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## AUGUST.

- Aug. 8.—Littlestone : Monthly Medal.  
Luffness Hope Challenge Medal and Gold Pendant (open to any members of any County clubs.)  
Guildford : Monthly Handicap.  
Wilshire and District : Monthly Medal.  
Alnwick : Marsh Painting.  
Rochdale : Captain's Prize.  
Selkirk : Turnbull Medal and Captain's Prize.  
West Herts : Monthly Medal.  
Hayling Island : Monthly Competition.  
Troon : Summer Meeting.
- Aug. 10-12.—Harrison, Edinburgh : Cup and Prizes.
- Aug. 11.—Royal Epping Forest : Kentish Cup.  
Blackheath : Monthly Medal.
- Aug. 15.—Dublin : Monthly Medal.  
Disley : Fourth Summer Handicap.  
Formby : Captain's Prize.  
Epsom : Monthly Medal.  
Seaton Carew : Club Cup.  
Lea Hurst : Monthly Medal.  
Cathkin Braes : Match with Dumbarton.  
Redhill and Reigate : Club Medal.
- Aug. 19.—Royal Epping Forest : Kentish Gold Medal ; Noakes Cup.
- Aug. 20.—Tyneside : Bi-Monthly Competition.
- Aug. 21.—Durham : Blagdon Cup.  
Harrison, Edinburgh : Medal.
- Aug. 22.—Rochdale : President's Silver Cup.  
Haddington : Macniven Medal.  
Lytham and St. Anne's : Macara Cup.  
Troon : Ladies' and Gentlemen's Foursomes.
- Aug. 25.—Cornwall County Golf Club : Lord Robartes' Gold Medal.  
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal.

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- Aug. 25 to 28.—Minehead : Autumn Meeting.
- Aug. 26.—Prestwick : August Medal.
- Aug. 29.—Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Challenge Cup ; Captain's Prize.  
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.  
Luffness : Captain and Club Prizes ; President's Medal and Gold Pendant.  
Seaford : Monthly Medal.  
Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells : Bank Holiday Meeting.  
Royal Eastbourne : Monthly Medal.  
West Lancashire : Monthly Medal.  
Lanark : Anstruther Medals (handicapped couples).  
*Dundee Advertiser* : Honeyman Gold Medal.  
Aldeburgh : Gold Medal.  
Warwickshire : Club Cup.  
Troon : Sandhills Medal.  
Crookham : Monthly Medal.
- Aug. 31.—Edinburgh, Viewforth : Silver Medal (Braids).

## SEPTEMBER.

- Sept. 1.—Royal and Ancient, St. Andrews : Jubilee Vase Tournament. (Under handicap. Entries close August 25th.)  
Cornwall County Golf Club : Monthly Handicap.  
Hayling Island : Monthly Competition for Bath Challenge Star.
- Sept. 3.—Minchinhampton : Monthly Medal.  
Tyneside : Bi-Monthly Competition.
- Sept. 4.—Durham : Osborn Cup.  
Harrison, Edinburgh : Medal.
- Sept. 5.—London Scottish : Monthly Medal.  
Brighton and Hove : The Berens Gold Medal.  
Royal Liverpool : Monthly Medal and Optional Subscription Prizes.  
Bournemouth : Monthly Medal.  
Bowdon : Monthly Competitor.  
Haydock Park : Captain's Cup.  
Aldeburgh : Silver Medal.  
Monifieth : Panmure Silver Medal.  
Rochdale : Secretary's Trophy, Silver Shield.  
Cathkin Braes : Gold Medal Competition.  
Lea Hurst : Competition for Committee Cup.  
Seaton Carew : Wilson Shield.  
Redhill and Reigate : Turner's Medal.
- Sept. 7.—Harrison, Edinburgh : Cup and Prizes.
- Sept. 8.—Royal Epping Forest : Kentish Cup.
- Sept. 11-12.—Lanark : Annual Meeting ; Claret Cup (scratch), Purdie Cup, Gold Ball, and Captain's Prize.
- Sept. 12.—West Herts : Monthly Medal.  
Littlestone : Monthly Medal.  
Guildford : Monthly Handicap.  
West Lancashire : Autumn Meeting.  
Hayling Island : Monthly Competition.
- Sept. 16.—Royal Epping Forest : Kentish Gold Medal ; Noakes Cup.
- Sept. 19.—Brighton and Hove : The De Worms Challenge Cup.  
Dublin : Monthly Medal.  
Gullane : Captain, and other prizes.  
Disley : Fifth Summer Handicap.  
Lytham and St. Anne's : Macara Cup.

- Sept. 24.—Troon : Autumn Meeting.  
 Sept. 24-26.—Minchinhampton : Autumn Meeting.  
 Luffness : Mr. Tait's Silver Cup and Star.  
 Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Challenge Cup ; Captain's Prize.  
 Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.  
 Scaford : Monthly Medal.  
 Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells : Bank Holiday Meeting.  
 Sept. 26.—Royal Eastbourne : Monthly Medal.  
 West Lancashire : Monthly Medal.  
 Glasgow : Match, Dumbarton, at Alexandra Park.  
 Troon : Sandhills Medal.  
 Sept. 28.—Royal Eastbourne : South Lynn Vase.  
 Sept. 29 and 30.—Royal and Ancient, St. Andrews : Autumn Meeting.

**INNOMINATE GOLF CLUB.**—A competition was held at Musselburgh on the 28th ult. Thirteen members played. Owing to the unfavourable weather the scores were high. The prize-winners were :—Mr. J. D. Gibson, 93, less 8=85 ; Mr. A. S. Ritchie, 98, less 12=86 ; and Mr. T. T. Gray, 90, less 3=87.

**ANNANDALE CLUB.**—The competition for the silver medal presented by Mr. Alexander Rogerson, of St. Michael's, took place over the course on Lockerbie Hill on Saturday. Parts of the course were covered by luxuriant crops of grass, but the putting-greens were in excellent order. The medal was won by Mr. John M. Duncan with a net score of 91 for the eighteen holes.

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### HOW TO PLAY GOLF.

I am only a beginner at Golf, and I know my place, I hope. I write for the benefit of those who, like myself, are very fond of the game, but who, from want of leisure or for other reasons, are not in a position to play much, if at all.

My games have been confined to quiet Cornish links, where my opponent and myself shared green downs by the sea, with only the birds and winds, and an occasional ass. Now, alas ! I am far from Cornwall, and for more reasons than one, I am debarred from playing. Being a very shy man, I shrink from crowded links. I may be too sensitive, but I cannot bear the idea of being wedged in like the ham in a sandwich, between a couple of old gentlemen who feel that they have the day in front of them, and two active young athletes in knickerbockers and rude, not to say indecent, health, who play Golf as if it were a kind of "go-as-you-please contest." I must confess, too, that I stand somewhat in dread of your thoroughbred caddie. I have been accustomed to caddies unsophisticated, and in a state of innocence, with whom I could hold my own. Moreover, I like my links at my very door ; I hate rushing off by train with an ungainly parcel of clubs under my arm. I also like my meals regularly ; I am told that on some links a player can now be disqualified for stopping in his round for lunch. This, I think, is carrying things too far.

Young and enthusiastic golfers may perhaps make light of these objections, but I feel that I am getting elderly, being already in my thirty-third year. As for enthusiasm, I will yield to no one in that.

Lately, however, I have found out a way of getting over these difficulties, and I have been enjoying some very pleasant games. I know my Cornish links pretty well by heart, even including the bunkers, and often in the evening, as I sit in front of my fire, smoking, I have a game. It is a strange thing how my form has improved since I took to playing in this way. I do not want to boast, but it does not do to be too modest when Golf is concerned, and I may safely say that my driving is now, as a rule, superb. My swing is exactly what it ought to be, and I am wonderfully straight. I am very safe in my approaching, and seldom fizzle a putt. Being conscientious, I occasionally get into a bunker. It is only fair, you see. But I am never long at a loss in sand.

There are many advantages in my method of playing Golf, all of which I need not mention. I am seldom stiff after a hard game as I used to be. And I am able to choose my opponents exactly as I please. I never care to play against very good players, but I own to a weakness for distinguished company. Only a few weeks ago, I had a capital foursome with Messrs. Andrew Lang, Rider Haggard, and Harry Furniss. The play was mediocre—at least three-fourths of it was—but we had a very good time.

One evening last week, I was sitting in my study, having quitted my family on the score of press of work. I was smoking and enjoying Balzac's "Le Député d'Arcis," but it is hardly a book to be read at a sitting, and I suddenly yearned for Golf. I am an ardent Radical, but I do not believe in mixing politics with sport, and I thought I should like to play Mr. Balfour. I was not feeling in very good form, and wanted an easy game. Moreover, I thought that I should perhaps be rendering the Irish Secretary a service, as he might stand in need of some practice. He did. I must say, without prejudice, that he did not play at all well ; not half so well as I.

I went ahead from the first. For conscience sake, half-way through the game, I got into difficulties over the "switch-back," but I made up for this by doing the "cup" in two, and the "red-river" in much less. I found Mr. Balfour extremely pleasant, and I think that if he goes on practising he will not make a bad player.

If I had time, I could describe other interesting games of a similar nature, but I am very busy, having "Le Député" to finish.

G. E. M.

**PORTOBELLO GOLF CLUB.**—The monthly competition of this club took place at Musselburgh, on Friday the 31st ult., with the following results :—Mr. H. B. Ferrier, with the score of 42 and 38=80, plus 2=82 ; Mr. S. Carse, 94, less 4=90.



The members of the Warwickshire Golf Club have heard with great regret of the death of Mr. W. F. Ashton, one of the original members of the club and its first captain. Mr. Ashton's advice and experience as an old golfer of the first rank were of the utmost value to the club when originally formed in 1886.

The Annandale Golf course is situated on the southern and western slopes of the Lockerbie Lamb Hill. This hill was long famous as the place where the largest sheep and lamb fairs in Scotland were held. Here, in August, each year, were collected many of the best known farmers in the country and—to judge from the numbers and noise—every collie dog within a radius of one hundred miles of the Scottish border. Since the inauguration of auction marts the fairs have gradually fallen off until they are now practically extinct. With an altitude of over 400 feet, bracing air, and magnificent views on all sides, the Lamb Hill forms an almost ideal inland Golf course. The course itself has been laid out with much good judgment by Bob Fernie, of Musselburgh. Like most other greens, the course has its "hazards," which take the form of an old roadway, whins, a disused quarry, marshes, and a young plantation. With a little more attention to the putting-greens, the course should be all that any but the most exacting golfer could desire. The record for the course (two rounds) is 73.

GOLFER.—"What's my bill?"  
 WAITER.—"Let me see, your room was——"  
 GOLFER.—"I didn't have any room; I slept on the billiard-table."  
 WAITER.—"Ah! well, then, a shilling an hour."

We understand that a strong effort is to be made to found a Golf club for South Shields. Several well-known residents in this popular watering-place have the matter in hand, and, seeing that the ground in the neighbourhood is well adapted for the game and the proposed course easy of access from Newcastle, Sunderland, and other places, we see no reason why the club should not prove a successful venture.

The enthusiasm for Golf promises to be as keen in our colonies beyond the sea as it is in the old country. In Australia the sportsmen in and around Melbourne are very warm in their support of the ancient Scottish pastime. The Melbourne Golf Club promises to be a very strong one. There are 100 foundation members who pay down £15 15s. each, in lieu of 5 years' subscriptions, and there are 100 others who get in by ballot. and who pay £3 3s entrance-fee, and £2 2s. yearly. Mr. H. Playfair, the secretary of the Golf club, is also secretary of the Australian club, the largest in Melbourne. He has been chosen for the new post on account of his intimate acquaintance with the game, having been brought up in St. Andrews. His grandfather, Sir Hugh Lyon Playfair, was provost of St. Andrews, and was one of the originators of the "Golf Parlour" there. He is also represented as playing the last shot in the well-known engraving, "The Golfers"; but at that time he was known as Major Playfair.

The Chief Secretary for Ireland, as a foursome in which he was about to engage assembled at the teeing ground, recognising in an opponent's caddie a former club-bearer of his own, gave him a nod of recognition. The caddie, with a satisfied smile, turned round to his neighbour and remarked, "Ye see hoo we Conservatives ken ane anither."

Mr. Balfour being one day in the happy position of two up and two to play, his opponent so far lost his self-respect as to remark that it would not be easy to win the next two holes when he had to play them with a *dormitory*.

An English newspaper recently described the advent of the great game in the following terms:—"Golf is now a popular amusement with all classes in our neighbourhood; even the ladies have taken to the game, and many of them may daily be seen upon the . . . Downs, *wielding their caddies as if to the manner born.*"

A 99 years' lease of a new sporting Golf course has just been obtained for Fort Augustus, Inverness. The men are now about to begin the cutting of scrub. If the greens are made up to expectations, visitors will have a treat. For all particulars apply to Mr. Davies, Lovat Arms, Fort Augustus.

NEW GOLF COURSE AT ALLOA.

As mentioned in our columns some time ago, a new Golf course has been laid out at Arnsbrae, near Alloa, by Robert Tait, a Musselburgh professional, for the Clackmannan County Golf Club. The course lies about fifteen minutes' walk west of the town on the north side of the Stirling road. Unfortunately, the natural formation of the ground is unfavourable. In some places it is very steep, particularly at the first, second, and seventh holes; the turf, too, is not that short, crisp grass found at seaside courses, but is heavy, rough pasture. There are no real golfing hazards, the place is utterly devoid of anything in the shape of a sand bunker. The chief hazards are trees; through the green the lies are heavy; the putting-greens are a little rough, and the turf requires consolidating, but this is a fault that is always mending. A little rolling would improve them immensely, and in some places relaying would be a distinct advantage, but the latter would entail an expenditure which any new club can scarcely be expected to face. In the writer's humble opinion it might have been better if one or two of the holes had been placed further away from trees, but, no doubt, there was good reason for placing them where they are. The writer was informed that the record was 39, and looking to the short time the course has been open it speaks well for local talent.

The course begins at the westmost end of the park, the first hole goes eastward, the drive being up a steep bank. A good shot should land on the green, but a heeled ball will find its way to the foot of the hill and possibly on to the road. The second hole is nearly in the same line further up the hill. The hole is placed in front of and between two trees. Third hole: This lies in a north-westerly direction from the tee. About 30 yards or so in front of the green there is a rough ground, where turf has at one time been lifted, and this forms an awkward hazard. Fourth hole continues pretty much in the same direction. Fifth hole: This is at right angles to the line of the preceding hole, going towards the south. The hole is placed on the top of a high bank and requires a very straight approach. Sixth hole: The player here to some extent retraces his steps and goes back to the old line of play. The seventh hole is at the north-western angle of the field. If the approach here be too strong the ball may go over the hedge or wall bounding the course. The eighth hole is the first hole in, and lies in a south-easterly direction. The last hole is in the same direction, and is placed like the fifth on the top of a high bank. A tree and some large stones in the line here require to be negotiated. With the exception of the first and second holes, which are short, two strokes should reach the green, in all the other cases if the ball lies well, but this is by no means to be relied on.

