

EVERY OFFICER'S NOTE BOOK

OF MOVEMENTS AND WORDS OF COMMAND IN INFANTRY DRILL

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PREFACE

The object of the Author is to provide young Officers, and others desirous of promotion in the new Army, with a useful reminder of the more detailed instructions of INFANTRY TRAINING.

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SYLLABUS OF RECRUIT DRILL

SQUAD DRILL WITHOUT ARMS I. T. 12-18, 19-26

FALL IN—Correct positions.

Attention—SQUAD—ATTENTION.

Standing at ease—STAND AT—EASE.

Stand easy—STAND—EASY.

Dressing a Squad with intervals—RIGHT-DRESS—EYES-FRONT.

Turning by numbers— RIGHT- (or LEFT-) TURN— ONE—TWO.

Turning about—
ABOUT-TURN—ONE—TWO.

Inclining to Right or Left— HALF RIGHT- (or LEFT-) TURN ONE—TWO.

Saluting. Length of pace in marching. Cadence. Position in marching. Quick march. Halting. Step out. Step short. On Command—QUICK-MARCH, usual pace resumed. Mark time. On Command—FORWARD, usual pace resumed. Stepping back—PACES STEP BACK—MARCH.

Changing step on the march and when marking time. Double march. Halt.
Side step—
RIGHT- (or LEFT-) CLOSE—
MARCH or
—PACES RIGHT- (or LEFT-)
CLOSE—MARCH.

Turnings on the march—RIGHT-, LEFT-, and ABOUT-TURN.

Word of Command given in two paces, including— HALF RIGHT- (or LEFT-) TURN.

SQUAD DRILL WITHOUT ARMS IN SINGLE RANK I. T. 27-35

Dressing—RIGHT-DRESS.

(Note.—After word HALT only; in other cases soldiers will take up dressing without orders.)

Numbering—SQUAD—NUMBER.

Opening Ranks—
OPEN RANKS—MARCH.
RE-FORM RANKS—MARCH.

Squad Drill Without Arms in Single Rank

Marching by either Flank or Centre BY THE RIGHT—QUICK-MARCH.

Changing pace from Quick to Double and vice versa— Diagonal March— RIGHT-INCLINE.

Changing Direction— RIGHT-FORM—QUICK-MARCH.

(Note.—If squad to halt on alignment—AT THE HALT — RIGHT-FORM—QUICK-MARCH—or if the squad is on the move the word FORWARD is given on reaching the alignment.)

Marching in file— RIGHT-TURN—QUICK-MARCH,

unless on the move, when RIGHT-TURN only.

Squad Drill Without Arms in Single Rank

Rear-files cover— HALT—MARK TIME— REAR-FILES COVER.

FORM—SQUAD. FORWARD.

(Note.—After forming squad on the RIGHT the LEFT will direct.)

Forming Squad at the Halt—AT THE HALT, ON THE LEFT, FORM—SQUAD.

SQUAD DRILL WITHOUT ARMS IN TWO RANKS I. T. 36-46

Dressing—RIGHT-DRESS (after the word HALT only.)

Numbering—SQUAD—NUM-BER.

Opening and closing a Squad— OPEN RANKS—MARCH. RE-FORM RANKS—MARCH.

Marching in Line— BY THE RIGHT (or LEFT)— QUICK- (or DOUBLE-) MARCH.

Diagonal March—RIGHT-INCLINE.

Changing Direction—
RIGHT-FORM—
QUICK-MARCH—FORWARD.

(Note.—If on the move the Command QUICK-MARCH is omitted, and if required to halt after forming, the Command will be AT THE HALT—RIGHT-FORM.)

Marching in File—RIGHT-TURN.

Changing Direction—RIGHT-WHEEL.

(Note.—If the squad is halted or ordered to mark time when only a part of it has wheeled in the new direction, the remainder will cover off on the Command REAR-FILES—COVER.)

Forming Squad— ON THE LEFT (or RIGHT), FORM—SQUAD FORWARD.

Forming Squad obliquely— HALF (or QUARTER) LEFT (or RIGHT) FORM—SQUAD.

Forming Single File or Two Deep—ADVANCE IN SINGLE FILE FROM THE RIGHT—OUICK-MARCH.

(Note.—If the squad is halted in file the Command will be ADVANCE IN SINGLE FILE—QUICK-MARCH. If the squad is marching in file the Command will be FORM SINGLE FILE—FORM TWO DEEP—FORWARD.)

Forming Fours— (1) In line in Two Ranks at the Halt-FORM-FOURS FORM-TWO-DEEP. (2) To the Right or Left— MOVE TO THE RIGHT (or LEFT) IN FOURS-FORM FOURS—RIGHT. (3) To Re-form Line-LEFT- or RIGHT-TURN. (Note.-If it is required to remain in Fours the Command will be IN FOURS -LEFT-[or RIGHT-] TURN.) (4) When on the March in Line-FORM FOURS-RIGHT or RIGHT-INCLINE. (5) When in File at the Halt or on the March-FORM-FOURS FORM-TWO-DEEP. (Note.—A squad moving in Fours will always march and dress by the left.)

