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Topics of the Week.

The establishment in connection with the other branches of the Canadian service, of a general efficiency competition, such as that which has worked so successfully in raising the *esprit de corps* of the artillery, would be a great step in advance. In the mother country the volunteer efficiency competition appears to produce excellent results. In this, points are given for the enrolled strength of corps; for certified officers and non-commissioned officers; for bicyclists, bearer and signal corps; for strength paraded at inspection; for skill with the rifle, according to percentages of first, second and third class shots. There is annually the greatest emulation amongst the Volunteer corps of the mother country, for the places of honour in the efficiency competition; and were such a scheme put into operation in Canada, it could not fail to have excellent results.

This is from the *United Services Gazette*: "Relations between the American Navy and the British are pleasanter than would be imagined from the desperate efforts of one party in the States to set the two countries at variance. When Americans were in dire peril from the rising of negroes on the Island of Navassa, a British gun-boat, the *Forward*, Lieut.-Commander Gray, steamed to the rescue and carried off the American survivors. And the other day when there was fierce fighting in Honolulu it was the American warship *Adams* that landed a squad of Marines for the protection of British interests. British interests could not have been in better hands, for the American Marines are a crack corps, as steady as a rock, and as brave as lions. This is what ought to be."

All the previous records in regard to long range shooting, under Queen's Third Stage conditions were cut by Sergt. Fulton, G.M., at a meeting of the North London Rifle Club recently with 94 points out of a possible hundred.

The military canteen systems have been abolished in India, and coffee shops, refreshment rooms, and liquor bars have been substituted. Every effort is to be made to wean the soldiers from converting the bar into a lounging room. These coffee rooms are working most profitably with certain regiments. The proceeds are applied to the promotion of the comforts, material and other, of the soldiers. As a part, also, of the general scheme of Sir Frederick Roberts for improving the condition of the soldiers, regimental institutes have been started on a wide basis to provide for rational amusement. Each institute is divided into five branches—library and reading room, a recreation room, an Army

Temperance Association room, a theatre, and, finally, a refreshment department. A sub-committee of three non-commissioned officers will assist each commissioned officer in charge. The Commander-in-Chief directs that every endeavour is to be used to suppress the use of profane and obscene language. Soldiers guilty of misconduct will be excluded. One of the main objects is to render the institute a means of raising the tone of the soldiers to the level of the best behaved characters in each regiment. Sir Frederick Roberts is fast establishing his reputation as the soldier's best friend, and his reforms are already bearing valuable fruit.

A Year of Progress.

Militia prospects are bright, if exceptional activity in every part of the Dominion count for anything. Toronto is organizing another mammoth Thanksgiving Day parade; at last sees official preparation for the long sought cavalry school there; has viewed the plans for her new drill hall—to be the finest in the Dominion; and talks of the formation of a Highland corps. In Hamilton the Thirteenth Battalion shows marked activity; still blushes with pride at the praise accorded its fine band at Washington, and waits with pleasant expectation for Toronto's verdict after Thanksgiving Day parade, in which the Thirteenth will participate. In Brantford the gallant Dufferin Rifles are brushing up to show what they can do in comparison with the crack corps of the big cities. London keeps quiet about the re-established Seventh, but is no doubt preparing a surprise. Meantime the credit of that city is well sustained by D company of the Infantry School Corps; who, having just vanquished C company with the rifle have yet on hand a similar engagement with C Battery R.C.A. on the Pacific coast. Kingston still talks of the A Battery sports, and praises the artillerymen for their feats of skill and daring. At Quebec B Battery has held a singularly successful rifle meeting, and shown an enthusiasm over the sport which might well be emulated by corps more advantageously circumstanced. Prince Edward Island rings with praise of the artillerymen for their Orleans triumphs, and of the riflemen for their prowess in defeating the teams of all Canada. Montreal flatters itself upon the carrying out of this same tournament; and upon the prospects of the great scheme outlined for next season; and in this commercial metropolis Major Atkinson with his contemplated cadet corps and Capt Macaulay with his already established High School companies, are going to make soldiers out of even the boys and girls. So the list might be indefinitely extended, were not the above facts sufficient indication of the unusual interest manifested by the public in the militia, and by the force in the duties devolving upon it. The activity is healthy and self-reliant. Progress is sought to be made, not merely conditional upon a government subsidy, or even with the expectation of such assistance, but the young men are willingly giving their time and money for the love of their military pursuits and exercises, and the several communities, realizing the public benefit derivable, are generous in their assistance. Taken all through, there has probably been greater progress made by the militia this year than in any other since the organization of the force.

The Canadian Military Rifle League.

The following regulations for the governance of this proposed organization are published by the request of the gentlemen of the Montreal association promoting it:—

THE CANADIAN MILITARY RIFLE LEAGUE.

Object.—The object of this League to be, to encourage rifle practice, to induce the old shots to teach the young, and also to make it an object to attend practice.

Teams.—The number of men to be on the team for 1890 to be limited to ten men, but for the season of 1891 to be twenty men, and for 1892 twenty-five to fifty men, and so on until whole regiments are on the team. Each regiment may enter any number of teams, and it will not be necessary to have the same men on a team each match.

Entrance fee.—The entrance fee will be ten dollars per team, to be devoted to incidental expenses and to purchase a trophy and other prizes. The said entrance fee to be forwarded to the hon. secretary of the Montreal Rifle Association, who will hold them in trust until a League secretary and treasurer are appointed and until the council and executive of the league are elected. On receipt of said fee the hon. secretary of the M. R. A. shall acknowledge the receipt in the CANADIAN MILITIA GAZETTE as well as by post.

Ranges, etc.—The ranges and positions to be 200 yards standing or kneeling, and 500 and 600 yards any position with head to target; 7 shots at each range, and no pool targets or sighting shots will be allowed.

Dates and Results.—The matches to be fired on Saturday afternoons throughout the season, the dates of which will be fixed by the executive and council, and the results to be exchanged by telegraph, and the team winning the greatest number of matches to be awarded the trophy, and the other prizes to go to the next highest teams. The telegraph charges will be reduced to a minimum, and it is estimated that the rate will not be more than 50 cents per team per match, as it is intended to use a cypher.

The Council.—The Council to be composed of the captains of teams. The Executive will be elected by the Council, and will be composed of a certain number (to be decided later) of said Council.

Rifle.—The Snider.

Range Officers.—A range officer will be appointed by each team, whose duty it will be to watch the scoring and marking, and to be able to vouch for everything being correct.

The League.—It will be necessary to have this League formed and ready for work by the 1st April, 1890, in order to give plenty of time to make the final arrangements.

Alteration of Conditions.—The foregoing conditions are not to be considered as final, and may be altered by the Executive of the League when formed.

Important Notice.—No notice will be taken of a notification to enter a team unless accompanied by the entrance fee, as the League, in order to be a success, has got to be worked on a proper financial basis.

Suggestions.—Any suggestions that riflemen have to make for the improvement of the foregoing conditions, please forward to the editor of the MILITIA GAZETTE, Ottawa.

The Rifle.

