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Topics of the Week.

Immediately following the great rifle tournament to be held at Ottawa next week, there will be a gathering of the garrison artillery of the Dominion, at the Island of Orleans, Quebec, for the Dominion Artillery Association competition commencing on the 9th September. At this there are expected to be twenty-four batteries present, made up as follows :---Six of the Halifax Brigade; three New Brunswick; three Prince Edward Island; six Montreal; two Levis; one Quebec; one Digby, N.S.; one Yarmouth, N.S.; and one Pictou, N.S. Ontario will not be represented, as Cobourg, the only efficient garrison battery in the province, has done its practice at headquarters.

"The Canadian Score Book," a neat and handy register for rifle men, has just been issued by Messrs. J. & A. McMillan, of St. John, N.B. Beside each score are blanks in which to record all particulars respecting wind, weather, aim, etc., which the most painstaking rifleman could desire to note; and there are large diagrams also upon which to mark the position of the hits recorded. In a stout leather cover, the book costs 50c.; and the cover being detachable the book can be refilled for 15c. when exhausted.

An active interest in rifle shooting is evidently being worked up in the permanent force. At nearly all the provincial meetings there have been competitors from the permanent corps stationed in the locality, and at the Dominion meeting at Ottawa next week there promises to be like representation. The Imperial Army will be represented by a team of the West Riding Regiment, stationed at Halifax, and Her Majesty's Navy by a team from the Bellerophon.

This paragraph, from a Brantford paper, is one of a kind too often called for in connection with band parades :-- "The Dufferin Band found a grievance vesterday and absolutely refused to play for the regiment on the march from the Crystal Palace to the Armoury and depot. Had it not been for the bugle band there would have been a pretty mess! Such child sh conduct on such an occasion cannot be too severely treated. It was shameful." Commanding officers have themselves to blame if they allow their bandsmen to be sufficiently masters of the situation to show insubordination in any form. A musician derives sufficient advantage through military connection to make him regularly enrol if called upon to do so, and once enrolled he becomes amenable to military discipline, and should not be allowed to act otherwise than as a soldier.

The P. Q. R. A. executive have raised themselves not a little in the estimation of shooting men, by reconsidering the ruling out of those teams whose scores at the recent prize meeting were not stated on the aggregate tickets they handed in precisely as they appeared on the The scores recorded have now been allowed in official registers. each case. The association should now go further and abolish the rule, which is manifestly a harsh one, and places it in the power of any careless or evil-disposed register keeper, not closely checked by the range officer, to wreck the chances of any team by mis-recording the score of any single member at any range of the competition. To the credit be it said of the men who act as register keepers at our rifle meetings, they are as a rule very careful and conscientious, but it is not fair for an association to place greater confidence in them for accuracy and honesty of purpose, than in the competitors, who are held responsible for every discrepancy, the possibility of their being right and the register keeper wrong not being admitted.

The Dufferin Rifles at Hamilton.

(Brantford Expositor, 24th August.

Veni, vidi, vici ! might be the language of the Brooklyn regiment who took part in the military parade in Hamilton yesterday. And it would not require a very great stretch of the imagination to apply it to Col. Jones and the men of Dufferin Rifles. The thousands who lined the streets were prepared before they saw them, to shout a welcome to the Americans, but when they saw the soldierly, though sombre, Dufferins marching steadily, and equally well with the more attractively uniformed Brooklyn men, they found plenty of applause for the boys from Brantford. And there was no cause for anyone from Brantford to be ashamed of the Dufferins. Though the regiment was got together in less than a week, it was complete in all its departments and created a most favourable impression. The regiment was due to leave here for Hamilton at 10.30, a time whem anyone knew it could not, as the train from Harrisburg had the right of way, and was due here at 10.55. It was a stupid piece of business and the same stupidity kept the regiment on the road home from 11.18 p.m. untill 2.00 a.m. There was no good excuse for either annoyance. The Dufferin Rifles reached Hamilton at 12.30 noon, and were received by Mayor Doran, Col. Gibson, Major Mason, Major Van Wagner, Capt. Stuart and Lieut. Domville. As soon as the officers had been introduced the Dufferins formed up on the platform and proceeded to the Fair Grounds where they were soon seated at lunch in the horticultural building. The parade state showed 284 men of all ranks, the largest parade the regiment ever made, and the comments of the people were generally satisfactory. The ambulance and bicycle signal corps were departments that were regarded with much favor by the Brooklyn men. The officers were as follows :--Lt-Col. C. S. Jones, Major B. H. Rothwell, Major T. H. Jones; Adjutant, Capt. W. A. Wilkes; Surgeon Wm. T. Harris; Asst. Surgeon, H. Minchin; Paymaster, Capt. J. S. Hamilton; Quartermaster, Capt. R R. Harris; Captains H. J. Mc-Glashan, H. F. Leonard, J. H. McLean, W. D. Jones. and C. M. Nelles. Lieuts.-Ruddy,, Killmaster, Frank, Curtis, Park, Jenkins, Rubidge and Bown. There were but five companies but they made a good showing. After lunch the men fell in for the parade and it was a James Dandy, For more than three hours Duffers, Brooklynites and the local red coats

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trampled in the scorching sun to edify the immense crowds of people who turned out or drove in to see the "millingtary." The order of the parade was as follows :

Col. Gibson in command. Hamilton Field Battery. Dufferin Rifles. 13th Regt. Brooklyn, N. G., S. N. Y. Veterans of the British army and navy. 13th Battalion, Hamilton.

The Dufferins were less picturesque in their dress than any, but they had an air of usefulness and business about them that largely counteracted any feeling of disparagement that might have arisen. The Brooklyn regiment was some 380 strong and headed by a splendid band caught the crowd. The bandsmen wore red coats, while the uniform of thd regiment was a light blue frock coat, with dark blue facings, white duck trousers, and leggings, and marching in single rank made much more of a display than the Canadians did. But their drill was not much superior. Indeed, the Dufferins, who were much steadier than the 13th of Hamilton, marched fully as well generally as the Brooklyn pets. Along the line of march they were frequently cheered and the handsome members of the staff at the rear, in their plumed chapeaux, left a pleasant taste in the mouth. The parade was ended about six o'clock and the men went their ways, the three regiments, red, blue and green, fraternizing in the most friendly way. The 13th of Hamilton treated their visitors with the most generous hospitality, and if there were any "jags" taken on at Hamilton by the visiting soldiers, the men of the Thirteenth were responsible for it.

The band concert in the armory in the evening was attended by not less than 3000 people. The 69th Regt. band, which accompanied the Brooklyn regiment, is a very fine one, and excels in street music where the crash of brass and roll of drum goes for a good deal. But in concert work the 13th of Hamilton far excels them. After the concert the visiting regiments proceeded to the depot en route for home. The Dufferins left at 11.18, and the Brooklyn men at midnight. It was a good day's outing and should be beneficial to the Dufferin Rifles, who illustrated yesterday their ability to make as good an appearance on parade as any volunteer corps in the country. Keep it up, men, and give the town a corps that can march steadier, look neater, and drill better than even the crack corps of Toronto.

