

the Canadian Corps Commander, and the Canadian section was, in my judgment, extremely necessary, not only to assist the corps commander, in carrying on operations, but to control these troops more efficiently.

As regards the necessity of taking action with reference to new organizations within the corps, it was the desire of the Imperial authorities that our army organizations should, as far as possible, be similar to theirs, but it was found by our commanders that in certain formations reinforcements which did not exist in the Imperial forces were desirable.

In the last hundred days of the war our Army was stronger than at anytime previously, because we had largely reinforced existing Establishment and organized new establishments, and I shall put this on record for the information of the House. Between January 1, 1918, and November 11, 1918, the following organizations and increases were carried out:

| | Officers. | Other Ranks. |
|--|-----------|--------------|
| 1. Organization of two Corps Tramway Companies. | 6 | 528 |
| 2. Organization of three Forestry Hospitals. | 19 | 62 |
| 3. Reorganization of Canadian Engineers, involving in addition to absorption, of four Pioneer Battalions, and three Field Companies of 5th Division, an increase of. | 163 | 3,822 |
| 4. Reorganization of Machine Gun Companies into Machine Gun Battalions, involving increase of. | 8 | 1,100 |
| 5. Formation of one additional Company for each of the four Machine Gun Battalions and necessary increase of Battalion Headquarters. | 80 | 1,958 |
| 6. Organization Canadian Corps Survey Section. | 4 | 162 |
| 7. Organization two Sections Divisional M.T. Company for 5th Canadian Divisional Artillery. | 2 | 78 |
| 8. Reorganization 1st Motor Machine Gun Brigade, and creation of 2nd Motor Machine Gun Brigade, involving, in addition to absorption of three Machine Gun Companies of 5th Division, an increase of. | 7 | 263 |
| 9. Organization No. 9 Employment Company. | 1 | 426 |
| 10. Organization H.Q. Corps M.T. Column. | 4 | 13 |
| 11. Increase of 100 O.R.'s, per Infantry Battalion. | — | 4,300 |
| 12. Organization Canadian Corps Veterinary Evacuation Station. | 1 | 30 |
| 13. Organization Nos. 1 and 2 Forestry Companies. | 12 | 370 |
| 14. Organization Anti-Aircraft Searchlight Company. | 5 | 130 |
| 15. Organization Marne Group H.Q., C.F.C. | 3 | 19 |
| | 316 | 13,759 |

In addition to general reinforcements it has been necessary from time to time to organize new units, and the following schedule gives in detail the strength of complete units despatched to France between January 1, 1918, and November 11, 1918:

| Complete Units Despatched to France. | Off. | O.R. | Date of Despatch. |
|---|------|--------|-------------------|
| 10th Canadian Siege Battery. | 6 | 175 | 14/3/18 |
| 13th, 14th, and 15th Field Companies. | 17 | 614 | 16/3/18 |
| H.Q. and Signal Sub-Section 3rd H.A. Brigade. | 6 | 45 | 19/3/18 |
| 17th, 18th, and 19th Machine Gun Companies. | 30 | 531 | 23/3/18 |
| 13th Battalion Canadian Railway Troops. | 36 | 977 | 28/3/18 |
| 11th Canadian Siege Battery. | 6 | 175 | 2/4/18 |
| 69th Wagon Erecting Company. | 3 | 269 | 9/4/18 |
| 5th Canadian Aircraft Section. | 2 | 41 | 6/5/18 |
| 12th Canadian Siege Battery. | 6 | 175 | 31/5/18 |
| 14th Canadian Field Ambulance. | 12 | 283 | 5/6/18 |
| 5th Canadian Sanitary Section. | 1 | 27 | 5/6/18 |
| 12th and 13th Companies Canadian Forestry Corps. | 10 | 370 | 27/6/18 |
| No. 11 District H.Q. Forestry Corps. | 8 | 41 | 4/8/18 |
| 9th, 10th and 11th Companies Canadian Forestry Corps. | 15 | 556 | 30/8/18 |
| Squadron R.N.W.M.P. | 6 | 154 | 6/10/18 |
| 7th and 8th Companies Canadian Forestry Corps. | 8 | 364 | 10/10/18 |
| | 172 | 4,746 | |
| Total increase in existing Units in the Field. | 315 | 13,756 | |
| Total complete new Units despatched to France. | 172 | 4,746 | |
| Grand Total. | 487 | 18,501 | |