

third prize in the Governor General's match, and was first man on the year's Wimbledon list. This sufficiently proves his shooting capacity. His executive ability is shown by the fact that he has been secretary of the New Brunswick rifle association for some years, and has made its meetings successes. Withal he is popular with all shooting men, and can make a speech or sing a song with the best. The D. R. A. and the team are to be congratulated on his selection.

D. R. A. Annual Meeting.

THIS was held yesterday in accordance with the constitution, and proved to be a particularly large and representative gathering. Lieut.-Col. Hon. G. A. Kirkpatrick, M.P., the president, was in the chair, and there were present Major-Gen. Sir Fred. Middleton, Major-Gen. Laurie, Col. Powell, A.G., Col. Panet, Lieut.-Cols. Ouimet, chairman of council; White, chairman of executive; Bacon, secretary; Macpherson, treasurer; d'Orsonnens, I.S.C.; Maunsell, D.A.G.; Vance, Graveley, 40th; Brosseau, 85th; Lamontagne, D.A.G.; Bond, P.W.R.; Massey, 6th; H. R. Smith, A.D.C.; Oswald, M.G.A.; Tyrwhitt, M.P.; Macpherson, Gaurds; Montizambert, R.C.A.; Otter, D.A.G.; D. A. Macdonald; Allan, Q.O.R.; Cotton, R.C.A.; Irwin, I.A.; Lewis, B.M.; Cole, 41st; MacKenzie, Gananoque F.B.; Majors Blaiklock, R.S.; H. Prevost, 65th; Bond, Perley and Anderson; Capts. Sims; Hood, R.S.; Newton, R.S.; Wright, 43rd; Macdonald, Q.O.R.; Toller and Sherwood; Lieuts. Shannon, McNachtan, Chambers, 6th, and Gray; Capt. A. I. Howard, Capt. B. Douglas, R.N.R.. Mr. Sutherland, Senator Macdonald, Mr. E. C. Baker, R.N., M.P., Mr. Josiah Wood, M.P., Mr. Freeman, M.P., Mr. Casey, M.P., and many others.

The minutes of the previous meeting and the annual report, being printed, were taken as read, and after the correction of some clerical errors were received.

The president, in moving the adoption of the report congratulated the association on the satisfactory condition of its affairs, the financial statement showing a balance over all indebtedness of \$2,073.08, while the annual matches had passed off successfully with a larger attendance than usual, and the Wimbledon team had been maintained as in the past. He regretted the absence of His Excellency the Governor-General, who, however, took as lively an interest as ever in the association, and had announced his intention of continuing his usual annual donation. He also congratulated the association on the success of the Wimbledon team, which, while not successful in carrying off the Kolapore cups, had in every other respect well upheld the reputation of the Dominion. On motion of Col. Ouimet, seconded by Col. Brosseau, a vote of thanks to the Governor-General for his cash contribution and for his medals, was passed. Col. Ouimet embraced the occasion to eulogize Lord Lansdowne, and testified the appreciation of the Montrealers of his recent stay there, and of his earnest purpose to advance every interest of the Dominion. The speaker felt sure his Excellency's visit to Toronto would be equally satisfactory, and beneficial to the country.

A vote of thanks moved by Gen. Laurie, seconded by Col. Tyrwhitt, was tendered to Sir Adolphe Caron and the government for their interest in the association, and a similar vote, on motion of Col. Bond, to Sir Fred. Middleton, who responded briefly, reiterating his conviction that skill in instruction, the object fostered by the association, was the most important point of the soldier's duty. All the donors of prizes were formally thanked.

On motion of Col. White, a resolution of regret at the news of the recent death of Lieut.-Col. Brunel, lately a distinguished officer of the association, and inventor of the Brunel target, was unanimously adopted.

The president laid on the table a beautifully finished and mounted Whitney-Kennedy repeating rifle, which, with loading tools complete, had just been presented to the association by Capt. Howard, manager of the Dominion cartridge factory, and "Capt. Gatling," as the president slipped out the name, amidst laughter, who was present, was heartily, if formally, thanked.

The election of officers was then proceeded with. Col. Kirkpatrick was unanimously re-elected president on motion of Sir Fred. Middleton, and all the old vice-presidents were re-elected. The following members of council were elected:

Ontario—Col. Panet, Lieut.-Cols. White, Gibson, Graveley and Allen, Capt. Toller and Mr. Geo. Casey, M.P.

