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			<p style="text-align: right;"><i>original</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">WEST NOVA SCOTIA REGIMENT DECEMBER 1939</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>J.W. Bullock Lt Col</i></p>	

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Bridgewater N.S.	11/12/39	0800	C. & D boys moved to Aldershot. A. Court of Enquiry investigates motor accident involving members of this Unit.	H.P.F. H.P.F. Appendix I

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Aldershot	7/12/39	0800	Bn. H.Q. moved from Bridgewater to Aldershot Col. Bullock proceeded to Hatfield on official business Zeroing of rifles completed on Aldershot range.	H.B.F. H.B.F.

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<i>Aldershot</i>	<i>3/12/39</i>	<i>0900 to 1200 1330</i>	<i>Church parade Musters parade by entire unit to list deficiencies in clothing and equipment</i>	<i>H.P.F.</i>

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Aldershot	4/12/39	0800	<p>Dental Board continues to function and dental repairs.</p> <p>Dental Board consists of: Dr. Dowell, Dr. Cameron, Dr. Christie, Dr. Harris & Dr. Fluck.</p> <p>The O.C. received a warning order setting the date of proceeding overseas at 9th December.</p>	<p>71. P.J.</p> <p>Appendix II W.P.J.</p>

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<i>Aldershot</i>	<i>5/17/39</i>	<i>0800</i>	<i>Dental Board continues.</i>	
		<i>1330</i>	<i>Issues of clothing and equipment</i> <i>Col. Adamson, Brig. Constantine inspected</i> <i>Unit.</i>	<i>P. J.</i>

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Aldershot.	6/12/39	0800	<p>Units charting and work. Issue of equipment continued.</p> <p>On parade 507 Total 880</p>	A.B.G.

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Uddestrot.	7/12/39	0800	Continued issue of equipment and clothing. Deuts charting and work continued.	A.B.F.
	7/10	1900	Court of Inquiry assembled to inquire into the circumstances surrounding the motor vehicle accident involving Pte. Lohnes.	Appendix II A.B.F.
		0900	O.n. parade 473 Total 880	

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Aldershot	9/12/39	1030	Inspection of Unit by ^{M.A.S.O.T.} Col. Price, Capt. Faulkner, Major Lang, + Col. King.	H.B.F.
		1430	Heavy snow fall. Officers sleeping bags arrived	H.B.F.
			The date ^{set} for the unit proceeding overseas is cancelled, we are to remain in Aldershot till further notice.	Appendix IV H.B.F.

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<i>Aldershot.</i>	<i>9/12/39</i>	<i>0700</i>	<i>Officers tents frozen stiff with rain and snow, but Officers slept warm in flea bags. Water pipes newly installed in camp, were frozen up this morning. Fin clear day, some wind.</i>	<i>F.P.F.</i>
		<i>0900</i>		

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Aldershot	19/12/39	1000 to 1200	Church parade, all denominations.	
		2030	Sing song in Capitol Theatre, Kentville. This was sponsored by the local Chapter I.O.O.F. and followed by supper in U.C. parish hall. Blanket pass to all ranks to 2330 hrs.	H.B.J.
		0900	Un. parade 389 Total 858 (Reserve Depot 206)	

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<i>Aldershot</i>	<i>11/12/39</i>	<i>0700</i>	<i>Rain & sleet.</i>	
		<i>0800</i>	<i>Continuation of equipping the men</i>	<i>A.P.G.</i>
		<i>0900</i>	<i>Letter received setting the date of embarkation for overseas at 20th. December, 1939.</i> <i>On parade 454 Total 881 (Reserve Depot 200)</i>	<i>Appendix V H.B.G.</i>

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<i>Aldershot</i>	<i>12/39</i>	<i>0900 To 1200</i>	<i>Final check on clothing and equipment</i>	<i>H.P.F.</i>
		<i>1400 To 1630</i>	<i>Coys carrying on training.</i>	
		<i>2030</i>	<i>Capt. Thomas Francis Cashen, Military Chaplain, reported for attachment to this unit.</i>	<i>H.P.F.</i>
		<i>0900</i>	<i>Lim. parade 556 Total 881 (Reserve Depot 178)</i>	

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Aldershot	13/12/39	0900		
		20	Mustin parade of entire personnel to check nominal rolls.	N.P.G.
		1200		
		1400	General Training & routine	
		70		
		1630		
		1200	Our new Adj. Capt. William Clark Gemmes reported for duty on transfer from P.L.F. (M.S.)	N.P.G.
			Capt. J.H. Mason transferred to "H.Q. Coy"	
		0400	On Parade 564	
			Total 881 (Reserve Depot 179)	