"B" Battery Rifle Association.

The seventh annual meeting of the above association was held at the Engineer Park, Levis, Thursday, 3rd inst. The matches, which were to have been shot off on the 19th Sept. last, had to be postponed on account of bad weather, the Maiden and Association matches having been shot in a pelting rain storm. The remaining matches were fired on the 3rd inst., under the disadvantage of very puzzling head wind which reduced the scores considerably. The match open to the Province of Quebec was fired on the arrival of the Island boat about 3 p.m., in a very cold and uncomfortable series of showers of rain, which prevented very high scoring. The 8th Royal Rifles and 17th Battalion were well represented on the prize list, while the Artillerymen held their own fairly well considering the disadvantage of their having to use the short rifle. It will be noticed that the Pugh family is well up in the prize list, which recalls a certain rhyme of our youthful days (amended as follows):—

"To teach his youngsters shooting his leisure he employs,
Until at last the old man is beaten by his boys."

Appended is a list of the matches and prize winners:

1st Match, Maiden Stakes—Range 200 yards. Rounds 5, for members who never won money prize in any Association Match: Gr.

Parker 23, Sgt. A. Fellowes 21, Bdr. Soper 20, Bdr. Carroll 19, Gr. Berube 19, Gr. Hall 18, Gr. Small 18, Gr. Chalut 17, Bdr. Rimbault 17, Gr. Larkin 16, Gr. Guimond 16, Gr. Fecteau 16, Gr. Walters 16, Bdr. Bellhouse 16, Bdr. Brebner 15.

2nd Match, Association—Ranges 200, 500 and 600 yards, 7 rounds at each: Gr. T. Pugh 88, Gr. Tingman 84, Sgt. Prevost 72, Gr. W. Pugh 71, Sgt. T. Pugh 69, Gr. W. Morrison 66, Mr. Gr. C. Lavie 65, Gr. Armstrong 64, Sgt. Wood 63, Gr. Hill 63, Bdr. Jordan 62, Gr. Parker 61, Gr. Fellowes 60, Bdr. Clements 58, Gr. Cleveland 58, Gr. Berube 57, Gr. Brebner 57, Sgt. Fellowes 55, Gr. Dery 54, Gr. Lapointe 54, Gr. Mulcahey, 54, Bdr. Carroll 52, Bdr. Soper 51, Bdr. Costin 48, Sgt. Goudreau, 48, Gr. Tresham 47.

3rd Match, Canteen—Ranges 400 and 500 yards, 5 rounds at each: Bdr. Clements 45, Sgt. T. Pugh 42, Gr. T. Pugh 39, Gr. W. Pugh 37, Gr. McCarthy 35, Gr. Morrison 35, Gr. Tingman 33, Sgt. Prevost 33, Bdr. Jordan 31, Gr. Cleveland 30, Gr. Small 30, Gr. Dery 29, Mr. Gr. Lavie 28, Bdr. Rimbault 26, Bdr. Sellwood 26, Sgt. Sillifant 26, Bdr. Carroll 26, Gr. Harrison 26, Gr. Adams 25, Gr. Lapointe 23, Sgt. Adair 22, Sgt. Wood 22.

4th Match, Officers—Range 500 yards, rounds 7: Sgt. Prevost 28, Gr. T. Pugh 28, Gr. Small 26, Gr. W. Pugh 25, Bdr. Jordan 25, Sgt. Pugh 25, Bdr. Clements 24, Sgt. Adair 24, Sgt. Wood 24, Gr. Hill 24, Gr. Lapointe 24, Gr. Tingman 22, Bdr. Costin 21, Gr. Morrison 20, Bdr. Brebner 19, Bdr. Soper 19, Staff-Sgt. Lavoie 18, Sgt. A. Fellowes 16, Gr. Armstrong 16, Mr. Gr. Lavie 16.

Consolation Match—400 yards, 5 rounds. Open only to unsuccessful competitors. Prize winners: Gr. Slade, Gr. Brown, Gr. Bremner, Sgt.-Maj. Lyndon, Gr. Nickerson, Bdr. Staples. Gr. Nolan, Gr. Cote.

Highest aggregate during meeting: Gr. T. Pugh 184, Gr. Tingman 169, Sgt. T. Pugh 164, Gr. W. Pugh 162, Sgt. Prevost 157, Bdr. Clements 157, Gr. Morrison 151, Bdr. Jordan 143.

8th Match—open—Ranges 500 and 600 yards, 7 rounds at each. Open to the Province of Quebec:—

Gr. Tingman, "B" Bat., R.C.A. 55	Sgt. McKenna, 17th Batt. 49
Sgt.-Maj. Richard, 17th Batt. 54	Sgt. Douglas, 8th R. Rifles 44
Capt. Beaulieu 17th Batt. 51	Sgt. Wood, "B" Bat., R.C.A. 43
Lt. Davidson, 8th R. Rifles. 50	Gr. T. Pugh B Bat. 43
Gr. Morrison, "B" Bat., R.C.A. 49	Mr. A. Thompson, S.R.A. 42
Col.-Sgt. Goudie, 8th R. Rifles. 48	Lt. Col. Miller, 8th R. Rifles. 41

Infantry School Corps Inter-Company Match.

A friendly rifle contest between picked teams from C and D companies, I. S. Corps, was fired at the Barrack ranges, London, Ont., on Friday last, 11th instant, the Sergeant-Major of D company, as has been the case in nearly all the rifle contests here this season, leading with a really good score. Seven shots were fired at each range. As will be seen by the following score, D company won by 55 points.

D COMPANY.				C COMPANY.					
	8	8	8		8	8	8		
Sergt.-Major Munroe	31	27	28	86	Pte. Tucker.	27	27	27	81
Sergt. Beaumont	29	28	26	83	Sergt. Galloway.	23	23	27	73
Corpl. O'Brien	27	27	22	76	Pte. Page.	24	25	24	73
Pte. Evans.	24	26	25	75	Pte. Reid.	25	22	21	68
Pte. Allen.	25	19	28	72	Pte. W. Murphy.	23	18	25	66
Sergt. Harris.	26	15	25	66	Pte. Simpson.	24	20	14	58
Pte. Hodgins.	20	15	27	62	Pte. Colborne.	15	21	14	50
Pte. McCann	15	11	25	51	Pte. J. Moore.	24	5	18	47
Totals	197	168	206	571	Totals	185	161	170	516

The Queen's Own Rifles.

The annual battalion rifle matches of the Queen's Own Rifles, Toronto, postponed on account of rain on Saturday, October 5th, were recommenced on Saturday, 12th inst., and completed. The attendance was unusually large, two hundred and seventy-six men being engaged in the competition. The weather was very cold, and at times the light was dull and the targets obscure, but despite these unfavourable conditions the scores made were generally good, as the following statistics will show:—

Nursery match.—Open only to members of the regiment who have never won a prize at any battalion, Provincial or Dominion match. Ranges and positions—200 yards, kneeling; 400 yards, any. Number of rounds, 5.

