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MAY.

- May 30.—Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Challenge Cup ; Captain's Prize.
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.
Seaford : Monthly Medal.
Birkdale : The Crowther Cup.
Luffness : Wemyss Challenge Medal.
Royal North Devon : Monthly Medal.
Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells : Monthly Medal.
Royal Eastbourne : Monthly Medal.
West Lancashire : Monthly Medal.
Dundee Advertiser : Leng Medal.
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal and Mickoll's Cup.
Royal Montreal : Buchanan Cup.
Ardeer : Captain's Prizes.
Troon : Spring Meeting.

JUNE.

- June 2.—Cornwall County Golf Club : Monthly Medal.
June 3.—Edinburgh Viewforth : Prize Competition (Musselburgh).
June 4.—Tyneside : Bi-Monthly Competition.
June 5.—Harrison, Edinburgh : Secretary v. Treasurer.
June 6.—London Scottish : Monthly Medal.
Minchinhampton : Monthly Medal
Prestwick St. Nicholas : Bailie Wilson's Medal (to be played off).
Brighton and Hove : The Berens Gold Medal.
Royal Liverpool : Monthly Medal ; Optional Subscription Prizes.
Bournemouth : Monthly Medal.
Bowdon : Monthly Competition.
Tantallon : Summer Meeting.
Edinburgh University : Challenge Cup and Club Prizes.
Rochdale : Secretary's Trophy (Silver Shield).
Aldeburgh : Silver Medal.
Redhill and Reigate : Turner Medal.
Haydock Park : Captain's Cup (fifth Competition)
Seaton Carew : Gray Trophy.

- June 6.—Calcutta : Cup.
Selkirk : Hastie Medal and Second Competition, Captain's Prize.
June 9.—Royal Epping Forest : Kentish Cup.
Littlestone : Monthly Medal.
Hayling Island Ladies : Bath Challenge Star.
Falkirk : Monthly Handicap.
Royal Blackheath : Summer Medal and Monthly Medal.
June 10.—Edinburgh Warrender : Club Medal and Prizes.
June 11.—Wimbledon Ladies' : Monthly Medals.
June 12.—Durham : Osborn Cup.
June 13.—Southport : Summer Meeting.
West Herts : Monthly Medal Handicap (final).
Gullane : Competition for Club Prizes.
Guildford : Monthly Handicap.
Harrison, Edinburgh : Medal.
Formby : Captain's Prize.
Alnwick : Marsh Painting.
Wiltshire and District : Monthly Medal.
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Cup.
Rochdale : Captain's Prize.
Wimbledon Ladies' : First Prize Meeting.
Glasgow v. Prestwick St. Nicholas : Annual Match.
Wimbledon Ladies' : First Prize Meeting.
Hayling : Monthly Competition.
June 15 to 17.—Harrison, Edinburgh : Cup and Prizes.
June 17.—Royal Epping Forest : Kentish Gold Medal ; Noakes Cup.
June 18.—Tyneside : Bi-Monthly Competition.
June 20.—Nottingham : Monthly Medal.
Calcutta : Cup.
Dublin : Monthly Medal.
Disley : Second Summer Handicap.
Epsom : Monthly Medal.
Lytham and St. Anne's : Macara Cup.
Lea Hurst : Monthly Competition.
Seaton Carew : Club Cup.
Haddington : Aitchison Medal.
Redhill and Reigate : Club Medal.
West Herts : Gold Scratch Medal and Club Dinner, and Summer Meeting.
Redhill and Reigate : Midsummer Medal (scratch).
Portrush : County Golf Club Annual Meeting ; Open Competition (holes).
Selkirk : Muir Trophy (final ties).
June 20 to 23.—Felixstowe : Summer Meeting.
June 22.—Portrush : County Golf Club Open Competition (strokes) ; Annual Cup Final.
June 25.—Nottingham : Monthly Medal.
June 26.—Durham : Blagdon Cup.
Harrison, Edinburgh : Medal.
June 25-27.—Bowdon : Captain's Cup.
June 27.—Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.
Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Challenge Cup ; Captain's Prize.
Seaford : Monthly Medal.
Luffness : Wemyss Challenge Medal.
Brighton and Hove : The De Worms Challenge Cup.
Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells : Monthly Medal.
Royal Eastbourne : Monthly Medal.

- June 27.—Edinburgh University: Captain's, the Senatus, and other Prizes (at North Berwick).
West Lancashire: Monthly Medal.
Felixstowe: Monthly Challenge Cup.
Buxton and High Peak: Monthly Medal.
- June 29-30.—Harrison, Edinburgh: Aggregate (entry 6d.).
- June 30.—Luffness: Club Handicap Medal.
Edinburgh Viewforth: Silver Medal (Braids).

JULY.

- July 3.—Durham: Blagdon Cup.
- July 4.—Minchinhampton: Monthly Medal.
London Scottish: Monthly Medal.
Prestwick St. Nicholas: Eglinton Medal.
Brighton and Hove: The Berens Gold Medal.
Royal Liverpool: Monthly Medal and Optional Subscription Prizes.
Bournemouth: Monthly Medal.
Bowdon: Monthly Competition.
- July 7.—Cornwall County Golf Club: Monthly Medal.
- July 9.—Selkirk: Captain's Prize (third competition).
- July 10.—Durham: Osborn Cup.
- July 11.—West Herts: Monthly Medal.
Littlestone: Monthly Medal.
Guildford: Monthly Handicap.
Lanark: Gold Ball, and other Prizes.
Hayling: Monthly Competition.
- July 14.—Royal Epping Forest: Kentish Cup.
- July 15.—Royal Epping Forest: Kentish Gold Medal; Noakes Cup.
- July 18.—Dublin: Monthly Medal.
Gullane: Club Gold Medal, and other prizes.
Disley: Third Summer Handicap.
- July 24.—Durham: Blagdon Cup.
- July 25.—Royal Wimbledon: Monthly Medal.
Luffness: The County Cup Competition; Wymess Challenge (Cup) Medal.
Royal Epping Forest; Gordon Challenge Cup; Captain's Prize.
Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells: Monthly Medal.
Royal Eastbourne: Monthly Medal.
West Lancashire: Monthly Medal.

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THE FERNIE-CAMPBELL MATCH.

NOTES ON THE GAME.

Every opportunity has now been given for forming an opinion of the exact merit of the Islay links, and, without qualification, it may be said it is of the first order, and very well worth a visit. Nothing strikes one more than its likeness to the old portion of the Prestwick links, only on a larger scale. Three and a-half miles is given as the length, but on a hot day, when one has tramped over the rough ground to the fifteenth hole or so, a tremendous feeling of thirst—because Islay is a particularly thirsty place—and a slight feeling of fatigue, suggest a greater length. And, perhaps, it is in this that the less robust golfer will find fault with the course, and but the only one. The shortening of a hole here and there might be an advantage. With regard to the Island itself, a more pleasant holiday could not be imagined than a week's sojourn at Port-Allen in good weather. Already known as one of the homes of whisky, the new attraction ought to draw both the Scotchman and the Englishman. The mysteries of the "still" may be explored by anyone, and "best Scotch" is always at hand.

The day of the match dawned beautiful. The weather in Scotland this year has been unusually cold, but this day proved to be an exception. The sun shone all day and made the surroundings look their loveliest. Port-Allen presented quite a picturesque appearance. The inhabitants were early on the stir in anticipation, and not a little attention was given to the sun-burned professionals, each looking his best, and the handful of spectators, dressed in semi-Highland garb, who had come from afar to witness the game. About ten o'clock the vehicles to convey the players and spectators were ready, but not a few preferred to walk the picturesque road to Laggan Bay. There was a very respectable appearance when the match started. A few trial shots took place, and after the green had been formally opened by Mrs. Ramsay, of Kildalton, play in earnest began. Play up to the ninth hole was tough, with varied success, but Campbell managed to secure a lead of two. He added another at the eleventh hole, then three halves came in. Unaccountably Fernie fell off at this stage, and he lost the next three holes. This turned out to be the crucial point in the match, and he was never able to make up the loss of six holes. The seventeenth, however, fell to him, and the last hole was halved. After an interval for luncheon play was resumed, and going out three holes were halved, and the same number fell to each player. Fernie fought splendidly, but he was not able to shake his opponent; Campbell won the tenth and eleventh holes, and stood dormy seven. A half at the twelfth hole gave him the match by seven up and six to play. He was given three ringing cheers on being subsequently presented with the medal. The same compliment was also paid to Fernie.

Campbell deserves all credit for his well-earned victory. He was in splendid condition, and played a strong game throughout. The comparatively new nature of the putting-greens, however, did not permit of a brilliant game being played; Fernie, on the other hand, was seen decidedly to disadvantage. His record has been a brilliant one, but on this occasion he did not show up to the mark. It must in justice be said that he was unlucky, and that, combined with his small knowledge of the green, may have had something to do with the heaviness of the defeat. Still the fact remains that Campbell played the better game. Fernie nearly always outdrove his opponent, and their game between was equal; but it was on the green that Campbell's superiority was shown, Fernie more than once threw away the holes by missing short putts.

One delightful feature of the match was the cordiality of feeling which existed between the players. They are old friends, and this pleasantness added much to the interest of the game. When one or other secured a temporary advantage, much good-natured chaff was indulged in. Fernie, even, although playing a losing game, was throughout in the best of spirits and temper, and, as he put it, "died hard."

It will be remembered that in match play these two men have met on three previous occasions. Twice Fernie was the victor, by 7 and 6 to play, and by 2 and 1 to play; against that, however, he sustained a heavy defeat by 12. The present match leaves all parties equal, and it would be interesting to see another match, perhaps over home and home greens.

AN ANCIENT GOLF CLUB.



Messrs. J. G. Thomson and Co., of The Vaults, Leith, are at present making alterations on their premises, which will now front the new street formed by the Leith Improvement Trust; and in the course of demolishing what must have been the oldest part of the Vaults property, bearing date on the cornerstone, 1682, there was found a coin bearing that date and a curious old Golf iron head, which are reproduced. Our sketch of the iron is one-half the size of the original, which weighs just over 1 lb. It appears to have been admirably finished, and its shape proves conclusively that the so-called "patents" so much in vogue are by no means the invention of the patentees. For instance, this antique iron has the heavy-weighted sole, as in Forrester's patents; and also has its face bevelled like Park's lofers. The main buildings bear date 1785, and these which are retained have been greatly altered internally to meet the more modern requirements of Messrs. Thomson's business.

INKSTAND GOLF TROPHY.

We desire to call the attention of our readers to an inkstand Golf trophy which has just been designed and executed by Mr. Robert Sawers, jeweller, Maitland Street, Edinburgh. As will be seen from the sketch of the trophy given in the advertisement pages, it will be noticed that in every point of detail the design is redolent of Golf. The figures on the inkstand represent Ben Sayer, the well-known North Berwick professional, and his caddie. Sayers is represented as being in the act of holing out, while the caddie standing in front with the clubs is a keen and interested spectator of the stroke. The figures were modelled from life by Mr. W. G. Stevenson, A.R.S.A., and all golfers who have played with Sayers will readily recognise, not only his putting attitude, but in a general way the close resemblance to his features. The two ink-bottles are *facsimile* reproductions of the sand-boxes at the angle hole, the fifth out at North Berwick, where Sayers is supposed to be putting. The length of the stand is 23 inches, the breadth 10 inches, the height of Sayers' figure 6 inches, and the height of the caddie with the clubs 7 inches. The trophy is made of electro plate of the first quality, and of course could easily be made in sterling silver, should any golfer or club so desire it. The price is £10.

From an inspection of the trophy, one gathers the impression that Mr. Sawers has certainly done his work well and with admirable taste. He has the advantage over many designers of Golf trophies in being a keen hand at the Royal and Ancient game himself, and thus knows exactly what is needed, not only for general effect, but in filling in the essential and characteristic points of detail. The figures in this trophy show this, for not only are they posed in such a way as to indicate that the designer knew what was needed in order to secure the element of *vraisemblance*, and to preserve the whole work from that incongruous grouping which the keen and practised eye of the golfer is so prone to detect. The design is the most original we have yet seen for a golfing trophy. Hitherto, Mr. Sawers has made a good many trophies for clubs, and for individual golfers, among the latter being one for Major-General Renton, of the Jersey Club, and quite recently a silver putter for Mrs. H. S. C. Everard. His latest design is a welcome relief from the hitherto stereotyped form of cups and other articles so familiar as prizes; and it is to be hoped that Golf club executives who wish to give a really useful and artistic article as a good prize in a competition, or if a Golfer wishes to make, say, an appropriate wedding or birthday present to a lady golfer, will look with kindly favour on this new and original claimant to their attention.

A NEW MACKINTOSH GOLF CAPE.

All golfers know how distressing it is to be overtaken in the middle of a long round, say at Sandwich, St. Andrews, or North Berwick, by a heavy, drizzling rain, when shelter is out of the question, except behind a wall, a whin bush, or under the partial protection of an escarpment in a deep sand bunker. Clothes become sodden and heavy, club grips become slippery, play becomes careless and uncertain, and everyone is in a hurry to get home to the club-house, though an otherwise excellent score should be sacrificed. When the weather it lowering the prudent players put an old umbrella among the clubs, and trust to its shelter in case of rain. But this expedient is an unsatisfying one at the best, and does little to hinder the eventual drenching. Several mackintosh manufacturers have turned their attention to supplying the golfer's want; and Messrs. Benjamin and Sons, of Ulster House, have designed a Golf cloak which can be worn while in play without in the least incommoding the arms in playing the stroke. Their efforts, we are glad to notice, have been attended with a gratifying amount of success.

Messrs. Goudie and Co., 25, Princes Street, Edinburgh, well-known as the makers of fine Golf balls and clubs, have just brought out a golfer's mackintosh cape which fulfils the same end as the Golf cloak of Messrs. Benjamin and Sons. It is not so long in the body as the garment of Messrs. Benjamin, but it is equally serviceable. It can be worn while in play, it leaves the arms free, and does not in the least incommode the player. We have recently had the pleasure of testing one of these capes, and found it to answer in every respect the requirements of a player who goes out in a drizzle, or who may be overtaken far from welcome shelter, by a downpour. The cape is very light. It is fitted with two straps that go over the shoulders, and button in conjunction with a waist-belt round the body, so that when one has to play the ball the cape may be momentarily thrown back and then readjusted in its original position, so as to cover practically the whole body. The material has a soft silky feeling about it, and is handsomely lined with a check stuff. A more serviceable garment as part of the golfer's holiday outfit could not be found, and its appearance ought to banish from the links into the limbo of antiquated and useless relics the battered, dripping, inconvenient, unsightly, incongruous, umbrella.

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THE SANDWICH MEETING.

FOLLOWING close upon the heels of the Amateur Championship at St. Andrews came the great southern gathering of golfers at Sandwich last week, to compete for the St. George's Champion Grand Challenge Cup, open to all amateurs. It is a far cry from the county of Fife to the county of Kent, and, although but few players of note on Scottish greens put in an appearance, the muster of golfers present during the three days of the meeting must have been particularly gratifying to the executive of the St. George's Club.

The Bell Hotel, even in its enlarged form, was unable to accommodate the whole of the metropolitan exodus. The lodging-houses were laid under requisition, and for nearly a week the surplus labouring population of the town were converted into the carriers of clubs. Golfers coming from their lodgings to the hotel to breakfast or to dine were continually losing their way among the labyrinthine streets and alleys. Silent, grass-grown streets echoed with the steady, martial clank of hob-nail golfing-shoes, and men arrayed in Harris tweeds and knickerbockers afforded a source of wondering speculation to dames and urchins congregated around open doorways. Crack players, in the persons of Mr. John Ball, Mr. Hilton, Mr. A. F. Macfie, Mr. A. D. Blyth, Messrs. W. E. and F. A. Fairlie, Mr. Mure Fergusson, Mr. Henry Lamb, Mr. Molesworth, Mr. F. G. Tait, and others, were present, and a really first-class exposition of the game was witnessed throughout the contests. Unhappily for all concerned, the weather was very unfavourable on Monday and early on Tuesday; but this drawback did not appear in the least to diminish the enthusiasm of players. A steady procession of couples, some with umbrella, others in waterproof golfing cloaks, could be seen steadily wending their way over the undulating ground and ~~down~~ heedless of the wet, and intent only upon the flight of their ball. And when the lowering, leaden clouds lifted and allowed the warm sun to peep forth and suffuse the landscape with its warm rays, what a picturesque sight gladdened the eye of the holiday golfer, say, from the summit of "The Maiden." To the right, Pegwell Bay rolled with reverberating echo on the pebbly margin of the links; ships, with bellying sails, passed to and fro among the Goodwins; the white chalk cliffs opposite shone in the rich morning light with a dazzling splendour; and Ramsgate, partially shrouded in a humid mist, stretched itself lazily downwards to the sea. Behind, Deal nestled with an air of placid, sluggish comfort; while to the left the warm May sun glistened on the old, weather-beaten, picturesque church of Sandwich, on the red tiles of the irregularly-built little town, on the little stream that crawled like a silvery worm around its outskirts, and freshened into a more exhilarating tint the green of the extensive meadow lands and the luxuriant foliage of the Kentish woods.

Scottish golfers recall with pride the historical associations that cluster around St. Andrews as the leading golfing

centre. Sandwich, too, has its historical associations, not less important, and probably more stirring.

"Something of old ancestral pride it keeps,
Though fallen from its earlier place and circumstance."

When one gazes out of the Bell Hotel window at that sluggish stream, with one or two little craft moored to the edge, and being perfunctorily loaded or unloaded, it is impossible for the memory not to recall a little of what Sandwich has been in the past. At the coming of the Vikings to England in the ninth century it was on this little town on the Kentish coast that their attacks fell most frequently. The reason for this is not far to seek, because, as its monasteries and ecclesiastical edifices show, the early civilisation of Kent was very high; it was one of the wealthiest and most thriving parts of Britain, and the main road of communication between this country and the continent. The silting up of the Wantsum closed the harbour of Richborough, and thereafter the growing trade with France passed to Dover and Sandwich. At that time, also, Canterbury was, in point of size and wealth, among the greatest of English cities, and was, besides, the seat of a Primacy. Time after time did the Anglo-Saxon kings gather their fleets at Sandwich, either for offence or defence; although when the golfer looks at that little stream in the summer twilight, he has great difficulty in realising that this was the case. Chroniclers tell us that in 1009 Æthelred saw assembled at Sandwich more king's ships than had ever been assembled before, and Harthacnut, when chosen king of England, landed at Sandwich somewhere about 1040, with a fleet of sixty vessels, which had been chosen for the conquest of the kingdom. On the silting up of the Channel between Thanet and Kent, Sandwich rose from a little hamlet on the sandy flats beside ruined Richborough into the main port of the Channel. Its "butsecarls," or sailors, had long been famous as the best mariners of the coast, while its ferry dues, port tolls, herring fishing, and general merchandise produced so much revenue as to excite the fierce cupidity alike of kings and ecclesiastics. That day of comparative splendour has long passed away. The sea has receded from it and left the little town stranded; but if there is anything that can bring back some of its departed glory it is the Golf club which has settled in its midst, and the army of golfers who are continually passing to and fro on health and pleasure bent. In years to come, Sandwich, by the aid of the golfer, may once again become the busy, prosperous haunt of men it once was; and the best thing the corporation of the town could do would be to inscribe in grateful recognition on its burgess-roll the names of the founders of the St. George's Golf Club. Many municipalities have conferred civic freedom for services less durable and less productive of good.

Much discussion arose in the evenings as to the champion tees. Some players argued that those tees were too stiff, that they necessitated continual pressing on the part of the players in order to clear the hazards, that they were not fair,

that the continual strain produced exhaustion, that to carry them was an impossible feat to the bulk of the players, and an agitation was threatened in favour of their abolition. We hope that the committee will adhere to their resolution to maintain the tees as they are. In our judgment the champion tees are one of the best features of a course, which is as ideal as it can well be made. Writing with ample experience of the tees, we should say that they are by no means so insuperably difficult as some players were heard to make out. Certainly, with a fresh wind against one, like that on Tuesday's competition, it was difficult for scratch players in all cases to clear the hazards; but the number in which failure brought bad luck is not worth consideration. The truth is that the champion tees are for scratch players of the best quality; not for handicap players just on the border limit of scratch. It ought to be recognised also that, in order to play the champion course satisfactorily, one must be in the best health and "as hard as nails" through constant practice. Adverse criticism like this is a testimony to the skill, care, and judgment with which Mr. Laidlaw, Mr. Purves, and the early founders of the club, designed and laid out the course.

