

Hall, Curran, Kenny, Daly and Davin, M.P's. It was pointed out that teams had been entered from the cities of Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, Québec, Halifax, St. John, Winnipeg and Ottawa, and from rural battalions in all the provinces with the exception of British Columbia. As all the expenses of the matches will be borne by the regiments entering teams, it was urged that the Government should supply the ammunition, in view of the fact that the proposed matches, being carried on at battalion head quarters, promised to give to the men of the various corps, especially of the rural battalions, more direct encouragement than the great contests for the prizes offered by the Dominion and Provincial Rifle Associations. The Minister in reply entered very fully into the question and promised to give the request made the most favourable consideration.

The Minister gave his answer on Thursday, just in time to give the MILITIA GAZETTE the pleasure of making the announcement this week that free ammunition will be issued by the Government to all teams competing in the League matches.

ASSINIBOIA PROVINCIAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of this association took place on Monday evening, 21st April. The president, Major D. Mowat, was in the chair, and a good number of the members were present. Minutes of the last annual meeting approved, the president read his report, a highly satisfactory one, showing the membership to be seventy, besides honorary members. Some of the facts referred to in the report have been already published. The entries in the competition last year numbered 380 and in the extra series matches 164. During the season 20,000 rounds of ammunition were fired off. The association competed in 22 inter-association matches and had 360 entries for the Saturday afternoon spoon competitions. The president referred in flattering terms to the valuable services of the secretary-treasurer, to whose energy and ability the credit for last season's success is due.

The secretary-treasurer then read the statement of receipts and expenditure, together with a general balance sheet which had been duly audited and signed by the auditor, Mr. A. E. Forget. The total receipts from all sources, including subscriptions and prizes in cash and kind, sale of ammunition, membership fees, etc., were \$1,571.23, and after a few outstanding subscriptions were collected and the accounts due by the association paid, would leave a balance to credit of \$14.73, together with 78 feet of new butts and 3 sets of targets, erected and paid for out of last season's work at a cost of over \$250. The secretary-treasurer also stated that last season he sent out over 850 letters, circulars and notices, and he strongly advised the amendment of the constitution as regards the office of secretary-treasurer, as the amount of work was too great to be imposed upon any single member of the association. Mr. A. E. Forget, Assistant Indian Commissioner, stated that he had gone over all the items of receipts and expenditures most minutely and found the same to be correct. He also had pleasure in testifying to the admirable manner in which the books had been kept by Mr. Jowett. The report was adopted, and it was resolved that clause 8 of the constitution be further amended, to read that a secretary and treasurer be appointed instead of a secretary-treasurer as heretofore.

The following officers were elected: The patrons were all re-elected; president, Major D. Mowat; 1st vice-president, Major Hayter Reed; and vice-president, Mr. A. E. Forget; treasurer, Dr. J. H. C. Willoughby; secretary, John W. Jowett; council, Major Bell, Indian Head; W. Sutherland, Qu'Appelle; Capt. Harris, Moosomin; H. P. Clifton, Swift Current; Messrs. R. Sweet, W. M. Williamson, T. C. Johnstone, A. T. Fraser, W. G. Pettingell, R. J. Steel, H. A. Carruthers, W. Laurie, S. Varder, J. F. Mowat and J. A. Peddon; auditors, Messrs. A. T. Abbey and W. J. Chisholm; range officer, R. J. Steel; team captains, Major Bell and H. A. Carruthers. Hearty votes of thanks were passed to the donors of prizes at the last annual meeting; to the newspapers; to Mr. Davin, M.P., for his lecture; to the Regina Minstrels, and to the officers of the past year for their services. It was resolved that in addition to the thanks of this meeting, the association shall purchase a "Turner" Target Snider Rifle with chequered stock complete, and present the same to Mr. J. W. Jowett, as a slight recognition of his valuable services as secretary-treasurer during the past year, Mr. Jowett having the option of choosing any other make of rifle he preferred.

THE CUMBERLAND RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The first practice of the Cumberland Rifle Association, the shooting organization lately formed by members of the Royal Grenadiers, was held on Saturday afternoon at the Garrison common. About 100 members were present at the butts, out of which number some 25 participated in the shooting. The ranges shot over were 200, 500 and 600 yards. The atmospheric conditions were not as favourable as they might have been, a strong and unsteady wind blowing all the time. Much interest was manifested in the competition. Several of the

officers of the regiment were present and encouraged the contestants. Col. J. Bedson, of the First Colorado U. S. Cavalry, was a spectator and participant, and succeeded in making a creditable score. Owing to the shooting point at the 600 yard range being in an unfinished state many of the competitors were unable to complete their scores.

