWLEDGE.
- J. S. MacDonald* Captain;
Brigade Major, 19th Infantry Brigade.
- Issued through Signals.
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| Copy No. 1 to G.O.C. | 12 to 14th Coy, A.S.C. |
| " 2 Staff Captain, | 13 113th Field Amb. |
| " 3 Bde. Sig. Officer, | 14 16th Division (G). |
| " 4 Bde. Int. Officer, | 15 16th Division (Q). |
| " 5 2nd R. Irish Regt. | 16 16th Div. Artillery. |
| " 6 7th (SIH) R. Irish Regt. | 17 D.H.G.O. |
| " 7 7/8th R. Innis Fus. | 18 Left Right Bde. 24th Div. |
| " 8 7/8th R. Irish Fus. | 19 17th Inf. Bde. |
| " 9 49th H.Q. Company, | 20 18th Inf. Bde. |
| " 10 49th T.M. Battery, | 21 Right Group. |
| " 11 135th Field Coy, R.E. | 22-23 War Diary. |
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
RONSSOY.	JAN.	1.	Visibility very good - numerous German aeroplanes came over. Working parties of 1 offr and 45 men per bay were again supplied to R.E. They were seen promptly shelled & the village was vigorously shelled all day.	AIHGH
		2.	a quiet day until the evening when LEMPIRE RD and RONSSOY village were heavily shelled from 6 to 8 pm & again between 9 and 10 pm. Retaliation asked for & given at 10.15 pm.	AIHGH
		3.	Apart from air activity - a very quiet day.	AIHGH
		4.	Slightly foggy which interfered with visibility. - Batta was relieved by 8/9 R. Dullis Fusiliers entrained at STEMILIE and proceeded to billets at TINCOURT. (copy of operation order att'd)	AIHGH
		5.	The whole of the Batta. had Baths at MARQUAIX.	AIHGH
		6.	Working party of 6 offrs and 200 ORs supplied for wiring under R.E. between RONSSOY and STE EMILIE. Sig. Sgt. Bolton presented with Military Medal by Gen. Severson Lower.	AIHGH
		7.	All Box respirators minutely inspected. Dinner for the men in cinema TINCOURT.	AIHGH
		8.	Training of Lewis Gunners continued. P.T. & Swedish Games - Bayonet Fighting	AIHGH
		9.	Training as on previous day. All box respirators inspected by Divl. Gas & B.O.	AIHGH
		10.	Proceeded by train to STE EMILIE and marched to relieve the 6th Bonn. Rangers in the Right Subsection of the Left Section. The relief was carried out without incident (copy of O. & P. attached)	AIHGH
		11.	Quiet day - bad visibility. A patrol of 1 offr & 35 OR. was sent out & patrolled the district round little PRIEL FARM & the valley to the east but the enemy was not seen	AIHGH
		12.	Quiet day. 2 Patrols of 1 offr & 10 ORs each sent out at night for 3 hrs. Enemy not encountered.	AIHGH
		13.	Great aerial activity - hostile shelling of HEYTHROP POST and THE NEST. 3 Patrols sent out at night, constg of 1 offr. 20 men, 1 offr. 10 men & 1 offr. 10 men. The enemy was not encountered.	AIHGH
		14.	Quiet day. Front line trenches intermittently shelled and retaliation obtained. Three patrols (1 offr & 20, 1 offr & 5 & 1 offr & 12) sent out at night. No enemy encountered.	AIHGH
		15.	Front line trenches shelled during morning and retaliation obtained twice. The thaw caused some trenches to be filled with water, particular those in HEYTHROP LANE. A patrol of 1 offr & 20 men were sent out at night, but no enemy was encountered	AIHGH