Pte. Matthews, E. Co.	41	Pte. H. A. Small, B Co.	33
Pte. Dee, H. Co.	39	Sgt. Moggridge, D Co.	33
Buglr. Scott, E. Co.	38	Pte. R. T. Gilmour, B Co.	33
Pte. Nugent, E. Co.	38	Pte. Fleury, D Co.	33
Pioneer Brash, A. Co.	36	Pte. S. Collart, A Co.	31
Pte. Gilmour, A Co.	35	Pte. Rose, D Co.	31
Buglr. McLean, I Co.	34	Corpl. Cockburn, F Co.	31
Pte. Russell, G Co.	34	Corpl. Denroche.	31
Pte. Campbell, F Co.	34	Pte. Routle, G Co.	31
Buglr. Thompson, G Co.	33	Pte. Andrews, I Co.	31

Standing match.—Open to all members of the regiment who have performed at least fifty per cent. of the regimental drills for the current year, or for that period in which they have been members of the regiment; highest possible score, 25; range, 200 yards, standing; number of rounds, 5.

Colour-Sgt. Donnelly.....	21	Corpl. Lennox.....	18
Corpl. Duncan.....	21	Pte. Robertson.....	18
Sgt. Crooks.....	20	Pioneer Brush.....	18
Sgt. Ham.....	19	Pte. Bogle.....	18
Pte. J. Davison.....	19	Corpl. Bromley.....	17
Lt. Mercer.....	18	Colour-Sgt. W. G. Kennedy.....	17
Staff-Sgt. Ashall.....	18	Corpl. Agnew.....	17
Lieut. Rennie.....	18	Five 17's counted out.	

General match.—Open to all members of the regiment who have performed at least 50 per cent. of the regimental drills for the current year, or for that period in which they have been members of the regiment. 200 yards kneeling, 400 and 500, any position; 5 rounds at each range.

Corpl. T. Westman, A Co.....	66	Sgt. Batstone, C Co.....	51
Pte. E. Westman, A Co.....	64	Pte. Tedingham, A Co.....	50
Pte. E. P. McNeill, A Co.....	64	Bugler Scott, E Co.....	50
Col.-Sgt. Crooks, K Co.....	61	Bug.-Sgt. Harp, D Co.....	50
Col.-Sgt. Kennedy, A Co.....	61	Bug. Grand, D Co.....	50
Staff-Sgt. Ashall, C Co.....	59	Pte. Page, D Co.....	50
Sgt. Vicars, C Co.....	59	Sgt. Langton, B Co.....	50
Pte. W. Smith, D Co.....	59	Pte. Corbain, F Co.....	50
Corpl. Thorn, G Co.....	59	Corpl. Gilby, C Co.....	49
Corpl. Bigant, F Co.....	59	Sgt. Mathews, I Co.....	49
Col.-Sgt. Cooper, B Co.....	58	Pte. McClure, D Co.....	48
Lieut. Crean, I Co.....	58	Corpl. Lennox, E Co.....	48
Sgt. N. B. Sanson, G Co.....	58	Maj. Delamere.....	48
Col.-Sgt. Donnelly, A Co.....	58	Pte. Nugent, E Co.....	48
Lieut. Mercer, G Co.....	58	Pte. Robertson, I Co.....	47
Corpl. Agnew, F Co.....	57	Bug.-Corpl. Woods, D Co.....	47
Lieut. Rennie, C Co.....	57	Corpl. Cockburn, F Co.....	46
Pte. A. R. Dewdney, B Co.....	55	Corpl. Bromley, H Co.....	46
Pte. Hutchinson, C Co.....	55	Sgt. McNeill, A Co.....	46
Sgt. Gorrie, A Co.....	55	Bug. McLean, I Co.....	46
Corpl. W. S. Duncan, A Co.....	55	Colour-Sgt. World, H Co.....	46
Pte. J. Davidson, F Co.....	54	Pte. D. A. Clark, K Co.....	46
Pte. Matthews, E Co.....	54	Pte. Blaney, D Co.....	46
Pte. Fraser, F Co.....	53	Pte. Bracken, G Co.....	45
Pte. R. F. Argles, H Co.....	53	Bug.-Maj. Swift, G Co.....	45
Corpl. Leacock, G Co.....	53	Sgt. Mackenzie, F Co.....	45
Sgt. Higginbottom, I Co.....	52	Pioneer Brush, A Co.....	45
Lieut. Knifton, E Co.....	52	Sgt. Ham, F Co.....	45
Sgt. Owen, C Co.....	51	Pte. Ross, D Co.....	44
Pte. W. H. Meadows, A Co.....	51		

Aggregate match.—Open to all members of the regiment. Range—600 yards, 7 rounds, any position. Prizes to be awarded to the highest aggregate scores made in this and standing and general matches.

Corpl. T. Westman, A Co.....	111	Corpl. Agnew, F Co.....	95
Sgt. R. B. Sanson, G Co.....	104	Pte. R. F. Argles, H Co.....	93
Lieut. Mercer, G Co.....	103	Pte. Davison, F Co.....	93
Col.-Sgt. Donnelly, A Co.....	101	Pte. A. R. Dewdney, B Co.....	92
Sgt. Crooks, K Co.....	101	Pte. E. P. McNeill, A Co.....	92
Corpl. Duncan, A Co.....	100	Pte. Meadows, A Co.....	90
Col.-Sgt. Kennedy, A Co.....	98	Pte. Robertson, F Co.....	89
Lieut. Rennie, C Co.....	97		

The Gillmor.—Open to present members who served in the regiment under the command of Lieut.-Col. Gillmor. Scores made in general match to decide. Sergt. Ashall, C. Co., 69. Prize presented by Lieut.-Col. Gillmor.

Trowern Medal match.—Open to all members of the regiment. Value \$15. To be awarded to the member making the highest score at 500 yards in match No. 3. To be won twice in succession. Pte. E. Westman, A Co., 23.

Queen's Rifle Association match.—Open only to members of the regiment who competed in the Ontario Rifle Association or Dominion Rifle Association matches this season. Scores made at 600 yards in the aggregate match to decide, but no competitor will be allowed to select two D. R. A. or two O. R. A. medals. Corpl. T. Westman, 29; Sergt. N. B. Sanson, 29.

Skirmishing and Volley Firing.—To be competed for by teams of five officers, non-commissioned officers or men per company. Skirmishing—Ranges, 100 to 400 yards; rounds, five advancing and five retiring; position, any. Volley firing—Ranges and positions, 200 yards standing, 400 yards kneeling; rounds, five at each range.

Volley Firing.

\$50 "C" Company.....	115	"E" Company.....	95
"G".....	105		

C Company team was composed of Lieut. Rennie, Staff-Sergt. Ashall, Sergt. Owen, Corpl. Staton, and Pte. Hutchinson. The prize is the "Zimmerman cup," to be held until the next annual match.

Skirmishing.

\$150 1st Team, "G" Company.....	105	2nd Team "A" Company.....	80
1st "I".....	85		

The winning team was composed of Lieut. Mercer, Staff-Sergt. Williams, Sergt. Sanson, Corpl. Thorn and Pte. Leacock. The prize is the "Victoria Rifles' Challenge Cup," to be held until the next annual match.