THE PRESS COMMENTS.

Hamilton Spectator:—Hamilton ought to be very grateful to the officers and the men of the Dufferin Rifles who came to help us out on our military parade. The Dufferins are a fine-looking body of men, who seem to be made of the stuff from which good soldiers are cut out.

Toronto *Globe*:—The Dufferin rifles were a most complete battalior. A pioneer corps with axes and shovels, under Sergeant Harper led the way. Then came the bands, followed by the signal corps, eight strong, under Lieut. Daniels, mounted on safety bicycles. The Dufferins are the only battalion in Canada with a bicycle signal corps. Then, too, there is the ambulance corps under Surgeon Harris. Very complete is their organization. They wore the old dark helmets, and as the sombre Dufferins passed along the streets they caught the public fancy. The people like a battalion over whom there hangs a gloony shadow. Brantford has reason to be exceedingly proud of their soldier boys. The corps would be a credit to any city.

Buffalo *Express*:—The Dufferin Rifles participated in the military demonstration at the Hamilton Summer Carnival on Friday. Their bicycle signal corps, the first to be organized in Canada, was a considerable attraction, and the perfect equipment in all its departments of the regiment was very favourably commented upon by military men.

Queries and Replies.

AN UNFINISHED SCORE-LENGTH OF THE SLING.

Q. (1). What is the rule for making up the average in a rifle club. Members shooting for a silver medal given for the highest average made in not less than 10 spoon competitions out of 14. A member *enters* for competition on a certain day makes 24 at 200 yards with 7 shots, and then retires without shooting out the 500 and 600 yards ranges. Is the 24 to be included in his gross total when making up his average.

(2). D. R. A. rules say that slings may be used of government length andpattern, &c. What is the length a Snider-Enfield sling? REGINA.

A. (1). In our opinion the member committed himself to the score when he fired his first shot in the day's competition, and the 24 points should be included in the gross total unless the rules of the competition specifically declare otherwise. (2). This is a rule not observed. The government sling issued is too short for the rifleman's purpose, and private slings of all lengths and patterns are used and go unchallenged. EDITOR.

The Nova Scotia Provincial Meeting.

The twenty-sixth annual prize meeting of the Provincial Rifle Association commenced at Bedford range, Tuesday morning, 20th inst. The attendance was fairly large and the shooting very good.

NURSERY.—Restricted to members of the association, as in second competition, who have never won a prize at any meeting of the association. Range, 200 yards. Five rounds. Rifles, Snider.

\$ 8 Pte. A. Fraser, 78th 21	\$ 3 Capt. Dodge, 68th 18
7 Pte. C. Harris, 68th 20	3 Pie. Fairbanks, 63rd 18
6 Pte. R. Carter, 93rd 20	3 Pte. A. H. McKay, 78th 16
5 Pte. N. Peverill, 63rd 20	3 Pte. D. Savage, 66th 15
4 Pte. J. McDonald, 78th 19	3 Tp. D. Ryan, K.T.C

SECOND COMPETITION.—The Provincial Rifle Association Challenge Gold Medal—Open to members of the active militia in Nova Scotia, and to officers retired with rank, and men who have completed three years' service in the active militia, and hold a discharge therefrom. Medal to be won twice. Seven rounds at each range.

\$20 and medal, Staff-Sergt. Corbin,	\$ 4 Capt. Anderson, H.G.A 58
63rd 62	4 Pte. Blair, 78th 58
20 Lieut. Stevens, 66th 62	4 Major Church, 93rd 57
15 Lieut. Flowers, H.G.A 60	4 Sergt. Bent, 93rd 57
12 Corp. Adams, H.G.A 60	4 Mr. Geldert 57
10 Lieut. Dover, 78th 60	4 Corp. Faulkner, H.G.A 57
8 Capt. Bishop, 63rd 60	4 Tp. Ryan, K.T.C 57
6 B. S. M. Case, H.G.A 60	4 Sergt. Myers, 63rd 56
5 Capt. Barnhill, 78th 60	4 Lieut. Dixon, 63rd 56
5 Capt. Balcom, R.L 59	4 Q. M. S. Murray, H.G.A 55
5 Capt. Silver, 63rd 59	4 Sergt. Cribb, 78th 55
5 Sergt. Davies, 78th 59	4 Lieut. McElmon, 93rd 55
5 Capt. Corbin, 63rd 59	4 Sergt. Gray, 66th 55
5 Sergt. Elliott, 63rd 59	4 Sergt. Quinlan, 69th 55
5 Major Walsh, 63rd 59	4 SergtMajor Lockhart, 63rd 55
5 Sergt. Mumford, 63rd 58	4 Corp. Taylor, 63rd 55
5 SergtInst. Power, 63rd 58	4 B. S. M. Spence, H.G.A 55

3RD COMPETITION.—The Bankers' Cup—Being a cup given by the Bank of Nova Scotia, the Merchants' bank, the People's bank, and the Halifax Banking Company. Open to all members of the association, as in second competition. Cup to be won three times, not necessarily consecutively. Ranges, 200 and 500 yards. Rifle, Snider. Seven rounds at each range.

 \$20 and Cup—SergtMajor Spencer, H.G.A	\$ 5 SergtMajor Case, H.G.A 59 4 Major Walsh, 63rd
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4TH COMPETITION.—A Silver Bugle presented by Lieut.-General J. W. Laurie. To be competed for annually by teams of five from any troop of cavalry, field battery, battery of artillery or company of infantry, organized in the Province of Nova Scotia (who are members of this association). Teams to be selected from the competitors entered as individuals in the third competition, whose names shall have been given in writing to the Secretary previous to the commencement of that match. Any troop, battery or company to be allowed to enter one or more teams. The bugle to be handed over for the year to the commanding officer of the winning company.

IST-NO. I COMPANY, 78 PHBUGLE	2NDNO. 3 BATTERY, H.G.A\$10.
AND \$12.	Br. Fader
Pte. W. C. Blair 30 31 61	SergtMajor Case
Lieut. Dover	Lieut. Flowers 28 28 56
Sergt. Cribb 28 25 53	Capt. Maxwell 31 23 54
Lieut. Suckling 29 24 53	Gr. Morgan 27 17 44
Staff-Sergt. D. C. Blair 22 29 51	
	Total
Total139 139 278	
3RD-KENTVILLE TROOP CAVALRY	4TH – COMPANY C, 63RD RIFLES. – \$6
Tpr. W. Ryan 29 31 60	Pte. Reynolds 29 31 60
Tpr. W. E. Webster 30 27 57	Lieut. Dixon 29 27 56
Tpr. C. W. Eaton 31 25 56	Bandsman Jost 27 28 55
Tpr. F. Eaton 25 25 50	
Tpr. W. Eaton 27 21 48	Pte. S. Wilson 29 15 44
Total	Total

.... 30

Sergt.-Major Lockhart, 63rd, by Miss

Sergt. Fauer, H.G.A., by Mrs. Fader 31

Major Weston, 66th, by Miss Weston. 31

Murray 31 Sergt. D. C. Blair, 78th, by Miss

Capt. Maxwell, H.G.A., by Miss E.R.

