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AUGUST.

- Aug. 20.—Gullane : GRAND TOURNAMENT.
Formby : Captain's Prize.
Ealing : Monthly Medal.
Disley : Summer Silver Medal.
Cumbrae : Members v. Visitors Match.
Felixstowe : Captain's Prize.
Thistle, Edinburgh : Monthly Trophy.
Blairgowrie : Chalmers Medal.
Wimbledon Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Braids : Braids Medal.
Royal Dublin : Monthly Medal.
Newbiggin : Club Gold Medal.
County Down : Club Monthly Prizes.
Ranelagh : Monthly Medal.
Minehead : Autumn Competitions.
- Aug. 24.—Durham : Osborn Cup.
Aug. 26.—Royal Cornwall : President's Medal.
Aug. 26-27.—Royal West Norfolk : Prize Meeting ; Monthly Medal.
Aug. 27.—Felixstowe : Captain's Prize.
Sidcup : Monthly Medal.
West Lancashire : Monthly Medal.
Woodford : Captain's Prize.
Lytham and St. Anne's : Monthly Medal.
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal.
Ilkley : Monthly Medal.
Seaford : Monthly Medal.
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.
Crookham : Monthly Medal.
Warwickshire : Club Cup Competition.
Aldeburgh : Gold Medal.

- Aug. 27.—Cinque Ports, Deal : Monthly Medal.
Islay : Monthly Medal.
West Cornwall : Monthly Medal.
Scarborough : Gold Medal.
Southwold : Quarterly Medal Competition ; Challenge Medal.

Aug. 29 & 30.—Hunstanton : Summer Meeting.

SEPTEMBER.

- Sept. 1.—Tyneside : Bi-Monthly Medal.
Sept. 2.—Royal Cornwall : Club Competition.
Minehead : Autumn Competitions.
- Sept. 3.—Brighton and Hove : Berens Gold Medal.
Royal Liverpool : Monthly Medal.
Bowdon : Monthly Medal.
Warrender : Monthly Medal.
Richmond : Monthly Medal.
Redhill and Reigate : Turner Medal.
London Scottish : Monthly Medal.
Monifieth : Silver Medal.
Cathkin Braes : Monthly Medal.
Felixstowe : Monthly Challenge Cup.
Newbiggin : Club Prize.
- Sept. 5.—Folkestone : Autumn Meeting.
Sept. 6.—Carnarvonshire : Monthly Medal.
Royal Blackheath : Monthly Medal.
- Sept. 6 to 10.—Irish Amateur Championship, at Portrush.
- Sept. 7.—Southdown and Brighton Ladies : Foursome Competition.
Durham : Walter Cup.
Blackheath Ladies' : Monthly Medal.
Southdown and Brighton Ladies' : Foursomes.
West Cornwall Ladies : Captain's Prize.
- Sept. 8.—Newbiggin : Club Gold Medal.
- Sept. 10.—Leasowe : Monthly Competition.
Bradford St. Andrews : Rhodes Medal.
Buxton and High Peak : The Strang Cup.
Royal Isle of Wight : Monthly Medal.
Formby : Cullen Scratch Medal.
Guildford : Monthly Medal.
Thistle, Edinburgh : Match, Treasurer v. Secretary.
Littlestone : Monthly Medal.
Cathkin Braes : Members' Match.
Felixstowe : Captain's Prize.
Southport : Monthly Medal.
Cumbrae : Monthly Competition.
Warwickshire : Two Silver Cups.
Royal County, Portrush : Open Hole Competition.
West Herts : Monthly Medal.
Warwickshire : Foursome Cups Tournament.
Scarborough : Silver Medal.

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MY FELLOW-GOLFERS.

XI.—"PAW DAVVLE." (PART II.).

I think this Neapolitan part of poor Jemmy's experiences was the most bitter of all to him. It was not only that he had to listen for hours to the exhortations of that saintly and deeply instructed woman his wife, and to read books, "will-he nil-he," of the most terrifying and inflammatory character; it was not only that he had to submit to being called a heathen, an outcast, a lover of this world, a despiser of the Church of God, and other terms of spiritual opprobrium, but she starved him. She herself had given up wines and meat; was it right, was it reasonable that her husband should refuse to follow her in this holy self-denial? So the poor fellow, whose one hour of comfort in the day had hitherto arrived with the dinner (which she had quite agreed with him in having prodigiously good), found himself obliged to forego his *ménus diners*, his *petits plats*, his champagne, his *lagrime Cristi*, his *vin blanc*, and to subsist as well as he could on macaroni and polenta, and soup maigre, and vegetables washed down by beakers of (let us hope) pure water. He suffered abominably in the process, both in body and mind, and as his circulation was affected, his toes become horribly cold at night. He represented this sad fact to his spouse, but got no particular consolation, for, Saints and angels! what are a husband's toes when it is a question of his salvation. Indeed Mrs. Paulovna sometimes treated the matter with that sardonic humour which would now-and-then take possession of this estimable woman; "Better to have cold toes now than hot ones hereafter, *mon cher*." She said with one of her grins. No poor Jem got no comfort from his help-meet, who insisted on his obedience, and it is a fact that one of the very worst of the rows he ever got into with his beloved took place when she caught him once during the starvation *régime*, eating sausages madly at a second-hand cook-shop near the Corso.

But this state of things, after all, did not last long. Mrs. Paulovna one day had a violent quarrel with her father-confessor, used some highly improper and indecorous language to that kindly old ecclesiastic, and that very day ordered a most *recherché* repast (in which Jemmy simply revelled), during which she announced that she was tired *à mort* of that stupid Bay and Vesuvius *et tout ça*, and ordered her husband, with reproaches because he had never done it before, to take her at once to London, and on to the home of his ancestors.