Casual Match.—Open to members of the regiment who are not present in time to compete in the general match. Ranges, 400 and 500 yards; 5 rounds. Any position.

Pte. McCormack, D Co.....	32	Pte. Maher, B Co.....	19
Sergt. Creighton, B Co.....	31	Pte. Tinton, G Co.....	17

Revolver Match.—Open to all members of the regiment. Entries unlimited; highest score to count. Revolver not to exceed 45 cal. Range 25 yards, standing "off hand," seven rounds.

Lieut. Rennie, G Co.....	32	Lieut. Crean, I Co.....	29
Lieut. Mercer, G Co.....	32	Corpl. Duncan, A Co.....	29
Staff-Sgt. Ashall, C Co.....	31	Col.-Sgt. Crooks, K Co.....	28
Sgt. N. T. Sanson, G Co.....	30	Pte. McLean, F Co.....	26

Ex-Members' Match.—Open to all ex members of the regiment who are not members of any other corps; may be fired with the Casual Match; ranges 400 and 500 yards; five rounds at each range.

Pte. Schmidt, A Co.....	38	Corpl.-Bug. Emery, E Co.....	36
Sgt. Chaytor, C Co.....	37	Staff-Sgt. Walker, G Co.....	36
Sgt. Hurst, B Co.....	36		

Extra Series match.—Number of entries unlimited; short Snider rifles; 500 yards; five rounds.

Pte. S. P. McNeill, A Co.....	24	Sgt. Rennie, C Co.....	20
Col.-Sgt. Crooks, K Co.....	23	Sgt. McNeill, A Co.....	20
Sgt. Ham, F Co.....	22	Pte. Tedingham, A Co.....	20
Corpl. Thom, G Co.....	22	Pte. Nugent, E Co.....	20
Sgt. N. B. Sanson, G Co.....	21	Pte. Andrews, I Co.....	19
Sgt. Ashall, C Co.....	20	Pte. Page, D Co.....	19
Pte. W. H. Meadows, A Co.....	20	Pte. Robertson, I Co.....	19
Corpl. Westman, A Co.....	20		

BUGLERS, GENERAL MATCH.

Bug. Scott.....	50	Bug. T. Robertson.....	31
Bug. Grand.....	50	" Fletcher.....	31
Corpl. Woods.....	47	" Booz.....	30
Bug. McLean.....	46	" Jenkins.....	29
Bug.-Maj. Swift.....	45	" B. Robinson.....	27
Bug. Thomson.....	42	" Watkins.....	25
Bug. Cottrell.....	39	" Morrell.....	22
Bug. E. Robertson.....	31	" Bain.....	21

Range prizes—Bugler Scott 23, Bugler Jenkins 20.

B COMPANY, GENERAL MATCH.

Gold medal, Col.-Sgt. Cooper.....	58	Corp. Goldsmith.....	42
Silver medal, Pte. Dewdney.....	55	Pte. Sparling.....	42
Sgt. Langton.....	50	Sergt. Creighton.....	41
Corpl. Denroach.....	44	Pte. Small.....	39
Pte. Legge.....	43	Pte. Gilmour.....	37

The gold medal was presented by Capt. Pellatt, and the silver medal by Lieut. Ince.

Range prizes—200 yards, silver medal, Sergt. Langton, 21; Col.-Sergt. Cooper, 20. 400 yards, silver medal, Pte. Dewdney, 19; Sergt. Creighton, 18. 500 yards, silver medal, Col.-Sergt. Cooper, 23; Pte. Legge, 19.

C COMPANY, GENERAL MATCH.

Staff-Sergt. Ashall.....	59	Corp. Staton.....	39
Sergt. Vicars.....	59	Pte. Neil.....	36
Lieut. Rennie.....	57	Corp. Orr.....	33
Pte. Hutchinson.....	55	Sergt. Burns.....	33
Col.-Sergt. Owen.....	51	Pte. Hire.....	33
Bugler Grand.....	50	Pte. Carnochan.....	30
Corp. Gilly.....	49	Pte. Wadge.....	25
Pte. Woodcock.....	43	Pte. Burroughs.....	22

The range officers were Capt. McGee, Capt. Macdonald, Capt. Mutton and Capt. Mason. The committee was composed of Major Delamere, Lieut. Knifton and Lieut. Mercer, secretary.

F COMPANY, GENERAL MATCH.

Gold Medal, Corpl. Bryant.....	59	Sergt. Ham.....	45
Silver medal, Corpl. Agnew.....	57	Sergt. Campbell.....	44
Pte. Davison.....	56	Bugler Cottrell.....	39
Pte. Fraser.....	53	Pte. Sutherland.....	36
Pte. Wharin.....	50	Corpl. Saunders.....	35
Pte. McLean.....	47	Pte. Godfrey.....	34
Corpl. Cockburn.....	46	Pte. E. Forster.....	33
Sergt. McKenzie.....	45	Pte. C. B. Forster.....	28

The donor of the gold medal is Capt. McGee. The silver medal was presented by Lieut. Lee.

Range Prizes—200, Corp. Bryant, 23; 400, Corp. Agnew, 23; 500, Pte. Fraser, 20.

H COMPANY, GENERAL MATCH.

Pte. R. F. Argles.....	53	Pte. Dee.....	41
Corp. Bromley.....	46	Pte. Gilbert.....	38
Col.-Sergt. World.....	46	Pte. Brunnell.....	36
Pte. Hulme.....	43	Corp. Morton.....	32
Sergt. Small.....	42	Pte. Paffard.....	31

Range Prizes—200 yards, Pte. Hulme, 19; 400 yards, Pte. Dee, 21; 400 yards, Sergt. Small, 20; 500 yards, Pte. R. F. Argles, 18; 500 yards, Corp. Bromley, 15.

WHAT THE QUEEN'S OWN ARE SAYING:

Look out for the "boys."—The two Westmans.
 I am a "tall" shot.—Col.-Sergt. Crooks.
 And I am a broad one.—Staff-Sergt. Ashall.
 They might have made a sandwich out of me anyhow.—Pte. E. P. McNeil.
 Not bad for a young shot.—Major Delamere.
 I was nearly in the soup.—Sergt. Ham.
 No bouquets.—Pte. Rose.
 Ah, my departed glory!—Ex-Staff-Sergt. Walker.

The Fifteenth Battalion.

The annual rifle matches of the Fifteenth Battalion, Belleville, were held on Wednesday and Thursday, the 9th and 10th inst., thus resulting:

1. BATTALION MATCH.—200, 400 and 500 yds. 7 shots.

Lieut. Vermilyea, No. 5	77	Sergt. MacFarlane, No. 2	51
Bandmaster Riggs, No. 1	74	Pte. Thomas, No. 6	48
Capt. W. N. Ponton, No. 1	68	Capt. Merrill, No. 3	48
Col.-Sergt. Russell, No. 4	60	Pte. Landon, No. 3	41
Sergt. Clarke, No. 1	54	Col.-Sergt. McRae, No. 1	33

No. 2. ASSOCIATION MATCH.—400, 500 and 600 yds. 7 shots.

