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Comment and Criticism.

THE Dominion Artillery Association's competition, open to the garrison batteries of the Dominion, is this week in progress at the Island of Orleans, below Quebec. Full particulars of the prize winning scores and other details of the meeting will appear next week.

SUPPLEMENTARY to the scores published in last issue, of the matches completed during the first two days of the Dominion Rifle Association prize meeting, we this week present to our readers a detailed report of the subsequent proceedings. This will be found much more complete than anything that has appeared or could have been expected to be published in the daily press, no trouble having been spared to secure all the details likely to be of interest to the competitors and our readers in general.

In point of attendance, the meeting was the most successful ever held on Rideau range. The greatest number of competitors in any one match this year was 351, the highest figure ever reached here, and an increase of 29 over last year's, then also the highest to date. It is highly gratifying to note the steadily increasing interest thus shown to be taken in the competitions of the association, an increase which no doubt will continue so long as there is presented a prize list so liberal and attractive as that of this year, when the money prizes showed an advance of nearly \$750 over the largest amount ever offered previously. That with such an unexpectedly large attendance the meeting should have been conducted as smoothly as it was, is greatly to the credit of those to whom its management was entrusted.

A LARGE share of the credit for this happy result is due to the painstaking secretary of the association, Lt.-Col. Bacon, whose arrangements were very complete in every respect. Mention of his name will not appear invidious to anyone who, having a knowledge of the numberless details left to be attended to by the secretary, realizes the extent of his responsibilities. The statistical officer and his staff were well up in their work, and issued the prize lists with a promptitude which earned the gratitude of all in expectation of seeing their names upon them. And to add to the general happiness, the treasurer was early in attendance with a well filled cash box, the contents of which he apparently took great pleasure in distributing to the claimants. There were no vexatious delays about the extra series entry office—buying a ticket being in fact simplicity itself compared with the task of getting an opportunity to shoot it. The range officers gave general satisfaction, and though a complaint has appeared in a daily paper of a "flagrant case of checking" of a competi-

tor who was a lieutenant-colonel by a range officer who was a lieutenant simply, it seems to us that a well regulated lieutenant-colonel should not leave himself open to be checked by a range officer of any rank.

THE extra series matches were the weak point of the meeting. The accommodation was utterly inadequate, and had the proverbial Job been a competitor, even his patience must have been sorely taxed in waiting an opportunity to shoot. Particularly so if he had wandered off to the far distant riverside sandpit where the butts for the 800 and 900 yards targets were situated. There were only two targets, and these could in the week be operated for about thirty or thirty-five hours at the most. Yet two distinct matches were to be fired here, unlimited entries for which were to be allowed the 350 competitors. A simple arithmetical calculation would have shown that if all the competitors chose to enter in both matches there would barely be time for each to fire once only, allowing five pairs to a target per hour. It seems to have become an absolute necessity that greater target accommodation should be provided.

IT is a pity that the late hour at which Major Delamere brought up the subject of allowing unlimited team entries from the same corps in the military matches should have prevented a full discussion taking place. There is a very great deal which might be urged in favor of this proposition, the strongest argument perhaps being the excellence of the practice the militia would have in preparing themselves for these matches. It is unfair to the large body of the competitors to keep them idle on the range for a whole afternoon while one-fifth engage in a series of competitions from participation in which the remaining four-fifths are debarred. At Toronto a few weeks ago the same subject was brought up at the annual meeting of the members of the Ontario Rifle Association, and a resolution recommending that the number of entries from any one corps be unlimited, was carried at that meeting. The Quebec association has already adopted the principle.

THE committee appointed at the competitors' meeting to wait upon the Minister of Militia to urge upon him that the Canadian force be armed with the Martini rifle, did not have the proposed interview. Why, is not exactly known. Probably upon reflection the older heads of the committee found that they could not conscientiously carry out the bidding of the resolution. Had they waited upon the Minister to ask, not that the Martini entirely replace the Snider, but that the supply of the former now in the stores should be issued to the city corps and those of the rural battalions who would make good use of them, for practice at the longer ranges, then their request would have been a reasonable one, and properly pressed might have had some chance of being granted. Why should these Martini's be kept in store until they become obsolete?

THE late hour at which the London Merchants' Cup Match was fired no doubt had the effect of making the scores considerably lower than they would have been had the light been good for 600 yards. At

all events many of the men did considerably better in the Governor-General's match next morning, when the conditions were all favorable. The chief prize in the latter match, the great reward of the meeting, has this year been taken by a young man whose name is comparatively little known to Dominion riflemen. Private Duncan has, however, an enviable record which shows it was no happy fluke that has now brought him so suddenly into prominence.

The Governor General's Prize Winner.

PRIVATE W. S. DUNCAN, of the Queen's Own Rifles, who on Friday last won the special badge and \$250 granted as the chief prize in the Governor-General's match, with the fine score of 93 points out of 105, has been a regular attendant at the D. R. A. meetings ever since 1882, in which year he joined the Queen's Own Rifles. From this corps, after three years' service, he retired in 1885, but rejoined in the autumn of 1886. This is the first occasion upon which the honor of winning the prize has fallen to the Queen's Own. Private Duncan is now thirty-one years of age. He was born in Orkney Island, but commenced his residence in Canada when only six months old. He never fired a military rifle before joining his present corps, but the proficiency he soon acquired has won for him every year since the silk cross guns awarded for marksmanship in the regiment. In 1884, when with 648 points, an average of 81 per man, the highest score ever recorded, the Queen's Own won the Tait cup in the regimental match of the O. R. A., Pte. Duncan was a member of the team. He has twice won a place in the Ontario Grand Aggregate, winning the Governor-General's bronze medal in 1885, but never until this year got into the Dominion aggregate, though he has been almost in on three occasions, once losing his chance by making a bull's eye on the wrong target in the last match. We congratulate him upon the good use he has made of the opportunity now that he has got in. His friends will be all the more pleased at his success from the fact that Pte. Duncan is of a very modest and retiring disposition. He has, however, a keen eye to business, and found time while in Ottawa, in addition to making prize scores in nearly all the matches, to secure some valuable orders for the firm of whom he is the Toronto agent, that of Mason & Risch, the well-known piano manufacturers.

Dominion Rifle Association Prize Meeting.

In last issue there appeared the scores of the matches of the D. R. A. fired on Monday and Tuesday of last week. Those of the Gzowski and British Challenge Shield matches, which took place on Tuesday afternoon, were not made up in time for publication.

