

1916

July

Appendix.15th  
(Contd)

2nd Lieut Richards, Burrell, Barland, Bottomley, Robinson Parwell, Fairlie, & Poly, Capt & Adjt Carslake and Lieut Brown (Signalling Off)  
The casualties amongst N C Os was very heavy 20 Sergeants and 50 Other N C Os being among the casualties -

RESERVE BARRACKS.

16th

At about 4.0 a m the Battalion was relieved by the 5th Scottish Rifles 19th Brigade and went back to some small pits in the open ground E of MAMETZ WOOD, where Battalion rested and made up ammunition etc - Day was quiet till about 11.0 p m when enemy started sending over gas shells & 2nd Lieut Buist who was asleep was gassed - Shelling went on till about 2.30 a m -  
Casualties other ranks 1  
Killed 10 wounded -

MAMETZ WOOD.

17th

Battalion remained in bivouacs near MAMETZ WOOD - quiet day until about 8.0 p m when valley was shelled intermittently with 5.9's - At 10.0 p m orders received to prepare to move & relieve 15th North Fus. 5th Div in MAMETZ WOOD. Battalion moved about 11.0 p m and took up position with 3 coys inside N W edge of the wood and one company on west edge - Battn H Cqs in centre of wood near track running N & S through it - Relief completed by 3.0 a m 18th -  
Casualties 3 O R wounded -

18th

At about 10.0 a m enemy commenced shelling wood with gas shells for about an hour no casualties - Conference held by Brigadier in Batt H Cqs in afternoon - Battalion ordered to move into WOOD RESERVE Trenches on West of MAMETZ Wood - 9th H L I. to take over all defences of the wood and battalion to be in readiness to move at short notice as a mobile reserve to support or relieve 19th brigade - Relief complete at 6.0 p m - carrying parties of 300 & 90 men were sent up