

The 39th, Norfolk Rifles, are out this year in new helmets and Glengarry caps, which have been presented to the regiment by the county. It is one of the best corps on the ground.

Adjutant-General Powell has received advices from the various camps of instruction now in progress throughout the Dominion stating that so far the weather has been very favourable, the attendance good, and the interest manifested keen.

The detachment of "A" and "B" Batteries and "C" Company of Infantry, at present in the North-West Territories, will, it is understood, be detained until the Mounted Police are in a position to take over the duties at the posts which they hold.

The county of Grey has always been justly proud of its representative regiment—the 31st—and always deals liberally with it. This year it is paying each man in the regiment twenty-five cents a day in addition to the Government allowance.

On Saturday last the Minister of Militia signed the first batch of certificates for land grants to our volunteers who served in the North-West during the late rebellion. These certificates are handed to the Department of the Interior and are its authority to issue scrip.

A correspondent of the Winnipeg *Manitoban* had a conversation a few days ago with Governor Dean, of the prison in which Riel is confined. The Governor assured the correspondent that since his imprisonment Riel had not been interviewed by the representative of any newspaper, and therefore the accounts of alleged interviews which have appeared in several journals were skilled impositions.

THE TARGET.

VICTORIA, B.C.—A competition for the selection of a representative on the Canadian team to Wimbledon in 1886 was held at Clover Point Range, on Monday afternoon, 7th September. Two competitors appeared—Capt. Jones, B.C., G.A., and Lieut. Woolcott, V.R. The conditions of the shooting were 87 rounds with the Snider-Enfield rifle, and 21 rounds with the Martini Henry, at various ranges; the competition open to efficient members of the active militia only, who were required to sign an undertaking that in the event of their selection they would join the team when called upon. At the time of the competition the air was smoky and foggy to such an extent as to partially obscure the targets at the longer ranges, and thus to render accurate shooting impossible. Following are the scores obtained, the possible being 540:

Capt. Jones, B.C., G.A.....	341	Lieut. Woolcott, V.R.....	345
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It is not yet decided whether the latter score will entitle the province to the representation competed for. The members of the Canadian team to Wimbledon have their travelling expenses paid one way.—*Victoria, B.C., Weekly Standard.*

MONTREAL GARRISON ARTILLERY.

MONTREAL.—The annual rifle matches of the Montreal Brigade of Garrison Artillery were held at the Point St. Charles ranges on Saturday, 12th September. The following was the result of the day's shooting:—

OPENING MATCH.

Open to all members of the association; range, 200 yards, 7 shots, standing or kneeling; prizes in kind.

First Series.

Sergt. Fegan, No. 6 Batt.....	31	Corp. Holiday, No. 6 Batt.....	27
Sergt. Scott, No. 2 Batt.....	29	Sergt. Drysdale, No. 5 Batt.....	27
Corp. Bell, No. 3 Batt.....	28	Gun. Perry, No. 2 Batt.....	27
Capt. Brush, No. 2 Batt.....	28	Staff-Sergt. Cooper.....	27
Bomb. Laird, No. 4 Batt.....	28	Gun. R. Wilson, No. 2 Batt.....	26

Second Series.

Open only to members of the association who have not won prizes at any previous prize meeting, battery matches excepted.

\$ 5 Sergt. Cullen, No. 1 Batt.....	25	\$ 2 Sergt. Bradshaw, No. 6 Batt.....	17
4 Gun. W. E. Wilson, No. 2 Batt.....	25	1 Gun. Harkness, No. 4 Batt.....	17
3 Corp. Linklater, No. 5 Batt.....	23	1 Gun. Norris, No. 5 Batt.....	17
2 Gun. Bray, No. 4 Batt.....	18	1 Gun. Higginbottom, No. 1 Batt.....	15
2 Gun. Fessenden, No. 2 Batt.....	18	1 Capt. Lane, No. 3 Batt.....	15
2 Gun. Pearson, No. 4 Batt.....	17		

BRIGADE MATCH.

Open to all members of the brigade; ranges, 20, 40 and 500 yards, 7 shots each.

