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## Topics of the Week.

The patriotic speech by Sir Adolphe Caron at the Lundy's Lane anniversary celebration last week was an eloquent answer to the abuse of late heaped upon the Minister of Militia by so-called "British" Canadians displaying not a tittle of the spirit of British fair play which animate this French-Canadian minister. The loyal sentiments uttered by Sir Adolphe are those of the great majority of French-Canadian descent in Canada, who, happy and contented under British rule, have no desire to be other than British subjects; but whom it has of late become fashionable in certain quarters to insult and goad to angry reprisal by insinuations of disloyalty.

Col. Gzowski's idea of a regimental team match for young shots, appears to have been incorporated by the Ontario Rifle Association in the preparation of this year's programme, a synopsis of which appears elsewhere in this issue. Last year \$77, in sixteen individual prizes, was all that was set apart for the encouragement of the younger shots. This year there is \$110 in twenty-seven individual prizes and also \$90 in four prizes for battalion teams of six officers, non-commissioned officers and men who have never won a prize at any Provincial or Dominion rifle meeting. This is a step in the right direction. The announcement of the team match is perhaps made too late to have any appreciable effect this year, except in bringing out new shots who are resident in the neighbourhood of Toronto. But let it be given out that such a competition may be expected annually, and we venture to predict that an effort will be made to enter teams from nearly every battalion making any pretence to rifle shooting, and the amount of local effort necessary to prepare the teams cannot but have a very beneficial effect.

We congratulate the Quebec Rifle Association upon amending the regulations governing its volley firing match, so as to make provision against a recurrence of the state of affairs giving rise to so much dissatisfaction last year. The fine for bad volleys is now to be from one to three points per shot, and the deduction is left, not to one officer alone, but to the discretion of the executive officer and two umpires previously appointed.

Anyone who has had experience of our brigade camps will appreciate this: "Lieut. W. R. Hamilton, U.S.A.," says the Peekskill correspondent of the *New York Times*, "made, July 15, a tour of the chain of sentinels. He was in uniform, but wore a cape which, of course, con-

cealed his shoulder straps. The bullion on his cap, however, gave sufficient indication that he was a commissioned officer. Out of the dozen sentinels whom he passed face to face only one saluted him. On the other hand, Pte. McBride, of the 2nd Battery, sailed down past the sentinels on Luxury row, and because he carried his sword was saluted by every one of them. All of which goes to show that so far as homage from sentinels at the State camp goes it is sometimes better to be a private in the 2nd Battery, National Guard, State of New York, than to be a commissioned officer in the 5th Artillery, U. S. Army." After all, it is not a matter for surprise that there is so much confusion in the soldier's mind as to what personages should be saluted. He is instructed how to give the salute, and told in a general way that it is for officers only, but how is an inexperienced recruit to know who are officers and who are not? The distinctions of uniform are seldom if ever carefully explained.

Sympathy with that portion of the United States press agitated over the defensive works at Esquimalt, B.C., is wanting in the *San Francisco News Letter*, which takes this common sense view of the situation: "A weekly journal that has hitherto been accounted friendly to England says that it cannot stand the fortification of Esquimalt, and is in favour of making it a *casus belli* if anything of the kind is attempted. It will perhaps surprise our contemporary to learn that such fortifications have not only been "attempted" but have progressed far towards completion. The great dry dock, built of solid masonry and capable, we believe, of accommodating any war ship that ever floated, was commenced more than ten years ago and has been completed for fully two years past. It was, of course, necessary to protect such ships as might be docked there and for that purpose forts have been built and heavy guns mounted. No ship of war could have passed between Esquimalt and the mainland for years past if England desired to stop her. That it is the intention of both England and Canada to establish a great naval rendezvous in the neighbourhood of Victoria has long been known. Indeed it was one of the conditions upon which British Columbia came into the Dominion. But it was Russia and not the United States that the parties were thinking about. The latter had begun to make Vladivostock the fortress it is. Besides, the Canadian Pacific railroad, as England's alternative route to India, had to be protected at all hazards."

At a meeting of the executive of the Dominion Rifle Association, held this week, it was decided to take action to prevent tampering with Snider rifle sights, which although already forbidden by regulation has been extensively indulged in. The chief abuse has been in the matter of widening the space between the uprights of the back sight, so that in some cases the bars were reduced to a shadow of their former substance. The "V" also has been altered, and the front of the foresight has in many cases been fyled off. A maximum width between the uprights of the backsight, and a minimum height for the foresight, will be proclaimed.

**The Wimbledon Meeting.**

From the *Volunteer Service Gazette* of the 20th July, to hand this week, we extract further interesting particulars of the Wimbledon meeting, and particularly of the Canadian successes there.

The completed lists of the Windmill and Martins cup matches show that the Canadians took no prizes further than those reported in last issue.

In the Tyro match, the prizes in which are awarded to the highest hundred in the first stage of the Queen's who never won a prize at a previous meeting of the N. R. A., these Canadians came in :

24th, Lieut. Jamieson, 43rd... 86 £2 66th, Sergt. Mumford, 63rd.. 83 £1  
Fifteen 81's were counted out.

FRIDAY, JULY 13th.—Some heavy rain fell in the early morning, but by gun-fire it had ceased, and the Common soon dried up. The whole day was an admirable shooting day—the light good, with hardly any sunshine, and the wind, what there was of it, steady. The result of this state of things was that the scores were of what is termed the very "hottest" character, as will be seen elsewhere. The day had its disadvantages, though. The atmosphere was extremely sultry and stifling till nearly four o'clock, when there was one loud clap of thunder. After that the air was pleasanter.

The shooting in the St. George's was, as might have been expected, something wonderful. No less than ten men made the h. p. s., and the winner of the cup, Sergt. Lawson, 1st Lanark R.V., scored three more bulls in his tie shots, thus making ten consecutive bull's-eyes at 500 yards in military position with the M.H. An eleventh competitor who made 35 was ignorant or careless enough to adopt the back position, and he was of course disqualified. Last year eleven 34's tied for first place. Although the list of the St. George's is this year increased by fifty prizes, forty-nine out of one hundred and forty-two 32's are counted out of the prize list of 205 names, whilst last year about seventy 31's came in. The Canadian prize winners and their places on the list were :

17th, Capt. Rogers, 43rd..... 34 £9 129th, Staff-Sgt. Ashall, Q.O.R.. 32 £2  
19th, Major Weston, 66th..... 34 9 150th, Sgt. Mumford, 63rd..... 32 2  
67th, Pte. Armstrong, G.G.F.G. 33 4 199th, Staff-Sgt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A. 32 2  
110th, Staff-Sgt. McVittie, 10th.. 33 2

For the *Daily Telegraph* cup, seven shots at 500 yards, thirteen made the h.p.s., against two last year. Then thirty-six 32's came into the list of 113 prizes, whilst this year twenty-seven 33's were counted out.

