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THE GROWTH OF RIFLE SHOOTING.

An attendance of 434, or rather a gross entry list of that number this year, compared with the best previous record of 416, has been generally accepted as an assurance of satisfactory progress on the part of the Dominion Rifle Association. In 1884 the entry list was only 284, but steadily rising each year it reached 416 in 1889, lost nothing to speak of with 412 in 1890, and this year made further progress as indicated above. An analysis of the entry returns, however, shows that the increase has not been of a nature to give unmixed satisfaction, coming as it does almost wholly from one Province, Ontario, whilst from other parts of the Dominion there has for many years been practically no growth in the attendance. The following comparative statement will show the position at a glance:

	1884	'85	'86	'87	'88	'89	'90	'91
Ontario.....	136	146	163	185	193	219	227	236
Quebec.....	74	88	80	85	77	85	93	84
New Brunswick.....	27	25	29	30	28	33	22	24
Nova Scotia.....	26	23	31	32	30	50	38	57
Manitoba.....	13	9	10	14	11	12	11	12
British Columbia.....	0	0	9	5	5	4	6	8
Prince Edward Island..	8	11	10	12	10	13	15	13
Totals.....	284	302	332	363	354	416	412	434

The figures given for Nova Scotia include 15 competitors from the Regulars at Halifax, and the figures for that Province for 1889 were similarly swelled. Still Nova Scotia shows a slight and steady increase. New Brunswick shows a corresponding decline, Quebec, Manitoba and Prince Edward Island remain stationary, and British Columbia sent more representatives this year than any other except the first. The most natural observation to make concerning the above figures, is that Ontario leads so conspicuously because favoured in distance to be travelled, but a further examination shows that this is not the proper explanation. Ottawa city and district contributed the large total of 84 entries, but from the district of Toronto, 260 miles distant, there were 86, or more than the entire number from the whole Province of Quebec, whose chief shooting centres, the cities of Montreal and Quebec, are respectively 120 and 254 miles distant from Ottawa. From the far Western district of Ontario there were 32 entries, and these competitors, travelling an average of 350 miles each way, had not the advantage enjoyed by those from the Maritime Provinces, of free transportation over a Government railway for the greater part of their journey. And the attendance of the Manitoba and British Columbia delegations, from provinces distant from Ottawa 1,300 and 2,800 miles respectively, shows how space can be annihilated by the enthusiasm which the ideal rifleman has for his sport.

As it stands, the attendance at the Dominion meeting is something to be proud of, and in contrasting as we have done the disproportion between the entries from the several provinces our idea is not to suggest that the Association has been other than in reality a Dominion institution. It seems, however, well worth while to inquire into the cause of so markedly keener an appreciation on the part of Ontario of the inducements held out by the D. R. A., and to make an effort to arouse greater interest in other parts of the Dominion. The great central rifle meeting should be kept as prominently as possible before the attention of the militia men in every Province, until "On to Ottawa" shall become the motto inspiring every rifleman, and stimulating him to strive to excel in the preparatory meetings of the regimental, county, district, or provincial associations.

THE PRINCESS LOUISE FUSILIERS.

The annual inspection of the 66th Batt. Princess Louise Fusiliers, Halifax, took place this week, the inspecting officer being Major Gordon, Acting Deputy Adjutant General. The officers present were Lieut.-Col. Humphrey (in command), Majors Weston and Menger, Paymaster Humphrey, Captain Kemy, Adjutant, Captains Chipman, Brown, Whitman, King, Hole and MacKinlay, Lieutenants Ritchie Smith, Lewis, Wallace Ternan, Nagle, Stairs and Harrington Quartermaster Stevens and Asst.-Surgeon Kirkpatrick.

The battalion was formed in the Drill Shed in quarter column, with pioneers, band and drums on the right, and the inspecting officer was received with a general salute; ranks were then opened, and a minute inspection of every officer and man was made by Major Gordon. Afterwards the march-past and review exercises were gone through in the drill yard, under the command of Lieut.-Col. Humphrey, and a number of battalion movements were done under the command of Majors Weston and Menger.

The battalion paraded nearly full strength, there being on parade 308 N. C. officers and men out of 336, and a number of certificates of illness were produced for absentees. The parade was as fine a one as the battalion ever had, the men being particularly well set up, with accoutrements and clothing clean and bright, and their steadiness in the different movements showed the effects of the numerous drills performed during the season.

The band of this regiment has steadily improved, until now it is probably second to few in the Dominion.

After the inspection the acquittance rolls were called and each man upon his name being called was required to step to the front of his company and answer thereto.

Major Gordon expressed himself as being much pleased with the physique, dress and drill of the regiment.

After the inspection the officers were entertained by Lieut.-Col. Humphrey; and Major Weston, on behalf of the officers, presented to him the photo lately on view at Messrs. Notman's.

RICHMOND COUNTY AND 54TH BATTALION.

