

SECTION V.

The Company *Falls in* at close order, with shouldered firelocks ; the files lightly touching, but without crowding ; each man will then occupy a space of about twenty-one inches. The Commander of the Company takes post on the right of the front rank, covered by a Sergeant in the rear rank—two other Sergeants will form a third, or supernumerary rank, three paces from the rear rank.

When a Company is thus singly formed with its Officers, the Captain is on the right, and the Ensign or junior Subaltern on the left of the front rank, the Lieutenant in the rear, as also the Drummer or Pioneer in a third rank, at three paces distance. In this formation Companies are to assemble on their private parades, being sized from flanks to centre. The Company will be told off in subdivisions, and four sections. When in subdivisions, the Captain takes the leading subdivision and the next in command the second. If there are four Officers present, and the Company be in column of sections, the Captain takes the leading section, the next in seniority the rear section, the third in rank the third section from the head of the column, and the junior Officer the second.—The covering Sergeant will cover the second file from the pivot of the leading subdivision, or section ; but when there are but three Officers, the covering Sergeant will take the second section from the head of the column.

SECTION VI.

OPEN ORDER.

Rear rank take Open Order. The Company being formed in two ranks at close order, on the word of command *Rear rank take open order*, the flank men on the right and left of the rear rank, step briskly back one pace, face to their right, and stand covered, to mark the ground on which the rear rank is to halt, and dress in open order ; every other individual remains ready to move.—On the word *March*, the dressers front, and the rear rank falls back one pace, dressing by the right the instant it arrives on the ground.

CLOSE ORDER.

Rear Rank take Close Order. March. On the word *Rear rank take close order*, the whole remain perfectly steady ; at the word *March*, the rank closes within one pace, and then halts.