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France

BB16500

On 27th April the 15:37 Lille Flanders.to Lens worked by an unidentified class 16500 failed at Libercourt. Assistance was provided to Lens by **27003** (not Diana of Woodhead fame) which was at Libercourt having arrived with a local trip working.

BB67000

The 2nd April found **67431+67429** heading the 18:20 Montparnasse to Argentan and **67377** hauling the 19:56 Le Mans to Caen. The following day **67374** worked the 08:38 Caen to St. Pierre des Corps, **67345** heading the 12:25 Tours to Vierzon and **67442** with the 17:27 Nantes to Bordeaux. Moving on to the 11th April, **67424+67403** headed train 3833 the 07:41 Quimper to Bordeaux from Rochefort to Saintes, **67533+67408** worked between Bordeaux and Rochefort with train 3852 the 07:52 Toulouse to Nantes, **67427+67442** hauled train 3854 the 14:05 Bordeaux to Quimper between Saintes and Rochefort and **67475+67407** had charge of train 3835 the 14:10 Nantes to Toulouse from Rochefort to Jonzac. The following day 67593 showed up with train 843858 the 17:35 Lille to Reims and 67419 was noted with train 839230 the 18:59 Reims to Paris Est. On the 27th April **67430** was released from Quatre Mares painted in multi services livery.

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The 3rd April found **72055** with the 07:13 Grenoble to Nantes as far as Tours and **72042** worked the 12:03 Tours to Lyon PD. **72007** derailed at Clermont on the 6th April and was noted lying at a 45-degree angle after apparently going through buffer stops in the yard. It's not clear how bad the damage is as yet. Moving on to the 12th April, **72052** worked train 4504 the 07:13 Grenoble to Nantes from Lyon Part Dieu to Saincaize and **72017** hauled train 4448 the 22:22 Nantes to Lyon-Perrache from Les Aubrais to Lyon Perrache.