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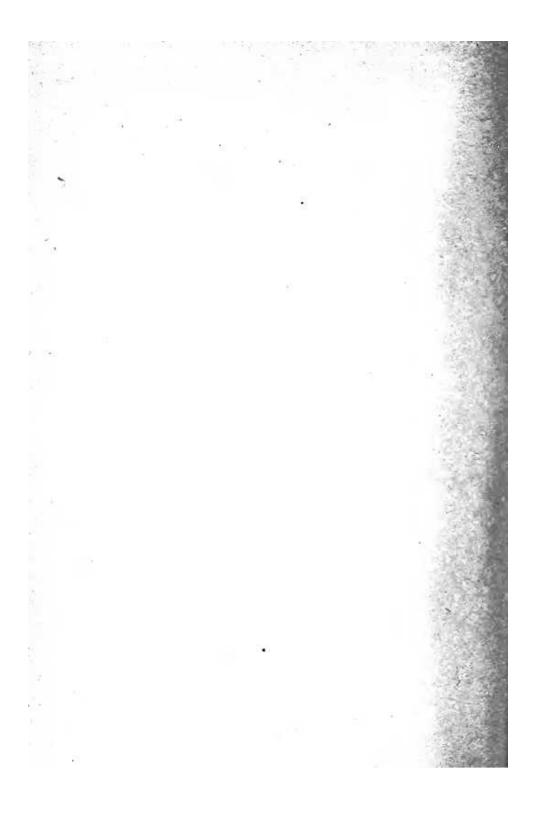
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PART I.

BATTALION AND LESSER PROBLEMS. (See Gettysburg-Antietem Map.)



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COURSE IN TACTICS—PART I.

MAP PROBLEM No. 1-PATROLLING. (See Gettysburg and Boneauville sheets, 3" map.)

Situation:

Shortly after a declaration of war between states, separated by the Susquehanna river, a Blue invading force, moving by rail from Lancaster upon Gettysburg, finds its advance stopped about five miles east of Hanover by the destruction of the railroad west of that point. The 1st Blue Infantry, under command of Colonel A, is pushed forward to cover the road crossings over the Little Conewago Creek and prevent the destruction of the bridges. This regiment, after a march on the afternoon of September 12th of twelve miles, goes into camp near Brushtown with an outpost line on the hills 606-588-607, and detachments at the bridges west of Conewago and Topper Mill and near 525W. The attitude of the inhabitants is one of intense hostility, and it is impossible for Colonel Λ 's command to get any information from them, or from the newspapers or letters found en route. There are no telegraph offices in the vicinity, and the telephone service is suspended. The enemy is known to be concentrating a force at Chambersburg, but so far no Red troops have been heard of east of that town.

At 6 p. m., Sept. 12th, Colonel A receives the following message from the commanding officer of the Blue troops near Hanover:

War Department advises that Red troops left Chambersburg yesterday, the 11th, moving eastward. Keep the country as far as Gettysburg under observation and report promptly the appearance of any Red troops therein. The command will be ready to resume its advance westward on Thursday, the 14th. Required—1st Part:

A. Colonel A's plan for complying with the orders received.

B. If patrols are sent out, the number, and the strength and composition of each; and the instructions given the patrol leaders.
2d Part. (Continuation of the situation)

You are leader of a patrol made up of the sergeant and six privates of the mounted scouts with orders to move out at daylight,