The 21st annual prize meeting of the Richmond County and 54th Battalion R. A. was held at Richmond, on the 17th September. It was not a day for good shooting, as the wind and light were very changeable.

STANDING MATCH.—200 yds.; standing or kneeling position; 7 shots; open to members of the Association who had never won a prize in cash of \$2 or upwards at any meeting; Snider rifle.

\$6 Bds. J. R. Hebert..... 26	\$2.50	Pte. W. Swallow..... 20
5 Pte. F. Goddard..... 25	1.50	Sgt. J. Martin..... 20
4 Pte. G. Miller..... 22	1.00	Capt. J. Brooks..... 16
3 Pte. W. Andrews..... 21		

MATCH No. 2.—Open to all members of the Association: 500 and 600 yards; 7 shots; Snider rifle.

\$10 Maj. L. Thomas, 54th... 51	\$1.50	J. F. Thomas, 54th... 43
8 Lt. M. H. Healy, 54th... 51	1.50	Pte. W. Andrews, 54th... 43
6 S-Sgt. E. A. Cleveland, 54th... 50	1.00	S-Sgt. A. J. Martin, 53rd... 42
5 Pte. Jas. McCuaig, 54th... 46	1.00	Bdm. J. R. Hebert, 54th... 42
4 S-Sgt. C. Clark, 53rd... 45	1.00	Bdm. B. Whalen, 54th... 42
3 Capt. H. B. Aylmer, R.L... 43	1.00	Lt. G. A. Bothwell, 54th... 41
2 Capt. E. V. Swallow, 54th... 43	1.00	Pte. L. Swallow, 54th... 41

MATCH No. 3.—200 and 500 yds; 7 shots at each range; Snider rifle; position at 200 yds, standing or kneeling, 500 yds. any military position. Open to all members of the Association.

\$10 S-Sgt. C. H. Clark, 54th... 62	\$1.50	Pte. L. L. Swallow, 54th... 55
8 Pte. W. Andrews, 54th... 58	1.50	Maj. T. P. Cleveland, 54th... 55
6 Capt. H. B. Aylmer, R.L... 57	1.00	S-Sgt. A. J. Martin, 53rd... 53
5 Pte. M. A. Harvey, 54th... 57	1.00	Bdm. B. Whalen, 54th... 52
4 Lt. M. H. Healy, 54th... 57	1.00	Pte. Jas. McCuaig, 54th... 52
3 Lt. R. J. Spearing, 53rd... 56	1.00	E. F. Cleveland... 52
2 Sgt. W. Wentworth, 54th... 56	1.00	Maj. L. Thomas, 54th... 52

TEAM MATCH. Prize a silver cup, for company teams of five n.c.o. and men, to be won twice in five years. Match shot in conjunction with No. 3. No. 1 Company, 265 points (won for second time); No. 4 Company, 259; No. 6 Company, 200.

NURSERY AGGREGATE.—\$3, Pte. W. Andrews, 54th, 122 points; \$2, Pte. F. Goddard, 54th, 114 points; \$1, Bandsman J. R. Hebert, 54th, 109 points.

GRAND AGGREGATE.—\$5 and D. C. R. A. Medal, Lieut. M. H. Healy, 54th, 108 points; \$5 and P. Q. R. A. Badge, Major L. Thomas, 54th, 103; \$3, Pte. W. Andrews, 54th, 101; \$2, Staff Sergt. E. A. Cleveland, 54th, 109.

THE QUEEN'S OWN RIFLES.

The annual rifle matches of the Queen's Own Rifles took place at the Garrison Ranges on Saturday, 24th October, and were, without exception, the most successful in the history of the regiment. The prize list was exceedingly attractive, a feature of it being the exceedingly small number of orders compared with the past few years. The programme was carried out without a hitch, thanks to the efforts of Capt. Macdonald, Lieut. Crean and Lieut. Rennie, whilst the credit of rushing through the shooting of 270 competitors by 4.30 p.m. was due to Major Delamere, Capt. Knifton, and Capt. Mercer, who acted as range officers. The day was all that could be expected at this late season, but a bright dazzling light and a strong wind from the right, occasionally shifting to right rear, rendered high scoring almost impossible, nevertheless the shooting was good, considering the rifle used in all but two of the matches was the old short Snider rifle, some of which (in fact most of them) have been in use for about twenty years. Following are the highest scores in the different matches:—

1ST. STANDING MATCH.—Range, 200 yds.; rounds, 5; Rifle, short Snider.

\$10 Pte. J. P. White, C Co..... 20	points.
9 Staff Sergt. Williams, G Co..... 19	"
7 Lieut. J. F. Crean, I Co..... 18	"
7 Sergt. W. S. Duncan, A Co..... 18	"
6 Lieut. H. F. Wyatt..... 17	"

2ND. ARLINGTON.—Range, 600 yds: Rounds, 7; Rifle, long or short Snider.

