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No. 14, of 2nd August 1889.

Topics of the Week.

Elsewhere in this issue we print the feeling lines apropos of the battle of Lundy's Lane, read by Miss Hutt, of Stamford, at the celebration of the seventy-fourth anniversary, in Toronto on the 25th July. The young lady was warmly applauded by the company assembled, numbering about 2,000 people, and Sir Adolphe Caron accepted a copy of the lines, which were printed on a very pretty golden leaf inscribed "with the compliments of the Lundy's Lane Historical Society."

Speaking at a banquet held in camp toward the close of the Wimbledon meeting, Major Hinman, of the Massachusetts team, suggested a reduction in the size of the bull's-eye at the ranges where ties were most frequent, and also expressed a hope that, if the visit of the American team did no other good, it would at least be of service to the English Volunteers in inducing the authorities to place a more useful sight upon their rifles. As an inspector of rifle practice in the United States, and speaking from experience extending over a considerable number of years, he had no hesitation in asserting that the sights of the Martini-Henry rifle might be very greatly improved without in the least degree impairing the serviceable character of the weapon.

We commend to the consideration of the executive of the Dominion Rifle Association the letter in our correspondence columns on the subject of the proposal to enforce the rule forbidding tampering with Snider rifle sights. The object the executive have in view is a good one, being the prevention of abuses such as their attention has of late been drawn to, cases being cited where both fore and back sights have been mutilated beyond reasonable bounds. With our correspondent, we fancy the executive will have considerable difficulty in framing any rules upon the subject, which will be at once satisfactory to the competitor, enabling him to do the best work with the government weapon, and to the association in guarding against possible abuse. The great mass of the competitors would loyally assist in this endeavour, but would fervently protest against any rule forbidding their altering the sights to a reasonable degree so as to be better able to cope against the wind, that greatest enemy to precise shooting with the Snider.

In another place in this issue there will be noticed a communication from Messrs. Fontaine Besson & Co., the noted band instrument makers, putting themselves right before the public with respect to the awards received at the Melbourne International Exhibition. In this connection the MILITIA GAZETTE desires to call the special attention of

its readers to the advertisement of that firm, appearing regularly in our columns, and to bespeak for them the liberal patronage which the proved high quality of their instruments deserves. We are glad to know that they have already a large connection in Canada. One of the latest orders entrusted to them is an extensive one from the Eighth Royal Rifles, of Quebec, Messrs. Besson's business connection with whom dates as far back as 1879.

The Wimbledon Meeting.

Throughout the country the daily press is doing our Canadian riflemen at Wimbledon this year the justice to call public attention to their very creditable achievements there, not only as individuals, in which capacity they were singularly successful, but by the eight chosen to represent the Dominion in the Kolapore cup contest. "It is gratifying to learn," says the *St. John Sun* in this connection, "that our eight won the match on their own merits, pitted as they were against a team in every way worthy of the British riflemen. It may be of interest to state that the captain of the English Kolapore team, names on the first day of the Wimbledon matches twenty men from the riflemen there assembled from whom he must eventually select the British eight. It seems to be the practice to divide the honours of the team equally between the English and Scotch, giving four places to each, and these four are usually those who have scored well in the great international trophy match between the four kingdoms, par excellence the team match of the year. It is always shot on the second Monday of the Wimbledon meeting, that is, two days before the Kolapore. So this year the British team was made up of four Scotch and four English. Of the English contingent Perry, Bares and Wattleworth are among the best shots at Wimbledon. Not only have they frequently shot against Scotland and in the Kolapore, but they also were members of the British teams in the military matches between the United States and Great Britain in 1882 and 1883. Ingram and Grier of the Scotch quartette are also men of great celebrity, both at Wimbledon and north of the Tweed. These men were placed on the Kolapore team this year not only because of their past record. They had all sustained their reputation in the preceding matches and had scored high in the international trophy match. We have therefore the utmost reason to be proud of the work done by the Canadian eight. The cups again come to Canada (for the fifth time in nineteen years) despite the efforts of as good men as ever shot for the mother country. It cannot be thought that the victory was the result of any concessions or any indifference on the part of the mother country team. Of the successful eight, Armstrong, Ogg and Mitchell, especially, are riflemen of the best repute. They have high Dominion records. Ogg's repeated successes certainly entitle him to the topmost position among Canadians at Wimbledon."

While these two marksmen are being thus lauded in *St. John N. B.*, the following letter comes from an enthusiastic admirer in Toronto:

EDITOR MILITIA GAZETTE,—Having just received the *Times* of 10th July, I have only now seen the details of the shooting for the Queen's prize. Perhaps some will think it over officious, but I cannot help writ

ing to call attention to the magnificent shooting of Q.M.-Sergt. Ogg and Pte. Armstrong. To obtain the 29th and 30th places in the Queen's prize is no easy task, as any one who has been to Wimbledon knows, and it is a great honour gained for the Canadian Militia, of which we must all feel proud. It is very extraordinary that they should come out in the next place to each other with an equal grand total, and I hope you will allow a humble individual of the Canadian Militia to tender them most hearty congratulations.

C. GREVILLE-HARSTON, R.G.

Toronto, 6th August, 1889.

The writer of the above scarce needed to apologize, for the disposition to give our riflemen due credit for their noteworthy achievements at home and abroad is one sadly needing cultivation in Canada, where it has been too much the custom for the general public to maintain a stolid indifference on such occasions. Ogg and Armstrong started in the race for the Queen's prize in the company of upwards of two thousand competitors. In the first two stages, fired at the ranges commonly practised in Canada, Armstrong's total placed him in the seventeenth place from the top; while Ogg, with five points less, was fifty-sixth. The hundred competing in the last stage fire at 800 and 900 yards, and at these long ranges, little practised here, the Canadians were weak, the details published in our last issue showing that Armstrong made three successive misses at the 800 yards range. Our men will have to pay more attention to long range shooting at home, before they can hope to have the distinction of bringing the Queen's prize to Canada.