Major Garrison, H.G.A., by Mrs. Garrison.

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Maxwell 30

Capt. Bishop, 63rd, by Miss M. Bishop 30

Harris..... 31 Q. M. S. Murray, H.G.A., by Miss

Capt. Harris, H.G.A., by Miss Clara

FIFTH COMPETITION.—General Williams' Competition—Open to all members of the association. Range, 600 yards, Rifle Snider, ten rounds.

\$15 Sergt. Stenhouse, 63rd 43	\$ 4 Capt. W. H. Eaton, K.T.C 35
12 Major Weston, 66th 43	4 Tp. Ryan, K.T.C 34
10 Pte. Blair, 78th 41	4 Lieut. Stevens, 66th 34
8 Corp. Adams, H.G.A 39	4 Sergt. Cribb, 78th 34
5 Capt. Silver, 63rd	4 Sergt. Bent, 93rd 34
5 Capt. Bishop, 63rd	4 Lieut. Flowers, H.G.A 34
5 Pte: Peverill, 93rd 37	4 Capt. Corbin, 63rd 34
5 Br. Fader, H.G.A	4 Corp. Spike, 63rd 34
5 Br. Campbell, H.G.A 36	4 B. S. M. Spence, H.G.A 33
5 Sergt. Grey, 66th	4 Staff-Sergt. Corbin, 63rd 33
5 Capt. Harrison, 93rd 35	4 Tp. C. W. Eaton, K.T.C 33
5 Major Garrison, H.G.A 35	4 Capt. Crane, 63rd
5 Corp. Longuiel, 63rd 35	4 Capt. Balcom, R.L 32
5 Major Church, 93rd 35	4 Capt. Harris, H.G.A 32
4 Capt. Barnhill, 78th 35	•

SIXTH COMPETITION.-Ladies' Prize-Seven rounds, 500 yards range.

Pte. H. C. Blair, 78th, by Mrs. Blair. 34 Major Weston, 66th, by Miss Weston. 34

Battery Sergt.-Major Case, H.G.A., by Miss E. Case..... Pte. Wilson, 63rd, by Miss L Wilson. 33 Lieut. Flowers, H.G.A., by Miss H.

L. Flowers 33 Lieut. Dover, 78, by Miss Dover..... 32 Pte. Reynolds, 63rd, by Miss Rey-

nolds... Pte. Reynolds, 63rd, by Miss Macnab 32 Capt. Bishop, 63rd, by Mrs. Bishop. 31 Sergt.-Major Spencer, H.G.A., by

Faulkner 31

SEVENTH COMPETITION.—All-Comers' Match—Open to all comers. Ranges, 500 and 600 yards ; seven rounds at each range.

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\$15 Staff Sergt. Harris, H.G.A 60	\$ 4 SergtMajor Case, H.G.A 53
13 SergtMajor Spencer, H.G.A 60	4 Sergt. Gray, 66th 53
11 Major Walsh, 63rd 57	4 Corp. Languil, 63rd 52
9 Staff-Sergt. G. H. Blair, 78th 56	4 Capt. LeCain, 93rd 52
8 Capt. Adams, H.G.A 56	4 Lieut. Dimock, H.G.A 51
7 Sergt. Major Lockhart, 63rd 56	4 Tr. C. W. Eaton, K.T.C 51
6 Capt. Dodge, 68th 56	4 SergtInst. Power, 63rd 51
5 Drummer Bellew, W.R.R 55	4 Pte. Reynolds, 63rd 51
5 Sergt. Lithgow, W.R.R 55	4 Sergt. Mumford, 63rd 50
5 Sergt. J. A. Oldfield, W.R.R 55	4 Capt. Spike, 66th 50
5 Staff-Sergt. Corbin, 63rd 54	4 Capt. Harrison, 93rd 50
5 Sergt. Bent, 93rd 54	4 Sergt. Elwood, W.R.R 50
5 Capt. Bishop, 63rd 54	4 Major Garrison, H.G.A 50
5 Sergt. Elliott, 63rd 54	4 Pte. N. Peverill, 63rd 50
5 ColSergt. Powell, W.R.R 54	4 Sergt. W. Myers, 63rd 50
5 Lieut. Stevens, 66th 54	4 Lieut. Dover, 78th 49
5 Capt. Maxwell, H.G.A 53	4 Corp. Faulkner, H.G.A 49
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EIGHTH COMPETITION—A SILVER CHALLENGE CUP.—Presented by Lieut. General Laurie, to be competed for annually by teams of ten officers and men from any battalion, artillery brigade or field battery of the Active Militia of the Dominion, and from Her Majesty's regiments or artillery brigade serving in this province. Any battalion, brigade or battery may furnish one or more teams. The Active Militia must be regularly enrolled members of their corps, and certified by their commanding officer as effective, the names and certificates to be handed to the secretary when entry is made. Cup to be held during the year by the commanding officer, and to be used at the officers' mess of the winning corps, then to be returned to the secretary prior to ensuing annual matches. Ranges, 200 and 500 yards. Rifles, Snider or M. H. Seven rounds at each range. Discount on Martini-Henry rifle, 15 per cent. at 500 yards:

1st-H. G. A., first team-	-Cu	p and §	640.	2nd-63rd Rifles, first	team	-\$30	•
Capt. Adams.	31	33	64	Capt. Bishop	30	31	61
Lieut. Flowers	29	30	59	SergtMaj. Lockhart	29	31	60
Lieut. Dimock	27	ž9	šố	Staff-Sergt. Corbin	30	29	59
Staff-Sergt. Harris	28	28	š 6	Capt. Silver	27	29	56
Bomb. Fader.	28	27	55	Sergt. Mumford	30	26	Š 6
Capt. Maxwell	30	25	55	Capt. Corbin	28	27	55
Major Garrison	29	25	54	Maj. Walsh	27	25	52
Capt. Harris.	23	30	53	Sergt. Elliott	27	25	52 ·
Sergt. Case	28	25	53	Maj. Egan	31	17	48
Batt. SgtMaj. Spencer.	32	21	53	Corp. Longueil	28	17	45
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Totals	285	273	558	Totals	287	257	544
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Bandsman Defreytas							50
	33	29	62	Sergt. Stenhouse	27	25	54
	33	29 27		Sergt. Stenhouse Pte. Reynolds	27 28	•	52 52
Lieut. Dixon	30	27	57	Pte. Reynolds	28	24	52
Lieut. Dixon Corp. Taylor	30 30	27 27	57 57	Pte. Reynolds Bandsman Jost	28 23	24 20	52 43
Lieut. Dixon Corp. Taylor Sergt. Myers	30 30 30	27 27 25	57 57 55	Pte. Reynolds	28	24 20	52
Lieut. Dixon Corp. Taylor	30 30 30 28	27 27 25 25	57 57	Pte. Reynolds Bandsman Jost	28 23 24	24 20 18	52 43 42