HAYLING GOLFERS.

*"Together did they wend a-field and
Brushed the opening eyelids of the morn."*

The Hayling Golfers, wide awake,
Are known for couches scorning;
They love the game for golfing's sake
At evening or at morning.
They wield the club, they wield the cue,
For sleeping is absurd, Sir,
And those who're out at four may view
The golfing early bird, Sir.

D. C. L., The Court-Martial.

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ST. ANDREWS AS A CHAMPIONSHIP COURSE.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have read with much interest, the strictures upon St. Andrews Links which "One Who Played" has been good enough to pronounce in your columns. Within the last six weeks I have been informed, partly in conversation, partly through the newspapers: (1) That Hoylake is not a champion course; (2) that Prestwick is not a champion course; (3) that Sandwich is not a champion course; and now, (4) that St. Andrews is not a champion course. This appears to me to be in the last degree unfortunate, as it happens that the greens in question are precisely those over which the contest is to take place for the next four years (not, however, in the order named). Destructive criticism requires no particular aptitude; it comes naturally to some people, but perhaps your correspondent, in the light of the facts I have just mentioned, would be kind enough to supplement his remarks by favouring us with a constructive policy, and indicating where in his opinion, not one green, but four, may be found which would be suitable. I have so far been unable to reconcile the general tenour of his letter with his statement that, "on the contrary, Mr. Laidlaw's winning on such a green proves that he is a player of super-excellence."

On reading this, I took the meaning to be that the difficulties of playing the green were considerable, and this impression is borne out by an experience extending over many years. An eminent and successful player from the south has been heard to characterise St. Andrews as "drawing-room Golf," but somehow, when it comes to deeds, as distinct from words, the gentleman in question is never able to get within sight of 90 for a medal round. Facts like this have come under my notice times without number; really good players from other greens find themselves unable to play St. Andrews in a manner even faintly approximating their ideal. What follows? Are they themselves at fault? Not they; the fault lies obviously in the St. Andrews green. But, on the other hand, what first-class player bred at St. Andrews is at fault when he goes thence to other greens? Allan Robertson, young Tom, Andrew and Hugh Kirkaldy, Willie Fernie—what description of shot is to be met with elsewhere, that each and all of these players, to say nothing of a host of others, were and are unable to negotiate? Hitherto I have been under the impression that these and others of their kidney were both "accomplished and versatile," able to play, and constantly playing every sort of shot that could possibly present itself. But perhaps your correspondent will indicate the parts of the game where, upon St. Andrews, or any green, the "moderate player" would, as he inferentially states he would, overcome such players as I have named. From, I suppose a few days' experience, your correspondent dogmatizes about lengths of approach, full shots, and other matters, and poses as an authority in much the same way as a newly-fledged undergraduate feels himself so infinitely superior to, and wiser than the rest of the world. If your correspondent were to play St. Andrews green in fair weather and foul, in every wind, in wet weather and dry, winter and summer, and then read his own utterances afresh, I wonder what he would think of them! But with parts of his letter I have every sympathy; unfortunately

the green is "a Paradise for wild drivers"; would that it were otherwise, and restored to its condition of thirty years ago. With sorrow I admit that a ball in the whins, or where whins ought to be, is now often in far better case than one beautifully driven on the direct line. Your correspondent is good enough to advise the St. Andrews authorities what they are to do in order to make St. Andrews a championship course. From one having such an experience of the links as his letter indicates, the advice is of course valuable, and will perhaps be duly noted; but if steps are taken to carry out his suggestions, the authorities in question will speedily find themselves in conflict with the proprietor, with the grazing tenant, and other interests, which your correspondent has not thought necessary to mention.

I am, Sir, &c.,
ANOTHER WHO PLAYED.

CARRUTHERS' PATENT CLEEK.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Having heard considerable discussion recently upon Carruthers' New Patent Cleek, and being unable to give my own opinion, not having seen the Patent, I determined to do so, and for that purpose called upon the Inventor. I am not at any time in favour of new inventions in the shape of clubs, because, with all the supposed improvements, the result of one's play is not in keeping with them. In truth, were all the intended benefits derived from every new patent club, I should not like to predict what the game would ultimately become. In course of conversation with Mr. Carruthers I was fingering away with some of his cleek heads, and found them so well balanced that they stood upon a smooth table in playing position without support. The very moment I saw his driving cleek I could see at a glance what its capabilities were, provided that the other end was all right. There are all kinds of clubs, driving cleeks, putting cleeks, lofting irons, heavy irons, and niblicks; and his latest is a neat little cleek also of perfect balance, and so small that two of the heads go easily into the watch-pocket. Mr. Carruthers is also very careful with the handles and has them all made of fine tough white hickory, with the spring where it ought to be. But the great treat is to try one—I mean as a driving cleek. There is, I am certain, a surprise awaiting anyone who has yet to try it; for in the flight of the ball, just at the moment when you are expecting it to begin to fall, it begins to rise as if while in the air receiving some fresh impetus. The ball leaves the cleek with a pleasant feeling to the hands, making little noise, and if the strokes are played easily (which they must be on account of the extra spring) the ball travels off as if played from a driver. With apologies for taking up so much of your valuable space.

I am, Sir, &c.,

Edinburgh, May 22nd, 1891.

R. J. B. T.

Notwithstanding the prevalent unfavourable weather, the Hayling links have during the recent holiday season been crowded with adepts at the Royal and Ancient game. On and after June 1st next, the entrance-fee will be raised to five guineas, and the annual subscription for new members to three guineas.

Tait, formerly of Musselburgh and late of Epping Forest, has made an inspection of the ground at Arnsbrae and Gartmore Moor, with the view of deciding upon the formation of a golfing course for the proposed Golf club for Alloa. Tait has given his verdict in favour of Arnsbrae, where he considers a complete and beautiful nine-holes course can be formed.

Hugh Kirkaldy having challenged Sayers to play a home and home match for £25—36 holes over each green—the latter has accepted the challenge, and the match will begin at North Berwick on Tuesday 16th June, finishing at St. Andrews on Friday the 19th.

R. Lambert, of the Woodford Wells Golf Club, has been appointed green-keeper and professional to the Royal Epping Forest Golf Club.



ABERDEEN.

The weather here was exceedingly favourable on Saturday, and some very good work was done over the two local greens. The members of the Victoria Club competed for Messrs. J. Williams and John R. Smith's prizes over the old course on the Aberdeen Links, some very low cards being returned. Both prizes are competed for under handicap, Mr. Williams's prize going to first-class players, and Mr. Smith's to second-class players. On comparing the cards handed in, the following were found to be the winners. Mr. W. H. Reid with a gross score of 92 (5 off), 87, carried off Mr. Williams's prize; Mr. Smith's falling to Mr. J. A. Ross with 102 (12 off), 90. The following were the lowest scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. H. Reid...	92 5 87	Mr. Jas. R. Smith	102 12 90
Mr. W. Bowman...	96 8 88	Mr. A. M'Con-	
Mr. A. M. M.		nachie...	88 +3 91
Dunn ...	86 +3 89	Mr. R. W. Beedie	96 5 91
Mr. J. A. Ross ...	102 12 90	Mr. G. Mortimer	96 4 92

The members of the Bon-Accord Club competed on the same day for Mr. James Moir's prize (handicap), which was decided by one round of the green, or 18 holes. On comparing the cards handed in, it was found that the first three names given below had tied for possession of the prize, the following being the lowest scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. Smart ...	80 +3 83	Mr. J. Paterson ...	97 11 86
Mr. G. Simpson ...	93 10 83	Mr. C. Ward ...	99 12 87
Mr. R. Reid ...	95 12 83	Mr. J. Ogilvie ...	98 10 88
Mr. A. Jaffray ...	93 9 84	Mr. J. W. Murray	94 5 89
Mr. J. Moir ...	96 12 84	Mr. J. Twigg ...	99 9 90

The annual match between the Aberdeen and Bon-Accord Clubs takes place to-morrow (Saturday) over the Balgownie links, when two strong sides of 15 men each will start.

ARCHERFIELD CLUB (DIRLETON).

A special competition of this club was held on Thursday, the 21st inst., the day set apart in the district for celebrating the Queen's birthday. The principal prize was a handsome carriage clock, presented by Mr. Watt, which fell to the Rev. J. Kerr with the good scratch score of 86. The other prize, presented by Mr. W. T. Fernie—a set of silver salt-cellars, was won by Mr. James Morrison with a score of 96, less 10=86.

ASCOT LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The final competition for Mrs. F. Patton and Baroness Berkeley's prizes was played on Tuesday, the 19th inst. The former (a walking-stick with tortoiseshell handle) for the best scratch score, was won by Miss R. Haig, and the latter (a hand mirror) for the best handicap score by Miss F. Magniac. On Thursday, 21st inst., in spite of bad weather, ten ladies assembled to play in the first of six qualifying competitions, for prizes presented by Mrs. Henley C. Clark and Mrs. Wood.

The prizes, both of them miniature clocks, were carried off respectively by Miss R. Haig (who now owes two strokes) and Miss Magniac (handicap).

There will be no play on the Ladies links after May 28th, until the last Thursday in June on account of Ascot races.

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS GOLF CLUB.

On Whit Monday, in weather of the most painful description, there was a good attendance of members competing for the Forest Row cup. This cup was presented to the club last year by the tradesmen and working-men of Forest Row as a token of good-will to the golfing invaders of their rural retirement, and is played for on Bank Holidays. The club added a piece of silver plate to be retained by the winner, and Mr. Glanville, the well-known photographer of Tunbridge Wells,

kindly sent four photographs of different parts of the links as a second prize. Mr. A. T. Scott took the cup and memento, and Mr. Richardson and Mr. Sidey divided the photographs between them. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Rev. A. T. Scott ...	90	5	85	Mr. F. Andrews ...	111	16	95
Mr. W. H. Richardson ...	86	scr.	86	Mr. G. P. Birch ...	117	22	95
Mr. G. L. Sidey ...	100	14	86	Mr. A. Poynder ...	114	18	96
Mr. A. H. Newington ...	97	7	90	Mr. J. S. Scott ...	108	10	98
Mr. H. S. Little ...	106	15	91	Mr. C. A. Ashton... ..	121	23	98
Mr. T. H. Oyler ...	107	14	93	Mr. J. Torrens-Johnson ...	109	11	98
Mr. J. S. Sawyer ...	102	8	94	Mr. F. P. Birch ...	121	22	99

A good many others went round, but the weather was unfavourable to low scoring, or indeed to the return of any scores at all.

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

A handicap tournament by holes was played on Whit Monday, when, owing to the unfavourable weather, five of the players scratched, but seventeen ladies fought out the match in spite of the cold wind and heavy showers. Miss Riddle won the prize, a silver-plated lamp, given by Mrs. W. H. Richardson, the final round causing much excitement as the players tied, and one more hole decided the match.

Mrs. W. Hoare (a scratch player at Pau) beat the ladies' record on these links, doing the nine holes in 38.

First Round.—Mrs. F. Scott, giving nine strokes, beat Mrs. Peckham, six up and three to play; Miss E. Banister, receiving four, beat Miss Hanning, four up and two to play; Mrs. Stone, receiving four, beat Miss R. Hanning, three up; Mrs. W. Hoare, giving one, beat Miss Birch, three up; Miss M. Richardson, w.o.; Mrs. Astbury, scratched; Mrs. Lucas, receiving six, beat Miss Richardson, after a tie, two up. Byes: Miss Bone and Miss Stanley, scratched; Miss E. Richardson, Miss Banister, scratched; Miss Moor, Miss Andrews, Miss Lee, Miss Riddle, Miss Stone, Miss C. Brown, scratched.

Second Round.—Mrs. F. Scott, giving seven, beat Miss E. Banister, after a tie, two up; Mrs. W. Hoare, giving nine, beat Mrs. Stone, five up and four to play; Mrs. Lucas, giving three, beat Miss M. Richardson, one up; Miss E. Richardson, w.o.; Miss Andrews, giving seven, beat Miss Moor, three up; Miss Riddle, receiving two, beat Miss Lee, four up and two to play; Miss Stone, w.o.

Third Round.—Mrs. W. Hoare, giving four, beat Mrs. F. Scott, one up; Mrs. Lucas, w.o.; Miss E. Richardson, even, beat Miss Andrews, three up; Miss Riddle, giving nine, beat Miss Stone, two up.

Fourth Round.—Mrs. W. Hoare, giving nine, beat Mrs. Lucas, five up and four to play; Miss Riddle, receiving five, beat Miss E. Richardson, three up and two to play.

Final Round.—Miss Riddle, receiving six, tied with Mrs. W. Hoare, and then won the deciding hole in four strokes.

On Saturday, the 23rd inst., a match by strokes was played for an oak blotting-book, carved by a boys' class in a neighbouring parish, and presented by Mrs. Peckham, of Nutley, the design being Golf clubs and the initials of the club in monograms. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Miss Lee ...	103	10	93	Mrs. Stone... ..	134	34	100
Miss Andrews ...	97	3	94	Miss L. Pulford ...	128	27	101
Miss Moor ...	117	20	97	Miss J. Pulford ...	132	24	108
Miss Birch ...	102	2	100	Miss Stone... ..	147	33	114

Mrs. Lucas and Miss Riddle made no returns.

BOWDON GOLF CLUB.

The past week, beginning with Whit-Monday, has so far been the busiest on record in the club's history, and every day the links at Dunham have been crowded with players of all degrees of excellence, from the man who talks of his "sticks" to the man who "goes round" in anything under 90. Many ladies have also been out playing, and tennis for the time being is voted slow, although we hasten to add that this opinion, or way of expressing it, did not originate with ourselves, otherwise the tennis players would smite us hip and thigh.

On Monday, a well-matched foursome was arranged between Messrs. Oliver and Morgan on the one hand, and Mr. J. Pattison with Gourlay on the other, the result being a halved match after a good struggle; but upon a second trial the former pair won rather easily by 4 up and 3 to play.

Mr. F. C. Morgan, playing with Mr. Cummins on Thursday, broke his previous record by completing the round in the fine score of 80, and soon afterwards the honorary secretary came in with 82.

Friday was given up to a scratch handicap for ladies and gentlemen, which included a sweepstake for the winners, and though in the afternoon the rain fell in torrents, all who were competing stuck to their guns and finished their round, the ladies especially setting a good example in this respect. The following are the scores:—

LADIES.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Miss Carlisle ...	157	14	143	Miss Alice Carlisle	166	14	152
Miss Edith de Moleyns ...	148	scr.	148	Miss Alice Samson	163	10	153
				Miss Ada Samson...	198	20	178

No returns from Mrs. Lutener, Miss Mary Ransome, and Miss Amy Ransome.

GENTLEMEN.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. S. W. Gillett ...	96	12	84	Dr. Denniston ...	108	10	98
Mr. F. C. Morgan..	85	+2	87	Rev. W. Lutener ...	115	14	101
Mr. T. C. Oliver ...	90	scr.	90	Mr. H. Staffurth ...	120	18	102
Mr. T. D. Cummins	93	3	90	Mr. F. V. Williams	122	18	104
Mr. H. F. Ransome	99	8	91	Mr. S. Venour ...	115	10	105
Rev. Wilson Cowie.	101	10	91	Mr. T. W. Killick...	140	28	112
Mr. W. S. Mainprice	113	18	95				

No returns from Messrs. F. Platt-Higgins, E. F. Alford, A. Corah, A. Cyril Ransome, and H. Platt-Higgins.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

On Friday, 1st May, a full field of the above club entered on a two days' competition for the much-coveted Blackheath medal. The medal was, we understand, presented by the Blackheath Golf Club to the Calcutta Golf Club so far back as 1874, to be competed for yearly. The Calcutta course is at present in a very hard and baked condition, and, in addition to this, players on both the 1st and 2nd instant had to contend against a strong wind on the way out, which, however, had a compensating influence on many of the scores on the way home. Many well-known players retired, having come to grief during the course of the game. In the absence of the captain of the club, Mr. Ormiston congratulated the winner, Mr. J. H. Lane, on his success, and the club awarded him, as a new player, three special good cheers. Mr. Fyfe, with a creditable net score of 85, won the second prize, while the third was tied for by Mr. W. K. Eddis and Mr. J. R. Stewart.

Annexed are a few of the leading scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. H. Lane ...	99	16	83	Mr. W. R. Macdonald ...	96	4	92
Mr. W. C. Fyfe ..	90	5	85	Mr. Jas. H. Bathgate	100	8	92
Mr. W. K. Eddis ...	94	4	86	Dr. R. McLeod ...	108	16	92
Mr. J. R. Stewart	96	10	86	Mr. A. J. Oldham ...	110	18	92
Mr. G. W. S. Caine	105	18	87	Mr. H. C. Begg ...	93	scr.	93
Dr. R. C. Sanders	93	5	88	Mr. J. C. R. Johnston ...	96	3	93
Dr. R. Cobb ...	106	18	88	Mr. W. M. Yule ...	99	6	93
Mr. L. G. Dunbar	90	scr.	90	Mr. John Manson	101	8	93
Mr. R. D. Murray	96	6	90				
Mr. J. Adamson ...	92	scr.	92				

CLEVELAND CLUB.

The Cochrane cup was played for on the Coatham Links on the 20th and 23rd inst. Fine weather favoured the play on both dates, the results being:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. P. Raine ...	107	22	85	Mr. J. W. Kyle ...	124	20	104
Mr. E. Welbey ...	101	5	96	Mr. C. E. Scott ...	114	8	106
Mr. J. T. Whitwell	119	18	101	Mr. T. W. Muller	127	18	109
Mr. A. Scott ...	128	27	101				

Several players made no returns.

CRAWFORD GOLF CLUB.

The club formed some time since in connection with the pretty Clydeside village of Crawford, held their spring meeting on Thursday, the 21st inst., when there was a large turn-out of members to compete for a series of prizes presented by the club. Though the weather was windy and cold, a very enjoyable meeting was held. The Rev. D. Wilson won the scratch medal and the first handicap prize with the very low score of 83 for the 18 holes. The second and third handicap prizes were won by Dr. Smith and the Rev. J. Park respectively. The other scratch scores worth noting were:—Mr. W. M. Shanks, 84; The Rev. W. Dick, 87; the Rev. J. Park, 90. A railway station has recently been opened close to the links, which has given the club considerable impetus, and the membership now numbers 70.

CROOKHAM GOLF CLUB.

The links upon Crookham Common, near Newbury, which have been closed since the breaking up of the old club some nine years ago, have just been reopened. The ground is considered to be one of the best inland courses in England, and some fifty members have already joined the club. Mr. Charles Stephens, of Reading, has generously placed at the disposal of the club the silver challenge cup left in his hands on the breaking up of the old club. The subscription to the club is 10s. a-year, with 10s. entrance-fee to those who join after July 1st. There is good stabling at the head-quarters of the club, the Volunteer Inn,

Crookham Common. The links are about twenty minutes' walk from Thatcham Station, G.W.R. The club days are Tuesdays and Saturdays, but members may play on any other day of the week, and may have the flags placed on the greens by writing overnight to Mr. Marsh, Gardener's Cottage, Crookham, Newbury. There will be two prize meetings in the year, one on Whit Monday, and the other in October. The secretary is the Rev. H. H. Skrine, Greenham Vicarage, Newbury.

The first prize meeting was held on Whit Monday, and, in spite of a very cold wind and rain, a fair number of members put in an appearance. Nine competed for the cup and the monthly medal, and the former was won by Mr. A. B. Cooke with a score of 98, and the latter by the Rev. J. Scott Ramsay with 107. The foursomes were won by one point by Messrs. F. P. Browne and J. H. Haviland.

CUMBRAE GOLF CLUB.

The half-yearly competition in connection with this club for the "Smart" medal took place on Thursday, last week. Though the weather was not altogether favourable, there was a large turn-out of members. When the cards were examined the following were found to be the lowest scores with handicap allowance for the round of eighteen holes:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. L. Davidson.	103	14	89	Mr. T. C. McFarlane	108	5	103
Mr. W. McFarlane.	95	5	90	Mr. H. W. Davidson	115	8	107
Mr. A. Russell	110	14	96	Mr. W. Barclay	131	18	113
Mr. W. Ross	118	18	100	Mr. J. McReadie	139	18	121
Mr. J. C. Sharpe	108	7	101	Mr. R. V. Gibson	140	18	122
Mr. A. Cameron	109	6	103	Mr. R. Davidson	146	18	128

ELGIN v. BUCKIE.