From the English papers to hand this week, we obtain the concluding scores of the final Wimbledon meeting, which came to a close on the 20th July. It will be noticed that the Canadians continued to the end to take more than their share of the places on the honour lists:

Bass (M.B.L.)—10 shots at 900 and 1,000 yards (five prizes).

5th Staff-Sergt. McVittie, 10th..... 47 40 87—£5

Olympic (M.H.)—10 shots at 600 yards, restricted to prize winners, five prizes.

4th Pte. Armstrong, G.G.F.G..... 45—£5

Among the high scores not taking prizes were a 41 by McVittie and a 40 by Ashall.

Steward—200 yards, 7 shots; standing (bi-diurnal entries, M.B.L.)

15th Staff-Sergt. Mitchell, 10th..... 31—£1

Bertram—500 yards, seven shots; (bi-diurnal entries.)

21st Staff-Sergt. Corbin, 63rd..... 34—£2

24th Capt. Dow, 91st..... 34—£2

37th Pte. Armstrong, G.G.F.G..... 33—£2

40th Staff-Sergt. Mitchell..... 33—£2

43rd Lieut. W. Conboy, 30th..... 33—£2

Association Cup—200 and 500 yards, 7 shots. It seems to have been permissible for competitors to take more than one prize in this. Sergt. Ogg's name appears twice:

25th Staff-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A..... 66—£3

88th Staff-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A..... 64—£2

Gregory—200 yards, 7 shots standing. One entry allowed each day after 5.30 p.m.

11th Staff-Sergt. Mitchell..... 31—£1

Graphic—200 yards, 7 shots; bi-diurnal entries.

6th Staff-Sergt. Corbin, 63rd..... 34—£3 14s 6d

12th Staff-Sergt. Mitchell, 10th..... 34—£3 14s 6d

27th Capt. Rogers, 43rd..... 34—£2 0 0

46th Staff-Sergt. Ashall, Q.O.R..... 34—£2 0 0

Ladies Prizes—500 yards, 7 shots.

3rd Staff-Sergt. Curzon, 10th..... 34—£5

Robin Hood—200 yards, 7 shots; bi-diurnal entries.

11th Capt. Rogers, 43rd..... 33—£3

22nd Staff-Sergt. Mitchell, 10th..... 33—£2

Morris—200 yards, 7 shots; with Martini rifles fitted with Morris tubes.

11th Capt. Dow, 91st..... 26—£2

Lundy's Lane.

[Lines read upon the Seventy-fourth Anniversary of the Battle, fought 25th July, 1814.]

Upon this hill where now we gently tread,
Mid graves and stones—memorials of the dead,
Where greenest turf and sweetest flow'rets smile,
And whispering leaves to sacred thoughts beguile—
Where gathering free, with none to break our peace,
From meaner thoughts we claim a short surcease—
We pause, and list to awful memories far
When from this height boomed forth the roar of war.
Soft contrast this to that fierce day and night
When surge of battle hither rolled in might—
When shot and shell ploughed all the trampled ground—
And wounded, dead, and dying dropped around.
Pharsalia, not upon thy dreadful plain
Lay in more frequent heaps the gory slain!
But, O proud contrast! the Ambition fought
And personal ends the conquering Caesar sought;
But here 'twas Patriotism fired the fight,
And Drummond struck to save our dearest right.
Drummond, whose name still lives in proud Quebec,
Shall saved Niagara's foot be on thy neck?
Can Lundy's Lane untrue to Drummond live,
Or grudge thy memory all she had to give?
Thy right, O Canada, thy Drummond sought,
And from high justice all his valour caught,
He traversed not another's right to be,
But sternly guarded thy sweet liberty.
What asks the patriot more? He knows but this—
His country and her welfare very his,
Her honour his, her greatness all his care;
Quick to defend, her woes his willing share;
Her name his pride, her future but his own;
Each word and deed seed for her harvest sown.
What asks the patriot more? For her to live,
Or gladly for her life his own to give.
Such were thy sons, O Canada, that fought for thee,
Sprung from the boundless west or utmost sea,
Such are thy sons to-day—the same their sires—
Or French or British quick with loyal fires.
Here on this holy hill their bodies lie
As thick as stars that stud the winter sky,
Here on this hill baptised indeed with fire,
As from an altar may their flames aspire.
O Canada! Thou of the seven-fold bond!
Let evermore such sons in thee be found;
Let evermore thy sons thy guardians be,
High-souled and pure; CONTEXTURE OF THOU BE FREE

21st July, 1889.

S. A. C.

The Besson Band Instruments.

To our Canadian Friends:

Certain rival houses, in order to injure our firm (to their own benefit), having circulated the false report that our firm had *not* received an Award at the Melbourne Exhibition, we beg all our friends to circulate the following, which gives a flat denial to such false rumours, and corrects them to our credit; this being the 46th Highest Award won by our firm.

F. BESSON & Co.

MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION, 1889.

(Extract from the "Argus," Melbourne, February, 1889.)

"The list of awards published yesterday contained a number of clerical errors. In addition to other firms mentioned Messrs. Fontaine Besson & Co., of Euston Road, London, and Paris, received First Order of Merit for their exhibit of brass and wood 'Prototype' instruments and Highest Award.

(Extract from "British Bandsman," 1st June, 1889.)

To the Editor of the "British Bandsman." SIR,—In the first list of awards of the Melbourne Exhibition, published in the Australian papers, there were several clerical errors which were rectified on the following day by the Australian Press. Our firm being one of those affected by the errors, we beg you will publish this letter and the enclosed extract from the Melbourne Argus, which we have just received. This mail also brings us a letter from the Executive Commissioners, apologising to us for the said error, and officially announcing to us that our "Prototype" instruments have obtained First Order of Merit (Highest Award).

Your obedient servants,
Fontaine Besson & Co.

EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONERS, OFFICE OF CHAIRMAN OF JURIES, EXHIBITION BUILDINGS.

MELBOURNE, 7th February, 1889.

