

Comparing the aggregate scores in the three stages of the Queen's Prize with those of last year we find that Sergeant Davies takes the blue ribbon with three points less than Major Pollock. The former's aggregate was 274 the latter's 277. The man that whipped in the Hundred last year did so with 224; this year's last man compiled one point less. This year's figures show that there was a general and fairly uniform falling off in the Queen's totals.

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The superior character of the shooting last year in the Queen's first stage to that of this year is shown by the fact that whereas there were then 50 scores of 90 and upwards in the Three Hundred, there were only 26 of these figures last week. Then scores of 84 were at the bottom, whilst a considerable number of 83's were included this year. As a set-off to the foregoing, better scores were made in the Alexandra and St. George's. In the former contest some scores of 56 came in the prize list as against 58.8 this year whilst for the Vase, although there was an h.p.s. at the top, scores of 28 came in at the bottom. At this meeting nothing under 30 takes a prize.

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Despite the lower scoring in the Queen's the prize-winning totals in the several aggregates were higher than in 1892. In that year the Hop Bitters trophy fell to an aggregate of 152 points; this year the top scorer made 158, and although six prizes have been added to the 95 last year, it took one point more to come in at the tail end of the list. Again, in the All-Comers aggregate the number of prizes was increased from 95 to 101. Last year's winning scores ranged from 187 to 166; this year it took 189 to win the Clark-Kennedy Cup, and 177 to come foot. The totals in the Grand Aggregate show still better results in favour of the meeting just concluded. Under the same conditions except that in 1892 the prizes numbered 125 as against 101, the Canadian trophy, which goes nominally to the top scorer was won with 330 points whilst it required 335 to win it this year, and ten more points were required to take the minor prizes in the series. These comparisons prove beyond possibility of dispute that the all-round shooting was better this year than last.

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In no class of competition has a greater advance been made than in that which was conducted at the Morris Tube range during the fortnight. With the well-known tube fitted in Martini-Henry rifles, on an open range at 200 yards, actual distance, eight full scores of 28 points

were registered, whilst to secure any prize in the series no less than 27 points had to be made. The absolute accuracy obtainable at open ranges with the Morris tube by the marksman who has the skill to gauge the wind and the steadiness to hold the rifle firmly, suffices to account for the patronage extended to the somewhat remote but exceedingly picturesque part of the N.R.A. grounds reserved for this and kindred kinds of shooting.

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However the Bisley Meeting of 1893 may prove to have been successful or otherwise in its financial aspects it has not been the least pleasant of the four held there. The weather, with one or two exceptions, was of the most agreeable kind from the visitor and spectator point of view, and to judge from appearance on the later days of the second week there was a better attendance of the public than on the corresponding days of previous years. On the last day the camp was really lively, although a good many of the competitors—those whose interest in the meeting was soured by the Queen's and St. George's—had shaken the dust of Bisley from their feet.

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The charming weather of Saturday, together with the attraction afforded by the final stage of the Queen's, sufficed to draw quite a little crowd of people to the long range firing points in the afternoon, whilst the gathering in the umbrella tent later to witness the distribution of prizes was both numerous and enthusiastic. The scene outside the ropes at the 900 yards range reminded one in a small way of the great gathering that used to form up behind the barrier when the shooting was going on at the final distance at Wimbledon.

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The prize meetings of the National Rifle Association, ever fertile in surprises, afforded another in connection with the destination of the Queen's Prize. It was thought by many that it might go to Liverpool, perhaps Scotland, or even stop in London, but hardly anyone gave a thought to the chances of its going to Wales. As with many other matters, it is the unforeseen that happens in connection with rifle shooting; and the unexpected contingency of the premier honour of the Bisley Meeting being carried off to the Principality occurred. There was intense joy over the result among Welshmen; at Bisley (where they seemed to spring from the ground on Saturday), in London and especially at Llanelli, there were wild demonstrations of delight when the news of the success of their compatriot was received.