43rd, Corp. Crowe, 1st B.F.A... 34 £2 60th, Lieut. Wilson, 33rd..... 33 2  
59th, Capt. Rogers, 43rd..... 33 2

SATURDAY, 13th.—This day was bright and sultry, with very little wind, and a good light. The great event was the second stage of the Queen's prize, which was finished before the luncheon gun-fire, the winner of the Silver Medal proving to be that well-known Wimbledon shot, Wattleworth, of the 2nd V. B. Liverpool, better known in old times as the Liverpool Rifle Brigade, who counted up 205 points as his record for the two stages. Though Wattleworth is four points ahead of last year's winner, the scores of the Hundred go lower than they did then, for sixteen 185's had to shoot off for ten places. The Silver Medal, for the aggregate of the two stages, was won last year with 201 points, and three out of twelve 187's were counted out of the "Hundred."

There were four Canadians who had won the right to shoot in the second stage of the Queen's, and this is how they acquitted themselves :

	1st stg.	2nd stg.		Gd. total.
		500	600	
17th. Pte. Armstrong, G.G.F.G.....	88	44	61	193
56th. Staff-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A....	86	46	56	188
106th. Sergt. Rolston, 20th.....	93		92	185
260th. Lieut. Jamieson, 43rd.....	86		84	170

Rolston got £4, and Jamieson £3, on retiring from the contest. Armstrong and Ogg being in the first hundred, shot in the third stage.

The Prince of Wales' Match, seven shots at 200 yards and fifteen at 600, was fired this day. Entry is restricted to winners of N. R. A. medals, and there were but 98 competitors. Though probably ten or twelve Canadians were eligible, only one figures in the list of nineteen prize winners :

11th. Lieut. Wilson, 33rd..... 33 61 94 £3

The top score was 99 and there was one 92 counted out.

MONDAY, 15th.—This day was of an April character as to weather. There were rapid changes from brightness to gloom, accompanied by short and heavy showers, one or two of them falling in the midst of brilliant sunshine. At times the wind was strong, and at all times variable between west and south. The great competition was that between the English, Scotch, Irish and Welsh twenties for the National Challenge

Trophy, which did not begin till after luncheon. The English team led all through the match, and Scotland stood second at the first two ranges ; but at the third range, Ireland, which had previously been at the bottom of the list, shot into second place. At 200 yards England had 601 points, Scotland 595, Wales 590, and Ireland 585. At 500 yards the scores were—England 602, Scotland 597, Wales 590, and Ireland 571 ; at 600 yards—England 545, Ireland 522, Scotland 517, and Wales 501. The team totals last year were—Scotland, 1,774 ; England, 1,756 ; Ireland, 1,726 ; and Wales 1,686. Scotland led through the 200 and 500 yards, making 610 and 627 ; but at 600 yards took third place, with 537, England making 560, and Ireland 538.

The Wilmot match, 500 and 600 yards, seven shots, was taken with 64 points for the first, and 57 for the last of the sixty prize winners. Seventeen 57's were counted out :

17th. Stf.-Sergt. McVittie, 10th.. 61 £ 5 38th. Major Weston, 66th..... 59 £ 3  
33rd. Stf.-Sergt. Curzon, 10th .. 59 3 56th. Stf. Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A. 58 3

TUESDAY, 16th.—This day was one of great interest all through. With the exception of a single shower, the weather was bright and not too hot. The light for shooting was good, but the wind, from the left front, a little troublesome. The visitors were much more numerous than on any previous day of this meeting, especially in the afternoon, to see the last stage of the Queen's fired, and the fringe of people at the firing points, three or four deep at the commencement of the 800 yards range, had become much deeper as the last rounds were being fired. In the afternoon, the Duke of Cambridge arrived, and made an inspection of the Canadian team, commending the loyal feelings which had brought the members to Wimbledon, and congratulating them upon the success which had attended their members. Later, His Royal Highness spent some time at the 900 yards firing point, watching the shooting of the competitors.

Two competitors, Sergt. Reid of the 1st Lanark, and Major Pearse of the 4th Devon (a former winner), had towards the end of the match a decided lead over the rest of the field. They finished within a point each of other, Reid's 281 being a point better than the record, which was topped last year also. The details of the scores of these two were :

	1st stg.	2nd stg.	Ttl.	800	900	Ttl.	Gd. Ttl.
Sergt. Reid, 1st Lanark ...	87	110	197	5553534255-42	5533545543-42	84	281
Major Pearse, 4th Devon ..	91	104	195	5355555555-48	3343354543-37	85	280

The first man gets the Queen's prize of £250, a gold medal, and the gold badge of the N. R. A. The second gets £60. The two Canadians in the Hundred thus acquitted themselves :

	1st stg.	2nd stg.	Ttl.	800	900	Ttl.	Gd. Ttl.	prize
29th. Stf.-Sgt. Ogg... 86	102	188	3234423534-33	5050542535-34	67	255	£12	
30th. Pte. Armstrong. 88	105	193	4000335544-28	0344433553-34	62	255	12	

WEDNESDAY, 17TH, was stormy and wet, with just a few bursts of sunshine. The morning began well, but it was not long before thunder was heard, and besides several smaller showers and periods of gloom, a heavy storm twice burst over the common—once between one and two and a second time shortly before five. The rain and hail came down in torrents, and put the ground in a very muddy condition.