\$ 8 Sergt. Drysdale, No. 5 Batt.....	84	\$ 2 Gun. R. Wilson, No. 2 Batt.....	72
6 Sergt. Clarke, No. 5 Batt.....	82	2 Sergt. Dowker, No. 4 Batt.....	70
5 Sergt. A. Scott, No. 2 Batt.....	80	2 Corp. Linklater, No. 5 Batt.....	70
4 Corp. Holiday, No. 6 Batt.....	78	2 Gun. D. W. Finlayson, No. 2 Batt.....	70
3 Corp. Locke, No. 1 Batt.....	78	1 Sergt. Brunell, No. 3 Batt.....	69
3 Corp. Bell, No. 3 Batt.....	78	1 Sergt. Bradshaw, No. 6 Batt.....	68
3 Major Laurie.....	77	1 Gun. Donaldson, No. 1 Batt.....	68
3 Capt. Brush, No. 2 Batt.....	76	1 Sergt. J. Cooper, No. 3 Batt.....	66
3 Capt. Cole, No. 4 Batt.....	75	1 Bomb. Laird, No. 4 Batt.....	63
2 Sergt. Clark, No. 5 Batt.....	72		

THE COLONEL'S PRIZE.

Lieut.-Col. Oswald's competition cup, to be competed for by teams of five previously named members of the association from each battery. The cup to be won two years in succession before becoming the property of a battery.

No. 5 Batt.....	369
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ASSOCIATION MATCH.

Open to all members of the association; ranges, 400 and 500 yards; seven shots at each; money prizes and prizes in kind.

Corp. Locke, No. 1 Batt.....	54	Sergt. Cole, No. 5 Batt.....	47
Sergt. Drysdale, No. 5 Batt.....	54	Capt. Brush, No. 2 Batt.....	47
Sergt. Cooper, No. 3 Batt.....	53	Gun. W. B. Wilson, No. 2 Batt.....	44
Sergt. Dowker, No. 4 Batt.....	52	Sergt. Bradshaw, No. 6 Batt.....	42
Sergt. Clark, No. 5 Batt.....	52	Major Laurie.....	42
Bomb. Laird, No. 4.....	51	Capt. Cole, No. 4 Batt.....	40
Gun. D. Finlayson, No. 2 Batt.....	50	Gun. Donaldson, No. 1 Batt.....	39
Lieut. J. Finlayson, No. 2 Batt.....	50	Corp. Holiday, No. 6 Batt.....	38
Corp. Bell, No. 3 Batt.....	48	Sergt. Scott, No. 2 Batt.....	38
Gun. R. Wilson, No. 2 Batt.....	48	Gun. Perry, No. 2 Batt.....	37

EXTRA SERIES.

Open only to members of the brigade. Entries unlimited. Only one score to count. Range, 500 yards; seven shots; prizes in kind.

Sergt. Scott, No. 2 Batt.....	33	Gun. R. Wilson, No. 2 Batt.....	24
Corp. Bell, No. 3 Batt.....	26	Capt. Cole, No. 4 Batt.....	23
Sergt. Drysdale, No. 5 Batt.....	26	Gun. D. M. Finlayson, No. 2 Batt.....	21
Sergt. Dowker, No. 4 Batt.....	24		

OPEN MATCH.

Open to all comers for individual prizes, and to teams of 5 bona fide members of any rifle association. Snider rifles; Government pattern; 50 and 60 yards, 7 shots at each range.

Individual Prizes.

\$ 10 Major, Laurie, M.G.A.....	56	\$ 2 Corp. Macfarlane, Vic. Rifles.....	51
8 Pte. D. Currie, 6th Fusiliers.....	56	2 Sergt. Waters, 6th Fusiliers.....	51
6 Staff-Sergt. Macadam, Vic. Rifles.....	56	1 Corp. Jackson, 85th Batt.....	51
4 Gun. D. Finlayson, M.G.A.....	55	1 Col.-Sergt. Allen, 5th Royal Scots.....	50
3 Pte. D. Smith, 5th Royal Scots.....	55	1 Pte. Procklesby, Vic. Rifles.....	49
2 Staff-Sergt. Wynne, 5th Royal Scots.....	53	1 Pte. Riddle, 6th Fusiliers.....	49
2 Sergt. Anthony, 6th Fusiliers.....	53	1 Sergt. Currie, 6th Fusiliers.....	49
2 Pte. R. Allen, 5th Royal Scots.....	52		

Team Prizes.

\$ 15 Sixth Fusiliers.....	251	\$ 5 Fifth Royal Scots, second team.....	234
10 Fifth Royal Scots, first team.....	246		

AGGREGATES.