As the result of the change from heavy marching order to drill order, in the dress required for the military matches, there was a large increase in the entries, there being fourteen teams competing in place of nine last year. Owing to a delay about commencing these matches, it was almost dark before they were concluded. The skirmishing for both was done first, then the volley firing, and next the independent firing. The Eighth Royal Rifles, whose team consisted of Sergts. Goudie, Dewfall and Hartley, Corpl. Norton and Pte. Thomson, were victorious in the Gzowski cup match, scoring 418 points, or 37 more than stood to the credit of last year's winners. The score in the British Challenge Shield match also showed an increase, the Governor-General's Foot Guards becoming its custodians for the year with a total of 286 points, four more than that of the Eighth Royal Rifles, the winners in 1886. This is the second time the Guards have won this handsome trophy, they having taken it in 1884. Their team consisted of Staff-Sergt. Newby, Color-Sergt Mailleue, Sergt. Short, Ptes. Armstrong and Sutherland. The following were the complete scores of the matches:—

GZOWSKI MILITARY MATCH.

Skirmishing, 20 rounds, advancing and retiring, from 450 yards to 100 yards; any military position.

Volley firing, five rounds at 300 yards, kneeling. Independent firing, five rounds at 150 yards, standing.

•		ishing.	Vol			ndent.	
		Score.	Hits.	Score.	Hits.	Score.	Total.
1. \$35 and cup, Eighth Royal Rifles	67	294	9	37	20	87	418
2. 30 13th Battalion	бx	24 I	12	49	24	96	386
3. 25 6th Fusiliers	. 48	291	18	75	18	78	354
4. 20 12th Battalion	51	210	10	46 28	21	96	352
5. 15 G. G. F. Guards	55	331	6	28	17	74	333
The scores of other competing te	ams v	were as f	ollows:				
British Columbia	45	203	10	44	19	7 ⁸ 64	325
Queen's Own Rifles	. 48	208	9	43	15 18		315
Halifax Garrison Artillery	. 37	164	13 8	43 63	18	69	296
Fifth Royal Scots	. 46	180	8	35 38	21	79	294
62nd St. John Fusiliers	49	205	11	38	12	50	293 284
10th Royal Grenadiers	· 43	177 185	11	48	19	59 65	284
P. L. D. Guards	• 44		7	30	16		280
43rd Battalion	. 23	100	10	46	21	89	241
3rd Victoria Rifles	32	128	6	26	18	76	230

BRITISH CHALLENGE SHIELD MATCH.

Skirmishing, twenty rounds, advancing and retiring, at distances from 100 to 450 yards.

1. The shield and \$40, G. G. F. Guards	286 281
The scores of the other teams were as follows:—	
10th Royal Grenadiers	
British Columbia Queen's Own Rifles.	
3rd Victoria Rifles	245
ỗth Fusiliers 13th Battalion	234 231
5th Royal Scots	229
8th Royal Rifles 43rd Battalion	210 215
62nd Fusiliers	200
Halifax Garrison Artillery	209 206

Wednesday, 31st August.

Dense smoke from bush fires in the adjoining country hung over the range during the early part of Wednesday morning, and the obscurity of the targets caused many a fine shot to go to pieces in the first range of the Minister of Militia's match. Many of those who, shooting in the later pairs, were not hampered by the smoke, had a severe trial at 600 yards, quite a whirlwind prevailing close to the firing points just before the conclusion of the match. This was attributed as the cause of an unusual number of previously good scores ending with a miss, or two misses, this being the manner of winding up of many high in the forties. As a result of the adverse circumstances attendant upon the match, it was taken with the comparatively low score of 51, which last year was only good enough for fifth place.

MINISTER OF MILITIA MATCH.—500 AND 600 YARDS, 7 SHOTS. Team Prizes.

1. Caron Challenge Cup and \$45-43rd Batt.	2. \$36-Queen's Own Rifles.
Rifle Association. Lieut H C Chamberlin 26 21 47	Staff-sergt Ashall
Capt Wright 23 23 46	Pte Duncan 26 19 45
Major Anderson 25 19 44	Staff-sergt Harp 26 13 39
Totals 74 63 137	Totals 81 54 135
3. \$30-53rd Battalion.	4, \$24—Guelph Rifle Association.
Pte Clark 20 28 48	Corpl Crowe 23 28 51
Lieut Spearing 18 28 46	Staff-sergt Ogg
Pte May 22 11 33	Sergt Armstrong 21 16 37
Totals 60 67 127	Totals 66 60 126
5. \$18—33rd Battalion.	6. \$15-78th Batt. Rifle Association.
Staff-sergt Wilson 26 21 47	Lieut Dover 25 23 48
Major Wilson 28 10 47	Corpl Cribb 31 13 44
Pte Courtice	Staff-sergt Blair 21 12 33
Totals 76 49 125	Totals 77 48 125
Other team scores were as follows:	
Bowmanville Rifle Assn 75 49 124	5th Royal Scots 71 36 107
St John Co Rifle Assn 81 43 124	Victoria Rifle Assn, Montreal 63 43 106
G G F Guards 79 45 124	Queens, P E I, Rifle Assn 69 37 106
New Brunswick Provincial Assn 65 58 123	Halifax Garrison Artillery 60 36 105
Ontario Provincial Assn 66 53 119	54th Battalion
Prince of Wales Rifles 68 51 119	6th Fusiliers
Nova Scotia Rifle Assn 79 38 117	Winnipeg Rifle Range Co 72 3t 103
Toronto Rifle Club 67 48 115	G T Rifle Assn
Quebec Rifle Assn 69 46 115	Queens Rifle Assn, Toronto 68 33 101
45th Battalion 61 52 113	Kings, N B, Rifle Assn 68 31 99
Manitoba Rifle Assn 60 51 111	P E I Provincial Assn 64 31 95
51st Battalion 62 47 109	Victoria Co Rifle Assn 48 39 87
8th Royal Rifles 70 39 109	
	al Duine
Inaiviau	al Prizes.
\$30 Corpl Crowe, 1st B F A 23 28 51	\$5 Major Blaiklock, 5th 25 20 45
25 Staff-sergt Ashall, Q O R 29 22 5t	5 Pte McAvity, St John Rifles 25 20 45

51st Battalion	Victoria Co Rifle Assn 48 39	87
Individue	al Prizes.	
\$30 Corpl Crowe, 1st B F A	\$5 Major Blaiklock, 5th	45 45 45 45 45 45 45 44 44 44 44 44 44 4

\$4 Corpl Cribb, 78th	\$4 Lieut Ewan, R L
	YARDS, 7 SHOTS MARTINI.

