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Ottawa April 16th 1874.

SIR.—I am directed by the Council of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association, to forward for your information and guidance, copies of the following Resolutions passed this day by the Council of the Association, for the selection of the Wimbledon Team from the Dominion of Canada, for 1874 and for next year, and to request that I may be furnished with the information required by Resolution No. 1, by the date required, viz.: 24th May next.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

C. STUART, Lt.-Col.,

Secretary D. C. R. A.

The President

..... Provincial Rifle Association.

Resolution No. 1.—That the Presidents of the Provincial Rifle Associations be requested to send in each, a list of names to the Secretary of the Dominion Rifle Association from which the selection of 20 marksmen to represent the Dominion Rifle Association at Wimbledon, next July, is to be made. The list to be sent in not later than the 24th day of May next, to contain the names, distances, dates, and places of matches, with scores made in 1873; also rank, occupation, and status of each competitor, and his assent to go to Wimbledon if selected. The list to be signed by the Secretary of each Provincial Association, and countersigned by the President. Said lists to contain not more than 18 names from each Province.

Resolution No. 2.—That for the present year one member for the Wimbledon Team shall be selected from British Columbia, and one from Manitoba, and only eighteen from the remaining Provinces. The selection from British Columbia and Manitoba to be made upon the recommendation of the Provincial Associations of these Provinces.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 FOR SELECTION OF WIMBLEDON TEAM NEXT YEAR.

Unanimously Resolved, that the Presidents of the Provincial Rifle Associations be requested to arrange for a competition match of three days, for the selection of marksmen from whom the twenty to be sent to Wimbledon are to be chosen, and that the Secretary of each Provincial Rifle Association sends to the Secretary of the Dominion Rifle Association at Ottawa, the names of eighteen competitors with their scores made at Wimbledon ranges and targets, seven shots without sighting shots, each day, at each range. The list to be accompanied by a Certificate from the President of the Provincial Rifle Association, and to contain in addition to the names and scores, the date of meeting, rank and occupation and status

of each, with the assent of each competitor, that if selected he will be ready to go on the date to be named.

The list to be sent to the Secretary of the Dominion Rifle Association no later than the 31st December.

C. STUART,  
Secy. D. C. R. A.

## NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

### ALTERATION IN SIZE OF TARGETS.

The regulations for the National Rifle Association for the ensuing Wimbledon meeting, which have just been issued, contain some changes which will be of interest to intending competitors from Canada. A great alteration has been made in the size and shape of targets. The 200 yards target is reduced from a rectangle of 6ft. by 4ft. to a circle only 40in. in diameter. The bull's-eye is exactly a circle inscribed in the square of the old bull's eye; the centre is a circle of twice the diameter of the bull's eye—i. e. 16in. The inner is 28in. in diameter, and the outer—the rest of the target—is 40in. in diameter. There is thus a bull's eye of 4in. radius, surrounded by three concentric bands, respectively 4in., 6in., and 6in. wide. The new target for 500 and 600 yards is a circle of which the diameter is only 2in. less than the side of the old 6ft. square target. The bull's-eye is of 22in. in diameter, the bull's eye of former years being 2ft. square. The concentric bands are each 8in. wide. The long range target is of the old rectangular form—6ft. by 12ft. The bull's-eye is circular, 3ft. in diameter, surrounded by a centre band 9 inches wide. The old centre, 6 feet square, is now the "inner," and the outer is of course the rest of the target. The volley target remains as it was, except that a centre ribbon is added above and below the bull's eye ribbon. The size of the cartoon targets, which are circular, is, at 200 yards, 40 inches in diameter, at 500 yards 60 inches, and at 600 and 800 yards 70 inches, with bull's-eyes and centres (no inners) according to the regulation for the ordinary targets at the respective ranges. The outers will be the same size as those of the last two years. There will be at all ranges an outer, inner, centre, and bull's eye, scoring 1, 2, 3, and 4 respectively. It is intended to shoot ties off by single shots in all cases of individual competitions. In matches, and in some special competitions, a modified form of the old rules as to division and marshalling of scores is still adhered to. The Council have defined clearly the dress that must be worn by competitors in the volunteer competitions—viz., the Queen's, the St. George's, the Prince of Wales', the China Cup, and the Volley Prize. For these they must wear tunic or patrol jacket, regimental trousers, knickerbockers or kilt, chako, forage cap, or bonnet, and waist belts without bayonet or sword. And all men of the same corps or rank must be dressed alike.—*Mont. Gazette.*

### RIFLE COMPETITION.

The announced rifle contest between the marksmen of Aurora and a similar number from our own town, took place at the cricket grounds, on Friday last. The match, as may be noticed by the following scores, was a very keen and closely contested one, and the shooting, generally, remarkably good. The range was one hundred yards; and the rifle used, the small-bore Enfield.

AURORA.—F. Hartman, Captain 54; Stevens 52; Larn, 57; Newton 71; C. Irwin, 72; Davis, 71; J. Bruce, 52; Logsdale, 82; W. B. Irwin, 87; W. H. Bruce, 62. Total, 660.

BARRIE.—Chas Clarkson, 87; C. H. Ross, 41; J. Boon, 92; S. Sawrey, 40; G. Perkins, 72; W. Boon, 71; A. Miscoampbell, 87. J. S. Wilson, 75; A. Graham, 50; S. Cullens, 71; Total, 686.

Barrie the victors 20 points.

One dollar each was staked by the men of the respective teams. After the match the Barrie team entertained their Aurora friends at lunch. A return match will be held on Wednesday, 3rd of June, at Aurora.

—*Barrie Examiner.*

PRECIOUS PERU.—When Dr. Johnston invited his readers to "Survey mankind from China to Peru," he can have had no idea how profitable a survey mankind in Peru would be able to make of the waste rubbish of centuries. The guano trade is a great institution, and it is a perfect godsend to Peru. That country has certainly reason to be thankful for the resources which have been accumulated both on its surface and in its bosom by the long processes of ages, and which only awaited human industry to develop them. Almost ever since the South American continent became known to Europe, the territory has yielded abundantly from its fertile stores. But it was the hidden wealth that first enriched it and its conquerors. How much revenue was drawn by Spain in her palmy days of empire from the mines of Potosi and other places it would be impossible to tell, but the amount must have been enormous. Those sources of income became proverbial. But the "wealth of Peru" is no longer pre-eminently its stores of precious stones or costly metals. Our century has been marked by the increasing utilization of waste products; and the Peruvians have found a treasure heaped up on their lands and islands in the long neglected refuse which has now so wide a market for manure. Few, however, will fail to be surprised at the report just rendered by the Commission appointed to examine the extent of the guano deposits. In six districts surveyed there is reported to exist more than nine millions of tons of the useful article, and this refers to fields as yet unworked. It is calculated that enough has been found to cover in value the entire foreign debts of the Republic. As this amounts to £36,000,000, it is easy to believe that the intelligence "has created much satisfaction" at Lima, and increased the credit of the present Administration. We suppose Mr. Hill would have brought this under the category of the "unearned increment" of property. It certainly is curious to think of the prosperity of a country being so largely based on the accumulated excreta of extinct generations of birds.