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THE BISLEY TEAM.

It is common talk that the command of next year's Bisley team has been as good as promised to a gentleman whose sole qualification is that he is a Member of Parliament on the right side of politics, and the several deserving aspirants are accordingly vexed. It is natural that they should be, and if their vexation take an aggressive form they may count upon the sympathy and co-operation of the great body of the members of the Dominion Rifle Association.

The gentleman in question holds a commission in the militia, but is not in any way identified with rifle shooting, and his corps is never heard of on any of the rifle ranges—a certain indication that the officers take no interest in this branch of military training; and, we should think, an insuperable barrier to the choice of one of them to fill a post coveted by every shooting officer in the Dominion. He is not entitled to nor should he receive any favour from the Dominion Rifle Association simply because he is a Member of Parliament.

The choice of the team officers is by courtesy left to the Chairman of Council, by vote of the members at the annual meeting, and the Chairman in turn usually confers with the Minister of Militia before making his decision. While it is natural that they should favour a Parliamentary colleague, they should be careful that the object of such favour is a person acceptable to those for whom they act. Otherwise the discontinuance of the present system will assuredly follow, with the unfortunate result that the choice of officers will become a matter of canvass and contention at the annual meeting.

Incidentally, we might here venture the opinion that the usefulness of a military member ceases, so far as the general interests of the force are concerned, when he yields to the temptation to use his position to secure personal favours, in all probability making them the price of his independence.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DUTY DONE.

A friendly critic, writing in the *Dominion Illustrated*, takes exception to the circumstance that, according to our report of the recent parade of the militia in connection with the Hull strike, Col. Anderson in dismissing the men "complimented them on their good behaviour" while on duty. Here is a quotation:

"Why shouldn't our militiamen behave well? And why should they be complimented on it when they do? There is something puerile—fine-ladyish—about it that ill accords with that manly attitude of mind that one expects from a man, and that would make such a compliment an insult if looked at from the highest stand-point of duty—the Nelson

stand-point for instance. I hope Col. Anderson and his men will take this remark as it is meant, and as no reflection on them. The habit of complimenting each other for doing our duty is becoming altogether too common in all positions of public life, and reminds one of the old proverb—'too sweet to be wholesome.'"

The critic is a lady, Mrs. S. A. Curzon, the talented Toronto correspondent of the paper named, and mother of the late Staff Sergeant Curzon, in his lifetime a model militiaman. It will be realized, then, that hers is a sympathetic and not an unfriendly interest in the subject. Perhaps we should gracefully yield the point, and confess a mis-quotation of Col. Anderson's remarks. If, instead of the compliment reported, the Colonel rather expressed his appreciation of the spirit in which orders had been obeyed, how would that sound?

While he is not given to soft speech, those who have served under Col. Anderson have found him ever disposed to overlook an unwitting fault and alert to observe faithful performance of duty. When at daybreak he paraded his force before marching off to Hull, he made a terse address pointing out the serious nature of the duty which might have to be performed, should the comparative host of two thousand strikers determine to resort to violence, and he especially cautioned the men against resenting or noticing in any way any slight that might be offered them. His instructions were carried out to the letter, no offence was given on either side, and having acted strictly according to their motto of "Defence, not defiance," the militia earned the respect of all concerned. For many of those in the ranks this was their first parade except for drill or pleasure, and it was surely fitting that these especially should be told that in the eyes of their superior officer they had properly conceived and performed their duty.

The valedictory of the gallant officer who raised the banner regiment of Western Ontario—the Twenty-first Essex Fusiliers—is published in another place in this issue. Lt. Col. Wilkinson will be a decided loss to the Regiment, and knowing his record we feel sure that the separation has caused him a severe pang. It was at the time of the North-West troubles of 1885 that he received permission to raise the 21st, and quickly surrounding himself with officers to whom his own enthusiasm seemed to have been imparted, Col. Wilkinson soon found himself at the head of a battalion second to none in the district. At every camp since then the Fusiliers have distinguished themselves for aptitude and proficiency at drill. When the Military Rifle League was established last year, he was invited to represent his district on the executive and he so interested himself that his corps

not only organized a team but took a leading place in each of the two seasons. Col. Wilkinson has had twenty-seven years' connection with the force, and saw active service on the Frontier during the Fenian raids of 1866-70. He was amongst those who volunteered for service in the Soudan campaign. His old comrades and command will wish him success in his new home in the great North-West.

