

4. The Council sees no room to doubt that there are in the active force of Canada riflemen capable of holding their own in competitions, in which military arms are used, with the best marksmen to be found among the volunteers of the United Kingdom, and it is hoped that the change in the mode of selecting our Team, which has been inaugurated in the past year in accordance with the resolution of the last general meeting, will have the effect of bringing them to the front.

5. In accordance with the resolution above referred to the competitions for places in the Team for 1878 were held at the meetings of the several Provincial Associations. The conditions under which these competitions were held will be found in the appendix. The twenty highest scores made at the competitions represent:—

- 1 from Ontario;
- 5 " Quebec;
- 12 " New Brunswick;
- 2 " Nova Scotia.

The competitors in Prince Edward's Island, Manitoba and British Columbia not obtaining a place.

6. Representations have been made to the Executive Committee that in some cases the regulations for these competitions have not been complied with, and it is alleged that in one case the rules were overstrained in the direction of too much severity, while in others they were too much relaxed.

7. The parties who have made these representations have been requested to formulate them in a memorandum, a copy of which has been forwarded to the respective associations, for such observations as they may desire to offer.

8. The Council is of the opinion that a formal selection and notification of the Team should not be made until it is known whether the Government will grant sufficient funds in aid of the Association to enable it to meet the cost of sending the Team to Wimbledon next summer.

9. A nominal list of the names of competitors, submitted by the Provincial Associations with their several scores will be found in the appendix.