\$25 Corp. W. H. Meadows, A Co..... 29	points.
10 Corp. W. E. Matthews, E Co..... 28	"
10 Lieut. R. Rennie, C Co..... 27	"
8 Corp. H. MacLaren, K Co..... 27	"
5 Major J. H. Delamere, Staff..... 26	"

3RD. QUEEN'S RIFLE ASSOCIATION.—Open to members of the regiment who competed at Dominion or Ontario Rifle Association matches this season: Range, 600 yds; Rounds, 7; Rifle, Martini.

D. R. A. Medal. *Capt. Macdonald, Staff..... 29	points.
O. R. A. Medal. Capt. Knifton, C Co..... 28	"
\$5 S. Sergt. D. D. McNeill, A Co..... 27	"
5 Col. Sergt. A. D. Crooks, K Co..... 27	"
3 Lieut. J. F. Crean, I Co..... 27	"

4TH. SKIRMISHING, VOLLEY AND INDEPENDENT FIRING.—Teams, five officers, n. c. o.'s or men per company. Rifle, short Snider. Skirmishing.—Ranges, 100 to 450 yds: Position, any; Rounds, 5 advancing and 5 retiring. Volley firing.—Range, 300 yds.; Position, kneeling; Rounds, 5. Independent firing.—Range, 150 yds.; Position, standing; Rounds, 5.

Victoria Rifles' Cup and Photo of Team, value, \$160, A Co... 303 pts.
Zimmerman Cup and Photo of Team, value \$60, C Co. 261 pts.

5TH. NURSERY MATCH.—Ranges, 200 and 400 yds: Rounds, 5 at each; Position, 200 yds. kneeling, 400 yds. any.

\$7 Corp. D. S. Fraser, C Co..... 39	points.
5 Sergt. J. Collins, C Co..... 37	"
5 Pte. W. L. Innes, F Co..... 36	"
3 Pte. J. A. McCracken, G Co..... 35	"
3 Pte. H. J. Warr, D Co..... 35	"

6TH. GENERAL MATCH.—Ranges, 200, 400 and 500 yds.: position, 200 yds. kneeling, 400 and 500 yds. any; rounds, 5 at each range; rifle, short Snider.

\$50 Lieut. J. F. Crean, I Co... 60	\$10 Pte. E. Westman, A Co... 56
30 Pte. R. Taylor, C Co... 59	10 Corp. W. H. Meadows, A... 55
25 Sgt. D. D. McNeil, A Co... 58	10 Corp. D. S. Fraser, C Co... 55
20 Sgt. T. Westman, A Co... 58	9 Pte. J. Blainey, D Co... 54
15 Pte. D. A. Clarke, K Co... 58	9 Staff Sgt. Harp, D Co... 54
15 Sgt. E. P. McNeil, A Co... 58	8 Lieut. R. Rennie, C Co... 54
12 Corp. G. Bryant, F Co... 57	8 Corp. A. G. Gilmore, A... 53
10 Col. Sgt. Vicars, C Co... 57	8 Pte. A. H. Gilmore, D Co... 52
10 Corp. H. MacLaren, K Co... 56	8 Pte. J. P. White, C Co... 52
10 Sgt. J. Agnew, F Co... 56	8 Sgt. J. G. Langton, B Co... 51

7TH. AGGREGATE.—Highest scores in matches 1, 2 and 6.

D. R. A. Medal, Lieut. J. F. Crean, I Co..... 102	points.
O. R. A. Medal, Corp. W. H. Meadows, A Co..... 100	"
Dewdney Medal, Lieut. Rennie, C Co..... 97	"
Trowen Medal, Corp. MacLaren, K Co..... 96	"

8TH. GILMOR MATCH.—Open only to present members who served in the regiment under the command of Lieut.-Col. Gillmor, scores made in match 6 to decide.

Won by Pte. Jas. Blainey, D Co..... 54 points.

9TH. COMPANY TEAM MATCHES.—Open to all companies of the regiment. In first class, ten highest aggregate scores made in match No. 6 in each company to decide. In second class, highest aggregate score made by five previously named members of any company in match No. 6.

Dufferin Rifles' Cup and Photo of Team... A Co... 279 points.
Industrial Exhibition Cup and Photo of Team... A Co... 532 "

10TH. "MAIL" CHALLENGE TROPHY MATCH.—Officers vs. Sergeants.—Open to teams of six previously named officers and sergeants.

Sergeants' Team Score..... 312 points.
Officers' Team Score..... 291 "

11TH. REVOLVER MATCH.

\$10 Corp. H. MacLaren, K Co..... 40	points.
8 Col. Sergt. Crooks, K Co..... 37	"
5 Lieut.-Col. R. B. Hamilton, Staff..... 36	"

12TH. ALLAN MATCH.—Special trophy.