In connection with the prominence so suddenly gained, as noted above, by the Twenty-first Fusiliers in the matter of rifle shooting, it is interesting to note their record in the recent D. R. A. matches. On account of the long distance to be travelled, only five of their men attended, but four of these took places in the first hundred, a really remarkable achievement, and one that shows that their high League scoring was not merely the fortunate result of an easy range and favouring weather, as many supposed when this unknown team came so prominently to the front.

A new book of Infantry drill is about to be issued, and from the preliminary announcement of its contents which we reprint in another place in this issue, it will be seen that the changes are numerous and interesting. Should the new drill be sanctioned for use in Canada, our city corps will have no lack of employment during the winter months, in mastering its details.

Toronto's riflemen receive substantial encouragement from the public, although their practice ground is likely to be taken away from them by the same many-sided body. Witness the prize list of the York Rangers' annual meeting, given elsewhere. Shooting once at 200, 400 and 500 yards, seven shots at each, the top scorer won a cup, a medal and \$57 in cash! If the accommodation were better perhaps the money might have been laid out to better advantage than in such lavish reward for so little shooting.

THE FORTHCOMING INFANTRY DRILL.

(Correspondence of Volunteer Service Gazette.)

On Sunday, September, 13th, an instalment of the new "Infantry Drill" was issued to the troops at Petersfield; and the new Regulations were put in practice at the Autumn Manœuvres on the following days. Earlier in the drill season, some of the battalions at Aldershot had got wind of, and adopted certain of the changes.

The portion that has been issued of the new book consists of:

1. Company Drill. (Part II.)
 2. General Principles and Rules for movements in presence of the enemy, and battle formation in attack. (Part V.)
- There are two changes of the greatest importance:—First, the thorough-going recognition of the group system; secondly, the omission of any normal formation for attack.

With regard to the first of these changes—the groups are called fire units. "The object of this organization is to assist the onward and cohesive movement of the company during the critical period of the attack, that is, from 500 yards up to the assault of the position. Experience shows that when men's nerves are severely tried, much greater results are obtainable from men of ordinary courage, who have gained confidence in each other through being accustomed to work together, than from even the bravest who have not been so trained.....The recruit, on the day

that he joins his company, will be told off to his fire unit, be quartered with it, and when dismissed drill, will perform with it all guards, fatigues, and other duties as far as can be arranged." The fire unit will be under the command of a N.C.O., and in each a "selected private soldier will be trained as leader, and will take command in the absence of N.C.O's."

"The most effective number for a fire unit is from eight to ten men." In no case is it to be larger than fourteen, and "if there are less than four men of a fire unit present they should be joined to a larger body."

This new organisation is fitted into the old organisation of a Company in sections as follows:—

If the section consists of not more than fourteen men it will form the fire unit; when, however, the section consists of more than fourteen men it is to be divided into two sub-sections, and these sub-sections are the fire units.

The Company will fall in on parade in column of fire units—*i.e.*, sections or sub-sections. The fire units will be numbered from right to left and told off in fours. This is to prevent any inter-mixture of neighbouring units when the company is in fours.

When the fire units are moved into line to form the Company, the same important object is secured by the rule that "an interval of two paces will always be preserved between the fire units in line, or when moving to a flank."

It is obvious that this organisation does away with all sizing of anything larger than a fire unit. On this point nothing is said, but a good deal is implied. In battalion drill "No equalising or mixing of Companies, except for ceremonial purposes is on any account to be permitted." (Poor Sergeant-Major!) If, however, a company consists of less than twenty men it is to be joined to another company, but retains its own organisation of fire units.

It may be remarked that in the Volunteer Force the organization of a Company in permanent fire units will, under ordinary circumstances, present difficulties, though in camp it will be easy enough. But, on the other hand, it offers a great opportunity for arranging streets, groups of houses, outlying villages, trades, or professions, each in its own unit and under its own N.C.O. A certain *esprit de corps* will grow up in units so composed, which will turn them into valuable recruiting agencies during peace, and, in case of war, into invaluable fighting units.