The targets having been changed during lunch hour, the Standing match, fired with the Martini rifle, at 200 yards, took place first thing in the afternoon. The first and last prize winning scores aggregated the same as those of last year, when the Snider was the weapon used. The great bulk of the competitors were evidently little practised in shooting from the shoulder, and many a promising aggregate suffered grievously in this match.

tills matti	
\$20 Col-sergt Hewgill Q O R31	\$5 Pte Courtice, 33rd
15 Lt W. Mitcheil, 32nd	5 Capt McMicking, 44th
12 Major Delamere, QOR31	5 Staff-sergt Curran, R.G
to Sergt Armstrong, 1st BF A 30	5 Pte Henderson, 13th 28
6 Lt Fiske, 63rd	5 " Burns, 62nd
6 " Roberts, 33rd	5 Sergt Yonker, PEIGA28
6 " C M Hall, 79th 30	5 " McDonald, 43rd
6 Col-sergt Donnelly, Q O R 30	4 " Loggie, 73rd
6 Staff-sergt Cawdron, Guards	4 Lt Ewan, retired list 28
6 Capt Hartt, St Johns Rifles 30	4 Corpl Marris, 13th 28
6 Col-se gt Menzies, 43rd 29	4 Q-M-sergt Ogg, 1st B F A
6 Staff-sergt T Mitchell, R G 29	4 Pte Mathews, 3rd
6 Col-sergt C N Mitchell, 90th 29	4 Capt Balfour, retired list 28
6 Gun Campbell, H. G. A	4 Lt Langstroth, 8th cavalry
5 Capt B A Weston, 66th	4 Staff-sergt Boss, 1st PWR
5 " Jameson, 60th 29	4 Sergt W Short, Guards 28
5 Sergt Rolston, 37th 29	4 Capt Wright, 43rd
5 Pte Gregory, Q O R 29	4 Staff-sergt Bell, 12th
5 Sergt Macklin, 90th	4 Corpl D McNaughton, 51st
5 " Mowat, R.G 28	4 Sergt Pain, 13th
5 Staff-sergt Dent R G 28	4 Staff-sergtAshall, Q O R
5 Capt Panton, 20th	4 Sergt Johnston, PEIGA
5 Pte Suthetland, Guards	4 Pte Stanton, 60th 27
5 Staff-sergt Zealand, 13th 28	4 Corpl Crowe, 1st B F A 27
5 Lt Cartwright, 47th 28	4 Capt Robson, 26th
5 Capt Newton, 5th	4 Sergt Currie, 6th
5 Sergt Marks, 6th	4 Lt Kincaid, 6th Cav
Twenty-four 27's counted out. Entries 348.	
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At the conclusion of the Standing Match, the 200 yards range of the Dominion of Canada Match was proceeded with, and this being finished ended the day's shooting, the other ranges being fired next day.

Thursday, 1st September.

Ten o'clock being the time set for the commencement of firing at the 500 yards range of the Dominion of Canada match on this morning, the targets were open for extra series from 8.30 until the above mentioned hour. It was lucky that this was the case, for the smoke was worse than ever, so dense in fact that it was about half-past nine o'clock before even the outlines of the targets could be discerned. By ten the air had cleared beautifully, and high scoring was made, the match thus far giving promise of being the most successful of the meeting. But changes in the force and direction of the wind again occurred, and when in the afternoon the 600 yards range was fired, this being the last in the grand aggregate as well as in the match, there was a chorus of lamentation from those whose hopes had been ruthlessly blighted.

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DOMINION OF CANADA MA	TCF	₹.—20	00, 500 AND 600 YARDS, 7 SHOTS.		
			Prizes.		
1. \$60 and badge to each member—43rd	batta	dion.	2. \$50—78th battalion.		
Staff-sergt Jamieson 24 31		75	Staff-sergt Blair 29 21	16	60
Lt H C Chamberlin 28 28	16	72	Lieut Dover 28 25	16	69
Major Anderson 28 22	19	69	Capt Barnhill 26 22	20	68
Col-Sergt Fairbairn 24 26	17	67	Corpl Cribb	10	65
Capt Wright 28 26	12	66	Lieut Dimock 30 25	10	65
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Totals 132 133	84	349	Totals 145 107	84	336
3. \$40 Governor-General's Foot Gua	rds.		4. \$30-6th Fusiliers.		
Pte Armstrong 30 29		75	Pte Waters 28 26	٤4	78
Lieut Gray 26 20		69	" Ward 27 25	18	70
Ltcol Macpherson 25 18	23	66	Sergt Marks 28 23	17	63
Sergt Short 25 28	11	64	Pte Lavers 27 23	15	65
Pte Morrison 22 22	14	58	" Pte Harrison 22 21	ě	49
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Totals 128 117	87	332	Totals 132 118	80	330
5.	\$20	-sth F	Royal Scots.		
Lieut Vaughan					
Pte D Smith			26 24 21 71		
Staff-sergt Wynne			29 26 13 68		
Col-sergt Dalrymple			29 23 8 60		
Capt Hood			25 20 11 56		
oupt 11002	••••				
Totals			137 125 67 329		
Other teams entered scored a	s fol	lows:	•		
63rd Halifax Rifles 135 125	97	327	8th Cavalry 139 104	68	311
62nd St John Fusiliers 134 107	84	325	90th Battalion 136 104	70	310
St John Rifle Co 133 118	74	325	Queen's Own Rifles 139 109	61	309
13th Battalion 139 103	78	320	gist Battalion	77	307
8th Royal Rifles 133 115	69	317	Prince of Wales Rifles 126 117	60	303
45th Battalion 132 104	79	315	51st Battalion 140 91	67	298
60th Battalion 133 105	77	315	12th Battalion 134 99	52	285
10th Royal Grenadiers 141 110	64	315	7th Fnsiliers 120 91		27Š
Halisax Garrison Artillery 136 108	70	314		•	

