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NOVEMBER.

Nov. 14.-Littlestone: Monthly Medal. West Herts: Monthly Medal. Guildford: Monthly Handicap. Wilpshire and District: Monthly Medal. Alnwick: H. Marsh's Painting. Warwickshire: Shaw Gold Medal. Nairn: Pullar Medal. Lanark: Gold Ball, and other Prizes. Formby: Pearson Prize. Hayling Island: Monthly Competition.
Tooting: Monthly Medal.
Sutton Coldfield: Medal Competition.
Dalhousie: Handicap Match.

Nov. 17.—Cambridge University: Linskill Cup and Pirie Medal (entrance-fee, 2s. 6d.).

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Nov. 16-21.—Nagpur: Grand Annual Meeting.

Nov. 19.—Tyneside: Bi-Monthly Competition.

Nov. 21.—Dublin: Monthly Medal.

Disley: First Winter Handicap.

West Lancashire: St. Andrews Meeting.

Alnmouth: Marsh Painting (Final).

Lytham and St. Anne's: The Bury Cup.

Warwickshire: Savile Cup (Tournament).

Sector Carew: Club Cup. Warwickshire: Savile Cup (Tournament).
Seaton Carew: Club Cup.
Whitley: Doctors' Cup (final).
Royal Wimbledon and London Scottish: Joint Medal.
Ealing: Monthly Medal.
County Down: County Down Railway Cup.
Epsom: Monthly Medal.

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Nov. 21.—Sutton Coldfield: Lloyd Prize.

Guildford: Oxford University v. The Club. Nov. 23.—Coventry: Oxford University v. The Club.

Nov. 24.—Whitley: Joicey Cup.
Redhill and Reigate: Handicap Tournament (first and second round).

Cambridge University: St. Andrews Medal. Nov. 28.—Royal Wimbledon: Monthly Medal. -Royal Wimbledon; Monthly Medal.
Royal Liverpool: St. Andrews Day Meeting.
Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells: Monthly Medal.
Royal Eastbourne: Monthly Medal.
Ilkley: Monthly Medal.
Warwickshire: Club Cup.
Buxton and High Peak: Monthly Medal.
West Herts: Winter Meeting and Dinner.
Warwickshire: Club Cup Competition.

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Cambridge University v. Epping Forest.
Birkdale: Captain's Cup.
Nov. 30.—Royal Isle of Wight: St. Andrews Day Meeting; Moreton Cup; St. Andrews Cross. Burnham (Somerset): Gold Medal Handicap.

DECEMBER.

Dec. 3.—Tyneside: Bi-Monthly Competition.
Dec. 5.—London Scottish: Monthly Medal. Brighton and Hove: The Berens Gold Medal. Bournemouth: Monthly Medal. Sutton Coldfield: Muntz Prize.

Lundin: Handicap Medal.
Manchester: Monthly Medal.
Melbourne: Monthly Medal.
Redhill and Reigate: Club Medal.
County Down: Wallace Cup. Rochdale: Secretary's Trophy. Seaton Carew: Gray's Trophy. Warwickshire: Lefroy Prize. Richmond: Monthly Medal.

Richmond: Monthly Medal.

Birkdale: Monthly Medal.

Royal Liverpool: Winter Optional Subscription Prizes.

Dec. 8.—Whitley: Joicey Cup.
Birkdale: Club Ladies' Prize. Dec. 12.-

Littlestone: Monthly Medal.
West Herts: Monthly Medal.
Guildford: Monthly Handicap.
Nairn: Pullar's Medal. Wilpshire: Monthly Medal. Warwickshire: Molthly Medal.

Warwickshire: Military Gold Medal.

Tooting: Monthly Medal.

Sutton Coldfield: Medal Competition.

Formby: Pearson Prize.

Hayling Island: Monthly Competition.

Dec. 17.—Tyneside: Bi-Monthly Competition.

Dec. 19.—Dublin: Monthly Medal.

Brighton and Hove: The De Worms Cl

Seaton Carew: Club Cup.

Brighton and Hove: The De Worms Challenge Cup; Club Disley: Second Winter Handicap.

ADVICE TO YOUNG GOLFERS.

IX.

Since the first of these articles was printed, attention has been called, through the medium of Golf, to the damage caused to links which is now-a-days so common, especially in playing with cleeks and irons. With regard to this, notice may be taken of the fact that in the articles published under the above head it has been recommended: 1. That no style of play should on any account be adopted which tends to take turf or injure the links when the ball is lying clear, and, 2. That play through the green should as far as possible be done with wooden clubs. After considering the matter carefully and looking to the extent of the evil in the past, and to the likelihood of its increasing, instead of diminishing in the future, unless golfers combine with the view of taking precautions to lessen it, the writer has come to the conclusion that the subject is deserving of some more special

There is no doubt that the greater part of the damage, in fact one might almost say that the entire damage, is done by learners When a would-be golfer first attempts Golf he, in the majority of cases, begins to play with a cleek, and with a cleek only. The reason is obvious, it is undoubtedly the best all-round club, useful for almost everything—driving, approaching, and putting, and does very well for bunker play—and it is the club he is least likely to break; hence from its utility, and from its being least expensive, the cleek carries the day with the beginner. Again, it seldom occurs to a beginner that he can play in any other place than on the proper round of a golfing links. It would not be Gotf, and Golf is what he is determined to play, however ingloriously. A very fair example of this can be seen any Saturday at Musselburgh, since the Edinburgh Braid Hills course has been opened. Any golfer who has been over the Braids course will know the kind of players to be seen there. They are not golfers, but they can trundle the ball along the ground, and when they come up to the hole, if they play at all in the direction of the disc they have as much chance of seeing their "guttas" go down, perhaps more than a professional golfer would have, who played scientifically and studied his line to the hole. After these players (not golfers, mark the distinction) have had a few rounds on the Braids, they can generally speaking make as good a score there as an average good golfer, and in less than no time they begin to think they are tip-top hands at the game, and nothing will satisfy them, but down they must go to Musselburgh to show what they can do, possibly thinking they could give odds to some of the local professionals. What is the result? Musselburgh being totally different from the Braids, and requiring probably more precision in playing than any other green, their game does not come off as they expected it would, and their strokes wax furious. It is simply lamentable to follow such players round and to watch the havor they make with the green, and the way the divots fly at every stroke.

Some people seem to think that the turf grows so quickly that little or no harm is done; but this is a grand mistake. No doubt the turf does grow soon, but not so quickly as one would wish, and another thing is that balls always tend to roll into hollows made by previous players in taking the turf in their strokes, and it is hardly possible to play out without increasing the damage, and so the hole goes on getting deeper and larger.

Now it is quite unnecessary that a beginner should either learn with a cleek, or that he should learn on the regular round of a golfing green. Let us hope that every one who takes to the game does so with the object of becoming as proficient as possible. He should begin with a wooden play club-alittle spooned in the face perhaps-which can be made strong enough to stand rough usage, he does not need to be very particular about the appearance of his club so long as it is strong and serviceable. A much better style can be acquired by using a wooden club, as it is easier to play with than a cleek. To use a cleek effectively requires that some strength be put into the strokes, and this tends to spoil the free, easy swing which all golfers should strive to attain, and it also tend to foozling strokes and consequent destruction of the green. Let beginners then use wooden clubs for all their long game.

The first thing to be learnt is to hit the ball, and until this

can be done properly there is no object in playing the regular

round of a green. Beginners who insist on "going the round" are a nuisance to other players, and can hardly derive either benefit or enjoyment from their game. The writer has undergone the torture of seeing one of a couple who happened to play immediately before him, take no less than four strokes before the ball was moved off the tee (of course the player did not count these strokes, oh, no! why should he, he had never touched the ball). Practice is the only thing that will teach a beginner to hit the ball, and the best way for him to do is to go to some part of the links not used in playing the round, and practise drives by himself. Let him take three or four balls, and tee them and drive them one after the other. The game can be learnt quicker and better this way than any other, because one sees where his play is at fault; and he can try again, and endeavour to remedy his fault at once, by teeing another ball instead of having to wait till he has walked up to his ball as he would have to do in playing the round. Nor is there much danger of losing balls by following out the above recommendation. If some of the strokes are "heavy" and the turf is injured, the consequences are not very serious as the place is out of the regular course, and if a golfer should happen to get into a hack so caused he would have his own erratic play to blame and not the beginner who had made the hole. All sorts of strokes should be practised thus, drives, brassy shots, hanging balls, cleek shots, and approaches. Putts also should be practised in this way with three or four balls, but this must be done of course on a puttinggreen and at a hole. If this advice is acted upon, a beginner will save himself a vast amount of the humiliation to which he must inevitably be subjected when his own unformed game is contrasted (as it is bound to be) with the practised skill of another golfer. No player need think it is in the least degree derogatory to his dignity to put into practice the suggestions made above. It is the way all our best professionals have learned and still Many a time has the writer seen young Willie Park practising these magnificent long drives, taken in his own easy style, for which the player is so justly famous; and often has he seen Willie Campbell practising these deadly iron and mashie approaches, and long putts which he never failed to hole out.

Of course, after a certain amount of proficiency has been

attained through practising the different strokes separately, practice on the regular round must be done so as to make one's whole game hang well together. But by the time he is ready to "go the round" the danger of injuring the turf will be greatly minimised.

If any divots are cut out, the greatest care should be taken to see the turf replaced and pressed firmly down with the foot. This is the only thing that can be done, and under ordinary conditions there is a fairly good chance of the turf taking root again. If it does not, however, the edges of the hack are pressed down by the foot and the hack does not form so dangerous a trap as it would otherwise do.

(To be continued.)

J. A.

BUNCRANA.

And where is Buncrana, pray? Read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest the following artless lines, and if thereby induced to wend your way thither, when that active brain for which you are so greatly admired demands rest, and that physique for which, perchance, you have been wont to admire yourself, grown flabby from urban pursuits, requires a tonic, you will not only not regret it, but will invoke a blessing on the head of the man whose innate benevolence prompts him to disclose the whereabouts of a beauty spot hitherto known to the discerning few. The wrath of these few will, doubtless, be great on finding their Tusculum invaded, but its duration will be short when it is discovered that it is only the gentle golfer who is descending upon the land, for his presence doth not blur the fair face of nature, neither doth his "fore" mingle inharmoniously with the cry of the curlew and the seagull.

You may ask where is Buncrana, and be not ashamed. Even Macaulay's omniscient schoolboy might "own up" without great loss to his reputation, since there be people, not a few whose raven locks have turned to grey, and purple bloom to ashen hue, within a hundred miles of the place, with only the

vaguest notion as to its situation, or the manner of reaching it. And yet it is so easy to get at. Take down that volume of maps, the only relic of your schoolday equipment, and having found among its somewhat loose pages the chart of Ireland, direct your gaze to the north coast. You will observe an arm of the sea winding its sinuous way far into the land. That is Lough Swilly, the Lake of Shadows, and about half way, on the eastern side, you will find Buncrana, in the county of Donegal. (Pronounce Bun-crah-na, and not Bun-cray-na.) Such, however, will not be the line of your approach to this lovely spot, which must be made by way of the ancient, historical, picturesque, unconquered, unconquerable, loyal (pacè Mr. Justin M'Carthy, M.P.), Maiden City of Derry, Anglicè Londonderry. It would be an insult to Bradshaw and his numerous satellites, not to mention the amour propre of the citizens of this ancient, historical, picturesque, &c., &c., city, to instruct the traveller how to get there; being there, he has but to cross it on a jaunting car, and the Lough Swilly narrow gauge will trundle him down to his destination in a leisurely manner, which in itself imparts the restful feeling the town-worn traveller is in search of. Walking up to the hotel you feel a sweet assurance you have come to the right place, the beautiful lough, surrounded by the Donegal mountains, lying at your feet, with its two "reaches," reminding you of Zurich. You cannot arrive at a wrong time, for it is lovely in all kinds of weather, whether ruffled into foam-flecked billows by the north-west breeze, or placid as a mirror, with only the gentlest of zephyrs to keep the air in motion. And the air is so good, that as you gulp down deep draughts of it and endeavour to determine whether it is from the mountain or the main, you probably come to the conclusion that it is a delicious blend of both. To the city man, longing for a respite from the high pressure of commercial competition, or to his professional brother able to afford a break in his wearying round, as well as to the gentleman of leisure, desirous to quit the beaten track of the tourist, I can imagine no better place than this, where the excursionist is unknown, and of whose existence 'Arry wotteth not. His peace will be unbroken, save perhaps on the "twelfth," when a few sportsmen, firmly persuaded that the slaughter of grouse is the chief object of life, may, perhaps, in the exuberance of their spirits, cut short his morning slumbers by the unduly emphasised closing of doors and far-reaching interchange of remarks preparatory to the coming compaign.

There is an increasing number of people on the look out for a resort where they can enjoy a holiday that shall be quiet, without being dull, and to such Buncrana will be a welcome revelation. There the angler may pursue his gentle craft, and the pedestrian rejoice like a giant refreshed, as he climbs the moorland path, while his appreciative eye takes in the varied scene of purple heather, gray crag, and the blue waters of the lough below. The less actively inclined will find their amusement in sailing, or may select one of many drives, and have as charioteer the descendant of an Irish king, whose ancestral castle lay "over there," and who is the proud possessor of double front teeth and a sixth toe, unimpeachable evidence of his royal lineage. But it is the golfer in whose behalf I write, for here he will find a happy hunting ground, whose recently discovered capabilities have resulted in the formation of the North-West Golf Club. Though only a nine-hole course, it has a circuit of over a mile and three-quarters, and the turf is absolutely perfection. No bovine hoof apparently has ever desecrated it, the fleecy flock alone would appear to have roamed over its surface, and that speaks volumes to the connoisseur in turf. If your soul yearneth for whins, rushes, or bent, come not to Buncrana. The hazards are only three in kind-natural bunkers of clean dry sand, free from stones, a stream twice crossed, and the undulations of the ground. It is a paradise for the brassy player. The utmost has been made of the natural capabilities of the ground, under the experienced eye of Mr. W. H. Mann, the present captain of the County Club at Portrush, who can give points to most pro-

fessionals in this line.

The tee for the first hole is—on second thoughts I will spare myself and the columns of Golf, my candid opinion being that not more than one in a hundred reads the elaborately detailed description of a Golf course. Suffice it to say that the holes vary in length from ninety yards to over five hundred, and that ninety is the scratch score for two rounds. Portrush is, and will always be, the St. Andrews of Ireland, and for nine or ten months out of the twelve there is "ample room and verge

enough," but to the golfer who wishes to have a quiet round, where the cry of "fore" is not too often heard, Buncrana will recommend itself. Nor need he fear having to "rough it" in the matter of creature comforts. The Lough Swilly Hotel will take him in and do for him in the honourable sense of the phrase, whether his requirements are typified by the modest chop and glass of bitter, or the dinner of courses and Ayala of '85. The board of green cloth is not wanting, and the view from one delightful corner of the quaint smoking-room will, perhaps, tempt him to linger long over the after breakfast pipe. Come, then, golfers in your—no, not in your thousands, for that would spoil all; but come in your pairs and your foursomes, and be not afraid to come alone if need be, and, by-the-bye, before you take your homeward way, fail not to take the little steamer to Portsalon, a few miles down the lough. What you will find there is much too good for the tail of an article, but this much may be hinted—take your clubs with you and inquire for Colonel Barton.