In Company drill the following minor changes may be noticed:—

Of Infantry Drill 1889—Part II., S. 4 (a Company in line taking open order), S. 20 (marching past) are omitted; also S. 19 (forming square), to meet a Cavalry attack "the fire units will feel to the centre, the Company will fix bayonets, and the flanks will dress back. The flanks can be further dressed back to form a circle if necessary."

S. 18 (Diminishing and increasing front) is also omitted, but if a front greater than fours can be used column of fire units is formed. Markers will never give points unless especially ordered.

The Captain will now take his post in front instead of behind his Company, "but his duties require that he be allowed great independence as regards his position. When the Company is extended in a firing line he will be in the best position for command."

"Officers will draw swords only when men fix bayonets, when compliments have to be paid, and on occasions of ceremony."

In words of command we find *form* omitted before *fours* and *quack* omitted before *march*.

Though "squad drill" is not out, it appears probable that the order *right about* has been shortened to *about*.

Among the battalions which seem to be correctly anticipating the changes "manœuvre interval" is constantly used; the dressing is taken up as by the French by raising

the elbow nearest the directing flank; men are constantly warned to take plenty of room—that is to say, touch is abandoned except for the march past.

With regard to the second change, Infantry Drill, 1889, Part VIII, S. 22, is not to be found, and it may safely be assumed that the omission is intentional.

We find the following remarks on the attack: "The normal front on which a company should attack may be considered as equal to half the number of men in it—*i.e.*, Company of 100 men about 50 paces, but this is only given as a general rule. The attack may be made, according to circumstances, on a front of greater or less extent, subject in the latter case to the invariable rule, that no more men shall be placed in the firing line than is consistent with the free use of their weapon—*i.e.*, about 30 inches per man. That portion of the enemy's position which it is intended to attack should be clearly pointed out, and the manner in which it is proposed to carry out the assault should be clearly explained by the Captain to all the officers, N.C.O.'s, and privates trained as leaders of fire units.

"1st Zone, 3,000—1,500 yards.—In this zone in open country the Company would probably find it most convenient to move with a fourth of its strength in an extended line, occupying the full front of the Company in line, with the remainder in support 200 to 300 yards in rear.

"2nd Zone, about 1,500 to about 800 yds.—During the advance over this zone, as opportunities offer for fire, and the firing line begins to suffer from the fire of the enemy, it should be strengthened by the addition of one or more sections, so that on reaching medium ranges, about 800 yards from the enemy, it should stand with half its sections in the firing line and half in support. The supports should be in single rank.

"3rd Zone, about 800 yards to position.—In this zone the advance must be carried out without hesitation, either by a general advance of the firing line, or by separate advances of sections, as may be best with reference to the intensity of the enemy's fire. The supports will be pushed closer to the firing line, quite close if the ground permits, and as casualties occur in the latter they must be replaced by an immediate advance of sections or sub-sections (*i.e.*, fire units,) from the support."

The names and the lengths of ranges are altered.

Compare —

Zone.	Description of Fire.	Limits.	Terms applied to range.
1	Useful Artillery.....	About 3,000 to 1,500 yards.....	Distant
2	Long Range Rifle.....	1,500 to 800.....	Long
3	(Collective.....)	800 to 500.....	Medium
	(Collective & Individual..)	500 to position.....	Decisive

with Infantry Drill, 1889, Part VIII., S. II., p. 326.

Of course, it is possible that changes may be made even in this part of the new book before it is finally issued.

REGIMENTAL.

A piece of good fortune has just come to a popular member of the Queen's Own Sergeants' Mess, Staff Sergeant D. W. Cameron, who is to be made Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Commons when Parliament next meets. The present Deputy is Lt.-Colonel H. R. Smith, of the 14th P.W.O.R., who is to be promoted. Mr. Cameron has for several years been clerk to the Conservative whips, and his popularity in that capacity has earned for him the higher office.

LT.-COL. WILKINSON'S FAREWELL.

Editor MILITIA GAZETTE:—

DEAR SIR,—Now on retiring from the command of the 21st Essex Fusiliers, I desire through the MILITIA GAZETTE to personally extend Major Guillot, the officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the regiment my grateful and heartfelt thanks for their zeal and faithfulness to the corps, and for so heartily sustaining me in the command of the regiment during my years of service. And we now have the proud satisfaction of knowing, and having it acknowledged by all military critics, that the 21st Fusiliers is the banner regiment of Military District No. 1, and a credit to the active force of the Dominion of Canada.