4TH	78тн	BATT	LION TEAM\$10				
Lieut. Dover	26	6 <u>2</u> 55	Sergt. G. H. Blair, Sergt. Davis Lieut. Suckling	23	. 22	45	
Sergt. Cribb 30 Pte. McKay 24	24 20	54 52	Lieut. Suckling Sergt. D. C. Blair	26	ĬŎ	36	
Lieut. Blackburn 28 Capt. Barnhill 30	: 25	53 53	Total				

NINTH COMPETITION.—The Merchants' of Halifax Cup.—Open to all members of the association, as in second competition. Cup to be won three times, not necessarily consecutively. Ranges, 200, 500 and 600 yards. Rifles, M.H. Seven rounds at each range.

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Cup and \$20 Capt. Maxwell, H.G.A. 89	\$5 Capt. Crane, 63rd 80
\$20 Capt. Corbin, 63rd	4 Sergt Major Case, H.G.A 80
15 SergtMajor Gibson, 66th 86	4 Tp. Ryan, K.T.C 80
12 Br. Campbell, H.G.A	4 Capt. LeCain, 93rd
10 Lieut. Christie, 93rd	4 Bandsman Newcombe, 63rd 80
8 Staff-Sergt. Corbin, 63rd 86	4 Capt. Spike, 66th 79
7 Lieut. Flowers, H.G.A 86	4 Major Egan, 63rd 79
6 Capt. Bishop, 63rd 85	4 Sergt. Inst. Power, 63rd 79
6 Sergt. Mumford, 63rd 84	4 Br. Fader, H.G.A
5 Pte. Reynolds, 63rd 84	4 Major Marshal 78
5 Bandsman Defreytas, 63rd 83	4 Lieut. Dover, 78th 78
5 Pte. Blair, 78th 83	4 Capt. Cunningham, 64rd 78
5 Capt. Harris, H.G.A 82	4 Sergt. Quinlan, 69th 77
5 Capt. Silver, 63rd 82	4 Sergt. Bent, 93rd
5 Pte. Peverill, 63rd 81	4 Tp. M. F. Eaton, K.T.C 77
5 Sergt. Gray, 66th 80	4 Major Garrison, H.G.A
5 Capt. Adams, H.G.A	4

AGGREGATE PRIZES.—To be awarded to the two competitors whose scores in the 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 7th and 9th competitions make up the highest aggregate.

First-Aggregate badge and the Dominion Rifle Association silver medal, Capt. Bishop, 63rd, 298 points.

Second-Dominion Rifle Association bronze medal, Captain Adams, H.G.A., 297 points. THE DOMESTON OF LA

THE DOMI	NION TEAM.
Capt. Bishop, 63rd 298	Major Garrison, H.G.A 278
Capt. Adams, H.G.A 297	Sergt. Major Spencer, H.G.A 278
Staff-Sergt. Corbin, 63rd 296	Br. Fader, H.G.A 277
Pte. Blair, 78th 289	Sergt. Gray, 66th 275
Lieut. Stevens, 66th 286	Lieut. Dover, 78th 275
Capt. Silver, 63rd 285	Sapper C. W. Eaton 275
Lieut. Flowers, H.G.A 284	SergtMajor Lockhart, 63rd 274
SergtMajor Case, H.G.A 284	Staff-Sergt. Harris, H.G.A 273
Sergt. Bent, 93rd 281	Capt. Harris, H.G.A 271
Capt. Corbin. 63rd 281	

Sergt. Mumford, Major Weston and Sergt. Reynolds, with 270 points each, will have to shoot off to see who gets the twentieth place on the team.

SPECIAL AGGREGATE.

The Governor General's Medals-The medals presented by His Excellency the Governor General, will be awarded to those members of the association who are effective members of the Active Militia of the Dominion, whose aggregate scores at 500 and 600 yards, in the 2nd, 3rd, 7th and 9th competitions are the highest.

First Prize—Silver medal, Staff-Sergt. Corbin, 63rd, 176 points.

Second—Bronze medal, Captain Bishop, 63rd, 172 points.

CONSOLATION.

\$ 10	Lieut. Jacques, 72nd	23	\$4 Pte. Bliss, 66th	16
9	SergtMajor Melvin, H.G.A	20	4 Band Sergt. Jost, 63rd	16
8	Lieut. Suckling, 78th	20	4 Lieut. Nichols, 69th	14
7	Pte. Wilson, 63rd	19	3 Sergt. Bishop, 68th	
	SergtMajor Moody, H.G.A		3 Capt. McCrow, R.L.	11
5	Pte. Lockhart, 93rd	18	3 Capt. Piers, R.L	10
4	Sergt. Webb, 78th	16	3 Sergt. Phillips	9

ANY RIFLE MATCH.

Open to all, with any rifle. Range 800 and 900 yards, ten rounds at each. First in 1887, Capt. Corbin, 63rd, 75 points. First last year, Staff-Sergt. H. C. Blair, 78th, with 76 points,

\$ 15 Major Weston, 66th 93	\$5 Sergt. Quinlan, 69th 66
12 Br. Campbell, H.G.A 77	5 Capt. Corbin, 63rd 72
10 Capt. Bishop, 63rd	4 Pte. H. C. Blair, 78th 64
8 Sergt. Elliot, 631d 70	4 SergtMajor Gibson, 66th 64
6 Capt. Adams, H.G.A 70	4 Corp. Faulkner, H.G.A 64
5 Capt. Harris, H.G.A	4 Lieut. Jacques, 72nd 65
5 Br. Fader, H.G.A 66	4 Sergt. Inst. Power, 63rd 71
5 Battery Sergt Major Spencer 66	4 Pte. N. Peverill, 63rd

Major Weston shot with a Sharp rifle and is discounted 10 points. making his score 83 points. Capt. Corbin shot a Remington and is discounted 7 points, making his score 65; Sergt.-Inst. Power shot a Rigby. and is similarly discounted, making his score 64.

REVOLVER MATCH, 25 YARDS, 7 SHOTS.

2nd- 4 Major Weston, 66th 31	5th—\$3 Tpr. Webster, K.T.C 20 6th — 2 Pte, Fairbanks, 63rd 20 7th — 3 Capt. Dodge, 68th 16
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Metropolitan Rifle Association.