R. A. C.

BOY HANGED FOR STEALING GOLF BALLS. — In an interesting note on "Golf in Banff in Early Times" published in the Banffshire Journal a writer says:—"The earliest reference to Golf in the records of the burgh of Banff is in the year 1637, when Francis Brown, 'ane boy of ane evill lyiff,' was hanged on the Gallows Hill of Banff for, interalia, stealing 'some Golff ballis,' two of which he confessed 'he sauld to Thomas Urquhartis servand.' The numerous references to club-makers in the burgh records leave little if any doubt that Golf has, at least since the above date, been played continuously on the Links of Banff. In Banff Museum is a skull, labelled that of Macpherson, the noted freebooter. The skull was found prior to a recent complete examination of the burgh records, and when the belief was entertained that Macpherson alone suffered death on the Gallows Hill. The evidence points, however, more strongly towards the skull being that of this infamous Golf-ball stealer, and I would respectfully suggest to the Museum Committee that the skull be re-labelled as that of the aforesaid Francis Brown, in order to point a moral and serve as a warning to all future generations of the danger and disgrace of stealing Golf balls."

THE "EDINBURGH LIFE" GOLF CLUB.—This club held their autumn meeting and competition on Musselburgh Links on Saturday. The first prize, a set of clubs, presented by Mr. Andrew C. Tawse, Royal Terrace, was won by Mr. J. F. P. Clarke; the second prize, presented by Mr. James Biggar, captain of the club, was won by Mr. James Kerr.

BRIDGE OF WEIR—RANFURLY CASTLE CLUE,—This club is now engaged in competing for a number of prizes presented by various members of the club. For three prizes presented by Messrs. Sangster, Weir, and G. Scott the draw has taken place, and members are at present competing in the undernoted order. These first ties have all to be played off by the middle of this month. The total number of entries for these contests is fifty. Dr. Sandeman has also presented a prize for these contests is fifty. Dr. Sandeman has also presented a prize for these contests in the competition for the monthly gold medal. A number of other prizes have been given for competition, but they will not be played for till early next year. Draw:—Mr. T. H. B. Black against Dr. Mudie; Mr. Jas. Kay against Mr. Neil Robson; Mr. J. M'Aulay against Dr. Sandeman; Mr. A. M. Brown against Mr. John Buchanan; Mr. Neil Robson, jun. against Mr. W. A. Aikman; Mr. A. C. Weir against Mr. A. B. M'Kechnie; Mr. Thomas Frame against Mr. R. Brownlie, jun., Mr. D. K. M'Leish against Mr. John R. Scott; Mr. A. M. M'Crindell against Mr. John I. Wilson; Mr. W. Adam against Mr. Kenneth Buchanan; Mr. D. C. Wingate against Mr. W. V. Pritchard; Mr. Gilbert W. Wilson against Mr. W. Norman Scott; Mr. D. A. Morrison against Mr. J. H. Riddel; Mr. John Sangster against Mr. Richard Fleming; Mr. J. M. Porteous against Mr. James Potts; Mr. William Brown against Mr. Thomas Carruthers, jun.; Mr. J. M. Brown against Mr. James Fleming; Mr. J. B. Stewart against Mr. W. Mr. M'Lure, jun. Byes.—The following have received byes in the contest:—Messrs. A. N. Lindsay, Mr. R. B. Mitchell, Mr. Robert Stevenson, Captain Ross, Mr. J. M. Campbell, Mr. John Thomson, Mr. A. Symington, Mr. John Lockie, Mr. W. J. Mirrlees, Mr. R. Park Lyle, Mr. Wm. Aiken, Mr. David and Mr. Robert Craig, and Rev. Thomas Carruthers. The members of this club on Saturday afternoon competed for the usual monthly gold medal. A special competition also took place for a prize presented by Dr. Sandeman, a member of the club, for th



QUESTIONS ON THE RULES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,-We had a few days past a match with another club from a neighbouring city. On the morning of the match, as a member of the Green Committee, I gave orders to have all the holes changed. I was much surprised to be told afterwards, by several members, that it was unnecessary to do so, and that I had made a great mistake, as we were entitled to every advantage on our own green.

Our rule is, "On the morning of club competitions new holes shall be made"; the argument against me being, "This is not a club competition."

Kindly state if it is compulsory to change holes before an important match with another club or not, or if it is only supposed to be the gentlemanly thing to do so?

I am, Sir, &c., J. H. B.

Montreal, Canada, 27th October, 1891.

[It is certainly customary to change the holes before every competition, whether club or not, and our correspondent was perfectly right in the action he took .- ED.]

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,-Would you be good enough in next issue of GOLF to

answer the following question :-

Two men are playing for the club medal by strokes. One is on the green in three; the other plays a long putt, and puts his opponent into the hole. Should he replace his ball on the green and hole out, or is he counted down in three?

I am, Sir, &c., CASTLE.

[Several cases of this kind have already been answered, notably in reply to "Saxon" in our issue of October 9th. The player must replace the ball cannoned into the hole, and hole out just as if the accident had not occurred. Should be fail to do so he is liable to disqualification for breach of the rule, which enjoins that all balls must be holed out on medal days.—ED]

-:-IRON CLUB-HOUSES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR, -In answer to Messrs. Lee and Hirst's letter in last week's GOLF as to iron club-houses, I should strongly advise them to write and consult the Wire-Wove Roofing Company, 108, Queen Victoria Street, E.C., before finally settling on any iron club-house. Our club-house is covered with their roofing material, greatly to our satisfaction; and they have just completed a workshop complete for our club-house, which seems to us particularly snug and comfortable.

I do not know that they will find it any cheaper than iron, but I am quite sure they will find it more comfortable.

I am, Sir, &c., F. F. McKENZIE, Hon. Sec. Royal Epping Forest Golf Club, Chingford, Essex, November 9th, 1891.

THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,-I see in your last number a proposal of George Lowe's to make a ten shilling entrance-fee; and making it a three days' contest, to cause one-fourth to fall out on the first day, onefourth more on the second day, leaving one-half the original entry to compete for final, "the best aggregate of the three days' play of 108 holes to be champion."

I am afraid that Mr. Lowe might bunker himself and a good many other deserving men by this process, if I understand him

To begin with, I think that it would not be a bad thing, certainly, to make it obligatory that each competitor should pay 10s. entry; but I would return the greater part, say, 7s. 6d. (if not the whole 10s.) to each professional competitor who turns up at the starting post, and who does his two rounds in the best score plus anything under 18. This would be equal to an allowance of half a stroke per hole, sufficient surely in all conscience, and which at the same time would act as a deterrent to prevent some so-called professionals from entering themselves with a certainty of losing their money (i.e., forfeiting their 10s. entry). With regard to the amateur, I would say in every case let his 10s. entry go to swell the prize fund. By these means I am sure that no one who had a chance would be prevented entering, but only those whose absence would be a deal more

beneficial than their presence.
As regards the falling-out process, I would ask Mr. Lowe whether a contest prolonged over three days is advisable in the first instance? Then, again, let us suppose that, owing to some mischance of health or accident, Mr. John Ball, Mr. Laidlay, the Kirkaldys, and Mr. George Lowe, are among the worst in the first day's play, and had consequently to fall out. All of them are men capable of more than recovering themselves in the two succeeding days, and yet would be debarred! No; I think that if the system of money entry, with the above penalties, were carried out the field would be reduced within reasonable limits, and every end gained in the smallest possible time. Or if it were desired to give a great golfing treat, then say that the four highest should be asked to draw lots, and play against each other next morning, and the two victors against each other in the afternoon. This would not only test their capabilities in a scoring game, but also in a match game, which is, after all, the real test of the golfer.

I am, Sir, &c.,

DAVID J. LAMB.

St. Andrews, N.B., November 1st, 1891.

P.S.—On second thoughts it would, perhaps, be better to dub him champion who was first in the scoring competition; but I think £5 or £10 might with advantage be given for such a display as I have suggested for the second day, which I feel sure would excite the very highest interest among all golfers.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—There is an oft-quoted French saying, qui s'excuse, s'accuse. The letter of "One Who Knows" looks as if it were inspired by, if it be not indeed the production of, one of the condemned themselves. In any case it is pretty much an apology for the shortcomings of those concerned in the management of the meeting which was the subject of your strictures, and the origin of the letter of "One Who Knows" following thereupon. It is a pity "One Who Knows" has not revealed himself to us as "One Who is Known." We should then have been in a position to verify his nom de plume, and not be obliged to take him, as we must take him, on trust. Our anonymous friend seems to shelter himself, and those for whom he apologises, behind that obstructive to all progress, "custom." It is their slavish clinging to custom that has led the Royal and Ancient into so much antagonism to the progressive spirit of the age. Golf has progressed immensely during the last ten years. So great has been the strides of the game that it is absurd for a close corporation like theirs, representative as in some sense it is, to imagine that it can now lead the world of Golf in an exclusive or high-handed manner. No leading

individual or association of individuals ever yet succeeded in directing a popular movement, that was not prepared also in a great measure to be led by that movement, and the Royal and Ancient, if they are going to lead, had better make up their minds to follow. "Custom did not sanction;" "the advertising was . . . done in the usual way." Precisely. No attempt to look ahead. Let me quote Béranger for the benefit of the Royal and Ancient; the application is obvious :-

> "Comme vous, maman, faut-il faire? Eh! mes petits enfants, pourquoi, Quand j'ai fait comme ma grand'mere, Ne feriez-vous pas comme moi?'

"One Who Knows" promises better things on the part of the Royal and Ancient in future. Without doubt the Open Championship, when it comes to be played over St. Andrews again, will be played on a different footing from that on which it was played there last month.

I am, Sir, &c., J. McBAIN.

Ayr, October 30th, 1891.

PAINTING GOLF BALLS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,-Some months ago there appeared in your columns a correspondence about the best paint to use for ball painting. If any of your readers have not succeeded by means of these letters in finding a paint which fully satisfies their requirements, or if they are troubled by the paint chipping off the balls they buy, I can confidently recommend the following treatment, the

outcome of many experiments.

Get unpainted balls, whether new or made up, and store in an even temperature, neither very warm nor very cold, to condition. If red gutta they should be kept three or four months from date of moulding, if black six or eight, the latter for preference. Then scrub well with soap and water to remove all grease, and when thoroughly dry paint as follows: mix up white zinc powder into a thick paste with turpentine. This should be done on a slab of glass, or other hard substance, using a painter's mixing knife, and care should be taken that the paste is mixed free from lumps, and that the turpentine is thoroughly incorporated. Then place in a paint-pot, and thin down to the proper consistency with the following mixture. Boiled linseed oil, I part; unboiled linseed oil, I part; crystal oil varnish, I part, mixed together in a bottle before use and thoroughly shaken up. The resulting paint should be a nice creamy white. If desired, a little blue may be added to improve the colour. Pour a portion of this paint into a second pot, and add to it some finely powdered pummice-stone, till it has a gritty feel, thinning down with more of the oil mixture. The powdered pummice-stone to be had at all druggists should be shaken through a piece of fine muslin to remove all lumps before being used. Proceed to paint the balls with two thin coats of the gritty paint laid on by rubbing between the hands, and be sure that it penetrates into all the nicks of the balls; then finish up with two more thin coats of the other paint, and the result should be a ball with a nice enamel-like surface, which should stand a great deal of ill usage. Each coat should be laid on as thin as possible, and should be "bone dry" before the next is applied. The balls are ready for use directly the last coat is thoroughly dry. I need hardly impress upon your readers that to insure the best result the oils and varnish used should be of the very best quality.

I am, Sir, &c.,

"AN AMATEUR."

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Club makers may be glad to know that it is proposed to hold an international exhibition in connection with sporting and fishing, and of horses at Scheveningen, near the Hague, next summer, under the patronage of the Queen of the Netherlands. A few cases of clubs and balls by our best makers ought to be a welcome feature of the exhibition.

In commenting on Mr. Balfour's appointment to the leadership of the House of Commons, the London correspondent of the Indépendance Belge airs some original views as to the pastimes of the First Lord of the Treasury in private life. The writer, who signs himself "Smorltorka," is particularly instructive on the subject of Mr. Balfour's fondness for Golf. "Mr. Balfour," he says, "generally plays Golf in the park at Hatfield, whither it has been imported from Manipur, where it is played by the Indians. It resembles a kind of *jeu de paume*, and is played on horseback, with a bent stick, which reminds one of an antique shepherd's crook."

Linton Park, Maidstone, the seat of Mr. F. S. W. Cornwallis, M.P., now possesses an excellent Golf course of nine holes, although the ground is capable of extension to eighteen if required. Tom Dunn, Tooting Bec, had the laying of it out. He also laid out a ladies' course on the lawns in front of the

Recently a letter of introduction was handed by an actor to a manager, which described him as being an actor of much merit, and concluded, "He plays Virginius, Richelieu, Hamlet, Shylock, and Golf. He plays Golf the best."

Mr. G. P. Blagdon, one of the founders of the Durham Golf Club, and late hon. secretary to the club, was elected Mayor of Durham last Monday.

LADYBANK V. CUPAR CLUBS .- These clubs met on Saturday afternoon over the course at Annsmuir, near Ladybank. The weather was beautiful. Nine competitors a-side took part in the competition, playing two rounds of the course of nine holes, or eighteen greens. Scoring all round was good, and at the close the Cuparian team were declared the victors with a majority of seven holes. In the last competition, petition the home team were the winners with a majority of seven holes, the scores then being: Ladybank, 25; Cupar, 18; so that now the two clubs stand on level terms. Mr. John H. Carswell, of Straiton, went the couple of rounds in the splendid total of 79 strokes, while Mr. Wm. J. Watson, Dura Den, for Cupar, had 82.

OSSINGTON GOLF CLUB, KILMARNOCK.—The final tie for the captain's prize was played on Saturday, and resulted in a win for Mr. Jas. Auld, after a very evenly contested game, by two strokes. The "Walker Gold Medal" fell to Mr. Rankin Macalister, with a score of

BEARSDEN CLUB.-The monthly competition for the Smith medal took place on Saturday, and when the cards were handed in it was found that Mr. William Mackie was the winner with a score of 105, less 12 = 93. The next best scores were :—Mr. D. A. Kirkwood, 112, less 18 = 94; Mr. D. Inglis, 106, less 9 = 97; Mr. J. Hutton, 97 (scratch); and Mr. W. Smillie, 123, less 24 = 99. The greens were in capital order, and there was a good turn-out of players.



ABERDEEN.