Movements in Fours.

- (1) Changing Direction— RIGHT- (or LEFT-) WHEEL.
- (2) Rear Fours Cover.
- (3) Forming Squad when moving to a Flank—
 ON THE LEFT (or RIGHT)
 FORM
 SQUAD—FORWARD.

Passing obstacles.

Dismissing— SQUAD—DISMISS.

SQUAD DRILL WITH ARMS I. T. 47-74

Falling in with Arms at the Order— Standing at Ease— STAND AT—EASE.

Attention from Stand at Ease—SQUAD—ATTENTION.

The Slope from the Order—SLOPE ARMS—ONE—TWO—THREE.

The Order from the Slope—ORDER ARMS—ONE—TWO—THREE.

The Present from the Slope—PRESENT ARMS—ONE—TWO—THREE.

The Slope from the Present—SLOPE ARMS—ONE—TWO.

To fix Bayonets from the Order—FIX BAYONETS—ONE—TWO—THREE.

(Note.—On the word FIX the RIGHThand man of the Unit will take three paces forward, resuming his place when the third motion is completed.)

Unfixing Bayonets— UNFIX BAYONETS— ONE—TWO—THREE—FOUR.

(Note.—Left-hand man of the Unit three paces forward till fourth motion is completed.)

Inspection of Arms—
(1) FOR INSPECTION,
PORT—ARMS.

(Note.—A squad before being inspected will receive the Command REAR RANK—ONE PACE STEP BACK—MARCH.)

(2) To ease springs and come to the Order—

EASE—SPRINGS.

Or if the Magazine is charged—LOCK—BOLT.
ORDER ARMS—ONE—TWO—THREE.

(Note.—When Arms are inspected at the Port only, the Officer will see that the Rifle is clean, that the Magazine and

action are in good order, and that no parts are loose or damaged. When the Officer has passed the file next to him, each soldier will EASE SPRINGS, ORDER ARMS, and STAND AT EASE.)

Closing Squad on completion of the Inspection—
CLOSE RANKS—MARCH.

To examine Arms— EXAMINE—ARMS.

To trail Arms from the Order and vice versa—

- (1) TRAIL—ARMS.
- (2) ORDER—ARMS.

(Note.—The TRAIL is not used in close order drill except by Rifle Regiments unless for movements in the Field.)

Shoulder from the Order and vice versa (for Rifle Regiments only.) Shoulder from the Trail (ditto.) The Short Trail.

Fixing Bayonets on the March—FIX—BAYONETS.

To Change Arms when at the Slope, the Trail, or on the March—CHANGE ARMS—ONE—TWO—THREE.

To Sling Arms—
Ground Arms—
Take up Arms—
To pile Arms—
PILE ARMS—
ONE—TWO—THREE—
FOUR—
STAND—CLEAR.

To unpile Arms—
STAND—TO.
UNPILE ARMS—
ONE—TWO—THREE.

Saluting with the Rifle—Guards and Sentries.

Section and Platoon Drill

SECTION AND PLATOON DRILL I.T. 75-80

Object of Platoon Drill:
In line (as in Squad Drill).
In Column of Fours or in File (as in Squad Drill).
In line of Sections, in Fours or File.
The LEFT will be the directing Flank when increasing frontage on the RIGHT or when the left is the pivot Flank.
The LEFT will always direct in Column of Route.
Guides:

Supernumeraries conform to all orders given to the Platoon as regards the carrying of their Arms.

Officer passing through Ranks—MAKE WAY.

Inspecting and telling off a Platoon—
PLATOON—ATTENTION.
FIX—BAYONETS.
REAR RANK, ONE PACE STEP BACK—MARCH.

Section and Platoon Drill

Inspect Appointments— UNFIX—BAYONETS, FOR INSPECTION, PORT— ARMS EXAMINE—ARMS.

Arms will then be inspected.
PLATOON—ATTENTION.
CLOSE RANKS—MARCH.
BY SECTIONS—NUMBER.
FORM—FOURS. FORM—
TWO-DEEP.

A Platoon in Line forming a Line of Sections in Fours or File moving in the same direction—
ADVANCE IN FOURS (or FILE)
FROM THE RIGHT OF SECTIONS.
FORM—FOURS,
RIGHT (or RIGHT-TURN),
SECTIONS LEFT—WHEEL,
QUICK-MARCH.

Section and Platoon Drill

A Platoon in Column of Fours forming a line of Sections in Fours or File moving in the same direction—

ON THE LEFT, FORM LINE OF SECTIONS IN FOURS (or FILE) AT—PACES INTERVAL—REMAINDER, DOUBLE-MARCH.

