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APRIL.

- April 1.—Pau: Macdona Challenge Cup and Badge (Handicap, limited to 20 strokes).
Royal Cornwall: Monthly Handicap.
Warwickshire: Club v. Coventry (at Coventry).
- April 2.—County Down: Wallace Cup.
Redhill and Reigate: Club Medal.
Royal Liverpool: Monthly Medal.
Ilkley: Buckley Cup.
Bowdon: Monthly Medal.
London Scottish: Monthly Medal.
Richmond: Monthly Medal.
Brighton and Hove: Berners Medal.
Lundin: Handicap Medal.
Birkdale: Monthly Medal.
Sutton Coldfield: Mumly Medal.
North Bedfordshire: Challenge Medal (Handicap).
North Bedfordshire Ladies: Challenge Prize (Handicap).
Aldeburgh: Monthly Medal.
- April 4.—Warwickshire: Club v. Worcestershire (at Warwick).
- April 5.—Birkdale: Club Ladies' Prize.
Carnarvonshire: Monthly Medal.
Royal Blackheath: Spring Medal and Singapore Cup.
West Cornwall: Seton Challenge Trophy.
East Sheen Ladies: Monthly Medal.
- April 5-8.—Warwickshire: Spring Meeting.
- April 6.—Birkdale: Buckley's Ladies' Prize.
Durham: Osborn Cup.
- April 9.—Bradford St. Andrews: Rhodes Medal.
Dalhousie: Handicap Match (Sixth Round).
West Herts: Monthly Medal.

- April 9.—Littlestone: Monthly Medal.
Didsley: Handicap Silver Medal.
Guildford: Monthly Medal.
Royal Epping Forest: Quarterly Medal.
Royal Isle of Wight: Monthly Medal.
Sutton Coldfield: Monthly Medal.
Ealing: Monthly Medal.
Forfar: Spring Meeting.
Staines: Monthly Medal.
Hayling: Monthly Cup.
Southport: Monthly Medal.
St. George's, Sandwich: Monthly Medal.
- April 14-18.—Birkdale: Easter Meeting.
- April 15-18.—St. George's, Sandwich: Spring Meeting; Sidgwick Cup; Club Cup; Spring Medal; Saunders Bowl; Captain's Medal; Mills Cup.
- April 16.—County Down: Railway Cup.
Royal Isle of Wight: Bogey Tournament for Club Prize.
Sutton Coldfield: Lloyd Prize.
Buxton and High Peak: Strang Cup.
Royal Jersey: Spring Meeting.
Wimbledon Ladies: Monthly Medal.
Hayling: Easter Cup.
Golf House Club, Elie: Spring Meeting.
- April 16-18.—Lytham and St. Anne's: Spring Meeting.
Great Yarmouth: Easter Meeting.
Bowdon: Easter Meeting.
Littlestone: Easter Meeting.
Guildford: Easter Meeting.
County Down: Easter Meeting.
Southport: Spring Meeting.
County Club, Portrush: Easter Meeting.
- April 16-19.—Felixstowe: Easter Meeting; Felixstowe and Edinburgh Gold Medals; Patron's Challenge Cup; Captain's Prize; Monthly Challenge Cup; Aggregate Prizes.
- April 18.—Pau: General Meeting to Pass Accounts.
Ashdown Forest: Easter Meeting.
Royal Isle of Wight: Easter Meeting.
Buxton and High Peak: Captain's Prize.
Woodford: Club Handicap.
Rochester: Monthly Medal.
Hayling: Easter Cup.
Aldeburgh: Easter Meeting; The "Flintham" Challenge Cup.
- April 18-19.—Sheringham: Easter Meeting.
- April 18-23.—Tenby: Easter (Open) Prize Tournament; South Wales Challenge Cup; Barlow Cup.
- April 19.—Hayling: The Fisher Foursome Challenge Cups.
- April 19-22.—Royal North Devon: Easter Meeting.
- April 20.—Warrender: Claret Jug, etc.
Durham: Walter Cup.
Luffness: Hope Challenge Cup.
Royal Epping Forest: Spurling Kentish Medal.
Hayling: Houldsworth Challenge Plate.
- April 20-21.—Royal Cromer: Easter Prize Meeting.
- April 21.—Prestwick: Spring Meeting.
- April 21-23.—Royal Wimbledon: Spring Meeting.
- April 22.—Royal West Norfolk: Spring Meeting; Gold Medal, &c.
- April 23.—Nottingham: ? ? ? Medal.

St. Andrews, N.B. RUSACK'S HOTEL, THE MARINE (on the Links). The Golf Metropolis—Parties boarded. Special terms to Golfers and families. W. RUSACK, Proprietor and Manager. Telegrams:—Rusack, St. Andrews, N.B. Telephone No. 1101.

THE NEW GOLF COURSE AT SILLOTH.

The new Golf course laid out by the North British Railway Company on ground belonging to it at Silloth, will, it may be safely predicted, do much to popularise this, the newest and prettiest port of Cumberland, and a favourite summer resort of many. Blitterlees Bank, as the stretch of ground is called, lends itself admirably to the purposes of the Royal and Ancient game; and its situation, within a stonethrow of the waters of the Solway Firth, is all that can be desired. The links are pleasantly varied in their character, being for the most part a succession of "heichs and howes," with at times extensive patches of "bent" and heather, and broken up by bunkers sufficiently numerous and difficult of negotiation to satisfy the most exacting golfer. No expense or trouble has been spared by the company in putting the ground into order for play, and the manner in which the course has been laid out does much credit to Davie Grant, of North Berwick, whose services were called in. The turf is of first-rate quality, and great care has been taken to make the putting-greens level—re-turfing having been in each instance resorted to, so that a proper surface might be obtained. The length of the course is 2½ miles from start to finish. The longest hole is 380 yards, and the shortest, 147 yards, but where the holes are short, they are still very "tricky," and the presence of hazards makes it inevitable that bad play will be punished all through. Length of holes:—1st hole, 205 yards; 2nd hole, 220 yards; 3rd hole, 340 yards; 4th hole, 228 yards; 5th hole, 255 yards; 6th hole, 160 yards; 7th hole, 360 yards; 8th hole, 314 yards; 9th hole, 210 yards; 10th hole, 147 yards; 11th hole, 222 yards; 12th hole, 200 yards; 13th hole, 210 yards; 14th hole, 380 yards; 15th hole, 240 yards; 16th hole, 260 yards; 17th hole, 255 yards; 18th hole, 340 yards.

Grant has a very high opinion of the course, and it is shared by such other authorities on the game as young Willie Park, who has been over the ground. Mungo Park, an ex-champion, who may be credited with making the Alnmouth course—having been there for fourteen years—has been engaged by the Railway Company as green-keeper, and play alone is now required to put the finishing touches on the course, by laying out which the Railway Company has done much to bring Silloth into line with other watering-places, in these days when a Golf course is a *sine quâ non* of a summer resort. In order that the course may be self-supporting as far as possible, the following small charges will be made for playing:—6d. a day, 1s. 6d. a week, 2s. 6d. a month, or 7s. 6d. a year; but special terms will be arranged for clubs desirous of making the green their headquarters.

Of Silloth itself, it may be added, for the benefit of those who have not yet made its acquaintance, that it lies, pleasantly situate on the Solway Firth, twenty-two miles south-west from Carlisle. There is abundance of accommodation for visitors in the town, whether in the shape of hotels, villas, or comfortable cottages. It enjoys this enviable peculiarity, that the mean annual temperature is nearly equal to that of the Isle of Wight, Cornwall, and Devonshire, and that the salubrious and invigorating breezes which prevail all summer, are charged with more ozone than one can enjoy in any other part of England. Messrs. J. Wood and Co., bankers and house-agents, Silloth, will be happy to supply other information to intending visitors.

EDINBURGH CORPORATION CLUB.—The eleventh monthly handicap competition took place over the Braids course on Friday last. There was a high wind, which interfered with accurate play. The putting-greens were not in good order. Bailie Macpherson was first with the score of 96. He has won the medal three times. Mr. Hew Morrison, librarian, and Mr. George Somerville, procurator-fiscal, have both won it twice. If either of the latter gain the medal at next competition, which completes the play for the year, there will be a tie. The medal becomes the property of the competitor winning it oftenest during the season.

THE BEST GOLF TAILORS are Messrs. A. CAIGER & COMPANY, 88, Piccadilly, W., and Richmond, Surrey, who make a speciality of a really good coat (damp-proof) on hygienic principles, and which has a delightful feeling of ease in play. The firm have also a special Ladies' Department, and make a smart golfing costume upon the same principles (with waterproof skirt), which can be recommended for health and comfort. A *chic* costume made in the very best manner. Buttons engraved any crest or monogram. Messrs. CAIGER & Co. send patterns and sketches to any part of the world free, and give special quotations to club orders.

THE "SLAZENGER" GOLF BALL.

The attention of manufacturers is being steadily directed to the importance of the ball, as a factor even more necessary and essential than the form of the club, in securing the highest form of play and the lowest score. Among the leading firms who may be indicated as having recently turned a careful attention to this item in the game are the Messrs. Thornton and the North British Rubber Company of Edinburgh (Mr. Brand, of this firm, having recently brought out the Celluloid ball), and Messrs. Slazenger and Sons, 56, Cannon Street, London. This last-named firm has laboured with praiseworthy energy, and at no little cost to themselves, to improve the Golf ball. Last year they brought out the "Truffite" ball, which was favourably noticed in these columns at the time—a hard, well-moulded, finely nicked ball, capable of withstanding much hard usage, and painted with so much care as to secure immunity from chipping. Since that time they have carried on their investigations, and have just brought out a new ball, which they propose to call the "Slazenger." In externals it has all the characteristics of the "Truffite," though not so heavy. By a series of elaborate processes in the manufacture, which, of course, are a trade secret, the material is refined in such a way as to cast aside all impurities, while preserving the *maximum* of elasticity. It is as hard as bone, does not hack with the iron, always preserves its shape, and springs off the wooden club at the tee with great initial velocity. We have recently subjected the ball to a severe test in play, as well as to other experiments. Playing with this ball the other day over a course replete with difficult hazards to clear, the round was accomplished in 79, or one stroke below scratch. We found that the ball, instead of losing its travelling-power at the end of the upward flight, and dropping to the ground in a semi-perpendicular fashion, continued its course, and gradually descended like a scarcely perceptible curve of an elongated arch. In this way the carrying-power of the ball was greatly extended. One often finds, however, that a ball which drives well is treacherous on the putting-green, springing off the face of the putter with too great velocity, thereby over-running the hole, and generally being very difficult to control. Contrary to expectation, this defect was absent from the "Slazenger" ball. It ran true, with no embarrassing vivacity. Another point which we noticed in this ball on being compared with a variety of balls by well-known makers of high repute was this. Every one of the "Slazenger" balls floated in water, while all the other balls sank, including the "Truffite" of the same makers, thereby showing the superiority of the new ball in elasticity and buoyancy. Again, the rebound of the "Slazenger" ball on being dropped on stone in competition with all kinds of first-class balls was at least from a foot to a foot and a-half higher.

The price of these balls owing to the cost of manufacture and preparation, is very high—namely, a guinea a box. Messrs. Slazenger probably do not expect that their new ball will become so popular for ordinary play as the cheaper balls now in vogue; but certainly for important matches and tournaments, either among professionals or amateurs, it may be said without the slightest divergence from truth that, like well-known and extensively advertised pills, they are worth "a guinea a box."

A PATENT "BULL-DOG BULGER."—The latest in clubs is the "patent bull-dog bulger," brought out by Mr. Forrester, of Elie. Mr. Forrester's idea is to have the balance of the club as much as possible in the centre of the head, so as to increase the driving power. The head of the new club is broader than that of the ordinary bulger, and the neck, instead of being placed in front of the shaft at the splicing, is placed behind. A new mode of inserting the lead is adopted. Two holes are drilled—at a distance of three-quarters of an inch from each other—into the head from the back at such an angle that they meet in the centre of the head, and into these holes the lead is run. The club—in which bone is discarded for celluloid—has a slight "hang" toward the ground, which is of itself an advantage in the way of picking up the ball. The patentee claims for the new bulger greater driving power than is possessed by the ordinary make, as well as greater strength in the club itself.



QUESTIONS ON THE RULES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I am sorry to again challenge your decision in a Golf question, but as I have before pointed out, if decisions are given by your valuable paper, they ought to be above all question.

In your issue of 25th inst., you decide a player may tee a ball lifted out of water. May I ask where you get this rule? As a golfer of many years' standing, I have always been under the impression that such ball could only be "dropped" under the penalty of a stroke.

I notice that in "Record Scores" you give the record of 74, for Hoylake, played by Mr. John Ball, junr. As I kept the particulars of that score, it may interest your readers to have particulars:—

Out ...	...	4	4	4	4	7	3	3	3	5=37	74
In ...	...	5	4	5	3	3	5	4	4	4=37	74

You will notice that Mr. Ball took 7 to the "Long Hole," one he has often done in 4, and almost always in 5. Mr. Hutchings' score was 40 out, 38 home. It will be a long time, in the opinion of local golfers, before 74 is beaten.

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

Hoylake, March 25th, 1892.

[There is no specific St. Andrews rule dealing with casual, or, as one may describe it more accurately, temporary water. Water is dealt with in the definition of "hazard," and it receives special treatment at various points of the rules and in the local by-laws. Thus, you drop out of the Swilcan, and if your ball lies in water, no matter where or of what nature, you may drop; but if you drive into the Eden at the high hole, or into the sea at the first hole, you may tee a ball near the spot of entry, and lose a stroke. The two authorities we followed were Wimbledon and Bembridge, whose rules deal clearly and specifically with the points raised by the correspondent whose letter we answered.—ED.]

To the Editor of GOLF.

Sir,—Will you kindly say how the following portion of Rule XIV. should be read:—"Nor shall anything be touched or moved before the player strikes at the ball." On our course the principal hazards are whins. If a ball be driven into the gorse, and the player, in addressing the ball, touches the whin with his club, does this involve the loss of the hole in match play and disqualification in medal play? Or does the rule mean that nothing shall be touched or moved to the extent of increasing the playableness of the ball? The stricter reading of the rule would, in most cases, result in a certain penalty if the player attempted to play his ball out of a hazard composed of growing whin.

I am, Sir, &c.,
A STUDENT.

[Our view coincides with the second suggested reading of our correspondent—that a player shall not trample down, lift with his club or hand, branches of the whin which may interfere with his stroke. It would be far better, however, if local committees passed rules making it obligatory on every player who drove his ball into a whin to lift and drop. Cases are numerous where whins have simply been uprooted by the niblick, and the hazards of the course destroyed.—ED.]

