

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

In issuing the various returns of the past season, it seems a suitable custom to present a report, calling attention to any matters of special interest and to any questions requiring special consideration. On this occasion such a review is most satisfactory in every respect except in regard to the Ranges.

Our Prize-Meeting was unusually successful. Our membership (individual and through affiliated associations) has increased, and our finances are in a satisfactory condition.

It is fair to say that these results have been achieved by the vigor and care of our executive committee and officers, to whom the thanks of our members are due.

The matter of the ranges themselves is the only one which is not in a satisfactory position; owing to the uncertainty of the renewal of the lease by the Militia Department, only the repairs absolutely necessary were made; there is some prospect now of a fresh lease being obtained, but a very considerable expenditure will be necessary to place them in a proper condition for next season's use; and their permanent acquisition is a necessity to the militia of this district; if, by any changes, they are lost, it will seriously affect the practical utility of the force.

PRIZE-MEETING.

The prize-list presented two entirely new features,—a match for the mounted services and a "military" match, both at moveable targets. With the experience gained this year, these competitions may be still further improved, and such matches should be encouraged as they are the more practical form of rifle shooting and the nearest to what is required in actual service. Our city troop of cavalry deserves much credit for the manner in which it turned out for this new practice.