

CHAPTER III.

Marches

Q. What is meant by march discipline?

A. Everything that affects the efficiency of man or horse during a march and a good marching depends upon the attention paid to the same.

Q. What are the normal march formations of Cavalry, Infantry and Artillery?

A. Cavalry and Mounted Infantry in column of section or half-sections, i.e. two or four men abreast.

Infantry in column of fours.

Artillery in column of route i.e. waggons and guns in single file.

Q. What distance should be maintained between units on the march?

A. In rear of each infantry company, 6 yards.

In rear of battalion, 10 yards.

In rear of each brigade, 30 yards.

Q. What distance can (a) a large force and (b) a small seasoned force march per day?

A. (a) About fifteen miles; (b) about twenty-five miles.

Q. What is meant by forced march?

A. A march with longer duration between halts, and not an increase of pace. Before men are taken on a forced march the object of the march should be explained to them.

Q. What is meant by "The Starting Point"?

A. A point fixed in orders for the head of the main body to pace at a given time.