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PREFACE.

The writer of this Manual is indebted to Mr. T. D. Acland, of Sprydoncote, near Exeter, for the groundwork of the "DRILL ON HORSEBACK." The suggestions of that gentleman have resulted from a series of practical experiments carried out by him, with the assistance of a body of intelligent Devonshire yeomen. Colonel Douglas, Assistant Adjutant-General to the Inspector-General of Cavalry, and several other distinguished officers of cavalry and infantry have kindly given their assistance in completing the details.

For the "DBILL ON FOOT" the volunteer is referred to the Manual entitled, "Drill and Rifle Instruction for the Corps of Rifle Volunteers."

In the general Remarks in the following pages it is shown what portion of those instructions are applicable to the drill of mounted rifle volunteers, and what alterations may be made in them with advantage.

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NOTE.—All references in this Manual are made to the Seventh and subsequent Editions of the "DRILL AND RIFLE INSTRUCTION FOR THE CORPS OF RIFLE VOLUNTEERS."

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