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Reports received by cable indicate that the Canadians have very creditably acquitted themselves, winning many minor prizes, and no less than four—Ogg, Bishop, Smith and Hall—securing places in the Queen's Hundred, and scoring high in the final shoot. Up to the time of going to press news of the Kolapore Cup contest, fired on Wednesday, has not been received. In next and following issues we will give details of the meeting, which will then have arrived by mail.

The Dominion Rifle Meeting.

At a meeting of the Executive of the Dominion Rifle Association held on Monday evening, and at which there were present Majors Bond and Blaiklock, of Montreal, besides the members residing at Ottawa, the arrangements remaining to be made for the conduct of the annual competition were decided upon, and the programme, submitted in printed form, was approved and ordered to be issued. The staff and range officers were also named, the secretary being instructed to ascertain from those upon whom the choice fell whether or not they would accept, and pending replies the list cannot be positively given.

The secretary, Lieut.-Col. Bacon, submitted the proposed time table, which was adopted. Consequent on the increased target accommodation, there now being thirty-three targets available in the main butt for the regular matches in place of twenty-five as formerly, and time being saved also by firing in threes instead of pairs, the matches are to be completed on Thursday afternoon, thus saving a day to the competitors, and enabling all the chief prizes to be handed over at the formal presentation on Thursday evening, whereas hitherto the Governor-General's match and the Provincial team competition for the London Merchants' Cup, have not been fired until the next day, to say nothing of the extra series competitions. This time table makes provision for 500 competitors, firing not only the regular matches, but having also a liberal allowance of time for extra series shooting at the regular match targets before the 500 and 600 yards ranges of the several competitions. It is not anticipated that there will be that number of competitors, the attendance last year having been 416—"high water mark"—so that there will be a good margin of time for unexpected and unavoidable delays.

A popular innovation will be the throwing open of all the regular match targets for extra series firing for three-quarters of an hour on Monday morning before the serious work opens with the Nursery competition, and the Macdougall Cup match, which immediately follows the Nursery. Both ranges of the Macdougall will be fired Monday morning. The afternoon will be given up to the "Military" matches—the Gowski and British Challenge Shield; the extra series firing on the eight targets set apart for that purpose at 500 and 600 yards being stopped, but that at 800 and 900 yards being allowed to continue, as well as the Revolver match.

On Tuesday the regular matches fired will be the Manufacturers, Minister of Militia and Standing. Wednesday will be monopolised by the Dominion of Canada, the close of this ending the Snider shooting, and determining the Snider Aggregate prize winners. The conditions of all the Snider matches are the same as last year. There will probably be more than an hour available at the close of Wednesday afternoon for

extra series shooting at all the targets, giving a chance of sighting for the Martini work of next day.

Thursday morning another such opportunity will be afforded, all the targets being open for extra series shooting from 8.30 to 9.15, when the Rideau match—seven shots at 500 yards, Martini—will be fired. Last year this was at 600 yards. Immediately following will be the Ouimet match, also Martini, at 600 yards as last year, but now ten shots in place of seven. This will end the shooting for the Grand Aggregate. There are seventy-six prizes in this aggregate in place of sixty last year, and instead of only the top sixty competing for the Governor-General's prizes and for Bisley team places, the first hundred will now have that privilege.

The Governor-General's match will be started at two o'clock Thursday afternoon. This trial of skill will not, however, determine the list for Bisley, as a further test is to take place, the whole hundred immediately going over the ranges once more in connection with the London Merchants' Cup competition, this arrangement being tried on the supposition that nearly all those chosen for the Cup teams will be in the hundred, and they will thus be saved from going over the range a third time. By the additional shooting provided greater proficiency with the Martini will be necessary in order to secure places on the Bisley team, and this is as it should be, in view of the fact that the shooting at Bisley is with the Martini.

The Extra Series at 500 and 600 yards will probably be closed at the dinner hour on Thursday, the 800 and 900 yards Series and the Revolver match being probably kept open until the finish of the Merchants' Cup competition at about 4.30 p.m.

In the Revolver match, the Executive decided to adopt the "Queen's Own Rifles of Canada Standard Revolver Target," in place of that formerly used. Much close scoring will now be required. The dimensions and scoring of this target are:

First circle on bull's eye	1 3/4 inches,	value 7 points
Second " "	2 3/4 " "	6 " "
Balance of bull's eye	4 " "	5 " "
First outer circle	4 " "	4 " "
Second " "	7 " "	3 " "
Third " "	9 1/4 " "	2 " "
Fourth " "	12 1/2 " "	1 " "

Attention having been directed to the anomalous fact that no efficiency qualification was required from officers, whilst stricter provision had been made respecting the n. c. o.'s and men, the Executive inserted a rather indefinite clause, making the efficiency requirement now read thus:

"In the case of a commissioned officer, one of good standing in his corps, or who has retired retaining rank; in the case of a n. c. o. or private, one who has performed the last annual drill of his corps, or in cases where no such drill has been ordered within twelve months previous to the meeting of the D. R. A. at which he may be present, been a duly enrolled member of the Militia and entitled to compete at the D. R. A. matches."

Regimental and Other News.

Lieut.-General Sir Fred. Middleton was on Tuesday evening of last week entertained at a farewell banquet by his Toronto friends, military and civilian, a large number gathering to do him honour. Prof. Goldwin Smith presided and made a speech, in which he referred to the General's career as a brilliant one, the record of which could never be wiped out by the calumny of politicians. Sir Frederick, who made the only other speech, in his reply said he had been grossly misrepresented by the press. He had always had the interest of the force at heart. He had always done his best and used his knowledge and experience for the betterment of the service. Mistakes he might have made, but they were of the head and not of the heart. It was a gross lie that any of the militia had written that they would not serve under him. He said he had thought to spend the rest of his life in Canada, as his wife