Their stay in town was but a brief one, for the dear girl (she was now twenty-six), was consumed with eagerness to see her new home; just long enough in fact for a few theatres, and the ordering of some perfectly *recherché* and fearfully expensive costumes from Madame Elise, and (oh, the foolish, disobedient, reckless prodigal) for a hasty furtive escapade on his part to the "Travellers," which he executed (the wretch), one morning when his sweet Paulovna had gone to the dressmaker's to be "fitted." He rushed off in fear and trembling, and oh, how he prayed that his beloved might not find him out! I fear there must have been a curse on him, for when he arrived there he got very little pleasure out of his stolen visit. There were distressingly many new faces about, and as for the rest, in his nervous, depressed state, he thought such of his old acquaintances as he met looked queerly at him, and must have been discussing his miserable history. And such indeed was the fact. "Paw davvle" remarked Granville Cust to "Chifney" Aitchison, in that curious, rich, throaty drawl of his; "they say she's thratened" (so he pronounced it) "to put a stiletto into him, and that he's as tarried of her as Jos Sadley was of Backy Sharp;" and that aristocratic horse-loving ignoramus, Aitchison, who hasn't the vaguest idea who Jos Sedley and Becky Sharp were, and doesn't care either, barks out something about "a bally fool," rings the smoking-room bell, and orders a "flor-fina" and a dry curaçoa from the attendant Helot.

How could Jemmy Hutchisson have been so foolish? Was it likely that his own, his life, his blessing would not wish to know how her lord had passed the wretched hours of separation? Jem never was a good hand at lies, and besides her eye was not an easy one to face. He stammered, he stuttered, he began something about the circulating library, broke

down hopelessly, and then made a clean breast of it and owned up as she glared at him.

The result of his crime was, of course, immediate and condign punishment. She knew what clubs were she said, where men talked scandal and wasted their money at cards (this from her), and abused and laughed at their wives. She wasn't going to be ridiculed and neglected, though well she knew, she added, his desire to do both. "Take your name off the lists of that odious place, *mon ange*," she said with a sneer, or I'll know the reason why, *vois tu*." She uttered this sentence with as little remorse as the Queen in "Through the Looking-glass" says, "Off with his head," and taken off the name was, sure enough, for what could he do? "Anything for a quiet life," muttered the "Paw davvle" with a bitter *sotto voce* curse.

That London visit, short as it was, was attended by other annoyances to Jemmy Hutchisson. Lady Allington and the Marchioness of Hilsea, and that light of society, Mrs. Hargreaves-Billington, and various others who knew his family, and desired to show civility to Madame his wife on that account, left cards and invited the happy couple to some of their delectable entertainments. To one or two of these functions she allowed Jemmy to take her, but as she declared London disagreed with her, and was always suffering from "*malaise*," or "*migraine*," or sulks, or something or other, and moreover, took not the slightest trouble to make herself agreeable to her hosts, she made a very bad impression; while as for returning cards, or giving explanations of non-appearance, *mon Dieu, que voulez vous*, life is too short for *embêtements* of that sort. Need we wonder if the dear Marchioness sniffs now at the very mention of her name, and that Lady Allington declares she is the most ill-bred woman she ever met, while as for Mrs. Hargreaves-Billington, who waited an hour for dinner, and never even saw this woman after all, or heard a word from her in explanation (for she had forgotten the whole affair) who shall describe the feelings and the just indignation of Mrs. Hargreaves-B.

Nor were things any happier in the country. Paulovna's experience of London had given her, as she assured her delighted spouse, a deep hatred and dislike of the airs and pretensions of English *grandes dames*. The result was unfortunate. The county society knew all about the relations between the happy pair, and, moreover, had a grudge against this woman who had deprived them of their just reversion of Oakleigh Chase, and the lovely old battlemented Elizabethan house, and the big rent-roll, and the diamonds; but "*As yet*, at all events," said Lady Broadbent, the proudest woman in the county, to that Roman-nosed, exclusive, Mrs. Barker-Granby, "one knows nothing actually against the creature's character, and I suppose one must call and be civil and neighbourly, and all that, you know." So off her Ladyship drove to the Chase, in the full belief that she was conferring a prodigious favour on Mrs. Paulovna, and arrived in time to see that young lady seated out on the terrace, sipping an early tea. The equipage swept up to the door, and the bell was duly rung, producing a huge footman, who assured her ladyship with vast gravity that Madame was "not at home." "Insolent minx," the great lady muttered all the way home over those twelve miles, knowing perfectly that the insult was deliberate, and from that day forward she failed not, like another famous aristocrat, to speak "perseveringly ill of her neighbour."

Nor was Lady Ormston, who drove over from Allerby Park, a whit more successful. True, she was admitted (by mistake) to the sacred recesses of dear Paulovna's boudoir, but she was so frightfully snubbed when she got there that she retreated almost in tears, having, during the interview, scarcely dared to lay claim to her own rather high-coloured beak; while as for the Rector's wife, that model of all the Christian proprieties, and mother of eleven children, is it not on record that she found Mrs. Paulovna lying on a sofa at full length at midday, smoking a cigarette, sipping absinthe, and reading "Nana" with the keenest zest. "I knew what sort of a woman she was after that," said little Mrs. Rector, thanking God in her heart that she was not even as this publican.

Needless to say that Mrs. P.'s treatment of the great ladies was cackled about all over the county, nay, I am bound to add that it was chortled over joyfully also, in some quarters, for these elevated beings are (quite unjustly, of course) not univer-

sally popular. How sweet was the news to Mrs. Secundus-Rate, who is not on visiting terms with either of them. How delighted was dear Mrs. Major Ponto (from the Evergreens), who resents exceedingly the hauteur and impertinence of these "women," as she calls them, and makes constant and perfectly vain attempts to crush them with looks of withering scorn when she jogs past them in her pony-carriage. These two rushed off in hot haste to call on our friend, but met with such a reception from this savage little foreigner, who happened to be in a specially bad humour that day, that they jointly and severally devoted Russia to the infernal fiends, and vowed a great vow never to call again on this "vixen," which vow they kept with religious exactness.

As this kind of thing was constantly happening, Mrs. P. soon earned for herself a thoroughly bad name, and ere long was left severely alone. But for that she "didn't care a glass of vodka," she said to the "Paw Davvle," who had ventured on some timid remonstrances; she had come down to this place for rest and quiet, not to kotow to women whose odious pride ought to be knouted out of them. She meant to enjoy herself after her own fashion, and these people might go to—well, they might go anywhere they pleased, she said, with a grin, as she settled down to "Nana" and her cigarette again.