QUIET LINKS WANTED.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Your correspondent who writes on this subject cannot do better than put himself at once in communication with Mr. Sutherland, the secretary of the Dornoch Golf Club. No place that I know can touch Dornoch for "Enquirer's" purpose. There, in that quaint old cathedral town, his friend will find everything that is congenial to the golfer's mind—loveliest of links extending for miles along one of the finest sea beaches in all Scotland, surpassed in quality of turf by Machrihanish only. Beautiful scenery, portions of seven counties being seen from the "High" hole; purest of air, the least rainfall in Scotland, and, lastly, away from the madding crowd.

I am, Sir, &c.,
ONE WHO CAN VOUCH.

Glasgow, March 22nd, 1892.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In answer to "Enquirer," I may say that adjoining Silloth there are good, quiet Golf links, and that a large, medium, or small-sized house could be rented if application was made in time. Further particulars can be obtained from J. Wood and Co., house agents, Silloth.

I am, Sir, &c.,
J. WOOD & CO.

Silloth, 22nd March, 1892.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Your correspondent could find no quieter Golf course than that at Malvern Links; and no more agreeable secretary than Mr. Acland.

The course is within easy walk of Great Malvern, and consists of natural hazards of a very sporting character. A small payment of five shillings a week constitutes honorary membership.

The corps of Caddies (boys) attached to the club is very well managed, the boys being kept under strict discipline, and the charges for attendance being of a very light description.

I am, Sir, &c.,
W. A. ST. Q.

INTER-CLUB MATCHES.—THE GOLFING PICTURE.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—It is a great pity that the previous snowstorm interfered with the Golf match between teams of Oxford and Cambridge Universities at Wimbledon, on 10th inst., which resulted in a victory for Cambridge.

I should like very much to hear of a contest between *bona fide* members of the St. Andrews University Club and the present Golf Team of Cambridge University, with evenly matched players pitted against each other, side for side—that is, the best Cambridge player against the best St. Andrews, and so on throughout the teams, so as to do away with the chance of one good player beating a weak opponent by ten holes or thereabouts, a result so common now-a-days in inter-club matches. Let me respectfully suggest this inter-university match to the notice of Mr. Linskill.

I hope that advantage will be taken of the forthcoming Championship meeting at Sandwich in May, to have a more thoroughly representative picture of the best amateurs of the present day, corresponding with that taken at St. Andrews many years ago, a miniature copy of which very properly holds a place in the "Badminton" volume of Golf. I hope that Mr. Stevenson, A.R.S.A., will again be so fortunate as to obtain the commission.

Apologising for occupying so much of your space,

I am, Sir, &c.,
VIATOR.

London, 28th March, 1892.

PATENT GRIP.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In reply to your correspondent "Member of the Royal Western India Golf Club," we desire to inform him that we have manufactured India-rubber Grips for Golf-club handles for many years. We shall be most happy to supply these grips either in the form of strips to roll round on the top of the leather handle, or in the form of a tapered tube to slip over the club handle.

I am, Sir, &c.,
THORNTON & COMPANY.

78, Princes Street, Edinburgh, March 25th.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—If "Member of the Royal Western India Golf Club" would go, or send, to any first-class dealer in golfing requisites, he would experience no difficulty in obtaining the article he requires.

It is usually a piece of india-rubber ribbon, with a small metal stud about two inches from one end where there is a corresponding hole. It is fastened by simply stretching the last two inches round the bottom of the handle and forcing the stud through the hole.

As a grip it answers fairly well, but is easily torn, and the edges have a tendency to roll up.

I saw, what I thought, an improvement upon this at Ramsbottom's, Market Street, Manchester. He employs a thicker piece of rubber, and cements it on to the handle, over the leather. It really does make a splendid grip. Of course it is necessary to send clubs requiring grips.

I am, Sir, &c.,
H. ROFE.

Flixton, March 28th, 1892.

ONE-ARMED GOLFERS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have read with much interest your account in this week's GOLF of "Two One-Armed Players." For the benefit of others who, like myself, have lost the partial use of an arm, I hope you may be able to give a little further information as to the clubs which these players use. Are they shorter in the handle than an ordinary club, and are the drivers at all thinner? It has struck me that I could do better with a rather more flexible driver. At present I can rarely manage a longer drive with an ordinary club than 100 yards.

Any further information you can give will doubtless be appreciated by others as well as by

Yours, etc.

"ONE OFF TWO."

26th March, 1892.

The Royal West Norfolk Golf Club at Brancaster now numbers 105 members. The first meeting of the club will take place at Easter, beginning on April 22nd, with a competition for the club gold challenge medal, a cup presented by Mrs. Reeve, wife of the president, and club prizes. The monthly medal will be played for on the Saturday, while on Monday, the 25th, there will be a twelve a-side match with the Cambridge University. The professional, who has been engaged as green-keeper of the club, is Robert Hutchison, of Leith.

A parson in the West Country had two curates, one very old and one very young. With the older one he could not agree, and on recently being offered another living, he resolved to accept it, and take the young curate with him. However, before he left, he preached his farewell sermon to his parishioners. The old curate attended, and great was the surprise when he gave out his text, "Abide ye here with the ass, and I and the lad will go yonder and worship."

PAXTON'S "PERFECTION" GOLF BALL.

Among the many first-class makers of Golf clubs and balls who endeavour to meet the unprecedented demand of players all over the world, no one has a higher reputation than Mr. Peter Paxton, the respected professional of the Royal Eastbourne Golf Club. Being a player of first-class calibre himself, he knows exactly what is wanted in the shape of material to suit the diverse tastes of all kinds of players; and we have reason to know that he has spared no expense in his endeavour to secure the very best that the market can produce in all kinds of golfing material. He has just laid down extensive and entirely new machinery for the making of Golf balls, a sample of which is now before us. The new contrivance consists of an ingenious adaptation of hydraulic power to the making of a number of Golf balls at the same time, and the machine is capable of turning out from 2,000 to 3,000 balls per week. It is, we believe, the only machine of the kind at present in existence among manufacturers, and is the result of many months of hard work and anxious thought on the part of Mr. Paxton and an eminent firm of Scottish engineers. The pressure exercised by this hydraulic machinery on the balls is close upon 100 tons, and six balls can be made at the same time in the varying sizes of 28, 27½, and 27, two balls of each size being the product. The balls are made of the finest A1 red gutta and the finest Silvertown black gutta, and Mr. Paxton warrants them to stand comparison with any Golf ball now in the market, as well as to keep their shape and stand punishment with any competing ball. As Mr. Paxton has made contracts with large gutta-percha manufacturers for the supply of the best material, he is in a position to meet any demand that may arise, either by other makers who run short in their stock, or through the general stress of play, though at present his "Perfection" ball is not quite ready for delivery.

The "Perfection" ball, of which we have received a sample, certainly shows that it has great claim to the title. Both in the fineness of its symmetry, the depth and regularity of the nicking, and the general excellence of its finish, nothing better could be desired by all classes of players. It is to be hoped that Mr. Paxton may find the reward, not only for his praiseworthy enterprise and ingenuity, but for his desire to supply an essential article for the golfer of the best quality and highest workmanship, in a large and growing demand for his new Golf ball.

NEW GOLF COURSE AT BRORA, SUTHERLAND.

To the long list of new greens recently laid out yet another has to be added. In the far North as well as in the sunny South the Royal game is, and has been for some years back, extending with wonderful rapidity. Since 1886, when the veteran Tom Morris laid out the first eighteen-hole course north of Aberdeen, that of Dornoch, the "Northward Ho!" of Scotland, some half-dozen greens have been formed beyond the Spey. Of these, the two that figure most prominently are Dornoch and Nairn. The county town of Sutherland can, it is well known, boast of having the "largest and fairest links in all Scotland," and the fame of its beautiful Golf course is world-wide. Nairn, on the other hand, though lacking the natural advantages of its more northern rival, is, with a liberal expenditure of money (thanks to Mr. Finlay, M.P.), and the untiring attention of a capital green-keeper and professional, fast developing into a first-class golfing resort. While all this is so, yet another green whose praises have shortly to be trumpeted is born, and will in due course take, without a doubt, its place in the next published list of "celebrated links." This green is at Brora, the thriving little village on the banks of the well-known salmon river of that name, situated on the east coast of Sutherland. Ten minutes from the Sutherland Arms Hotel brings you to the links, which border the sea. The turf is for the greater part not unlike that of Dornoch, but upon the whole is rather softer and more mossy. What strikes one most, however, are the magnificent bunkers, and the regularity with which they are distributed throughout the green. On Wednesday of last week Mr. J. Sutherland, the hon. secretary of the Dornoch Club, on the invitation of the newly-formed Golf club at Brora, laid out a nine-hole course, which is of a particularly sporting nature, good play being duly rewarded, whilst bad play is certain to be severely punished. While there is ample room for an eighteen-hole course, the club have resolved to start with the smaller number. The course ought to be a very great acquisition to the village.

FOURSOME AT ALEXANDRA PARK.

On Saturday a friendly foursome was played over Glasgow Golf Club course at Alexandra Park. The game derived much of its interest from the fact that a professional and an amateur were opposing a similar side. The players were Ben Sayers, North Berwick, and Mr. James Blair, Glasgow, on the one hand, and George Douglas, North Berwick, and his brother James, a member of the Glasgow Club, on the other. Throughout the match some capital play was shown, and the sides were very evenly matched. Fortunately the greens, rendered rather keen by the dry weather, were put into a more favourable condition by the rain which began to fall in the morning. As the weather did not moderate before the match commenced, shortly before twelve, only a comparatively small number of golfers ventured to follow. The first hole resulted in a half, both sides having taken 4; and the second was secured by the Douglasses in 3 to their opponents' 4. Sayers and George Douglas drove well to the next hole, and Blair and James Douglas were on the green in 2. Neither side, however, gained an advantage, and a half in 4 still left the Douglasses 1 up. Playing the second to the fourth hole Sayers fell short of the green, while George Douglas was well up. Blair had to play the odd, but his side did not retrieve their position, and putting secured the hole for the Douglasses in 4 against 5. They then stood 2 up. Blair was strong on the green, won the next hole in 4 to the Douglasses' 5, and thus reduced their opponents' lead to 1. Going to the sixth hole, though, Blair fooled his drive, Sayers had a perfect approach, and a good putt won them the hole in 3, and made the game square. Through weak putting on the part of the Douglasses, Blair and Sayers got the lead at the seventh hole by finishing in 4. At the eighth hole the brothers were twice penalised. Ultimately, they gave it up, and were 2 down on the game. After halving the ninth hole in 4, however, they secured the following hole in a like number, and again reduced their opponents' lead to 1. The next hole resulted in a half in 4, without anything noteworthy. Sayers overran the twelfth hole with his approach, and as his partner failed to recover, the Douglasses made the match square. A splendid putt of George's gave his side the short hole, and they were again 1 up. Sayers and Blair, however, managed to get the fourteenth hole in 4, and the next in 4 also against 5, and were 1 up. Matters were equalised at the sixteenth hole by the Douglasses holing out in 3. The hollow hole was halved in 4. Playing the last hole, Blair and James Douglas drove capitally, but Sayers had the advantage in his approach, and lay dead on the green. George Douglas landed in the shingle, and his brother took 3 to the green, overreaching the hole. The Douglasses played 2 more, but did not recover themselves. Sayers and Blair finished in 5 to the Douglasses 6, and were then 1 hole up. All through the game rain fell heavily. It was intended that a second round should be played, but owing to a heavy fall of snow this was found impossible. Mr. Shearer acted as umpire. It may interest those who witnessed James Douglas's play to know that he is an applicant for the post of green-keeper of the Giffnock Green.

GOLFERS' TWEEDS.

Messrs. Currie, McDougall and Scott, Langhaugh Mill, Galashiels, the well-known manufacturers of all-wool Scottish tweeds and ladies' costume cloths, have sent us a sample box of their patterns, in all the newest styles and colourings, of gentlemen's suitings and trousers, and ladies' costume cloths for spring and summer wear. No finer, warmer, more fashionable, or more durable material could be desired, either for the ordinary costumes of ladies or for bright, attractive wear on the links. The names given to the various patterns of ladies' costumes are instinct with poetry, as becomes a firm of high repute in the district immortalised by the genius of Scott and the Ettrick Shepherd. Take, for instance, these: "The Flower of Yarrow" costume, "The Heathbell of Cheviot," "Bonny Kilmeny," "Meg Dods," and the "Ladye of Branksome." All these patterns are rich in variety and colouring, and soft as eiderdown to the touch. Golfers of the male sex, who wish a soft pliable suiting, either for the links or elsewhere, cannot do better than give a trial to the material manufactured by this firm, who guarantee that nothing but the best Scottish wool is employed in the make-up.

GALASHIELS.—The monthly medal was played for on Thursday, the 24th ult. The course was in fine order. Mr. D. M'Lagan was the winner, with a net score of 80. The following are a few of the scores:—Mr. D. M'Lagan, 95, less 15=80; Dr. Doig, 89, less 6=83; Mr. Thomas Owens, 101, less 16=85; Mr. A. Noble, 94, less 8=86; Mr. George Hall, 98, less 10=88; Mr. Henry Riddle, 104, less 14=90; Mr. John Kerr (scratch), 93.



The death is announced of the well-known shinty player, Mr. Alex. Macdonald (Clach-na-Cudain), which occurred at Edinburgh on the 23rd inst., following on an attack of influenza. Mr. Macdonald was a member of the Camanachd Club, and always took a prominent part in matches. He was also a keen golfer, and carried off many prizes of the Edinburgh Licensed Victuallers' Golf Club.

Playing over Tooting on Wednesday, 23rd ult, with the Hon. Lionel Ashley as his partner, Mr. A. J. Robertson went the round in 79, made up thus:—Out, 5 7 5 5 4 4 6 4 4=44; in, 4 3 3 4 5 4 4 5 3=35; total, 79.

On Thursday, the 24th ult, Capt. Gillon, of the Blackheath Club, played an interesting match with Peter Paxton, the Eastbourne professional. Capt. Gillon received a third, and holing out the first nine holes in 37 stood 6 up at the end of the first nine holes. Paxton played up in the most plucky way, and was only beaten at the seventeenth hole by 3 up and 1 to play.

Monday is the Scottish clergyman's one holiday in the week, and is, by the orthodox, reserved for Golf. A young parson, one Sunday lately, mentioned to his senior—but with a levity which, in the circumstances, verged on the impious—that he would not join him on the links the following day. "Good—, sir! Are you going to waste a Monday?"

On Thursday Tom Morris visited the Cullen Links on the invitation of the local Golf club. He examined the ground in the forenoon along with some members of the club, and in the afternoon he played a foursome, there being also a good turnout of members. He played ten holes with Mr. John Smith against Messrs. G. Seivwright and J. W. Stuart. Messrs. Morris and Smith gained six holes, Messrs. Seivwright and Stuart one hole, and three were halved. Old Tom suggested alterations in several holes, and also on the teeing-grounds, which will be carried out. He also suggested a hazard or two.

