

TRAP SHOOTING

HERE AND THERE.

ITEMS ANENT SHOOTING GATHERED ON THE FLY.

Announcements From Club Secretaries—Coming Trap Shooting Tournaments—News Notes of General Interest.

The Dedham Sportsman's Club held its Christmas shoot at Dedham, Mass., in a cold, chilling breeze. Ten matches were shot at 470 birds. The winners of firsts were: Ten keystone, regular, Leverett, 8; 10 keystone, unknown, Greener, 8; 10 keystone, unknown, Leverett, 7; 10 keystone, unknown Cole, Greener, 6; 10 keystone, reversed, Greener, Cole, 6; 10 keystone, reversed, Greener, 7; 10 keystone, regular, Leverett, 9; five pair doubles, Cole, 6; 10 keystone, unknown traps, Cole, 9; 10 keystone, regular, Greener, Cole, 7.

The Toronto Off-hand Rifle Club held their annual Christmas shoot at their ranges, Greenwood avenue, Toronto, Can., on Dec. 25, and it was a decided success. Shooting commenced at 1 o'clock and continued until dark. Most of the contestants managed to capture a turkey or goose, and all returned home happy after having a good afternoon shoot. Following are some of the excellent scores made out of a possible 100 points: McNab, 93; Stewart, 96; Simpson, 98; Pearson, 95; Barles, 93; Latimer, 90; Thompson, 92; Asling, 90; Rae, 93.

Berks County sportsmen took part in a flying-board shooting match near Boyertown on Dec. 30. The prizes were a 500-pound porker and several cash prizes. C. Menninger and Jefferson Gichter won the porker, while the purses were awarded to Benjamin Nyce and Lyman Epler.

The annual shot of the McClure Gun Club, of Chester, Pa., was held Jan. 1, on the club grounds, at Marcus Hook, and was well attended and decidedly interesting. The prize was a gold badge held by L. Bartow, and was won by D. H. McClure. Live pigeons were used at 21 yards. Score: L. Bartow killed 6, H. Johnson 7, D. B. McClure 9, A. J. McClure 6, John Brown 3, Albert Edwards 8, William H. Hall 8, and John H. Kerlin 8.

A shoot took place Jan. 1 at Fruitville, four miles from Pottstown, Pa. The birds were shot under Hurlingham rules. First event, four birds—Trumbauer 2, Yeger 4, Emmers 3, Pennypacker 3, Rambo 4, Leidy 3, Zeigler 3, Rogers 1, Scheffy 4, Hawkins 3. Second event, four birds—Trumbauer 3, Yeger 1, Emmers 4, Pennypacker 1, Rambo 2, Leidy 3, Zeigler 3, Scheffy 4, Hawkins 3, Sloanaker 2.

In a rifle shooting match Jan. 1 at Cape May on a 200 yard target range, between the veterans of John Mezey Post and members of Independent Rifles the veterans carried off the honors by scoring 110 points out of a possible 150. Captain Miller did the best individual shooting, his score being 17 points out of a possible 20.

Members of the Neversink Shooting Club, of Reading, Pa., shot at 25 targets each Jan. 1 on the Neversink flats, with the following result: Bohn hit 18, Merkle 16, Lindemuth 14, Quaintance 15, Herman 14 and Wise 15.

Arrangements are being made for a series of three live bird matches between teams of 10 men, representing the Lebanon Gun Club, of Lebanon, and the Shuler Shooting Club, of Pottstown, Pa. Each man will shoot at 10 birds, under Hurlingham rules, the first match to be shot at Pottstown, the second at Lebanon and the third to be decided by the club captains.

A 600-pound hog was the prize at a live bird shooting match at Hoy's Hotel, King of Prussia, Pa., Dec. 31. There were 56 entries. The match was miss and out. There were eight tied on seven birds for the prize. They sold the hog and divided the money. Those who tied were Todd, Wilson and Carlisle, of Philadelphia; Cohn and Farmer, Roxborough; Johnson, of Norristown; Hoy, of King of Prussia, and Dr. Budd, of Paoli.

The season for deer, moose and caribou in Maine ended Dec. 31. The best previous records have been far surpassed. It is estimated that over 2000 deer have been shipped over the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad from Bangor, Me.

