

THE WIMBLEDON MEETING.

A COMPLETE RECORD OF THE CANADIAN TWENTY'S PRIZE SCORES.

Details of the Kolapore Cup Match—Good Shooting by our team at 200 Yards—Long List of winnings in open competitions—Remarkable scoring in Mother Country team competitions.

This week's English mails bring the complete returns of the prize scoring at the Wimbledon meeting, and we are therefore able to continue and conclude the record of Canadian achievements and notable scores.

Canada lost the Kolapore cup match, as we have been informed by cable, having however the substantial satisfaction of downing the other "colonial" competitors, to wit, the Jersey and Guernsey teams, and winning the prize of £80 awarded to the highest colonial team. The victorious Mother Country team was composed of the eight most likely shots in the kingdom, and three of the number had places on this team last year also. Pte. Wattleworth, who then led with 95, was this year second with 92, his place as leader being taken, with 95 also, by one of his last year companions, Sergt. Ingram, who then stood seventh with 85. The other from the 1887 team was Sergt. Bates, who stood third in order last year with 91 points, and was fourth this time with 89. The Canadians had but one member of the 1887 Kolapore team with them at Wimbledon this year, and he was again chosen one of the eight. This was Lieut. Smith, of the St. John Rifles, who with a total of 86 added 8 points to his last year's score, and moved up relatively from seventh to fifth. Canada's top scores this year were two 87's against a 91 and two 89's last, but on the other hand her lowest were 84 and 73, a decided improvement on the 67 and two 78's which footed the list last year. Our team thus shot more evenly, and with a total of 674 against 663 showed an improvement averaging a point and a half a man all round. The Mother Country, with 687 points, won by only 13, against 47 to spare last year, when her team put together 710. Then her lowest was 82, against 81, 79 and 78 on this occasion.

Twice only have this year's scores of the Mother Country and Canadian teams been surpassed, these occasions being in 1883, when 698 led, and in 1887, as above recorded. The Mother Country was victorious on both these occasions, as she has been in fourteen out of the eighteen annual competitions, since 1871. On the other four occasions Canada has been the victor, viz., in 1872, 1875, 1881 and 1884. Since the present conditions have governed (seven shots with the Martini at 200, 500 and 600 yards, teams of eight men), the victors have been as follows:—

1883.....	Mother Country.....	698
1884.....	Canada.....	665
1885.....	Mother Country.....	650
1886.....	".....	666
1887.....	".....	710
1888.....	".....	687

The following were this year's score in detail:

1. Mother Country—Cup and £24.

	200	500	600	T'l
Ingram, Sergt., 3rd Lanark.....	3544455 30	5555455 34	4535545 31	95
Wattleworth, Pte., 2nd Liverpool....	4455444 30	5434555 31	5245555 31	92
Pearse, Major., 4th Devon.....	4445445 30	2555453 29	4553554 31	90
Bates, Sergt., 1st Warwick.....	5444454 30	4333555 28	5554525 31	89
Grier, Qmr.-Sergt., 3rd Rensfrew....	4444445 29	4343535 27	5234355 27	83
Heap, Major, 6th Lancashire.....	3344444 26	4344453 27	3455533 28	81
McGibbon, Pte. 3rd Lanark.....	4445444 30	5443452 27	5224324 22	79
Young, Captain 2nd Rensfrew.....	4445444 29	4443534 27	4242325 22	78
Totals.....	234	230	223	687

2. Canada—(£80 Restricted to Colonials).

Short, Sergt. W., G.G.F.G.....	4545444 30	3444355 28	4553444 29	87
Chamberlin, Lieut. H. C., 43rd Batt.	4445555 32	2525535 27	3254455 28	87
McMicking, Capt. G. A., 44th Batt.	4345444 28	4453353 27	3544555 31	86
Gray, Lieut. H. H., G.G.F.G.....	4544554 31	3343544 26	5535452 29	86
Smith, Lieut. E. A. St. John Rifles..	5344344 27	4445545 31	2554255 28	86
Duncan, Sergt. W. S., Q.O.R.....	5343445 28	4344554 29	4554253 28	85
Wilson, Sergt. Alex., 33rd Batt.....	3444445 28	2344553 26	5354535 30	84
Dover, Lieut. J., 8th Batt.....	4344435 27	3524555 29	2032244 17	73
Totals.....	231	223	220	674

3. Jersey.

Lyte, Pte. 3rd Jersey..	30	26	32	88
Marett, Pte. J. A., 2nd	30	26	31	87
Lewis, Lieut., 1st....	30	26	29	85
Caplin, Col.-Sergt. 3rd	30	31	22	83
Ward, Col.-Sgt. 1st....	28	30	22	80
Simon, Capt. 1st.....	29	29	21	79
Lawrens, Col.-Sgt. 2nd	28	25	24	77
Mallet, Pte. A., 2nd ..	28	25	23	76