A team of fourteen of the Moray Club journeyed to Buckie on Wednesday afternoon, May 20th, to play a return match with the Buckie Club over their course at Strathlene. The weather, which looked threatening in the early part of the day, cleared up, and was extremely favourable for the game. Since the last visit of the Moray Club to Buckie the course has been greatly altered, with the view of having it extended to 18 holes. This fact, combined with the numerous insidious dangers of the course and the stiffness of the putting-greens, proved very disastrous to the visitors, who lost by 31 holes. Full score by holes as follows:—

BUCKIE CLUB.		MORAY CLUB.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. W. F. Johnston	5	Mr. J. R. Rodger	0
Mr. J. Simpson	6	Mr. F. Davie	0
Mr. J. Johnston	10	Mr. W. Macdonald	0
Mr. R. Annand	1	Rev. A. Lawson	0
Mr. W. Clarke	0	Dr. Miller	3
Mr. J. Macdonald	5	Mr. J. M'Isaac	0
Mr. C. Davidson	2	Mr. W. Christie	0
Mr. J. Keir	6	Mr. J. S. Urquhart	0
Mr. J. L. McNaughton	0	Mr. J. C. Ruxton	0
Dr. Duguid	1	Mr. J. Adams	0
Mr. R. Y. Mackay	0	Mr. J. Falconer	0
Mr. G. M. Clarke	0	Mr. J. Munro	1
Mr. G. Hendry	0	Mr. F. W. Gibb	5
Mr. J. Green	4	Mr. J. S. Yeadon	0
	40		9

Majority for Buckie, 31 holes.

FELIXSTOWE GOLF CLUB.

The miserable weather which characterised the Whitsun holiday did not interfere with a fine exhibition of play by Mr. J. M. Henderson, who appears at the head of the list on two days of the meeting, as well as taking all the prizes offered for competition, and the major part of the sweepstakes. A handsome silver cup was given by the club for the prize of Saturday, the 16th inst., Mr. E. F. Chance tying with Mr. J. M. Henderson. Playing off the tie on Monday, Mr. Henderson won by nine strokes on the handicap. Scores:—

May 16th, club prize:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. M. Henderson	92	6	86	Mr. T. Porteous	120	24	96
Mr. E. F. Chance	91	5	86	Mr. J. A. Greig	107	10	97
Mr. H. J. Hibberd	93	6	87	Mr. J. Smart	110	13	97
Mr. A. Mackay	109	18	91	Mr. J. H. Bovill	112	15	97
Mr. W. O. S. Pell	97	4	93	Mr. G. G. Kennedy	121	24	97
Mr. D. Davidson	100	6	94	Mr. J. Kerr	102	4	98
Mr. C. G. Tunks	106	12	94	Mr. C. G. Howell	108	9	99
Mr. W. H. Warner	114	20	94	Mr. J. H. Driver	109	10	99
Mr. J. W. Greig	104	9	95	Mr. J. F. Chance	114	15	99
Mr. H. M. Davidson	110	15	95	Mr. F. Pownall	115	16	99
Mr. F. C. Milford	113	18	95	Mr. E. F. Greig	109	9	100
Mr. C. C. Cheston	119	24	95	Mr. G. Thompson	114	14	100
Mr. W. S. Fulcher	98	1	97	Mr. C. Austin	115	15	100
Mr. A. F. Waters	106	10	96				

Several were over 100, or made no return.

The competition on Whit-Monday for the London gold medal, to which is added a silver duplicate, to be retained by the winner, was limited in handicap to 9 strokes. A drenching rain prevailed almost the whole day, those starting early having somewhat the best of it. In the circumstances, Mr. Henderson's round was good play, Mr. H. J. Hibberd being the only other player coming near him. Scores:—

Monday, May 18th.—London gold medal:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. M. Henderson	90	6	84	Mr. F. W. Wilson	106	9	97
Mr. H. J. Hibberd	92	6	86	Mr. J. Kerr	102	4	98
Mr. C. F. Cheston	97	7	90	Mr. J. H. Driver	108	9	99
Mr. E. F. Chance	98	5	93	Mr. W. O. S. Pell	104	4	100
Mr. C. E. Greig	103	9	94	Mr. E. Flint	109	9	100
Mr. W. R. Stikeman	104	9	95	Mr. A. Mackay	109	9	100
Mr. D. Davidson	102	6	96	Mr. C. G. Tunks	109	9	100

Several were over 100, or made no return.

Tuesday, May 19th.—Monthly prize:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. H. Bovill	99	15	84	Mr. H. D. Rhodes	112	18	94
Mr. J. A. Greig	95	10	85	Mr. W. H. Goldney	117	20	97
Mr. E. F. Chance	92	4	88	Mr. W. O. S. Pell	101	4	97
Mr. F. Pownall	104	16	88	Mr. E. Flint	113	16	97
Mr. H. M. Davidson	103	15	88	Dr. T. C. Fox	112	15	97
Mr. W. H. Warner	106	17	89	Mr. W. R. Stikeman	108	9	89
Mr. J. M. Henderson	94	4	90	Capt. Ord	117	18	99
Mr. C. H. Downes	115	24	91	Mr. B. Binyon	121	20	101
Mr. D. Davidson	98	6	92	Mr. H. Cheston	135	24	111
Mr. C. G. Tunks	105	12	93	Mr. J. Smart	117	13	104
Mr. C. E. Greig	103	9	94	Mr. J. F. Burton	121	20	101
Mr. J. Kerr	98	4	94	Mr. H. Frisby	120	15	105

No returns from many players.

Aggregate prize for three days' play (scratch):—

				Total.
Mr. J. M. Henderson	92	90	94	276
Mr. E. F. Chance	91	98	92	281
Mr. H. J. Hibberd	92	93	97	282

FORFARSHIRE.

The handsome challenge shield, presented by Capt. Boothby, R.A., and Mr. Morton Campbell, jun., of Stracathro, and open to all the Golf clubs in Montrose, was last year won by Mr. Alex. Keillor, of the Mercantile Club. The competition this season will commence to-morrow, and, as was the case last season, it is anticipated that it will bring out a large number of local cracks.

An interesting match was played in foursomes between teams selected by the captain and secretary of the Montrose Victoria Club last week, with the following result:—

CAPTAIN'S TEAM.		SECRETARY'S TEAM.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. R. Balfour and Mr. J. Mitchell	0	Dr. Soutar and Mr. D. Lyall	6
Mr. J. Chalmers and Mr. W. Wallace	0	Mr. J. Cameron and Mr. J. Law	6
Mr. J. Thom and Mr. A. Sheret	0	Mr. W. Edward and Mr. G. Gray	4
Mr. J. Sim	2	Mr. A. Cuthbert	0
	2		16

Golf is making headway in Forfar, and the fact is not surprising when regard is had to the special inducements which the youth of the county town have to become proficient in the game. Mr. Farquharson, the genial green-keeper, recently offered a hen to be played for by boys under thirteen years of age. The competition came off last week, when the "chuckie" fell into the possession of Master Alex. Smith. Master W. Ramsay was second, Master J. Cook third, and Master J. Brodie fourth.

Mr. Alexander Simpson, an ex-champion of the Monifieth Club, and winner of the Gilroy challenge cup in three successive seasons, has, after an absence of several years in Australia, just made his appearance on Monifieth Links. His hand does not seem to have lost any of its cunning, and he is sure to make himself heard of before long. In a round played a few evenings ago with the two cracks, Messrs. W. Youn; and George Wright, he showed excellent form, the scores being:—Messrs. Young and Wright, 82 each; Mr. Simpson, 83.

Since the first round was played for the silver challenge cup of the Montrose Mercantile Club a number of new members have entered the competition. The committee accordingly decided to make these play the first and second rounds by themselves, and then allow them to take part in the third round along with the other players. The following is the result of the first round for the new players, the figures in parenthesis being the handicap in holes:—Mr. William Forbes (7) beat Mr. H.

Black (7), Mr. B. Proudfoot (9) beat Mr. W. Sloggie (9), Mr. J. Davidson (9) beat Mr. A. Jack (8), Mr. J. Low (7) beat Mr. W. Collie (10), Mr. R. Aitken (10) beat Mr. A. P. Adam (6).

The following was the draw in the second round for new players:—Mr. R. Aitken against Mr. B. Proudfoot, Mr. J. Davidson against Mr. J. Low, Mr. W. Forbes a bye. In the first general round four couples tied, and these have replayed with the following results:—Mr. W. Nicoll (7) beat Mr. R. Officer (9), Mr. D. Hampton (4) beat Mr. D. Clark (4), Mr. J. Crabb (6) beat Mr. W. Brand (7), Mr. W. Gordon (3) beat Mr. D. Stott (5).

The second round for old members was to have finished on Wednesday of last week, but, as a number of players had not played off their ties, the time was extended till Saturday, when the following result was arrived at:—Mr. Thomas Sheret (6) beat Mr. J. C. Fairman (3); Mr. James Hampton (2) beat Mr. D. Wyllie (3); Mr. R. Cobb (1) scratched to Mr. A. Keillor (0); Mr. R. Dow (0) beat Mr. D. Hampton (4); Mr. J. Robertson (2) scratched to Mr. C. Burgess (2); Mr. W. Nicol (7) scratched to Mr. A. Low (4); Mr. J. Hendry (6) beat Mr. A. Olyphant (3); Mr. J. M'Arthur (10) scratched to Mr. G. Fenton (7); Mr. J. L. Strachan (7) beat Mr. J. Cameron (3); Mr. D. Smith (8) scratched to Mr. R. Keillor (2); Mr. E. M'Donald (4) scratched to Mr. J. Fullerton (10); Mr. H. W. Thompson (0) beat Mr. G. Spark (5); Mr. W. Davidson (6) beat Mr. J. Douglas (7); Mr. James Scott (6) beat Mr. A. Cook (6); Mr. James Findlay (0) beat Mr. J. Johnston (6); Mr. D. Coutts (10) beat Mr. J. Crabb (6); Mr. A. Paterson (5) beat Mr. G. Croll (3); Mr. C. Thom (0) beat Mr. C. R. Murray (2); Mr. D. Vallentine (8) beat Mr. E. Cobb (0); Mr. J. G. Cobb (0) beat Mr. A. Wilson (7); Mr. W. Cobb (0) beat Mr. D. Cobb (3); Mr. G. Reid (7) and Mr. W. Gordon (3) to play; Mr. G. M'Donald (4) scratched to Mr. J. Fullerton (10).

In the second round for the new members Mr. R. Aitken (10) beat Mr. B. Proudfoot (9). The drawings in the third round for old players are as follows:—Mr. G. Fenton (7) and Mr. A. Thom (0); Mr. R. Dow (0) and Mr. C. Burgess (2); Mr. A. Low (4) and Mr. J. Wishart (4); Mr. A. Paterson (5) and Mr. R. Keillor (2); Mr. J. G. Cobb (0) and Mr. J. Hendry (6); Mr. D. Vallentine (8) and Mr. J. Davidson (9) or Mr. J. Low (7); Mr. J. Scott (6) and Mr. R. Aitken (10); Mr. J. Fullerton (10) and Mr. G. Reid (7) or Mr. W. Gordon (3); Mr. W. Forbes (7) and Mr. H. W. Thomson (0); Mr. Thos. Sheret (0) and Mr. W. Cobb (0). The following players received byes:—Messrs. W. Davidson, J. Hampton, A. Keillor, J. L. Strachan, D. Coutts and J. Findlay.

The final tie for the Montrose royal Albert cup was played off last week, the finalists being Mr. D. S. Campbell and Dr. Soutar, the first-named receiving four holes. An exciting match was witnessed, the play all through being very close. When the first half of the round had been completed, Mr. Campbell had only lost one of his odds. An improvement, however, soon manifested itself in Dr. Soutar's play, and at the Gates hole he had a putt of over twenty yards, getting down in three. Going to the Long Field hole Mr. Campbell came to grief, and resigned the hole to his adversary, and at the Skating Pond hole he putted strong, and laid himself a dead stimie. The match then stood square. The remaining holes were halved, so that another tie resulted.

The tie was replayed on Saturday, and elicited a good deal of interest. Dr. Soutar played a strong game up to the Gates hole, where he was 8 below 5. He carried the Long Field hole finally, but his opponent again got into trouble here, and giving up the hole, the doctor, who was now three holes up, did not put out. The next hole was secured by Mr. Campbell, reducing the doctor's lead to two holes. The House of Refuge was halved, but the last hole in the field was won by Dr. Soutar, who thus won the cup by three holes up and two to play.

The annual general meeting of the members of the Panmure Golf Club was held on Friday last, within Lamb's Hotel, Dundee, Mr. P. D. Mitchell presiding. The minutes of the last meeting having been read and adopted, the following office-bearers were elected for the ensuing year:—Captain, Mr. J. S. Ogilvie; First Councillor, Mr. P. D. Mitchell; and Second Councillor, Mr. David Anderson. The balance-sheet was submitted and approved of, and Mr. A. G. Morgan was appointed to audit the treasurer's books. Several new members were admitted to the club, and the proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

The members of the above-named club held their summer competition on Monifieth Links last Saturday. For the occasion the course was reversed, and new greens were cut and rolled, while the weather was delightful. The trophies to be played for were the MacLauchlan Silver Medal (scratch), and the Gourlay Cup (handicap). Twelve couples started to play, in the following order:—Mr. Wm. Gibson, jun., and Mr. George Gilroy, jun.; Mr. John Jones and Mr. William Mann; Mr. D. Anderson and Mr. James Cunningham, jun.; Mr. James Prain, jun., and Mr. A. R. C. Patterson; Mr. Sam Worrall and Mr. D. W. Wybrants; Mr. R. Gilroy and Mr. J. Sharp, jun.; Mr. D. I. Lamb and Mr. R. B. Sharp; Mr. William Low and Mr. E. Carmichael;

Mr. P. D. Mitchell and Mr. I. Drimmie; Mr. Thos. Lillie and Dr. Gowans; Mr. W. H. Cox and Mr. J. C. Scott; Mr. D. L. Low and Mr. W. R. Sharp. After the cards had been summed up it was found that Mr. R. B. Sharp had won the medal with the very creditable score of 82. Mr. Sharp also carried off the Gourlay Cup at the same score, the next best in order being Messrs. D. I. Lamb, 84; R. Gilroy, 86; P. D. Mitchell, 88; D. Anderson and James Cunningham, jun., 90; J. C. Scott, 92; D. L. Low and A. R. C. Patterson, 93; W. R. Sharp, 94; I. Drimmie, 96; J. Jones, 97; James Prain and John Sharp, jun., 99 strokes each.

The spring meeting of the Caledonian Club, of Carnoustie, was held last Saturday, and, being favoured with excellent weather, brought out a large field. In addition to other prizes, the average medal was competed for, and under arrangement with the other clubs, the members received a preference in starting from the first tee. On the cards being examined, it was seen that the average medal had been gained by Mr. Alex. Swirles, jun., at 97, being nine below his registered number. The sweepstakes were won as follows:—1, Mr. Alex. Swirles, jun., 97, 9 below; 2 and 3, tied for by Mr. D. M. Boath, 99, and Mr. Charles Brand, 102—each 8 below. The prize for the lowest score on the green was won by Mr. David Winter with a score of 85. Among the best scores made were the following:—Mr. John M. Andrew, jun., 86; Mr. John Lamb, 93; Mr. J. H. Duncan, 95; and Mr. William Lawson, 98. On the occasion of the meeting the new standard (the blue ensign of the Royal Naval Reserve), presented to the club by Captain Mitchell, R.N.R., was unfurled for the first time.

The general business meeting of the members of the Caledonian Club was held the same evening in their club-house, the captain, Mr. D. M. Boath, presiding. The balance-sheet for the year to 31st December last, which was submitted and adopted, showed a large balance in hand at the credit of the club. Seventeen new members were admitted, and it was decided that an addition should be made to the club-house, in consequence of the present accommodation being insufficient. The plans of the additions, which were laid before the meeting, showed that the club-house will be more than doubled, four rooms being added, and the lavatory, &c., greatly enlarged. It was mentioned that the cost of the extension would be between £500 and £600. A scheme submitted by the council for the creation of Four and a-Half per Cent. Debentures to the amount of £1,400, to take the place of the present share capital, and to provide for the cost of the contemplated extensions on the club premises was fully discussed and agreed to. The election of office-bearers resulted as follows:—Captain, Mr. D. M. Boath; secretary, Mr. J. P. Bruce (both re-elected); treasurer, Mr. James Black; members of council, Messrs. D. Kidd and J. J. Hendry; and a vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the proceedings.

A Monifieth correspondent writes:—"Though there is already a wonderful improvement in the Monifieth greens by the labours of the new greenkeeper, the continued drought causes a sandiness on some of them which is not helpful to putting. There has been considerable complaint for some time past among those wishing to keep the course in good order, that many who tear it up by unskilful iron and cleek play do not remember sufficiently the standing injunction, "Please replace the turf." The consequence is that certain parts of the course is frightfully hacked and scarred. This should not be, and is at once against the interest of expert players and of those who plough up the land themselves. It is very easy to replace the turf, and it should always be scrupulously done when lifted from its seat."

FORRES.

The first competition for Mr. R. B. Finlay, M.P.'s, Cup, took place over the Forres course on Wednesday, May 20th, in fine weather. A large number of members took part in the competition, and on comparing the cards handed in it was found that Mr. W. M'Donald, accountant, had won the cup with a score of 94; Mr. D. K. Stewart coming second with 97, and Dr. Leslie Milne third with 98.

MONKS OF ST. MONANS.—The annual spring meeting of the above club was held at Gullane on Thursday, the 14th inst. The green was in capital order, but a strong east wind told against low scoring. The prize-winners were as follows:—1, Mr. W. G. Paxton, 88, plus 2=90, and 2, Mr. J. F. Paxton (scratch), 90—tie; 3, Mr. C. S. Robertson, 102, less 9=93, and 4, Mr. J. M'Ewen, jun., 101, less 8=93—tie; 5, Mr. J. M. Walls, 98, less 2=96; 6, Mr. G. E. Robertson, 106, less 9=97.

ROYAL MUSSELBURGH CLUB TOURNAMENT.—The following are the results of the third stage in the tournament by holes which is being played by the members of the Royal Musselburgh Club:—Mr. W. Kirkcopp, with an allowance of 8 holes, beat Mr. J. Peel, with an allowance of 2 holes; Mr. F. A. Renwick (2) beat Dr. Ballantyne (5); Mr. R. Millar (6) beat Mr. W. A. Dudgeon (5); Mr. J. Gibson (4) beat Mr. W. Dougall (7); Dr. Craigie (9) beat Mr. J. Young (5); Mr. D. S. Duncan (5) beat Mr. A. M'Lennan (8); Mr. J. M. Brown (6) beat Mr. J. C. Sharp (2); Mr. T. A. Begbie (1) beat Mr. J. D. Gibson (4).

FORMBY GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of this club took place on Saturday, the 16th inst., and proved a success. The weather in the morning was very unpropitious, blinding showers of hail and sleet greatly interfering with the play, hence those starting in the afternoon had a decided advantage. The Fowler medal and memento for the best gross score went to Dr. E. Hewer, with a good return of 86; he also secured the first handicap prize. The second handicap prize went to Mr. A. G. Rankine, and the third to Mr. R. J. Kerr. The above three gentlemen also took the first, second and third optional sweepstakes. The monthly optional sweepstakes was played off for at the same time, under special handicap, and resulted in a win for Mr. J. Shepherd, whilst Mr. F. E. M. Dixon took second honours. Below will be found the full return of the play:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. E. Hewer	86	6	80	Mr. F. E. M. Dixon	101	3	98
Mr. A. G. Rankine	94	8	86	Mr. C. G. Dixon	114	15	99
Mr. R. J. Kerr	95	6	89	Mr. G. R. Cox	102	3	99
Mr. G. F. Smith	92	1	91	Mr. O. Blundell	116	15	101
Mr. R. Goold	98	6	92	Mr. L. K. Roughton	114	12	102
Mr. H. Owen	107	15	92	Mr. J. Fairclough	106	3	103
Mr. H. Eccles	107	14	93	Mr. J. E. Pearson	118	15	103
Mr. J. Hornby	101	7	94	Mr. H. H. Hosack	120	16	104
Mr. J. Shepherd	98	4	94	Mr. J. S. Remer	130	25	105
Mr. W. S. Taylor	100	5	95	Mr. J. B. Hunter	115	8	107
Mr. J. G. Smyth	109	12	97	Mr. W. Roughton	117	6	111
Mr. G. A. Thomson	113	16	97				

The following made no return:—Messrs. J. Ainsworth, J. S. Beauford, G. Bird, A. B. Cauty, W. F. Chadwick, J. E. Dean, J. T. Fair, J. B. Hinshaw, S. H. Johnstone, A. J. Johnstone, G. A. Johnstone, J. C. L. Johnstone, E. C. Lowe, J. Low, W. M'Clelland, T. S. M'ulloch, Rev. J. B. Richardson, Messrs. H. Spalding and J. Stone.