The Indianapolis Gun Club defeated the Buckeye Gun Club, at Dayton, O., on Jan. 2 by a score of 495 to 431. There were 12 men in each team. The expert shots in the Dayton team were not allowed to take part. Helkes, Bacon, Palmer and others were ruled out. The match was at 50 single Blue Rock targets for each man.

A shooting tournament which has attracted considerable attention among Hazleton, Pa., sports was held at Jeanesville Park, on Jan. 2. William Hamer shot

at 18 birds against Thomas Hamer. The former won, killing seven birds straight against six by the latter. John Perry and John Mulligan defeated Thomas Mulligan and Frank Fulk, killing seven pigeons to their opponents' five and capturing the purse of \$25.

The Sportsman's Gun Club, of Wilkesburg, Pa., gave a good all-day club shoot Jan. 1. There were 21 taking part. John Eyer broke 76 targets out of a possible 100, and won the silver medal. A. A. Jack 74, Oliver McElroy 64, H. T. Brown 62, Robert Anderson 68. A number of ties were left to be shot off.

CLEVELAND GUN CLUB.

May Wins Best Average With Ninety-three Percent.

The New Year's tournament of the Cleveland Gun Club was a success in every sense of the word, there being an average of about thirty entries in each event. The day was poor for shooting, it being cloudy, and raining part of the time, with a strong east wind, which lifted the targets high in the air, and many were not able to catch up with them. Considering the conditions the average of May, 93 per cent., was remarkable.

The winners of the average prizes were as follows: First, May, 93; second, J. E. T., 92; third, Upson, 91; fourth, Goss, 88; fifth, Grant, 86; sixth, J. I. C., 85; seventh, Elliott, North and Haycox, tied, 84; eighth, G. E. W., 82; ninth, Bodie and Baker, tied, 81; tenth, Ellis, 80. Consolation prize—Wall; score 71. Following are the complete scores made in the ten events:

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| J. I. C. | 10 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 10 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 8 |
| Ketcham | 9 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 7 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 6 |
| Bodie | 10 | 6 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 9 |
| Elliott | 8 | 7 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| Grant | 7 | 8 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 10 | 8 | 10 |
| Tamblyn | 4 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 5 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 8 |
| Goss | 10 | 10 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 10 | 7 | 10 | 10 |
| Ellis | 9 | 9 | 7 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 8 |
| Upson | 9 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 10 | 9 |
| Bush | 6 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 6 | 8 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 9 |
| May | 10 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 9 | 9 |
| Joe | 8 | 9 | 7 | 8 | 5 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 |
| North | 8 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 9 |
| Whitehead | 6 | 8 | 4 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| June | 8 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| McMahon | 5 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Dutton | 4 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Wallace | 7 | 9 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 7 |
| Drake | 7 | 10 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Bruggie | 8 | 8 | 8 | 6 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Ted | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 8 |
| Curtis | 9 | 10 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Northway | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| J. E. T. | 10 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 8 | 8 |
| Mack | 6 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| Battles | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Baker | 7 | 7 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 7 | 9 |
| G. E. W. | 7 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 7 | 9 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 8 |
| Murray | 10 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Brockway | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| Sommers | 4 | 6 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Stewart | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Haycox | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 6 | 10 |
| Murray | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| Head | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Hamm | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Bartol | 8 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Black | 10 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| Judge | 7 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Donnelly | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Carlina | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Chobson | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Robinson | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Caline | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Mercier | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 |

LIVE BIRDS IN CANADA.

Reardon, of Hamilton, Wins First Prize on 14 Kills.

Brampton, Can., Dec. 29.—The first day's shooting in the first tournament held in this town was a success. The light was good and all the participants agree that the birds were lively. The principal event for \$70, divided into seven prizes, was competed for by 23 men in three squads. The first two squads finished, with the result below. The shooting was at 15 live birds. Hamilton rules. Mr. Reardon, of Hamilton, the winner of first place, missed shooting his string out on an easy bird. Score:

| | | | | |
|--------------|-------|-------|-------|----|
| J. Reardon | 12211 | 11112 | 10112 | 14 |
| Dan Blea | 11211 | 20121 | 01112 | 13 |
| P. Wakefield | 01211 | 21202 | 12221 | 13 |
| John Stroud | 12120 | 21212 | 22002 | 12 |
| G. Gooch | 12202 | 10112 | 01111 | 12 |
| A. Dixon | 10101 | 21111 | 20221 | 12 |
| J. N. Lewis | 12110 | 20212 | 01011 | 11 |
| H. Backus | 11112 | 10011 | 20301 | 11 |
| James Dick | 11011 | 01001 | 21121 | 11 |
| Dr. Wilson | 20202 | 11012 | 12100 | 10 |
| J. Bell | 12120 | 01021 | 01200 | 9 |
| J. Dent | 10111 | 12010 | 01010 | 9 |
| D. C. Smith | 01101 | 10910 | 20121 | 9 |
| John Moore | 10210 | 01010 | 01120 | 8 |

The second event was a sweepstake at 12 Blue Rocks:

| | | | | |
|----------------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| J. N. Lewis | 11101 | 11010 | 11011 | 9 |
| James Dick | 11010 | 10011 | 10011 | 8 |
| J. C. Bell | 10111 | 10010 | 10010 | 8 |
| W. J. Campbell | 11000 | 11111 | 11111 | 8 |
| P. Wakefield | 11010 | 10011 | 10011 | 7 |

MILLER WAS IN FORM

On Live Birds at Stockton on New Year's Day.

The Stockton Gun Club held a shoot at live birds on New Year's Day on their grounds at Stockton, N. J. Three events were shot under U. S. A. rules, 30 yards rise. The birds were a very good lot and flew well. P. L. Murphy, the well-known shot, was not in form, and missed several birds. F. Miller was in form and killed every bird shot at, dividing the purse in each event. Following are the scores:

| | No. 1. | No. 2. | No. 3. |
|-------------|---------|--------|--------|
| P. Murphy | 11212-5 | 120-2 | |
| G. Sterling | 200 w-1 | 0-0 | |
| Hothersall | 12202-4 | 0-0 | 2212-4 |
| Miller | 22112-5 | 121-3 | 2122-4 |
| Vincent | 11220-4 | 121-3 | 2112-4 |
| McQuaide | 21222-5 | 112-3 | 0-0 |
| Summers | 11212-5 | | |
| Vorhees | 02221-4 | 10-1 | 1121-4 |
| Cummings | | 210-2 | |

The ties on five in event 1 were shot out, Miller, McQuaide and Summers dividing.

SAN ANTONIO

1896.

| Rank | Name | Score | Used "E. C." Powder |
|-------------|----------|-------|---------------------|
| 1st Average | Helkes | 93.3 | Yes |
| 2d | Dickey | 92.9 | Yes |
| 3d | Connor | 92.7 | Yes |
| 4th | Powers | 92.4 | Yes |
| 5th | Parmalee | 92.3 | Yes |

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PROGRAMME

First day, Jan. 25.—Eight events at 20 Blue Rocks each, with an entrance of \$2.50 and \$50 added to each event.
 Second day, Jan. 26.—Five events at 20 Blue Rocks, entrance \$2.50, and \$50 added to each event; one event at 100 Blue Rocks, thrown at reversed angles, for the Shmelzer trophy, entrance \$2.50, with \$50 added.
 Third day, Jan. 27.—Eight events at 20 Blue Rocks, entrance \$2.50, and \$50 added to each event.
 Fourth day, Jan. 28.—Six events at 20 Blue Rocks, entrance \$2.50, with \$50 added to each event; one event for the E. C. Cup at 50 Blue Rocks, entrance \$2.50. First prize, E. C. Cup; second prize, \$50 in cash; third prize, \$25 in cash.
 Fifth day, Jan. 29.—Ten events at 20 Blue Rocks, entrance \$2.50, with \$50 added to each event.
 All purses will be divided 30, 25, 20, 15 and 10 per cent. Shooting commences at 8.30 A. M. Grounds ready for practice on morning of 23d. Menger Hotel will be headquarters. Shooters wishing to send shells, guns, etc., in advance, can address same to Fred W. Stone, who will care for and deliver same at shooting grounds free of charge. Special rates on all railroads. This shoot is open to the world; no handicaps. The "Big 3" say that they will give "a dead square shoot."

Ward Defeated Peters.

