

T. S. Muirhead: has come on considerably since last year and scored most consistently, though not so largely as we expected. He has some good strokes on the off-side and plays the ball hard, though apt to hang his bat out instead of cutting. A good field at cover, somewhat lacking in dash.

M. S. Brander: a steady bat, who can hit when he is set. Played a capital innings v. Dulwich, but has been unlucky since. A slow field and runner.

G. P. Alexander: a determined if ungainly batsman. Watches the ball well and hits cleanly all round the wicket. The best field in the team, keen, speedy and a safe catch, with a quick and accurate return. Has come on rapidly of late, and should do well next year. A useful change bowler.

D. H. Peel: a good medium-pace bowler, who has taken wickets very consistently. He keeps a good length, is very straight, and bowls a difficult ball when the wicket helps him. A moderate field and a disappointing bat, who should be useful next year if he plays straighter.

G. O. Mackwood: a steady batsman with a neat style, rather lacking in vigour. A useful field in the slips, but a bad runner between wickets.

C. B. Atkinson: a keen and hard-working field with a safe pair of hands and a good return. A much improved bat, who will get runs as he feels more confidence.

J. E. N. Webb: a useful fast bowler, with an abnormally long run. Tires rather quickly, but usually gets a wicket or two first. A plucky batsman, with some hitting power, who has often made runs when wanted. A fair field.

A. J. Weller: a steady batsman, but a moderate field. A bad judge of a run.

A. N. Barraud: a vigorous hitter, with a cramped style. A useful change bowler but a poor field.

H. D. Orr: a sticky batsman without much go. A useful leg-break bowler but a very slow field.

Corps Notes.

Although the VIII. obtained only 10th place in the competition for the Ashburton Shield at Bisley, yet their score of 458 is very creditable, considering the fact that there have only been about a dozen practice shoots at Cleat Hill—chiefly owing to the protracted wet weather, which at one time

of the season filled the Markers' trench with 9 feet of water. Nearly all the scores made by the VIII. at Bisley were very fair: 4 of them have won prizes in the Fry Competition, more than in any other School VIII.

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At the Rapid Firing Competition, which has been newly introduced this year, we were very unlucky: we scored 9 bull's eyes and 17 outers, which gave us the good total of 61. Repton, with 9 and 15 respectively, totalled 57; but when at the end the scores were collected by the Range Officer, it was found that our register-keeper had only credited us with 4 bull's eyes, though we had all clearly seen the 9 signalled. This mistake and the difference of points produced by it put us 3rd with 46 instead of 1st with 61. The C.O., who was present on the spot, at once raised objections, and was finally asked by the Officials of the N.R.A. to lodge a formal protest in writing, which he did. However no news has yet arrived as to the result of this action.

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It is a pity that so few boys make an attempt at shooting, especially now that the possession of Cleat Hill Range does away with the former heavy expense of up to £6 per boy for the season, exclusive of the Bisley expenses.

At the beginning of summer we had only 12 boys in all trying to shoot, whereas we have heard of other schools where 80 boys and more are tried every year. Of course these have a much greater chance of finding 8 almost equally excellent shots, like those of this year's *Tonbridge VIII.*, for instance. We can only hope that more of the older boys in the Corps will go in for shooting next summer, and begin practice in the Easter Holidays.

G. J. R. G.

SHOOTING SCORE AVERAGES, 1903.

Cherrington.....	60 $\frac{1}{2}$
Gore i	60
Glünicke	58 $\frac{3}{4}$
Needham	56 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cartland	53
Gordon	52 $\frac{3}{4}$
Gore ii	51 $\frac{1}{2}$
Douglas	50 $\frac{3}{4}$
Bacon	48 $\frac{1}{2}$

Cherrington is thus the winner of Dr. Robinson's Cup.