At the twenty-second annual matches of the Metropolitan Rifle Association, held at Ottawa on Friday and Saturday, the 23rd and 24th inst., the tempting prize list offered drew a very large attendance, the meeting opening with upwards of eighty competitors entered. Ten targets had been provided and they were kept fully occupied. The firing commenced at the four hundred yards range, and the performance was opened by the president, Mr. G. B. Pattee, firing the first shot. He set an excellent example, for when the target he had chosen—the centre one of the seven in the main butt—was lowered, up came the little white marking disc it is the ambition of every rifleman to behold. This signified that the President's shot had hit the bull's eye, and when the target came up with the shot spotted, the white disc was found to hang close to the left edge of the bull. The elevation was perfect, but the famous Rideau wind had a little deceived the President and had almost carried his shot out of the bull. A knot of competitors had gathered round the firing point and these joined in three cheers for him and his bull's-eye, the possession of which each doubtless coveted as an introduction to his own score.

The nursery match, seven shots at four hundred yards, then commenced, there being between thirty and forty competitors, all tyros, for the conditions debarred from entry anyone having won a prize of \$4 or upwards in other than a company competition. There were fifteen prizes offered, and these were taken in the following order:

\$ 8 C. C. Chipman 31	\$ 2 Pte. John Moodie, 43rd 27
6 W. H. Middleton	2 Lieut. C. Wood, 43rd 27
5 Pte. L. Perkins, 43rd 30	2 Pte. T. J. Jones, 43rd 26
4 R. G. Chamberlin, Dom. Police. 30	2 Sergt. Myers, 56th 26
4 H. McKay 29	2 W. H. Timbers, Dom. Police 26
3 Sergt. R. J. Taylor, 43rd 28	2 R. Stewart
3 Tr. F. B. Butler, P. L. D.G 28	2 R. N. Slater 25
3 Corp. N. Hull. Aard	5

The first range of the Alonzo Wright match—named after the King of the Gatineau, an old friend of the Association—followed, this match consisting of five shots at 400 and five at 600 yards. The twenty most successful in the struggle were:

\$ 10 Pte. R. Moodie, 43rd 46	\$3 Lieut. E. D. Sutherland, 43rd. 41
8 H. LeB. Ross 44	3 Pte. T. McJanet, 43rd 41
7 Major J. Wright, 43rd 44	3 Sergt. Slade, Dom. Police 40
6 Dr. Geo. Hutchison 42	2 Pte. C. S. Scott, 43rd 40
6, Pte. J. E. Hutcheson, 43rd 42	2 LtCol. W. P. Anderson, 43rd. 40
5 Pte. J. D. Taylor, 43rd 42	2 Pte. J. H. Ellis, 43rd 40
5 Staff-Sgt.G.H. Rogers, P.L.D.G. 42	2 Lieut. J. H. Bedford, 56th 40
4 Lieut. H. H. Cole, 42nd 41	2 W. H. Timbers, Dom. Police 39
4 Major A. H. Todd, Guards 41	2 H. McKay 39
4 Staff-Sergt. H. Cawdron, Guards 41	2 Major H. F. Perley, H.O.S 39

This match concluded the morning's work, and soon after twelve firing ceased for lunch. At one o'clock all the targets were thrown open for extra series firing at 500 yards, and at 1.30 the Allan Gilmour match, seven shots at 500 yards, was commenced. The wind was a bit trying, and the scores were not high :

10	Pte. J. H. Ellis, 43rd	32 3	Sergt. Myers, 56th	28
7	Lieut. J. W. de C. O'Grady, 43rd	32 3	Sergt-Major Huton, Prescott Cav	28
6	Staff-Sergt. A. Pink, 43rd	31 2	Capt. S. M. Rogers, 43rd	28
5	Major Perley, H.Q.S	29 2	Lieut. W. A. Jamieson, 43rd	27
5	R. N. Slater	29 2	LtCol. W. P. Anderson, 43rd.	27
	Pte. N. Morrison, Guards	29 2	Pte. J. E. Hutcheson, 43rd	27
4	ColSergt. G. Mailleue, Guards		Staff-Sergt. H. Cawdron, Guards	
4	Staff-Sergt. J. Huntingdon, 56th	29 2	Major J. Wright, 43rd	27
	ColSergt. T. C. Boville, 43rd.	28 2	ColSergt. Jas. Fairbairn, 43rd.	27
3	Pte. Holtby, 43rd		Pte. J. D. Taylor, 43rd	

The next match was the great one of the day. This was the Pattee, named after the President. The scores -of seven shots at 200 yards standing, 400 and 500 yards—counted for both individual and team competitions, and very keen interest was taken in the result of the team match especially. The new trophy—the Pattee Challenge Cup was offered in addition to a round sum in cash, as the first team prize, and there was not a little friendly rivalry as to who should have the honour of first having their names engraved upon it as winners. This falls to the lot of No. 2 Co. of the Governor-General's Foot Guards, whose team of five men led the field by 23 points. There were five teams entered, these consisting of one from No. 2 Company of the Guards, three from No. 1 Company of the 43rd, and one from the 56th Battalion, whose headquarters are at Prescott. It is something unusual to see a team from any other than a city organization at the Metropolitan matches, and the Prescott men were cordially welcomed. The team scores were:

1 st-No. 2 Co. G.G.F.GCup and \$20.	2nd—No. 1 Co. 43rd, first team—\$15.
Sergt. W. Short 25 35 30-90 Capt. H. Gray 29 29 28-86 Pte. J. A. Armstrong 24 31 29-84 Pte. N. Morrison 22 29 26-77 ColSgt. G. A. Mailleue 26 26 19-71	Pte. J. E. Hutcheson 28 28 24-80 Pte. J. D. Taylor 22 31 19-72

Totals...... 126 150 132 408

Totals......132 140 113 38

3rd—65tth Batalion—\$10.	4th—No. 1 Co. 43rd, second team, \$5.		
Lieut. J. Carmichael 22 25 30-77 Lieut. J. Bedford 19 29 28-76 Staff-Sergt. B. E. Hanna 24 20 29-73 Sergt. J. Myers 20 24 28-72 Staff-Sgt. J. Huntingdon 23 26 22-71	ColSergt. T. C. Boville 27 22 27-76 Pte. C. S. Scott. 22 25 26-73 Pte. R. Moodie. 20 27 24-71 Pte. M. Rolfe. 25 23 16-64 Pte. J. H. Ellis. 23 24 13-61		
Totals 108 124 137 369	Totals117 121 107 345		
	3rd, 3rd team - 5.		
Sergt. P. J. Clarke. Pte. L. Perkins Pte. J. Lamb	y 19 28 23-70 $ 23 22 15-60$ $ 18 16 22-56$ $ 17 29 10-56$ $ 8 19 20-47$		