Lieut. Vermilyea, No. 5	72	Sergt. Clark, No. 1	51
Capt. W. N. Ponton, No. 1	71	Sergt. MacFarlane, No. 2	49
Bandmaster Riggs, No. 1	70	Pte. Landon, No. 3	43
Pte. Thomas, No. 6	59	Lieut. Robertson, No. 5	28
Sergt. Russell, No. 4	55	Pte. Bently, No. 3	27

3. MERCHANTS' MATCH.—For highest aggregate in 200 and 400 yards ranges of 1st match, and 400 and 500 yards of 2nd.

Lieut. Vermilyea, No. 5	109	Pte. Thomas, No. 6	80
Capt. Ponton, No. 1	105	Sergt. Russell, No. 4	79
Bandmaster Riggs, No. 1	101	Sergt. MacFarlane, No. 2	76
Sergt. Clark, No. 1	84		

4. AGGREGATE OF MATCHES 1 AND 2.

Lieut. Vermilyea	149	Sergt. Russell	115
Bandmaster Riggs	144	Pte. Thomas	107
Capt. Ponton	139		

Greatest number of bulls eyes in matches 1 and 2, Lieut. Vermilyea, 12
 Greatest number of inners, Capt. Ponton and Bandmaster Riggs, 16, a tie.
 Greatest number of outers, Pte. Thomas, 20.

Company Team Match.—No. 1 Co. Team.—Capt. Ponton, 139; Bandmaster Riggs, 144; Sergt. Clarke, 105; total 388. No. 3 Co. Team—Lieut. Merrill, 70; Pte. Landon, 84; Pte. Bentley, 47; total 201. No. 5 Co. Team.—Lieut. Robertson, 57; Lieut. Vermilyea, 149; Pte. Donnelly, 35; total 241.

5. MARTINI HENRY MATCH.—400 and 500 yds.—Lieut. Vermilyea, Bandmaster Riggs, Capt. Ponton, Pte. Thomas.
 They having the highest aggregate in matches 1, 2 and 5, a case of Corby's IXL is to be divided between Lieut. Vermilyea, Capt. Ponton and Bandmaster Riggs—for medicinal purposes only, of course.

The Ottawa Club.

An extra spoon competition of the Ottawa Rifle Club was held on Saturday last with Snider rifles, at 200, 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots. The principal scores were:

T. Carroll	29	31	26	86	N. Macfarlane	27	26	25	78
C. S. Scott	28	27	30	85	T. C. Boville	30	24	24	78
J. D. Taylor	30	28	27	85	Major A. P. Sherwood	29	27	20	76
Major H. F. Perley	26	30	23	79	J. H. Ellis	27	25	23	75

The spoon in the first class was taken by T. Carroll. There were not sufficient entries for a second class spoon. That for the third class was won by W. H. Timbers, with 63 points.

No. 1 Co. 43rd Battalion.

A match between eight officers and non-coms. of No. 1 Co., 43rd Battalion, on one side, and eight Privates of the same Co. on the other, was fired on Rideau range on Saturday last, with Snider rifles, at 200, 400 and 500 yards, seven shots. The Privates won, their totals by ranges being 210, 199, 144-603; against 198, 215, 173-586, for their opponents.

The individual totals were:

Privates—J. D. Taylor 88, C. S. Scott, 83, L. Perkins 81, J. H. Ellis 79, R. Moedie 79, J. Lambe 75, Garrow 70, J. Clarke 48. Total 603.

Officers and non-coms.—Lieut. E. D. Sutherland 83, Col.-Sgt. T. C. Boville 83, Capt. S. M. Rogers 79, Corpl. H. A. Quinney 77, Sergt. P. J. Clarke 74, Sgt. R. J. Taylor 73, Corpl. J. McEwan 70, Stf.-Sergt. E. A. Grant 47. Total 586.

Two spoons offered in the first class went to Ptes. Taylor and Scott, and three in the second class to Pte. Perkins, Corpl. Quinney and Pte. Lambe.

The Assiniboia Rifle Association.

The first annual meeting of the Assiniboia Provincial Rifle Association was one of the most popular events of the season in Regina. Lasting three days—Friday, Saturday and Monday, the 4th, 5th and 7th October—it drew to the town a large number of visitors, and attracted general interest. To carry a rifle over the shoulder on those days was quite the popular thing. There were sixty participants in the matches, quite a number being present from outside points—Moose Jaw and Moosomin being well represented. The competitors from surrounding associations expressed highly pleased with the way the first meeting was conducted throughout. The success of the meeting is largely due to the indefatigable efforts of Mr. J. W. Jowett, the painstaking secretary of the association.

His Excellency the Governor-General fired the first shot at nine o'clock on Friday morning making a bull's-eye, for which he was heartily cheered. A photograph was taken of the twenty who made the highest score in the great telegraph match on Saturday, to appear in the Dominion Illustrated. The gale blowing on Saturday made the score in this match much lower than it would otherwise have been.

The last shots of the meeting it was arranged should be fired on Saturday, 12th, commencing at 2 o'clock, in a contest for a rifle, presented by Mr. J. A. Kerr, which unfortunately arrived too late to be put in the annual prize list.

The following is a complete list of the prize winners and scores:

FIRST DAY.

Weather fine, west wind.

Ladies' Match—Snider, 7 shots, 400 yards, any position, head to target; 54 entries.

Mrs. Jowett	by Major Bell	32	Miss Herchmer	by Sergt. Bailey	28
Mrs. Bell	by Major Bell	31	Mrs. Steel	by S. Varder	27
Miss Williamson	by W. Williamson	31	Mrs. Varder	by R. J. Steel	27
Mrs. Harris	by Capt. Harris	29	Mrs. Mowat	by Major D. Mowat	27
Miss Dodd	by Sergt. Gordon	29	Miss Sweet	by R. Sweet	27

Nurse's Match—Sniders, 7 shots, 200 yards, any position, head to target; 23 entries.

N. F. Davin's silver medal, Capt. T. C. Johnstone	30	\$2 A. J. Frazer	27
\$5 W. M. Williamson	20	1 Const. St. Dennis, F. Troop	27
4 Const. Hall, Prince Albert	29	1 Corp. Bird, F. Troop	27
3 H. Carter, Moose Jaw	29	1 J. W. Jowett	27
3 J. S. McDonald, Wood Mountn.	28	1 Dr. Willoughby	26
2 Wm. Bruce, Moosomin	27	1 T. H. R. James, Winnipeg	25

Several twenty-fives counted out.

President Mowat's Match—Sniders, 7 shots, 200, 500 and 600 yards, any position, head to target; 42 entries.

Silver water pitcher and cup, H. A. Carruthers	29	34	20	83	2 Major Bell	27	26	19	72
\$6 Corpl. St. Dennis	29	24	24	77	2 Const. Hall	30	19	22	71
4 Wm. Bruce	26	26	22	74	1 Corpl. Fleming	28	24	19	71
3 R. Sweet	27	25	22	74	1 Sergt. Bird	29	26	16	71
3 Sergt. Gordon	31	26	17	74	1 Major Gagnon	28	19	23	70
					1 F. Nash	29	23	18	70
					1 R. Steel	31	24	15	70

SECOND DAY.