On Friday Old Tom went over the Moray Golf Club's course at Lossiemouth in a single and foursome. The weather was favourable, with the exception of a stiff westerly breeze. In the single round with Mr. Rodger, captain of the club, the latter suffered defeat at the hands of the veteran of St. Andrews. In the afternoon, playing in a foursome of the captain and treasurer, Messrs. Rodger and M'Isaac, against Tom and Mr. William M'Bey, vice-captain, the latter pair won by 2 holes up. Tom expressed much satisfaction with the recent alterations in the course, and gave it as his opinion that after it had been played upon a little, it would be a superior course to that at North Berwick.

Playing with the Rev. F. W. Sefton, on Saturday, 26th March, over the course recently laid out at Halkirk, Mr. D. Walker, M.A., succeeded in establishing a record for the green. Notwithstanding occasional heavy showers of sleet and snow, Mr. Walker's card showed the very creditable total of 79 strokes. The following is his detailed score:—

Out	4	5	4	6	5	4	3	4	4	5	=44	} 79
In	5	5	4	2	4	6	5	4			=35	

The reverend gentleman's score was 87.



ABERDEEN.

The members of the Victoria Club here held their first quarterly prize competition for the season, on Wednesday and Saturday last, over the nine-hole course, on the town's links and Broad Hill, two rounds, or eighteen holes being played. The weather on Wednesday was exceedingly favourable, but on Saturday a disagreeable change was experienced, showers of snow and sleet falling almost continuously throughout the entire day. This had the effect of preventing a number of players starting, while of those who did so a good few returned without completing their rounds. Notwithstanding, there was a large turn-out of competitors, twenty-two couples making returns. The prizes consisted of golfing material—clubs, balls, &c.—ten being given to players in the first-class and nine to second-class players. Ties were decided by the lowest handicaps. The following was the result of the competition:—

FIRST-CLASS PLAYERS.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. B. Banks ...	91 5 86	Mr. J. Hazelwood...	98 8 90
Mr. D. J. Innes ...	92 4 88	Mr. G. Anderson (I)	100 10 90
Mr. J. Law...	97 9 88	Mr. G. Mortimer ...	97 6 91
Mr. G. Barron ...	98 10 88	Mr. J. Innes ...	92 scr. 92
Mr. A. McConnachie	87+ 2 89	Mr. M. H. Mackie	101 9 92

SECOND-CLASS PLAYERS.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. R. MacLennan...	113 15 98	Mr. H. W. Leask ...	119 12 107
Mr. J. H. Jamieson	107 6 101	Mr. C. Robertson ...	113 4 109
Mr. J. A. Ross ...	103 scr. 103	Mr. G. G. Cameron	114 3 111
Mr. J. Leiper ...	120 15 105	Mr. W. Ruxton ...	115 4 111
Mr. J. Milne (2) ...	116 9 107		

Of the remaining players, who did not succeed in getting into the prize list, the following had the lowest scores:—Messrs. A. M. M. Dunn, 95; R. Balmain, 96; L. Anderson, 97; and Alexander Cooper, 99.

On Saturday the members of the Bon Accord Club competed over the same course (playing two rounds), for the monthly scratch and handicap medals. Owing to the blinding snowstorm, which lasted the whole time of play, low scoring was impossible. When the cards handed in were compared, it was found that Mr. William Smart, with a score of 91, had gained the scratch medal; the same player, with 3 strokes added, tying with Mr. Andrew Ducat for the handicap medal. Mr. Ducat's score was 98, less 4=94. The only other competitor who came in below the 100 was Mr. J. W. Murray with 95.

ALNMOUTH GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday afternoon the members of the Alnmouth Golf Club brought to a satisfactory conclusion the second selective competition for the subscription cup arranged for competition annually amongst the members. On Saturday no fewer than twenty-two competitors entered the competition, the fine weather in the fore-part of the day being conducive in influencing a large number of the members of the club resident on Tyneside to put in an appearance. Punctually at two o'clock the first couple were despatched on the first round under conditions not very encouraging. A powerful gale of wind from the north blew in the teeth of the competitors, and made the outward journey a difficult matter to negotiate. This was coupled with a sea fret, which steadily fell, and quickly penetrated the clothing of all concerned. Matters became worse as the afternoon wore on, until about half past three rain commenced to fall heavily, and practically settled the competition as far as ten of the competitors were concerned, who were now drenched to their undergarments, and declined to again face the elements in their second round. The play all round was very high, and this fact may be attributed to the weather. The greens were all in the pink of condition. The handicap allowance on Saturday was,

if anything, on the generous side, and included starts varying in value from three to twenty-five strokes, which made it uphill work for the three scratch players, Messrs. J. B. Radcliffe, C. A. Ridley, and G. W. Watkins. The first named gentleman finished seventh in merit, but with the usual bad luck he landed his ball into the bunker at the commencement of his first round, and before he could recover himself the first round cost him 52 strokes. On his essaying the second round better luck attended him, and he finished with a creditable 46, the best score of the day, and made his net score read 98. The winner proved to be Mr. Thomas Tate, an old and enthusiastic member of the club, who made his first journey in 48, his second in 54, gross 102, and with a handicap allowance of 7 his net score stood at 95. On the first round being finished it was found that Mr. C. A. Ridley had compiled a steady 47, Mr. Thomas Tate and Mr. G. W. Watkins being next with 48 each. The others varying from 50 up to 59 strokes each. Mr. Tate finished early, and the weather gradually growing worse it was not expected that his score of 95 would be eclipsed, and this surmise was verified, as although there was no less than three net scores of 96 made, his total was returned as the winning aggregate at the end of the competition. The following is the result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Thomas Tate ...	102 7 95	Mr. J. B. Radcliffe...	98 scr. 98
Mr. J. T. Lorimer...	105 9 96	Mr. J. Robinson ...	106 7 99
Mr. I. G. Sharp ...	109 13 96	Capt. H. W. Roberts	119 18 101
Mr. J. De C. Paynter	100 4 96	Mr. C. A. Ridley ...	102 scr. 102
Mr. G. Hutton ...	107 10 97	Mr. J. C. Davidson...	119 15 104
Mr. W. Smith ...	108 10 98	Mr. G. W. Watkins	105 scr. 105

Messrs. T. L. M. Orde (7), F. B. Dunford (7), W. R. Heatley (18), F. T. Ridley (3), Milton (15), R. C. Smith (7), H. Parker (7), L. C. Woods (20), R. B. Barker (16), and Mr. J. F. Morison (25), made no returns. The annual spring meeting will take place on Friday, the 29th of April, when the competition for the Cadogan medal and the Browne cup will be held.

ASHDOWN FOREST & TUNBRIDGE WELLS GOLF CLUB.

The lovely weather on March 26th brought golfers out, like flies, to Forest Row, to compete for the monthly medal. With several notable exceptions, the scoring was somewhat high; this is perhaps due to the brightness of the sun and the unwonted warmth. Major Spens simply romped in, both for the medal and the Yewhurst gold clubs. This hard-driving gentleman had won in January with a gross of 100, and a handicap of 20, but has come on since then like lightning, anyhow, much too fast for the handicappers. There must have been close on sixty players, and the ladies' green was crowded also. Score:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Major L. T. Spens...	86 16 70	Col. Hon. C. G. Gathorne - Hardy	113 23 90
Mr. W. E. Hughes	91 6 85	Mr. C. D. Cumming	110 18 92
Mr. L. Midgley ...	110 25 85	Rev. A. Meyrick ...	117 25 92
Rev. A. T. Scott ...	91 5 86	Mr. H. A. Curteis...	108 14 94
Mr. F. A. Lee ...	95 10 86	Mr. T. Hyde ...	100 5 95
Mr. Lawford Andrews	91 3 88	Mr. "Butler" ...	113 17 96
Mr. C. A. Ashton...	112 23 89	Mr. G. B. Flanagan	113 16 97
Mr. W. H. Warner	104 14 90		

No returns or over 100:—Lieut.-Col. St. Clair, Rev. C. C. Woodland, Messrs. Morgan, McNab, Oyler, L. Andrews, P. Andrews, Metcalfe, Fisher, Lucas, R. Birch, G. Birch, Fred Swainson, Grieve, Finch, Turner, Barry, F. Birch, Dr. Magrath, and many others.

BURY GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, the 26th March, the first spring meeting of this newly-constituted club was held on the links at Redvales Farm, the occasion being the competitions of the Sir Henry James challenge cup, limited to handicap of 15 strokes; and scratch medal presented by Mr. G. A. Kay; and the final competition for the gold medal presented by Mr. R. Maginnis. A very fair number of members turned out, and the two first-named competitions were secured by Mr. Arthur B. Schofield, one of the scratch men, with a score of 101. Mr. Arthur Kay and The Rev. W. C. Atkinson tied for the second place, whose net scores were 107 each. The Maginnis medal, for which there were five competitors, the three best net scores to win, fell to the lot of Mr. P. Graham Gow. The following is the score for the Sir Henry James challenge cup:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Arthur B. Schofield ...	101 scr. 101	Rev. A. J. Charlesworth ...	126 14 112
Mr. A. H. Kay ...	114 7 107	Mr. G. A. Kay ...	121 8 113
Rev. W. C. Atkinson ...	122 15 107	Mr. W. H. Crossland	126 10 116
Capt. Stavert ...	119 10 109	Mr. F. Perham ...	126 9 117
Capt. Balfour ...	111 scr. 111	Mr. Joseph Burrow, jun. ...	132 15 117
Mr. H. W. Preston	122 10 112	Mr. S. F. Butcher...	119 scr. 119

The weather was very favourable, though the putting-greens were in rather heavy condition, which probably accounts for the above high scores.

BENTLEY GREEN GOLF CLUB.

The famous old village green at Great Bentley, in East Essex, has at last fallen a victim to the enterprising golfer. A club, composed of the officers of the garrison, and residents in the neighbourhood of Colchester, has recently been formed under the above appellation, the Lord of the Manor of Great Bentley kindly granting the use of the green for the purpose. The course (nine holes) is about a mile and a-half round, but for want of a variety of hazards, especially bunkers, it is comparatively easy. Nevertheless, the various ponds, and the many ditches and roads which bisect the green, are made the utmost of, and do their duty nobly, though they may probably have a lot to answer for one day.

The first monthly handicap (which was three times postponed on account of the weather) was played on Thursday, March 17th, with the following result :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. C. H. Morton	108	10 98	Col. S. Parr-Lynes,		
Lieut.-Col. W. R. Houison-Craufurd	110	12 98	R.A. ...	143	40 103
Lieut.-Col. W. T. McLeod ...	127	26 101	Capt. C. P. Barchard	127	22 105
Mr. W. V. C. Elwes,			Mr. G. R. Talbot, R.A.	139	26 113
R.A. ...	129	28 101	Mr. R. W. Caldwell	172	52 120
			Capt. L. P. Ditmas	165	30 135
			Maj. P. C. E. Newbigging, R.A.		No return.

The tie between Lieut.-Col. W. R. Houison-Craufurd and Mr. C. H. Morton was played off on Thursday, March 24th. As on the Thursday previous, the day was lovely, but the course between the 2nd and 4th holes was very wet. Each player here came in for a fair share of bad luck. Lieut.-Col. Houison-Craufurd led by one point on the completion of the first round, and finally won by 7 points, the scores being Lieut.-Col. W. R. Houison-Craufurd, 117, less 12=105; Mr. C. H. Morton, 122, less 10=112.

BIRKDALE GOLF CLUB.

A competition for a prize presented by the lady-members of this club took place on these links on Saturday last. The weather was all that could be desired. There were seventeen scores under 100 net, of which the following are the particulars, the result being a tie between Messrs. R. L. Worsley and T. O. Clinning :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. T. O. Clinning	107 26 81	Mr. C. A. Colman	115 22 93
Mr. R. L. Worsley	111 30 81	Mr. J. E. Pearson	99 5 94
Mr. W. W. P. Shatwell	97 14 83	Mr. J. Coney	124 30 94
Mr. W. E. Buckley	100 14 86	Mr. F. Baker	123 26 97
Mr. W. M. Simpson	116 30 86	Mr. J. C. Barrett	121 23 98
Mr. A. Woodewiss	108 21 87	Mr. W. Bowker	115 17 98
Mr. H. Dorning	117 27 90	Mr. R. Simpson	126 28 98
Mr. G. D. S. Crowther	94 3 91	Mr. W. J. Drewett	129 30 99
Mr. G. Crowther	95 3 92		

BRADFORD ST. ANDREWS GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition for the Rhodes medal took place on Saturday, March 26th, on the links at Baildon. Mr. G. H. Douglas was the winner with a net score of 91.

The following cards were handed in, viz. :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. G. H. Douglas	127 36 91	Mr. H. Steel	116 2 114
Mr. T. M. Holmes	115 20 95	Mr. O. Firth	140 22 118
Dr. Dunlop	129 30 99	Mr. J. B. Wilson	141 25 116
Mr. N. Scott	123 22 101	Mr. C. E. Scott	164 36 128
Mr. T. H. Pattinson	131 30 101	Mr. C. W. Wade	156 22 134
Mr. J. N. Nicholson	109 4 105	Mr. R. E. Steel	166 30 136
Dr. Macvie	111 scr. 111		

Mr. Robert Macmillan, the first captain of the club, has signified his intention of presenting a handsome trophy in the shape of a large loving cup, to be competed for annually, and the order has been given to Messrs. Fattorini and Sons, of Bradford, who are now preparing the trophy, the first competition for which is to take place on April 9th.

BUTE GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, 19th ult., the monthly handicap competition for the trophy presented by the Lord Justice-General was played over the links at Quochag, in delightful weather. The course is much improved this season, the condition of the greens being very good. When cards were handed in the result of the play was found to be as follows :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. W. Stuart	107 12 95	Mr. A. M'Gaw	107 4 103
Mr. A. Primrose	92 +4 96	Rev. J. Saunders	112 8 104
Mr. D. Crawford	105 6 99	Captain Hunter Blair	137 12 125

NEWINGTON CLUB.—Messrs. T. L. Walker and Park, who tied for the monthly medal three weeks ago, played off the tie on Thursday, the 24th ult., at Musselburgh. Mr. Walker was the winner.

CANNES GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting was held in superb weather, and all Cannes turned out to see the fun. The Grand Duke Michael of Russia had the military band over Grasse, so that those who understand not the intricacies of Golf were interested for. The course, though on the wet side, was in good condition, some of the putting-greens being very good. We still have very few real golfers at Cannes. We had some visitors from Hyères, who, though they saw the course under unfavourable conditions, owing to an unwonted rainfall, thought very well of it, and very highly of its future possibilities. If we can only settle the tenure of the land satisfactorily, we shall no doubt have a good and thoroughly organised club. We have 120 members, which, remembering the subscription is £3, is surely good and promising. The Grand Duke Michael has been simply indefatigable. To acknowledge his services to Golf generally, and Cannes Golf in particular, a dinner was given him on the first day of the meeting, at the Cercle Nautique by over forty members of the club. Col. Cragg, in the absence of H. R. H. the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, owing to the death of the Grand Duke of Hesse, took the chair, and the prosperity of the club and the long life of its president were duly toasted. In fact, Golf has come to stay at Cannes.

