

"Gzowski Military Match"—The Gzowski challenge cup—Open to one section of five men (n.c. officers and rank and file, either or both) from any one regiment or troop of cavalry, battery or brigade of artillery, battalion or independent company of the active militia of Canada, schools of cavalry, gunnery and infantry, or cadets of the R.M.C., Kingston. First prize the Gzowski challenge cup and \$35, second \$30, third \$25, fourth \$20, fifth \$15. 5 prizes, value \$125. To the sections making the highest aggregate scores in the following stages, at targets exposed to view for limited periods: Skirmishing—20 rounds, from about 450 yards to 100 yards (advancing and retiring) any military position. Volley firing—5 rounds at 300 yards (kneeling). Independent firing—5 rounds at 150 yards (standing). Entrance fee \$5 per section. Rifles, long or short Snider of Government issue, or bearing Government viewer's mark. Ammunition, that sold on the ground. Dress, equipment and conditions of the competition the same as last year. The cup to be held for the year by the winning battalion, under such conditions as the executive committee may determine. In the case of ties for the first place, the cup shall be held for equal portions of the year by the teams making equal scores, and the money prizes shall be equally divided.

"The British Challenge Shield Match."—The shield presented by the auxiliary forces of Great Britain to the active militia of Canada. Entrance fee \$2.50 per team. Open to sections of five men as in the Gzowski military match. 1st prize, the shield and \$40; 2nd, \$25. Skirmishing; distance varying from about 100 yards to about 450 yards; position, standing, kneeling or prone, at the discretion of the firer; number of rounds, twenty per man, fired advancing and retiring, under the order of the officer appointed to the command of all the sections; size of target, 4ft. x 2 ft. 6 in. at distances between 100 and 250 yards, to be exposed 10 seconds; 6 ft. x 2 ft. 6 in. at distances between 250 and 450 yards, to be exposed 15 seconds. Dress, equipment, rifles, ammunition, parade and inspections and decisions of ties as in the Gzowski military matches.

"Special Provincial Prizes."—Given by the most noble the Marquis of Lorne. \$100 specially to members of British Columbia, the \$100 to be divided into three prizes for the best individual scores, 1st \$50, 2nd \$30, 3rd \$20. There shall be no competition among the members unless the province be represented in the military matches of the meeting by a duly qualified team of non-commissioned officers, rank and file, and the \$100 allotted to the province shall remain at interest until the first meeting at which the province is represented in the military matches of the association, when the capital \$100 and interest accrued shall be competed for by the members of the province then attending at Ottawa. Distance, skirmishing between 300 and 400 yards; position, kneeling; target 6ft. x 2ft. 6in.; each target to be exposed for 15 seconds at a time, with an interval of 10 seconds between each exposure; number of rounds, such number as each competitor can fire in the 3 minutes allotted to the competition, but in no case to exceed 15 rounds. Rifles, dress, equipment, etc., as in the Gzowski and British challenge shield matches. Entrance free.

"Martini Matches."—Series A.—First prize \$20, second \$15, third \$10, twenty-five of \$5, twenty-five \$4. Total 53 prizes, value \$270. Entrance fee 50c. Number of entries unlimited, but no competitor to take more than one prize. 500 yards; 7 rounds; Martini-Henry rifles.

Series B.—First prize \$20, second \$15, third \$10, twenty of \$5, thirty of \$4. Total 53 prizes, value \$265. Entrance fee 50c. Number of entries unlimited, but no competitor to take more than one prize. 600 yards; 7 rounds; Martini-Henry rifles.

Series C.—First prize Singer Sewing Machine, presented by W. H. Whiteley, Manager Singer Co., Ottawa, second \$15, third \$10, fourth \$8, fifth \$6, eight of \$5, ten of \$4, thirty of \$3. Total 53 prizes, value \$209. Entrance fee 50c. Number of entries unlimited, but no competitor to take more than one prize. 800 and 900 yards; 7 rounds; Martini-Henry rifles.

"Extra Series."—No. 1.—First prize \$15, second \$10, third \$8, fourth \$6, fifth \$5, fourteen of \$4. Total 19 prizes, value \$100. Entrance fee 25c. Number of entries unlimited, but no competitor to take more than one prize. 500 yards; 5 rounds; Snider rifles.

"Extra Series."—No. 2.—First prize \$15, second \$10, third \$8, fourth \$6, fifth \$5, fourteen of \$4. Total 19 prizes, value \$100. Entrance fee 25c. Number of entries unlimited, but no competitor to take more than one prize. 600 yards; 5 rounds; Snider rifles.

"Revolver."—First prize \$15, 2nd \$10, 3rd \$8, 4th \$5, ten of \$4, ten of \$3; total 24 prizes, value \$108; description of revolver, not exceeding 45 calibre and 7½ inches in length of barrel; 25 yards; number of rounds, 7; position, standing, off-hand. Entrance fee 25c each entry; number of entries unlimited, but no competitor to take more than one prize.

In competitions restricted to military breech loaders none but the ammunition issued by the association on the ground shall be used or allowed. Price for Snider, 17c per package of 10 rounds, 3 packages for 50c; price for Martini 25c per package of 10 rounds. The privilege of entry is restricted to members who have paid their subscriptions (\$2), and to associate members who pay the fee of \$1 at the time of entry. Ordinary (at the published rates of entrance fees), to include those made and received by the secretary of the association on or before 4 p.m., Wednesday, 25th August.

By arrangement with the Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk and Canada Atlantic Railway Companies, competitors certified as such by the commanding officer of the battalion or company to which they are attached can secure return railway tickets at reduced rates on application to the station agent of the place from which they start for Ottawa, and on the production of their commanding officer's certificate.

