

ized here, though several are being formed; And whereas the public cannot be expected to subscribe to or interest themselves in a Match in which our Riflemen would be so badly represented and so disadvantageously situated;

Therefore, resolved that this Council do request the Council of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association to hold their Prize Match of this year in some other Province of the Dominion."

The subject of the position of Surgeons and Medical Officers in the Volunteer Force will be taken up next week.

The Dominion Rifle Association Prize Meeting has been postponed until the 6th September. This does not meet with the approbation of Eastern marksmen.

METROPOLITAN RIFLE ASSOCIATION.—The prize list of the Metropolitan Rifle Association for this year promises to be a handsome one, and its members should feel gratified at the liberal support they have met with in this locality. His Excellency Sir John Young has been pleased to present to the Association, unsolicited, a handsome cup of sterling silver of elegant design, richly chased and highly burnished, the inside of the bowl being gilt and burnished. The bowl also bears His Excellency's monogram, and a chased facsimile of the badge of the Bath. Another cup, we understand, has been presented to the Association by the Civil Service Rifle Association, which has, since the disbandment of that corps, been amalgamated with the Metropolitan. A third cup has been presented, we are informed, by Messrs. Young & Radford.

Inspections by Lt.-Col. Jackson, Brigade Major, 8th Brigade Division.

Tuesday, July 13th, 1869.—L'Orignal at 3.30 P. M.; Hawkesbury Mills 7 P. M.

Wednesday, July 14th.—East Hawkesbury 10 A. M.; Vankleek Hill 7 P. M.

Thursday, July 15th—Plantagenet, morning.

The return match between the Hamiltonians and Montrealers was to have been fired last Saturday. The following is the Montreal team.

Capt. Worsley, 60th Rifles.	.. Rigby.
" Esdaile, Royals. Metford
Lt. McDougall	"
R. A. Field, Esq	"
Jas. Hilton, Esq	"
J. F. Hilton, Esq	"

Ranges 500, 600, 800, and 1000 yards, seven shots at each. We will give the scores in our next.

The Pembroke Volunteer Company, under command of Captain Duck, a popular and efficient officer, were inspected by Lieut.-Col. Jackson, B. M., on the 7th inst. They mustered about 50 strong and received the praise of the Inspecting Officer for their efficiency in drill and the excellent state of their arms and clothing.

PERTH RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

FIRST ANNUAL MATCH IN STRATFORD.

The first annual match of Perth Rifle Association came off in Stratford on July 5th and 6th. There were a good number present to contest for the prizes. Owing to the late heavy rains the range was in bad condition, which no doubt was the cause of the inferior shooting, at some of the distances, as the contestants had to wade almost up to their knees in mud and water. It was intended that the proceedings should be commenced by the opening shot being fired by Lieut.-Col. J. C. V. Daly, Patron of the Association, but owing to some unavoidable circumstance that gentleman was unable to present, much to his own regret and also to those assembled. The honor of firing the first shot fell to Assistant-Surgeon Jackson, of the 28th Batt., who, after a careful aim, sent the first ball clean to the centre of the bull's eye. Through the courtesy of Adjutant Scott we are enabled to give the prize list up to the time of our going to press.

1ST MATCH.

Open to members of the Perth Rifle Association only. Ranges 200 and 300 yards.

The shooting at these ranges was very bad—about the worst we believe ever made at the butt. The prizes were awarded as follows:—1st, George Fulcher, St. Mary's; 2nd J. G. Turner, Stratford; 3rd, Sergt. Treanor, St. Marys; 4th, D. B. Burritt, Stratford; 5th, Col. Service, Stratford; 6th, T. Rastall, Stratford.

2ND MATCH.

Rules the same as in the first match. Ranges, 300 and 400 yards. 1st prize, \$8, 2nd, \$6; 3rd, \$5; 4th, \$4; 5th, \$2, 6th, \$1.

The 1st prize was awarded to Captain Smith, Stratford; 2nd, T. Rastall, Stratford; 3rd, George Fulcher, St. Marys; 4th, W. B. Jackson, Stratford; 5th, D. B. Burritt, Stratford; 6th, Capt. Stephenson, Stratford.

3RD MATCH.

