

ONTARIO RIFLE ASSOCIATION.



THE 1896 matches of the Ontario Rifle Association were probably the most successful in the history of the association. The opening day, Tuesday, was all that a marksman could desire, the light was good, and the wind, a left-front in the forenoon changing to a direct left in the afternoon, was steady and not strong; the second day the weather in the morning was very

favorable, the light good, a right-front wind; in the afternoon the wind strengthened, strong gusts swept across the ranges, and light showers of rain fell; on the last day, Thursday, the weather broke and a heavy rain began shortly after noon, which continued off and on all afternoon, but despite this there was a larger attendance of spectators than on any previous day of the meet, and these evinced the greatest possible interest in the various contests. A number of ladies were present during the afternoon, and as the committee, in anticipation of their visit, had made what arrangements they could for their convenience, they passed a pleasant afternoon. The Highlanders' band played a good programme.

There were few, if any, causes of complaint, and, thanks to the manner in which the secretary, Lieut. Cartwright, had the work in hand, everything went with clockwork regularity. Good as was the statistical office last year, it was even better this time, and the promptness with which Lieut. E. P. McNeil, Q.O.R., had the results posted was most commendable.

The action of the City of Toronto Council in generously donating \$400 to the association was heartily commended, and this, coupled with the wise decision of the executive in making a large prize list, instead of dividing the amount voted by the Council into five or six large prizes, proved to be the drawing-card of the meeting. Next year, it is almost safe to say, a still larger number of small amounts will be distributed among the different matches.

The following are the results of the first day's shooting:

"CANADA COMPANY."

Restricted to members of the active militia of Ontario who have never won a prize in any former year at any Provincial, Dominion or National Rifle Association match. 200 and 400 yards ranges, five shots at each. The highest possible score therefore is 50. The scores made are above the average. Last year a score of 45 won the first prize, and several scores of 39 obtained prizes, but this year three \$4 scores of 40 were counted out:

\$8 and O R A silver medal, Sergt. Hayden, 30th, 45. \$7, Corp. Trebilcock, G G B G, 45. \$5, Pte. T Mullock, 77th, 45; Corp. J. Reid, 35th, 45; Pte. W J Laird, 21st, 44; Major A. Bertram, 77th, 44. \$4, Pte. J Johnstone, 20th, 44; Corp. G Cliff, Q O R, 44; Major J Ward, 35th, 44; Pte. J B O'Brien, 77th, 43; Pte. R G Dewar, 48th, 43; Capt. T J Watt, 7th, 43; Pte. A Boynton, 77th, 42; Pte. T E Parkhill, 13th, 42; Pte. John Robinson, 30th, 42; Bandsman J Scott, 35th, 42; Pte. H Spruce, 77th, 42; Pte. O'Neill, R R C I, 42; Pte. Atkinson, 77th, 42. \$3, Pte. J. Langtry, R R C I, 42; Pte. J F McCollum, 31st, 42; Pte. Wm Curtis, 45th, 42; Pte. C McNabb, 13th, 41; Lieut. P F McLaren, 30th, 41; Col.-Sergt. G. Haymore, 7th, 41; Pte. R Beckett, 13th, 41; Pte. D Munro, 48th, 41; Pte. G Evans, R R C I, 41; Sergt. W J Woods, 77th, 41; Pte. W H Duguid, 48th, 41; Sergt. J Reddy, 20th, 41; Troop-Sergt. G M Pearson, 2 R C D, 41; Sergt. S B Jones, 48th, 41; Pte. D Johnstone, 20th, 41; Pte. W Harvey,

7th, 41; Pte. J S Kenney, 22nd, 40; Pte. A J Duncan, 21st, 40; Pte. S J English, 77th, 40; Pte. A H Libby, Q O R, 40; Pte. G W Fisher, 13th, 40; Pte. T W Latham, Q O R, 40; Pte. C F Eddy, 38th, 40; Pte. J J Steele, 77th, 40; Sergt. H C Small, Q O R, 40; Pte. F J Rice, Q O R, 40; Pte. W R Gibson, Q O R, 40; Bandsman F W Evans, 35th, 40; Pte. T Millichamp, 35th, 40; Sergt. G Bailey, Q O R, 40; Pte. W. Lumley, 21st, 40.

Team match, for competition by teams of six men:

1st prize, \$30, 77th Batt, 246; 2nd prize, \$25, 35th Batt, 242; 3rd prize, \$20, 21st Batt, 238; 4th prize, \$15, Q O R, 238. Next in order: 77th Batt (2nd team), 235; 30th Batt, 231; 20th Batt, 228; 13th Batt, 226; 48th Batt, 224; R R C I, 223.

"THE GILMOUR."

Open to members of the association; 7 shoots at 500 yards. This year no less than six scores of 31 were counted out.