The Kolapore Cup, shot for in the morning, brought up four teams—the Mother Country, Canada, Jersey and Guernsey. The match was a very exciting one, so far as the two first-named teams were concerned. Canada finished only three points ahead of the home team—687 to 684. Canada led at the 200 yards and 500 yards, making 245 and 238 to the Mother Country's 242 and 230, an aggregate difference of 11. But at the last range the Mother Country made 212 to Canada's 204, thus wiping off 8 points of the 200 and 500 yards' difference. Guernsey led Jersey by a point at 200 yards—239 to 238; but at 500 Jersey went ahead, with 227 to Guernsey's 210. At the last range both the Channel Islands teams made 183, their respective totals at the finish being 648 and 632. Last year the Mother Country won by exactly the same aggregate (687) as Canada has made now. Canada then made 674, ten less than the Mother Country this year, for second place; Jersey 655, and Guernsey 609. With the cups, if won by a colonial team, there goes £80 cash :

CANADA.			
	200	500	600 Ttl.
Armstrong, Pte.....	5554534 31	2555554 31	5424554 29 91
Ogg, S.-Sergt.....	4545444 30	3455455 31	4454335 28 89
Ashall, S.-Sergt.....	4544454 30	5545455 33	3453253 25 88
Rogers, Capt.....	4455454 31	5333555 29	5555322 27 87
Wilson, Lieut.....	4454444 29	5553535 31	3435552 27 87
Weston, Major.....	3555455 32	4423554 27	4525225 25 84
Mitchell, S.-Sergt.....	5345545 31	4543535 29	0435255 24 84
McVittie, S.-Sergt.....	5454544 31	4444245 27	3023245 19 77
Totals.....	245	238	204 687

MOTHER COUNTRY.

Parry, Corpl.....	455544	32	355535	31	535545	32	95
Brown, Lieut.....	454444	29	555434	30	534445	30	89
Bates, Sergt.....	545544	32	554234	27	345525	29	88
McLardie, Col.-Sergt.....	444544	30	545345	31	353530	24	85
Barrett, Lieut.....	454454	31	555553	33	342352	21	85
Wattleworth, Pte.....	555444	32	345542	28	344434	24	84
Ingram, Col.-Sergt.....	244444	26	442434	24	435444	29	79
Grier, Qmr.-Sergt.....	444454	30	522543	26	225243	23	79
Totals.....	242		230		212	684	
Jersey.....	238		227		183	648	
Guernsey.....	239		210		183	632	

The Wimbledon cup, ten shots at 600 yards, was taken with a score of 45. There was no other prize in the competition. Staff-Sergt. Ogg, of the Canadians, was fifth with 42, and Staff-Sergt. Ashall seventh with 41.

In the afternoon the American team gave an exhibition of skirmishing practice. Drawn up at 600 yards under Major Frost, they advanced by bugle sound, afterwards doubled, and at the "commence firing" lay down—Huddleston on the left and Doyle on the right adopting the back position. There was independent firing for fifteen seconds, after which the men rose, adjusted their sights for the next supposed distance and loaded their rifles. This was repeated five times in the advance till they reached about 150 yards from the target; then they retired and fired during the last fifteen seconds from the 600 yards mound. The men carried their ammunition in waist-belts. Huddleston and Doyle averaged a delivery of sixty rounds, and the other eight about forty. In all some 440 cartridges were discharged, making 83 bulls, 65 inners, 54 magpies, and 98 outers. Mr. Chevalier Ira Paine gave a revolver exhibition in the afternoon. At fifty yards, with an eight-inch bull's-eye, he made 21 bulls and 4 inners with 25 shots. At 200 yards, with a 2 ft. bull's-eye, and 25 shots, he made 13 bulls, 9 inners, 1 magpie, and 2 outers.

THURSDAY, 18th.—The weather was excellent for shooting. The great event was the Elcho Shield. This was once more won by Ireland, with the splendid record of 1,689, beating England by five points; Scotland making 1,626. Two highest possibles were made—at 800 yards by Capt. Lamb, for England, and at 900 yards by Ganley, for Ireland. Last year, the shield went to Ireland for 1,652 points, the highest record so far in the match. England made 1,642, and Scotland 1,568, and the best individual total was Capt. Barnett's, in the Irish team, 216, with 74, 69 and 73. Only one range possible was made in the match, by Mr. John Rigby, for Ireland, at 800 yards. The record now stands—England thirteen, Ireland ten, Scotland five.

THE LONDON CORPORATION PRIZES.

The Corporation of the City of London prizes, consisting of a silver cup, value £31 10s, and fourteen in cash, are restricted to Indian and Colonial volunteers. Canada this year took all but two. The scores counting were those of the Grand Aggregate:

1st. Stf.-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A. 329 Cup.	8th. Stf.-Sergt. McVittie, 10th 306	£10
2nd. Lieut. Wilson, 33rd..... 317	9th. Corpl. Crowe, 1st B.F.A. 304	6
3rd. Stf.-Sergt. Mitchell, 10th..... 316	11th. Sergt. Rolston, 20th.... 303	5
4th. Capt. Rogers, 43rd..... 314	12th. Stf.-Sergt. Ashall, Q.O.R 303	5
5th. Pte. Armstrong, G.G.F.G. 313	14th. Stf.-Sergt. Curzon, 10th... 298	5
6th. Major Weston, 66th..... 312	15th. Major Sherwood, 43rd... 296	5
7th. Sergt. Horsey, 45th..... 308		10

THE AGGREGATES.

Grand—		
16th Staff-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A.....	329	£5
93rd Lieut. Wilson, 33rd.....	317	2
104th Staff-Sergt. Mitchell, 10th.....	316	2

There were 125 prizes and four 315's were counted out.

Volunteer—

18th Staff-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A.....	150	£3
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Nursery—

9th Capt. Rogers, 43rd.....	95	£5
71st Major Weston, 66th.....	90	2
73rd Lieut. Wilson, 33rd.....	90	2

All Comers—

85th Staff-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A.....	179	£2
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Secretary of State for War—(900 yds., 7 shots)—		
35th Staff-Sergt. McVittie, 10th.....	30	£2

Pavilion—

7th Staff-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A.....	32	£2
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Armourers Co.—(900 yds., 7 shots)—

5th Staff-Sergt. McVittie, 10th.....	30	£5
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Heath—(500 yds., 7 shots)—

20th Staff-Sergt. Mitchell, 10th.....	34	£2
24th Capt. Dow, 91st.....	34	2

The winnings in other matches, the prize lists for which were not closed when the *Volunteer Service Gazette* of the 20th July went to press, will be published next week.

How the Queen's Prize was Won.

[London Edition New York Herald.]