Finally won by Lieut. Crean, I Co.

13TH. PELLATT TROPHY.—Trophy (value \$200) to be awarded to the member of the regiment making the ten highest scores during the season, to be won three times.

Won second time by Sergt. T. Westman, A Co. 649 points.

SPECIAL PRIZES.—Awarded to the n. c. o.'s or men who have never won a prize at any Provincial or Dominion rifle match, making the five highest scores during the season.

Turner Snider Rifle (value \$25) Col. Sergt. J. G. McMaster.
 Wobley Snider Rifle (value \$25) Corp. Gilmoir.

The battalion best shot for the year is Sergt. T. Westman.

There were upwards of one hundred and fifty prizes, the total value of which was about \$1,750. The prizes were presented to the successful competitors on Wednesday evening, 28th October, after the regiment had returned to the drill shed.

"F" COMPANY.

The following is a list of the prize winners in the annual matches of Company "F," Queen's Own Rifles, which were fired concurrently with the battalion matches

1st. NURSERY MATCH.—Ranges 200 and 400 yds. Open to members who have never won a prize at any rifle match. \$5, Pte. Innes, 36 points; \$3, Pte. H. O. Andrews, 28; \$2, Pte. Cameron, 26; \$1.50, Pte. F. B. Andrews, 22; \$1.50, Pte. Nicholson, 16; \$1, Pte. Harris, 15.

2nd. GENERAL MATCH.—Ranges 200, 400 and 500 yds. Five shots. Open to members of the company. Challenge cup (\$50), to be won three times, finally won by Corpl. Bryant, and Capt. McGee's prize, \$15, score 57 points: \$12, Sgt. Agnew, 56; \$10 (Capt. Lee's prize), Sgt. Cockburn, 50; \$8, Pte. Davison, 50; \$6, Col. Sgt. Ham, 49; \$5, Corpl. Tew, 48; \$4, Pte. Innes, 44; \$3, Pte. Cameron, 42; \$2.50, Corpl. Crate, 37; \$2.50, Pte. McKenzie, 36; \$2, Lt. Wyatt, 35; \$2, Pte. E. Forster, 35; \$1.50, Sgt. Saunders, 35; \$1.50, Corpl. Campbell, 30; \$1, Pte. H. O. Andrews, 30; \$1, Pte. C. H. Forster, 28.

3rd. STANDING MATCH.—Open to members. \$3, Lt. Wyatt, 17 points; \$2.50, Pte. Davison, 17; \$2, Pte. Innes, 16; \$1.50, Corpl. Bryant, 15.

4th. AGGREGATE.—Prize awarded to highest aggregate made up of 2nd and 3rd matches, Lt. Wyatt's medal (\$15), won by Corpl. Bryant with a score of 72 points.

5th. REVOLVER.—Open to members and ex-members. Unlimited entries. \$3, Sgt. Agnew, 24 points; \$2, Lt. Wyatt, 17; \$1.50, Pte. Agnew, 14; \$1, ex Pte. McLean, 13.

9th. EX-MEMBERS.—Ranges 500 and 600 yds. \$3, ex-Pte. McKay, 33; \$2, ex-Pte. Fraser, 27.

The power to award punishment in the German Army is only given to an officer in command of a unit not smaller than a company, but every military superior has power to place an inferior in arrest, as a preliminary to inquiry, for any breach of discipline. A company chief can award up to 8 days' simple arrest to non-commissioned officers and privates; to junior non-commissioned officers and privates "middle arrest" up to 5 days; to privates strict arrest for 3 days. A Captain commanding a detached company can punish any of his officers with arrest up to 3 days. The officer commanding a battalion, not detached, can award 14 days' simple arrest, 10 days' middle arrest, and 7 days' strict arrest. He can give officers chamber arrest, but must report to the regimental chief, who fixes the term. The officer commanding a regiment, or a detached battalion, can award officers arrest up to 6 days, junior non-commissioned officers and privates middle arrest up to 3 weeks, and privates strict arrest up to 14 days. Commanders superior to the officers commanding regiments, as well as governors and commanders of garrisons, have the same powers of summary punishment as the regimental chiefs. The General commanding an army corps can punish an officer up to 14 days' arrest, the General of Division up to 10 days, and a General of Brigade up to 8 days.

D. A. A. FIELD BATTERY COMPETITION.

The following are the official returns of the Field Battery competition with 9 pr. R.M.L. guns. Practice was carried out (with exception of Newcastle and Winnipeg Batteries which fired, the former at Sussex, N. B., and the latter at Battery headquarter-) at Kingston, across the mouth of the Little Cataraqui River. Each man fired 6 rounds, viz., 4 common and 2 shrapnel shell. Time allowed, 9 minutes— one point deducted for every 30 secs. or fraction of 30 secs. over time. The score given is the final result. Possible, 54 points per man.

PRIZES—AGGREGATE SCORES.