And I would now earnestly request the officers and men to rally round Major Guillot (every inch a soldier and gentleman) with the same fire and zeal they showed with me, and thus guard the laurels so well won, and move on to greater excellence. Maintain that *unity and esprit de corps* so essential to any military organization, and let the "valiant men in scarlet" stand by the brave "Old Flag"—the Union Jack—that so proudly floats over the grandest and best nation on earth.

My principal reason for retiring is that I expect soon to remove to the North-West Territory, or the Pacific coast. But wherever my lot may be cast, my warmest wishes will ever follow the gallant 21st Fusiliers; and I shall never forget my comrades-in-arms, nor the pleasant times we spent together in the "Tented Field" and elsewhere.

And now in closing I would express a wish, that an ever-green spot be kept in the memory of all for their old Commander. Farewell.

J. R. WILKINSON, Lt.-Col.

THE RIFLE.

The signal success of the representatives of the 21st Essex Fusiliers at the recent D.R.A. matches, has greatly heightened the interest taken in shooting by the members of that corps. Hitherto the little Martini practice done has been with Government rifles, but a supply of weapons of the best private make has just been ordered, so that if next year, as this four members of the 21st get into the Bisley hundred they may not be handicapped in competing for places on the team.

Lieut. W. R. Pringle, of the 10th Royal Grenadiers, is making a business trip to the Maritime Provinces. He competed in and won a sweepstake match held by the Halifax riflemen at Bedford range on Saturday, 10th inst.

THE OTTAWA RIFLE CLUB.

The twenty-first weekly spoon competition of the Ottawa Rifle Club was held at Rideau Range on Saturday last, the 10th inst., with Martinis, at 200, 500 and 600 yards. The chief scores were as follows:—

H. McKay.....	29 33 27 80	T. Carroll.....	24 25 30 79
R. Moodie.....	30 31 27 88	Capt. Jamieson...	28 25 26 79
C. S. Scott.....	26 31 30 87	D. McMartin....	28 29 22 79
Capt. O'Grady....	30 25 31 86	Major Wright....	30 25 23 78
Capt. Rogers.....	23 32 30 85	Lt. Sutherland...	28 29 21 78
L. G. Perkins....	32 25 27 84	J. A. Armstrong..	24 28 24 76
G. A. Mailleuc...	23 30 30 83	G. L. Blatch.....	30 26 20 76
R. J. Taylor.....	26 27 29 82	J. H. Ellis.....	28 31 17 76
T. McJanet.....	23 29 28 80	R. Stewart.....	26 29 16 71

In a sweepstake match fired at 500 yards, 7 shots, after the spoon shoot was over, there were no less than three "possibles," these being by Messrs. Jamieson, Armstrong and O'Grady. The first named added three bulls, making 10 in all, and thus won the tie.

At the close of the firing in the regular match Lieut. E. D. Sutherland, Honorary Secretary of the Club, was treated to a pleasant surprise in the presentation to him of a handsome Webley Martini rifle as a token of

appreciation of his services. The club membership has very largely increased of late years, and the secretary's duties have correspondingly become more and more a tax upon his time and patience. It is no exaggeration to say that Lieut. Sutherland is, and deservedly so, the most popular member of the Club, and there was a large attendance to witness the presentation, and give the supplementary "three cheers and a tiger."

THE YORK RANGERS.

On Thursday, the 1st inst., the 12th Battalion, York Rangers, held their annual matches, on Garrison Common, Toronto. Arrangements had been made with the railways for reduced fares for members residing outside Toronto, and for a further attraction a free lunch was provided. The prize list was very substantial, with range prizes as well as those for the aggregate over three ranges, so that the same score could draw more than one prize. The main match was at 200, 400 and 500 yards, with 33 prizes, and the chief winners were:

\$20 Sgt. George Thompson.. 96	\$8 Lieut. Brown..... 91
15 Stf.-Sgt. Ronan..... 96	8 Stf.-Sgt. Simpson..... 86
14 Stf.-Sgt. A. Bell..... 93	7 Corp. Hamon..... 84
12 Lieut. Elliott..... 93	7 Stf.-Sgt. Graham..... 84
9 Sgt. Forman..... 92	7 Lieut. Curran..... 83
8 Corp. McVittie..... 92	6 Lieut. Wayling..... 80

The above score won also for Lieut. Wayling the prize offered for the highest score by a member not resident in Toronto. Lieut. Elliott, with 58 at 200 and 500 yards, won the cup and \$5 offered in a special match for commissioned officers only.