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honour, by direction of the Chairman of Juries, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated 5th inst., relative to the omission of Messrs. F. Besson & Co., from the list of Awards on Musical Instruments, Jury; and, in reply, beg to inform you that (through a clerical mistake) the name of another firm was published twice in error. Messrs. F. Besson have obtained 1st Order of Merit (Highest Award).

(Signed) R. S. SUGAR, Secretary, Jury Department.
Messrs. W. H. GLEN & Co., Agents for Messrs. F. BESSON & Co.

Correspondence.

[This paper does not necessarily share the views expressed in correspondence published in its columns, the use of which is freely granted to writers on topics of interest to the Militia.]

TAMPERING WITH SNIDER RIFLE SIGHTS.

EDITOR MILITIA GAZETTE,—The announcement made in the GAZETTE of the 1st inst., of the action proposed to be taken in reference to the above by the executive of the D.R.A., opens up a question which may cause a good deal more trouble than may possibly be anticipated by those moving in the matter. It is very doubtful if five per cent. of those attending the D.R.A. matches have been using Snider rifles whose sights have not been filed in some shape. And why should they not be? If a fore-sight is too fine, or too blunt, to suit the eye of the individual, must the eye be made to conform to the fore sight? or the shooter be compelled to give up shooting? when a few slight touches with a file would give him a sight which would enable him to make good scores without materially changing the shape or size of the sight. A comparatively young man can see a fine foresight, and do much better shooting with it than with a coarse sight. After a few years he will probably be glad to have the top of the barleycorn a little thicker; he can take it down with a few touches of the file, and continue to do as good shooting for a few years more. Is he to be prevented from doing so, and in consequence driven out of the ranks?

There is a good deal to be said in favour of widening the space between the uprights also. There is no doubt but it is done to enable riflemen to make better shooting. If it has this effect, will it be wise for the executive to step in and say: "Gentlemen, you have been shooting too well; we can't stand this sort of thing any longer. It may have been an ingenious idea of yours to improve the old Snider five or ten per cent., but what right have you to improve anything?" The American volunteer has his wind gauge. The Englishman has the Martini, requiring much less width of back sight, but having very much more than the Snider. No doubt our grandfathers, who made the Snider, knew very much more about rifle shooting than we can possibly presume to know, so we must take what they have left us, simply because there is an old forgotten rule, which was made sometime in the dark ages, and which we must not dare to change!

If the fore sight be a hundredth or a thousandth of an inch, finer or coarser, higher or lower, or the uprights of the back sight, be a thirty-second, or a sixty-fourth of an inch wider apart, what does it matter, so long as there be enough metal left in both sights to stand all reasonable wear. While no fair minded rifle shot would wish to see a departure from the general shape of either sight allowed, it seems, to me, that an arbitrary rule, limiting the width and height of the sights, will have a bad effect on a very large proportion of our best shots. What will be done by those having a fore sight which is not high enough for the standard? They cannot get a new rifle in time for the meeting, if they wished to do so. Must they take their chance with an old worn out armoury rifle, or be compelled to stop at home? Surely that cannot be the intention! Is it not rather late to make any change from former practice for this year's matches?

I should like to hear from some others on this subject, if you will kindly give us the space. Yours for improvement, G.

The following letter bearing upon the same subject, appears in the *Belleville Intelligencer* from a well-known rifleman:

To the Editor of the *Intelligencer*:

SIR—I notice that several of your contemporaries have a weekly "military column," and thinking that you would like to join their good company, I ask leave to offer a suggestion or two. At this time of the year, prior to the annual matches of the Dominion and Provincial Associations, there is the usual outcry against filed and adjusted and art-aided "sights," and other aiming apparatus, and the usual stern prohibitory orders (seldom obeyed) are promulgated against them. Now, it seems to me that in this, as in other matters, the authorities might well profit by the experience of skilled marksmen who find it advantageous to raise, lower, widen or otherwise alter the usual aiming apparatus on the Government rifles; and adopt the practical way of avoiding so-called unfairness at matches, and at the same time secure improvement in the service by treating all sights, gauges, etc., in the manner indicated, and making the knowledge of the successful few the property of all, instead of clinging to old fashions, as in the case of clothing and equipments, and forbidding innovations. Take also the use of cartridge and other belts. Is it not time that the old ball-bags and pouches, and the old pipe-clayed leather were done away with, and some such practical and serviceable accoutrements as those patented by our fellow-citizen, and old comrade on the field, James Nosworthy, adopted universally? Many civilians ask, why do not our volunteers practise more at the targets—the best practical preparation for modern warfare and defence? The chief reasons briefly are; *Time and money*. Good shooting can

only be done in good time, and with many practices; and beside the expenditure of time (with which people now have to pay their debts), each shot cost two cents. Suppose a young man shoots 25 rounds in an afternoon, and pays the marker who records his score (or absence of score), he must dip his hand into his (perhaps) shallow pocket for 60 cents, and this the average rank and file man of our average battalions cannot offer afford, and at the same time do his duty by his creditors and dependants. The Executive would best foster military spirit and military proficiency, if they would reduce the cost of cartridges to say one cent per round, and send musketry instructors and Martini-Henry rifles (as well as Sniders) to the chief headquarters of battalions, who have not now such advantages. I am glad to see the good work being done here in the small-bore matches at short ranges, but the range of modern fighting is 500 yards and upwards. Still steadiness and nerve, and that subtle connection between eye, hand and will—nowhere better exemplified than in rifle-shooting, the true war-game—can be acquired with sporting rifles as well as the heavier weapon. Now that we have a drill shed, let us have this coming winter also continuous practice with the "Morris Aiming Tubes," which are well adapted to indoor miniature firing, and furnish a comparatively inexpensive and thoroughly interesting and practical pastime.

No. 1 Co. of the 15th Battalion volunteers its fair proportionate share of the expense of getting this useful and safe equipment, in the use of which civilian and militiaman can join, and, to parody a quotation, "with the world with noble marksmanship."

W. N. PONTON.

It is reported that 25,000 Lebel rifles, manufactured for the French Government two years ago, are said to be defective, and an enquiry is now being made as to the condition of those served out to the soldiers since that time.