Quebec—Lieut.-Cols. Ouimet, McEachren, C.M.G., Miller; Major Bond and Mr. R. N. Hail, M.P.

New Brunswick—Lieut.-Col. Beer, Major Tilton and Mr. Sutherland.

Nova Scotia—Lieut.-Col. Murray and Capts. Weston and Garrison.

Prince Edward Island—Lieut.-Col. Smith, A.D.C., and Lieut.-Col. Tyrwhitt, M.P.

Manitoba—Senator Schultz and Mr. R. Watson, M.P.

British Columbia—Lieut.-Col. Ross, retired list, and Lieut. Gray.

Northwest Territories—Lieut.-Col. O'Brien, M.P.

These, with a similar number elected by the various provincial rifle associations, the president and vice-presidents, both elected and ex-officio, form the new council.

Discussion was now invited of any points in the report, or affecting this year's work. Major Prevost suggested the desirability of securing a range for the Wimbledon team's practice without further delay, and a communication from Col. Humphry was read, kindly offering to arrange for camping on the Cambridge range. It was also suggested that if the team were entered in advance it would put the Canadians in a better position in the competitions, and it was decided to act on this suggestion.

On motion of Col. Otter it was resolved to invite the National rifle association to send a team to compete in the D.R.A. matches this season. The proposition was received with much cordiality, and a determination expressed, if a team should come, to make them enjoy their visit.

The meeting then adjourned.

COUNCIL MEETING.

A meeting of the members of the new council present was immediately convened, when Col. Ouimet was re-elected chairman, and the former officers and committees reappointed. The following executive committee was elected: Cols. Panet, D. A. Macdonald, White, Otter, and Gibson; Majors Bond, Blaiklock, Tilton, Mason, Perley and Anderson; Captains Sims, Hood, Toller, and Lieut. McNachtan. Before the motion was put Mr. Baker asked that British Columbia should be represented. It was pointed out that one of the present members might be specially charged with the duty of representing British Columbia's interests, and Major Anderson, on request, promised to act in that capacity.

The Executive committee was empowered to arrange for the expedition of this year's Wimbledon team.

The date of the annual prize meeting was fixed for the 29th August, on division, Major Perley asking for a postponement of a week to meet the greater convenience of the Maritime Province men.

The executive was directed to prepare a prize list not to exceed \$6,750.

Mr. Sutherland brought up the question of introducing the Martini to a greater extent, and proposed using it altogether beyond 500 yards. Captain MacDonald moved that a Martini aggregate should be established, and that the Wimbledon team be selected wholly from the results of the Martini shooting. After a long discussion it was decided to recommend the executive council to adopt the Martini in the Ouimet, Standing, and London Merchants' cup matches.

The council expressed the opinion that it was desirable that the conditions of the Gzowski match should be modified in accordance with the views expressed at the September meeting, and a committee of Toronto officers was named to wait on Col. Gzowski and represent the matter to him. The discussion elicited many expressions of the high esteem in which Col. Gzowski's services to the association are held.

A committee was appointed to wait on the Minister of Railways, Sir Charles Tupper, and the maritime members of the cabinet, with a view to securing passes if possible on the I. C. R. for the competitors from the maritime provinces.

A vote of thanks to the C. P. R. for the reduced fares granted the B. C. competitors last year was passed, with a hope added that the same or better rates would be offered this and following years, so as to secure an annual visit.

The meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the executive committee was held at 3.30 when all the members who were at the general meeting attended. Col. White was re-elected chairman.

Business in connection with the Wimbledon team was executed, and then the committee took up and arranged the new programme, which had been blocked out by a sub-committee of the old executive. The additional money voted for this year is utilized in increasing the value of the prizes, adding \$5 or \$10 each to the value of the higher prizes in most matches, and inserting a number of \$10 and \$8 prizes, reducing the number of less value. The Ouimet and Standing as well as the London Merchants' cup are to be fired with the M.-H., and the Rideau is changed to a 600-yard match. The small-bore match is abolished and the Martini at 800 and 900 is divided into two matches. In other respects the programme is substantially the same. It was decided to issue the ammunition at the firing points, and to carry out the rules, including those relating to dress, more stringently, for which purpose a chief executive officer will probably be appointed.