Gale of wind blowing.

Lieut.-Governor's Match—Sniders, 7 shots, 400 yards, any position, head to target; 43 entries.

\$5 and Silver cup, L. Abbey, Moose Jaw	31	2	Sergt. Gordon, F Troop	30
6 Major Bell	30	1	Const. Connor	29
4 R. Sweet	30	1	R. J. Steel	28
3 H. A. Carruthers	30	1	Major Stewart	27
3 Corpl. Fleming	30	1	Corpl. St. George	27
2 Capt. Harris, Moosomin	30	1	Dr. Willoughby	26

Three twenty-sixes counted out.

Bell Match—Sniders; 7 shots, 200, 500 and 600 yards, any position, head to target; 45 entries.

\$12 Sergt. Gordon	28	27	25	80	\$2 Wm. Bruce	26	25	13	64
7 Major Bell	28	22	20	70	1 J. T. Stenshorn	28	15	19	62
5 E. H. Griffith	26	21	21	68	1 Const. Hall	29	15	18	62
4 Major Stewart	23	26	18	67	1 L. Abbey	26	20	16	62
3 Sergt. Montgomery	29	22	16	67	1 H. A. Carruthers	27	22	13	62
2 Corp. St. George	25	26	13	64	1 Const. Drake	29	17	14	60

THIRD DAY.

Weather fine and light wind.

Vice-President Reed's Match.—Snider, 7 shots, 500 and 600 yards, any position, head to target; 46 entries.

Marble clock, \$25, Sergt. Gordon	29	27	56	\$2 Sergt. Bailey	27	18	45
\$6 R. J. Steel	29	22	61	1 Corp. Service	27	18	45
4 E. A. Griffith	25	24	49	1 Major Bell	28	17	45
3 Sergt. Montgomery	27	22	49	1 Capt. Harris	26	17	43
3 Major Stewart	28	20	48	1 Const. Connor	20	21	41
2 Const. St. Dennis	24	22	46	1 H. Carter	29	12	41

N. W. M. Police Match.—Winchester Rifles, 5 shots, 200 and 400 yards, any position, head to target; 30 entries.

Silver spurs, riding crop and \$5.	Sgt. Montgomery, F troop	22	19	41
Corp. Kouth, B troop	20	23	43	3
Sgt. Gordon, F troop	22	20	42	2
Const. Drake, do	21	20	41	

Affiliated Team Match—Snider, 7 shots, 200, 400 and 500 yards, any position, head to target.

F Troop, \$20—					Moosomin Team, \$10.				
Sergt. Gordon	29	26	23	78	Wm. Bruce	27	25	23	75
Corp. St. Dennis	23	29	23	75	R. Sweet	29	25	17	71
Sergt. Montgomery	27	28	19	74	W. M. Williamson	19	21	29	69
Corp. Fleming	23	24	26	73	J. Carson	26	27	14	67
Sergt. Bailey	27	22	23	72	Capt. Harris	27	20	20	67

Total	129	129	114	372	Total	128	118	103	249
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Regina Rifle Association, \$5.					Sweet and Williamson are Regina men.				
H. A. Carruthers	26	31	22	79	Major Stewart	23	25	19	67
Major Bell	29	23	20	72	A. E. Griffith	27	13	10	50
R. J. Steel	29	24	17	70	Total	134	116	88	338

Moose Jaw 327, and Regina scratch team 283.

Merchants' Match.—Snider, 7 shots, 200 yards, any position, head to target; 41 entries. Prizes in kind.

Const. St. Dennis	31	Sergt. Montgomery	30
Const. Drake	31	Major Stewart	29
H. A. Carruthers	31	L. Abbey	29
Sergt. Gordon	30	Corp. Bailey	29
H. Carter	30	Corp. Hall	29
R. Sweet	30	Capt. Harris	29

One 29 counted out.

Grand Aggregate Prizes.—For highest aggregate in matches 3, 5, 6 and 9.

Sergt. Gordon, F troop, Gov.-Gen's silver medal	240	Sergt. Montgomery, F troop, D.R.A. bronze medal	213
H. A. Carruthers, A.P.R.A., Gov.-Gen's bronze medal	215	E. A. Griffith	207
Major Bell, A.P.R.A., D.R.A. silver medal	215	Const. S. Dennis, F troop	206
		Wm. Bruce, Moosomin	204
		Major Stewart, A.P.R.A.	202
		R. J. Steel, A.P.R.A.	201

Capt. Mackay's Aggregate.—For the highest aggregate in matches 3, 4, 5, 6 and 9, a bay colt, presented by Captain Mackay, to be shot for at three annual meetings. Won by H. A. Carruthers.

Consolation Match—Sniders, 7 shots, 400 yards, any position, head to target; 8 entries.

Staff-Sergt. Mason	23	A. B. Dunnett	17
C. Short	19	M. McLeod, Moose Jaw	16
S. Varder	18	J. Carson, Moosomin	12

Extra Series—Six extra series matches were shot, in which the first winners were:

400 yards	W. M. Williamson	600 yards	H. A. Carruthers
500 "	L. Abbey	600 "	T. C. Johnstone
500 "	A. B. Dunnett	600 "	J. T. Stemshorn

The anniversary of the battle of Sedan seems to have opened the eyes of the German people to the fact that France is annually calling out 60,000 more recruits than Germany, and expends 200,000,000 marks a year more on her army, than Germany on hers.

The Alpine corps of the Italian army, which was organized in 1872 with 15 companies, now numbers 7 regiments, or 22 active battalions. They have neither parades nor garrisons, and marching past to the sound of the music are not in their way. From April to October these troops live among the mountains, guiding their beasts of burden through the most difficult passes, tracing their routes over the rocks and snow, and making themselves as familiar with the turns and paths as the smugglers and mountain goats.

A commission of high Turkish officers and of German officers in the Turkish service were recently ordered to report direct to the Sultan on the conditions of the fortifications commanding the entrance to the Bosphorus from the Black Sea, which have been almost entirely reconstructed and armed with heavy Krupp guns. The commission was instructed to pay a surprise visit to them, in order to see whether the garrison was on the alert and everything in order. The visit took place early in June, and the report laid before the Sultan states that everything was found in a condition of admirable efficiency, everybody knowing and doing his duty. This report relieved the mind of the Sultan of his fears of a dash on Constantinople by the Russian fleet. A member of the commission, Goltz Pacha, said emphatically that if the two forts remained in the excellent order they found them in, no Russian ship could hope to pass the Bosphorus. He also expressed the opinion that Turkey need not fear a foreign invasion, as she was able to place in the field at the shortest notice 200,000 of the finest soldiers in the world.

Regimental and Other News.

Mr. Edward Hooper, ex-M.P., formerly captain of the Napanee Battery of Garrison Artillery, died last week at Napanee, at the age of 77 years.