The Russian army is to be supplied with a new rifle of smaller calibre than that now in use. It is an ordinary breech-loader—not a repeater or magazine rifle. It carries 6,000 feet, the bullet penetrating at that distance three inch boards placed two feet apart. The bullets will be lighter than those heretofore employed, and the number of cartridges carried by each soldier will be in consequence increased. The powder to be used in these rifles is of a special kind, and gives additional velocity.

"Bystander" writes to the *Morning Post* on the subject of cavalry remounts: "It is idle to say there are a certain number of horses registered as suitable, from their shape, age, appearance, and breeding, to fill cavalry vacancies, when these same animals are solely used in omnibuses, tramcars, and similar work; in other words, 'draught horses' pure and simple. Would any sane person care to trust to animals like these to maintain the prestige of our cavalry, apart from the iniquity of sending our cavalry soldiers into the field on such animals?"

An experiment made at Spithead, June 26, consisted of a trial to blow up a supposed enemy's ship coming through the Needles Channel with a "Brennan torpedo," launched and worked from Hurst Castle. The target was an old coal hulk called the Monarch. Mr. Brennan, to show his complete control, first made a feint, and apparently missing his object by a few yards, made the torpedo turn and follow the ship, which was then about a mile and a half distant; she was quickly overtaken and hit fairly in the centre.

During trials on the Resistance with wooden torpedo bombs, near the centre boom a mine representing the guncotton charge of a Service Whitehead was suspended a few feet below the water. On this being electrically exploded the concussion was so violent as to smash the middle boom and to displace both of the others, so that the whole of the netting fell into the water.

Consumption in the German army being greatly dreaded by the authorities, since the recent Parisian Medical Congress pronounced that the disease was contagious, the War Minister has decided that the chest of every soldier be measured once a month. If the chest does not reach a certain breadth, and does not develop with drill and athletic exercises, the soldier will be disqualified, as predisposed to consumption and likely to infest his comrades.

It seems strange that after a war in which the lance proved so useful to one army it should have been abolished in the other. The arm is, however, reasserting itself in France, as lances have been served out to the 19th Dragoons, quartered at Saint Etienne. This is the beginning of a regular innovation which may possibly end in the lance becoming as popular a weapon in the French and German Army, in which, by the way, it is now no longer confined simply to the Uhlan regiments. There is no talk at present of forming special corps of lancers in France, though that may come in time. So far, the weapon is to be dealt out to a small number of men in various cavalry regiments, probably with a view to ascertaining how the experiment will succeed.

The Rifle.

THE PROVINCIAL MEETINGS.

In two of the provinces the annual prize meetings of the Provincial Associations are taking place this week. The dates for the series, and the Dominion tournament winding them up, are as follows, the first day in each case being mentioned:—

Tuesday, August 6—British Columbia, at New Westminster.

Wednesday, August 7—Prince Edward Island, at Charlottetown.

Tuesday, August 13—Quebec, at Montreal.

Wednesday, August 14—Manitoba, at Winnipeg.

Tuesday, August 20—Nova Scotia, at Halifax.

Monday, August 26—Ontario, at Toronto.

Tuesday, August 27—New Brunswick, at St. John.

Monday, September 2—Dominion, at Ottawa.

THE DOMINION PROGRAMME.

Owing to the near approach of the Dominion Rifle Association prize meeting, which opens on the 2nd of September, it is opportune to give in brief the programme, which has been out since early spring:

1. Nursery—Open to members not having won a prize of \$10 at any previous prize meeting of the association. 500 yards, 5 shots. Seventy-seven prizes, value \$380.

2. Macdougall Challenge Cup—Restricted to military. 400 and 600 yards, 5 shots. The cup and sixty-five cash prizes, value \$525.

3. Gzowski Military Match—For battalion teams of five. Skirmishing and volley firing. The cup and six cash prizes, value \$200.

4. British Challenge Shield Match—Battalion teams of five. Skirmishing. The shield and four team prizes, value \$100.

5. The Manufacturers—500 yards, 7 shots. Eighty-two prizes, value \$585.

6. The Minister of Militia's—500 and 600 yards, 7 shots. For Association teams of three, the cup and six cash prizes, value \$168; for individuals, 62 cash prizes, value \$450.

7. Dominion of Canada—Restricted to military. 200, 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots. For battalion teams of five, five cash prizes, value \$200, and a badge to each member of winning team; for individuals, 83 prizes, value \$713.

8. Standing—200 yards, 7 shots. Fifty-four prizes, value \$297.

9. Snider Aggregate—Of scores in Nos. 2, 5, 6, 7 and 8. Stone striking clock and 27 cash prizes, value \$150.

10. Rideau—Martini, 600 yards, 7 shots. Sixty-nine prizes, value \$515.

11. Ouimet—Martini, 600 yards, 7 shots. Seventy-four prizes, value \$515.

12. Lansdowne Aggregate—Of scores in Nos. 5, 6, 8, 10 and 11. For association teams of five. Cup and five cash prizes, value \$150.

13. Grand Aggregate—Of scores in Nos. 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 and 11. Medals, badges and sixty cash prizes, value \$520.

14. London Merchants' Cup—For provincial teams of eight. The cup and two cash prizes, value \$180.

15. Governor General's—Open to sixty winners in Grand Aggregate. Three cash prizes, value \$500, and badges to ten highest. Martini rifles, 200, 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots.

16. Wimbledon Team for 1890—To be determined by aggregate of scores in Grand Aggregate and Governor General's Match.

17. Martini Matches—Series A: 500 yards, five shots; forty-three prizes, value \$225. Series B: 600 yards, five shots; forty-three prizes, value \$225. Series C: 800 yards, seven shots; thirty-three prizes, value \$180. Series D: 900 yards, seven shots; thirty-three prizes, value \$180.

18. Extra Series—Snider—No. 1: 500 yards, five shots; twenty-nine prizes, value \$150. No. 2: 600 yards, five shots; twenty-nine prizes, value \$150.