The weather here for the past few weeks has been delightfully fine, and golfers over both our local greens have been taking full advantage of it. On Saturday the members of the Aberdeen Club competed over the Balgownie course for their monthly scratch medal and the Davidson cup (handicap), a prize presented by Mr. John Davidson, Mugiemoss, one of the club's ex-captains, and which takes the place of the Burgmann cup, which was finally won the other month. There was a large turn-out of competitors, and when the cards were compared at the close it was found that Mr. J. H. Craigie, with a score of 83, had won the scratch medal, while Mr. W. R. Reid, with 85, less 6=79, carried off the John Davidson cup. The following were the lowest scores:—

	Gross. Hcp. 1	C	Fross. H	CD.	Net.	
Mr. W. R. Reid	85 6	79	Mr. J. R. Whyte	95	6	89
Mr. J. H. Craigie	83 scr.	83	Mr. D. Littlejohn	95	6	89
Mr. W. F. Orr	85 +2	87	Mr. W. C. H. Jopp	95	6	89
Mr. C. C. Macdonald	87 scr.	87	Mr. J. Moir	96	6	90
Mr. Fre'. M'Crae				1		

The present captain of the Aberdeen Club (Rev. C. C. Macdonald) has intimated his intention of presenting a gold cross to the club, to be competed for as a challenge prize under certain special rules prepared by the donor.

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The annual match between the Aberdeen and Victoria Clubs takes place on Saturday, the 14th inst., over the Balgownie course.

ALNMOUTH CLUB.

The final for the club handicap cup took place last Saturday, at Alnmouth. The trophy has been contested for in a series of nine contests, and the nine individual winners were called on to decide who should become the possessor of the prize. Only eight competitors started, Mr. R. M. Hansard being the absentee. The scoring all round was high, and Mr. G. F. Charlton was found to be the winner, with a net score of 92. Details:—

Gross, Hcp, Ne	
Mr. G. F. Charlton 97 5 92 Mr. F. T. Ridley 98 3 95	Mr. J. L. Oliver 108 9 99 Mr. E. Paynter 114 15 99 Mr. A. H. Marsh 115 13 102

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Tuesday, the 3rd of November, was the day fixed for the competition for the gold medal, and, as the bright and dry weather kindly continued, there was a good muster of lady golfers. Miss L. Pulford won with a good net score, and also provided luncheon and tea for all the members present and their friends. Scores:—

	11-150/1	G	ross.	Hcp.	Net.		G	ross.	Нер.	Net.
Miss	L. Pulford		III	27	84	Miss Moor			15	
Mrs.	F. Lucas	144	106	15	91	Miss J. Pulford		125	24	IOI
									12	
Miss	Parsons		132	39	93	Mrs. Bell		122	20	102
Miss	E. Banister	***	112	18	94	Miss Mentzendorff		123	20	103
	C. Green		114	19	95	Miss Banister		127	21	106
Miss	Birch		98	2	96	Miss M. Parsons		124	13	III
Mrs.	Astbury				96					

Mrs. Peek, Miss Du Pré, Mrs. Jones-Bateman, Mrs. Dicks, Mrs. Stone, and Miss Lee, also played.

BOWDON GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, November 7th, a competition under handicap was held for a gold medal kindly presented to the club by Mr. T. W. Killick, the only conditions being that the play should be by score and the handicap limited to 18. Notwithstanding this limit there was an excellent entry of all sorts and conditions of players, and after the last

card had been handed in it was found that the medal had been secured by Mr. T. D. Cummins with 98 net, the three other prizes provided for by the optional sweepstake falling respectively to Messrs. H. F. Ransome, F. C. Morgan, and J. Pattison. The unusually large scores appended below are in some measure accounted for by the fact that for a long time past preparations have been made for doing away with the old eighteen-hole course, which was too short in many ways, and substituting a nine-hole round of one and three-quarter miles in length, or fully three and a-half for the eighteen.

This may seem a retrograde movement, but the effect has been to convert what was gradually becoming a paradise for duffers into a course requiring the very highest amateur play to do it in 85, and we feel ourselves quite safe in saying that it will not easily be done by anyone. The new lies are at present rather rough, but by the spring of next year this fault will have disappeared, and we have very high professional opinion for saying that in time the course will be one of the best and most difficult of the inland greens.

We take the present opportunity of giving a few words of advice to a few very inexperienced players who have lately joined the club:—

(1.) Though it is a rule that you may play from the tee after those in front have played their second shots, yet it is far better for you to wait until they are well out of range.

(2.) That it is an unpardonable thing for you to attempt to approach

a green upon which there are already players holing out.

(3.) That, other things being equal, you cannot attempt to pass the couple in front of you without first asking and receiving permission to do so.

(4.) That after having given the couple behind you permission to pass you, it is your duty to wait until they have done so, and not to hurry on to see if you can get on the green first.

The following are the scores of Saturday's play :-

P. H. T. THARMAN	Gross	. Нер	. Net.	The state of the s	Gross.Hcp	Net.
Nr. T. D. Cummins	103	5	98	Mr. F. Falkner	134 18	116
Mr. H. F. Ransome	112	10	102	Mr. F. Merriman	135 18	117
Mr. F. C. Morgan	104	scr.	104	Mr. E. F. Alford	132 14	118
Mr. J. Pattison	120	16	104	Mr. W. S. Mainprice	132 14	118
Rev. Wilson Cowie	114	7	107	Mr. Walter Rycroft	136 18	118
Rev. W.M.B. Lutener	114	7	107	Mr. H. Staffurth	134 15	IIO
Mr. S. W. Gillett	115	6	100	Mr. F. V. Williams	136 16	120
Captain J. C. Hobbs	131	18	113	Mr. A. Corah	138 16	122
Mr. A. Hogg	123	IO	II3	Mr. G. Shorland Ball	150 18	122
Mr. T. Creswick				Mr. C. Hopkinson	151 18	133
Oliver	117	3	114	Mr. J. B. Duncan	148 10	138

No returns from Messrs. Sydney Smelt, T. W. Killick, Donald Mac-Iver, F. R. B. Lindsell, Dr. Denniston, and the Rev. C. Chetwynd Atkinson.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE GOLF CLUB.

The following are the scores made in the Berens medal competition on Saturday last. A question arising from a breach of the rules is under consideration by the committee. Scores:—

Hcp.	Net	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
16	74	Mr. H. F. de Para-	-	
13	78	vicini 102	12	90
18	81	Mr. H. W. Street 104	14	90
25	81	Mr. F. G. Horne 107	17	00
16	85	Mr. A. I. Stanley 100	0	1.0
- 8	86	Mr. P. A. Willett 105	TA	OI
6	88	Rev. C. O. Vincent, 110	18	02
8	88	Mr. P. S. Schultz 100	6	04
15	88	Major Dudgeon 122	27	05
6	89	Mr. A. A. Berens 117	20	97
10	90			24
	13 18 25 16 8 6 8 15 6	13 78 18 81 25 81 16 85 8 86 6 88 8 88 15 88 6 89	13 78 vicini 102 18 81 Mr. H. W. Street 104 25 81 Mr. F. G. Horne 107 16 85 Mr. A. J. Stanley 100 8 86 Mr. P. A. Willett 105 6 88 Rev. C. O. Vincent . 110 8 88 Mr. P. S. Schultz 100 15 88 Major Dudgeon 122	Hep. Net 16 74 Mr. H. F. de Para- 13 78 vicini 102 12 18 81 Mr. H. W. Street 104 14 25 81 Mr. F. G. Horne 107 17 16 85 Mr. A. J. Stanley 105 14 8 86 Mr. P. A. Willett 105 14 6 88 Rev. C. O. Vincent . 110 18 8 88 Mr. P. S. Schultz 100 6 15 88 Major Dudgeon 122 27 6 89 Mr. A. A. Berens 117 20

* Under protest.

Thirteen players made no return.

BUXTON AND HIGH PEAK GOLF CLUB.

The Micholls cup was played for on Saturday, October 31st. The weather was fine and clear, with a touch of frost in the air, making the game a most enjoyable one. There was a good attendance.

	Gross.	Hep	Net.	Gross, Hep	Net.
Capt. Darwin, K.N.	100	10	84	Mr. W. L. Shipton 116 15	TOT
Mr. E. Micholls	100	14	86	Mr. C. F. Wardley 125 22	103
Mr. T. Swainson	115	19	96	Mr. T. Swann 120 24	TOF
Mr. A. Shipton	121	24	97	Mr. C. Coventry 130 24	106
Mr. McBean	122	24	98	Mr. T. Coventry 131 24	107
Mr. J. Strang	114	16	98	Mr. J. L. Strain 127 20	107
Col. Fernley	118	18	100		-01

The monthly medal was also played for at the same time.

ROSSLYNLEE GOLF CLUE.—The scratch and monthly medals were played for on Saturday, Dr. Maxwell winning both medals. Two rounds of the green were played. Scores:—Dr. Maxwell, 44, 50—94; Mr. J. R. Blackwood, 44, 53—97.

Holes.

CHELTENHAM GOLF CLUB.

During the last week the members of the Cheltenham Golf Club held their half-yearly competition for a handsome silver challenge cup, recently presented to the club by the Earl of Eldon, the president. In order to give as many members as possible an opportunity of sending in a score, competitors were allowed to go their round on either of the last four days of the week. The days were fortunately chosen as regards weather, but a strong north-east wind increased considerably the difficulties of the course on Wednesday and Saturday. Twenty-five members competed, but only fourteen returned cards. The cup was played for under handicap, and was won by Col. A. Hume. Mr. C. Tillard again maintained his position as the player of the lowest scratch score. The following are the scores returned:—

G	ross.	Hcp.	Net.		G	ross.	Нер.	Net.
Col. A. Hume	109	14	95	Capt. Massie Tayl	or	130	20	IIO
Mr. C. Bell	109	12	97	Mr. C. Turnbull	***	122	9	113
Mr. F. D. Longe	112	14	98	Lady M. Scott		128	14	114
Mr. J. Gray					***	140	25	115
Mr. C. Tillard						144	22	122
Capt. G. Tailyour							22	
Mr. G. Bennett	134	25	109	Rev. W. Challice		147	25	122

CHESTER GOLF CLUB.

An open competition took place last Saturday at Hawarden Bridge for a £10 cup, presented by the Hon. C. H. Vivian and Mr. John Urmson, members of the Chester Golf Club. The conditions were that the winner should take the cup outright, under handicap, and that the best scratch score should be rewarded with a gold medal presented by the club. There were fifty-five entries, and the winner of the cup was Mr. L. D. Stoddart (West Lancashire Golf Club) with 89, less 4=85. Mr. C. Lace, of the Chester Club, was second, with 86 net; and Mr. J. Ball, jun., third, with 87. Mr. Ball, who owed the field 5, went round in 82, which entitled him to the scratch gold medal. The remaining scores were very even. Mr. Stoddart's round of 89 gross was a fine performance in the circumstances, as the bunkers are fairly thick, and not too well-defined for strangers. The greens were in excellent condition. This, the second open competition promoted by the club, was another great success.

CLAPHAM COMMON GOLF CLUB.

The Cronin monthly medal was played for on Saturday, November 7th. Perhaps, owing to an attractive prize-list elsewhere, the entry was small, and those who played were much troubled by a fog. Mr. Hunt won the medal. The scores returned were:—

	Gross. Hcp.			. (Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. E. J. Hunt	108 18	90	Mr. W. J. Pace		119	18	IOI
Mr. E. L. Arnold	124 30	94	Mr. A. S. Ranson	me.	127	18	109
Mr. J. W. Grover	112 16	96	Mr. W.J. Woodh	ead	1351	ot h'	cpd.
Mr. T. R. Pace							2

COVENTRY GOLF CLUB.

The play during the past week has been more satisfactory than for some time past, the agreeable change to fine autumn weather having put the ground into capital order. The final for the club silver challenge cup resulted in a win for Mr. E. F. Coddington (35), beating Mr. G. F. Twist (10) by 2 up and 1 to play. The following are the scores under 100 net of the monthly cup competition:—

Gross, Hcp. Net.						Gross. Hcp. Net.			
Mr. T. Latham	103	13	90	Mr. H. J. Nutt Mr. F. Twist	120	27	93		
				Rev. G. C. Vecquer					
Mr. J. Powers	106	14	92	Mr. G. F. Twist	105	10	95		

CLEVELAND CLUB.

The usual monthly competition took place at Coatham last Friday and Saturday, in fairly good weather. There was a large attendance of players, and the final resulted as follows. Scores:—

		Gross.	Нер	Net.			G	ross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. D. Mackay	***	92	3	89	Mr.	W. Lambert		129	27	102
Mr. T. H. Wynn										
Mr. A. Scott		124	27	97	Mr.	J. Roddam	***	113	10	103
Mr. H. Roberts										
Ten players ret	ired									

DEWSBURY DISTRICT GOLF CLUB.

A Golf club has just been formed at Dewsbury, to be called "The Dewsbury District Golf Club." The links have been laid out by Tom Morris, of St. Andrews. There is a nine-hole course beautifully situated on "The Pinnacle," between Dewsbury and Mirfield, and which Tom says is a splendid one. The first annual general meeting was held on the 4th inst. Members are joining very freely. The following is the list of officers:—Hon. president, Mr. E. B. Wheatley

Balme, J.P.; captain, Mr. E. B. Wilson, Mirfield; hon. treasurer, Mr. A. C. McIntyre, Dewsbury; hon. secretary, Mr. T. G. Beaumont, Woodleigh, Dewsbury; committee, Messrs. T. L. Chadwick, F. H. B. Ellis, S. Shaw, W. Scholefield, jun., Robt. Spedding (Dewsbury), James Parker, G. J. Nevin (Mirfield), Rev. L. S. Calvert (Batley), Rev. J. de Savignon (Bradford).

DIDSBURY GOLF CLUB.

This club competes for the captain's prize on the second Saturday of each month during the winter. The president's medal will be played for in April.

DORNOCH.

EPSOM GOLF CLUB. AUTUMN MEETING.

The Brooks cup, level competition, and the Rosebery medal, handicap, were played for on Saturday, October 31st, 1801.

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross. Hcp. Ne
*Mr. C. Hart ro3	15	88	Mr. E. R. H. Burlton 111 16 9
†Mr. W. F. Scott	- 5		Mr. R. Belton 116 20 9
Moncrieff 99	9	90	Mr. G. G. Thoms 106 8 9
Mr. E. C. Stapylton 107			
Mr. J. Hill 113	18	95	Hughes 119 16 10
* Winner of the Rosebe	rv m	edal.	† Winner of the Brooks cup (th

Thirteen members made no returns.

EXMOUTH v. BURNHAM (SOMERSET).

Played at Burnham, November 4th:

EXMOUTH.

Holes.

Mr. C. E. Pine Coffin 12 Mr. T. W. Colthurst ...

Mr. W. E. Dunsford 7 Rev. Mr. Crump ...

Mr. H. A. Lietes

Mr. C. E. Pine Coffin	TAR.		12	Mr. T. W. Colthurst		***	0
Mr. W. E. Dunsford	***	74.0	7	Rev. Mr. Crump	0.88		
Mr. H. A. Upton	***	00,900	1	A. A. Th. TT'11	2.7.2	1000	
	200	4.000	5	275 TZ		***	
A.F. A.S. A.F. A.			6	N.C. XXX C. XX-1:	***	100	
	0.0.0			T) T T) 111			
			-				-
			36				0

Burnham unfortunately were without three of their best players. The greens, under the care of Taylor, who learnt his business thoroughly at Westward Ho! and plays a first-class game as well, were in perfect condition, and this very sporting course is improving rapidly under its energetic committee. The results already achieved enable very good Golf to be obtained on it.