CLUB MEDAL COMPETITION (17th and 18th March).

Mr. H. A. Butterworth, 71, plus 59=130; Mr. E. Hewetson, 94, plus 91=185; Hon. W. Maxwell, 94, plus 94=188; Col. Woodward, 101, plus 87=188. Mr. J. P. Bryce and the Marquis d'Apertado made no return.

OPEN SCRATCH (Prize sent by town of Cannes).

Mr. F. Dunn, 51, plus 53=104; Mr. R. Lodge, 54, plus 59=113; Mr. G. M. Cox, 55, plus 58=113; Mr. R. H. Dunn, 58, plus 58=116; Mr. J. J. Blane, 55, plus 61=116; Mr. W. Renshaw, 65, plus 59=124; Capt. Tailour, 71, plus 63=134.

CLUB HANDICAP (Grand Duke Michael's prize).

Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. E. Hewetson	102 + 81=183	55 128
Mr. W. Pitt-Taylor	92 + 87=179	50 129
Mr. H. A. Butterworth	65 + 67=132	scr. 132
Marquis d'Apertado	102 + 106=208	75 133
Col. Woodward	83 + 86=169	25 144
Baron de St. Genest	123 + 105=228	80 148

OPEN HANDICAP (Prize presented by the hotel proprietors.)

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. R. H. Dunn	105 3 103	Mr. F. Dunn	114 scr. 114
Mr. G. G. Blane	118 8 110	Mr. H. A. Butterworth	132 16 116
Mr. R. Lodge	119 8 111		

Mr. E. J. Lambert made no return. An extra club handicap was won by Col. Woodward.

LADIES' COMPETITION.

Ladies' Medal.—Miss L. Halford, 101; Mrs. L. J. Fish, 102; Miss A. Wayne, 110; Miss de Brienens, 116.

Ladies' Handicap (the Grand Duchess Michael's prize).—Miss A. Wayne, 90, less 10=80; Miss de Brienens, 101, less 15=86; Miss Wayne, 132, less 40=92; Miss L. Halford, 114, scratch, 114. Countess de Suzannet and Miss S. Ritchie made no return.

CHELTENHAM GOLF CLUB.

The monthly handicap took place on Saturday, March 26th, with the following result :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Capt. Onslow	93 17 76	Mr. J. C. Gray	115 20 95
Mr. Boyd Cardew	92 12 80	Lt.-Col. Hume	110 14 96
Mr. C. Tillard	93 10 83	Mr. E. Jenner Davies	126 25 101
Mr. T. Wolsey Lewis	114 30 84	Mr. C. Mout-Biggs	131 30 101
Mr. B. T. Kitchin	109 22 87	Rev. J. Lochhead	132 30 102
Mr. H. B. Todd	96 7 89	Mr. C. C. Turnbull	126 20 106
Mr. F. D. Longe	112 22 90	Mr. E. Wethered	146 35 111
Mr. Mascie Taylor	122 30 92	Mr. A. Myers	146 25 121

No returns from Messrs. S. P. Ryland, A. Roberts, E. L. Baylis, C. Jobling, F. Burgoyne Wallace, and Major Hardinge Hogg.

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.—The Gordon Cup, captain's prize, and monthly medal were played for on Saturday over the links at Chingford. Results :—Mr. S. Kemp, 101, less 12=89; Mr. J. Gould Smith, 92, less 2=90; and Mr. S. R. Bastard, 95, less 6=90.

ROYAL EASTBOURNE GOLF CLUB.—In fine weather the monthly medal was competed for on Saturday. There were forty-two players. Mr. G. Cuming, 103, less 20=83, was first; Mr. W. S. Sheldon, 97, less 11=86; Mr. A. M. Wilkinson, 97, less 11=86; and Mr. C. H. Evill, 104, less 18=86, tied for second place; and Mr. S. M. Mellor, 101, less 13=88 was fifth.

CHELTENHAM GOLF CLUB v. OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

Played at Cheltenham on Wednesday, March 23rd. Score:—

CHELTENHAM.		OXFORD UNIVERSITY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. Boyd Cardew ...	4	Mr. H. Nicholls ...	0
Mr. H. B. Todd ...	1	Mr. H. T. Knight ...	0
Mr. C. Tillard ...	3	Mr. C. F. Balfour ...	0
Mr. A. A. Bourne ...	0	Mr. F. H. Campion ...	0
Mr. S. P. Ryland ...	0	Mr. P. Balfour ...	9
Lieut.-Col. Hume ...	2	Mr. A. R. Hamilton ...	0
Capt. Onslow ...	0	Mr. A. J. Boger ...	2
Mr. L. H. Spry ...	4	Mr. C. Jobling ...	0
	14		11

Majority for Cheltenham of three holes.

CROOKHAM GOLF CLUB.

A match was played at Ascot on Saturday, March 19th, against the Royal Ascot Golf Club. The home team, aided by their knowledge of the course, gained a somewhat decisive victory. Scores:—

ASCOT.		CROOKHAM.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Capt. Lyon ...	6	Mr. A. H. Evans ...	0
Mr. F. Patton ...	11	Mr. J. F. Ridley ...	0
Mr. H. Sawyer ...	3	Mr. T. H. Haviland ...	0
Mr. H. Blackett ...	3	Rev. E. P. Spurway ...	0
Mr. H. C. Clarke ...	2	Mr. E. Maguire ...	0
Mr. H. H. Longman ...	0	Mr. W. H. Belcher ...	1
	25		1

DIDSBURY GOLF CLUB.

The sixth and last round for the captain's prize was played last Saturday. There was a good turn-out of members, and the ground was in fair condition. The following returned scores of under 100 net:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Robt. Adamson	125 36 89	* Mr. A. Lyall	123 29 93
Mr. F. M. Godde-Smith	109 18 91	Mr. J. G. Fleming	112 18 94
* Mr. W. Cownie	121 28 93	Mr. W. M. Molesworth	128 32 96
* Mr. M. Bytheway	122 29 93		

* Tied.

Messrs. H. Ross Coubrough, A. Galbraith, W. C. Adamson, W. H. Young, H. Lamb, W. N. Allen, and A. Gilchrist also returned cards.

The six winners for this prize are:—Messrs. H. Ross Coubrough, J. G. Fleming, F. M. Gadge-Smith, A. Galbraith, W. H. Young, and Robt. Adamson. The tie will be played off on the last Saturday in April. This club has engaged D. Anderson, junr., of St. Andrews, as professional, for the months of April and May.

DINARD GOLF CLUB.

Mrs. Godfrey Chapman's prize, March 19th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss Villiers-Forbes	110 15 95	Mrs. Oldham	141 33 108
Miss M. Gordon	128 33 95	Miss Stack	128 20 108
Miss E. Edye	129 28 101	Miss G. Edye	131 17 114
Mrs. M. Stewart	96 +5 101	Miss B. Gordon	136 20 116

Ties played off March 22nd:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss M. Gordon	127 33 94	Miss Villiers-Forbes	116 15 101

Handicap, March 26th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. R. Forbes	112 22 90	Mr. Macfie	83 +11 94
Sir G. Duntze	106 15 91	Mr. Ramsbotham	116 15 101
Mr. M. Edye	117 25 92	Colonel Stack	130 27 103
Mr. Maitland King	96 3 93	Mr. Elton	124 18 106

March 26th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mrs. M. Stewart	92 +5 97	Miss Forbes	116 15 101
Miss Moir	123 25 98	Miss W. Stephenson	143 40 103
Miss Stack	120 20 100	Miss Richardson	106 scr. 106
Miss Edye	128 28 100	Miss S. Clifford	150 40 110

Miss B. Gordon, Miss Hopkins, Mrs. Macfie, Miss M. Gordon, Mrs. Elton, and Mrs. Oldham also played.

DUMBARTON v. RANFURLY CASTLE.—A match between these clubs was played at Dumbarton on Saturday. Snow and sleet fell during the whole afternoon, and made good play a matter of difficulty. The result was a win for Dumbarton by twenty-nine holes.

DISLEY GOLF CLUB.

The fifth winter handicap was contested on Saturday, March 19th, in lovely weather, but a strong east wind put good scoring out of the question, and only one competitor succeeded in returning a net score under three figures. Dr. Murray secured a win for the medal, and took the first sweepstake prize. The following were the best returns:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Dr. Murray	121 25 96	Mr. G. H. Norris	131 25 106
Mr. E. J. Soares	116 16 100	Mr. G. Hicks	134 25 109
Mr. H. C. Garrett	115 14 101	Mr. T. C. Norris	126 16 110
Mr. J. E. Mills	116 14 102		

DUNGANNON GOLF CLUB.

The final competition for winners of monthly competitions during 1891 was held on Saturday, 19th ult. A handsome prize was offered for the winner by Mr. R. Daniel, the captain of the club. Only seven competitors turned up at the tee. A special handicap was arranged for this, and the following was the result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. James Dickson	106 18 88	Mr. J. R. McDonald	113 16 97
Mr. Hugh Adair	93 4 89	Mr. George Greer	120 15 105
Mr. R. Daniel	98 6 92	Rev. E. F. Campbell	132 23 109
Mr. T. Dickson	95 scr. 95		

The winner's name and score will be engraved on the club silver shield.

In the afternoon the annual meeting of the club was held at the club-house. The chair was occupied by the captain, Mr. R. Daniel, in the much-regretted absence of Lord Ranfurly, the president. The captain addressed the members present, and congratulated them on having, by dint of continued exertion, got their ground into first-rate order. They had now twelve holes, and their putting-greens were the best he had come across on any inland links in the country. He now laid down his office, after a year which had been to him one of entire pleasure, owing to the kind way the members, one and all, had backed him up in his duties.

The elections for the ensuing year were then conducted, with the following result:—President, the Right Hon. the Earl of Ranfurly; captain, Rev. Edward F. Campbell, M.A.; treasurer, Mr. Frederick Barcroft; secretary, Mr. Francis H. Greer, Howard Terrace, Dungannon. Council—Messrs. James Dickson, J.P.; George Evans, J.P.; John R. McDonald, J.P.; C. Bowen, R. Daniel, J.P.; J. Simmons, R. Scott, J.P.; and George Greer. Ground committee—the president, the captain, the secretary, Mr. R. Daniel, and Mr. James Dickson.

DURHAM GOLF CLUB.

The second competition for the Walter cup was played on Wednesday, the 23rd inst. The green was in excellent order, and perfect golfing weather prevailed. Under these conditions low scoring was the order of the day. On the cards being handed in it was found that Mr. O. B. Cluff was the winner, with the excellent net score of 91. Dr. Treadwell was second with 96. The following are the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. O. B. Cluff	123 32 91	Mr. J. Duncanson	111 9 102
Dr. O. F. N. Treadwell	96 scr. 96	Capt. H. W. Roberts	121 18 103
Mr. E. S. Osborn	110 10 100	Mr. F. W. Cluff	129 20 109
Mr. F. A. Ker	117 17 100	Mr. W. Oldham	139 27 112
Mr. G. B. Randolph	130 30 100		

Rev. A. Robertson and Messrs. G. P. Blagdon and E. J. Meynell retired.

EALING GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal played for on Saturday, March 19th. Now that the frost has gone the course plays much better, and the lies are greatly improved, though the course still wants a lot of rolling. The putting-greens were very good indeed, as will be seen by the low scoring. The medal round is twelve holes, many of which are long ones, and Mr. Martin's score of 68 gross was a particularly good one for so young a player, as he has only taken up Golf since last summer. The following are the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. H. Martin	68 8 60	Mr. P. M. Bigge	88 14 74
Mr. R. D. Waddell	83 22 61	Dr. Farr	88 12 76
Mr. R. Shortrede	83 20 63	Mr. J. Nisbitt	81 4 77
Mr. R. S. Yeo	79 15 64	Mr. H. E. Pegg	101 24 77
Mr. F. Carver	78 8 70	Dr. Prescott Roberts	105 24 81
Mr. E. G. Hamilton	98 24 74	Mr. A. G. Low	113 24 89

Several others no returns.

Ladies' Medal:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss Watts	103 10 93	Miss McCrea	135 36 99
Miss A. L. Carver	121 24 97	Miss Cox	No return.

FELIXSTOWE GOLF CLUB.

The semi-final competition for the Syndicate prize was played for on Saturday, the 26th March. The members mustered in force, tempted, no doubt, by the spring-like weather. The following returns were handed in:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. C. G. Tunks ...	95	12	83	Mr. H. P. Cumming	95	6	89
Mr. W. O. S. Pell...	89	4	85	Mr. Sidney Clarke...	113	24	89
Mr. J. D. Cobbold...	104	18	86	Dr. Dawson Williams	116	24	92
Mr. S. Mure Ferguson...	...	85+3	88	Mr. F. C. Milford ...	110	12	98

No returns from Messrs. John Kerr, T. A. Raynes, J. Porteous, J. Park, F. W. Wilson, M. G. Davidson, C. T. Fox, Charles H. Downes, J. R. Jefferies, G. R. Quilter, C. G. Havell, A. Pearce, the Hon. R. Grosvenor, Captain H. L. A. Jenkinson, and others.

FORFARSHIRE.

Hugh Kirkaldy, the champion, who is at present staying at Monifieth, had a good round on Tuesday, the 22nd ult., with Mr. David Anderson, the Grange. His play for the first nine holes was almost perfect, averaging 4 a hole, and it looked at this time as if he was to break the record of the green. In going to the tenth hole, however, he unfortunately miscalculated his second shot, going far beyond the hole with his cleek, and, getting a difficult approach, took six. The next four holes were secured at an average of 4 each. But in going to the Cross Camp he again made a mistake in choice of his club. Taking his spoon the ball dropped on the green, but being strong it ran over the edge into the field, and, having to lose a stroke, a 5 was the result. His play on the whole, however, considering his imperfect acquaintance with the links, was very fine, as the detailed score will show. Mr. Anderson was rather unfortunate, his total being 86. Kirkaldy's detailed score:—

Out ...	3	4	4	5	3	4	4	5	4=36	} 77
In ...	6	4	3	5	4	5	4	5	5=41	

Kirkaldy had another round in the afternoon with Mr. Sinclair Macdonald, of the Royal Hotel, and again was in excellent form, holing out in the same number as the forenoon. As will be seen from the following details, he had eleven 4's in the round:—

Out ...	4	5	4	4	5	4	5	4	4=39	} 77
In ...	4	4	3	5	5	4	4	5	4=38	

An interesting Golf match was played over Carnoustie course on Wednesday afternoon the 23rd ult. Taking advantage of the visit of Hugh Kirkaldy, the champion, to Monifieth, it was arranged that he and Mr. David Anderson, of the Grange, should play Bob Simpson and Bob Scott, of Carnoustie. Bob Simpson's business engagements, however, prevented him from taking part, and Bob Monro, another Carnoustie crack, offered to take his place. The weather was delightful, and the course was in rare trim. Scott and Kirkaldy drove off. The former had a fairly good shot, but Kirkaldy topped his and got into the burn. Mr. Anderson sent his nearly home, but Monro gave Scott a chance for a 3 which he accepted. First blood therefore fell to Scott and Monro. Monro and Mr. Anderson both got bunkered with their first strokes going to the second hole. Kirkaldy could not get out easily, while Scott had a good second, and the hole went to his side at four. Kirkaldy and Mr. Anderson did not hole out. Two good shots on both sides brought the balls on the green at the "Gully Hole." Kirkaldy played half up, while Scott laid his third at the hole side, styming Mr. Anderson, who failed to get round, and Scott and Monro were thus three up, the scores for the hole being 4 and 5. Monro drove to the Monro to the left on his way to "Jockie's Burn," while Mr. Anderson sent his straight. Both seconds were good, Kirkaldy getting nearer than Scott. Monro failed to manipulate a hill, and Mr. Anderson gave Scott a stymie. The hole thus went to Kirkaldy and Mr. Anderson at 4 and 5 and they were now two down. Driving for the fifth hole Kirkaldy went a little to the right and Scott to the left. Monro and Mr. Anderson left short iron approaches, which were both muddled. Monro played to within two yards of the hole, while Mr. Anderson laid his fourth at the hole side. Scott, however, with a good put got a half at 5. At Tom Morris Mr. Anderson was short, but Monro drove over the green. Kirkaldy's approach was short, and Scott also putted short. Monro made a good effort to get down at 3, but failed. Kirkaldy missed an easy put, and the hole went to Scott and Monro at 4 to 5, and they were again three up. Kirkaldy and Scott had good drives for the "Westward Ho," and the seconds were also capital shots. Kirkaldy and Scott drew their thirds: and Monro played his fourth strong, while Mr. Anderson got to within a yard of the hole. The hole was, however, halved at 5, Scott putting out well. Going to "Eastward Ho," Monro had a beauty, while Mr. Anderson scuffed

his. Kirkaldy made an excellent recovery, getting on the green just as near as Scott was able to lay his second, and a half at 4 was the result. Scott and Monro were nearly home at 2 at the next hole, but Mr. Anderson fozzled his second shot. Kirkaldy had a pretty iron shot for his third, but Scott had a better third. The hole went to Scott and Monro at 5 to the others' 6. The latter thus completed the nine holes at 39, and turned four up. The tenth hole was halved at 5, Mr. Anderson spoiling the chance of a 4 by playing short, and Monro by giving his too much strength. The first and second strokes on both sides to the eleventh hole were well up, and the play on the green being very equal, the hole was halved at 5, Scott having another fine put. Monro had the advantage of the driving to the twelfth hole, but Scott failed to get hold of his second, while Monro did not get up with his third. Kirkaldy was beyond the hole at 2, and Mr. Anderson laying it dead at 3, the hole went to Mr. Anderson and Kirkaldy at 4 to 5. The game thus stood, Scott and Monro 3 up and 6 to play. Scott and Kirkaldy had beauties for the Coffin hole, but Monro was short and Mr. Anderson ran over. Kirkaldy had hard lines in not getting down at 3, but he and his partner secured the hole at 4 to 5, and were now only two down. The fourteenth hole was won by Scott and Monro at 5 to 6, their play on the green meriting the victory. They were again 3 up, and had only four holes to play. Going to the Roller hole Scott had a long drive, but Kirkaldy missed his. Anderson made a good recovery, and Monro missing his second, a half was looked for. Mr. Anderson stymied Scott, but the latter holed out, and a half was secured at 5. The match was now dorny, 3 up and 3 to play. Monro drew his drive to the Factory hole into the burn, but Anderson also got into difficulties. A half at 6 was the result, and the match ended in favour of Scott and Monro by 3 up and 2 to play. The last hole but one was taken by the Carnoustie pair, and the last was halved. The scores for the round were (Kirkaldy and Mr. Anderson's being only approximate, as they did not play out one of the holes):—

Mr. Anderson and Kirkaldy—

Out ...	5	6	5	4	5	5	5	4	6=45	} 89
In ...	5	5	4	4	6	5	6	4	5=44	

Scott and Monro—

Out ...	3	4	4	5	5	4	5	4	5=39	} 83
In ...	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	3	5=44	

Kirkaldy and Anderson were scarcely up to the form they exhibited at Monifieth; but Scott and Monro played a strong game, the former putting beautifully, and well merited their victory. It may be mentioned that Kirkaldy is recruiting after a severe attack of influenza, which has taken the form of insomnia.

HUDDERSFIELD GOLF CLUB.

The first handicap of this club was played on Saturday, 19th ult., over the course at Fixby. The want of opportunities for practice immediately before the handicap, owing to the bad weather and the snow on the ground, had doubtless considerable influence in dissuading members from entering. Nevertheless twenty members took part in the competition. The weather, in spite of a somewhat strong wind, was favourable, but the play of many of the members gave evidence of want of practice. The following are the complete returns:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. E. Woodhead...	110	15	95	Mr. N. Nugent ...	125	9	116
Dr. F. L. Mackenzie	98	scr.	98	Rev. J. Taylor ...	123	5	118
Mr. A. E. Learoyd	108	5	103	Mr. N. Scott ...	140	21	119
Mr. Fredk. Huth ...	125	21	104	Mr. W. Johnson ...	138	18	120
Mr. E. O. Burton ...	119	12	107	Mr. J. H. Dransfield	153	30	123
Mr. W. A. Hutchin-	...	...	...	Mr. J. Shaw Gaunt	135	12	123
son ...	116	9	107	Mr. E. A. Brigg ...	147	21	126
Mr. J. H. Exley ...	120	12	108	Mr. F. H. Shaw ...	182	36	146
Mr. H. Huth ...	127	15	112	Mr. Frank Huth ...	178	21	157
Dr. W. R. Carter...	125	12	113	Rev. N. Langham...	197	36	161

KENILWORTH v. LEAMINGTON.

Played at Campion Hill, Leamington, on Thursday, March 24th. Score:—

KENILWORTH.		Holes.	LEAMINGTON.		Holes.
Dr. E. K. Bourne ...	...	0	Mr. T. Kinmond ...	...	7
Mr. Vincent Jepson ...	...	1	Mr. C. Humphries ...	...	0
Mr. C. M. Middleton...	...	0	Mr. C. Lloyd Carson...	...	3
Mr. F. M. G. Abell ...	...	2	Mr. J. Kinmond ...	...	0
Mr. T. Day ...	...	0	Mr. J. C. Kinmond ...	...	0
Mr. F. Carter...	...	0	Mr. T. W. Hume ...	...	12
		3			22

Leamington won by nineteen holes.

KENILWORTH v. LEICESTER.

Played at Leicester on Saturday, March 26th. Score:—

LEICESTER.		KENILWORTH.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Rev. R. Faithful ...	3	Mr. Vincent Jepson ...	0
Mr. A. P. Paget ...	5	Mr. C. Middleton ...	0
Mr. B. Lorrimer ...	0	Mr. F. M. G. Abell ...	5
Mr. C. Billson ...	0	Mr. Carey Franklin ...	7
Mr. H. L. Goddard ...	5	Mr. T. Day ...	0
	13		12

Leicester won by one hole.

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

THE FINAL FOR "THE BURY CUP."

The tie between Mr. F. T. Wright, Tydesley, and Mr. C. G. D. Hoare, St. Anne's, was played on the links of the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club, at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, on Saturday last. The weather was fine. At the close of the sixth competition for prize on the previous Saturday, the two gentlemen named above had each put in three best net scores out of the six competitions, amounting to 268, these scores being as follows:—Mr. F. T. Wright, 85, 93, 90—total, 268; Mr. C. G. D. Hoare, 92, 90, 86—total, 268. In playing off the tie on Saturday last the scores were—Mr. C. G. D. Hoare, 91, less 6=85; and Mr. F. T. Wright (who played most unluckily), 114, less 8=106, being the worst score that he had made in any of the six competitions, and Mr. Hoare's being better than any of his previous six. Mr. Hoare is, therefore, the winner of "The Bury Cup," which was presented by Mr. S. F. Butcher, of Bury, and is a very handsome and massive one.

MELBOURNE GOLF CLUB.

MONTHLY MEDAL COMPETITIONS.

The monthly medal competition of the Melbourne Golf Club was held on Saturday January 2nd, one round of the Caulfield links, and was won by Mr. D. M. Maxwell with a net score of 97. Part of the game was played in a perfect hurricane, which militated against low scoring:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. D. M. Maxwell	102 5 97	Mr. H. G. Callaway	118 9 109
Mr. M. G. Anderson	105 7 98	Professor Masson	110 scr. 110
Mr. T. Brentnall	112 12 100	Mr. J. M. Bruce	113 3 110
Mr. T. J. Finlay	108 7 101	Mr. F. A. Campbell	122 12 110
Mr. H. Cowley	123 20 103	Mr. J. Turnbull	113 scr. 113
Mr. — Laing	122 18 104	Mr. J. A. M'Harg	133 18 115
Major Reynolds	108 3 105	Mr. C. Worthington	122 5 117
Mr. Jas. Graham	112 7 105		

The monthly medal competition was played on Saturday, 13th February, over the Caulfield links, and a former winner, Mr. J. T. Turnbull, again proved successful from scratch, closely followed, however, by Mr. D. M. Maxwell, who for the first time, as a penalty for his success at the last competition, received no handicap. The weather was perfect for Golf, and accounted for the uniformly good scoring. The following were the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. Turnbull	91 scr. 91	Mr. J. T. Finlay	106 5 101
Mr. D. M. Maxwell	93 scr. 93	Dr. Cadby Salmon	116 15 101
Mr. A. Laing	114 18 96	Professor Masson	103 scr. 103
Mr. T. Brentnall	112 15 97	Capt. J. M. Bruce	106 3 103
Major Reynolds	100 3 97	Mr. M. G. Anderson	110 7 103
Dr. C. A. Payne	103 5 98	Mr. H. Connelly	127 20 107
Mr. L. K. S. Mac-		Mr. F. A. Campbell	120 12 108
kinnon	108 10 98	Mr. H. G. Callaway	120 9 111
Mr. J. R. Maxwell	108 9 99		

And several returns not handed in.

IRVINE.—The annual meeting of the Irvine Golf Club was held in Irvine on Saturday evening, 19th ult., Mr. J. Stewart of Heatfield presiding. From the treasurer's report, the club appeared to be in a very satisfactory financial condition. Mr. Stewart was re-elected captain, and Mr. J. Norval Murray, solicitor, was elected secretary and treasurer. It was unanimously agreed to make an entry-money of 10s. for the ensuing year. The annual subscription, which is 10s., was not increased for this year. The course has been recently extended to eighteen holes. It was agreed to ask the railway companies to stop certain trains for the convenience of golfers. The Bogside station on the Glasgow and South-Western Railway, it was pointed out, is within two hundred yards of the first teeing ground, and the Caledonian Railway Company have erected a platform within three minutes' walk of the links. The secretary reported a considerable accession to the membership.

MANCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

The final round of the monthly medal competition took place on Saturday, when the six winners played off for the club prizes. The following were the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Capt. Farrant	94 13 81	Mr. A. Darbyshire	96 8 88
†Mr. L. D. Stewart	92 8 84	Mr. G. Macdonald	94 4 90
Rev. H. H. Brayshaw	100 13 87	Lieut. Pedley	97 6 91

* First prize. † Second prize.

There was also a consolation prize for the other members. The following were the scores:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. F. Pattison	99 20 79	Mr. J. Macalister	89 +2 91
Mr. H. Bowman	92 10 82	Mr. A. C. Knight	92 scr. 92
Capt. Hobbs	104 18 86	Mr. R. Maclure	110 18 92
Mr. H. Macdonald	95 8 87	Mr. F. Jones	109 13 96
Mr. R. L. Taylor	104 15 89	Mr. W. H. Norris	113 17 96
Mr. G. Haig	94 4 90	Mr. H. Holmes	127 20 107
Mr. T. C. Midwood	99 9 90		

* Prize.

NORTH BERWICK.

The spring meeting of the New Club took place at North Berwick on Friday, 25th ult., when the Moncrieff gold cross and the club medal were competed for. There were only twenty-seven competitors, but the presence among them of Mr. J. E. Laidlay, the present holder of the amateur championship, lent interest to the meeting in view of the approaching championship tournament at Sandwich, at which Mr. Laidlay means to do battle for the retention of the trophy. The weather was neither conducive to good play nor to the enjoyment of competitors and onlookers. The sky was for the most part dull and overcast, and a bitterly cold wind, sufficiently strong to add materially to the difficulty of low scoring, swept the links. Play was over the medal course—the tees being brought back as far as possible, so as to add to the length of the holes—and one round decided the competition. The green was in capital trim, bearing evidence of careful and judicious keeping. A start was made about eleven o'clock, the various players being sent off by Sayers in the following order: Messrs. D. Stephenson and C. L. Blaikie, G. Younger and Colonel Outhwaite, J. A. Fleming and N. M. Wylie, J. E. Laidlay and J. W. Tod, W. H. Hadow and G. C. Wylie, Sir George Clerk and Sir J. A. Hay, Messrs. A. Marshall and G. H. Gibson Carmichael, A. Stuart and W. G. Bloxson, D. Lyell and J. H. Smith, C. Chambers and G. Gordon Robertson, J. R. Menzies and F. Kinloch, B. Hall Blyth and J. R. Whitecross, Lieut.-Colonel Wylie and Major Money, Mr. George Dalziel, a bye. It was generally conceded that Mr. Alexander Stuart was Mr. Laidlay's most dangerous rival among the other players, but in the course of the round it became known that Mr. Stuart was off his game considerably, and, as a matter of fact, he made no return. In this respect, however, he stood by no means alone, for only some ten out of the twenty-seven players gave in their cards. No one approached nearer Mr. Laidlay's score of 84 than Mr. Wharton Tod, with 85, and accordingly the former secured the gold cross, while the latter (who had no allowance on his merit card) won the handicap medal. The following were the best scores, a good many of the competitors making no return:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. J. E. Laidlay	84 +4 88	Mr. A. Stuart, jun.	94 +1 95
†Mr. J. Wharton Tod	85 scr. 85	Mr. George Dalziel	107 12 95
Mr. J. R. Whitecross	91 3 88	Mr. G. H. Gibson	
Mr. F. Kinloch	94 5 89	Carmichael	108 10 98
Mr. G. C. Wylie	96 6 90	Sir J. A. Hay, Bart.	113 10 103
Mr. J. R. Menzies	98 8 90	Sir G. Clerk, Bart.	125 18 107
Mr. B. Hall Blyth	95 4 91		

* Winner of gold cross.