The members of the Kingston Field Battery held a very successful assembly in the Artillery Park last Friday night, which was attended by 35 couples, all of whom seemed to enjoy themselves immensely. The members of the Battery drill in uniform every Monday night and expect before the winter is out to reach a stage of perfection excelled by none—not even by the regulars.

When in the United States capital last week the Thirteenth Battalion Band of Hamilton visited George Washington's grave. This is from a Washington paper: "At 10 o'clock, in company with the Illinois Regiment, the 13th band marched to the wharf and proceeded on steamer down the Potomac to Mt. Vernon. On arrival the different commanderies and the bands came in front of the tomb, and a most impressive memorial service was held. The combined bands played four numbers appropriate to the occasion, two under the baton of Mr. Harlow, bandmaster of the Second Regiment band, Chicago, and two under the baton of Mr. Robinson. After the service the 13th band formed up in front of the tomb and played the dead march; and this is the most remarkable thing of the service, that the 13th Battalion band, of Hamilton, Canada, should be the first, and only, British band that has honoured the grave of Washington. This mark of courtesy is deeply appreciated by the Americans here"

Major Atkinson, M. G. A., proposes to establish in Montreal a cadet corps after the fashion of Capt. Clark's Guelph classes. To further this object a meeting was held in the Natural History Society's rooms last Saturday afternoon, with the Rev. James Barclay in the chair. The chairman, ex-Ald. Stroud, Mr. W. W. Mowat, principal of the Grammar School, and Lt.-Col. Mattice spoke strongly in favour of the project. Major Atkinson explained what he intended to do. He intended that the corps should have uniforms, guns and a band. He exhibited a sample of the imitation guns used by the Guelph cadets and proposed to use the same. Everything would be provided by themselves, and they would have nothing to do with the government. He proposed to divide the corps into three classes: small, intermediate and senior, drilling twice a week. The senior class would have Indian Club and barbell exercise and physical drill. The intermediate would have barbell exercise, physical drill and musical marching. The junior class would only have physical drill and musical marching. He hoped to make it equal, if not superior, to any like organization in Canada. The chairman, Mr. Mowat and Major Atkinson were appointed a committee to further the project.

Toronto.

The prizes won by members of E company Royal Grenadiers at the recent company matches were presented by Lt.-Col. Dawson in the sergeants' mess. He congratulated the company on their success at the recent matches, and hoped to see them continue to improve as they have done this year.

It is proposed to organize in this city a Highland corps consisting of six companies. Plenty of room for another first class regiment, though the Grens would like to have those two extra companies first.

Mr. F. W. White, of the Militia Department, of Ottawa, has been inspecting the unoccupied quarters at the New Fort, and the stables, which have not been used since the regulars were here, to decide if the buildings are fit to receive the new school of cavalry. He thinks that with some repairs such would be the case. It is believed that the school will be formed about the first of January.

A meeting of the officers of the Grenadiers, Queen's Own Rifles, Body Guard and Field Artillery was held Monday afternoon at the office of Major Mason, Church street, to arrange for the due celebration of Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 7th. Col. Otter, D.A.G., presided. It was decided that efforts should be made to secure the attendance of the 13th Battalion from Hamilton and the Dufferin Rifles from Brantford, to take part in the manoeuvres and review, which will be held at High Park. It was also considered desirable that the Field Battery and some cavalry should take part in the sham fight. In order to defray the expense of bringing in the visiting corps and the furnishing of horses for the artillery and cavalry, a committee consisting of the commanding officers of the city corps was appointed to make arrangements for raising the necessary money from the citizens and others. The idea of the turn-out is similar to that of last year—to have an attacking and defending force with guns on each side, manoeuvres winding up with an inspection by General Middleton, and very likely the Minister of Militia. If the weather proves favourable there will be an immense attendance at what will be a grand military spectacle. The meeting adjourned to meet next Monday at the same hour and place.

Winnipeg.

These paragraphs are from *Siftings*:

F Company, 90th Battalion, had a shooting match last week which was carried out in good style. We were glad to see our old friend Scotty McIntyre, figuring in the score. May his shadow never grow less. The enterprise of this company might be copied with advantage by every corps and company in the city. Why cannot each company have different matches in their competitions, not forgetting a company nursery match, open to all members of the company who may not have made more than say thirty in the last class firing. Great credit is due to Lieut. Smith for the arrangement.

We understand that Lieut. Macdonell, Mounted Infantry, has made an exchange with Mr. Williams, N.W.M.P. Mr. Macdonell has done a great deal in the Mounted Infantry to encourage and foster athletic games. A good all round man at any out-door sports, he showed to advantage in a keenly contested game of football or at cricket as a batsman. Our city amateurs will miss him as an athlete, and the Mounted Infantry will lose in him a good, zealous officer. Mr. Williams is, we understand, a son of the late Col. Williams, of Batoche fame, and for that fact alone would be welcome among the young men of this city, not a few of whom served with the late Colonel on that memorable occasion, and respect his memory as a gallant soldier—a grand type of Canadian manhood.

Annual Sports of A Battery, R.C.A.

(Kingston News.)

On Thursday, 10th October, the sports of A Battery commenced on the Midland Central Fair Ground. The committee for events were: Mounted, Capt. Hudon and Riding Instructor Newham; dismounted, Lieut. Burroughs and acting Sergt.-Major Coyne. Capt. Rivers was starter, Lieut. Moren judge, and Major Drury timekeeper. Each and all did their work with that promptness, decision and politeness which is an attribute of the soldier in general and the artilleryman in particular. Business commenced at about 2:30, the weather being lovely, and specially adapted for the afternoon's work.

The first event was the high jump, which ended after an able competition with Sergt. Boutillier first with 4 feet eight inches, closely followed by Robinson and McCarthy. Sergt. Boutillier is well known as an athlete and accomplished swordsman.

Next came the high jump with pole, which was won by Stinson, with Huff as second, the height being 7 feet 3 inches and 7 feet 2 inches. Stinson is an easy and graceful jumper.

The next item was a most interesting one, viz., heads and posts (mounted). In this competition nine mounted men took part. Six posts were placed at intervals of about forty yards from each other right and left of a six foot track. On three of these posts were placed blocks of wood stuck on three wooden necks; on two others were hung rings, on cross bars, and on the last was a block of wood without the neck. Each competitor had to ride at full speed down the centre of the course, and with his sword slash off the wooden heads, pick out the rings, and with a point take the neckless block from its place. This event was gallantly contested, and eventually was declared in favour of Br. Chapman, who rode well and handled his sword with dexterity. Burns pressed Chapman closely in taking second, and also showed capital form.

The 100 yards dash was won by Lawrenson, Boutillier 2nd, and Robinson 3rd. Time, 11 seconds.

Tilting at the ring was another interesting item. The procedure in this was very like the heads and posts business. Harris headed the list with Hickey as second.

In the quarter of a mile race Lawrenson was again an easy winner, Boutillier and Stinson registering second and third.

Tent pegging followed in the list and excited a great deal of interest. McCarthy proved himself best man in this difficult feat, but neither Harris nor Rose were much behind him in dexterity.