FORFARSHIRE.

The members of the Carnoustie and Taymouth Club held their last competition for the season on the afternoon of Saturday last. The weather was all that could be desired, and there was a large turn-out of members. The sweepstake prizes were gained as under:—1st, Mr. George Whyte, 86, 4 below; 2nd, Mr. Andrew Simpson, 93, 3 below; 3rd, Mr. James Kydd, 90, 1 below; 4th, 5th, and 6th, Mr. David Bell, 87; Mr. William Whyte, 91; Mr. James Ogilvie, 86; Mr. David Ramsay, jun., 83; and Mr. Alexander Boyle, 86, each at average. In addition to the sweepstakes a large number of prizes in kind, presented by a few members and friends, were played for.

A foursome, in which a considerable amount of interest was taken was played over Monifieth course last Saturday afternoon, betwee Messrs. Thomson and Williamson, of the Burgess Club, Edinburgh, and Messrs. George Wright and William Young, of Monifieth. The weather was delightfully fine, and the greens were in capital order. A large crowd of spectators accompanied the players round the links. The first hole was halved at 4. Going to the second hole both players had splendid drives, and lay within an easy iron shot of the hole; but Mr. Thomson was short with his iron, while Mr. Young lay on the green. The hole went to Monifieth at 4. The third hole also fell to the local men at 4 to 5, while the fourth was halved at 5. Going to the "Roses," both Messrs. Young and Thomson had grand tee shots, but Mr. Wright was short with his iron, and the hole was halved at 5. Mr. Wright missed his tee shot, and the Edinburgh men won the sixth hole. The next three holes were rather indifferently played, and at the turn the local players were 3 up, the scores being—Monifieth, 43; Burgess, 45. Coming home the play was close and exciting, and the match resulted in a win for Monifieth by 4 holes. The feature of the match was Mr. Young's driving. His partner did not show his usual form, the result of indisposition. The Edinburgh men played a plucky uphill game from start to finish,

A meeting of Carnoustie Police Commissioners was held last week, when the subject of the proposed auxiliary Golf course was considered. The meeting ultimately instructed the clerk to inform the Dalhousie Club that they had no objections to the proposed new course being laid out. A letter was read from the agents of Mrs. Lingard Guthrie's trustees, stating that they were willing to accept £700 for the Carnoustie links, and it was agreed to consider the matter at next

In playing round the course at Carnoustie last week along with a Dundee gentleman, Mr. Robert Scott did the round at 80 strokes. The following are the details of his game :-

FOLKESTONE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly handicap sweepstakes was played November 4th in very

	Gross	Нер	. Net			Gross.	Нср	. Net
*Captain Eccles	110	12	98	Captain Conwy	***	136	30	106
Mr. Jeffery	113	14	99	Major Hardinge	***	107	scr.	107
Captain Yeatherd						129	22	107
Mr. Curtee	119	18	IOI	Mr. Noel	***	139	30	109
Sir B. Edwards, C. B.	121	16	105	Mr. Ward	***	126	16	110
Mr. Morris	123	18	105	Mr. Swinhoe	***	140	30	110

* Winner of "The Morris Cross," played for in November, February, May, and August.

Several others were over 110 net.

The ladies' handicap was played, November 7th, over the short course.

	G	ross.	Нср.	Net.		G	ross.	Нср.	Net.
*Miss D. Jeffery	***	74	25	49	Miss Eccles		95	15	80
Miss B. Wood	***	85	30	55	Mrs. Curtis		116		
Mrs. Yeatherd		86	30	56	Miss Wood	1.00	126	30	96
Miss P. Jeffery	***	87	30	57	Mrs. Jee		134	30	104
Miss Hodgson	***	82	18	64	Miss Conwy	777	134	25	109
Miss Edwards	***	73	6	67	Miss Jeffery		142	30	112

* Winner of "The Edwards' Prize," played for in November, February, May, and August.

FORRES.

For two months back the competitions for the Mackenzie cup and the Dalvey claret jug have been going on with great spirit amongst the members of the above club, the number of competitors for both trophies being larger than on any previous occasion. On Wednesday last, November 4th, the final ties were played off, when it was found that Captain McHardy, Inverness (scratch), had carried off both cups for the year. In the Mackenzie cup competition he beat Dr. Fowlie (2) by two holes, and in the Dalvey jug competition he beat Mr. D. K. Stewart (8) by three holes. The games throughout were very keenly contested, and Captain McHardy's success has been well deserved. The course at Forres has this year been very much improved, and has been attracting visitors from all parts of the country. The committee are about to carry out several additional improvements, now that the leading competitions for the season are over.

FORTROSE AND ROSEMARKIE.

The final competition for the Rosehaugh medal was played off over the Fortrose course, on Friday, the 6th inst., the medal being won by Mr. K. T. Mackenzie, the Deanery, with a score of 94, less 2=92. Messrs. A. Mackenzie and W. S. Geddie tied for the sweepstake prize, with 96 net.

GOLF IN CANADA.

Mr. J. Hutton Balfour writes under date, Montreal, October 26th, 1891.—Since you last heard from this quarter, Golf has been on the increase. I received a request one day to send up a dozen sets of clubs

to Duluth; we had not a such a large supply on hand, and our professional was too busy making and repairing clubs and balls for the members. The Duluth men were in such a hurry for their clubs that they authorised me to cable for them. I hear that there are about a dozen Scotchmen there, who have formed themselves into a club, and have procured a good piece of ground for a links.

Next request we had was from several gentlemen in Long Island, New York, that we would permit our professional to go there for a month to lay out a green and instruct them; this we gladly did, and a good eighteen holes have been laid out, and there is a fair promise of good players; this club should be a success, there are so many Scotchmen in New York. I understand they are now advertising for a pro-

fessional. There is also a small club at Yonkers, New York.

I supplied you at the beginning of the season with a list of our fixtures, but we had to alter all our arrangements, as the Provincial Exhibition was held on the ground adjoining our green, and the constant vehicular and pedestrian traffic was so enormous that we had

practically to give up Golf for over a week

I now give you particulars of our matches. On the 12th and 26th September, we had two matches, Captain v. Ex-Captain, one for holes and the other for strokes, both resulted in favour of the captain by 16 holes and 3 strokes respectively. Those matches were got up to try and put more nerve into our players, as so often in competitions they show so much nervousness, often losing the match by inability to keep their putters from shaking at the last three holes. I doubt much if the desired result was attained, as the worst play of the whole season was recorded.

October 3rd, -Sidey medal (handicap): 1st, Alexander Macpherson, 91, less 6=85, a capital score for him. 2nd, Rev. James Barclay, 85, plus

6=91, the next score being 97.
October 10th.—Quebec v. Montreal.—Favoured with perfect Golf weather, and as for the greens they were never in such capital condition, being all that could be desired for low scoring, of which all players took full advantage, resulting in one of the closest contested matches we have ever had. At the end of the first round (9 holes) it certainly looked very blue for the home team, Quebec being 9 up; but the Montrealers pulled themselves together the second round, and recovered their loss, finishing with II holes to the good. Some of the play was very fine on both sides.

MONTRE	AL.			OUEBEC.			
		H	oles.			Ho	les.
Mr. J. Hutton Balfor	ır.	***	8	Mr. E. Sewell	2.02	200	5
Mr. W. W. Watson		222	12	Mr. E. Hamell		***	4
Mr. Jas. Burnett	***	***	8	Mr. B. Patton	***	4943	
Mr. John Taylor	***	744	8	Capt. Sheppard	1595		9
Mr. E. Mann			5	Mr. T. Hamilton	***	4	
Mr. H. Taylor	***		6	Mr. W. B. Scott	200		
Mr. Jas. Law	242		8	Mr. Geo. Thomson			3
Rev. Jas. Barclay			4	Mr. A. W. Smith	222	***	
Mr. A. Macpherson	444	100	9	Mr. Geo. White	714		6
			_				-
			68				57

After this match the players proceeded to the club-house, and partook of luncheon; thereafter, foursomes were the order of the afternoon. The most interesting of these being, Capt. Barclay and Mr. E. Mann, Montreal, v. Capt. Hamilton and Mr. A. W. Smith, Quebec, resulting in a win for Montreal by 4 holes. Capt. Barclay's play on this occasion one might almost call faultless.

October 17th.—Dennistoun gold medal (scratch):—Ist, Rev. Jas. Barclay, 90; 2nd, Mr. J. Hutton Balfour, 96. This is the fourth time in succession Mr. Barclay has won this medal, and it is to be hoped that some of the other players will try hard next year to break this

monotony.

October 24th.—Brokers prize and custody of Quebec challenge trophy (handicap):—1st, Mr. W. W. Watson, 96, less 4—92; 2nd, Rev. Jas. Barclay, 90, plus 6—96. Mr. Watson having won this prize gives general satisfaction. He has shown such steady improvement lately that his handicap was reduced from 8 to 4, and it is hoped this will be an incentive to some of our junior players, who are fast coming to the front, to put in steady practice. One great fault our junior players make is, that they play so much amongst themselves that they do not improve so quickly as they might, and, perhaps, are not quite so particular how they play difficult strokes.

I am glad to be able to report that the Hon. Geo. A. Drummond has

met the request of the majority of the members of the club, and altered the conditions (points) under which his handsome prize should be played for; it is now played for by holes (handicap), the winner having custody of the prize for the year, and receiving a small gold medal to keep. The result is that, for the last month or more, there have been some very exciting games, and great enthusiasm displayed, instead of utter indifference, and sometimes great difficulty in getting members to

come forward to play for this prize.

This match is not quite finished yet—Rev. Jas. Barclay, Jas. Law, and F. Braidwood, being still left to play. It is expected to be played off by the end of next week.

GREAT YARMOUTH GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting was held on Saturday, November 7th, and Monday, November 9th. There was an unusually large number of players. The greens were in grand order, all but the third, which is still a little

On Saturday the weather was simply perfection, yet there was no very good scoring, though the greens were like velvet. The following were the scores of Saturday :-

G	ross.	Hcp. 1	Net.	Gross, 1	Icp. I	Net.
Mr. A. Rotherham				Mr. H. M. Bell 99	5	
Mr. H. Ingleby	91	8	83	Mr. Harold Smith 100	6	94
Mr. A. L. Jockel	87	3	84	Mr. Wm. Michie 103	9	
Mr. A. L. Jockel Dr. T. Browne	92	8	84	Major Turner 110	9	94
Mr. Wm. Morris	94	10	84	Capt. H. C. Best 101	6	95
Mr. W. P. Fulcher	84	+1	85	Mr. J. M. Kerr 102	7	95
Mr. A. H. Mathison	96	11	85	Mr. C. E. James 108	12	96
Mr. A. T. Jockel			86	Mr. John Osmond 109		96
Mr. S. M. Mellor			87		18	
Mr. John G. Gibson	88	ser.	88			
Mr. Robert Whyte Mr. W. E. Hughes Mr. A. E. Young Mr. John Taylor	91	2	89			
Mr. W. E. Hughes	94	5	89			98
Mr. A. E. Young	96	7	89			
Mr. John Taylor	98	9	89			98
General Dixon	105	10	89			99
General Eliott						
Mr. W. O. S. Pell						
Major Welman			90			
Mr. J. H. Morley	100	10	90			
Mr. G. Ruck						
Mr. F. S. Ireland	94	3		Mr. C. B. Lindsay 123		
				Rev. F. Ireland 130		
				Rev. G. Broke 114		
Mr. Cyril Routh	105	13	92	Mr. G. F. Sanders 117	10	107
Mr. P. M. Lucas	94	SCr.	94	Mr. Jas. Jackson 123	10	113
No returns :-Mes	srs.	Tohn	Pow	ers, Harold Wilson, J. H.	Law	, F.

Graves, B. Preston, B. Bond-Cabbell, R. W. Kelton, Rev. J. H. Ellis, and Colonel Shuttleworth.

The following visit	OIS C	ompe	eted:				
	Bross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.		
Mr. Petitt	94	8	86	Mr. E. R. Philips .	117	25	92
Rev. Mr. Dredge	111	25	86	Mr. D. P. Belding.	108	15	93
Mr. W. Thorne	104	15	89	Capt. Darby .	110	16	94
Mr. G. L. Charles-			500	Mr. C. Greg .	102	8	94
worth	104	12					0.500

On Monday the weather changed miserably. South wind driving rain and mist caught all the players except the early birds who had the ad-

vantage of the overcast sky before the rain set in.

The best gross score of the meeting was made by Mr. W. P. Fulcher, 84, and the best handicap score of the meeting by Captain Darby, R.A., a young left-handed player who astonished the field by 97, less 16= 81. This was an unusual performance for him, but he has possibilities, and may steady down to be a good player if he has opportunities of practice

The chief prize-winner was A. Rotherham, who carried off the prize-winner's prize for the best score of the year; in addition much amusement was caused by the presentation of a wooden spoon to the worst

aggregate of the two days' play.

The following is a l	ist of	the	score	es for last Monday.	
Gr	oss. N	Vet. H	Cp.	Gross, 1	Hcp. Net.
Mr. W. E. Hughes	87	5	82	Mr. Robert Whyte 95	2 93
Mr. John Powers	94	12	82	Mr. J. M. Kerr 101	7 94
Mr. John Taylor	93	9	84	Mr. E. G. Ashton 101	6 95
Mr. A. T. Jockel	90	4	86	Mr. S. A. Young 105	10 95
Mr. W. J. Hughes	96	9	87	Capt. H. C. Best 102	6 96
Mr. S. M. Mellor	96	9	87	Mr. H. M. Bell 102	5 97
Mr. A. L. Jockel	91	3	88	Mr. P. V. Broke 101	3 98
Mr. E. M. Hansell	96	8	88	Mr. J. G. Gibson 99	scr. 99
Mr. F. S. Ireland	92	3 4 8	89	Mr. J. H. Law 115	16 99
Mr. A. H. Newington	93	4	89	Mr. W. Michie 110	9 101
Mr. H. Ingleby	97	8	89	Rev. J. H. Ellis 111	10 101
Mr. W. P. Fulcher	89	+1	90	General H. Eliott 119	18 101
Mr. Harold Smith	96	6	90	Mr. J. S. Sawyer 110	8 102
Mr. A. G. Gibson	108	18	90	Mr. J. Osmond 115	13 102
Mr. E. J. Southwell	112	22	90	General Dixon 118	16 102
Rev. Mr. Faithful	96	5 8	91	Rev. F. Ireland 127	
Dr. T. Browne	99		91	Mr. A. Rotherham 109	5 104
Captain C. Hervey	98	7 8	91	Mr. C. E. Routh 117	13 104
Mr. Horace Mann	99	- 8	91	Mr. C. B. Lindsay 122	18 104
Mr. W. Morris	IOI	10	91	Rev. G. Broke 112	7 105
Mr. A. H. Mathison	102	11	91	Mr. G. F. Sanders 116	10 106
Mr. P. M. Lucas	92	SCr.	92	Mr. G. Ruck 121	
Mr. F. G. Thorne	102	10	92	Col. Shuttleworth 121	
Major Turner			92	Mr. G. C. Snelling 123	16 107
Mr. W. O. S. Pell	93	scr.	93	Rev. H. Bellamy 121	13 108

No returns:—Mr. W. Thorne, Mr. Jas. Jackson, Mr. B. Preston, Major Welman, Mr. F. Graves, Mr. J. H. W. Davies, Mr. Harold

The following visitors competed:-Gross. Hcp. Net.
Capt. Darby, R.A.... 97 16 81 Mr. E. A. Young ... 101
Mr. C. E. Greg ... 97 8 89 Mr. J. B. Petitt ... 102
Rev. Mr. Dredge ... 115 25 90 Gross, Hcp. Net.

