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OCTOBER.

- Oct. 23-25. Royal Wimbledon ; Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 24 .- Durham; Autumn Meeting.

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 Oct. 25.—Luffness; Wemyss Challenge Handicap Medal. Buxton`and High Peak; Monthly Competition, under Handicap, with Sweepstake. Redbill and Reigate; Autumn Meeting. United Service (Portsmouth); The Captain's Prize. Troon; Sandhills and Club Medals. Royal Ascot; Mr. Haig's prize, Littlestone-on-Sea; Autumn Meeting, Royal Epping Forest: Gordon Challenge Cup, Royal Montreal Club; Colt's Champion Belt. Nottingham Golf Club; Medal. Epsom; Roseberry Gold Medal, and Brook's Cup.
 - Dublin; Lumsden Medal, under Handicap with Sweepstake.

- Oct. 26.—Alnmouth; Final Competition for Handicap Cup.
 Oct. 28.—Fettesian-Lorrettonian Club; Butumn Meeting.
 Oct. 29.—Roval Wimbledon; Annual Dinner, 7 p.m., Café Royal
 Oct. 29.31.—Hayling; Autumn Meeting, Annual Meeting, and Club Dinner.
- Oct. 30 .- Nottingham Golf Club ; Medal.

NOVEMBER.

Nov. I.- Great Yarmouth; Autumn Meeting. Carnoustie and Taymouth; Sweepstake Competition. Clapham; "Cronin" Medal. United Service (Portsmouth); Davies Gold Medal and Sweepstake. Royal Ascot ; Club Cup and Silver Putter.

Hayling ; The Treasurer's Cup

- Nov. 1.—King James V¹., Perth ; Handicap Competition. Nov. 4.—Great Varmouth and Cambridge University ; at Varmouth. Nov. 6.-Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers; Winter
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 Nov. 7 and 8.—Tooting Bec; Autumn Meeting. Special General Meeting and Dinner (8th).
 Nov. 8.—West Herts; Handicap Medal.
- Nov. 15 .- Disley ; First Winter Handicap. Epsom; Monthly Medal. Dublin; Monthly Medal Competition.

- Nov. 19.—Royal Epping Forest; Monthly Competition. Nov. 22.—West Lancashire; Autumn Meeting. Formby; Sweepstake Competition. Nov. 29.—Royal Liverpool; St. Andrews Meeting. Buxton and High Peak; Monthly Competition, under Handicap, and Sweepstake. Royal Isle of Wight; St. Andrews Meeting. Royal Ascot; Mr. Haig's prize. Royal Epping Forest; Gordon Challenge Cup. West Herts; Winter Meeting, Club Medal, Mr. Wallace's

 - Cup, and Dinner.

DECEMBER.

Dec. 6.-Clapham; "Cronin" Medal. United Service (Portsmouth); Davies Gold Medal and Sweepstake. Royal Ascot ; Club Cup and Silver Putter. Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers; Dinner, Windsor Hotel. Windsor Hotel. Dec. 13.—West Herts; Handicap Medal. Dec. 17.—Royal Epping Forest; Monthly Competition. Dec. 20—Disley; Second Winter Handicap. Royal Epping Forest; Gordon Challenge Cup. Formby; Sweepstake Competition. Epsom; Monthly Medal. Dublin; Monthly Medal Competition. Dec. 23.—Royal Isle of Wight Christmas Meeting. Dec. 25.—Royal Isle of Wight Christmas Meeting.

- Dec. 26 .- Bembridge Gold Medal, Eaton Memorial Putter and Fisher Prize.

 - Clapham ; Challenge Handicap Cup. Felixstowe ; Club Prize, value 2 guineas. Southport ; Club Prize.
- Dec. 27.—Buxton and High Peak; Monthly Competition, under Handicap, with Sweepstake. Felixstowe; Monthly Challenge Cup. Royal Ascot; Mr. Haig's prize.

The professional match between Gow and Tait at Chingford next Saturday ought to be a very interesting one. Gow comes of a noted golfing family, and is himself a splendid player, although hitherto not much heard of. Tait is also a rattling player, and, as will be seen from his score elsewhere, is likely to prove a very hard nut to crack over his own green. His score of seventy-one for eighteen holes does not leave much of a margin for any player, however good and steady, to beat.

Tee Shots.

Number 3 of GOLF having been sold out, a further supply has been printed, and readers can now be supplied by applying direct to the office.

In a recent "Tee shot" attention was called to the desurableness of players in a big match taking the precaution to carry a left-handed club in their bag. Point is now given to the advice by an incident which occurred in the course of the North Berwick tournament. In the semi-final Mr. Tait and Mr. Anderson were matched together, and after a splendid contest the game stood all even and one to play. Mr. Tait unluckily drove his ball near the woodwork of the pavilion, and could not get at it except with a left-handed club, which he had not. The ball was unplayable otherwise, and owing to this mishap Mr. Tait lost the hole and the match.

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Yet another golfing link with the past is broken in the death of Allan Robertson's widow. What an interesting budget of reminiscences she could have bequeathed to latter day golfers of the many heroic tussels her husband had with such players as old Tom Morris, Willie Park, sen., the Dunns, and Bob Anderson. One relic she has left, if golfers care to acquire it, the box in which Allan kept his clubs. It is not much for posterity to chant over as a legacy, but the Royal and Ancient Club of St. Andrew's might very well stretch a point and add it to its already interesting collection of Golf curiosities.

We learn that there is likely to be another addition to the golfing greens of the West of Scotland. The locality of the new venture is the flourishing watering-place of Largs, whose speciality hitherto has been yachting. An influential committee are actively engaged prospecting for suitable ground, and taking the other steps necessary for the formation of a club.

It is contemplated by the golting authorities in Irvine, another Royal Burgh that has recently taken to the Royal and Ancient Game, to extend their course in the near future. Their links at present extends to nine holes, and in the event of some preliminary difficulties being got over it is proposed, there being plenty of ground, to extend the course to the maximum.

A young lady going on to the Golf links observed to a golfer, on seeing the sand box at the tee, "I suppose you call that the 'tea caddie.'"

Lullah, who was engaged to run as fore-caddie to Lord D., was standing on the edge of a sand-pit at Blackheath, pointing out the line to the hole. The sun, which was shining very bright at the time, prevented Lullah from watching the flight of the ball, when, all of a sudden, it struck him. Lullah threw up his arms and dropped as if he was shot, tumbling to the bottom of the pit. His lordship, much alarmed, ran to the aid of his caddie. He found Lullah with the whites of his eyes turned up and gasping for breath. His lordship at once despatched the other caddies in different directions for a doctor, Lullah, by this time, apparently getting worse. "Good gracious," said his lordship, taking a half crown out of his pocket, "I've killed the fellow ; is there no one to run and get him some brandy?" Lullah, upon hearing this, and having at the same time spied the half-crown, and seeing that there was no one likely to go for the restorative, gradually got up and said, "Please, my lord, I'll go myself!"

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We notice that the *Daily Graphic* recently inserted a sketch showing the "first tee shot" at the inaugural meeting of the Whitley Golf Club. The sketch is marred, however, by two errors. From the picture it appears as if Golf was being played on the sands, whereas the game takes place on the links; and "Sketches at the new Golf Club at *Whitby*," should, of course, have read at "Whitley."

The following golfing story has the merit of being authentic. Sim, a caddie, and otherwise a notorious character, was suspended from carrying for misconduct. In order to avenge himself, he set to work in rendering the putting greens unplayable, and began by breaking up the holes. This performance went on for some time, notwithstanding the vigilance of the custo lian, and at last it was found necessary on club days to station men at each hole. Sim, however, was not to be thus easily outwitted, but his vengeance had perforce to take another form. It was now observed that although the holes were in perfect order, the putting greens, singularly enough, began to deteriorate, and on inspection this was discovered to be due to a quantity of small pebble stones scattered over their surface. The men were then provided with brooms, which they plied with vigour, but in face of all their efforts to keep the greens clear, the pebbles still, to their discomfiture, reappeared in some mysterious manner. Eventually it was noticed that these unaccountable outbreaks were invariably accompanied by the appearance of Sim, who, strolling up, hands in pockets, would converse affably with the men in charge of the holes, and, on a closer watch being set on his movements, the cause of the trouble was discovered. Having first cut a small hole in each of his trousers' pockets, Sim had filled these receptacles with the stones which proved the golfers' bane, and allowed them to trickle slowly down the legs of his trousers on to the putting greens.

At a meeting of the St. George's Golf Club, Sandwich, on Monday, Mr. W. R. Anderson was appointed captain for the ensuing year, and Mr. J. G. S. Anderson, Mr. Archur Pollock and Mr. A. Davidson, trustees of the club, to carry on negotiations for the purchase of the ground at Sandwich. The two new members of the committee are Mr. E. F. S. Tylecote and Mr. Everard Hambro. The dinner took place on Monday night at the Café Royal.

LANDING ON THE GREEN.

O COLONEL dear, and did you hear the news that's going round, They've gone and laid a Golf course out upon Mackessack's ground;

No more at Nairn or Inverness will Sutherland be seen,

He'll much prefer his little game upon the Forres Green.

O, I have no time to bandy words with any other man,

For my Golf clubs all are handy, and my caddie's close at hand;

'Tis the most delightful Golf course that ever sure was seen, When once your ball is landed safe upon the putting green. Chorus—'Tis the most delightful, &c.

True, the course is full of ditches - too full, alas! for me; Sometimes my Golf ball drifts away out to the Moray sea; Then I simply drop another ball, and hit it square and clean, And land it with my iron club upon the putting green. O, the man who drives a thousand yards is not the man for me,

Nor yet the man who puts his ball with painful certainty; The man who plays his iron well, O, he's the man I mean, Who lands his ball in two or three upon the putting green. Chorus—The man who plays, &c.

No splendid jackets do we wear of green, or blue, or red – We much prefer to wear at play our oldest coats instead ; We sport no shamrocks in our hats upon the Forres Green ; At Findhorn neither shams nor rocks are ever to be seen. But we ply our Golf clubs gaily as we play along the shore, And try to beat the record with a wondrous little score ; And most of all the grin of joy on each man's face is seen When his lofting iron lands his ball upon the putting green.

Chorus-And most of all, &c.

Special Chorus-

O, the bunkers may be many, or far and few between, But joy of joys to golfer's heart is Landing on the Green. Sung by SHERIFF SPITALL at the Forres Golf Club Dinner recently.

BISQUES.

G OLFERS, especially south of the Tweed, are falling into the habit (which we will not qualify by any epithet) of giving or receiving odds in the shape of bisques. It is a form of handicapping unknown, in Golf, to the ancients. Some golfers decline to give bisques because, they say, bisques are not Golf, but tennis. This may be fact, but it is not argument—it does not touch the question whether the bisque is a good form of handicap in Golf. Neither do we propose to touch this question, deeming it to be one of taste, and as such to admit of no useful discussion. It is but left to the mutual inclination of the players. But it may be interesting to note how bisques compare in point of value with other forms of handicapping.

The most ordinary way of handicapping is, of course, to give so many strokes on the round, played by holes, with agreement before starting as to the holes on which such strokes shall be taken. A bisque is a stroke which may be taken at any moment in the round. If your opponent is in in four and you are dead in four, you may say "I take a bisque," and, holing your putt, claim a half. Thus, bisques are nearly sure to take effect, unless you keep them so long in reserve as to finish the match without using them. But in giving strokes at holes named before starting, it is evident in theory and practice that some will generally be useless. In comparing the respective values of strokes and bisques then, it is clear that it would be very helpful to determine, first, the percentage of strokes which, on the ordinary method, do not come into practical use. Unfortunately, this is not to be done, because this is a percentige which varies very much with the calibre of the players by whom the odds are given and received. In the higher classes of Golf a third is a very heavy handicap; low down in the list such odds would not affect the issue of the game at all. The reason is near at hand. A first-class player and a second-class player will very seldom be more than a stroke apart on any hole in the round ; a fourth-class and a fifthclass player will very rarely be so near each other. In the former case, then, a third, or a stroke at every third hole, will, in most instances, make itself felt; in the latter case very rarely. From this it follows that the difference in value between a bisque and a stroke given on a hole named beforehand is very much greater in the case of golfers in a low rank of golfing prowess, than in the case of those who are near the top of the tree. In other words, the number of bisques that a first-class player would have to give a second-class player will be less in proportion to the number of strokes he could give on the ordinary plan of handicapping, than would be the number of bisques given by a fourthclass player to a fifth class in proportion to the number of strokes he would give in ordinary hole play. Elaborate explanations of this sort generally land us in bunkers, but we believe that if the eye be kept on the ball and careful aim taken, without pressing, the above line of argument will be intelligible. Dealing then with the large game at the top of the golfing tree, we may say, roughly, that four strokes out of the six given, in giving a third, commonly come into practical use.

Here we may pause a moment to consider whether the receiver of odds is generally a wise man in picking out the shortest holes as those at which to take his odds. We believe not—for a short hole generally means a hole which can be reached in one, and experience does not go to show us that these are the holes which are most often halved (that is, at which a stroke is most often useful), but rather that it is those worst and weakest of all holes which are not quite within reach of a drive, but are a drive and an iron—which most golfers who can play at all halve in an uneventful four—at which strokes are most useful.

But to come back into the course—if four out of six strokes usually come to be of practical value in giving a third (between high-class players), it might be said : "What need of further argument? Four bisques must be equal to a third." It is another case of the mendacity of figures.

In the case of bisques we introduce another elementa subjective one, of which figures do not take a bit of notice but human beings do-and the golfer is very human. This element is the moral effect. When we give a third we know at which hole we are going to give it, and generally, trying to play phenomenally well, play phenomenally badly. But, this hole over, we have two clear, free-breathing holes which we can play with our opponent on our respective merits-if we have any-and we generally play them well, for we have no mean opinion of our merit as compared with his. But in this business of bisques, until they are all exhausted, they are always hanging round us like a millstone ; a potential stroke a hole. It is almost a nightmare. There once was a man at St. Andrews who played badlythere are some like him there still-and he used to play against a man who played very well, but was rather nervous, with no other handicap than this - that he should be allowed to say "booh!" three times during the round. The "booh !" was to be taken like a bisque; it could be played at option. So the bad player stole up behind the good player as he addressed the ball, with the "booh !" on his lips, but with such guile in his heart that he always won all the matches purely by the demoralising influence of the expectation of the "booh !" It was never uttered, but it answered its purpose all the same.

Now this is how it is with the bisque. Your nerve is completely shattered over a short putt by knowing that your adversary may do for you by claiming a bisque and making all your efforts useless; and, therefore, it is that the bisque is so much more formidable than the ordinary stroke. This quality of the bisque, of course, varies greatly in its efficiency with the *morale* of the victim on whom it is used, but it is never absent. Still, it is a quality very hard to gauge; but, on the whole, we should say that in our opinion a third is equivalent to something rather less than three bisques, on an average between high-class players. For an unimaginative player it will have few terrors; the more sensitive will never be able to exorcise its haunting presence.

The conclusion of the whole matter seems to be, then, that the bisque is a good mode of handicapping between players of low golfing power, because in the multitude of their errors the intention of the common mode of handicap is so often defeated; but that it is a bad mode of handicap between players of a high class, because it tends to the decision of the match—if at all a keenly-played one—on the side question of personal *morale* rather than on the question of real golfing prowess, which it is the true object of Golf to bring out.

Ethically speaking the influence of the bisque is bad. It tends to make its recipient a bully of the worst, most feline, most feminine stamp.

H. G. HUTCHINSON

A WOMAN'S IDEA OF GOLF.

Men have had their say about Golf. It is now the women's turn. Let us correct that first sentence. We should have put it otherwise, for if you get two Golfers together, and they begin to talk "Golf," nothing short of physical force will part them until the small hours of the morning. And Golfing discussions are even more interminable than the volleying discussions amongst the votaries of lawn tennis. But the latter game is sociable, which, from a woman's point of view, Golf cannot be said to be. The wives of Golfers are not all unanimous in their praise of the ancient game. Let us look at the subject fairly from both sides, for it certainly has for a wife both its advantages and its disadvantages. To begin with the former. Can there be any healthier pursuit? Played moderately it gives exercise without undue fatigue. The links are nearly always in open, breezy places, either by the sea, or when inland on wide commons, and sometimes in parks, though in the latter case the turf is not always all that is to be desired. Many busy men, the greater part of whose time has to be spent indoors during the week, immersed in counting-houses, law courts, or seeing patients. or in teaching the "young barbarians"-many men who would perhaps not be tempted to take the necessary rest and fresh air without the inducement of something to do, rush eagerly off for a day in the country to play Golf, and find in the interest of the game that much needed rest from the incessant thinking on one subject, which is always so wearing to nerves and brain. To play a round at Golf necessitates walking several miles, and the Golfer comes home with a good appetite for dinner and in a good temper with all the world. Thus there are advantages not to be denied for Golf; *but* (for there is always a *but* to everything) on the other hand, we Golfers' wives are aware that there is a distinct diminution in our approval of the game when it begins to absorb all other topics of conversation, and when it puts an end to pleasant holidays in picturesque spots. For say what you will about the healthy breezes on the Golf links, you must be very infatuated indeed if you can go so far as to declare that Golf links are generally placed in picturesque surroundings. The very essence of their being prevents this desirable consummation, except in very rare instances. Then let there be no secret about it. When a man takes his Golf club in his hand he does not want his wife, and it becomes even the hidden wish of his heart that she will keep well away and not attempt to walk round with him. Woe betide the unlucky wife who talks at a critical moment, who moves when she should be motionless, who gets in a man's eye when he is putting. Our advice to all wives is, never go near the links when Golf is being played, you will find yourselves much more appreciated in the evening if you don't appear on the Golf ground in the day. So good bye to all idea of spending your holidays together in some mutually congenial sport or occupa-

tion as you used to do in the times gone by when Golf was scorned as an "old woman's game." That scorn has died out and been replaced by such a boundless enthusiasm that all other considerations have to give way to it. Wives who are wise accept the inevitable and make the best of it, especially in the matter of giving the Golfer a good dinner when he comes in, and a smoke as soon as he pleases afterwards. Some of us allow the weary man to light his pipe in peace in his own easychair beside the drawing-room fire; for which we are rewarded by the knowledge that neither he nor *kis* friends are wishing in their hearts that we would go to bed. But our observation tells us that the generality of wives prefer *their* friends' opinion to their husband's comfort in this matter.

As regards those Golfing places, of which we have written rather slightingly, some are decidedly pleasanter than others. St. Andrews, to begin with, the capital of Golf, has the quaintest little harbour. North Berwick has a delightful rocky shore, and in the sand the children can find an endless number of cowries, and the delight of digging for these treasures is equally endless. When they have all filled their handkerchiefs they are perfectly happy, although they wo'nt in the least know what to do with them when they get home. Digging for cowries somewhat resembles digging for ferns; you don't want them, but you cannot resist the digging.

To leap from north to south is a small matter on paper, and takes us to Bembridge, a very nice little place for a short visit and with a comfortable hotel. Hayling Island is still better for children. The bathing is good and safe, but the food at the hotel was not A 1 when we were there. Wandering north again we arrive at Hoylake, a very little of which goes a long way. We dare say no more, for we are well aware that Golfers swear by Hoylake. Our article is only meant for the wives to read. They will understand all that we dare not express. Space fails us to mention all the numerous places we have visited in company Gorleston is close by, and easily reached by tramcars, and there you can spend the day in quiet, with capital sands, and bathing for the children, and no crowd. Or if you care for sailing you have the Broads, where you can make many a pretty sketch. A week at Felixstowe, is we think, as much as human nature can be expected to endure, but we will not argue the point. We must conclude or we shall tire the patience of our Editor. We will therefore only hint that there are two sides to every question, and that whilst all good wives will do their best to promote their husbands' pleasure and comfort, and to agree with his wishes, they have also a small claim (we will not define the size, so much depends on temperament) to be sometimes considered, and we are very reasonable, for we only say sometimes.

ISMAILIA.

THE BULGER.

(Cleek)—"Who made it bulge?"
"I," said Will Park,
"Though I've kept it dark, Yet I made it bulge."
(Play-club)—"I'll grant you the Cleek, But the Play-club's no sham, Bulged by me, H. A. Lamb, I claim not your Cleek."
(Golfer)—"For Bulgers I care not, On Play-club or Cleek ; A flat-head I spare not, So good-bye for this week."

October 19th.

T. C. O.

A tyro, after purchasing a ball from a Musselburgh caddie, discovered on inspecting it that it was stamped 27 on one side and 28 on the other. The caddie, questioned as to the meaning of this, was for a moment puzzled; but his ready wit quickly came to his aid: "Ye maun jist pit down the twenty-seeven side wi' the wind, and the twenty-eicht agin' it."

LITTLESTONE-ON-SEA.

A short time ago I received an invitation to come and spend a few days at Littlestone, and to try the links as a golfing recreation ground. Since the inauguration of these links two or three years ago (largely through the efforts of Dr. Laidlaw Purves), I had heard a good deal of varied criticism as to the character of the sport which the links afforded : and, therefore, I promptly made up my mind to journey thither and try the course for myself.

An ordinary "flying Watkin" ought to carry the visitor to Littlestone in a period of time which may be variously estimated as between two and three hours. The South-Eastern Railway Company are evidently alive to the desirableness of facilitating the progress of golfers to and fro, because a first-class return ticket, available for four days, can be had for 10s. 6d. In about ten minutes after arriving, the visitor reaches the Grand Hotel, and, allowing an interval for changing, half-an-hour from the time of your arriving ought to see you swiping from the first tee. This means that three hours after leaving the metropolis, you stand on the breezy downs of New Romney, inhaling the fresh buoyant air from the Channel, and your eye ranging over as picturesque a stretch of coast line as any golfer could wish to look upon.

Strolling leisurely down from the club we met Alexander, the protessional, who, in the course of a little casual conversation, hazards, with becoming caution, the remark that Littlestone "has the making of a good course." Somehow or other I do not like to hear a professional bestow restrained and cautious laudation about the possibilities of a course which you visit for the first time. It jars like a false note in music ; it is the fly in the ink-pot; and when you hear that remark dropped, like a stage whisper, imagination conjures up visions of long, long grass, bumpy, wormy greens, lost balls, broken, mangled irons, fatigue and perspiration, and the air reverberating with frightful anathemas.

Thus, my partner and I tee off with a strong niblick handy. This precautionary measure, however, was a detail which we might easily have spared ourselves, because, although there are a good number of sufficiently formidable hazards, the course as a whole is an admirable one. Four or five of the holes are as good as any which could be found, I should think, on any other course in the country; and when the committee are enabled to spend some more money upon obvious improvements, and after a little more all-round play over the links has taken place, I should imagine that Sandwich may possibly find here a somewhat formidable competitor for golfing favour. The course is a good round of eighteen holes. In my judgment holes number 2, 3, 5, 9 and 15 are as good as can be found anywhere ; while some of the other holes in the course of time, and with more play, will become really admirable for the highest form of sport ; but the second, ninth and fifteenth are, in my opinion, the best. The last mentioned hole is the longest on the round, and it takes two long drives and a strong iron shot to clear the bunker abutting on the green. I should think that from eighty-five to ninety was a good scratch score in present circumstances

It struck me that the rabbits and their embarrassing little landmarks were more numerous all over the green than they ought to be. A fair shot, well played, too frequently gets badly punished in consequence of these numerous disconcerting traps for the golfer's ball; but whether this drawback can be easily rectified is, of course, a serious question for the management of the club, seeing that it will entail very great cost, while possibly there are landowners' rights to consider as well.

The caddie at Littlestone needs to be taken in hand by the professional. He lacks discipline and efficiency sadly. He possesses the remotest idea possible of marking a ball struck from the tee; he is generally looking the other way, or taking his ease near by, or watching the rabbits and other players. How conducive to good scoring and placid temper must it be for a player to be told by his caddie with great glee that, while waiting for you in the course of the morning, he has employed his leisure by chasing the rabbits, and that with your pet driver he has knocked the inoffensive coney on the head ! Again, while you are perhaps half round the course, two holes to the bad, and profusely perspiring in the laudable endeavour to square

the record with your opponent, the caddie whom you have sent forward to mark the ball is nowhere to be found. You shout frantically for your iron in order to get out of a bad lie; no The welkin rings with imprecations both loud and response. deep; and then your attention is suddenly drawn to a little figure careering at the top of his speed over the far hill; he has struck work, and has bundled your clubs in dire confusion in the neighbouring bunker.

To golfers who wish for a few days high golf, and who have never seen Littlestone, I advise them unhesitatingly to try it. The sea air is fresh and strengthening ; the san Is are admirably suited as a playground, so to speak, for children; the hotel is comfortable to a fault, and the landlord is courteous and obliging.

AL.

PROBLEM No. III.

MEDAL PLAY .-- In playing for a medal the other day a player, while proceeding along the green, turned to expostulate with other players behind who were unduly pressing. Not observing, or forgetting his proximity to the ball of the player with whom he was engaged, on resuming his course he accidentally knocked it with his foot into a rut.

Should the ball be replaced as near as possible to its original position without a penalty, or must the other player play it where it lies, or what is to be done?—DORMY ONE.

"English as she is spoke" on St. Andrews Links .-Golfer (loq.), (after trying a different club and making a good shot therewith) to caddie : "That club seems to suit me." Skipper (a well-known old caddie) : "Yes ; I think you shoul c

frequent that club more."



GOLF IN INDIA.

[An unforeseen difficulty not provided for by the rules-" all loose impediments, except the opponent's ball, may be lifted on the putting-green " * * * " "Nothing that is growing may be bent, broken, or removed."]

OUGHT THE STIMY TO BE ABOLISHED.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—If the stimy be retained on the plea that to touch a ball, once it has been struck off the tee, is to violate a first principle of the game, it is surely inconsistent to lift when within six inches of the adversary's ball. We know the argument in favour of the six-inch rule to be this—it is very difficult to loft over an adversary's ball lying nearer than six inches to your own. The object of the rule, then, is to save the player from being set too hard a task.

But if the ball giving the stimy be lying on the very lip of the hole—a case by no means uncommon—it is far more difficult for a player whose ball is seven or eight inches, or even *leet* from the hole, to loft successfully and without holing his adversary's ball than it is for him to loft over a ball lying within five inches of his own and some feet from the hole; and yet, in the more difficult case of the two, it is forbidden to lift.

The six-inch rule, therefore, violates a principle without attaining the object in view.

Again, if the stimy be retained, it appears inconsistent not to allow it to be played for.

As the case now stands, if the player plays his ball where he has no right even to intend to play it he may by so doing win a hole, and perhaps an important match.

It is difficult to imagine any case in which one would prefer laying a stimy to holing out; but why it should be considered sharp practice to play for the hole *and* (in the event of not holing) for the stimy too, few golfers seem able to explain.

Some of those who argue against the stimy altogether declare that Golf is mainly a game of skill in which the element of chance is necessarily present to quite a sufficient extent already; that to win a hole by a stimy, for which it is not right to play, can afford no pride and but little pleasure to anybody, while to lose one—judging by outward signs and expressions is singularly vexatious; and, finally, that the delicate and beautiful stroke (about which we hear so much) of successfully lofting a stimy is so seldom seen when most required, that it would be no great loss to do without it altogether.

Those of your correspondents who assume that "no sound golfer would vote for the abolition of the stimy," rather prejudge the question, and the fact that it is not unusual for opponents to settle before starting for a round whether to "play stimies" or not, shows that there is pressing need for legislation. It is quite pitiable that in the case of a game which has taken such a strong position we should hear of private arrangements being made, which are equivalent to settling before a cricket match whether leg-before-wicket should be "out," or a wide count one to the opposite side !

In the columns which you have so kindly thrown open for the purpose, we have been airing our prejudices and opinions; but would it not be better to busy ourselves in the formation of a tribunal which shall have power to legislate?

We shall probably come to this sooner or later-why not sooner?

Each of the leading Golf clubs, for instance, might elect a representative to serve on a general committee, whose decisions should be final, and might be called "Union Rules." Clubs unwilling to be thus represented might stand aloof, but of these there would probably be but a small minority.

Yours obediently,

CHARLES C. WELMAN.

WHO INVENTED THE BULGER?

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have been urged to reply to the letter of Mr. William Park, jun., published in your last issue.

I have little to say, and that is easily said. He doubtless made a club somewhat similar, and "even played with it for the championship many years ago," for he says so; but, if so he did not consider it a success and abandoned it, for nobody ever heard of it. I invented my club, never having seen his or anything like it. I named it "The Bulger," and have introduced it to the golfing world by playing with it constantly, through good report and evil report, ever since, and the improvement it made in my game was the only advertisement it had. At the great professional tournament at Sandwich in 1888 I proudly exhibited my clubs to a crowd of professionals, and had to submit to a lot of chaff and disparaging comments from all, among which was Mr. William Park's: "I once made a club like that, but it was no good at all." Since then he has evidently changed his mind. Mr. Park will perhaps say when he played with it many years ago, whether he has always played with it since then, or when it was that he took to it, if he plays with it now?

Yours faithfully,

HENRY A. LAMB.

The Club House, Wimbledon, 18th October, 1890.

LENGTH OF DRIVES.

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To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—When golfers congregate, especially beginners, much "jaw" on this subject often ensues. Can the following incident throw any light on this matter?

On the second day of the autumn meeting at Alnmouth, there being a furious gale blowing, much too strong for me (indeed in any circumstances I am quite incompetent to enter into a medal contest, and it would be a good thing if other duffers would consider themselves in the same position instead of encumbering the green and delaying their betters), I held the flag at the first hole. By a plan before me there were 196 measured yards from the first tee. The gale was from the south-west, right behind the players. I saw at least some thirty tee shots played; some, very few, lay "hole high," right or left, but I did not observe one lie beyond the hole. One of the players has since told me that one or two balls were driven beyond the hole.

However that may be, the fact remains, that in a favourable gale of wind, with the ground in splendid running order, 196 yards was the distance which only a very few players could achieve—and, be it remembered, many of the competitors were a long way above the average—some would be "scratch" anywhere, and many others were in receipt of very few points, and they all seemed to drive their "level best."

Question.—What is a good average drive? What is the length of the first hole at Wimbledon, which many of us know so well? I do not remember seeing it over-driven. If so, how often has it been done, and in what circumstances?

Your obedient Servant,

THE ANCIENT CADDIE.

KILLING BIRDS AT GOLF.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—You mention birds being killed at Golf. That is a very frequent accident, one gets to think ; but the way of taking the matter I here give is rare. (It is a fact in all its details.)

I was playing the Long Hole in at St. Andrews. My adversary, driving his second or third from close to the bents, killed a bird which rose out of a hollow, one of those birds that fluff about over the links. Instead of the interest being evinced that I expected, my adversary was quite sulky, and grumbled about the 30 yards or so he had lost. (It was only a 2s. 6d. dump.) I suggested stuffing; he, not even looking at the bird, said—"No! come on; throw the dirty brute into the whins." He could not swear, not being built that way.

Yours faithfully, W. G. SIMPSON.

THE PICTURE OF "THE GOLFERS."

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,-I was recently fortunate enough to be able to obtain an engraving of the well known picture, "The Golfers," a grand match played over St. Andrews links, by Sir David Baird, of New Byth, and Sir Ralph Anstruther, of Balcaskie, against Major Playfair and John Campbell, of Saddell, painted by Chas. Lees, R.S.A. Can any of your numerous readers give me the date on which this match was played, and also tell me whether there has been any published account of the same, and, if so, where it can now be got?

Yours, &c.,

DORMY ONE.

----CLAIMING THE MATCH.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,-Captain H. and Major B. are playing golf for £100 aside. Captain H. is three up and five to play, when he drives his ball into a whin and can't find it. Major B. being nearly dead, it is not worth H.'s while to tee another ball and lose two, so he gives up the hole.

On arriving at the next tee Captain H. discovers that he has not another ball, and that his asinine caddie has forgotten to bring him any. Captain H. says : "I have not another ball; will you lend me one, or must I send back to the hut for one?" Major B. says : "I can't spare you one, so you had better send back to the hut; but remember, if you are not ready to drive off in five minutes I claim the match, as I am entitled to do under St. Andrews rules.3

As it is impossible for H. to get a ball from the club-house in that time, and as he cannot borrow one anywhere, he has to give up the match, which he had nearly won, and pays over his £100.

Query .- No doubt this is sharp practice, but is it the rule?

Major B.'s contention is that it is a perfectly fair rule, as otherwise there is nothing to prevent a man when losing from having a pipe at each tee, or going home to change, or doing having a pipe at each tee, a solution anything else in order to delay losing. I am, &c.,

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Competitions.

SOUTHPORT GOLF CLUB.

The annual competition for the Scarisbrick Challenge Cup and the monthly medal took place on Saturday, the 11th inst., in beautiful weather. The greens were as smooth as velvet, and the course was in excellent condition. The links are stated to be among the finest in Britain, and are rapidly growing in favour among golfers. Details :--Gross, Hcp. Net. Gross, Hcp. Net.

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Dr. Irvin		94	IO	84	S. A. Ashington 119	20	99
A. E. Knight	100	95	9	86	D. C. Anderson 125	25	100
G. F. Smith	222	91	2	89	A. Darbyshire 115	15	100
John Macalister	22	94	4	90	W. F. Chadwick 109	9	100
J. W. Fowler		90	SC.		C. Oyler 131	30	101
Wm. MacGregor		103	IO		J. C. Potter 117		102
R. H. Prestwich		103	10	93	F. Jones 126	23	103
H. D. Mackenzie		117	24	93	T. O. Clinning 129	24	105
G. Macdonald		103		95	Wm. Bell 121	13	108
W. E. Bland	***	114	18		W. T. Rowley 133	25	108
John Morison		113	15	98	P. Johnson 140	30	110
A. B. Schofield		105	6	99	T. Docksey 152	30	122

No returns were made by E. Bushnall, H. McNudle, H. B. Barlow, R. Whittaker, L. Haslam, G. H. Crook, and T. A. Brown.

At the annual meeting of the club, held after the competition, Mr. T. O. Clinning, J.P., C.C., was appointed captain of the club; Mr. R. E. Haslam, secretary; and Mr. D. C. Anderson, treasurer.

GOLF AT HONG KONG.

A correspondent writes :-- The arrival of the gallant 91st High-landers here early last year suggested the possibility of starting the royal and ancient game. The regiment cordially supported the idea, and, thanks to their loyal assistance, we have now a thriving and popular club in full swing in this, the most eastern spot in the British Empire, and an excellent course in the Happy Valley. Our first large meeting was held on August 28th, 29th, and 30th, when thirty-two out of seventy members competed for the very handsome challenge cup presented by the Hon. A. P. MacEwen. The following are some of the principal scores :-

Gross.		Net.		Gross.	Hcp	Net-
*Mr. W. Gardner 90	2	88	Mr. R. de C. Boyd,			
Dr. Lowson 86	+7	93	91st Highlanders		27	99
Major Arbuthnott,			Major Hannay, 91st			
Ř.A 101	7	94	Highlanders	104	4	100
Mr. M. Innes 95	+0	95	Dr. Craig, R.N	107	7	100
Mr. Baird 98	2	96	Mr. G. Stewart	102	I	IOI
Capt. Rumsey, R.N. 106	7	99	Major Barker, R.E.	III	9	102
	* Wi	nner (of the cup		1	

On the 30th the members gave a farewell dinner to Mr. MacEwen, who is leaving the colony, to the great regret of everyone, and of the golfers in particular. We shall miss him for many a day, but I trust that some of us will meet him to fight our battles o'er again in the "Auld Countrie." I cannot close this without expressing how much we are indebted to our gallant captain, Captain Rumsey; Mr. Mitchell Innes, our hon. sec., and Mr. Gershom Stewart, to whose energy and enterprise we owe so many hours of enjoyment. Nor must I forget Dr. Lowson, of Edinburgh University fame, whose assistance and advice have helped the unwary to occasionally escape the pond, the ditches, and the burn. We are looking forward to the return of our popular Governor, Sir William Des Vœux, one of the most enthusiastic golfers in the colony, who we see has been playing in England this summer, and who will be able to give us the latest wrinkles from home.

KING JAMES VI. GOLF CLUB, PERTH.

Owing to the nature of the Perth green, Golf is only played during autumn and spring, but this does not in any way detract from the golfing enthusiasm of the "Fair City" inhabitants. The first competition of the above club came off on Thursday and Saturday, when nine couples played each day. A terrific gale on the Thursday put those who played on that day out of the hunt, except Mr. W. Garvie, whose low driving was not interfered with by the wind. Saturday, to the chagrin of the Thursday's players, was a perfect golfing day, but the players failed to take full advantage of it, and low scoring was not the rule. The following are the net scores after deducting handicaps :-

Mr. W. Garvie			115	The Contract	Seeting	
Mr. Jno. Thomps			115	Tie for first p	orize.	
Mr. Jas. Patterson			116	Second prize		
Rector Chambers	345		117			
Mr. G. Buist	244	10.00	117	Tie for third,	fourt	h,
Mr. R. Neay			117	and fifth p	rize.	
Mr. L. Grant			117			
Mr. R. A. Hay		118	Mr. W. S.	Leith		126
Mr. G. T. Cairnerop		118	Mr. R. Du	insmore		127
Mr. Jas. Hay						128
Mr. J. Crerar		120	Mr. A. R.	obertson		129
Mr. R. Halley		120	Mr. J. C.	Dow		130
Mr. Jas. Donaldson		120	Mr. A. Fr	azer		133
Mr. A. T. McKay	1000	121	Mr. Jno. I	Halley		133
Mr. D. Wood	1.11	122	Mr. Jno.	A. Robertson		135
Mr. R. McKay	4.66	123	Mr. W. R	obertson		138
Mr. A. McGillivray				Chalmers		141
Mr. A. Jamieson	1992	124	Mr. Thos.	Dempster		144
The following gentle	men m	ade n	o returns :	-D. Wyllie, T	. Brud	e. I.

F. Haig, and Jno. Robertson.

BEMBRIDGE.

The annual general meeting of the Royal Isle of Wight Golf Club was held on the 11th inst. The present captain (Mr. David Brown) and council were re-elected to hold office until the next general meeting, which is to be held at Easter. The new bye-law, with reference to the admission of visitors, was struck out, and the rule now stands in its original form, with the exception that the subscription for visitors, after the first three days, has been raised from 7s. 6d. to 10s. a week. A new clause has also been added which prevents visitors from playing on the green for one week before or after any meeting, without the sanction of one of the officials. This seems to be an excellent addition, as it will prevent the green, which is very limited in extent, being overcrowded by strangers at times when there is likely to be a strong muster of members.

The competitions came off on the 13th and two following days in

weather so hot that most of the competitors had to throw off both coat and waistcoat. It was the last chance for putting in a score for the captain's beautiful cups - the one for the three best scratch scores eventually falling to himself, and the one under handicap to Mr. A. Forester Brown, who is a winner of many prizes. Captain Kinloch played a fine cleek game, and walked off with the Tottenham gold medal (scratch) with a score of 88. Mr. A. C. Richards, although invalided home from Burmah, ran away from the lot with a net score of 82, and carried off the club handicap prize. Mr. Dudley Ward, after taking 12 to one hole, came in for second honours. He invents something new in the way of clubs every week, and has a wonderful collection. L'eut. Innes Gardner, R.N., was not up to his usual form; he also possesses many interesting clubs, made from bits of H.M.S. Victory, the heads from copper bolts. The "Bishop" played his usual muscular game, and came in rather low down. Captain A. Hamilton, who has been overworked at school at Portsmouth, did not place as he ought to have done with his handicap. "Mike" Innes was not up to his usual form, and I am sorry we shall not see anything of him for some time, as he has left the island for Scotland or South Africa; last week he had not made up his mind which. Mr. A. C. Richards came to the front again with Mr. E. C. Coterell as a partner in the foursome handicaps, these two taking the first prize, after playing the final against a strong combination in Mr. Dudley Ward and Mr. W. F. The following are the Ficher

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	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	M. Tabuteau 103	Hcp	Net.
A. C. Richards (club				M. Tabuteau 103	IO	93
prize)	- 98	16	82	Major Monckton 114	21	03
Dudley Ward	110	24	-86	Lieut. Innes Gairdner 07	3	94
Capt. Kinloch (Tot-				Rev. W. H. Richards 110	16	0.1
tenham medal)	- 88	SCT.	88	W. Mitchell-Innes., 98	4	94
W. F. Fisher	92	3	89	Captain J. F. C.		
E. C. Coterell	105	16	89	Hamilton 105	IO	95
Capt. A. Corse-Scott	92	2	90	A. Forester Brown., 104	- 8	96
David Brown	92	scr.	92	Kev. C. Shilson III	14	97
Capt. A. Hamilton	112	20	92			32.0
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W. F. Hollams, J. H. Longman, Capt. Knox, G. F. Muir, T. Wilson, G. Tabor, Capt. R. Alexander, were over 100 net or gave no return.

The annual dinner took place in the Royal Spithead Hotel on the 13th (the captain presiding), at which, after the usual toasts and the presentation of the prizes, the captain announced that he would give a cup for the best two scores sent in under handicap at the St Andrews Christmas and Easter meetings. Mr. Dudley Ward also offered a prize for the best score (under handicap) of the last round (9 holes) in the competition for the Eaton Memorial Putter at Christmas meeting, and the Kev. Mr. Richards, with the object of encouraging local play, a prize for the best score, under handicap, for local members receiving more than 12 strokes.

ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting of this club took place under very favourable circumstances. The weather was fine, and the greens were in first-rate condition. The system of handicapping gives general satisfaction, a:d is a very good one, as a glance at the subjoined lists will show. A long handicap man will occasionally come to the front with a seemingly impossible score, but the remedy for this has not yet been discovered. The big whins have been recently cut down, which makes the course a little easier for those whose driving is not always "far and sure"; but it is an undoubted improvement, as an impenetrable whin bush (when you say good-bye to your ball, and lose a stroke and the distance) is not a fair or satisfactory hazard. Forty-eight new members have joined the club during the current year, including twenty-two of the South Lancashire Regiment, which shows that there is no falling off of the royal and ancient game in the beautiful island of Jersey.

SATURDAY, October 4th. The Club Challenge Cup :--

Gross.	Hcp	Net:	Gross. Hep. N Mr. R. Lattimer 97 6 9	et
*Mr.H.G.H.Spencer 88	.5	83	Mr. R. Lattimer 97 6 9)1
Mr. R. Reynolds 111	27	84	Mr. H. A. Hornby,	
Mr. C. A. Teape 89	4	35	P.W.V 111 20 9)1
Mr. T. C. Robin 95	10	85)2
Capt. Prendergast,		Sec.)3
P.W.V 108	23	85		14
				34
Major Scott, R.A. 89	2	87		6
Mr. G. Hornby 90		87		6
Ir. A. L. Scott 114		87	LieutCol. McDou-	50
Ar. T. Lattimer 110	22	88	gal, P.W.V 121 22 9	20
Rev. H. Yorke 105	16	89	LieutCol. Robin 121 21 10	
Ir. Spencer Robin 91	I	90		
Capt. T. S. Robin 95	5	90	Capt. Sumner,	
Ir. W. Field 103	13	90	P. W. V 112 9 IC	13
Major Cunningham 117	27	90	Capt. Cavendish 143 27 11	6
* Winner o			Divided sweepstakes.	

No return from Messrs. Lushington, Barker, Chambers, Greig,

Atkinson, Hodder, Turnbull, Salmonson, Monckton, Rettie, Copeland, Cuming, Taylor, Oakeley, Waters, and P. Spencer.

MONDAY, October 6th. The Brewster Clubs :---

Gross. 1	Icp.	Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net. Mr. T. Latlimer 113 22 91
*Mr. F. P. Taylor,			Mr. T. Lattimer 113 22 91
P.W.V 100	27		Mr. A. C. Salmonson 115 23 92
†Capt. T. S. Robin 91	5	86	Mr. G. Hornby 96 3 93
†Major Scott, R.A. 89		87	Mr. H.G.H.Spencer 97 4 93
†Mr. C. A. Teape 90	2 36	87	Lieut-Col. Mayne 103 10 93
†Mr. T. C. Robin 96	6	87	Dr. Hodder 109 15 94
†Col. Stevenson 105	18	87	Mr. R. Reynolds 119 25 94
†Capt. Elliot,			Capt. Fairlie 104 9 95
P.W.V 106	19	87	Capt. Prendergast 117 22 95
Mr. W. Field 101	13	88	Lieut Col. Greig,
Mr. H. Atkinson 102	14	88	R.A 111 15 96
Mr. A. H. Lushing-			Mr. O. Belk 114 18 96
ton 94	5	89	Mr. R. Lattimer 103 6 97
Mr. A. L. Scott 116	27		LtCol. McDougal
Mr. Spencer Robin 91	1	90	P.W.V 120 22 98
Col. McKenzie 96	6	90	Mr. H.P.H. Spencer 114 15 99
Mr. E. F. Oakeley,			Rev. W. B. Holland 117 17 100
P.W.V 117	27	90	Major O'Leary,
Capt. Sumner,		-	P.W.V 132 27 105
P.W.V 100	9	91	Capt. Cavendish 136 27 109
Rev H. Yorke 107	16	91	the second second second second
		0.0	† Divided sweepstakes.
TT HERET.	100		and sweepstakes.

No return from Messrs. Barker, Chambers, Turnbull, P. Robin, Rettie, Monckton, Cuming, Copeland, Waters, Heath, Capt. Snow, and Capt. Burney.

TUESDAY, October 7th. The Robin Medals :--

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*Mr. Spencer Robi		***	85		***	109
+Major Scott, R.A			90			109
Mr. G. Hornby		2	91	Capt. Elliot, P. W.V.		111
Mr. C. A. Teape			93			112
Col. McKenzie	***		93	Mr. A. C. Salmonson		112
Mr. R Lattimer			95	Mr. W. H. Monckton		114
Capt. Robin				AF TT I TO INT AT		115
Mr. A. H. Lushin	gton		1000			117
Capt. Sumner, P.V	W.V.	10.00	IOI			117
Mr. H. Spencer	***		102	Colonel McDougal, P.W.	V.	117
Mr. T. C. Robin	100		102			117
Mr. W. Field	***		102		-	
Mr. D. Turnbull			105			121
Capt. Fairlie	200	-	106	1 F		123
Col. Mayne	***	100	107	Captain Withington, P.W.		
*	Silver	me	dal.	Bronze medal.		Ĩ

No return from Capt. Prendergast and Mr. Barker.

The Visitors' Prize, presented by Admiral Saumarez, C.B. :--Gross. Hcp. Net. Gross. Hcp

Gross. Hcp. Net. Gross. Hcp. Net. *Lt.-Col.Grieg, R.A. 113 15 100 | Mr. G. F. Heath 134 27 107 Capt. Somerset ... 126 24 102 | Capt. Cavendish... 139 27 112 * Winner.

Dr. Copeland (109, less 27=82) and Mr. Spencer Robin (85, less 1=84) divided sweepstakes.

WEDNESDAV, October 8th. Lieut.-Col. Robin's Cup Handicap, limited to 18 :-

Gross, Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
TMr. Oswald Belk. 102 18 84	Mr. T. C. Robin 104 9 95
Mr. Spencer Robin 85 scr. 85	LtCol. Greig, R.A. 110 15 05
Mr. G. Hornby 88 3 85	Col. Mayne 117 10 97
Capt. Ell'ot 105 18 87	Col Stevenson II5 18 07
†Mr. F. P. Taylor 102 15 87 Mr. R. Lattimer 94 6 88	Mr. A. H. Lush-
Mr. R. Lattimer 94 6 88	ington 104 5 99
Dr. Hodder 103 15 88	Col. McKenzie 105 6 99
Mr. D. Turnbull 104 16 88	LieutCol. Robin 117 18 99
	Mr. A. C. Samuelson 112 18 99
† Mr. A. L Scott 108 18 90	Mr. W. H. Monckton 118 18 100
Mr. C. A. Teape 94 3 91	Dr. Copeland 120 18 102
Capt, Robin 95 4 91	Capt. Burney, R.A. 124 18 106
Capt. Robin 95 4 91 Mr. R. Reynolds 109 18 91	Mr. E. F. Oakeley., 125 18 107
Major Scott, R.A 97 2 95	Capt. Cavendish 134 27 107
	Divided sweepstakes.

No return from Messrs. H. Spencer, Field, Yorke, P. Spencer, Atkiuson, Cuming, Heath, Lieut.-Col. McDougal, Capt. Fairlie, Capt. Sumner, and Capt. Snow.

Mr. Spencer Robin won the Clutton Cup with the best scratch score of 85. Mr. A. L. Scott won the Plummer Cup with 86_4^3 , the best net average of four days' play.

SATURDAY, October 11th. Monthly Prize and Optional Sweepstake :---

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	(Gross,	Hep.	Net.
†Capt.Elliot, P.W.V. 100	19	81	Mr. A. Lushington	97	5	92
†Mr. T. Lattimer 103			Col. McKenzie			
Mr. Spencer Robin 85	scr.	. 85	Capt. Cavendish	119	27	92
Mr. R. Lattimer 92	6	86	Capt. Robin	97	4	93
Col. Stevenson 105	18	87	Mr. O. Belk	IIO	17	93
Mr. W. Field 102	13	89				
*Rev. H. W. Yorke 106				121	27	94
Mr. D. Turnbull 106	16	90		110		
Dr. Copeland 113	23	90	Capt. Fairlie			
Capt. Snow, P.W.V. 114		90	LieutCol. Mayne			96
Mr. A. Cuming, R. A. 117	27	90	Major Ireland	127	27	100
Major Scott, R.A 93			Capt. Somerset			
Mr. G. Hornby 93			Capt. Withington			
Mr. C. A. Teape 94		91		5		

Monthly prize. † Divided sweepstakes.

No returns from Col. M'Dougal, Lieut.-Col. Robin, Capts. Sumner, Prendergast, and Burney, and Messrs. H. G. Spencer, Barker, T. C. Robin, Chambers, Taylor, H. P. Spencer, H. A. Hornby, A. L. Scott, Salmonson, Rettie, Reynolds, Monckton, and Waters.

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The Club Gold Medal competition, with a sweepstakes added as second prize, took place on Thursday, October 9th. Ten players entered for the event, with the following result :--

FIRST ROUND.—Miss Dawkins a bye, Miss Mackenzie scratched; Miss Middleton beat Miss Chambers; Miss Hunt a bye, Miss H. Darlington a bye; Miss A. Dawkins a bye, Miss Gray a bye; Miss Darlington a bye, Miss L. Darlington a bye.

SECOND ROUND.—Miss Dawkins beat Miss Middleton; Miss Hunt a bye, Miss H. Darlington (scratched); Miss A. Dawkins beat Miss Gray; Miss Darlington beat Miss L. Darlington.

THIRD ROUND.-Miss Dawkins beat Miss Hunt ; Miss Darlington beat Miss A. Dawkins.

FINALS -- Miss Darlington beat Miss Dawkins.

On Saturday, October 11th, this club played the return match, on the home links, against the Warwickshire Ladies' Golf Club. Play began at 2.30 in most perfect weather, which continued throughout the whole afternoon. A large number of members and friends assembled on the ground to witness the match and to partake of tea, given by the club. When the last card was handed in and the totals added up, it was found that the home team had won by a majority of 32 holes.

N. W. L.	G. C.			W. L. G.	С.	
		He	oles.			Holes.
Miss Chambers	1000		8	Miss Bullock		6
Miss Hunt				Hon. Mrs. Lyttelton		4
Miss Mackenzie		1000	6	Miss Boothby		9
Miss Middleton				3.4. 23 23 2		2
Miss A. Dawkins	1444		13	Mrs. Grundy	15.	2
Miss Dawkins	1444	14.4.4	0.22	Miss J. Bullock		4
	_		-			
Tota	in and	1444	59	Total	222	27

On Tuesday, October 14th, the club played for a travelling clock, kindly presented by Mrs. Radcliffe. The returns were as tollows :---

	ISL	Round, 2	nd Round.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	
Miss Hunt		42	38	80	scr.	801	Tied.
Miss Darlington		38	44	82	2	80 1	Tied.
Miss Chambers		44	49	93	12	81	
Miss Middleton			44	93 82	SCT.	82	
Miss Dawkins		43	46	89	2	87	
Miss Gray		54	46	100	7	93	
Miss Humphreys		50	58	108	15	93	
Miss L. Darlington			44	97	2	95	
Miss Gibsone		55	52	107	12	95	
Miss Howe		70	50	120	16	113	
Miss J. Stansfeld			No Ret	urn.			

On Friday, October 17th, the competition for the monthly silver medal, took place with the following results :—

Miss Dawkins	rst	Round, 2nd 40	Round. 36	Gross, 76	Hcp. 2	Net. 74	
Miss Middleton		42	37	79	scr.	79	
Miss Gibsone	***	45	47	92	12	So	
Miss Gray		49	40	89	7	82	
Miss Hunt		41	48	89	scr.	89	
Miss Humphreys		52	57	109	15	94	
Miss Howe		66	67	123	16	107	
Miss Chambers		67	61	128	12	116	

FORFARSHIRE.

It is gratifying to learn that the movement referred to last week for having the Monifieth course kept in good order has made considerable progress, and promises to be attended with almost immediate success. The committee appointed by the Panmure Club—which has taken the initiative in the matter—waited on the various clubs that play at Monifieth to ascertain what amount of financial support they would be willing to give to the proposal. We understand that, alive to the importance of the improvement that would be made in the management of the course by the appointment of a regular greenkeeper, a number of clubs have intimated pretty large annual contributions.

The plans of the additions to be made to the Dalhousie club-house at Carnoustie have just received official sanction. They show that the building when the alterations are completed will be almost doubled in size. Besides being commodious, however, the club-house will possess no inconsiderable claim to architectural pretensions.

At a meeting of Carnoustie Police Commissioners last week, a letter was read from the agents of the trustees of the late Mrs. Lingard Guthrie declining the offer made by the Commissioners of \pounds_{450} for a stipulated portion of the Golt Links. The price demanded is \pounds_{650} . The feeling is that this figure is excessive, but the trustees have promised to leave the matter open for a month.

Mr. David Anderson, of the Grange, has this season been proving himself one of the best players in the county. The form displayed by him has been very consistent, and evidence of this is to be found in the trophies that have rewarded his prowess within the last two months, to go no further back. These include the Panmure medal of the Monifieth Club, the Guthrie medal of the Dalhousie Club; and the gold medal of the Panmure Club. Mr. Anderson more than sustained his local reputation by coming in for the second prize at North Berwick tournament last week.

We mentioned a fortnight ago that Mr. Anderson had promised to present a number of prizes to the Monifieth Club. The prizes, which take the form of clubs, are to be distributed over the three classes. The other two classes compete on November 8th and December 6th.

At Montrose the competition for the Foote-Millar Silver Challenge Cup engaged in by the members of the Royal Albert Club has been advanced another stage. The tie between Dr. Stone (allowed one hole) and the Hon. the Master of Arbuthnott was played off on Wednesday, and resulted in the defeat of the latter by two up and one to play. Later in the week Mr. A. Smith, Benholm Castle (1), beat Mr. W. Smith by four up and three to play. Dr. Sontun beat Mr. D. S. Campbell by three up and two to play; and Dr. Mackie Brechin, scratched to Rev. A. Cameron, Farnell.

The sixth competition for the badge of the Montrose Mercantile Club has just been concluded, the winner being Mr. W. Douglas with a score of 94—six below his average. The prize for the lowest score on the green was tied for by A. Keillor, and G. McIntosh, at the very creditable figure of 82.

Last week the members of the Montrose Star Club were favoured with excellent weather to hold their competition for the Hastie (handicap) Medal. The greens also were in the pink of condition, and, as the result, low scores were the rule. Mr. C. R. Murray carried off the trophy.

An interesting foursome was played at Monifieth on Saturday the 11th between the two leading players of the Broughty Club, partnered by two old devotees of the game, namely, W. Young, partnered with David Bisset, against George Wright, partnered with Alex. Bowman. The match was very equal for the first half, the score at the turn being 42 strokes each, and square in holes. Young and his partner had aftewards ill luck and were forced to lift, ultimately losing the match by four holes.

Another Carnoustie club, the Caledonia to wit, has outgrown its house accommodation, and it was intimated at the annual general meeting, held last week, that rdditional ground had been secured for the purpose of building an extension of premises. The necessity for this step was manifested by the circumstance of the meeting being called upon to give its sanction to the admittance of no fewer than nineteen new members. A former resolution not to contribute out of the club funds towards the links purchase fund, but that the members be asked to contribute individually, was adhered to. The council were granted authority to pay something annually towards the upkeep of the course.

A splendid performance was accomplished in the competition for several prizes and sweep-takes of the Monifieth Club by Mr. David Robertson on Saturday. He went the round at the low score of 75, thus managing to beat the achievement of Mr. P. D. Mitchell, of the Panmure Club, who, if we mistake not, broke the record with 76. The details of Mr. Robertson's score are :—

	Out				5 4	4	5	4	5	4 3	4=38
	In			***	6 4	3	4	4	3	4 4	5=37
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THIRD HEAT .- The competition was resumed in rather boisterous

weather, and the following are the results :-Dr. Templeman (11) beat J. Jones (7), 2 up; C. E. Gilroy (2) beat J. Mathewson (10), 8 up and 6 to play; W. R. Sharp (6) beat Geo. Halley (2), 2 up; J. Cuthbertson (14) beat A. P. Mathewson (3), 4 up and 3 to play; H. B. Gilroy (4) beat H. M. Robinson (6), 3 up and 2 to play; J. Duncan (6) against G. A. Gilroy (4), absent; Geo. Gilroy, jun. (6) beat H. S. C. Everard (owes 2), 2 up and 1 to play; A. Mathewson (7) beat W. Anderson (2), 2 up and 1 to play.

FOURTH HEAT.—C. E. Gilroy (2) beat Dr. Templeman (11), 4 up and 2 to play; W. R. Sharp (6) beat J. Cuthbertson (14), 4 up and 2 to play; H. B. Gilroy (4) beat Jas. Duncan (6), 3 up and 1 to play; Geo. Gilroy, jun. (6) beat A. Mathewson (7), 4 up and 2 to play. Dr. Stone and Mr. A. Smith played off their heat in the end of last

Dr. Stone and Mr. A. Smith played off their heat in the end of last week in the midst of a fierce westerly gale. Dr. Stone, receiving two holes, beat his opponent by 2 up and 1 to play, and thus goes into the final.

The final rounds were played on Saturday, in somewhat stormy weather. Results :---

FIFTH ROUND.—C. E. Gilroy (2) beat W. R. Sharp (6), 2 up and 1 to play; Geo. Gilroy, jun. (6) beat H. B. Gilroy (4), 2 up.

SIXTH ROUND.-Geo. Gilroy, jun. (6) beat C. E. Gilroy (2), 4 up and 2 to play.

The Caledonia Club held their monthly competition at Carnoustie, on Saturday, when in addition to the usual sweepstakes, the club medal (scratch), was played for. David Whitton won the medal with a score of 89.

In the first of a series of matches, on Saturday, for prizes presented to the Monifieth Golf Club by Mr. David Anderson, of the Grange, the results were as follows :—1st Class, scratch, and 1st average, D. Robertson, 75, below 10; 2 and 3, tie between D. Dempster, 81, and J. Fairweather, 82, both 1 below; 5, tie between W. Young, 82, and J. Burns, 87, both 1 above; 2 and Class, scratch and 1st average, E. Paterson, 86, below 10; 2 and 3, tie between P. Macadam, 93, and H. Christie, 93, both 6 below; 4, R. Don, 87, below 5; 5 A. R. C. Patterson, 90, below 4; 6, T. Brimer, 89, below 3; 3rd Class, scratch, Geo. Douglas, 93; 1st average, J. Pearson, 100, below 13; 2, G. Douglas, 100, below 10; 3, R. B. Cowans, 105, below 9; 4, J. Johnston, 97, below 8; W. Fox, 96, below 7.

NORTH BERWICK.

The treat on Friday to professionals and caddies connected with the North Berwick green formed the chief event amongst competitions held here last week. Although of minor importance, as compared with the professional meeting of the previous Friday, in consequence of its mainly local character, the competition provided in a few instances a very interesting game. Ben Sayers and Davie Grant, of North Berwick, engaged in the contest, and Musselburgh was in some measure represented by Willie Brown and C. Crawford, jun., who are in fre-quent attendance over the North Berwick Links in the height of the season. Seventy handsome money prizes for seventy competitors gave sufficient evidence that the meeting was to assume the shape of a generous entertainment. As might naturally have been expected, the professionals and caddies in no way disappointed the promoters of the meeting in their anticipation that the attendance would be full, and that there would be few, if any, apologies for "unavoidable absence." Captain R. G. Suttie, of Balgone, the principal promoter of the meeting, was present at the start, and under his superintendence the players left the teeing-ground, with Sayers and Davie Grant in the two leading couples. Bernard had as his opponent Willie Brown, and Davie was pitted against George Douglas ("Dougall"). Most interest attached to the play of Sayers and Brown. Ben was of course decidedly the favourite for first place, and the match might have attracted a much larger "following" had Willie's brother, the ex-champion, met Sayers in the single. As it was, however, Willie played a surprisingly good game in the out half, holding his own well with his opponent. As far as the fifth hole out Sayers only led by a stroke, and, as he unfortunately found his way into the wood with his next tee drive, he allowed Willie in turn to lead by one. Brown held the "honour" of driving first from the tee till the end hole was reached, where Sayers just succeeded in drawing level with his opponent. From this point the aspect of affairs became entirely altered, the local professional never giving his opponent a chance, and finishing the home half brilliantly in 30 to Willie's 39. Immediately following the return of Sayers' card of 75, Grant handed in a score of 77, and these figures were unrivalled until nearly handed in a score of 7, and these ngures were unitvalied unit itearly the close of the play, when some surprise was occasioned by the fact that A. Pratt had tied with Grant for second place at 77. The prin-cipal prize-winners were :—B. Sayers, 75; D. Grant, 77, and A. Pratt, 77, tie; J. White, 79, and W. Thomson, 79, tie; G. Douglas, 82, and C. Crawford, 82, tie; A. Lumsden, 83; W. Brown, 84; J. M'Watt, 85; A. Henderson, 85; W. Coggrove, 85; and George Burns, 86. In the Foresters' Hall in the afternoon, Captain Suttle presented the prizes to the successful competitors, having previously addressed the

caddies in a few suitable words of caution as well as encouragement. After an interesting speech by one of the competitors for the day, the redoubtable Henry Crawford, the proceedings appropriately closed with three ringing cheers for Captain Suttie, on the proposal of Bernard Sayers. Under the superintendence of Captain Suttie and Captain N. M. Wylie, the arrangements for the competition were very successfully carried out.

A prize of a purse of sovereigns, gifted by resident and visiting friends at North Berwick, enhanced the interest in a professional foursome played here on Friday afternoon last. Opposed to Sayers and C. Crawford were Grant and A. Lumsden, and a fair match under stroke conditions ended in favour of the former couple by 75 to 83. Crawford assisted his partner greatly by fine play at the putting-green, getting home a few puts of some three or four yards from the disc. The score of the winners was compiled as follows :—

SAYERS	AND C	RAWFO	ORD-	-								
Out			6	5	4	3	4	4	3	2	4	4=39 275
In					5	4	6	3	4	5	6	$4=39 \\ 3=36$ 75
GRANT	AND L	UMSDE	N									
Out			5	7	5	4	4	3	4	3	4	5=44 4=39 83
In					4	5	5	3	5	6	7	4=39) 03

Saturday was a comparatively quiet day over the links here, the play being connected chiefly with medal ties. In the afternoon a few friendly matches aided to brighten the appearance of the links somewhat, but none was of exceptional interest. One of the ties played off was in connection with the Bass Rock Club.

The destination of the monthly trophy of this club has on this occasion proved more difficult of decision than for a considerable time past. At the last monthly competition no fewer than five members tied for the allowance badge, namely, Messrs. John Forrest, J. Henderson, A. Hutchison, A. Hogg, and G. Sim. On Saturday, when the tie was played off, the return of cards found the event yet undecided, as Messrs. J. Henderson and G. Sim again tied at 88 net for the trophy.

EDINBURGH INSTITUTION (F.P.) CLUB.

On Saturday, over the North Berwick Links, the tie for the scratch gold medal (with charm) of this club was decided. At the autumn meeting, held here a fortnight since, Messrs. Sydney H. M'Culloch, J. Stevenson, and A. Cairns, tied for the coveted trophy with actual scores of 86, and, on playing off on Saturday last, Mr. M'Culloch proved the winner with 88. A strong gusty wind sufficiently accounted for the rather high figures returned. The handicap awards accordingly fell to be distributed amongst—(1) Mr. A. Cairns ; (2) Mr. J. Paterson ; and (3) Mr. J. Stevenson.

THE ABERDEEN CLUB.

The half yearly ordinary general meeting of the above club was held on Wednesday, October 15th, in the secretary's office—the retiring captain (Mr. James Matthews of Springhill) presiding. The report by the captain and council for the year, and the accounts for the same period, were unanimously approved and passed. The report showed that the number of members on the roll was 217, and that a large number of temporary members had enjoyed the privileges of the club during the year. The finances were also in a very satisfactory state. Office bearers for the ensuing year were then elected, the Rev. C. C. Macdonald being unanimously appointed captain, and J. C. Willet, advocate, re-elected secretary, the following being the members of council—Messrs. James Matthews, John Davidson, James Forbes Lumsden, A. Hall Wilson, W. G. Jamieson, and W. R. Reid. The autumn meeting began on Thursday, October 16th, over the Balgownie course, when the Charles Chalmers' Cup and Mrs.

The autumn meeting began on Thursday, October 16th, over the Balgownie course, when the Charles Chalmers' Cup and Mrs. Fordyce's gold cross were competed for, the last-named prize being a handicap one. The first round of the final competition for the excaptain's cup also took place. The weather, unfortunately, was anything but favourable, a strong breeze blowing all day, in the afternoon accompanied by rain, which made matters anything but pleasant for the competitors. Notwithstanding these drawbacks a large field of competitors turned out, some fourteen couples in all starting. Gilbert Heron, the greenkeeper, had the course in excellent order, the puttinggreens in particular being in capital trim. The cards returned, as a rule, were rather high, the unfavourable weather accounting for this. There was, however, one notable exception, Mr. J. McK. Ferguson who eventually carried off both prizes—handing in the fine score of 83, while Mr. R. B. N. Findlater followed with 89, these being the only two scores under 90. The following were the lowest scores handed in.

Gr	oss. J	Hcp.	Net,	Gr	oss. H	icp.	Net.
J. McK. Ferguson	83	0	83	Capt. Miller-Wallnutt	94	3	91
R. B. N. Findlater				W. C. H. Jopp	97	6	91
D. Pearson				C. F. Hayne	97	6	91
R. D. Leslie	94	6	88	Colonel Burgmann			
W. R. Reid			89	B. S. McLellan	96	3	93
Rev. C. C. Macdonald	91	0	91				

In the competition for the ex-captain s cup, which is played for under handicap by holes, Mr. J. McK. Ferguson (scratch) beat Rev. C. Dunn (5 holes); Mr. G. D. Collie (10 holes) beat Mr. J. F. Lumsden(8 holes); and Mr. T. Adam, jun., had a walk-over, his opponent, professor Minto not turning up to play.

There was no improvement in the weather on the second day of the meeting (Friday, the 17th), the conditions, if anything, being a good deal worse, a strong north-westerly gale blowing all day, accompanied by drenching showers of rain. This kept back a number of competitors from starting for the club's gold medal, and made the scores returned abnormally high. Of the seven couples who started, Mr. W. C. H Jopp, who came in with a score of 90, was found to be the winner of the medal, and besides holding the trophy for the year, receives a miniature of it in gold as a memento of his victory. The following were the lowest scores : -Mr. W. C. H. Jopp, 90; Mr. J. M'K. Ferguson, 93; Mr. D. Pearson, 94; Mr. Basil S. McLellan, 96; Captain H. V. Brooke, 98; Colonel Burgmann, 98; Rev. C. C. Macdonald, 99.

The second round of the final competition for the ex-captain's prize also took place, with the following result :--Mr. G. D. Collie (10 holes) beat Mr. J. McK. Ferguson (scratch); and Mr. D. Pearson (2 holes) beat Mr. T. Adam, jun. (4 holes).

The meeting was brought to a conclusion on Saturday, the 18th inst., when the final competition for the Bangalore and ex-captain's cups took place. The first-named prize has been played for monthly for the past two years, and the various monthly winners alone were entitled to compete. Some eighteen players were eligible to play, and these were specially handicapped and dispatched on the final journey. The weather was again very unfavourable, the strong north-westerly wind blowing throwing a number of the competitors quite out of their reckoning. The result of the competition showed that Mr. F. McCrae, who came in with the scratch score of 85, was the final winner of the cup, the remaining best scores being as follows :—

		Hcp.			055.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. J. Mck. Ferguson			88	Mr. J. Moir	94	3	91
Mr. R. B. N. Findlate	r 92	3	89	Capt. Miller-Wallnutt	94	3	91
Mr. W. Moir	92	3	89	Dr. Joseph Ogilvie	- 98	6	92
Mr. J. Williams	95	6	89	Mr. B. S. McLellan	98	3	95

The final round in the competition for the ex-captain's cup resulted in a most interesting tussle between Messrs. D. Pearson and G. D. Collie. This prize has been competed for throughout the season under a handicap by holes, and the various competitors were narrowed down to the above couple. Mr. Collie had the big handicap of 10 holes, while Mr. Pearson had 2 holes. A splendid fight was witnessed all through, and it was only at the last hole that Mr. Pearson won b oney hole, Mr. Collie at the fifteenth hole standing two up with three to play, and having all the advantage. Mr. Pearson, however, came away with the last three holes, and thus secured the cup, his victory being hailed with great applause.

We understand that Colonel Burgmann has presented the club with a cup, to take the place of the Bangalore cup, to be played for under handicap on the first Saturday of each month, along with the scratch medal, and to be finally won at the end of twelve months.

VICTORIA CLUB, ABERDEEN.—The members of this club held their last monthly competition for the season on Wednesday and Saturday of last week, over the links course. The prizes played for were Mr. Durward's prize (cpen to first-class players) and Mr. Thomson's prize (open to second-class players). The competition resulted as follows :— Mr. Durward's prize : Winner, G. Mortimer, 91, less 4=87; and Mr. Thomson's prize-winner, C. Robertson, 111, less 12=99. This being the last competition for both prizes, and Messrs. Cooper and Mortimer having both won Mr. Durward's prize twice out of the twelve competitions for it, have a tie to play off for final possession. For Mr. Thomson's prize, Messrs. Gemmell, Merrylees, and C. Robertson each having won it twice, have also a tie to play off for final possession.

BON-ACCORD CLUB (ABERDEEN).—The annual general meeting of this club was held on Wednesday, the 15th inst., when the office bearers for next season were elected, Mr. James Smith being appointed captain, and Mr. J. W. Murray re-elected secretary. The prizes for the past season were also presented to the various winners as follows : Challenge cup, W. Smart ; scratch medal, W. Smart ; handicap medal, J. W. Murray. The remaining handicap prizes were won as follows :—Captain's prizes, Messrs. J. Moir and L. Anderson ; the last named player also carrying off Mr. Milne's prize and Mr. Kynoch's prize; Mr. Ogilvie's prize, C. Smith ; Mrs. Cormack's prize, J. Paterson ; the Rennie cross, J. Fraser ; Mr. Beattie's prize (handicap played by holes), W. Moir ; and club sweepstake, also played by holes : I, A. Jaffray ; 2, R. Pont ; 3, J. Fraser ; 4, A. Smart.

INVERNESS v. DORNOCH.—A match between these clubs was played on Wednesday, the 15th inst., over the Muir of Ord course, the home green of the former club. The weather was very cold and stormy, and neither club was fully represented. Nine players started on each side,

and the result showed a victory for the Dornoch men by 13 holes, they securing 23 holes as against Inverness's 10. Details as follows :-

L	ORNO	JCH.			INVERNESS.					
			H	loles.				Ho	les.	
J. Sutherland	64.4	1.00	\$14	7	A. F. Steele	144	***	1440	0	
D. Malcolm	1222	18 222 -	144	2	A. Birnie				0	
J. Campbell	1.1	144	222	5	J. Birnie	36		1444	0	
J. Leslie			244	0	A. Lobban	444			3	
W. F. Orr		6.6		0	W. Gunn		***		ī	
A. Morrison				0	J. Park.	***			6	
A. Innes			***	7	J. Ness		***		0	
W. Sutherlan	d			1	W. Mackinto	sh			0	
-Butters				1	F. Maciver				0	
				-					-	
		Total		23		Т	otal		IO	
Majority fo	r Doi	rnoch Cl	ub,	13 h	oles.					

BLACKHEATH LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The first annual medal day of the above club was fixed for Tuesday, October 7th, when a continuous downpour of heavy rain failed to daunt a field of twenty-three competitors. The scratch prize was a challenge cup presented by Mr. W. C. Johnson, and was won by Mrs. Mackern with the good score of 81, her second round of 37 being a remarkable performance in such weather. Fifteen of the ladies returned scores as below, Miss Farnall winning the handicap sweep :--

	Gross.	Gross. Hcp.					
Miss Farnall	89	18	71	Miss A. Richardson	97	7	90
Mrs. Mackern	81	7		Miss M. Wilkinson		16	90
Miss Smyth	88	10		Mrs. Evans		24	92
Miss Moore	91	12		Miss M. Richardson			95
Miss B. Smith	97	18	79	Miss M. Sillar	114	18	96
Miss M. Riddle		18	79	Miss Raymond	115	12	103
Miss Sheringham		24	80	Miss Fream	121	16	105
Mrs. W. Claude							2

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On Thursday, October 16th, the club played a match against the Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells Ladies' Golf Club, and again the weather was unpropitious, heavy showers falling at intervals, and there being a keen cold wind. The Forest ladies found the change from their hazards of fern and gorse to the traditional Blackheath road and perambulators rather puzzling, but some of their scores were very good, notably that of Miss Andrews (43 and 39), who beat Mrs. Mackern (42 and 40) by two holes. It must certainly be admitted that the ladies have proved their enthusiasm for the game by a plucky disregard of climatic conditions, which many prophets declared would make it impossible for them ever to be golfers.

ASHDOW	N FOR	EST.		BLACKI	HEAT	н.	
		I	Ioles.			H	Ioles.
Miss Andrews			2	Mrs. Mackern		***	0
Miss Birch			3	Miss Smyth			0
Mrs. Stewart			0	Miss Farnall			7
Miss Lee			0	Miss Moore	***		2
Miss Mentzendo	rff		0	Miss B. Smith			ō.
Miss Frewen			0	Miss M. Riddle			4
Miss Bone			0				2
Miss Banister			0	Miss M. Wilkins	on		6
Mrs. Parsons			0	Miss Sheringham			2
				Sum			-
			5				36

EDINBURGH BURGESS GOLFING SOCIETY.

Never in the history of this venerable society has the autumn meeting been celebrated under more unfavourable conditions than on Thursday, the 16th. True, the greens were in excellent order, but a hurricane from the north-west meted out dire punishment to a heeled ball, while even the nicest calculations of the cracks were upset. No wonder, then, as the sequel will show, that the returns were a long way above the average. As usual, the trophies offered for competition were the gold medal (scratch) and the gold and silver medals (handicap), in addition to two other prizes, and for these a thoroughly representative field of thirty-six entered the lists. Popular opinion pointed to Mr. A. M. Ross as the winner of the scratch medal, and these hopes were not belied, as he secured the coveted award with a return of 92—a long way the worst score he has returned for some time, but very creditable under the circumstances. The severity of the gale is eloquently testified to by such capable players as Messrs. Oliver, Thomson, J. Williamson, and H. B. Bryden handing in cards of a century or over. Mr. Ross's card read—First round : 4 6 6 7 5 7 7 4 6 3—total 48; second round, 4 5 6 4 6 6 4 5 4—total 44; grand total 92. In the handicap competition Mr. Sawers secured first place with a net 86, but he preferred the silver medal to the gold, which allowed Mr. A. MacDonald, who finished second, to take the latter; while Messrs. A. M. Ross and Knight

Watson tied for third and fourth prizes at 96. Subjoined are the scores in the handicap-competition :-

Gross, Hcp. Net	Gross, Hcp. Net
Mr. R. Sawers 98 12 86	Mr. P. Moir 119 18 10
Mr. A. MacDonald 107 18 89	
Mr. A. M. Ross 920wes4 96	Mr. O. Thomson 1000wes2 10.
Mr. Knight Watson 104 8 96	
Mr. J. R. Forrester 115 18 97	Mr. J. Aitchison 111 8 10
M. J. P. Ormond 116 18 98	Mr. J. Macpherson 122 18 10.
Mr. R. S. Bryson 105 6 90	
Mr. A. B. Doughty 113 14 90	Mr. H. B. Bryden 107 scr. 10
Mr. T. Aitken 980wes2 100	Mr. J. Watson 121 14 10
Mr. A. Hodge 112 12 100	
Mr. J. Williamson 100 scr. 100	
Mr. H. B. Ferrier 100 scr. 100	
Mr. T. Kay 105 4 101	

No returns from others. In the evening the annual dinner was held in the club-house, Capt. W. B. Wise in the chair.

THE DALHOUSIE GOLF CLUB.

The first two stages in the competition for the silver cup, presented by the late Earl of Dalhousie, were got through by the Dalhousie Golf Club at Carnoustie on Saturday, the 11th inst. The cup is played for by holes, the competitors receiving handicap allowances. The club was favoured with excellent weather, and the proceedings were most successful. Appended are results of the first round :-Dr. Templeman (11), beat A. Gilroy (12), 5 up and 4 to play; J. Jones (2), beat P. S. Brown (14), 7 up and 6 to play; C. E. Gilroy (2), beat J. L. Luke (2), 5 up and 4 to play; J. Fullerton (11), beat J. Henderson (scratch); Dr. Anderson (10), beat D. Anderson (owes 2), 3 up and 1 to play; J. Mathewson (10), beat W. O. Cunningham (10), 4 up and 2 to play; Major Chalmers (5), beat J. M. Gray (14), 6 up and 5 to play; W. R. Sharp (6), beat James Melville (3), 2 up and 1 to play; W. M. Martin, (11), beat J. Isles (14), scratched; D. R. Gilroy (11), beat A. G. Morgan (10), scratched; J. Cuthbertson (14), beat R. B. Thomson (14), scratched; A. H. Moncur (7), beat J. L. Sievwright (11), 4 up and 3 to play; P. C. Scott (9), beat Alex. Johnston (9), 2 up; H. B. Gilroy (4), beat D. Scott (9), scratched; H. M. Robinson (6), beat J. Prain junr. (9), 3 up and 2 to play; S. Rollo (10), beat C. M. Boase (14), 4 up and 3 to play; was favoured with excellent weather, and the proceedings were most Scott (9), scratched; H. M. Robinson (6), beat J. Prain junr. (9), 3 up and 2 to play; S. Rollo (10), beat C. M. Boase (14), 4 up and 3 to play; Jas. Duncan (6), beat R. Gilroy (2), 4 up and 2 to play; A. R. C. Pat-terson (8), beat John Methven (10), 6 up and 5 to play; G. A. Gilroy, (4), beat W. Gibson junr. (7), 3 up and 2 to play; I. Drimmie (7), beat W. Scott junr. (5), 2 up and 1 to play; H. S. C. Everard (owes 2), beat J. Murison (13), scratched; Geo. Gilroy, junr. (6), beat W. Thoms (11), 2 up and 1 to play; A. Mathewson (7), beat T. S. Robertson (12), 5 up and 3 to play; R. A. Hull (2), beat J. F. Stewart (14), scratched; W. Mann (12), beat Dr. P. Campbell (10), scratched; J. Watson (10), beat W. Kidd (10), absent; W. Anderson (2), beat D. M'Intyre (6), scratched. scratched.

scratched. The drawing for the second round immediately followed and resulted as follows :— Dr. Templeman (11), tied with J. Jones (7); C. E. Gilroy (2), beat J. Fullerton (11), 2 up and 1 to play; J. Matthewson (10) beat Dr. Anderson (10), 2 up and 2 to play; George Halley (5), beat Major Chalmers (5), 1 up; W. R. Sharp (6), beat W. M. Martin (11), 7 up and 5 to play; J. Cuthbertson (14), 'beat D. R. Gilroy (11), 6 up and 5 to play; H. M. Robinson (6), beat S. Rollo (10), 5 up and 4 to play; J. Duncan (6), beat A. R. C. Patterson (8), 2 up; G. A. Gilroy (4), beat I. Drimmie (7), 5 up and 4 to play; H. S. C. Everard (owes 2), tied Geo. Gilroy, junr. (6); A. Mathewson (7), beat R. A. Hull (2), 2 up and 2 to play; A. P. Matthewson (3), beat A. H. Moncur (7), 7 up and 6 to play; H. B. Gilroy (4), beat P. C. Scott (9), 6 up and 5 to play; W. Anderson (2), beat W. Mann (12), 3 up and 1 to play.

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

The autumn medal meeting of this club took place last Saturday, 18th inst., and was in every way a great success. The weather was rather threatening, but fortunately held up through the day, but the strong north-west wind which kept blowing through the greater part of the day no doubt worried a good many of the competitors, and only 59 scores out of a field of over 60 players were put in. The putting-greens were in good condition, and a vast improvement was noticeable through the green now that the grass has been cut. The gold challenge medal and gold memento, limited to handicaps of 18 or under, together with a painting presented by Dr. Hawkins, and limited to handicaps of 12 strokes, were carried off by Mr. A. S. Johnston, a very promising young player who has kept the handicapping committee constantly at work ; he completed the round in the excellent score of 86, less 10=76. Messrs. J. Dunlop Hill, G. E. Buckle and G. Spurling (ties), and A. H. Darlington, won respectively the 3rd, 4th and 5th prizes ; the 6th nd 7th, confined to members having handicaps of over 18, were won by Messrs. J. Badkin and E. A. Tewson. The second annual general meeting of the club was held in the even-

ing, there being a fair attendance, and the captain, Mr. J. Walker, jun.,

occupying the chair. The most important business transacted was the raising of the entrance fee from one guinea to three guineas, owing to the very great increase in the membership during the past year. Messrs. R. E. Peake, J. S. Pearce, and G. Thompson, were elected to vacancies on the committee. Mr. J. G. Glover was unanimously elected captain for the ensuing year, Major Gordon was re-elected hon. treasurer, and Mr. F. F. McKenzie was appointed hon. secretary, in place of Mr. L. S. McKenzie who resigned that office, and who together with Mr. F. G. Faithfull (one of the original and most enthusiastic supporters of the club, but who was compelled owing to ill-health to resign from the club), were elected honorary members of the club.

The meeting was brought to a conclusion by a club dinner at the Royal Forest Hotel, the newly elected captain taking the chair. During the evening the prizes were distributed, and a very satisfactory prize list

was read out for the ensuing year. On Saturday next, the 25th inst., the first monthly competition for the Gordon Challenge Cup will take place, and there is also to be a professional match between Gow and Tait, as advertised.

The following were the best scores handed in :

Name.				Name.	G	ross.	Hep.	
A. S. Johnston .	86	10	76	R. C. Kerr		100	12	88
J. Dunlop Hill .	. 97	18	79	J. J. Reed		104	16	88
G. Spurling	. 96	14		J. L. Muir	544	106	18	88
G. E. Buckle .	. 97	15	82		140	115	27	88
J. S. Badkin	102	20	82	J. J. Tysoe	an	115	27	88
A. H. Darlington .	. 91	8		J. W. Greig	454	96	7	89
Wickham Noakes .	. 90	6	84	P. V. Broke	246	93	38	90
G. F. Sanders .	. 93	9	84	W. Somerville	***	99	8	91
	. 104		84	J. Walker, jun.	222	103	12	91
H. Hawkins	. 95	IO	85	W. P. Bowyer	144	109	18	91
N. Womersley	. 112	27	85	J. G. Glover	525	104	I 2	92
J. T. Mill	98	\$ 12	86	S. R. Bastard		107	15	92
A. Greenlees, sen	. 104	18	86	W. J. Bowyer	+++	117	25 8	92
	. 97		87	W. R. Stikeman		101	8	93
	114		87	A. C. Eddis		120	27	93

DUBLIN GOLF CLUB.

The ninth monthly competition for the club medal was played off, under handicap, as usual, on Saturday last, the 18th inst., when nine couples started. Beautiful weather favoured the competitors, and the greens were in very fair condition, but the links in some places were very heavy, the grass being much longer than usual, owing to the very wet summer experienced in Dublin. Mr. A. L. Figgis was the winner of the medal with a gross score of 111, handicap 35, net 76. The returns handed in were as follows:-

	Gross.	Hcp	Net.		6	Fross. 1	Hcp.	Net.
Figgis, A.L. (winner)	111	35	76	Colvill, R. F	***	122	35	87
Hone, W	106	25	81	Shaw, J. J		120	30	90
Palmer, Professor	106	25	81	Johns, A		120	30	90
Lumsden, J., senr	94	9	85	Ross, G		116	25	91
Russell, J. H. S	115	30	85	McMurdo, G. N.		126	35	91
Lumsden, J., jun	95	9	86	Dodd, W. H		125	30	95
White, J. W. P	103	17	86					

The remaining competitors did not make any return.

The club have just completed a large addition to their club-house, which is now more than double its original size. This step was most necessary, as the club's numbers are rapidly increasing, and the old premises were much too small, even as the numbers stood, befo e the addition was made. The house now contains very fine sitting, box,

Iuncheon, dressing and caretaker's rooms. Next Saturday, the 25th inst., the "Lumsden Medal," presented to the club by Mr. John Lumsden (president), will be competed for under handicap.

LONDON SCOTTISH GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting of this club was held at Wimbledon on Thursday and Saturday of last week. Thursday's play was interfered with by a strong gusty wind, and a heavy storm of rain in the after oon added to the discomfort of the players. About twenty couples started from the Iron House during the day for the Mackenzie challenge cup and other prizes. The scores returned are given below :-

THURSDAY, October 16th :-

	G	ross.	Hep.	Net:	Gros	s. Hcp.	Net.
D. S. Froy	144	92	10	82	Sir Guy Campbell 10	3 8	95
S. G. Warner	-	106	18	-88	R. H. D. Peirce 10	5 2	- 98
A. E. Walker		02	2	00	I. D. Charrington 10.	4 6	- 98
lames Gow	444	95	5	90	W. F. Beauford II	0 12	- 98
W. M. Rhodes		95	5	90	S. B. Tristram II	2 12	100
A. Anderson					H. C. Archer II		
Major Lindsay	225	00	8	QI.	Dr. Comerford 11	6 14	102
T. R. Pinkerton		03	ser.	03	W. A. Tait II	3 10	103
John A. Greig	22	98	5	93	W. T. Henderson 11	5 7	103
	33	IOI	6	95			~

Winner of Mackenzie cup.

The following members made no return:-Messrs. R. M. B. O. Barry, A. M. N. Crichton, D. Cumming, James Duncan, R. H. Hedderwick, L. Heygate, J. F. Kerr, James Mortimer, O. B. Martyn, C. Home Sinclair, J. C. Sutherland, John Walker, jun., M. W. Whitmore, and others.

SATURDAY, October 18th.—A high wind prevailed on Saturday, but notwithstanding this the day was favourable for the game. About twenty-five couples started for the autumn scratch medal, which was won by Mr. T. R. Pinkerton with the score of 88. 'The following are the scores handed in :—

	Gros	s. Hcp.	Ne		Gross	. Hep	Net.
*T. R. Pinkerton	88	scr.	88	W. F. Beauford	107	12	95
† Major Lindsay	92	8	84	E. Lehmann	102	6	96
Alex. Mackay	IOI	15	86	O. B. Martyn	114	18	95 96 96
James Gow	92	5	87	R. M. B. O. Barry	121	25	- 96
James Gow S. C. Pegg	100	12	88	R. H. D. Peirce	.99	2	97
Dr. Comerford	103	14	89	J. D. Charrington	103	6	97
D. S. Froy	98	7	91	W. T. Henderson	104	7	97
A. B. Peirce	99	7	92	H. C. Archer	115		97
A. B. Chalmers	104	12	92	M. W. Whitmore			99
D. Cumming	117	25	92	C. Home Sinclair	117	18	99
J. A. Greig	98		93				99
A. Anderson			94	A. M. Crichton	115	15	100
A. Tait	106	12	94	H. B. Brown	103	2	IOI
S. B. Tristram	106	12	94	James Mortimer	125	21	104
James Duncan	02	+2	05				

* Winner of the scratch medal and gold miniature. † Winner of " Wemyss " cup.

The following members made no return :-Messrs. Hay Cooper, Dr. Dudgeon, H. E. Fisher, R. H. Hedderwick, R. B. Mansheld, T. Rudd, James Sutherland, James C. Sutherland, A. E. Walker, G. P. Walker, John Wilson, and others.

The aggregate prize was won by D. S. Froy, 82, plus 91=173.

GLASGOW AUTUMN MEETING.

The autumn meeting of the Glasgow Golf Club was held on Saturday over the course at Alexandra Park. This club has a very old history, and it will be in the memory of many that the Bishop's Palace contained among its historical collections at the Glasgow Exhibition "a silver club of the Glasgow Golf Club, with 24 silver balls attached, bearing the names of the captains from 1787 to 1828." This silver club is in possession of Mr. Mc'Inray, of Lude, Blair-Athole, whose uncle attached the last ball in 1835. The following is a list of the gentlemen who have placed balls on the club, copied from it by Mr. Andrew Forgan, club master of the Glasgow Golf Club :—

Capt. James Clark, March 27th, 1787; Lawerance Craigie, March 25th, 1788; Wm. Bogle, March 31st, 1789; Wm. Cross, March 29th, 1791; James Spreull, March 27th, 1792; John Hamilton, March 26th, 1793; James Muir, April 29th, 1794; Robert Watson, April 22nd, 1809; John McCulloch, May 5th. 1810; James Corbett, May 5th, 1814; David Lillie, April 22nd, 1815; Alex. Grant, sen., May 11th, 1816; Arch, Bogle, May 3rd, 1817; Charles Macintosh, May 9th, 1818; Thos. More, May 15t, 1819; Gilbert Watson, April 22nd, 1820; John Murray, May 6th, 1821; Duncan McBean, April 27th, 1822; John Cunningham, May 8th, 1823; R. A. Mackay, May 8th, 1824; Andrew Ranken, April 15th, 1826; Alex. B. Seaton, April 19th, 1828; David Fogo, of Row, May 4th, 1829; James McInrey, May 7th, 1835.

Beautiful weather favoured the meeting, and the course and greens were in first-rate order, though one or two of the putting-greens were just on the keen side and a little difficult to negotiate. The glare of the sun was also rather troublesome at some of the holes. The fine day brought out a very large number of the members, of whom seventy couples entered. Though good scoring was looked for, nothing so good as an 80 was brought in till well into the afternoon, when D. Bone came with 79, followed soon after by D. G. Miller with another 79, and the very last player, D. G. Rose, with still another 79. These three players accordingly tied for the Rae Arthur medal, and have to play off the tie next Saturday. D. Bone took 43 going out, but had a tine 36 coming in, having no less than four 3's in it. D. G. Miller's score was a very steady one, he having nothing above a 5 in it ; his out 41 and in 38 were nearer the relative values of "out" and "in" than either of the other two. D. G. Rose had a fine 39 going out, but fell off a little coming in, taking 40.

The others who were 40 or under, out or in, were W. Doleman, 39 out; F. K. Weir, 39 out; F. G. Tulloch, 40 out; Arch. Wilson, 40 out; W. Milne, 39 in; J. Stewart Carrick, 40 in.

Results of the day's play :--RAE ARTHUR MEDAL (Scratch).

D. Bone ...)

D. G. Miller | Tied at 79.

D. G. Rose | SALMON MEDAL (Handicap).

DA	LMON 3	VIEDAL	(franc	ncap)	A.		
				.0	iross.	Hcp.	Net.
D. G. Miller	244	194	***	11.4	79	4	75
		PRIZE	s.				
	F	rst Div	ision.				
I. D. G. Miller					79	4	75
	222	22.2				0 T	79
2. (D. Bone	157	725	***	* 4.4	79		
2. { D. Bone D. G. Rose	110	555			19	0	79
4. James Man	***	2.2.2	27.5	2.2.2	79 82 81	0 2 0	80
Wm. Doleman	1					0	81
5. {Wm. Doleman Dr. Duffus					84	3	81
	Sec	ond Di	vision.				
I. F. K. Weir				304	82	5	77
2. James Mack	111	244			84	5578	79 80
(John Hutton	444	***			87	7	80
3. R. Fullarton	111	364			88	8	80
3. R. Fullarton R. Hogg					91	11	80
	Tł	ird Di	vision.				
1. J. W. J. Watt	144			324	93	15	78
Day Todd					93	13	80
D C Cinalain	3.2	20	144	111	95	15	80
2. Geo, Macdon	ald					TE	80
Geo. Macdon	and	***				15 18	80
(A, Birrell			***		98	10	00

For the prize given by the captain, Dr. Clark, the first 16 play off by holes. The first 14 are those who were 80 or under, and for the 15th and 16th place the following play off :--

W. Doleman, 81; Dr. Duffus, 81; A. W. Tod, 89, less 8=81; N. Cook, 95, less 14=81; D. Rintoul, 99, less 18=81.

The handicapping of the relative divisions turned out exceedingly close, as out of the first 19 there were 6 from each division. The other actual scores under 90 were :---

J. S. Carrick, 82; Geo. Gillespie, 83; W. Milne, 83; F. G. Tulloch, 83; A. H. Doleman, 85; J. R. Motion, 85; A. Porteous, 85; Arch. Wilson, 86; T. M. Motion, 87; J. V. Scott, 87; J. Thomson, 88; D. Robertson, 89; G. K. Thompson, 89.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE GOLF CLUB.

The Autumn prize meeting was held on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 17th and 18th, when a most successful gathering took place. Thanks to the liberality of several members the prize list was a very good one, but unfortunately (as is often the case on the Brighton Downs), a strong wind, almost amounting to a gale, blew across the links, which sadly interfered with the players, and made good scoring very difficult. On Friday the Sandeman challenge cup (18 strokes handicap) was won by Mr. P. A. Willett, with a net return of 85. Mr. Cumming Macdona taking the Harvey Spiller Cup (over 18 strokes handicap) with 91 net, and the Debenture prize, kindly given by a member of the club, for those players whose handicap ranged from 25 to 30, was won by Mr. R. W. Kerr (127 less 5=122). Score :-

N. W. MCH (12/ 1055 3-166)	 12M 	
Gross, Hc	p. Net	Gross Hcp. Net. Mr. R. W. Kerr 127 27 1CO
Mr. P. A. Willett 101 16	85	Mr. R. W. Kerr 127 27 100
Mr. E. F. S. Tylecote ob 8	88	Mr. H. D. Bramwen 127 25 102
Mr. I. Brock 98 9	89	Mr. C. E. Nesham 107 4 103
Mr. H. E. Acklom 100 10	00	Mr. L. Horner 113 10 103
Mr. A. C. Bevan 102 12	90	LieutCol. Galway 118 15 103
Mr. S. S. Schultz IOI IO	IO C	Mr. J. F. Chance 120 16 104
Mr H F de Paravicini 108 16	02	Mr. Dudley Ryder 125 20 105
Mr C O Walker 110 14	06	Mr. H. R. Barnett 138 30 108
Mr A Denman 104 6	08	Mr. C. E. Mortimer 138 27 111
Hon, Ivo Bligh IIO 12	98	Colonel Hough 141 30 111
Mr. T. S. D. Selby 114 16	98	Major Marriott 130 19 111
Mr. W. C. Reaumont 120 20		

Seventeen players made no return.

Saturday, the wind was quite as strong as on the previous day, and this, combined with the keenness of the greens, made the course even more difficult. Mr. W. O. Bailey won the club scratch prize with a well played 95, Mr. C. E. Nesham being second with 97. The club handicap prize was won by Mr. H. F. de Paravicini, who also took the handsome prize kindly presented by Mr. E. F. S. Tylecote for the best net aggregate score, with 177 net. Mr. Tylecote won the Nesham challenge bowl for the best aggregate score of the two days with 195, and he has only to win it once more for the cup to become his own property, having previously won it at the spring meeting. The cup, kindly given by Mr. C. E. Nesham for best net aggregate score, open only to those players whose handicap is 15 and over, was taken by Mr. P. A. Willett with 184 nett. The following is the score for Saturday :-

Gross, Hcp. 1	Gro	Gross.Hcp. Net,				
Mr. H. F. de Para-	Mr. W. Car	r I	06 9	97		
vicini 101 16	85 Mr. A. Den	man I	03 6	97		
Mr. W. O. Baily 95 8	87 Hon. Ivo B	ligh 1	09 12	97		
Rev. T. H. Belcher 101 12				97		
Mr. E. F. S. Tyle-	Lieut Col.	Galway,				
cote 99 8	91 R.E.	I	13 15	98		
Mr. J. Brock 101 9	92 Mr. T. S. I	Jonaldson				
Mr. H. E. Acklom 102 10	92 Selby	I	14 16	98		
Mr. C. F. Nesham 97 4	93 Mr. A. F. V	Vaters I	12 14	98		
Mr. H. D. Bramwell 118 25						
Mr. S. S. Schultz 104 10	94 Mr. H. J. F	ercival 1	15 16	99		
Mr. A. C. Bevan 106 12	94 Mr. A. A. I	lerens I.	21 20	IOI		
Mr. H. S. Greenwell 120 25	95					

Twenty players made no return.

CUPAR CLUB.-JUBILEE MEDAL COMPETITION.-The final con-test of the season for the jubilee medal, competed for under handicap conditions, was engaged in on Saturday afternoon. After an exciting contest the medal was found to be tied for by Mr. Wm. Watson, Dura contest the medal was found to be field for by Mr. Wm. Watson, Dura Den, and Mr. George Harris, Cupar, the former playing scratch, the latter with a handicap of 4, at 82 each. Subjoined is the result :— Ist and 2nd, Mr. Wm. Watson, Dura Den, 82 (scratch), 82; and 2nd, Mr. George Harris, Cupar, 86, less 4=82—tie; 3rd, Dr. W. Sneddon, Bonnygate, 85, less 4=84; 4th, Mr. H. D. Henderson, 109, less 24=85. The leading scratch scores were those of Mr. Wm. Watson, 82; Mr. George Harris, 86; and Dr. W. Sneddon, 88.

THE BRAIDS GOLF CLUB .- The monthly competition for the silver medal and three added prizes was held over the Braids course, Edin-burgh, on Saturday, with the following results :--Medal and first prize, Mr. Wm. Gray, 97, less 14=83; second and third prizes a tie between Mr. J. O. Walker, 87, and Mr. Geo. M'Intosh, 103, less 16=87.

A meeting of the secretaries of the Edinburgh and Leith Golf clubs was held in the Café Royal on Saturday evening in reference to the proposal to hold a tournament on the Braids, open to amateur golfers, members of Edinburgh and Leith clubs, on the same lines as that which was held last year. Twenty-four clubs were represented at the meeting, and Mr. J. K. Andrews, S.S.C., occupied the chair. Mr. Andrews, in introducing the subject, expressed himself satisfied, from the number of inquiries he had had regarding it, that the tournament, if resolved upon, would meet with hearty support from the members of the various clubs in Edinburgh and Leith. After some discussion, it was resolved to hold the tournament on Saturday, the 8th of November -play to begin at 9 a.m. Mr. D. M. Jackson was appointed secretary, along with a sub-committee of twelve club representatives selected from among the gentlemen present, to make the necessary arrangements. As on the occasion of last year's meeting the entry money was fixed at 2s. 6d., and voluntary subscriptions or prizes by clubs or individuals will be received by the committee. A meeting of the sub-committee was afterwards held to arrange some of the details. A motion was colopted that the Town Council be asked to allow the use of the old yourse for the competition, as it was felt that the new course was not aet in playing condition. Councillor Kinloch Anderson's medal (scratch) and Councillor Colston's medal (handicap) will be competed for on the same day, and it is understood that several prizes have already been intimated.

NOTTINGHAM GOLF CLUB .- The tie between Messrs. Harris and Warren for the cup belonging to the club (which is played for halfyearly) was played off on Thursday in weather very unfavourable to low scoring. In the result Mr. Harris became the winner, thus obtaining possession of the cup for the third time. Scores :- J. Harris, 97; J. C. Warren, 106.

THE CLAPHAM GOLF CLUB.-The autumn meeting of this small club was held under rather unfavourable circumstances on October 18th. The greens having necessarily lain fallow during the summer, and three having to be changed, putting became more a game of chance than skill. The Fairlie scratch medal was won by Mr. E. Johnstone with the score of 100; *Proxime accessit* the hon. secretary with 100. For the handicap prizes the nett scores under a hundred were :---E. Johnstone, Ico, less 15=85 (barred); T. Ravenhill, 112, less 24=88 (1st prize); T. R. Pace, 106, less 17=89 (2nd prize); J. B. Wood, 104, less 9=95. Messrs. Robertson, Grover, Russell, Lidiard, C. H. Compton, and Hopwood were over 100, or made no return. The Rev. J. H. Ellis has promised an average prize for the handicap scores in the monthly medals during the current season.

HAWICK CLUB.-The monthly medal was played for on Saturday. Mr. J. J. Oliver was the winner.

WEST LANCASHIRE GOLF CLUB .- A handsome shield presented by Lady Forwood for competition at the spring and autumn meetings of 1889 and 1890 was played for at Hall Road, Blundellsands, under special handicap on Saturday, the 4th inst., by Messrs. Arthur Durandu, George Grieve, and Thos. Henderson. Mr. W. Witherspoon, the other winner was absent. The contest ended in favour of Mr. Arthur Durandu, whose net score was but one stroke less than that of Mr. Grieve. There has been a monthly competition since less than that of Mr. Grieve. There has been a monthly competition since May, for a valuable cup presented by Mr. J. E. Pearson, and on Saturday, the 11th, the winners played for final possession under special handicap. Scores :--Mr. W. F. Chadwick, 90, less 4=86; Mr. C. C. Deane, 90, scratch =90; Mr. F. Litchfield, 103, less 9=94: Mr. O. Blundell, 111, less 8=103. The other winners, Mr. A. Chisholm and Mr. C. R. Lympere did not compete Luxmore, did not compete.

BEVERLEY AND EAST RIDING GOLF CLUB.-The captain's medal (presented by the captain, Pr. Joynor Fraser) was played for on the Ist and 4th inst., and the monthly club badge on the Ist inst. Those Ist and 4th inst., and the monthly club badge on the 1st inst. Those playing on the 1st had a high wind to contend with. The following were the scores :-Dr. T. D. Holmes, 99; Mr. G. Cowan, 100; Mr. E. Hodgson, 109; Dr. J. Joynor Fraser, 112; Dr. T. Gann, 113; Mr. T. Smurthwaite, 114; Mr. R. S. Stevelly, 115; Major R. Caul-field-Stoker, 117; Mr. G. A. Robinson, 119; Mr. F. Lambert, 119; Capt. C. W. H. Maunsell, 119; Capt. Whittle, 119; Dr. M. D. McLeod, 122; Mr. R. Hodgson, jun., 127; Mr. H. W. Orange, 136. MONTHLY BADGE.

Gr	oss. Hcp.	Net.	Gre	155	Hcp.	Net.
Dr. J. J. Fraser	112 5	107	Mr.R.Hodgson, jun.	127	15	112
Mr. G. A. Robinson	119 12	107	Dr. T. Gann :	113	scr.	113
Mr. E. Hodgson	109 scr.	109	Dr. M. D. McLeod.	122	6	116
Mr. F. Lambert	119 10	109				

LEA HURST PARK GOLF CLUB.-The second competition for the challenge bowl offered by Mr. F. C. Arkwright, of Willersley Castle, the president of the above club, took place on Thursday, the 16th inst., in glorious weather. The links were in fairly good condition, and there was a fashionable assembly of spectators. The donor of the bowl was the holder, and he was only defeated, after a close contest, by seven points. Scores :-

Gr		Gross.	Hcp.	Net			
Mr. P. Middleditch	148	50	98	Mr. J. Fisher	169	50	119
Mr. F. C. Arkwright	125	20	105	Major Levett .	141	20	121
Capt. E. Walker	130	20	110	Mr. V. Mellor .	. 163	40	123
Mr. C. Hill	141	25	116	Major J. R. Parki	n 166	40	126

There were nineteen competitors altogether, and, in addition to the above, Sir Joseph C. Lee, Mr. J. B. Marsden Smedley, Mr. L. B. Lee, Mr. N. Lee, Dr. J. C. Innes, Mr. H. H. Middleditch, Mr. J. Thewlis Johnson, Rev. J. A. Sorby, Rev. A. Christian, Mr. T. Clarke, and Mr. A. Clay, joined the handicap.

TYNESIDE GOLF CLUB.-The first competition for a silver cup took place on the Ryton Willows on the 16th inst. The weather was of a most unfavourable nature for the game, a boisterous wind and occasional showers of rain causing the competitors a good deal of trouble. Taking these circumstances into consideration the scores were decidedly good, and Mr. J. G. Burdon was ultimately declared the winner with a good, and Mr. J. G. Burdon was infimately declared the winner with a net score of 83. The scores were as follows :--Mr. J. G. Burdon, 97, less 14=83; Mr. F. B. Dunford, 92, less 3=89; Mr. W. Fraser, 116, less 22=94; Mr. C. A. Ridley, 98, less 3=95; Mr. W. G. Williams, 100, less 2=98; Mr. T. W. Sharpe, 114, less 16=98; Mr. W. Teasdale, 108, less 6=102; Mr. J. G. Sharpe, 116, less 12=104; Mr. B. Brumell, 121, less 17=104. Messrs. T. A. Hutton, F. W. Wyndham, J. K. Spenger and W. A. Tenwerder meda no returns. It should be Brumell, 121, less 17=104. Messrs. T. A. Hutton, F. J. F. Spencer, and W. A. Temperley made no returns. It should be mentioned that absolute possession of the cup will only be gained by a majority of wins by one individual member in a series of bi-monthly competitions. In the event of any member not winning more than once in the nine competitions, then the whole of the single winners will play off under handicapping conditions.

EDINBURGH INSTITUTION (F.P.) GOLF CLUB. - On Saturday the three players who tied at the recent autumn meeting for the scratch gold medal of this club decided the tie over the course at North Ber-wick. The competitors were Mr. S. H. M'Culloch, Mr. J. Stevenson, and Mr. A. Cairos. A strong wind affected the scoring, and on a return of cards the medal was found to have been gained at as high a figure as 88, Mr. Sydney M'Culloch being the winner. Last autumn his brother, Mr. John M'Culloch, was the successful competitor with the good score of 79.

SCOTTISH EQUITABLE GOLF CLUB.-This club held the first of a series of monthly competitions over Musselburgh links on Saturday afternoon. Three prizes were competed for under handicap, and on the cards being returned the following were found to be the winners :--- I, A. R. Murray; 2, W. G. Munro, jun.; 3, R. B. S. Mason.

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BLACKFORD CLUB.—The monthly charms of this club were played for on Saturday over Musselburgh links, with the following result :— Handicap charm : James Kerr, 84 net. Scratch charm : J. Sanderson, 94.

BRUNTSFIELD GOLF CLUB.—The annual meeting of this club was held on Tuesday forenoon, the 14th inst., in the club-house at Musselburgh, when Mr. Robert Younger was appointed captain, and Messrs. W. B. Glea and M'Glashan re-elected treasurer and secretary respectively. The autumn competition followed, over Musselburgh Links, the awards being the Cairns medal (scratch), the Hay Brown medal (handicap), and the Turnbull Morrison cup (handicap). The weather, with the exception of a stiff easterly breeze, was all that could be desired for good play, and fifteen couples started. At the conclusion of the play, it was found that Mr. John Taylor had won the Cairns medal with his actual score of 91. The details are :—

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and round... ... 4 5 6 4 5 5 4 4 $4=41$ 91

Mr. J. D. Paterson, who finished with 95, secured the two handicap prizes—the Hay medal and the Turnbull Morrison cup—8 being taken off his score, making it 87. The next best scratch score to Mr. Taylor's was that of Mr. Charles Halkett, whose card showed the following result :—

st round		111	5	6	6	5	5	5	5	4	4=45	Los
st round	144	1.1	6	6	5	5	7	5	4	5	4=47	192

The following are the principal scores : -J. D. Paterson, 95, less 6=89; T. T. Gray, 95, less 4=91; Dr. Hamilton, 94, less 2=92; Croall, 102, less 10=92; Dr. Bryce, 101, less 8=93; Alex. Melville, 111, less 18=93; F. J. Henderson, 100, less 6=94; C. N. Cooper, 103, less 6=97; James Pringle, 105, less 8=97.

WINDSOR PARK SCHOOL, MUSSELBURGH.—The Golf club of this school have just held their first monthly competition for the gold medal. One round of Musselburgh Links was played. Eight couples started, and P. Miller proved the winner, with the fine scratch score of 38, made up as follows :—3 5 4 3 4 4 5 5 5=38. A. Hannay and W. C. Hannay tied for second place, with the handicap score of 48.

NEEDLES GOLF CLUB.-October 9th, Crozier Cup, unlimited handicap :--

Hep.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
17	89	Mr. W. A. Dwight 125	25	100
27	89	Mr. C. Collins, R.E. 101	scr.	101
15	90	Mr. R. Puxley, R.A. 112	10	102
20	95	Capt.Stratford, R. E. 125	18	104
4	97	Mr. J. Dover 131	18	115
3	98	Mr. E. Willis, R.A. 132	17	117
20	100	Mr. F. Euston, R.A. 153	30	128
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* Winner after playing off tie.