19. Pool Targets—One at 500 and one at 600 yards, whenever extra series are running.

20. Revolver Match—25 yards, seven shots; eleven prizes, value \$50.

Entries should be made on or before Wednesday, 28th August.

MONTREAL GARRISON ARTILLERY.

The Montreal Garrison Artillery on Saturday held their annual matches at the Cote St. Luc ranges. The weather was not so good for shooting as could have been desired. On the whole the light was fairly good, but in the morning the wind was very strong, and in the afternoon it was puffy and troublesome.

Opening Match, First Series; range, 200 yards; seven shots. Open to all members of the association.

\$5, Gunner G. W. Sharpe.....	29	\$2, Major Cole.....	25
4, Sergt. Cooper.....	28	1, Sergt. J. R. Malsburg.....	21
3, Battery Sergt.-Major E. Black... 26		1, Sergt. Dowker.....	22
2, Battery Sergt.-Major Fegan.....	26	1, Capt. Finlayson.....	21
2, Gunner Laird.....	26	1, Corpl. Davis.....	18
2, Major Atkinson.....	25		

Opening Match, Second Series; range, 200 yards; seven shots. Open only to members of the association who have not won prizes at any previous meeting (battery matches excepted).

\$5, Gunner R. J. Clarke.....	28	\$2, Gunner Cunnis.....	18
4, Gunner G. A. Forbes.....	28	1, Gunner D. Church.....	15
3, Gunner Manning.....	24	1, Sergt. Fyfe.....	14
2, Drummer Sage.....	22	1, Bombdr. Gardner.....	13
2, Gunner Lefebvre.....	20	1, Gunner Smith.....	12
2, Gunner Luman.....	20		

Brigade Match; ranges, 200, 400 and 500 yards; seven shots at each. Open to all members of the brigade. Lieut.-Col. Oswald's competition cup to be competed for by teams of five previously named members of the association from each battery. The cup to be won two years in succession before becoming the property of a battery. Individual prize winners:

\$8, Battery Sergt.-Major E. Black... 87	\$2, Gunner Lefebvre.....	60
6, Gunner Sharpe.....	2, Gunner Malsburg.....	59
5, Staff-Sergt Cooper.....	2, Gunner Finlayson.....	56
4, Major Cole.....	2, Major Atkinson.....	55
3, Sergt. Dowker.....	1, Gunner Manning.....	51
3, Sergt. Bell.....	1, Co-pl. Dav's.....	51
3, Capt. Finlayson.....	1, Gunner Cunnis.....	46
3, Gunner Clarke.....	1, Trumpeter Pendleton.....	45
3, Gunner Laird.....	1, Bombdr. Gardner.....	45
2, Corpl. Morgan.....		61

TEAM PRIZE WINNERS:

No. 4 Battery.....	336	No. 6 Battery.....	189
No. 2 Battery.....	270		

Association Match; ranges, 400 and 500 yards; seven shots at each. Lt.-Col. Turnbull's challenge shield to be competed for by teams of five previously named members of the association from each battery, the winning battery to hold it till the next annual matches. Individual prize winners:

\$8, Gunner Sharpe.....	56	\$3, Corpl. Morgan.....	42
7, Major Cole.....	54	3, Gunner Manning.....	41
6, Sergt.-Major Black.....	52	2, Sergt. Malsburg.....	41
5, Bombdr. Gardner.....	49	2, Gunner Lefebvre.....	40
4, Sergt. Dowker.....	47	2, Gunner Laird.....	35
4, Gunner Clarke.....	47	2, Gunner Church.....	33
4, Staff-Sergt. Cooper.....	45	1, Gunner Cunnis.....	32
4, Capt. Finlayson.....	44	1, Sergt.-Major Fegan.....	30
3, Sergt. Bell.....	43	1, Sergt. McGlashan.....	31
3, Gunner Finlayson.....	42	1, Corpl. Davis.....	26

TEAM PRIZE WINNERS:

No. 4 Battery.....	215	No. 2 Battery.....	170
No. 6 Battery.....	173		

Open Match; ranges, 500 and 600 yards; seven shots at each. Open to all comers for individual prizes; and to teams of five previously named bona fide members of any rifle association. Individual prize winners:—

\$10, Capt Sims, V.R.C.....	59	\$2, Pte. McAfee, P.W.R.....	52
8, Pte. Hutcheson, 43rd Batt.....	58	2, Staff-Sergt. Pink, 43rd Batt.....	51
6, Pte. Moodie, 43rd Batt.....	54	1, Lieut. Shaw, V.R.C.....	50
4, Sergt. Lavers, 6th Fus.....	53	1, Gunner Sharpe, M.G.A.....	50
3, Col.-Sergt. Boville, 43rd Batt... 53		1, Lieut. Desbarats, V.R.C.....	50
2, Sergt. Johnson, 85th Batt.....	52	1, Pte. Kambery, 5th R.S.....	48
2, Pte. Cooke, V.R.C.....	52	1, Pipe Sergt. Clarke, 5th R.S.....	48
2, Pte. Scott, 43rd Batt.....	52		

TEAM WINNERS:

\$15, 2nd team, 43rd Batt.....	238	\$5, 1st team, 5th Royal Scots... 236
10, 2nd team, V.R.C.....	238	

THE VICS AND THE 43RD BATTALION.

A team of ten men of the 43rd Battalion went to Montreal on Saturday last to fire a friendly match against the Victoria Rifles, whom they had defeated in a telegraphic match the previous Saturday. On arriving at Montreal the 43rd men found a reception committee of the Vics., of which Col. Henshaw and Major Radiger formed part; waiting at the depot. The Ottawa men were first driven to inspect the handsome private armoury possessed by the Vics., and next escorted, the officers to the St. James Club, in charge of the Vics' officers, and the rest of the team to the Windsor, where they were looked after by Ptes. Burns and Pringle of the Vics', whose guests they were to be for their stay. After lunch, the train for the Cote St. Luc Ranges, some seven miles distant, was taken at the Windsor Station.