On Monday evening the members dined together at the Royal Hotel. Some general conversation with reference to the building of a clubhouse took place, and a statement was made by the committee of its readiness to proceed with the building during the coming year, the total amount to be expended not to exceed £2,200. The present prosperity and future prospects of the club warrant this step. New members continue to pour in, and the entrance-fee will shortly be raised from three to five guineas.

GREAT VARMOUTH LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The monthly compass (scratch) and medal (handicap) were played for on the 3rd inst. in lovely golfing weather. The greens were perfect. Ten of the members played. Miss Palmer and Miss FitzRoy both went round the nine holes in 63, tieing for the compass. In playing off the tie Miss FitzRoy won, Miss Palmer winning the medal. The scores were as follow:-

Gross. Hcp. Net.

Miss Palmer 63 7 56 Mrs. Haggard ... 66 scr. 66

Miss FitzRoy 63 2 61 Mrs. Turner 76 8 68

Miss Edith Palmer. . 74 9 65 Mrs. Tillard, Mrs. Walter Brown, Mrs. Bellamy, Mrs. Wilson

Gilbert, and Miss Duck no returns.

LIMPSFIELD CHART GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medals of this club were competed for on November 4th and 5th, with the following results.

GENTLEMEN. Gross, Hcp. Net. Mr. R. Brodie ... 114 19 95 Mr. J. O. Scott ... 115 13 102 Mr. W. F. Beauford 108 6 102 Hon. W. T. O'Brien 133 24 109

LADIES. Miss L. Bartlett ... 101 24 77 | Miss E. Board
Miss K. Watney ... 94 15 79 | Miss E. Board
Mrs. Parsons ... 89 4 85 | Miss Bartlett
Miss Watney ... 95 7 88 | Miss Board
Medals won by Mr. R. Brodie and Miss L. Bartlett. Gross, Hcp. Net. .. 99 6 93 Miss A. Stewart ... 107 12 95 99 ... 112 13 ... 123 22 101

LONDON SCOTTISH GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medals were played for at Wimbledon on Saturday. The day was fine, and about thirty-five members started from the Iron House. Mr. S. C. Pegg won the medal with 89, less 12=77. The medal for starters with handicaps over eighteen was not claimed. A healthy sign! The following are the scores handed in :-

Gross. Hcp. Net. Gross. Hcp. Net. * Mr. S. C. Pegg ... 89 12 77 Mr. A. B. Chalmers 92 12 80 Mr. A. Anderson ... 89 scr. Mr. J. Walker, junr. 103 14 Mr. W. M. Rhodes 93 2 Mr. A. E. Walker ... 94 2 Mr. H. P. Cater .. 95 14 81 Mr. T. R. Pinkerton 82 scr. 82 91 92 Mr. J. A. Greig ... 99 5 Mr. H. C. Archer ... 114 18 Mr. M. W. Whit-Mr. R. H. Hedderwick 98 14 84 Mr. S. G. Warner ... 103 18 85 Mr. D. S. Froy ... 92 5 87 more ... 105 * Medal.

The winners of the monthly gold medal for the past season played off for the gold and silver miniature presented by the club, with the following result :-

Gross, Hcp. Net. * Mr. T. R. Pinkerton. Mr. R. H. Hedderwick ... 98 14 84 Mr. V. D. S. Froy ... 92 5 87 * Winner.

Mr. A. Tait, Mr. Alexander Mackay and Sir Guy Campbell made no return. Dr. Comerford was absent.

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

The weather could scarcely have been more unfavourable than it was on Saturday last, when the second competition for "The Captain's Cup" took place on the links of the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea. Rain commenced about ten o'clock and continued all day, consequently the attendance of members from a distance was much smaller than usual, and, owing to the very bad light, the scores were not so good as usual, whilst many members did not complete their rounds owing to the rain. Forty-one players went out, and the best gross scores were Mr. S. A. Hermon, St. Anne's, 98; Mr. A. H. Doleman, South Shore, 99; Mr. J. A. Brown, St. Anne's, 99. The best net score was Mr. C. W. Fisher's, Blackpool, 102, less 15=87, who puts in a win for 'f The Captain's Cup," and will now be one of the final competitors. He was followed by five net scores of 92 each by Mr. S. A. Hermon, 98, less 6=92; Mr. J. A. Brown, 99, less 7=92; Mr. J. Talbot Fair, Lytham, 105, less 13=92; Mr. R. Hampson, Blackpool, 108,less 16=92; and Mr. R. B. Hardman, St. Anne's, 110, less 18=92. The first optional sweepstakes was won by Mr. C. W. Fisher, and the second and third were divided between Mr. S. A. Hermon, Mr. J. A. Brown, Mr. J. Talbot Fair, and Mr. R. Hampson. The full score was as follows:—

0110			Gross.	Нср.	Net.	
Mr. C. W. Fisher, Blackpool		***	102	15	87	
Mr. S. A. Hermon, St. Anne's	***	***	98	6	92	
Mr. J. A. Brown, St. Anne's	200	200	99	7	92	
Mr. J. Talbot Fair, Lytham	222	1224	105	13	92	
Mr. R. Hampson, Blackpool	2222	444	108	16	92	
Mr. R. B. Hardman, St. Anne'	S	***	110	18	92	
Mr. F. T. Wright, Fyldesley		444	101	8	93	
Mr. F. E. Rowe, Rossall	***	***	107	14	93	
Mr. C. H. Atkinson, Singleton	***	***	112	19	93	
Mr. J. Buckley, Norbreck	***	***	107	13	94	
Mr. J. A. F. Eltoft, St. Anne's	***		107	13	94	
Mr. R. T. Gillibrand, St. Anne	S	***	112	18	94	
Mr. E. Catterall, St. Anne's	201	2000	112	16	96	
Mr. A. H. Doleman, South Sho		200	99	2	97	
Mr. A. B. Scholfield, St. Anne	's		103	6.	97	
Mr. W. Newbigging, St. Anne's	S		104	7	97	
Mr. S. Gask, Lytham	4447	***	112	15	97	
Mr. H. N. Brown, St. Anne's	1999	0.000	113	16	97	
Mr. R. H. Prestwick, Manchest	er	***	106	8	98	
Mr. J. E. King, St. Anne's		1.00	III	13	98	
Mr. R. Hutton, Disley	14.40	1444	109	8	IOI	
Mr. W. Cross, St. Anne's		200	117	16	IOI	
Mr. J. Bradbury, South Shore			121	18	103	
Mr. C. Howarth, Manchester	244	1000	112	8	104	
Mr. N. Cockshutt, Preston		***	122	16	106	
Mr. H. M. Ormsby, Rossall	200		125	18	107	

No returns from the following, the round in some cases not having been completed owing to the rain:—Mr. J. D. Milne, Manchester; Mr. E. Redfern, St. Anne's; Dr. Palmer, Buxton; Mr. T. H. Miller, Singleton Park; Mr. T. Baxter, St. Anne's; Mr. C. G. D. Hoares, St. Anne's; Mr. S. Fisher, South Shore; Mr. E. Harrison, St. Anne's; Mr. R. P. Horsley, Manchester; Rev. W. G. Terry, St. Anne's; Mr. J. Mellor, Failsworth; Mr. W. H. Harrison, Lytham; Mr. W. H. Crossland, Manchester; Mr. W. H. Hampson, South Shore.

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB. LADIES' COMPETITION.

Twenty-two of the lady subscribers of the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club competed on Wednesday, October 28th, on their own links at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, for a prize presented by Mrs. George Parkinson, St. Anne's, to be played for in three competitions, under handicap; the two best net scores to win. The best net score on Wednesday was by Mrs. R. H. Prestwich, Broughton Park, Manchester, 111, less 16 = 95, closely followed by Mrs. Hermon, St. Anne's, 95, plus 1=96; Mrs. Alfred Brown, St. Anne's, scratch, 98; Miss Constance Salt, Lytham, 108, less 10 = 98. The full score was as follows:—

100, 1000 10 - 901 110	un oco	I C WEG				37:	
Mrs. R. H. Prestwich, Manch	ester			Gross.	16		
Mrs. Hermon, St. Anne's			2000	95		100	
Mrs. Alfred Brown, St. Anne'	S	***		98		98	
Miss Constance Salt, Lytham		***				98	
Mrs. Miller, Singleton Park	***	***	***			100	
Miss M. Lythgoe, St. Anne's				103	2	101	
Miss A. H. Thompson, St. Ar	ne's	***		108	4	104	
Mrs. Eason, Lytham	***		***			105	
Mrs. Ernest Catterall, St. Ann		555	1555	98	+9	107	
Miss May Mugliston, Lytham		***	***	114	7	107	
Miss E. Lythgoe, St. Anne's	444	200	***	110	2	108	
Miss Edith Fair, Lytham	***	***	988	133	15	118	
Mrs. Whipp, St. Anne's	***	A44	444	140	18	122	
Miss Mugliston, Lytham	***	(888)	eve.	125	2	123	
Miss Maud Salt, Lytham	***	3550	X44.	137	13	124	
Miss Smith, Bolton	200	4990		145	14	131	
Mrs. E. Harrison, St. Anne's	***	***		151	18	133	
	4.4.4	1000		149	15	134	
Miss Fair, Haigh	***	449	100	153	18	135	
Miss M. Terry, St. Anne's	***	***	100		14	145	
Miss J. Hargreaves, St. Anne'	S	99.90	900			148	
Mrs. Badeley, Blackpool		***	1446	177	14	163	

No returns from Mrs. F. W. Catterall, Mrs. G. Parkinson, Mrs. Ferguson, Miss Salt, Miss Bindloss, Miss E. Bindloss, Miss Terry, Miss G. Fisher.

MATCH BETWEEN ROLLAND AND PETER PAXTON.

The latter half of this match, originally fixed for November 2nd, was played at Eastbourne on Tuesday, the 3rd November, in fine bright weather, and in the presence of a goodly crowd of interested spectators. The first part of the match, played at Limpsfield, left Rolland 16 up, and of course it was not to be expected that Paxton would succeed in making up so much leeway; yet many thought that, even against so redoubtable an antagonist, Peter would more than hold his own over his home course, especially as the Eastbourne putting-greens take some knowing.

There was a keen east wind blowing as the players drove off to the first hole. Rolland's drive was a fine shot past the hole to the left, Paxton's a topped ball, trickling some eighty yards. The faces of the local supporters of the latter fell at this; but they were reassured by a magnificent second, which lay four feet from the hole. Rolland made a bad foozle, and then was short, and had to play 2 more to hole—a putt of four yards at least. Paxton, however, succeeded in holing his putt, and won the hole. Rolland, 4; Paxton, 3. At the second hole Paxton was too much to the left; Rolland, with a fine drive and a lofting shot, lay within four feet of the hole. Paxton, being strong, with a downhill putt lost the hole. Rolland led off with a splendid drive within seven yards of the edge of the third green. Paxton failed to reach the green with his second, and succumbed. Going to Paradise, Paxton put in a fine second well over the wood. Rolland hardly struck his ball fairly, and was just caught. This cost him the hole, though Paxton gave him a chance by finishing badly. Rolland, 7; Paxton, 6. The Cop was well played by both in 4.

At the sixth hole, after being severely outdriven, Paxton laid a lovely third on the green with his cleek against a strong wind, and halved the hole in 5. Going downhill to the seventh hole, Paxton drove dead straight within six feet of the hole. Rolland was far to the left, and lost the hole in 5, the local man at this point being I up. Rolland's drive to the eighth hole gave him a great advantage over his adversary, whose third was drawn into the plantation, another attempt falling into the ditch beside it, and Rolland won easily in 5, Paxton resigning the hole. The latter lost the Home hole also by feeble approaching, and stood I down on the first nine holes, Rolland's score for which was 42.

In driving-off for the second round Paxton's ball pitched clean over the hazard, while Rolland's, by great luck, jumped it, and lay close to Paxton's. The hole was halved in 4. At the next Paxton, less lucky than his opponent, was twice in enclosures on the left, and was easily beaten. Going to the point, Rolland was too strong with his second, and lay jammed under the bank. This lost him the hole, as Paxton was down with a steady 4. At Paradise hole a rather curious incident occurred. Rolland was on the road with his drive, and overdrove with the iron, lying on the high bank above the green. Paxton was well on the green with three careful shots, and within two yards of the hole. Rolland's third shot struck Paxton's ball, moved it two feet or so, and left a stimy. Paxton, in trying to steer round, gave Rolland it for tat, and stimied him. The result was that the hole was halved in 5. Going to the Cop, Paxton was too much to the right in heavy grass, and, failing to reach the green, lost the hole. The High hole, also, he lost, driving into the enclosure on the left, and twice striking the paling in his attempts to move forward. Down the hill both were too much to the left, and Paxton foozled in the long grass, losing the hole. Rolland now stood dormy 20 on the entire double match. The next hole settled affairs, as both holed in a steady 5; and Paxton lost the Home hole, standing 5 down on the first eighteen holes at Eastbourne. Rolland's second nine holes totalled up 40. His full score was: Out, 4 4 4 7 4 5 5 5 4=42; im, 4 4 5 5 4 5 4 5 4 5 4=40; total, 82. Paxton's score cannot be given, as he did not play out three of the holes.

After luncheon, notwithstanding some fine, steady putting on Paxton's part, he failed to hold his own, and he was eventually beaten 9 up at Eastbourne, and 25 up on the full home and home match.

The winner drove splendidly, and played steadily well through the green, though it will be noticed from the score that there was no phenomenon amongst his figures. His putting, too, taking into consideration his want of knowledge of the somewhat tricky Eastbourne greens, was remarkably sure and good. Paxton suffered in more ways than one. The wind was strong enough to give an enormous advantage to the superior physique of his opponent, and he seemed towards the end of the match to die out in his driving, possibly recognising how hopeless it was to reach Rolland's tremendous carries against the wind. Yet through the match he ever and again equalised matters by exceptionally fine approaches on to the green. It was said, too, that he was not in tip-top health, and this may account for much, though in a strong wind he would probably always be overmatched with Rolland. Golfers at Eastbourne had good reason to be satisfied with the fine exhibition of the game provided for them, and the few members of the Limpsfield Golf Club who made the journey to see the match were most hospitably entertained by the Royal Eastbourne Golf Club in their club-house.

NAIRN.