All comers, open to any competitor, with any rifle. 1st prize, \$8; 2nd, \$6; 3rd, \$4; 4th, \$2; 5th, \$1. Ranges, 400 and 500 yards.

In this match the shooting was very good at the 400 yards range, as will be seen by the large scores of bulls' eyes and centres. George Fulcher, of St. Marys, pierced the bull's eye 5 times in five successive shots, but he was less fortunate at the long range. The 1st prize was awarded to W. B. Jackson, Stratford; 2nd, Sergt. Treanor, St. Marys; 3rd, Capt. Smith, Stratford; 4th, J. G. Turner, Stratford; 5th, Major Stephenson, G. T. R.

4TH MATCH.

1st prize, Snider Rifle, value \$25, given by the Ontario Rifle Association; 2nd, \$10; 3rd, \$5; 4th, 100 rounds of ammunition; 5th, 80 rounds; 6th, 40 rounds. Rules the same as in the first and second match.

After a keen contest, which was quite exciting, owing to the fact that the St. Marys men were straining every nerve to carry off the laurels as winners of the best prize, the score showed that Mr. Joseph G. Turner, of Stratford, was the successful competitor by 5 points, he having made 47, while Mr. J. H. Hay, of the St. Marys team, followed with a score of 42, carrying off the second prize. The third prize was awarded to Mr. W. B. Jackson, G. T. R., Stratford; 4th, Col. Service, Stratford; 5th, Adjutant Scott, Stratford; 6th, T. Rastall, Stratford.

The only other match to be fired was the Consolation—5 prizes. We are unable to

give the result, as the competition was still going on when we went to press.

The association have reason to be proud of the success which has attended their first meeting. Everything passed off pleasantly, and so far as we have heard, with satisfaction to all concerned. The prizes were all awarded according to the rules of the Dominion Association and no ties were shot off, the best hits being counted when these points were settled.—*Stratford Herald*.

PRESENTATION.

On Thursday evening the members of No. 1, Ottawa Volunteer Rifles, assembled at the Queen restaurant for the purpose of presenting their late Captain M. J. May, Esq., with a token of their appreciation of him while in command of the corps. Capt. May has for a long time most efficiently commanded this corps, and worked with great energy to keep it up to a proper status, but for private reasons not long since deemed it advisable to retire from the position he so worthily occupied.

Captain May was then presented with a very handsome Malacca cane, richly mounted in silver with an inscription setting forth the occasion of the presentation. The head of the cane was of ivory most elaborately carved.

Capt. May, in a few well chosen remarks, feelingly responded, thanking the company for the many acts of kindness shown him on their part during his term of service, and more particularly for the last, in presenting him with such a beautiful and costly souvenir of their friendship. He assured the donors that he would prize and cherish it with the many fond recollections of Ottawa, and only regretted that he might be compelled to leave her hospitable shelter. During the response the gallant captain was visibly affected at the unexpected mark of appreciation thus bestowed upon him by his comrades in arms.

The great Beard question in the Navy has been settled for the present by an Admiralty Circular dated the 24th ult. Not to keep our gallant sea-rovers in suspense we beg to inform them they are at liberty to discontinue the use of the razor on certain conditions. The Lords of the Admiralty do not tolerate the moustaches without the beard, nor the beard without the moustaches; in other words, they prohibit all "andysism" in the matter. No gay lieutenant is to be allowed to storn Angelina's heart under cover of an irresistible imperi; and no gallant far is to come over Mary Jane with a beard like a Turk, or with an affection of Piccadilly weepers. In all these points we believe the circular will be found inexorable, and the captain will be invested with absolute power to prescribe the decent length to which the beard is to be trimmed. The order is understood to be experimental, and if neatness and cleanliness are not observed, the razor will be reinstated.—*Broad Arrow*

Mr. May of St. Catharines, Ont., thinks that he was unfairly dealt with by the authorities of the Ontario Rifle Association at the recent match in Toronto. He has placed his case in the hands of an able lawyer, Mr. J. G. Currie, and the Association will be required to show cause for not paying Mr. May his prizes. His action in so doing meets with great approbation.

All military stores at St. John, N. B., to be sent to Halifax.