

by the gift which Mr. Mercier generously offered on the occasion of his visit to the Garrison Artillery camp at the Isle of New Orleans last September. This consists of a handsome piece of plate upon which appear the figures, in brass, of a British sailor and soldier, the whole forming a trophy well worth competing for. It has been decided to offer it as a prize for the highest aggregate in the 64-pounder and 40-pounder competitions combined at the Orleans, competition this year.

It is understood that for the annual tournaments the Dominion Artillery Association will choose the two weeks following the prize meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association. The Garrison meet, at the Island of Orleans, Quebec, will probably open on the 8th September; and the Field Artillery meeting, at Kingston, on the 16th September. The rules for practice at these have recently been issued by the Inspector of Artillery. The prize lists were referred to last week.

Mr. J. H. Steward, the well-known optician of London, England, has added another to his series of generous gifts to the Dominion Rifle Association, intimation coming this week that a valuable Graphoscope (£6 15s.) had been despatched by him for competition at this year's meeting. It has been decided to put this prize in the place occupied by Mr. Steward's handsome gift of last year, at the head of the Snider Aggregate list. This has now been lengthened to fifty prizes, consisting of \$250 cash and the graphoscope. By the way, the increase in the Snider Aggregate prize list this year is not so generous on the part of the Association as at first supposed. Last year the Aggregate was inaugurated with twenty-seven cash prizes amounting to \$150, and entrance was free. Now \$100 has been added, but an entrance fee of fifty cents is to be charged, so that the match will be almost self-supporting.

A cable message from Col. Prior, received on Monday, announced the safe arrival of the Bisley team in England, after a voyage of more than usual length. Again this year the team will have the privilege of a week's practice upon the range of the Cambridge Volunteers. Though the competitions will not commence until Monday next, there is to be an interesting preliminary gathering on Saturday, when with fitting ceremonial, the Princess of Wales will fire the first shot of the N.R.A. meetings at Bisley, as the Queen did at Wimbledon thirty-one years ago.

### The Rifle.

In the Guards' weekly spoon competition (Martini, Queen's ranges) at Rideau range last Saturday, Col. Sergt. Mailleue won the spoon with a total of 84 points. Lieut. Winter, who did not compete for the spoon, and fired with a Snider rifle, made 85 points.

We received this week the programme of the Manitoba Rifle Association annual prize meeting, to be held at Stoney Mountain range, commencing on Tuesday, 22nd July. It is well varied, and consists of no less than seventeen competitions, including four extra series, one pool and one revolver match. The prize list makes liberal provision for nursery shots, and for the encouragement of team shooting.

In connection with the annual prize meeting of the Metropolitan Rifle Association, there will be on Saturday afternoon, 23rd August, an all-comers match with \$150 offered in three team and thirty-six individual prizes. The match will be with Snider rifles, seven shots at 200, 500 and 600 yards, D.R.A. rules for 1890 to govern. There will also be extra series matches, at 500 and 600 yards, open to all comers, with a long string of cash prizes in each. The Montreal riflemen have been invited to send representatives. This will be the last shooting on Rideau range prior to the D.R.A. meeting.

The Ottawa Rifle Club's regular spoon competition came off on Rideau range last Saturday afternoon, with Martinis at 200, 500 and 600 yards. A member of the second class, T. McJanet, headed the list with 91, taking a dessert spoon, and this being his third win in that class he now joins the 1st. The scores next in order were as follows, the tie in the first class being shot off and won by the first named:—Lieut. E. D. Sutherland, dessert spoon, 1st class, 84; G. A. Mailleue, tea spoon, 1st class, 84; J. H. Ellis, 83; H. Watters, tea spoon, 3rd class, 82; Dr. G. Hutchison, 81; J. A. Armstrong, 81; W. G. Dial, 81.

### The Military Rifle League.

Being, like A Battery, prevented by repairs to the range from firing the third League competition on the 14th June, the team of the 14th P. W. O. Rifles also fired, by permission, on the 28th inst., when they scored as follows; Lieut. White 70, Col.-Sergt. Ross 69, Pte. A. Hora 66, Pte. C. Hora 63, Pte. Martin 55, Pte. Gillespie 47, Pte. Simons 43, Pte. Connor 33, Pte. White 29, Pte. Criggan 10; totals 179, 178, 128—485.

The Montreal teams, with the exception of the 6th Fusiliers, on the 28th June fired the League match (the fourth) originally set down for that day, but officially postponed to the 2nd of August. They claimed that in consequence of other fixtures the later date would not suit them, and fired on the strength of permission given by local representatives of the League, though it is said the President had refused his sanction. It now remains to be decided whether the scores are to be allowed. They are as follows: Victoria Rifles, first team 760, second team 499; 5th Royal Scots, first team 695, second team 508; Garrison Artillery, 690; Prince of Wales Rifles, first team 492; 65th Battalion, 342.

At this long pause in the operations of the League, with three of the seven matches fired, it is interesting to sum up the scores and see who are leading in the race for the team and individual prizes. To take the teams first, and assuming that there will be as promised a trophy for every five of the fifty-two entries, this would be the prize list were the positions unchanged between now and the finish:—

1. 54th Battalion.....	2436	6. 63rd Battalion.....	2190
2. Halifax Garrison Art.....	2371	7. 21st Battalion.....	2182
3. 13th Battalion.....	2212	8. B Battery, R.C.A.....	2162
4. 53rd Battalion.....	2202	9. 12th Battalion.....	2146
5. 45th Battalion.....	2192	10. 10th Royal Grenadiers.....	2146

Ten "trophy" badges for the individual competitors will be awarded to the team winning the first trophy.