Total Royal Grenauleis 141 110 04 315	7th Flishers
Halisax Garrison Artillery 136 108 70 314	• • •
Indinida	al Prizes.
\$40 Staff-sergt Winter, 71st 28 24 26 78	8 Lieut Fiske, 63rd 30 26 15 71
35 Pte Jas Waters, 6th 28 26 24 78	8 Pte Grigg, 31st
30 " J D Taylor, Guards 29 28 20 77	8 Lieut Kincaid, 6th Cav 30 20 20 70
25 " D Mitchell, 13th 28 28 20 76	8 Pte Ward, 6th Fus 27 25 18 70
15 Staff sergt Jamieson, 43rd 24 31 20 75	
15 Pte Armstrong, Guards 30 29 16 7	8 " Graham, 13th 28 26 16 70
15 Lieut Smith, St John Rifles 29 24 21 7	
15 " Vaughan, 5th 28 32 14 7.	
	6 " Grav. Guards
15 Stail-sergt McAdam, 3rd 25 20 22 7	
15 Capt Zealand, 13th 28 28 17 7	6 Capt Bell, 43rd 28 20 21 69
15 Staff-sergt T Mitchell, 10th 31 25 17 7	6 Sergt Byrd, 53rd 26 23 20 69
15 Capt Thomas, 54th 30 23 19 7	2 6 Major Anderson, 43rd 28 22 19 69
15 Col-sergt Mailleue, Guards 25 29 18 7	
15 Sergt Adams, 62nd 27 29 16 7	2 6 Lieut Dover, 78th 28 25 16 60
10 Lieut H C Chamberlin, 43rd 28 28 16 7	2 6 Pte Sutherland, Guards 28 26 15 60
to Capt Hartt, St John Rifles 30 26 16 7	2 6 Bandsman Young, 4sth 27 28 14 60
10 " Newton, 5th 24 24 23 7	1 6 Staff-sergt Bleasdell, 91st 28 27 14 60
	I O Pie Clark, 53rd
	1 6 Capt Barnhill, 78th 26 22 20 68
	t 6 Corpl Beaty, 62nd 27 22 19 68
	6 Col-sergt Curzon, 10th 29 20 19 68
	6 Capt Panton, 20th
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6 Lieut Conboy, 3cth 28 22 18 6 6 Serg. Marks, 6th 28 23 17 6	10 2 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 1
6 Pte W J Watson, 14th 27 25 16 6	8 5 Lieut Johnson, Q O R 26 25 16 67
6 Staff-sergt W Ashall, Q O R 29 23 16 6 Pte McCowan, 5th	8 5 Pte Morris, 45th 26 25 16 67 8 5 Capt Corbin, 63rd 25 27 15 67
6 Staff-sergt Wynne, 5th 29 26 13 6 6 Sergt Case, H G A 26 30 12 6	8 5 Asst-surg McLaughlin, 45th 29 24 14 67 8 5 Capt Adam, 13th 29 27 11 67
5 Pte Duncan, Q O R 30 26 12 6	5 Lt-col Macpherson, Guards 25 18 23 66 5 Sergt Clark, 5th 22 23 21 66
5 " Stanton, 60th 24 22 21 6	8 5 Bandmaster Hiscott, 7th 25 23 18 66 7 5 Lieut W Langstroth, 8th Cav 26 22 18 66
5 Col-sergt McCrae, 1st PWR 23 25 19 6 5 Sergt Armstrong, 1st BFA 31 17 19 6	7 5 "Wilson, 31st 29 20 17 66
5 Capt Deyell, 46th 23 26 18 6	7 5 Lieut McDiarmid, 6th Cav 24 26 16 66 7 5 16 Ross, 13th
5 Sergt-major Lockhart, 63rd 27 22 18 6	, Single summing contract to the second
5 " Fairbairn, 43rd 24 26 17 8	7 5 Staff-sergt Margetts, 13th 27 25 14 66 7 Three 66's counted out. Entries 334.

GRAND AGGREGATE.								
1 N R A medal and badge and \$50.	Macdougall.	Rideau.	Manufacturers'	Ouimet.	Minister Militia.	Standing.	Dominion.	Total.
Lt E A Smith, St John Rifles	38	22	27	29	42	25	74	257
2 D R A medal and badge and \$40, Sergt W H Adams, 62nd								
45 5 Capt E G Zealand, 13th	35	20	23	16	40	20	73	227
47 5 Capt J Wright, 43rd	31 29	13	25 24	24 21	44 46	25 28	66 66	22 7 22 7
50 5 Staff-sergt W H Clarke, 13th	36 36	19 17	15 23	25 17	44 42	23 24	65 67	22 7 226
50 5 Staff-sergt W H Clarke, 13th 51 5 Major F.H Hartt, 62nd	29 31	14	26 26	30 22	39	26	62	226 226
52 5 Capt L Thomas, 54th	30	21	23	24	49 37	25 18	59 72	225
53 5 Capt J Adam, 13th	27 34	21 18	24 26	27 23	33 41	26 24	67 59	225 225
55 5 Pte J D Taylor, Guards	26	8	21	22	44	26	77	224
56 5 Corpl W Swaine, 14th	39 27	16 13	21 20	21 24	29 42	27 29	71 64	224 224
58 5 Col-Sergt C N Mitchell, 90th	24	24	20	19	47 47	29	61	224
59 5 Sergt L Keddy, 68th	35	24 18	16	31	43	25	60 #8	224
Entries 325.	34	10	27 -	19	45	23	58	224

*According to rule, Sergt. Adams and Sergt. Case being ties for second and third places, they had to shoot off five rounds at 600 yards, the result placing Sergt. Adams ahead, as follows:-

 Sergt Adams.
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 Sergt Case.
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THE LONDON MERCHANTS' CUP.

It was after four o'clock on Thursday afternoon before the London Merchants' Cup Match could be commenced, and it was so late when the firing was finished in this great inter-provincial contest that the light was very bad. Very many scores suffered in consequence. The match resulted in a victory for Ontario, this making the seventh time, out of fourteen competitions, that the cup has gone to that province. On account of the great attention which the Nova Scotia riflemen have given to Martini shooting, and the reports of wonderfully high scores lately made there, that province seemed to be the favorite at the commencement of the match, and up to the end of the second range it looked as if the general expectation was to be fulfilled. But there was a great falling off at 600 yards, for which no doubt the failing light was largely responsible, and the conclusion of the match showed Ontario to be at the head, with Nova Scotia second, ten points behind. This year for the first time the match was shot under conditions similar to those governing the Kolapore Cup competitions, with the Martini rifle, at 200, 500 and 600 yards, seven shots each range. The comparison of which the new conditions afforded the means was not as satisfactory as might be, the total being 72 points, or nine per man, less than that of the mother country team in the Kolapore Cup match this year, and 25 points less than that of the Canadian team in the same competition. However, a comparison with last year's totals in the London Merchants Cup Match proves more satisfactory. It was then shot with the Snider, at 500 and 600 yards, two ranges only, and the Quebec team were winners with a total of 349,

