

claimed to have been made by the party making up the ticket! These certainly are very unsportsmanlike proceedings; and, further, they are altogether unauthorized, as the antiquated rule of disallowance of scores for such causes—which has been dropped by the D. R. A. as an absurdity, but is still retained by the P. Q. R. A., does not apply to team competitors, but only to mistakes made by individuals in competition for individual aggregate prizes. Even did the rule govern such cases as those to which it seems to have been erroneously applied at this meeting, the executive had power to remit the penalty, and had they exercised this power, they would have acted in accordance, we venture to say, with the wishes of every member of the Association who ever takes part in a rifle competition. The teams whose scores it is announced have been disallowed should stand upon their rights and demand the prizes honestly won with the rifle. This for the principle, not for the paltry amount at stake.

Our enterprising and truly national pictorial weekly is issuing a special Wimbledon number, to honour the victories of the Canadian team. It will be out on Saturday, 17th inst., and will contain the following illustrations, from photographs and drawings sent from Wimbledon direct by the special artist of the *Dominion Illustrated*, viz.: A full-page engraving of the Canadian Kolapore Team; a full-page view of the Wimbledon camp; sketches of the Canadian camp, Col. Bacon's tent, the Adjutant's tent, afternoon tea, writing home, Lady Wantage's reception tent, and the old Windmill; a full-page view of the firing stages during the contest; four photographs in the Canadian camp, and four other Wimbledon views, including High street. On the cover is a portrait of the commandant, Lieut.-Col. Bacon. Altogether a very interesting number for all active members of the volunteer force in Canada, more especially as this is the last meeting at Wimbledon. The *Dominion Illustrated* always shows great interest in everything connected with the militia, and should be well patronized.

British naval officers are grumbling at the abolition of the blue cloth tunic.

The Indian papers report that Captain Streatfeild, Grenadier Guards, A.D.C. to the Viceroy, will succeed Lord William Beresford as Military Secretary.

Four great camps of exercise will be held in India in the cold weather—at Lucknow, Meerut, Lahore and Rawul Pindi, and possibly another at Quetta.

Russia is said to have occupied Deer Island, in Corea, as a coaling and naval depot, and it is said that there is a Russian man-of-war there, and nobody allowed to land or leave without a permit from the admiral. The possession of the island gives Russia a great advantage.

The belt of forts which the Italian Government has constructed on the Alps towards the French frontier is approaching completion. Now they are pushing on with all possible speed the enormous works which are destined to fortify Genoa, so as to render that harbour practically impregnable.

The *Vulcan* was launched at Portsmouth, Eng., on June 13, and is the only one of the type yet built, known as a twin-screw steel torpedo ship. She is intended to accompany a fleet to sea, and to carry a large equipment of torpedo-boats and their gear, mining and countermining stores, etc., and to form a floating workshop for the necessary repairs to such. Her principal dimensions are 350 feet between perpendiculars and 58 feet extreme breadth, while the load draft of water will be 22 feet forward and 24 feet aft, and her displacement, when fully equipped for sea, about 6,620 tons.

The British Admiralty have ordered that the Burmah medal is to be issued at once to those officers and men of the Royal Navy who actually served in Burmah with the Field Force. The delay in the issue has been caused by the Government of India—who give the decoration—refusing to listen to the claim for the medal which was made on behalf of those who only served at the base of operations. The traditions of the naval service show that all persons actually on board a ship of war in such cases are entitled to the decorations. It is manifest that somebody must look after the ship, and the disappointed ones so left behind are thought to be as much entitled to the medal as their more fortunate comrades in the front of the battle,

## The Quebec Provincial Meeting.

The twenty-first annual prize meeting of the Province of Quebec Rifle Association was held this week, on the 13th, 14th and 15th inst., on the Cote St. Luc range, near Montreal, this being the first provincial meeting on the new range. Twenty targets were available, all in the one butt. The range may be made a good one, but requires a lot of fixing up. At the butts especially something in the way of drainage is needed, as under the targets there is almost constantly a quantity of stagnant water. In wet weather the working of the targets is materially interfered with. For the various events some 160 competitors entered, this being about the average number. In addition to those from the province, there were several from St. John, N.B., from Toronto, Bowmanville, and other points in Western Ontario, besides the usual large contingent from Ottawa City and Eastern Ontario. The Nursery and the Frontier were the regular matches of the first day, resulting as follows:

### NURSERY MATCH.

Open to members of the P.Q.R.A. (whether by direct contribution or through affiliated Associations) who have never won an individual prize at any Provincial or Dominion match. Competitors will be held responsible for the correctness of their qualifications to enter. Range 400 yards. Number of rounds, 7. Rifle, Snider, Government pattern.