And enjoy herself after her own way she did. First of all the place must be refurnished throughout à la Louis Quatorze, and all these Elizabethan absurdities sold off. This was done, to the huge indignation of the Antiquarian societies of the kingdom, and the grief of the whole county. Then her spouse was forced to spend a great sum on immense palm-houses and hot water apparatus. Then she took a violent fancy for various kinds of animals; bought high-smelling bloodhounds, that bayed fearfully all night, and lumbering Cochinchina fowls, who woke up her wretched lord and master with raucous cock-a-doodling in the morning. She had a bear over from Russia, which got loose, savagely attacked and injured some of our old friend Sir Huddleston Fuddlestone's hunters in Fuddlestone Park, and was finally shot, amid great excitement, in Mrs. Rector's drawing-room—to the delight of that eminent Christian, of course. Then my lady must needs have a great supply of strange-looking waterfowl from all quarters of the globe, and as you cannot expect waterfowl to walk about all day on dry land, *mon Dieu!* a pond must be found for them, which pond was found by digging up the lovely velvety lawn in front of the house. Then she got bored with these creatures and their preposterous attitudes. "*Je m'en fiche,*" she said, and had most of them killed out of hand. One evening she saw a fox carry off a lovely sheldrake which was rather a favourite of hers. This was *un peu fort*. An instant order went forth for the destruction of all foxes, and the famous meets at the Chase became a thing of the past. Nothing this unfortunate woman ever did secured for her such general dislike and unpopularity as this act of vandalism.

Then Mrs. P. proceeded to take to "sport," and in a very short time became an extraordinarily expert shot, both with gun and rifle. No one was ever asked to shoot now; she didn't choose that they should be so; and out she would go dressed in Hessians with tassels, a very short petticoat looking like a kilt, a heather mixture jacket and waistcoat, and a very piquant little Tyrolese hat with a small cock's feather in it, and bring home great bags of game, which were always sold—for, *que voulez vous?* why the deuce should you trouble yourself to give presents to neighbours who never even call? On these occasions the "Paw Davvle" was ordered to accompany her, and if he missed his shot, which he often did in his nervous state, she scoffed at him and wiped his eye; while, if he took a bird or rabbit of hers, she cursed him freely and savagely before the keepers in very choice French and Russian. Once he was actually ordered home by this indignant sportswoman—and went. The shooting experiences of this happy couple were the cause of great laughter and enjoyment in the county of—

But, after all, life in a lovely country house, replete with every luxury, is a *triste* affair enough, *bien entendu*, and when Mrs. Paulovna had exhausted the possibilities, of this miserable *borné* rural existence she naturally looked round for other distractions.

It was at this time that, idling about in the old oak-furnished library she casually took up "Candide," and was at once immersed in its contents. Though quite untaught, and grossly

ignorant, she was not wanting in brains nor in power to enjoy wit, and she plunged into this book and into the whole series of Voltaire's works with an avidity which astonished herself, and was the subject of absolute amazement to *mon ange*, who dreadingly wondered what was up *novu*. How she chuckled, how she laughed, how she shook a metaphorical fist at superstitions, and lies, and priests, and miracles, and the whole series of absurdities which, for 1,800 years have "degraded and debased the mind of man," said this little Muscovite.

And with the growth of her infidel opinions the range of her literature widened. She quite gave up garden, and gun, and rifle, and sat all day in the library, smoking cigarettes, and reading and re-reading destructive and critical books and pamphlets and newspapers which she had down from London—Tom Paine, the effusions of the late lamented Mr. Bradlaugh, Colenso on the Pentateuch, *The Freethinker*, "The Iconoclast," "Priests Explained," "Religion Exploded"—who knows what, varied by the "Arabian Nights" in the original (which, with its appendices, she found delightful). Congreve, Wycherley, Ma-singer, Ford, "The Decameron," Rabelais, Paul de Kock, the Zolaesque school, &c., &c., *que sais-je?* Her progress was astonishing, and nothing did she enjoy so much as to fire off, in the presence of her bewildered hubby and the sniggering servants, jokes and allusions out of these interesting volumes which nearly made his respectable iron-grey hair tumble off.

But, *que voulez vous?* The blessings of enlightenment must not be denied to one's fellows, and money was shortly after screwed out of poor Jemmy with which Miladi proceeded to build institutes and lecture-halls in various villages round about, which she supplied abundantly with speakers against Christianity (especially that of the Church of England), and with the literature from which she had derived such enormous benefit. These places were crammed at night with eager yokels, while, as for books like "The Fruits of Philosophy," and others dealing with questions of sex, population, production, and so forth, these were read and discussed in every cottage for twenty miles round, and were the subject of endless delight and profit to the youth of both sexes of the various circumjacent farms and villages who bought them or stole them, and revelled in their contents behind clumps of trees and hedges and barns and haystacks.

Needless to say, the serious respectable community of the county of all ranks was amazed, scandalised, horrified. The dear Bishop wrote to *mon ange* in the most heart-rending terms. There were columns of indignant letters in the *County Herald*, and the *County Sentinel*, and the *County Watchman*, in which poor Hutchisson was held up by name to public scorn and obloquy. Several of the prominent local gentry rode over to the Chase, insisted on seeing the unhappy man, and remonstrated with him in person; for things were getting very bad, the clergy were being insulted in their rides and walks, and the most objectionable caricatures, and the most odious and libellous statements about them were being nailed to the church doors and pasted on to walls and hoardings. *Mon ange* was in despair; but, *bon Dieu!* if one has convictions one must spread them. The Bishop and the other *miserables* might "go to the devil they are so fond of talking about, if such a person exists," said the little Russian in good honest English, and poor Jemmy gave up his protests in abject helplessness.

But the end was not far off. For a long time past the rent-roll of the Chase had been steadily diminishing, thanks to the agricultural depression; and the extravagances of dear Paulovna brought about a financial crisis at last. To crown her efforts after her husband's happiness, she varied her infidel and Besantian propaganda by a mad outbreak of gambling at Monaco, where she insisted on being taken, "for rest and change." At first she won a great sum, and more and more yet again. The European papers rang with her luck. Then she lost, not only the whole of that, but also an enormous sum at Picquet, to boot, and the unhappy Hutchisson, who dared not for the life him decline to pay the debt, had to face it, and the fact that after payment of it, which he effected by a loan at terribly high interest, he was to all intents and purposes a ruined man.

