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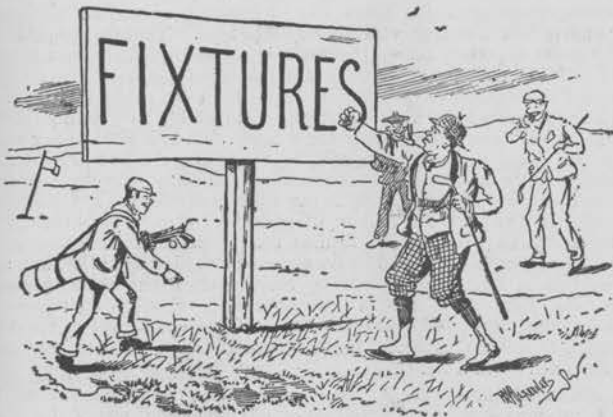
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OCTOBER.

- Oct. 10.—Southport: Cup Competition.  
Aberdeen Club: Final Competition for Burgmann Cup.  
West Herts: Monthly Medal.  
Royal Epping Forest: Gordon Challenge Cup (Yearly Competition); Captain's Prize (final).  
Littlestone: Monthly Medal.  
Guildford: Monthly Handicap.  
Royal Isle of Wight: Autumn Meeting; Tottenham Gold Medal; Club Prize.  
Tantallon: Autumn Meeting.  
Dublin: Lumsden Medal.  
Falkirk: Monthly Competition.  
Nairn: Pullar Medal.  
Wilshire and District: Monthly Medal and Pickop Cup.  
Alnwick: Marsh Painting.  
Lytham and St. Anne's: Captain's Cup.  
Alnmouth: Marsh Prize.  
Formby: Pearson Prize.  
Hayling Island: Monthly Competition.  
Tooting: Monthly Medal.  
Wimbledon Ladies': Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 10-12.—County Golf Club, Portrush: Autumn Meeting and Annual Dinner.
- Oct. 12.—Royal Isle of Wight: Foursome Tournament for Prize given by the Club.
- Oct. 12-13.—Crookham: Autumn Meeting; Open Challenge Cup.
- Oct. 13.—Royal Epping Forest: Kentish Cup.  
Royal Blackheath: George Glennie Medal, and Penn Cup.
- Oct. 13-15.—North Berwick: Autumn Golf Tournament.
- Oct. 15.—Clapham: Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 15-17.—London Scottish: Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 16.—Harrison, Edinburgh: Medal.

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- Oct. 17.—Dublin: Monthly Medal.  
Aberdeen Club: Pickop Cup.  
Royal Epping Forest: Quarterly Medal.  
Disley: Sixth Summer Handicap.  
Glasgow: Autumn Meeting.  
Prestwick St. Nicholas: Ayr Trophy, &c.  
Epsom: Monthly Medal.  
Haydock Park: Williamson Medal.  
Seaton Carew: Club Cup.  
Royal Montreal: Sidey Medal.  
Redhill and Reigate: Club Medal.  
Falkirk: Handicap Tournament.  
Lea Hurst: Monthly Competition.  
Royal Belfast: Autumn Meeting.  
St. Georges, Sandwich: Franklin-Adams Gold Medal; Club Cup; Caird Prize.  
Edinburgh C. A.: Autumn Meeting.  
Richmond: Autumn Meeting.  
Ealing: Monthly Medal.
- Oct. 17-19.—Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells: Autumn Meeting.  
St. George's, Sandwich: Captain's Medal.  
Lytham and St. Anne's: Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 18.—Formby: Monthly Optional.
- Oct. 19.—St. George's, Sandwich: Club Cup.
- Oct. 21.—Royal Epping Forest: Kentish Gold Medal; Noakes Cup.
- Oct. 22-24.—Rhyl: Autumn Meeting; Visitors' Cup.
- Oct. 22-29.—Hayling Island: Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 23-24.—Prestwick: *Evening Times* Trophy.
- Oct. 24.—Warwickshire: Leaf Prize.  
Royal Belfast: Iota Cup.  
Royal Montreal: Colts Champion Belt.  
Lytham and St. Anne's: Bury Cup.  
Forfar: Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 24-27.—Felixstowe: Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 29-31.—Royal Wimbledon: Autumn Meeting.
- Oct. 30-31.—Royal Eastbourne: Autumn Meeting.  
Royal Eastbourne: Monthly Medal.
- Oct. 31.—Royal Epping Forest: Gordon Challenge Cup.  
Luffness: Wemyss Challenge Medal.  
Royal Wimbledon: Monthly Medal.  
Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells: Monthly Medal.  
Haddington: Ross Medal.  
Royal Montreal: Buchanan Cup.  
Dundee: Club Cross.  
Buxton and High Peak: Monthly Medal.  
Cathkin Braes: Vice-President's Prizes.  
Haydock Park: Legh Challenge Cup.  
Epsom: Rosebery Gold Medal.  
Alnmouth: Handicap Cup.  
Ilkley: Buckley Cup; Monthly Medal.  
Littlestone: Autumn Meeting.  
Royal Dublin: Open Handicap Prize, value £10.  
Dublin: Open Competition.

NOVEMBER.

- Nov. 3.—Hayling Island Ladies': Bath Challenge Star.
- Nov. 5.—Minchinhampton: Monthly Medal.
- Nov. 7-9.—Gullane: November Meeting.  
Great Yarmouth: November Meeting; Autumn Meeting.

## THE GOLFERS' PRIZE.

This competition has produced some interesting results. It has shown how wide are the suffrages to which golfers can appeal, and how keen is the interest evinced in the playing reputation of our best golfers. Papers have been sent in from all parts of the world, one coming from an expatriated Royal and Ancient in the orange groves of Florida. The voting papers showed many curious results. Sometimes Mr. Henry Lamb played for Scotland against his brother in the English team; Mr. Everard was sometimes in the Scotch team and sometimes in the English; Mr. Laidlaw Purves, Mr. Norman Foster, and Mr. J. G. Gibson were alternately Englishmen and Scotsmen, according to the exigencies of the voter. As a general rule the voters seem to have had little difficulty in fixing on the Scotch team, but to choose the three last names of the English team would seem to have given cause for much jogging of the reflective faculties.

The result of the competition is that the first prize of a sovereign has been gained by

Mrs. EVERARD, St. Andrews, N.B.,

and the second prize, a bound volume of GOLF, goes to

Mr. JAMES KERR, Captain of the Thistle Golf Club, Leven, Fifeshire.

The following are the representative teams which have been chosen to rank according to the majority of votes. It only remains for us to ask the question, "What Golf club authority will undertake to institute the match, and when will it be brought to a practical trial?"

## SCOTLAND.

## ENGLAND.

1. Mr. J. E. LAIDLAY.	1. Mr. J. BALL, Jun.
2. Mr. L. M. BALFOUR.	2. Mr. H. G. HUTCHINSON.
3. Mr. A. F. MACFIE.	3. Mr. H. H. HILTON.
4. Mr. S. M. FERGUSSON.	4. Mr. A. H. MOLESWORTH.
5. Mr. A. STUART.	5. Mr. H. S. C. EVERARD.
6. Mr. A. M. ROSS.	6. Mr. C. HUTCHINGS.
7. Mr. H. A. LAMB.	7. Mr. W. D. ZOETE.
8. Mr. D. LEITCH.	8. Mr. J. PENN.

THE NEW COURSE AT GIFFNOCK.—A number of gentlemen interested in Golf have been lately examining several sites for a course convenient to the south part of the city, and have at last concluded arrangements for a fine stretch of turf at Giffnock. The course is intended to be a nine-hole one, and is situated on a fine slope immediately to the west of Giffnock station, on the Caledonian line, within twenty minutes' rail of Glasgow. Willie Campbell, professional to Bridge of Weir Golf Club, has already examined the land, and has expressed a very favourable opinion of its suitability. There are some splendid hazards, including an old quarry hole, a good growth of whins, while a little stream runs through the centre. A very pleasant prospect is open to the eye from the course. Looking south-west is the finely wooded estate of Mr. Crum, and beyond, the open and agricultural district of Newton-Mearns. The first meeting of intending members was held last week, in the hall of Queen's Park U.P. Church, Crosshill. There was a good attendance of gentlemen. Mr. Mann, of Messrs. Bell Bros. and M'Lellan, occupied the chair. Mr. James Mark, jun., read the proposed articles of agreement with the proprietor and the arrangements already made on behalf of the club. It was agreed that the club be designated the "Eastwood Golf Club," and that the present membership be limited to one hundred. A number of gentlemen were proposed as honorary presidents, including Sir John Stirling Maxwell, Mr. J. Crum, of Thornliebank, and Dr. Napier, of Crosshill. Mr. Manns, of Giffnock, was elected captain; Mr. James Mark, jun., Innisfallen, Langside, honorary secretary; Mr. Thomas Mitchell, match secretary and treasurer; with a committee of eight gentlemen representing the several adjacent districts. Little requires to be done to the course, and it is expected that the greens will be ready for members in about a month. It was decided to adopt the St. Andrews rules, and the committee were empowered to draw up the bye-laws.

## THE AUTUMN MEETING AT ST. ANDREWS.

The old Fife city, beloved of golfers, has had her fair share of important fixtures in this year of grace 1891. Events follow one another with rapidity, and the interesting meeting in the spring, the contest for the medal, and for the amateur championship, are now ancient history, which must give place in interest to that of the more immediate present. It is correct to describe the autumn meeting as the more important one of the year, for all golfers of eminence (and their names are legion) who can boast membership of the Royal and Ancient Club make a point of being present to strive for the coveted rewards. On this occasion also the open championship was to be decided over this green, so that in addition to the whole corps of brilliant amateurs, all the leading professionals of the day had arrived, or were in process of arriving, to cultivate acquaintance with the strength of the putting-greens, and other *minutiae* necessary for effective execution. The only noticeable absentee in the amateur ranks was Mr. Leslie M. Balfour, whose absence is explained by recent sad events, which will readily procure him the sincere sympathy of every golfer.

The weather throughout August had been wet, a circumstance which probably accounted for the more than usually excellent condition of the putting-greens, which reflected much credit upon the custodian. The links year by year have a harder strain put upon them, owing to the annual irruption at the latter end of summer of endless hordes of "duffers" of the most abjectly hopeless type. Though incapable of any good, in golfing sense, these bands are unfortunately most potent for evil; to follow one of their number round and repair the ravages he makes would be an arduous day's work for one man; the leaves of Vallombrosa indeed would hardly be comparable in quantity to the divots which mark the trail of these scourges. It is hard to say what can be done to remedy this evil, as St. Andrews is free to all, but it seems hardly in accordance with the fitness of things that these gentry, who contribute not one penny to the upkeep of the links, should day by day inflict such an amount of gratuitous ravages upon them. If they could be persuaded to confine their experiments to grass fields until such time as they could have some reasonable hope of hitting, say one ball in ten, before honouring St. Andrews with their presence, matters might perhaps be a little improved. Considering these circumstances, then, the whole condition of the course was better than might have been expected, for the rains of August, as we have said, befriended "old Tom."

Among the first to arrive was Mr. Mure Fergusson, whose form in his preliminary matches, almost all of which he won, was of the most consistent excellence. Mr. Horace G. Hutchinson, who was absent from the spring meeting, also arrived, having been recently playing at North Berwick; when to these two we add the name of the amateur champion, Mr. J. E. Laidlay, it will be seen that the quality of competing talent was all that could be desired. Tuesday, as usual, saw the general business meeting held, the principal point to be recorded being the adoption of the new rules, copies of which will be supplied to members before January 1st, 1892, on which date they come into force. The interests of budding golfers were not neglected, in that a donation was voted to the Children's Golf Club, where with commendable keenness the youngsters of both sexes may be seen all day long pursuing the elusive hole with putter and ball. At night also they meditate on these matters, for he who writes is assured by a friend that a son of the latter, having been presented with a nice new cleek, took the same in loving embrace to bed with him, determined that even in sleep his treasure and he should not be parted. A champion this, surely, in years that are to come! An important rule affecting local play was also under consideration, the question being how to treat balls driven into extra-territorial enclosures. It is felt by many that the links are already of inordinate breadth, and that if a player cannot contrive to keep within their very ample limits, he deserves whatever punishment fate and the laws will permit. What, if any, is to be the punishment thus allotted is a question remitted to the green committee to consider and report.

Wednesday morning opened under promising meteorological conditions, which, however, were only partially fulfilled as the day wore on. The wind rose in increasing strength, and was accompanied by some heavy rain-squalls; it was thus hardly to be called an ideal scoring day, though a better one could, perhaps, hardly have been expected at this time of year. Sixty-three couples started, a large enough field in all conscience, yet one which fell short by some ten or twelve couples of the corresponding field last year. Yet even so, the daylight was barely sufficient when the last couple arrived on the Home green. King William IV. medal, the gold medal of the club, and the George Glennie medal for the best aggregate score of spring and autumn, were the prizes under competition. In the large field were to be found at least sixty players, probably more, who by no conceivable chance could win a medal, while those on whom success might possibly attend might be looked for in a list of some twenty more or less well-known names.

The first couple with a reputation were Mr. R. B. Sharp and Mr. D. I. Lamb, who were nineteenth in order of starting. It will be remembered that the first of these gentlemen leapt into prominence in the spring by defeating the champion, Mr. John Ball, jun., in the tournament. He has now added to his reputation, and his score of 87, better by two strokes than that of his companion, remained unchallenged for a considerable time. Mr. Henry Lamb and Mr. A. F. Macfie, always to be feared, were 93 and 91 respectively, and not till Mr. H. S. C. Everard appeared with another 87 was this total approached. This gentleman, contrary to his usual custom, threw away his chance of a very fine round by faulty putting on several greens, and his total, with the most ordinary holing out, might have been easily five strokes less, an 8 at the last hole but one making sad havoc on an otherwise steady card. The two 87's, however, were only eclipsed by one player, Mr. Alexander Stuart, who returned shortly afterwards with 85, the worst feature in which was a 5 to the short hole out, partly redeemed, however, by a 3 to the end hole. His partner, Mr. Horace Hutchinson, who had played well in the first half-round, met with disasters on the way home, and did not return a card. Mr. Laidlay, who drove very well, was unfortunate in having the run of the green against him; he finished in 90, and the remaining competitors who might yet step in were, curiously enough, all together in a bunch. Of these, Mr. Mure Fergusson came nearest the two leading scores. He had gone out in 45, and had a bit of very cruel fortune at the first hole from the turn, where he was dead for a 4, but, in addressing his ball, the wind blew it so far away that a 6 was recorded. After this, he played a most magnificent driving game, and was quite within sight of disturbing even the winning score of 85, but two unlucky shortish putts liping the hole without going in, he eventually finished in 88. The end was now in view. Mr. A. Stuart, winner of the William IV. medal, and Mr. R. B. Sharp and Mr. H. S. C. Everard a tie for the gold medal. For the George Glennie medal—a sure test of steady play—Mr. Everard's spring and autumn scores were the lowest, viz., 88 and 87=175. Four strokes behind him came Mr. Laidlay, with 89, 90, and Mr. R. B. Sharp with 92, 87=179, respectively, Messrs. Macfie, Mure Fergusson, D. I. Lamb and James Cunningham, jun., following with 180. Of less well-known players, who acquitted themselves well for the autumn medal, mention should be made of Mr. H. S. Colt, winner of the Jubilee vase; of Mr. W. Ballingall, who came to the front in the amateur championship tournament; of Mr. Gerald Maitland Heriot, and of Mr. R. S. Macneill, all of whom were round in 90—the latter quite a young lad, who was lucky enough to play by a long way the best round he had ever accomplished, which, with twelve strokes deducted, landed him an easy winner of the handicap. The usual dinner followed, whereat the late captain, Mr. J. H. Baxter, relinquished his position in favour of Sir Ralph Anstruther, Bart., who had, "so to speak, played himself into office" by winning the Adelaide medal in the morning.

