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NEWS OF THE TRADE.

WHAT IS GOING ON AMONG THOSE WHO MAKE AND SELL.

Springfield Rifles For the National Guard—Handsome Calendars Issued by Ammunition Companies—Montgomery Ward & Co.'s Catalogue.

The House Committee on Military Affairs has ordered a favorable report on the Senate bill authorizing the Secretary of War to issue Springfield rifles to each State and Territory for its National Guards.

The Union Metallic Cartridge Company, of Bridgeport, Conn., have issued a very handsome calendar for 1897. The scene depicted represents a cowboy's ride for life pursued by Indians and one of them is drawing a bead on him as he dashes away. The look on the cowboy's face leaves one in doubt as to whether the bullet hit him or not, but the expression is one that shows the danger he feels. The calendar is a very handsome one and will be in great demand.

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The Winchester Repeating Arms Co., of New Haven, Conn., has issued a very handsome calendar, the hunting scene being the work of the well-known artist, A. B. Frost. The picture at the top of the calendar shows a hunter dismounted from his horse and taking aim at a deer, as the heads of two are shown looking over a distant knoll. The lower picture shows a lynx surprised by the sportsman, who has apparently come upon the lynx unexpectedly, as it is about to make a meal from a rabbit which it has just captured. The work is an excellent one.

SHOT FOR A HOG.

Swartz and Betson Tied For the Prize and Divided.

Old-time pigeon shooters had an inning at Bridesburg, Pa., on New Year's Day and Saturday, and now Fred Swartz and Elmer Betson have each about 300 pounds of pork to show for their work at the trap. The shoot was for a 600-pound hog and any number of side bets, for rivalry ran high and the Bridesburg folks backed their opinions freely.

It was the biggest Rhode Island rule shoot that has been brought off in many a day, and the fact that these rules were to govern brought out an army of shooters, all more or less expert, over 50 of whom entered the lists as contestants, while several hundred scattered around the boundaries and prepared to gather in any stray birds that happened to come their way. Even at 21 yards rise the first bird proved too much for about half the shooters, and a dozen others lost the second or third birds. A miss and put them out, so that at the end of the first three rounds only 19 of the contestants were left with a chance. The shooters moved back to 26 yards and the added distance quickly

proved too much for some of the men. Three went out on the first bird, as many more on the next, while only five got past the 10-bird mark. At 12 three of these succumbed to fast drivers, and after killing another bird apiece Betson and Swartz agreed to divide the hog. This was done literally, each getting a half of the overgrown porker. The scores of those who succeeded in grassing three or more birds follows:

F. Swartz	.....1111	1111	111-13
E. Betson	.....1111	1111	111-13
K. Teaney	.....1111	1111	110-12
L. Logan	.....1111	1111	110-12
C. Kriker	.....1111	1111	110-12
F. Genshelter	.....1111	1111	0-10
A. Hartman	.....1111	1110	-9
G. Buck	.....1111	1110	-8
H. Long	.....1111	110	-7
A. Geckler	.....1111	110	-7
F. Plucker	.....1111	110	-7
F. Schwarz	.....1111	10	-6
F. Weingard	.....1111	10	-6
J. Crista	.....1110		-4
J. Klein	.....1110		-4
S. Beusch	.....1110		-4
H. Lininen	.....1110		-3
S. Sileur	.....1110		-3
J. Logan	.....1110		-3

AT WATSON'S GROUNDS.

Some Good Shooting Done During the Last Week.

John Watson's shooting park at Burnside Crossing, Chicago, still continues to draw pigeon shooters who want practice at good birds. Messrs. Carver, Haywood, of Denver; L. C. Willard, Dr. Frothingham and Dr. Liddy made very good scores at recent practice shooting. On Dec. 29 the following scores were made at live birds:

Bacci	.....00120	02000	01201	.....	6
Montayne	.....10121	4	F. Welles	.....01122	4
McCabe	.....10021	3	Montayne	.....20201	3
Hamaker	.....2*21	3	McCabe	.....01012	3
Shores	.....10012	3	Hamaker	.....1022*	3

Haywood	.....11121	1222	1221	2110	1121	24
Geo. Sibley	.....01021	1221	1101	1111	1110	22
L. Willard	.....1211	1112	11020	1101	10021	20
Lord	.....01010	22210	.....	6		

At 50 targets, \$5 a side:
L. Goodrich, 01101 0111 1111 0110 1111-20
W. DeWolf, 1111 1101 1111 1111 1111-24
1101 1111 0111 1111 0101-21-45

On Jan. 1, 1897, a good number of shooters were on hand. Dr. Carver shot at 25 birds, and after losing the first one killed 24 straight. Dr. Liddy also killed 24 out of 25. Scores:

Comodore	.....20020	00121	10121	20210	.....	12
Hibbard	.....10222	21222	22022	10210	22022	17
DeWolf	.....12200	12100	02102	01010	21011	15
Frothing'm	.....22202	22202	02223	02022	21022	19
Carver	.....02222	21111	22221	21111	22211	24
Four Eyes	.....20111	02002	02021	02012	10001	15
Dr. Liddy	.....11022	22012	11222	22121	21211	24
Lord	.....20112	01001	10101	20011	00222	15
C. Plum	.....01000	21101	00000	00022	.....	7
Goodrich	.....10120	11011	.....	7		
Stannard	.....21222	01222	.....	9		
Blythe	.....00020	11011	.....	5		
L. Willard	.....12101	1112	22101	1111	22121	23
	.....02222	11112	11101	11222	12211	23

COCKBURN SHOT WELL.