"SCOTSMAN" CLUB.—At the Braids on Saturday 18 members took part in a competition for the club's "Caxton" medal. On the completion of the round, which was played under fairly good weather conditions, the medal was tied for by Messrs. J. Lawrie and G. Hadden with a net score of 86.



## A HOLIDAY AT MACHRIHANISH.

It was a summer evening in the year 1890, and a well-matched foursome, having just finished a friendly game on North Berwick Links, were enjoying their *otium cum dignitate* in the "nineteenth hole," that hole where the inevitable bad luck which lost the match always receives the warm sympathy of the hospitable landlord, where so many brilliant scores are made and so many wonderful strokes recorded. The match had been discussed in every detail, most elaborately discussed, and good old "Kingfisher" had for the fiftieth time declared "upon his sincerity," that he and his partner the "Provost" should have won it in a canter had it not been for that putt at "Perfection," where his ball "didn't a traw," when the "automatic" golfer, otherwise "McLud," turned the conversation into another channel by saying: "Well, boys, what about holidays this year?" Be it at once understood that a residence at North Berwick during the summer months, with an occasional "round" in the evenings, was not regarded by these devotees of the game of Golf in the light of any holiday whatever. Oh no, and in previous years, along with other kindred spirits, they had gone afield for golfing enjoyment.

The subject thus introduced was an important one, and led at once to an animated discussion. There are now many capital golfing greens in Scotland, to say nothing of England or the Sister Isle, and their number is daily on the increase, so that one might naturally have concluded that such a subject would have given rise to endless argument; but although our friends of the foursome did not agree in many things, and no point had during their frequent sojournings been carried without vote, they were unanimous in their opinion that the green of greens was Machrihanish, and to Machrihanish accordingly it was duly proposed, seconded, and agreed to *nem. con.* that they should go. One of the foursome, a simple, good-natured, obliging sort of a chap, was deputed to act as secretary, and to make the necessary arrangements; and although as in former years he was well aware that his salary would consist of kicks, but no ha'pence, he willingly undertook to discharge to the utmost of his ability the onerous duties thus devolved upon him, and in a set speech declared himself to that effect.

Accordingly, later in the season, in compliance with arrangements made by the said secretary, our foursome, which had now swelled to ten persons (all jolly fellows), on a certain morning should have assembled at the Princes Street Station of the Caledonian Railway, Edinburgh. We say "should have assembled" because the "Provost" and another of the party, known by the name of the "Doctor," "a douce man" bearing a strong resemblance to one of Auld Reekie's eminent surgeons, who afterwards alleged that he had been detained by the "Provost," arrived in sufficient time, as they afterwards explained, to see the tail end of the train glide gracefully out of the station. The others of the party had, notwithstanding proffered bribes, to proceed without them, punctuality being with the Caledonian, as is well known, the order of the day. The "Commodore," otherwise "General Toom" (so christened from his indiscriminate consumption of solids and fluids), a shareholder of the Company, declared in his most emphatic tones, and with a light in his eye which implied that the man who contradicts me had better be prepared to take the benefit of twelve lessons, that any man "with the brains of a robin nicht a' kent that the Caledonian aye started punctual, and that they should have been up to time, as it wasna' the North Breetish they were gaun be."

And so the party journeyed on to Machrihanish, discussing the merits of centre balance cleeks, bulgers, toothpick mashies, concentrated irons, and other golfing weapons. Favoured by magnificent weather, they enjoyed to the full the lovely scenery of the Clyde, and the courteous steward of the Davaar ministered ably to their creature comforts. Thus it was that, at peace with the world, and pleased with themselves, they stepped once more on *terra cotta* (as the Bailie said in his best Latin) at Campbelltown Quay. Jamie from the Pans awaited their arrival, and after sundry purchases at the chemist's, under the watchful eye of their medical adviser, and at the pretty tobacconist's without any watchful eye, and having seen that about a dozen copies of *The Scotsman* would be delivered at the Pans daily, and of course having had due refreshment at the White Hart, they set out on their way rejoicing! A drive of five miles or so

brought them to the lovely bay of Machrihanish, and as the trap, with a birr, drove up to the door of the inn there were Martha and Mary, and Bella and Janet and Isa, and good old Fanny, all smiling a happy welcome.

Needless to say that the war paint was immediately donned, there being time for a round before dinner, and an eager rush was at once made for the first tee. Meanwhile our worthy friends, the Provost and the Doctor, had been cooling their heels in the Exhibition at Edinburgh (fancy doing the Exhibition before breakfast), and wandering through its deserted courts, indulging in mutual recriminations, and bemoaning their unhappy fate. This unusual spectacle did not escape a guardian of the peace, and our friends ere long discovered they were being shadowed. This was adding insult to injury with a vengeance. In great trepidation lest they should be arrested on a charge of loitering with intent, they beat a hurried retreat from the inhospitable and solitary building, followed, however, they knew by the eagle eye of a gentleman in blue clothes. Late the same evening the two defaulters turned up at the Pans. The wrath of the Provost was terrible to witness as he dwelt upon his wrongs. Certainly it is a hard thing to be shadowed without cause. This had evidently been the last straw with the Provost. When addressed he could only reply in smothered accents, and in words which there was some difficulty in making out, but which were charitably construed to be a repetition of "good day." Anger, however, could not long endure in gentle Mary's presence, and under her influence and that of the potent nectar of the district, he rapidly thawed and became once more his genial self.

For many days, in fair weather and in foul—and when it rains at Machrihanish, it pays attention to it—our worthy friends wielded their weapons over the lovely links. To little purpose, however, so far as scientific Golf is concerned, if the green-keeper is to be believed, for that worthy personage was heard to declare that "thae sclaffing idiots wud sune no leave a blade o' gress on the place." It must not, however, be inferred that the damage referred to was the joint and several work of the party. "Bobby," who believed in some development of the concentrated iron—his own idea—which nobody out of Morningside would think of handling, and the "Giant"—with his special clubs, things like fishing-rods, almighty drivers, distance drivers, dead irons, &c., &c.,—who could not for the life of him play an iron shot, "cause he aye took his eye off the ba'," as he was careful to explain, without having as its attendant a yard of turf, were, we regret to say, the responsible parties. Indeed, at every iron shot the Giant declared there would be a bonfire at the end of the round, but for some unexplained reason this spectacle has never taken place, and it stands postponed to another season.

It is not our purpose or intention to recount the important matches which took place during these days at Machrihanish, but rather having gained health and strength on its breezy links and by its loud, sounding shore, to advise others to follow in our footsteps. Moreover, it would fill a goodly volume were we to tell of the doings of good old Charlie, who invariably declared of his shot "I've topped him, I have," of McLud, the automatic golfer, made of Corinthian brass and Damascus steel combined, specially wound up for the occasion, of the Bailie, "who always took a nip or two (generally more) when he got the nipportunity," of good old Kingfisher, who holed the Home hole in two off his cleek, and promised a bottle of whisky to the next man who did the same, of the Professor, who believed in whisky and milk at all times, of the Secretary, who asserted that he holed Balaclava in three, and Rooky in two, which we were constrained to believe, although he is notorious for inaccuracy, of Bobby, a wise man who abstained from indulgence in anything but potash, of our caddies, "Tonald Knows," Hector, the son of Priam, Sandpiper, Daniel in the lions' den, and last, but not least, wee Davy McMillan, whose heart was like to break, because in a competition got up for the caddies "he lost his ba' in the big watter and couldna' feenish," of the eloquence displayed at our evening debates, and the songs in honour of the bottle and the breeze. Sufficient is it that we give these lines taken from the visitor's book, where there are many more:—

Ho, Gowfin callants, ane and a',  
Wha ken the airt to drive a ba',  
That lights twa hunder yards awa,  
Come here to Machrihanish.

Here you will find by nature spread,  
A carpet fit for gods to tread,  
And fragrant as a flowery bed,  
On the links of Machrihanish.

Here fairy cups and rings abound,  
And every step is haunted ground,  
And ye listen to the boomin' sound  
O' the waves at Machrihanish.

The burn flows down athwart the green,  
Braid, deep and clear its banks atween,  
Whaur saumin rin wi silver sheen,  
Frae the sea at Machrihanish.

And ye wha frawnin bunkers loe,  
And joy to face their rugged brow,  
Ye'll find ye hae enough to do  
On the links o' Machrihanish.

For far and sure the ba' maun flee,  
That skims o'er Balaclava's hie,  
And gin ye'll take the hole in three,  
Ye're fit for Machrihanish.

But oh, its no the green alane,  
That cheers the hearts o' gowfers fain,  
There's ither joys that maun explain,  
The charm o' Machrihanish.

The sky, the sea, the hills, the air,  
Unite to make a picture fair,  
But a' combined will neer compare,  
Wi' the maid o' Machrihanish.

Ye've but to look on Mary's face,  
Where dimpling smiles each other chase,  
To ken where lies the hidden grace,  
O' the links o' Machrihanish.

And so say we all in overwhelming chorus :—  
If thou art worn and hard beset,  
With sorrows that thou wouldst forget,  
If thou would'st read a lesson that will keep  
Thy heart from fainting, and thy soul from sleep,  
Go to—— Machrihanish.

KNIGHT WATSON.

THE SPREAD OF GOLF.—According to the recently published "Golfing Annual" there are 395 Golf clubs in existence, of which thirty-four are ladies' clubs. The total number in Scotland is 206 (thirteen ladies'); in England, Wales, and Channel Islands, 152 (twenty-one ladies'); in Ireland, nine (one ladies'); and in the colonies and foreign countries, twenty-eight (one ladies'). The total membership is approximately 34,097. Of this approximate number, 16,713 (1,183 ladies) are in Scotland; 14,721 (1,293 ladies) are in England; 1,951 in the colonies and foreign countries, and 712 in Ireland. The increase in the number of clubs in a year is over 100, and in membership about 7,500. It has to be noted, however, that the number of members does not precisely give the number of golfers, as there are many cases in which the same person belongs to two, and even as many as half-a-dozen or more clubs, when in such case he counts a corresponding number of times. On the other hand, there are in Scotland twenty-one clubs, in England fifteen, and several elsewhere where no membership is given. If this deficiency may be set against the duplication, &c., of membership, the number of golfers may fairly be given as the above total. Last year Scotland, as became the home of Golf, had more golfers than the rest of the world put together. She has fallen from that position now, though she is still in the van. There seems little doubt, however, that if the game continues to spread south of the border as much for the coming five years as it has in the past five years, England will inevitably swamp Scotland so far as numbers are concerned.



### SUNDAY GOLF AT FELIXSTOWE.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Will you allow me, through the medium of your valuable paper, to make one or two remarks on the pamphlet which the Rev. Mr. Gritton has thought fit to send to the members of the Felixstowe Golf Club. I should like to know what right Mr. Gritton, or any society, has to send absurd pamphlets about which speak, among other things, of "the escutcheon of the Felixstowe Golf Club"?

We have all come to years of discretion, I should hope, and are able to decide for ourselves what is right and what is not right. I am not a Sunday golfer myself for various reasons, but I fail to see what harm is done by knocking a Golf ball about on Sunday. I see no more harm than in walking round the links. The very fact that caddies are not employed makes it all the more harmless, though I daresay several caddies would be glad to earn a few pence on a Sunday afternoon. I enclose my card, and remain, Sir, &c.,

YOUNG GOLFER.

Felixstowe, July 29th, 1891.

### TOM MORRIS AND WILLIE PARK.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Mr. Everard, in his remarks on "Eminent Golfers," mentions Tom Morris as beating me in the last big match over the whole of the four greens. This was not the case. The last big match I played with him I beat him over two of the greens, he beating me over the other two.

I am, Sir, &c.,

WM. PARK, Senr.

20, Wonder Street, Musselburgh,  
3rd August, 1891.

### GOLF AT PWLLHELLI.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Your article, No. XI., on Eminent Golfers I found most interesting reading, as at the time I was fresh from perusing Mr. McPherson's book on Golf. To a novice in Golf one could not lay hands on a more ideal book to create a zest for the game. After reading both article and book, I am tempted to ask you to give me some space to describe the Golf links at Pwllheli.

Pwllheli is a town situated in North Wales, at the foot of the slope of the Rival range of mountains, possessing a delightful beach, and is a terminus of the Cambrian Railway.

In describing the Pwllheli links one cannot do better than quote Mr. McPherson's description of a modern golfing green:—"Nature must benignly come to man's help in forming it. It should be of an undulating character . . . and it should abound in suitably arranged hazards of every description."

The links in the case of Pwllheli extend for a distance of about two miles, the chief characteristics of the ground are undulating sand dunes partly covered with whins, long grass, and old gorse roots; dried-up ditches, fallen stone walls, are here and there to be found. Bunkers are a special feature, and of the most natural variety. Nature also bounteously carpeting it with a velvet sward at the putting-greens, and with lavish hand besprinkling it with her wild flowers all over.

Our Golf green, as you may see, is a perfectly natural one, and art, I venture to say, can not improve upon it.

If there is one thing that sorely troubles the novice, it is the ditches and sloping patches of whins and long grass amidst which he "foozles" to drive out his ball, to the no small amusement of the professional, whose knack, on the other hand, of getting out of the hazard entertains and instructs the novice.

A club has been successfully established here, and flourishes under a certain amount of sectarian opposition. However, sectarian prejudice must of necessity exist in some crude form; this, after all, may be only a faint glimmer from the dim lighted gloom that gave rise to that "absurd article in the *Spectator* about the demoralising influence of Golf."

The invigorating and healthy character of the game is appreciated by the majority of our visitors, and our club, I am happy to say, has acquired a large number of ambitious Golf players, who once having been initiated must of necessity become ardent followers of this delightful source of outdoor amusement.

I am, Sir, &c.,

EDW. JNO. EDWARDS.

Pwllheli, August 1st, 1891.

**GOLF PATENTS.**—We have been applied to by many golfers from time to time for information as to new Golf patents, and asking for advice as to the preliminary steps that should be taken in order to secure and protect inventions. We have arranged to publish monthly a reliable list of patents that have been applied for during that period, and we may also say that if any of our readers have an idea for an invention, and wish to secure their rights in it, they may obtain full particulars for securing patents free of charge by writing to the Editor.

We are informed by Mr. F. G. Cassell, of the West-End Patent Offices, 22, Glasshouse Street, Regent Street, London, that the following Patents relating to the game of Golf have been applied for during the month of July, 1891:—No. 11,817.—Improvements in the manufacture of Golf balls. Robert Starke, 154, St. Vincent Street, Glasgow. No. 12,207.—Improvements in Golf clubs. Andrew Morison, 62, St. Vincent Street, Glasgow.

#### GOLF AT STRATHPEFFER.

The new course is now being properly looked after, and when the putting-greens have been enlarged this course will be one of the best inland courses in the kingdom. Mr. Gunn deserves great credit for the way he has come forward. Not only has he given the course over his sheep farm, but he has handsomely carried out every suggestion for the improvement of the course, which is to be an eighteen-hole one next year. Among the many players at present sojourning at Strathpeffer is the well-known Liverpool player, Mr. C. Hutchings. The old and well-known "Strathpeffer Hotel," now termed the Golf Hotel, only five minutes from the course, has been crowded until a day or two ago, when a few sportsmen left for their shooting and fishing quarters; so that golfers desiring no other attraction but Golf will find a few rooms, if wired for before the usual August crowd of visitors arrive for angling in the neighbourhood. Golfers from distant parts get cheap fares on Wednesdays and Saturdays from Nairn, Forres, Inverness, and other places.

**EDINBURGH ST. ANDREWS GOLF CLUB.**—The above club held their annual outing on Gullane Links on Saturday. Over twenty members were present. There were three rounds of the course—two in foursomes, and one single—for a sweepstake, the winners being Messrs. A. Wilson, A. T. Sinton, F. Irvine, and D. Lowe.



#### ABERDEEN.

Golfers were favoured with glorious weather here on Saturday, and some excellent work was done over the Balgownie course. The members of the Aberdeen Club competed there for their scratch medal and the Burgmann Cup (handicap). There was a large turn-out of members, and a comparison of the cards handed in showed that Mr. W. F. Orr (who is in brilliant form just at present) had won the scratch medal with the fine score of 79. The cup fell to Captain Miller-Wallnutt's keeping for the month, he completing the round at 81 which, with three strokes of a handicap, gave him a net score of 78. The following are the lowest cards handed in:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Capt. Miller-Wallnutt	81	3	78	Mr. G. Turriff	93	7	86
Mr. W. F. Orr	79	+3	82	Mr. H. F. Campbell	104	12	92
Dr. J. Macdonald	92	7	87				

#### ALDEBURGH GOLF CLUB.

The monthly silver medal was played for on August 1st, but few members put in an appearance. The following is the result:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. J. B. Fettit	88	scr.	88	Mr. W. Long	119	9	110
Mr. S. Garrett	98	6	92	Dr. Wrightson	148	27	121
Mr. E. D. Bright	119	18	101	Major Adams	145	27	118
Mr. V. Longstaffe	118	10	108				

#### BALLANTRAE GOLF CLUB.

The annual competition for prizes presented by the members and friends of the club, took place on Wednesday last week, when attended with attractive weather, and otherwise favourable conditions, a large number of the members competed in the round of eighteen holes. The Rev. F. J. Williamson won the Murdoch gold medal and the championship of the club with the scratch score of 90. The following are the best scores for scratch prizes:—Rev. F. J. Williamson, 90; Mr. John Phillips, 93; Dr. Fullarton, 93; Mr. A. W. Dick, 93; Mr. J. Fergusson, 94; Mr. W. Laidlaw, 95.

The scores for the Hunter cup and the Hunter casket, handicap, were:—Mr. J. M. Fergusson, 90, less 4=86; Mr. Jas. Phillips, 90, less 4=86, tie; Mr. Hugh Wason, 99, less 8=91.

The winner of the Gladstone gold medal, handicap, was Mr. D. Mitchell, with the score of 97, less 8=89.

In the ladies' competition for prizes, presented by Mr. Houston and others, the winners were Miss Mary Houston, Miss Maggie McCulloch, Miss Clara Houston, and Miss Farquhar.

The amateur record of the eighteen hole course was broken in the competition for the Hunter monthly medal by Mr. John Fergusson, who went round in 87.

#### BEARSDEN GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition for the Smith gold medal (handicap) took place over the ground of the club at Bearssden, near Glasgow, on Saturday, when, the weather being inviting, a large number of competitors played for the trophy. The winner was found to be Mr. John Hutton, hon. sec. of the club. The best scores were:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. John Hutton	95	5	90	Mr. J. A. Craigie	114	18	96
Mr. W. Wilson	101	9	92	Mr. A. D. Cuthbert	96	scr.	96
Mr. D. A. Kirkwood	113	18	95	Mr. D. Inglis	109	9	100

Mr. Jas. A. Shaw, Glasgow, who won the Hillhouse cup at Troon, recently, holed out the round of nine holes in 40 strokes, which is the best score for the round, having been done in this number of strokes once before.



BOWDON GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, the 1st inst., the seventh monthly competition for the October medal was the occasion for a fair muster of playing members, though, after all, only eight couples started on serious business intent. The rest enjoyed themselves quite as well, and, no doubt, a good deal more, by sticking to quiet match play, and freedom from the anxiety of score. The cards, when handed in, showed that the Rev. W. M. B. Lutener had secured a win for the medal with a steadily played 89 net, being closely followed by Mr. Hugh C. Moultrie, a new member, with 90. The scores are as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Rev. W. M. B. Lutener ...	101	12	89	Dr. Denniston ...	106	10	96
Mr. Hugh C. Moultrie ...	100	10	90	Mr. Douglas Carlisle ...	103	6	97
Mr. H. Staffurth ...	106	12	94	Mr. W. S. Main-price ...	108	10	98
Rev. H. W. Crozier ...	101	7	94	Mr. Alfred Corah ...	116	18	98
M. F. V. Williams ...	109	14	95	Mr. S. W. Gillett ...	102	3	99
Mr. T. Creswick				Mr. Lionel B. Wells ...	130	28	102
Oliver ...	96	scr.	96	Mr. C. Hopkinson ...	124	20	104
Mr. E. F. Alford ...	107	11	96	Mr. W. M. Neild ...	125	14	111

A very fine record was made on July 29th by T. Gourlay, the club professional, who, while playing with Mr. S. W. Gillett, lowered his previous score of 71 by doing the round in 69, made up as follows:—

Out ...	5	3	5	5	3	5	3	4	3=36	69.
In ...	2	5	3	5	4	2	3	5	4=33	

BRIGHTON AND HOVE GOLF CLUB.

The Berens' gold medal was played for on Saturday, August 1st, 1891, with the following results:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. W. C. Scott ...	101	22	79	Mr. P. W. Carr ...	111	18	93
Mr. S. Mitchell ...	110	24	86	Mr. H. T. Ross ...	113	20	93
Mr. J. M. Heathcote ...	107	20	87	Mr. F. G. Horne ...	111	17	94
Capt. Digby Boycote ...	103	15	88	Mr. G. R. Burnett ...	120	22	98
Mr. H. K. Scott ...	111	20	91	Col. Hough ...	128	30	98

Seven players made no return.

BUCKIE.

On Wednesday, the 29th ult., Mr. Gray's silver medal was played for over the Buckie Links, and won by Mr. George Hendry with a score of 100.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

The Golf club was favoured with splendid weather for the last match of the season, which, after being postponed from the previous week, was played off on the 10th and 11th July. Thanks to the efforts of the honorary ground secretary during the week, most of the putting-greens were in excellent order, and the result was a well-earned win by Mr. H. C. Begg from scratch, Captain W. P. Alexander (6) came in second, and Messrs. F. E. Patteson (4) and E. J. Wright (6) tied for the third place. Mr. Begg's score, which on the present heavy ground was considered an excellent one, was as follows:—

First round ..	4	5	6	5	6	4	5	6	4=45	92
Second round ...	4	5	6	5	6	6	5	5	5=47	

and the following are some of the next best scores recorded:—

	1st and 2nd Round.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
	1st Round.	2nd Round.			
Capt. W. P. Alexander ...	50	49	99	6	93
Mr. F. E. Patteson ...	48	50	98	4	94
Mr. E. J. Wright ...	48	52	100	6	94
Mr. Archibald Watson ...	51	55	106	10	96
Mr. M. R. Quin ...	54	49	103	6	97
Mr. F. H. E. Lamb ...	50	48	98	scr.	98
Mr. W. T. Reid ...	53	52	105	6	99

The result of the Duffers' match, played on the same dates, and for which two prizes were presented by the club, was as follows:—

	1st and 2nd Round.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
	1st Round.	2nd Round.			
Mr. Norman McLeod ...	52	54	106	scr.	106
Mr. J. H. Hechle ...	58	60	118	8	110
Mr. Eric Peace ...	55	55	110	scr.	110
Mr. C. S. Addis ...	57	55	112	scr.	112
Mr. W. Orrell ...	55	63	119	6	113
Mr. E. S. Sawyer ...	63	63	126	12	114
Mr. F. H. Cumberlege ...	55	61	116	scr.	116
Mr. H. C. Dring ...	63	64	127	10	117

LENZIE.—The monthly prize given by the club has been won this month by Mr. George H. Macneal with a score of 87 (92 less 5 of a handicap).

CATHKIN BRAES GOLF CLUB.

The quarterly competition for the prizes presented by the vice-presidents took place on Saturday, the 25th ult., when there was a fair turn-out of the members. The competition took place in a strong, north-west wind, and the scores were, in consequence, above the average. The medal was won by Mr. J. C. Liddle with a scratch 86. The details were:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. C. Liddle ...	86	scr.	86	Mr. Geo. Paterson ...	107	8	99
Mr. D. Guthrie ...	98	3	95	Mr. D. Elder ...	98	+2	100
Mr. Warren Crosbie ...	104	8	96	Mr. D. Mackenzie ...	122	20	102
Mr. Jas. Osborne ...	110	14	96	Mr. Dundas Hamil-			
Mr. C. E. Beckett ...	107	10	97	ton ...	119	14	105
Mr. S. D. Jackson ...	107	10	97	Mr. G. H. Robb ...	115	8	107

CLEVELAND CLUB.

The club cup was played for on the 31st ult. and 1st inst., on Coat-ham links. Fine weather favoured the gathering, but the attendance of players was not up to the average. Mr. Wethey was declared the winner, his net score, 85, being one of the best made over this course.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. E. Wethey, jun. ...	90	5	85	Mr. J. H. Wynn ...	115	18	97
Mr. J. W. Kyle ...	114	20	94	Mr. A. O. Cochrane ...	120	21	99

Messrs. Roberts, Davison, Rodham, McKenzie, Bond, and Muller, no returns.

CHESTER GOLF CLUB.

OPEN COMPETITION: A SUCCESSFUL DAY.

Saturday, August 1st, was the date fixed upon for the decision of an open competition under handicap (limited to 30 strokes) on the links of the Chester Golf Club at Hawarden Bridge. The day, from a golfer's point of view, was almost perfection, wind and light being particularly favourable to low scoring. Those who came from long distances for the first time to walk over the green sward, bright with little flowers and intersected here and there with treacherous "hazards," must have carried home with them a good impression of the virtues of this particular inland course. The members, by private subscription, had presented a solid silver claret jug, value 15 guineas, for which a member of any recognised golf club might compete; and the club had also offered a gold memento for the best scratch score of the day. In addition the "hat had been taken round" on behalf of the biggest "swiper" of the field. Curiously enough, one gentleman had the good fortune to exactly "square" with all these conditions, and no one grudged him making "a clean sweep of the board" after they had seen his play. The list of entries included representatives from clubs so wide apart as Hoylake, Hayling Island, West Lancashire, Bath, Cambridge University, Epping Forest, Lytham, Llasowe, and Southport, making a total of 58 competitors, including the local players. Never had such talent been seen at Hawarden Bridge before. There was the holder of the blue riband of the game, Mr. John Ball, jun.; a not less distinguished exponent, Mr. Harold Hilton—perhaps the pick of the Hoylake team—and a gentleman who woke up on Sunday morning to find himself famous, Mr. F. Herman, of the Royal Liverpool Golf Club, the hero of the day, the first winner of an open competition held on the Chester links. West Lancashire has sent some worthy champions in the persons of Mr. J. W. Fowler, a well-known "scratch" player; Mr. W. Potter, and Mr. L. D. Stoddart, and many other dangerous competitors had entered the lists, all of whom, had luck been with them, would easily have outstripped the field. The handicapping committee had done their best to give everybody a chance, but naturally had awarded the visitors a slight preference. The results did not belie their estimate of the various players' games. One after the other came in with scores almost identical, only one point, if that, separating them. In justice to Mr. Ball it should be said he was playing round the eighteen holes for the first time, and though he was owing the field four strokes yet it quite within his game to concede that amount. He was somewhat unfortunate in getting trapped here and there after a good tee shot, and consequently failed to go round under 82 strokes. Mr. H. Hilton experienced similar bad luck, and his card showed a 7 at the first short hole, where 3 is more his form, the outward nine holes registering 44. On the homeward journey he managed to recover a little with 39, but a total of 83 plus 3 just placed him in the outside circle. Curiously enough the ex-champion also came to grief at a short hole, No. 7, requiring six strokes to get down, where three would be ample. The best form of the day was shown in the figure of 80 gross returned by Mr. F. Herman. This gentleman richly deserved the honours showered upon him, as he had no previous knowledge of the links, but used his head instead to pilot him through the dangerous channels. The silver cup fell to him, as also the gold memento for the best scratch score, and he added to these two successes a first sweepstake in a driving competition. His victories illustrated the saying of the St. Andrews caddie, "It needs a

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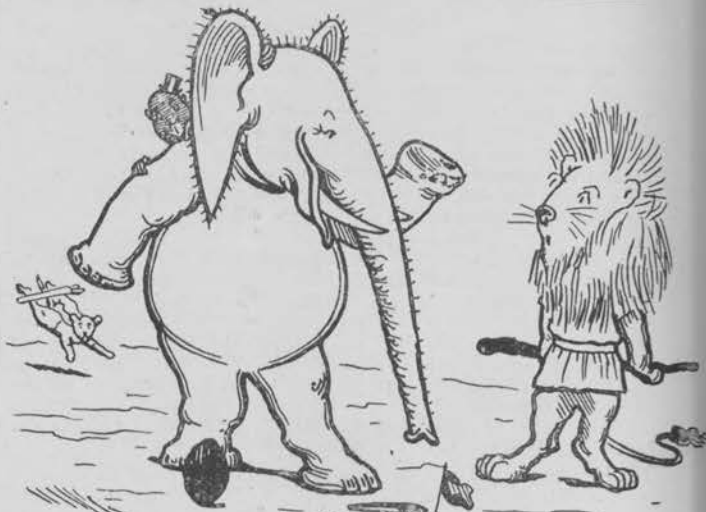
The Lion and the Chimpanzee  
Both started from a lofty tee.



The Cocoa-nut of decent size  
Hits Elefantus 'twecn the eyes.



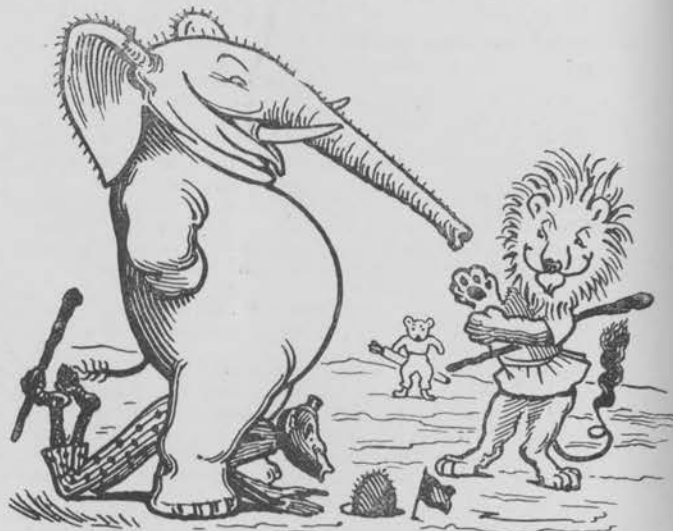
And, trumpeting a Golfic song,  
Old Elefantus raced along.



Thus to the Lion he doth call,  
"Now watch and see me hole this ball."



And swaying back, with action rare,  
He strikes the ball with utmost care.



"Now that's the way to hole the ball,  
A half-a-crown I beat you all."



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heid tae play gowf." No doubt it was just his day, and fortune smiled on his round; for all that he met and vanquished a powerful array of eminent golfers, and no one grudged him the reward. Indeed the Chester players were the first to congratulate him, and his victory proved exceedingly popular. Hoylake will be proud of him. The feature of his game is his deadly accuracy with the iron in addition to his powers of long swiping. Approach play at Chester is the point that tells most in scoring, and he took full advantage of laying them up dead. The following represents his card:—Out, 4 5 5 4 3 7 3 4 4=39; in 5 5 4 5 5 5 4 4 4=41. Total, 80; less 6=74. Another good round was that of Mr. J. W. Fowler (West Lancashire), who totalled 88, less 3=85; had he known the course well he would have easily beaten this score. Of the local players the most successful were Mr. Donald Ball, who was placed second with a net return of 80; and Mr. T. Rowley, who tied for third place with Mr. W. H. Hollis (Hoylake) at 83. Mr. G. H. Reynolds was close up with 85. After that there was nothing to separate the players. The big event over, a driving contest had been arranged, which Mr. C. Lace kindly superintended. The big "swipers" mustered in great force near the "Honeycombe Hole." The conditions were the longest ball of three tee shots to receive the first prize, and three smaller shares to go to the second, third, and fourth man. A distance of 200 yards straight carry had been marked out, and Mr. John Ball, jun., led off with three "rakers," the last one being evidently a beauty, which did not run far. It fell short of 200 yards on a dead ground. Mr. Herman got in three long ones, his balls running more than the others had done. The driving of Mr. J. W. Fowler was powerful, but in point of distance a little behind the Hoylake cracks. Mr. Hilton put in three long high carries, with little or no run, and secured third honours. Bob Kirk excited the admiration of the onlookers with his neat little swing, and he drove three "bonnie licks." Mr. W. D. More, the club professional, with his fine long sweep, was not far behind the others, and took fourth honours. After carefully measuring the various drives, the longest ball appeared to be that driven by Mr. Herman, just over 200 yards, with Mr. Ball, jun., as runner up. The result was to place on record that a drive of 200 yards without wind and not on travelling turf is almost the *ne plus ultra* of first-class driving. The carries were about 180 yards in the air. With regard to the excellence of the Hawarden Bridge land in general for golfing purposes, it was the general opinion on Saturday that the greens were magnificent, and putting simply delightful, whilst the "lies" all over the course were hard to beat. Certain it is, the club professional, W. D. More, had laid out a beautiful 18-hole course, and first-class players expressed unanimous approval of the situation of the holes. On the other hand were to be heard some casual plaintive murmurs with reference to the treacherous nature of the ground. "I played some good tee-shots, and I was in eighteen rivers;" or "Since you saw me last I have learnt dentistry," "I never missed a single bunker the whole way round;" "I've been floating gaily down stream all the time;" and a gentleman who was "trapped" in the bunker adjoining the first hole, after six or seven shots was heard to say "What am I in next, Jack!" These humours of the game were capped by a wicked little Hoylake caddie, who hazarded the opinion, in the presence of a Hoylake golfer, that Chester links didn't give Hoylake a look-in. A word of praise is due to those gentlemen who were responsible for the success of the meeting, and especially to the hon. secretary, Mr. F. Evans, upon whose shoulders fell the burden of the day. Everybody spent a very pleasant time, and Saturday, August 1st, 1891, will stand out in the records of the Chester Golf Club as one of the most successful that any young club has ever witnessed. Appended are the full scores and names:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
*Mr. F. Herman, Liverpool	80	6	74
†Mr. D. Ball, Chester	84	4	80
‡Mr. W. H. Hollis, Liverpool	90	7	83
§Mr. J. Rowley, Chester	101	18	83
Mr. J. W. Fowler, West Lancashire	88	3	85
Mr. F. Harrison, West Lancashire	107	22	85
Mr. G. H. Reynolds, Chester	90	5	85
Mr. J. Ball, Junr., Liverpool	82	4	86
Mr. H. H. Hilton, Liverpool	83	3	86
Mr. T. Grimsdale, Liverpool	93	6	87
Mr. R. Goold, Liverpool	92	5	87
Mr. H. Holden, Liverpool	97	10	87
Mr. J. E. Pearson, West Lancashire	99	11	88
Mr. R. F. Fisher, Chester	98	9	89
Mr. H. "Collier," Chester	99	10	89
Mr. W. Bell, West Lancashire	103	14	89

\* Winner of the 15-guinea cup and gold memento, for the best scratch score.

† First sweepstakes. ‡ Second sweepstakes.

§ Third sweepstakes.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. T. B. Blackburne, Chester	115	25	90
Mr. A. Cook, Liverpool	94	3	91
Mr. G. W. Palmer, Hayling	100	9	91
Mr. C. H. Smith, Chester	111	20	91
Mr. L. D. Stoddart, West Lancashire	96	3	93
Mr. J. A. Tweedale, St. Anne's	110	17	93
Mr. A. D. Shaw, Chester	114	20	94
Mr. T. Pym Williamson, Liverpool	106	11	95
Hon. C. H. Vivian, Chester	115	20	95
Major Cummings, Chester	105	10	95
Mr. W. Potter, West Lancashire	99	4	95
Mr. F. C. Morgan, St. Anne's	103	7	96
Mr. C. B. Toller, Chester	128	30	98
Mr. J. Wannop, Chester	126	27	99
Mr. G. G. Hamilton, Liverpool	107	7	99
Mr. C. Stoddart, West Lancashire	118	18	100
Mr. W. Hayes, Junr., Chester	131	30	101
Mr. H. Rollo, West Lancashire	121	20	101
Mr. R. H. Blain, Chester	122	20	102
Mr. W. T. Rowley, Southport	120	18	102
Mr. C. Lace, Chester	128	25	103
Mr. T. O. Cooper, Leasowe	130	25	106
Mr. A. Wood, Conway	130	25	105
Mr. H. J. Ryalls, Liverpool	126	18	108
Mr. H. D. Jolliffe, Chester	132	20	112

Messrs. C. Temp. Dixon, W. C. Aspinall, E. C. Kendall, C. F. Mould, T. E. Hassall, F. Evans, W. F. Chadwick, R. H. Taylor, W. M. Wyld, F. C. Roper, W. H. Hughes, E. E. Eldowes, W. Stewart, J. M. Frost, made no return.

On Bank Holiday, Aug. 3, the local players had an interesting competition for the President's (Dr. Hamilton) shield. The conditions were: two rounds of eight holes each, to be played on the same day. There was no limit to the handicap. Mr. John Ball, jun., made an early start, as he had to return to Hoylake. His rounds totalled 164 + 12 = 176. The winner turned up in Mr. G. H. Reynolds, an old Westward Ho! player, who made two fine gross scores of 90 and 84. The course was in good order, and the play of some of the members gave promise of a bright future. The membership of the club now numbers 160.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. G. H. Reynolds	176	12	164	Mr. R. F. Fisher	211	24	187
Mr. A. D. Shaw	212	46	166	Mr. J. M. Frost	299	110	189
Mr. J. Rowley	207	36	171	Mr. T. G. Frost	299	110	189
Mr. H. W. Palmer	191	20	171	Mr. E. C. Kendall	309	120	189
Mr. H. D. Jolliffe	246	70	176	Mr. R. H. Blain	240	50	190
Mr. J. Ball, jun.	164 + 12	176	176	Mr. J. Wannop, jun.	250	60	190
Mr. H. "Collier"	204	24	180	Mr. C. B. Toller	273	80	193
Hon. C. H. Vivian	228	46	182	Mr. C. H. Smith	231	40	191

Capt. Young, C. F. Mould, D. Ball, H. Cumming, F. Evans made no return.

DORNOCH GOLF CLUB.

In rather windy, but withal fairly good golfing weather, the monthly medal (handicap) was competed for on Saturday, the 25th ult., along with the Sutherland and Gray weekly prizes, Professor Nicholson, Edinburgh, taking first place with a score of 102, less 15=87. The next best scores were:

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. J. Fletcher	97	8	89	Mr. F. H. Stewart	103	7	96
Mr. G. R. Kennedy	91	scr.	91	(Oxford)	96	+1	97
Provost Sutherland	104	12	92	Mr. M. Macdonald	105	7	98
Mr. J. Sutherland	99	+3	93	Mr. P. Park	107	9	98
Mr. J. Campbell	93	scr.	93	Mr. W. Dick	106	7	99
Mr. H. Munro	97	2	95	Mr. G. Bridgeford	108	8	100
				Mr. H. F. Campbell			

In the afternoon, when playing a single with Mr. F. H. Stewart, Mr. J. Sutherland went the round of the extended course in 78 strokes, this being 7 less than the previous best. His details were: Out, 4 4 4 5 5 5 4 3 4=38; In, 5 5 4 4 4 6 5 3 4=40; total, 78. The record for the old round is 75, but it is calculated that the extension across the burn makes the new round quite five strokes more difficult.

For the fortnightly gold medal and Mr. Gray's clock, Mr. Charles Fletcher, Wick Club, stood first with 92, less 8=84. The next best scores were:—Mr. F. H. Stewart, Oxford University, 92, less 7=85; Mr. L. Armitstead, Cheshire, 103, less 18=85; Mr. D. Peters, 101, less 15=86; Professor Nicholson, Edinburgh, 103, less 15=88; Mr. J. Campbell (scratch), 89; Mr. J. Sutherland, 87, plus 3=90; Mr. W. Dick, Wick, 100, less 9=91; Mr. P. Park, Inverness, 99, less 7=92; Mr. J. MacEwan, Kirkwall, 101, less 7=94. For Provost Sutherland's prize, Mr. MacEwan, Kirkwall, stood first with 91, less 7=84; and next him were Professor Nicholson, Edinburgh, 101, less 15=86;

Mr. George Bridgeford, 96, less 7=89; Mr. J. Sutherland, 87, plus 3=90; Mr. H. Munro, 92, less 2=90; Mr. D. Peters, 105, less 15=90; Mr. G. R. Kennedy (scratch), 91; Mr. H. A. A. Kennedy (scratch), 91; Mr. W. Dick, Wick, 99, less 7=92; Mr. Charles Fletcher, Wick, 101, less 8=93.

#### DUNAVERTY GOLF CLUB.

The July competition for the monthly gold medal took place on the links at Southend, on Saturday, 25th ult., when the medal was won by Mr. John Moffat for the third time. The best scores were:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. J. Moffat	86	6 80	Mr. T. Bryce	109	20 89
Mr. J. Taylor	88	5 83	Mr. W. Hunter	102	8 94

#### EALING GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, July 18th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. H. P. Smith	79	24 55	Mr. A. A. Common	80	7 73
Mr. H. F. Battersby	86	20 66	Mr. C. Plummer	72	+1 73
Mr. A. Dumbur Walker	85	14 71	Mr. C. F. Hilder	122	24 98

Ladies' medal: Mrs. Hamilton 103, less 10=93; others over 100, or sent in no returns.

#### FORFARSHIRE.

The members of the Caledonian Club, Carnoustie, are engaged in the competition for the Leith medal. The first heat was decided last week, with the following result:—Mr. W. Harris beat Mr. R. B. Morison (14), 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. W. Young beat Mr. James Ross (18) by 2 holes; Mr. D. S. Morison (6) beat Mr. A. R. Crawford by 1 hole; Mr. W. Menzies scratched, after a tie, to Mr. J. Anderson; Mr. John Strachan (3) scratched to Mr. Jas. Fleming; Mr. John Dewars (4) scratched to Mr. A. Cant; Mr. D. R. Stewart (1) beat Mr. J. Lamb by 1 hole; Mr. G. H. Hay scratched to Mr. J. J. Anderson; Mr. F. Watson (2) scratched to Mr. J. P. Bruce; Mr. J. H. Duncan beat Mr. W. F. Hill (9), 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. D. Whitton beat Mr. F. McIntyre (12), 6 up and 4 to play; Capt. Mitchell, R.N.R., beat Mr. C. Neave (6), 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. H. P. Mudie (2) scratched to Mr. James Ireland; Mr. C. Ferrier (2) beat Mr. D. Stewart, 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. W. K. Lorimer (8) beat Mr. W. Ferrier, 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. David Winter scratched to Mr. W. Lowson (8).

Appended is the result of the drawings for the second heat:—Mr. D. Shephard v. Mr. C. Brand (14), Mr. J. J. H. Hendry (18) v. Mr. G. Wright, Mr. G. Simpson v. Mr. J. P. Morison, Mr. G. Fox, jun., v. Mr. D. Wood, jun. (16), Mr. D. D. Paton v. Mr. James Morton, Mr. James Bonar (4) v. Mr. H. Whyte, Mr. D. Myles (5) v. Mr. D. M. Both, Mr. W. Harris (6) v. Mr. W. Young, Mr. D. S. Morison (3) v. Mr. J. Anderson, Mr. J. Anderson (3) v. J. Fleming, Mr. D. R. Stewart v. Mr. J. J. Anderson (7), Mr. J. B. Bruce (4) v. Mr. J. H. Duncan, Mr. D. Whitton v. Capt. Mitchell (10), Mr. J. M'Andrew, jun., v. Mr. J. R. Wilson (12), Mr. Jas. Ireland v. Mr. C. Ferrier (6), Mr. W. K. Lorimer (6) v. Mr. W. Lowson.

The half-yearly competition for the medal and prizes of the Montrose Golf Club came off at Montrose last week in excellent weather. The medal and first prize were gained by Mr. James Mitchell; second, Mr. D. K. Mitchell; third, Mr. Joseph Mitchell; fourth, Mr. W. Robertson; fifth, Mr. D. Mitchell.

On the afternoon of Saturday, the 25th ult., thirty-one members of the Montrose Mechanics' Club competed for the handsome prizes presented by Mr. A. Petrie, a description of which was given last week. The greens were in good order, and the play was all through of a superior order. The prizes were decided by the averages, and the following were the winners:—Mr. J. Hampton, 5 below; Mr. D. Rodger, 5 below; Mr. A. Wilson, 5 below; Mr. G. Jarvis, 4 below; Mr. G. Macintosh, 4 below; Mr. G. Cobb, 2 below; Mr. C. Foreman, 2 below; Mr. W. Nicoll, 2 below; Mr. J. Pairman, at number; Mr. D. Cobb, 2 above; Mr. J. Jarvis, 2 above; Mr. W. Mowatt, 2 above; Mr. D. Lyall, 3 above; Mr. E. Macintosh, 3 above; Mr. J. Smith, 3 above; Mr. D. Black, 5 above; Mr. R. Cobb, 5 above; Mr. J. M'Gregor, 5 above; Mr. J. Wishart, 5 above; Mr. D. Robb, 6 above; Mr. J. Young, 6 above; Mr. J. Leggat, 7 above; Mr. A. M'Lean, 7 above. Mr. J. Hampton took the silver, Mr. A. Wilson and Mr. G. Jarvis the vases, Mr. D. Rodger the watch-stand, Mr. G. Macintosh the soapstone cigar-box, and all the other prize-winners got cigars. It has been agreed to put the entry money into a fund to purchase a cup, to be competed for annually.

The members of the Dundee Courier Club held a competition at Monifieth on Saturday, the 25th ult., when the gold medal presented by the hon. president, Mr. D. C. Thomson, was played for. Twenty players took part in the competition, and on the cards being handed in it was found that Mr. William Scott was the winner. The prize-winners were: medal and first sweepstake, Mr. William Scott, 109 (11 below); 2 and 3, Mr. Frank Scott, 108, and Mr. Peter Auld, 101 (both 2 below).

The preparations for the Carnoustie Golf Links' Bazaar are being energetically carried out, and the many valuable articles presented by local gentlemen promise well for the success of the undertaking. These include an antique clock with richly engraved brass dial, the gift of Mr. Provost M'Corquodale; a handsome American organ, presented by Mr. Baillie Nicoll; hand-painted ivory pedestal vases from Mr. John C. High; lady's gold watch and chain, the gift of Commissioner Ramsay; a box of rare Indian tea, presented by Commissioner Soutar, and a fine portrait of Tom Morris.

The third monthly competition for the gold and silver medals of the Montrose Ladies' Golf Club took place last week. There was a large attendance of the members and their friends, amongst the latter being Colonel and Mrs. Dingwall-Fordyce, Captain Stansfeld, Dunniwald; Captain Chalmers, Aldbar; and Mr. Duncan, Abbeythune. Although the weather was fine, there was a high wind which interfered with the play. Thirteen couples started as follows:—Mrs. T. B. Paton, Sunny-side House, and Mrs. Muir, Montrose; Mrs. R. H. Millar, Blair Castle, and Mrs. Presley Smith, Edinburgh; Mrs. Gordon, Newmans-walls and Mrs. Keith, Usan; Miss More-Gordon and Miss G. McCre-Gordon, Charleton; Mrs. Bouch, Ashorne, Warwickshire, and Miss Paton, Montrose; Miss Isabel Smith and Miss J. Smith, Benholm Castle; Miss Louthean, Wimbledon, and Miss Millar, Rossie Castle; Miss Woodward, Montrose and Miss Rose Millar, Rossie; Miss Burness and Miss Emily Burness; Miss J. Woodward, Montrose, and Miss L. Millar, Rossie; Miss Adamson, Gayfield, and Miss E. Lyall, Gardyne; Miss Lyall, Hillside, and Miss Norah Lyall; Miss Cruickshank, Langley Park, and Miss M. Cruickshank. On the cards being handed in it was found that the gold medal had been won by Mrs. R. H. Millar with 123, and the silver medal by Miss J. Woodward with 127. Among the next best scores were Miss Adamson 130, Mrs. T. B. Paton 132, Miss E. Lyall and Miss More-Gordon 133, and Miss Paton 135. Mr. J. B. Don, Pitmuies, has presented a challenge medal to the club to be competed for at the August tournament, which is to extend over two days.

The third meeting for the season of the members of the Carnoustie Ladies' Golf Club took place last week, when the monthly challenge medal and other prizes were played for. Fourteen couples took part in the competition, and at the close it was found that Miss Colquhoun, Carnoustie, was the winner of the medal and first prize with the excellent score of 117 strokes. The next best scores were: Miss H. Stewart, 119; Miss Grey, 121; Miss Lawson, 123; Mrs. Gibson, 125; Miss Stewart, 126. The consolation prize—awarded to the lady who makes the lowest score, not having won a prize before—was gained by Miss Rae, Carnoustie, with 131 strokes. Many of the crack hands were at fault, and the average scoring was not so good as at former competitions, owing to the high wind that prevailed. The prizes were presented to the successful competitors by Mr. Pattison, Edinburgh.

The members of the Royal Albert Golf Club last week held their annual competition for the Keithock medal. A strong wind was experienced, and made an appreciable effect upon the scoring. The following couples started: Mr. W. M. J. Paton and Mr. W. Bouch, Warwick; Major Duke, Brechin, and Mr. Lamb, Brechin; Mr. A. Smith, Benholm, and Mr. A. Lyall, of Gardyne; Captain Chalmers, Aldbar, and Colonel Dingwall-Fordyce; Mr. W. Smith, Benholm, and Rev. M. Cameron, Farnell; Dr. Stone and Mr. J. Ramsay Robertson. At the close it was found that Mr. A. Smith was the winner of the medal with the score of 89. The next best scores were: Colonel Dingwall-Fordyce, 90; Mr. Paton, 91; Mr. W. Smith, 93; and Mr. Bouch, 96.

Special competitions, played in three classes, have been engaging the attention of the members of the Montrose Mercantile Club. The prize list has now been announced as follows: 1st class—The first prize, silver badge, and money prize, won by Mr. D. Cobb at 84—5 below his number; 2, Mr. R. Cobb, 83—1 below; 3, Mr. E. Macdonald, 88; 4, Mr. T. Sheret, 84—equal, at number; 5, Mr. A. Keillor, 81; 6, Mr. J. Milne, 81; 7, W. Gordon, 89; 8, C. Burgess, 86; 9, J. Wishart, 88; 10, E. Cobb, 83—equal, all 1 below. 2nd Class—First prize, silver badge and money prize, tied for by A. Paterson, 89; J. Young, 91; and G. Bowman, 91—all 6 below; 4, J. Winton, 88; 5, D. Burgess, 88; 6, J. A. Henry, 91—equal, 4 below; 7, W. Findlay, 91; 8, J. Davidson, 93; 9, J. Falconer, 94; 10, W. Nicoll, 95; 11, W. J. Mowat, 90—equal, 3 below; 12, J. Buich, 96—1 below. 3rd Class—The first prize, silver badge and money prize, won by A. D. Adam at 96, 8 below his number; 2, Thomas Robertson, 96; 3, A. Gouk, 103—equal, 7 below; 4, A. Arbuthnot, 94; 5, J. Sheriffs, 97; 6, F. Robertson, 104—equal, 6 below; 7, R. H. Officer, 103—4 below; 8, C. D. Napier, 109—1 below.

In October last, Mr. David Robertson, of the Monifieth Club, established the record for Monifieth links with 75 strokes. In the course of the present season this has been touched three times, by Mr. Thomas Brimer, Mr. J. C. Burns (the holder of the championship), and Mr. W. Young respectively. On Friday of last week, however, Mr. George Wright accomplished the remarkable performance of lowering the record by two strokes; and the feat would have been improved upon had not luck, strangely enough, deserted the player at the last hole,

which cost at least one stroke too much. Mr. Wright who has the reputation of being one of the foremost players in the Monifieth Golf Club, having held the championship last year, was on this occasion engaged in a friendly match with Mr. Burns, above referred to. Several weeks ago, as recorded in the columns of GOLF, Mr. Wright did the outward half of the course at 34, which beat all previous records. Last week his score at the same point was two more. Coming in, however, his average of four strokes to each hole was maintained, until an unfortunate five for the last hole resulted in the round being thus completed at the phenomenal score of 73 strokes. The following are the details:—

Out ... ..	4	4	3	4	3	5	3	5	5	=	36
In ... ..	3	5	3	5	5	4	4	3	5	=	37

Play in the second heat for the Leith medal has now been concluded by the members of the Caledonia Club, of Carnoustie, with the subjoined result:—Mr. D. Shepherd scratched to Mr. C. Brand; Mr. G. Wright beat Mr. J. H. Henry (18), 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. J. P. Morison scratched to Mr. G. Simpson; Mr. G. Fox, jun., beat Mr. D. Wood, jun. (6), by 1 hole; Mr. D. D. Paton beat Mr. J. Morton; Mr. J. Bonar (4) scratched to Mr. H. Whyte; Mr. D. M. Boath beat Mr. D. Inglis (5), 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. W. Harris (6) beat Mr. W. Young, 2 holes up; Mr. J. Anderson beat Mr. D. S. Morison (3), 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. A. Cant beat Mr. J. Fleming (7), 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. J. P. Bruce (4) beat Mr. J. H. Duncan, 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. D. Whitton beat Capt. Mitchell (10), 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. J. M'Andrew, jun., beat Mr. J. R. Wilson (12), 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. C. Ferrier (6) scratched to Mr. J. Ireland; Mr. W. K. Lorimer beat Mr. W. Lowson; Mr. D. R. Stewart v. Mr. J. J. Anderson still to play.

The following is the result of the drawings in the third heat:—Mr. C. Brand (15) v. Mr. George Wright; Mr. G. Simpson (4) v. Mr. G. Fox, jun.; Mr. D. D. Paton v. Mr. H. Whyte; Mr. D. M. Boath (2) v. Mr. W. Harris; Mr. J. Anderson (10) v. Mr. A. Cant; Mr. D. R. Stewart or Mr. J. J. Anderson v. Mr. J. P. Bruce; Mr. D. Whitton (4) v. Mr. J. M'Andrew, jun.; Mr. Jas. Ireland v. Mr. W. K. Lorimer, (4).

The monthly competition of the Carnoustie and Taymouth Club was held last Saturday afternoon over the Carnoustie course. The winners of the sweepstakes were as follows:—1 and 2, tied for by Mr. David Kidd, 94, and Mr. James Stewart, 97, each 1 above average; and 3, Mr. Peter Auld, 100, 2 above.

GLASGOW GOLF CLUB.

The usual July fixtures for the class medals was held on Saturday, in fine weather. There was a large turn-out, and the following were the results:—

CLUB MEDAL.

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. David Bone ... 81 scr. 81	Mr. D. Robertson... 84 2 82
Mr. Adam Neillie... 83 2 81	Mr. Jas. Mack ... 85 3 82
Mr. J. R. Motion... 82 scr. 82	

WILSON MEDAL.

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. Wm. Risk ... 81 10 71	Mr. Robt. Laurie ... 81 7 74
Mr. Jas. Blair ... 77 5 72	

SCOTT MEDAL.

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. John Lochhead 90 17 73	Mr. G. Johnston .. 91 13 78
Mr. Hugh Cooper 91 17 74	

As will be observed there is a tie for the club medal at 81, but being already on the list of winners for the year, Mr. Bone, under the rules of the competition, gives place to Mr. Neillie.

BRUNTSFIELD SHORT HOLE CLUB.—A competition for fourteen prizes was held over the club's course on Bruntsfield links on Saturday. The following are the lowest scores:—Mr. J. Mitchell, 115; Mr. D. M. Hall, 116; Mr. J. A. Stewart, 118; Mr. J. Addison, 119; Mr. J. M'Leod, 119; Mr. D. Scott, jun., 119; Mr. T. Hogg, 120; Mr. J. Knowles, 120; Mr. G. Aitken, 120; Mr. S. Grant, 123; Mr. J. Harvey, 124; Mr. C. Muirhead, 124; Mr. W. J. Rose, 125; Mr. H. J. Harrison, 126; Mr. R. Knowles, 126; Mr. G. Douglas, 126; Mr. J. Williamson, 126. The lowest score in the tie for the seventh prize was 116 by Mr. T. Hogg. For the fourteenth prize the lowest was 124, by Mr. G. Douglas.

DUNBAR.—The members of the above club played over Dunbar links on Saturday for the Roxburghe gold cross (handicap.) The winner of the cross and first sweepstakes proved to be Mr. J. Bisset, with a score of 88, less 8=80.

KINGHORN.—The members of Kinghorn Golf Club played the third heat on Saturday for the Kinghorn Challenge Medal. Mr. David Clark, Edinburgh, was found to be the winner with a fine score of 91, less 14=77.

INVERNESS AND THE NORTH.

Quite a number of matches have been engaged in among northern clubs during the week. On Monday, the 27th ult., the Buckie and Inverness Clubs met at Nairn, the result of the contest being a decided victory for Inverness by 40 holes. The following are the detailed scores:—

INVERNESS.		BUCKIE.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. J. Birnie ... ..	0	Dr. G. Duffus ... ..	0
Mr. D. Young ... ..	3	Mr. W. F. Johnston ... ..	0
Mr. A. Birnie ... ..	0	Mr. J. G. Simpson ... ..	1
Mr. G. V. Easton ... ..	1	Mr. C. Davidson ... ..	0
Mr. Machardy ... ..	2	Dr. J. C. E. Duffus ... ..	0
Mr. J. Mackenzie ... ..	4	Mr. J. Johnston ... ..	0
Mr. N. Laing ... ..	1	Mr. J. Simpson ... ..	0
Mr. W. Mackenzie ... ..	0	Mr. A. Annand ... ..	0
Mr. F. Maciver ... ..	9	Mr. J. Nichol ... ..	0
Dr. Chapman ... ..	0	Mr. M'Naughton ... ..	4
Mr. W. Gunn ... ..	0	Mr. J. Keir ... ..	0
Mr. A. John ... ..	6	Mr. W. Clark ... ..	0
Mr. H. G. Ross ... ..	9	Mr. G. Seivwright ... ..	0
Mr. P. H. Smart ... ..	10	Mr. J. Smith ... ..	0
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	45		5

Majority for Inverness, 40 holes.

On Wednesday, the 29th ult., the Elgin and Forres Clubs met on the green of the former at Lossiemouth in excellent weather. Twelve men a-side took part in the game, which ended in a rather easy victory for the home side by 49 holes. Detailed score:—

MORAY CLUB.		FORRES CLUB.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. J. Rodger ... ..	0	Rev. D. Millar ... ..	0
Mr. J. McIsaac ... ..	6	Dr. Milligan ... ..	0
Mr. W. J. B. Macdonald ... ..	2	Dr. Fowlie ... ..	0
Mr. W. Christie ... ..	2	Mr. Calder ... ..	0
Dr. Millar ... ..	0	Mr. Hendry ... ..	3
Mr. J. S. Urquhart ... ..	2	Mr. Fraser ... ..	0
Mr. T. W. Greenstreet ... ..	7	Mr. Milne ... ..	0
Mr. J. Adams ... ..	2	Mr. D. K. Stewart ... ..	0
Mr. J. Munro ... ..	9	Mr. Macpherson ... ..	0
Mr. F. W. Gibb ... ..	2	Mr. Macdonald ... ..	0
Mr. C. D. Wilson ... ..	5	Mr. Mackintosh ... ..	0
Mr. D. Cameron ... ..	15	Mr. Leask ... ..	0
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	52		

Majority for Moray Club, 49 holes.

At the conclusion of the match the teams adjourned to a slight repast in the club-house, where the usual toasts were proposed and duly responded to, Mr. John Rodger, vice-captain, presiding. As the evening was too far advanced to permit of any subsequent "foursomes" being played, an hour and a-half was passed most pleasantly with song and sentiment, and thus ended one of the most enjoyable, if not the most enjoyable fixtures of the Moray Club.

On the same day the Buckie and Cullen Clubs tried conclusions over the Cullen Links. Nine men a-side started, the match being as usual decided by holes. At the finish it was found that Buckie had won a well-contested match by 8 holes. Score:—

BUCKIE.		CULLEN.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. W. F. Johnston ... ..	0	Dr. J. C. E. Duffus ... ..	1
Mr. J. Simpson ... ..	0	Dr. G. Duffus ... ..	3
Mr. J. Johnston ... ..	2	Mr. J. Nicol ... ..	0
Mr. R. Anna'd ... ..	8	Mr. J. W. Stuart ... ..	0
Mr. W. Clark ... ..	5	Mr. J. Rumbles ... ..	0
Mr. J. Keir ... ..	10	Mr. J. Moir ... ..	0
Dr. Duguid ... ..	0	Mr. J. Smith ... ..	3
Mr. J. L. M'Naughton ... ..	0	Mr. A. Duffus ... ..	0
Mr. J. Green ... ..	0	Mr. G. Seivwright ... ..	10
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	25		17

Majority for Buckie, 8 holes.

LITTLESTONE GOLF CLUB.

The August meeting of this club was held on Saturday and Monday, the 1st and 3rd August. There were upwards of forty members, besides other players.

The events on Saturday were: (1) The club handicap prize, a silver tankard, value five guineas (handicap limited to 18), which was won by Capt. Hervey, with 94, less 9=85. Messrs. Dockrell and Westhead being second and third respectively. (2.) A cup presented by Mr. L. Fawell for competition under handicap. This was won by Mr. W. A. Laskie, with a score of 98, less 15=83.



Monday's event was the Denge challenge handicap gold trophy (at present held by Mr. G. B. Colt). This was secured by Mr. R. Lawson, with a score of 93, less 6 = 87, and he gets besides a memento to be permanently retained.

Full lists of scores are appended :—

Club handicap prize—silver tankard. Handicap limited to 18 strokes. Saturday, August 1st, 1891.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Capt. C. H. A.			Mr. A. E. L.		
Hervey ...	94	9 85	Slazenger ...	108	14 94
Mr. W. R. Dockrell ...	99	12 87	Mr. H. E. Johnson	110	16 94
Mr. W. B. Westhead	101	10 91	Mr. J. H. Hedderwick ...	103	8 95
Mr. W. A. Laskie...	107	15 92	Mr. T. C. H. Hedderwick ...	115	18 97
Mr. John Fleming...	109	16 93	Mr. N. Lubbock ...	105	6 99
Mr. G. Graham			Mr. J. Barmon ...	106	7 99
Thoms ...	102	8 94			

Seventeen other scores in excess of 100 net ; 39 competitors.

Mr. L. Fawell's cup (handicap).—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. W. A. Laskie...	98	15 83	Mr. H. E. Johnson	109	16 93
Mr. A. W. Stone ..	100	16 84	Mr. J. Fleming ...	110	16 94
Mr. Neville Lubbock	96	6 90	Mr. A. E. L. Slazenger	108	14 94
Mr. J. A. Hedderwick	99	8 91	Mr. J. Bannon ...	104	7 97
Mr. M. E. Hughes			Mr. G. Spurling ...	110	12 98
Hughes ...	116	24 92	Mr. T. A. H. Macnair	114	15 99
Capt. C. H. A. Hervey	99	6 93	Mr. A. M. Shaw ...	123	24 99

Eleven other scores, over 100 net ; 38 entries.

Denge challenge handicap gold trophy :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. R. Lawson ...	93	6 87	Capt. C. H. A. Hervey ...	103	6 97
Mr. J. H. Hedderwick	101	8 93	Mr. W. G. Elliot ...	113	15 98
Mr. A. E. L. Slazenger ...	109	14 95	Mr. T. H. Oyler ...	114	14 100
Mr. W. R. Dockrell	107	12 95	Mr. S. B. Tubbs ...	118	18 100
Mr. R. H. Hedderwick ...	107	10 97			

Sixteen other scores over 100 net ; 38 entries.

MELBOURNE GOLF CLUB.

A meeting of the foundation members of the Melbourne Golf Club was held on June 29th at Scott's Hotel. Sir James MacBain occupied the chair, and there was a large attendance.

Mr. J. M. Bruce, in submitting the report of the committee appointed to draw up the rules, said that through the kindness of the trustees of the Albert Park, the committee had been successful in obtaining a portion of the park for a nine-hole course. They had been still more successful in securing a magnificent ground within a few minutes' walk of the Caulfield railway station, where they could have a splendid 18-hole course. This ground had been placed at the disposal of the club through the kindness of Sir Matthew Davies, and those who had seen it were extremely pleased with it, and satisfied that in a very little time a most effective course could be made. The committee had also been fortunate in securing newly-erected premises within two minutes' walk of the starting point for the purposes of a club-house. The rental was only 30s. per week, and the owner was very glad to get the club as a tenant, and would fit the house up as required, and do everything to make them comfortable. A copy of the proposed rules had been sent to each member. The committee had taken as their basis the rules of the Royal Eastbourne Golf Club—a body very similarly constituted to their own—and had made certain alterations suited to the special circumstances of the Melbourne club. The committee had telegraphed to London for full sets of clubs, and some sets were already on the way, so that members would be able to supply themselves as early as possible with materials. Various Melbourne firms had also stated their ability to manufacture the clubs locally, but on this matter the committee could offer no opinion. In the meantime there were various members of the club who had private sets, and he was sure that they would only be too happy to place them at the disposal of their fellow members until the arrival of the clubs from England.

The rules with slight verbal alterations were adopted.

Lord Hopetoun, the Governor, was elected patron ; Sir James MacBain, president ; Mr. J. M. Bruce, captain. Vice-presidents, Mr. A. R. Blackwood, Sir W. J. Clarke, Bart., Sir M. H. Davies, Mr. Justice Hodges, Mr. James Munro, M.L.A., Sir Frederick T. Sargood, Mr. John Simson ; hon. treasurer, Mr. W. Knox ; hon. secretary, Mr. H. S. Playfair ; council, Mr. M. G. Anderson, Mr. T. J. Finlay, Mr. D. Finlayson, Mr. L. C. Mackinnon, Major Reynolds, K.E., Mr. W. Strachan.

RANFURLY CASTLE CLUB.

The competition for the monthly medal took place on Saturday, and, the weather conditions being very favourable, there was a large muster. A comparison of cards showed the winner to be Mr. C. G. Cowan. The best scores are appended :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. C. G. Cowan ...	106	30 76	Dr. Sandeman ...	100	10 90
Mr. R. Stevenson ...	100	22 78	Mr. W. B. Baxter ...	120	30 90
Mr. W. Brown ...	107	28 79	Mr. A. C. Weir ...	107	17 90
Mr. J. S. Howie ...	111	30 81	Mr. D. K. McLeish	120	30 90
Mr. J. Sangster ...	106	24 82			

NORTH BERWICK.

The members of the North Berwick Ladies' Club were fortunate, as on the occasion of the last competition, in enjoying splendid weather for Golf on Saturday. The July gathering of this eminently successful club is invariably a bright one, and yesterday's attendance of lady players, as well as the assemblage of spectators, compared favourably with that of former seasons. Whilst the attraction of the succeeding meeting in August is enhanced by medal play, and yet keener competition, the visitors, of whom the club is largely composed, being greater in number, no little inducement of a substantial kind was offered on Saturday, in the shape of handsome scratch and handicap prizes in kind. The merit award was a beautiful brooch, mounted with cat's-eye and pearls ; a special handicap prize (presented by Mr. David M'ulloch) took the form of a pretty gold horse-shoe brooch mounted with pearls, and the other allowance awards were (1) a silver shoe-horn and button-hook ; (2) silver buckle for waist-belt ; (3) gold bangle ; and (4) walking-stick in golf-club miniature. The interested spectators of the play included Lady Hamilton Dalrymple, General H. C. Brewster, Rev. Fortescue (L.M.) and Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Bloxson, Mrs. B. Hall Blyth, Mrs. and Miss Dalziel, Misses Law, Misses Gillies Smith, Mrs. Orphoot, Mrs. Colin Campbell, Mrs. Brown, Misses Bruce, Mrs. Davidson Smith, the Misses Bell, Mrs. James Kelso, Mr. Edward L. Blyth, Lieut-Col. Conington, Mr. Bayley, (W.S.), Mr. Edward Parrott, Mr. Smith Clark, (S.S.C.), Mr. H. Sprott, Mr. F. T. Tennant, Mr. L. S. Anderson, Mr. J. McCulloch, Mr. H. M. Rush, Mr. Arthur Morrison, &c. On this occasion the handicap of the competing ladies was limited to eighteen strokes, the special prize being confined for play amongst those with an allowance of nine or under. The arrangements were as usual satisfactorily carried out by Messrs. Bloxson, hon. sec. and Hall Blyth and D. A. Stevenson, members of committee. In the forenoon the couples were despatched by Ben Sayers as appended :—Miss Mabel Sprott and Miss Orphoot ; Miss Murray and Miss Horsburgh ; Miss Sibyl Mackinlay and Miss N. Mackinlay ; Miss A. Hunter and Miss Bayley ; Miss Florence Anderson and Miss Edith McCulloch ; Mrs. Brown and Miss Constance M. Brown ; Miss Ethel McCulloch and Miss Eveline Campbell ; Miss F. Murray and Mrs. Esson ; Miss Turpie and Miss Muriel Campbell ; Miss Burke and Miss Mary Stevenson ; Miss Blair Cunningham and Miss Eleanor Blair Cunningham. Of the forenoon competitors the best scratch return was that of 66 by Miss Florence Anderson—30 and 36 for the two rounds respectively. The details of the fine score for the first round were :—3 3 3 4 3 4 4 3 3=30. It was considered that Miss Anderson's score would stand well in the merit order at the close of the competition, and this proved to be the case, the best figure of the afternoon excelling it only by two strokes. At this stage of the play Miss Mabel Sprott led in handicap order with a net score of 62. At 2.30 p.m. the following couples drove from the tee :—Miss Bloxson and Miss Madeline Campbell ; Miss Isabel Menzies and Miss Blanche Anderson ; Miss T. Maude Shearer and Mrs. Wallis ; Miss Isabel Bourhill and Miss Rittener ; Miss Blyth and Miss E. Wylie ; Miss Mina Sprott and Miss Edith Campbell ; Miss Hunter and Miss E. Hunter ; Miss Smith Clark and Miss E. Smith Clark ; Miss V. Sprott and Miss Harriet M'ulloch ; Miss Brooks and Mrs. Underhill.

After all the cards for the day had been returned, Miss T. Maude Shearer was declared the winner of the scratch prize with the splendid score of 64 for the two rounds of eighteen holes, the details being :

First round—	4	4	6	4	4	3	3	3	4=35	} 64
Second round—	4	3	4	2	3	4	3	3=29		

Miss Shearer's score for the second round exceeds by only a stroke the record for the ladies' course by Miss Ada Gillies Smith, being an average of two above threes. Miss Bloxson carried off the first handicap prize with the creditable figure of 73, less 12=61. As the result of a tie the special and second handicap awards fell to be divided between Miss H. M'ulloch and Miss Mabel Sprott, the former securing the special, and the latter the second allowance, prize. Miss Florence Anderson gained the third, and the fourth was tied for by the Misses Blanche Anderson, Turpie, Isabel Bourhill, and Edith Campbell. Over the competition Miss Blanche Anderson had the honour of tying

with her sister for the second place in merit order. The principal scores were:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Miss Blossom ...	73	12	61	Miss Isabel Menzies	86	15	71
Miss H. McCulloch	70	8	62	Miss Blair Cunningham	...	...	...
Miss Mabel Sprott...	70	8	62	ham ...	89	18	71
Miss T. Maude	...	...	...	Miss Hunter ...	78	6	72
Shearer ...	64	scr.	64	Miss Burke...	83	10	73
Miss Florence Anderson	...	...	...	Miss Constance M. Brown ...	88	15	73
Miss Blancee Anderson	...	...	...	Miss Murray ...	84	10	74
Miss Edith Campbell	74	8	66	Miss E. Wylie ...	82	8	74
Miss Turpie ...	78	12	66	Miss V. Sprott ...	80	4	76
Miss Bourhill ...	80	14	66	Mrs. Brown ...	94	18	76
Mrs. Esson ...	83	16	67	Miss Edith McCulloch	...	...	...
Miss Mina Sprott ...	81	14	67	loch ...	77	scr.	77
Miss Blyth ...	76	8	68	Miss Eveline Campbell	...	...	...
Miss Madeline Campbell	...	...	...	bell ...	80	3	77
Miss M. Stevenson	77	8	69	Miss Bayley ...	85	8	77
Miss Orphoot ...	77	8	69	Miss Sibyl Mackinlay	...	...	...
Miss Horsburgh ...	79	10	69	Miss Hunter ...	87	10	77
Miss Ethel McCulloch	...	...	...	Miss E. Blair Cunningham	...	...	...
loch ...	72	2	70	Miss A. Hunter ...	88	10	78
Mrs. Wallis ...	89	18	71	Miss Kittener ...	97	18	79
Miss F. Murray ...	81	10	71	Miss Smith Clark ...	102	14	88
Miss Muriel Campbell	...	...	...	Miss L. Smith Clark	102	14	88

A match of more than average interest, from the fact that most of the competitors are prominent exponents of Golf, took place over the North Berwick links last week, finishing on Friday. It was arranged by Mr. L. S. Anderson, and took the form of a friendly contest between visitors and residents at North Berwick—seven players a-side. Matches of a similar character are expected to be held annually during the season. The visitors proved successful in a close game by 3 holes. Several very low figures were registered in the course of the play, the best being 75, 78, and two 79's by Messrs. T. R. Boothby, Sydney, H. McCulloch, W. Gibson Blossom, and G. Gordon Robertson respectively. Results:—

VISITORS.		RESIDENTS.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. A. Stuart ...	...	Mr. S. H. McCulloch...	...
Mr. D. A. Davidson ...	0	Mr. J. McCulloch ...	0
Mr. C. A. Stevenson ...	0	Mr. T. R. Boothby ...	0
Mr. H. Blyth ...	0	Mr. W. G. Blossom ...	2
Mr. G. G. Robertson ...	4	Mr. L. S. Anderson ...	0
Mr. J. Mackinlay ...	6	Mr. B. Hall Blyth ...	0
Mr. J. D. McLaren ...	...	Mr. R. J. Younger ...	5
	11		8

The members of the Bass Rock Club competed for their monthly trophy over the North Berwick course on Saturday afternoon, in very favourable weather. The best return was a net figure of 88, less 14=74, by Mr. W. Merriles, Messrs. J. D. Rattray and A. Hogg following with net scores of 83 and 86 respectively.

Over Gullane course the Abbey School Club competed last week for the gold and silver medals presented by Mr. W. Gibson Blossom, a tie for the former taking place between Mr. Lorimer Campbell and Mr. Harry A. Howden, who each returned a card of 79 scratch. Mr. James Howden won the silver medal. In playing off the tie at North Berwick, Mr. Lorimer Campbell gained the gold medal for the year.

On Wednesday last, Mr. J. L. Guild, formerly of the Abbey Farm, who now resides at Inverness, played Mr. Davidson Smith, C.A. The last-named gentleman has of late been playing a strong game, and Mr. Guild, who only recently would have been safe in giving his opponent "half-one," had to succumb on a level match by 1 hole.

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, the 25th ult., the above club played off the July competitions for the Gordon challenge cup and the captain's prize. The weather was all that a golfer could desire, and the green played very well indeed, although a little hard for some styles of play. The putting-greens were exceptionally good, having improved immensely lately. A very fair muster, considering the time of year, turned out to compete, and the following are some of the best scores handed in:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. S. McDowall	92	18	74	Lieut. M. Morrison	106	15	91
Mr. A. W. Good ...	100	18	82	Mr. J. E. Shaw ...	103	11	92
Mr. A. D. Puller ...	90	5	85	Mr. Jas. Anderson...	105	13	92
Mr. J. Dunlop Hill	98	12	86	Mr. J. G. Glover ...	108	12	96
Mr. F. F. McKenzie	100	14	86	Dr. Rutherford ...	116	16	100
Mr. H. W. J. Hill...	106	18	88				

ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB.

Col. Mackenzie's prize and sweepstakes, Saturday, July 25th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
* Mr. C. H. Clements	98	13	85	Mr. C. A. Teape ...	94	3	91
* Capt. Sumner ...	96	9	87	Mr. H. G. H. Spencer	96	4	92
Gen. Renton ...	103	14	89	Col. Mackenzie ...	96	3	93
Mr. W. H. Monckton	111	22	89	Capt. Robin ...	100	4	96
Major Scott (R.A.)	92	2	90	Mr. G. Hornby ...	105	2	103

\* Divided sweepstakes.

Several players made no return.

ROYAL LIVERPOOL GOLF CLUB.

Last Saturday the sixth competition for the monthly medal and optional subscription prizes, under handicap, took place at Hoylake, in fine good golfing weather. Thirty-six couples entered the lists, and on the cards being examined it was found that Mr. L. S. M. Munro had played a fine steady game, returning 87, which with his allowance of 6 outdistanced all the other competitors; he thus won the monthly medal, the first sweepstakes, and put in a win for the first optional subscription prize; a most creditable performance, and he well deserved the congratulations that were showered upon him. Mr. Wm. Bates secured a win in for the second optional subscription prize with his score of 104, less 21=83, and he, together with Messrs. Edwd. Whineray, R. J. Kerr, and J. Shepherd, divided the second and third sweepstakes. The result of the play was as under:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. L. S. M. Munro...	87	6	81	Mr. T. L. Ferguson...	105	13	92
Mr. Edwd. Whineray	88	5	83	Rev. F. A. Macdona	114	22	92
Mr. R. J. Kerr ...	90	7	83	Mr. Jas. Cullen ...	98	5	93
Mr. J. Shepherd ...	91	8	83	Mr. E. F. Watt ...	104	11	93
Mr. Wm. Bates ...	104	21	83	Mr. H. W. Abernethy	108	15	93
Mr. A. Turpin ...	84	scr.	84	Mr. D. C. Scott ...	109	16	93
Mr. Ernest R. Wood..	89	4	85	Rev. A. H. King ...	113	20	93
Mr. H. A. Farrer ...	88	2	86	Mr. Theo. Turpin ...	113	20	93
Mr. A. H. Higgins ...	90	4	86	Mr. J. K. Housden...	111	17	94
Mr. C. J. Crowther ...	104	18	86	Mr. J. Hornby ...	94+1	95	
Mr. T. W. Crowther..	90	3	87	Mr. J. B. Hinshaw ...	101	6	95
Mr. E. Evans, jun..	103	16	87	Mr. D. L. Wright ...	115	20	95
Mr. Cumming Mac-	...	...	...	Mr. R. F. Miln ...	104	8	96
dona ...	109	22	87	Mr. A. Lawson ...	108	12	96
Mr. G. R. Cox ...	92	4	88	Mr. A. Travis ...	114	18	96
Mr. J. B. Hunter ...	100	12	88	Mr. A. Huntingdon...	117	20	97
Mr. G. Wild ...	104	16	88	Mr. John White ...	121	24	97
Mr. H. H. Hilton ...	83+6	89		Mr. J. H. Silverbach	117	19	98
Mr. Chas. Darbyshire	99	10	89	Mr. H. Ross Con-	...	...	...
Mr. H. J. Simpson ...	99	10	89	brough ...	106	7	99
Mr. R. B. Gardner ...	119	30	89	Mr. M. Pole ...	106	7	99
Mr. Jas. Fairclough ...	95	5	90	Mr. Jas. Hume ...	122	22	100
Mr. Jas. A. Smith ...	106	16	90	Mr. St. Clare Byrne	123	21	102
Mr. H. S. Bower ...	108	18	90	Mr. H. J. Houghton	121		
Mr. A. G. Spence ...	99	8	91	Rev. H. V. Macdona	124		
Mr. J. H. Wild ...	100	9	91	Mr. A. A. Reid ...	126		
Mr. John Graham ...	102	11	91	Mr. A. J. Mead ...	131		
Rev. J. G. Denison ...	99	7	92	Mr. J. A. Fisher ...	134		

Eighteen competitors made no return.

SEAFORD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, August 1st, 1891:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. C. Hart ...	95	16	79	His Honor Judge	...	...	...
Mr. J. E. Shaw ...	99	14	85	Coventry...	120	25	95
Mr. W. M. Cundell	101	14	87	Mr. J. F. Farncombe	115	16	99
Mr. G. L. St. Quintin	101	12	89	Mr. A. P. White ...	120	20	100
Mr. C. A. S. Leg-	...	...	...	Mr. A. W. Gibson	127	25	102
gatt ...	96	6	90	Mr. E. Bedford ...	127	25	102
Mr. Duncan Furner	110	20	90	Hon. A. Brand ...	128	25	103

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

The annual competition for the Thompson medal took place on Saturday, the 25th ult., with the following result:

	1st	2nd	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. G. Newby ...	80	72	152	10	142
Mr. R. Elliott ...	78	90	168	25	143
Mr. A. B. Wilson ...	86	96	182	36	146
Mr. P. A. Raps ...	75	86	161	12	149
Mr. W. Purves ...	76	82	158	8	150
Mr. O. Trechmann ...	85	81	166	14	152
Mr. C. Cooper ...	81	84	165	13	152
Mr. A. Robinson ...	80	85	165	10	155
Mr. F. W. Purvis ...	78	87	165	10	155
Mr. C. J. Bunting ...	88	84	172	16	156
Mr. A. R. Paton...	92	104	196	36	160

Not handi-capped.

Messrs. R. E. Leach, J. F. Wilson, and L. K. Fawcett made no returns. The new course of eighteen holes was opened on Monday, the 3rd inst., when a substantial prize was given to the competitor who succeeded in completing the two rounds with the best handicap score.

The new course was opened on Saturday last with the competition for the president's trophy under the most favourable auspices. By the great care and attention of the professional (J. Kay) the putting-greens were in admirable order, and the club can consider itself most fortunate in the happy extension of the course, which it has at last adopted. The alterations in the teeing-grounds have given a much more sporting character to the drive off and more favourable to the scratch players. Mr. E. R. Lindley, who joined the club as a novice a short while ago, has made excellent use of his time, and played a distinctly strong game for so short an acquaintance with it, four 4's, eleven 5's, and twelve 6's carrying the winner well on the road to victory, and with the help of 50 strokes allowance succeeded in carrying off the prize for the first time. The honorary secretary, Mr. C. Cooper, returned the best score on merit as follows:—

First Round:—										
Out ... ..	8	6	4	4	4	8	4	6	6=50	} 97
In ... ..	5	6	5	5	6	4	6	5	5=47	
Second Round:—										
Out ... ..	6	5	6	7	3	6	4	5	7=49	} 192
In ... ..	7	6	5	5	5	4	6	3	5=46	

He was, perhaps, unfortunate in meeting an unexpected Samson. Mr. Paton also, with the limit handicap, succeeded in coming up third, and will evidently soon be at the top of the list.

	1st Round.	2nd Round.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. E. R. Lindley...	109	107	216	50	166
Mr. C. Cooper ...	97	95	192	16	176
Mr. A. R. Paton ...	117	115	232	50	182
Mr. F. W. Purvis ...	97	101	198	14	184
Mr. O. K. Trechmann	104	99	203	18	185
Mr. R. Elliott ...	101	116	217	31	186
Mr. W. Purvis ...	99	97	196	10	186
Mr. C. J. Bunting ...	110	97	207	20	187
Mr. G. Newby ...	98	102	200	12	188
Mr. A. L. Robinson ...	98	104	202	13	189
Mr. R. E. Leach ...	110	108	218	25	193
Mr. J. F. Wilson ...	124	115	239	45	194
Mr. S. Walker ...	103	110	213	13	200
Mr. A. B. Wilson ...	123	127	250	50	200
Capt. Friend ...	111	126	237	35	202
Mr. H. Simpson ...	127	116	243	38	205
Mr. C. O. Trechmann	132	129	261	50	211

Messrs. T. E. Pyman, A. Gladstone, J. F. Pease, E. R. Whitwell, A. F. Trechmann, and W. S. Woodiwis made no returns. The natal day of the course will date, however, from Monday, when a competition open to amateurs has to take place, the entries for which are highly satisfactory, and include many well-known crack players from the local clubs.

SELKIRK GOLF CLUB.

The Turnbull medal, Mrs. Turnbull's prize, and the fourth competition for the Captain's prize were competed for over the Links at Selkirk on Saturday. The course and greens were in good order, and the weather was favourable for the royal game. Some twenty-two couples competed. The competition proved very keen, the scoring on the whole ruling below the average. Mr. Wright handed in the fine actual score of 81, and Mr. D. C. Alexander, sec., 83, these being the lowest scores in any competition since the course was extended and changed. Annexed are the figures:—

Wright—										
First round ... ..	4	4	6	5	5	4	6	3	5=42	} 81
Second round ... ..	4	4	5	4	6	2	5	4	5=39	
Alexander—										
First round ... ..	4	5	5	5	5	3	5	4	7=43	} 83
Second round ... ..	5	5	4	5	4	3	6	3	5=40	

Mr. Wright wins the Turnbull medal and clubs, and Mr. Alexander, sec., Mr. Turnbull being the second actual score.

The principal returns, in handicap order, were as appended:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. Wright ...	81	4	77	Mr. Colledge ...	102	16	86
Mr. Lidderdale ...	85	4	81	Mr. Jamieson ...	88	1	87
Mr. Alexander, sec.	83	scr.	83	Mr. Blair ...	97	10	87
Mr. Cannochie ...	99	16	83	Mr. Thomson ...	88	scr.	88
Mr. Walker ...	90	5	85	Mr. Buckham ...	89	scr.	89
Mr. Lewis ...	95	10	85	Mr. Ingles ...	100	10	90
Mr. Brydone ...	98	12	86	Mr. Dryden ...	106	16	90

HAWICK CLUB.—The monthly medal competition took place on the Hawick course on Saturday afternoon in favourable weather. Mr. G. Douglas was first, with a score of 90; Mr. P. Cruikshank second, with 92.

SOUTH UIST.

Tom Morris, St. Andrews, visited the island of South Uist the other day with the view of laying out a course on the Machair, alongside the Atlantic shore. The space is unlimited and eminently suited for the game.

ST. ANDREWS.

An interesting match between Andrew Kirkaldy and Davie Ayton versus Hugh Kirkaldy and Alex. Herd took place at St. Andrews on Tuesday evening, 28th ult. The event had been talked about for some time, and a large number of the lovers of the game turned out to witness the tussle. Ayton was known to be in fine form, having defeated his partner the week previous, and a close match was anticipated. Nor were the onlookers disappointed. Ayton and Andrew, however, had rather the pull of their opponents, and at the outhead turned 2 up. Their scores were 42 and 44, and this despite a strong headwind. Homewards Hugh and Alec strove hard to bring the match level, but did not succeed. At the Hole o'Cross Ayton and Andrew got 3 up. The Ginger-beer hole was halved, mainly by a fine long putt, which Hugh got down; but in negotiating the next hole both Hugh and Alec played a weak game, and the termination was in favour of Davie Ayton and Andrew Kirkaldy by 4, and 3 to play. As announced last week in GOLF, the Calcutta cup is being played for this week. This fixture appears to be somewhat on the down grade, twenty-seven couple playing this year as against thirty-four last. The draw, however, includes some of the club's best players, and some good matches should be witnessed. The following is the draw with the respective odds of the players:—Mr. G. H. Grant (4) and Mr. R. N. Fergusson (7); Mr. J. Roberts (10) and Mr. D. M. Macnab (9); Mr. F. Tarver (8) and Mr. R. B. Sharp (scratch), Mr. J. E. Laidlay (owes 2) and Mr. A. Shewan (4); Mr. A. Nimmo, jun. (3) and Mr. T. Tate (6); Mr. G. S. Smart (7) and Mr. W. O. Cunningham (6); Mr. Henry D. Bell (7) and Dr. Bruce E. Goff (scratch); Mr. G. F. Twist (6) and Colonel D. W. Mackinnon (2); Mr. James T. Inglis (4) and Mr. A. Rotherham (6); Captain H. C. Best (5) and Mr. C. K. Aitken (3); Captain F. W. Marshall (2) and Sir John A. Hay, Bart. (7); Mr. James Boyd (11) and Mr. R. A. Hull (2); General G. M. Graham (10) and Major W. B. Craigie (8); Mr. H. S. C. Everard (owes 1) and Dr. J. W. Moir (5); Mr. A. F. Macfie (owes 1) and Lieutenant-Colonel Boyd (7); Captain J. M. Fleming (7) and Mr. F. G. Tulloch (1); Mr. John Robertson Reid (3) and Mr. D. J. Simson (6); Captain W. H. Burn (scratch) and Mr. Arthur Marshall (5); Mr. A. Stuart (scratch) and Mr. C. W. Harrison (7); Mr. G. L. Chambers (5) and Mr. W. F. Blackwell (3); Mr. R. B. Hay (5) and Captain G. H. Jackson (4); Mr. S. Hope Morley (9) and Mr. A. M. Guild (5); Mr. C. F. Montgomery (5) and Mr. J. Wallace Hamilton (6); Mr. Thomas Jeffrey (4) and Mr. D. I. Lamb (owes 1); Mr. J. Lindsay Bennet (13) and Mr. W. Gibson Bloxson (scratch); Mr. W. T. Linskill (4) and Mr. W. T. Armour (1); Mr. Edward Tennant (8) and Captain G. M. Boothby (3).

