

RIFLE COMPETITION.

CREEDMOOR—LONG RANGE SHOOTING—THE MATCH FOR THE REMINGTON BADGE.

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The Match for the Remington Diamond Badge, postponed from the previous week, took place at Creedmoor on Saturday. Unusual interest was manifested in the contest as the distances are the same as are to be fired at in the forthcoming International Match between the Irish Eight and a like number of American-born marksmen. The conditions of the match are as follows:—Open only to members of the National Rifle Association. Weapon—any breech-loader, not exceeding ten pounds in weight, trigger not less than three pounds testpull, telescope sights excluded. Distance, 500, 800 and 1,000 yards; any position: seven rounds and two sighting shots at each distance; entrance fee, \$1; the twenty making the highest score at 500 yards to compete at 800, and the ten highest at 800 to compete at 1,000. The prizes were: First, the Remington diamond badge, to be held subject to competition, and \$25; second, Whitworth rifle, presented by Mr. T. C. Clarke, to be held subject to competition and life membership in N.R.A., which may be transferred by the winner if desired; third, cash, \$10; fourth, cash, \$5; fifth, cash, \$5; sixth, cash, \$3.

There were thirty-two entries for the match the firing for which commenced promptly at the hour announced, 3 p.m. Lieutenant Fulton made six bulls eyes and one centre at 500 yards, a score of 27 out of a possible 28. At the second distance, 800 yards—R. Omand made six bulls eyes and one outer, 26. At the 1,000 yard range Capt. Bodino scored 20 and won the match, making at this distance three bulls eyes, two centres and one miss. General Dakin who also scored 20 at 1,000 yards made it with two bulls eyes, two centres and three outers. Range—500, 800, and 1,000 yards.

Names.	Totals.
Captain Bodino.....	69
General Dakin.....	65
A. J. Roux.....	64
E. H. Sanford.....	56
J. L. Price.....	55
Lieutenant H. Fulton.....	54
R. Omand.....	52
J. S. Conlin.....	50
J. T. B. Collin.....	49
G. W. Yale.....	47
G. Crouch.....	46

The first and second prizes have to be won three times before they become the property of the winners. The diamond badge is of gold, a 500 yard target encircled by a laurel wreath and suspended by two chains. The target and clasp enameled in black, the bulls eye being a diamond weighing 1½ carats and of the purest water. Eleven competitors were allowed to enter the lists for the first distance, instead of ten as called for in the conditions. Mr. G. Crouch being allowed to compete having made an aggregate of 41 at the two first distances, whereas Mr. E. H. Sanford who was entitled by his score at the second distance, to a place among the chosen "ten" had made but 40. R. Omand one of two competitors, hails from Hamilton, Ont. He is a member of the 13th Battalion and one of this year's Wimbledon Team. He came here first on the opening of the Creedmoor range and was hired by the Remingtons to use their rifle in the matches here. He is not eligible to shoot in the International Match.

There was but a slight wind in the early stages of the match, but a strong north westerly breeze was blowing when the last distance was being fired. The scores although remarkably good would have been higher had the wind been more favorable. Enough has, however, been shown to prove that there are some first class shot among us and that with a little practice we will be able to produce a team that will give the Irishmen a good rub.

The riflemen here are beginning to open their eyes to the fact that the Irishmen have got a considerable "pull" in restricting the American team to native-born citizens only. This excludes naturalized citizens among whom are numbered some of the best shots.

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THE WIMBLEDON MEETING.

Colonel Philips, Grenadier Guards has been appointed to the command of the camp at the ensuing meeting of the National Rifle Association, and the Council has just issued the following list of the dates on which the various prizes will be contested:

Monday, July 6th.—The Alfred, Alexandra (500 yards), Snider Nursery, Secretary of State for War (900 yards), Henry (1,000 yards), Carton, Walter Scott, Burroughes and Watts, Snider Association Cup (200 yards), Curtis and Harvey, Extra Prizes 1st Series Running Deer and Halford and Martin Smith, Pavilion and Abingdon Works prize.

Tuesday, July 7th.—Queen's (200 yards), Daily Telegraph (300 yards), Secretary of State for War (900 yards), Henry (1,000 yards), Carton, Bass, Windmill (500 yards), Burroughes and Watts, Walter Scott, Extra Prizes, 1st series (if necessary) Snider Association Cup, Windmill (200 yards) Curtis and Harvey, Running Deer, Halford and Martin Smith, Pavilion and Abingdon Prizes.

Wednesday, July 8th.—Queen's (500 yards), Alexandra (600 yards), Secretary of State for War (900 yards), Henry (1,000 yards), Bass, Windmill (500 yards), Burroughes and Watts, Carton, Walter Scott, Snider Association Cup (200 yards), Curtis and Harvey Windmill (200 yards), Running Deer, Halford and Martin Smith, and Pavilion and Abingdon Works Prizes.

