

near the rings of the bridoon; the ends of the reins in the left hand, which hangs easily behind the thigh.

When leading through a door-way, the soldier placing himself in front of his horse, and taking one rein in each hand close to the ring of the bridoon, steps backwards, taking care that the horse's hips and appointments clear the posts of the door. When the horse is through, he places himself on the near side as before.

In passing an Officer on his left, he looks towards him; if the Officer is on the off side, the soldier steps to that side, leading with the left hand, till he has passed about four yards, when he comes to the near side again.

The squad having formed in line with a horse's length interval between each file, will

Stand at Ease—Each soldier opposite the near shoulder of the horse, the right arm passed through the bridoon rein, which has been put over the horse's head, and hangs on the neck.

Attention—The position of the man as in Foot-drill, but holding the left bridoon rein near the ring of the bit, with the right hand; toes in a line with the horse's fore feet; left hand hanging down by the thigh.

In Front of your Horses—A full step forward, with the right foot turning to the right-about, on the ball of it, taking the bridoon reins in each hand near the rings of the bit, raising the horse's head to the height of the man's shoulder, and making the horse stand even. (In this position a man shows a horse to an Officer when halted in leading past.)

Dress—When fronting the horses, dress to the left, if the right would be the flank dressed to when mounted.

Stand to your Horses—A full step forward, with the right foot to the horse's near side, and face left-about on the ball of the right foot fronting the same way as the horse, at the position of attention.

Mounting with Stirrups.

Prepare to Mount—[In Four Motions.]—Face to the right on the left heel, place the right foot opposite the stirrup parallel to the side of the horse, heels six inches apart; take the bridoon rein equally divided in the left hand, and the bit reins in the right hand, placing the little finger of the left between them,* place the left hand below the right on the neck of the horse, about twelve inches from the saddle.

* The bridoon is to be taken in the same manner as the bit reins when used singly.