† Winner of handicap medal.

NOTTINGHAM GOLF CLUB.

The course at Bu'well Forest is a nine-hole one, and the record is 37, made by Mr. J. C. Warren on the 2nd September, 1891, when playing with Mr. R. D. Oswald. The score was as follows:—3 4 5 3 4 7 3 4 4=37. The amateur record for two consecutive rounds is 39 plus 39=78, also held by Mr. Warren. The professional record is 38 plus 37=75, made by W. Aveston in February last. The old course used to be one of six holes only. The record for the three rounds then usually played was 78, held by Mr. J. Harris, and for the one round 23, held by Mr. R. S. Clouston, who on the same occasion touched 78.

RANFURLY CASTLE CLUB, BRIDGE OF WEIR.—The final tie for Mr. Sangster's consolation prize between Dr. Sandeman and Mr. A. N. Lindsay has now been played off. After a well-contested match between these gentlemen, Mr. Lindsay came off victor and winner of the prize by 4 up and 3 to play.

NOTTINGHAM v. WEST HERTS.

The match between teams representing the above clubs which was arranged to take place a month ago, but was postponed owing to the snow came off on the 24th March, in splendid weather, on Bulwell Forest, and resulted, after a very pleasant and enjoyable encounter, in a win for the home team. The visitors drove out from Nottingham in the morning, with a few of the Nottingham players, to inspect the links and play a round. After lunch the first balls were teed, and the captains drove off about half-past one, in the presence of a fair number of spectators. Two rounds of 9 holes each were played, Mr. Warren winning by 4 holes, though the game was closer than the result indicates. The tussle between Mr. Melville and Mr. Harris was the best of the afternoon, the result of the two rounds being that Mr. Harris just tied at the last hole. Mr. Melville played an exceedingly strong and steady game, and his score was only one behind the amateur record for the Notts links, held by the captain, Mr. Warren. It is worthy of preservation, and we give it:—

4	4	5	3	6	5	4	4	5	40
5	3	4	4	5	5	5	4	4	39

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The next two Nottingham players lost their matches by 3 holes, and when the first seven men had given in their returns there was only a balance of 1 hole in favour of the home team. This was very greatly increased when Mr. Johnstone came in. His opponent, Mr. Cottam, had had consistent bad luck, and suffered defeat by 11 holes. Matters were pretty even with the remaining players, and the result of the match was a win for Notts by 13 holes, but notwithstanding this, the West Herts men, who were almost entire strangers to the links, are to be congratulated on the capital game they played, and they will doubtless reverse the verdict on the return, which takes place on the 19th May, at Bushey. In the evening the teams dined together. The following is a complete return:—

WEST HERTS.		NOTTINGHAM.	
Holes.		Holes.	
0	Mr. R. S. Clouston (captain)...	0	Mr. J. C. Warren (captain) ...
0	Mr. A. Melville ...	0	Mr. J. Harris ...
0	Mr. Thomson Glover ...	0	Mr. J. Doleman ...
3	Mr. A. B. Chalmers ...	0	Mr. R. D. Oswald ...
0	Mr. B. M. Barton ...	2	Mr. J. McMeeking ...
2	Mr. A. H. Wallace ...	0	Mr. D. A. Crawford ...
0	Mr. J. G. Glover ...	3	Mr. R. F. Smith ...
0	Mr. W. Wilson ...	1	Rev. A. C. Becton ...
0	Mr. H. J. Cottam ...	11	Mr. J. Johnstone ...
0	Mr. H. Howard-Williams ...	3	Mr. A. T. Ashwell ...
0	Mr. G. F. Pearson ...	1	Mr. F. W. Thompson...
4	Mr. O. W. T. Hill ...	0	Mr. C. F. Dobson ...
12		25	

PAU LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The gold medal was played for on the 16th. Many ladies competed, but only the following sent in scores:—Miss Bethune, 69; Miss Levett, 71; Miss N. Ross, 74; Miss K. Anderson, 82; Hon. Mrs. Bingham, 85; Mrs. Harrison, 92. The silver medal was played for on the 18th ult., with the following results:—Miss Levett, 71; Miss Anderson, 72; Mrs. W. Hoare, 73; Miss M. Newall, 78; Miss Y. Newall, 79; Miss Ross, 81; Hon. E. L. St. Aubyn, 82; Mrs. Jones, 83; Miss de Longuinel, 84; Miss Edwards, 87; Mrs. Maud, 87; Miss Asser, 88; Lady A. Townshend, 89; Mrs. Taylor, 90; Hon. E. V. St. Aubyn, 90; Miss Pemberton, 90; Miss Hatch, 91; Miss Bewick, 91; Hon. Mrs. Bingham, 92; Mrs. Borell, 92; Mrs. A. Troyte, 93; Miss Potter, 93; Miss Stewart, 97; Miss Swan, 99; Mrs. Danbury, 109; Mrs. Carr, 120; Miss Brackenbury, 128. Several others also played.

PRESTWICK.

The monthly handicap competition for the gold medal took place on Saturday, when, with favourable golfing weather in the forenoon, there was a large number of players, eighteen couples starting on the game of eighteen holes. Unfortunately the after-part of the day was wet, rain and snow falling heavily, and the couples playing after two o'clock had all the luck against them. The cards showed the following results:—Mr. J. B. Fergusson (18), 82; Mr. W. J. Anderson (18), 84; Mr. E. D. Prothero (2), 86; Mr. J. W. King (30), 89; Mr. Hickson Fergusson (18), 89; Mr. G. R. Fleming (20), 89; Mr. Henry Aitken (6), 90; Mr. W. J. King (24), 90; Captain Dudley Stewart (15), 90; Professor Goudy (12), 93; Mr. C. E. Grant (20), 93; Mr. T. Johnstone (6), 96; Mr. J. H. Wilson, 97; Mr. W. Towers Clark (18), 97.

HARRISON CLUB, EDINBURGH.—On Wednesday, the 23rd ult., the club opened their fixture card for the season with a match between teams chosen by the vice-captain and treasurer. Rain was falling at the start, and the ground was somewhat wet. Ten holes were played. The result was a victory for the vice-captain by 13 up.

RANELAGH GOLF CLUB.

A good deal of interest has been excited of late among the members of this club by the playing off the various heats in connection with the Myburgh silver cup and the Filmer-Bennet ten guinea prizes. In the third heat for the former prize Mr. M. Friend beat Mr. Howard Batten, Mr. W. Jackson beat Mr. C. A. Woodhouse, Mr. W. B. Westhead beat Mr. Horace White. Captain Cowper Coles beat Mr. A. H. Molesworth by 2 up and 1 to play. Captain Cowper Coles has recently made the record amateur score of 81. The club has engaged Robert Wilson, of the St. Andrews Club, as professional, who, playing with Mr. Walter Mundy the other day, did the round with the fine score of 71, as follows:—4 3 3 4 5 6 3 4 4—4 4 3 3 4 3 4 5 5. The competitions above referred to have to be completed by the end of April, when the season closes till the 1st August.

The competition for the silver medal, to be played by the twelve winners of the bronze medals, takes place on the 3rd prox., on which day also a match has been made between Mr. A. H. Molesworth and Robert Wilson, to be played at 4 p.m. There will be no Golf at this club on Boat-race day.

RICHMOND GOLF CLUB.

The return match with the Ashley Park (Walton) Club was played at Sudbrook Park, Petersham, on Saturday, the 19th ult., with the result that Richmond were again returned the winners, but with a much larger number of points to the good, viz., 25. The Ashley Park team were rather unfortunate in some of their players failing them at the last moment, so that the match was only seven aside in lieu of 10, as previously arranged. The course was in excellent condition, the greens being worthy of special credit to the green-keeper, with the result that those visitors present witnessed some very fine play. Messrs. D. Kirke and W. Rushworth for the visitors, and Messrs. A. L. and A. T. Jockell and A. Allan for the Home team, especially distinguished themselves. Scores:—

RICHMOND.		ASHLEY PARK.	
Holes.		Holes.	
0	Dr. Williamson ...	1	Mr. D. Kirke ...
5	Mr. A. T. Jockell ...	9	Mr. J. W. Bush ...
6	Mr. A. Allan ...	0	Mr. A. Read ...
8	Mr. A. L. Jockell ...	0	Mr. W. Gibbs...
3	Mr. P. R. Don ...	0	Mr. H. M. Davidson ...
0	Mr. Bulmer Howell ...	1	Mr. H. Rushworth ...
5	Mr. J. Gairdner ...	0	Mr. J. Sassoon...
27		2	

ROYAL COLLEGES GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of this club was held at Gullane on Thursday of last week in splendid weather. The match was for the trophy of the club, and resulted in a win to the Royal College of Surgeons by eighteen holes. Score:—

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.		ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS.	
Holes.		Holes.	
3	Dr. Blaikie ...	0	Dr. Haultain ...
1	Dr. Finlay ...	0	Dr. Ronaldson...
0	Dr. Wallace ...	3	Dr. A. Thomson ...
1	Dr. Chiene ...	0	Dr. Stitt Thomson ...
1	Dr. Duncan ...	0	Dr. P. A. Young ...
5	Dr. Naismith ...	0	Dr. Ballantyne...
0	Dr. Cadell ...	2	Dr. Carmichael ...
1	Dr. H. A. Thomson ...	0	Dr. Dunlop ...
4	Dr. Cathcart ...	0	Dr. Brewis ...
6	Dr. Dunsmore ...	0	Dr. Tuke, jun...
0	Dr. Thatcher ...	2	Dr. Maclagan ...
0	Dr. Berry ...	0	Dr. Buist ...
4	Dr. Symington ...	0	Dr. Webster ...
0	Dr. Ronaldson...	1	Dr. Tuke, sen. (captain) ...
26		8	

The club was most hospitably entertained to lunch by Dr. Tuke, captain of the club, at Gullane House, and in the afternoon various foursomes and other matches were played.

ROYAL CROMER GOLF CLUB.

The lady-members of the Royal Cromer Golf Club held their first competition for the monthly medal given by the club, on March 25th. Four couples started, and all made excellent returns, Miss Blofeld especially making a fine score of 55. The following are the scores:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
*Miss Blofeld	55	20	35	Miss E. Rust	81	35	46
Mrs. Winter	65	25	40	Miss G. Rust	85	35	50
Miss Lucas	71	25	46	Miss A. Wyrley Birch	71	20	51

* Winner.

ROYAL DUBLIN GOLF CLUB.

For the past four or five months the club has been playing a winter course of only nine holes, and during this time extensive improvements have been carried out on the long links; new tees have been laid down, and in such a position that they have added considerably to the hazards, and the grass has come up well on the greens, which are in very fine order. If the club had chosen their own weather on Saturday, it could not have been finer. There was a slight breeze during the early part of the day, which, however, died away in the afternoon, and the strong sun was decidedly felt, and the return to the long course commenced most auspiciously. There were twenty-five entries for the monthly medal, which was won by Mr. David Christie, with the very good gross score of 88, less 11=77.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. D. Christie ...	88 11 77	Mr. J. P. Berrington ...	116 30 86
Mr. R. H. Moore ...	98 20 78	Mr. D. F. Moore ...	109 22 87
Mr. J. H. Barrington ...	103 25 78	Mr. B. Stretton ...	98 11 87
Mr. H. C. Warren ...	106 25 81	Mr. J. Lumsden, sen. ...	96 8 88
General Moncrieff ...	97 15 82	Mr. F. W. Wynne ...	118 30 88
Mr. H. Daly ...	107 23 82	Mr. J. W. P. White ...	99 10 89
Mr. J. Lumsden, jun. ...	89 6 83	Professor Doherty ...	112 20 92
Captain Crawford ...	97 12 85	Mr. A. L. Figgis ...	108 14 94
Captain Archdale ...	96 10 86	Mr. E. O'Farrell ...	120 19 101
Mr. Granby Burke ...	111 25 86		

ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB.

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

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Capt. Prendergast, S.L.R. ...	98 18 80	Mr. T. W. Barker ...	98 5 93
*Mr. R. R. Renton ...	93 9 84	Mr. A. L. Scott ...	111 18 93
*Mr. R. C. Hodder ...	104 18 86	Major Richardson, S.L.R. ...	111 18 93
Capt. Mohl ...	101 14 87	Capt. Sumner, S.L.R. ...	101 7 94
Mr. G. Hornby ...	87 +2 89	Surg.-Capt. M'Millan ...	112 18 94
Colonel M'Dougal, S.L.R. ...	103 14 89	Capt. Robin ...	99 4 95
Col. Mayne ...	99 8 91	Mr. A. E. Walker ...	96 scr. 96
Capt. Elliot, S.L.R. ...	101 9 92	Capt. Withington, S.L.R. ...	113 16 97
Mr. C. E. Lewis ...	102 10 92	Mr. W. H. Monckton ...	115 17 98

* Divided sweepstakes.

Several players made no return.

ROYAL WIMBLEDON GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the monthly medal was held on Saturday, March 26th, in perfect weather. The greens were in very fine order and keen. The winner, the Hon. Ivo Bligh, well deserved his victory, as he exhibited more than scratch form in doing the seventeenth hole in 1. The semi-final heat of the Silver Iron was also played, Messrs. Pollock and Henderson being beaten by Messrs. Adams and Harrison, and Messrs. Fairlie and McLaren by Messrs. Purves and Molesworth, the latter match being accompanied by a large following of spectators. The final now lies between Messrs. Purves and Molesworth and Messrs. Adams and Harrison.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Hon. Ivo Bligh ...	92 8 84	Mr. S. S. Schultz ...	100 7 93
Mr. F. A. Fairlie ...	82 +3 85	Mr. W. R. Portal ...	113 20 93
Mr. N. R. Foster ...	83 +2 85	Mr. J. G. Gibson ...	96 2 94
Mr. R. Howell ...	97 12 85	Mr. A. N. Cumming ...	100 6 94
Mr. C. A. W. Cameron ...	91 4 87	Mr. G. Nicol ...	102 8 94
Mr. W. Morley ...	102 15 87	Mr. W. Johnston ...	109 15 94
Mr. A. N. Morley ...	102 15 87	Mr. H. C. Archer ...	110 16 94
Sir H. Pottinger ...	103 16 87	Mr. A. L. Tweedie ...	112 18 94
Mr. C. W. Harrison ...	105 18 87	Mr. E. Field ...	103 8 95
Mr. H. S. Colt ...	88 scr. 88	Mr. J. Taylor ...	105 10 95
Mr. W. D. Bovill ...	95 7 88	Mr. H. P. Cater ...	107 12 95
Mr. J. L. Ridpath ...	97 9 88	Mr. H. W. Bradford ...	110 15 95
Mr. W. J. Cundell ...	99 11 88	Mr. F. L. Govett ...	110 12 98
Mr. A. H. Molesworth ...	86 +3 89	Mr. C. A. Pidcock ...	110 12 98
Mr. F. E. Faithful ...	92 3 89	Mr. H. W. Horne ...	107 8 99
Mr. A. Pollock ...	94 5 89	Mr. G. H. Dunsin ...	115 16 99
Mr. F. J. Walker ...	95 5 90	Mr. J. L. Muir ...	119 20 99
Mr. J. M. Kerr ...	99 9 90	Mr. C. Plummer ...	100 scr. 100
Mr. H. T. Wright ...	102 12 90	Mr. C. E. S. Foyer ...	122 18 104
Mr. E. A. Walker ...	98 6 92	Mr. S. R. Pryor ...	123 18 105
Mr. J. F. Adams ...	100 8 92	Mr. S. E. Carlyll ...	128 16 112
Mr. R. Clutton ...	106 14 92	Mr. G. G. Butler ...	103 no hdep.
		Mr. F. A. Wallroth ...	105 no hdep.