Totals...... 85 114 90 289

The individual prizes in the match were taken as follows :----

\$12 Sergt. W. Short, Guards	\$4 Lieut. W. A. Jamieson, 43rd 79 3 Trooper F. B. Butler, P.L.D.G 79 3 Lieut. J. Carmichael, 56ih 77 3 Pte. N. Morrison, Guards 77 3 C. McDiarmid	97776665
	2 R. N. Slater	53

The 400 and 500 yards range of this match was fired in a downpour of rain, which thoroughly drenched the competitors, and washed away many a promising score. Thus somewhat unhappily ended the first day's experience. Firing was resumed on Saturday afternoon, when at 1.30 the McLeod Stewart match was commenced. The weather was beautifully fine, if the wind was tricky. There were sixty-three competitors, or seven more than last year. The match consisted of seven shots at 200 yards kneeling, at 500 and at 600 yards, with the Snider rifle, and besides the twenty-five liberal cash prizes there was offered, for the highest scorer, the McLeod Stewart cup, a handsome piece of silver presented by McLeod Stewart last year, as Mayor of Ottawa and vice-patron of the Metropolitan Association. To add to the interest attaching to competition for the cup, it is prescribed that it will become a competitor's property only when he has won it on two occasions, not necessarily in consecutive years. Last year, the first time it was offered, the winner was Pte. J. A. Armstrong, of the G. G. F. G., and though he was on Saturday a formidable competitor he lacked eight points of the number requisite to be first, and the possessor of the cup for the current year will be Capt. C. F. Cox, R.L., who led the field with the splendid score of 91. The complete list is as follows:

McLeod Stewart cup and \$15, Capt.	\$ 4 Dr. Geo. Hutchison
C. F. Cox, R.L	3 Lieut. E. D. Sutherland, 43rd 81
\$12 Corp. D. R. Browne, Guards 88	3 Capt. S. M. Rogers, 43rd 81
10 Major J. Wright, 43rd	3 Staff-Sergt. A. Pink, 43rd 81
8 Col. Sergt. Jas. Fairbairn, 43rd. 87	3 Major H. F. Perley, H.Q.S 80
7 Sergt. W. Short, Guards 85	3 Pte. W. Holthy, 43rd 80
6 Major A. P. Sherwood, 43rd 84	2 SSergt. J. Huntingdon, 56th 79
6 Major A. H. Todd, Guards 84	2 F. W. Smith 79
5 Pte. J. H. Ellis, 43rd 84	2 Pte. J. E. Hutcheson, 43rd 79
5 Pte. J. A. Armstrong, Guards 83	2 Col. Sergt. T. C. Boville, 43rd. 79
5 Pte. T. McJanet, 43rd 83	2 Capt. H. H. Gray, Guards 78
4 Lieut. W. A. Jamieson, 43rd 83	2 R. H. Brown, Dom. Police 77
4 Pte. C. S. Scott. 43rd	2 Pte. N. Morrison, Guards

This match was the last included in the grand aggregate competition, the prizes in which were the "Jubilee cup," a series of handsome medals and badges, and ten cash prizes. The cup was presented by Mayor Stewart in 1887, and like the other presented by him, becomes a competitor's permanent property only when won for the second time. The winner in 1887 was Capt. H. H. Gray, G.G.F.G., and in 1888 Col.-Sergt. James Fairbairn, 43rd Battalion. Capt. Gray was on this occasion not far from repeating his victory, being but seven points under the highest aggregate of the two days' shooting. The possessor of the cup for the current year will be Major Joshua Wright, 43rd Battalion, whose total, 232, is tied by that of Sergt. Wm. Short, G.G.F.G., but in counting off the tie Major Wright wins. The grand aggregate prize list stands thus:

P. Q. R. A. badge and \$3-Pte. J. E.

 Hutcheson, 43rd.
 228

 \$2 Capt. H. H. Gray, Guards.
 225

 2 Major A. P. Sherwood, 43rd.
 223

2 l'te. W. Holtby, 43rd......222 2 Lieut. W. A. Jamieson, 43rd.....221

2 Pte. C. S. Scott, 43rd.....221

Stewart cup, Governor General's medal and \$3-Major J. Wright, 43rd...232 D. R. A. silver medal and \$3-Sergt.

Wm. Short, Guards.....232 D. R. A. bronze medal and \$3--Pte. J. A. Armstrong, Guards.....229

O. R. A. silver medal and \$3-Lieut. E. D. Sutherland, 43rd.....229

Another series of prizes was offered for the highest aggregate of 5 cores in the Nursery, Pattee, and Stewart matches, it being surmised correctly as the result proved—that the company in the Grand Aggregate

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would prove too strong to give the Nursery men any show there. The winners in the Nursery Aggregate were :

\$6 Tpr. F. B. Butler, P.L.D.G 180	\$3 Corp. H. A. Quinney, 43rd 165
5 R. N. Slater	3 C. C. Chipman
4 H. McKay 172	3 Pte. L. Perkins, 43rd156
3 Sergt. E. Myers, 56th171	3 Pte. Elmitt, Guards 146

The Extra Series matches, in progress all Friday and all Saturday afternoon, were closed soon after 6 o'clock, thus ending the firing for the meeting. The competition in both the Extra Series matches was very keen. At the 500 yards, fired with the Snider, there were no less than three "possible" scores of 25 made in the five shots, and next to these ties come three "best possible 24's," ties also, and three other 24's followed. Then three 23's tied absolutely; and then two other 23's tied. Two more 23's finished the list of sixteen prize winners, and several scores of that value were counted out. The prize list was :

\$6.66 Pte. J. E. Hutcheson, 43rd)	\$2 Pte. J. A. Armstrong, Guards 24
6.66 ColSgt. G. A. Muilleue, G'rds 25	2 Lieut. W. A. Jamieson, 43rd)
6.66 Pte. R. Moodie, 43rd	2 Lieut. J. W. de C. O'Grady, 43rd 23
3.33 ColSgt. T. C. Boville, 43rd)	2 Capt. S. M. Rogers, 43rd)
3.33 Staff-Sgt. W. T. Mason, 43rd. 24	2 Capt. C. F. Cox, R. L.
3.33 Pte. T. White, Guards	2 Capt. C. F. Cox, R. L
2 Lieut. E. D. Sutherland, 43rd 24	2 Pte. T. McJanet, 43rd 23
2 R. N. Slater 24	2 Major A. P. Sherwood, 43rd 23

At the 600 yards extra series the use of either Snider or Martini was optional, and a great many availed themselves of this, the only opportunity the meeting afforded, for practice with the Martini. Two of this year's Wimbledon men headed the list. Lieut. Jamieson distinguished himself by making the "possible." He used the Martini, as did most of the prize winners :

\$10 Lieut. W. A. Jamieson, 43rd 25	\$2 Lieut. E. D. Sutherland, 43rd 22
6 Capt. S. M Rogers, 43rd 23	2 ColSergt. Jas. Fairbairn, 43rd 22
4 Pte. J. H. Ellis, 43rd 23	2 Pte. J. E. Hutcheson, 43rd 22
4 Capt. H. H. Gray, Guards 23	2 Staff-Sergt. A. Pink, 43rd 22
3 Pte. C. S. Scott, 43rd 22	2 R. N. Slater 21
3 Major J. Wright, 43rd 22	2 Sergt. W. Short, Guards 21

In the Revolver match, as in the extra series, there was no limit to the number of times a competitor was allowed to enter, but very little interest was taken in the match. The prizes were taken with comparatively low scores, as follows, the conditions being five shots off-hand at twenty-five yards :

Umbrella, value \$6, presented by Mr.			H. W. Chamberlin	
G. M. Holbrook-ColSergt. James		. 2	Capt. B. H. Bell, 43rd	22
Fairbairn, 43rd		I	Pte. J. H. Ellis, 43rd	20
\$4, Major Sherwood, 43rd	23		•	

The Sixth Fusiliers' Match.

