

### North Queensland Rifle Association

The first meeting of the North Queensland Rifle Association was commenced yesterday, at the Rifle Range, on Ross Island, and will be concluded to-day. The liberal prizes offered by the Association had the effect of securing a large number of entries for the different events, and the meeting bids fair to terminate most successfully. At about a quarter past nine, Colonel French, in opening the meeting, gave an introductory speech, declaring the range open. In course of his remarks he said that should there be any little shortcomings in the management, he trusted they would be overlooked by the competitor, as this was the first attempt of the Association at anything of the kind. Everything, however, as far as he knew, had been done to make the meeting go off as well as possible, and he trusted it would only be the first of a series of successful gatherings of the same nature. It will be seen that yesterday Charters Towers were most decidedly on top, and it will also be seen that Colonel French himself shot remarkably well. The most interesting feature of to-day's shooting will be the Teams' Match, for which there will be seven teams competing. The following are the details of the results so far; the prize winners only being given:—

#### LIST OF WINNERS ONLY. QUEEN'S PRIZE.

	Total
G. Riley, Charters Towers ... ..	89
J. Colledge, Ravenswood ... ..	85
Colonel French ... ..	85
A. M. Piegrome ... ..	85
W. Richards, Charters Towers ... ..	84
W. L. Grant, Mackay ... ..	83
Jas. Walker, Mackay ... ..	81
T. Millican, Charters Towers ... ..	80
A. Millican, Charters Towers ... ..	80
W. J. Byrne, Mackay ... ..	79
D. J. Brand, Townsville ... ..	78
H. Anderson, Townsville ... ..	78
H. S. Elliott, Ravenswood... ..	77
J. P. Balsillie, Townsville... ..	77
A. E. O. Bartlett, Charters Towers ... ..	77
E. Bussey, Ravenswood ... ..	75
W. Scott, Charters Towers ... ..	74
J. H. Sleigh, Townsville ... ..	72
E. Dennis, Mackay... ..	72
C. M. Chave, Townsville ... ..	72
J. Furse, Ravenswood ... ..	71
H. B. Walker, Charters Towers ... ..	71
B. J. Fisher, Charters Towers ... ..	71
O. Hartley, Charters Towers ... ..	70

#### PRESIDENTS' PRIZE—500 YDS.

A. Millican, Charters Towers ... ..	32
J. Y. Munroe, Townsville ... ..	31
H. Anderson, Townsville ... ..	30

#### DEFENCE FORCE MATCH—200 YDS.

R. Fisher, Charters Towers ... ..	33
W. Richards, Charters Towers ... ..	32
J. Colledge, Ravenswood ... ..	31
A. Millican, Charters Towers ... ..	30
S. Walker, Townsville ... ..	30
T. H. Collins, Charters Towers ... ..	30

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G. Filey, Charters Towers... ..	29
T. Millican, Charters Towers ... ..	29
C. Jones, Townsville ... ..	29
W. L. Grant, Mackay ... ..	29

Shooting commences to-day tomorrow at 9 o'clock a.m.—

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The North Queensland Rifle Association closed their inaugural (two days') meeting yesterday at about 5 p.m. As will be seen from the shooting, the majority of the matches were closely contested. The competitors, on the whole, have gone away satisfied with the meeting. Charters Towers men are to be complimented on their winnings, as they have taken away the two most important events—viz., the Queen's prize and the Scott, Dawson, and Stewart Trophy (for teams)—also the majority of the money prizes. They deserve very great credit for the manner in which they held their reputation, especially on a new range to them. Ravenswood's plucky little band is deserving of some praise for the way they fought for their prestige, J. Colledge, of their company, proving himself to be a very reliable and consistent shot. Mackay's representatives—men worthy their steel have done fairly well on the whole. The proof of their consistency is the fact of two of them—W. L. Grant and J. Walker—carrying off the first and second prizes in the champion aggregate. Lastly, as to our local marksmen, with a few exceptions, they shot poorly. A. M. Piegrome's shooting in the Ladies' Bracelet is the best record of the meeting at 500yds., viz., 34 out of a possible 35. At the termination of the shooting Colonel French called on the winning team of Scott, Dawson, and Stewart's trophy, to step to the front, and handed it to their captain (H. B. Walker) the cup, stating that it gave him great pleasure to be present to hand over this to the winners, and expressed his satisfaction at the manner in which everything had been gone through; it was very pleasing to him to see such a good turn out of competitors, especially as only a few years back rifle shooting in the North was at a very low ebb. The meeting, altogether, has been a great success, and has passed off in a highly satisfactory manner.

The following are the details of yesterday's shooting:—

MEMBERS' MATCH (12 prizes).	
D. J. Brand, Townsville	42
H. Ramsden, Townsville	41
Jas. Walker, Mackay	40
W. Scott, Charters Towers	39
A. Millican, Charters Towers	38
T. Millican, Charters Towers	38
W. L. Grant, Mackay	38
J. H. Sleigh, Townsville	37
F. Black, Mackay	37
W. Fisher, Charters Towers	36
Captain Dimmock, Mackay	36
A. Villiers, Charters Towers	36
CHAMPION MATCH (Aggregate of Members' and Queen's); (four prizes.)	
J. Walker, Mackay	121
W. L. Grant, Mackay	121
D. J. Brand, Townsville	120
W. Richards, Townsville	119

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LADY'S BRACELET (value 10 guineas).	
A. M. Piegrome, Townsville	34
H. Gogay, Mackay	32
A. Villiers, Charters Towers	30
ALL-COMERS' MATCH.	
E. Tucker, Charters Towers	34
Captain Dimmock, Mackay	33
H. Ramsden, Townsville	33
J. Sumner, Ravenswood	33
A. M. Piegrome, Townsville	32
W. Whiteway, Charters Towers	32
J. Colledge, Ravenswood	32
W. Richards, Charters Towers	32
R. M'erson, Townsville	32
NURSERY STAKES.	
A. Villiers, Charters Towers	32
F. S. N. Johnson, Townsville	32
R. R. Davies, Townsville	32
C. Bussey, Ravenswood	32
F. Black, Mackay	31
T. Hamilton, Townsville	31
G. Butze, Townsville	30
H. Morley, Mackay	30
J. Furze, Ravenswood	30
C. Jones, Ravenswood	30
TEAM MATCHES.	
1ST—CHARTERS TOWERS RIFLE CLUB.	
A. Millican	42
G. Riley	41
T. Millican	38
W. Richards	38
W. Scott	35
Total	194
2ND—RAVENSWOOD C COMPANY.	
J. Colledge	43
F. Bussey	41
H. S. Elliott	38
J. Furze	29
J. Sumner	29
Total	179
3RD—TOWNSVILLE RIFLE CLUB.	
J. C. Martin	42
J. P. Balsillie	41
D. J. Brand	37
H. Anderson	30
A. M. Piegrome	27
Total	177
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