ST. GEORGE'S GOLF CLUB, SANDWICH.

The August meeting of this club was held on Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday last, and was favoured with fine golfing weather. The green was in better order for a real test of Golf than it has ever been in the history of the club. The events of the meeting were a singles tournament and a foursome tournament, both of which attracted a large field. The matches were very close, several depending on the last hole, and there were several ties. The final possession of the Gemmill Cup was also played for by the previous winners: Mr. G. Nicol, Mr. H. A. Lamb, Mr. F. Barry, Mr. W. Bazalgette, Sir Thos. Troubridge, and C. E. Hambro, and resulted in a win for Mr. Bazalgette, with a nett score of 95. Mr. Lamb and Mr. Hambro were absent.

Details as follow:—

Saturday, August 1st, 1891—

First Heat.—Mr. C. E. McLaren beat Mr. A. A. Common; Mr. F. Barry beat Mr. C. G. Kekewich; Mr. W. R. Anderson beat Rev. T. L. Phillips; Mr. Guy Pym beat Mr. I. Anderson.

All the others drew byes.

Second Heat.—Mr. E. Sidgwick beat Mr. J. B. Joyce; Mr. H. G. S. Hughes beat Mr. G. P. Leach; Mr. A. C. Adam beat Capt. Boyd; Mr. J. Abernethy beat Mr. J. J. Hamilton; Mr. W. L. Purvis beat Gen. Elliot; Mr. Dunlop Hill beat Mr. D. S. Hindmarsh; Mr. W. P. Matthews beat Mr. Guy Hannaford; Mr. C. A. W. Cameron beat F. R. Mills; Mr. W. Grieve beat Mr. L. Keyser; Mr. J. M. Cripps beat Hon. R. C. Grosvenor; Mr. E. L. Balcombe beat Col. Kennard; Mr. E. Banbury beat Rev. A. L. Kekewich; Mr. C. Plummer beat Mr. C. Thompson; Mr. E. F. S. Tylecote beat Mr. F. Graves; Mr. F. H. A. Booth beat Mr. N. R. Foster; Mr. T. Glover beat Mr. A. Pollock; Sir R. Dalzell beat Mr. W. C. Anderson; Mr. T. A. Fison beat Mr. E. Turle; Mr. Geo. Nicol beat Mr. D. Davidson; Mr. E. M. Protheroe beat Mr. J. A. Gordon; Mr. W. Radcliffe beat Mr. M. Tomson; Mr. E. A. Walker beat Mr. C. C. Smith; Mr. W. Bazalgette beat Mr. R. Clutton; Hon. A. G. Grosvenor beat Mr. W. E. Hughes;



Mr. F. T. Welman beat Mr. H. A. Richardson; Mr. W. Morris beat Mr. H. L. Forbes; Mr. W. Carr beat Mr. W. T. Cundell; Mr. C. A. Pidcock beat R. A. H. Mitchell; Mr. McLaren beat Mr. C. C. Deane; Mr. Barry beat Mr. W. R. Anderson; Mr. Walker beat Mr. Pym; Mr. Bligh beat Mr. Davidson.

Third Heat.—Mr. Hughes beat Mr. Sidgwick; Mr. Adam beat Mr. Abernethy; Mr. Purves beat Mr. Hill; Mr. Cameron beat Mr. Matthews; Mr. Grieve beat Mr. Cripps; Mr. Banbury beat Mr. Balcombe; Mr. Tylecote beat Mr. Plummer; Mr. Booth beat Mr. Glover; Mr. Dalzell beat Mr. Fison; Mr. Nicol beat Mr. Protheroe; Mr. Walker beat Mr. Radcliffe; Mr. Grosvenor beat Mr. Bazalgette; Mr. Welman beat Mr. Morris; Mr. Carr beat Mr. Pidcock; Mr. McLaren beat Mr. Barry; Mr. Bligh beat Mr. Walker.

Fourth Heat.—Mr. Hughes beat Mr. Adam; Mr. Cameron beat Mr. Purves; Mr. Grieve beat Mr. Banbury; Mr. Booth beat Mr. Tylecote; Mr. Nicol beat Mr. Dalzell; Mr. E. A. Walker beat Mr. Grosvenor; Mr. Carr beat Mr. Welman; Mr. McLaren beat Mr. Bligh.

Fifth Heat.—Mr. Hughes beat Mr. Cameron; Mr. Booth beat Mr. Grieve; Mr. Walker beat Mr. Nicol; Mr. Carr beat Mr. McLaren.

THE GLASGOW "EVENING TIMES" GOLF TOURNAMENT.

The following is a description of this trophy, which has been given by the proprietors of the above newspaper for competition among the Scottish Golf clubs. The trophy, the design for which by Mr. Weir, jeweller and silversmith, 66, Buchanan Street, Glasgow, was selected out of twenty-seven competing plans, is in the form of a Renaissance façade, having a centre arch with side columns, and surmounted by the arms, supporters, and motto of Scotland, given in correct heraldic colours. A series of elaborate enamel views are included. On either side of the arms of Scotland are two figures, one representing "Skill" and the other "Renown," while below is the date of the institution of the trophy in enamelled letters. The arch is divided into compartments, the centre one having a view of "Golfing," in the form of a golfer in the act of striking a ball, in *repoussé* on a blue enamelled field, with an arrangement of Golf putters above. On either side is a panel view of Scott's Monument, Edinburgh, and of Aberdeen Town Hall, in enamel. Above the centre arch is an enamel shield of thistles and Golf putters interwoven, while below is an enamel view of the "Finish of a Big Match," taken from an old picture by Lord, and representing some of the famous amateurs of the time, including Sir J. M. Mackenzie, Sir J. M. Macgregor, Major Playfair, Lord Eglinton, Sheriff Gordon, Sir David Baird, Col. Moncrieff, Dr. Macfarlane, Hon. David Murray, Mr. John Whyte Melville, Mr. J. H. Dundas, and Mr. Robt. Chambers. In the centre of the frieze is a view of Glasgow Municipal Buildings, while the side views show the ruins of St. Andrews Cathedral and entrance to Stirling Castle, all in enamel. On either side of Glasgow Municipal Buildings is the Glasgow coat of arms and the Edinburgh coat of arms, while at the base of the columns is St. Andrews coat of arms and Perth coat of arms, all given in correct colours. There is a garter round the columns to receive the names of the successive winners. In the centre scroll of the base comes the title "The Evening Times Golf Trophy, to be held by the winning club in the annual tournament of the Scottish clubs." The ornament and decoration are arranged in accordance with the subject, and the whole is mounted on a rich plush shield set in an oak frame.

The rules of the tournament, as revised by the committee are as follows:—1. That the tournament be open to amateurs (as defined by the conditions of the amateur championship competition), being members of any recognised Golf club in Scotland. 2. That each club in Scotland have the right to send two representatives, forming one team, who must be members of the club, selected in any suitable way—the representatives not to be changed in the course of the match. 3. That the tournament take place annually in autumn, the course being varied each year. 4. That a round of eighteen holes of the selected course constitute each game. Ties to be decided by at once playing three holes; if still a tie, the team winning the first hole after this to be the winner. 5. That the play be by foursomes, the result being decided by holes, and that the rules of play be those of the club over whose green the tournament takes place. 6. That the winning club retain the trophy for a year, and be responsible for its safe custody, returning it to *The Evening Times* office two weeks before the annual competition. 7. That the name of the winning club be engraved on the trophy from year to year, and that gold badges be presented to the members of the successful team. 8. That a committee, consisting of representatives of the proprietors of *The Evening Times* and of four clubs, be appointed to take charge of the tournament, and that the decision of this committee on any disputed points be final. 9. That no entry money be connected with the tournament. 10. That the committee shall have the power to alter or vary these rules as they may consider necessary.

TROON GOLF CLUB.

The second of a series of boys' competitions for prizes, promoted by the members of Troon Ladies' Golf Club, took place over Troon

Ladies' Links, on Tuesday last week. The competitors, of whom there were 26, were divided into two classes—those of twelve years and under, and those over twelve years—and, their form having to some extent become known from the result of the first competition, they were also handicapped. The competition which was superintended by Miss Cowan and other lady members of the club resulted as follows:—

First Division—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
George White	58	3 55	David Rankin	71	10 61
John McFarlane	59	4 55	Harry Dundas	75	14 61
Jim Walker	67	10 57	Bertie Clark	62	scr. 62
Jack Raeside	66	8 58			

Second Division—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
J. B. Dickie	67	10 57	James Dickie	76	10 66
Percy Walker	81	24 57	Wallace Clark	67	scr. 67
Arthur Laidlaw	68	10 58	Malcolm McFarlane	88	20 68
Charles McFarlane	64	scr. 64	George Boyd	69	scr. 69
Willie Bishop	74	10 64	George Raeside	73	scr. 73
Willie Fullarton	75	10 65	George Cowan	90	16 74
Bertie Raeside	75	10 65	Clark Symington	99	20 79
Harry Bishop	76	10 66	Kenneth Dundas	104	24 80

The round was twelve holes, a double round of the ladies' links, and the prizes, which consisted of clubs and balls, were presented by the ladies.

Ladies' Competition.—Last week the lady members of Troon Golf Club competed in foursomes for the Robertson cleek and niblick, and for prizes presented by the ladies. The round was of twelve holes, and the scores are undernoted:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mrs. Mitchell and Miss Walker	66	10 56
Miss Dundas and Miss J. Cowie	68	9 59
Miss McMichael and Miss K. Bishop	66	5 61
Miss Hay and Miss Ross	77	15 62
Miss J. Bishop and Miss J. J. Paton	66	2 64
Miss Clark and Miss Laidlaw	76	6 70
Mrs. Fleming and Miss J. Clark	81	7 74
Miss Guthrie and Miss H. Cowie	86	12 74

Children's competition.—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Miss Edith Herbertson	77	25 52	Miss Ingeborg Ross	81	19 62
*Miss Mary Fullarton	84	30 54	Miss Gracie Robertson	80	16 64
*Miss Winnie Robertson	78	24 54	Miss Mabel Paton	67	scr. 67
Miss Lizzie Stoddart	67	12 55	Miss Mary Bishop	72	scr. 72
			Miss Dolly Robertson	107	30 77

Tie.

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The July competition for the club cup was held over the links on Saturday, the 25th ult., in perfect golfing weather, the day being warm and fine, with a cool breeze. The putting-greens were in excellent order, and were keen and true throughout. Owing to the counter-attractions of cricket and lawn tennis, the field was only a moderate one, the winner proving to be Gen. Dandridge, one of the most promising players in the club, who sent in a good return of 79 net; Mr. Perry was unfortunate in being only one stroke behind. The following were the principal scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Gen Dandridge	104	25 79	Mr. E. J. Vavasour	114	22 92
Mr. F. D. Perry	100	20 80	Col. Boothby	100	4 96
Capt. Shaw	103	15 88	Mr. W. McLaren	113	17 96
Mr. A. F. H. Dyson	117	25 92			

A return has now been made to the old-established course over the big hedge, which was abandoned during the training of the militia battalions, and the links are beginning to resume their usual busy appearance.

It was announced on Saturday that the Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncrieff, in addition to the handsome set of silver mounted carvers and sharpener which are now awaiting competition, has very kindly presented a challenge bowl of the value of 30 guineas, to go to the best aggregate scratch score of the two medal days in the spring medal week of each year; if won three times to be retained. Mr. T. H. Ashton, M.F.H., has also kindly offered to give a handicap prize on the same terms, which will be retained if won twice. Mr. C. G. Lefroy, of Wellesbourne Hall, has also kindly presented a valuable prize, to be played for in October, November, and December of this year (the final in January), on similar terms to the Patterson and Leaf prizes, but open to all handicaps under twenty-five. The first competition for this prize will be held on Saturday, Oct. 3rd.

Under capital conditions the third competition for the Leaf prize took place on Saturday over the old course. Result:—Mr. J. W. Traill, 99, less 14=85; Mr. A. L. Chance, 110, less 24=86; Mr. E. J. Vavasour, 114, less 22=92; Colonel Boothby, 102, less 4=98; Hon. R. H. Littelton, 106, less 6=100; Rev. E. H. Oldham, 108, less 7=101. Mr. Traill and Colonel Boothby had the lowest scratch scores.

**ABERFOYLE CLUB.**—A handicap match for the second medal presented by the vice-president, Mr. Andrew Simpson, was played over these links on Saturday. The weather was fine, and with greatly improved greens, the match proved most enjoyable. The medal was won by Mr. Finlay Mitchell, with a net score of 104, his handicap being 18. Underrated are a few of the best scores:—R. W. Simpson, 2 behind scratch, 105; Wm. Gale, 4 behind scratch, 107; Alex. Blair, scratch, 108; Wm. Patrick, 2 behind scratch, 108; A. Simpson, 4 behind scratch, 108.

**BURNTISLAND.**—The double attraction of the Inchdairnie cup and the Wallace medal brought out a large field on Saturday. The cup is regarded as the blue ribbon among club honours, and the condition attached to the competition that it be played on other than the home green gives it additional interest. Last year the tussle took place at Ladybank, and Mr. Bailie Robertson gained first place. On this occasion the members of the club travelled to Leven, where accommodation had been bespoken for them. This ample green was in fine condition, and the weather being in every sense propitious, an enjoyable game was played, without, however, producing, except in the case of the cup winner, any low scoring. The chief results were as follows:—Mr. W. Venters, winner of the cup, 85, plus 2=87; Mr. J. Thomson, winner of Wallace medal, 99, less 8=91; Mr. J. W. Connel, 96 less 4=92; Mr. R. Ferguson, 87, less 4=93; Mr. H. Kinsman, 98, less 3=95; Mr. R. Carmichael, 101, less 6=95; Mr. J. Wood, 96, plus 1=97; Mr. D. Connel, 101, less 2=99; Mr. W. Isles, 109, less 10=99.

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