Killed 94 Out of 100 Live Birds With One Barrel.

A match was shot at Toronto, Ont., on Dec. 23, '96, between C. Cockburn, of Toronto, and Charles Wilmott, of Port Hope, Ont. Each man shot at 100 live birds, 21 yards rise, one barrel, 80 yards boundary, 1/4 ounce shot, gun below elbow until bird was on the wing. Cockburn shot a fine race and killed 94 out of 100. Wilmott grassed but 62 and was entirely outclassed. The match was for \$200 a side. The birds were a good lot, and only one refused to fly. Following are the scores:

C. Cockburn, Toronto, Ont.	.....111*	1111	11*1	111*	1111	22
Charles Wilmott, Port Hope, Ont.	.....111*	1111	1011	1111	1011	22
	.....1111	1111	1111	1111	1111	25
	.....1111	1111	1111	1111	1111	25-94
1100	10101	10101	10011	10101	15	
10111	01011	00110	11011	00110	15	
01101	11011	01110	10101	01100	15	
11010	11101	10110	11011	01110	17-62	

IN BRADFORD COUNTY.

The Towanda Gun Club Hold Their Annual Shoot.

The Towanda Gun Club, of Towanda, Pa., is one of the oldest trap shooting clubs in the Northern part of the State, and for years has held together and maintained a gun club that was always on hand with a tournament two or three times a year. On last New Year's Day their grounds were in readiness and several hundred spectators were on hand to watch the sport. Frank Montayne, the crack shot of the club, and in fact the champion shot of the county, looked after the workings of the trap, and our old friend, Will Detrick, hustled squads, kept wood in the stove and gave the trappers the signal when to put in wooden targets for the visitors. Of course this was only done in case of a tight race. The traps are several feet lower than the shooting score, and the targets are thrown down hill, requiring an eagle eye and lightning calculations to score a half dozen breaks out of ten birds shot at. The live birds are shot on the same grounds, but from one trap, which is located in the centre of a 30-yard circle, but owing to the Susquehanna River running close to the grounds not over 25 yards is given on the outside. The birds were all fresh country pigeons, and some of them were regular "screamers," such as escape from Elliott or Fulford now and then. The visitors were not many, but the regular stand-bys were there. Fisher Welles and Nelson Welles came up from Wyalusing, Pa. J. S. Hamaker from Athens, Pa.; Montayne, Shiner, McCabe, Detrick and others represented the home club. Following are the scores. Events 1 and 2 were 5 live birds, \$5 entrance, two moneys.

No. 1.		No. 2.			
F. Welles	.....21122	5	N. Welles	.....01122	4
Montayne	.....10121	4	F. Welles	.....20021	3
McCabe	.....10021	3	Montayne	.....20201	3
Hamaker	.....2*21	3	McCabe	.....01012	3
Shores	.....10012	3	Hamaker	.....1022*	3

Events Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 were miss and out, \$2, and owing to the fine quality of the birds, but two rounds were ever shot in order to divide the purse.

Event	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Montayne	0	0	0	12	0	1	2
N. Welles	0	0	0	20			
F. Welles	0	1	20	21			
Hamaker	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
McCabe	1	0	21	0	0	0	0
Shiner	1	0	12	0			2
Shores					0		
Detrick					1	0	
Meban							1 0

ELECTED OFFICERS.

The Red Dragon Canoe Club Hold Their Annual Meeting.

The Red Dragon Canoe Club, of Philadelphia, held their annual election of officers at the Colonnade Hotel, on the evening of January 2, and the following were chosen to act for 1897: Commodore, W. J. Scott; vice commodore, John M. Hamilton; purser, Omar Shallerross; quartermaster, R. G. Fleischmann; correspondent, Will K. Park; fleet surgeon, Dr. W. C. McFetridge; measurer, H. E. Bachmann. Trustees (to serve three years), Charles Barton Keen, House Committee, H. M. Rogers, Lloyd Titus, C. H. Zimmerling, A. S. Fenimore.