\$50	Durham Battery	277
40	No. 1 Battery, 1st Brigade	266
30	Newcastle Battery	250
20	Hamilton Battery	244
10	Toronto Battery	241

INDIVIDUAL SCORES.

	Rank and Name.	Battery.	Score.	Dir.	C.S. Score
\$15	Corpl. Wilkinson	No. 1, 1st Bde	44
10	Gr. Cox	Welland	42	11	..
10	Sgt. Shaughnessy	Newcastle	42	10	..
10	Sgt. McCarthy	Durham	41
8	Corpl. Johnson	Montreal	40	11	..
8	Sgt. McGregor	No. 1, 1st Bde	40	10	..
8	Gr. Simmons	No. 1, 1st Bde	39
6	Sgt. Maj. Bertrand	Quebec	38	12	..
6	Sgt. Homer	Hamilton	38	10	32
6	Q. M. S. Russell	Newcastle	38	10	28
5	Sgt. Henderson	Durham	38	10	27
5	Gr. Martin	Toronto	38	10	25
5	Sgt. Atkins	Gananoque	37	11	..
5	Q. M. S. Ogg	No. 1, 1st Bde	37	10	27
4	Sgt. Cox	Hamilton	37	10	24
4	Sgt. Loggie	Newcastle	37	9	..
4	Sgt. Carter	Toronto	36	12	..
4	Corpl. Morley	Welland	36	10	24
4	Sgt. Dodds	Gananoque	36	10	22
4	Sgt. Hutcheson	Durham	35	11	27
3	Sgt. J. H. Seale	Shefford	35	11	25
3	Corpl. Taylor	Toronto	35	10	..
3	Corpl. Kenneally	Durham	35	7	..
3	Sgt. W. Williams	Shefford	34	12	..
2	Corpl. Noblett	Hamilton	34	11	..
2	Sgt. Maj. McMahon	Durham	34	9	..
2	S. Sgt. Hay	Durham	32	10	25
2	Corpl. W. Reid	Shefford	32	10	22
2	Gr. Laurie	Durham	32	10	20
2	Corpl. New	Hamilton	32	9	..

The following are the detailed scores:

NO. 1. BATTERY, 1ST BRIGADE.		
	Time.	Score.
Gr. Smith	9.30	32
B. Sgt. Maj. Gilchrist	9.30	28
Corpl. Wilkinson	7.15	44
Sgt. McGregor	8.25	40
Bde. Sgt. Maj. Young	9.22	18
Gr. Simmons	8.14	39
Sgt. Lawrence	8.25	28
Q. M. Sgt. Ogg	7.04	37
Total		266
NO. 2 BATTERY, 1ST BRIGADE.		
Sgt. Maj. Newstead	8.50	18
Bdr. Armstrong	7.04	21
Sgt. Harrison	7.00	30
Corpl. Anderson	7.12 1/2	30
Q. M. Sgt. Thatcher	7.04	28
Corpl. Dunn	8.36	17
Sgt. Watson	10.07	6
Q. M. Sgt. McCrae	9.59	18
Total		168
LONDON FIELD BATTERY.		
Sergt. Warwick	7.52	27
" Taylor	9.00	10
" McGearay	8.27	20
" Case	8.30	12
Bdr. Elliott	11.15	11
" Forkey	9.55	30
Sergt. Wilson	10.23	20
" Patton	10.40	21
Total		169

