

*April and May
1918.*

The 18th Canadian Infantry Battalion, under Command of Lieut.-Colonel E. S. Wigle, was raised in Western Ontario (M.D. No. 1), and left LONDON (Ont.) on April 12th, 1915. It sailed on S.S. "Grampian" from HALIFAX on April 17th, and arrived at WEST SANDLING on April 29th.

The 19th Canadian Battalion was raised in Central Ontario (M.D. No. 2), under the Command of Lieut.-Colonel John I. McLaren. It left TORONTO May 12th, 1915, sailed on S.S. "Scandinavian" from MONTREAL, and arrived at WEST SANDLING on May 23rd.

The 20th Canadian Battalion came from the same district, and was in Command of Lieut.-Colonel J. A. Allen. It left TORONTO May 14th, sailed in the S.S. "Megantic," and arrived at WEST SANDLING on May 26th.

The 21st Canadian Battalion was raised in Eastern Ontario (M.D. No. 3), and was commanded by Lieut.-Colonel W. St. Pierre Hughes. It left KINGSTON on May 5th, 1915, sailed from MONTREAL, and reached WEST SANDLING on May 16th.

AT SANDLING.

*June, July,
August, 1915.*

When all the Units reached England, the Brigades and Divisions were organised. Major-General S. B. Steele, C.B., M.V.O., was the first Commander of the Division. Later (August) Major-General R. E. W. Turner, V.C., came from France and took command. Major-General Steele received the "South-Eastern Command" in England, and was subsequently knighted, becoming Maj.-General Sir Samuel B. Steele, K.C.M.G., C.B., M.V.O.

Colonel (later Brig.-General) Septimus Denison, C.M.G., came over about the same time as the Units of the 4th Canadian Infantry Brigade and assumed command at WEST SANDLING. He had with him Captain T. W. Lawson as Orderly Officer, who afterwards became S.C.Q.

Colonel Denison's health was not very good and he was succeeded by Brigadier-General Lord Brooke on June 25th. He had as his Brigade Major, Lieut.-Colonel Stewart; Major Walker H. Bell as S.C.Q.; Captain K. A. Murray, S.C.I., and Lieut. J. T. Lewis, B.S.O.; Lieut. Edwards, of the 21st, was Brigade M.G. Officer, and Capt. Elliott, C.A.V.C., acted as Brigade Transport Officer. The only change in commanding officers of battalions was in the 20th Battalion; Lieut.-Colonel Allen returned to Canada and was succeeded by Lieut.-Colonel C. H. Rogers, formerly Second in Command, 2nd Canadian Infantry Battalion.