

The Officer appointed to take the Team to Wimbledon received his instructions from the Adjutant General, was under his control, and responsible to him alone, with orders to report to him.

The Adjutant General's instructions to Major Worsley appertained not only to discipline, but also to the disposition of Prize Money. To that portion of the instructions the undersigned ventured to object, on the ground that the Association was the proper guardian of its funds, and should have control, as per clause 13 of the Constitution, which provides as follows :

"The Council shall have the sole management of the income and funds of the Association, &c., &c." ; but the objection was of no avail. It will be observed that by the manner in which the appointments were made, and instructions issued, as further evidenced by the "Militia General Orders" of the *Gazette* of 18th June, 1872, the competitors representing Canadian Riflemen intended to be sent by the Association, according to the Memorandum of the undersigned above referred to, under the combined auspices of the Dominion Association and the Department of Militia and Defence, were converted into a Militia Detachment and sent as such, under the entire and exclusive control of the Adjutant General, and in every respect disconnected with, and bearing no evidence that their mission had been projected by and was altogether due to the Dominion Rifle Association.

These are the causes why the undersigned is unable to furnish the Council with the Report referred to.

The great desire that prevailed to send the first representative Team from the Dominion, and the belief that very great disappointment would have followed if no Team had been sent, were chief reasons that induced the undersigned to throw no obstacle in the way, or take any steps to prevent the accomplishment of an object so greatly desired, and so important to be attained, as the securing of a representation of Canada at Wimbledon, in a competition for a valuable trophy especially dedicated for that purpose by the National Rifle Association.