The McSpadden Rifle Association, in connection with F Company, held their matches concurrently with those of the regiment. Lieut. Elliott came first, in the three range series, and won a medal and \$25; Corp. J. McVittie, next, won a medal and \$21; Lieut. Brown, \$17; Corp. Hamon, \$13, and Staff-Sergt. Graham, \$10. Their scores are given above. There were thirteen other cash prizes. In the 200 and 500 yards series, Lieut. Elliott won \$15; Corp. McVittie, \$10; Lieut. Brown, \$5 and Sergt. Graham, \$3, from the company prize fund. Corp. McVittie won the officer's challenge medal, for the best score by a N. C. O. or man over the three ranges, and this being his third win it becomes his final property. Corp. McVittie is a worthy son of the celebrated marksman Robert McVittie.

TORONTO RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The annual matches of this Association were held on the 1st inst., in fine weather, and with a large attendance and consequent high scoring. There were two regular matches, and four extra series and aggregate:

Merchants' Match, 200 and 400 yards, seven shots; position, 200 yards, any; 400 yards, prone.

Medal and \$25, T. Mitchell.. 66	\$5 W. S. Duncan..... 63
\$7 W. Harp..... 66	5 A. D. Cartwright..... 62
6 A. Bell..... 65	4 A. Curran..... 61
5 R. McVittie..... 64	3 T. P. Hamon..... 61
5 G. Thompson..... 64	3 J. McVittie..... 61
5 W. G. Fowler..... 63	2 R. Rennie..... 60
5 F. W. Brown..... 63	2 C. L. Benedict..... 60
5 A. Elliott..... 63	

All Comers' Match, 200 yards, kneeling; 500 and 600 yards, prone; seven shots:

Medal and \$8, T. Mitchell.. 94	\$2 A. D. Cartwright..... 83
\$10 W. G. Fowler..... 91	2 J. McVittie..... 83
7 A. Bell..... 89	2 G. Thompson..... 81
6 J. Simpson..... 89	2 W. Mitchell..... 81
5 C. Crowe..... 88	2 R. Rennie..... 80
5 A. Curran..... 88	2 T. P. Hamon..... 78
4 J. Ogg..... 87	2 A. G. Ronan..... 77
4 R. McVittie..... 87	2 M. S. Mercer..... 77
3 A. D. Crooks..... 84	2 A. Elliott..... 76
3 W. S. Duncan..... 84	2 J. Dent..... 76

It will be noticed that "Tom" Mitchell was first in both matches. He thus won the D. R. A. silver medal, and the

medal (value \$25) given by A. Elliot, which latter must be won again to become permanent property. W. G. Fowler, second aggregate, won the O. R. A. medal.

An extra series match at 400 yards, five shots, two scores to count, resulted in four "possibles" of 50, these being by J. H. Simpson, T. Mitchell, J. Dent and A. D. Cartwright. One 24 was the best score in the extra series at 500 yards. Lieut. Benedict, of the 90th, was a prize winner in this match.

ASSINIBOIA RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

(Regina Leader, September 29th.)

A cloudy sky and a rainy day greeted home riflemen and visitors as they left their virtuous couches and sniffed the early morning air on Wednesday, the inaugural day of the third annual provincial prize meeting. Notwithstanding the inclemencies, however, the matches proceeded, the only change in the first day's programme being the postponement of the firing of the opening shot by Madame Royal. The visitors were not as numerous as the energetic committee expected. Ten men who were expected from Prince Albert did not arrive owing to the refusal of the C.P.R. to grant stop-overs on the tickets to the Winnipeg exhibit on. Several shots were present, however, from Moosomin and other towns in Assiniboia.

To atone for his unkindness on Wednesday the Clerk of the Weather gave us an exceedingly fine day for Thursday. In the afternoon of this day the ladies match was shot, there being no less than sixty entries. His Honour and Madame Royal came down from Government House at two o'clock. There were also a number of other ladies and gentlemen on the range, from the town and barracks. Soon after two o'clock Madame Royal fired two opening shots, scoring bulls each time, amid loud applause.