On Thursday, the chief event of interest was the decision of the tie for the gold medal. Mr. Everard opened well with a 4 against 5, but in subsequent play fell, perhaps, a little below his standard. Mr. Sharp, who played a remarkably steady game, did not fail to take advantage of this circumstance, and finished with a second score of 87 against his opponent's 90. He was, therefore, hailed as the winner of the gold medal, a well-deserved victory, upon which his friends were not slow to congratulate him. His public performances this year have stamped him as a golfer of quite first-class capabilities. On the same day Mr. Laidlay and Mr. F. G. Tait played a match which is noticeable on account of the brilliant game exhibited by the amateur champion. Although Mr. Tait got round in 85, he was beaten by six holes, the champion finishing in 80—40 each way. A second round was halved. The amateurs therefore having finished their competitions, had the open championship to look forward to wherein to measure their strength against their formidable professional brethren.

**1ST LANARKSHIRE R. V. GOLF COURSE.**—Towards the close of the 1st L. R. V. drill season in May, the athletic section of the corps thought it would be practicable to introduce Golf as a section of the club. The newly-acquired drill ground of the regiment at Yorkhill, it was thought, might be utilised as links. The commanding officer, on being approached, at once acquiesced. After some preliminary meetings, a committee was appointed with full powers, the result of whose labours is seen in the nice little course of six holes. It was opened on Saturday, the 26th ult., by Colonel Reid, who drove off the first ball. Membership will be confined to members and honorary members of the regiment. On account of the season being far advanced, the subscription till 30th April next has been fixed at the low figure of 6s. 6d. Colonel Paul has kindly given a monthly medal, and Major Macfarlane has promised a handsome subscription for prizes. The first competition for the medal took place after the opening ceremony. Doubtless this new move in adding the increasingly popular game to the other attractions of the west-end regiment will add still more to its popularity, and cause an influx of young men to its ranks.



### QUESTIONS ON THE RULES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—A and B are playing together in a medal competition. Both balls are on the putting-green, when A makes his approach putt, and lays his ball about ten inches from the hole. B follows with his putt, and his ball cannons against A's, and the latter's ball is sent into the hole.

Question (1).—Does A replace the ball that has been cannoned into the hole in its original position, and hole out, or is it a rub of the green?

Question (2).—Is a rub of the green admissible in medal play?

The rule bearing on the point states that in medal play all balls must be holed out, but that the player whose ball is the nearer to the hole has the option of holing out first. Does the clause of the rule enforcing that all balls must be holed out prevent a rub of the green being allowed as in the case stated between A and B?

I may add that, to make matters safe, A replaced his ball after it had been cannoned into the hole, and holed out. On the matter being explained to the committee of the club, they decided that A ought to have holed out first, and thus prevented his ball being cannoned into the hole. But is there a rule in Golf that could compel him to hole out under the circumstances, even though his ball was the nearer to the hole? The rule, as it applies, gave A the option of holing out—it was not compulsory for him to do so, except in case of a stimpie. In this case there was no stimpie as between A and B.

On the scores of A and B being handed in, A was 87 and B 88. But as the committee decided not to allow a rub of the green for A's ball being cannoned into the hole, one stroke more was added to A's score, and a tie was declared.

I am, Sir, &c.,

SAXON.

[1.] The rule is imperative that all balls must be holed out in medal play. Had A not replaced his ball and holed out the committee would have had no alternative but to disqualify him. The case would have been different in match play. Here there is only one opponent against another, and A would have been entitled to profit by his piece of luck; but in a medal competition A was playing against the whole field of competitors, not against his partner. In justice, therefore, to all the other competitors the ball should be replaced and holed out. (2.) Certainly, a rub of the green is equally admissible in medal play as in match play, but the case presented by our correspondent does not come within the description. Here it was either bad play or ignorance of the rules. If A's ball was in any degree in a line to the hole, B ought to have lifted A's ball before playing his approach putt, or A ought to have been asked to hole out. Each player ought to have remembered that he was playing against the whole field, not one against the other, and that nothing should have been done to obstruct or give one player an advantage. Let our correspondent imagine this possible contingency. Two unscrupulous players engage in a prize competition; one is known to have a good chance to become winner while his partner has absolutely none. The player with the good chance lays his ball (as in the circumstances described above) two or three times within five inches of the hole; the player with no chance aids his partner by express or tacit conspiracy to become prize-winner by

playing a ball in line behind very strong so as to cannon the ball of the former into the hole, and thus save the expectant prize-winner two of three strokes in the round. We do not by any means suggest that this is a case likely to occur, but we put it before our correspondent as an extreme illustration of what, on the hypothesis of a rub of the green being allowed, might result. The St. Andrews rule, it is true, speaks of "option," but the "practice" is uniform in requesting a player whose ball is in line nearest to the hole either to hole out first, or lift until the player farther off has played. Captain Eaton's Isle of Wight rules are more clear and explicit. While giving the player the benefit of such a cannon in match play, Captain Eaton's code states that "in medal play the ball must be replaced and holed out by the proper player without a penalty." The decision of the committee is, therefore, right and sound.—ED.]

#### To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have read your editorial note expounding the rule as to changing balls, and venture to think that your decision is wrong.

The rule you quote is not applicable, because there was no question as to the identity of the two balls. The opponent knew his own and had it; and it is only when the parties cannot decide which is which that an agreement must be come to before either plays. The opponent had no power to consent to the hole being played out with the wrong ball. Rule III. (St. Andrews) forbids any change, with exceptions outside this case, and I contend that as the hole had not been played out with the wrong ball, the player was quite entitled, nay bound, to continue with his own ball, and that the four strokes were as nothing.

If a player plays the ball of a third party, who discovers the mistake, recalls the ball, and points out the player's own to him before he has holed out, do you think the player would count the strokes played with the wrong ball? Certainly not; he would continue with his own, blotting out all count of the mistaken ball.

I am, Sir, &c.,

N. R. F.

[The case which was raised is not by any means on all-fours with that of a player who plays the ball of a third party, and each find the mistake out. In such a case as that we, of course, agree with the view of our correspondent. But equity and fairness demand that a player who has found the lost ball of some previous player in a bush, accepts it in good faith as his own, plays four strokes with it, and then seeks to blot out his strokes, shall not escape without punishment. He ought to play out the hole, or give it up. We adhere strictly to our previous view as one which fairly meets the justice of the case.—ED.]

**LEITH CALLEDONIAN CLUB.**—The autumn meeting of the club, fixed for Leven on the annual holiday, which had to be abandoned on account of the weather, was held over Gullane links on Saturday afternoon last, when two presented and four club prizes were competed for under handicap conditions. On the cards being compared at the close of the play it was found that Mr. Robert Stewart, with an allowance of 20, had holed out in 102, entitling him to first place, the next being Mr. John Henderson, owing 2, with an actual 82. The following is the full list of winners:—Mr. Robert Stewart, 102, less 20=82; Mr. John Henderson, 82, plus 2=84; Mr. James Pursell, 103, less 18=85; Mr. Thomas Morison, 97, less 10=87; Mr. Thomas A. Helm, 98, less 9=89; Mr. F. W. Brickman, 109, less 20=89; Mr. John F. Ferguson, 105, less 16=89.

**MORAY GOLF CLUB.**—The members of this club held the monthly competition for their captain's prize on Saturday afternoon last, on the course at Lossiemouth, in splendid weather. The greens were in capital condition, and putting was keen. There were ten competitors, and scoring ruled exceptionally low. When the cards were handed in, it was found that Mr. J. S. Urquhart was the winner with an actual score of 82. The next best scores were those of Messrs. F. Davie and W. Christie, which were 86 and 87 respectively.

**AIRDRIE GOLF CLUB.**—The half-yearly competition for the Cowie cup (scratch) took place over the links of the club at Rochsoles on Saturday afternoon. The weather was favourable, but the links were found to be somewhat heavy, and the scoring was above the average. The winner of the cup was Mr. A. D. Lindsay, with 91, the next best score being that of Mr. R. Shanks, 97.



"Cape Town has been visited by a distinguished golfer in Mr. G. P. Ross, who (according to a South African paper) has held the title of amateur champion of the Border countries for the last five years. He has joined the Cape Town Club, and quite recently a match was arranged between him and Mr. Walker, a well-known local player. The champion started well, and at the fourth hole was leading by two. From this point, however, the local man pulled himself together, and, taking the next four holes, won a good game by two up and one to play. Mr. Ross's play was closely watched. He is powerful in his long game, driving a pretty ball, but in his approaches and on the green he does not show up to so much advantage. Moreover, his play lacks the style and finish one would expect to see in a player with such a record as Mr. Ross comes to us with. No doubt when he becomes more accustomed to the conditions of the game out here he will give a better account of himself, although he will find some hard nuts to crack amongst our local players."

A match has been played at Cape Town between teams selected from the English footballers and the Cape Golf Club. It was not an exciting affair, however. A similar match was played in Kimberley a short time before, when Mr. Wotherspoon and Mr. Marshall did service for England; but they were quite out of form, and handicapped by not knowing the ground. In the end the game was abandoned all in favour of the Kimberley men, who were leading by several holes when the English pair cried "enough."

An excellent and picturesque Golf course has lately been opened near Rosslynlee, Hawthornden, a romantic district near Edinburgh, rendered immortal by the poet Drummond and the pilgrimage of Ben Jonson. The course will be a great boon to the neighbourhood, as also to Bonnyrigg, Dalkeith, and Glen-corse districts. The turf is old hill turf, and the greens are all natural and excellent. From No. 3 hole, which is on a hill of pure sand 800 feet above the sea, a magnificent view is had as far as the May Island and away into Perthshire. The club is in a flourishing state, and its limited membership is not far from being complete. If found necessary, the course can be increased to eighteen holes, as there is plenty of scope. The autumn meeting will be held next month.

Mr. J. Fisher, of Matlock, near Derby, has shown us his patent for private practice on the lawn. It consists of a small leather apron, indiarubber tee, and a Golf ball attached by the finest and strongest fishing tackle to strands of the best woven silk inserted in the core of the ball. By means of strong pins the leather apron is securely fixed on the turf. The cord with the ball attached is also securely fixed by means of a pin and a stout flexible piece of indiarubber. A golfer wishful of a little driving practice in his garden has only to fix these things on the turf, and he can peg away off the tee to his heart's content.

The recently formed City of Newcastle Golf Club promises to become a great success. The list of members is already very large, and the course is now being laid out—Tom Morris, of St. Andrews, having been engaged to superintend this part of the work.

We have received a copy of "Autumn Leaves: the Fashion Double Number of *The Gentlewoman*" It is beautifully illustrated, contains a number of charming stories and poems, and portrait of Mrs. Gladstone, with interior views of Hawarden, and a portrait of the Baroness Burdett Coutts, and a wealth of the latest fashion plates. Some of the lady contributors are manifestly keen students of Golf and other athletic sports, as witness the following anecdotes:—"It is said that while at Balmoral recently, Mr. Balfour, at the Queen's request, explained to her the whole methods of the game. Golf has come so much to the front lately, and the Queen's various guests have so impressed upon her that the Golf links are quite to succeed the 'tennis court,' that her Majesty was curious to know more about the game. Seven or eight years ago the Queen wished to be similarly enlightened about 'tennis,' and sent for the champion players, the Brothers Renshaw, and they played several sets at Windsor before the Queen and her children. Concerning other outdoor games, the Queen has often witnessed cricket matches in the Home Park, which her grandson, Prince Christian Victor, has got up, he being an enthusiastic cricketer, but I believe the Queen has never yet seen a football match."

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A curious and interesting literary combination has just been announced by the editor of *The Gentlewoman*. In the first twenty numbers of that journal there appeared week by week a "Novel" novel, each chapter being by a different author—an amateur and reader of the journal. This very successful scheme suggested to the editor the idea of a novel written by many well-known novelists without consultation or any plan being pre-arranged. The result has been a remarkable work of fiction and literary curiosity called "The Fate of Fenella." The opening chapter is by Helen Mathers, the next by Justin H. McCarthy, a lady and a gentleman alternating chapter by chapter in the following order:—Mrs. Trollope, Conan Doyle, May Crommelin, F. C. Phillips, "Rita," Joseph Hatton, Mrs. Lovett Cameron, Bram Stoker, Florence Marryatt, Frank Danby, Mrs. Edward Kennard, Richard Dowling, Mrs. Hungerford, Arthur A'Beckett, Mrs. Macquoid, G. Manville Fenn, and others. The novel will be specially illustrated, and the first chapter will be published in the Christmas number of *The Gentlewoman*, the succeeding chapters appearing week by week.

**EDINBURGH GEORGE CLUB.**—The autumn meeting of this club was this year divided into two parts. The club prizes were competed for over Leven links on Monday and Saturday afternoon last week, the club medal and presented prizes were competed for over Musselburgh links. On both occasions the members were unfortunate in the matter of weather, which accounts for the high scoring. The following is the order in which the prizes were won:—Leven: 1, Mr. G. W. Millar, 86, plus 4=90; 2, Mr. R. Robinson, 95, plus 1=96; 3, Mr. P. Seaton, 104, less 4=100; 4, Mr. W. D. Johnstone, 108, less 8=100; 5, Mr. J. A. Munro, 109, less 7=102; 6, Mr. D. M. Jackson, 99, plus 3=102; 7, Mr. J. C. Johnston, 111, less 4=107; 8, Mr. W. M. Archibald, 106, plus 1=107. Musselburgh: 1, Mr. J. A. Munro, 99, less 7=92; 2, Mr. R. Robinson, 91, plus 1=92; 3, Mr. A. Struthers, 94, less 2=92; 4, Mr. J. Paterson, 93, less 1=92; 5, Mr. S. F. Notman, 99, less 3=96; 6, Mr. R. T. Davidson, 102, less 5=97; 7, Mr. R. Roger, 103, less 6=97; 8, Mr. G. W. Millar, 93, plus 4=97; 9, Mr. D. M. Jackson, 95, plus 3=98; 10, Mr. W. D. Johnston, 107, less 8=99; 11, Mr. Hugh Cattan, 109, less 10=99; 12, Mr. J. C. Johnston, 103, less 4=99. This was the closing meeting of the club for the season, and Mr. W. D. Johnstone, being the most frequent winner of the club medal, has become entitled to the charm which goes along with it.

**BRUNTSFIELD ALLIED.**—This club held their final competition for the season over the Braids on Saturday last. Eight couples started to play for three prizes presented by members of the club. Some were unable to finish owing to the crowded state of the green. The following were the lowest cards returned:—1, Mr. James Swan, 84, less 6=78; 2, Mr. John McLeod, 88, less 8=80; 3, Mr. W. K. Smith, 102, less 22=80—tie.

**"SCOTSMAN" CLUB.**—The "Caxton" medal competition took place over the Braids on Saturday last. Owing to a strong wind, which proved rather troublesome, few good cards were handed in, that of Mr. T. Kinnear (93, less 7=86) proving the best.

**PARKSIDE GOLF CLUB.**—This club held their monthly medal competition, which was limited to nine holes, over the Braids on Saturday last. Mr. G. Smith and Mr. A. Murdoch tied for first place with a net score of 47 each.



**ABERDEEN.**

The weather here was exceedingly favourable on Saturday, and there was a large turn-out of members of the Aberdeen Club over the Balgowrie links to compete for the scratch medal and the Burgmann cup. When the various couples had returned, it was found that Mr. R. A. Nicholson, with a score of 82, had won the scratch medal, while the contest for the cup resulted in a tie between Mr. Nicholson and Mr. McLellan. Mr. Nicholson's score was 82, plus 2=84, and Mr. McLellan's 88, less 4=84. The following are the lowest scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. R. A. Nicholson ...	82 +2 84	Mr. D. Littlejohn ...	97 6 91
Mr. B. S. McLellan 88	4 84	Mr. J. A. Adamson 99	8 91
Mr. M. M. Duncan 101	16 85	Mr. J. A. Montgomerie ...	105 12 93
Mr. J. Williams ...	92 6 86	Mr. T. Cochrane ...	99 not hepd.

The final competition for the Burgmann cup takes place on Saturday, the 10th inst., when the various monthly winners have a couple of rounds to play off for final possession.

**ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS GOLF CLUB.**

There was a good muster of competitors for the monthly medal on Saturday, September 26th, and some very fair scores were handed in. Our worthy hon. treasurer secured the medal, and saved the eighty-three's the trouble of playing off their tie. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Dr. J. Magrath ...	95 14 81	Rev. A. T. Scott ...	93 5 88
Mr. C. F. Cameron 102	19 83	Mr. J. Mews ...	97 9 88
Mr. F. Weare ...	106 23 83	Mr. L. Andrews ...	98 10 88
Mr. W. E. Hughes ...	90 6 84	Mr. H. E. Metcalfe 108	18 90
Mr. Fred. Swainson 101	16 85	Mr. H. E. Lawrence 108	12 96
Mr. F. Andrews ...	99 14 85		

No returns from about fifteen others.

**BEARSDEN GOLF CLUB.**

The monthly competition for the Smith Gold Medal took place on Saturday, with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Rev. J. S. Carswell 118	24 94	Mr. T. L. Johnston 114	12 102
Mr. D. Blair ...	121 24 97	Mr. W. Mackie ...	115 12 103
Mr. J. Hutton ...	97 scr. 97	Mr. D. A. Kirkwood 121	18 103
Mr. H. Mackie ...	105 4 101	Mr. S. Armstrong... 127	24 103

**BOURNEMOUTH GOLF CLUB.**

Monthly Medal:—

	1st Round.	2nd Round.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Dr. H. W. Robson Burrows	53	58	111	18	93
Mr. W. Pott ...	52	49	101	4	97
Mr. E. A. Hollingbery ...	49	55	104	6	98
Mr. D. W. Preston ...	61	61	122	22	100
Mr. W. Fisher ...	56	69	125	22	103

Col. Maude, Messrs. J. Druitt, Leveson, Scarth, R. H. Hodge, Dr. Williams, and Mr. A. M. Parken made no return.

**EAST OF FIFE GOLF CLUB.**—The monthly competition for the silver medal of this club took place over the Grangemuir course on Saturday afternoon last. Only a few competitors turned up, although the weather was all that could be wished for, but the grass on the course was somewhat rank, and made play not altogether pleasant. At the close Messrs. William Morton (scratch) and David Laurie, with three odds, tied with a score of 87 each.

**ELECTRIC GOLF CLUB.**—The monthly medal competition was held on the Braids on the 2nd inst., in fine golfing weather. Mr. W. Wood was the winner with 88, less 3=85.

**BOWDON GOLF CLUB.**

On Saturday, the 3rd inst., the final competition for the silver medal presented by the honorary secretary of the club was held on the links at Dunham, under special handicap, play being confined to those members who were first in the series of eight monthly competitions that have been held since February. After a week's steady downpour of rain the course was soft and treacherous, and the greens were anything but keen, making very low scores almost impossible; but when the last card was handed in it was found that the Rev. W. M. B. Lutener had secured the medal, with the excellent score of 88 gross and 76 net. The winner, who was heartily congratulated upon the result being known, played a very steady game throughout, his figures being as follows:—

Out ... ..	6 5 4 5 3 4 5 3 5=40	} 88
In ... ..	3 7 5 6 5 6 5 6 5=48	

By this performance Mr. Lutener has suddenly come to the front, though it has been noticed for some time past that he was rapidly improving in his play, the result of constant and careful practice in his spare moments being very apparent in the way that he completed his round with the lowest gross score.

The following are the returns of six players:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Rev. W. M. B. Lutener ... .. 88 12 76	Mr. F. C. Morgan... 93 scr. 93
Mr. W. S. Mainprice 100 16 84	Mr. W. Rycroft ... 129 20 109
Rev. H. W. Crozier 95 10 85	Mr. T. W. Killick... 148 32 116

**BRIGHTON AND HOVE GOLF CLUB.**

The usual monthly competition for the Berens medal took place on Saturday, October 3rd, when Mr. F. L. Rawson won the medal with the good return of 94, less 17=77. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. F. L. Rawson 94 17 77	Mr. A. J. Stanley ... 104 13 91
Mr. C. O. Walker... 89 8 81	Rev. T. H. Belcher 103 10 93
Mr. H. Crawshaw... 96 15 81	Mr. H. F. de Paraviciini ... 105 12 93
Mr. C. G. Heathcote 99 18 81	Mr. C. W. Johnson 118 25 93
Mr. H. T. Ross ... 101 18 83	Mr. H. R. Burnett 124 30 94
Mr. A. Radford ... 110 25 85	Mr. H. R. Scott ... 115 20 95
Mr. W. Carr ... 95 6 89	Major Dudgeon ... 125 27 98
Mr. J. Brock ... 97 8 89	
Mr. H. E. Acklom 97 8 89	

Fourteen players made no return.

**BURNHAM GOLF CLUB.**

The autumn meeting of the above club was held on Monday, Sept. 28th, and two following days. The weather was fine throughout, and thanks to J. H. Taylor, the professional and his assistants, the links have improved greatly since the last meeting, the putting-greens on this occasion being in especially fine order. There was a good attendance of members and visitors on each day.

On Monday, Sept. 28th, the monthly gold medal handicap was decided, resulting in a tie between the secretary, Mr. T. Holt, and his brother, Mr. W. S. Holt, jun. The time being short, it was agreed that the possession of the medal should be decided by the scores made on the following day. The following were the best scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
*Mr. T. Holt ... 118 24 94	Mr. T. W. Colthurst 109 6 103
*Mr. W. S. Holt, jun. 112 18 94	Rev. A. G. Dowell ... 126 18 103
Rev. R. B. Baxter... 116 18 98	Rev. G. Beilby ... 131 18 116
Rev. F. N. Smith... 128 27 101	Dr. A. W. C. Peskett 143 27 118
Rev. T. Crump ... 119 17 102	Mr. F. Clark ... 146 27 119
Mr. T. H. Raiton... 129 27 102	

\* Tie.

On Tuesday, the 29th ult., the competition was for a very handsome and solid silver challenge cup, presented by the secretary, Mr. T. Holt, and to be played for under medal rules and handicap twice a year, at the autumn and spring meetings, this being the first competition held. The contest was a close one, resulting in a win for Mr. W. S. Holt, jun., who thus became the possessor of both cup and medal. The following is a list of the best cards sent in:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
*Mr. W. S. Holt, jun. 110 18 92	Mr. F. Clark ... 135 27 108
Rev. T. Crump ... 111 17 94	Dr. A. W. C. Peskett 135 27 108
Major-Gen. Tuson... 117 18 99	Rev. F. N. Smith ... 136 27 109
*Mr. T. Holt ... 123 24 99	Major-Gen. Fryer... 138 27 111
Mr. T. W. Colthurst 106 6 100	Rev. R. P. Strange... 145 27 118
Rev. G. Beilby ... 119 18 101	Dr. Paulin ... 150 27 123
Rev. Canon Kennard 120 18 102	Mr. A. P. Edwards... 153 27 126
Mr. P. L. Naish ... 131 27 104	Surj.-Major Rahilly 154 27 127
Rev. R. B. Barter... 123 18 105	Mr. E. J. Colthurst... 156 27 129
Col. Armstrong ... 133 27 106	

\* Played in this competition, in order to decide the tie for the medal made the day before.

On Wednesday, the 30th ult., the competition for the Kennard cup was decided. This cup, a prettily designed vase of silver, is the gift of the president, the Rev. Canon Kennard, and is held by the winner for twelve months. This, the first competition, was won somewhat easily by Mr. P. L. Naish, of Weston-super-Mare, the principal cards sent in being as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. P. L. Naish ... 113 27 86	Rev. G. E. Peake ... 111 6 105
Mr. T. Holt ... 119 24 95	Dr. A. W. C. Peskett 134 27 107
Rev. G. Beilby ... 113 18 95	Rev. W. R. P. Strange 134 27 107
Rev. T. Crump ... 114 17 97	Lieut.-Col. Armstrong 147 27 120
Rev. F. N. Smith... 125 27 98	Mr. E. J. Colthurst... 152 27 125
Mr. W. S. Holt, jun. 117 18 99	

**BUXTON AND HIGH PEAK GOLF CLUB.**

The autumn competition for a special medal presented by the club was played for on Saturday, the 26th ult. There was a good attendance, the day being fine, though windy. Three tied at a net score of 94, and the tie has not yet been played off. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
*Mr. E. Micholls ... 110 16 94	Mr. G. I. Hutton ... 116 16 100
*Mr. T. Swainson... 115 21 94	Mr. R. W. Cory ... 125 24 101
*Mr. G. C. Greenwell 104 10 94	Mr. C. F. Wardley ... 123 22 101
Capt. Darwin, R.N. 113 18 95	Mr. A. Hutton ... 120 16 104
Mr. W. T. Toynbee 117 20 97	Mr. C. Coventry ... 130 24 106
Dr. C. de M. Palmer 122 24 98	Mr. T. G. Dickson. 131 24 107
Mr. J. Strang ... 114 16 98	Mr. H. McLaren ... 133 25 108
Mr. J. C. Kay ... 115 17 98	Mr. R. Arnold ... 139 30 109
Major Levitt ... 122 24 98	Capt. Walker ... 135 22 113
Mr. W. Bell ... 104 5 99	

\* Tie.

The monthly medal and Micholls' cup were also played for at the same time.

**CATHKIN BRAES GOLF CLUB.**

The usual monthly competition for the club's gold medal took place on Saturday last. Notwithstanding the unsettled weather a fair number of members competed, but the high wind prevented any good scoring. The winner was Mr. H. E. Clifford, with a score of 102, less 4=98. The best of the other scores were:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. D. Bannatyne 112 12 100	Mr. Thos. Mitchell 106 scr. 105
Mr. R. V. Reid ... 126 24 102	Mr. Geo. R. Robb 118 10 108
Mr. R. J. Smith ... 117 14 103	Mr. F. B. Smith ... 137 20 117
Mr. S. D. Jackson... 116 10 106	

**CLAPHAM COMMON GOLF CLUB.**

The opening meeting of this club took place on Saturday, October 3rd, with the competition for the Cronin handicap medal. The day was very fine, but the greens were rough after their disuse during the summer months. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. E. J. Hunt ... 109 25 84	Mr. J. G. Ingram ... 137 25 112
Mr. J. W. Grover... 106 16 90	Mr. W. H. Last ... 142 30 112
Mr. J. Ravenhill ... 114 22 92	Mr. J. Lidiard ... 137 25 112
Mr. T. R. Pace ... 114 14 100	Mr. J. B. Wood ... no returns.
Mr. C. H. Compton 127 23 104	Mr. G. W. Chapman ... no returns.
Mr. J. W. Pace ... 119 14 105	

**CLEVELAND CLUB.**

The usual monthly competition for the club cup took place over the Coatham Links on the 2nd and 3rd inst. Mr. A. O. Cochrane, was returned the winner; the scores were:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. A. O. Cochrane 104 21 83	Mr. D. Mackay ... 98 4 94
Mr. H. Roberts ... 87 scr. 87	Mr. M. Young ... 113 10 103
Mr. W. Lambert ... 115 27 88	Mr. C. E. Scott ... 109 5 104
Mr. J. White ... 111 22 89	

The remainder of the competitors retired.

**CRAWFORD GOLF CLUB.**

The autumn meeting of the above club took place on Saturday under very favourable conditions. The principal scratch prize was the handsome silver cup presented by Sir E. Colebrooke, president of the club, and the principal handicap prize, the Badminton Library volume on Golf. The cup was won by Mr. King. The best scores were:—Mr. J. King, 85; Rev. D. Watson, 89; Mr. H. S. N. Callender, 93; Rev. H. Dick, 97; Mr. L. A. Callender, 98; Mr. A. Giffard, 91; Mr. W. M. Shanks, 95; Mr. A. Dey, 97; Mr. J. Miller, 98. There was a tie for the handicap prize between H. S. N. Callender, Miller, and Giffard, Mr. Miller winning the tie.

DISLEY GOLF CLUB.

A special competition was held on Saturday, October 3rd, for a cup given by Mr. H. C. Garrett. The weather was dull and there was very little wind, but the heavy rain during the week made the greens very dead. Mr. E. Hutton won the cup with a net score of 83. The first sweepstake fell to Mr. T. Norris, and the second and third were divided between Messrs. R. Hutton and E. G. Hutton, Mr. R. Hutton returning the lowest gross score (91). The following were the best scores:—

Gross. Hep. Net.			Gross. Hep. Net.				
Mr. E. Hutton	113	30	83	Mr. J. E. Mills	121	28	93
Mr. T. C. Norris	107	20	87	Mr. G. J. Hutton	106	12	94
Mr. R. Hutton	91	3	88	Mr. H. Liebert	124	30	94
Mr. E. G. Hutton	113	25	88	Mr. D. T. Cummins	104	7	97
Mr. W. Bell	92	scr.	92	Mr. G. Lees	119	20	99
Rev. J. Bourne	100	7	93				

No returns from a large number of players.

FORFARSHIRE.

A competition among the members of the Montrose Mercantile Club for a number of money prizes took place last week. The day being observed in town as the annual autumn holiday, the attendance of players was unusually large. The weather was favourable for good play, and the greens were in splendid condition. The prize for the lowest score on the green was gained by Mr. E. Cobb with 79, made up as follows:—

Out	7	4	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	36
In	3	7	3	5	6	5	5	4	5	43

The other prizes were decided by the averages, and the winners were as follows:—First Class—Mr. E. McDonald, 88, at number; Mr. A. Paterson, 90; Mr. G. McDonald, 91; and Mr. R. Cobb, 84, 1 above; Mr. G. M'Intosh, 82, 2 above; Mr. J. Hampden, 86; and Mr. J. Hardie, 92, 3 above. Second Class—Mr. G. Fenton, 96; and Mr. G. Davidson, 89, a tie, 4 below; Mr. George Reid, 94, 3 below; Mr. W. Forbes, 99, 1 below; Mr. J. Douglas, 97, at number; Mr. A. M'Leod, 93; Mr. W. Douglas, 96; and Mr. A. Wilson, 98, 2 above. Third Class—Mr. R. H. Officer, 100, 3 below; Mr. F. Robinson, 103, 1 below; Mr. J. Fullerton and Mr. C. D. Napier, 110, 1 above; Mr. D. Valentine, 107; and Mr. W. Coutts, 108, 2 above.

At a later period of the day a match was played between the Mercantile and the Bon-Accord, of Aberdeen, by which time, however, the weather had become somewhat stormy. There were seventeen men a-side, and the game resulted in a win for the Montrose team by 35 holes. Appended are the details:—

MERCANTILE.		BON-ACCORD.	
Holes.		Holes.	
Mr. J. Milne	0	Mr. R. Mearns	4
Mr. G. M. Smith	0	Mr. W. Smart	0
Mr. E. Cobb	3	Mr. L. Anderson	0
Mr. T. Sheret	7	Mr. J. W. Murray	0
Mr. J. Findlay	3	Mr. A. Ducat	0
Mr. G. M'Intosh	4	Mr. J. Florence	0
Mr. J. Hampton	0	Mr. G. Dunn	1
Mr. J. Winton	3	Mr. H. Glass	0
Mr. W. Gordon	0	Mr. A. Jaffray	1
Mr. A. Paterson	1	Mr. J. Greig	0
Mr. A. Oliphant	4	Mr. G. Stewart	0
Mr. J. Hardie	5	Mr. John Levigg	0
Mr. A. M'Leod	4	Mr. J. Michie	0
Mr. G. Addison	2	Mr. J. Anderson	0
Mr. J. Scott	2	Mr. J. Moir	0
Mr. W. Findlay	5	Mr. C. Smith	0
Mr. J. G. Cobb	0	Mr. D. Mackie	2
	43		8

For the visitors Mr. R. Mearns played a splendid game throughout, doing the round at 82. Other low scores in the match were:—Mr. T. Sheret, 83; Mr. W. Smart, 85; Mr. J. Milne and Mr. G. M. Smith, 86.

