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## NOTE AND COMMENT.

We have to acknowledge the receipt since last issue of the programme of the eighteenth annual prize meeting of the British Columbia Rifle Association, to be held at Goldstream on the 29th July and three following days. The programme is as usual a very attractive one, and varied so as best to suit the local conditions.

A correspondent makes the interesting suggestion that the League Matches should be so arranged as to give a separate competition for each branch of the service; so that, for instance, the cavalry, whose arm is the carbine, should shoot with their own weapon with some hope of taking a creditable place on the list. The suggestion is one worthy the consideration of the League.

The *Regina Standard* in a recent issue contained a strong appeal for Government aid to rifle associations in the North-west Territories, and calls upon the Minister of Militia “to remedy the seeming injustice.” The Minister’s reply would no doubt be that having insufficient funds for the purposes of the militia he cannot spare anything for the promotion of rifle shooting in the Northwest, where there are not yet any militia organizations. The rifle associations there well deserve encouragement, however, and it would be a good idea for the representatives of the Northwest in Parliament to take steps to secure a separate appropriation, so that the militia funds would not suffer.

Our printing office was almost completely wrecked by fire on the 30th June. The current week’s issue was then ready for press, and the types were melted in the flames, and the “copy” and “proofs” were also destroyed. It being found impossible to make printing arrangements in time for the succeeding week’s issue, that also had to be omitted; but the office is now reorganized and subscribers may expect to receive their papers without further interruption. In answer to the many friends who, hearing of the fire through the daily press, have written to ask the extent of our loss, we may state that the immediate damage by fire and water was about covered by insurance, and that our loss will principally arise from the expense of securing and fitting up new premises, and the diversion of business consequent on the temporary stoppage of work. Our books of account were all saved, and when in a few days the usual statements are sent out to those in arrears we trust there will be the prompt response that the emergencies of the case call for.

The *Mail's* military popularity competition has ended since our last issue, with the result that the Queen’s Own Rifles head the list as the most popular corps, and their senior major, Major J. M. Delamere, as the most popular officer. We tender our congratulations to the victors, for though the result cannot be claimed as a decisive test of relative popularity, it does show conclusively what a host of warm friends are possessed by the leaders in the contest. A statement of the ballots recorded for these will be interesting. We give first those for the corps: