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WASHINGTON, Jan. 12, 1875.

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PIGEON SHOOTING.

INTERESTING AND CREDITABLE MATCHES ON LONG ISLAND—EXCELLENT SCORES UNDER THE ENGLISH RULES.

Two interesting and vastly creditable matches of this pastime, so greatly admired by gentlemen, were decided yesterday at Dexter's, the grounds of the Long Island Shooting Club.

The first of these events was the continued contest between Messrs. W. E. Birdseye and James M. Hickox, both of Brooklyn, commenced on Christmas Day.

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