

DEWSBURY RIFLE CORPS CONTEST.

(From our Correspondent.)

The first annual shooting match in connection with the Dewsbury Corps of Rifle Volunteers commenced on Tuesday, at the range, Hopton Mirfield, and the day being "fair," there was a goodly concourse of spectators, who seemed to take much interest in the contest. Both long and short Enfields were used, but the latter seemed to be generally preferred, the members having been most accustomed to them. There were seven events, but only four were completed; a fifth being contended for, which resulted in a tie. The first prize, open to all the members, was an electro-plated tea and coffee service, the gift of Capt. Wormald, and was shot for by 40 members at 150, 200, and 300 yards, with five rounds each. Ensign Gill offered a cap as a second prize. Sergeant J. Wilson made 19, the highest score, Private Ramsden being entitled to the second prize, having scored eighteen. The members next proceeded to compete for an electro-plated liquor-stand subscribed for by the gentlemen of Dewsbury, and for a field-glass, given by Lieutenant Rhodes. In these events the ranges were 200 and 300 yards, five shots at each range. Private Hargreaves succeeded in winning the liquor-stand with a score of 11; and Private Tate Hirst the field glass, with a score of 9. A prize, consisting of a field glass for recruits only who have joined since July last was then competed for, and Private Thomas and Private W. W. Yates each scored 4 points, the highest number registered, and as twilight had by this time set in, it was decided that the ties should be shot off on another occasion. Two other prizes have still to be contended for, one being a silver vase, the gift of George Fearnley, Esq., M.D., and the other a sum of money. Before separating, the majority of the corps carried a proposition that the contest should be resumed at two o'clock on Tuesday next.