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An officer of Naval Brigade to be reported effective must Drill be competent in drill, as far as instruction has gone at the place where he has been called on to attend training. The following particulars are recommended to the attention of officers :—

1st.—Navigation, in the following simpler branches :—
Use of Charts in plane and traverse sailing ; Parallel Rulers, Compasses, Log Glass, &c., finding Latitude by Quadrant, by Meridinal Altitude, working Ship's Course by dead reckoning or inspection, practical Seamanship.

2nd.—Theory and practice of Naval Gunnery, Cutlass, Rifle and Pistol exercise, Construction of Earth-works, Mounting Guns in Battery, &c

3rd.—Military Movements, comprising Marching, Countermarching, Facings, formations of Fours, Sections and Subdivisions, forming Column, Squares, Deployments and Field Gun Exercise.

In consequence of the varied nature of the duties and the number of drills required of the men of this service—in facings and formations of forms or marching—such accuracy will not be required or expected, as is considered necessary in the drill of an ordinary land force.

Staff Instructors are peremptorily reminded of the absolute necessity of putting the instruction of companies which have become effective as much as possible under their own officers, in whom their men will never acquire any confidence unless they show themselves competent to command. Any negligence on the part of any Staff Instructor on this most important point will not be overlooked.

It cannot be too stringently inculcated by officers in command, that not only the commissioned officers should know their gun drill duties, but also that the warrant officers should be conversant with conducting gun or small arm drill. Commanding officers will invariably find that the state of their command, either in enrolment or training, depends very materially on the intelligence and exertions of their subordinates, and the General or Divisional Orders or Regulations can have but little effect, unless the men have confidence in the exertions and acquirements of those who are placed in au-

Staff Instructors.

Subordinates to conduct Drill.