

THE NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION AND THE
WIMBLEDON TEAM.

London, 12 Pall Mall East, S.W.

May 21, 1872.

DEAR SIR,—I have great pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 3rd inst., enclosing the subscription from the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association, and informing the Council of this Association that a Team of Twenty would be sent by the D. R. A. to compete this year at Wimbledon. I need not assure you that this Council looks forward with pleasure to the visit of the Canadian Team, and that they hope that the second appearance of the Team at our meeting may be taken as a proof that we shall at all our future meetings have the pleasure of giving a welcome to the Canadian Volunteers.

As soon as the Team arrives we shall send to the Captain all the necessary forms of entry, as was done in 1871.

You will probably have seen in the newspapers that a statement was made at our general meeting that the number of the team for the Rajah of Kolipore Cup had been reduced to "Eight." Although the statement made by H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge might have led the meeting to understand that this is the case, I hasten to inform you that no change has been effected in the original conditions of shooting for the cup. What should have been stated is that the number of competitors in each team is to be regulated by the number forming the smallest Colonial team, "eight," however, being the *minimum*.

I do not think that there is a chance of any other Colonial team besides the Canada one being present, and the number of competitors will in such case remain at "twenty."

I sent some copies of the Regulations and Prize List, 1872, to Mr. Gzowski, and I shall esteem it a favor if you will kindly take an opportunity of thanking him for the copies of your reports, which he was so good as to send us, and which have been distributed according to his wishes.

The Canadian Rifle Associations in connection with the N. R. A., and on our books are now:

The Dominion Rifle Association.

The Cobourg R. A.

The Ontario R. A.

The Nova Scotia.

The New Brunswick.