

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The year past has been one of the most successful in the history of our Association. At the Annual meeting last Spring, several changes which had been under consideration during the previous year were finally settled, and the result has fully realized expectations. We have had more general interest taken in our proceedings, more competitors, better shooting, and a larger prize list, without exceeding our year's income.

PRIZE MEETING.

The total number of entries at the Prize meeting was 1433, and the average increase in each match was at least ten per cent. over the previous year. It is a matter for congratulation to note such a change, as the attendance had been decreasing for several years previously.

In regard to shooting, we find not only that the first prizes were in many instances won with higher figures, but that the general average has improved.

In the "Active Militia Match" the first three prizes were won with scores which are five and six points over the score which won the *first* prize in 1880. In the "Battalion Match" the first prize was taken with 23 points, and the second prize with six points over last year's first prize score.

In the "Association Match," in like manner, the first team prize was won by fourteen points over the previous year, and even the fifth prize score is only nine points behind it. In the "Aggregate Prize" scores we have a more pronounced view of the improvement, for they are the results of several days' shooting, through favorable and unfavorable weather; here we find an increase of seven or eight points all round.