

Forces, and also the Ministers, &c., &c., to become Vice-Patrons, and the names of those that assented have been duly published.

At a meeting of the Council under the presidency of Lieut.-Colonel the Hon. A. E. BOTSFORD, it was agreed to draw up a programme for a meeting for the competition for such prizes as the amount of funds at their disposal justified them in offering to be contended for, and it was arranged that the first meeting of the Association should take place at or near Montreal, where it was expected that the well known liberality of that city would supplement the prize list with a considerable subscription.

The Government, through the Honorable the Minister of Militia, Sir. G. E. CARTIER, Bt., authorized a grant of \$5,000 in aid of the funds of the Association, and the subscription list embraced the names of His Excellency the Governor General and other liberal subscribers.

The Rules of the Association were framed with a view of holding out strong inducements to encourage the formation of affiliated associations throughout the Dominion, and thirty-three associations thus connected themselves with the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association.

It having been decided that Laprairie Common near Montreal was the locality best suited for carrying out a meeting upon a large scale, arrangements were made to obtain the use of the ground and barracks for the purpose, and MAJOR SCOBLE of the 37th Battalion, V. M., was intrusted with the erection of Butts, and making such provision for carrying out a meeting on a large scale as was considered necessary by the sub-committee under whose directions he acted.

The prize list was published and offered the sum of \$5,155 for competition.

In addition to the above, a prize consisting of a Cup,