No returns from the following players :—Messrs. A. Adams, John Anderson, James Anderson, J. A. Burrells W. Bazalgette, J. Croft, G. Dixey, R. Durnford, H. W. H. Dunsin, S. F. Gedge, C. H. Grundtvig, J. M. Henderson, F. H. Hardcastle, H. W. Hussey, F. Hog, E. Lacon, M. Mackenzie, C. E. McLaren, G. F. Muir, H.

Marsh, W. Michie, T. Mackay, E. Oliver, W. H. Oliver, F. Pownall, E. M. Protheroe, C. E. Routh, P. Robin, E. Ross, J. S. Russel, P. Strickland, H. Seton-Karr, M.P., M. Tabuteau, R. Thomson, T. Westray and E. Wight.

SEAFORD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, March 26th, 1892 :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. G. Blois Johnson ...	90 10 80	Mr. J. E. Shaw ...	100 12 88
Mr. Duncan Furner ...	103 20 83	Mr. A. P. White ...	104 16 88
Mr. F. L. Rawson ...	95 12 83	Mr. J. Fletcher Farncomb ...	107 16 91
Mr. F. G. Horne ...	98 13 85	Mr. W. W. Crouch ...	113 20 93
Mr. C. S. Hand ...	104 17 87		
Capt. O'Reilly ...	113 25 88		

The weather was all that could be desired, a very slight breeze from the south-west.

SHERINGHAM GOLF CLUB.

The second competition for the captain's prize, was played on Saturday, March 26th. The weather was beautifully fine, with a light north-west wind, and together with the excellent condition of the greens, the scoring should have been much lower than it was. The winner turned up in Mr. Henry Broadhurst, M.P. The following are the results :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Henry Broadhurst, M.P. ...	115 12 103	Mr. P. M. Lucas ...	104 scr. 104
		Rev. J. R. B. Owen ...	133 18 115

Messrs. R. W. Ketten, Nicholas Hammond, Bolding Monement, E. Sladen, Alfred Walker, C. Scott, A. E. Jarvis, and A. Burton, were over 116, or made no return.

The members are looking forward to some good sport at the Easter meeting, which takes place Monday and Tuesday, respectively the 18th and 19th of April, when some valuable prizes will be competed for.

SOUTHWOLD GOLF CLUB.

The usual monthly competition was played on Saturday, the 26th ult. There were ten entries, the following returns being handed in :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. J. Browne ...	111 15 96	Mr. A. R. Grubbe ...	119 8 111
Mr. C. J. Waller ...	123 25 98	Mr. D. R. Gooding ...	129 18 111
Mr. J. B. Gooding ...	99 scr. 99	Dr. R. Sisley ...	148 23 125
Mr. S. W. Woollett ...	113 11 102	Mr. E. R. Cooper ...	162 30 132
Mr. B. Whitmore ...	115 6 109		

THE ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, the 19th inst., a handicap sweepstake match was played in charming weather, and, as will be seen, the entries were more numerous than they have been for some time. Mrs. Dicks proved the winner, and also defeated Mrs. F. Lucas for Mrs. Andrews' prize, after a tie, on the 26th February. Scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mrs. Dicks ...	120 40 80	Miss Birch ...	104 2 102
Miss E. Banister ...	108 18 90	Mrs. F. Lucas ...	117 15 102
Mrs. Jeddere Fisher ...	140 44 96	Miss Banister ...	129 22 107
Mrs. Jones Bateman ...	142 44 98	Mrs. Peerless ...	157 44 113
Miss Riddle ...	116 15 101	Miss Du Pré ...	161 44 117

No returns from Mrs. Peckham and Miss Lee.

THE "EDINBURGH EVENING DISPATCH" TROPHY.

On Saturday evening a meeting of representatives of Edinburgh and Leith clubs was held in the Café Royal Hotel, West Register Street, Edinburgh, when the draw for the order of play in the *Edinburgh Evening Dispatch* trophy competition took place. There was a large attendance, and Mr. Smith (Thistle Club) presided. Before the "draw," the secretary (Mr. A. Geoghegan) made a statement with regard to the number of teams taking part in this year's competition. Twenty-four clubs, he said, had entered, as compared with twenty-one last year, and all the clubs taking part in the preceding tournament had again come forward. Some of those present might, he said, possibly not be aware that in Edinburgh and Leith there were as many as sixty golf clubs, and the number being so large, the idea had suggested itself to him that something in the nature of a federation of these clubs might be brought about. With a federation, some arrangement could very easily be made among the clubs which would do away with the inconvenience and discomfort felt on the Braids on account of several competitions frequently taking place on the same day. So popular had the game become in Edinburgh of late that the opening of Blackford Hill for golf was only a question of time. A more suitable piece of ground still was that to the south of the Braids course, belonging to Colonel Trotter, and it had occurred to him that if a sufficient number of players

acted together in the matter, they might rent his ground for the purposes of golf—the green being, of course, open only to subscribing members. (Hear, hear.) At a subsequent stage of the proceedings, the Chairman expressed approval of the proposal for a federation of clubs, remarking that some arrangement should certainly be made which would have the effect of making play on the Braids more pleasant than it was at present. On Bruntsfield Links, he added, as many as five or six clubs used to play competitions regularly on Saturdays, and by a little arrangement among them all the competitions were carried through in comfort. If the Edinburgh clubs would only act together they might do much—as the numbers present at that meeting showed—to influence the Town Council in the way of improving the Braids course. (Applause.) The idea which the secretary had suggested with reference to the acquisition by golfers of the hill south of the Braids was one which had occurred to him before, and the suggestion had his hearty approval. The following was the result of the draw:—

Byes.—Electric, George, Warrender, Leith, Bruntsfield Allied, "Ye Monks of ye Braids," Carlton, and Blackford.

FIRST ROUND.

SEAFIELD V. LEITH CALEDONIAN.

Messrs. Notman and Boak. A. Henderson and J. J. Brown.
Messrs. Gardner and Calder. C. Garvey and J. Henderson.

TEACHERS V. THISTLE.

E. King and T. King. J. Braid and R. Harvey.
P. Goodhall and Charles Taylor. J. Nelson and J. Ross.

"SCOTSMAN" V. VIEWFORTH.

D. Coutts and R. Melrose. J. A. Stewart and H. J. Harrison.
J. Robb and A. Hamilton. H. M. Knight and R. M'Nab.

BRAIDS V. STOCKBRIDGE.

J. S. Campbell and E. A. Rhead. J. C. Johnston and P. Seton.
H. Craigie and W. J. Walker. J. J. Millar and A. S. Muir.

ALBAN V. HARRISON.

Baillie Macpherson and A. Hamilton. J. Glass and W. Smith.
C. A. Macpherson and W. H. Hamilton. R. Glass and R. J. B. Tait.

REGISTER HOUSE V. GRAMPIAN.

A. Foster and J. M. Marr. C. E. Huie and A. Rutherford.
F. Taylor and D. M. Gavine. J. Gibsone and W. Connolly.

WATSONIANS V. MORNINGSIDE.

O. Thomson and T. G. Buchan. J. Paul and D. Anderson.
J. King and G. W. S. Paterson. A. J. Hodge and J. Johnston.

ST. ANDREW V. LICENSED VICTUALLERS.

A. Auchterlonie and W. Paterson. Teams not forward.
J. Pearson and J. Knowles.

SECOND ROUND.

ELECTRIC V. GEORGE.

J. Johnston and A. J. Wilson. R. Robinson and D. M. Jackson.
J. Lawrie and T. Kinnear. G. W. Miller and W. M. Archibald.

WARRENDER V. LEITH.

R. Millar and J. K. Andrews. J. Keddie and J. Daly.
F. Mathie and P. Campbell. Dan. Leitch and G. Paterson.

BRUNTSFIELD ALLIED V. YE MONKS OF YE BRAIDS.

J. Swan and J. Macleod. J. King and A. "Woodrow."
T. Hogg and A. Stevens. K. "Alexander" and W. King.

CARLTON V. BLACKFORD.

J. Taylor and "C. Hawkins." J. Morrison and G. A. Ross.
W. B. Taylor and T. Lugton, jun. J. Sanderson and R. S. M. Mitchell.

Seafield or Leith Caledonian v. Teachers or Thistle.
Scotsman or Viewforth v. Braids or Stockbridge.
Alban or Harrison v. Register House or Grampian.
Watsonians or Morningside v. St. Andrew or Licensed Victuallers.

THE GLASGOW CLUB'S COURSE AT IRVINE.

The Glasgow Golf Club is a very flourishing association, and with the acquisition of sea-links will take yet a better position. With 500 members, its course at Alexandra Park has been found to be crowded, and a desire has long been expressed for a seaside course.

The growth of the Glasgow Golf Club has been very eventful. It is not known when the original club was founded, but although it cannot boast of the antiquity of the Royal Blackheath, the oldest in the world, yet it can be traced to a little over a century ago. As at

present constituted, the club began to play on the South-Side Park, but soon had to leave it for more open quarters at Alexandra Park. The course there has been extended from nine holes, first to fifteen and then to eighteen. Now there are 500 members, with a credit balance of £300. The crowded state of the course made the club think of obtaining a relief course, and a committee was appointed to look out with that view. Irvine seems to have caught their fancy, as last year they carried on negotiations with the existing Irvine Club, whose links are at Bogside, with the view to amalgamation, but these fell through. Not discouraged, however, the committee went on searching, and after due consideration agreed to recommend to the club that a piece of ground belonging to the Duke of Portland, situated on the left-hand side of the railway going to Ayr, past Irvine station, should be acquired. At a meeting of the club a few weeks ago, with an attendance of 200 members, it was unanimously resolved to adopt the recommendation of the committee, and at the same time it was resolved to raise the entry-money for the first 100 new applicants from £1 to £2, with a further advance after that. Backed up by the unanimous feeling of the meeting, the committee of the club at once proceeded with the arrangements necessary for laying out the course. The lease has not been signed yet, but as permission was obtained to look over the ground the committee, who all through have worked right royally for the good of the club, have been over the links, and had the probable course marked out.

On Saturday a visit was made by the committee to the ground, and a hole-to-hole visitation gone through. As the ground was traversed the fact forced itself upon one that most excellent links will be established. Indeed, it is with no immodesty that the committee say the links are in character similar to the Royal and Ancient. The general features of the St. Andrews green are there. There is the same good turf and skilfully placed bunkers, and the ground is not too rough, broken, or high, but enough to make it sporting in a fine degree. No part of the course is as lofty as the old portion of Prestwick, nor yet as uneventful as some portions of Troon. As at present marked out, the course is rather less than three miles in length, but if that does not suit the more agile golfer—it probably will—it can be extended indefinitely. Only one or two greens require to be laid, and not in the immediate future. Another feature is the number of bunkers and the manner in which they are placed. Some guard the holes, while others are placed on the line to the hole, lying in wait for the topped, toed, or heeled ball. They are also placed that the long driver may get the benefit of his carry. The whole course is carpeted with splendid turf, and bad lies are reserved for bad golfers. The course is rather shorter on the outward journey than on the inward, and an 85 will be a splendid score for a considerable time. When the lease is signed the course will be ready for playing over, but this may be a few weeks yet.

THE ROYAL NORTH DEVON GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal with its memento and Major Pigott's prize, to be won twice, were played for on Saturday last. Mr. J. C. McLaren won the medal, &c., and first prize in the sweepstakes. Mr. F. Cooke took second sweep.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. C. McLaren,		Mr. H. E. Clerk,	
M.S. 85	2 83	M.S. 105	10 95
Mr. F. T. Cooke, S.	106 20 86	Mr. St. C. Stobart,	
Capt. Fairlie, S. ...	99 10 89	M.S. 105	9 96
Mr. G. Gorton, S. ...	112 23 89	Mr. C. L. Wilson,	
Mr. J. Lillie, M.S. ...	115 25 90	M.S. 122	22 100
Mr. J. W. Cooke, S.	113 22 91		

Over 100 or no returns:—Capt. Chichester, M.S.; Rev. A. H. Cochrane, M.S.; Messrs. A. Cruikshank, S.; Dimbleby, S.; J. J. Harding, M.S.; W. E. Law, S.; Dr. Reid, S.; Mr. Schneider, M.

TROON GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition for the Sandhills handicap gold medal was played for on Saturday. The weather was not favourable, and a storm of wind and snow drove late comers off the green. Only seven cards were handed in, among which the lowest were:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. Lauder	104 16 88	Mr. Andrew Johnston	101 8 93
Mr. Andrew M' Murray	93 scr. 93	Mr. A. T. Craig	103 10 93

The medal becomes the possession of the lowest aggregate of four scores made out of a possible twelve during the year, and it has just been announced that the winner for last year was Mr. J. Irvine, with 87, 87, 86, 84, total 344; the next scorer being the winner of the previous year, Mr. A. Johnston, with 350.

ARCHERFIELD.—A competition took place on Saturday last for two handsome prizes presented to the club by Mr. William Penn, tenant of the mansion and shootings of Archerfield during the past season. The day was stormy. Result:—1, Mr. Thomas Yule, 86; Mr. James Bisset, 88. Mr. Hamilton Ogilvy entertained the players to luncheon and presented the prizes.

TENBY GOLF CLUB.

A match took place on Saturday, March 19th, between the club and the officers stationed at Pembroke Dock, which ended in a draw. Scores:—

TENBY.			OFFICERS.		
	Holes.			Holes.	
Mr. Logan ...	0	...	Mr. Dixon ...	5	...
Colonel Lloyd ...	0	...	Mr. Caulfield ...	2	...
Mr. Rees ...	0	...	Mr. Wait ...	0	...
Colonel Lewes... ..	6	...	Dr. Barrington ...	0	...
Mr. Smyth ...	1	...	Mr. B. Murdoch ...	0	...
	7			7	

LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S FOURSOME (HANDICAP).