GOLF AT KIMBERLEY.

The interest in Golf goes on increasing in Kimberley, and promises to be, if indeed it is not now, the most popular of South African outdoor games. Saturday, the 2nd inst., brought forth the largest number of competitors that have yet played in the fortnightly handicap sweepstakes, twenty-eight coming to the post. The committee have to hold frequent meetings to elect new members, who are generally passed through in batches of ten. There will very soon be one hundred members, and the Kimberley Golf Club will then be one of the strongest in the town. It is only seven months since the club was started.

But now to describe Saturday's play, which was signalled by Mr. H. J. Mackay making the Kimberley "record" score of 81 actual; he played as usual at "scratch." His driving was magnificent, and barring one or two mistakes in putting, his play was nearly, if not quite, up to professional form. His 81 will probably remain the record for many a day, as it is eight strokes better than he has ever done on these links. Mr. Duff, whose name is still on the list of members, once we believe did the round in 86. Beside Mr. Mackay's brilliant score the other players on Saturday must "pale their ineffectual fires," but Mr. Mallett must be congratulated on his improved score of 102 actual, which, though played with his cleek only, a practice which should be decried, is still very respectable. This playing with the cleek only recoils heavily upon the one who indulges in it, because though he may make a safe and steady score, he will never do anything brilliant, as he will never learn to use the driver properly, without which he can never become a first-class player; indeed, for the good of the game and members of the club generally, the practice should be put down by a rule to that effect. Dr. Mackenzie topped his best previous score by one stroke, doing the round in 97 actual. His driving was for the most part very fine, but short game is where he must improve if he wishes to play at scratch, which doubtless he will do soon.

Scores:—

First Prize:—Mr. H. J. Mackay—

Out	...	5	4	4	3	4	8	5	6	3=42	} 81
In	...	4	3	4	4	4	4	5	7	4=39	

Second Prize:—Mr. P. W. Mallett, 102, less 18=84.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Dr. McKenzie	97	8	89	Mr. R. Solomon	118	20	98
Mr. C. J. Elton	114	25	89	Mr. A. Ramsay	99	scr.	99
Mr. R. D. Macvean	102	10	92	Mr. W. M. Hopley	119	20	99
Mr. C. J. Coghlan	117	25	92	Mr. W. Park	134	35	99
Mr. P. L. Frames	132	40	92	Mr. A. E. Caldecott	120	20	100
Mr. Fitzpatrick	129	35	94	Mr. R. Ford	121	18	103
Mr. J. Harden	113	18	95	Mr. F. Fergusson	143	35	108
Mr. J. H. Lange	122	25	97	Mr. S. Stokes	158	50	108
Mr. C. E. Nind	122	25	97	Mr. Judge Solomon	134	25	109

The game in this climate will be more pursued during the winter than in the summer months, and lower scores will be made during the

cold weather, owing to the shortness of the grass. Next year we will doubtless hear of Golf tournaments as well as those of cricket and football.

GOLF AT PAU.

To wind up the season a purse was subscribed by some of the members of the Pau and Biarritz Golf Clubs to give Willie Dunn a chance of revenge against Lloyd who defeated him, as recorded in GOLF, some short time ago, in a 72-hole match on the home and home greens. This time the match consisted in two rounds of the Pau links, and Lloyd was again successful, beating his opponent 10 up and 8 to play. In justice to Willie Dunn it should be stated that he is suffering from a strained wrist which has incapacitated his playing the larger part of the season. There can, however, be no doubt that Lloyd is a very powerful player, and we strongly suspect that in a visit which he will make this summer with Sir Victor Brooke to Hoylake it will be found that it will take the mightiest champions of that most powerful club to worst him in single combat. Lloyd is an extraordinarily long and straight driver, a powerful cleek player and almost perfect with his iron. On the putting-green there may be room for improvement, but on his day there is not much amiss even there. In a foursome of 36 holes Willie Dunn and Baptiste beat Lloyd and Dominique 2 up and 1 to play. A return match was also played of one round between the two caddies, Dominique and Baptiste, in which the former won after a fine match by two holes. Baptiste won the first two holes, when Dominique came away with a rattling game holing the next nine holes in an average of four. The scores were:—

DOMENIQUE.														
Out	7	7	4	4	3	4	3	5=41	} 82	
In	4	5	6	4	6	6	3	5		2=41
BAPTISTE.														
Out	6	6	6	5	4	4	4	3	6=44	} 86
In	4	5	8	4	6	5	3	4	3=42	

ILKLEY GOLF CLUB.

The Whitsuntide meeting of this club was a great success, the weather being favourable, and the wind and light good. A large number of members turned out for the two events set down for competition, and the returns sent in showed a great improvement, the Rev. Irton Smith being again to the fore with a gross score of 102. Mr. H. Watkin Wild also played well, and was declared winner of the first prize with a scratch score of 106, just beating Mr. Smith, who was allowing 5, by one stroke. Messrs. L. Johnson and W. H. Scott tied for the third prize. The result of the play was as follows:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. H. W. Wild	106	scr.	106	Mr. R. S. Backhouse	122	scr.	122
Rev. Irton Smith	102	+5	107	Mr. C. J. L. Rayner	122	+5	127
Mr. L. Johnson	134	25	109	Mr. P. N. Lee	130	scr.	130
Mr. N. H. Scott	145	36	109	Mr. F. H. Howson	162	30	132
Mr. C. L. Brook	146	36	110	Mr. R. G. Scott	167	25	142
Mr. D. F. Douglas	120	5	115	Mr. L. Glyde	180	36	144
Mr. C. Hudson	154	36	118	Mr. T. A. Carpenter	168	20	148
Mr. A. Potter	138	18	120	Mr. F. Wardle	185	30	155
Mr. B. Hirst	140	18	122	Mr. C. F. Tetley	185	36	149

No returns from Messrs. W. Hudson, N. Carpenter, Brook, Fletcher, and others.

The following are the returns for the first and second rounds of the competition by holes, the final of which will be played off during the week:—Rev. Irton Smith beat Dr. McDowall; Mr. B. Hirst beat Mr. W. Hudson; Mr. H. W. Wild beat Mr. A. Potter; Mr. D. F. Douglas beat Mr. C. L. Brook; Mr. J. Sabrey beat Mr. C. Hudson; Mr. R. Scott beat Mr. Frank Lee; Mr. F. P. Wild beat Mr. Backhouse; Mr. J. Carpenter beat Mr. N. Carpenter, and Mr. P. N. Lee beat Mr. F. H. Howson.

Messrs. Irton Smith, F. P. Wild, R. Scott, Carpenter, and P. N. Lee were successful in the second round.

GREAT YARMOUTH GOLF CLUB.

WHITSUNTIDE MEETING.

The Whitsuntide meeting, which had to be postponed from the usual holiday time owing to the ground being occupied by the Artillery volunteers, was held on Saturday and Monday, 23rd and 25th May. As regards weather it was fortunate the meeting was not held on Whit-Monday, as on that day there was almost as severe a blizzard of hail as swept over the links on that terrible day, last Easter Monday. On this occasion the weather was excellent and the attendance large, considering that the meeting was not held at the holiday time. Probably it might have been better to have held the meeting a month instead of a week after the usual time.

The late wet weather has made the greens much smoother, and there were absolutely no complaints as to their condition, but for some reason there was no good scoring. Though the greens were well cut and

smooth, the dampness required firm putting which the appearance of the of the greens did not seem to call for. Many puts easy to hole stopped short in consequence of this miscalculation. The best scratch scores, 88, were made by Mr. P. M. Lucas and Mr. W. P. Fulcher. The former has only played for two years and already become a scratch player, at least he played at scratch on this occasion and played a splendid game, and must have made his putts with great judgment to bring in such a score. Only misfortune prevented his showing a better card. It is, however, rather a compliment to consider him quite a scratch player, but there is little doubt that, before the November meeting, he will fully have earned the position; a very remarkable one to have reached in the time.

The prize-winner prize is to be again played for at the November meeting, Rev. G. Badeley and Mr. T. Browne at present tie for it at 84 net.

On Saturday, Captain Poynders' challenge cup was won by Rev. G. Badeley. The first handicap prize, a silver mounted salad bowl and servers, presented by John Powers, Esq., was won by Mr. H. Wilson, in 98, less 16=82. This is the perfection of handicapping, as the scratch score is 82.

Rev. G. Badeley took the second handicap prize, a lemon squasher, presented by C. L. Hemmerde, Esq.

On Monday the silver game pie dish presented by Captain M. M. Poynders, R.N., was won by Dr. Thomas Browne, in 94, less 10=84, and the reading lamp, presented by A. Rotherham, Esq., fell to Mr. A. H. Mathison, who came in second, but would have been an easy first, except for careless play at the last two holes.

The following are the detailed scores of the two days:—

Saturday, May 23rd, 1891.

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. H. Wilson ...	98	16	82	Major-Gen. Dixon	109	16	93
Rev. G. Badeley ...	91	7	84	Mr. B. Preston ...	104	10	94
Mr. H. Smith ...	93	8	85	Mr. S. A. Young...	105	10	95
Mr. Horace Mann	96	10	86	Mr. F. W. Thompson	106	10	96
Mr. W. E. Hughes	92	5	87	Mr. Kenneth Stuart	106	10	96
Mr. P. M. Lucas...	88	scr.	88	Mr. W. O. S. Pell	99	2	97
Mr. J. Taylor ...	97	9	88	Mr. C. Lethbridge	113	15	98
Mr. W. Hillman ...	100	12	88	Rev. G. Broke ...	106	7	99
Mr. W. P. Fulcher	88	+1	89	Mr. F. Smith ...	108	9	99
Mr. A. H. Mathison	100	11	89	Mr. S. M. Mellor	108	9	99
Captain Darby ...	107	18	89	Mr. J. Osmond ...	114	14	100
Dr. T. Browne ...	100	10	90	Mr. D. R. Fowler	116	16	100
Captain Best ...	97	6	91	Mr. C. B. Lindsay	120	18	102
Col. Shuttleworth	103	12	91	Mr. T. A. Raynes	111	7	104
Mr. John Powers...	103	12	91	Dr. Skinner ...	129	25	104
Mr. G. Laird ...	105	14	91	Mr. W. P. Crake...	115	10	105
Mr. A. Rotherham	98	6	92	Mr. G. C. Snelling	122	16	106
Mr. J. H. Morley	102	10	92	Mr. E. N. Dredge	137	25	116
Mr. Clifford Young	101	8	93				

No return from Messrs. W. R. Portal, W. Holl, E. M. Hansell, F. Graves, R. W. Ketton, and Majors Welman and Turner.

Monday, May 25th.

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Dr. T. Browne ...	94	10	84	Mr. Horace Mann	103	10	93
Mr. A. H. Mathison	96	11	85	Mr. F. Smith...	103	9	94
Mr. Clifford Young	95	8	87	Col. Shuttleworth	106	12	94
Mr. B. Preston ...	97	10	87	Rev. G. Badeley ...	101	5	96
Mr. W. O. S. Pell	90	2	88	Mr. W. E. Hughes	101	5	96
Major Wellman ...	96	8	88	Mr. W. Hillman ...	104	7	97
Mr. Harold Smith...	97	8	89	Mr. C. B. Lindsay	115	18	97
Mr. J. H. Morley ...	99	10	89	Mr. W. R. Portal...	117	20	97
Mr. John Powers ...	101	12	89	Mr. F. W. Thompson	108	10	98
Mr. W. P. Fulcher	89	+1	90	Mr. E. M. Hansell	107	8	99
Mr. P. M. Lucas ...	90	scr.	90	Mr. R. W. Ketton	111	12	99
Capt. H. C. Best...	96	6	90	General Dixon ...	117	16	101
Mr. G. C. Snelling...	106	16	90	Captain Darby ...	119	18	101
Mr. S. M. Mellor ...	100	9	91	Dr. Skinner ...	127	25	102
Mr. G. Laird ...	105	14	91	Mr. S. Young ...	113	10	103
Major Turner ...	107	16	91	Mr. J. Osmond ...	118	14	104
Mr. W. Holt ...	109	18	91	Rev. —, Dredge ...	131	25	106
Mr. T. A. Raynes...	99	7	92	Mr. W. P. Crake ...	118	10	108
Mr. John Taylor ...	101	9	92	Mr. Harold Wilson	128	13	115
Mr. C. Lethbridge	107	15	92	Captain Aitchison	134	12	122
Mr. Kenneth Stuart	103	10	93				

No return—Mr. B. Bond-Cabbell, Mr. A. Rotherham.

LENZIE GOLF CLUB.

The members of this club held a prize meeting on Thursday last week, when a number of prizes presented by members of the club were competed for. The wind was too strong and cold to make average scoring a likelihood, and in point of fact none of the forty players who went out handed in a low score. There were twelve prizes, of which the winners were Messrs. Norman Elliot, W. Parker,

James Smith, Thomas Forrest, sen.; R. G. Ross, Robert Innes, William Gibson, James Murray, William Smith, J. H. Walker, H. Tulloch, John Stewart.

On the same day was inaugurated the recently organised Ladies' Club in connection with the Lenzie links. There was a large turn-out of spectators to witness the interesting event. About a half of the members turned out. The game consisted of 12 holes, and was played in foursomes with gentlemen. On the cards being handed in the following were found to have been successful:—1st, Miss Hislop and Mr. Thomas, 88, less 26=62; 2nd, Miss Sinclair and Mr. Innes, 82, less 16=66; 3rd, Miss J. Murdoch and Mr. Smith, 86 less 14=72.

NAIRN.

The captain of the Nairn Club (Mr. Newbigging) is to give a prize for a tournament competition (handicap) in the autumn.

LITTLEHAMPTON GOLF CLUB.

Mr. C. E. Farmer's medal.—May 15th:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. R. A. Blagden	107	21	86	Mr. H. E. Harris	113	20	93
Mr. R. Holmes, jun.	106	15	91	Mr. J. C. Constable	125	30	95
Mr. A. J. Constable	108	15	93	Mr. E. C. R. Goff	117	9	108

Club handicap sweepstake.—May 16th:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. A. J. Constable	96	15	81	Mr. H. E. Harris	110	20	90
Mr. A. Holmes ...	97	15	82	Mr. J. C. Constable	131	30	101
Mr. E. C. R. Goff	93	9	84	Mr. C. Bartlett ...	119	16	103
Mr. G. E. Wellesley	102	17	85				

LITTLESTONE GOLF CLUB.

In our last, we gave the winners of the various competitions at the Whitsuntide meeting of this club. We now append full list of scores:—

Saturday, May 16th:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. A. W. Stone ...	106	24	82	Mr. J. G. Fowler ..	106	10	96
Mr. H. S. Colt ...	83	scr.	83	Mr. W. E. MacLagan	103	7	96
Mr. E. H. Read ...	99	14	85	Mr. L. R. Erskine...	107	10	97
Mr. A. J. Stanley...	97	10	87	Mr. R. B. Johnson...	112	14	98
Mr. N. P. Taffrey...	102	14	88	Mr. R. S. Charles...	116	18	98
Mr. R. S. Jones ...	98	9	89	Mr. L. E. G. Abney	114	15	99
Mr. R. G. Macmillan	104	15	89	Mr. H. R. Daghish	123	24	99
Mr. A. R. K. Farlow	110	20	90	Mr. G. Seton ...	113	14	99
Mr. P. V. Broke ...	93	3	90	Mr. H. T. Wright...	109	10	99
Mr. H. E. Johnson	109	18	91	Mr. A. Lubbock ...	102	2	100
Mr. P. G. Spence ...	101	8	93	Mr. J. Stephens ...	124	24	100
Mr. J. Bannon ...	102	7	95	Mr. P. B. Tubbs ...	118	18	100

Twelve scores over 100 net. Forty-six starters.

Monday, May 18th:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. H. S. Colt ...	82	scr.	82	Mr. P. G. Spence...	104	8	96
Mr. A. W. Stone...	109	24	85	Mr. P. V. Broke ...	99	3	96
Mr. R. S. Jones ...	95	9	86	Mr. E. Thomas ...	115	18	97
Mr. L. E. G. Abney	105	15	90	Mr. A. J. Stanley...	108	10	98
Mr. H. E. Johnson	109	18	91	Mr. J. B. Carr ...	113	15	98
Mr. W. E. MacLagan	99	7	92	Mr. A. R. K. Farlow	118	20	98
Mr. J. W. Fowler...	94	scr.	94	Mr. L. R. Erskine...	108	10	98
Mr. J. G. Fowler ...	104	10	94	Mr. Neville Lubbock	104	6	98
Mr. J. Bannon ...	101	7	94	Mr. H. T. Wright...	109	10	99
Mr. E. A. Read ...	109	14	95	Mr. G. Seton ...	114	14	100
Mr. G. B. Colt ...	103	7	96	Mr. R. G. Macmillan	115	15	100

Fifteen scorers over 100 net. Forty-two starters.

Littlestone handicap cup (aggregate two days):—

Hcp.	1st Day.	2nd Day.	Gross.	
Mr. H. S. Colt ...	scr.	83	82	165
Mr. A. W. Stone ...	24	82	85	167
Mr. R. S. Jones ...	9	89	86	175
Mr. E. A. Read ...	14	85	95	180
Mr. H. E. Johnson ...	18	91	91	182
Mr. A. J. Stanley ...	10	87	98	185
Mr. P. V. Broke ...	3	90	96	186
Mr. A. R. King-Farlow	20	90	98	188
Mr. W. E. MacLagan ...	7	96	92	188
Mr. L. E. G. Abney ...	15	99	90	189
Mr. R. G. Macmillan ...	15	89	100	189
Mr. P. G. Spence ...	8	93	96	189
Mr. J. Bannon ...	7	95	94	189
Mr. J. G. Fowler ...	10	96	94	190
Mr. N. P. Jaffrey ...	14	88	106	194
Mr. L. R. Erskine ...	10	97	98	195
Mr. J. W. Fowler ...	scr.	103	94	197
Mr. H. T. Wright ...	10	99	99	198
Mr. Geo. Seton ...	14	99	100	199

Thirty-one competitors in both rounds. All others over 200 net.

Bannon bowl (handicap limited to 8).

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. L. R. Erskine	94	10	84	Mr. H. S. Colt	90 +3	93	
Mr. J. H. Hedderwick	93	8	85	Mr. G. B. Colt	101	7	94
Mr. H. E. Johnson	106	18	88	Mr. P. G. Spence	103	8	95
Mr. J. W. Fowler	90	scr.	90	Mr. P. V. Broke	99	3	96
Mr. E. H. Read	102	12	90	Mr. R. G. Macmillan	111	15	96
Mr. J. Bannon	98	7	91	Mr. E. W. Thomas	115	18	97
Mr. J. G. Fowler	102	10	92	Mr. R. H. Hedderwick	107	10	97
Mr. W. E. MacLagan	99	7	92	Mr. G. Seton	112	14	98
Mr. S. W. Tubbs	110	18	92	Mr. H. T. Wright	110	10	100

Eight scores over 100 net. Thirty-seven starters.

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

LADIES' COMPETITION.