The twenty-fifth annual rifle match of the Sixth Fusiliers took place at the new ranges, Cote St. Luc, on Saturday, 17th August. The weather was fine, and the wind fairly favorable for shooting. Considerable interest was taken in the results of the several matches. Lieut.-Col. Massey, Captain Pettigrew, Major Burland, Captain Seath, Lieut. Chambers, and Dr. Bell were in attendance during the day. The following was the scoring :-

No. 1. Maiden Stakes – Open to all members of the regiment who have never won a prize at any previous rifle meeting. Range 200 yards, 5 shots. These all took prizes, the last getting \$1 :-- Capt. Pettigrew, 16; Pte. Leland, 16; Pte. J. Stone Lund, 14; Pte. Godsall, 14; Pte. Jelly, 11; Sergt.-major Denison, 11; Corp. Street, 9; Pte. Chalk, 4; Sergt. White, 3; Pioneer Forester, 3; Capt. Hooker, 2.

No. 2. Standing Match—Open to all members of the regiment. Range 200 yards, 7 shots.—Col.-Sergt. Marks, 31; Pte. J. Waters, 28; Lieut. Chambers, 26; Sergt. Riddle, 26; Pioneer F. Pratt, 25.

No. 3. Battalion Match—Open to all bona fide members of the regiment. Ranges, 200, 400 and 500 yards; 7 shots each.—Pte. E. Ward, 90; Pte. J. Waters, 88; Corp. E. Pratt, 86; Sergt. Riddle, 87; Staff-Sergt. Lavers, 85; Pte. Cameron, 85; Col.-Sergt. Marks, 85; Pioneer T. Pratt, 85; Pte. T. Leland, 79; Pte. T. Scott, 78; Corp. M. Currie, 74 ; Pte. Arnold, 70 ; Pte. J. Wilson, 70 ; Col.-Sergt. Howard, 67; Staff-Sergt. Anthony, 65; Corp. Hooker, 64; Pioneer Sergt. Irvine, 59; Sergt. England, 57.

No. 4. Skirmishing Match—Open to all members of the regiment. Number of rounds ten, five advancing and five retiring. Distances, between 550 and 150 yards, advancing, halting and firing at word of command : Staff-Sergt. Lavers, 30; Col.-Sergt. Marks, 25; Pioneer T. Pratt, 25; Corp. E. Pratt, 21; Pte. Cameron, 15; Pte. T. Scott, 13; Pte. J. Waters, 11.

No. 5. Association Match- Open to all members of the Sixth Fusiliers Rifle Association. Ranges, 500 and 600 yards, seven shots each : Sergt. Riddle, 54 ; Pte. Graham, 48 ; Pte. T. Scott, 48 ; Pte. Brighton, 48 ; Pte. J. Waters, 47 ; Pte. Arnold, 45 ; Sergt. Lavers, 43 ; Col.-Sergt. Marks, 43 ; Pte. Ward, 40 ; Lieut. Chambers, 37 ; Corp. E. Pratt, 37 ; Pte. T. Pratt, 37 ; Staff-Sergt. Anthony, 35 ; Pte. Currie, 34 ; Pioneer Sergt. Irvine, 33; Pte. Cameron, 32; Corp. Street, 21.

No. 6. Open Match-Open to all-comers for individual prizes, and to teams of five previously named bona-fide members of any battalion of rifle associations for the team prizes. Ranges, 500 and 600 yards, seven shots each, Snider rifles. Entrance, individuals, 50c; teams, \$250:

 \$ 15 Sergt-Major Wilson, M.G.A 56 10 Staff-Sergt. Ross, P.W.R 55 8 ColSergt. Marks, 6th Fus 55 5 Corp. Pratt, 6th Fus 54 4 Piper McCowan, R.S 53 4 Pte. Matthews, V.R.C 53 2 Sergt. Riddle, 6th Fus 52 2 Staff-Sergt. Wynne, R.S 52 	\$2 Sergt. Lavers, 6th Fus 51 2 Pte. Ward, 6th Fus 51 2 Pte. McAffee, P.W.R				
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5	3rd —2nd team 6th Fus 23	à
	No. 7. Extra Series Open to all comers-Range, 500 yards, fiv	e

shots ; entrance, 25c.; highest score only to count.

No. 8. Extra Series.—Open to all members of the regiment-Range, 500 yards, five shots; highest score only to count; fifteen prizes in kind. Pte. J. Ward, 24; Corp. E. Pratt, 23; Pioneer T. Pratt, 23; Staff-Sergt. C. Lavers, 22; Pte. T. Scott, 21; Pte. J. Waters, 21; Pioneer Brighton, 20; Sergt. J. Riddle, 20; Pte. J. Wilson, 19; Col.-Sergt. Marks, 18; Pte. Arnold, 18; Staff Sergt. Anthony, 17; Pte. Graham, 16; Pioneer-Sergt. Irving, 15; Col.-Sergt. Howard, 15.

AGGREGATE BEST SCORES-MATCHES 3, 5 AND 6.

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D.R.A. medal 1889, ColSergt. Ma P.Q.R.A. badge 1888, Pte, Ward	rks
THIRD MONTHLY MATCH-	-200, 500 AND 600 YARDS.
Sergt. J. Riddle 31 28 26 89 Pte. Graham 28 25 23 76 Pte. J. Matiss 29 26 21 76 Pte. T. Scott 27 28 20 79 ColSergt. Marks 28 25 18 73	Pte. Arnold

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Below is the record of the best scores made in a recent shooting competition at Prince Albert by members of the Dominion North West Mounted Police, for the possession of a valuable pair of field glasses, presented by Mr. Thomas McKay. It will be of interest to readers of the MILITIA GAZETTE in enabling them to compare the shooting of the Mounted Police with our militia corps, and if F Division may be taken as a sample the proficiency of the police with the rifle will be a revelation down east. The match was fired with the Winchester magazine carbine, (the arm of the corps) over ranges 200, 400 and 500 yards, seven shots at each range. The day was smoky, with a light and variable wind from the left:

Constable Donaldson	31	31	30	92
Constable Drake	33	30	29	92
Sergeant Gordon	32	32	28	. 02
Supt. Perry	31	28	30	80
Constable Carmichael	31	31	-	87
Sergeant Montgomery	26	31	25 26	83
Staff-Sergeant Parker	30	30	21	81
Corporal Fleming	31	32	17	80
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Totals	245	245	206	696

The Russian War Minister forbids the presence of foreign attachees or newspaper correspondents at headquarters at the military manœuvres. This order is thought to be directed more particularly against the German and Austrian representatives.