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
In the field	JAN. 16		Quiet day. Front line trenches in deplorable conditions owing to thaw. Battle relieved in front line at night by 7/8 Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers and marched to Brigade Reserve line at STE EMILIE (copy of operation order attached)	AMH
	17		Heavy rain fall. Bleaching and checking of equipment. Working parties supplied 1 Sgt + 20 men to Brigade + 1 ACO + 24 ORs to 150 tunnelling Coy working in shifts of 4 hours.	AMH
	18		Battalion had baths at VILLERS FAUCON. Working parties supplied - 1 Sgt + 10 ORs to Brigade H.Q. + usual parties to 150 Tunnelling Coy from major.	AMH
	19		Quiet day. Usual working parties supplied. Practised projected raid.	AMH
	20		Church Services at VILLERS FAUCON.	AMH
	21		Usual working parties. Raid practised.	AMH
	22		Relieved 7/8th Royal Inniskilling Fus in the Right subsection of the Left Section. Balleto in Reserve line handed over to 7/8 R. Irish Fus. (copy of operation order attd).	AMH
	23		Intermittent shelling of all parts of the Battalion area. Patrol of 1 officer + 9 ORs was sent out and obtained much valuable information.	AMH.
	24		Quiet day - visibility poor. Small patrols out in early morning. Working parties supplied to RE	AMH
	25		Enemy barrage was put down on HEYTHROP POST at 4.30 am. S.O.S. signal was given and our barrage opened at 4.40 am. No Infantry attack followed. A listening post of 1 ACO + 6 ORs in LITTLE PRIEL FARM saw an enemy patrol and fired on them. Our patrol returned, but one man (the N.C.O.) is missing. Our Artillery shelled the vicinity of LARK POST and EAGLE QUARRY and damaged the wire.	AMH
	26		Visibility bad owing to heavy mist. Much wiring carried on on the whole front. Contemplated raid postponed.	AMH

AMH Lawson
Capt. H.M.

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Operation Order No. 52 by Lt. Col. H. E. Norton
Comdg. SOUTH IRISH HORSE, (7th R.I. Rgt.)
9th January 1918.

1. The 49th Infantry Brigade will relieve the 47th Inf. Bde in the LEFT SECTION of the Divnl. Front on the night of the 10/11th January.

2. The Battalion will relieve the 6th Connaught Rangers in the RIGHT SUBSECTION. Companies will relieve in the following order :-

"A" Coy S.I.H.	will relieve	"C" Coy 6th Conn. Rangers.
"B" " " " "	" " " "	" " " " " "
"S" " " " "	" " " "	" " " " " "
"C" " " " "	" " " "	" " " " " "
Hd. Qrs.	" " " "	Hd. Qrs. " " " "

3. Advance party consisting of Capt. Wardell, 1 Offr. & 1 N.C.O. per Coy. Regimental Gas N. C.O., Signal Sergt., Nos. 1 of Lewis Gun teams, Cook Sergt. Acting R.S.M., Cpl. Rodman and 4 scouts will parade outside Orderly Room at 9.30am and proceed to take over in daylight. Guides will be met at Battalion H.Q. at 12 Noon.

4. Coys. will entrain as follows from TINCOURT :-

"S" Coy. at 3pm.
"A" "B" & "C" Coys at 4pm.

No Coy. will be E. of EPHY-LEMPRE RD. before 5.30pm.
Coys will report at entraining siding 15 minutes before starting.

The STE EMILIE-RONSSOY RD. East of road junction at F.19.b.60.00 WILL NOT BE USED.

All movement E. of STE EMILIE will be by platoons at five minutes interval.

Lewis Guns and 24 drums per gun will be taken with Coys. and not sent up by Transport.

Each man will carry one blanket.

5. The route from STE EMILIE will be via EMELIE-RONSSOY RD. as far as F.19.b.59 where they will proceed by the track through F.14.

Guides for main bodies will be met for "A" "B" & "C" Coys. at Battalion H.Q. F.10.e.24 and for "S" Coy at F.11.a.93.

6. Defence schemes and all documents connected with the line with the exception of aeroplane photographs - all work in progress and proposed (in writing) - Trench Stores, Ammunition and Grenades will be carefully taken over. Copies of Trench Store receipts will be handed in to Battn. H.Q. by 12 Noon on 11th inst.

7. Completion of relief will be notified to Battn. H.Q. by the words "Double Rum issue"

8. TRANSPORT - Officers spare kits - all blankets over and above 1 per man, tightly rolled in bundles of 10 and all other material for Transport Lines will be dumped outside Battn. H.Q. by 10 am.

Baggage wagons will be available for this transport. R.S.M. will detail a guard from the Band to remain until the dump is removed by the quartermaster.

The Transport Offr. will detail the following transport to report at 1pm :- Per Coy. 1 limber at Coy. H.Q. - Per H.Q. 1 limber, Maltese Cart and Mess Cart, at Battn. H.Q.

9. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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1 - 4 - OC. boys.
5 - 6th Conn. Rgt.
6 - 49th Inf. Bde
7 - Sig. Offr.

8 - M.O.
9 - Signal Offr.
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