26th ANNUAL PRIZE MEETING OF THE DOMINION RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The 26th annual prize meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association has come and gone. The competitors have gone home all knowing "just what to do next time to win that place on the Bisley 20," and some few happy that they have been able to do so. Several important new features have been inaugurated, notably the adoption for the first time of the M.H. rifle to the exclusion of all others.

The shooting, despite rather hard shooting weather, was very high and prize winners had to make really good scores, and earn their prizes.

In our next issue we will reproduce a series of photographs of principal winners, range officers, tents, etc., and will reserve for it our remarks and criticisms of this meeting, as well as the reports of the council, competitors and league meetings. Following are the scores and prize winners of all the matches.

The Nursery Match, 62 prizes, only open to those who have never won \$5 or over in any meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association. Following are the prize winners:

	Pts.	Prize.
Capt. Moore, 20th Batt -	25	\$17 50
Lt. H. Waters, 43rd Ottawa -	25	17 50
Sgt. H. Frawley, M. G. A. -	24	10 00
Corp. A. S. Hunter, B.C.G.A. -	24	10 00
P. Officer C. A. Sullivan, H. M. S. Blake -	*24	9 00
T. W. E. Webster, King's Cav -	*24	9 00
Sgt. J. C. Burns, No. 4 Company R. C. R. T. -	23	8 00
Lt. G. Ryder, 71st Batt -	23	8 00
Mr. A. R. Carmichael, Sudbury R. A. -	23	8 00
Pte. H. G. Robinson, 56th Batt -	23	6 00
Mr. A. Martin -	23	6 00
Gun. Turnbull, B. C. G. A. -	22	6 00
Sgt. G. Langan, Vics -	22	6 00
Pte. G. Fenton, 56th Batt -	22	6 00
—* Tie.		

\$5 prize winners—

	Pts.
Pte. G. A. White, G.G.F.G. -	22
Sgt. Miles, H. M. Kings Regiment -	22
Pte. H. J. Norton, Royal Scots -	22
Lt. C. Pickard, 74th Batt -	22
Pte. H. Bertram, 77th Batt -	22
Pte. C. E. Neill, 71st Batt -	21
Pte. J. Campbell, 57th Batt -	21
Lt. R. A. Helmer, 43rd Batt -	21
Lt. D. J. C. Munro, 44th Batt -	21

\$4 prize winners—

Pte. R. M. Blair, 8th Royal Rifles -	21
Pte. A. E. Swift, 8th Royal Rifles -	21
Sgt. Major Young, 1st B. F. A. -	21
Corp. Gust, Royal Engineers -	21
Bt. Maj. Henderson, 48th High. -	21
S. Sgt. G. J. Rowe, 45th Bowmanville -	21
Pte. G. Milligan, 14th Batt -	20
T. Butler, P.L.D.G. -	20
Surgeon Scott, O. R. C. -	20
Lt. O. W. Wetmore, 74th Batt -	20
Pte. C. E. Bennett, 68th Batt -	20
G. G. H. Power, B. Battery -	20
Lt. G. W. S. Matthews, 57th Batt -	20
Pte. J. Lamb, 90th Winnipeg -	20
Sgt. R. J. Taylor, 43rd Batt -	20

\$3 prize winners—

Staff Sgt. W. R. Cameron, 96th Batt -	20
Pte. W. A. Bangs, 43rd Batt -	20
G. W. Huston, B. C. G. A. -	20
Corp. Sleeman, 1st B. F. A. -	20
Pte. L. N. Hayne, 7th Batt -	19
Sgt. Hopkins, 13th Batt -	19
Pte. T. N. Hayhurst, 13th Hamilton -	19
Sgt. T. Knight, 1st King's Liverpool -	19
Bomb. W. Gould, 1st B. F. A. -	19
Pte. H. Jamieson, Victoria Rifles -	19
Sgt. A. S. Newall, 79th Batt -	19