Then she left him! Was it reasonable to suppose that she was going to live in a miserable hut or in lodgings with a *vieux fou* of 65, and eat chops, *chops, mon Dieu!* So one fine morning she disappeared from Monaco, with such jewels as she had

left, in the company of a Russian Count of great reputed wealth, who had been most civil and obliging to Monsieur Hutchisson and his *charmante dame* during their stay.

Yes, she was gone, all was over. *Mon ange* was left to pay off his huge debt and live how he could. I am not sure that he cursed much when he had realised his lady's exit, but he just let the Chase and came to us and to the links, and has settled down to old age and an occasional one round a day, a confirmed, hopeless misogynist.

"Paw Davvle," said Mr. Cust again, when he heard the finis of this strange eventful history, and "Paw Davvle," say the unfortunate man's fellow-golfers, but not unkindly, for old Jemmy's manners among men have not even now quite lost their charm.

(To be continued.)

IMP.

A NEW GOLF CLUB.

Mr. John A. Robertson, junr. of Stilton, Peterborough, has sent a driver containing two improvements. One is a slip of thin celluloid along the face of the club, thereby doing away with the horn on the sole, and the other is the manner in which the lead is let in behind. Instead of the lead being all along the back of the club it is concentrated in small space immediately behind the point of impact. Of the celluloid face it may be said that the general effect is to drive a long ball with a low flight, and with a click very much resembling a creak shot. The designer of this club, however, who is, we believe, an old Fifeshire golfer, must guard against making the heads of the clubs too heavy. The club we received is much too heavy in the head to be satisfactory. The celluloid should either be a trifle thinner, and roughened on the surface to give grip to the ball, or the weight of the lead should be greatly curtailed. Experience of course will teach many things in time, but these points have been suggested by a recent trial. When they are adopted we see no reason why the celluloid-faced club should not have a good future before it. The club ought to be particularly serviceable in wet, windy weather.

CUMBRAE CLUB.—The monthly competition for the gold medals presented by Mr. Wm. Martin of Freeland and Mr. G. Y. Hendry, Tourville, took place on Saturday evening. The weather was unfavourable for golfing, rain falling most of the time, making the ground very heavy. The following are the details:—Martin medal—Mr. John Reid (7), 94; Mr. R. F. Watson (10), 97; Mr. A. Russell (14), 98; Mr. James French (18), 101; Mr. William Ross (18), 103; Mr. William M. Miller (18), 103; Mr. J. M'Creddie (18), 118; Mr. A. H. Duncan (18), 119; Mr. A. Russell, jun. (18), 123. Hendry medal—Mr. James French (18), 101; Mr. W. Miller (18), 113; Mr. William Ross (6), 115; Mr. J. M'Creddie (16), 120; Mr. A. H. Duncan (15), 122; Mr. A. Russell, jun. (18), 123.

RANFURLY CASTLE CLUB.—When the monthly medal was played for on the first Saturday in July Mr. R. Brownlee, jun., and Mr. A. B. M'Kechnie tied. These have now played off the tie, Mr. Brownlee gaining the medal with a score of 89, less 8=81. Mr. M'Kechnie's score was 110, less 18=92. The Brunfaut medal was played for on Saturday, and was won by Mr. James Potts. The lowest score of the day was made by Mr. R. B. Mitchell, (38 and 47=85), his 38 being made up as follows:—5 4 4 4 5 3 4 5 4=38. Mr. James Potts (25), 72; Mr. W. J. Mirrlees (30), 84; Mr. R. B. Mitchell, 85; Mr. A. C. Weir (10), 86; Mr. R. Brownlee, jun., (3), 86.

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ON TEES.

As there are many golfers, so there are many tees; and by their tees may golfers be known—and, strange paradox though it sounds, especially in cases where the golfer uses no tee at all.

How airily he poises his ball on the stubbly grass; and what an amount of anxiety he saves himself and his caddie! If I were a caddie I should avoid the gentlemen who use ornamental tees with faded ribbons attached. Those are weary intervals which are spent in searching for tees which have travelled as far as the ball.

In my humble opinion, the progress of the ball is checked by these heavy tees. Sand scatters loosely round the ball, but the rubber or cork tees seem to cling to and travel with the ball. I speak diffidently, having seen good driving from a rubber tee.

There are few things more irritating than to wait while your opponent builds an elaborate tee, resembling an Eiffel Tower in miniature, and then to watch the ball roll off it several times because he balances it so awkwardly. You have your revenge when the sand flashes and whirls into his eyes, and his ball is horribly short of the mark. There is no pastime so devoid of the sweet qualities of sympathy and charity as is this "Royal and Ancient" game. Probably the game is so ancient that these excellent virtues were in a rudimentary stage at the time it was invented, and so the rules have provided no scope for the exercise of them.

This is a digression from my subject. To continue, therefore, I have seen some strange tees in my time, which were objects of superstitious reverence to their owners.

I know a man who uses a lump of red leather (or, as our childish rhyme has it, a red leather lump), from the sole of a shoe which he wore when he won a silver cigarette case at lawn tennis. He has never yet won anything at Golf, but he firmly believes in the virtues of his tee, and woe to the caddie who fails to mark its fall.

India-rubber rings from patent stoppers are very popular just now. I notice a friend of mine cuts queer-shaped tees out of corks. They are shaped like egg-cups, and effectually prevent the ball from over-shooting the mark, since their principal quality is much like that of a drag upon a coach-wheel. My friend is very proud of them, however, and scatters them among his fellow-golfers with a generous hand.

The other day I picked up the half of a tennis-ball, with a hole in the top and a long red tail attached to one side. This, I was told, was Mr. A's tee. I tried to use it, out of curiosity, but I evidently did not understand how to humour its peculiarities. It was the sort of tee one should have been brought up with from childhood, in order to appreciate its better qualities.

It is curious what tricks the caddies will play with the sand. They fill it with gravel or small pebbles, pour water over it, and mix it to a paste, or let it get so dry that there is no building up a tee. One thing I am sure of, that an elaborate and fussily-built-up tee usually precedes an equally elaborate miss, and the player anathematises the tee which he has built.

I have seen some paper tees which look like ramaquin or soufflet cases—the culinary golfer will realise this illustrative comparison easily—but I cannot speak of them from experience. When all is said and done, each man has his own fancy, and happy the man who has confidence in his own tee. By the way, and as a fitting conclusion to my theme, what a foolish sound lurks in this word *tee*! Does it owe its origin to the sober Scotch? I am ignorant on the subject, and forget whether it is mentioned in the Badminton Book of Golf. To me it sounds ominously like the preliminary giggle of the caddies as one misses the ball; but I would not be prepared to go to the stake on this point, nor would I press this derivation upon my readers as a recognised theory. They are at liberty to reject it, with or without scorn, as they please.

Doubtless some etymologist (I trust this word is the right one for my case. There is one so like it, which means a man learned in insects, that I am confused) will kindly solve the mystery, and teach me the correct derivation. I will be heartily obliged to him.

B.



The monthly meeting of the Carnoustie Police Commission was held on Monday evening, the 8th inst., when the Recreation Ground Committee reported that, as instructed, they had met a deputation from the Dalhousie Golf Club in regard to the complaints that had been made to the Commission as to the club creating too many hazards on the Golf course. The committee stated that the deputation had assured them that while wishing to maintain the course, in a thorough manner, the club had no other wish but to make the course a first-class one, their desire also being to accommodate all players as far as possible, as also to work harmoniously with the other clubs; but, rather than be interfered with by all and sundry, they would prefer to throw up the upkeep of the course, which was costing the club about £200 yearly. The committee further stated that in the course of a harmonious discussion they and the deputation considered it advisable that a definite understanding should be drawn up as to the relationship existing between the Commission and the Dalhousie Club as to the upkeep of the course. This was agreed to.

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The ground selected for the new Golf course at Peterhead, referred to in last week's issue, lies immediately to the North of the river Ugie, the first tee being on the top of the bank to the right of the ferry, and the Home hole being practically at the edge of the water. The course abounds with natural hazards, and the greens are of excellent turf. The distance between the holes is:—1st 140 yards, 2nd 260 yards, 3rd 300 yards, 4th 150 yards, 5th 220 yards, 6th 175 yards, 7th 310 yards, 8th 280 yards, 9th 255 yards. The short holes are particularly dangerous, and unless the player can almost reach the green from the tee he will find no end of trouble. Workmen have been on the ground for the past fortnight, putting the green into playing order, and should the weather continue favourable the Committee fully anticipate that they will be able to open the course by 1st September.

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The Coventry Golf Club have just secured and opened as a new club-house a villa residence, situated not more than 40 yards from the first tee and eighteenth hole green. The house is well adapted for a club, and has stabling for the use of members who drive. The Coventry links are most sporting, and very steady play is necessary in making a good round. The greens are excellent, and the course does not suffer from long grass in summer, like most inland links.

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Playing in the monthly handicap of the Leasowe Golf Club on Saturday, Mr. John Ball, jun., made the record score of the green going round twice—eighteen holes—in 40 and 36=76, a high wind blowing during the whole time. The following are the details:—

First round ... 4 5 4 4 4 5 5 6 3=40 }
 Second round 4 5 5 3 3 4 3 5 4=36 } 76.

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Playing on Saturday on the Braids, Edinburgh, Mr. Crawford, of the Grampian Club, holed the ninth hole off the tee.

Golfers will find particulars in the advertisement columns of the first Irish amateur championship promoted by the Golfing Union of Ireland. This Union is composed of the Royal Belfast, Royal Dublin, Royal County (Portrush), Aughnacloy, Dungannon, Killymoon, Portsalon, County Down, Ballycastle, and North-West Golf Clubs. The meeting will take place on September 6th, and will close on the 10th, and entries must be made before September 3rd. The rules under which play takes place are those of St. Andrews, and the winner receives a gold medal, while the challenge trophy, value £50, is held for a year by the club to which the winner belongs. Coming as the meeting does before the Open Championship at Muirfield, and in what is practically the holiday season, there ought to be a good gathering of all our crack golfers on Irish soil. In any case the Irish Union of Golfers are to be congratulated upon giving evidence of their existence by so markedly initiating what is in all respects a beneficial reform in the conduct of a great match of widespread interest everywhere. We are authorised to say that a hearty welcome will be extended to all golfers.

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On Thursday the 11th August, Willie Aveston, the professional, made a record on the Cromer links. He did the nine holes in 32—4 3 4 3 3 4 5 3 3. This, considering that the sixth hole is now much lengthened, is a fine performance.

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RECORD FOR MUIRFIELD GREEN.—In a single with Mr. W. Mure, over the Muirfield course on Wednesday, the 10th, Mr. L. Stuart Anderson beat the record with a finely-compiled 77. Mr. Anderson had an 80 in the forenoon, and in the second round managed to place the fine figure of 77 to his credit. Details:—Out 4 6 4 4 4 4 4 4 5=39; In 4 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 5=38; total 77.

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A match was played over the North Berwick green on Wednesday evening, the 10th, between Bernard Sayers and Davie Grant. Each showed splendid form, turning with 38 for the ten out holes. Coming home Sayers gained a slight advantage, and ultimately won at Pointgarry in hole by 2 up and 1 to play. The respective scores for the round were 71 and 72.

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Last week Mr. John Hay, from Edinburgh, playing over the Moray Golf course with Mr. J. C. Ruxton, took the short hole in one. The club used was a mashie. This is the only instance, so far as we are aware, that a hole has been secured in one stroke at Loissemouth.

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The Tenby Golf Club Links are now open for the summer season, and visitors are heartily invited to play. The terms are 5s. per week, 10s. per month, and 20s. per season. Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, Colonel Morgan Lloyd, Belvadier, Tenby. Subscriptions payable at The Sports Depot, Tenby.

THE GOLF HOUSE CLUB, ELIE.

The summer meeting of this club was held on Monday, the 8th inst. and despite the the unpropitious weather, there was a good turn-out, and the play was exceptionally good. In the forenoon the Baird medal was won by Mr. John Taylor, Edinburgh, with a score of 65, and the Babington medal was won by Mr. William Morgan with a score of 69. In the afternoon, in the handicap competitions the results were as follows:—The Cairnie Trophy—Mr. J. H. Outhwaite, 69, less 5=64. The cup presented by Sir Ralph Anstruther of Balcaskie to the player with the lowest score in two rounds was gained by Mr. J. H. Outhwaite, 72 and 69=141, less 10=131. The winners of the sweepstakes were: 1, Mr. J. H. Outhwaite, 69, less 5=64; 2, Rev. A. Leggé, 73, less 6=67; 3, Dr. S. C. Fowler, scratch, 67; 4, Mr. H. M. Ketchen, 75, less 8=67. The members of the club dined in the club house in the evening under the presidency of Captain J. Scott Davidson of Cairnie. The meeting was most successful, and the arrangements made by the secretary gave every satisfaction.



THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Seeing that the clubs who are the donors of the Open Championship medals and prizes recognise the unsatisfactory conditions under which past competitions have been conducted, by making the test to consist of four rounds in place of 2, would it be too much to ask them to reconsider the whole question, and radically alter the conditions of the contest, and approximate the future system of playing as near to true Golf as possible, i.e., "match play;" a sine qua non for which is to abolish the aggregate score system? Briefly, my suggestions are as follow:—

1. That four rounds of eighteen holes be played. Two on the first, and two on the second day.
2. Entrance money.—Competitors who retire on or before the evening of the first day, to be refunded half their entrance money.
3. That the competition be conducted (a) on the tournament system, by score for the Championship; (b) and for the money prizes, other than the first, on the American tournament system, also by score.
4. The rules for match play to be observed during the first and second days' play, with the exception that there shall be no stimpies, and every hole must be played out. The penalty for not holing out to be the loss of such holes to all competitors who shall have holed out. In the final thirty-six holes, the rules for match play to be followed.
5. That the two players left in the final (under tournament system, a) play, a further thirty-six holes on the third day by holes, but starting relatively (to each other) as their scores in the previous four rounds may have placed them.
6. Ties in all cases to be decided by the last half-round played, and if again tying, by the next half-round, and so on.

As any but "match play" ceases to be true Golf, and time forbids this mode of deciding competitions, except perhaps where competitors are few in number, playing by holes and score is the practicable imitation of it.

The advantage of playing by score is that a hole spoilt either by ill-luck or bad play is but a hole lost, and the further interest in the contest is not diminished, far less extinguished, as when playing by aggregate score.

To the objection that the working out each individual score entails immense labour I can vouch that, without help and unaided experience, I found the winners in the last autumn meeting of the Royal and Ancient (when about seventy couples started), as also the winner of the Open Championship, each under an hour. The tournament system by score is simplicity itself, as half fall out on a comparison of scores after a reasonable test of 72 holes in place of 18, as in the Amateur Championship.

The American tournament system is suggested for the money prizes other than that which accompanies the Championship, because it nearly always happens that some (more or less) of

the best players are put out by their compeers, and the prizes that would otherwise fall to them pass to less skilful players. Refunding half the entrance to those withdrawing on the first day would induce numbers to do so who know they have no chance of ultimate success, and who under existing rules play on, simply because they have paid to do so. I have reason to believe that the majority of aspirants for championships, view favourably the suggestions now put forward.

I am, Sir, &c.,
D. W. M.

NEW LINKS IN NORTH WALES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—The golfer ever seeks for "fresh fields and pastures new"; so it may interest some of your readers to know that a Golf club is in process of formation at Aberdovey, in North Wales, where the natural advantages are considerable.

The course extends over a length of about two miles of marsh land, meadow, and sand-banks, and presents many of the best features of good Golf links, the hazards being generally of the orthodox description, and quite abundant enough for most players. Sand-hills and bunkers dog the footsteps of the golfer through much of his career. Bent grass, rushes, stones and gorse exercise their usual fascinations, whilst the charms of the luscious blackberry, the sweet burnet rose, and the prickly sea holly complete his misery. Additional distractions have, however, been provided by the hand of man and the feet of rabbits, in the shape of walls, ditches, and burrows. Water, also, seems everywhere to the errant player.

On the other hand, the excellent turf between the long holes presents plenty of scope for the talents of the demon drivers, but the men of cunning approach, and they of unvarying rectitude need never despair, for they will have abundant chances of displaying their abilities.

For those degenerate golfers who care for scenery, a climb to the top of the highest sand-dune on a fine summer evening will, I think, give them a view which will satisfy the most exigent.

As is the case with most new courses, the greatest defect is the condition of the putting-greens, some of which are, however, exceptionally good for natural greens, and there will be little difficulty in perfecting the others, and generally in making a thoroughly satisfactory course, provided—and herein lies the principal hazard—that the requisite funds are forthcoming. This implies a strong club, which the immediate neighbourhood will scarcely be able to support, and I write partly with the hope that this announcement may be the means of enlarging the sphere of membership.

The Cambrian Railway, although not perhaps holding the record for speedy travelling, will land the golfer within a tee shot of the links, and within a few hundred yards of his lodgings, if he is making a stay in the village, which possesses numerous other attractions than its links.

I shall be very glad to reply to any inquiries which your readers may wish to make, or they can be directed to the secretary of the Golf club at Aberdovey.

I am, Sir, &c.,
R. M. RUCK,
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QUESTIONS ON THE RULES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—A is playing a round without a partner, with a caddie. After getting two-thirds of the way round, B and C, who have not played round, and neither of whom has a caddie, whilst A is holing out, cut in before him and knock off for the next hole, thereby causing A to wait until they have holed out, the hole being a short one. Is this allowable? Or is it etiquette?

I am, Sir, &c.,

LEX.

[It is a question of the etiquette of the green. Generally speaking, players with caddies may pass those without, while a two-ball match may take priority of three or more balls. In the circumstances here described we think that B and C were certainly guilty of discourtesy in cutting in. They had not played the full round, they had no caddies, while A had a caddie and had played the full round. No rule or custom, therefore, justified them of right in cutting in; and the least they could have done in the circumstances was to have asked the permission of A to pass.—ED.]

"REGRETTABLE INCIDENT" AT ST. ANDREWS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—St. Andrews at present seems to have a most unpleasant monopoly of "regrettable incidents." I know of no other links on which they occur. There they seem to be matters of pretty tolerable frequency. I have no wish to inquire why St. Andrews should be the specially-chosen hunting-ground of the "sharp practitioner." What I do want to point out to golfers in general is that the rules under which he seems specially to live and thrive, are the very last which clubs all through the country should have been in such a blind hurry to adopt.