The magpie has been renowned for his predatory proclivities, but through all the stages of their existence the species have not reared a more villainous specimen than the one which yesterday robbed Major Pearse, of the 4th Devon, of £190, a gold badge, a gold medal and an unrivalled British ovation. The contest for the highest honour Wimbledon offers the Volunteers lasted four and a-half hours within a few minutes, and there was compressed into that space just as much excitement as it could decently hold. Punctuality is the distinctive feature of Wimbledon, and precisely at half-past two p. m., Private Hunter, of the 1st Middlesex, fired the first shot in the last stage of the Queen's. When the proceedings opened yesterday the mental perspective of most of the 100, all that were left of the 2,000 odd who originally entered the list, were dotted with bull's-eyes and the winning aggregate. Perhaps 50 of them thought they were in the running for Her Majesty's £250; but no man could tell who the fortunate shot to deplete Her Majesty's private exchequer to that amount would be. As a matter of fact, the number did not exceed half a dozen who at any time looked like successors of Ross, Warren and Fulton.

Proceedings were tame enough at starting, and firing commenced in a strong 10 o'clock wind and an uncertain light. The targets stood as straight as a wall. The sun made fitful splurts and starts, casting fleeting shadows across the targets in a manner that was extremely annoying. At a very early stage Rippon and Major Heap, who had tied with 200 at the close of the second stage, fell out of the competition for first place, and Sergeant Reid, of the 1st Lanark, Private Jones, of the 1st R. Welsh Fusiliers, and Major Pearse, of the 4th Devon, advanced rapidly to the front. Private Wattleworth remained steady, keeping himself well among the "possibles." The spectators at first numbered above 2,000, but before long there must have been 10,000 lookers on at this great national contest. The "swells" did not begin to arrive until the end of the first round. That "venerable" soldier and universally popular secretary, Captain St. John Mildmay, piloted a host of friends about, mostly ladies, and wore a face wreathed in smiles. Colonel Humphrey, the executive officer who wore the national trophy eighteen years ago, when he came up from Cambridge as an ensign, explained how the thing was done to uninitiated friends. Near by was Earl Waldegrave, who, though he doesn't shoot now for the Queen's, is still a good shot and has done some excellent work on the council. General Sir Wm. McMurdo looked on, and confided to Major McKerrell, who has put in some good records during the meeting, that he pegs away himself sometimes still, and never misses a Wimbledon if he can help it. Major Waller told some friends that he had no personal difference with the Americans, and that but for the interference of the out-siders the match would have come off. All the arrangements had been made, including preparations for a dinner and high festival generally at the close. Lord and Lady Wantage, Col. Burt, of Birmingham, Mr. Arrowsmith, and a host of other notabilities crowded into the reserve enclosure. The Duke of Cambridge, who was in mourning costume, arrived shortly after half-past four, accompanied by an escort of the 12th Lancers. His Royal Highness visited the several scoring boards, criticised the various scores, and had the biggest shots pointed out to him.

At the end of the round at 800 yards Major Pearse was leading by 4, having repeated his performance in the Armourers' of making 48 out of a possible 50. At 900 yards Wattleworth was the first of the leaders to fire. He took his stand, or rather his "lie down," with great deliberation. He was as cool as a cucumber, and as careful as a man in his position could be. He took an aim which lasted over three minutes, and the lookers-on held their breath. The aim was so long that the non-shooters counted four rights, six bullseyes, a dozen Wimbledon, and one Bisley. Wattleworth ought to have got a bullseye if carefulness would have secured it for him; but when the target lowered into the cavity and the record exhibited an "outer" his face was a study. All the disgust which a patient, persevering, quiet nature like his could feel was predicted there. Reid started with a bull and Jones with an inner. Pearse fell from a bullseye to a magpie—a falling off which made it pretty plain that he would have some trouble with Reid. The excitement grew in intensity. The crowd pressed on, and rushed from scoring board to scoring board. All interest was now centred upon Pearse and Reid, with Jones and Wattleworth falling into the rear. At the end of the sixth round Reid and Pearse were both credited with 36, and from that point to the finish they ran a neck-to-neck race. The public took possession of the enclosures, despite the appealing, but utterly futile remonstrance of the police. Everybody wanted to get in front, with the result that nobody did get there; and there was a terrible jam in the space that was supposed to be specially reserved for the press and the council.

When a man can walk deliberately to the firing-point, take his position, fire at a target, and miss a bullseye that meant £250, a gold medal,

and a gold badge, and further miss an inner, which would have given him one more life, and further score a magpie, which lost him all the above enumerated coveted prizes, and the cheers of 10,000 men and women besides, and then walk away as if he was not in the least concerned in what was going on, and listen without exciting a nerve to the tremendous solos of applause given to his conqueror—when he can do all this without a single reference to the classics of the gutter, that man is a saint of whom the great and illustrious of that ilk in all ages would have been no end proud. This is what Major Pearse did yesterday, when the magpie brought him within one of the requisite number to tie with Reid. The Scotchmen shouted themselves hoarse, and the 10,000 spectators willing seconded their efforts. Reid was "shoulder-highed," and for the rest of the night he was envied by every man in camp. Reid's score was 281, one above last year's winner.

At the close of the 800 yards range, Pearse led by four points, while Wattleworth, Jones and Reid tied. All interest now centred on these men, and as each shot was fired the appearance of the indicator target was watched with the keenest anxiety by the friends of the contestants. Major Pearse especially tried the patience of the spectators by taking a long time over his aim. Presently Harrison by a few bad shots spoilt his chance, and Wattleworth disappointed his friends by missing a couple of shots. Jones, too, dropped to the rear, and a magnificent struggle took place between Reid and Pearse for the Blue Riband. Reid finished first, his last five shots being 4, 5, 5, 4, 3, making with his former scores an aggregate of 281. Pearse scored 5, 4, 5 for his sixth, seventh and eighth shots, and looked like winning, as he only wanted in two shots eight points to tie or nine points to win. He made an inner with his ninth round, thus leaving him the hard task of making a bull to win. Amid breathless excitement he fired. A pause for a moment; the target moved, and a mingled shout of exultation and disappointment proclaimed a magpie, thus losing him the coveted prize by one point. The winner, Sergeant Reid, of the 1st Lanark Engineers, is twenty-five years of age, and a telegraph clerk in Glasgow. He was this year a member of the Scottish Twenty, and is known as a steady shot, having lately won the championship of his club at Darnley. He was at Wimbledon last year, but failed to distinguish himself.