Thursday, July 9th.—Queen's (600 yards), Alexandra (600 yards), Secretary of State for War (900 yards), Henry, Bass Windmill (500 yards), Burroughes and Watts, Lords and Commons Match, Carton, Snider Association Cup (200 yards), Curtis and Harvey, Windmill (200 yards), Graphic, Running Deer, Halford and Martin Smith, and Pavilion and Abingdon Works' prizes.

Friday, July 10th.—His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales' Prize, St. George's Challenge Vase, Windmill (500 yards), the Martins, Secretary of State for War (closes at luncheon), Henry, Carton, Bass, Graphic, Walter Scott, Burroughes and Watts, Snider Association Cup (200 yards), Curtis and Harvey, Running Deer, Halford and Martin and Smith, Pavilion and Abingdon Works' prizes.

Saturday, July 11th.—China Cup, St. Ledger, Small bore Sweepstakes (300 yards), Henry (closes at noon) Queen's 2nd stage practice; Ladies' Any Rifle, probably; International Snider Match; Bass, Graphic, Walter Scott, Burroughes and Watts, Carton, Volts, Curtis and Harvey, Snider Association Cup (closes at noon); Halford and Martin Smith, and Pavilion and Abingdon Works' prizes.

Monday, July 13th.—Albert, 200, 600 and 900 yards, Ladies' Any Rifle, Carton, Oaks,

Bass, Walter Scott, and Burroughes and Watts, Graphic, if necessary; Any Rifle Association Cup, Curtis and Harvey, Halford and Martin Smith, and Pavilion and Abingdon Works' prizes.

Tuesday, July 14th.—Queen's 2nd Stage Ladies, Any Rifle (at 5 p.m.); Ashburton Challenge Shield (Public Schools); Spencer Cup (Public Schools); Snider, Wimbledon Cup, Rifle Derby; extra prizes; 2nd Series, Army and Navy Challenge Cup, Bass, Walter Scott, Burroughes and Watts, Curtis and Harvey, Carton. Any Rifle Association Cup, Graphic, Halford and Martin Smith, and Abingdon Works' prizes.

Wednesday, July 15th.—2nd Stage, Albert; 3rd Series, extra prizes, Any Rifle, Wimbledon Cup, Chancellor's Plate (Universities), Arthur, Army Prize; 2nd Stage, Lieut. General Eyro's Army Prize, Any Rifle, Association Cup, Irish International Trophy (probably), Bass, Walter Scott, Burroughes and Watts, Carton, Ladies' Snider Curtis and Harvey, Halford and Martin Smith, and Pavilion and Abingdon Works' prizes.

Thursday, July 16th.—Elcho Shield Permanent Staff Sergeants Prizes, Carton, Any Rifle Association Cup, Rajah of Kolapore's Cup, *Bass, Walter Scott, *Burroughes and Watts, Ladies' Snider, *Curtis and Harvey, Pavilion and Abingdon Works', *Halford and Martin Smith prizes. Those marked with the asterisk denote that the contest will close at evening gun fire.

Friday, July 17th.—Duke of Cambridge prize, the Dudley, Consolation, Olympic Army Rifle Association Cup (close at luncheon), Loyd Lindsay Mounted Rifle prize, Running Deer, and Martin Smith. The latter closes at luncheon.

On Saturday, July 18th, the prizes will be distributed, and the usual review takes place before the Duke of Cambridge.

SORCERY IN MEXICO.—Senor Castilla, Alcade of Jacobo, in the State of Sinaloa, has officially reported to the perfect of his district that, on April 4, he arrested, tried, and burned alive Jose Maria Bonilla and his wife Diego, it having been proven that they had bewitched one Silvestre Zaccarias. The day before the execution Citizen Porras, as a final test, made Zaccarias take three swallows of blessed water, whereupon the latter vomited fragments of blanket and bunches of hair. The Alcade says that the people were exasperated against the sorcerers and demanded that they should be burned. The sentence was executed with his approval. He adds that he has his eye on other sorcerers, against whom complaint has been made by the citizens. The Official Diario confirms the report of the outrage, and says several families of the town have since compelled the officer to burn another old woman and her son for the same cause. The general Government has asked the authorities of Sinaloa to send a detailed report of these proceedings, and to take measures to protect the lives of persons threatened with similar violence.

In the French Assembly today on reading of the journal of yesterday's proceedings loud complaints were made by members of the inaccuracy of the lists of yeas and nays. General Cissy and three others said they had voted in favour of the motion for urgency. On the Left Centre's bill a deputy who voted against the motion declared that seven members of the Left, whose names were recorded in its favor, were not present when the vote was taken. He demanded a rectification of the vote which, according to his statement ought to stand 339 affirmative to 340 negatives.