I was playing a club match the other day on a links not a hundred miles from Glasgow. At the second hole I got into some whins. As I was wading in to play my ball, I asked my opponent, "By the way, Mr. D—, what rules are we playing—the new St. Andrews ones?" "Not unless you specially wish it, sir. I prefer to play the rules by which *gentlemen* used to play Golf." My story rather misses its point for want of the name. I can only say that there is no better judge of the game than Mr. D—; certainly no one more qualified to express the opinion of the bulk of golfers, amateur and professional. We are no nearer uniformity now than we were. Prestwick and Sandwich have already, by their by-laws, driven a coach and four through Rule XIV., and many other clubs are following their example.

I saw some correspondence that passed about rule xxxviii. (?xxxiv.) which showed that the framers of it could give no lucid nor logical interpretation of their own words.

In the hope of driving another nail into the coffin of these ill-starred rules, may I give their history for the benefit of those who do not already know it? In deference to an agitation got up by a noisy minority, the Royal and Ancient Golf Club appointed a committee nominally to revise the Rules of Golf, practically to abolish the stumie. The committee appointed were men badly afflicted with the modern craze, that nothing that was good enough for our fathers is good enough for us. They went to work with a zeal and a belief in their own powers of reformation, that almost reached the sublime, and actually reached the ridiculous. As a result of their labours, they proposed numerous alterations in the most fundamental rules of Golf, each and all of which were negated at the next general meeting of the club; but unfortunately, whether from a wish to justify to some extent the existence of the committee at all, or from a mistaken sense of kindness and wish to let the committee down as easily as possible, the rules were remitted to them, and they were allowed to do a little tinkering, which it was fondly hoped would prove harmless. The Royal and Ancient Golf Club are at present reaping the fruits of their mistake in a plentiful crop of "Regrettable Incidents" and a rapidly waning prestige.

The only person who can possibly derive any satisfaction

from the situation—and that a melancholy one—must be Sir Alexander Kinloch, when he thinks of his disregarded caution to the meeting.

It is easy to find fault; it is hard to find a remedy; but I cannot help thinking that the subject of Golf rules having been so thoroughly thrashed out, and the evils of the present ones being so very apparent, it would be easy for delegates from, say, five or six of the leading clubs in the country, to frame a set of rules, which, with the addition of such local ones as circumstances demanded would prove generally acceptable, and I believe that the more they had the courage to be thoroughly reactionary, and go back as far as possible to the old rules under which the game has been played (without regrettable incidents) for generations—the more they will fall in with the wishes of the great majority of golfers, both amateur and professional.

I am, Sir, &c.,

E. D. P.

Prestwick, Aug. 15th.

LOOSE PLAY-CLUB HEADS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I can inform "S," of the Oxford University Golf Club, that the only infallible remedy is to have his clubs re-glued say every ten years.* If he is going abroad for forty or fifty years, he had better leave his clubs with a professional, with written instructions to do so.

I am, Sir, &c.,

PARLANE MACFARLANE.

* This is not a patent.

Review.

THE ART JOURNAL. August Number J. S. Virtue & Co., Limited, London. 1s. 6d.

In the current number of this charming magazine there is the first of a series of articles entitled "Rambles in the Isle of Wight," the text being by Mr. Marcus B. Huish, and the illustrations by Mr. Percy Robertson. The author starts out by taking note of the changed condition of the Isle of Wight as contrasted with its primitive beauty in bygone days. Easy railway and steamboat communication have brought the holiday tripper from far and near, while that concomitant of the inroad of civilisation—the speculative builder—has laid under contribution many acres of nature's fairest prospects, and has given them over to the genius of bricks and mortar. Mr. Huish also paints for us with a sympathetic and artistic pen, quite Ruskinian in the soft delicacy and beauty of its imagery, the outstanding picturesqueness of the scenery and the quaint little nooks which are worthy of a visit, and not generally seen by the visitor who rushes here and there during a brief holiday. Mr. Robertson, on the other hand, has done the illustrations most admirably. He gives us a charming sketch, as headpiece, of the first glimpse of the island from a boat steaming out of Portsmouth, St. Helen's Church, Ryde from the Solent, Love Lane, Bembridge, the beach at Bembridge with its curious bathing tents, the Dover, St. Helen's, with a couple of golfers playing, while the sea dotted with shipping lies beyond; and last of all we have Brading and the Ferry. In other respects the number is interesting and instructive. It has as frontispiece a fine reproduction of Feyen Perrin's picture in the Luxembourg—"The Return of the Oyster Fishers at Cancale."

ROSSLYNLEE GOLF CLUB.—Play for the monthly medals has resulted in Mr. H. G. Thomson winning the scratch, and Mr. D. Nelson the handicap medal.

Eminent Golfers.

XXXII.—MR. J. R. WHITECROSS.

The subject of this brief sketch can boast a record quite unique in its way in the annals of the royal and ancient game. Two outstanding events in the remarkable golfing career of Mr. J. R. Whitecross would alone suffice to indicate an exceptional brilliancy of play in the "palmy" days of the now popular Tantallon captain. With what excusable pride does he yet narrate all the circumstances of his having had his name inscribed no fewer than thirteen times on the Scratch medal of the Tantallon Club? One may remark that such a feat evidences wonderfully consistent Golf, considering the lengthy period over which the victories extend. How greatly, however, does the feat seem enhanced in one's eyes on learning—and he tells this perhaps with especial pleasure—that nine of these wins were accomplished *thrice three times in succession*. Again, how many golfers can lay claim to having secured every hole of the North Berwick course in three? Not only so; but he has secured Pointgarry-in hole, the longest on the links, twice in that number of strokes. For a considerable time past he had seventeen of the holes in three each; but not until quite recently did he succeed in connecting the last link in the chain. Naturally the delight occasioned on the completion of so remarkable a feat—after waiting so long for the eighteenth hole—may be better imagined than described. The first tussle of any importance in which he was engaged was that with Sir Charles Tennant at a meeting of the North Berwick Club about forty years ago. Sir Charles had been successful in carrying off the honours of the competition, and a match was immediately arranged between Mr. Whitecross and the winner. The result may be gathered from the reply of Sir Charles to a friend who inquired how he had got on. "Oh, he has knocked me into a cocked hat; but see what an arm the fellow has got!" Mr. Whitecross was one of the original members of the now important Tantallon Club, of which he is at present the popular captain, and in connection with which his record is so phenomenal. He has gained no end of prizes at the meetings of the club, and, in fact, was for some twenty years regarded as "cock of the green" at North Berwick. For many years Mr. Whitecross was a member of the Bruntsfield Club, and has had the honour of winning the gold medal and Cairns gold medal at Musselburgh in connection with that club. While a member of the Luffness Club, he was frequently successful in carrying off the first prize at its meetings; and as a reward of his winning at Luffness in the same week the silver club and President's medal, he was presented with a gold badge. Perhaps more than any other of the many badges which tell of a remarkable golfing career, Mr. Whitecross regards with pardonable pride a cup he gained over Luffness links. The prolonged struggle, from which he emerged victorious, was indeed one to be remembered. Sixty eight