WELLAND BATTERY.			QUEBEC BATTERY.		
Sergt. Doyle	7.43	25	Sergt. Marcheterre	8.09	31
Corp. Scheilly	13.15	26	Bdr. Berube	8.44	17
Gunner Cox	8.37	42	Corp. St. Pierre	7.12	20
Corp. Minor	9.35	26	Sergt. Major Bertrand	6.14	38
Sergt. Balfour	6.23	20	Corp. Berube	7.12	27
" Nelson	5.57	30	Q. M. Sergt. Hamel	9.00	32
Corp. Morley	9.40	30	Sergt. Cloutier	19
Sergt. Cornwall	7.49	28	" Moisan	9.46	16
Total		233	Total		200
HAMILTON BATTERY.			NEWCASTLE BATTERY.		
Sergt. Homer	8.13	38	Sergt. Shaughnessy	8.52	42
" Cox	6.17	37	" Loggie	8.33	37
" Camp	6.20	21	" Kethro	8.52	26
Corp. Noblett	9.25	34	" Matheson	8.10	23
Gunner Omand	8.40	28	Q. M. Sergt. Russell	7.55	38
Sergt. Major Wholson	10.00	30	Bdr. Williston	7.31	31
Sergt. Instructor Kerley	9.13	24	" Russell	8.12	29
Corp. New	9.39	32	Corp. Williston	8.05	24
Total		244	Total		250
TORONTO BATTERY.			WINNIPEG BATTERY.		
Corpl. Bryne	9.20	21	Sergt. Grack	6.09	24
Sgt. Carter	8.43	30	Sergt. Major Purdy	6.25	26
Sgt. Warrington	11.30	29	Corp. Bailey	9.15	14
Q. M. Sgt. Spry	9.29	23	Sergt. Bourke	5.35	18
Corpl. Taylor	9.00	35	" Bathir	7.30	10
Sgt. Maj. Woodman	6.27	31	Q. M. Sergt. Grierson	9.00	8
Gr. Martin	8.45	38	Corp. Gault	9.00	13
Corpl. Blair	10.10	28	Sergt. Roundthwaite	8.15	25
Total		241	Total		138
DURHAM BATTERY.			Only 7 competitors.		
Sgt. Maj. McMahon	8.49	34			
Bdr. Sharp	18.00	30			
Gr. Laurie	8.48	32			
S. Sgt. Hay	6.18	32			
Sgt. Hutcheson	6.24	35			
Corpl. Kenneally	8.35	35			
Sgt. Henderson	8.52	38			
Sgt. McCarthy	7.36	41			
Total		277			
GANANOQUE BATTERY.					
Sgt. Dodds	8.20	36			
Sgt. Aitkins	9.35	37			
Corpl. Simson	8.29	27			
Sgt. Maj. Lloyd	7.24	19			
Bdr. Breakinridge	9.16	13			
Gr. Cavanagh	16.40	27			
Bdr. Johnson	8.40	30			
Total		189			
OTTAWA BATTERY.					
Sergt. Major Ingram	8.23	27			
Sergt. Hood	7.32	12			
" Chattuck	10	24			
" Kennedy	8.30	21			
" Thompson	7.28	30			
" Mix	8.19	25			
Corp. Eldridge	7.34	30			
Gn. Gray	7.11	25			
Total		194			
MONTREAL BATTERY.					
Sergt. Porteous	8.06	14			
" Kendall	5.47	18			
Sergt. Major Walker	7.29	20			
Corp. Turton	6.51	19			
Bdr. Muirhead	9.30	27			
" Wilson	11.46	8			
Corp. Johnson	7.35	40			
Corp. Holbrook	8.07	29			
Total		175			
SHEFFORD BATTERY.					
Gr. J. Irwin	9.36	24			
Sergt. W. Seale	9.51	11			
" W. Williams	8.12	34			
Corp. W. Irwin	7.53	31			
" W. A. Purdy	7.59	18			
" W. Reid	7.42	32			
Sergt. A. C. Reid	6.48	21			
" J. H. Seale	7.47	35			
Total		206			

The Swedish authorities have been much pleased with a rifle-rest invented by a German manufacturer. Many efforts have been made of late years to improve the shooting of riflemen when firing in a prone position, without encumbering the weapon or impeding the movements of the marksman, but none of these inventions has as yet been free from serious defect, the rifle rests being either too heavy and cumbersome, considerably increasing the weight of the fire arm, or too flimsy and unreliable to stand the wear and tear of constant use. This rifle-rest has none of the above faults, as it is both light and solid; can be easily attached to any description of rifle, and used without interfering with the position of the shooter. The rest consists of an enamelled band of steel 12 inches in length, and $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch broad, or according to the width of the gun-sling in use to which it is attached, and by its employment the marksman, when in a prone position, can hold his weapon in immediate readiness and secure a perfect aim, even at moving objects, while the rifle never comes in contact with the ground. At the fore end of the iron band joining the rest, two blunt spikes project a quarter of an inch in length, and serve to prevent the rest from entering too far into wet or soft soil, while giving steadiness and a firm footing on hard or rocky ground. As the rest or crutch prevents any position of the weapon from coming in contact with the ground, it follows that neither mud nor snow can ever clog the muzzle, as frequently happens when men are firing in a recumbent position. The ingenious manner in which the rest is attached to the sling, where it lies quite close, flat and imperceptible, obviates any chance of its impeding the firer, even when he may have to suddenly change his position. The inside of the steel band joining the crutch is lined with leather, so that no friction can take place against the fore-end of the stock. The rest can be used with any description of military rifle, no matter whether the swivels are placed in front of the trigger-guard and magazine, or behind it on the stock of the gun. The invention has been patented in Germany and in England, and there is every prospect of its being adopted by the German Government, even if not taken up by the Swedish authorities.

C. O.s I HAVE MET.

(By an Old Hand. From the Broad Arrow.)