The purser showed the club to be in good condition, and the members were in high spirits over the bright prospects of the club for the coming season. The Red Dragon Canoe Club have a large and suitable club house on the Delaware, near Tacony, and in addition to sailing and paddling canoes, a number of half-raters are included in the fleet. The club members enjoy boating, bathing, fishing, tennis, football and trap shooting at their grounds, and the club is one of the best organizations of the kind in the city of Philadelphia. The regattas given by this club are always well contested, and the social features attending them are of the most pleasant nature.

Some new half-raters will be built for next season's racing, and R. G. Fleischmann will construct one on the composite plan, from designs of H. E. McCormick, which, it is expected, will be the swiftest boat on the river.

TRAP AT GLEN WILLOW.

Weinman Defeats Whitehouse in a Live Bird Match.

The New Year's shoot of the Glen Willow Gun Club, of Manayunk, drew out a good crowd to their range, near Cinnaminson Station. The programme of events was not lengthy, but varied, including shooting at dead marks, glass balls and clay targets. Some of the events were close and exciting. The officials were: James Innes, judge, and C. Whitehouse, referee. The score:

Match shoot, ten live birds, \$10 a side.	
C. Weinman	.....1111011111-9
C. Whitehouse	.....1111110101-8
Turkey shoot; dead mark; 45 yards—Possible 5, bull's eye; H. Crowther 3, T. Roysds, H. Blundin and J. Finnigan 2 each; W. Butler, C. Weinman, C. Whitehouse, George Blundin 1 each, S. McFadden 0.	
Turkey shoot; dead mark; 45 yards—H. Jackson, 3, bull's eye; G. Righter, George Blundin, C. Weinman, H. Crowther 2 each, H. Blundin, C. Whitehouse, S. M. McFadden, W. Butler 1 each, F. Winkler, J. Finnigan and T. Roysds, 0.	
Sweepstakes; 7 targets; \$1 entrance—H. Blundin 7, G. Righter 7, C. Weinman 6, G. Blundin 5, C. Whitehouse 4, C. Shaffer 3.	
Sweepstakes; class shooting; 7 birds; \$1 entrance—Blundin 7, H. Crowther 6, G. Righter 6, C. Weinman 5, C. Whitehouse 5, T. Roysds 4, H. Jackson 4, F. Finnegan 3, W. Tunis 3.	
Sweepstakes; class shooting; 7 birds; \$1 entrance—S. McFadden 7, G. Righter 7, H. Blundin 6, H. Crowther 5, C. Weinman 5, C. Whitehouse 5, J. Kehl 4, G. Blundin 4.	
Sweepstakes; 10 birds; \$1 entrance—H. Crowther 10, J. Kehl 9, C. Whitehouse 8, S. McFadden 7, T. Roysds 6, J. Finnegan 5, W. Constantine 3.	

CHICHESTER'S CLEAN SCORE

In the Sweepstake Shoot of the Massapequa Club.

The inaugural sweepstakes shoot of the Massapequa Club, held at the Amityville (L. I.) race track grounds, January 1, was a spirited event. All the crack shots in the country were on hand, and about fifty spectators drove out in sleighs to see the shooting. H. H. D. Klinger, who managed the shoot, intends to organize a shooting club on a large scale. The names already enrolled are H. Edey, George Schard, C. C. Dowd, G. H. Feuchsel and C. de Quilfeld. Besides these, those who shot will probably become members.

The conditions were ten birds each, at twenty-five yards rise, and fifty yards boundary. Excellent retrieving was done by two dogs owned by C. de Quilfeld. The steadiest work at the traps was by Chichester, who killed all his birds, using both barrels only twice. Dowd killed seven straight, missed his eighth and then brought down his last two. George Feuchsel killed eight straight, then had a miss and a kill. He used both barrels four times. Velsor missed his third bird, but shot seven straight after that. The weather was clear and mild, and the ground muddy. The score follows:

Klinger	.....10120	00010	4
Dowd	.....11122	11011	9
G. Feuchsel	.....12121	12102	9
R. Feuchsel	.....11211	10010	7
Chichester	.....12221	11111	10
Wood	.....11220	11102	8
Velsor	.....11012	21211	9
Schard	.....01102	10011	6
Burtis	.....11110	10102	7

Chichester took first money, \$10, the balance being divided between the second and third men, who were tied.

At Pavonia Park.

A live bird shoot was held at Pavonia Park, Camden, N. J., on December 30, under the management of Captain M. Hall. The day was pleasant and the birds of a very good quality. G. Ackley defeated J. Connil, in a 10 live-bird match, by the score of 8 to 7. In a sweep Leaming and Ackley divided in a miss and out in 8 kills each. Following are the scores, 30 yards rise, A. S. A. rules.

Ackley	.....01201	12211	8
Connil	.....12120	10220	7
Three birds, \$2.00; then miss and out.			
Leaming	.....111-3	11111-5	
Ackley	.....111-3	11111-5	
Hall	.....101-2		
Connil	.....110-2		
Barnes	.....012-2		