against 407 made this year by Ontario with the Martini. The following are the scores in detail:—									
1. The Cup and \$80—Ontario.	2. \$60-Nova Scotia.								
Corpl Marris, 13th 32 30 29 91 Lt Russell, 45th 29 27 32 88 S-S T Mitchell, 10th 31 28 27 86 S-S Bell, 12th 32 27 21 80 S-S Ogg, 1st B F A 29 30 19 78 Lt Gray, G G F G 25 24 27 76 Pte Armstrong, GGFG 26 26 20 72 S-S Wilson, 33rd 27 19 21 67	Lt Dover, 78th 28 32 25 85 S-S Blair, 78th 29 32 22 83 Lt Fiske, 63rd 32 24 26 82 S-M Case, H G A 31 28 22 81 Capt Weston, 66th 31 26 23 80 Gr Campbell, H G A 30 20 24 74 Lt Dimock, 78th 28 25 21 74 Capt Corbin. 63rd 28 27 14 60								
Totals 231 211 196 638	Totals 237 214 177 628								
3. Quebec.	4. New Brunswick.								
Lt Spearing, 53rd 27 31 26 84 Pte Stanton, 60th 28 33 23 84 Pte Thomson, 3rd 25 24 29 78 Lt Kincaid, 6th Cav 29 26 23 78 S-S Wynne, 5th 28 24 25 77 Capt Hood, 5th 27 21 27 75 Sgt Marks, 6th Fus 25 29 21 75 Pte D Smith 5th 29 24 15 68 Totals 218 212 189 619	Capt Hartt, St J R 29 32 22 83 Sergt Loggie, 73rd 31 26 23 80 Corpl Beatty, 62nd 30 26 24 80 Sgt W Langstroth, 8th 31 20 28 79 Lt E A Smith, St J R. 28 27 21 76 Sgt G Langstroth, 8th. 28 34 13 75 Capt McRobbie, 8th. 28 29 16 73 Lt Wm Langstroth, 8th 27 16 28 71 Totals 232 210 175 617								
5. Manitoba.	6. Prince Edward Island.								
Lieut Clarke, 91st 31 25 30 86 Sergt Macklin, 90th 31 28 27 86 Pte Gillies, 90th 27 30 24 81 Capt Balfour, R L 27 25 28 80 C-S C N Mitchell, 90th 28 27 21 76 S-Sgt Graburn, 91st 28 18 15 61 S-Sgt Bleasdell, 91st 26 14 19 59 C-Sgt Cullen, 90th 22 16 20 58	Lt J A Longworth 28 27 29 84 Sergt Yonker 28 31 17 76 Lt R V Longworth 28 27 20 75 Corpl H Hooper 27 27 20 74 S-Sgt Allan, 82nd 29 25 17 71 Sergt Davison 29 14 25 68 Lt-Col Dogherty 20 23 18 61 Sergt Johnstone 26 7 20 53								
Totals 220 183 184 587	Totals 215 181 166 562								
Friday, 2nd September.									

During the night rain fell heavily, but it had ceased long before the time for shooting to commence on Friday, and there was almost perfect weather for the great match of the week, the contest of the sixty highest in the grand aggregate for

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S PRIZES

and for places upon the Wimbledon team of 1888. There was no sun, but the light was beautifully clear. Not a trace remained of the smoke which had been so troublesome the two preceding mornings, the rain having quenched the forest fires. There was scarcely any wind-none to give trouble with the Martini. All the sixty had made their entries in good time, and promptly at nine o'clock the match commenced. Everything was favorable to high scoring, and this was the order of the day. The splendid prizes offered caused every competitor to do his utmost. Sergt. Keddy, of the 68th, made a great bid for first place by putting 34 points out of 35 possible, to his credit at 200 yards; but he started with two outers at 500 yards, and thus spoiled his chances. At the end of the firing at the second range, Pte. Armstrong, of the Guards, was top man with 63 to his credit, and he seemed once more safely on the way to the big prize which he so narrowly missed last year, when he finished second. Capt. Mc-Micking, who had made 31 at 200 yards, had a damper put upon his hopes by the waving of a ricochet bar when his target reappeared after having gone down in response to his first shot at 500 yards. Six shots then fired as he thought the first had been, gave him 29 points, five bulls and inner, but the "ricochet" had ruined him. There were a number of men with scores over sixty when the 600 yards range was commenced, and the excitement began to run high amongst the spectators. Armstrong made three misses, and the vision of the prize money disappeared. Lieut. H. C. Chamberlin, the game little crack shot of the 43rd, starting with two magpies next made five bulls, making 31 at 600 yards, and 91 in the match, and was heartily congratulated upon making a prize score. But Lieut. Mitchell, firing alongside, had 88 with a shot to go and putting an inner to his credit took the lead with 92. Everybody congratulated him, he was the winner sure! But while the handshaking was still going on there was a great cheer from the butts on the left. Inquiry showed that Pte. Duncan, of the Queen's Own, who had made an even 30 at each of the former ranges, had topped his score with 33, and wound up with the grand total of 93, assuredly first place, for he was about the last to conclude. No others touched the nineties, and Duncan, Mitchell and Chamberlin, in that order, took the three handsome money prizes generously donated by His Excellency. This is the fourth occasion upon which Lieut. Mitchell has shared in these prizes. In 1880 and in 1881 he was third, and in 1883 he won first money. Lieut. Chamberlin has also previously had the good fortune to share in them, having been second in 1881. The following were the scores in detail of the first ten in the match:-

	200 yas.	500 yas.	600 yds.	Total.
\$250 and special badge,	•	• •	•	
Pte W S Duncan, QOR.	444455430	4445535—30	4555545-33	93
\$150 and badge, Lieut W.		1113303 3	1555545 55	75
Mitchell, 32nd	5434544-29	4455555 33	4345554-30	92
\$100 and badge, Lieut H C	0.0.311	1133333 33	1313331 3) -
Chamberlin	4545454—31	3543554-29	335555531	91
Badge—	1515151 5	331333 1 -7	3333333 3-	7.
Capt McMicking, 44th	445554431	R554555—29	355354429	*89
Lieut Fiske, 63rd	4444445—29	2445454—28	3455555—32	*89
Capt Thomas, 54th	5444455-31	4444554—30	2532555—27	*88
Staff-sergt Ashall, Q O R.	4444445—29	3555355—31	2255455—28	*88
Lt Smith, St John Rifles	444544429	5435555 32	2255443—25	*86
Lieut Dover, 78th	4454553 - 32	534445530.	3244254 — 24	*86
Sergt L. Keddy, 68th	5555455—34	224445425	534425427	*86
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^{*}In accordance with the rule, five rounds at 600 yards were fired to determine the

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places of those tying numerically in this match, the result as follows:—	
I Capt McMicking Lieut Fiske	54425 20
I Capt Thomas	43225 16
2 Staff-Sergt Ashall	05235 15
1 Lieut Smith	43502 14 2 16
The extra series matches were brought to a close at no days and a half keen competition, all the targets set apar been continuously occupied. Some great shooting was done ing, notably in the 600 yards Martini, where the two 34's both made on Friday.	rt for this purpose having in these on the last morn- which head the list were
EXTRA SERIES—MARTINI, 7 SHOTS	
Cup and \$10 Sergt Rolston, 37th	B—600 yards. repeating rifle, Corpl. T. ds. 34 Charlottetown Engineers 33 f, 1st B F A 33 rson, 62nd 32 etired list 32 35th 32 d 31 th, P E I 31 45th 31 e, 1st 31 etits, 13th 31 etts, 13th 31