I. THE RIGHT SORT.

THE C. O. of the "right sort" is liked and esteemed both by officers and men; he is popular with all. He began his soldiering as an ensign, when that rank had not been improved (?) out of the Army, and he looked forward to the distant day when he would command his regiment. As a subaltern he had made himself a favourite, and was liked by all ranks, for he was always ready for any piece of fun that was going but never neglecting his duty, so that when he came to command he could and did make allowances for young and boyish spirits, without in any way impairing his authority. He is a man who can be thoroughly depended upon. He is strictly just and impartial, and not only knows how to give an order, but how to see it carried out. He knows his work in the orderly room as well as on parade, consequently his regiment is not only smart and well-drilled, but well-behaved and popular wherever it is quartered. Everyone, from the youngest drummer boy to the senior major, feels it a pleasure to serve under him. When a youngster joins, the C. O. tries, and generally succeeds, in gaining the boy's confidence; he makes him feel that the regiment is to be his home and the C. O. his father; he must not be afraid of the C. O., but must feel that in him he has a friend so long as he does his duty, behaves as a gentleman, and does nothing to disgrace his corps or bring discredit on the uniform it is his proud privilege to wear. In this C. O.'s regiment there are no "cliques," all pull well together, all are ready to help one another.

Then our C. O. is a thorough sportsman, and takes interest in the men's sports as well as in the officers', and provided an officer does his duty well, he will never refuse him a day's leave, either for hunting, shooting, or cricket. He will himself join, and most likely make a good score in a regimental match; he quite believes in and acts up to the opinion of the old motto as to "all work and no play," so he does everything he can to encourage all manly sports.

He always dresses well and neatly, both in uniform and in "mufti," and likes to see his officers do the same; he approves of a certain amount of swagger when his men are out walking. Now let us see how he acts when his regiment is ordered, perhaps suddenly, to move its quarters: there is no fussiness about him, his orders are quietly and promptly given, and as quietly and promptly carried out; everyone knows exactly what he has to do, and does it; the C. O. does not rush about worrying himself or his officers to see that each and every one is doing his work, for he knows that all will do their best, and they also know that any slip on their part will be spotted; the consequence is that the move is accomplished with the minimum of discomfort to all concerned.

Now let us look at him at the most trying time for a C. O.; he is about to lead his regiment into action; he gives his orders just as quietly as if on an ordinary parade, he is just as cool as if he were taking part in a sham fight, and his men know it, and are ready, aye, anxious, to show their eagerness to follow him wherever he may lead, to show what confidence they have in him; to show that what he has taught them in the barrack square has not been forgotten by them; and be the result of the battle what it may, of one thing we may be sure—the C. O. will be proud of his corps, and the corps will be proud of their C. O. When the battle is over how anxious he is that the wounded are properly cared for! Nothing is forgotten, no pains on his part are spared to see that all that can be done is done; he will go round, and his cheery voice gladden the heart of the poor sufferer, telling him, and making him feel, that he has had no small share in the glory of the day.

This is the C. O. in whose regiment it is a pleasure and an honour to serve, and this is the C. O. whose regiment is a credit to the British Army and a terror to its enemies.

II. THE WRONG SORT.

A very different C. O. this from the last I described. As a subaltern, he was never popular either with officers or with men. He never did another man's duty if he could help it. He always seemed to be on the look-out to find fault with his men, so that, as *he* thought, he might show his authority; and now that he has got the command, matters have not improved. Let us look at him when his corps is to be inspected by the general. For weeks before he is in a state of excitement, his adjutant, his quartermaster, and in fact all his officers are worried almost beyond endurance. He gives an order to-day and cancels it to-morrow, so that no one knows what is wanted or what to do. After giving orders he trusts no one to carry them out, but fusses and worries one and all, and thinks no one but himself can see that his orders are effectually carried out, and not himself being either smart or "up to" his work—and all know it—the chances are that nothing goes right, and that the inspection is got through somehow is more by good luck than good management.

He is not a sportsman; even in his younger days he never joined in the amusements of his brother officers, and consequently now, when he is asked for leave for a day's hunting,

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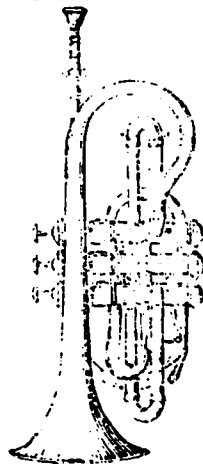
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or other sports, he either refuses to give it or gives it so grudgingly that few care to ask for it. It is no wonder that there is a great deal of grumbling amongst all ranks, and instead of duties being performed and work carried out with pleasure, it is just the reverse. Then, if an officer should happen to get into a scrape, the C. O. is the last person to whom he goes in his difficulty, as he knows he will get no sympathy in that quarter. The regiment is broken up into cliques, for there are always a few who will flatter and "kow-tow" to him because he is C. O., but it is not a happy family. Exchanges are frequent—always a bad sign—and all look forward to the happy day when the C. O. has to go. Now an order comes that the regiment is to move to new quarters, and from the day the order is received everything is in a state of chaos. First one order is issued, then another, the adjutant and the quartermaster are worried out of their lives, the sincere wish of one and all is that the C. O. will go on leave and join only when the move is over, for only in that case is there any chance of things going smoothly. Alas! he has not the slightest idea of doing anything of the sort; he thinks that nothing can be done rightly if he is not present, and though plenty of time has been given to make all arrangements, at the last moment it is found that next to nothing has been done, all is confusion, and everything has to be rushed, owing to the C. O.'s indecision and constant change of plans.