The three-legged race followed, and caused a lot of amusement. Seven "brace of battery men" competed, and once started slipped and shuffled over the ground with contortions, twists and jumps that would have delighted the heart of a Japanese jumper. Pycok and Fawcett managed to fall over the line first, and were immediately rolling over mother earth with the seconds, Robinson and Stinson, on top of them.

Half mile handicap (mounted)—Truly each of the eleven steeds entered for this race well knew their riders, for they were all battery horses. Oh, "ye lovers of all equine sports," why were ye from this, the greatest race that the exhibition grounds have seen this year. When all were handicapped away the horses went, the ground groaning beneath the thunder of the heavy cavalry horses' hoofs. Half way round a big sheet would have covered the whole lot, and when the race was finished there was hardly more than two lengths between first and last. Well known old Bismarck, ridden by McCarthy, took first, while to Argyle, with Rose up, second honours were given.

The last event was an interesting one, being the mile race. Three started for this, viz., Lawrenson, McCarthy and Stinson, but from the first it was easily seen that Lawrenson had it all his own way. This young fellow is a fine runner, and with more training could easily hold his own in long distances at big meetings. McCarthy and Stinson made a good second and third.

The sports were continued on Friday afternoon, and as on the previous day were witnessed with great satisfaction. The track was heavy, therefore the jumping was not as good as on former occasions. Robinson took the running long jump with 15 feet, with Boutillier second, half an inch behind. The hop, step and jump was also secured by Robinson, who covered 35 feet 9 inches. Fawcett, who jumped in his bare feet, took second place, and was well up.

The dismounting of a nine-pound gun was contested between the field and garrison sections, with Sergt. Gimlet in charge of the former and Sergt. Boutillier of the latter. The garrison men took the first trial and went along rapidly, making such good time that it was thought they were sure of winning, but just as they were about to advance with the gun it was discovered that a lynch pin was not in its place. The sergeant took some seconds in placing it, thus the time made was very slow; 2:20. The field men finished their task in 1:47. Strange to say they had a lynch pin incident also, but they didn't wait. The carriage was drawn along and the pin slipped in by the way. The victors cheered lustily and then an argument ensued, the garrison men calling on their opponents to "come out on the grass for another try." The Colonel stopped the wrangle, which showed how enthusiastic the men were in their work. During the contest a gun came down on Reynold's thumb and ripped off the top of it.

Lawrence beat Hickey in rolling the wheel, and then came the wrestling on horseback. Rider and McCartney tugged away at each other until they became tired. They appeared to be well matched in strength and as if they would rip the garments off each other. It is rough work, and bleeding wounds are something numerous. After a rest they went at it again, and suddenly McCartney seized his opponent's leg and unhorsed him. Rose soon dragged Chapman to the ground, and then he and McCartney tried for first prize. Rose is a boy 18 years of age, but an excellent rider, while McCartney is a big able man, therefore it was thought the former would be "pie" for him. The tussle was a desperate one, and the friends of each shouted encouraging words. Both men appeared to be pretty well exhausted when they closed for the final bout. Rose seized McCartney by the shirt collar, and chopping him under the chin pressed him so hard for nearly two minutes that he was compelled to let go the reins to save himself from falling in a heap on the sand. Rose was loudly cheered. On dismounting he said he had injured himself at the outset and felt like giving up the contest. He was the hero of the day. Rose was never in a similar contest before.

The Victoria Cross race was exciting. A stuffed man was thrown up the track, and some distance from him were several sharpshooters in ambush. When riders dashed up to carry off the "wounded man," the shooters opened fire, sometimes causing the horses to fall back on their haunches and retreat. Of course a great deal depended on the horse. If it would not stand fire the rider could do nothing with it. Harris went out and dismounting was soon in the saddle again with the dummy dangling at his side. McCartney did well also, using his horse as a cover while he raised the dummy, and getting back to the lines in 39 seconds. He was given first prize, with Harris second. Rider took third. Ross carried the dummy off with only one foot in a stirrup and clinging to the saddle, while poor Hickey, who was sick, was not equal to the task of raising the dummy from the ground. Defoe's and Huxley's horses could not be controlled. The popping of the guns and the sight of the dummy set them fairly mad, hence their riders had to succumb.

The field men, in the tug of war, dragged the garrison men over the mark as easily as they could have hauled a gun carriage down the fort hill, and then a flat race with six horses entered closed the day's doings. The "Hip-hip hurrah's" over, the men donned their uniforms and left for the barracks.

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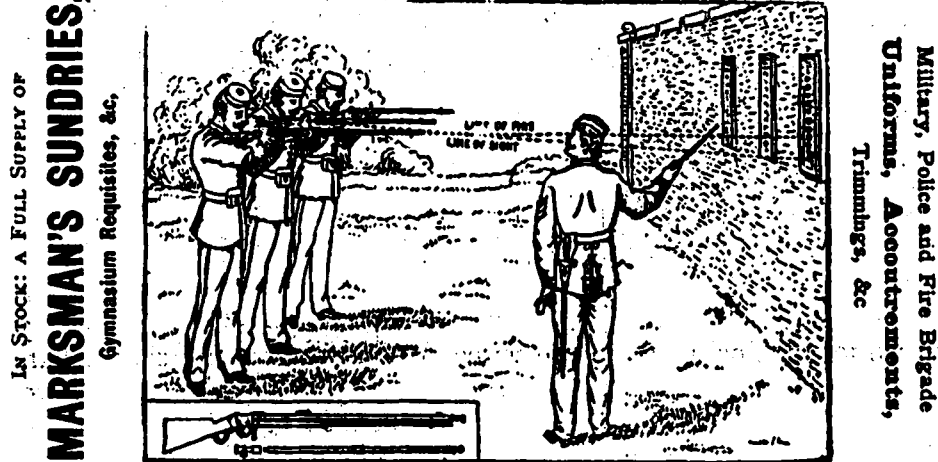
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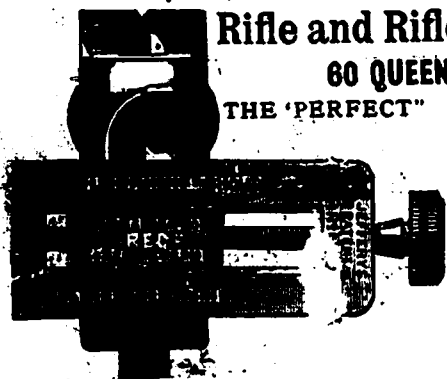
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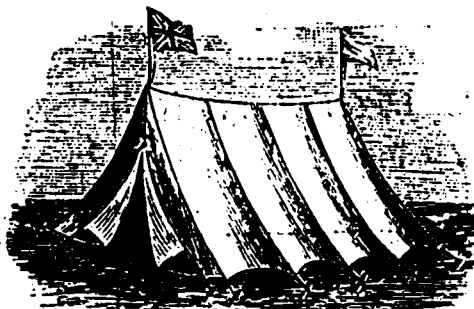
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