

## CIRCULARS 1893.

### Annual Gun Practice—Field Batteries.

#### GENERAL REGULATIONS.

1. In accordance with G. O. (26), 14 Ap. '93, and G. O. (13), 13-5-'92, the following instructions are issued for the Annual Gun Practice of the Field Batteries in the Dominion :

2. Batteries which perform their drill in camp, in the vicinity of which a land or water range can be obtained, will carry out the following instructional practice.

#### Range Finding by Batteries.

3. The entire Battery will parade in drill order, march to the practice ground, and be halted in a suitable position, under cover if possible, in rear of the position to be selected for action.

(a.) The command "*Prepare for Action*" will be given, when limber boxes will be opened, one common shell per gun fuze with R. L. Fuze, tube pockets strapped on, sponge buckets filled, etc.

(b.) The C. O., Nos. 1 and Range-takers (if any) will advance, and dismounting under cover, select the positions for the guns. The target will be pointed out and its range taken or estimated. If necessary for the better observation of the results of fire, the C. O. will remain mounted during the practice.

(c.) Upon signal from the C. O. the Battery, under the command of the next senior officer, will advance as rapidly as the nature of the ground will allow, and each gun will come into action at the place marked by its own No. 1.

(d.) The C. O. will then give the command "with shell load," naming the target and range. Each gun will be laid at the named elevation, and the required deflection will be ordered by the Sectional Officer. The officer commanding is not limited to the employment of Nos. 1 as layers, the two best marksmen in each sub-division should be generally selected for this purpose, and should fall in as Nos. 7 and 8.

(e.) The C. O. will then order *slow fire* from the right or left, and will order the elevation for the next and succeeding rounds, care should be

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