Visitors to these links will regret to hear that the Rev. Mr. Chisholm has been changed to the West Coast. A more genial, unselfish, and general favou rite never existed. He was a first-class player, although he had only played three years. A presentation by subscription is to be made to him before leaving in three weeks. His departure is regretted by all denominations, and mostly by those who tried to compete against him in the best of all contests, Golf. Many players who have left Nairn before his order to move arrived may be glad to subscribe to the presentation. Mr. Lamb, of the Bank of Scotland, will be glad to receive subscriptions.

NORTH BERWICK.

Play continues very quiet over the links here just now. On Saturday forenoon, however, there was a very fair muster of golfers, the members of the Bass Rock and Liberal Clubs being engaged in trophy competition. There were no friendly matches of exceptional interest during the past week, and Davie Grant was the only professional who engaged in a round of the green. Davie has of late been maintaining really good form, and on Saturday, without any straining for a low score, he covered the round in a faultlessly compiled 74. The ladies and gentlemen over the longer course included Sir W. G. Des Vœux, Sir G. and Lady Clerk, Misses Florence and Blanche Anderson, Sir A. Napier, General Ralston Mr. L. R. Whiteross Mr. L. Forest, and Mr. A. Hoogr

Ralston, Mr. J. R. Whitecross, Mr. J. Forrest, and Mr. A. Hogg.

The monthly competition of the Bass Rock Club took place over the North Berwick links on Saturday. Evidently a match such as that recently held at Dunbar is calculated to stir enthusiasm into a club, for the attendance of competitors on Saturday was the largest of the year.

Mr. John Forrest was regarded as a very likely winner of the trophy, and although he started rather unpromisingly his fine all-round play fully justified anticipations. The badge was gained by Mr. Forrest at 81, plus 1=82; and other scores were:—Mr. A. Hogg, 88, less 5=83; Mr. A. Hutchison, 91, less 8=83; Mr. J. D. Rattray, 89, less 5=84; Mr. J. Henderson, 88, less 2=86; Mr. E. Bradbury, 104, less 18=86; Mr. G. Nelson, 93, less 6=87; and Mr. J. Brown Maclachlan, 102, less 12=90.

The match between the local and the Dunbar players resulted as

follows :-

Bass Rock	CLUB.			DUNBAR (LUB.		
			les.			Ho	les.
Mr. John Forrest	54+40	2444	8	Mr. C. Innes Kerr	111	244	0
Mr. James Mitchell			13	Mr. G. Donaldson	200		0
Mr. James Henderso	n		2	Mr. W. Scott	177	2.2	0
Mr. Adam Hogg	***		1	Mr. J. Rankin			0
Mr. J. D. Rattray	***	-	0	Mr. W. Duncan		***	2
Mr. G. Nelson	***			Mr. R. M. Rogers	**		0
Mr. A. Hutchison	141			Mr. A. Sisson	77.	***	0
Mr. R. Whitecross		***					
Mr. W. Auld	***	***	8	Mr. F. Wallace	***	***	0
Mr. J. B. Maclachla	n.,,		3	Mr. W. Dick	***		0
Mr. W. Merriles		***	0		***		6
Mr. J. Greig	(43.5)		0	Dr. Fullarton	***		
		2.4.4	0	Mr. B. Grieve	***		2
			-				-
			48				13

OXFORD UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

The first round of the Inter-College foursomes has resulted as follows:—Wadham beat Balliol, Magdalen beat University, Lincoln beat Oriel; Exeter, Trinity, Queen's, New, and Brasenose (byes). The weekly handicap on Friday resulted as follows:—

First class :-									
	Gross.						Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. W. D. Davidson	88	3	85	Mr.	F. H.	Campion	103	12	QI
Mr. F. H. Stewart	93	4	89	Mr.	W. R.	Hardie	108	13	05
Mr. L. Armitstead	105	14	91	Mr.	H. T.	Knight	103		99
Mr. H. Nicholls								173	110
Mr. A. E. Ripley							11.3		
Second class :-		200	125 11						

Mr. A. J. Boger ... 96 16 80 Mr. E. J. Palmer ... 129 25 104 Mr. A. Moncrieff ... 105 16 89

REDHILL AND REIGATE GOLF CLUB.

A large number of members of this club turned out on Saturdav last, the 7th instant, to take part in the bi-monthly competition for the Turner medal. The following were the cards returned under a century:—

G	ross.	Hcp.	Net.	G	ross.	Нср.	Net.
Mr. H. E. Lawrence	97	12	85	Mr. F. P. Browne	105	14	91
Mr. L. Horner	94	- 8	86	Mr. W. B. Avery	108	16	92
Mr. E. S. McEuen	101	14	87	Mr. A. Schacht	95	scr.	05
Mr. F. G. Monkland	IOI	14	87	Mr. C. Hall	114	18	96
				Mr. G. H. Emmet			
Mr. F. C. Milford	101	10	91	Mr. J. C. Tucker	115	18	97
We understand the	at in	conse	equen	ce of the large increase	in i	he m	ien

bership of the club during the last few months, the committee have

decided) to increase the entrance-fee to three guineas, except in the case of new members resident in the immediate neighbourhood.

A proposal is also under consideration to extend the present course to the eastwards, which, if found practicable, should prove a welcome relief to any overcrowding on the links during the short winter afternoons.

ROYAL EASTBOURNE GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting of the Royal Eastbourne Golf Club began on the links at Eastbourne on October 30th, when the competition for the Hartington Golf medal, and for club prizes of the value of £5 and £3 took place. There was a large entry, and about sixty members competed. The general play, however, was indifferent, owing doubtless to the high wind which prevailed and the intense cold. Those members who started late had the advantage of the earlier players. Captain Gordon and the Rev. Von. E. Scott played two good rounds each. The former won the gold medal, the first club prize, and two-thirds of the sweeps with a net score of 85; the latter carried off the second club prize and one-third of the sweeps with a net score of 89. Score:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net,	Gross, Hcp. Net.
	93	8	85	Mr. S. M. Mellor 115 14 101
Rev. H. Von. E.			1000	Major Harris 113 12 101
Scott	96	7	89	Mr. E. F. S. Tyle-
Dr. Siddall	99	7	92	cote 107 6 101
Mr. G. Cuming	117	25	92	Mr. H. E. Acklom 109 8 101
Mr. O. C. Bevan	106	14	92	
Mr. W. S. Paterson		15	93	Mr. W. R. Richard-
Mr. G. R. Burge	107	14	93	son 122 20 102
Hon. Ivo Bligh	102	9	93	Mr. H. G. Sumner 118 16 102
Mr. R. M. Tabor	107	13	96	
Capt. Harrison	113	17	96	
Mr. R. G. Wylde	116	20	96	
Mr. M. J. Godby	112	14	98	Mr. G. P. Leach 122 16 107
Mr. W. E. Mastyn	116	18	98	Mr. F. W. Fison 139 28 111
Mr. J. Gathorne Wood	116	17	90	Mr. E. M. Broadbent 147 26 121
Col. Boyd				
		491919	22 1	

About thirty members made no returns.

The autumn meeting was continued on Saturday, 31st ult. The competition was for the monthly medal and for club prizes of the value of £5 and £3. A prize of £5 was also offered for the best aggregate of Friday and Saturday's scores. Mr. G. R. Burge won the aggregate prize with a score of 179, and tied with Dr. Fooks and Mr. A. M. S. Græme with a score of 86 for the monthly medal. Mr. Burge, Dr. Fooks, and Mr. Græme each took a third of the sweeps. By winning the aggregate prize Mr. Burge is debarred from taking a club prize, and Dr. Fooks and Mr. A. M. S. Græme will, therefore, try conclusions as to who shall take first and second respectively.

	Gross.	Нср.	Net.	Oct. 31. Net.	Oct. 30.
Mr. G. R. Burge	100	14	86	93	Ag. 179
Captain Gordon	107	8	99	85	184
Mr. O. C. Bevan	106	14	99	92	184
Mr. R. M. Tabor	105	13	92	93	185
Hon. Ivo Bligh	102	9	93	93	186
Mr. Gathorne Wood	107	17	90	93	189
Dr. Siddall	105	7	98	99	189
Mr. R. G. Wylde	114	20	94	96	160
Mr. M. J. Godby	107	14	93	98	
Capt. B. G. Harrison.	117	17	100	96	191
Mr. H. T. Sumner	113	16	97	102	196
Mr. H. E. Acklom	107	8	97	101	199
Mr. W. Richardson	118	20	98	101	200
Mr. S. M. Mellor	114	14	100	101	200
Captain Best	103	8	95	107	
Colonel Boyd	119	16	103		202
Mr. F. W. Fison	119	28	91	99	
Mr. G. P. Leach	113	16	97	107	202
Mr. C. Lethbridge	125	18	107	101	204
Dr. Fooks	94	8	86	101	208
Mr. A. M. S. Græme,	104	18	86		
Capt. Cowper Coles	102	12	90		
Mr. A. K. Sellar	106	15	ÇI		
Mr. G. Rivett-Carnac.	109	12	97		
Mr. C. Evill	116	18	98		
Mr. Latter Parsons	120	22	98		
Mr. T. H. Beresford	113	15	98		
Captain Swinford	III	12	99		
Mr. W. F. Wilkinson	118	19	99		
Captain C. D. King	125	14	111		

The following made no returns:—Rev. H. Salwey, Rev. Von. E. Scott, Colonel Pierson, Major Bevill, Major Harris, and Messrs. Blundell, Cumberlege, Martin Cooke, Emsley, Goldsmith, E. O. Langham, E. Matheson, E. Martyn, Mott, Newnham, Shepherd, Seymour, and E. F. S. Tylecote.

Play was resumed on November 1st. Mr. G. R. Burge, Dr. Fooks, and Mr. A. M. S. Græme, having tied on Saturday, played off for the monthly medal, with the result that Dr. Fooks won the trophy. Fooks also obtained the first club prize of £5, offered for Saturday's play, and Mr. A. M. S. Græme took the second club prize of £3.

The monthly medal prize was also competed for 1st November. This is

a prize of £5, presented each year by the club for competition under the latest handicap among winners of the monthly medal during the preceding twelve months. Mr. C. H. Evill and Mr. A. K. Sellar tied with a net score of 92. The score was as follows:—

Mr. C. H. Evill ... 110 18 92 | Mr. E. F. S. Tylecote 108 6 102 Mr. A. K. Sellar ... 107 15 92 | Mr. S. M. Mellor ... 117 14 103 Mr. J. M. Bruce was absent, and Colonel Shaw, Mr. Remy Elmsly,

and Mr. R. G. Wylde made no returns.

The Ingleby prize was won 1st November by Captain J. F. Swinford with a net score of 91. The prize consisted of a set of antique silver salt-cellars. It was presented by Mr. Holcombe Ingleby, and had to be played for at five consecutive meetings under handicap, and unless won twice by one of the competitors, the five winners were to play for final possession. The five were Captain Swinford and Messrs. G. Rivett-Carnac, H. F. Matheson, G. H. Lawrence, and C. E. Hambro. The score was as follows:

Captain Swinford, 103, less 12=91. Mr. G. Rivett-Carnac, 118,

less 12=106.

Mr. G. H. Lawrence and Mr. H. F. Matheson made no returns. Mr.

C. E. Hambro did not compete.

Mr. A. K. Sellar played off the tee for the monthly medal prize (3rd Nov.) with Mr. Evill, and won.

RICHMOND GOLF CLUB.

MONTHLY MEDAL.

This competition took place on Saturday, the 7th inst., Mr. L. Renault, a beginner, playing an excellent game, taking the medal with 102, less 27=75. The following are the scores :-

G	ross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross, l	Tcp.	Net.
Mr. L. Renault	102	27	75	Mr. W. T. Sutthery.	127	36	91
Mr. H. E. Knight	IOI	18	83	Mr. J. S. Wylie	IIO	18	92
Mr. W. Lindsay	IIO	22	88	Mr. R. E. Verburgh	119	27	92
Mr. A. Walker	117	27	90	Mr. H. Frisby	107	15	92
Mr. W. L. Lawson	109	19	90	Mr. E. M. Walsh	125	33	92
Mr. A. Allan	91	scr.	91	Mr. M. G. Davidson	120	27	93
Mr. A. St. G. Sar-				Mr. H. E. Taylor	118	18	100
geaunt	115	24	91				

Several scores of over 100 net.

ROYAL BLACKHEATH GOLF CLUB.

On Tuesday, the 3rd instant, twenty members started to compete for the monthly medal. A strong east wind blew over the heath all day, and made getting down to the fifth hole somewhat hard work. The putting-greens were in very good condition. Capt. H. Gillon proved the winner of the medal with the net score of 115, Mr. F. S. Ireland being one stroke behind him with a net of 116. Scores as

Hcp. Net.	Gross.Hcp. Net.
3 115	Mr. E. A. Walker 134 6 128
	Major A. W. An-
I 121	struther 137 9 128
	Mr. W. O. S. Pell 132 scr. 132
	Mr. E. F. S. Tyle-
scr. 123	cote 134 2 132
4 124	Mr. W. G. Barnes 162 30 132
	Mr. G. C. Snelling 159 21 138
	Mr. G. H. Frean 159 18 141
10 126	Mr. W. G. Kentish 159 18 141
2 127	
	3 115 3 116 1 121 28 122 scr. 123 4 124 12 124 16 125

No returns from Messrs. J. M. Sawyer and P. C. Scott.

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

The competition on Saturday for the Wilson gold shield attracted a large number of members, the weather from a golfing point of view being absolutely perfect. The slight breeze from the south-west was not sufficiently strong to interfere with the play, and, as the putting-greens were in fairly good order considering the time of the year, it was a capital opportunity to lower the record of the green. After indulging in the well-spread lunch prepared by Mrs. Marshall (the club cateress), who knows so well how to provide, the competitors got a start shortly after one o'clock, the Captain (Mr. G. Newby) having Mr. Seymour Walker for his companion. It was plain from the start that Mr. Newby was going to excel himself, getting quietly down the first hole in 5, and the second hole in 6; an Herculean drive to the bunker hole made it easily negotiable with a creditable 4. The Sporting-Battery hole

was completed in 5. With a grasshopper drive over the rushes and was completed in 5. With a grassnopper drive over the fusiles and stells, Mr. Newby played a capital approach to the green, and succeeded in doing this difficult hole in 4. Two 6's were next registered, with 4 to the treacherous Bay hole, and 6 for the last hole out, which is seldom negotiated in less. This totalled the creditable score of 46 out, being one above an average of fives. Commencing well to come home with 4 to the Gray hole, Mr. Newby got into the long rushes to the right of the course, and, getting out very cleverly with his niblick, was fortunate to get down this hole in 6. In consequence of "foozling" on the green, it took the same number to complete the Bent hole. These two holes being much too costly, put the captain on his mettle for the remaining half-dozen, which he did in an average of 4 each, the driving and putting being absolutely perfect. This totalled the low-cost of \$66 km ships the work of the hone corrected. the low score of 86, breaking the previous record of the hon. secretary, which stood at 88. Mr. Seymour Walker fared badly. Being heavy with his brassey and iron shots, he took 8 to get down the first hole, with a 7 for the next, and his chance became fairly extinguished when he took 9 to the Railing hole. The rushes are very difficult to play through, and any player would rather be in a good sandy bunker than in the rushes and deep grass, where you often cut clean under a ball, which simply drops into the hole made by the club. Taking 55 to go out, Mr. Walker pulled himself well together in coming home, which he succeeded in doing in 42, only two strokes more than his opponent. Five strokes behind the winner came Mr. R. E. Leach and Mr. E. W. Walker, the latter's long driving and careful approach making him a formidable opponent, whilst the former played a distinctly good " allround" game, having only one hole (the twelfth) which registered more than 7, the long grass being responsible for at least three strokes here. The ex-captain (Mr. W. Purves), who was partnered with Mr. O. K. Trechmann, did not start in his usual good form, taking 5t to go out—improved to 4t on the return journey. When Mr. O. K. Trechmann had completed his ninth hole, he looked "all over" a winner, 46, being the same score as Mr. Newby for the nine holes. The bunker at the Pond hole took four strokes to get through, which made 9 before the ball was well in the hole. Mr. Trechmann might have afforded this one bad hole, but, following it with a 6 and 8 to the last hole, this built up the total to 98.