The fifth competition for the prize presented by Mrs. Hermon took place on the ladies' links at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, on Wednesday afternoon, the 20th inst. Fourteen ladies played, and the following is the return:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Miss E. Lythgoe	99	5	94	Mrs. Miller	116	10	106
Mrs. Brown	100	5	95	Mrs. Eason	116	2	114
Miss Rosie Fair	105	7	98	Miss M. Cuniffe	125	10	115
Miss A. Thompson	109	6	103	Mrs. G. Parkinson	156	18	138
Mrs. E. Catterall	96	+9	105	Miss Goddard	163	18	145

No returns from Miss M. Salt, Mrs. E. Harrison, Miss M. Lythgoe, and Mrs. G. F. Smith. The prize is to be won by the best three net scores in six competitions.

The second competition for the ten guinea prize presented by Mr. C. W. Macara, of Manchester and St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, was played on Saturday last, on the links at St. Anne's, the weather in the morning being fine and consequently more favourable for the earlier players, as rain commenced in the afternoon. Forty-four players competed, and the best score of the day was that by Mr. W. E. Fairlie, Chelford, 83, plus 1=84; and Mr. A. H. Doleman, South Shore, second with 86, less 1=85; and Mr. F. H. Smith, Bolton, third with 110, less 25=85. Appended are the figures of Mr. W. E. Fairlie's fine round:—

Out ... 4 4 4 5 6 4 6 5 4=42 } 83
Home ... 5 4 4 3 5 4 6 5 5=41

Mr. A. H. Doleman also did a good round, his score being as follows:—

Out ... 5 5 4 5 6 4 4 6 7=46 } 86
Home ... 5 5 3 3 5 4 6 4 5=40

Mr. A. H. Doleman and Mr. F. H. Smith tied for a win in the Macara cup, Mr. W. E. Fairlie having been the winner at the previous competition. The full score was as follows:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. W. E. Fairlie, Chelford	83	+1	84
Mr. A. H. Doleman, South Shore	86	1	85
Mr. F. H. Smith, Bolton	110	25	85
Mr. J. M. Rea, St. Anne's	95	8	87
Mr. J. A. Brown, St. Anne's	96	8	88
Mr. J. H. Hulton, Bolton	105	16	89
Mr. D. Tonge, Manchester	109	20	89
Mr. G. F. Smith, Bolton	93	3	90
Mr. J. E. King, St. Anne's	105	15	90
Mr. G. Hervey, Manchester	108	18	90
Rev. W. G. Terry, St. Anne's	109	18	91
Mr. F. Topp, Bolton	109	18	91
Mr. W. Newbiggin, St. Anne's	116	25	91
Mr. F. T. Wright, Tyldesley	102	10	92
Mr. C. G. D. Hoare, St. Anne's	105	12	93
Mr. J. E. Pearson, Liverpool	108	15	93
Mr. E. M. Whipp, St. Anne's	110	17	93
Mr. D. E. Anderson, Manchester	110	16	94
Mr. T. H. Miller, Singleton Park	111	17	94
Mr. C. A. Birley, Bartle Hall	112	17	94
Mr. J. Talbot Fair, Lytham	108	12	96
Mr. W. Cross, St. Anne's	116	16	100
Mr. H. Fisher, Wrea Green	113	12	101
Mr. H. M. Ormsby, Rossal	126	24	102
Mr. R. B. Hardman, St. Anne's	123	20	103
Mr. T. C. Midwood, Salford	124	20	104

No returns from Mr. W. H. Hughes, Wilmslow; Mr. R. P. Horsley, Manchester; Mr. R. W. Hutton, Disley; Mr. H. Bowman, Manchester; Mr. W. J. Crighton, Manchester; Mr. J. J. Doyle, South Shore; Mr. J. A. S. Fair, Lytham; Mr. Lythgoe, St. Annes; Dr. Eason, Lytham; Mr. W. P. Fullagar, Lytham; Mr. P. Swanwick, Wilmslow; Mr. E. Redfern, St. Annes; Mr. D. M'Iver, Lymn; Mr. E. Holt, Prestwich; Mr. O. H. Wade, Lytham; Mr. J. A. F. Eltoft, St. Annes; Mr. C. W. Fisher, Blackpool. The first optional sweepstakes was won by Mr. W. Fairlie, and the second and third divided between Mr. A. H. Doleman and Mr. F. H. Smith.

MALTA GOLF CLUB.

Between April 19th and 27th the above clubs held their spring meeting when the following competitions took place:

Foursome Challenge Cup (a pair from each ship or regiment).
First Round.—H.M.S. Surprise (Lieut. McCrea and Dr. Moon), beat the Welsh Regiment (Mr. Leith and Mr. Price); Royal Engineers (Major Gossett and Mr. Day) beat the West Kent Regiment (Major Cummings and Mr. Marshall); Royal Artillery (Major Barron and Mr. Benyon) beat the Royal Scots (Major Ross and Mr. Wemyss); H.M.S. Victoria (Lieut. Bethune and Lieut. Evan-Thomas a bye).

Second Round.—H.M.S. Victoria beat the Royal Engineers; H.M.S. Surprise beat the Royal Artillery.

Final Round.—H.M.S. Victoria beat H.M.S. Surprise, and won the cup.

SINGLE COMPETITION.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Lt. Evan-Thomas	91 15 76	Major Gossett	88 scr. 88
†Mr. Ambrose	88 8 80	Mr. Benyon	101 10 91
‡Mr. Barton	100 16 84	Mr. F. Davie	109 15 94
Major Barron	90 6 84	Mr. Friend	111 12 99
§Major Ross	83 +2 85		

* First handicap prize. † Second handicap prize. ‡ Third handicap prize. § Scratch challenge cup.

Remainder over 100 net, or made no returns.

NEW BRIGHTON GOLF CLUB.

The following scores were made at a handicap meeting held on Whit Monday:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. H. J. Houghton	94	10	84	Mr. A. B. Hull	105	8	97
Mr. F. Ward	103	14	89	Mr. J. Miller Munn	115	18	97
Mr. C. B. McGilchrist	105	15	90	Dr. A. Craigmile	102	5	97
Mr. J. Cooke	99	6	93	Mr. C. Brettagh	118	20	98
Mr. J. Montgomery	103	10	93	Mr. W. Danger	117	18	99
Mr. W. Williams	118	25	93	Mr. H. Hiles	121	18	103
Mr. G. Leah	114	20	94	Mr. A. J. Meade	123	18	105
Mr. G. Creighton	115	20	95	Mr. J. A. Ravenscroft	131	20	111
Mr. J. Barber	104	8	96	Mr. C. Brettagh, jun.	125	12	113
Mr. G. Robinson	108	12	96	Mr. H. Bell	135	20	115

Mr. R. Dibdin and Mr. R. C. Sandys made no return.

NEWBIGGIN CLUB.

The prize presented by the hon. sec. was competed for on the 18th inst., seven couples starting for the event. The prize has to be played for three times, the winners to replay in a final competition for ultimate possession. Fine weather favoured the meeting. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. Jas. Tennant	98	7	91	Mr. G. H. Millons	109	12	97
Mr. J. W. Wood	101	8	93	Mr. J. L. Bell	105	6	99
Mr. G. Longstaffe	102	8	94	Mr. T. A. Hutton	114	13	101
Mr. W. Farr	104	10	94	Mr. C. Ismay	134	32	102
Mr. D. Rosser	111	16	95	Mr. B. Brumell	128	22	106
Mr. T. W. Sharp	115	20	95	Mr. J. G. Sharp	125	10	115

Several players retired.

The medal presented by the captain of the club was competed for last Saturday at Newbiggin, in excellent weather. This was the second contest for this gift this season, and premier honours fell to Mr. Ward, with a net score of 91. Scores:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. W. Ward	99	8	91	Mr. J. Longstaffe	107	8	99
Mr. J. Hedley	101	8	93	Mr. C. Ismay	131	32	99
Mr. J. G. Sharp	105	10	95	Mr. T. Hutton	113	13	100
Mr. J. L. Bell	104	6	98				

The other players retired.

CALLANDER CLUB.—This club opened its season on the 16th inst. with an open sweepstake. The day was cold with a high wind, which interfered with accurate play. Nevertheless, Mr. J. Smith finished with the fine score of 86, and won the competition. Mr. Smith's score was made up as follows:—Out—6 5 2 4 5 5 4 7 5=43; In—4 5 4 5 4 5 6 4 6=43; total 86. A junior sweepstakes was won by W. Dunn.

SPRING MEETING OF LADYBANK CLUB.—On Wednesday, the 20th inst., the annual spring meeting of Ladybank Club was held over the course at Annsmuir, near Ladybank, in favourable weather. The day was warm and pleasant. There was a fair turn-out of members. The chief events of the meeting were the Ramornie medal and the monthly medal—the former, the "blue ribbon" of the club, being played for by scratch rules, the latter by handicap. After a close struggle, the Ramornie scratch medal was won by Mr. R. T. Inglis, of Blinkbonny, with 82. Mr. R. T. Inglis was the winner of the monthly handicap medal with 82, less 2=80.

NORTH BERWICK.

Last week has been rather exceptional as regards low scoring, the best figure for the round registered this year being the 69 by Mr. J. E. Laidlay, and that in a hole match with Sayers, on Wednesday, Mr. Laidlay beat his opponent by two holes. The game was, by no means, one-sided, however, but, as indicated by the scoring, was one of the finest friendly matches played here for a considerable time past. The amateur champion's play was of a brilliant description, and in marked contrast to that exhibited by him on the occasion of a recent visit to North Berwick, when his game suffered sadly from want of practice. Mr. Laidlay's short game was very fine, and he used his mashie with effect. As an instance of his play, it may be noticed that Sayers, although getting down in three at the home hole, lost it to his opponent, who followed a splendid drive from Pointgarry-in by holing out with his mashie from the foot of the hill beside the green. The professional, who had also a capital drive, laid the odds dead, and got easily down in three. The details of Mr. Laidlay's score were:—

Out	5	5	3	4	3	4	3	3	4	4=38	} 69.
In	4	4	3	4	3	6	5	2=31			

The 72 by Sayers was compiled as follows:—

Out	4	5	4	4	3	3	4	4=38	} 72.
In	4	5	4	3	4	5	6	3=34	

It should also be observed that the course was rather a long one, the teeing-grounds being well brought back in some instances, and especially at the sixth and seventh holes. On Thursday, Mr. Adam Hogg had a single with Mr. James Mitchell, a young local player of much promise. Mr. Mitchell won a close game, finishing the round in 77. On Saturday, Mr. W. G. Bloxson and Mr. J. W. Tod engaged in a game of thirty-six holes. At the close of one round Mr. Bloxson was one up; but, although leading for the greater part of the second round, he had to succumb to Mr. Tod at the home hole. Subsequently another round was played, each showing a really excellent game. Mr. Tod finished in the low figure of 77, and, with this fine score, was beaten by Mr. Bloxson by two holes. In a foursome, on Saturday afternoon, Davie Grant and George Sayers (a brother of Ben again residing at North Berwick), opposed G. Douglas and W. Thomson. The former couple, who were out in 40, won somewhat easily.

An unusual incident occurred here on Thursday, the 21st inst. On proceeding to the hole across, Mr. Dods, Manchester, killed a bird with his tee shot. The bird, commonly known as the "yellow hammer," was sitting on a branch of one of the trees lining the edge of the wood, and on being struck at once fell dead. Some years ago Dr. Argyll Robertson, while playing over the course here, killed a lark on the wing; but instances of this kind are of course very rare. An incident of a different kind occurred in a foursome last week, between Sir John Hay with Davie Grant, and Mr. Callander with Mr. Hay. Sir John with a full cleek shot-drove the ball into a paper bag which rolled over till it stood upright with the ball inside. Grant could not see the ball, and so played both bag and ball, which, however, very soon parted company.

The second round of the annual competition amongst the members of the Bass Rock Club, for the Fyvie silver medal resulted as follows:— Mr. G. Tait (18) beat Mr. A. Hogg (5) by three up and two to play; Mr. J. B. Maclachlan (14) beat Mr. G. Reid (9) by three up and one to play; Mr. J. Mitchell (2) beat Mr. A. Hutchison (8) by four up and three to play; and Mr. W. Merriles (14) beat Mr. J. Henderson (2) by five up and three to play. In the semi-final the results were: Mr. Merriles beat Mr. Mitchell by four up and three to play; Mr. Maclachlan beat Mr. Tait by five up and three to play. Mr. Merriles and Mr. Maclachlan now meet in the final round.

The challenge to Sayers, the local professional, by Hugh Kirkaldy, of St. Andrews, which has been so promptly accepted by Ben, is already exciting a good deal of interest amongst golfers here. The dates fixed are 16th prox. at North Berwick, and 19th at St. Andrews.

OPENING OF THE ISLAY COURSE.

CAMPBELL AND FERNIE FOR £100.

Friday, the 15th inst., was rather a notable day for Islay, in respect that it not only witnessed the formal opening for play of a Golf course on the island, but saw the fulfilment of an interesting professional fixture on the new green. A more delightful day for an open-air gathering of the kind could scarcely be imagined. All day the sun shone brightly, and the moderately fresh north-westerly breeze which blew across the island was only sufficient to temper the heat and to make the exercise of the game more exacting on the Machrie course, as the new links are named, than otherwise unpleasant. Perhaps the opening match between Willie Campbell, of Bridge of Weir, and Willie Fernie, of Troon, gained something in interest from the fact that it was played over the one green to be found in the Hebrides—over the Westward Ho! of Scotland, as this green might not inappropriately be termed.

In these days when Golf has become so popular, half a day is not too much to give up in the journey for the sake of reaching a really good

green, where there is no congestion of players, but every facility for enjoying the Royal and Ancient game at its best. Greens more easy of access have now-a-days become so over-run with players that the golfer who wishes to enjoy his favourite pastime at its best must be prepared to go further afield than of yore. The multiplicity of players has led to the opening of greens in every district of Scotland, and of the courses of recent origin that of Islay carries off the palm. Nor is it difficult of access after all. One is apt to think that it is a far cry to Islay, but with the improved steamboat service which has come into operation this month the distance from the mainland can not only be very quickly covered, but the time of travelling is very enjoyably spent. The course of the Islay Golf Club was described in these columns some little time ago, so that it is not necessary to again go over the ground. Situated about three miles and a half from Port-Allen, the course skirts Laggan Bay, which gains in attractiveness from the fact that it is open to the wide sweep of the Atlantic. The vast stretch of links reminded one in their appearance at times of Troon; again of Prestwick, and, in the case of some of the putting-greens, of Hoylake. As lighted up by the bright sunshine, the adjacent hills inland, as well as the more distant peaks of Jura, were the better seen in the clear atmosphere in which Friday's play took place. One great advantage the Machrie course possesses—the ground is by nature excellently adapted to the purposes of the game. The turf, which is an important factor in every Golf course, is wonderfully firm: the grass is short; there are few patches of bents common to other seaside greens; and the natural conformation of the links is such that eighteen capital holes have been obtained without in the least exhausting the resources of the ground. The course, indeed, only requires play to bring it into a high state of excellence. No doubt it is difficult of play. Punishment follows fault, and traps are abundant, but the green is only the better fitted on that account as a test of Golf and its value.

At the opening ceremony, which took place shortly before noon, Mr. Ramsay, of Kildalton, the proprietor of the ground, was on the spot. He was accompanied by Mrs. Ramsay and Miss Ramsay, and among others present were Captain Graham, of Lagavulin, Major Wise, captain of the club; Mr. P. J. Michie, who has acted as interim treasurer; Councillor M'Cuaig, Port-Allen; and Mr. Peter Reid, the factor on the Kildalton estate. At the request of the club, Mrs. Ramsay formally opened the links by driving the first ball. For this purpose she was provided with a club having a silver grip, which she retained as a memento of the occasion after the formal opening. Thereafter no time was lost in starting the match of the day between Campbell and Fernie. These players have met more than once before with varying success, the advantage being, however, on the side of the old Musselburgh professional, and, as there is a healthy rivalry between them, the match was more interesting on that account. Campbell, of course, had a slight pull over his man in that, having laid out the green, and laid it out capitally, too, he was fairly well acquainted with the general run of the ground. At the same time he secured the match, which was one of 36 holes, by distinctly the better play, as he won by seven holes and six to play. Campbell's victory was thus quite a substantial one, and the match was only another proof of the fact that, as a match player, he is a hard nut to crack. The Bridge of Weir professional was driving as well as ever. He played his approaches in very much his old style, and he was strong on the green, where, as on all new courses, one may have more or less luck. Fernie, again, was not seen at his best in the long game, but he did not lose the match by any shortcoming in that part of the play, nor were his approaches faulty. As a rule it was on the green that he failed, and failed badly, and this weakness, together with the fact that bad luck dogged him throughout, well nigh lost him the match on the first eighteen holes. Indeed, it may be said that the game was lost and won on the homeward journey on the first round.

To many of those who followed the match, and there was a numerous gathering both of ladies and gentlemen, this was a first insight to the Royal and Ancient game, but they did not seem to follow the play with less interest on that account. Each and all, however, were quite amenable to the well-known rules in force on all Golf courses, and play proceeded very pleasantly. The first hole is one to delight the heart of the genuine golfer. There are bunkers to trap a bad tee stroke, and the approach being over a wide hazard of sand, with a burn flowing right across the line of play, is a most difficult one. Neither Fernie nor Campbell came to grief on the way, however, and the latter was only able to draw the first blood because his neighbour of Troon was twice weak on a rough green. The Strand, the second hole, has its only hazard in the approach, which is over a sandy cart-track, but for pulled balls through the green dangerous country lies in wait. It requires a long carry and an iron stroke to reach the green, and neither of the players required more. Fernie's wrist stroke, however, was much the better of the two, and it was good enough to enable him to square the match. Texa, the third hole, so called from the fact that it is placed close to the site of the old school, is chiefly remarkable for its magnificent approach over a low burn. Into this burn Fernie carried from the tee, and though he made a grand recovery, he lost the hole, as Campbell, using his mashie most deftly, got down in 3 with a better approach than the Troon man. Going to the fourth hole,

Campbell lay on the green in 2, while Fernie had still a wrist stroke to play to put him on equal terms with the other. He played this well enough, and looked as if he were to have a half; but his fourth jumped over the hole, and Campbell getting the like down, stood 2 up. A well-played half followed for the fifth hole, which reminds one somewhat of the end holes at Troon; and the sixth (the "Scotsman's Maiden," as the club has been pleased to term it), where the player has a most sporting drive over a sand-faced hill, was also halved, Fernie having hard lines at the hole side. The succeeding hole, where the course skirts the shore, and the whole vista of the bay is opened up to view, possesses features much in common with the last. It, too, was halved, although Fernie had the best of it through the green. The last hole on the way out (the eighth), which brings the players to the Gleneedale Water, and which possesses scope for interesting play, fell to Fernie, Campbell losing distance in the first instance owing to a ballie, and afterwards being somewhat faulty in the short game. With ten holes to play on the round, the old Musselburgh player accordingly turned one up. It was at this juncture that his opponent fell off appreciably. At the first hole in—the Punch Bowl, as it is well named—Fernie gave away a half by missing an easy putt, after having rather hard lines with his run up to the pin. The next was halved in 5; and the eleventh, where line is of great moment, fell to Campbell, Fernie losing a stroke in one of the rabbit holes, which are at this part of the green too numerous to be pleasant. Even after that misfortune, however, the Troon player had a chance of a half had his short game been better. With Campbell now standing three up, the twelfth hole was halved, Fernie at this green throwing away an undoubted opportunity; and so was the next, the longest hole on the green. In playing towards Machrie Farm, however, where the approach to the green is guarded by nasty traps, Fernie had hard lines from a nice cleek stroke. He failed to get out in the first attempt, and practically gave up the hole, as Campbell was on the green very prettily in 3. Campbell four up. Now off his game considerably, Fernie missed his second to the fourth last hole, and took 4 to reach the green, where Campbell, playing a faultless approach over the intervening bunker, got down in that figure. Campbell five up. A difficult hole is the third last. There is marshy ground in the direct line, and the Machrie Water has to be crossed, sooner or later, Fernie, choosing to cross it from the tee, got an atrocious lie in the rough grass; while Campbell, taking the better line, crossed easily with his second. Lying as he was, Fernie had a beautiful recovery, but the advantage gained by it he gave away on the green, where he lost his half by weak holing out. The lead of five holes the Troon man reduced by one at the second last green, where Campbell was not seen at his best; but a bad stimpie on the home green, after a fine recovery from a trapped ball, prevented Fernie from getting more than a half there. The round thus finished with Campbell five up. The scores for the round were:—

Campbell:—													
Out	...	...	...	5	5	3	4	4	6	5	7=39	} 89.
In	4	5	5	5	6	5	4	5		6	5=50
Fernie:—													
Out	...	...	...	6	4	4	5	4	6	5	5=39	} 95
In	5	5	6	5	6	7	6	6		5	5=56

In the afternoon, when the second round was played, it was apparent that if Campbell just managed to get halves he would win in a canter. It was an ill omen then for Fernie that he lost the first hole, where he overcarried the hole, being almost on the shore, and gave up. The Troon man, however, managed to knock off this advance on the second green, where, with the better approach, he got home in 3 very nicely. A half in 3 followed, but Campbell, playing the short game much better than the other man, pocketed the fourth in 4. A missed brassy stroke to the Lag, which left Campbell in a rabbit furrow, and caused him to lift, gave Fernie a temporary advantage at this point, and the Troon man reduced the lead to 4 on the match at the Maiden, where Campbell's run up was strong. A stimpie on the next green, however, cost Fernie the hole, for in trying to loft he played Campbell in; but at the Gleneedale (the eighth) the same player should have had the hole. Campbell was now 5 up; and the issue was further narrowed when the Punch Bowl was halved beautifully in 4. A fine chance Fernie had of a half at the next green, but he failed to take advantage of it, and the end was a foregone conclusion when the same player got into a rabbit hole in going to Venus, and had to lift. Campbell won the hole easily, and stood domy 7, and a half at the next green settled matters in his favour by 7 up and 6 to play. At the close of the match Mr. Mackie presented Campbell with the gold medal given by the club to the winner, which was in addition to the money stake of £100 at issue. The scores for the last round were:—

Campbell.—Out												
...	...	...	...	6	5	4	4	6	6	4	6=41	
In												
...	...	...	...	4	6	5						
Fernie.—Out												
...	...	...	...	7	4	4	5	5	5	4	6=40	
In												
...	...	...	...	4	5	7	5					

PRESTWICK GOLF CLUB.