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Waldershut NS.	14/1/39	0900	Parade all boys Kit inspection, Balance of day general training	H.P.F. H.P.F.
		0900	On. parade 542 Total 887 695	

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<i>Aldershot. NS.</i>	<i>15/12/39</i>	<i>0900</i>	<i>All "Boys" on parade. Routine training.</i>	<i>N.B.G.</i>
		<i>0900</i>	<i>on parade 547. Total 702.</i>	

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Aldershot N.S.	16/12/39	0900	Routine parades.	
		1400	Musters parade. all boys checking nominal roll. Col. King and Col. Adamson carried out a general inspection of the unit.	H.B.F. H.B.F.
		1830	Lt. Col. Bullock, Capt. Gemmell and Lt. Annand proceeded to Halifax on official business in connection with the embarkation of the unit.	H.B.F. Appendix VIII
		0900	ON parade 562 Total (Bn.) 882 710	

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Aldershot NS.	17/12/39	01000	Church parad. all boys	H.S.J.
		1500	Pay parad.	H.P.G.
		0900	7m Aldershot 552 Total - . . . 692	

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Aldershot, N.S.	18/12/39	0900	Preparation by all boys for kit inspection.	H.P.F.
		1400 hrs.	General inspection of all boys in marching order, by Brig Constantine & Col King. Later Brig Constantine addressed officers in Officers mess hall.	H.P.F.
		2030	All ranks in Barracks.	
			C.n parade 536. Total 669 887	

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Aldershot, N.S.	19/12/39	0900	general training under R. C. R. instructors.	N.B.F.
		1400	Bn. parade.	
		1430	meeting of O.C. Coys. in officers' mess to receive instructions from Col. King and Col. Adamson concerning the transportation of the unit to Halifax. The first "flight" of the unit was warned to be ready to march off at 0530 hrs. 20 Dec.	Appendix E N.B.F.
		1530	muster parade to check nominal rolls.	
		2000	Personnel of the first "flight" told to remain in bed till 0600 hrs. and to eat breakfast as usual. On parade at Aldershot - 534 A/R. Total in Bn. - - - 801	N.B.F.

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Aldershot N. S.	20/12/39	0900	waiting for the order to march to Kentville for entraining.	H.P.F.
		1530	Rain, freezing on ground, makes walking very difficult.	H.P.F.
		1800	Arrangements made to have unit entrain at Aldershot instead of at Kentville.	H.P.F. Appendix II

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Aldershot N. S.	21 Dec. 39	0310	Alarm clock awakes officers who were sleeping in their bed rolls on the floor of the officers' mess.	<p>Appx. list 7</p> <p>Appx. list 8</p> <p>Appx. list 8 DI, nos. 84 and 81.</p> <p>N.B.</p>
		0400	Rueville. Troops all awake before Rueville. Heavy rain.	
		0430	Troops of first "flight" ready for cup of tea or coffee.	
		0515	Roll call - all Coys.	
		0545	Bn. H.Q. and H.Q. Coy. start getting on train at Aldershot station.	
		0625	First flight finishes entraining. (324 all ranks).	
		0647	First train leaves Aldershot. O.C. Train was major Berringer. Transport officer was Lt. Beck.	
		0700	Breakfast served on train.	
		0730	Second "flight" entrained and leaves Aldershot. Major Harris was O.C. Train.	
		1000	First train reaches Halifax station.	
		1100	Second train reaches Halifax station.	
		1115	First flight all on board M/S Broby.	
		1130	Second flight all on board M/S Broby.	

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M/S Chrobry	22 Dec 39	0800	Officers trying to find their men. Personnel of coys. and details were not systematically located by embarkation officers. Bn. H.Q., for example, has 37 cpls. and ptes. berthed in 13 different rooms in all parts of the ship.	# B.F.
		1000	no typewriters issued for use on board ship. Only typewriters available are three owned by officers.	
		1115	Boat drill with life belts.	
		1255	Other ships in convoy start moving out of Halifax Harbour.	Appendix X
		1310	A tug takes a line from the bow of our ship, and the ship starts to swing away from the pier.	
		1345	we pass St. George's Island and head for the open sea, snow. Halifax Harbour disappearing in the mist and snow.	# B.F.
		2000	Still trying to find our men.	
		2200	Capt. M.W. Plunkett conducts a sing-song for officers in lounge on B Deck.	