### Regimental and Other News.

#### St. John, N. B.

There was a great summer carnival at St. John, N.B., last week, and as usual on all holiday occasions the militia took a prominent part. The *Sun* of the 24th July says of the turnout:

"This display last evening was a complete success in every sense of the word. The exhibition given by the naval force from H. M. S. Tourmaline was particularly fine, the bayonet exercise by the marines and the gun movements by the blue jackets calling forth perfect storms of applause. The marching of the Fusiliers, Rifles and Artillery is also deserving of mention. In the presence of a large crowd, the marines and blue jackets, with two guns, landed from H. M. S. Tourmaline at 7.30 o'clock, and preceded by the band of the 62nd Fusiliers proceeded to the barrack square, where the brigade, consisting of the Artillery under command of Lieut.-Col. Armstrong, the 62nd under command of Major Tucker and the Rifles under command of Capt. J. T. Hartt, were formed with Lieut.-Col. Blaine as brigadier. About 8 o'clock the brigade formed off in fours and in Broad street were formed in column and marched up Charlotte to King street, and down King to Market square. Here the Fusiliers formed line, facing south, with the artillery and marines facing north, the blue jackets being to the west. The Fusiliers then went through the ceremony of trooping the colour, the escort being under command of Major Sturdee and Lieut. Lordly, the lieutenant of the colour being Lieut. Churchill. The trooping of the colour being over, the marines, under command of Lieut. Henderson, R. M. L. I., went through the bayonet exercise in quick time. The movements were performed with remarkable precision and called forth cheer after cheer from the thousands of spectators. The blue jackets next performed a number of movements with their field guns, including dismounting, a movement which completely captivated the crowd by the quick and apparently easy manner in which they took the guns practically to pieces. The brigade next retired in mass of quarter columns, the Fusiliers leading, halted, fronted, and then marched past in column, the saluting point being at the foot of King street, in the following order: 1st, naval detachment to the tune of Home on the Ocean Wave, by the 62nd band; 2nd, Artillery, to the march from Patience, by their own band; Fusiliers and Rifles to the music of the British Grenadiers by the Fusiliers' band. The column then changed ranks and marched past in quarter column. The brigade afterwards advanced in column, wheeled into King street, formed into line, took open order, advanced in review order and presented arms. Rain having commenced to fall,

the movements were brought to a close, and the brigade were marched in fours back to the drill shed, and there formed up in quarter column. Lieut.-Col. Maunsell, D.A.G., addressed the brigade, and said he was highly gratified to see the militia and naval forces join in a military display. He was proud indeed to witness the marines in line with the Canadian militia. They were all under one flag and serving one Queen. Three cheers were then given by the militia for the naval brigade, after which the naval force was entertained with refreshments by the different companies.

The staff was composed of the following officers: Lieut.-Col. Blaine, brigadier; Lieut.-Col. Domville, 8th Cavalry; Lieut. E. Wedderburn, orderly officer. The blue jackets were in command of Lieut. Barton, R.N. Lieut.-Col. Maunsell, D.A.G., commander of the Royal School of Infantry, was present, but took no official part in the street display.

#### OTTAWA FIELD BATTERY.

The Ottawa Field Battery paraded on Wednesday evening, 31st July, in the Drill Hall. There were present Captain Bliss, Lieut. Hurdman, commanding right section, Sergt.-Major Ingram, commanding left section, and about fifty non-commissioned officers and men. Captain Bliss presented to Sergt. Harvey a prize of \$25 for best attendance at voluntary drills during the past drill season. He complimented sub-division No. 2 on the excellent work that they had done, and particularly the non-commissioned officers in charge of the sub-divisions, for their energy and ability in administering the charge of their sub-divisions. He hoped that during the next drill season the other sub-divisions of the Battery would emulate the good work done by sub-division No. 2 during the past drill season. A prize for attendance would be offered again next year. After parade a meeting of the non-commissioned officers and men was held in connection with the annual rifle matches of the Battery, which will take place about the middle of September. Captain Bliss said that he would select the detachment to compete at Kingston with detachments from the various field batteries of Canada in the competitive shell practice, at an early day. He has decided to select twelve men and have them drilled under his supervision for about a month, and he will select from these twelve the eight that will have the honour of representing the artillery of the Capital in competition against the field artillery of the Dominion.

### The Rifle.

#### ONTARIO RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Below is a synopsis of the programme just issued by this association for the prize meeting to open at Toronto on the 26th August.

1. Canada Company—Restricted to the active militia of Ontario who have never won a prize at any provincial or Dominion rifle association match, not including consolation matches. 200 and 400 yards, 5 shots; 200 yards, kneeling (Hythe), 400 yards, any. Four battalion team prizes, value \$90, for teams of six. Twenty-seven individual prizes, value \$110.
2. Macdonald—200 yards, 7 shots, standing. Fifty prizes, value \$229.
3. Gilmour—500 yards, 7 shots. Fifty-five prizes, value \$244.
4. Gordon—600 yards, 7 shots. Fifty-five prizes, value \$244.
5. Walker—500 and 600 yards, 7 shots. Five prizes, value \$100, for association teams of five each. Fifty-one individual prizes, value \$269.
6. Tait Brassey—Restricted to the active militia of Canada. 200, 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots. Five battalion team prizes, value \$200, for teams of eight. Four company team prizes, value \$70, for teams of five. Seventy-five individual prizes, value \$408.
7. Ontario—Aggregate. 1st and 2nd series for medals and Elkington cup, respectively. 3rd series for D. R. A. medal and twenty-five cash prizes, value \$175.
8. Gibson, 1st stage—500 and 600 yards, 7 shots, Martini. Fifty prizes, value \$255.
9. Gibson, 2nd stage—800 and 900 yards, 7 shots, Martini. Open to 25 highest scorers in the first stage. Seven prizes, value \$100.
10. Gzowski—Skirmishing and volley firing; battalion teams of six. In each series, five prizes, value \$100.
11. Mulock—Revolver match, 25 yards, 7 shots. Twenty prizes, value \$92.
12. Extra series (Prizes in cash and kind, yet to be named)—No. 1, Snider, 500 yards, 5 shots; No. 2, Martini, 500 yards, 5 shots; No. 3, Snider, 600 yards, 5 shots; No. 4, Martini, 600 yards, 5 shots. Two targets will be set apart for pool shooting.

