

N.B.—The exercise should next be gone through in quick time.

From the "Advance" the carbine may be Carried or Slung.

Carry Arms—Without altering the position and grasp of the right hand, raise the carbine, and place the butt of it in the hollow of the thigh, where the hand previously rested; the muzzle to be carried to the front, so as to be in a line, clear of the horse's neck, and leaning rather forward; the elbow near the side. In this position the carbine is carried by the advanced guard in marches of parade.

Sling Arms—This position is taken from any of the preceding, by quietly dropping the carbine with the muzzle downwards behind the thigh, and leaving it "Slung," or suspended by the swivel only.

From being "Slung," the carbine may be brought at once to any of the foregoing positions, or may be "Strapped."

Strap Arms—Seize the carbine at the gripe, and fix the muzzle in the bucket; then strap and unspring the carbine, and drop the swivel; put on the lock-cover, and right-hand glove, and let both hands resume their usual position.

SECTION III.

PISTOL EXERCISE ON HORSEBACK.

The squad, being mounted, is to be formed as for the Carbine Exercise.

Draw Pistol—Take off the right-hand glove, unbutton the flounce, and push forward the cloak, or draw back the sheepskin and shabraque, according to the equipment, and seize the butt of the pistol with the right hand under the left arm.

Two—Draw the pistol carefully and bring it at once to the position in which the sword is "Carried," the muzzle a little to the front, the cock resting in the hollow between the thumb and the hand, the lower fingers relaxed and extended along the butt. This position is called the "Advance."

The commands and motions for priming and loading are to be made as directed for the carbine.

Front—Present—From the left hand raise the pistol with the right, till the breech be nearly as high, and in line with, the right eye, with the muzzle lowered to the object; the