

Murray, who had always held that position, was unavoidably absent, much to the regret of many who would liked to have seen his genial face. Capt. McRobbie, of the first New Brunswick pair, opened the fourth annual competition of the inter-provincial match with an inner, 4, as his sighting shot. Lt. Hooper, of P. E. Island, came with a bull and Lt. Dover, of the Scotians, 4. The first shot on the score for those men was, respectively, 5, 5, 4. The first pair to finish were Capt. McRobbie and Lt. Langstroth, who totalled 57; Lt. Hooper and Sapper Anderson were found to have reached the same, and when the last bullet whizzed from the Nova Scotians their figures had attained the same height—so they were on even terms again. But what was more surprising was that two of the teams—New Brunswick and P. E. Island—were tie on the second pair and with the same figures, 57, while the N. S. were one behind. Sergt. Davison and Sapper Longworth were the Islanders; Lieut. Smith and Sergt. Miner the home couple; Major Garrison and Capt. Harris the Scotians. Next trip was a bad one for New Brunswick, and enabled the Islanders to step to the front. Their pair, Corp. Gay and Capt. Longworth, got in a total of 59, and when New Brunswick, represented by Sergt. Lordly and Gunr. Loggie, had ended they were only 50, thus dropping nine behind; the latter couldn't, apparently, get on to the elevation as he peppered in no less than half a dozen magpies, winding up with an inner. Then it devolved upon Nova Scotia to beat the Island, and when the first one had finished he had made a run of 30; it then needed six to tie, but this could not be done as the possible would be a bull and this he made, giving the Island team the lead over Nova Scotia by 1, and over New Brunswick by 9. The totals were: P. E. Island, 173; Nova Scotia, 172; New Brunswick, 164. Then the struggle by the final pair began, this province being represented by Capt. Hartt and Sergt. Henderson; Nova Scotia had two majors, Weston and Egan; the Islanders were Capt. Crockett and Sergt. Allan. Although the home men came out by a point ahead of Nova Scotia, which had, in turn, one more than the Islanders—it still left them seven behind in the total when they went back to the marquee for a lunch at 12.30. Nova Scotia had caught up the Island and they were a tie at 230, while the double quartette of home talent was 223. The shooting was not as good as last year at this distance, when New Brunswick, the winner, had 235.

Half an hour was devoted to an acceptable lunch and the places were taken up for the 500 yards, and in this New Brunswick fell further behind. Sergt. Miner failed to find the target in one shot, and got up with 23, while Lt. Smith ended with 28, total of 51. Lt. Hooper's 28 and Sapper Anderson's 27 made 55, while Nova Scotia's pair ended with 58, 32 being made by Capt. Maxwell, who had five bulls in his score, and Lt. Stevens had 26, the grand total putting their team three ahead of P. E. Island, which led New Brunswick 11. The wind at this time was fitfull, lulling so that it made accuracy a matter of doubt. The next pair showed Nova Scotia 55, made by Sergt. Elliott 28, and Lt. Dover 27; P. E. Island 53, Sapper Longworth 27 and Sergt. Davison 26; New Brunswick 49—from Sergt. Lordly 26 and Gunr. Loggie 23. When the third pairs faced the butts the light was hazy and the wind most treacherous, some of the home men being very unfortunate, but Corp. Gay fared the worst. The best double of the day, 62, was made by Capt. Harris 33, and Major Garrison 29; Capt. Hartt and Sergt. Henderson made 29 and 27 respectively, while the P. E. Island shots could only total 44—thus the highest and lowest double was made up to this point. It was significant the luck of sighters, most of them being bulls eyes. As the final struggle came on, each man determined to make his work tell. It was first made known what New Brunswick had done, when Capt. McRobbie and Lieut. Langstroth wound up with 50—26 to the former and 24 to the latter. This made the home total at 500 yards, 206, and at the two ranges 429. A brace of thirties was lifted on by Majors Egan and Weston, showing that the Nova Scotia team had shot better at the second distance as they had run up 235, the total being 465, leading St. John by 36. The Island eight got 203, which made up 433, 4 more than New Brunswick; the last pair of this contingent were Capt. Crockett 25, and Sergt. Allan 20.

