

## NEW BRUNSWICK RIFLE ASSOCIATION.



HE annual meet of the Provincial Rifle Association opened at the ranges, Sussex, on Tuesday of last week. The weather was fine, and the conditions for shooting very favorable. The scores were of a good average. The first match was the "Nursery Maiden." Lieut.-Col. Maunsell, D.A.G., presented a cup in this match. The association added \$103. The conditions were: five shots at 400 and 500 yds. Pte. J. O. McKay, 62nd Batt., secured the cup and \$10, with a score of 47. The score in the Maiden team contest was: 71st Batt., 120;

N.B. Reg. G.A., 106; St. John Rifles, 1st team, 103; R.R.C.I., 85. Good shooting was the order in the All Comers match. The conditions were 7 shots at 500 yds., and Trooper Langstroth and Pte. Laffin tied for first place with a score of 33. In the shoot-off Langstroth had 3 bulls, while Laffin had an outer, a magpie and an inner. The Domville match, which is open to all members and associate members, and is for a cup presented by Lieut.-Col. Domville, and \$125 added by the association, seven rounds at 500 and 600 yds., was won by Major C. H. Fairweather, 74th Batt., with a score of 63. In this match there were two 53's counted out. A good deal of excitement was aroused in the Prince of Wales' match, 7 rounds at 500 and 10 at 600 yds. Major J. T. Hartt and Pte. L. Langstroth tied with 77, and in shooting off the tie Major Hartt had 3 bulls while Langstroth had an inner and 2 bulls. In this match there were six 66's counted out. The Yorks and Kings Challenge Cup, which was shot in connection with the Harper match, was very exciting, the team from the 62nd winning with 1 point. Their score stood at 203, while the 72nd had 202. Some very good shooting was witnessed in the "Association." The conditions were 7 rounds at 200, 500 and 600 yds. Lieut. Kinnear, 8th Hussars, came first with 96, two points ahead of the second prize winner. There were 46 prizes and two 79's counted out. The Hazen Challenge Cup, shot off in connection with the "Prince of Wales'," was won by a team from the 74th Batt., with a score of 348; the 62nd Batt. team was second with 336 points; and the 71st Batt., 2nd team, 3rd with 333 points.

The Elder match opened the shooting on Thursday morning. The cup was presented by the late Hon. Wm. Elder, and \$88 added by the association. It is shot for by teams of eight members from each county association affiliating with the P.R.A. The conditions are seven rounds at 200, 500 and 600 yards. The York County was first, with 635 points, St. John County second, with 632 points, and King's County third, with 618 points. When the winners in the "Grand Aggregate" were shooting for the Governor-General's medals at 600 yards quite a number of the competitors withdrew, owing to its being so difficult to get on the target. This accounts for the great difference in the scores. Capt. Wetmore, of the 74th, was the only one who made anything of a score, having 47, and winning the silver medal. Lieut. Massie, of the 71st, won the bronze medal with 39 points. The special aggregate prize of \$25 presented by Major John H. Parks, president of the association, open to members of the active militia who have never won a prize at a provincial or county match, was won by Pte. H. H. Bartlett, 71st, with 311, he having the highest aggregate score in the Nursery and Grand Aggregate matches.

The Grand Aggregate is made up of the scores in the All Comers, Domville, Prince of Wales', Harper and Association matches, and is for the medals of the National, Dominion and

Provincial associations, the Association Badge and \$108. The N.R.A. Medal is restricted to efficient members of the active militia.

The following were the winners:

Massie, A. E., Lieut., 71st, N.R.A. silver medal, badge and \$12.....	289
Smith, E. A., Capt., Rifles, D.R.A. silver medal and \$10 .....	287
Langstroth, A., Trooper, 8th, P.R.A. silver medal and \$8 .....	286
Langstroth, J. A., Pte., 74th, D.R.A. bronze medal and \$6 .....	286
Forbes, W. E., Pte. 73rd, \$5 .....	284
Manning, Jas., Capt., 62nd, \$5.....	283
McKay, J. O., Pte., 62nd, \$5.....	282
Henderson, M. G. B., Col.-Sergt., 62nd, \$5.....	280
Wall, H. P., Sergt., 71st, \$5 .....	279
Rollins, Pte., 71st, \$5 .....	279
Hartt, J. T., Major, Inf. Res., \$5.....	279
Brewing, Sergt., 74th, \$5 .....	277
Kinnear, Lieut., 8th, \$4 .....	277
Wetmore, Col.-Sergt., 62nd, \$4 .....	276
McRobbie, Capt., 8th, \$4.....	275
Stevenson, Lieut., 71st, \$4 .....	274
Hartt, Major, 62nd, \$4.....	269
Wetmore, Capt., 74th, \$4.....	268
Lordly, Capt., 62nd, \$4.....	268
Mears, Pte., 71st, \$4 .....	268

Very good shooting was done in the "Extra Series." In "Series A" there were four possibles, besides eleven 24's. Capt. Lordly, who had a possible in "Series A," had also one in "Series B." There were quite a number of 24's and 23's in this match.

At the distribution of prizes there was a large attendance, including a number of ladies. Major Parks presented the Elder Cup to the team from York County. The Domville Cup was presented by Major Fairweather, and Major J. T. Hartt, in a few well-chosen words, presented the Hazen Cup to the team from the 74th. Major Parks presented Lieut. Massie with the "Aggregate" prize. Col. Maunsell presented the Governor-General's medal to the winners. Major Armstrong presented the "All Comers'" prize to Trooper L. Langstroth. Three challenge cups and one pitcher go to St. John; King's County gets three cups and one medal. York won the "Aggregate" and one cup.

## VOLUNTEERING.

Before the taking of Montreal, in 1760, an Irish colonel, having volunteered upon a dangerous service, went to the head of his regiment, and asked for a hundred men of courage to turn out and join him in the enterprise. Three times did he repeat the request, but no answer was given. Afraid of their cowardice, he called out a fourth time, "Men, I am afraid you do not understand me." "Perfectly well," exclaimed one in the ranks; "but what do you mean by a hundred men of courage? We all lay claim to that title. Fix upon your men without this distinction and we will follow you." The colonel was delighted with this delicate sense of honor, and immediately selected his hundred warriors who, with the exception of eleven, were killed, including the commander himself.

## APACHE SOLDIERS.

The June number of The United Service Magazine, London, Eng., one of the leading military publications of the world, contains what The Review of Reviews, in a late issue, calls a special and interesting article entitled "A Military Experiment" by Capt. Woodside, of the Canadian cavalry. The article was written by Capt. H. J. Woodside, commanding "B" Troop, Regiment of Manitoba Dragoons, of Portage la Prairie, and was the result of observations he made while visiting Mount Vernon barracks near Mobile, Alabama. Geronimo and his Apache tribe, the fiercest Indians in the United States, had been taken prisoners in Arizona, and after many vicissitudes were removed to Mount Vernon barracks, where the experiment of enlisting a company of U.S. regulars from among them was tried with more or less success. The article deals with this experiment and its outcome.