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The Bisley Meeting.

Further particulars of the scoring at Bisley, in continuation of the news published two weeks ago, arrived just too late for insertion last issue, but the additional week since elapsed will not lessen the interest of our readers in the facts relating to the performances of the Canadian team and the doughty marksmen against whom they competed. Chief of all comes the match for the Queen's prize. The winner, Sergt. Bates, of the 1st Warwick, had six time previously competed in the final stage, so that it will be seen he has well earned the great honour. His scores throughout were:—

Ist stage. 2nd stage. 800 yds.—3rd stage—900 yds.—T'l. Gd tl. 26..31..35—92 46..63—109 3555545552—44..3530554053—33..77 278

The next best score was 27c points; then came two of 269, two of 267, three of 264, five of 263, two of 262, two of 260, three of 259, and in the 258's the first of the Canadians appears. The scores of the four, with their places and the prizes they won were:—

27th--Lieut. Smith, St. John Rifles-Badge and £12. 46..59—105 4244323353—33. 0432333245—29..62 258 32nd-Capt. Bishop, 63rd Bn.-Badge and £12. 39. .64—103 0445023545—32..4420442243—29..61 256 58th—Q. M. Sgt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A.—Badge and £10. 37..64—101 0430243535-29..4340053032-24..53 249 62nd—Sgt. Hall, 79th Bn.—Badge and £8. 2353553322--33..0322022245--22..55 43..58—101 248

The above details show exactly how the four Canadians acquitted themselves in the Hundred. Two of them improved and two lost places as the result of the long range shooting, Smith having been 32nd at the close of the second stage, Bishop 34th, Ogg 29th, and Hall 55th, the whole four thus being well into the Hundred, and Hall's two-stage total of 193 being 4 points above the lowest to secure a place in the third stage.

In the Prince of Wales match (7 shots at 200 and 15 at 600 yards) the £100 first prize was taken with a score of 101, and the last of the nineteen prizes with 91 points. Entry is restricted to winners of N.R.A. medals, so that only the pick of the affiliating associations compete. Two Canadians got into the prize list:—

The new field firing competition, the Standard, detailed conditions of which we published some time ago, was won by the English team, who had practised for some weeks for the event. There was only one prize, £105. It was open to provincial teams, and there were five entries, the scores being:—England 847, Canada 677, Jersey 668, Ireland 651, Scotland 610. The first two scores were, in detail:—

In the Graphic, a match with novel conditions explained in our issue of the 31st ult., Canada took only one of the long list of prizes, which went for scores ranging from 68 to 62:—

In the aggregates the Canadians took very creditable places, as the following will show:—

Grand (highest score 341; lowest in, 312)—		
27th. Pte. Hutcheson, 43rd Bn	20	Ę
Volunteer (highest score 158; lowest in, 146)—		
14th. StfSgt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A	152	£5.
32nd. Lieut. Smith. St. John Rifles	KO	3.
35th. Pte. Hutcheson, 43rd Bn	150 147	2
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Single match prizes reported in addition to those already mentioned are:—

Martins' Challenge Cup, 600 yards, 7 shots (highest score 35; lowest in, 31)—

83rd. Major Garrison H.G.A..... 32 £2

St. George's, 600 yards, 7 shots (highest scores, four 35's; lowest in, 29)—

 54th. Pte. Hutcheson, 43rd Bn
 31
 £5

 122nd. Capt. Zealand, 13th Bn
 30
 2

 176th. Stf-Sgt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A
 29
 2

In the Tyro, the prizes offered are restricted to efficient volunteers exclusive of everyone whose name appears in any of the N.R.A. reports as winner of an individual prize- They are awarded to the hundred highest scorers duly qualified in the first stage of the Queen's. The prize scores ranged from 94 to 86:—

 12th. Capt. Bishop, 63rd Bn.
 92 £3

 72nd. Lieut. Manning, 62nd Bu.
 88 1

 74th. Pte Hutcheson, 43rd Bn.
 88 1

The twentieth annual contest for the Kolapore cups, resulted in a victory for the Mother Country team, victors fifteen times against five for Canada. The winning score, 704 points, has only once been surpassed, as the following statement of winners' totals since the Martini has been used will show: -1883, 698; 1884, 665 (Canada); 1885, 650; 1886, 666; 1887, 710; 1888, 687; 1889, 687 (Canada). The Mother Country eight was this year as usual made up of riflemen whose names are known all over the Empire. It included no less than four Queen's Prize-men, these being Bates, this year's winner (seven times in final stage), Pearse (eight times), Fulton (once) and Lawrance (tour times); one Gold Cross winner, Grier, who has been five times in the final stage of the Queen's, an honour won by Parry eight times, Jones six times, and Brown five times. Against this formidable combination the Canadians were able to put an eight with a good share of experienced men, Ogg, Smith, Marris and Gray being comparatively "old hands" at Wimbledon, while of the new blood, Bishop and Hutcheson, had distinguished themselves by their steady shooting at Bisley. They made a gallant attempt to win, leading the field at 200 yards, where the Canadians usually lose points, but falling off at the other ranges, where all the other colonial teams were uncomfortably close up. These were the scores:-

1st.--MOTHER COUNTRY--Winner of Cups.

	200	500	600	Tot
Sergt. Bates	4455454-31	5545555-34	5454555-33	98
Major Pearse	5554345-31	554555534	2355545-29	94
Lieut. Grier	5534545-31	4255555—31	. 4454452—28	
Sergt. Parry	3533454-27	345455531	5245555—31	89
Lieut. Brown		5544533—29	4443535-28	88
Pte. Jones	3234335-23	554545533	4244535—·27	
Sergt. Fulton		544254529	5442255 -27	82
Sergt. Lawrance		4535453-29	342245424	80
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Totals.	227	250	227	704