

shot for at five consecutive matches, and the winners will next year contest for its ownership.

The Shooting Year was very successfully opened with the Maritime Match at Bedford Range, Halifax, on Thursday, June 14th. With less difficulty than hitherto a team was formed to represent this Province, and in a well-fought match succeeded in making the highest team total of 661 points, Nova Scotia being a close second with 646, and the Island third with 616.

The selection of the New Brunswick Team was made according to the method devised by the Council in 1886 and approved at the last Annual meeting, but in view of the fact that any members who gained places by their shooting at Sussex did so wholly with the Snider Rifle, the Executive Committee gave the matter further consideration while the Sussex Meeting was in progress. Being unanimously of opinion that Martini shooting should in some degree determine every place on the team, a notice was posted on the board that four members of the 1889 Team should be chosen from the Wimbledon Team Aggregate at Ottawa, and the other four would be named or selected by the Executive Committee.

The Trophy for this competition has since arrived from London, and is now in the custody of the Association. It is gratifying in this connection to mention that the generous support of members and outside friends has enabled the Association to meet its share of the cost of the Trophy without in the least resorting to its ordinary funds.

The Special Allowance from the Provincial Government of \$300 was, as usual, made to the Association, and enabled it to provide for a team of twenty-eight men to take part in the Dominion shooting at Ottawa. It is difficult to estimate the value to the Association of this allowance. It is the means—which otherwise would be wholly wanting—of insuring for the Province a creditable representation at the annual gathering, and places our shots in a position to there contest with riflemen from all the other Provinces and to win for themselves the right to represent Canada at the great meeting of the N. R. A. in England.

Happily the success of former teams has always been such as