Thursday last week being the Glasgow holiday in connection with the Queen's birthday, and the weather being fine, there was a great deal of play on the links. Among the matches played were the following:—Mr. D. M. Kidston halved a match with Mr. C. D. Gairdner; Mr. R. Philipps beat Mr. W. Spens by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. A. H. Donald and Mr. H. Fergusson beat Mr. H. O. O. Grant and Mr. J. N. King by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. J. B. Scott and Mr. A. C. Scott played three matches against Mr. R. Hutchison, and the former were one up at the end of the three rounds. The first was halved, the second fell to the latter couple by 3 up and 2 to play, and the third to the former by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. H. Moncrieff beat Mr. J. B. Balloch, by 8 up and 6 to play. Mr. H. Moncrieff and Mr. J. B. Balloch, playing against Mr. L. Thomson and Mr. Foulds, were 2 up and 1 to play. Mr. W. R. M'George, giving a stroke in two matches to Mr. Crouch, halved the first and won the second by 6 up and 4 to play. Mr. James M'Pherson won from Mr. P. Goudie by 1 hole in the first match, but lost the second by 4 up and 3 to play. Mr. J. Addie beat Mr. C. Thomson by 1 hole. Mr. C. Thomson and Mr. J. Addie, playing against Mr. H. M'George and Mr. J. S. Higginbotham, were 3 up and 1 to play. Mr. H. M'George halved a match with Mr. J. S. Higginbotham. Mr. A. H. Donald and Mr. H. O. O. Grant beat Mr. J. N. King by 3 up and 1 to play. Mr. J. Nelson beat Mr. R. Cowan by 1 hole.

REDHILL AND REIGATE GOLF CLUB.

The Whitsuntide meeting of this club was marred by the weather, and low scoring cannot be recorded.

On Saturday, Mr. Pelly contrived to return 88 net, and thereby became the holder of the club monthly (handicap) medal.

On Monday, the squally weather effectually prevented any good scores being returned, the best being Mr. Jarvis Kenrick, 103, less 6=97, and Mr. Alfred Schacht, 102, less 3=99. Finding other outdoor pursuits impracticable, Mr. Kenrick played his round late compared with other competitors, and certainly had far the best of the weather, which had improved as the day wore on. It should be noted that on this occasion—and the practice will be adhered to in all future competitions—many of the holes had been considerably lengthened by shifting back the tees, and the course was rendered exceptionally difficult.

In the scratch competition for the gold jewel given by the president, Sir Trevor Lawrence, Bart., M.P., Mr. Schacht won by one stroke, and became the holder for the year; the optional sweepstakes were won by Messrs. Schacht and Slazenger. This competition also formed the first stage of a series of three competitions (under handicap limited to 18) for the challenge prize presented to the club by the non-resident members. It is unfortunate that numerous absentees reduced this competition to very narrow limits. The following competed:—Col. Burgman, R.A., Messrs. G. Allen, G. R. Burnett, A. H. Eve, A. J. Eames, C. Hall, J. Kenrick, J. N. Maitland, W. Nimmo, J. Nicholls, T. H. Oyley, E. Pinkerton, W. H. Pelly, A. Schacht, A. E. L. Slazenger, G. F. Sanders, G. Spurling, H. D. Tucker, S. C. Watney. Of these only eleven handed in their scores.

ROYAL ISLE OF WIGHT GOLF CLUB.

The Whitsuntide meeting of this club took place on Monday, May 18th, there being only one day's competition. Twelve couples started, and although the course was in excellent condition, the scoring was far from good. Mr. Dudley Ward again came to the front, and won the prize presented by the Bembridge Sailing Club, Mr. Muir taking the club prize. Lieut. Innes Gairdner, R.N., made the best scratch score, but unfortunately at this meeting there is no medal or scratch prize. Scores:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
*Mr. Dudley Ward	101	16	85	Mr. F. L. Govett...	108	14	94
†Mr. G. F. Muir	100	12	88	Major Monckton	115	21	94
†Mr. G. D. Rowe	104	12	92	Mr. L. Le Marchant	116	20	96
†Mr. H. H. Long-				Capt. Hamilton	107	10	97
man	104	12	92	Mr. H. Michell	121	24	97
†Mr. G. Bulky	109	17	92	Capt. R. Alexander	111	13	98
Lieut. I. Gairdner	96	3	93	Col. Lumsden	113	14	99
Mr. F. W. Hollans	104	10	94				

* B. S. C. Prize. † Club prize and sweep. ‡ Third sweep.

Several were over 100 net, or gave no return.

HAWICK CLUB.—The Bombay medal was played for on the 20th inst., in fine golfing weather. The turn-out of competitors was large, and the following were the best scores:—Mr. J. S. Turner, 97, less 17=80; Mr. R. Michie, 94, less 9=85; Mr. W. Hume, 88, less 2=86; Mr. George H. Douglas, 85, plus 2=87; Mr. James Purves, 101, less 13=88; Dr. Barrie, 94, less 5=89; Mr. P. Cruickshank, 89; Mr. F. Wilson, 107, less 18=89; Mr. J. J. Oliver, 99, less 9=90; Mr. William Robson, 102, less 12=90; Mr. A. Laing, 117, less 25=92; Mr. A. Fisher, 102, less 10=92; Mr. J. Macdonald, 104, less 12=92.

ROYAL CROMER GOLF CLUB.

The Whitsun prize meeting of the Royal Cromer Golf Club was held on Wednesday. The morning was fine, with the exception of one or two slight showers, but in the afternoon the rain fell heavier, and somewhat interrupted the play. Three prizes were offered for competition, viz. :—

Handicap Prize.—A silver cream jug, presented by the captain of the club (B. Bond-Cabbell, Esq.) for the best score under handicap. Won by Mr. C. H. Aveston, with a score of 90, less 9=81.

Handicap Prize.—A silver-backed clothes brush, presented by the club, for the best nine holes under handicap. For this prize Mr. H. Wilson, Mr. S. Hoare, M.P., and Mr. G. P. Elwes tied. The tie was played off on Friday, when Mr. Elwes scratched, and Mr. Harold Wilson beat Mr. Hoare.

Handicap Prize.—One dozen Golf balls, given by the club, open to those having a handicap of eighteen or over—Mr. S. Hoare, M.P.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. C. H. Aveston	90	9 81	Major Archdale	100	9 91
Mr. H. Wilson	98	16 82	Mr. E. M. Hansell	100	8 92
Mr. A. E. Jarvis	90	5 85	Mr. Ambrose Burton	111	18 93
Surgeon-Major Pratt	95	9 86	Mr. R. W. Ketton	107	12 95
Mr. S. Hoare, M.P.	104	18 86	Mr. G. L. Charles-		
Dr. Heasman	95	9 86	worth	109	14 95
Mr. G. P. Elwes	96	10 86	Mr. J. R. Baillie	109	12 97
Mr. P. M. Lucas	87	scr. 87	Major Davidson	124	25 99
Dr. Fenner	101	13 86	Mr. G. D'Angibau...	126	25 101
Mr. B. Bond-Cab-			Mr. H. Casson	117	15 102
bell	113	25 88	Rev. G. Broke	113	9 104
Mr. Gerald Balfour,			Mr. C. Ensell	129	20 109
M.P.	99	10 89	Dr. Belding	132	18 114
Mr. Alfred Burton	108	18 90			

The following made no return :—Rev. A. E. Black, Mr. B. Preston, Mr. C. L. Buxton, Mr. Sydney Buxton, M.P., Mr. E. F. Jarvis, and Mr. A. C. Savin.

SEAFORD GOLF CLUB.

Challenge Cup competition. Scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. G. L. St. Quintin	196 50 146	Mr. R. A. Baillie	207 34 173
Mr. J. C. Fowlie	176 20 156	Mr. T. J. Baillie	209 36 173
Mr. F. G. Bamfylde	193 30 161	Mr. C. S. Hand	210 34 176
Captain Best	180 16 164	Captain Wapshare...	227 50 177
Mr. C. Macdona	212 48 164	Mr. J. Whitehorne	212 30 182
Mr. C. Hart	208 40 168	Mr. J. F. Farncombe	221 36 185
Mr. P. Whitehorne	209 40 169	Mr. W. M. Cundell	226 40 186
Mr. C. A. S. Leggatt	181 12 169	Mr. F. G. Horne	216 26 190
Mr. D. Furner	220 50 170	Mr. H. Tanner	223 32 191
Mr. A. E. Ashpittel	219 48 171	Mr. C. H. Gossage	221 30 191
Mr. A. de St. Croix	212 40 172		

ST. ANDREWS.

According to a letter in a local newspaper, a difference of opinion has arisen between Tom Morris, the veteran conservator of St. Andrews links, and the green committee. It appears that the committee favour the proposal to roll the putting-greens by means of a heavy horse roller, whilst Tom objects to this process of putting made easy, on the ground that the rolling will destroy the putting-greens, and he points to Prestwick, where the system was tried, in verification of his contention. There can be no doubt that the use of a heavy roller will consolidate the soil, and if the turf should get knocked up during the summer months, it will take some inducement to again get the grass to grow.

The letter in last week's GOLF on St. Andrews as a champion course has evoked a good deal of criticism, most of it adverse. It is pointed out that in at least six holes the approaches are sufficiently trying to test the skill of even champion golfers, whilst from the tee it is generally the long and wild driver who is most severely punished. It will be remembered that last week Mr. L. Auchterlonie and Mr. W. Greig tied at 88 for the gold medal presented to local clubs by the Royal and Ancient. This tie was played off on Thursday in the presence of a large number of spectators. Both men made a capital start and halved the burn hole in four. Swiping off to the next, Grey topped his tee, and getting a bad lie, he drove away to the right of the green. Auchterlonie had two fine shots with a nice open road for his third up to the hole. The consequence was, that he took the honour. At the third hole, Grey got a good half in five after topping his tee. Proceeding to the Gingerbeer hole, Grey again fozzled his lie, but he atoned for his mistake by an excellent display of putting which got him a half. In the journey to the hole across, Grey got well away from the tee only to find himself bunkered, which penalised him a couple of strokes. Auchterlonie playing a fine game got home in five, and stood two ahead. Both were unlucky going to the Gingerbeer hole, and a half in five was called. The high hole was negotiated in the same figure, though from their position on the green four strokes should have sufficed. In the short

hole both were wide from the tee, but Greig being weak with his putter, allowed Auchterlonie to score. He also lost the end hole, Auchterlonie thus turning four ahead. The scores were :—Auchterlonie, 4 5 5 5 5 5 3 4=41; Greig, 4 6 5 5 7 5 5 4 5=46. Homeward Greig scored his first success at the high hole and again at the hole across; but after this Auchterlonie had all the favour going, and ended five ahead, and eight strokes better than Greig. Auchterlonie was accordingly awarded the medal. His homeward score was 4 4 5 6 5 4 4 6 5=43; total, 84. The winner played an all-round good game, but Greig seemed to be out of his usual form when using the driver. He however, putted grandly.

On Saturday the golf club and ball-makers had their annual handicap medal and prize competition. Fifteen couples started, and the following stood highest on the list :—Mr. J. B. Forgan and Mr. D. Herd, a tie; Mr. J. Cuthbert, Mr. W. Auchterlonie, Mr. D. Walker, Mr. W. Chisholm, Mr. W. Duncan, Mr. T. Morris, Mr. W. T. Macdonald, Mr. J. M'Gregor.

THE EDINBURGH COLLEGIATE SCHOOL GOLF CLUB.

This club held its annual meeting at Leven links, on Friday, the 22nd inst. The weather was of the very best description for golfing, and the green was in very good condition. The round was perfectly new to most of the players, and, as they are very trappy links, most of the competitors were put to a severe disadvantage. The scratch medal and first scratch prize was won by Mr. J. L. Stevenson. The second scratch prize by Mr. R. J. Bryce. The first handicap prize by Mr. G. A. Paulin. The second handicap prize by Mr. D. Mason. The scores were as follows :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. G. A. Paulin	122 30 92	Mr. J. L. Stevenson	104 scr. 104
Mr. D. Mason	115 18 97	Mr. W. Proudfoot...	142 35 107
Mr. W. Aikman	116 18 98	Mr. J. Collingwood	147 30 117
Mr. R. J. Bryce	109 10 99	Mr. J. Simson	146 27 119
Mr. W. Stevenson	111 12 99	Mr. L. J. M. Deas	156 35 121
Mr. C. Glasfurd	135 35 100	Mr. W. Alston	169 40 129

In the afternoon a foursome was engaged in between representatives of masters and boys.

B. F. Hall, Esq., and J. B. Wyles, Esq., representing the former, and Mr. J. L. Stevenson and Mr. R. J. Bryce representing the latter, after an even beginning the boys pulled a-head and ended in winning by 5 up. The scores were : Masters, 112; Boys, 103.

ST. GEORGE'S GOLF CLUB (SANDWICH).

The Whitsuntide meeting of the St. George's Golf Club was brought to a close on Tuesday, the 19th inst., with the annual competition for the St. George's Cup. This competition may be said to be akin to the match for the amateur championship. It is open to all comers. The Sandwich Club, to the liberality of whose present captain, Mr. W. R. Anderson, the institution of the match is due, invites strangers from all parts to compete for this handsome cup, with which a silver replica, value £20, also goes. Hitherto the best known cracks from the Scottish greens have not entered at all numerously. This year, however, the field has been a strong one, and though Mr. J. Ball, jun., again entered an appearance to defend his possession of the trophy, it was by no means a certainty that he would carry it off. The rainfall here since November has been phenomenally low, and so far as the course is concerned, has been nothing more than a few passing showers; consequently the going to begin with was anything but good. At the expense, however, of a little hardship in the way of wet jackets, the downpour between Sunday night and Tuesday morning worked a charm, and when the captain struck off from the first tee for the St. George's cup on that morning, there was not much to complain of as militating against good Golf. The events of the meeting were on Saturday the Gemmell cup, for the best score under handicap limited to 15 strokes, and the Caird prize, also under handicap, for the best score of the second half of the medal round; on Monday the club cup for the best score under handicap. The scratch medals of the meeting were the Cinque Ports medal, for the best score of Saturday or Monday, and the St. George's cup, open to all amateurs for the best score of two rounds of the cup course. The St. George's cup is the event of the club year, and on this occasion it attracted, as will be seen from the returns below, a fair field of first-class golfers. The cup course is much more severe, or perhaps more testing is the better term, than the medal course. The length of the carries from the tee gives rise to some difference of opinion, but as this seems to be a matter *de gustibus*, it may be left undiscussed. The criticism of the medal course is encouraging to those interested in the club. The Cinque Ports medal was won by Mr. S. Mure Fergusson with 85, the same gentleman and the same score taking Monday's club cup; the Gemmell cup was won by Mr. Eric Hambro with a net 80, the Caird prize by Mr. Cornelius Thompson with a net 40. Mr. C. Hutchings carried off the sweepstakes on Monday with the good score of 84. There was also a special competition on Monday between the previous winners for the final posses-

sion of the Pringle-Protheroe prize, which was carried off by Mr. C. Murray-Smith after a tie with Mr. Rutherford. Details follow:—

Saturday.—The Gemmell cup:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. C. Hambro ...	95	15	80	Hon. I. Blich ...	103	10	93
Mr. R. H. Pringle	93	7	86	Mr. H. B. Fox ...	108	15	93
Hon. A. Grosvenor	95	9	86	Mr. W. Rutherford..	99	5	94
Mr. A. F. Macfie...	87	scr.	87	Mr. C. E. Nesham...	99	5	94
Mr. A. D. Blyth ...	87	scr.	87	Mr. A. Pollock ...	103	9	94
Mr. D. S. Moncrieff	99	12	87	Mr. A. B. Chalmers	106	12	94
Mr. C. Thompson...	101	14	87	Mr. W. Gordon ...	108	14	94
Mr. W. L. Purves	88	scr.	88	Mr. P. Strickland...	103	8	95
Mr. A. A. W. Murray	91	3	88	Mr. A. O. Barnes...	105	10	95
Mr. F. Barry ...	93	5	88	Mr. F. H. A. Booth	107	12	95
Mr. J. C. Wadham	100	12	88	Mr. J. K. D. Hill...	108	13	95
Col. E. Cox ...	110	22	88	Mr. A. A. Common	111	16	95
Mr. F. A. Fairlie...	89	scr.	89	Mr. C. Plummer ...	96	scr.	96
Mr. W. D. Bovill...	97	8	89	Mr. W. E. Fairlie...	96	scr.	96
Mr. D. S. Hindmarsh	96	6	90	Mr. G. Nicol ...	105	9	96
Mr. H. Nicholls ...	103	13	90	Mr. W. Grieve ...	105	9	96
Mr. K. Stuart ...	108	18	90	Mr. W. Carr ...	105	9	96
Mr. F. T. Welman	95	4	91	Mr. W. Stuart ...	114	18	96
Mr. C. A. W. Cameron	96	5	91	Mr. E. A. Walker...	105	8	97
Mr. G. Foord-Kelsey	105	14	91	Mr. J. Oswald ...	103	5	98
Capt. Tattersall ...	104	12	92	Mr. E. Nicholls ...	116	18	98
Mr. S. M. Fergusson	92	scr.	92	Mr. J. Taylor ...	111	13	98
Mr. F. G. Tait ...	92	scr.	92	Mr. T. A. Fison ...	111	13	98
Mr. W. Bazalgette..	98	6	92	Mr. G. Kekewich...	116	18	98
Mr. A. Davidson ...	103	11	92	Mr. H. A. Lamb ...	99	scr.	99
Mr. C. C. Scott ...	104	12	92	Mr. A. Denman ...	106	7	99
Mr. C. C. Walker...	114	12	92	Mr. A. C. Adam ...	107	8	99
Mr. W. P. Matthews	107	15	92	Mr. E. F. S. Tylecote	107	8	99
Mr. A. L. Tweedie	110	18	92	Mr. M. Thomson ...	117	18	99

The rest made no return, or were over 100.

Saturday.—The Caird Prize. Scores home:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. C. Thompson...	47	7	40	Mr. F. A. Fairlie...	45	scr.	45
Col. E. Cox ...	53	11	42	Mr. A. A. W. Mur-	46	1	45
Mr. R. H. Pringle	47	4	43	ray ...	49	4	45
Mr. D. S. Moncrieff	49	6	43	Hon. A. Grosvenor	49	4	45
Hon. I. Blich ...	49	5	44	Mr. F. Barry ...	47	2	45
Mr. C. G. Kekewich	53	9	44				

The others were over 45.