\$15, Capt. R. Dillon, 34th, 35. \$10, Sergt. A Miller, 13th, 34; Pte. W J Davidson, R G., 34. \$7, Corp. H Kerr, 48th, 34; Sergt. G Brooks, R G, 34; \$5, Lieut. J Ogg, 1st B.F.A., 33; Pte. R G Dewar, 48th, 33; Pte. J McVittie, 48th, 33; Lieut. W C King, 45th, 33; Sergt. J C Dumford, 13th, 33; Lieut. A D Crooks, Q O R, 33; Pte. J K Fairbairn, R G, 33; Sergt. G Creighton, Q O R, 33; Solor-Sergt. Skedden, 13th, 33; Lieut. G W Runions, 59th, 33; Pte. T S Bales, R G, 32; Capt. T J Watt, 7th, 32; Capt. W S Russell, 45th, 32; Pte. E. Limpert, 29th, 32. \$4, Pte. W E Mitchell, 32nd, 32; Sergt. H. Patterson, 1st P W R, 32; Surg. T A Bertram, 77th, 32; Major J. Bruce, R G, 32; Staff-Sergt. J W Marks, 6th, 32; Staff-Sergt. W Harp, 48th, 32; Capt. J E Hutcheson, 43rd, 32; Capt. S C D Roper, G G F G, 32; Sergt. C R Crowe, 1st B F A, 32; Capt. G A McMicking, 44th, 32; Pte. A Graham, 48th, 32; Gunner W Miller, 5th R C A, 32; Lieut. W L. Ross, 13th, 31; Pte. C F Eddy, 38th, 31; Pte. H. Ross, 35th, 31. \$3, Corpl. C W Spencer, 13th, 31; Bandsman J Scott, 35th, 31; Gunner R. Wilson, 5th R C A, 31; Pte. J W Smith, 21st, 31; Sergt. J T Mackenzie, 63rd, 31; Sergt. E D Sutherland, 43rd, 31; Lieut. W R Pringle, R L, 31; Pte. A Robertson, 13th, 31; Pte. J T Spooner, 43rd, 31; Capt. J B White, P W O R, 31; Capt. J F Crean, T F B, 31; Pte. G Mortimer, R G, 31; Pte. W D Davidson, 48th, 31; Capt. W S Knowles, 77th, 31; Lance-Corpl. N Brimley, R G, 31; Corpl. A S Hunter, 5th R C A, 31; Pte. C T Smith, 34th, 31; Pte. J Morris, 45th, 31; Sergt.-Major Huggins, 13th, 31; Sergt. D Garson, 13th, 31.

"THE GIBSON."

The Gibson match was won by Corpl. W. Robson, 7th Batt., with a score of 67 out of the possible 70. The ranges are 500 and 600 yards, seven shots at each distance. Last year the first prize was won with a score of 65, and nine scores of 55 obtained prizes.

\$25, Corpl. W Robson, 7th, 67. \$20, Capt. A Curran, 12th, 66. \$15, Sergt. G M Donnelly, Q O R, 63. \$10, Corpl. G Cliff, Q O R, 63. \$5, Lieut.-Col. J Hood, P W R, 63; Gunner R Wilson, 5th R C A, 63; Sergt. J Crowe, 1st B F A, 63; Pte. E Limpert, 29th, 62; Sergt. A S Kimmerly, 47th, 62; Capt. A Wilson, 23rd, 62; Pte. W. Drysdale, P W R, 62; Pte. M M Kerr, 21st, 62; Sergt. A Bell, R G, 62; Sergt. G Milligan, P W O R, 62; Capt. R Dillon, 34th, 62; Corpl. C Armstrong, R G, 62; Sergt. R Doherty, R G, 62; Lieut. W S O'Dell, 43rd, 61; Capt. Roberts, R L, 61; Lieut. W Conboy, 30th, 61; Lieut. R S Carter, 93rd, 61; Gunner G Turnbull, 5th B C A, 61; Pte. J H Parker, R G, 61; Pte. E Himes, 13th, 60. \$4, Sergt. W R Inman, 90th, 60; Lieut. W C King, 45th, 60; Capt. W M Andrews, 6th, 60; Capt. R Rennie, Q O R, 60; Sergt. H C Small, Q O R, 60; Surgeon T R Bertram, 77th, 60; Mr. A Paine, Orillia R A, 60; Pte. M D Campbell, 45th, 60; Pte. H R Stewart, R G, 60; Sergt.-Major J B Munro, R R C I, 60; Pte. J F Hutcheson, 48th, 60; Sergt. W Short, G G F G, 60; Major G W Hays, 7th, 60; Sergt. C R Crowe, 1st B F A, 60; Sergt. R Corrigan, 59th, 60; Major Thomas, R L, 59; Mr W Wall, R C R A, 59; Lieut. Robertson, 30th, 59; Pte. T S Bayles, R G, 59; Lieut. T Mitchell, 12th, 59; Major J T Hartt, R L, 59; Capt. E D Sutherland, 43rd, 59; Capt. R M Rogers, 43rd, 59; Sergt. P Armstrong, R G, 59; Capt. W Hora, P W O R, 59. \$3, Sergt. D Mitchell, 13th, 59; Pte. P G Pilkie, 45th, 59; Pte. W G Fowler, R G, 59; Capt. W D Davidson, 8th, 59; Capt. L Grant, 20th, 59; Pte. A Robertson, 13th, 59; Pte. A E Parker, R G, 59; Mr. J S