The fortress of Rastadt, constructed in 1840, for the defence of Southern Germany, has lost its importance since Metz and Strasburg were acquired, and is to be made an open town. Recently the "general" was beaten in the streets of Strasburg, to the alarm of the inhabitants, and immediately at the sound of the drum the men turned out in the barrack squares in field equipments; detachments were sent to strengthen various forts and to occupy important points, the guards of the enciente were reinforced and sentinels were placed. Gen. von. Lewinsky, the Governor, having satisfied himself that all was well done. ordered the men back to barracks, they having been out about an hour and a half.

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Gleanings

Lieut. Tappenbeck, the African explorer, died recently of fever at Cameroons,

The Dacoits continue to distract the peace of Burmah, and the Chins continue their defying attacks.

The Belgian field artillery has been armed with Krupp guns. The army manœuvres will begin on August 4th.

The Belgian Small Arms Commission have recommended the adoption of the German Mauser, if Herr Mauser will consent that the gun shall be made in the Belgian factories.

Owing to the German admiralty preferring to strengthen the Imperial Navy by ironclads instead of by torpedo boats, the Torpedo Inspection Office, which was only created in March, 1886, is to be abolished.

A new ironclad for the Black Sea squadron, of the same dimensions as the Sinope and Tschesma, to be ready in four years, is to be built by the Russian Shipping and Commercial Association for the Russian Government.

The German Emperor has presented Lieut. Philip Walter, Admiral Fremantle's flag lieutenant, with his photograph, accompanied by an expression of warmest thanks for the assistance rendered by him to the German gunboat Schwalbe, that stranded on Jan. 4 between Dar-es-Salem and Bagamoyo, and that was successfully got off under circumcumstances of exceptional difficulty.

Admiral Krantz has got \$12,000,000 towards a new shipbuilding programme for France, and is said to be going to spend it on three armourclads, four despatch boats and 38 torpedo boats. The large increase to the torpedo boat fleet is supposed to have become necessary owing to the bad behaviour of those ordered by Admiral Aube, and the necessity for more vessels of this nature, made apparent during the late manœuvres.

War should be but the continuation of politics, the most advantageous for the interests of the State, with the last and strongest means at its disposal; with this view military operations should be conducted, and the General-in-Chief should be kept fully informed of all political matters, be honoured with the full confidence of the sovereign, and be constantly during the war in possession of all relating to politics and diplomatic transactions.—Archduke Charles.

The experience of the naval manœuvres of last year is not reassuring, and it is borne out by that of the French experience of recent date. Rear Admiral O'Neill, who acted as the "enemy," had a much inferior force at his disposal to the force commanded by Rear Admiral Alquier, who was entrusted with the defence, yet he did pretty much as he liked along the coast, and wound up by destroying Marseilles, and was not even interfered with by the "enemy," who never came within reach until he had finished his work of destruction.

From England a *Sun* correspondent reports: "There have been lots of friendly demonstrations between the Emperor and his grandmother's family, which is supposed in some dark and mysterious manner to cement international alliances and help the welfare of great nations. Even round Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, tried to look as though he liked getting seasick to meet his imperial nephew, whom he hates, and whom he has ably described as a caddish little upstart. All these goings on, of course, amount to very little, for if Bismarck wishes to try to thrash this country he will not be kept back by the recollection of Grandmother Victoria kissing her descendant on both checks."

"Lord Charles, I believe would have remained member for Marylebone had the authorities at the Admiralty been amiable," writes the Tribune's correspondent. "They were not amiable. They bear him a grudge for having done them a great service-for having brought to their aid that great body of public opinion which made it possible for them to rebuild the Navy. There is no service which the permanent official so bitterly resents as one which enables or compels him to depart from routine and to be useful in a new way. My Lords at the Admiralty looked about them for means of resenting this; or, if they prefer, for rewarding Lord Charles for his deserts as they understood them. They discovered that he could be sent to sea. There is a rule-I believe a musty one, which made it more creditable to them to dig it up and use it again-under which Lord Charles could be required to spend three years afloat or lose his right to promotion. His activity in Parliament would thus be quenched. A man cannot be in the House of Commons and at sea at the same time. In vain did this sailor legislator protest; he was told he must take his choice between Parliament and the Navy. He might be member for Marylebone. He might be Admiral. He could not or should not be both. So, as Lord Charles is before all things devoted to his profession, he resigned."

Piracy is still prevalent in the China Seas, notwithstanding the severity of the punishment meted out to those caught in the act or hunted down. It has been stated by a correspondent at Canton that Viceroy Chang is anxious to stamp out piracy, robbery and burglary in the province, and, "has had thousands of heads cut off during his term of office." It is further stated that many make Hong Kong their headquarters.

"It is a question," says the *Horse Guards Gazette*, "whether, in competitions like the United Service Cup at Wimbledon, the use of any aids in shooting should be allowed. One of the naval team, finding his men were hoplessly out of it, naively remarked, 'Do them volunteer chaps wear them spectacles and things when they are in action !' The reply was that they were never there, a remark which seemed to tickle the tar immensely. Seriously speaking, however, all competitors should be on an equality.!!

The Times of India, reporting with regard to the sad accident which terminated in the death of Captain Russell, R.A., A.D.C., to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, on June 14th, says : "Two events of the Horse Show had been concluded, and the jumping competition for ponies was in progress, when the accident happened. There were three jumps-all very ordinary ones-a hurdle, stone wall and water jump. Before the competition began, Capt. Russell cleared all these with the greatest ease on his pony Midnight. During the competition he also negotiated the jumps so well that Midnight and Capt. Preston's Petrel were adjudged to have gained an equal number of points. It was in jumping off this tie that Capt. Russell met his death. Midnight rushed the first hurdle, striking the top, and, apparently flurried by the contretemps, charged the 3 feet 8 inch stone wall unconnectedly. Capt. Russell tried to steady him, but the brute took off too far, and, striking the obstacle with his knee, hurled Capt. Russell over his head. For a moment the spectators looked on more or less unconcernedly, expecting Capt. Russell to get up and remount; Midnight stood quietly by his fallen master. Then, as the prostrate man lay without motion, the gravity of the situation began to dawn on the spectators, and anxious inquiries ensued."

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