The firing prospect was anything but good, for a perfect gale of wind was blowing, and there were indications, fortunately not realised, of heavy rain, but only a few light showers fell. The match was fired at 200, 500 and 600 yards, seven shots at each, with Snider rifles. The 500 yards range was first fired. The scores were low on both sides, but the totals were pretty even until the last pair of the 43rd got to work. These were Major Wright and Pte. Hutcheson, who put on 32 and 33 respectively and gave their team a substantial lead, the figures being 276 for the 43rd and 259 for the Vics. At the opening of the 600 yards range it looked as if the 43rd needed all their surplus points, for one of their first pair put on only 7 points. The prospect brightened when a few moments later one of the Vics finished with a sorry seven also. Later on a 43rd man made a score of 5 out of 7 shots. The Vics, obliging as they were, couldn't match this, but they put a 9 alongside it. Capt. Sims went to the other extreme with 34 out of his 7 shots, while the highest on the 43rd side was a 27 by Staff-Sergt. Pink. The totals for this range were 195 for the 43rd and 175 for the Vics, the former thus increasing their lead by 20 points. Then the 200 yards range was fired. The sun had by this time come out, and as the firing points on the range face the north-west it bothered the competitors considerably. The scoring was close, but with totals of 281 and 278 respectively, the lead of the 43rd was increased three points.

43RD BATTALION.				VICTORIA RIFLES.					
Pte. J. E. Hutcheson..	29	33	25	87	Capt. Sims.....	25	25	34	84
Col.-Sgt. T. C. Boville.	32	31	22	85	Pte. Cooke.....	27	25	27	79
Staff-Sergt A. Pink...	31	24	27	82	Lieut. Desbarats.....	25	31	19	75
Pte. R. Moodie.....	25	30	24	79	Pte. Pope.....	31	27	17	75
Pte. C. S. Scott.....	26	26	26	78	Pte. Burns.....	30	28	15	73
Pte. T. McJanet.....	29	42	25	76	Pte. McCrae.....	26	18	25	69
Pte. J. D. Taylor.....	25	27	20	72	Staff-Sgt. MacAdam....	30	27	12	69
Major J. Wright.....	30	32	5	67	Pte. Thomson.....	30	25	9	64
Sergt. W. G. Dial....	27	25	14	66	Pte. Mathews.....	27	30	7	64
Lt.-Col. W.P. Anderson	27	26	7	60	Pte. Pringle.....	27	23	10	60
Totals.....	281	276	195	752	Totals.....	278	259	175	712

All ten of the 43rd entered for the individual prizes of the open match, in connection with the annual matches of the Montreal Garrison Artillery, in progress that day; and two teams of five members each were entered for the team competition in the same match. The 43rd second team, consisting of Col.-Sergt. Boville, Sergt. Dial, Ptes. McJanet, Scott and Taylor, took the first team prize, with a total of 238. They tied with the second team of the Vics, not only in the grand total, but in that of each range—131 and 107—but in counting off the tie it went in Ottawa's favour. The 5th Royal Scots' team were third with 136. There were three team prizes. Of the fifteen individual prizes offered, five were taken by Ottawa, these being the 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 8th and 10th, taken respectively by Hutcheson, Moodie, Boville, Scott and Pink, in that order. This open match was at 500 and 600 yards, seven shots at each distance.

Upon returning to Montreal the 43rd were entertained by the Vics to dinner at the Windsor, where a pleasant time was spent until the hour for departure to take the 8.40 p.m. train for Ottawa. At the depot the teams exchanged cheers, and cordially parted, to meet again at Ottawa on Saturday next, when the Vics will have another match with the 43rd, this time on the Rideau Range. The 43rd team are delighted with their experience of the Vics, whose hospitality they say knew no bounds.

VICTORIA RIFLE CLUB.

Hamilton, 5th August, 1889.—The Victoria Rifle Club adopted a system of weekly silver spoon competitions this summer, which has a very beneficial effect on the attendance for practice. While we do not expect to equal the wonderful scores that have been made at Toronto and Ottawa, the shooting with the Snider has been steady and fairly good, when it is remembered that the range is probably the most difficult one in Ontario.

29th June.—Snider rifle, 7 shots at 200, 500 and 600 yards :

Hy. Marris (sp).....	29	32	30	91
W. M. Goodwin.....	29	31	30	90
D. Mitchell.....	33	30	27	90

3rd July.—Martini rifle, 10 shots at 500 and 600 yards :

E. G. Zealand (sp).....	47	40	87
D. Mitchell.....	44	40	84
W. M. Goodwin.....	46	35	81

17th July.—Snider rifle, 7 shots at 200, 500 and 600 yards :

W. M. Goodwin.....	28	32	30	90
E. G. Zealand.....	29	34	25	87
W. H. Clarke.....	31	31	24.	86

31st July.—Martini rifle, 10 shots at 800 and 900 yards :

G. Margetts.....	46	34	80
D. Mitchell.....	39	38	77
W. M. Goodwin.....	40	36	76

As some further evidence of the quality of the 1888 Snider ammunition made in Quebec, Mr. Goodwin, in four successive practices, on four different days, made :

1.....	29	33	26	88	3.....	29	31	30	90
2.....	30	30	28	88	4.....	28	32	30	90

The 200 yards scores are rather low, showing the good shooting was done at the longer ranges, a much better test of the ammunition, with which no fault can now be found.

OTTAWA RIFLE CLUB.

The Ottawa Rifle Club spoon competition at the Rideau Rifle Range on Saturday afternoon was at 800 and 900 yards. The wind was very heavy and prevented good shooting. About twenty members contested.

J. H. Ellis (sp 2nd cls.).....	28	24	52	H. McKay.....	22	13	35
Lt. J. W. O'Grady (sp. 1st cls.)..	27	21	48	G. A. Robinson.....	15	13	28
W. E. Cooke, (sp. 3rd cls.)..	20	26	46	F. W. Smith.....	27	0	27
Lieut. E. D. Sutherland.....	18	22	40				

THE GUARDS' SKIRMISHING MATCH.