If the day comes when he has to lead his regiment into action, though he may not be and most likely is not a coward still he feels anything but confident that he will come well out of the ordeal. Will he be supported by all ranks? Will his orders be carried out as he has given them? Will all do their duty? Having such thoughts in his mind it is no wonder if he is flurried and anxious instead of being cool and collected. All ranks instinctively know this is so, no one has confidence in the C. O., and he has very little in himself. Though no disaster may overtake the regiment, still all that in other circumstances would have been done has not been done, and it is due entirely to the innate bravery of his officers and men that nothing calamitous has happened. This, then, is the C. O. of the "wrong sort." It is not very difficult to imagine what the state of a regiment must be having such a man at its head. Be it said, however, to the credit of C. O.s in general, that this stamp of man is in the minority. Long may he remain so.

(To be continued in our next issue.)

Major Regenspursky, lately on the General Staff at Vienna, and now an instructor in Topography and Tactics at the school for Landwehr officers, in a recently published pamphlet holds that the advances made, and about to be made, in rifles and ammunition have revolutionized warfare, and will change its whole aspect still further. Captain von der Goltz, of the German infantry, has published a pamphlet in Berlin this year on "Independent Patrols," which also insists on the danger to which masses of infantry must in future be exposed, owing to the enormous range, power, and invisibility of modern musketry. "Let us remember," says Von der Goltz, "that in future the inadvertent exposure of a body of men in the open before a concealed and intact enemy may result in such terrible losses in the course of a very short time that the force may be rendered *hors de combat* for the rest of the campaign." In order to avoid such catastrophies, Von der Goltz considers that masses of infantry should be kept out of the dangerous zone until the position and intentions of the enemy have become clearly revealed. In 1866 John Ericsson said: "The art of war, as I have always contended, is positively in its infancy. When perfected, man will be forced to live at peace with man. This glorious result, which has been the cherished dream of my life, will unquestionably be attained before the close of the present century."

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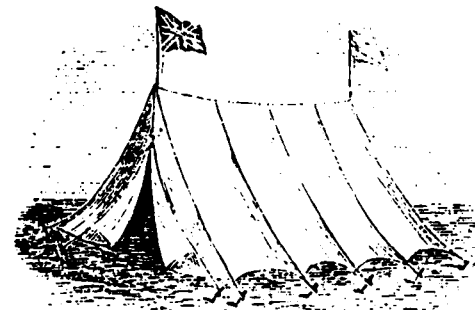
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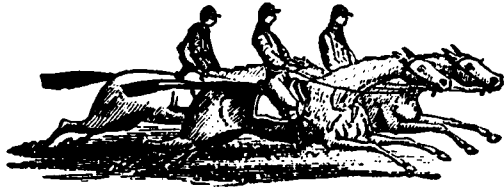
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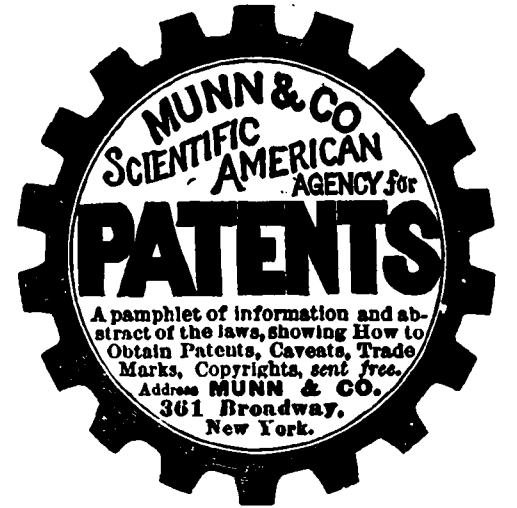
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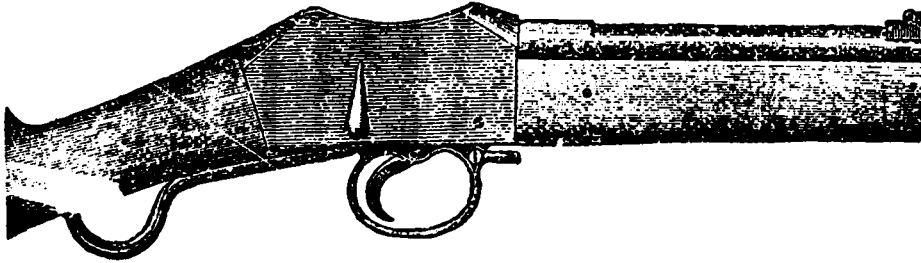
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