

1. 2nd Q.O.R.	212,233	6. 36th Bn.	25,821
2. 10th R.G.	146,882	7. G.G.F.G.	25,052
3. 13th Bn.	100,507	8. 38th Bn.	24,053
4. 34th Bn.	52,918	9. 15th Bn.	18,457
5. 1st B.F.A.	37,820	10. 35th Bn.	18,363

The officers list is as follows :

1. Major Delamere, Q.O.R.	117,744
2. Capt. Eliot, 10th R.G.	71,817
3. Capt. Manley, 10th R.G.	61,536
4. Lt.-Col. O'Brien, 35th.	52,646
5. Lt.-Col. Macdonald, 1st B.F.A.	43,804
6. Lt.-Col. Gibson, 13th.	37,710
7. Lt.-Col. Hamilton, Q.O.R.	24,957
8. Capt. Henderson, 34th.	21,909
9. Capt. Thompson, 12th.	21,614
10. Lt.-Col. Jones, 38th.	18,242
11. Lt.-Col. Todd, G.G.F.G.	16,516
12. Lt.-Col. Lindsay, 25th.	15,900
13. Lt. Curran, 12th.	15,634
14. Lt.-Col. Tyrwhitt 36th.	14,110
15. Capt. J. B. McLean 14th.	13,731
16. Lt.-Col. Brodie, 31st.	13,410
17. Lieut. Vance, 22nd.	12,914
18. Capt. Lazier, 15th.	12,346
19. Surgeon Ryerson, 10th.	12,293
20. Capt. Cleverdon, 34th.	10,615

THE LEAGUE PRIZES.

The prize list for this season's matches of the Canadian Military Rifle League has been arranged, and we are indebted to the Secretary for the following information concerning it. Twenty prizes are offered in the 10-men team competition; five for 20 men teams; two for 30-men teams; one for 40-men teams, and four for civilian associations, making a total of 32 team prizes in addition to the badges offered for the highest aggregate on each team. The prizes for the 30 and 40-men teams are now for the first time announced, and they will, we are sure, meet with general approval because of the encouragement afforded to interest as many men as possible from each corps. The entries stand thus: 104 10-men teams; 26 20-men teams; 8 30-men teams; 6 40-men teams; and 11 civilian teams. We desire to call special attention to the following, from the League programme, respecting prizes other than those mentioned above:—

“Any battalion having team in league, 1891, and bringing five new men to the Dominion Rifle Association meeting, 1891, and who shoot through it, have free entry into the League of 1892 for one team; and for each additional five new men, an additional team free. What is meant by new men is those who have never attended and shot through the Dominion Rifle Association matches in any previous year.

“CARON SHARPSHOOTERS' TROPHY, presented by the Hon. Sir Adolphe P. Caron, K.C.M.G., Minister of Militia and Defence. This trophy is open only to those belonging to a battalion or association who have had a team or teams entered in the League of 1891, and is to be competed for at the Dominion Rifle Association matches, 1891, and to be won by the highest individual score in the Snider aggregate (exclusive of the standing match). Entrance fee, 50 cents, to go toward making a series of prizes for this match, the first of which will be the trophy.

“THE PRESIDENT'S PRIZE, presented by Lt.-Col. the Hon. J. M. Gibson, President of League. Open to teams of ten men, from any battalion having teams entered in the League, 1891. To be won by the aggregate scores of the highest ten men from any battalion or association in the Snider aggregate (exclusive of the standing match) at the Dominion Rifle Association, 1891. It will not be necessary to name the men previously.”

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

This paper does not necessarily share the views expressed in correspondence published in its columns, the use of which is freely granted to writers on topics of interest to the Militia.

WIDTH OF SNIDER BACK SIGHT.

EDITOR MILITIA GAZETTE,—Sir, in regard to the width of the Snider back sight, which according to the regulations of 1890, was fixed at 25-100ths, a greater width, or in fact even this width being objected to (I presume by the shots), I would advocate a greater width (being a bar shot) for the following reasons:—

On account of the great wind allowance required for the Snider bullet it is desirable (having a due regard to the strength of the back sight) that it should be filed as wide as possible, for we know that even then we are often obliged to resort to other uncertain means to obtain sufficient windage, as cauting, aiming off, etc., none of which are as certain as aiming under the bulls-eye; this is one of the reasons why better shooting can be done with the Martini (I think, in fact, the principal reason), as it is a very rare occasion that you cannot obtain sufficient windage on the bar of the Martini, for while the Martini requires very much less windage the bar is much wider.

Now, if the wide back sight is desirable on the Martini, is it not much more so on the Snider, and, if so, why not make it wide? I think that most any rifeman will agree with me in saying that if the Snider had (I might say) the unlimited wind allowance that the Martini has, there would not be so much difference in the scores made by them.

I think it almost as reasonable to limit the elevation (and have to aim high or low on the target) when you could have unlimited elevation as to limit the windage (although we may not be able to obtain all that is desirable on account of the narrow width of the upright), when we can obtain more and I would, therefore, advocate that the regulation width be extended to 30-100ths. This would give an additional windage allowance at 600 yards of 2 feet 8 inches on the full width of bar, or 1 foot 4 inches on either side of centre line. This, I claim, would leave sufficient strength for the upright, give the rifle better shooting qualities so far as wind is concerned, and enable the marksman to keep nearer the bulls-eye which we are all aiming for.

Hoping that you may hear from other advocates of the wide bar and that it may be widened to 30-100ths, or even 28-100ths by the Dominion Rifle Association.

I remain, yours truly,

F. BARTLETT.

Napanee, June 25, 1891.

THE CARSLAKE TROPHY.

EDITOR MILITIA GAZETTE,—Is it true that certain members of the Montreal corps are endeavouring to have the conditions for the CARSLAKE TROPHY changed, by increasing the teams to 15 men each instead of 10 men? By this means they hope to avoid competition from outside corps, knowing that it would be next to impossible to get 15 men from any outside corps to attend the P.Q.R.A. meeting. Now, as a member of a corps which intends sending a team to compete for this trophy this year, I protest against this increase, not that we haven't a 15 men team capable of defeating one from any Montreal corps, but the expense of bringing such a large team to Montreal, together with the difficulty of the men “getting off” from business. It would simply mean that 3 or 4 men would attend instead of 10 men. Hoping that the donor will not allow these conditions to be changed,

Yours truly,

TORONTO.