

write, or cipher? With what satisfaction would a Northern claimant regard an adverse decision made by a jury, a majority of whom were colored, when the same case measured by intelligence and submitted to the judgment of men of experience and education, would perhaps have been decided in his favor? Suppose that he is a patentee whose rights have been infringed, and whose interests—involved to the amount of half a million of dollars—are dependent upon the keen discrimination of an intelligent jury called upon to determine some material difference between machinery or processes of manufacture; is it not preposterous to suppose that a colored jury, constituted as I have described, possess the requisite qualifications to render a just and intelligent verdict.

This is a new phase of American Liberty, and is only another proof that there are tyrannies as odious and oppressive as any despotism represented by familiar instances of history.

SHOOTING MATCH AT OTTAWA.

An interesting match between five men of No. 1 Battery, Ottawa Garrison Artillery, and a similar number of members of the Military School Association, of Ottawa, came off at the Rideau Rifle Range, on the afternoon of Monday last. The ranges were 200 and 400 yards, 3 shots at each, by the position, with the same rules and regulations that governed the late rifle tournament at that city. The match originated through a challenge thrown out by the latter at the Company match in the late Tournament, one of their number having been ruled out of that match on the ground that he had only joined the Association the previous day. The gauntlet was promptly taken up by Captain Parsons, on behalf of his Battery, and the necessary preliminaries were immediately afterwards got through. By mutual consent the stakes, \$50 a side, were placed in the hands of Mr. George Moss, proprietor of the *VOLUNTEER REVIEW*. The day was remarkably fine, with a strong and gusty wind blowing across the range, from southwest to northeast, which prevented the competitors from making their usual good scores. At the commencement of the match comparatively few spectators were present, but as things grew exciting, several ladies and gentlemen appeared on the ground. At three o'clock, the bugle having sounded the assembly, the respective squads fell in, the whole being under the command of Lieut. Gemmel, of No. 1 Battery. Capt. Stuart, of the Militia Department, attended on the ground as referee: but happily his services were not called into requisition by unseemly disputes. Mr. Riggs and Sergt. Cuzner, acted as scorers, and the marking was efficiently carried on under the superintendence of Sergt. Major Rhodes and Sergt. Wingfield. Capt. Parsons led off, followed by Major Irvine and the others alternately. The scores were as follows:

NO. 1 BATTERY.

	200 yds.	400 yds.	T'l.
Captain Parsons,	333	221	17

Sergeant Harris,	233	324	17
Sergeant S. Haycock,	241	202	14
Born. McDonald,	224	030	11
Gunner Morrison,	242	443	19

Total points, 78

MILITARY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

	200 y.	400 y.	T'l.
Maj. Irvine Magentic Batt.	332	002	10
Lt. Cotton, Ottawa G. A.	233	203	14
Lt. Falls, 43d Battalion,	332	303	14
Lt. Walsh, Civil Service R.	523	301	12
F. Cotton, M. S. Cadet,	443	332	19

Total points, 69

It will thus be seen that No. 1 succeeded in winning the stakes by 9 points, and in maintaining its already well established reputation as the best shooting company in the Capital. The scores, on the whole, however, were far below the usual average. At the conclusion of the match, Captain Parsons called for three cheers for the Military School men, and his Battery responded in splendid style. The Military School men returned the compliment with lusty voices, showing that they were not at all disheartened at their defeat. A friendly return match between both squads is spoken of, which will likely come off soon.

CIVIL SERVICE REGIMENTAL MATCH.

FIRST DAY.—OFFICERS' MATCH.

At two o'clock, p. m., on the 22nd., the officers' match was opened, Lieut. Col. Wily in command. The day was raw and cold, with a gusty north-west blast, which, at times, swept across the range with a chilling effect, thus telling against the firing squad.

The hits, however, were not as numerous as we anticipated, and the day's scoring cannot fairly be taken as a criterion upon which to base the calibre of the officers of this regiment as marksmen.

Dr. Wilson and Lieut. King were particularly unfortunate: having scored under six points at the first two ranges, they were ruled out of the 400 yards range.

Captain Desbarats having scored the greatest number of points, 29, carried off the first prize, a silver plated salver; Lieut. Walsh, 24 points, second prize; for the third and fourth prizes, Major Anderson, and Captain White, having tied at 23 points, fired off two rounds each; Major Anderson scored an outer and a bull's-eye, 6; Capt. White, twoouters, 4.

Total points scored in ten rounds 216. Thus giving an average but slightly overouters.

SECOND DAY.—NON COMMISSIONED OFFICERS' MATCH

For target practice, this was the finest day we have had since the opening of the tournament. A clear bright sky, with the wind almost directly down the range. From some unaccountable reason, the scoring was worse than that made by the officers on Tuesday. Twenty-nine points gained the first prize on

that day, whilst yesterday it went for twenty-six.

There were twenty-nine entries made, and ten rounds to be fired, which, all told, would give a possible score of 1160 points. Seven were ruled out at the 400 yards, having failed to score six points at the first two ranges—200 and 300 yards. Their shots, or points, at the 400 yards, would, if counted, make 112; deducting this from the 1160, leaves an actual possible score of 1038 points, and there were but 365 points made. This cannot be considered a good score, nor even a fair average one. Total points scored 365.

Sergeant Harvey got the first prize, a silver plated coffee urn; Sergeant Parent the second, a meerschaum pipe; Lance Corporal Morgan the third, a crystal and silver sardine case; Lance Corporal Stevenson the fourth, a silver pencil case with gold pen; Corporal Pellant the fifth, a bread knife and platter; Sergeants Wolf and Powell fired off their ties for the sixth, a cut glass ink stand, the latter winning. The firing squad was under command of Major Anderson, who enforced the rules of order strictly. After the score had been announced, three cheers were given for the winners.

THIRD DAY.—THE PRIVATES' MATCH.

The Privates' Match, for which there are eight prizes, was opened at 2 p. m. The weather was exceedingly fine and much milder than either of the preceding days, furnishing good light for firing until 5.20. From 4.45 to 5.15 the target presented a clean bright face,—better for firing at no marksman would desire,—and the scoring of those who were considered fair shots, told well. There were sixty-two entries, consequently firing was only finished at the first two ranges, 200 and 300 yards. Those who did not score six points at these two ranges are ruled out, and as there are twenty-one unfortunates whose rank is in this class, the actual firing party who will fire at the 400 yards range is reduced to forty-one.

There were eight of the twenty-one who did no injury to the target, but they made the dust fly. The only difficulty likely to occur during this match will be to award the green spectacles. On the other side of the question, we may add for the honor and credit of the privates, that there were five who never missed the target, and seven who have made but one miss, and that there are twenty-five who have made respectable scoring, several averaging centres.

At the close of the firing we noticed on the ground the Hon. Mr. Macdougall, C. B., Lieut. Col. Wily, and several others, heads of departments, who have evinced a lively interest in the match from the first day.

A beautiful prize was presented by Lady Macdonald. It consists of a set of four salt-cellars, with shovel spoons, and morocco case. The cellars are in the shape of a tub, are of the very best electro-plated ware, with heavy fine gilt lining inside. This souvenir will be presented to the gentleman making