If File has been ordered the whole will first form two deep. The leading section will then move forward in quick time, the remainder will be led by the shortest route to the positions at the named intervals, where their Commanders will give QUICK-MARCH, taking first two paces in front of their leading Four or File.

(Note.—This movement can also be performed at the Halt.)

Company Drill

COMPANY DRILL I. T. 81-89

A Company changing ranks when halted—

ABOUT-TURN.

(Note.—If ranks are changed on the march, Section Commanders will make way by checking the pace slightly and inclining outwards.)

CLOSE COLUMN MOVE-MENTS

A Close Column Changing Direction— CHANGE DIRECTION RIGHT, RIGHT—WHEEL.

When the Company has circled round to the required angle the Command FORWARD, MARK TIME or HALT

will be given.

A Close Column Forming Column of Fours—

ADVANCE (or RETIRE) IN FOURS FROM THE RIGHT. FORM FOURS—RIGHT.

The Commander of the leading or rear Platoon will give

LEFT- (or RIGHT-) WHEEL— QUICK-MARCH

followed by each Platoon Commander in time to gain his place in Column of Fours.

A Close Column forming Line facing in the same direction—
ON THE LEFT, FORM—LINE.

ON THE LEFT, FORM—LINE. REMAINDER, LEFT—TURN QUICK-MARCH.

(Note.—When Companies are strong the Command REMAINDER—FORM FOURS—LEFT will be given instead of REMAINDER, LEFT—TURN.)

A Close Column on the March forming Line facing a Flank— AT THE HALT, FACING LEFT, FORM—LINE.

Commander of the rear Platoon will give

AT THE HALT, LEFT-FORM.

Advancing in Column from Close Column—

ADVANCE IN-COLUMN.

Commander of the leading Platoon BY THE RIGHT— QUICK-MARCH.

A Column on the March closing to Close Column—

AT THE HALT, FORM CLOSE COLUMN AT — PACES.

(Note.—If it is required to continue moving after closing, the Command will be FORM CLOSE COLUMN. REMAINDER, DOUBLE-MARCH.)

A Column on the March Changing Direction—

CHANGE DIRECTION—RIGHT

Commander of the leading Platoon—RIGHT-FORM—FORWARD.

(Note.—Before changing direction LEFT a Column should normally be ordered to march by the LEFT.)

A Column forming Column of Fours—

ADVANCE (or RETIRE) IN FOURS FROM THE RIGHT. FORM FOURS—RIGHT. PLATOONS LEFT- or RIGHT-WHEEL—QUICK-MARCH.

(Note.—When a Column is on the March Platoons may, if desired, advance in Fours in succession on the Caution IN SUCCESSION ADVANCE IN FOURS FROM THE RIGHT.)

A Column forming Line facing in the same Direction—

ON THE LEFT, FORM—LINE, REMAINDER, LEFT—IN-CLINE, QUICK-MARCH.

(Note.—(1) If the Column is marching, the Command DOUBLE-MARCH instead of QUICK-MARCH will be given, and on reaching the alignment OUICK-MARCH instead of HALT.

(2) When Companies are strong the Command FORM FOURS—LEFT instead of LEFT—INCLINE.)

A Column forming Line facing a Flank and moving forward—

INTO LINE, LEFT—FORM. QUICK-MARCH.

Company Commander—
FORWARD—BY THE LEFT.

LINE MOVEMENTS

A Line forming Column (or Close Column) facing the same Direction—

ON THE RIGHT, FORM COLUMN(or CLOSE COLUMN) OF PLATOONS. REMAINDER, RIGHT—TURN. QUICK-MARCH.

(Note.—When Companies are strong the Command REMAINDER FORM FOURS—RIGHT will be given instead of REMAINDER, RIGHT—TURN.)

A Line advancing in Column of Platoons—

ADVANCE IN COLUMN OF PLATOONS FROM THE RIGHT. "REMAINDER, RIGHT—TURN. QUICK-MARCH.

(Notes (1). If on the march the words QUICK-MARCH are omitted.

(2) When Companies are strong the Command REMAINDER, FORM FOURS—RIGHT instead of REMAINDER, RIGHT—TURN.)

A Line forming Column facing a Flank—

AT THE HALT, INTO COLUMN, PLATOONS, RIGHT —FORM. QUICK-MARCH.

A Line forming a Line of Platoons in Fours facing in the same Direction—

ADVANCE IN FOURS FROM THE RIGHT OF PLATOONS—FORM FOURS—RIGHT.
PLATOONS, LEFT—WHEEL, QUICK-MARCH.

(Note.—A line of Sections in Fours or File can also be formed.)