Competitors can be boarded at the range at low rates by making application to Mr. Dunlop, caterer to the association. Tents and blankets will be supplied on the ground.

The secretary of the Association is Lt.-Col. Bacon, Militia Department, Ottawa, from whom entry forms and all information required may be obtained.

Lieut. Edmonds, of the Royal Artillery, who last week attempted to break a salmon line by the aid of his powerful swimming ability and failed owing to an accident to the belt attached to his body, succeeded in accomplishing the difficult feat last Friday afternoon. After swimming in the water for between four and five minutes without success, he tried by diving to break the line, and suddenly astonished his friends by snapping the cord and freeing himself from the holder of the rod.—*Chronicle.*

Metropolitan R. Association.

THE following is the programme for the nineteenth annual prize meeting of above association, to be held on the Rideau Range, Ottawa, on August 20th and 21st. These matches are open to all comers, though the attendance is usually confined to marksmen from the immediate vicinity. Where not otherwise stated, the rifles to be Snider, and the position any with head to target:—

PRIZE LIST.

First Match.—500 yards; seven rounds; entrance fee 50c. 1st prize \$15, 2nd \$10, 3rd \$8, 4th \$6, three of \$5, three of \$4, three of \$3, three of \$2. Sixteen prizes, value \$81.

Second Match.—600 yards; seven rounds, entrance fee 50c. 1st prize \$15, 2nd \$10, 3rd \$8, 4th \$6, three of \$5, three of \$4, three of \$3, three of \$2. Sixteen prizes, value \$81.

Third Match.—200, 500 and 600 yards; seven rounds at each range; position at 200 yards, standing or kneeling; entrance fee, teams \$1, individuals 75c. Team prizes, to be competed for by three previously named members of any club or association. Any number of teams may enter from the same association. 1st prize \$15, 2nd \$12, 3rd \$9, 4th \$6. Individual prizes, 1st \$15, 2nd \$10, 3rd \$8, 4th \$6, four of \$5, five of \$4, five of \$3, three of \$2; twenty-one prizes, value \$100. The final competition for the Civil Service challenge vase will be shot simultaneously with this match.

Fourth Match.—500 and 600 yards; seven rounds at each range. Entrance fee 50c. 1st prize \$15, 2nd \$10, 3rd \$8, 4th \$6, four of \$5, five of \$4, five of \$3, three of \$2. 21 prizes, value \$100. This match will be commenced at 1.30 o'clock sharp on Saturday.

Grand Aggregate.—Highest aggregate scores in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th matches. Entrance fee 50c. 1st prize D.R.A. medal and \$8, 2nd O.R.A. medal and \$6, 3rd \$5, 4th \$5, 5th \$4, 6th \$4, 7th \$4, 8th 4. 8 prizes, value \$40.

Ladies' Match.—For prizes presented by lady friends of the association. Five rounds; 500 yards. Entrance fee 25c. Each lady presenting a prize will have the privilege of nominating a marksman to shoot for special prizes to be given by the association. Unlimited entries.

Revolver Match.—Open to all comers. Description of revolver—not exceeding 45 calibre and 7½ inches in length of barrel. Range 25 yards; 5 rounds. Position standing, off-hand. Entrance fee 25c. Unlimited entries. 1st prize \$5, 2nd \$4, 3rd \$3, 4th \$2, 5th \$1.

Extra Series and Pool.—Special targets for extra series and pool, at 500 and 600 yards, will be run both days of the meeting. Snider rifles; 5 rounds. Competitors may take one prize in each series. Unlimited entries.

The matches will be governed by the Dominion Rifle Association Rules of 1886, unless otherwise specified. Membership fee \$1.50. Snider ammunition will be supplied by the association at 17 cents a package, or three packages for 50 cents.

Entries for the first four matches and grand aggregate (except team entries in Match No. 3) should be made with the secretary not later than 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 18th August. Any entries for these matches received on the range will be subject to an additional charge of 20 per cent.

Register tickets will be issued from the secretary's office on the range, Friday morning, 20th August. Firing in Match No. 1 will commence at 9.30 a.m. on Friday. In Match No. 4 at 1.30 p.m. on Saturday. Targets will be open for extra series an hour previous to these matches.

Dominion Artillery Association.

PRIZE LIST AND RULES FOR PRACTICE, 1886.

The following alterations in the rules for competitive gun practice having been recommended by the executive committee, and being approved of by the Major-General commanding, are published for general information:

ARTILLERY PRACTICE.

Field Batteries, 9-pr. R.M.L. Guns.—Sixteen competitors to be selected by the officer commanding the battery, from the best instructed n. c. officers and men, to fire three rounds each, viz:

1 common shell, percussion fuse.....	16
2 shrapnel shell, time fuses.....	32
Trial shots—common shell, percussion fuse.....	2
Total	50

The above rounds to be fired deliberately, and the result of each signalled from the range (about 1,500 yards).

The eight competitors making the highest scores in above practice to fire four rounds each, viz:

3 common shell, percussion fuses.....	24
1 shrapnel shell, time fuse.....	8
Trial shots—common shell, percussion fuse.....	2
Total	34

Total rounds per battery.....84

The target for the latter competition to be the same as that used in the preliminary practice.

Trial shots to be fired by an officer of the competing battery.

Garrison Batteries.—64-32 pr. R.M.L. Guns.—Eight competitors to be selected by the officer commanding the battery, from amongst the best instructed and most efficient n. c. officers and men, to fire two rounds each, viz.:

1 common shell, plugged.....	8
1 shrapnel shell, time fuse.....	8
Trial shots—common shell, plugged.....	2
Total	18