A close contest at Blue Rocks was shot on the grounds of the Red Dragon Canoe Club, at Wissinoming, Pa., on January 2. The traps were placed at the fastest sweep, and the trappers were instructed to make the shooting as hard as possible by giving sharp angles. Peters and Ward were the contestants, and each shot at 50 Blue Rocks, unknown angles. The day was bright and clear, and but little wind blowing. Following are the scores:

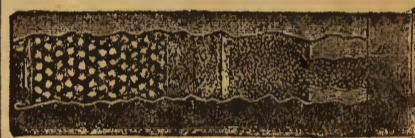
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| Ward | 10100 | 03111 | 11001 | 11111 | 18 |
| | 11111 | 01101 | 11111 | 10100 | 10010-17-35 |
| Peters | 11010 | 10000 | 11111 | 11011 | 10110-16 |
| | 01101 | 10101 | 11101 | 10111 | 10111-18-34 |

Trap Shooting at Lynn.

The Atlantic Trap Shooting Association of Lynn, Mass., held its annual sweepstake tournament on Dec. 25, scores being made as follows: Ten targets, regular angles, Martin 9; 10 targets, regular angles, Mason and Martin 9; 10 targets, unknown angles, Baxter 8; 10 targets, reversed angles, Baxter 8; 10 targets, unknown angles, Mason 10; 10 targets, regular angles, Mason 10; 10 targets, unknown angles, Weatherbee 9; 10 targets, unknown angles, Weatherbee 9; 10 targets, regular, Martin and Baxter 9; 10 targets, unknown, Martin, Weatherbee, Darke and Savage 8; 10 targets, unknown, Darke 9; 10 targets, reg-

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Forthcoming Events.

Jan. 9-10, Prescott, Ari.—Fourth annual tournament of the Arizona State Sportsmen's Association, under the auspices of the Prescott Gun Club. Roy Hill, secretary.
 Jan. 12, 13 and 14—Erie, Pa., live bird and target shoot under management of Seth Clover and A. P. Pope; added money and merchandise.
 Jan. 18, 19 and 20—Buffalo mid-winter shoot, Audubon Shooting Park, Buffalo, N. Y.
 Jan. 20-21, Indianapolis, Ind.—Tournament of the Limited Gun Club; sparrows. Royal Robinson, secretary.
 Jan. 26-30—San Antonio, Tex.—Second mid-winter tournament, under the management of O. Guessaz, A. Steves and J. M. George. \$2000 added.
 Feb. 27-March 11—Hot Springs, Ark.—The Arkansas "Traveler's" first grand annual live bird tournament; \$10,000 in purses and added moneys. Souvenir programmes ready Jan. 1. Address all communications to John J. Sumpster, Jr., Box 111, Hot Springs, Ark.
 March 13-17, Baychester, N. Y.—Second annual tournament of the Cobweb Gun Club; live birds and targets. Cobweb handicap at live birds, \$500 guaranteed.
 March 23-25, New York City.—The Interstate Association's fifth annual Grand American Handicap at live birds.
 April 14-16, Atchison, Kan.—Airy Lou Hart's third manufacturers' amateur and fourteenth open-to-all tournament.
 April 15-17—San Antonio, Tex.—Tournament of the San Antonio Gun Club. Open to amateurs only. Willard T. Simpson, Chairman Ex. Com.
 April 20-23, Lincoln, Neb.—Twenty-first annual tournament of the Nebraska State Sportsmen's Association. Added money later.
 April 21, 22 and 23, 1897.—Texas State Sportsmen's Association, twenty-first annual tournament at San Antonio, Texas; added money and prizes. Ole Guessaz, secretary.
 May 17-22.—Missouri State Shoot at Kansas City Mo.
 June (third week).—Cleveland, O.—Fourth annual tournament of the Chamberlin Cartridge and Target Company.
 June 16-17.—Fargo, N. D.—Third annual tournament of the North Dakota Sportsmen's Association. Targets. W. W. Smith, secretary.
 June 22-25, Oil City, Pa.—Seventh annual tournament of the Pennsylvania State Sportsmen's Association, under the auspices of the Oil City Gun Club. Targets and live birds. Black powder barred. Special event: 25 live birds per man, \$25, \$1000 guaranteed. Send entries to H. C. Reeser, secretary, Oil City, Pa.