5 \ Pte Hall, 79th	15 Sergt Davison, Charlottetown Engineers	3:
5 Sergt Marks, 6th 34	10 Sergt Armstrong, 1st B F A	3:
5 Pte Sutherland, Guards 34	5 Col-sergt Henderson, 62nd	3:
5 Staff-sergt King, 45th 33	5 Capt Hood, 5th	3
5 Pte Grigg, 31st 33	5 " Anderson, retired list	3:
5 Lt Kincaid, 6th cavalry 33	5 Sergt Johnson, 85th	3
s (Pte Morrison, Guards	5 Lt Spearing, 53rd	3
5 Sergt Reardon, "	5 Lt R V Longworth, P E I	ž
5 Pte Burns, 62nd	5 Capt Spike, 66th	3
5 Col-sergt Henderson, 62nd 33	5 Staff-sergt King, 45th	3
5 Lt Fiske, 63rd 33	5 Col-sergt McCrae, 1st	21
5 Capt Corbin, 63rd	5 Staff-sergt Margetts, 13th	3
5 Major Walsh, 63rd	5 Lt Langstroth, 8th cavalry	3(
5 Bdsman Cooke, 5th	5 Sergt Marks, 6th	30
5 Seigt Loggie, 73rd 32	5 "Pratt, Mont Engineers	30
5 Gr Campbell, Halifax 32	5 Lt Dimock, 78th	30
5 Col-sergt Mailleue, Guards 32	5 Pte Sutherland, Guards	ж Э.
5 Lt H Silver, 63rd 32	5 Capt Wright, 43rd	21
s Sergt Johnson, 8sth	5 " Macdonald, retired list	2
5 O-M-sergt Ogg. 1st B F A	5 "Zealand, 13th	
5 Sergt Armstrong. "	5 Lt Adams, H G A	21
5 Q-M-sergt Ogg, 1st B F A	5 Gr Campbell "	20
4 Capt Patterson, 85th	4 Sergt Macdonald, 43rd	2
4 Sergt Armstrong, Guards 31	4 Pte Duncan, Q O R	2
4 Staff-sergt Jamieson, 43rd 31	4 Corpl Cribb, 78th	2
4 Lt J Dover, 78th 31	4 Lt Kincaid, 6th cavalry	
4 Corpl Cribb, 78th 31	4 Gr Maxwell, Halifax G A	2
4 Capt Letourneux, 85th	4 Pte Sando, 45th	~;
4 Lt Stevens, 66th 31	4 Sergt Clarke, 91st	
4 Pte Hilton, 45th 31	4 Lt Smith, St John Rifles	2
Sergt Short, Guards	4 Col-Sergt Curzon, 10th	~5
CorplSwaine, 14th	4 Pte Ross, 90th	2
4 Staff-sergt Brown, 12th	4 Lt Fiske, 63rd	
4 Capt McRobbie, 8th Cav 31	4 Staff-sergt Clarke, 13th	
Capt Macdonald retired list	4 Pte Hall, 79th	~
4 Sergt Macdonald, 43rd 3t	4 Staff-sergt Jamieson, 43rd	<u>.</u>
4 Corpl Marris, 13th 31	4 Col-sergt Menzies, 43rd	~1
4 Lt W Mitchell, 32nd	4 Staff-sergt Perrett, 8th	~
Serve Crooks OOR	4 Major Walsh, 63rd	_
4 Sergt Crooks, QOR	4 Sergt Goudie, 8th	~
4 Lt Maxwell, " 31	4 Staff-sergt Wilson, 33rd	~1
4 Capt Spike, 66th	4 Pte Thomson, 3rd	~
Nine 31's counted out. Entries 612.	Five 28's counted out. Entries 579.	21
	Tive 20's counted out. Entries 379.	
Series C—800 yards.	Series D—900 yards.	
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5 Lt-col Gibson, 13th 32	\$15 Lt Silver, 63rd	2
o Lt Fiske, 63rd 32	10 Sergt-major Gibson, 66th	21
s Pte Thompson, 12th	s Lt Smith, St. John Rifles	2

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5 Sergt Marks, 6th	5 " Dover, 78th
5 Lt Smith, St John Rifles 32 5 Lt Dover, 78th 31	5 Pte Kimmerly, 49th
5 Lt Silver, 63rd	5 Pte Sando, 45th
5 Lt Adams, H G A	5 Sergt Macklin, 90th 27
5 Staff-sergt Blair, 78th 31	5 Lt Ross, 13th 27
5 Pte McAvity, St John Rifles 30	5 Sergt Newbury, B C G A 27
5 Lt Kincaid, 6th cavalry 30	5 "Goudie, 8th 27
5 Col-sergt Henderson, 62nd 30	5 Staff-sergt T Mitchell, 10th 27
5 Major Walsh, 63rd	5 Lt Fiske, 63rd
5 Capt Bruce, 10th	5 Pte Duncan, Q O R 26
5 Sergt Goudie, 8th	5 Gr Beckwith, B C G A 25
5 Sergt-major Gibson, 66th	5 Pte Armstrong, Guards
5 Major Todd, Guards	5 Staff-sergt Blair, 78th 25
5 Pte Ward, 6th	5 Lt Vaughan, 5th 25
5 Major Anderson, 43rd 28	5 Sergt Loggie, 73rd
4 Pte Stanton, 60th	4 Lt-col Gibson, 13th 25
4 Capt Corbin, 63rd	4 Pte D Cunningham, 51st
4 Sergt Loggie, 73rd	4 Staff-sergt Margetts, 13th 24
4 Pte Sutherland, Guards 28	4 Col-sergt Henderson, 62nd 24
4 Corpl Cribb, 78th	4 Sergt Armstrong, 1st B F A 23
4 Pte Courtice, 33rd	4 Bomb Faulkner, Halifax23
4 Pte Wilson, 31st	4 Ptc Lavers, 6th
4 Lt Stevens, 66th 28	4 Staff-Sergt J B Mitchel, 45th 23
4 Lt Abbott, 1st	4 Capt Bruce, 10th
4 Sergt Johnson, 85th	4 Pte Courtice, 33rd
4 Sergt-major Lockhart, 63rd	4 " Thompson, 12th 23
4 Lt Spearing, 53rd 27	4 Lt Mitchell, 32nd 22
4 Asst-surg McLaughlin, 45th	4 " Gray, Guards
4 Col-sergt Donnelly, Q O R	4 " Rennie, Q O R
Two 27's counted out. Entries 303.	4 "Rennie, QOR
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SNIDER SERIE	S—FIVE SHOTS
No. 1.—500 yards.	No. 2.—600 yards.
5 Staff-sergt Ashall, Q O R 24	\$15 Lt R V Longworth, P E I G A 23
o Pte Noble, 7th 24	10 Pte Noble, 7th
8 ∫ Lt Crossman, 74th 24	8 Seigt Miner, 71st
6 \ Capt Robson, 26th 24	6 Col-sergt Henderson, 62nd 2t
5 Capt Anderson, retired list 24	5 Sergt Davison, Charlottetown Eng 21
4 \ Lt Russell, 45th 24	4 Pte Clarke, 53rd
4 Staff-sergt T Mitchell, 10th	4 Col-sergt Gorman, 3rd 21
4 Pte Wetmore, St John Rifles 23	4 Corpl Parks, St John Rifles 20
4 Tr Duncan, P L D G	4 Staff-sergt Margetts, 13th 20
4 Capt Adams, 13th 22	4 Staff-sergt Ogg, 1st B F A 20
4 Col-serge C N Mitchell, 90th 22	4 Capt Anderson, retired list 20
4 Pte Gillies, 90th	4 Sergt Lordly, 62nd 20
4 (Pte Kimmerly, 49th	4 "Archer, Coburg GA
4 4 Pte Lavers, 6th 22	4 Staff-sergt Clarke 13th 19
4 Gr Sargison, B C G A 22	4 Lt Adams H G A 19
4 Lt Gray, Guards 22	4 Sergt Loggie 73rd 19
4 Pte Adam, 13th	4 Capt Hood, 5th 19
4 Sergt Fairbairn, 43rd 22	4 Pte Crawford, 13th
4 Pte Sutherland, Guards 22	4 Lt Kincaid 6th cavalry
Two 22's counted out. Entries 842.	Sixteen 18's counted out. Entries 757.