The G.G.F. Guards' skirmishing match took place at the Rideau Range, Ottawa, on Saturday afternoon last. The day, although very windy, was warm enough to make skirmishing hot work. The conditions were ten shots advancing and ten retiring, between 500 and 100 yards, at targets exposed to view for 15 seconds at a time. Below are the scores and prize list. For the four individual prizes there were two exact ties, the prizes were therefore divided :

Hits. Pts.		Hits. Pts.	
1st and 2nd { Pte. Nutting, No. 1 Co. 14 57	3rd and 4th { Lt. Winter, No. 1 Co. 11 53		
{ Col.-Sgt. Mailleue, 2 " 14 57	{ Pte. Browne, " 2 " 11 53		

The following, although not prize winners, made 40 points or better :

Capt. Gray, No. 2 Co.....	53	Corpl. Carroll, No. 4 Co.....	47
Sergt. Short ".....	51	Sergt. Cawdron ".....	44
Sergt. Dawson ".....	49	Sergt. McKae, No. 3 Co.....	43

The team prizes were won as follows :

1st, No. 2 Co. (1st team)—Capt. Gray.....	53
Col.-Sergt. Mailleue.....	57
Sergt. Short.....	51
Total.....	161

2nd, No. 2 Co. (2nd team)—Sergt. Dawson.....	49
Pte. Browne.....	53
Pte. Elmitt.....	37
Total.....	139

3rd, No. 4 Co.—Staff-Sergt. Cawdron.....	44
Sergt. Reardon.....	39
Corpl. Carroll.....	47
Total.....	130

Teams making 100 points and over :—No. 1 Co., 1st team—Capt. Thompson, Sgt. Watts, Pte. Nutting—Total.....	105
No. 1 Co., 2nd team—Lieut. Winter, Pte. Gooding, Pte. Holbrook—Total.....	104

As will be seen by the above score, No. 2 Co. made things lively for the rest of the battalion, being the only company to enter three teams. The regular regimental matches will be held on Saturday next, the 10th August

BOWMANVILLE RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

This association resumed practice, with Snider rifles, on the 3rd inst., with this result, the ranges being 200, 500 and 600 yards :

W. S. Russell.....	27	31	29	87	J. Morris.....	32	25	20	77
J. B. Mitchel.....	29	27	30	86	N. S. Young.....	26	26	22	74
W. C. King.....	30	29	25	84	J. Curtis.....	26	29	18	73
D. Beach.....	30	29	24	83	C. Windatt.....	29	26	17	72
W. Milligan.....	27	34	19	80					

Militia General Orders (No. 14) of 2nd August, 1889.

No. 1.—DISTRICT STAFF.

The following appointments have been made :—

Lieut.-Col. Frederick More Pope, from 58th Bn. to be a Brigade Major in the Militia, from 26th July, 1889.

Frank Strange, formerly Lieutenant 14th Bn., to be Paymaster of Military Districts Nos. 3 and 4, of the Permanent Artillery stationed at Kingston, and of the Royal Military College of Canada.

The resignation of Honorary Captain Maxwell William Strange, as Paymaster of "A" Battery and of the Royal Military College of Canada, is accepted.

Honorary Major William King is relieved of the duties of Paymaster of Military Districts Nos. 3 and 4. He is retained as Superintendent of Stores of Military District No. 3.

No. 2.—MILITARY ARTICLES FREE OF CUSTOMS.

No. 1 of General Orders (21) 23rd December, 1887, respecting "Duplicates" or "Certified Copies" of invoices, for the purpose of obtaining remission of customs duty, is cancelled.

Hereafter invoices will not be required in duplicate.

No. 3.—ACTIVE MILITIA.

Infantry School Corps.—Confirmation of Rank.—Lieut. Septimus Julius Augustus Denison, R.S.I., Infantry School Corps, from 5th June, 1889.

Lieut. Thomas Dixon Byron Evans, R.S.I., Infantry School Corps, from 5th June, 1889.

Gov. Gen.'s Body Guard.—To be lieut., 2nd Lieut. Robert Casimir Dickson, R.S.C., vice Merritt, promoted.

To be 2nd lieut., prov., George Taylor Denison, jun., vice Dickson, promoted.

To be adjt., Capt. William Hamilton Merritt, C.C., vice C. A. K. Denison, appointed to command a troop.

8th Cav.—"B" Troop.—To be 2nd lieut., prov., Sergt. Ralph Audley March, from "G" Troop, vice Whittaker, resigned.

Gov. Gen.'s Foot Guards.—Quartermaster and Honorary Captain William Lewis Heron, to have the honorary rank of Major.

3rd Bn.—Lieut. Henry George Doucet resigns.

7th Bn.—To be adjt., with rank of lieut., William Butler, R.S.I.

13th Bn.—To be 2nd lieuts., prov., Corpl. George Douglass Fearman, vice Chapman, promoted.

Corpl. John Dickson Laidlaw, vice Domville, promoted.

John Henry Herring, vice Carpenter, promoted.

Private Charles Albert Peterson Powis, vice Osborne, promoted.

Walter Hamilton Bruce, vice Cameron, resigned.

16th Bn.—No. 5 Co.—To be lieut., 2nd Lieut. Benjamin Alexander Wycott, R.S.I., from No. 2 Co., vice F. J. Horrigan, promoted in No. 1 Co.

36th Bn.—No. 7 Co.—To be Capt., Lieut. George Downard, R.S.I., vice Edward E. Williams, deceased.

42nd Bn.—No. 4 Co.—To be 2nd lieut., prov., Gordon Finkle Bradley, vice Darling, promoted.

47th Bn.—No. 3 Co.—2nd Lieut. John Corkill resigns.

53th Bn.—No. 3 Co.—The headquarters of this company are changed from "Hurdman's Corners" to "Rockburn."

To be lieut., prov., Sergt. John Alexander Cameron, vice Joseph Sloan, left limits.

2nd Lieut. Robert Steele resigns.

60th Bn.—Sergt. Josiah Sanford Brigham, M.D., to have the rank of surgeon major, from 25th June, 1889.