The members of the Montrose Victoria Club on Wednesday of last week competed for the captain's medal (lowest score) and the Walker medal (average). The weather was of a wretched description, a strong wind blowing, and rain falling heavily. The captain's medal was won by Mr. Walter Reid at 85, the next lowest scores being: Mr. H. W. Thomson, 89; Mr. James Thom, 93; and Mr. L. S. Smith, 94. The Walker medal was won by Mr. W. J. Wallace at 100, being 15 below his number. The sweepstakes were won as follows:—1, Mr. W. Reid; 2, Mr. W. J. Wallace; 3 and 4 tied for by Mr. W. Mitchell and Mr. W. F. Melvin.

The autumn meeting of the Montrose Royal Albert Club was held last week. The weather was excellent, and the greens in fine condition. For the Albert gold medal the following couples started:—

Mr. G. H. Grant and Mr. R. B. Pearson, Mr. W. Smith and Mr. A. Smith, Dr. Soutar and Mr. D. S. Campbell, Mr. W. M. J. Paton and Mr. R. Dow, Rev. A. Belcher and Mr. W. Stewart. The medal was won by Mr. Grant at 85, Mr. Paton coming in next with 86. The first round in the handicap cup competition was afterwards played, with the following result:—Dr. Soutar (3) beat Mr. W. M. J. Paton (scratch) by 3 holes up and 2 to play; Dr. Stone (5) scratched to Mr. D. S. Campbell (7); Rev. T. A. Cameron (4) beat Mr. W. Smith (3) by 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. G. H. Grant (scratch) beat Mr. A. Smith by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. R. B. Pearson (3) beat Rev. A. Belcher by 2 up and 1 to play.

The competition for the Archibald cup and gold locket has for some time back engaged the attention of the members of the Broughty Club, and has produced some close and interesting matches. One of the best was that between Messrs. W. K. Lorimer and K. B. Cowan, who had 36 holes to play before getting detached. At the finish Mr. Lorimer was dormy, 1 up and 1 to play, and getting the half at the last hole, won the match. A start was made in the second round last Saturday, when Mr. Hugh M'Culloch, receiving 8 strokes, beat Mr. James Ross by 2 holes. Mr. David Bisset, jun., receiving a stroke each hole, beat Mr. A. Bowman by 3 holes up and 2 to play. Mr. E. Rowan, receiving a stroke each hole, defeated Mr. David Bisset, sen., by 1 hole.

The half-yearly meeting of the Dalhousie Club was held in Lamb's Hotel, Dundee, on Friday evening, the 2nd inst. Mr. James Prain, the captain, presided, and there was a good attendance of members. The annual accounts, which showed a credit balance of £202, including £162 of entry-money, were approved of. Dr. Anderson moved that the entry-money necessary to admission to the club be raised to £5 5s. His reason for doing so, he remarked, was that he found the general feeling was that new members should be called upon to pay a little more on account of the large amount of money which had been spent by the club on the links and the club-house. Mr. George Halley seconded, and the motion was agreed to. It was decided, on the suggestion of Mr. J. L. Luke, that the quarterly general meetings of the club should in future be held in July and February in Dundee, instead of in the club-house. It was also resolved, on the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. Allan Mathewson, that a donation of one hundred guineas be voted to the funds of the Carnoustie Golf Links Bazaar. A discussion afterwards took place regarding a proposal to form an auxiliary course. It was contended that such was absolutely necessary on account of the occasional crowded state of the course, and that it would afford an excellent opportunity for inferior players to make themselves proficient. Ultimately the matter was remitted to the council, with powers. About a dozen gentlemen were admitted members of the club.

The autumn meeting of the Dalhousie Club was held at Carnoustie on Saturday last, when the Brand and Guthrie medals were played for. There was a large turn-out of players, while the weather on the whole was favourable, and the course and greens were in excellent condition. The players went out in the following order:—Messrs. J. C. Scott and John Jones; Messrs. Wm. Mann and T. S. Robertson; Dr. Anderson and Mr. Jas. Prain; Messrs. Jas. Cunningham, jun., and H. S. C. Everard; Messrs. Geo. Halley and A. G. Morgan; Messrs. A. Johnston and K. L. Watson; Messrs. H. M. Robinson and H. B. Gilroy; Messrs. W. Ballingall and Thos. Gilroy; Messrs. Allan Procter and J. K. Prain; Messrs. D. R. Gilroy and Alex. Gilroy; Messrs. J. M. Smieton and E. Carmichael; Mr. R. Keay and Captain Livingston; Messrs. D. M'Intyre and D. Scott, jun.; Dr. Merry and Dr. Wilson; Messrs. Alex. Paterson and Wm. Gibson, jun.; Messrs. J. L. Luke and Geo. Gilroy, jun.; Messrs. J. Brodie and Wm. Lowson; Major Chalmers and Mr. J. F. Pullar; Dr. Templeman and Mr. James Melville; Messrs. A. P. Mathewson and I. Drimmie; Messrs. R. Gilroy and H. A. Lamb; Messrs. D. I. Lamb and R. B. Sharp; Messrs. G. K. Smith and J. W. Carmichael; Messrs. William Thoms and C. C. Croll; Messrs. James Watson and John Mathewson; Messrs. A. F. Macfie and N. A. Hull; Messrs. Allan Briggs and J. L. Low; Messrs. F. B. Sharp and S. C. Thomson; Messrs. W. R. Sharp and D. L. Low; Messrs. G. A. Gilroy and C. E. Gilroy; Messrs. J. L. Sivewright and William Martin; Messrs. James Duncan and William Anderson; Messrs. Allan Mathewson and George Younger; Messrs. A. Willison and D. Anderson; Messrs. C. M. Boase and Robert Brough.

After all the cards had been handed in, it was found that the Brand medal had been won by Mr. Henry A. Lamb, with the extremely fine score of 83 strokes. Mr. Lamb's score was thus made up:—

Out	4	4	4	5	6	4	7	4	6	44
In	4	5	4	4	5	4	5	4	4	39

Mr. A. F. Macfie was winner of the Guthrie medal with a score of 85. Some very good scores were made, amongst the best being Mr. H. S. C. Everard and Mr. J. L. Low, 86; Mr. Thomas Gilroy, 88;

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## Eminent Golfers.

VII.—MR. HENRY A. LAMB.

Modesty we know is an excellent thing in woman, also, as a rule, the man who hath it is to be preferred to his fellow who hath it not; it is a conspicuous virtue in some of the great ones of the golfing world (we have in these columns given one notable instance), and lo! here yet another turneth a deaf ear to the blandishments of the interviewer, and to the advances of

the tempter, replies, Be-gone! "Story, God bless you, I have none to tell," says Mr. Lamb, like the knife-grinder, "and he shall be a clever biographer, and one who shall have to draw somewhat upon his inner consciousness, who shall succeed in evolving a chapter upon such a barren subject." Thus far concerning Mr. Lamb's opinion of himself, an opinion held by a minority of one. This gentleman has been a most popular person from his youth up; it is not difficult to see why; one reason has already been given, and whatever his environment for the time being, whether the domestic circle, or a company of golfers, his benevolent altruism, and courteous consideration for others, have endeared him alike to all, and created for him many true friends. He has been known for many years as a first-class player; they all play, do the Lambs, and play well, for they learnt at St. Andrews when young, and they are now not old, but, as one would say, at about the prime of golfing life. "*Par nobile fratrum*," is a saying somewhat ancient of savour, and musty withal, yet it expresses fairly well the status of Messrs. David I. Lamb and H. Lamb in the golfing world. They play well together, and are bad to beat; and what a contrast between their methods! the one dashing in execution, brilliant in scenic effect, the other, the subject of our sketch, cool, calculating, imperturbable, benignly content to be passed by the hare, can he but play the part of tortoise with success. Born in 1844, his earliest experience of the game was at Burnt-island, where under the auspices of Dr. McCuaig\*—now resident at Middlesbrough, a fine player and medal winner at St. Andrews—he soon developed the innate talent that was in him. Removing thence to St. Andrews at the age of 13, and going to Madras College, he had every opportunity of practice, and in the year 1871 won his first medal on that green with a score of 93. Two years later he was a double winner, the Spring medal

\* Since the above was written, this gentleman has unfortunately fallen a victim to pneumonia, following upon an attack of the prevailing malady, influenza.

falling to him with 99, and the Autumn medal with 92, and in 1878 he was again first at the Autumn meeting with 90. The performance, however, which has given him most satisfaction was in 1886, when he administered a severe drubbing to Mr. John Ball, the present champion, a seven and six to play beating—a performance which brought him into antagonism with Mr. Horace G. Hutchinson in the final tie for the Amateur Championship. Fortune, however, now deserted him; for one thing he had received a piece of bad news in the interval between his first and second rounds; and every golfer knows it is nearly hopeless to expect one's best game if the mind is distracted, or not in a

condition to be concentrated on the work in hand. It is scarcely necessary to state that these remarks are not to be understood as belittling Mr. Hutchinson's performance on that occasion, but it may perhaps be assumed that Mr. Lamb under more favourable circumstances might have run him somewhat closer than he did; seven and six to play was the verdict against him in the afternoon, and Mr. Hutchinson thus became Amateur Champion for the year. An incident occurred in this match which appeared rather to amuse the crowd. Both gentlemen had played the third hole out in a way which left themselves very fairly open to criticism; when nearing the green, the one found himself jammed up against the railway fence, while the other, Mr. Lamb, was close to the green, but in a bunker, a distance of some forty or fifty yards separating the two balls. Mr. Hutchinson, whose turn it was to play, before doing so, came over to inspect his rival's position, a strategic movement the latter felt somewhat inclined to resent, and amidst general laughter, sauntered leisurely over to the railway to see in his turn what comfort he could extract from a counter-inspection.

Mr. Lamb has played in Scotland, at Musselburgh, Prestwick, and Carnoustie, but, strangely enough, never at North Berwick; and though St. Andrews may fairly claim him for her own, yet it is probable he is even better known on the southern greens—Blackheath, Westward Ho! Hoylake, Wimbledon, and Sandwich, have each in turn been the scene of his exploits. At a Whitsuntide meeting at Sandwich in 1889 he managed to clear the board of everything movable, viz.: the Purves medal for aggregate scratch, the Cinque Ports medal for best score of the meeting, the Gemmell cup, handicap limited to 15, a £5 cup open handicap, the first sweep, and all his bets. He thought Golf rather a nice game that week. But though all the above greens have proved happy hunting grounds for him in greater or less degree, it is with one in particular that he is especially identified, Wimbledon to wit. Apart from the medals and





prizes he has won there, for nearly twenty years he has been officially connected with the Royal Wimbledon Golf Club, during thirteen years of which time he has carried on the arduous duties of secretary, grudging neither time, trouble, nor expense in its service. It is pleasing to know that his labours have been suitably recognised, and readers of this journal will doubtless recollect the account given of the presentation of his portrait, of which a replica, by Mr. Pettie, R.A., remains in Mr. Lamb's own possession, a highly valued memento.

Mr. Lamb's lowest round over Wimbledon is the sufficiently meritorious one of 75, made on a wet day; that, however, is precisely the sort of day he prefers, as he holds that low scoring cannot be made without good putting, a condition necessary for exceptional success in this department being, as he considers, a tolerably wet surface, whereon the ball "runs more true." As to some of his further performances his name appears in 1871 and 1880 as winner of the spring medal presented by Sir Hope Grant and Lord Elcho; in 1888 he won the club gold medal in the autumn; in 1873, 1876, 1878, and 1885 he won the Bennet medal, and in 1877 and 1878 won the Steven cup, played under handicap, from scratch. Besides these, there are unconsidered trifles, such as monthly medals and competitions of more or less heterogeneous structure, in all of which he has done well. In the present year of grace, 1891, he has still further added to his honours by securing the Kennard gold medal with 84, and the scratch aggregate with 86, plus 84=170. This feat was all the more remarkable, as at the time he was in anything but robust health. Having joined the Blackheath Club in 1870, he in 1872 won the Bombay medal, in 1873 the spring and summer medals, and also that presented by the Photographic Society. Over and above such claims to distinction as we have enumerated, does not Mr. Lamb stand forth as the inventor of the "Bulger"? Inventor yes, but patentee, unluckily for himself, no; for of all the quirks and quiddities evolved of late years in club manufacture, assuredly this is the one which has found most general acceptance. And yet what a trial to one's self-respect to be seen with it in its early days! Many and keen were the jests and jibes the inventor had to put up with at that time. Said J. O. F. Morris of it, "It aye minds me o' a mon wi' the tuitbache." On another occasion, when Jamie Anderson was carrying Mr. Lamb's clubs, all of the new pattern, the remark was made, "I wonder Jamie consents to carry for you, when you play with those things." Mr. Lamb might have said with the Psalmist, "It was not an enemy that did me this dishonour, but it was even thou, mine own familiar friend"; in point of fact, his brother. Still they made their way, one after another took to them, and many with every mind to curse them, ended like Balaam, by blessing them altogether. Some may, perhaps, regard them as a specific, a certain corrective of every fault of driving, but this is a fond thing vainly imagined, and is not borne out by results. "D— that bulger of yours, Lamb, I've missed the globe three times running with it," said an indignant player who was trying one; and in the picturesque language of the *Pink 'Un*, the bulger at once went to a thousand to three. Questioned as to the evolution of his idea, Mr. Lamb will tell you that it was merely in accordance with common sense, "if you hook, file off the toe; if you heel, file that part off." Some slight controversy has arisen as to whether Mr. Lamb is the real inventor, or Willie Park, jun. As to this, the writer is able to state that he was with Mr. Lamb at the time his idea occurred to him, that he well remembers a drawing of the proposed club on paper, that he accompanied Mr. Lamb to one of the club-makers, and heard him explain his idea, and he also remembers Mr. Lamb's first shots with his new club. At this time the writer had never heard of any similar invention by Park.

Mr. Lamb is a deadly putter, whether he would be so if his own peculiar cleek were broken, or secreted by an enemy, can only be conjectured; but certain it is, that gold of Ophir would not buy that club; as Mr. Gilbert Innes once said, it is a most perplexing instrument to play against. In driving, Mr. Lamb has a style of his own; he stands for a draw, very markedly so, and gets a good long ball, generally very straight. He is addicted to the use of short cleeks having a great deal of loft upon them, with these he is exceedingly deadly at the approach. We know on classic authority that it requires a head to play Golf. Mr. Lamb has it; none have a better; none know better what to do under all circumstances; few are better at doing it. Saturated to the core with all the sacrosanct traditions of the

game, imbued with its right spirit, he would seem the fittest wearer of the late Mr. George Glennie's mantle.

Like that gentleman, he is ever ready in a truly unselfish way to sacrifice his own inclinations; like him, he is a truly courteous considerate foe, never jealous, ever appreciative; with a temper absolutely imperturbable in its philosophic calm. No better advice could the writer give to young golfers, than that they should take as their example the chivalrous Mr. Henry Alexander Lamb.

H. S. C. EVERARD.

[Our portrait is a photographic reproduction of the presentation portrait painted by Mr. John Pettie, R.A., and so much admired by all who have seen it, either on the walls of the Royal Academy, or in the Royal Wimbledon club-house.]

RECENT GOLF PATENTS.—This list is specially compiled for GOLF by Messrs. Cassell and Co., registered patent agents, 22, Glasshouse Street, Regent Street, London, W., from whom all information relating to patents, &c., may be obtained gratuitously upon application:—15,824.—Wilson's rubber disc for holding and stacking Golf clubs on the green: William Wilson, 177, South Street, St. Andrews, Scotland. 14,414.—Improvements in, or relating to, Golf cleeks and irons: Robert Simpson, 41, Reform Street, Dundee. 14,616.—Improvements in Golf clubs: Andrew Morison, 62, St. Vincent Street, Glasgow. Specification published.—16,953, A.D. 1890. Playing Golf, 6d.

