

have entered, on a direction in which they are afterwards to wheel into line; all mounted Officers are on the pivot flank of the column, each of his own battalion watching that the pivots move truly, and do not partake of any false direction that may be given by those before them. For this purpose, whenever a straight line is pursuing, they occasionally, individually, and separately, halt (with the horse's head in that line), allow four or five, or more, divisions to pass them correctly, then move on, and continue repeating this operation during the march: this being performed in each battalion, and the General Officers attending to the whole, will preserve a column of any extent in such perfect order as instantly to form in line whenever it is ordered to halt.

Mounted
Officers.

21. The soldierlike operations of great bodies so entirely depend on the necessary aids, and lines of movement being quickly and correctly given by mounted Officers of all descriptions, that their attention should be peculiarly given to the principles and practice necessary to this end, which, though simple, demand great readiness and exactness. The Sections 82, 83, 84, 85, 179, 180, 181, of His Majesty's Regulations, are more minutely descriptive of the particulars, and should, be studied and well understood. In prolonging a line general reference is to be made not only from battalion to battalion, but also to more distant objects that are known to be truly placed in it, and thereby partial deviations are not followed but corrected. Regimental Officers and Non-commissioned Officers should be much exercised in prolonging lines, covering in file at column distances, and quickly dressing up, or back, on new given lines.

Mounted
Officers.

22. The mounted Officers of infantry, and Markers of cavalry, will, at all times, that their corps, or its parts, enter and halt in *succession* on a new line, place themselves on that very line (which is determined and made evident to them by the several known objects already in it), and thereby become useful fixed points to halt by; and they will more particularly endeavour to ascertain the centre and flanks of every considerable halting body, whereby the intermediate parts will easily be regulated.

Mounted
Officers.

23. Mounted Officers that are behind the flanks of battalions marching in line, will frequently come through the intervals a little before the line when in movement, to see and correct such flanks if necessary, and prevent them from pushing forward; and when the battalion or line halts, and
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