MANITOBA RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The following is a synopsis of the programme and prize list for the annual prize meeting of this association, to be held on the Kildonan ranges, Winnipeg, on Wednesday 14th August and following days:

1. Nursery Match, for members never having won \$5 in money; 400 yards, 7 shots. Twenty prizes, value \$76.
2. Ladies' Prizes, to be shot for by gentlemen nominated by lady members; 200 yards, 7 shots. Any rifles and any position with head to target. Cup and twenty other prizes in kind.
3. Cauchon Match—200 yards, 7 shots standing or kneeling. Cup and twenty cash prizes, value \$66.
4. Aikins Match—500 yards, 7 shots. Cup and twenty cash prizes, value \$66.
5. Hudson Bay Co. Match—600 yards, 7 shots. Cup and twenty cash prizes, value \$66.
6. Logan Match—600 yards, 7 shots, Martini rifles. Cup and twenty cash prizes, value \$66.
7. Association Match—200, 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots. Cup and five cash prizes for association teams of five, value \$75. Cup and twenty five individual cash prizes, value \$94.
8. Bedson Trophy Match—200, 500 and 600 yards. Trophy and two cash prizes for battalion teams of eight, value \$40. Cup and five cash prizes for company teams of four, value \$44. Cup and twenty-five cash prizes for individuals, value \$94.
9. Aggregate of scores in Nos. 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8. Eight prizes, consisting of cup, medals and badges, and highest eight desiring to go to Ottawa to form the provincial team.
10. Bell Cup Match—800 and 900 yards, 7 shots, Martini rifles. Two sighting shots. For the highest twenty in grand aggregate. Cup and five cash prizes, value \$32.
11. Skirmishing Match—For battalion teams of five. One prize, the Sir Donald A. Smith cup.
- 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16. Extra Series Matches—Five shots. Snider at 500 and at 600. Martini at 500, at 600 and at 800 yards. Prize lists to be announced first day of matches.
17. Revolver Match—25 yards, 7 shots. Ten cash prizes, value \$38.
18. Pool—200 yards, 6 inch bullseye. Any position. Snider or Martini rifles.

NOVA SCOTIA RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-sixth annual prize meeting of this association will be held on the Bedford range on Tuesday 20th August and following days. This is the programme:

1. Nursery—200 yards, 5 shots; for members never having won a prize at a previous meeting of the association. Twenty prizes, value, \$66.
  2. P. R. Assn. Challenge Gold Medal—200 and 500 yards, 7 shots. Medal and thirty-five cash prizes, value, \$204.
  3. The Bankers' Cup—200 and 500 yards, 7 shots. Cup and thirty-five cash prizes, value, \$208.
  4. Laurie Bug'e—Bugle and four cash prizes, value, \$36, for company teams of five. Scores in No 3. match to count.
  5. General Williams' Competition—600 yards 10 shots. Twenty-nine prizes, value, \$155.
  6. Ladies' Match—For members nominated by lady subscribers; 500 yards, 7 shots. Two prizes for every ten subscribers.
  7. All-Comers' Match—500 and 600 yards, 7 shots, Martini rifles. Thirty-four prizes, value, \$187.
  8. Battalion Match—For teams of ten; 200 and 500 yards, 7 shots. Either Snider or Martini rifles. Laurie challenge cup and four cash prizes, value 100.
  9. Merchants of Halifax Cup.—200, 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots, Martini rifles. Cup and thirty-three cash prizes, value \$208.
  10. Consolation—400 yards, 5 shots. Fourteen prizes, value, \$73.
  11. Any Rifle Match—800 and 900 yards, 10 rounds. Ten per cent discount on all rifles other than Snider or Martini. Sixteen prizes, value, \$100.
  12. Aggregate—Two prizes, medals and badges, for scores in 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 7th and 9th competitions. Aggregate sweepstakes, 50c. entry, to be divided into prizes in proportion to the number of entries.
  13. Dominion Team—\$150 and free passes over Intercolonial railway to highest fifteen in 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 7th and 9th competitions.
  14. Governor-General's Medals, Silver and Bronze—For aggregate scores at 500 and 600 yards in the 2nd, 3rd, 7th and 9th competitions.
  15. Revolver Match—25 yards, 7 shots. Eight prizes, value, \$25.
- As compared with last year's list, additional prizes have been added in the 2nd, 5th and 7th competitions, to the value of \$10, \$40 and \$20 respectively. The 5th match has been changed from 500 to 600 yards.

THE "VIC'S" VS. THE FORTY-THIRD.

By request of the Victoria Rifles of Montreal a simultaneous telegraphic match between them and the 43rd Battalion of Ottawa was fired on Saturday afternoon last. The ranges—Cote St. Luc and Rideau—were connected by wire, so that progress reports could be made. The weather was unfavourable at both places, rain falling and there being a bad light and strong wind. The match was fired with Martini rifles, at 200, 500 and 600 yards, seven shots at each, and the teams consisted of ten men each. The scoring was rather low, as will be seen from the list:

FORTY-THIRD BATTALION.				VICTORIA RIFLES.					
Pte. Hutcheson.....	30	26	31	87	Pte. Burns.....	30	31	27	88
Lieut. Sutherland.....	28	32	27	87	Lieut. Desbarats.....	30	26	28	84
Pte. Ellis.....	29	30	25	84	Pte. Cooke.....	29	29	24	82
Lieut. O'Grady.....	28	30	22	80	Pte. Thomson.....	32	26	23	81
Pte. Scott.....	29	29	22	80	Pte. Matthews.....	30	23	25	78
Major Wright.....	32	29	17	78	Pte. Pope.....	27	31	17	75
Pte. Rclfe.....	25	28	23	76	Staff-Sergt. Wilson....	29	23	18	70
Pte. Taylor.....	28	26	16	70	Staff-Sergt. MacAdam.	27	24	17	68
Pte. McJanet.....	29	20	19	68	Pte. Pringle.....	27	20	18	64
Sergt. Dial.....	27	18	20	65	Pte. McCrae.....	29	23	10	62
Totals... 285 268 222 775				Totals... 289 256 207 752					

Other matches between the two teams are likely to be shot.

OTTAWA RIFLE CLUB.

Weekly competition, 27th July, 200 (standing), 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots. Snider rifle.

J. E. Hutcheson (sp 1st cls) .	27	31	30	88	T. C. Boville.....	25	28	20	73
Major J. Wright.....	26	29	30	85	R. H. Brown.....	28	24	14	71
A. Pink.....	26	33	26	85	W. Holtby.....	24	32	15	71
C. S. Scott (sp. 2nd cls)...	26	30	25	81	T. McJanet.....	24	21	24	69
W. G. Dial (sp. 3rd cls)...	19	34	25	78	R. Moodie.....	20	24	24	68
Lieut. E. D. Sutherland...	25	30	21	76	T. C. Slade.....	29	29	10	68
J. H. Ellis.....	23	29	22	74	N. Morrison.....	27	23	17	67
Lieut. J. W. de C. O'Grady	26	29	19	74	H. McKay.....	19	27	20	66

THE GUARDS' ASSOCIATION.