In matches 1, 2, 3 and 5, at all ranges; 1st prize, D.C.R.A. medal; 2nd prize, P.Q.R.A. badge; 3rd prize, silver medal presented by R. Heinsley; 4th prize, marksman badge by Lieut.-Col. Martin.

Major Laurie.....	201	Sergt. J. Drysdale, No. 5 Battery.....	199
Gun. G. M. Finlayson, No. 2 Battery.....	200	Sergt. C. Clarke, No. 5 Battery.....	197

EXTRACT FROM MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS OF 8th JULY, 1885.

GENERAL MIDDLETON'S OFFICIAL DESPATCH CONCERNING THE BATOCHIE ENGAGEMENT.

(Continued from page 151.)

NORTH-WEST FIELD FORCE, BATOCHIE, May 31, 1885.

May 10.—After an early breakfast I moved out the Infantry, and took up position as advanced as possible, but the enemy were in greater force than the day before, principally as I expect on account of the steamer having passed down the river, and held the ground about the cemetery and also some pits which they had made during the night, just below the crest, where the Gatling had been in position the day before. Some of the enemy also had got into position at the end of a point, running out below the cemetery, and altogether we had lost rather than gained ground as compared with yesterday. I still felt it was good practice and training for my men, who were being taught by so new and painful experience the necessity of using their enemy's tactics and keeping themselves under cover. Moreover, I knew that we could afford the ammunition which (in a sort of a skirmishing fight like this) was wasted on both sides, better than our adversaries, besides giving confidence to my young soldiers, some of whom, the Midland detachment, had as yet not received their baptism of fire. During the morning I had the two guns of "A" Battery shelling a house on the opposite bank and some bluffs where some of the enemy were seen, and in the afternoon the two guns of the Winnipeg Battery shelled the cemetery which was in possession of the enemy, and some rifle pits from a bluff on right front of my camp. In the evening, as before, I withdrew my advanced parties who were again followed by the enemy, but I had some shelter trenches made in front of the camp, about 200 yards in advance, in which I had a party of infantry, and on the right front some more pits nearly flanking the enemy's advance, in which I placed some men of the 90th, armed with the Martini-Henry. As the enemy approached they were received with a heavy fire from these trenches which quickly drove them back, and though one of the enemy fired, apparently with a long range rifle, into our camp, little damage was done, only one horse being touched, and his fire was speedily silenced from our camp, and again we had a quiet night. In retiring this evening the men were much steadier, and during the whole day we had one killed and five wounded, showing that the men were improving in their fighting. The weather being luckily fine as we were bivouacking, not liking to put up tents when so many horses were in the Zareba.

May 10.—The Land Surveyor's Scouts, 50 strong, under Captain Dennis, joined my force in the afternoon.

May 11.—Having heard that there was a fine piece of prairie ground which overlooked the houses of Batoche, and having sent our parties of Infantry to take up the old positions, I started off to reconnoitre the prairie ground, taking with me Boulton's Mounted Infantry and the Gatling. I regret to say that as I was leaving camp, one of the priests, Father Moulin, was brought in on a stretcher, wounded in the left thigh by a Winchester bullet, fired from the cemetery, by the rebels, through the garret of the priest's house: it was luckily a flesh wound, and he was put in a hospital tent, and will go down to Saskatoon with our wounded. The trail to this ground went right through our camp, but as I thought it probable that the enemy might have some rifle pits to defend it, I took a slight detour and came on to the prairie ground a little east of the trail. I found it was a good large plain of irregular shape about 60 miles long and 1,000 yards in the broadest part, with a foot of slight ridge running down the centre and some undulations. We saw a good many men moving about on our left front, and fired two or three rounds from the Gatling, at the same time lying the crest of the ridge with some of Boulton's men, which soon drew a pretty smart fire from the edge of the bluffs running parallel to the ridge, which we soon saw was defended by a series of rifle pits. Leaving this party to hold the enemy, I galloped along the prairie to the northward with the men of the Mounted Infantry, and seeing two of the enemy's mounted scouts gave chase, but they got off into the woods, and we lost sight of them. Having pulled up myself I was returning towards the other party, when I caught sight of a man coming out of a bluff on foot, and gave chase, and on coming up found it was an Indian without arms, who said he was a priest's man, but who eventually turned out to be a rebel who had been fighting against us. After firing for some time at the pits, I retired the