

JUNE, 1916.

Friday 16

Things are much easier here. We have good burrows & plenty of food. We do 6 hours a day digging & bagging a new trench. We get some shrapnel over sometimes and have to clear out for a while. Am not on any guard. We stand to from 9 to 10 p.m. and from 3 to 4 a.m. Very heavy bombardment during the night.

Saturday 17

Trench fatigue again to day. Good few shells over from both sides. Had a gas alarm early this morning and had to put on our helmets. Gas never reached us.

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Sunday 18

Work as usual to day. They had some more bombs over in the front line; I believe several were wounded, but not seen like Sunday. Watched a good fight between aeroplanes to day they were too far off to tell which was which or which one won.

Monday 19

Same programme to day. We take things easy and do not work too hard. We saw some mysterious signals to day. The sergeant reported it & they are going to investigate.