Weekly practice, Rideau range, 27th July, Snider rifles, 200 (standing), 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots.

Sergt. Short, No. 2 (sr. sp.)	26	19	33	78	Pte. Brown, No. 2.....	29	19	17	65
Pte. White No. 3 (jr. sp.) .	27	22	24	73	Col.-Sergt. Maillieu, No. 2.	28	29	7	64
Sergt. Watts, No. 1.....	28	28	16	72	Capt. Thompson, No. 1 ..	22	19	22	63
Pte. Elmitt, No. 2.....	26	26	17	69	Stf.-Sergt. Dawson, No. 2.	23	21	18	62
Pte. Morrison, No. 3.....	27	23	17	67	Pte. Morse, No. 2.....	26	17	17	60
Sergt. Reardon, No. 4.....	14	25	22	66	Pte. Nutting, No. 1.....	28	20	12	60

THE VICTORIA RIFLES' MATCHES.

Most unfortunate, says the *Gazette* of Monday, 29th inst., were the Victoria Rifles in selecting Saturday for holding their nineteenth annual meeting, for the day was one the like of which has never been experienced at the Cote St. Luc range. All through the competition the light was dull; in the morning there was a shifting wind, and late in the afternoon it began to rain heavily. Everything, indeed, was dead against first-class shooting, and the old hands were at times equally as much out of their calculation as to elevation, windage, etc., as were the younger competitors. The flags, which are supposed to indicate to the marksman in which direction the wind is blowing, on Saturday afternoon failed to act; they had become drenched with the rain, and instead of floating with the breeze they twisted round the staff and stayed there. The Vics' officers present at Saturday's gathering were Majors Radiger and Starke, Capt. Sims, Lieuts. Shaw, Carter, Desbarats, Rodden, Badgley and Staff-Sergeant Wilson. There were, also, on the range Major Blaiklock, Capts. McCarthy and Ibbotson, Lieuts. Cameron and Ibbotson (5th Royal Scots), and Lieut. Kemp (6th Fusiliers). Appended are details of the competitions:—

*Maiden Stakes*—200 yards; seven shots. Open to members who never won a prize at any rifle meeting (company excepted).

Pte. Budgett.....	31	Corp. Binmore.....	25
Col.-Sergt. Cameron.....	29	Lieut. Carter.....	25
Pte. Reynolds.....	29	Sergt. Burton.....	25
Col.-Sergt. Locke.....	27	Corp. Withycomb.....	18
Pte. Becket.....	26	Sergt.-Major Gardner.....	18

*Association Match*—200, 400 and 600 yards; seven shots. Open to all members of the regiment.

Pte. Thompson.....	94	Pte. Pringle.....	84
Lieut. Desbarats.....	91	Staff-Sergt. McAdam.....	84
Pte. Matthews.....	89	Lieut. Rodden.....	82
Pte. Pope.....	89	Corp. Binmore.....	80
Pte. Burns.....	89	Lieut. Carter.....	79
Pte. Cooke.....	87	Lieut. Badgley.....	79
Lieut. Shaw.....	85	Pte. Reynolds.....	78
Capt. Sims.....	85	Pte. McInnes.....	78
Pte. McCrae.....	85	Col.-Sergt. Gorman.....	76

*Queen's Own Challenge Cup*—To be competed for by teams of six men from each company, and to be held by the winning company till next annual matches.

No. 2 Company..... 503 No. 3 Company..... 481  
 No. 6 Company..... 499

The individual scores of the winning company are—Pte. Thompson 94; Capt. Sims 85; Pte. McCrae 85; Staff-Sergt. McAdam 84; Lieut. Badgley 79; Col.-Sergt. Gorman 76; total 503.

**Challenge Match**—500 and 600 yards; seven shots. Open to all members of the regiment and teams of six men from each company. The prize of the winning team is a challenge shield, presented by Capt. Sims, and the first and second individual prizes are each a medal presented by Col. Henshaw and Major Radiger respectively.

**Shield Competition—**

No. 6 Company..... 260 No. 2 Company..... 228  
 No. 3 Company..... 255

The individual scores of the winning Company were—Private Cooke 53; Private Burns 52; Private Pope 48; Private Reynolds 46; Lieut. Shaw 40; Private Budgett 21. Total 260. The individual prize winners were—

Pte. Matthews..... 56	Pte. Reynolds..... 46
Pte. Cooke..... 53	Col.-Sergt. Gorman..... 46
Pte. Burns..... 52	Lieut. Desbarats..... 46
Staff-Sergt. McAdam..... 48	Lieut. Rodden..... 44
Staff-Sergt. Wilson..... 48	Lieut. Carter..... 44
Pte. Pope..... 48	Pte. McInnes..... 44
Pte. Pringle..... 48	

**Martini-Henry Match, 600 yards, seven shots—**

Pte. Burns..... 29	Pte. Pringle..... 24
Staff-Sergt. Wilson..... 28	Pte. McCrae..... 23
Pte. McInnes..... 27	Pte. Pope..... 22
Pte. Thompson..... 26	Lieut. Shaw..... 21
Pte. Hutcheson..... 25	Pte. Cooke..... 21

**Open Match.** 500 and 600 yards; seven shots. Open to teams of five previously named members of any battalion or rifle association. Martini rifle for teams; for individual prizes, rifle optional. Team prizes—

\$15, Sixth Fusiliers..... 258	\$5, Victoria Rifles..... 244
10, Fifth Royal Scots..... 245	

**Individual prizes—**

\$15, Pte. Scott, 6th Fusiliers..... 59	\$2, Pte. Kambery, 5th Royal Scots.. 54
10, Pte. McAfee, P. W. R..... 58	2, Col.-Sergt. Marks, 6th Fusiliers.. 53
8, Pte. Burns, V. R. C..... 58	2, Pte. Cooke, V. R. C..... 53
5, Pte. Armstrong, 5th Royal Scots 56	1, Pte. Ward, 6th Fusiliers..... 53
4, Capt. Ibbotson, 5th Royal Scots 54	1, Sergt. Bell, M. G. A..... 52
4, Col.-Sergt. Pitt, 5th Royal Scots 54	1, Sergt. Riddle, 6th Fusiliers..... 52
2, Lieut. Desbarats, V. R. C..... 54	1, Sergt. Lavers, 6th Fusiliers..... 51
2, Lieut. Shaw, V. R. C..... 54	1, Pte. Smith, 5th Royal Scots..... 51