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M/S Chrobry	23 Dec. 39	0900	<p>Settling down and getting organized. Officers still trying to find their men. This work occupies the whole day.</p> <p>2000 blocks set ahead one hour.</p>	<p>Appendix 709.</p> <p>709</p>

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<i>M/S 6 Wobry</i>	<i>24 Dec.</i>	<i>0930</i>	<i>R.C. Church service.</i>	
	<i>39</i>	<i>1015</i>	<i>O.D. church service.</i>	
		<i>1130</i>	<i>Our A.A. Lewis guns were tested by firing a few rounds.</i>	<i>H.P.F.</i>
		<i>1635</i>	<i>The Canadian destroyers leave the convoy and turn back towards Canada.</i>	<i>H.P.F.</i>
		<i>1800</i>	<i>Banquet for officers, with toasts and Christmas trees.</i>	
		<i>1930</i>	<i>Carol service for all ranks, with lantern slides.</i>	
		<i>2030</i>	<i>The Polish crew held a Christmas Eve banquet. Lt. Col. Bullock and certain other officers were invited as guests.</i>	<i>H.P.F.</i>
		<i>2230</i>	<i>Blocks set ahead one hour.</i>	
		<i>2330</i>	<i>C. of E. Communion service. Lt. Col. Bullock officiated.</i>	

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M/S Chrobry	25 Dec. 39	0015	R.C. midnight mass, conducted by Capt. Cashen. The choir was composed of one U.C. clergyman, one Baptist, one Presbyterian and two Lutherans.	
		0930	R.C. Christmas service.	
		1015	O.D. Christmas service.	
		1215 ^{to}	Christmas broadcast from the B.B.C. was heard throughout the ship. Officers drank a toast to the King at the conclusion of the King's message.	H.B.F.
		1315		
		1900	Strong wind coming up.	
		2100	wind increasing in force, accompanied by rain.	H.B.F.

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M/S Ghroby	26 Dec. 39	1930	Band concert and sing song.	H.B.G.
		2230	locks set ahead one hour.	

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M/S Chrobry	27 Dec.	0600	Strong wind. Rougher sea.	
	39	0930	wind rising, waves higher. many men seasick.	
		2230	clocks set ahead one hour. now on London time.	5/9

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M/S Schroby	28 Dec.	1000	more ships of the Royal Navy met us this morning, and are now with the convoy.	H.B.F.
		1430	wrestling and boxing matches on "B" deck.	
		1605	Boat drill, with life belts. All personnel were at assembly stations by 1610 hrs.	
		1930	Entertainment for all ranks. moving pictures, band selections, sing-song; and songs, story-telling, top dancing, etc., by officers and representatives of the press and Y.M.C.A. and Salvation Army.	H.B.F.

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M/S bhrobry	29 Dec.	0830	A. A. Lewis gun crews stand by their guns. This is to be kept up all day from now till the end of the voyage.	
	39	0930	The French ship "Dunkerque" left the convoy.	
		1400	The captain of the bhrobry warned Lt. Col. Bullock that danger from submarines was threatening. Lt. Col. Bullock went down and warned all soldiers to remain on deck with lifebelts, except for meals.	H.P.f.
		1447	Life boat drill.	
		1915	The supply of champagne on the ship exhausted. Last bottle purchased by Capt. Hebb for the officers at his table.	
		2100	Two lights, apparently from lighthouses, visible on starboard side.	H.P.f.
		2145	Celebration in the officers' bar. Officers of the W.N.S.R. and R.C.E. compete in singing songs.	

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M/S	30	0730	The ship stops in the Firth of Clyde.	
Whorby	Dec. 39	1020	The ship drops anchor in the River Clyde.	H.B.F.
		1205	The following officers paid a visit to the ship: mjr. gen. MacNaughton, col. Montague, mjr. Rankine and capt. Smith (E.S.O.). Capt. Smith remained on board, while the others departed, taking the representatives of the press with them.	H.B.F.
		1930	Sing-song and entertainment for the troops. Capt. Plunkett, as usual, led the proceedings.	H.B.F.

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M/S. Chrobry	3/12/39	0600	Breakfast for O/R's	
		0645	Breakfast for Officers	
		0745	Troops parade by - Coy. + details Rolls called.	
		0826	Troops begin to embark on Lighter.	
		0932	The lighter moves away from Chrobry carrying all troops.	H.B.F.
		0942	The lighter ties up at pier at Guroch. Scotland.	Appendix 7.117
		1100	First Train pulls out, men jammed in too tightly for comfort or rest.	
		1200	Dinner served on train	
		1210	Second train pulls out.	
		1430	Baggage train pulls out.	
		1555	First train crosses the River Tweed and enters England.	
		1700	Tea served on train.	
		2000	All food exhausted on train.	H.B.F.

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