REVOLVER MATCH—2 \$10 Pte Hall, 79th	25 YARDS, 7 SHOTS. \$4 Lt Clarke, 91st
DD PCP NUMATION	

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES. There was a public presentation of prizes to the winners of the first three places in each match. This took place on Friday afternoon, on the range, at the entrance to the council tent. The Minister of Militia, Sir A. P. Caron, presided, and made the presentations. He also made a brief speech, congratulating the riflemen on the success of the meeting and the increased attendance.

Amongst other distingushed personages present were Sir John Macdonald and Major-General Sir Fred. Middleton. Sir John being called upon for a speech received an ovation upon rising. He first expressed the pleasure which he felt at being present upon the occasion. He was glad, he said, to know that the position of the military service of Canada was most satisfactory. He had occasion to know from communications he had had with the military authorities in England that they looked upon the force in Canada as a great addition to the strength of the military force of the whole empire. He was gratified to note that the spirit which led to the adoption of the volunteer system had been so developed. They could make a good show in the field, and if the mother country was attacked they would be prepared to send an efficient body of men from Canada ready to fight for the old flag. There were many good shots in Canada, and he was sure they would make a good many bull's-eyes at the enemy if they had the chance. (Laughter.) The premier concluded by a congratulation on the success of the meeting.

THE LIST FOR WIMBLEDON.

The team of twenty to represent Canada at Wimbledon in 1888 will be chosen by the executive committee of the Dominion Rifle Association, from the sixty competitors in the Governor-General's match, their places on the list being determined by the totals of their scores in this match and in the "grand aggregate" combined. It will be noticed that three of the sixty are officers on the retired list, and they are therefore not eligible for the team. Their totals are given with the rest, but on account of their ineligibility they are not numbered:—

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•	Grand Aggregate.	Governor General's Match.	-
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I Lieut E A Smith St John Differ	~ ~ ~	86	242
I Lieut E A Smith, St John Rifles	257 251	85	343 336
3 Lieut H C Chamberlin, 43rd	243	91	334
4 Staff-Sergt W Ashall, QOR	243	88	331
5 Licut C K Fiske, 63rd	241	89	330
6 Lieut J Dover, 78th	244	86	330
7 Pte W S Duncan, Q O R	235	93	328
8 Pte D Mitchell, 13th	242	83	325
9 Lieut W Mitchell, 32nd	232	92	324
10 Lieut H H Gray, G G F G	239	84 83	323
12 Sergt W H Adams, 62nd	240 251	72	323 323
13 Pte J A Armstrong, G G F G	240	8 ₂	322
14 Sergt W Short, G G F G	247	75	322
15 Sergt J W Marks, 6th	237	84	321
16 Sergt W M Goodwin, 13th	239	82	321
17 Gr Campbell, H G A	239	82	321
18 Pte R McAsee, 1st P W R	245	76	321
19 Capt G A McMicking, 44th	231	89 82	320
20 Sergt H Miner, 71st	238	8 <u>2</u> 8 <u>5</u>	320 318
22 Pte J H Morris, 45th	233 240	78	318
23 Gr A Wilson, H G A	231	86	317
24 Lieut F S Vaughan, 5th	238	78	316
Lieut P E Ewan, retired list	235	80	315
25 Capt L Thomas, 54th	225	88	313
26 Pte C H Clarke, 53rd	231	82	313
27 Capt E G Zealand, 13th	227	85	312
28 Major W P Anderson, 43rd	227	85	312
29 Pte James Waters, 6th	231 229	81 82	312 311
31 Lieut J A Langworth, P E I G A	231	80	311
32 Sergt L Keddy, 68th	224	86	310
33 Lieut M C Clarke, 91st	225	85	310
34 Lieut W Longstroth, 8th cavalry	229	81	310
35 Lieut C Dimock, 78th	227	82	309
36 Staff-sergt Geo Margetts, 13th	230	79	209
37 Col-Sergt C N Mitchell, 90th	224 226	84 82	308
38 Staff-sergt W H Clarke, 13th	224	83	308 307
40 Corpl H Marris, 13th	230	77	307
41 Pte C T Burns, 62nd	232	75	307
42 Capt James Adam, 13th	225	81	306
43 Sergt W Mowat, 10th	230	74	304
44 Sergt Chas Armstrong, 1st B F A	232	72	304
45 Pte J D Taylor, G G F G	224	79	303
46 Pte O S Stanton, 60th	231	72 73	303
48 Major Fred H Hartt, 62nd	229 226	73 75	302 301
49 Lieut W S Russell, 45th	228	73 73	301
50 Or-master Sergt John Ogg, 1st B F A	229	72	301
50 Qr-master Sergt John Ogg, 1st B F A 51 Lieut W Abbott, 1st P W R	229	72	301
52 Pte P Holtby, G G F G	226	73	299
53 Capt Joshua Wright, 43rd	227	71	298
Capt A Anderson, retired list	230	68	298
54 Corpl John Crowe, 1st B F A	238	59 66	297
Major C Wilson, retired list	229 235	58	295 293
56 Major W M Blaiklock, 5th	224	62	286
57 Corpl W Swaine, 14th	224	58	282
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DISTRICT STAFF APPOINTMENTS AND BATTALION RANK.