HAWICK.—The annual autumn competition took place on the Hawick course on Saturday afternoon last, when, despite the unfavourable weather, which rendered the scoring higher than could have been wished, there was a large muster of players, and several close and exciting games. The programme was an attractive one, comprising the Watson cup and other prizes. Details:—1 (cup), Mr. James Purves, 95, less 8=87; 2 (captain's prize), Dr. Barrie, 95, less 5=90; 3, Mr. W. Hume, 93, less 2=91; 4, Mr. John Reyburn, 100, less 9=91; 5, Mr. C. J. Glennie, 116, less 25=91; 6, Mr. W. W. Forsyth, 103, less 10=93; 7, Mr. J. W. A. Gibb, 119, less 25=94; 8, Mr. James Barrie, 90, plus 5=95; 9, Mr. William Robson, 107, less 12=95; 10 and 11, Mr. James Scott, 109, less 13=96, and Mr. J. Macdonald, 108, less 12=96, a tie; 12, Mr. John Hodgson, 107, less 9=98; 13, Mr. D. Wade, 123, less 25=98; 14, Mr. T. Hodgson, 105, less 6=99; 15, Mr. James Keyburn, 109, less 9=100. A special prize, presented by the captain, was won by Dr. Barrie with 95, less 5=90. The prize given for the best scores in first and second rounds were won as follows:—First round: Mr. C. J. Glennie, 54, less 12=42. Second round: Mr. John Reyburn, 45, less 4=41, and Mr. William Robson, 47, less 6=41, a tie. The scratch prize was won by Mr. James Barrie with 90; 2, Mr. W. Hume, 93; 3 and 4, Mr. James Purves and Dr. Barrie, 95 each. The monthly medal for the year was won by Mr. James Scott; 2, Mr. Thomas Hodgson. The Bombay medal was won by Mr. James Purves; 2, Mr. W. W. Forsyth. Best average scores in six monthly competitions:—1, Mr. T. Hodgson, 88; 2, Mr. W. Hume, 90.1; 3, Mr. James Scott, 90.1. Best average scorer in six Bombay medal competitions:—1, Mr. James Purves, 84; 2, Mr. W. W. Forsyth, 81.1; 3, Dr. Barrie, 88.4.

BRUNTSFIELD SHORT HOLE CLUB.—This club brought its series of competitions to an end for the season by the October gold medal competition. Played over Bruntsfield on Saturday afternoon last, and, favoured with excellent weather, it brought out nearly forty players, who, contrary to the usual custom, were, on account of the long nights, obliged to play the competition by strokes. On the cards being handed in, it was found that Mr. T. Carruthers had secured the medal for October with the excellent score of 95, the nearest approach to this being 102 by Mr. J. Mitchell and 103 by Mr. D. Robertson.

EDINBURGH ST. ANDREW CLUB.—The Goldsmiths' medal and seven prizes, presented by members and friends, were played for over the Braids on Saturday last. There was a large turn-out of members, but unfortunately, owing to the unusually large number of golfers on the hill, a good many had not sufficient light to finish the round. The best card handed in was that of Mr. D. M. Jackson, whose score was 82 (scratch), which entitles him to the medal and first prize; Mr. A. Auchterlonie, being second with a scratch score of 85. The other prize-winners were:—Mr. George White, 94, less 9=85; Mr. J. Knowles, 89, less 3=86; Mr. J. B. Strachan, 96, less 9=87; Mr. R. Knowles, 92, less 5=87; Mr. C. Bain, 103, less 14=89.

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Mr. R. B. Sharp, 89; Mr. James Cunningham, jun., and Mr. D. Scott, jun., 90; Mr. D. I. Lamb, 91; Mr. Robert Keay, Mr. Robert Gilroy, and Mr. G. A. Gilroy, 92; Mr. D. L. Low, Mr. W. R. Sharp, and Mr. J. C. Scott, 93.

The annual meeting of the Arbroath Club was held within the clubhouse at Elliot on Saturday last. There was a large attendance of members, and Mr. David Brown presided. The treasurer's report showed a balance of 18s. 4d. in hand, which was considered very gratifying, as there had been a good deal of extra expenditure during the year. Considerable improvements had been effected upon the clubhouse, including the fitting up of uniform sets of boxes. The next business was the election of office-bearers. The Hon. F. J. Bruce, of Seaton, was elected captain, while Mr. W. Alexander was re-elected secretary and treasurer. Messrs. A. D. Lowson and David Greig were elected members of committee by rotation. It was remitted to the committee to endeavour to arrange for the revision of the rules. Members then balloted for the handicap medal, and play was proceeded with. The best score in the competition—which was not concluded—was 96 by Mr. R. Guthrie.

GUILDFORD GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting was held on Thursday and Saturday, October 1st and 3rd. On the first day of the meeting the weather was so unfavourable that only thirty members put in an appearance, and of this number only eleven made returns under 100. The course was in excellent order, but the wind was strong and dead against the players on the return journey, and no good scores were made, a misty rain making it worse for those who started late. The prizes on Thursday were the Duncan Challenge medal (scratch) and the Bannatyne Challenge cup (limited to 18 handicap) the former being won by Mr. J. Kenrick, and the latter by Mr. W. M. Kenrick. The three lowest scores were made by the first two couples of players, which seems to point to an increase of the unfavourable atmospheric conditions as the day wore on. Towards the end of the round rain set in, and continued to the end of the day. Mr. A. A. Cammell, who holds the record of the green, made another record in this competition by taking the last hole in 3. This was the more remarkable as the wind was adverse, and it required two full drives and a long cleek shot to reach the green. The following returns were made:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. Kenrick ...	89 5 84	Mr. H. T. Cattley... 107	14 93
Mr. W. M. Kenrick	100 16 84	Mr. T. Bett ...	106 12 94
Mr. W. P. Trench ...	100 13 87	Mr. C. E. Nesham .	97 2 95
Mr. A. A. Cammell	91 2 89	Mr. H. Davenport .	102 7 95
Mr. H. L. Forbes...	100 9 91	Mr. H. W. Street... 108	12 96
Mr. H. H. Playford	99 6 93		

On Saturday the weather was lovely, the course in first-rate order, and between fifty and sixty players entered for the competitions, but in spite of this a very large percentage of the players failed to return their cards, and those who made returns had to be content with very moderate scores. Mr. C. E. Nesham won the gold medal with 89, and it is a curious coincidence that on each day the scratch medal was won by the first card returned. Mr. F. W. Bovill won the captain's prize (handicap) with the good net score of 81, and Mr. A. A. Cammell won the prize for the best aggregate of the incoming halves with a net score of 94. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. W. Bovill ...	98 17 81	Mr. T. Ramsbotham	110 18 92
Mr. W. M. Grimshaw ...	92 8 84	Mr. H. Paine ..	107 14 93
Mr. W. D. Marshall	97 13 84	Mr. J. Robertson ...	111 18 93
Mr. C. E. Nesham .	89 2 87	Mr. D. L. Poole ...	104 9 95
Mr. H. L. Forbes...	96 9 87	Mr. A. W. McDonell	109 14 95
Mr. A. A. Cammell	91 2 89	Rev. H. C. Gaze ...	102 6 96
Mr. B. Howell ...	94 5 89	Mr. W. H. Du Buisson	112 16 96
Mr. A. C. Collier ...	99 10 89	Mr. C. D. Heatley	114 18 96
Mr. A. W. Maitland	103 14 89	Mr. H. W. Street	110 12 98
Mr. A. Davidson ...	104 12 92	Mr. L. Howell ...	114 15 99
Mr. R. Howell ...	104 12 92	Mr. G. Nicol ...	108 7 101

LEITH LINKS.—During June, July, August, and September golfing is prohibited on the links, and the season commencing 1st October was inaugurated by a foursome—Mr. W. Dougall (ex-captain Royal Musselburgh) and Mr. R. G. Duthie (*Scotsman*) against Mr. Frank Cochrane and Mr. J. Clark (Seafeld)—at 2 p.m. The former couple gained the match by one hole. Owing to recent rains the greens were heavy, and putting difficult. The green-keeper will put on men to cut the long grass and prepare the course for the winter season. This green is one of the oldest in Scotland, and, although it has only seven holes and few serious hazards, continues to attract a considerable number of local golfers, many of whom have gained prizes in competitions at Musselburgh, the Braids, and other courses.

GLASGOW GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medals were played for over the winter course on Alexandra Park on Saturday. The weather was on the whole favourable, but the ground was heavier than usual. The turn-out numbered forty-eight couples, a good average, and at the conclusion of the round the following were found to be the best scorers:—

CLUB MEDAL.			
Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. Milne ...	74 scr. 74	Mr. D. Bone ...	78 scr. 78
Mr. A. Wilson ...	77 scr. 77	Mr. G. Gillespie ...	78 scr. 78
WILSON MEDAL.			
Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. James Denny ...	84 11 73	Mr. D. Menzies ...	87 9 78
Mr. M. L. Macaulay	86 11 75	Mr. J. Risk ...	90 11 79
Mr. J. Donaldson ...	87 11 76		
SCOTT MEDAL.			
Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. A. V. Lothian .	77 3 74	Mr. A. C. Steven ...	94 18 76
Mr. J. A. Grant ...	94 18 76	Mr. A. Y. Peattie...	97 18 79

The scoring for the club medal is exceptionally low.

IPSLEY GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, 26th ult., the first monthly handicap competition of the above club was played on the Ipsley links, Redditch, which are now fast getting into good playing condition.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. L. Bicknell	126 30 96	Mr. J. H. Whitehouse ...	147 40 107
Mr. P. H. Milward	118 20 98	Mr. H. A. Milward.	157 40 117
Mr. R. C. Milward	115 15 100		

LANCASTER GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting of this club was held on the links, at Cockerham, on Wednesday, the 30th September, in a hurricane of wind and rain. The number of players was consequently very small, and the scoring unusually high all round. The putting-greens were in excellent order, but the course was in other parts wet and somewhat fluky. The following prizes were competed for:—1. The club silver cup with gold memento. This cup is to be played for annually at the autumn meeting until won three times by any one member, when it becomes his property. 2. Set of silver salts. 3. Prize presented by the captain, Dr. Forbes-Dick. 4. Golfing material. A silver inkstand for two rounds of the course, presented by Mrs. W. Stewart. Appended are a few of the best scores returned:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Dr. Forbes-Dick ...	96 scr. 96	Dr. F. Gemmel ...	140 12 128
†Mr. W. Stewart ...	92+10 102	Rev. C. E. Golland	176 40 136
†Mr. O. B. Schofield	114 scr. 114	Rev. W. L. Appleford ...	196 30 166
†Mr. C. E. Mason ...	144 30 114	Mr. C. H. Maxsted	208 30 178
Rev. A. T. Davidson	125 9 116	Mr. A. Stewart ...	221 40 181
Mr. B. H. Cookson	131 15 116		

\* First prize. † Second prize. ‡ Tie for third and fourth prizes.

In the afternoon the storm increased in violence to such an extent as to render Golf almost impossible, and for the second round only three cards were returned, viz.:—

	1st Round.	2nd Round.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. C. E. Mason ...	144	140	60	224
Dr. F. Gemmel ...	144	134	24	254
Mr. C. H. Maxsted ...	208	183	60	331

Mrs. Stewart's prize was thus won by Mr. C. E. Mason, a promising young player.

The first competition for the new Quaich was also held, and resulted in a win for Dr. Dick. This prize will be played for monthly until next autumn meeting, when it becomes the property of the member who has won it the greatest number of times. Last year's monthly cup fell to the secretary, Mr. W. Stewart.

EAST WEMYSS CLUB.—The monthly competition of the East Wemyss Club was held on Saturday, the trophies competed for being the club's cup and the scratch medal. Result:—Scratch medal—Mr. John Kennedy (winner) 90; Mr. J. B. Wyles, 92; Mr. William Remgay, 93. Handicap cup—(tie for cup) Mr. Archie Adamson, 95, less 8=87; and Mr. William Remgay, 93, less 6=87; Mr. W. Duncan-Wyles, 105, less 16=89; Mr. John Kennedy, 90 (scratch).

KINGHORN GOLF CLUB.—The semi-final in the tournament for the Kinghorn Golf Club Tournament medal took place on the 30th ult., the players being Mr. Thomas Watt, Burntisland, and Mr. Thomas Smith, Kirkcaldy. Both players played on an equal footing, the handicap allowance being one hole each. After a stiff contest, Mr. Watt beat Mr. Smith by three holes. On Saturday afternoon last the two members who were left in the final for the tournament prize—viz., Mr. James H. Hepburn, Kinghorn, and Mr. Thomas Watt, Burntisland—played off the tie. Mr. Watt (1) beat Mr. Hepburn (5) by 3.

LONDON SCOTTISH GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medals were played for at Wimbledon on Saturday, the 3rd inst. Sixteen couples started from the Iron House during the day. Mr. Peter Bonthron won the first-class medal with 96, less 14=82, and Mr. J. T. Belfrage the second-class medal with 107, less 25=82. Mr. T. K. Pinkerton's scratch score is worthy of note, and well illustrates the glorious uncertainty of the game. His detailed round was as follows:—

Out ... ..	4	5	4	4	4	6	4	4	4=39	} 85.
In ... ..	4	4	5	5	11	5	4	4	4=46	

The following scores were handed in:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
*Mr. P. Bonthron...	96	14	82	Mr. John Bell ...	106	18	88
†Mr. J. T. Belfrage	107	25	82	Mr. A. Anderson ...	90	scr.	90
Mr. T. R. Pinkerton	85	scr.	85	Mr. K. B. Brown...	92	2	90
Mr. R. H. Hedder-				Mr. W. A. Wigram	108	18	90
wick ... ..	99	14	85	Mr. A. E. Walker...	94	2	92
Mr. E. A. Walker...	91	5	86	Mr. H. C. Archer ...	110	18	92
Mr. A. Mackay ...	102	15	87	Mr. W. M. Rhodes	96	2	94
Mr. James Gow ...	93	5	88	Mr. S. G. Warner...	114	18	96
Major Lindsay ...	94	6	88	Mr. D. Cumming ...	115	18	97

\* First-class medal. † Second-class medal.

NEWBIGGIN CLUB.

The club prize contest took place, for the fifth time this season, on the 3rd inst., in good weather. Mr. Brumell with an allowance of 18 proved successful, and this, being the final of the preliminary contests, he will now have to meet the other four winners in the deciding contest for the prize. Scores:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. B. Brumell ...	107	18	89	Mr. M. P. Ismay ...	120	19	101
Mr. J. B. Radcliffe	91	scr.	91	Mr. W. Winship ...	134	30	104
Mr. D. Rosser ...	109	16	93	Mr. F. W. Wyndham	123	17	106
Mr. G. Longstaff ...	107	8	99	Mr. J. Tate ...	117	9	108
Mr. R. T. Thomson	99	+1	100				

NEWHAVEN GOLF CLUB.

The Michaelmas competition of this club took place on the 28th September, over the new links. The new course of eighteen holes is very greatly improved, more especially the greens. The first tee is just above the fine old parish church on the top of the hill, whence a magnificent view is obtained, extending from Beachy Head on the east, to Brighton on the west. Some of the holes are very sporting, two of them being placed in the natural Punch-bowl formation found on the South Downs. The lie in places might be better, and many of the holes are short drives; but if the energetic green committee continue as they have done, the links will become very good. After the competition a dinner was held to bid farewell to the captain, Mr. Aubrey Harcourt, who is going with Lord Sheffield's team to Australia. The following is the score of those members who returned cards:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Lieut. Vereker ...	109	10	99	Mr. J. Bannister ...	125	13	112
Mr. A. Harcourt ...	113	12	101	Dr. Dring ...	113	scr.	113
Mr. J. W. Stedman.	107	6	101	Mr. W. Stone ...	141	25	116
Mr. E. Bedford ...	115	14	101	Mr. A. Webber ...	131	12	119
Mr. Master-Gunner				Mr. G. H. Wilson.	136	16	120
Joy ... ..	115	10	105	Mr. Smith Stone ...	141	18	123
Captain Sharp ...	130	25	105	Mr. J. Peters ...	147	20	127
Mr. J. Webber ...	126	18	108	Dr. Mossop ...	155	20	135
Mr. C. Bannister ..	136	25	111	Mr. J. Kennard ...	170	20	150

NORTH BERWICK.