**HIGH SNIDER SCORING.**

Two notable scores achieved last week go far to show the usefulness of the Snider rifle (with which both were made) at short ranges, and the high quality of the Canadian-made ammunition used. On Friday last, in practice on the Rideau range, Ottawa, in company with Major Wright, Lieut. O'Grady and Lieut. Sutherland, Capt. H. H. Gray, of the G. G. F. G., made this score:—

200 yds. (standing).	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
4545545—32	5555554—34	4455554—32	98

This is thought to be above the Canadian record, and any person knowing of a better would confer a favour by writing the MILITIA GAZETTE. The other score referred to above was made by Lieut. Lanskill, at the regular practice of the Toronto Rifle Association, on the 23rd inst. It is remarkable, it will be noted, in more ways than one, but the h.p.s. at 600 yards is the unusual feature:—

200 yds. (kneeling).	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
5554445—32	2220555—21	5555555—35	88

**The Italian Piemonte.**

The Italian cruiser *Piemonte* is the latest of some dozen vessels of the protected cruiser class built by the firm of W. G. Armstrong, Mitchell & Co., including the *Esmeralda*, built in 1882-83, and the *Dogali*, built in 1886. Lord Armstrong, who has for several years past strongly advocated the construction of this class of war vessel, has enumerated as their chief features: "Great speed and nimbleness of movement combined with great offensive power," and "little or no side armour, but otherwise constructed to minimize the effect of projectiles." The *Piemonte* is 300 ft. long, 38 ft. broad, and 15 ft. mean draught, and her displacement is 2,500 tons. She has a protective deck with sloping sides from stem to stern, which is 1 in. thick along the middle, and 3 in. thick on the slopes. Her armament consists of six 6 in. quickfiring guns, six 4¾ in. quickfiring guns, ten 6 pdr. Hotchkiss guns, six 1 pdr. Hotchkiss guns, four 10 mm. Maxim guns, and three torpedo tubes; and her speed is upwards of 21 knots. Four of the 6 in. guns, and the six 4¾ in. guns are carried upon the upper deck, the 6 in. guns being

sponsored out so as to enable the two foremost to fire right ahead and the two aftermost to fire right astern; one of the remaining 6 in. guns is placed on the forecastle, and the other on the poop. All of these guns have considerable arcs of training, as indicated upon the plan of weather deck. Four of the 6 pdr. quickfiring guns have right ahead fire; two of these are placed under the forecastle, and two upon the after end of the forecastle; and four of these guns have right aft fire, two being placed under the poop and two upon the fore end of the poop. The other two 6 pdrs. and two of the 1 pdrs. are placed on the top-sides. Each of the two lower tops carries two 1 pdr. Hotchkiss guns, and each of the two upper tops two 10 mm. Maxim guns. One of the torpedo tubes fires directly ahead, and one on each broadside from a torpedo chamber immediately before the machinery spaces. The *Piemonte* is the first vessel armed with the new Elswick quickfiring gun, all of the 6 in. and 4¾ in. guns being of this pattern. Lord Armstrong, in speaking of this vessel recently, said: "She will be capable of discharging against an adversary in a given time time twice the weight of shot and shell that could be fired by the largest war vessel now afloat, not excluding the leviathan battleships of five or six times her size, which could ill withstand the torrent of shell which the *Piemonte* could pour into the large unarmoured portions of their structure." All apertures through the armour deck which would require to be opened in action are provided with cofferdams rising 4 ft. above water, and all openings are fitted with armour covers or armour bars. Both below and above the armour deck the ship is sub-divided into a large number of water tight compartments. Each set of engines is in a separate compartment, and each pair of boilers is in a separate compartment. She has an inner bottom and her buoyancy and stability in consequence is believed to be assured, by the various devices adopted, even against modern shell fire.

Lord Armstrong, in the *Nineteenth Century* for May, maintains superior advantages which a fleet of *Piemontes* would have over the large battleships. Per contra, it is contended that a couple of 9 inch shells would do more damage than the whole of a *Piemonte's* broadside could do in return; and two such 9 inch or 30 shells exploding after piercing her side would probably put her *hors de combat*. But Lord Armstrong believes that "steel is a very treacherous material" and he possibly counts upon the heavy guns doing more damage to those that fire them than to those at whom they are aimed.

The *Bombay Gazette* says that a Brigadier General of the British Army stationed in Madras has been attacked by leprosy. The name of the officer is not given.

The Italian Staff Corps will shortly publish a very important and highly interesting work of statistics and reference, which will bear the following title:—"European Possessions and Protectorates in Africa, 1889: a Collection of Geographical, Historical, Political and Military Information on the African Coast Region. With forty two illustrations.

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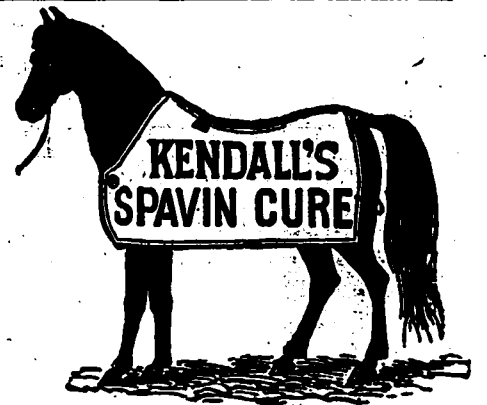
1 Real Estate worth.....	\$5,000	\$5,000
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1 Real Estate worth.....	1,000	1,000
4 Real Estates.....	500	2,000
10 Real Estates.....	300	3,000
30 Furniture Sets.....	200	6,000
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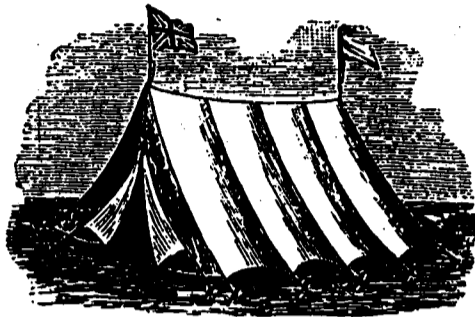
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