The range officers, Messrs. W. Laurie, H. A. Carruthers and R. J. Steel, performed their onerous duties creditably and the hon. secretary, Mr. J. W. Jowett, and his assistant, Mr. J. A. Mitchell, excelled themselves in their efforts to make the meeting successful. Four targets were used during the matches. The shooting generally was a decided advance on last year's.

The presentation of prizes by Lieutenant-Governor and Madame Royal took place on Friday evening in the spacious dining room of the Lansdowne Hotel. The room was tastefully decorated and presented quite a festive appearance, being crowded with the élite of Regina, among whom were a numerous group of ladies.

Mr. Forget opened the ceremony in the place of Major Reed, who he regretted was unable to be present, by speaking a few words appropriate to the occasion. The winner of the Ladies prize was then called for, and in the absence of Major Bell, Mr. Le Jeune received the prize which Major Bell had won for Madame Royal, but which Madame Royal gracefully presented to Major Bell for Mrs. Bell. Mr. J. W. Jowett was then called upon amid loud applause to receive Lieut.-Governor Royal's and Mayor Mowat's handsome prizes for having made the highest scores in their respective matches. The several money prizes were handed by Mr. Forget to different ladies who presented them to their respective winners. On the conclusion of the giving of the prizes Mr. A. E. Forget made a short speech complimenting the Rifle Association on the great success of the meeting and hoping that in a year or two the crack shots from all over the Territories would come to Regina and take part in the matches and thus inaugurate a meeting after the style of the Bisley meeting. He referred to his name not being amongst the winners and laughingly stated that Mrs. Forget had proposed his entering for a "Booby" match if they had one next year. In conclusion he called upon Lieut.-Governor Royal to speak a few

words. His Honour on rising said Mr. Forget had somewhat taken him by surprise by asking him to speak, but said it gave Madame Royal and himself great pleasure to be there to-night and also to see so many people present. He said he was not a crack shot himself, but Madame Royal had done their share of shooting by making a bull's eye. He heartily agreed with what Mr. Forget had said as to the Territories combining and inaugurating a meeting after the style of the Bisley meeting and he thought there could be no more fitting place than the capital, Regina. He said he was pleased to see gentlemen from Moosomin present and hoped that they would return in greater numbers next year. He thought the Association had a great future before it and hoped next year to see riflemen from Calgary and all parts of the N.W.T. competing for the prizes.

THE PRIZE WINNERS.

The Nursery match, seven shots at 200 yards:

Silver Cup & \$5.00, Const. J.	\$1.00, E. McCarthy.....	21
Mackie.....	" J. Hewgill.....	19
\$4.00, Const. F. Noice.....	" John Keilly.....	19
3 W. B. Cameron.....	" J. E. Mitchell.....	16
3 I. H. Jones.....	" C. J. Johnson.....	12
2 E. B. Read.....	" R. B. Fergusson.....	10
2 L. D. Keown.....		23

Extra Series, 200 yards, 3 shots.—R. J. Steel, 14; H. A. Carruthers, 14; J. Carson, 14.

Rapid Firing match, 1 minute.—Supt. Perry, 34; Major Bell, 33; H. A. Carruthers, 26.

Extra Series, 500 yards, 3 shots.—W. Williamson, 11; J. W. Jowett, 10; H. A. Carruthers, 10.

Ex-President Mowat's Match, seven shots at 200, 500 and 600 yards:

Water Pitcher, Cup and \$5.00	1.00, R. J. Steel.....	66
J. W. Jowett.....	" J. Hewgill.....	65
\$4.00, R. Sweet.....	" J. Keilly.....	65
3 Supt. Perry.....	" J. T. Stenshorn.....	64
3 Major Mowat.....	" Const. Donaldson.....	63
2 W. Williamson.....	F. Nash.....	62
2 Major Bell.....	Const. Lapointe.....	62
2 H. A. Carruthers.....		67

The Ladies' match, seven shots at 400 yards. Winners to take their choice of prizes in their order.