\$15 Pioneer Brighton, 6th .....	32	\$4 Lieut. Chambers, 6th Fus. ....	28
10 Corpl. R. Binmore, 3rd .....	32	4 Mr. Osborne, M.R.A. ....	28
7 Pte. M. Pope, 3rd .....	31	4 Gr. T. Pugh, B Bat .....	28
5 Br. T. Clements, B Bat .....	30	4 Corpl. J. W. Robinson, 5th R.S. .	26
5 Pte. J. Wilson, 6th Fus. ....	30	4 Pte. W. R. Pringle, Vics. ....	26
4 Pte. Murgatroyd, 8th .....	29	4 Gr. W. Pugh, B Bat .....	26
4 Pte. A. S. Byrd, 53rd .....	29	4 Capt. C. A. Donigan, 52nd ....	26
4 Mr. R. Miller, M.R.A. ....	28		

### FRONTIER MATCH.

Open to all members of the P.Q.R.A. (whether by direct contribution or through affiliated Associations). Range 500 yards. Rifle as in No. 1. Number of shots, 7.

\$20 Pte. McMartin, 5th R.S. ....	34	\$4 Pte. A. McAfee, 1st P.W.R. ....	28
15 Capt. W. McDonald, R.L. ....	32	4 Staff-Sergt. King, 45th .....	28
12 Major J. Wright, 43rd .....	32	4 Sergt. Hall, 79th .....	28
10 Pte. A. Thomson, Vics. ....	31	4 Col.-Sergt. Allan, 5th .....	28
8 Staff-Sergt. McAdam, Vics. ....	31	4 Capt. Gray, Gds .....	28
7 Staff-Sergt. T. Mitchell, 10th ..	30	4 Sergt. Lavers, 6th .....	28
6 Staff-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A. ...	30	4 Corpl. Carroll, Gds .....	27
6 Lieut. Margetts, 13th .....	30	4 Staff-Sergt. Huntingdon, 56th ...	27
6 Pte. C. T. Burns, Vics. ....	29	4 Pte. Kambery, 5th .....	27
6 Pte. D. Smith, 5th R.S. ....	29	4 Sergt.-Major Wilson .....	27
6 Pte. K. Matthews, 3rd Vics. ....	29	4 Sergt. J. Currie, 5th .....	27
5 Staff-Sergt. Pink, 43rd .....	29	4 Lieut. E. D. Sutherland, 43rd ..	27
5 Sergt. Horsey, 45th .....	29	4 Pte. F. Langstroth, 62nd .....	27
5 Pte. Morrison, Gds. ....	29	4 Sergt. J. Clarke, 5th .....	27
5 Major L. Thomas, 54th .....	29	4 Sergt. J. Riddle, 6th .....	27
5 Sergt. A. D. Crooks, Q.O.R. ...	29	4 Pte. J. D. Taylor, 43rd .....	26
5 Col.-Sergt. Marks, 6th .....	29	4 Staff-Sergt. McVittie, 10th .....	26
4 Lieut. Kincaid, 6th Cav. ....	28	4 Capt. Ibbotson, 5th .....	26

*Frontier Nursery Match.*—Open to members of P. Q. R. A., who have never won a prize over \$5 at any Dominion or Provincial meeting. Competitors will be held responsible for their qualification to enter. Prizes will be awarded by scores in the Frontier match, as claimed by competitors on special ticket provided.

\$15 Corpl. Binmore, Vics. ....	28	\$4 Pte. J. Wilson, 6th .....	25
10 Lieut. A. Shaw, Vics. ....	27	4 Gr. J. E. Kingman, B Bat .....	24
7 Corpl. D. R. Brown, Gds. ....	26	4 Mr. H. A. Johnson, H.R.A. ....	24
5 Pte. Armstrong, 5th .....	26	4 Pte. Pope, Vics. ....	23
5 Lieut. Davidson, 8th .....	26	4 Staff-Sergt. Cooper, M.G.A. ....	23
4 Lieut. McDiarmid, 6th Cav. ....	25	4 Lieut. E. J. Chambers, 6th .....	22
4 Br. T. Clements, B Bat .....	25	4 Pte. W. R. Pringle, Vics. ....	22
4 Pte. T. W. Dunn, 8th .....	25		

### THE MILITARY MATCHES.

The "military" matches were fired in the afternoon of Tuesday. Nine teams entered. In the skirmishing, in which the targets were exposed for fifteen seconds at a time, there was a fair percentage of hits. In the volley firing there was a decided falling off. Some of the targets were not struck at all by some of the volleys, and others received only one or two bullets, it being very exceptional for a target to show three hits at one time. This was due to the fact that the competitors were not given sufficient time to take aim, the command "fire" following ridiculously close upon the "present," and the match being thus made a lottery and a useless waste of time and ammunition. The matches were for teams of five men from any corps affiliated with the association. Snider rifles.

*1st Series—Skirmishing.*—Distance from about 500 yards to about 200 yards. Number of rounds, 10, size of target, 4 feet x 2 feet 6 inches, divided into three belts—the lower belt, 15 inches deep, scoring 5 points; the centre belt, 10 inches deep, scoring 3 points, the upper belt, 5 inches deep, scoring 2 points,