To the Editor of the Canadian Militia Gazette:

DEAR SIR,—A major in a battalion of Canadian militia is appointed to the permanent staff of his district. Query: How does such appointment affect (if at all) his former rank and position in the battalion? Perhaps some of your informed correspondents can give a reliable answer to this question.

6th September, 1887.

and Capt. Ponton 130.

V. B.

The Target.

Belleville.—A fair number of competitors attended at the annual matches of the 15th Batt. Argyle Light Infantry, held at Belleville on Monday. The top prizes in each match were in cash, the remainder in kind. The winners were as follows:

1. Battalion Match.

200, 400 and 500 yards, five rounds at each. Position, standing at 200 yards, kneeling at 400.

kn	ecling	at 400.	
\$8 Lieut Vermilyea. 7 Lieut Munro. 6 Corpl Hulme Lieut Donald Capt Ponton. Capt Pope.	61 52 48 46 46 38	Pte Landon Col-Sergt McRac Sergt McFarlane Sergt Mills Capt Keuny Corpl Gilson	34 30 30 29 27 26
2. A.	ssociat.	ion Match.	
200, 500 and 600 yards, five 1	rounds	. Position at 200 yards, kneeling.	
\$9 Lieut Vermilyea. 8 Capt Ponton. 7 Sergt McFarlane. 4 Capt Kenny. Lieut Donald. Lieut Munro. Col-Sergt McRae.	66 54 39 39 38 37 33	Capt Pope Corpl Hulme Corpl Jellett Pte Landon Corpl Gibson Corpl Sills	33 32 28 28 27 23
3. A	iggrege	ate Match.	
Highest aggre	egates	in matches I and 2.	
D R A medal and \$5. Lieut Vermilyea O R A medal and \$4. Capt Ponton		\$7 Lieut Munro	82
•		Henry Match.	
500 and 6	00 yai	rds, five rounds.	
\$5 Lieut Donald	32 32	Lieut VermilyeaLieut Munro	28 20
bulls eyes in matches I and 2, was w	on by	W. Walker to the competitor making m Lieut. Vermilyca with 5. rby, divided between the two competit	

A happy ending to a very romantic courtship occurred last Friday in the marriage of Miss Isabel Ferguson, of England, late nurse in the London, hospital, to Duncan McDonald, of Little Bras d'Or, N.S. McDonald was one of the Nile voyageurs from Canada, and bravely remained to nurse the late Col. Kennedy when down with the most virulent type of small-pox in London. Taken with the disease himself, Miss Ferguson was the nurse who attended him through his illness. An attachment was there formed and an engagement followed, which was happily not affected by the great distance between them after McDonald's arrival home. Miss Ferguson arrived Friday morning from London, and the couple were quietly united in marriage in the afternoon at the manse, Sydney mines. They will reside at Little Bras d'Or.

making the highest aggregates in matches 1, 2 and 4, went to Lieut. Vermilyea, 155,



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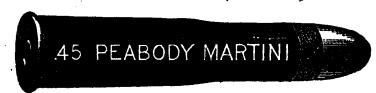
Gleanings.

The following is from the Charlottetown, P.E.I., Examiner of the 31st ult:—
"A very strong feeling of indignation is entertained by the artillerymen of this province, and of the maritime provinces generally, because their teams have been refused railway passes to Quebec to attend the grand artillery competition about to be held there, though free passes were given members of the Dominion rifle association attending the rifle competition now being held at Ottawa. The men say they have been unfairly and scurvily treated. They think their services just as arduous and of quite as much importance to the government as those of the riflemen; and why they should be snubbed while the others are favored they cannot understand. We own to a great deal of sympathy with the feelings of the artillerymen in this matter. They give, freely, a large amount of time to drill, and to preparing themselves for active service whenever their country may demand it; they wield a most important arm of the department of militia and defence, and on these grounds are entitled to every courtesy and favor which can be extended by the government without absolute loss to the public. But it is disheartening to find that their services and their importance are regarded as so much less valuable than those of riflemen. The discrimination against them seems to be unnecessary in the interests of the public, and unjust. We therefore hope it will be removed."

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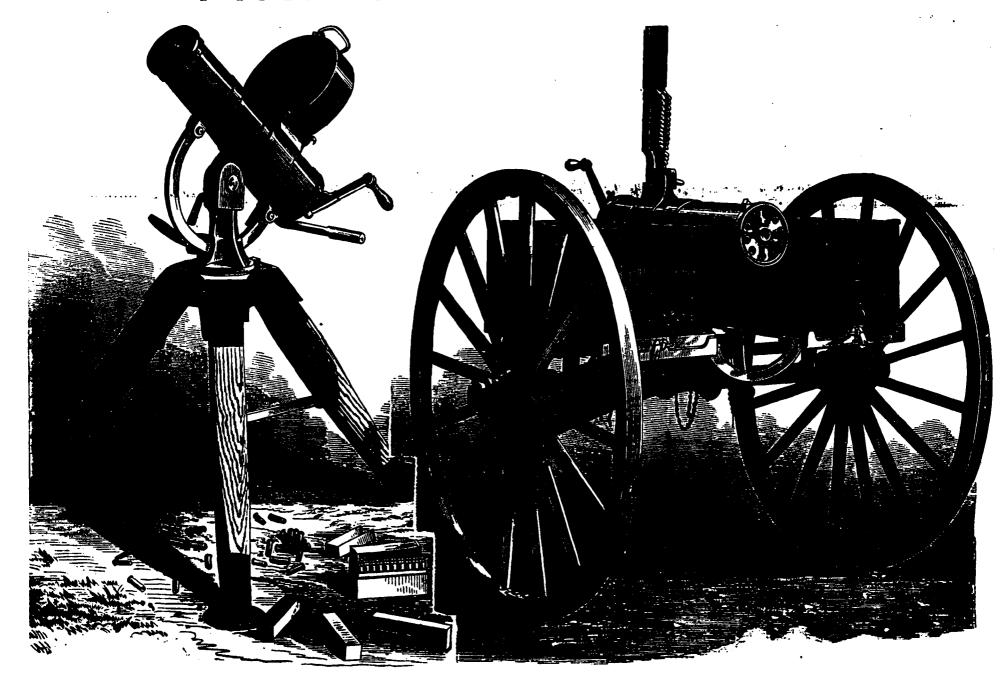
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