### THE LOCAL CHAMPIONS.

The competitor making the highest aggregate on each team will receive a team championship badge, and for this honour the standing is now as follows:—

A Battery, R.C.A., Gr. Roothame..	187	12th Bn., Stf-Sgt. A. Bell.....	238
B Battery, R.C.A., Gr. T. Pugh....	255	13th Bn., { Capt. E. G. Zealand*....	233
B Company, I.S.C., Lc-Corp. Ryan.	146	{ Col-Sgt. E. Skedden....	229
C Company, I.S.C., Pte. J. Reid..	206	14th Bn., { Lieut. W. Hora*.....	144
G.G.F.G., Tpr. Kennedy.....	172	{ Lieut. J. A. B. White....	120
H.G.A. 1st team { Capt. E. D. Adams	247	21st Bn., Pte. S. B. Green.....	251
{ Sgt. Maj. S. Case.	247	35th Bn., Barrie team, Sgt. Sproule.	101
H.G.A., 2nd team, Bty. Sgt.-Maj.		35th Bn., Orilliateam, Pte. Wm. Paine	198
Melvin.....	226	37th Bn., Pte. F. Smetzer.....	211
Montreal Gar. Art., Sgt. J. J. Bell.	202	38th Bn., Capt. C. M. Nelles.....	196
P.E.I.G.A. { Capt. J. A. Longworth*	217	43rd Bn., 1st team, Lt. E. D. Suther-	
{ Capt. H. M. Davison..	208	land.....	238
Ch'town Eng's, Capt. W. A. Weeks..	237	43rd Bn., 2nd team, Pte. T. McJanet	
{ Capt. H. H. Gray*.....	226	44th Bn., Capt. G. W. McMicking..	226
G.G.F.G., 1st team { Corp. T. Carroll.....	223	45th Bn., Bowmanville team, Capt.	
{ Sgt. W. Short..	223	W. S. Russell.....	250
G.G.F.G. 2nd team, Pte. T. F. Elmitt	159	45th Bn., Lindsay team, Lt. J. A.	
1st P.W.R. 1st team, Sgt.-Maj. A.		Williamson.....	250
Ferguson.....	163	49th Bn., Pte. Mussen.....	140
1st P. W. R., 2nd team, Pte. Lam-		53rd Bn., Lt. R. J. Spearing.....	246
oureux.....	41	54th Bn., Lt. M. H. Healy.....	264
Q. O. R., 1st team, Stf-Sgt. Harp....	226	57th Bn., Capt. R. M. Dennistoun..	231
Q. O. R., 2nd team, Stf-Sgt. Don-		{ Col.-Sgt. M. B. Hender-	
nelly.....	232	son.....	226
Vic. Rifles, 1st team, Pte. Miller... 214		{ Lieut. S. B. Lordly... 225	
Vic. Rifles, 2nd team, Sgt. P. Gorman	167	63rd Bn., Capt. J. G. Corbin.....	232
5th R. Scots, 1st team, Pte. J. Kambery	209	65th Bn., { Capt. Beauchamp.....	106
5th R. Scots, 2nd team, Sgt. D. O'Brien	191	{ Sgt. Maj. Gauthier.....	106
6th Fus., 1st team, Sgt. H. Todd... 211		82nd Bn., Capt. D. L. Hooper....	246
6th Fus., 2nd team, Pte. F. Green.. 185		90th Bn., Stf-Sgt. C. N. Mitchell..	229
8th Royal Rifles, Stf-Sgt. Perrett... 227		96th Bn. (Scores not all in)	
9th Bn., Col.-Sgt. E. Gosselin..... 185		F. Div., N. W. M. P., Const. A. R.	
10th R.G., 1st team, Stf-Sgt. T.		Carmichael.....	213
Mitchell.....	255	Regina Rifle Assn., R. Sweet.....	203
10th R. G., 2nd team, Pte. Cochrane	206	Sask. Rifle Assn., D. Williamson..	234

Those marked (\*) have sailed with the Bisley team, so that their posts of honour here go to the next in order.

### THE LEAGUE CHAMPIONS.

A "League Championship" badge is offered to the highest individual aggregate scorer in the seven matches. To date this is how the leaders in this contest stand:—

Lieut. M. H. Healy, 54th Bn.....	264	Capt. D. L. Hooper, 82nd Bn.....	246
Stf-Sgt. Cleveland, 54th Bn.....	262	Lieut. Spearing, 53rd Bn.....	246
Major Thomas, 54th Bn.....	259	Bandsman Whalen, 54th Bn.....	243
Stf-Sgt. T. Mitchell, 10th Bn.....	255	Pte. McKenzie, 21st Bn.....	242
Gr. T. Pugh, B Battery.....	255	Stf-Sgt. Mitchel, 45th Bn.....	241
Pte. S. B. Green, 21st Bn.....	251	Stf-Sgt. Clark, 53rd Bn.....	241
Capt. W. S. Russell, 45th Bn.....	250	Pte. E. Swallow, 54th Bn.....	241
Lieut. Williamson, 45th Bn.....	250	Capt. Maxwell, H. G. A.....	241
Sgt. J. C. Dixon, 21st Bn.....	247	Major Bernard, 54th Bn.....	240
Capt. Adams, H. G. A.....	247	Bandsman Witty, 54th Bn.....	240
Sgt. Major Case, H. G. A.....	247		