Undismayed the N.B. eight retired to the final stage—600 yards; Capt. Hartt and Sergt. Henderson were the first pair, the former getting 25 and Henderson 24, making 49. For Nova Scotia Capt. Maxwell fired for 26 and Lieut. Stevens 24. Of the Island pair Lt. Hooper had 28 and Sapper Anderson 20. A paid of twenty-sevens was the contribution of Capt. McRobbie and Lieut. Langstroth for New Brunswick; Major Garrison had 26 and Capt. Harris a similar number, with a miss. Sergt. Davison and Sapper Longworth lifted only 39 to the Island score, the latter contributing but 14 of these, and misses were in order. Lt. Dover ran up 26 and Sergt. Elliott 27 for the last trial for Nova Scotia; P. E. Island, from Capt. Crockett and Sergt. Allan, had 44 divided between them; Sergt. Lordly and Gunr. Loggie had 37, the former getting 10, making three misses, while Loggie, who started out with five bulls, lost the fifth shot and got an inner for his last.

So far as New Brunswick was concerned the battle was lost. They were in second place with 569, Nova Scotia was 626, and P. E. Island 558. The fourth inter-provincial match was virtually in the hands of the Scotians, the only question being the majority, and the struggle was for second position. The last pair was to decide it. Lieut. Smith and Sergt. Miner were the forlorn hope and they added but 24, Miner having four misses. Major Weston and Major Egan swelled the Nova Scotia majority 38, Weston's last three taking a trip into the woods. A brace of 15 was made by Capt. Longworth and Capt. Gray, which made them 558 and left P. E. I. third.

Lt. Col. Doherty, as umpire, made the announcement, Nova Scotia being the winners. Major Hartt, as captain of St. John, proposed three cheers for Nova Scotia and the same for Col. Doherty, which were given. The latter proposed three for New Brunswick team, and the visitors made a hearty response. The men then returned to town. The scores are appended:

| NOVA SCOTIA.             |                  |                  |                  |     |  |  |  |  |  |
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|                          | 200              | 500              | 600              | Tl. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capt. Harris, H.G.A....  | 4 5 4 5 3 5 5—31 | 5 5 5 5 3 5 5—33 | 0 5 3 5 3 5 5—26 | 90  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capt. Maxwell, H.G.A.... | 3 4 4 4 4 5 5—29 | 5 5 5 3 5 5 4—32 | 4 4 5 5 2 4 2—26 | 87  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Major Egan, 63rd.....    | 4 4 4 3 5 5 4—29 | 4 5 4 3 5 5 4—30 | 2 4 2 3 4 5 5—25 | 84  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lieut. Dover, 78th.....  | 4 5 4 4 5 4 4—30 | 5 3 3 5 3 3 5—27 | 3 4 4 5 4 2 4—26 | 83  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sgt. Elliott, 63rd.....  | 5 5 4 4 0 5 4—27 | 5 5 2 4 4 5 3—28 | 5 4 3 4 2 5 4—27 | 82  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maj. Garrison, H.G.A.... | 4 0 4 4 4 4 5—25 | 4 5 5 4 4 2 5—29 | 2 4 3 4 5 3 5—26 | 80  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lt. Stevens, 66th.....   | 3 4 5 4 5 5 4—30 | 4 4 4 5 3 3 3—26 | 2 4 4 5 2 3 4—24 | 80  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maj. Weston, 66th.....   | 4 5 4 4 3 4 5—29 | 5 3 4 5 5 5 3—30 | 3 2 5 3 0 0 0—13 | 72  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Totals.....              | 230              | 235              | 193              | 658 |  |  |  |  |  |

| NEW BRUNSWICK.               |                  |                  |                  |     |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Capt. Hartt, St. John Rifles | 5 5 4 4 4 4 4—30 | 4 4 4 5 5 3 4—29 | 5 2 3 4 5 4 2—25 | 84  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lt. W. Langstroth, 8th Cav.  | 5 4 4 4 4 4 5—30 | 4 3 4 0 5 3 5—24 | 2 4 4 3 5 5 4—27 | 81  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capt. McRobbie, 8th Cav.     | 4 4 4 4 5 2 4—27 | 3 3 4 2 5 5 4—26 | 4 3 5 3 5 3 4—27 | 80  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Col. Sgt. Henderson, 62nd    | 5 4 4 4 5 3 4—29 | 5 5 5 2 2 5 3—27 | 4 2 4 2 2 5 5—24 | 80  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gr. Loggie, N.F.A.....       | 3 3 3 3 3 3 4—22 | 3 2 5 2 2 5 4—23 | 5 5 5 5 5 0 2—27 | 72  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lt. Smith, St. John Rifles   | 4 4 4 4 3 5 3—27 | 5 4 4 2 4 4 5—28 | 3 0 3 2 3 2 2—15 | 70  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Staff-Sgt. Lordly, 62nd ..   | 2 4 4 5 4 4 5—28 | 5 4 2 4 2 4 5—26 | 0 2 0 2 4 2 0—10 | 64  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sgt. Miner, 71st.....        | 5 4 4 4 5 4 4—30 | 4 4 2 4 5 4 0—23 | 4 2 0 0 0 0 3—9  | 62  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Totals.....                  | 223              | 206              | 164              | 593 |  |  |  |  |  |

| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.      |                  |                  |                  |     |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Lieut. Hooper, 82nd....    | 5 5 3 4 4 5 3—29 | 3 2 4 4 5 5 5—28 | 5 5 4 5 4 3 2—28 | 85  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sgt. Davison, Char. Eng.   | 5 4 4 4 4 4 4—29 | 2 4 5 3 2 5 5—26 | 3 2 4 3 5 3 5—25 | 80  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capt. Crockett, 82nd....   | 4 5 5 4 5 5 4—32 | 4 2 4 4 2 5 4—25 | 3 5 2 3 3 2 4—22 | 79  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sapper Anderson, C. Eng.   | 4 4 4 4 3 5 4—28 | 4 5 2 3 5 3 5—27 | 2 5 4 2 0 5 2—20 | 75  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capt. Longworth, P. E. I.  |                  |                  |                  |     |  |  |  |  |  |
| G. A.....                  | 3 5 4 4 5 4 4—29 | 5 5 3 5 4 3 3—28 | 0 0 4 2 5 2 2—15 | 72  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sapper Longworth, Char.    |                  |                  |                  |     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eng.....                   | 4 4 4 4 5 4 3—28 | 4 2 4 5 5 3 4—27 | 5 3 0 4 0 0 2—14 | 69  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Staff Sgt. Allan, 82nd.... | 4 4 3 3 4 2 5—25 | 2 3 3 2 5 2 3—20 | 2 3 2 3 5 2 5—22 | 67  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Corp. Gay, 82nd.....       | 4 4 4 4 5 5 4—30 | 0 2 3 3 2 2 4—16 | 0 0 2 2 3 5 3—15 | 61  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Totals.....                | 230              | 197              | 161              | 588 |  |  |  |  |  |

| PREVIOUS WINNERS.       |     |     |     |      |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1886—New Brunswick..... | 234 | 243 | 224 | —701 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1887—Nova Scotia.....   | 229 | 226 | 199 | —654 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1888—New Brunswick..... | 235 | 223 | 203 | —661 |  |  |  |  |  |

A very sociable party assembled in the dining hall of the Dufferin, at 8.30 in the evening, to partake of the hospitality of the N. B. Provincial Rifle Association, the visiting teams being the guests. There were between 45 and 50 seats occupied. The tables were spread the entire length of the dining hall, and were clothed in a tempting manner. At the top, foot and centre were epergnes filled with natural flowers, and about the middle stood the inter-provincial cup, the trophy that the maritime team, winning the match, is entitled to hold for a year. The Lansdowne cup, won by New Brunswick at Ottawa, also had a place. Large lamps shed a subdued light upon the tables, softening the rays of the gas jets. Major Parks presided, and on his right was seated Lt.-Col. Doherty, commandant of the P. E. Island team; and on his left, Lt.-Col. Blaine; Lt.-Col. Armstrong, vice-president of the N. B. P. R. A., was in the vice-chair, supported by Major Weston, captain of the Nova Scotia team, on the right, and Capt. Longworth on the left. After an hour spent in discussing the menu, and cigars had been lighted, the chairman offered The Queen, which was drunk with all honors, as was the Governor-General, from the vice-chairman, who made an eloquent introduction in so during.

The chairman, after assuring those about the board that it gave him pleasure, as president of the P. R. A., to welcome the visiting teams to St. John, gave the history of the maritime match, and said he was delighted that the suggestion for this match had resulted so pleasantly. It was a matter for congratulation that the matches had been carried on so harmoniously, and he had no doubt that they always would be. He proposed the Health of the Winning Team. Major Weston, captain of the Nova Scotia team, expressed his thanks to the company, on behalf of the Nova Scotia riflemen, for their reception. He would not under-