Cri	ross, Hcp	. Net.		pross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. G. Newby	86 7	79	Mr. S. Walker	97	8	89
Mr. R. E. Leach	99 15	84	Mr. F. N. Friend	107	17	00
Mr. E. W. Walker 1	02 18	84	Mr. R. W. Ropner.	115	25	90
Mr. W. Purves	92 7	85	Mr. J. F. Whitwell.	108	17	91
Mr.O. K. Trechmann	98 12	86	Mr. C. Cooper	QQ:	7	02
Mr. J. W. Marshall. 1	09 22	87	Mr. H. Simpson	100	16	0.2
Mr. C. J. Bunting I	00 13	87	Mr. A. R. Paton	TIO	25	0.4
Mr. J. F. Wilson I	10 22	88	Mr. J. Fryer	133	25	108
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Messrs. L. K. Fawcitt, C. O. Trechmann, A. Livingston, W. S. Woodiwis, J. Steel, and several other members made no returns.

The committee decided that the annual dinner should be held on Saturday, 28th November, as the hon, secretary had ascertained that this date would suit the greater number of members, in preference to Tuesday, which had been suggested.

The first competition for the new club cup, which resulted in a tie between the Rev. W. Wickwar and Mr. S. Walker, was played off recently, and resulted in a win for the former by two strokes.

SINGAPORE GOLF CLUB.

The following is the result of a "Married v. Single" tournament played on Friday and Saturday, the 2nd and 3rd October. It will be seen that only one married man was beaten, and every other married man won his match. Great sympathy is felt with the one married man who was beaten :-

MARRIEI).		SINGLE.							
200 10 12 000 110		1	Holes.							
Mr. Justice Goldeney	***	755	2	Mr. A. W. Steven	78.65	***	0			
Major Rich	***	2.55	0	Mr. P. A. Gillespie	***	200	0			
Mr. J. B. Robertson	***	***	5	Mr. T. E. Wilson	***	***				
Mr. J. Drysdale	***	***	2	Mr. A. Mackay	200.00	(9.69)				
	***	***	4	Mr. R. C. Pettersbrie	lge	***				
Mr. E. J. Robertson	***	***		Mr. J. Meikle	***		0			
Mr. J. MacRitchie	153	17.5	1	Mr. D. E. Fulton	++4	494				
Mr. J. Fraser	14.6	444		Mr. G. Bruce Webste	er		0			
Mr. J. M. Alinson	**	166		Mr. R. N. Creighton						
Mr. F. Warrack	1006	100	2	3.6 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	444					
Mr. C. Logan	200	***	0	M 0 0 11	***		4			
	4.14	124	1	The second secon		***	0			
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			24				4			

Married won the match by 20 holes.

The following article is taken from the Straits Times of the 5th October, 1891, after the defeat of the single by the married men. is instructive, and will no doubt, whether true in the abstract or not, meet with the approval of match-making mothers:—"That the married

golfers have so completely beaten the single should be a warning to those who wander in the single state, and an encouragement to those who look with longing to the delights of marriage. A learned and eloquent lawyer (himself a golfer) finds the explanation of the results we chronicle to-day in the theory that woman is the prize of prudent resolve and of sagacious courage, and that the man who has not the boldness, the tact and the wisdom to secure the lawful love of woman is too poor a creature ever to play with success a game of patience and skill. In that theory there is much wisdom, and just as no unmarried man ever gains the greater successes of life, it may be assumed that none or few will grasp the rewards of Golf. Cricket and football (the games of boys), sculling and racing (the distractions of the unintellectual), lawn tennis (the amusement of the frivolous), in these things the unmarried may excel, but on the higher plains of Golf, victory is only to those who have already shown that they can win the world's desire. It is also suggested that much as the married golfer may excel the unmarried in force of character, he owes part of his golfing success to that happy serenity of mind which is the result of wedded love. Nor will it destroy that argument to point out that several of the married golfers are parted from their wives by eight thousand miles of land and sea. That, indeed, only goes to show how enduring is the happiness whose mere memories and anticipations can soothe the nerves and calm the judgment, and how great are the strengthening effects of a love that braces the hand and inspires the eye even when oceans and continents separate the lovers. Fortunately for the single, a possible remedy is at hand. By the happy march of civilisation men are encouraged to bring all their womenkind to dwell even amidst the dangers of the Orient. That practice has, indeed, become so frequent that the older inhabitants say that the English maidens of Malaya were never so numerous as now. That is not a matter concerning which our reporters have been able to collect reliable statistics, nor is there any editorial information on the subject. But, taking common report as correct (which is a bold thing to do) it follows that the single golfers have some slight possibility of being able to redeem their great error; and that with sufficient courage, persistence, and resolute audacity, mingled with humble reverence, they may hope when such another tournament comes round to enter their names upon the winning list.'

THE HONOURABLE COMPANY.

The winter competition of the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers -the last, in all probability, that will be held over Musselburgh Links, in consequence of the acquisition of the new course at Muirfield by the club—was held on the 5th inst. at Musselburgh. The day was in all respects an ideal golfing one, and was in this respect in direct contrast to that on which the same competition was decided last year, when the competitors had to contend with a storm of wind and rain. On that occasion the medal was secured by Mr. J. E. Laidlay, with a score for the eighteen holes of 83. Although the weather was all that could be desired, the green was far from being in the best of condition, and the players on that account experienced considerable condition, and the players on that account experienced considerable difficulty in the course of the day, particularly on one or two of the putting-greens, which were rather injudiciously placed. Nineteen couples started play, as against twenty-four last year, the competitors driving off in the following order:—Messrs. James Anderson and Richard Clark; Messrs. C. E. S. Chambers and R. H. Johnston; Messrs. Frank Kinloch and J. H. Millar; Dr. J. S. Thomson and Mr. Robert Craig, jun.; Messrs. John Wharton Tod and J. E. Laidlay; Messrs. J. G. Horne and A. R. Don Wauchope; Mr. John R. Menzies and General James Briggs; Mr. Alexander Cowan and Major C. H. Sanford; Messrs. T. Rutherfurd Clark and John Galloway; Messrs. David Maitland and D. D. Whigham; Messrs. P. B. way; Messrs. David Maitland and D. D. Whigham; Messrs. P. B. Lee and A. O. Mackenzie; Captain J. G. Baird Hay and Mr. Charles Anderson; Mr. D. A. Stevenson and Dr. R. H. Blaikie; Messrs. W. G. Bloxsom and Alexander Stuart; Messrs. Robert Ellis and Charles Matthew; Messrs. W. A. Finlay and R. E. Wood; Messrs. Thomas Jackson and E. Wallace; Mr. John Maclachlan and Captain M. Wylie; Messrs. F. M. Williams and H. F. Caldwell. The most notable absentee was Mr. L. M. Balfour, who won the medal two years ago. Of the early couples to drive off, most interest centred in Messrs. J. E. Laidlay and Wharton Tod, and a pretty large crowd accompanied them; round the green. Though Mr. Tod got the first hole in a stroke less than his opponent, the two stood level at Mrs. Forman's. Coming home, however, Mr. Laidlay was bunkered at the Bathing-Coach hole, and he took 7 to get down as against 5 for his opponent, and failing to and he took 7 to get down as against 5 for his opponent, and failing to make good the lost ground on the remaining three holes, he finished the first round with a total of 42, Mr. Tod finishing with 40. On the second round, Mr. Laidlay, although playing a consistently steady game, could not improve on his first round, and finished with the same score, making a total of 84 for the eighteen holes. Throughout his driving was strong and well in line, but he several times, while holing out, spoilth his chance of retrieving his position, which has been several times, and the Rething Coach holes at the second notably at Mrs. Forman's and the Bathing-Coach holes on the second round, where he missed somewhat easy putts. Mr. Wharton Tod,

also, on his second round, did not confirm the promise he had given in the first half, as, besides taking 6 to the Graves hole and 17 to the second, he also took 6 to Pandy and 5 to the last hole, owing to indifferent putting, the round costing him 46, thus making a total of 86 for the full course. Mr. Alexander Stuart, who was opposed by Mr. W. G. Bloxsom, was meanwhile playing a remarkably steady game, and he was early regarded as a very dangerous opponent for Mr. Laidlay for the custody of the medal. This expectation, as it proved, he fully justified. After a succession of 5's for the first six holes, he took the Short hole after the Bathing Coach in 3, and getting down at the Gasworks in 4 and the Hole o'Cross in 3, he finished the round with the creditable score of 40, thus establishing himself a strong favourite for the club trophy. His play in the second round was fully as interesting as in the first, and at no time did he show any falling off from the consistent form shown throughout, his driving being equally free and his putting accurate, the result being that his card when handed in showed 46 for each round, or a total of 80 for the eighteen holes. Mr. Bloxsom, who was drawn against Mr. Stuart, showed but indifferent form throughout, and, particularly in his driving and putting, seemed to be quite off his game, the two rounds costing him 95-49 and 46. At the close of the play it was found that Mr. Stuart's card had not been beaten, and he, therefore, becomes the holder of the medal for the ensuing year. The details of the two best cards are as follows:—Mr. A. Stuart, 5 5 5 5 5 5 3 3 4=40; total, 80. Mr. J. E. Laidlay, 5 5 5 4 4 7 4 4 4=42; 4 6 6 3 5 6 4 4 4=42; total, 84. The following were the best scores :-

	rst Rnd.	2nd Rnd.		rst Rnd.			
Mr. A. Stuart	40	40	80	Mr. W. G. Bloxsom	49	46	95
				Mr. H. F. Caldwell			
Mr. J. Wharton Tod	40	46	86	Mr.C E.S. Chambers	47		95
Mr. A.O. Mackenzie			89	Mr. D. Maitland	50		96
Mr. R. H. Johnston	45	44	89	Mr. J. R. Menzies	50	46	96
Mr. D. A. Stevenson Mr. C. Anderson	45	45	90	Mr. R. Craig	51	46	97
Mr. C. Anderson	48	45	93	Dr. J. S. Thomson	50	48	98
Dr. R. H. Blaikie	47	47	94	Mr. Wm. Finlay	53	45	98

THE MANCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

MONTHLY MEDAL.

0	Pross.	Нср.	Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. A. Darbyshire		8	84	Mr. J. D. Stewart 110 7 103
Mr. J. Macalister	86	+2	88	Mr. J. Eller 123 20 103
Mr. T. D. Cummins	93	4	89	Mr. W. Cowine 125 20 105
Mr. R. L. Taylor	109	18	91	Mr. H. Holmes 131 25 106
Mr. A. C. Knight				Dr. Goodrich 118 10 108
Mr. H. Bowman				Mr. F. G. Glennie 142 30 112
				Mr. E. H. Hamp 142 28 114
Lieut. H. S. Pedley				Mr. A. I. Macnair 128 10 118
Mr. G. Haig	101	4	97	Professor Core 122 Not
			98	Mr.J.II. Hemingway 131 handi-
Mr. T. C. Midwood	113	15	98	Rev. H. H. Brayshaw 122 capped

TOOTING BEC GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting of this club was held on Friday and Saturday last. There was a good attendance both days. Dunn had the greens and teeing grounds in capital order. The weather unfortunately was very hazy, and this circumstance may explain to some extent the large proportion of "no returns" that were made. Even such a capable player as Mr. Hugh Lugton, who lately won at Gullane with the fine score of 76, found himself compelled to tear up his card. His luck on Saturday was undoubtedly hard, and savoured of the bitterest. Going to the sixth hole he drove three successive long balls off the tee, and each of them was lost. Such a cruel piece of misfortune was enough to take the pluck out of the most courageous player; but leaving this hole out of account (it ought to be done in 4), Mr. Lugton's score was 76.

On Friday the Bristowe challenge cup, together with a prize presented by Mr. C. E. Nesham, and a club prize, value £2 2s., were competed for. Mr. E. A. Walker, with a net score of 78, proved the winner of the first prize, being run very close by Mr. A. Denman with the very excellent score of 81, less 2=79. This gentleman took the second prize, a pair of artistically-designed candlesticks, manufactured by Mappin and Webb, and recently noticed in the columns of Golf. On Saturday the prizes were the Guy Pym cup, with a prize presented by Mr. C. E. Nesham, and a prize, value £3 3s., presented by the club. The competition was very close, and the leading scores returned were certainly evidence of good steady play. Mr. H. "Bury" took the Guy Pym cup, with the first-rate score of 82, less 4=78; while Mr. C. E. Nesham, playing from scratch, got round in the highly excellent figure of 80, thus taking the second prize, a nicely-finished inkstand, appropriately Golf in design, made by Mappin and Webb. The Ellis scratch medal for the best actual score of the two days' play was won

by Mr. A. Denman, with a total of 168. Mr. Nesham tied with Mr. Denman for this prize, but he was disqualified through having played off the wrong tee—a fault due to the erroneous information given by his caddie. The cup presented by Capt. Dudley Ward for the best net aggregate score of both days was won by Mr. C. A. S. Leggatt, with

the score of 170.

The annual general meeting was held on Saturday afternoon; Mr. H. Jackson presided in the absence of the captain, Lord Granby. It was agreed to raise the entrance-fee to £ 10 10s. The resignation of Mr. F. Taylor, the hon. treasurer, was intimated; and, on the motion of Mr. Lidiard, a hearty vote of thanks was given to Mr. Taylor for the valuable services he had rendered to the club during his term of office. In the evening a club dinner was held under the presidency of Mr. H. Jackson.