68th Bn.—No. 6 Co.—To be 2nd lieut., prov., George W. Newcomb, vice Kelly, promoted.

To be paymaster with honorary rank of capt., Barclay Webster, formerly Lieut. No. 1 Co., vice Charles F. Eaton, who retires with honorary rank of major.

72nd Bn.—No. 4 Co.—To be lieut., 2nd Lieut. Frederick B. Morse, M.S., from No. 6 Co., vice Ritsey, promoted.

To be 2nd lieut., prov., Sergt. Malcolm Parker, vice David Landers Gates, who resigns.

84th Bn.—No. 3 Co.—Lieut. Joseph Duprés resigns.

86th Bn.—No. 3 Co.—Capt. Narcisse Grenier resigns.

94th Bn.—No. 3 Co.—To be capt., Lieut. John P. McNeil, S.I., vice John S. McNeil, who retires retaining rank.

To be lieut., 2nd Lieut. Michael Ambrose Jerome McDonald, M.S., vice McNeil, promoted.

To be 2nd lieut., prov., Sergt. Angus J. McNeil, S.I., (2nd B), vice McDonald, promoted.

No. 5 Co.—To be lieut., 2nd Lieut. Ronald Gillis, R.S.I., vice William Henry Mischeau, failed to attend annual drill.

To be 2nd lieut., prov., Private Samuel John McLennan, vice Gillis, promoted.

No. 4.—CERTIFICATES GRANTED.

Rank, Name and Corps.	Class.	Course.	Grade.	Percentage of marks obtained		
				Written.	Practical.	Aggregate Percentage.
<i>Royal School of Cavalry.</i>						
2nd Lieut. R. C. Dickson, Gov. Gen.'s Body Guard Obtained at R.M. College	1	Lg	A	69	76	74
Special mention in Tactics and Administration, and in Military Engineering.						77
<i>Royal Schools of Infantry.</i>						
Lieut. S. J. A. Denison, Infantry School Corps Obtained at R. M. College	1	Lg	A	84	85	85
Special mention in Tactics and Administration, Sur- veying and Reconnaissance, and Military Engin- eering.						84
Lieut. T. D. B. Evans, Infantry School Corps Obtained at R. M. College	1	Lg	A	89	84	86
Special mention in Tactics and Administration, and Military Engineering.						78
2nd Lieut. H. A. Kortright, 35th Bn. Obtained at R. M. College	1	Lg	A	76	77	76
Special mention in Tactics and Administration, and Military Engineering.						68
2nd Lieut. E. H. Ward, 68th Bn.	2	Lg	A	86	77	81
Lieut. W. W. Nasmyth, 15th Bn.	2	S	A	82	66	73
Lieut. T. R. Atkinson, 37th Bn.	2	Sp	A	63	41	50
Lieut. M. N. Garland, 96th Bn.	2	Sp	A	65	58	61

CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

Lieut. M. Neelin Garland, R.S.I., No. 1 Co., 96th Bn., from 17th July, 1889.

Lieut. William Wylie Nasmyth, R.S.I., No. 3 Co., 45th Bn., from 23rd July, 1889.

Lieut. Thomas Robert Atkinson, R.S.I., No. 2 Co., 39th Bn., from 25th July, 1889.

BREVET.

To be major, Capt. and Adjt. William Egerton Hodgins, V.B., Gov. Gen.'s Foot Guards.

No. 5 —ASSOCIATIONS FOR DRILL IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

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London *Truth* reports that large orders have recently been received at Birmingham from the German and French Governments for war balloons. The German War Office has adopted parachutes, as their value for campaigning purposes has been clearly demonstrated by some recent experiments at Spandau.

The *United Services Gazette* says: "It has been decided to retain for the present for the navy the Nordenfeldt and Gatling guns now in use. Orders have, however, been given for the manufacture of five of the latest pattern Maxim machine guns to take the Martini-Henry cartridge, and these are as soon as possible to be mounted and tried on board ship. Should the result be such as to convince the naval experts that the new guns may be adopted without any fear of breakdown, it is contemplated by the authorities at Whitehall to order some 250 of these automatic machine guns, which it is hoped will eventually supersede all others now in use in the navy. It is expected that the cartridges for the larger order and the subsequent ones will be of the same calibre as the new rifle."

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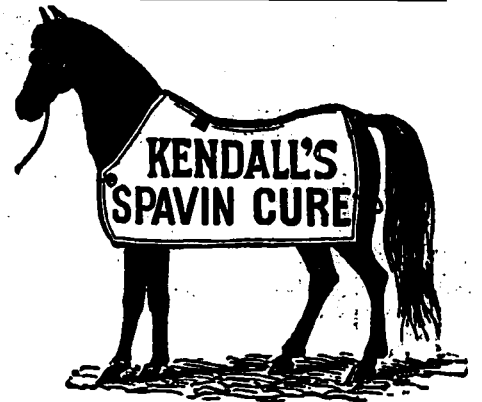
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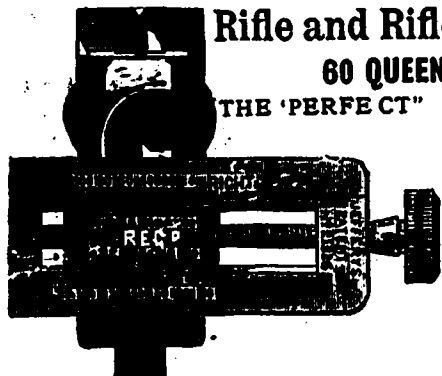
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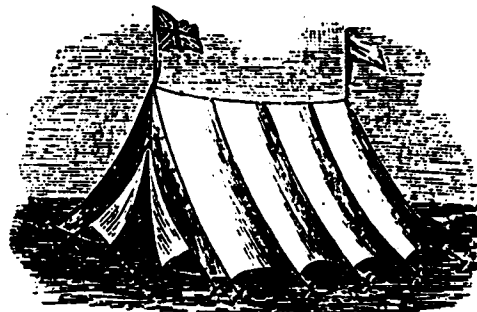
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