Not for many a day has there been such an influx of visiting clubs as on Saturday. From morning till evening the starter at the box was busily engaged in regulating the despatch of couples, and the spaces of the few who failed to come forward after booking were rapidly filled up. Over sixty couples had been despatched before noon. In the afternoon also the procession of players from the tee was continuous, and as the green presented an animated aspect until dusk a fair number of players were compelled to finish before reaching the Home hole owing to the failing light. This state of matters, despite the very advanced stage of the season, may be explained by the fact that besides the usual private matches played, no fewer than five clubs—four visiting and one resident—were engaged in the medal play of autumn competitions.

Sections of the Royal High School, Edinburgh Institution, and Carlton Clubs drove off in the forenoon, and later in the day the second portions connected with these were augmented by members of the Monks of St. Monans and the Bass Rock Clubs. The weather was dry throughout; but not altogether favourable for steady Golf, as some of those less familiar with the green experienced on an inspection of their cards. The course and greens were in fine order, but a very troublesome breeze from the west blew over the course. The best actual registered in medal competitions was an 82; but actual scores of very

little under ninety were common amongst the first of the scratch players.

Several distinguished visitors have now left North Berwick for a season, and amongst them the Chief Secretary for Ireland, whose familiar figure on the Golfing links here will be much missed. The right hon. gentleman is regarded as a very affable and agreeable partner in a single or foursome, and, if not a brilliant player, is by no means a "duffer." In the various matches during the past week in which Mr. Balfour took part there was none perhaps more keenly contested than the tussle with Provost Brodie of North Berwick. On the last two days of his stay the Chief Secretary engaged the Provost in singles. The right hon. gentleman found his opponent somewhat out of form on the first day of the match, and succeeded in beating him; but in turn Mr. Balfour had to succumb to Mr. Brodie on Thursday after some interesting play.

Amongst the visitors to the links were Principal Rainy and Professor W. G. Blaikie, both gentlemen taking part in a foursome on Wednesday of last week.

The members of the Royal High School Club journeyed to North Berwick on Saturday, and engaged in their annual competition for the Stevenson gold medal and the Sanderson silver medal, the former being a merit and the latter a handicap trophy. Besides these, six allowance prizes were offered. Arriving per rail in the forenoon and afternoon the following players engaged in the contest:—Messrs. D. Anderson, D. Smith Clark, H. H. Chapman, J. K. Duff, M. Greenlees, H. H. Harley, T. Kay, R. Darling Kerr, W. Lawson, W. Penman, W. Russell (sec.), G. Smith, C. H. Turnbull, Paul D. Torre, A. H. Wright, J. Forrest, Pursell, Millidge, Dr. Cowrie, Dr. Stockman, John Wilson, James Adamson, David Brown, Harry Campbell, A. H. Craigie, T. Dewar, G. H. Elliott, F. Ferguson, E. Harley, George Lawson (capt.), R. Melrose, James Murdoch, J. H. Morrison, D. F. W. Parlane, Shennan, and Mark Sanderson, (vice-president). The gold medal was gained by Mr. A. H. Wright with an actual of 91, Mr. Millidge winning the silver medal with a net figure of 89—111, less 22. Other scores were:—Dr. Stockman, 104, less 14=90; Mr. T. Kay, 98, less 6=92; Mr. G. Lawson, 92, plus 1=93; Mr. B. Stockman, 116, less 22=94; Mr. R. Melrose, 96 (scratch); Mr. R. D. Ker, 110, less 14=96; and Mr. Pursell, 116, less 20=96.

The Edinburgh Institution players held their autumn competition over North Berwick links on Saturday, the awards being the merit gold medal, Captain Macdonald's handicap prizes, and five other prizes under allowance conditions. There was a good turn-out of competitors, who drove from the tee in the forenoon and afternoon. The best scratch figure for the medal was an 86, by Mr. John M'ulloch. Like a few of the High School players, some of the last couples had been late in driving from the tee, and darkness set in before the Home hole could be reached.

The Carlton (Edinburgh) Club had also an excellent attendance of members on Saturday at North Berwick, the largest, indeed, ever held in connection with the autumn competition of the club. The principal trophy—the silver cup—was gained by Mr. W. B. Taylor with an actual of 87, and the best scores in handicap order were returned by Mr. J. F. Paxton, 90, less 2=88; Mr. G. S. Turnbull, 97, less 6=91; Mr. John Taylor, 92 (scratch); Mr. W. Geoghegan, 100, less 6=94; and Mr. W. G. Paxton, 97, less 2=95.

On Saturday the members of the Monks of St. Monans (Edinburgh) Club competed for the M'Gregor medal and prizes, all under handicap conditions, Mr. J. W. M'Gregor took first place with 91 net—109, less 18; and the other prize-winners were Mr. J. F. Paxton, 90, plus 4=94; Mr. J. M. Walls, 100, less 4=96; and Mr. W. H. Welsh, 103, less 6=97.

The annual meeting of the Bass Rock Club took place on Saturday over the links at North Berwick. There was a good attendance of players, amongst those competing being Mr. John Forrest, a well-known local "crack" and medalist of the club. Mr. Forrest having returned an 82 actual, it was considered probable, in view of the stormy weather, that this score would suffice to again give him the trophy. Mr. Mitchell, however, who started in the last couple, succeeded in just equalling the score of Mr. Forrest, and an interesting match to decide the tie should take place. Mr. Mitchell secured first position in handicap order with 80 net. The principal scores returned were:—Mr. James Mitchell, 82, less 2=80; Mr. John Forrest, 82, plus 1=83 (tie for scratch medal); Mr. J. Brown MacLachlan, 95, less 13=82; Mr. W. Merriles, 99, less 12=87; Mr. J. Greig, 101, less 14=87; Mr. A. Hogg, 92, less 5=87; Mr. T. Johnston, 101, less 14=87; Mr. J. Henderson, 90, less 2=88; Mr. G. Nelson, 94, less 6=88; Mr. R. Whitecross, 97, less 8=89; and Mr. J. Gould Smith, 103, less 12=91.

DUNFERMLINE.—On Saturday last a competition for a silver cup, took place over the Ferryhills course. At the conclusion of the match it was found that Mr. Goodall, with a score of 75, plus 5=80; and Mr. Ferrier, with a score of 77, plus 3=80, had tied.

## PETERHEAD.

On the afternoon of Wednesday, the 30th ult., a match was played over the links here between teams chosen by the captain of the Peterhead Golf Club (Mr. A. W. Robertson), and the secretary (Mr. J. S. Macpherson). A high wind interfered somewhat with the scoring, but nevertheless some very fair play was witnessed, the secretary's side winning rather easily. Scores:—

CAPTAIN'S TEAM.		Holes.		SECRETARY'S TEAM.		Holes.	
Mr. H. Martin	...	...	0	Mr. J. S. Macpherson	...	...	2
Mr. A. W. Robertson	...	...	0	Mr. W. L. Murray	...	...	1
Mr. D. J. Milne	...	...	0	Mr. R. Martin	...	...	7
Mr. J. Gordon	...	...	0	Rev. Mr. Sutherland	...	...	0
Mr. R. Gray	...	...	0	Mr. J. Forrest	...	...	8
Total	...	...	0	Total	...	...	—

The game between Mr. Gordon and Rev. Mr. Sutherland was not finished. The lowest scorers were:—Mr. A. W. Robertson, 89, Mr. W. L. Murray, 91, and Mr. R. Martin, 98.

## PRESTWICK ST. NICHOLAS GOLF CLUB.

There was a large turn-out of the members of the above club on Saturday to take part in the monthly competition for Baillie Wilson's medal, and to complete the fourth round for Marshall, Wane and Co.'s prize. The weather was somewhat stormy, and the scoring rather over the average. The following is the result for Baillie Wilson's medal:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. W. A. Kennedy	92	12 80	Mr. D. Fergusson	98	12 86
Mr. J. Tullis	...	89 8 81	Mr. J. Wallace	...	99 12 87
Mr. J. Howitt	...	88 6 82	Mr. H. Boyd	...	94 6 88
Mr. J. Andrew	...	86 3 83	Mr. J. Bowden	...	120 22 98
Mr. M. Smith	...	102 18 84			

The following are the results of the fourth round for Marshall, Wane and Co.'s prize:—Mr. W. A. Kennedy (12) beat Mr. H. Boyd (6) by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. A. J. Larke (12) beat Mr. R. Raeside (12) by 2 up and 2 to play; Mr. Jas. Andrew (3) beat Mr. A. Boon (scratch) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. H. M. Giles (12) beat Mr. J. Tullis (8) by 2 up and 1 to play. The semi-final will be played between Mr. Jas. Andrew (3) and Mr. A. J. Larke (12); Mr. W. A. Kennedy (12) and Mr. H. M. Giles (12).

## RANFURLY CASTLE CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for over the links, at Bridge of Weir, on Saturday, under conditions that were not favourable to low scoring. Thirteen couples entered with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. A. C. Weir	...	99 18 91	Mr. T. Carruthers, jun.	105	12 93
Mr. K. Buchanan	...	112 30 82	Mr. J. S. Watson	...	116 22 94
Mr. W. A. Aikman	114	30 84	Mr. R. Fleming	...	116 22 94
Mr. R. B. Mitchell	92	7 85	Mr. R. Brownlee, jun.	110	14 96
Dr. Sandeman	...	97 10 87	Mr. J. McAulay	...	126 30 96
Mr. W. A. Langlands	122	30 92	Mr. W. Adam	...	128 30 98

## RICHMOND GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition.—This competition took place on the 3rd inst., at Sudbrook Park, Petersham. The day being fine, a large number of members turned out, but play being impossible after six o'clock, several were unable to finish the round before dark. It is hoped that for the next few months members who are able to play in the mornings on competition days, will make a point of so doing, leaving the course clear for those who are unable to play before the afternoon.

Mr. C. W. Willett took the medal with a net score of 83, but scoring was difficult, and many members failed to make any return. The greens have much improved under the care of the new professional, and are now in excellent condition. Several new hazards have also been introduced throughout the course; it is a great pity, however, the committee do not make a point of at least three hundred sheep being turned out upon the course, as the high rent paid by the club should excuse this being done at least for six months out of the year, and such a large expenditure as has been necessary to keep the grass down was never contemplated when the ground was taken by the club. The new head-quarters at Sudbrook Mansion gave the greatest satisfaction to all members present, and the club are now able to put members and their friends up on reasonable terms, by the day or week.

The list of members is fast filling up, but the date for closing has not yet been fixed; 300 members, however, will probably be the limit, as the course being so conveniently situated for London members, if over that number is elected, it is feared the course will get too crowded.

Nothing appears to have been done further about the formation of a ladies' club in connection with the R. G. C., but it seems a great pity

that this should be the case when there is plenty of available space to make a pretty nine-hole course.

The following are the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. C. W. Willett	...	103 20 83	Mr. D. C. Millar	...	111 18 93
Mr. H. M. Davidson	97	12 85	Major-Gen. C. Stevenson	...	105 11 94
Mr. S. F. Higgins	...	103 18 85	Mr. E. Swain	...	110 16 94
Mr. L. Lawson	...	109 22 87	Mr. C. E. Routh	...	98 scr. 98
Mr. J. G. Wylie	...	106 18 88			
Dr. Williamson	...	89 scr. 89			

Several scores of over 100 net.

## ROCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

Result of monthly medal handicap, played Saturday, 3rd October:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. T. Winch	...	117 20 87	Mr. J. Knight	...	133 30 103
Mr. C. Lake	...	115 14 101	Mr. A. C. Lealy	...	125 20 105
Mr. J. R. Anderson	137	35 102	Mr. S. J. Curteis	...	131 25 106

Eleven others played, but no returns made.

## ROCHESTER v. REIGATE.

Although the Rochester Golf Club has been in existence a few months only, it has already taken a prominent place among the clubs in the south. Up to the present time ninety members have joined, and it is hoped that this number will be considerably increased before long. This success has been in a large measure due to the able captaincy of Mr. T. Winch, who has spared no pains to promote the welfare of the club, and also to the manner in which the other officials have worked for the same end. Fortunately the club has been favoured with the possession of splendid links at Oakleigh, Higham, the ground for which was placed at the disposal of the members by Mr. C. Lake, a gentleman who has, on many occasions, proved himself to be a true lover of sport. Through constant practice many of the members have attained a very fair degree of proficiency, and as the club includes in its ranks several well-known golfers, a strong team can be placed in the field when required. This the Reigate Club found out to their cost on Saturday, the 26th ult., when they journeyed to Higham to play a friendly match with the home club. On arriving at the station the visitors were met by several carriages, and in these they were driven to the residence of Mr. C. Lake, where the teams were entertained at luncheon. Afterwards the players were photographed by Elliott and Fry, of Baker Street, London, and then drove to the scene of the encounter. The match proved a most exciting one, and was watched with much interest by a large number of the *élite* of the district. Thanks principally to the splendid play of the Hon. Ivo Bligh and Mr. A. P. White, Rochester won a closely contested game by one hole only. Undoubtedly the feature of the match was the game played between the Hon. Ivo Bligh and Mr. Schacht, captain of the visiting team. Their driving and putting were a treat to witness, but the former gentleman proved to be in better form than his opponent, and won by six holes to nil. The ground was in excellent condition, and several of the visitors expressed surprise at finding the putting-greens in such a good state, considering the short period that has elapsed since the starting of the club. The scores were as under:—

ROCHESTER.		REIGATE.			
Holes.		Holes.			
Hon. Ivo Bligh	...	6	Mr. Schacht (capt.)	...	0
Mr. C. Lake	...	3	Mr. Horner	...	0
Mr. T. Winch (capt.)	...	0	Mr. Emmett	...	1
Mr. K. M. McDonald	...	0	Mr. Eames	...	4
Col. A. H. Langdon	...	1	Mr. Balcomb	...	0
Mr. A. C. Seeley	...	0	Mr. Milford	...	3
Dr. Bond	...	0	Mr. Brown	...	4
Lieut. H. Curteis	...	0	Mr. Shepherd	...	3
Mr. A. P. White	...	6	Mr. Slazenger	...	0
		16			15

Among those who witnessed the play were: Major and Mrs. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Cobb, Major and Mrs. Budden, Mr. G. Winch, Dr. A. Martin, Mr. V. de Michele, Mr. E. Woodgate, Mrs. Barkley, Mr. and Mrs. Cunliffe, Mr. and Mrs. Upton, Mr. and Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Seeley, &c. In the evening the members of the Reigate Club accepted the invitation of their opponents to dine with them at the County Club in Rochester.

It may be mentioned that the Earl of Darnley has offered a silver challenge cup to be competed for, and the captain of the club has given a medal.

CUMBRÆ GOLF CLUB.—The autumn meeting of the above club took place on Thursday last week. Mr. J. C. Sharpe was the winner of the Arthur cup. Mr. J. C. Sharpe, 94, less 7=87; Mr. W. McFarlane, 95, less 5=90; Mr. John Reid, 111, less 16=95; Mr. Alex. Russell, 111, less 14=97; Mr. Wm. Ross, 117, less 18=99; Mr. T. McFarlane, 106, less 5=101; Mr. J. L. Davidson, 107, less 4=103; Mr. A. H. Duncan, 130, less 18=112.

ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB.

Saturday, September 26th. Col. Mackenzie's prize:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. T. C. Robin ...	89	8	81	Col. Mackenzie ...	92	3	89
*Mr. A. Salmonson ...	97	14	83	Lieut.-Col. Mayne ...	98	9	89
Mr. C. A. Teape ...	87	3	84	Capt. Lewis ...	102	13	89
*Mr. R. R. Renton ...	102	18	84	Capt. Robin ...	94	4	90
Major Scott ...	85	scr.	85	Major-Gen. Renton ...	104	14	90
*Mr. W. Monckton ...	103	18	85	Mr. T. W. Barker ...	98	6	92
Mr. G. Hornby ...	88	2	86	Capt. Fairlie ...	103	9	94
Mr. R. B. Lattimer ...	94	8	86	Capt. Mohl ...	111	14	97
Capt. Elliott ...	101	15	86	Mr. H. Spencer ...	102	4	98
Mr. M. Nixon ...	98	11	87	Mr. E. J. Edwards ...	118	18	100
Rev. W. Holland ...	106	18	88				

\* Divided sweepstakes.