Totals..... 233 218 204 655

4. Guernsey.

Crousay, Col.-Sgt. 1st				
R.G.M.....	31	30	29	90
Joly, Pte. 1st.....	28	28	23	79
Huray, Capt. 3rd.....	28	26	25	79
James, Sergt. 3rd.....	28	22	28	78
Smith, Corpl. J., 2nd..	30	29	18	77
Machon, Corpl. 1st...	28	23	26	77
Falla, Pte., 2nd.....	27	15	23	65
Aldridge, Sergt. 1st....	23	19	22	64

Totals.....223 192 194 609

It is noteworthy that the highest individual score at the 200 yards range—usually Canada's weakness—was this year made by one of our team, Lieut. Chamberlin, with 32 points,—three inners and four bulls in that order; whilst Lieut. Gray, with 31, tied a Guernsey man for second honours.

THE QUEEN'S PRIZE.

Particulars of the shooting in the first stage of the Queen's Prize competition appeared in last issue, and unfortunately showed that there was only one Canadian—Sergt. Miner—whose fortunes we might follow in the second, participated in by the best three hundred. This consisted of 10 shots at 500 yards and 15 at 600. The hundredth aggregate score in the two stages combined was 187, so that Sergt. Miner, who had 87 to his credit in the first stage, would have had to add 100 points with his 25 shots, in order to win a place in the hundred shooting for the final. This he failed to do, scoring only 79, and with an aggregate of 166 stood but 13th above the lowest of the competitors in the two stages. With this he took a £3 prize.

The best shooting in the second stage was made by Col.-Sergt. Ingram, of the 3rd Lanark, who, starting with a magpie at 500 yards, next made an inner, and then eight bull's eyes—total 47; at 600 his first shot was an inner, the second a bull's eye, and next a provoking outer, the only bad shot in the fifteen, the remaining twelve being nine bull's eyes and three inners—these last being the 6th, 9th, and 11th shots; the total of the 15 shots at 600 was thus 68, giving Sergt. Ingram 115 for 500 and 600 combined, and this with his total of 86 in the first stage moving him up from the tail end there, to a tie with three others for first place in the two stages combined, their total scores being 201. Last year at the end of the second stage the leading scores were two of 200; and on that occasion six out of twenty 183's got into the final hundred, whereas this year three out of twelve 187's were counted out.

In the third stage the highest score out of ten shots at 800 and ten at 900 yards, was 84, made by Pte. Fulton of the 13th Middlesex, who thereby won himself the first place in the aggregate of the three stages—his reward being the Queen's prize of £250, gold medal and gold badge of the N. R. A. His record in the three stages was:

	1ST	2ND	G'D
	S'GE.	S'GE.	T'L.
Pte. Fulton, 13th Middlesex.	86	110	196
	2455454	5554—43	3555353525—41—280

Pte. Fulton it will be seen barely got into the second stage, several scores of 86 having been counted out; at the end of the second he stood 19th on the list with 196 to his credit against 201 for the leaders, and it took every point of his high score in the third to put him first in the aggregate; for Corpl. Noakes, the top man at the end of the second stage, finished next, only one point behind, with 279, a "miss" at 800 yards causing his loss of first honours, not to speak of the financial loss represented by the difference between the generous second prize of £60 and the Royal gift to the first. The third man was Pte. C. W. Wattleworth, who figured on the Kolapore team, and who with a score of 278 took £40. He also missed a shot at 800 yards—his first. The fourth and fifth men had each 273 points; they received £30 and £20 respectively. The next prizes in order were 10 of £15; 30 of £12; 15 of £10; 20 of £8; and 20 of £5, this being the reward of the last score scorers in the hundred.

This great prize was won last year with 274 points, or six less than on this occasion, and in 1886 three marksmen making 265 each had to shoot off for it.

The conclusion of this year's match is thus described by the *Volunteer Service Gazette*: "The story of the end of the Queen's Prize is easily told. By a new arrangement—which certainly has great advantages for those who, like ourselves, have to give an account of the proceedings—there is now a kind of "running record" on the black boards, by means of which the exact state of each man's score after every shot can be seen at a glance. It was thus known towards the end of the shooting of the hundred that Private Wattleworth, of Liverpool, had finished and had made 278, that Private Fulton, of the Queen's Westminster, had made 275, but had still a shot to go, and that Corpl. Noakes, of Berkshire, had 274, and also a shot left to fire. But when Fulton, who shot before Noakes, made a bull's-eye it was obvious that the first prize was won, and most of the spectators moved off to the cottage en-