Madame Royal, by Major Bell	35	Mrs. J. F. Mowat, by Capt.	
Miss Elliott, by Major Mowat.	33	Harris.....	31
Mrs. R. B. Ferguson, by R.		Mrs. Herchmer, by Supt.	
Sweet.....	32	Perry.....	29
Mrs. McInnis, by Mr. Carson.	32	Mrs. Stenshorn, by J. T	
Mrs. Harris, by Capt. Harris.	32	Stenshorn.....	29
Mrs. Carruthers, by H. A.		Miss Sweet, by R. Sweet.....	29
Carruthers.....	32	Mrs. Keown, by L. D. Keown	29
Miss Jowett by J. W. Jowett..	31	Mrs. J. W. Smith, by John	
Mrs. Lineburg, by H. A. Car-		Carson.....	29
ruthers.....	31		

Extra series.—400 yards: R. Sweet, 15 points; W. Williamson, 15; J. W. Jowett, 15.

Extra series.—500 yards: J. Carson, 13; J. Reilly, 13; H. Carruthers, 13.

Lieutenant-Governor's match.—Seven shots at 400 yards:

Challenge cup and \$6, J. W.	\$1 W. Williamson.....	29
Jowett.....	1 Const. Noice.....	29
\$4 Major Bell.....	1 John Keilly.....	28
3 H. A. Carruthers.....	1 Supt. Perry.....	28
3 J. Hewgill.....	1 Const. Mackie.....	28
2 Capt. Harris.....	R. J. Steel.....	27
2 R. Sweet.....	Major Mowat.....	27
1 J. A. Mitchell.....		29

Bell match.—Seven shots at 500 and 600 yards:

\$10 Supt. Perry.....	52	\$2 Capt. Harris.....	46
6 Const. LaPointe.....	51	1 J. Carson.....	46
4 Major Bell.....	51	1 Const. Donaldson.....	46
3 J. Hewgill.....	48	1 Const. Noice.....	44
3 R. J. Steel.....	47	1 R. Sweet.....	43
2 H. A. Carruthers.....	47	1 Major D. Mowat.....	42

President Reed's match—Seven shots at 200, 500 and 600 yards:

(Timepiece) H. A. Carruthers.	85	\$1 W. Laurie.....	64
\$5 R. Sweet.....	74	1 R. J. Steel.....	64
4 F. Nash.....	72	1 J. W. Jowett.....	63
3 Major Mowat.....	71	1 T. H. Jones.....	63
3 Capt. Harris.....	68	1 Const. Donaldson.....	62
2 John Carson.....	67	J. Hewgill.....	59
2 J. T. Stenshorn.....	66	J. Reilly.....	57

Extra Series, 600 yards.—R. Sweet, 13; W. Laurie, 13; R. J. Steel, 12.

Affiliated Teams Match, 7 shots at 500, 400 and 200 yards. 1st prize Moosomin R. A. \$15.—J. Hewgill, 84; J. Carson, 84; Major Bell, 83; Capt. Harris, 76; Dr. Keown, 76. Total 400.

2nd Prize, Regina R. A., \$10.—R. Sweet, 89; Major Mowat, 83; J. W. Jowett, 78; R. J. Steel, 74; W. Williamson, 67. Total 391.

3rd Prize, N. W. M. Police, \$5.—Supt. Perry, 85; Const. Mackie, 80; Const. Lapointe, 76; Const. Donaldson, 75; Major Gagnon, 71. Total 389.

Individual Prize Team Match.—Silver medal, R. Sweet;

Snider Rifles for Sale.

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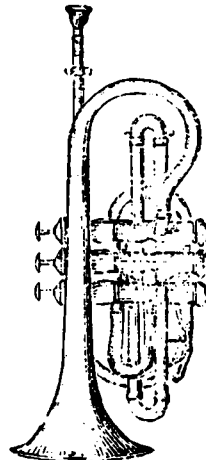
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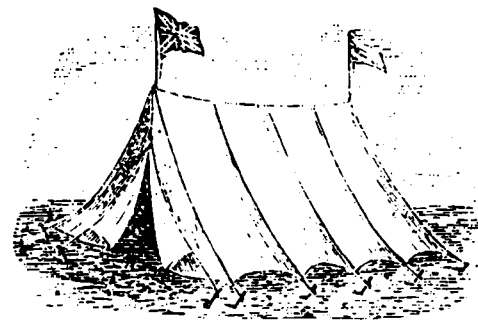
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