No returns from four other players.

ROYAL LIVERPOOL GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal and the eighth and last competition for the optional subscription prizes, all under handicap, were played for at Hoylake last Saturday, in fine weather, forty-five couples competing; the scoring was not good, the recently lengthened course evidently being the cause. On the cards being examined it was found that the medal had been tied for by Dr. P. Davidson and Mr. John Taylor, with their respective net scores of 86. A win in for the first optional subscription prize fell to Dr. P. Davidson, Mr. John Taylor not having entered. Mr. J. H. Silverbach and Mr. A. Huntington tied for a win in for the second optional subscription prize, with their net scores of 92, Mr. A. Stuart not having entered. The first and second sweepstakes were divided between Dr. P. Davidson and Mr. John Taylor, and the third between Messrs. R. Gould, A. H. Higgins, and G. de M. Mackirdy. The result of the play was as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Dr. P. Davidson ...	92	6	86	Dr. A. Hamilton ...	110	15	95
Mr. John Taylor ...	101	15	86	Mr. F. W. Carson ...	114	19	95
Mr. A. H. Higgins ...	93	4	89	Mr. C. Darbyshire ...	103	7	96
Mr. R. Gould ...	96	7	89	Mr. John Farrar ...	106	10	96
Mr. G. de M. Mackirdy ...	99	10	89	Mr. St. Clair Byrne ...	117	21	96
Mr. H. Farrar ...	92	2	90	Mr. J. H. Knight ...	109	12	97
Mr. H. E. B. Harrison ...	106	16	90	Mr. J. E. Perrin ...	111	14	97
Mr. C. T. Dixon ...	104	13	91	Mr. Theo. Turpin ...	117	20	97
Mr. J. K. Housden ...	108	17	91	Mr. W. B. H. Wilson ...	110	12	98
Mr. A. Stuart ...	113	22	91	Mr. A. St. Clare			
Mr. C. E. Dick ...	92	scr.	92	Byrne ...	116	18	98
Mr. A. H. Doleman ...	96	4	92	Mr. Jas. Fairclough ...	105	5	100
Mr. J. W. Fowler ...	96	4	92	Mr. H. Janion ...	117	16	101
Mr. J. H. Silberbach ...	111	19	92	Mr. A. Dod ...	118	16	102
Mr. A. Huntington ...	112	20	92	Mr. Cumming Mac-			
Mr. G. R. Cox ...	97	4	93	dona ...	124	22	102
Mr. W. Dod ...	107	14	93	Mr. Wm. Thomson ...	112	9	103
Mr. A. Turpin ...	94	scr.	94	Mr. J. Moore ...	123	19	104
Mr. H. C. R. Siev-				Mr. P. J. Pringle ...	111	6	105
wright ...	99	5	94	Mr. Chas. Holt ...	116	11	105
Mr. C. J. Crowther ...	109	15	94	Mr. Geo. Bird ...	119	13	106
Mr. R. Haigh ...	110	16	94	Mr. Wm. Meikle ...	122	16	106
Mr. W. S. Patterson ...	114	20	94	Mr. J. E. Pearson ...	118	9	109
Mr. Egerton Macdona ...	104	9	95	Mr. A. E. Scales ...	129	14	115

Forty-five competitors made no returns.

The tie for the win in for the second optional subscription prize was settled by mutual arrangement, Mr. Alf. Huntington securing the win in.

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

The autumn competition for the president's trophy has been looked for with a little thrill of excitement by the members, especially those who have been able to register one win towards the three which are necessary for its permanent possession. Considering the various counter attractions of shooting, football, swimming, &c., the muster was a good one and comprised most of the best players. The couples were despatched by the hon. secretary. The captain of the club, Mr. William Purves, who was partnered with Mr. Seymour Walker, and has once had possession of the trophy, struck off the first ball and opened the game a little unfavourably, getting into difficulties after passing the pond well in his second, and took eight to hole out. The want of practice and the strong south-west wind made themselves felt all the way out, the captain only getting down the ninth hole in 51, whilst Mr. Seymour Walker took 53. In coming home, however, Mr. Purves showed his true form, 4 to the breakwater, 4 to the tank, 5 to the railing, 3 to the lawn, and the remaining 5 holes in 25 just totalled 41 home, a capital performance; gross 92. On the second round misfortune dogged the captain's path, and ran him up to 105 before he got finished. Mr. S. Walker improved as he played, and whilst he could do only 102 for the first round, the sporting railing hole being responsible for 9, his second effort was rewarded with a well played 90, the second lowest round of the day.

Messrs. A. Massingham and P. A. Raps followed second, the former playing a strong game, but came badly to grief at the Shepherds, marsh and pond holes; the latter player made no returns. Messrs. O. K. Trechmann and F. W. Purvis vied in friendly rivalry; the former almost extinguished his chance at the first hole, taking 10 strokes each time and 8 to the third; with these exceptions Mr. Trechmann played a steady game, which is a great boon to your partner, as a golfer is necessarily sympathetic in good or bad play. Mr. Purvis played well, though 4 sevens were too many, 8 fives, 3 fours, a 1 three equalised the score to 95—a fairly good performance considering the strong wind; the second round was not so good, the first and third holes accounting for 17 strokes ran the total up to 99. The hon. secretary had the company of Mr. G. Newby. After the former's successes at Seaton and Ryton had been brought by Lim before the committee they considered that the excellent form shown should be recognised by a reduction of handicap—in fact, it was halved. However, no one can maintain one's best form indefinitely, and Mr. Cooper could only go out in 50 and 53, but came home well in 44 each time, his 94 being the third best round of the day. Mr. Newby was the champion on merit, and when we say that he averaged one less than 5 per hole on the first round, all who know the course will realise the steady play necessary to do so. In the second round misfortune took its part—a long drive at the Rocket hole being rewarded with the Tinpot Bunker, and cost 7 strokes to get down, the last hole being done in 3 (a long drive on to the green). The round was negotiated in 95, being the lowest scratch score with 184. Mr. Newby appeared to be "all over" a winner, and for the third time, too. All were now on tenter hooks. Was it time to say good bye to the trophy and congratulate Mr. Newby, or was there a modern Numa Pompilius blushing yet unseen? Mr. E. Wylam Walker—a most enthusiastic player—had followed the previous couple with Mr. C. J. Bunting. On the secretary examining this card it was found that, by the aid of 50 handicap allowance, Mr. E. W. Walker returned a score just four points below Mr. Newby, and was thus hailed the winner for the first time. Everyone was pleased with Mr. E. W. Walker's success, yet it was most tantalising to Mr. Newby, who had held the lowest score for half-an-hour previous to Mr. Walker finishing. Many other members showed up good form, there being no "dark" division among this club's members. Appended are the scores:—

	1st	2nd	Total	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. E. W. Walker ...	112	108	220	50	170
Mr. G. Newby ...	89	95	184	10	174
Mr. R. E. Leach ...	100	100	200	25	175
Mr. A. Massingham ...	104	104	208	31	177
Mr. C. J. Bunting ...	99	99	198	20	178
Mr. Seymour Walker ...	102	90	192	13	179
Mr. Charles Cooper ...	94	97	191	8	183
Mr. F. W. Purvis ...	95	99	194	8	186
Mr. W. Purves ...	92	105	197	10	187
Mr. O. K. Trechmann ...	108	102	210	18	192
Mr. J. F. Pease ...	128	116	244	50	194
Mr. W. Ropner ...	125	125	250	50	200
Mr. A. B. Wilson ...	126	125	251	50	201
Mr. W. S. Merryweather ...	129	124	253	50	203
Mr. J. W. Marshall ...	126	122	248	44	204
Mr. H. Luck ...	130	127	257	50	207

Messrs. Philip Wood, P. B. Kent, H. Simpson, and several other members made no returns.

SELKIRK GOLF CLUB.

The final competition for the captain's prize took place over the Selkirk links on Saturday. The scoring was very high, owing to the strong and drizzling rain, and none of the competitors managed to better their position. The prize was a handsome silver cruet-stand, the stand representing Golf clubs and the salts, etc., Golf balls. The winner was Mr. A. C. J. Ingles, his aggregate score in three competitions, 293, less 36=257.

A few of the other scores are as follow:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.					
Mr. R. Brydon ...	294	36	258	Mr. G. Wright ...	270	8	262
Mr. J. Lewis ...	287	29	258	Rev. A. L. Johnston ...	307	45	262
Mr. D. C. Alexander				Mr. J. Thomson ...	265	scr.	265
(sec.) ...	261	scr.	261	Mr. A. Weir ...	265	scr.	265

ST. ANDREWS.

(AUTUMN MEETING.)

The autumn meeting of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club was held on the 30th ult. With the exception of Mr. Leslie Balfour, the field, which consisted of 125 competitors, included all the players of note in the club. The weather was not unlike that which prevailed on the same day the year previous, a blustering cold wind with frequent showers of rain scudding across the course, and preventing many who would fain have followed their favourite couple venturing out of the shelter of the club-house. Sir Ralph Anstruther, Bart., of Balcastie, captain for the

ensuing year, discharged his duty punctually at the hour of 10 a.m. by driving off the first ball, thereby winning *pro forma* the Royal Adelaide medal. Tom Morris then sent off the couples whose names are given below in the order mentioned. The interval between each couple leaving the tee averaged about five minutes, and it was half-past three before the last couple were able to set out on their journey. The players were Sir Ralph W. Anstruther, Bart., and Captain A. W. Anstruther; Mr. P. Wood and Mr. J. L. Officer; Mr. A. Gray and Dr. W. A. Finlay; Mr. R. T. Boothby and Mr. R. H. Johnston; Mr. W. F. Blackwell and Mr. W. D. Bovill; Colonel R. T. Boothby and Mr. J. R. Hutchison; Mr. T. Gilroy and Mr. T. Johnston; Mr. John C. Watson and Mr. James T. Stewart; Mr. C. C. Deane and Mr. J. J. Yates; Mr. W. Maitland-Dougall and Dr. John Goff; Colonel W. Marshall and Mr. Allan Briggs; Major Chalmers and Mr. T. L. Galbraith; Mr. J. Mellor and Mr. F. Murray-Honey; Mr. James Cheape and Mr. H. Lindsay Carnegie; Mr. R. Gilroy and Mr. J. Sharp, jun.; Mr. A. Cowan and Mr. H. F. Birley; Mr. W. T. Linkskill and Mr. H. S. Colt; Mr. George Deas and—; Mr. R. B. Sharp and Mr. D. I. Lamb; Mr. C. P. Finlay and Mr. H. Kermack; Mr. J. R. Reid and Mr. Edward Scratton; Captain J. R. Scott and Mr. Edward J. Jackson; Mr. J. Oswald and Mr. E. Lehmann; Mr. H. B. Gilroy and Mr. W. R. Sharp; Mr. G. F. Muir and Captain G. M. Boothby; Mr. Henry A. Lamb and Mr. A. F. Macfie; Mr. T. F. Swinfort and Mr. E. M. Protheroe; Mr. J. Cunningham, jun., and Mr. H. S. C. Everard; Mr. Ralph Dalryell and Mr. Frank Kinloch; Mr. A. G. G. Asher and Mr. Arthur Marshall; Major D. L. Carnegie and Mr. W. Ballingall; Mr. E. S. Balfour and Mr. F. Simson; Mr. H. Fellowes-Gordon and Mr. J. K. Aitken; Mr. H. G. Hutchinson and Mr. Alex. Stuart; Mr. George A. Gilroy and Mr. J. L. Luke; Mr. S. H. Le Fleming and Mr. J. O. Wallace; Dr. J. W. Moir and Mr. Alan C. Duff; Mr. J. E. Laidlay and Mr. C. Hutchings; Mr. John M'Neill and Mr. W. Tulloch, jun.; Mr. R. A. Deane and Mr. F. C. Crawford; Mr. W. S. Wilson and Mr. W. E. Fairlie; Mr. W. Thorburn and Mr. A. Shewan; Mr. G. Maitland Heriot and Mr. E. R. H. Blackwell; Mr. W. Gibson Blossom and Mr. J. Lionel Ridpath; Mr. G. G. Butler and Mr. Alex. Dennistoun; Mr. A. Rotherham and Mr. R. S. M'Neill; Mr. T. Mackay and Mr. J. O. Fairlie; Mr. J. H. E. Allen and Mr. J. W. Saunders; Mr. H. G. Younger and Captain J. M. Fleming; Mr. Andrew Thomson and Mr. R. W. R. Mackenzie; Mr. George Younger and Mr. T. Jeffrey; Mr. B. Hall Blyth and Mr. John Dun; Mr. D. M. M'Nab and Mr. R. Bramwell Davis; Captain W. H. Burn and Mr. F. G. Tait; Mr. H. A. Bethune and Mr. A. N. Stewart; Mr. Frank Fairlie and Mr. S. Mure Fergusson; Mr. D. S. Hindmarsh and Mr. Stuart Oliphant; Lieut.-Colonel A. Boyd and Captain H. C. Best; Captain F. W. Marshall and Mr. R. A. Hull; Colonel D. W. Mackinnon and Mr. G. G. Robertson; Mr. A. L. Tweedie and Mr. R. H. Guild; Mr. James F. Pullar and Mr. John Bett; Mr. Charles Anderson and Mr. T. Tait. With such a wealth of talent it was almost impossible to spot the winners. By general consent, last year's medallist, Mr. Horace Hutchinson, and Mr. Alexander Stuart were fixed upon as most likely men, but Mr. Laidlay and Mr. Chas. Hutchings had a considerable number of backers. Mr. Hutchinson and Mr. Stuart were pretty well down the list, and started at one o'clock. At the outset they did not figure brilliantly, taking the half-dozen to the burn. Proceeding to the dyke, Mr. Stuart bunkered his approach, but his niblick took him well on to the green in 3, and a well-earned half in 5 was called. Both were on the green in their second at the next hole, but Mr. Hutchinson was deficient in his putting, and at the finish was one stroke to the bad. The Gingerbeer was well played in 5, but the Hole o'Cross might have been managed in 1 stroke less than 6 had the putting of both not been a trifle too weak. Passing the Heather, which was halved in 4, the High hole saw Mr. Hutchinson short in his long putt, with a bolter for his next, and, so far, 2 strokes worse than his opponent. Equality, however, was attained at the Short hole, Mr. Stuart bunkering from the tee, also failed on the green, and took 5 to get down as against Mr. Hutchinson's 3. At the End hole Mr. Stuart got in a long steal, which enabled him to score 3 and to lead by 1. Scores:—

Mr. Stuart	...	...	6	5	4	5	6	4	4	5	3=42
Mr. Hutchinson	...	...	6	5	5	5	6	4	5	3	4=43

Going home, the first hole was marked by Mr. Stuart missing his putt; he took five against Mr. Hutchinson's four, and the match again stood all square. At the High hole Mr. Hutchinson repeated Mr. Stuart's mistake. Both were off the line going to the heather, and it was halved in five. The Hole o'Cross was capitally played by Mr. Stuart in four, which gave him the pull, which he never afterwards lost. He further fortified his position at the Gingerbeer hole. Halving the next in five, Mr. Hutchinson quite put himself out of the running, bunkering his tee going to the dyke, and losing two strokes, he registered a score of seven for the hole. Proceeding to the burn, Mr. Hutchinson drove into the station-master's garden, which cost him two strokes and the distance, and eventually he picked up his ball. This hole was a lucky one for Mr. Stuart; he just escaped being bunkered from the tee

by a few inches, and next, playing up strongly to the road, he struck a post and bounded back on the green. In the eventuality of getting on the road, he too might have thrown up the sponge. As it was, he landed with a total of 85, which stood unchallenged throughout the day. His inward figures were, 5 3 5 4 5 5 6 5=43. Mr. Laidlay appeared to be out of his play, and needed 90 to do the round.