October 10th. Connell Medal, unlimited handicap :---

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross, Hcp. Net.
*Mr. C. Collins, R.A. 87	scr.	78	Mr. A. R. C. Connell 111 14 97
Mr. G. W. Palmer 92	3	89	Major Walford, R.A. 117 15 102
Mr. R. Paxley, R.A. 101	IO	91	Col. Owen, R.A 132 30 102
Mr. W. A. Dwight 116	25	91	Mr. J. Dover 122 18 104
Capt. Nelson, R.A. 113	20	93	Mr. E. Willis, R.A. 120 20 100
Mr. F. Tankard 101	4	97	

*Playfair challenge scratch medal, Mr. C. B. Collins, 87, which is now the record of the links.

Mr. G. W. Palmer has been unanimously elected captain of the club, vice Major Playfair, R.A., resigned,

NEWBIGGIN CLUB.—The eleventh competition for the gold medal took place on the Newbiggin Links on the 18th inst, in gusty weather. Mr. T. A. Hutton was declared the winner with a nett score of 107, making him equal with Messrs. Bell and Sharp, who have each three wins standing to their credit in this contest. Detailed score:-Mr. T. A. Hutton, 117, less 10=107; Mr. J. L. Bell, 113, less 1=112; Mr. G. Longstaff, 116, less 3=113; Mr. J. G. Sharp, 119, less 5=114; Mr. D. Rosser, 126, less 11=115. Several competitors made no return.

THE ROYAL BANK CLUB, EDINBURGH. — This club has just completed a tournament by holes, under handicap, for a handsome gold scarf ring presented by John Hardie, captain of the club, and other two prizes. There was a good turnout of players during the tournament, and the final tie resulted on Wednesday, the 15th, in Mr. W. Henderson (8 holes) beating Mr. D S. Lunan (4 holes). The first prize accordingly went to the former, Mr. Lunan second, and Mr. J. Wylie (9 holes) third. REDHILL AND REIGATE GOLF CLUB. —The October competition for the Club Medal took place at the Earlswood Links on the 18th inst., and produced a close struggle, although the boisterous wind made low scoring very difficult; Mr. Schacht, of Blackheath, played early in the day and returned an 87 net, this was equalled later on by two players, Messrs. Avery and Browne, but during the afternoon Mr. Greensill Allen returned an 85 and Mr. David Pym an 86; Mr. Allen thus wins both medals for the month, and his performance is the more meritorious seeing that his handicap has been considerably reduced since his win on the 4th inst. Full scores :—Greensill Allen, 95, less 10=85; D. Pym, 105, less 19=86; A. Schacht, 91, less 4=87; F. P. Browne, 100, less 13=87; W. B. Avery, 103, less 16=87; R. C. Haldane, 102, less 12=90; C. Hall, 118, less 22=96; F. C. Milford, 124, less 24=100; about a dozen others were over 100 or made no returns.

DISLEY GOLF CLUB.—The last summer meeting was held on Saturday last. The first and second sweepstakes fell to Messrs. R. and G. Hutton, Mr. A. Hutton, who came in third, securing a win for the summer handicap medal, for which the winners of the six summer meetings will play off on November 8th. The following were the best returns :—Mr. R. Hutton, 108, less 15=33; Mr. G. Hutton, 119, less 20=99; Mr. A. Hutton, 121, less 18=103; Mr. A. Tonge, 129, less 15=114; Mr. H. C. Garrett, 140, less 25=115; Rev. J. Bourne, 133, less 18=115.

NEW FOREST GOLF CLUB.—The sixth monthly handicap for the club medal and the Fairley shield foursomes took place at Bramshaw on Saturday, Oct. 11th, in perfect golfing weather. The monthly meetings of the club since it has been started have been singularly fortunate with regard to this, and Saturday last some declared to have surpassed in perfection the previous excellent Golf weather experienced. On former occasions there may have been just the slighest breeze, but on Saturday there was not a breath. The scores handed in were lower than on any previous meeting, and Mr. E. Charlton for the second time was declared the winner of the medal, Col. W. Pott and Mr. W. C. Blaker carrying off the shield. The following are the scores :—

Medal Handicap :

Gross.Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Ne					
Mr. E. Charlton 99 9 90 Lieut. R. H. C. De	Mr. W. C. Blaker 111 18 93 Capt. H. C. Aitchi-					
	son, R.N 111 14 97 Col. A. C. Macleay 116 16 100					
finch, R.N 99 6 93	Mr. J. H. Goldfinch 130 25 105					
and the second	Mr. J. Ward 140 18 122					
	-Col. W. Pott, Mr. W. C. Blaker, Vard. 63: Mr. E. Charlton, Mr. O.					

50; Col. A. C. Macleay, Mr. J. Ward, 63; Mr. E. Charlton, Mr. Q. Scarth, 65; Capt. Aitchinson, R.N., Mr. J. H. Goldfinch, 65; Lieut. Goldfinch, R.N., Mr. Francis, 70.

DORNOCH.—In good golfing weather on Saturday forenoon the second last weekly competition of the season for Mr. Urquhart's inkstand was held. Mr. Macdonald stood first with 80 at scratch, while the next best scores were:—Mr. W. F. Orr (scratch) 83; Mr. P. Park (Inverness) 92, less 8=84; Mr. J. Sutherland (scratch), 86; Mr. Alex. Innes 94, less 7=87. Mr. Macdonald and Mr. Alexander Innes stand on equal terms for the prize, each having the same number of wins, with one competition to play.

LOW SCORING AT CHINGFORD.—R. Tait, the Royal Epping Forest Golf Club professional, playing over these links on Tuesday last with Messrs. H. F. Pyman and W. Dillon, made the following score :— Out : 4 4 4 5 4 4 4 4 3=36; In : 3 4 3 4 3 5 53 5=35; total 71.

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.—The competition for the club cup was played off on Saturday, with the result as under. The wind blew a hurricane, which made the play coming home particularly irksome and difficult. Mr. C. B. Williamson played a steady game and returned the net score of 75. Mr. C. B. Williamson, 85, less 10=75; Mr. C. Cooper, 84, less 8=76; Mr. C. H. Backhouse, 93, less 15=78; Mr. E. R. Whitwell, 98, less 20=78; Mr. R. Elliott, 91, less 12=79; Rev. F. L. Cope, 100, less 19=81; Mr. W. S. Merryweather, 101, less 20=81; Mr. I. W. Marshall, 101, less 20=81; Mr. W. S. Woodiwis, 103, less 20=83; Mr. James Tennant, 87, less 4=83; Mr. A. F. Trechmann, 96, less 12=84; Mr. J. F. Wilson, 103, less 19=84; Mr. R. E. Leach, 94, less 10=84; Mr. G. E. Casebourne, 109, less 20=89. Messrs. P. A. Raps, P. Jack, G. Newby, H. Simpson and G. H. Baines made no returns.

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS.—At this meeting, at Forest Row, the scoring was low. The best scores were Felix Skene, 88; J. S. Scott, 93; A. G. Scott, 95. DUNBAR. – The quarterly competition for the Inches gold medal took place on Wednesday the 15th, over Dunbar Golf course. There was a strong westerly gale blowing, and consequently the scores were not so good as they would otherwise have been. Scores : W. Melville, 98, less 3=95; R. Cunningham, 100, less 3=97; A. Horne, 109, less 12 =97; R. M. Rogers (scratch), 102; A. Robertson, 114, less 12=102; W. Duncan (scratch), 107.

JAMES GILLESPIE'S SCHOOL GOLF CLUE.—The autumn competition of this club took place on Saturday over the first nine holes of the Braids. The prize-winners were :—Ist, William Rutherford, with a scratch score of 56; 2nd, George Webster; 3rd, John McAdam; 4th, William Baird; 5th, Robert Black; 6th, John Purves; 7th, William Robb.

"SCOTSMAN" CLUB.—The last prize competition for the season took place on Saturday over the Braids course. There was a large turn-out of members, thirty-two players taking part in the competition. The weather was favourable, and, but for the roughness of some of the new greens, the course was in good order. The following is the prize-list :— R. Stewart, 85, less 7=78; J. Robb, 87, less 4=83; and H. Amott, 106, less 23=83—tie; R. H. Thom, 95, less 7=86, and J. P. Lees, 104, less 15=89; D. Coutts, 90, scratch, 90, and J. M'Intyre, 112, less 22=90—tie.

KINGHORN THISTLE CLUB.—This club played its sixth and last monthly competition for the Hamilton cup on Saturday. The scores handed in are somewhat high for the Thistle members. This was due partly to a strong breeze which blew all day. The cup-winner was Mr. Thomas Taylor, whose score was 85, less 8=77. The next best were Mr. John Greig. 87, less 6=81; Mr. Thomas Storrar (scratch), 83; Mr. D. Masterton, 110, less 25=85; Mr. George Greig, 109, less 16=93. A large number of golfers from Edinburgh, Kirkcaldy, and elsewhere visited the course on Saturday, and all the afternoon it was crowded.

PERTH ARTISAN CLUB. - The autumn competition of this club for the medal presented by the late Sir Thomas Moncrieffe, Bart., took place over the North Inch Course on Saturday. Sixteen couples turned out, and two rounds of the course were played. At the close it was found that R. Halley, with the scratch score of 122, had won the medal.

EDINBURGH THISTLE CLUB. – This club met on Saturday at the Braid Hills to play for their monthly trophy (the last of this season'). The afternoon being fine 77 players started. The trophy was won by Mr. D. Scott with a score of 95, less 17=78. As this is the second time Mr. Scott has won the trophy he ties with Mr. J. Hutchison, who has also won it twice. These gentlemen will have to play off for the honour of being the holder for this year and the prize that goes along with the trophy. The tie for the half-yearly medal was played on Saturday between Messrs. Plenderleith and Thomson, and was won by the latter.

FELIXSTOWE GOLF CLUB.—At the autumn meeting of the Felixstowe Club, Mr. Muir Ferguson took first prize, given by 1 ord Elcho for members qualified as residents, and the handicap prize given by the club with a score of 88, Messrs. J. Morley, 91; Arthur Morley, 92; J. Henderson, 95; F. Wilson, 96; S. H. Cumming, 100; G Havell, 100 net. W. Cumming took second prize, given by Lord Elcho; twenty-six others were either over or made no return, including Harry Furniss, Coutts, Fowlie, Hibberd, Gilbert, Kennedy, Tunks, Peake, Charles Cheston, Jas. Greig and Koffey.

WEST HERTS GOLF CLUB.—The usual monthly competition for a medal, to be finally played for in June next by the winners of the monthly handicaps, was held on Saturday, the 11th inst. Scores :—

Gross, Hcp, Net.								Gross. Hcp. Net.				
A. H. Wallace		89	II	78	R. S. Clouston	244	108	II	97			
H. H. Williams	445	106	20	86	T. J. Williams		121	24	97			
B. M. Barton					N. Kenealey	222	124	24	100			
J. A. Simson					W. G. Barton		139	36	103			
W. R. Carter					R. André		133	29	104			
J. E. Ewer	222	125	30	95	H. Davis		135	25	110			
E. R. Harby	122	120	24	96	Franker and							

ROYAL MONTREAL GOLF CLUB.—The competition for the Dennistoun challenge medal on the links of the above club resulted in a victory for the Rev. James Barclay, with the score of 86, Mr. James Law, last year's winner, second with 91. There was also a handicap competition for clubs, presented by Mr. Thomas Peck, and on examination of the cards it was found that Mr. T. V. Macdonald had won the first prize with the score of 100, less 14=86, Mr. J. R. Meeker being second with 102, less 14=88. RANFURLY CASTLE CLUB.—At the monthly meeting for the October medal played on 4th inst., Mr. D. A. Morrison, Paisley, and Mr. Robert Alexander, Bridge of Weir, tied with a score of 85 each. In playing off the tie on Saturday, in splendid weather, Mr. Morrison proved the winner. The links were rather crowded, and the want of an extension of the present links to 18 holes is much felt. The committee meet this week to consider the proposed extension.

PRESTWICK ST. NICHOLAS. — The annual competition for the Armour medal and the second of the Ayr trophies took place on Saturday, when the members were favoured with delightful golfing weather, and in consequence there was a large turn-out of players. The usual two rounds of the links were played, and the cards showed that Mr. John Gray had been successful in winning the medal with a score of 77 with 14 of odds. The trophy was tied for at 81 by Mr. James Andrews with 3 and Mr. David Walter with 24 of odds. The following are the best scores recorded :—

	(Bross,	Hcp.	Net.		C	Net.		
John Gray	14.6.6	91	14	77	J. Howat		96	10	86
James Andrews		84	3	81	W. Paterson	144	107	20	87
David Walter	97663	105	24	81	A. Crawford	- 537	102	14	88
H. W. Giles		98	14	84	R. Pyper	242	106	16	90
A. Boon	1224	85	Ó	85	J. Bowden	100	IIO	20	90
W. Beaton	144	101	15	86	A. W. Turner	141	106	8	98

SELKIRK V. INNERLEITHEN.— The members of the Selkirk Club engaged a like number of the Innerleithen Club in a friendly encounter over Selkirk Links on Saturday, the IIIb. The weather was all that could be desired for the game, and the greens were in splendid order. The Selkirk representatives played well, and at the close were found to be the victors by 39 holes.

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W. H. Gray				4	Rev. T. D. Miller		9.64	0
J. Thomson A. Weir	3.65		- 2015	1	G. A. D. C. Fergus			0
	1000	12.2.25	2.555	0	A. Robertson	×++		2
D. C. Alexan		2444	(18.8.8)	7	W. Lyon			0
J. Jamieson	19.9.8.1			- 3	F 19 19 19	1.1.1	***	0
J. Connichie	11		1000	5	J. S. Smail	***	***	0
J. Buckham	(9.5.4)			7	H. Ballantyne, jun.	3.4.5		0
R. Penman	2000		(8.8.6.)	9	J. M. Gunn		333	0
F. W. Scott		144	100	5	A. Yellowlees	345		0
J. Walker	866		- 367	0	R. T. Robertson	1444		0
				1				
				41				2

After the competition there were some interesting foursomes played, the principal one being the secretary, Mr. D. C. Alexander, partnered with W. H. Gray, against the captain, Mr. J. Thomson, and Mr. A. Weir. Both parties played a very strong game, winning the holes alternately, neit'er couples ever being more than one up, and the match finished all even.

GUILDFORD GOLF CLUB.—The monthly medal was played for on the 11th inst., under very favourable conditions of weather and ground, and the scores were consequently low, as under :—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Grass, Hcp. Net.			
Mr. F. W. Bovill 99	23	76	Mr. A. C. Collier	98	IO	88
Rev. H. C. Gaye 86	9	77	Mr. C. H. Parry	108	20	88
Mr. B. Howell 87	6	81	Col. G. Lamb	98	9	89
Mr. J. Kenrick 88	6	82	Mr. W. D. Marshall	107	16	10
Major Mathison 97	14	83	Mr. C. W. Willett	120	24	96
Mr. W. P. Trench., 103	18	85	Mr. W. F. Richmond	114	15	99
Mr. L. Howell 115	30	85		10	~	

No returns : Messrs. E. W. Sargeaunt, T. Ramsbotham, E. C. Peake, W. J. Perkins, R. B. Reid, F. H. E. Lamb, K. E. C. Hooper, W. M. Rhodes, H. Blackett, H. Sawyer, C. H. Sapte, M. A. Orgill, J. H. Bovill, and H. Paine, jun.

FORMEY GOLF CLUB.—The first of the winter monthly optional subscription prize competitions took place on Saturday, the 18th inst. with the following result :—G. R. Cox, junr., \$9, less 6=\$8; G. Blundell, too, less 16=\$4; J. W. Fowler, 92, less 1=91; J. Cullen, 100, less 5=95; F. Hewer, 101, less 6=95; J. E. Dean, 107, less 12=95; J. Shepherd, 101, less 5=96; P. S. McCulloch, 106, less 10=96; F. F. M. Dixon, 101, less 4=97; J. E. Pearson, 112, less 15=97; J. Fairclough, 102, less 3=99; J. Low, 120, less 20=100; E. C. Lowe, 132, less 25=107.

No returns from J. S. Beauford, L. B. Haddock, J. K. Osgood G. Rheam, G. A. Thomson, D. Webster.