During Saturday afternoon, Mr. A. Denman played his ball against Messrs. Lugton and E. A. Walker. Going round in the admirable score of 80, Mr. Denman beat the strong combination by 6 up and 4 to

Friday, November 6th :-

	Gross	Hcp.	Net.	G	ross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. E. A. Walker	84	6	78	Major Lindsay	97	6	91
Mr. A. Denman	81	2	79	Mr. R. Stewart Bain			
Mr. J. Hanbury	87	4	83	Mr. H. Jackson			
Mr. F. E. Badham .	97	14	83	Mr. A. I. Robertson	100	4	96
Mr. W. Bazalgette	87	2	85	Mr. A. J. Robertson Mr. W. H. Du Buisson	105	9	96
Mr. G. H. Gill	104	18	86	Mr. W. Jeans	112	16	96
Dr. Ackroyd			87	Mr. J. P. Croal		4	97
Mr. C. E. Nesham .			88	Dr. D. Donald		15	97 97 98
Mr. C. Leggatt	96	8	88	Mr. S. G. Warner		18	98
Mr. J. S. Robb	96	8	88	Mr. A. Mackintosh.	118	20	98
Mr. A. N. Streatfield	97	9	88	Captain Dick	114		
Mr. G. P. Leach							
Mr. W. Beveridge	103	15	88				
				borough	119	14	105
				Mr. E. H. Stevenson			
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About twenty players made no return.

Saturday, November 7th :-

Gr	oss.	Нср.			ross, He	
Mr. H. "Bury"	82	4	78	Mr. G. P. Leach	103 I	2 91
Mr. C. E. Nesham	80	SCT.	80	Dr. Donald	106 1	5 91
Mr. C. A. S. Leggatt	90	8	82	Mr. J. W. Grover	107 I	6 91
Mr. W. Beveridge	98	15	83	Mr. J. S. Robb		
Mr. W. Beveridge Mr. A. Denman	87	2	85	Dr Ackroud	TO2 T	0 02
Mr. A. J. Robertson	89	4	85	Mr. D. F. Russell	106 1	4 92
Mr. J. P. Croal	89	4	85	Mr. D. F. Russell Mr. F. W. Fison Capt. Dick	112 I	8 94
Mr. G. H. Gill 1	03	18	85	Capt. Dick	109 I	4 95
Major Lindsay	92	6	86	Mr. R. S. Bain	III I	6 95
Mr. E. A. Walker	94	6	88	Mr. E. J. Hunt	113 1	8 95
Mr. J. Bell	99	11	88	Mr. T. R. Pace	113 I	4 99
Mr. J. D. Charrington	92	4	88	Mr. C. H. Compton	131 2	2 109
Mr. G. D. Wans-				Mr. G. Bromage	135 2	5 110
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Mr. J. Verran	98	9	89			

Many players made no returns.

TYNESIDE CLUB.

The second competition in connection with the winter handicap promoted by the Tyneside Club was played off last Thursday in fine weather. The prize is a cup valued at ten guineas. There was a large attendance of players. Mr. Radcliffe (scratch) was in good form, and succeeded in winning. The scores were:—

	Gros	s. Hcp	Net.	G	ross.	Нср.	Net.
Mr. J. B. Radcliffe	85	scr.	85	Mr. C. A. Ridley	92	scr.	92
				Mr. G. F. Charlton			
Mr. W. Frazer	113	25	88	Mr. W. Teasdale	102	9	93
Mr. W. E. Nicholson	113	25	88	Mr. F. T. Ridley	99	5	94
Mr. F. Smith	102	13	89	Mr. F. Babington	98	4	94
Mr. I. G. Sharp	104	15	89	Mr. F. Redmayne	108	14	94
Mr. J. W. Wood	96	6	90	Mr. W. G. Williams	103	5	98
Mr. J. L. Oliver	96	6	90	Mr. F.W. Wyndham	117	19	98
				Mr. J. T. Robb			
Mr. G. W. Walters					-		

Four players retired.

Annual Dinner of the Tyneside Club.—The Tynesiders dined together at the Crown Hotel, Newcastle, last Friday night, about forty members and friends being present. Mr. James Tennant, J.P. (president), occupied the chair, and he was faced by Mr. G. F. Charlton, the hon. secretary. In reply to the toast, "Success to the Tyneside Club," Mr. Tennant, in the course of an excellent speech, said: "Golf, no doubt, had grown greatly in the North, and, like a prolific mother, the Tyneside had brought forth many clubs. The Tyneside Club had been in existence thirteen years; its progress had been steady, until now it

was in a very sound position. He believed that if he picked out the first dozen able exponents of the game in their club, he had a lot that could hold their own against any club in the kingdom. To test that opinion, he would much like to see an inter-club match between Tyneside and any crack club." The president gave, "The health of Mr. G. F. Charlton, hon. secretary," and that gentleman, in replying, thanked them for their kind wishes. He was now happily restored to good health. Several new clubs had been started in the North, but the members of his club regarded the new ventures, not as rivals, but as allies. Other toasts were "Kindred Clubs," responded to by Mr. S. F. Bates, City of Newcastle Club, Dr. E. S. Robson, Durham Club, and Mr. J. B. Radcliffe, Whitley Club. An excellent programme was contributed during the evening by members and friends.

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday the second competition for the silver-mounted horns, presented by Mr. C. Lefroy, was decided in good golfing weather, but the course was still rather heavy. There were 19 competitors. The Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncrieff was the scratch winner with 101; Mr. T. Latham came second, 106; and the Hon. R. H. Lyttetton, 108, third. In the handicap the Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncrieff, 101, less 3=98, was first; and Mr. T. Latham, 106, less 5=101; and Mr. H. Le Fleming, 114, less 13=101, tied for second position. The next best scores were:—Rev. A. Bedford, 120, less 18=102; and the Hon. R. H. Lyttetton, 108, less 6=102.

WORCESTERSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

At the monthly meeting of this club the Rev. C. Black, 89, less 11=78, won the monthly cup and senior medal; and Mr. H. H. House, 111, less 25=86, the junior medal. The other best scores were:—Mr. T. Hyde, 92, less 6=86; Mr. W. E. Paterson, 95, less 8=87; Mr. H. D. Acland, 100, less 12=88; Mr. J. Foord-Kelcev, 99, less 10=89; Mr. W. C. Perry, 110, less 21=89; Dr. H. E. Dixey, 116, less 25=91; Rev. H. M. Faber, 104, less 12=92; Mr. J. W. Jeakes, 118, less 25=93; and Mr. C. E. Moilliet, 116, less 19=97.

GLASGOW GOLF CLUB.—The competition for the monthly medals took place in the Alexandra Park on Saturday in splendid golfing weather. Fifty-five couples took part. The scoring was very good, and the best score—an exceptionally low one—was made by Mr. John Thomson:—Out, 4 5 4 5 4 4 4 3 4=37; in, 4 3 4 3 4 4 4 4 5=35; total, 72. Club medal: Mr. John Thomson, 72, less 2=70; Mr. James Blair, 77, less 4=73; Mr. R. Philip, 78, less 2=76; Mr. Ad. Neilie, 78 (scratch). Wilson medal: Rev. J. Anderson, 82, less 5=77; Mr. Jas. Baird, 83, less 5=78; Mr. A. Welsh, 87, less 9=78; Dr. Doughan, 88, less 10=78; Mr. J. W. J. Watt, 84, less 5=79. Scott medal: Mr. H. G. Cooper, 82, less 12=70; Mr. James W. Wood, 89, less 16=73; Mr. W. M. Paton, 90, less 14=76; Mr. R. Dunn, 94, less 18=76; Mr. J. French, 93, less 16=77; Mr. J. Lauder, 95, less 18=77; Mr. George Newton, 91, less 13=78; Mr. H. Johnstone, 95, less 16=79.

New Golf Course at Ayton.—On Saturday last a capital nine-hole Golf course was opened at this picturesque little Berwickshire village by Sir Walter G. Simpson, Bart., before a large and interested attendance of spectators. The course has been laid out by Bob Ferguson, Musselburgh, along the haughs or ground between the river Eye and the bye road to Reston, and with the river always present as a hazard, not to mention a quarry, bog, and mill lade, the round, which extends to over a mile, is an exceedingly sporting one. The longest hole is 500 yards, and the shortest 100 yards, the river in the former case having to be crossed thrice. A club, with a ladies' section, has already been started, of which Sir Walter G. Simpson is captain, and Mr. Wood, postmaster, Ayton, hon. secretary.

LANARK.—On Saturday the members of the Lanark Golf Club began a tournament under handicap by strokes for a spirit-stand (tantalus) and silver salver, presented by Col. McCall, of the Scottish Rifles, who, during the summer, are in camp for a month on part of the links. Twelve byes were drawn, and do not play in the first tie. The result of the first tie is Mr. J. M. Davidson beat Mr. Jas. Arthur Vassie; Mr. Adam Paterson beat Rev. T. D. Miller; Mr. Horn walked over; Mr. David Cassels scratched; Mr. T. Watson, jun., beat Mr. Frame. The competition for the gold ball was going on at the same time, and it was gained by Mr. James Annan with a net score of 115 for the twenty-eight holes.

Anstruther Club.—The monthly competition for the Robertson medal took place on the 3rd inst. Two rounds were played, and William Bonthrone, the vice-captain, was declared the winner, with a score of 80, less 5=75. James Peebles was second with 81, less 5=76.

MORNINGSIDE GOLF CLUB, EDINBURGH.—The usual monthly competition was played over the Braids on Monday, the 2nd inst. Result:—I, H. B. Carlyon, 82 (scratch); 2, John Rose, 91, less 8=83; 3 and 4 (a tie), A. M. Runciman, 100, less 9=91; and John Johnston, 93, less 2=91.

PARKSIDE GOLF CLUB (EDINBURGH).—This club held their monthly medal competition (limited to nine holes) over the Braids on Saturday. There was a small turn-out of members, and Mr. A. Pryce was the winner with a score of 53, less 3=50.

EDINBURGH TEACHERS' GOLF CLUB,—The first competition for the year for the monthly charm and medal took place over the Braids on Saturday, when Mr. T. King proved the winner with a score of 81, less 5=76. The next best cards were those of Mr. John Brown, 91, less 13=78; Mr. R. C. Anderson, 93, less 14=79; and Mr. William Mackenzie, 97, less 18=79.

"Scotsman" Club.—Mr. J. P. Lees was successful in the cup competition of this club over the Braids on Saturday with a score of 93, less 11=82. Mr. J. Robb was second with 87, less 2=85.

East of Fife Club.—The monthly competition for the silver medal took place on Saturday afternoon, both weather and green being all that could be wished for. Few competitors, however, turned up, and at the close Mr. John Clacher, Pittenweem, became the winner with a score of 89, less 5=84, four or five scratch scores following with 85.

PRESTWICK ST. NICHOLAS.—The members turned out in force on Saturday to compete for Capt. Larke's special prizes, twenty-four couples starting on the game of eighteen holes. The card showed a tie at 78 by Messrs. J. Wallace, R. Pyper, and A. Boon, the latter at scratch, and the former with 12 and 16 of odds respectively. The next best scores were:—Mr. W. T. Morton, 81; Mr. C. Randall, 81; Mr. J. Houat, 82; Mr. J. Gibson, 82; Mr. J. Tullis, 83; Mr. R. Raeside, 83; Mr. W. A. Kennedy, 84.

PERTH ARTISAN CLUB.—On Saturday the first round of a competition for several prizes presented by Captain Livingstone, Queen's Barracks, took place on the North Inch. The weather was fine, but the greens being rather heavy rendered low scoring difficult. Best scores:—Mr. W. Anderson, 59: Mr. J. Cobb, sen., 60; Mr. J. Cobb, jun., 61; Mr. J. Brough, 62; Mr. J. Williamson, 63; Mr. E. Robson, 63; Mr. P. Robertson, 64; Mr. A. Reid, 64; Mr. J. Younger, 65; and Mr. R. Carter, 65.

HAWICK CLUB.—The monthly competition took place on Saturday afternoon, when there was a large muster of competitors. Details:—Mr. C. J. Glenny, 107, less 25=82; Mr. J. W. Glenny, 110, less 27=83; Mr. J. Macdonald, 97, less 14=83; Mr. James Barrie, 87, plus 1=88; Dr. Barrie, 96, less 7=80; Mr. G. H. Douglas, 91; Mr. Peter Cruickshank, 94, less 2=92; Mr. A. Fisher, 105, less 12=93; Mr. G. H. Wilson, 112, less 19=93; Mr. J. T. Turner, 107, less 14=93; Mr. W. Pitcairn, 109, less 14=95; Mr. J. Scott, 111, less 15=96; Mr. W. Hume, 101, less 4=97; Dr. Wade, 125, less 27=98.

Annandale (Lockerbie) Club.—The members of the Annandale Golf Club competed on Saturday for the silver medal, presented by Mr. Alexander Rogerson, of St. Michael's. The weather was favourable. Owing to extensive drainage operations the course was more than usually difficult, but the putting-greens were in fair order. The medal was gained by Mr. Donald Stewart, teacher, who in the final won from Mr. James Halliday, publisher, by 2 up and 1 to play.

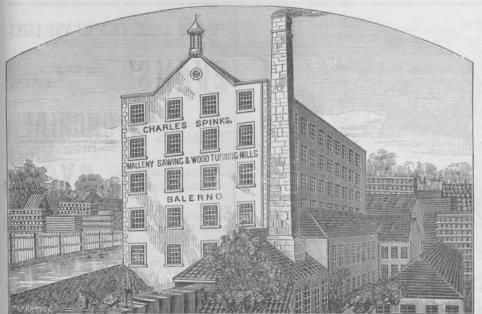
GALASHIELS.—The first competition for the monthly medal took place on Saturday. The course, which has improved greatly of late, was in first-rate order, and there was a strong turn-out of players. Mr. W. H. Gray was the winner with the excellent scratch score of 77, which is now the record score for the green. It was made up as follows:—First round, 6 5 4 2 4 4 3 4 4=36; second round, 6 5 5 4 4 5 3 5 4=41. Some of the other scores were:—Dr. Doig, 90, less 6=84; Mr. William Dunlop, 92, less 8=84; Mr. A. D. Robson, 90, less 3=87; Mr. T. H. Nisbet, 107, less 18=89; Mr. James Brown, jun., 102, less 10=92; Mr. A. T. Dalgliesh, 102, less 10=92; Mr. James Watson, 105, less 12=93; Mr. J. E. Sanderson, 102, less 8=94; Mr. Alexander Noble, 104, less 10=94; Dr. Hardesty, 114, less 18=96; Mr. Alexander Brodie, 108, less 10=98.

KIRKWALL.—The members of the Orkney Golf Club engaged in the monthly competition for Sheriff Thoms' star at Pickie Quoy on Saturday. The course was thrice round—twenty-one holes. Mr. M'Ewen, who had the best score, took one of the holes in two strokes. The following are the five best scores:—I, Mr. J. M'Ewen, 109; 2, Dr. Russel, 111; 3. Mr. J. |Brown, 116; 4, Mr. A. Walls, 122; 5, Mr. M. L. Howan, 123.

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WHITLEY CLUB.—The Joicey cup tie between Messrs. G. F. Charlton and C. A. Ridley was replayed, and resulted in an easy win for the last-named. The scores were:—Mr. C. A. Ridley, scratch, 89; Mr. G. F. Charlton, 97, less 3=94.

NEWBIGGIN CLUB. - After two ties between Messrs. D. Rosser and J. Lowthian Bell, Mr. Rosser succeeded in winning the special prize presented for competition by the committee of the Newbiggin Club.

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