



A WELSH FIRE BRIGADE TEAM.

Cowbridge firemen, winners of the wet drill in the South Wales District N.F.B.U. Competition at Aberdare. (See p. 122.)

ABERDARE (S. WALES DIST., N.F.B.U.).

TWENTY Brigades took part in the annual demonstration and competition of the South Wales District National Fire Brigades' Union, on August 24th. Prior to the competition a luncheon was held in the public park, presided over by Mr. Thomas, M.P., and the Brigades were afterwards inspected by Col. Sir Ivor Herbert, M.P., with whom were Mr. Thomas and Col. T. Phillips. Long Service medals were presented to members of the Panteg, Blaina and Nantyglo, Whitchurch, Pontnewydd, and Pontypridd Brigades, and the firemen then formed in procession and marched through the principal streets, a collection being made *en route* for the N.F.B.U. Widows and Orphans' Fund, for which £4 11s. was obtained. Captains Anderson, Cope, Tilley, Jones (Bargoed), Powell, Richards, Jones (Ferndale), and Thomas (Mid-Rhondda), judged, and Captain Berry had charge of the arena. Results:—

ONE-MAN MANUAL, with two 50-ft. lengths canvas hose (spring couplings), and two lengths suction, finish beat on block. Seventeen entries.

- 1, Newport, 87-2 sec.
- 2, Cwmbran, 114 sec. | 3, Brynmawr, 115-1 sec.

TWO-MEN MANUAL, with same gear as one-man. Seventeen entries:—

- 1, Abersychan, 60-1 sec.
- 2, Bargoed, 61 sec. | 3, Aberavon, 62-3 sec.

FOUR-MEN MANUAL (WET), with three 50-ft. lengths canvas hose (spring couplings), two lengths suction; eight pumpers allowed; jet to strike target. Eight entries.

- 1, Cowbridge, 57-1 sec.
- 2, Newport, 57-2 sec. | 2, Cwmbran, 57-2 sec.

FOUR-MEN HOSE CART.—Run 50 yds. with hose cart to hydrant, fix standpipe, and attach and run out three 50-ft. lengths canvas hose (screw couplings), with branch. Four entries.

- 1, Brynmawr, 63 sec.
- 2, Panteg, 82-3 sec. | 3, Tredegar, 86-4 sec.

FOUR-MEN HOSE CART, as previous drill, but with spring couplings. Twenty entries.

- 1, Ferndale, 32-2 sec.
- 2, Ferndale, 34 sec. | 3, Abersychan, 34-1 sec.