MOVEMENTS FROM COLUMN OF FOURS

A Column of Fours forming forward into Column of Platoons—
ON THE LEFT, FORM—
PLATOONS

Company Commander— FORWARD, BY THE RIGHT.

(Note.—A Column of Fours may increase frontage by Platoons in succession, Caution IN SUCCESSION ON THE LEFT FORM PLATOONS. Leading Platoon ON THE LEFT FORM PLATOON—FORWARD.)

A Column of Fours forming forward into Close Column of Platoons at the Halt—

AT THE HALT, ON THE LEFT, FORM CLOSE COLUMN OF—PLATOONS.

Commander of leading Platoon-

AT THE HALT, ON THE LEFT, FORM—PLATOON.

Others in succession.

A Column of Fours forming Column (or Close Column) of Platoons at the Halt facing a Flank—

AT THE HALT, FACING LEFT, FORM COLUMN (or CLOSE COLUMN) OF—PLATOONS.

Commanders of Platoons in succession—
HALT—LEFT-TURN.

A Column of Fours forming Column facing a Flank and moving forward—

FACING LEFT, ADVANCE IN COLUMN OF—PLATOONS.

Commander of leading Platoon LEFT-TURN.

Others— LEFT-INCLINE,

and again on guide reaching position LEFT-INCLINE.

A Column of Fours forming a Line of Platoons in Fours moving in the same Direction—

ON THE LEFT, FORM LINE OF PLATOONS IN FOURS AT —PACES INTERVAL— REMAINDER—DOUBLE-MARCH.

(Note.—When Companies are strong more convenient to perform this movement at the Halt.)

Extended Order Drill

EXTENDED ORDER DRILL I. T. 90-96

Caution before commencing drill—NO.—CENTRE FILE and FILE of DIRECTION THE OBJECTIVE IS—

Control by Word of Command. A unit in Line extending from the halt to the halt.

TO-PACES, EXTEND.

(Note.—If it is required to extend to a flank or from a named file, above command preceded by the caution TO THE RIGHT (OR LEFT) OR FROM No. —.)

A unit marching in fours extending to a flank.

TO THE RIGHT (or LEFT), TO—PACES, EXTEND.

Extended Order Drill

Advancing.

ADVANCE.

(Note.—If moving to a flank, when the command is given they will turn to Right or Left and advance towards objective.)

Halting.

HALT.

(Note.—Will face objective and stand at ease.)

Retiring.

RETIRE.

(Note.—Will turn about and if halted will step off, moving away from objective.)

Changing direction on the march.
CHANGE DIRECTION—
RIGHT.

Changing position (when halted.)
CHANGE POSITION—RIGHT.

Extended Order Drill

Inclining or turning.
RIGHT INCLINE or RIGHT
TURN.

Changing the pace.
QUICK TIME or DOUBLE.

An extended line closing. CLOSE or TO—PACES, CLOSE.

(Note.—(1) If desired to close towards a flank, command preceded by ON THE RIGHT or LEFT, CLOSE.

(2) When troops are moving and it is desired to close and halt, command preceded by AT THE HALT.)

Reinforcing (when two extended lines are being drilled in co-operation.)

REINFORCE.

Battalion Drill

BATTALION DRILL I. T. 97-100

A Mass advancing—

THE BATTALION WILL ADVANCE—QUICK-MARCH.

Battalion Drill

A Mass moving off in Lines of Platoons in Fours—

MOVE TO THE RIGHT IN FOURS, FORM—FOURS, RIGHT. QUICK-MARCH.

(Note.—From the formation the Companies can be opened out to various distances and intervals with irregular frontages as may be directed.)

Batallion Drill

A Mass moving off in Column of Fours—

ADVANCE (or RETIRE) IN FOURS, No. — COMPANY LEADING.

Commander of named Company will give

No. — FORM—FOURS, RIGHT (or LEFT).

Commander of leading or Rear Platoon will give

LEFT- or RIGHT-WHEEL— QUICK-MARCH.

Remainder in succession.

Battalion Drill

A Column of Fours forming Mass facing in the same Direction.

AT THE HALT, ON THE LEFT, FORM MASS.

Commander of leading Platoon-

AT THE HALT, ON THE LEFT, FORM—PLATOON.

(Note.—Mass can be similarly formed on the RIGHT.)

Battalion Drill

A Column of Fours forming Mass facing a Flank—

AT THE HALT, FACING LEFT, FORM MASS.

Commander of leading Platoon— HALT—LEFT-TURN.

Others in succession.

(Note.—Any number of lines of Platoons in Fours can be formed from Column of Fours on the above principle, the Platoon Commander's LEFT-TURN being omitted. The Battalion Commander's Caution will be AT THE HALT ON THE LEFT LINE OF PLATOONS IN FOURS AT—PACES INTERVAL and — PACES DISTANCE.)

MEMORANDA