Scratch scores for Saturday:—

Mr. A. F. Macfie ...	87	Mr. F. G. Tait ...	92
Mr. A. W. Blyth ...	87	Mr. R. H. Pringle ...	93
Mr. W. L. Purves ...	88	Mr. F. Barry ...	93
Mr. F. A. Fairlie ...	89	Mr. C. E. Hambro ...	95
Mr. A. A. W. Murray	91	Hon. A. Grosvenor ...	95
Mr. S. M. Fergusson	92	Mr. F. T. Welman ...	95

Monday:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. C. Hutchings...	84	scr.	84	Hon. I. Blich ...	102	10	92
Mr. S. M. Fergusson	85	scr.	85	Mr. C. E. M'Laren	102	10	92
Mr. F. G. Tait ...	87	scr.	87	Mr. F. Barry ...	98	5	93
Mr. W. D. Bovill ...	95	7	88	Mr. A. L. Tweedie	111	18	93
Capt. Stuart ...	116	18	88	Mr. B. Howell ...	99	6	93
Mr. W. E. Fairlie	89	scr.	89	Mr. T. A. Fison ...	106	13	93
Mr. A. F. Macfie ...	89	scr.	89	Mr. F. E. Faithfull	98	4	94
Mr. J. Oswald ...	94	5	89	Mr. W. Carr ...	103	9	94
Mr. A. D. Blyth ...	90	scr.	90	Mr. H. H. Hilton	92	+3	95
Mr. F. T. Welman	94	4	90	Mr. A. Denman ...	102	7	95
Mr. T. R. Mills ...	95	5	90	Mr. A. Pollock ...	104	9	95
Mr. H. G. Alexander	108	18	90	Mr. W. Gordon ...	109	14	95
Mr. J. Ball, jun. ...	86	+5	91	Mr. F. A. Fairlie ...	96	scr.	96
Mr. A. H. Moles-				Mr. C. E. Nesham	101	5	96
worth ...	91	scr.	91	Mr. C. G. Kekewich	115	18	97
Mr. W. Bazalgette	97	6	91	Mr. W. Morley ...	115	18	97
Mr. D. S. Moncrieff	103	12	91	Mr. W. Rutherford	103	5	98
Mr. A. A. W. Mur-				Mr. C. M. Smith ...	103	5	98
ray ...	95	3	92	Mr. G. Nicol ...	107	9	98
Mr. D. S. Hind-				Mr. A. A. Common	114	16	98
marsh ...	98	6	92	Mr. C. Plummer ...	99	scr.	99
Mr. E. C. Hambro	100	8	92	Mr. G. E. Kennedy	115	16	99

The rest made no return, or were over 100.

Eighteen couples entered for the St. George's cup. They started in the following order:—Mr. W. R. Anderson (captain) and Mr. T. R. Mills, Mr. A. F. Macfie (captain) and Mr. F. Fairlie, Mr. H. C. Blyth (captain) and Mr. C. Plummer, Mr. A. D. Blyth (captain) and Mr. F. Welman, Mr. J. Ball, jun. (captain), and Mr. W. E. Fairlie, Mr. C. Hutchings (captain) and Mr. Mure Fergusson, Hon. Grosvenor (captain) and Mr. A. H. Molesworth, Mr. C. E. Nesham (captain)

and Mr. W. Bazalgette, Mr. H. H. Hilton (captain) and Mr. F. G. Tait, Mr. J. G. Gibson (captain) and Mr. R. Whyte, Mr. A. Denman (captain) and Mr. R. H. Pringle, Mr. H. A. Lamb (captain) and Mr. C. E. M'Laren, Mr. A. A. Wolfe Murray (captain) and Mr. F. Skene, Mr. W. Carr (captain) and Mr. F. Barry, Mr. A. C. Adam and Mr. W. Grieve, Captain Gully and Mr. C. Thompson, Mr. C. A. W. Cameron and Mr. I. L. Ridpath, Mr. W. C. Anderson and William Smith. The weather in the morning was as bad as it could well be. Heavy rain fell until ten o'clock, and for a while there was little promise of improvement. Soon after the first couple started, however, a breeze sprang up, and before eleven o'clock the forenoon was bright and fine. From this time until two o'clock the weather was perfect for golfing. In the latter part of the day the wind freshened considerably, and made the round several strokes more difficult than it was in the morning.

The interest of the match hinged mainly on the play of Mr. Ball, Mr. Tait, Mr. Hilton, Mr. Macfie, and Mr. A. D. Blyth, Mr. Mure Fergusson, the brothers Fairlie, and Mr. A. Molesworth. Mr. Macfie was the first of the cracks to start. He made an unpromising beginning. His second shot for the first hole was bunkered, and he was again in grief at the second. He never recovered this unlucky start, and was at an early period out of the running. Mr. A. D. Blyth began much better. For the first nine holes his game could hardly have been improved upon, and he got out in 39. In the home coming he fell off a little, and he required 87 for the round. Mr. Ball was playing just behind him. He had a very good partner in Mr. W. E. Fairlie, who, though he plays with a stiffish style, frequently holds his own with the best that can be brought against him. Mr. Ball made a most brilliant start. He was 3 below 5's when he reached the Maiden, and the Maiden he took in a perfect 3. Again at Hades he had a magnificent 3—half the journey in 37. So far his game had been absolutely faultless. Mr. Fairlie, on the other hand, had been ruined by the Maiden, to which he took 8. When he turned homewards it looked as though Mr. Ball would beat the amateur record. Unfortunately, he did not quite maintain his form. The first three holes in were very well played, with the single exception of a difficult iron shot which he missed, but the next three holes told against his score. At the thirteenth he pulled his second shot into bad country. At the next he was loose in his short game, and at the fifteenth he was again faulty in putting. Three bad figures—6, 7, and 6—were thus added to his card, but at the sixteenth he recovered himself with a brilliant three, for which he holed out a 12-foot putt. He missed his drive for the seventeenth, but he pulled together in his subsequent play, and he made a fair bid for a 4, which, however, he did not get. The last hole in a good 4 got him home in 45. His round was thus 82, one of the best performances ever done by any amateur on the course.

Mr. Ball's was, by a good bit, the best score made in the early part of the day. Mr. Hutchings got out well in 41, but he was not so good in the second half of the round, and in the end he broke down altogether. Mr. Tait and Mr. Hilton, playing close behind Mr. Ball, kept for a time two very promising cards. Mr. Tait, however, came badly to grief at the seventh hole. He did not get hold of his first drive, and was bunkered. His ball lay so badly that he picked it out and lost two strokes. He missed his next; was bunkered a second time; and took 10 to the hole. Notwithstanding this heavy progress he was out in 44, against Mr. Hilton's 42. In the first few holes in the home journey Mr. Hilton kept his lead, and had the first four all in good figures, with the exception of the tenth, where he lost a stroke through bad putting. Mr. Tait, on the other hand, played the twelfth badly, and took 7 to it, but at the fourteenth green Mr. Tait turned the tables on his partner, who missed an easy iron pitch and was bunkered. From this point Mr. Tait played his strongest game, and finished on equal terms with Mr. Hilton, both scores being 91. Mr. A. Molesworth also put in a good card for the first round. He was out in 42 and home in 47, making 89 for the round.

When the players started on the second round they found the game entirely different from what it had been in the morning. The wind was blowing very fresh, and it made some of the carries from the tee impossible. The result of the change of weather was seen in all the scores. Mr. Ball went off with all the odds in his favour. He led Mr. Blyth by five strokes, Mr. Molesworth by seven, and Mr. Tait and Mr. Hilton by nine. To give him these odds was rather a hopeless business. Mr. Ball, however, gave his opponents a fair chance. He was not by any means in his forenoon's form. At the second tee he topped his drive. The third he placed indifferently for five. At the fourth he had a bad lie off his drive and never retrieved himself. Neither in putting nor driving did he play with the same accuracy as in the first rounds. His faults in putting were especially noticeable. Again and again he was weak. Indeed, his long putts were only once up to the hole all the way out. The result was that he was six worse for the ninth hole than in the forenoon, and he was beaten by Mr. Fairlie, who improved considerably in his early form, and was out in 40. In the second half of the round Mr. Ball was better in his short game, but there was nothing

particularly notable in his play unless, indeed, a beautifully taken brassy shot to the twelfth hole, which carried on to the green in 2, and gave him a chance of 3, which he almost got. On his way to the fourteenth he used his cleek in rare style against the wind, but at the next he was bunkered twice after a long shot which deserved better treatment. He finished in 49, which made him 92 to the round. This was not particularly good, but it was beaten only by Mr. Fairlie, who was round in 91. The others all deteriorated from their first round. Mr. Blyth spoilt his card by 11 at the fourteenth hole, and Mr. Molesworth came to grief several times, and put himself hopelessly out of the hunt with 104. Mr. Tait did well going out, and he had at one time a fair chance of at least coming in close upon Mr. Ball's heels, but he, too, failed to keep down his average in the home journey. The result of the day's play is to leave Mr. Ball again an easy winner. The details of his score are:—

First Round:

Out	5 4 4 5 4 3 5 3 4=37	} 82
In	5 4 5 6 7 6 3 5 4=45	

Second Round:

Out	5 4 5 7 4 4 5 4 5=43	} 92
In	6 5 4 5 7 6 5 6 5=49	

Mr. Ball has now won the cup four times in succession—in fact, every time since the competition was started. In 1888, he won with 94 and 86; in 1889, with 82 and 87; and last year, with 87 and 88. The next best scores were:—

Mr. A. D. Blyth:

Out	4 5 4 5 4 4 6 3 4=39	} 87
In	5 5 5 5 7 5 5 6 5=48	
Out	4 5 5 5 4 4 5 7 5=44	} 95
In	5 5 4 5 11 6 6 5 4=51	

Mr. F. G. Tait:

Out	5 4 5 4 4 4 10 4 4=44	} 91
In	5 5 7 6 6 5 4 4 5=47	
Out	5 5 5 5 3 3 5 3 5=39	} 92
In	6 5 6 8 7 5 4 6 6=53	

The other scores were:—

	1st Rnd.	2nd Rnd.	Total		1st Rnd.	2nd Rnd.	Total
Mr. H. H. Hilton...	91	96	187	Mr. A. Molesworth...	89	104	193
Mr. W. E. Fairlie...	97	91	188	Mr. A. A. W. Murray	96	98	194
Mr. S. M. Fergusson	97	95	192	Mr. F. A. Fairlie...	91	106	197

There were many other competitors.

A large following of spectators, among whom were several ladies, followed the play of Mr. Ball and Mr. Fairlie. At times it was very difficult for Mr. W. R. Anderson, the captain of the club, to keep eager enthusiasts from encroaching on the players, or from moving close behind the club just when the ball was about to be struck. Fortunately Mr. Ball and Mr. Fairlie played quite indifferent to all distraction. Both the captain and the secretary, Mr. Rutherford, had worked hard to make the gathering a complete success and to secure the utmost comfort to those attending the meeting. Their efforts were crowned with success, and they had the satisfaction of knowing that a more pleasant or more successful competition could not well take place.

TROON GOLF CLUB.

On Monday last week being Whit-Monday there was a good deal of play, the weather being fine. Mr. W. Fleming, playing a match of eighteen holes, defeated Mr. D. Findlay, by 5 up and 4 to play. The two Fernies have been maintaining and even surpassing the good form exhibited by them in the previous week, and each player went round in 73, which is their record over the links.

The spring meeting of the Troon Golf Club takes place, and also the annual general business meeting of the club to-morrow. At the meeting a statement will be submitted by the committee of management, from which it may be noted that at the commencement of the year the number of honorary, life and ordinary members on the roll was 465; the new members admitted during the year were 65; resignations and deaths, 9; number of members as at 30th April, 1891, 521. The additions to the club-house have been satisfactorily finished; but the committee regret that they are not in a position to state the full cost, as some of the tradesmen's accounts have not yet been sent in. The committee think it right, however, to advise members that the cost of the alterations, including furnishings, will somewhat exceed the sum of £2,000, which the committee were authorised to borrow on debentures from members of the club, and which were allotted by ballot. In terms of the resolution adopted by the club on 31st May, 1890, the committee thought it expedient to raise the entry-money, from 1st January, 1891, to £10 10s. In view of the increased expenditure arising from the larger house accommodation, and the probability of a slower increase in membership, the committee suggest that they be empowered by the meeting to raise the annual subscription to £1 10s. per annum, including the use of a

box. In terms of resolutions adopted by the club, £50 of the debentures issued in 1887, and £100 of the debentures issued recently, fall to be repaid by ballot at this annual meeting.

THE ROYAL NORTH DEVON GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting commenced on Saturday, May 16th, with an extra monthly medal; the day was fine, but a very strong north-west wind was blowing. On Tuesday the annual general meeting of the club was held, Capt. Gordon, an old Lorettonian was elected president for 1892, Lieut.-Col. Winterscale, also an old Lorettonian, was re-elected hon. secretary, and Mr. G. Gorton elected hon. secretary. Messrs. C. S. Carnegie and T. G. Heathcote were placed on the committee. The accounts to December 31st, 1890, were submitted and passed, and showed a most prosperous state of affairs; fifty-five new members were elected during the past year, and up to the present date already 50 more members have been added to the club, the total strength now exceeds 400. A few alterations in the rules were made, and it was decided that the entrance-fee should not be raised until the club reached 500 members. Wednesday was the first medal day; there was no wind, but constant and very heavy showers of rain prevailed until the afternoon, when it cleared up. On Thursday the foursome cups presented by Mr. Boucher James were played for; it was a lovely day, too good to last, with the glass so low, and so it proved, Friday morning being wet with a strongish north-west wind; however, before the president struck off the rain ceased, and in the afternoon the wind went down a good deal. Saturday was fine, and the ties of Friday were played off, and a most successful meeting was brought to a close when the president presented the prizes to the winners.

Saturday, May 16th, extra monthly medal:—

	Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. H. Hutchinson, M.S.	84 +7 91	Capt. Chichester, R.N., M.S.	114 22 92
Dr. A. R. Law, M.	110 19 91	Mr. W. E. Law, M.	133 27 106
		Mr. G. Gorton, S.	150 18 132

No returns: Colonel Stanley Scott, M.S.; Rev. R. W. S. Vidal, M.S.; Messrs. H. Erskine, M.; A. R. Law, S.; J. C. T. Smith, M.S. Mr. Hutchinson and Dr. A. R. Law tied for the medal, and the memento, a silver mounted ivory paper knife; on playing off Mr. Hutchinson won, he also took first prize in the sweep, Capt. Chichester the second.

Wednesday, May 20th, 1891:—

	Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. C. Pine Coffin	89 9 80	Major Hopkins	108 15 93
Mr. W. H. Toller...	90 9 81	Capt. Chichester	115 22 93
Capt. Johnstone	95 13 82	Rev. Canon Kennard	117 24 93
Mr. C. Boyd	98 16 82	Mr. W. E. Dunsford	100 6 94
Lieut.-Col. Gubbins	95 12 83	Mr. C. Didham	102 8 94
Col. Swetenham	101 18 83	Lieut.-Col. Winter-	
Mr. A. L. Christie	92 8 84	scale	104 10 94
Mr. J. M. Cripps	93 9 84	Mr. A. H. Boyd	98 3 95
Mr. R. B. Moles-		Capt. Gordon	105 9 96
worth	91 6 85	Rev. C. Shilson	112 16 96
Mr. P. Church	98 12 86	Mr. J. Dawson	112 16 96
Mr. T. G. Heathcote	97 10 87	Mr. G. Gulston	118 22 96
Mr. G. C. Davie	112 25 87	Col. Pearse...	112 15 97
Col. Boyes	95 7 88	Major Pigott	113 16 97
Mr. H. Hutchinson	82 +7 89	Capt. Didham	120 23 97
Mr. H. N. Erskine	104 15 89	Rev. R. W. S. Vidal	104 6 98
Mr. W. H. Fowler	99 9 90	Mr. H. Ingleby	111 12 99
Mr. J. H. Law	113 23 90	Mr. R. Clutton	118 18 100
Mr. Wilson Hoare	99 8 91	Mr. F. Liddle	106 5 101
Rev. E. Pigott	109 18 91	Mr. J. C. Heathcote	121 20 101
Mr. F. Cooke	113 22 91	Mr. W. Upton	108 6 102
Mr. H. Bradby	99 7 92	Rev. C. Cummings	116 14 102
Col. Stanley Scott	106 14 92	Mr. L. Orde	114 12 102
Mr. J. C. T. Smith	106 14 92	Mr. A. R. Law	129 27 102
Mr. F. Hopkins	107 15 92	Mr. J. Brand	119 15 104
Mr. W. Morris	108 16 92	Mr. D. R. Law	127 17 110
Mr. J. S. Harding	99 6 93	Mr. E. Clutterbuck	133 18 115
Rev. J. Ellis	105 12 93		

No returns from Mr. C. M. Baker, Mr. L. G. Browne, Mr. C. S. Carnegie, Mr. J. W. Cooke, Capt. Dowell, Mr. L. Dykes, Surgn.-General Fuller, Mr. G. Gorton, Mr. T. Keats, Capt. Knox, Mr. C. B. Marsham, Surgn.-General Molesworth, Capt. Doile, Mr. C. Pedcock, Mr. G. H. Reynolds, Major Ross, Colonel Townley, Rev. — Willis, Mr. R. Wharton.

Winners:—The Prince of Wales's gold challenge medal, memento medal awarded, Mr. H. Hutchinson, 82. The Blackheath challenge badge, Mr. C. Pine-Coffin, 89. The club challenge cup, the Gosset brooch for first net score, Mr. C. Pine-Coffin, 89, less 9=80. The

Siddall cup last half round, Mr. C. Pine-Coffin, 42, less 4½=37½. The club prize for second net score, Mr. W. H. Toller, 90, less 9=81.

Foursome cups presented by Mr. B. James, Thursday, May 21st, 1891:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
J. M. Cripps and A. L. Christie	95	7½	87½
Col. Boyes and P. Church	96	8½	87½
Lieut.-Col. Gubbins and Rev. R. W. S. Vidal	97	8	89
H. Hutchinson and C. B. Marsham	94	4½	89½
B. James and F. Hopkins	107	17½	89½
W. E. Law and Dr. A. R. Law	112	22	90
R. Clutton and H. Ingleby	106	15	91
L. Dykes and Wilson Hoare	103	11½	91½
G. Gulston and T. Brown	111	19	92
C. S. Carnegie and Capt. Dowell	105	12	93
Captain Chichester and J. J. Harding	107	14	93
W. Dunsford and W. Toller	99	5½	93½
Col. Scott and H. N. Erskine	108	14½	93½
J. C. Smith and Capt. Johnstone	106	12	94
Major Hopkins and T. G. Keats	115	21	94
A. R. Law and J. W. Cooke	121	27	94
F. Cooke and Captain Gordon	110	15½	94½
H. Bradley and Rev. — Shilson	107	11½	95½
A. Boyd and C. Boyd	104	8	96
Rev. — Pigott and Col. Pearce	113	16½	96½
Major Ross and G. Reynolds	106	8½	97½
C. Pedcock and C. Baker	114	14½	99½
Major Pigott and Rev. E. Cummings	115	15	100
C. Pine Coffin and J. H. Law	114	13½	100½
J. C. Heathcote and T. J. Heathcote	117	15	102
Rev. — Willis and R. Molesworth	115	8½	106
J. Dawson and H. Upton	118	11	107

No returns from Gen. Molesworth and C. Didham, Canon Kennard and G. C. Davie, Rev. —, Ellis and M. Richardson, Capt. Knox and W. Morris.

Foursome cups Col. Boyes and Mr. P. Church 96 less 8½=87½ tied with Messrs. Cripps and Christie 95 less 7½=87½ and on playing off the tie won, Messrs. Cripps and Christie receiving the entries value £6 4s., as 2nd prize.

