

SCOUT OFFICER (1).—Patrolling and training of Battalion Scouts.

OBSERVERS (8).—A minimum.

SCOUTS (8).—Battalion; for special reconnaissance. Companies to train Scouts for defensive and offensive patrols.

SNIPERS (8).

AEROPLANE PHOTO AND DRAUGHTSMAN (1).

#### 4. COLLECTION AND COLLATION OF BATTALION FRONT LINE INTELLIGENCE.

Procedure when organised as recommended in Diagram A :—

BATTALION OBSERVERS.—Daylight shift, 8.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Winter.

##### OBSERVER'S NOTES.

8.00 a.m.—4.00 p.m.

December 30th, 1917.

8.00—8.30	Quiet.
9.00—9.30	Ditto.
9.30—10.00	77's on front line, vicinity Hull Road. Trench Mortars on front line, vicinity Acheville Road.
10.00—10.30	77's on front line, vicinity Acheville Road. Trench Mortars on front line, vicinity Acheville Road.
10.30—11.00	77's on front line, vicinity Acheville Road. Trench Mortars on front line, vicinity Hull Road.
11.00—11.30	77's, vicinity Quarries.
11.30—12.00	Quiet. Four 77's to front line and Acheville Road.
12.00—12.30	Considerable 77's on Quarries, few 4.1's on back country.
12.30—1.00	Shelling Quarries with 4.1's.
1.00—1.30	Ditto
1.30—2.00	Ditto.
2.30—3.00	Still shelling Quarries, quit at 2.40.
3.00—3.30	Light 77's bombardment on support line, Quebec and Tongray trenches.
3.00—4.00	Quiet. Trench Mortars active off our area to the right.

At 4 p.m. the above notes compiled by different Observers on duty during the day are summarised by the Corporal in charge of Observers as follows :—

##### OBSERVATION REPORT.

To Intelligence Officer.  
154th Battalion.

No. 2 Post.  
7.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

##### ENEMY ACTIVITY.

Artillery.

Artillery a little more active than usual all day. During afternoon and evening enemy put over several prolonged bursts with light and heavy guns directed principally on front line and quarries. Most of the shelling was confined to forward area.