The position at the close was as follows:—

Winner of King William IV.'s medal—Mr. Alex. Stuart, 85.  
Club's gold medal—Mr. H. S. C. Everard and Mr. R. B. Sharp, 87, a tie. Detailed scores:—

Mr. Everard:—

Out...	...	...	5	6	4	5	5	4	5	5	4=43
In ...	...	...	4	3	4	5	5	5	5	8	5=44

Mr. Sharp:—

Out...	...	...	6	5	5	5	6	4	4	4=44
In ...	...	...	4	3	4	5	7	5	5	5=43

The George Glennie medal for the best aggregate for spring and autumn meetings was gained by Mr. Everard at a score of 175. Mr. R. S. MacNeill won the first handicap sweep with 90, less 12 odds. The following were the other scores below 100:—

Mr. S. Mure Fergusson, 88; Mr. D. I. Lamb, 89; Mr. J. Cunningham, jun., 89; Captain W. H. Burn, 89; Mr. A. N. Stewart, 89; Mr. H. S. Colt, 90; Mr. W. Ballingall, 90; Mr. J. E. Laidlay, 90; Mr. G. Maitland Heriot, 90; Mr. F. Fairlie, 90; Mr. R. S. M'Neill, 90; Mr. A. F. Macfie, 91; Mr. F. G. Tait, 91; Mr. J. Oswald, 92; Mr. F. C. Crawford, 92; Mr. T. Gilroy, 93; Mr. Henry A. Lamb, 93; Mr. W. E. Fairlie, 93; Mr. W. Gibson Blossom, 93; Mr. R. H. Johnstone, 94; Mr. A. G. G. Asher, 94; Mr. E. S. Balfour, 94; Mr. J. L. Luke, 94; Mr. R. T. Boothby, 95; Mr. W. F. Blackwell, 95; Mr. J. H. Aitken, 95; Mr. E. R. H. Blackwell, 95; Dr. John Goff, 96; Mr. H. A. Bethune, 96; Mr. A. Rotherham, 97; Mr. W. D. Bovill, 99; Mr. James S. Stewart, 99; Mr. Arthur Marshall, 99; Mr. J. O. Wallace, 99.

The tie for the gold medal between Mr. Everard and Mr. Sharp was played off on the 1st inst. From the second hole on the outward journey Mr. Sharp led by one hole, and eventually he won by three strokes, repeating his Wednesday's performance of 87. Mr. Everard, who was repeatedly unfortunate in getting into bunkers, took 90. The detailed scores were:—

Mr. Sharp:—

Out...	5	5	5	5	6	5	5	4	4=44
In ...	4	4	4	5	6	5	5	6	4=43

Mr. Everard:—

Out...	4	7	5	5	7	4	6	3	4=45
In ...	4	4	6	6	6	5	4	6	4=45

In connection with the meeting a number of interesting matches took place, Mr. Laidlay and Mr. Hutchinson had a fine single. Both had runs of luck, having the burn Mr. Laidlay took the next four. Then Mr. Hutchinson's innings came, and he brought the match all square at the turn. Homeward Mr. Laidlay again assumed the offensive, and he brought the match to a finish at the burn three ahead. Mr. F. G. Tait and Mr. Blackwell had round about. Mr. Alex. Stuart had two rounds and was victor in both, playing against Mr. D. I. Lamb. Mr. Laidlay and Mr. Chas. Hutchings defeated Mr. Macfie and Mr. Fairlie by two holes. Sir Guy Campbell lost at the burn by 2 in a single with Mr. A. G. G. Asher. Mr. J. T. Inglis played against Mr. T. Tate and Tom Morris. The match was all square on the day's play. On Thursday Mr. Laidlay had round about with Mr. F. G. Tait. Mr. Laidlay's best score was 80. Mr. Colt and Mr. Horace Hutchinson had an excellent foursome with Mr. D. I. Lamb and Mr. Macfie. The former couple won the match by 4 and 3 to play.

## THE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

(ST. ANDREWS.)

There was never such a muster of players for the Golf championship as was assembled in St. Andrews on Monday last. All the best men, both amateurs and professionals, were on the green, and from the draw given below, it will be seen that both classes were pretty evenly balanced, there being thirty-three amateurs and thirty-nine professionals. Many of them were out on Monday for exercise and acquaintance with the green, and judging from the scoring there should be a close tussle. Mr. Ball, Ben Sayers, Willie Fernie, Hugh Kirkaldy, Abe Herd, Willie Park, were all prime favourites, but of course it is quite possible that none of them may occupy the premier position. The following is the order of start, which was made at 9 a.m. on Tuesday:—

1. A. F. Macfie, Royal and Ancient, and Wm. Young, Monifieth.
2. Tom Morris, St. Andrews, and J. Kay, Seaton Carew.
3. Henry A. Lamb, Royal Wimbledon, and J. Hunter, St. Andrews G.C.
4. A. Tingey, St. Andrews, and J. Cuthbert, St. Andrews G.C.
5. R. Martin, St. Andrews, and W. Greig, St. Andrews G.C.
6. J. Simpson, Earlsferry, and L. Auchterlonie, St. Andrews G.C.
7. J. E. Laidlay, Honourable Company, and G. G. Smith, Gullane.
8. D.

McEwan, Musselburgh, and David Anderson, Panmure. 9. R. Mearns, Aberdeen, and Peter Anderson, St. Andrews University. 10. J. M. Williamson, Musselburgh, and J. Burns, St. Andrews. 11. George Pearson, Earlsferry, and L. Ross, Edinburgh. 12. W. Anderson, St. Andrews, and David Ayton, St. Andrews. 13. R. H. Johnston, Honourable Company, and H. S. C. Everard, Royal and Ancient. 14. D. Anderson, jun., St. Andrews, and J. Kinsman, St. Andrews. 15. Hugh Kirkaldy, St. Andrews, and T. Carmichael, St. Andrews University. 16. D. Mason, Kinghorn, and — Anderson, North Berwick. 17. W. D. More, Chester, and Ben Campbell, Musselburgh. 18. James Kirk, Thistle, St. Andrews, and T. Gilroy, Dublin. 19. Robert Scott, Carnoustie, and H. H. Hilton, Royal Liverpool. 20. Alex. Stuart, Honourable Company, and D. Shepperd, Carnoustie. 21. R. B. Sharp, Royal and Ancient, and Andrew Kirkaldy, St. Andrews. 22. W. Campbell, Bridge of Weir, and J. Ball, jun., Royal Liverpool. 23. David I. Lamb, Royal and Ancient, and A. Tait, Edinburgh University. 24. Archie Simpson, Carnoustie, and W. Park, jun., Musselburgh. 25. David Anderson, sen., St. Andrews, and B. Sayers, North Berwick. 26. S. Mure Fergusson, Royal and Ancient, and R. Simpson, Carnoustie. 27. J. Kirkaldy, St. Andrews, and Robert Tait, Musselburgh. 28. P. Paxton, Eastbourne, and Horace G. Hutchinson, Royal and Ancient. 29. D. Cuthbert, St. Andrews, and James Anderson, jun., St. Andrews. 30. A. Lawson, Musselburgh, and George Fernie, Troon. 31. Charles Hutchings, Royal Liverpool, and D. Herd, St. Andrews. 32. H. S. Colt, Royal and Ancient, and F. G. Tait, Royal and Ancient. 33. E. R. H. Blackwell, Royal and Ancient, and A. Herd, St. Andrews. 34. A. Sommerville, Dunbar, and T. Chisholm, Scarborough. 35. C. Randall, St. Nicholas, Prestwick, and Cyril Plummer, Sandwich. 36. W. Fernie, Troon, and David Leitch, St. Andrews G. C. 37. W. Auchterlonie, St. Andrews G. C., and David Brown, St. Andrews.

TYNESIDE GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting of this club began on Thursday, October 1st, over the Ryton course in favourable weather. A cup valued at five guineas was offered by the club, to be won outright in one competition under handicap, and thirty-one members started for the event. Premier honours rested with Mr. C. Cooper, who had an allowance of 13. The scores were:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. C. Cooper	95	13	82	Mr. F. T. Ridley	96	5	91
Mr. F. A. Hutton	103	20	83	Mr. T. A. Hutton	104	12	92
Dr. R. Howdon	100	15	85	Dr. Limont	108	15	93
Mr. J. B. Radcliffe	86	scr.	86	Mr. F. Smith	107	13	94
Mr. B. Brumell	104	18	86	Mr. F. W. Wynd-			
Mr. C. Ismay	111	25	86	ham	114	19	95
Mr. W. E. Nicholson	116	30	86	Mr. G. F. Charlton	100	2	98
Mr. T. F. Red-				Mr. T. W. Sharpe	116	18	98
mayne	107	20	87	Mr. J. M. Redmayne	128	30	98
Mr. C. A. Ridley	88	scr.	88	Mr. A. Dunn	118	20	98
Mr. A. Marmion	99	10	89	Mr. L. S. Houseman	122	23	99
Mr. J. W. Wood	97	7	90	Dr. W. T. Wilson	109	9	100
Mr. G. W. Walters	91	scr.	91	Mr. G. P. Blagdon	114	13	101

Messrs. E. Hunter, W. Frazer, M. Ismay, H. C. Smith, F. Babington, G. Black and H. Blair retired.

The second day of the autumn meeting was again favoured with fine weather, and the attendance of players was highly satisfactory. The first item on the programme was the competition for the president's challenge belt, the winner of this event being regarded as the club champion for the year. The holder, Mr. J. B. Radcliffe, again proved successful in retaining the prize, although opposed by several of the best scratch players in the club. The scores were:—

Reid belt (club championship):—

1st Rnd.	2nd Rnd.	Gross.	1st Rnd.	2nd Rnd.	Gross.		
Mr. J. B. Radcliffe	41	47	88	Mr. G. W. Walters	43	48	91
Mr. C. A. Ridley	44	45	89	Mr. A. Marmion	48	46	94
Mr. R. T. Thomson	46	45	91	Mr. G. F. Charlton	45	50	95
Mr. F. T. Ridley	45	46	91	Mr. J. W. Wood	40	49	95

The second contest was for a prize presented by Mr. N. Temperley, and out of nineteen players Mr. F. T. Redmayne, with an allowance of 20, carried off the first prize.

Temperley prize:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. F. T. Redmayne	100	20	80	Mr. R. T. Thomson	91	scr.	91
Mr. A. Marmion	94	10	84	Mr. G. W. Walters	91	scr.	91
Mr. F. T. Ridley	91	5	86	Mr. J. L. Temperley	120	28	92
Mr. J. B. Radcliffe	88	scr.	88	Mr. G. F. Charlton	95	2	93
Mr. F. Smith	101	13	88	Mr. T. W. Sharpe	110	15	95
Mr. C. A. Ridley	89	scr.	89	Mr. H. Blair	108	12	96
Mr. J. W. Wood	95	6	89	Mr. T. A. Hutton	109	12	97
Mr. B. Brumell	106	17	89	Mr. F. W. Wyndham	118	19	99
Dr. Howdon	103	13	90	Mr. H. W. Spencer	129	25	104

The annual general meeting took place at the Crown Hotel, Newcastle, on the 30th ult., Mr. W. White (vice-president) in the chair. There was a large attendance. The hon. sec. (Mr. G. F. Charlton) presented the annual report, from which it appeared that the total membership exceeded 160. The balance in hand amounted to £98 7s. 7d. The report was adopted, and the election of officers for the season resulted as follows:—President, Mr. Jas. Tennant (re-elected); vice-president, Mr. W. White; committee, Messrs. J. Limont, W. G. Ridley, T. A. Hutton, F. B. Dunford, J. L. Oliver, C. A. Ridley; hon. sec. and treasurer, Mr. G. F. Charlton.

WEST CORNWALL GOLF CLUB.

The monthly match, under handicap, was played on Saturday, September 26th. A strong south-west sea breeze made long scores for weak drivers at holes eight and seventeen. Scores:—

	1st Rnd.	2nd Rnd.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. H. B. Fox	47	55	102	3	99
Mr. J. Vivian	62	65	127	25	102
Mr. R. F. Tyacke	61	59	120	16	104
Mr. W. Harvey	59	67	126	18	108
Mr. R. Fox	68	56	124	12	112
Mr. F. Harvey	70	96	166	35	131

WILTSHIRE AND DISTRICT GOLF CLUB.

The season at Wiltshire was formally opened on Saturday last, when the Bertwistle scratch medal (held for twelve months) was played for and won by the captain, Mr. J. Hargreaves, with a score of 100. This is also the record in a competition since the extension of the links, the distance for the 18 holes—being twice round a 9-hole course—is 3 miles 344 yards. A club handicap was also played. The first prize was won by Mr. Hargreaves with the scratch score of 100, Mr. E. J. Scott taking the second with 141, less 35=106, and Mr. R. Law third with 138, less 30=108. Nine and a-half couples turned out in good weather, and a very pleasant afternoon was spent, members expressing much satisfaction at the great improvement in the greens and golfing course since last season.

DUNAVERTY GOLF CLUB.—The autumn meeting was held on Friday, 25th September, when beautiful weather favoured a large turn-out of the members in the contest for the Gow medal (scratch), the Crawford medal handicap, and various other prizes. Mr. Jas. Taylor won the scratch medal and other prizes with 88; Mr. A. Greenlees the Crawford medal and sweepstake; Mr. Wm. Reid, box of cigars from Mr. A. H. Dick, Birmingham, half-a-dozen balls, and sweepstake; Mr. J. Lothian, box of cigars; Mr. R. H. Barron, Mr. J. A. Campbell, and Mr. Jas. Weir, nine balls each; Dr. Seright, three balls. Mr. Jas. Taylor, 88, less 3=85; Mr. A. Greenlees, 90, less 3=87; Mr. W. Reid, 103, less 15=88; Mr. J. Lothian, 96, less 7=89; Mr. R. H. Barron, 107, less 15=92; Mr. J. H. Campbell, 107, less 15=92; Mr. J. Weir, 100, less 8=92; Dr. Seright, 105, less 12=93; Mr. C. Douglas, 106, less 12=94; Mr. J. Moffat, 99, less 5=94; Mr. J. Barbour, 114, less 20=94; Mr. A. H. Gardiner, 92, plus 3=95; Mr. W. Hunter, 103, less 8=95; Mr. T. Bryce, 118, less 20=98.

OSSINGTON GOLF CLUB.—This club played their first game of the season at Kilmun on Saturday last. In spite of the dull, showery weather, there was a good turn-out of players for the Walker gold medal, and some excellent scores were handed in. Mr. John Sturrock, jun., was declared the winner with a fine score of 87, less 12=75, made up as follows:—Out: 6 5 3 6 4 5 5 6 4=44; in: 6 5 4 4 6 4 6 4=43.

GRAMPIAN CLUB.—The monthly competition for the silver medal took place at Kinghorn on Saturday last. Scores:—Mr. C. E. Reid, 90, less 10=80 (medal); 2, Mr. C. E. Huie, 84 (scratch).

COMRIE V. CRIEFF.—A match between these clubs was played on Saturday last over the Comrie course (two rounds of nine holes). Eighteen couples joined in the contest, with the result that Comrie had 112 holes to their opponents' 22.

HARRISON GOLF CLUB.—The half-yearly competition for the Cox medal and prizes was played over the Braids on the 28th ult. Owing to the stormy nature of the weather only six turned out, and the scoring was unusually high. The following was the order of the playets:—1 (winner of Cox medal and charm), Mr. J. Bowie; 2, Mr. D. Menzies; 3, Mr. D. A. Henderson; 4, Mr. J. Allan; 5, Mr. W. Ferguson; 6, Mr. G. Smart. The fortnightly gold medal was won in Harrison Park by Mr. J. Allan.

DUMBARTON GOLF CLUB.—The concluding competition among the members of this club for a prize given by Captain McHardy, took place on the links on Saturday, 26th September:—Mr. W. Lonie, scratch, 71; Mr. John McIntyre, 75, less 2=73; Mr. W. Aitken, 84, less 6=78; Mr. C. J. Baptie, 84, less 6=78; Mr. Alexander Dale, 89, less 8=81.

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