Appended are the scores of the first six who finished the series:

	200	500	600	Total		200	500	600	Total
W. J. Urquhart....	29	34	25	88	J. Patterson.....	26	31	17	74
J. Davis.....	32	25	28	85	J. J. Spencer.....	23	29	17	69
J. Shand.....	26	27	21	74	Wm. Towers.....	24	22	18	64

ALLAN RIFLE ASSOCIATION

The Allan Rifle Association held their first practice of the season on Saturday afternoon, there being a large turnout of the members. Although the weather was anything but favourable for rifle shooting, still a few good scores were made. Following are the scores; Snider rifle, 7 shots at each range:

	200	500	600	Total		200	500	600	Total
John H. Knifton...	28	31	26	85	Jno. Davidson.....	26	26	20	72
Wm. Harp.....	29	27	28	84	G. M. Donnelly...	28	18	19	65
N. B. Sanson.....	30	25	26	81	D. D. McNeill...	30	14	19	63
Tom Westman.....	27	22	27	76	G. E. Robertson...	24	24	15	63
T. M. Major.....	27	28	19	74	J. O. Thorn.....	28	16	16	60
G. E. Cooper.....	27	19	27	73	Geo. Banks.....	26	14	20	60
W. H. Meadows...	21	28	24	73	A. D. Crooks.....	31	16	13	60
C. D. McNeill.....	27	22	23	72					

OTTAWA RIFLE CLUB.

This club had a regular spoon competition on Saturday afternoon, firing with the Snider rifle at Queen's ranges. There was considerable rain and a very variable wind. These were the scores: Capt. H. H. Gray (dessert spoon, 1st class), 87; J. P. Nutting (tea spoon, 2nd class), 85; J. H. Ellis (tea spoon, 1st class), 85; J. A. Armstrong, 83; Major A. P. Sherwood, 82; W. T. Mason, 79; F. W. Smith, 78; C. S. Scott, 78; T. C. Boville, 76; Capt. C. F. Cox, 76; W. G. Dial, 76; A. Pink, 75; T. Carroll, 75; Capt. S. M. Rogers, 74; W. Short, 74; R. J. Taylor (dessert spoon, 3rd class), 73; Lt.-Col. W. P. Anderson, 73; Major J. Wright, 73; Capt. B. H. Bell, 71; S. Short, 70; J. C. Saunders, 70; T. McJanet, 70.

GUARDS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

These were the scores of the weekly competition of the Guards Association, with Snider rifles, at 200, 500 and 600 yards, at Rideau range on Saturday: Capt. Gray (senior spoon), 87; Pte. Nutting, 85; Pte. Armstrong, 83; Corp. Hagan (spoon, 3rd class), 76; Pte. Tink, 75; Corp. Carroll, 75; Sergt. Short, 74; Pte. Saunders, 70.

Canadian Military Rifle League Rules and Regulations.

TEAMS.—The teams for the season of 1890 to be limited to regimental teams of ten men each, comprised of officers, non-commissioned officers, or men who are certified as having been duly enrolled previous to the 1st May, 1890. Each regiment may enter any number of teams, and it is not necessary to have the same men on the team each match; but when a man once fires on a team, he cannot fire on any other for this season. It is not necessary to send the names of those to compose team to the Secretary previous to match. Hand them to Range Officer before commencing to fire. In the case of the North-West Territories, Associations may enter teams composed of ten bona-fide members (whether military or civilians, or both) until militia corps are established, at the discretion of the Executive.

RANGES, ETC.—The ranges and positions will be at 200 yards (standing or kneeling), at 500 and 600 yards (any position, with head to target), seven shots at each. No pool targets or sighting shots are allowed.

RIFLE.—The Snider (long, short, or carbine).

DATES.—The matches to be held on Saturday, 17th and 31st May, 14th and 28th June, 12th and 26th July, and 9th August, any time after 12.30 o'clock p.m.

TELEGRAPHING.—The team's total score and weather detail to be telegraphed via Canadian Pacific Railway Telegraph Co., to the Chief Operator, Montreal. Telegraph charges, 50 cents per team for match, to be paid at telegraph office at time of sending despatch. (Do your telegraphing as soon after completion of match as possible.) As soon as the chief operator shall have received all the scores, he will send a return despatch to each team, containing said scores.

SCORE SHEETS.—This score sheet to be properly filled out and containing the shot for shot detail, weather detail, etc., of team, and to be vouched for and signed by the register keepers, Captain of team and Range Officer, and to be made out in duplicate, and sent to W. R. Pringle, Secretary of League, 63 Front street West, Toronto.