

It was decided that the Secretary endeavor to ascertain whether medals could be obtained, even though at the expense of the Association.

The special committee on the range, Major Arnold and Captain Kinnear, were requested to lay three or four inches of gravel on the mound of the 600-yard Extra Series, so that a test might be made whether gravel would make a suitable covering.

Mr. M. N. Cockburn at some length explained to the Council the difficulties under which the St. Andrew's Rifle Club laboured for want of Martini rifles. There was a great deal of shooting enthusiasm among the members as had been well evidenced by the attendance of ten of their number at the late Sussex matches, but the scarcity of rifles and the having to make each rifle in their possession do duty for three or four members, were very serious impediments to their shooting efficiency, and practically prevented any increase in their number.

After some remarks and explanations from the chair, the Secretary, and Captain McRobbie, it was resolved,

"That the request of the St. Andrew's riflemen for a loan of rifles be referred for action to the Executive Committee, and that it receive their favorable consideration when the shooting season of 1896 is about to open."

The Council, on motion, adjourned.

J. TWINING HARTT, CAPTAIN.

*Secretary.*