

marching reliefs and posting sentries. (c.) Practical acquaintance with the carbine exercise (manual and firing). [Snider Artillery Carbine Exercises.] (d.) Practical acquaintance with drills of the guns in use in the battery, and methods of mounting or dismounting the same. (e.) General knowledge of the ammunition, stores, and carriages for the same.

6. *Field Officers.*—(a.) Battalion drill and proper mode of route marching. (b.) Riding. (c), (d), and (e). As laid down for Captains, unless the Field Officer has already passed in those subjects.

7. When an officer of Artillery Volunteers, holding a certificate of proficiency, has subsequently acquired a competent knowledge of gun drills and repository exercises, other than those in which he was examined when gaining his certificate, the Officer Commanding the Regiment of Artillery may (at any of his visits to the corps) examine such officer. On the officer duly passing his examination, the Officer Commanding the Regiment of Artillery will add to the officer's certificate a specification of the further subjects in which he has proved his ability to impart instruction.

RIFLE VOLUNTEERS.

8. *Subalterns and Captains.*—(a.) Practical examination in drilling a company in close and extended order. (b.) The command of a company in battalion.†† (c.) Duties of commander of a guard, and mode of marching reliefs and posting sentries. (d.) Practical knowledge of the rifle exercises (manual and firing); aiming and position drill and blank firing. (e.) Knowledge of and competency to superintend target practice; orders to be observed on rifle ranges, &c.

9. A Subaltern who obtains a certificate of proficiency in the foregoing subjects need not be examined again when he becomes a Captain.

10. *Field Officers.*—(a.) Practical examination in drilling a battalion. (b.) Movements of a battalion in brigade. (c.) Proper mode of route marching, and the duties of guards. (d.) Riding.

BOARDS OF EXAMINATION.

11. For the purpose of conducting the examination of officers and non-commissioned officers, Boards of Examination will be assembled as occasion may require, and are to be composed of three members, one of whom will be the Adjutant.

12. In addition to the examination in the field for Captains, Subalterns, and non-commissioned officers, the Board will prepare fifty written questions on the following subjects:—(a.) The duties of orderly officers, and of officers on guard. (b.) The various exercises and evolutions prescribed in the first two parts of the Field Exercise. Rifle drill and practice, and the theoretical principles of musketry. (c.) Court-martial duties. (d.) The Volunteer Regulations.

13. The questions are to be written on half margin, and the replies inserted opposite to them in the candidate's handwriting. The Board will mark in red ink their correction of any mistakes in the answers, and will certify in each case that "the candidate has not received any assistance from books or other sources."

14. The report of the Board will be transmitted to the Commandant through the Officer Commanding the District.

15. Certificates of proficiency will be granted as follows:—

CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY FOR CAVALRY VOLUNTEERS. (FIELD OFFICERS).
We certify that _____, of the _____, has this day been examined by us: (a) That he has a practical knowledge of the evolutions of a regiment of cavalry; * (b) that he can ride well; * (c) that he is practically acquainted with the sword and † exercises; * (d) also that he is conversant with the duties and formation of advanced- and rear-guards, and reconnoitring an enemy.

[Signatures of Board of Examining Officers.]

Confirmed.

Commandant.

Station:

Date:

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CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY FOR CAPTAINS, SUBALTERNs, AND SERGEANTS.

We certify that _____, of the _____, has this day been examined by us: (a) That he is able to drill a _____ ‡ in the evolutions and exercises prescribed in the regulations; (b) that he can ride well§; (c) that he is practically acquainted with the sword|| and ¶ exercises; ** (d) that he is conversant with the duties on guard and formation of advanced- and rear-guards, and reconnoitring an enemy; ** (e) that he is conversant with the system of musketry instruction, and the orders at the firing-point; also that in his written answers to questions he has expressed himself with _____ . ††

[Signatures of Board of Examining Officers.]

Confirmed.

Commandant.

Station:

Date:

†† Not compulsory for Subalterns, but if they are not examined therein they must be so after promotion to the rank of Captain.

* Not required if the officer has obtained a certificate in a former rank, in which case these subjects will be struck out of the certificate, and a note made in the margin that the officer is in possession of a certificate of proficiency therein.

‡ Here insert "carbine" or "short rifle," as the case may be.

§ Here insert "troop," "battery," or "company," as the case may be.

|| If a cavalry officer.

¶ If not a cavalry officer, strike out.

|| Here insert "carbine" or "short rifle," as the case may be.

** "Not compulsory for Subalterns, but if they are not examined therein they must be so after promotion to the rank of Captain." The subject or subjects in which a Subaltern does not pass will be erased from the form of certificate; and, when he passes on promotion, the certificate that he has done so will be indorsed on the back of this certificate.

†† Here insert "clearness" or "tolerable clearness," as the case may be.