Friday, May 22nd, 1891.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. G. C. Davies	103	25	78	Col. Pearce... ..	109	15	94
Mr. Wilson Hoare	91	8	83	Capt. Gordon	104	9	95
Mr. H. Erskine	98	15	83	Mr. T. G. Heathcote 105	10	95	
Mr. H. Ingleby	98	12	86	Mr. A. L. Christie... ..	103	7	96
Rev. Canon Kennard	110	24	86	Mr. J. H. Law	119	23	96
Rev. R. W. S. Vidal	93	6	87	Rev. C. Cummings... ..	112	14	98
Mr. R. Molesworth	93	6	87	Mr. G. Reynolds	104	5	99
Major Ross... ..	99	12	87	Lieut.-Col. Gubbins	109	10	99
Mr. W. H. Toller... ..	93	5	88	Capt. Johnstone	109	10	99
Mr. H. Bradby	95	7	88	Rev. C. Shilson	115	16	99
Mr. T. Hopkins	103	15	88	Capt. Chichester	121	22	99
Mr. W. Morris	104	16	88	Mr. A. R. Law	124	25	99
Col. Stanley Scott... ..	103	14	89	Mr. F. Liddle	105	5	100
Major Pigott	105	16	89	Mr. W. Upton	106	6	100
Mr. F. Cooke	111	22	89	Mr. P. Church	110	10	100
Mr. R. Clutton	108	18	90	Mr. L. Orde	112	12	100
Mr. C. E. Pine-Coffin	96	4	92	Rev. J. Ellis	114	12	102
Mr. W. Dunsford	98	6	92	Mr. J. C. T. Smith... ..	116	14	102
Mr. C. Boyd	105	13	92	Mr. C. Pedcock	116	13	102
Mr. J. C. Heathcote	112	20	92	Col. Swetenham	122	16	103
Major-Gen. Molesworth	118	26	92	Mr. M. Richardson	125	18	107
Mr. H. Hutchinson	86	+7	93	Mr. G. Gulston	132	22	110
Mr. L. G. Browne... ..	109	16	93	Mr. J. Dawson	128	16	116
Mr. C. Didham	102	8	94	Mr. W. E. Law	143	27	116

No return from Messrs. C. Baker, A. Boyd, Col. Boyse, C. S. Carnegie, J. N. Cripps, Capt. Dowell, F. Dykes, W. G. Eden, Surgeon-Gen. Fuller, G. Gorton, J. J. Harding, Major Hopkins, T. Keats, Capt. Knox, Dr. A. R. Law, C. B. Marsham, Rev. E. G. Pigott, Col. Townley, Rev. G. Willis, Lt.-Col. Winterscale, R. Whar-ton, and W. Prosser.

Winners.—The gold challenge medal of this club, Memento medal and awarded, to Mr. H. Hutchinson, 86, Lindsay Bennett gold challenge medal united scratch scores of the two medal days, Mr. H. Hutchinson, 82, plus 86=168. The Moncrieff challenge cross for first local player, Rev. R. W. S. Vidal, and Messrs. R. Molesworth and W. H. Toller, 93, tied. On playing off Mr. Vidal won.

The Bideford Town Trophy and a club prize for first net score, Mr. G. C. Davie, 103, less 25=78.

The club prize for second net score was tied for by Mr. Wilson Hoare, 91, less 8=83; and Mr. H. Erskine, 98, less 15=83. On playing off, Mr. Erskine won.

Hutchinson's cup for last half round was won for the second time, and consequently kept by Major Ross, 44, less 6=38. Capt. White's gold challenge badge, and the President's Monteith silver bowl to be retained, for united lowest net scores of the two medal days, Mr. G. C. Davie, 87, plus 78=165.

TYNESIDE CLUB.

The third competition for the club cup was played for on the 21st inst. at Ryeon, in good weather. There was a large attendance, and victory rested with Mr. Farr, a player who has always shown good form, and he deserved his success. It should, however, be stated that those members who competed in the afternoon were considerably handicapped owing to a strong gusty wind. Mr. Farr was late in starting, and was fortunate in escaping the wind, which had almost abated. Results:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. W. Farr	95	9	86	Mr. G. W. Walters	98	5	93
Mr. J. Oliver	98	9	89	Mr. J. Hiddleston... ..	124	30	94
Mr. F. Babington... ..	96	6	90	Mr. C. D. Ismay	121	26	95
Mr. J. G. Sharp	105	15	90	Mr. C. A. Ridley... ..	97	scr.	97
Mr. J. Tate	113	23	90	Mr. J. Tennant	104	7	97
Mr. J. B. Radcliffe	91	scr.	91	Mr. T. W. Sharp	118	19	98
Mr. A. Marmion	101	10	91	Mr. J. Milton	115	15	100
Mr. B. Brumell	111	20	91	Mr. J. Hedley	110	9	101
Mr. T. A. Hutton... ..	108	16	92				

Several players made no returns.

The President's prize was played for on the 23rd inst., for the fourth time. It will be remembered that this trophy is being competed for on the Calcutta Cup principle. The ultimate winner of Mr. Tennant's gift will be hard to find, according to the present state of the contests. Saturday's results:—Messrs. J. B. Redcliffe, scratch, and E. Hunter, nine, tied; Dr. Ridley, two, tied with Mr. W. Sharpe, eight; Mr. A. U. Dickinson, eleven, beat Mr. F. Redmayne, nine, by two and one to play; Mr. F. Smith, seven, beat Dr. A. Wilson, five, by two and one to play; Dr. Black, a bye.

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The final competition for the silver cigarette box, kindly presented to the club by Mr. Montgomery Paterson, and limited to handicaps of 18 and under, was held over the links on Warwick Common on Saturday. The winners left in for the final were as follows: March, Mr. T. Latham; April, Mr. F. C. H. Blair; May, Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncrieff and the Rev. O. Mordaunt, all of whom put in an appearance on Saturday. The course was in splendid condition; but, unfortunately, the weather had completely changed, heavy snow showers falling at intervals during the competition, one of which was a regular blizzard. The returns were in consequence far above the average, Mr. Latham being acclaimed the winner with a moderate round of 99 net. The following was the score:

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. T. Latham	104	5	99	Mr. F. C. H. Blair	109	6	103
Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncrieff and Rev. O. Mordaunt, no returns.							

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the silver sugar basin took place on Tuesday, the 12th inst., when Miss Dawkins was returned the winner, having sent in the following good score:—First round, 34; second round, 43; gross 77.

On Friday, the 15th inst., the gentlemen associates played for a prize (an umbrella) presented by the ladies of the club. Fourteen players entered for the competition, and, in spite of its being a very cold and stormy afternoon, some very good play was seen. When the last card was handed in it was found that Mr. G. Graham had won, his score being 34+36; 70, less 5=65. The returns were as follows:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. G. Graham	70	5	65	Mr. J. Dawkins	93	15	78
Mr. Perry	79	10	69	Mr. Traill	87	7	80
Mr. Paterson	75	4	71	Mr. Savile	94	12	82
Gen. Dandridge	86	12	74	Capt. Shaw	93	10	83
Mr. Everard	85	9	76	Mr. T. Latham	85	2	83
Col. French	91	15	76	Mr. Ricketts	91	6	85
Mr. MacLaren	85	8	77	Mr. Dyson	97	12	85

EDINBURGH "CLEEK" GOLF CLUB.—This club played the quarterly competition for the McIntosh silver cleek (played with cleeks only) on Thursday, the 14th inst., over Dunbar Links. Mr. J. G. Murdoch proved the winner with a score of 99, less 8=91.

ABERDEEN, BANFF, AND KINCARDINE CLUB.—The members held a competition over the Archerfield Golf course on Thursday, the 14th inst., for the captain's gold medal and club prizes. Under handicap the first prize was won by Mr. W. Tough with a net score of 78; 2, Mr. J. Ogilvie Kemp, 82; 3, Mr. J. Hamilton, 83; 4, Mr. C. Symington and Mr. A. D. Lambert, 87.

WEST LANCASHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The annual Whitsuntide meeting of the above club was held at Hall Road on Monday, the 18th inst., in delightful though somewhat boisterous weather. On inspection of the cards the premier proved to be Mr. T. H. Luzmore, with the capital net score of 80, thereby securing the first club prize and the first sweepstakes. The second prize and second sweepstakes were tied for by Messrs. F. W. Cornelius and Clement Taylor with the net score of 81. The following are the scores below 100:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. T. H. Luzmore.	92	12	80	Dr. Rowlands	109	18	91
Mr. F. W. Cornelius	95	14	81	Mr. C. C. Deane	96	4	92
Mr. Clement Taylor	103	22	81	Mr. F. E. M. Dixon	96	4	92
Mr. G. R. Cox, jun.	87	4	83	Mr. J. Kirke Crooks	105	13	92
Mr. Geo. Newsome.	88	5	83	Mr. J. E. Pearson	106	14	92
Mr. J. Shepherd	90	7	83	Mr. Hugh Christie	114	22	92
Mr. W. Buckley	108	25	83	Mr. Hugh Verdon	115	23	92
Mr. E. V. Crooks	93	9	84	Mr. W. Montgomery	118	25	93
Mr. E. L. Lewes	95	10	85	Mr. J. J. Yates	106	12	94
Mr. L. J. Ferguson	91	5	86	Mr. F. Harrison	113	18	95
Dr. Davidson	92	6	86	Mr. J. N. P. Newton	114	18	96
Mr. L. D. Stoddart	88	1	87	Mr. G. A. Thomson	114	18	96
Rev. C. de Winslow	107	20	87	Mr. Jas. Fairclough	99	2	97
Mr. J. Reid Moir	90	1	89	Mr. W. S. Taylor	102	5	97
Mr. Geo. Segar	116	27	89	Mr. W. Roughton	105	8	97
Mr. Geo. Grieve	105	15	90	Mr. Osbert Blundell	111	14	97
Mr. H. Durand	106	16	90	Mr. H. Rowland	111	14	97
Mr. R. Gool	97	6	91	Dr. Bushby	116	18	98
Dr. Hower	97	6	91	Mr. G. Seatree	118	20	98
Mr. C. T. Dawbarn	103	12	91	Mr. E. Dean	121	23	98
Mr. Alex. Stoddart	103	12	91	Mr. H. B. Wyatt	123	25	98
Mr. Jas. Rose	109	18	91				

WIMBLEDON LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The links on Wimbledon Common were quite a picturesque sight on Saturday, May 23rd, when the monthly medals were played for the first time since the club ceased their meetings in 1879. The weather was splendid, and the gathering most enjoyable.

Fifty ladies started, and the winners were:—1st division (0 to 5), Miss I. Pearson; 2nd division (6 to 12), Miss Ethel King; 3rd division (13 to 18), Miss A. E. Faithfull.

The following are the returns:—

FIRST DIVISION.

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Miss I. Pearson	82	scr.	82	Miss B. Thomson	99	scr.	99
Miss L. Thomson	88	scr.	88	Miss M. Dickie	107	4	103
Miss M. E. Phillips	92	scr.	92	Mrs. G. Banbury	109	5	104
Miss N. Muir	100	5	95	Mrs. N. Foster	111	5	106

SECOND DIVISION.

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Miss Ethel King	106	10	96	Miss Frith	112	8	104
Miss Want	108	8	100	Miss M. Connell	112	6	106
Mrs. Archer	108	8	100	Miss B. Gedge	116	8	108
Miss M. B. Dick	113	10	103				

THIRD DIVISION.

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Miss A. E. Faithfull	107	14	93	Mrs. Hedderwick	127	18	109
Miss M. C. Faithfull	118	18	100	Miss B. Martyn	125	16	109
Miss E. R. Faithfull	117	14	103				

The following were over 110:—Miss Ritchie, Mrs. L. Purves, Mrs. Davies, Miss Emily Carver, Miss N. Forde, Miss Ethel Carver, Miss Clarke, Mrs. Pollock, Miss E. M. Few, Miss Reeves, Miss Oliver, Miss M. Schwann, Miss Colt, Miss Frere, Mrs. Moran, Mrs. Horne, Mrs. Browne, Miss Scott, Miss E. Malcolm, Miss Clapham, Miss E. Martyn, Miss K. Macfarlan, Mrs. Nicol, Miss Nicol, Miss Field, Mrs. Anderson, Miss Hay-Cooper, Miss Macfarlan, Miss Gow, Miss L'Estrange, Miss Ada Smith, Miss Blake, Mrs. Henderson, Miss M. Gane, Miss E. Gane, Mrs. Lawrence, Miss M. Few, Miss E. Wingfield, Miss M. Wingfield.

WOODFORD GOLF CLUB.

A general meeting of the members of the above club was held at the "Castle Hotel," Woodford, on the 15th May, to consider the advisability of altering the rules so as to allow the election of non-resident playing members. The chair was taken by Mr. Walter Kemsley, and amongst those present were Messrs. Hunt, Martin, Fraser, Towle, Stacpoole, Siggers, and others. The secretary, Mr. A. H. Tozer, reported that the progress of the club since its formation in the autumn of 1890 had been very satisfactory, and that the outlook of the club was most encouraging. The hard winter had naturally much interfered with work on the greens and course, but much credit was due to Lambert for the condition to which they had been brought, and as extra labour was now being used, it was anticipated that shortly considerable im-

provement would be visible, especially over the course between the greens. The links had been visited on several occasions by golfers of experience from other clubs, and the universal opinion was that in consequence of the numerous and difficult hazards and the nature of the ground, it would soon prove to be as good a course as could be desired, and one of the best in the neighbourhood of London. It was explained that under the original rules of the club, gentlemen were only eligible for election if residing within three miles of the links, but in consequence of the numerous applications for membership from other gentlemen it had been decided by the committee to recommend the alteration of this rule. After considerable discussion it was finally agreed that the rule should be altered, so as to allow the election of gentlemen non-resident in the neighbourhood in the proportion of one in four to the local members, and several names were at once given in. A suggestion was made as to the advisability of limiting the number of members, but nothing was definitely decided. It was reported that the list now numbered over 80, and it was also announced that the financial prospects were very satisfactory. Arrangements were made for handicap competitions, and the meeting adjourned after the customary vote of thanks to the chair.

WORCESTERSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The Whitsun meeting was held on Monday, the 18th inst. The entries were few, but this was probably owing to a fall of snow on the previous night, which made the prospect look anything but promising. However, the ground was all right by ten o'clock, and some good returns were sent in. The scratch prize was won by the Rev. H. Foster, and, as he has now won this twice in succession, it becomes his property. Mr. Perry won the challenge handicap prize, which carries with it the club gold memento. There were three players tied for second place, and on playing off the tie in the afternoon Mr. Archdale secured the second club prize, and Mr. Hyde the third. Captain Clarke won the Iron Club prize. Subjoined are the scores:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. W. E. Perry	103	25	78	Mr. F. Hookham	112	23	89
Mr. A. S. Archdale	92	13	79	Mr. E. Wight	107	17	90
Mr. T. Hyde	88	9	79	Mr. R. R. Brown	110	20	90
Rev. W. E. Bolland	92	13	79	Mr. H. Goldingham	112	22	90
Mr. G. Hext (visitor)	105	25	80	Mr. Kinnear (visitor)	112	22	90
Mr. A. H. Lechmere	100	17	83	Rev. C. Black	105	11	94
Rev. H. Foster	82	+2	84	Mr. J. W. Jeakes	122	25	97
Mr. W. E. Paterson	95	10	85	Mr. J. Bengough			
Capt. J. D. L. Clarke	103	18	85	(visitor)	130	25	105

There were twenty-five entries.

Iron Club competition, played over half the course:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Capt. J. D. L. Clarke	48	9	39	Mr. F. Cobbett	60	12	48
Mr. T. Hyde	45	4½	40½	Mr. A. S. Archdale	55	6½	48½
Rev. C. Black	46	5½	40½	Dr. H. E. Dixey	61	12½	48½
Mr. A. C. Cherry	51	8	43	Mr. R. R. Brown	59	10	49
Major W. L. Lewes	52	5½	46½	Mr. H. Goldingham	62	11	51
Mr. A. H. Lechmer	55	8½	47½				

There were twenty entries.

WORCESTERSHIRE v. COVENTRY.

A match of eleven on each side was played on the 12th inst., over the Malvern course. The ground was in first-class order, and the day as choice a specimen of fine weather as the heart could desire. Subjoined are the respective scores:—

WORCESTERSHIRE.			COVENTRY.		
Hcp.	Hcp.	Hcp.	Hcp.	Hcp.	Hcp.
Rev. H. Foster	7	Mr. F. C. H. Blair	0	Mr. F. C. H. Blair	0
Mr. E. F. Chance	4	Mr. T. H. Ashton	0	Mr. T. H. Ashton	0
Mr. T. Hyde	10	Mr. W. Hillman	0	Mr. W. Hillman	0
Mr. W. E. Paterson	10	Hon. R. H. Lytton	0	Hon. R. H. Lytton	0
Mr. J. N. Swann	0	Mr. A. Rotherham	1	Mr. A. Rotherham	1
Rev. C. Black	6	Rev. Mr. Evans	0	Rev. Mr. Evans	0
Mr. H. D. Acland	0	Mr. W. H. Bainbridge	1	Mr. W. H. Bainbridge	1
Rev. H. M. Faber	6	Mr. J. Powers	0	Mr. J. Powers	0
Mr. A. S. Archdale	0	Mr. F. Latham	5	Mr. F. Latham	5
Mr. H. Ingleby	6	Mr. H. Smith	0	Mr. H. Smith	0
Mr. H. W. Buck	3	Mr. F. Smith	0	Mr. F. Smith	0
	52				7

THE BRAIDS GOLF CLUB.—This club held their monthly competition for the gold medal and the third stage of the Murray charm over the Braids course on Saturday. Although the weather was fine there was a small attendance, only twenty players taking part. The medal was won by Mr. Peter Campbell with a score of 85, less 10=75. The best scratch scores were handed in by Messrs. W. G. Munro, jun., and John D. Walker, who were 83 each.

UNGDOCK GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday last week a team of six members of the above club played a friendly match with a scratch team of a like number of Glasgow University Golf Club. The result was a win for the local team by 5 holes. Subjoined are the results:—

UNGDOCK		UNIVERSITY.	
	Hole.		Holes.
Mr. Harry G. Smith ...	0	Rev. W. Lee ...	1
Mr. Herbert G. Smith ...	0	Mr. M. T. Fraser ...	2
Mr. A. N. Bertram ...	3	Dr. McKay ...	0
Mr. Burns Graham ...	0	Mr. Robb ...	1
Mr. Wyllie Clark ...	0	Mr. Murray ...	0
Mr. J. Keyden ...	6	Mr. Brown ...	0
	9		4

WEST LINTON, PEEBLESHIRE.—A match, Married v. Single, was played on the course here on Saturday last. Result:—

MARRIED.		SINGLE.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. R. Millar ...	0	Mr. R. Alexander ...	0
Mr. J. Paterson ...	0	Mr. R. Aitken ...	0
Mr. W. Sandilands ...	0	Mr. S. McLintock ...	1
Mr. W. Sanderson ...	6	Mr. D. Clark ...	0
Mr. J. Steele ...	0	Mr. F. Cochrane ...	6
	6		7

A most enjoyable game was had over the bracing, breezy upland course, high up on the Pentlands, which, now greatly improved, is much taken advantage of. The club is about to be presented with a scratch medal by the member for the county.

HARRISON GOLF CLUB, EDINBURGH.—Messrs. A. Tait, P. Brown, J. Blyth, and J. Campbell played off their tie for the club's gold medal in Harrison Park, on the 20th inst. Mr. J. Blyth was the winner.

"SCOTSMAN" CLUB.—The members of this club played over the Braids course on the 20th inst. for their monthly medal. Mr. W. L. Davidson won the medal with a net score of 81. Mr. J. Mercer was second with 82.

KINGHORN.—The spring competition for prizes took place on Saturday. The following are the prize-winners:—1st, Mr. George R. Hepburn, 85, less 10=75; 2nd and 3rd, a tie between Captain M'Pherson, with a scratch score of 78, and Mr. H. Maiden, with 80, less 2=78; 4th, Dr. Smith, Kirkcaldy, 95, less 16=79; 5th and 6th, a tie between Mr. William Mann, 92, less 12=80, and Mr. James M'Pherson, 90, less 10=80; 7th, a tie between Messrs. James Davidson, Kirkcaldy, 95, less 14=81; Mr. Thomas Smith, Kirkcaldy, 83, less 2=81; and Rev. J. Davidson, 95, less 14=81. The second competition for the Hamilton cup took place on Saturday, and resulted in a tie between Mr. Thomas Storrar, with a score of 79 (scratch), and Mr. David Masterton, with 97, less 18=79. On playing off, Masterton was winner with a score of 48, less 9=39.

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