First Round.—Miss Boulton and Mr. Richards (rec. 13) beat Miss Lewes and Colonel Voyle (rec. 13) by 6 up and 5 to play; Miss Voyle and Captain Costley (rec. 13) beat Miss Eva Vachell and Colonel Lloyd (rec. 6) by 3 up and 1 to play; Miss Clifton and Mr. Wood (rec. 13) beat Miss Edith Vachell and Mr. Logan (scr.) by 4 up and 3 to play; Miss Meyrick and Colonel Lewes (rec. 10) beat Miss Durrant and Mr. Allen (rec. 13) by 1 hole.

Second Round.—Miss Voyle and Captain Costley beat Miss Boulton and Mr. Richards by 3 up and 2 to play; Miss Clifton and Mr. Wood beat Miss Meyrick and Colonel Lewes by 4 up and 3 to play.

Final.—Miss Clifton and Mr. Wood beat Miss Voyle and Captain Costley by 6 up and 5 to play.

The second handicap on the "Colonel Bogey" system took place on Wednesday, March 23rd. Only one member succeeded in defeating the "Colonel," who does the round in 96. The following is the full result:—Mr. L. R. Wood (rec. 18), 1 up; Mr. R. T. Dixon (rec. 8), 2 down and 1 to play; Mr. St. G. Caulfield (rec. 12), 4 down and 2 to play; Colonel Fitzgerald (rec. 18), 4 down and 2 to play; Mr. T. A. Rees (rec. 6), 4 down and 3 to play; Colonel Lloyd (rec. 8), 5 down and 3 to play; Mr. H. J. Allen (rec. 14), 5 down and 3 to play; Colonel Lewes (rec. 18), 5 down and 3 to play; Mr. E. P. Barlow (rec. 14), 6 down and 4 to play; Mr. G. S. Gulston (rec. 12), 6 down and 5 to play; Mr. G. K. Wait (rec. 18), 7 down and 6 to play; Lieutenant Henderson, R.N. (rec. 18), 7 down and 6 to play. Messrs. Richards, Logan, Smyth, and Captain Westby retired.

UNITED SERVICE GOLF CLUB.

An important meeting to play for prizes took place at Haslar on the 18th and 19th ult. About fifty players altogether were on the ground. On the first day they competed in two classes, according to handicap allowances. The first class included competitors handicapped from scratch to 14 strokes. As regards this class, the following scores were returned:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Lieutenant Templer, R.M.A. ... 89 6 83	Mr. Blundell ... 108 12 96
Col. Walker ... 99 12 87	Mr. Bonham Carter 105 8 97
Lieut. Poole, R.M.A. 95 8 87	Captain Swinburne, R.M.A. ... 108 12 96
Dr. W. Reid, R.N. 89 scr. 89	Gen. Maitland, R.E. 116 12 104
Lieut. Milton ... 104 12 92	Capt. Vidal, R.E. ... 111 6 105

The first prize in this handicap went to Lieut. Templer, and for the second there was a tie between Col. Walker and Lieut. Poole, which, after a second contest, fell to the latter.

A handsome silver vase was offered for the best scratch score. There was a tie for this between Dr. Reid and Lieut. Templer, the prize being finally secured by the former on a third fight after a second tie. The second class included competitors receiving from 14 to 26 strokes. The following were the scores handed in:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Capt. Larking ... 116 23 93	Mr. K. Morrison ... 119 20 99
Mr. Gilbert... .. 114 20 94	Lieut. Pyne, R.E. ... 120 18 102
Lieut. Thompson, R.E. ... 112 18 94	Capt. Mercer ... 124 20 104
Capt. Orr ... 109 15 94	Lieutenant Saumarez, R.M.L.I. ... 128 24 104
Mr. O'Connor ... 113 18 95	Lieut. Rose ... 123 15 108
Capt. Payne, R.N. 114 18 96	Capt. Castle ... 150 25 125

Capt. Larking secured the first prize, and for the second there was a tie of three. This, on being played off, resulted in a win for Mr. Gilbert.

On the 19th there was a general competition by match play against "Colonel Bogey," the phantom member of the club, who plays a fixed scratch score. Each competitor received the match play odds corresponding to his handicap, and it may be mentioned that, in allotting the strokes to the different holes, the faulty system of selected holes

generally in vogue has been done away with, and the plan introduced at Great Yarmouth has been adopted. By this plan the player is given his strokes allowed as they are earned, the stroke holes being fixed upon and tabulated by calculations based upon this principle. The system works admirably, and sets at rest all controversy as to what ought, or ought not to be, a stroke hole. In the present meeting the match play competition excited most interest, and resulted in Capt. Vidal coming in winner by one up over "Colonel Bogey," the phantom allowing him 5 strokes. The prize consisted in a handsome antique silver plate.

WARRENDER GOLF CLUB.

The members of this club met on Wednesday, on the Braids at Edinburgh, to compete for the Smart and Alexander medals and other prizes. The weather was everything that could be desired, but great fault could be found as regards the position of several of the holes, through being placed on sloping ground, rendering it exceedingly difficult to make a putt lie dead. There was a good turn-out of members, and previous to the competition being played several new members were proposed. After the round was completed and cards compared, the following were found to be successful.

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
*Mr. F. Mathie ... 85 5 80	Mr. W. H. Menzies 108 15 93
†Mr. R. Millar ... 90 2 88	Mr. R. Clark ... 112 16 96
Mr. J. Watson ... 101 12 89	†Mr. T. S. Kay 102 4 98
Mr. G. Campbell ... 108 18 90	†Mr. J. K. Andrews 102 4 98
Mr. G. Crandles ... 95 4 91	

* Smart medal and first prize. † Alexander Medal and second prize. ‡ Tie.

WEST CORNWALL GOLF CLUB.

The fourth match of the Spring handicap series was played at Lelant on Saturday. The scores were as follows:—

	1st Rnd.	2nd Rnd.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. W. Harvey ...	62	58	120 30 90
Mr. R. F. Tyacke ...	65	65	130 26 104
Mr. Howard Fox ...	73	67	140 35 105
Mr. H. Mansel ...	76	68	144 22 122
Mr. F. Harvey ...	94	88	182 50 132

The day was dull and quiet, but the scores were not down to the usual form of the competitors. A large number of players were on the links, which, under the care of John Bennetts, are now in excellent condition.

The Seton challenge trophy will be played for by the ladies of the club on Tuesday, April 5th.

WIMBLEDON LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Those of our readers who think that Golf will never be the same source of healthy and regular outdoor exercise for ladies as it is for men, will be surprised at the following entry for a winter tournament, in which nearly every match was played out, and in which there was not a single postponement on account of weather, although the first round was timed for January 30th. There were fifty-nine entries, and omitting the first round and byes, the following is the record of play:—

Second Round.—Miss M. Schwann (33) beat Miss E. Carver (35); Hon. Mrs. Joliffe (30) beat Miss N. Forde (34); Miss M. Nicol (21) beat Miss A. T. Drake (17); Miss A. L. T. Drake (14) beat Miss H. M. Frere (36); Miss Issette Pearson (1) beat Mrs. Henderson (36); Miss E. Scott (34) beat Mrs. Willock (33); Mrs. Cameron (24) beat Miss Henderson (32); Mrs. Meates (32) beat Miss B. Martyn (36); Miss Hassard-Short (27) beat Mrs. Tanner; Miss N. Muir (17) beat Mrs. Dowson (32); Miss K. Tuely (36) beat Miss Stevenson (36); Mrs. Archer (23) beat Miss K. Macfarlan (32).

Third Round.—Miss Schwann beat Mrs. Joliffe; Miss Nicol, w.o.; Miss A. L. T. Drake beat Miss I. Pearson; Miss E. Scott beat Mrs. Cameron; Miss Hassard-Short beat Mrs. Meates; Miss Muir beat Mrs. Trollope; Miss K. Tuely beat Miss Clapham; Mrs. Archer beat Miss Davidson.

Fourth Round.—Miss M. Nicol beat Miss Schwann; Miss E. Scott beat Miss A. L. T. Drake; Miss Hassard-Short beat Miss Muir; Miss Tuely beat Mrs. Archer.

Fifth Round.—Miss M. Nicol beat Miss E. Scott; Miss K. Tuely beat Miss Hassard-Short.

Final.—Miss Nicol beat Miss K. Tuely.

The prizes are:—First, a gold bracelet, given by Mrs. Fisher; second, a field-glass, given by Miss Lena Thompson.

WOODFORD GOLF CLUB.

The second of the monthly competitions for the captain's prize was played off on Saturday last, and resulted as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. B. Hunt ...	108 14 94	Mr. W. Kemsley ...	123 16 107
Mr. B. B. Hunt ...	118 18 100	*Mr. J. W. M. Guy.	124 14 110
Mr. J. C. Mead ...	128 25 103	*Mr. H. E. Kaye ...	135 25 110
Mr. E. J. Morris ..	122 18 104	Mr. P. C. Mead ...	148 18 130

* Tied.

KILMALCOLM CLUB.—Considerable interest is being taken in the contest now going on among the members of this club for Messrs. Cassels' and Taylor's prizes. The second stage of the above competition has resulted as under:—Mr. N. M'Nicol beat Rev. J. Findlay; Dr. Stevenson beat Mr. James Craig; Mr. John Sinclair beat Mr. James Crawford; Mr. A. Symington beat Mr. John Adams, junior; Mr. Hugh M'Lelland beat Mr. John Aitken; Dr. Syme beat Mr. H. R. B. Peile; Mr. T. R. Speirs beat Mr. John Waddell; Mr. D. S. Carson, a bye from Mr. W. Gilmour; Mr. R. Tannahill beat Mr. A. Waddell; Mr. Neil Robson, a bye from Mr. J. B. Gray; Mr. A. F. Duncan, a bye from Mr. W. H. Douglas; Mr. A. L. Holmes, a bye from Rev. James Murray, M.A.; Mr. R. Barr, a bye from Mr. James Smith; Dr. Haig, a bye from Mr. C. Gray; Mr. R. Lang, a bye from Mr. John Caldwell; Mr. W. Aikman, a bye from Mr. D. G. L. M'Clure. Owing to the stormy weather and the large number of ties still unplayed, the time for playing off the first ties for Mr. Neil Robson's prize has been extended for another week—till Saturday, 2nd April. Several men having been engaged last week in relaying a number of the putting-greens, these are now much improved. Willie Campbell (of Bridge of Weir) was round the course in a four-some during the week, and a match was also played between Mr. A. T. Taylor of Kilmalcolm Club, and Walter Day, professional, Ardeer. The professional gave Mr. Taylor a half, and at ninth hole was 1 hole up. On the return journey, however, the local man squared matters, and ultimately won the match by 4 holes up and 3 to play. The scores were:—

Mr. Taylor—											
Out ...	...	4	4	4	3	5	4	6	7	4=41	} 86
In ...	...	4	4	6	7	4	4	5	6	5=45	
Walter Day—											
Out ...	...	3	3	4	3	4	4	6	5	4=36	} 80
In ...	...	3	6	6	6	5	5	4	5	4=44	

Nine holes were afterwards played, Day giving a third in place of a half, but Mr. Taylor again finished 1 hole up at the end of the game.

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.—The links were in excellent order and the weather fine on Saturday, when the March and club cup competitions were decided. There were twenty-one competitors. Mr. C. G. Graham, 91, less 12=79, was the winner; General Dandridge, 107, less 24=83, was second; and Colonel Boothby, 92, less 6=86, third. The other best scores were:—Captain Shaw, 104, less 17=87; Captain Cowan, 103, less 12=91; Mr. M. T. Brown, 106, less 15=91; Mr. C. H. Payne, 122, less 30=92; Rev. Meredith Hamar, 118, less 25=93; and Mr. A. Rotherham, 102, less 7=95.

HAWICK CLUB.—The Bombay medal was played for over the Hawick course on Tuesday afternoon, the 22nd ult. There was a good turnout of players. Result:—1st, Mr. James Purves, 88, less 6=82; 2nd, Mr. James Barrie, 82, plus 1=83; 3rd, Dr. Mair, 113, less 24=89; 4th, Mr. William Robson, 105, less 14=91; 5th, John Reyburn, 105, less 11=94; 6th, Mr. John J. Oliver, 107, less 13=94; 7th, Alexander Fisher, 107, less 12=95.

ST. ANDREWS UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.—A competition for a silver cup, open to past and present members of the St. Andrews University Golf Club, took place yesterday afternoon, under favourable conditions of weather and green. The scoring throughout was excellent, and the trophy was carried off by Mr. T. Carmichael with 83 strokes. The next in order were Mr. J. T. Paterson, 86, and Mr. R. Johnstone, 87.

CLEVELAND GOLF CLUB.—The third competition for the ladies' trophy took place on Friday and Saturday over the links at Coatham, in beautiful golfing weather. There were a large number of competitors, of whom only a dozen sent in cards, the winner being Mr. Slingsby Cradock, who has twice lately been second in competitions. Scores:—Mr. S. Cradock, 104, less 18=86; Mr. J. Scott, 96, less 8=88; Mr. C. D. Mackenzie, 99, less 6=93; Mr. C. Scott, 98, less 5=94; Mr. J. Roddman, 111, less 14=97; Mr. H. Roberts, 98, scratch; Mr. J. White, 121, less 22=99; Mr. J. N. Muller, 119, less 18=101; Mr. R. McCurrach, 122, less 21=101; Mr. W. Young, 118, less 12=106; Mr. H. J. Parrington, 129, less 21=108.

CUMBRAE GOLF CLUB.—LADIES' COMPETITION.—The monthly competition for the medal presented by Dr. Hugh Sinclair was played for over the course of the Cumbrae Club. The weather was all that could be desired. The course was in excellent order, and the greens very keen. When the cards were handed in, Miss Ross proved to be the winner with a score of 109, less 6=103. The next best scores were made by Miss Henry, Miss Barclay, and Miss J. Harley.

GIRVAN.—The monthly competition for the handicap medal took place on Saturday. The afternoon was wet, and the ground heavy and unfavourable for successful play. The medal was won by Mr. Robert M'Connell, jun. (scratch), with a score of 95, followed by Mr. John Patterson with 100 (less 15), and Messrs. Dunlop and Dougall with 100 each (less 10).

EDINBURGH TEACHERS' CLUB.—The quarterly competition for the medals, charm, and prizes took place over the Braids on Saturday forenoon, when the following was the result:—1, Mr. T. Adams, 90, less 13=77; 2, Mr. J. Robson, 96, less 18=78; 3, Mr. W. H. Farquharson, 102, less 23=79; and 4, Mr. T. A. Buttar, 90, less 10=80; and Mr. John Fraser, 90, less 10=80.

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