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INTRODUCTION.

THE object of this little book is, to make the Soldier acquainted with an easy and effectual mode of cleaning his Musket, and of keeping it in a proper state, so that it may always be ready for immediate use. Some further information is given, which, if properly attended to, will enable the Soldier to become perfectly familiar with his weapon, and with its various parts; and, this being accomplished, he may always feel sure that, in his Musket, he possesses not only an intimate acquaintance, but a trusty friend in time of need.

The Soldier should always be prepared to see danger without surprise, and to meet it without doubt or hesitation—hence the necessity of keeping in perfectly good order the chief arm of his defence as well as of attack.

A Frenchman once wrote a book about the best way of blowing out a candle. "There is," said he, "a right way, and a wrong one, and it often happens that we fall into the wrong one, because we have not taken the trouble of making ourselves well acquainted with the object we have to deal with." How important is it then, that, with the introduction into the Service of the Improved Musket, a few easy