competitors started, the cup to become the property of the winner. On a return of cards it was found that no fewer than four gentlemen, including Mr. Whitecross, had tied for the coveted prize. As the result of a second round, Mr. Whitecross and his partner again tied, whilst the other two were thrown out. For the third time Mr. Whitecross and his opponent fought determinedly for the cup, and the result was, for the third time, a tie. Resolving to "do or die," Mr. Whitecross essayed on the fourth round with his erstwhile formidable antagonist. This proved by far the best round of the former in the contest, and, in his own words, he "licked his head off," referring to his opponent. This gentleman was Mr. Marcus Brown, of Musselburgh, a well-known "crack" exponent of the noble game.

Although now well advanced in years, and naturally lacking in the brilliancy of play that characterised him of old, Mr. Whitecross yet shows a good, consistent game. In the competition for the Scratch medal of the North Berwick New Club, three years ago, he tied for the honour with Mr. J. E. Laidlay (the present amateur champion) and Mr. F. V. Hagart. As the result of a second round, Mr. Whitecross and Mr. Hagart were again equal; but Mr. Laidlay this time wrested the medal from them by two strokes. Some years ago Mr. Whitecross engaged in a friendly encounter at North Berwick with the veteran Tom Morris, of St. Andrews. Tom allowed him a third odds at the start; but as, at the turn, Mr. Whitecross led by as many as eight holes, it was agreed to play subsequently on level terms. As the result of this round the veteran professional had to acknowledge defeat, Mr. Whitecross finishing in the splendid figure of 74, the lowest score up till that time recorded.

Mr. Whitecross is now pretty largely engrossed in municipal, educational, and business matters—for he is a bailie of North Berwick, his native town, and a member of the School Board, as well as an eminently successful merchant—but the veteran can yet manage to spare a couple of hours for the invigorating exercise of the noble and favourite game. Without the slightest intention of flattery, it may be said that Mr. Whitecross has only to be known, not only to be respected but to be really liked, and this deserved eulogium applies equally to him, whether in regard to his public life as a magistrate and business man, or to his connection with the great fraternity of golfers, of which he is so conspicuous a member.

G. S. MILNE.

SELKIRK.—The competition for the Turnbull medal came off on Saturday afternoon. At the start a high west wind was blowing, the weather was fine; during the second round a number of the couples were caught in a very heavy shower of rain, which caused them to "lift and run" for shelter. The best scores are as follows:—Mr. John Connochie (scratch), 86; Mr. Jeffrey Walker, 89, less 2=87; Mr. A. D. Robson, 90 less 3=87; Mr. Robert Currie, 105, less 16=89; Mr. James Jamieson (scratch), 90; Mr. R. Penman (scratch) 90; Mr. George Wright (scratch), 91; Mr. P. H. Lidderdale (scratch), 92. In addition to the winner getting the medal in this case, two clubs given by the club go along with it, and the second gets one club, presented by Mrs. Turnbull, Ettrick View.



ABERDEEN.

The usual quarterly prize competition among the members of the Victoria Club here, took place on Wednesday and Saturday of last week, over the usual links course. The weather on both days was favourable, though rather showery on the Saturday, and there was a large turn-out of competitors, twenty-six couples in all starting. The prizes, which consisted of golfing material—clubs, balls, &c.—numbered nineteen in all, twelve going to first class players and seven to second class players. Ties were decided by the lowest handicaps, and after a keenly-contested competition, more especially amongst the first class players, the following were found to be the winners:—

FIRST CLASS PLAYERS.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. A. M'Connachie	78 +3 81	Mr. D. Jessiman	94 9 85
Mr. J. Innes	82 scr. 82	Mr. W. Bowman	94 8 86
Mr. J. Moggach	95 12 83	Mr. A. Milne (1)	94 8 86
Mr. A. M. M. Dunn	84 scr. 84	Mr. Alex. Cooper	88 scr. 88
Mr. A. Gemmell	96 12 84	Mr. A. R. Williams	89 1 88
Mr. L. Anderson	82 +3 85	Mr. G. Mortimer	94 6 88

SECOND CLASS PLAYERS.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. J. Mackenzie	104 9 95	Mr. P. Mitchell	116 13 103
Mr. J. Gall...	108 12 96	Mr. D. W. Clark	105 scr. 105
Mr. R. MacLennan	102 3 99	Mr. J. Milne (2)	109 4 105
Mr. G. Anderson (2)	103 scr. 103		

The usual two-monthly competition for the club's scratch prize took place at the same time, with the result that Mr. A. M'Connachie, with the fine score of 78, was found to be the winner. His detailed figures were:—4 3 4 5 3 4 5 5 4 3 5 5 3 5 5 6 5 4=78. Among the remaining cards the following had the lowest figures:—Messrs. J. Russell and G. Flett, 90 each; Mr. A. Mitchell, 93; Messrs. J. Forrest and J. B. Banks, 95 each; Messrs. D. J. Innes and D. Gunn, 96 each; Mr. J. Law, 97; Mr. W. Pollock, 98; and Messrs. R. Balmain, G. Barron, and J. Grant, 99 each.

The members of the Bon Accord Club also competed on Wednesday and Saturday of last, week over the same course, for the monthly scratch and handicap medals of the club. When the cards handed in were compared it was found that Mr. James W. Murray had won the scratch medal with a score of 80, scratch, while Mr. George Thomson carried off the handicap with a score of 88, less 12=76. At the same time a competition was held for two prizes (presented by Mr. John Main, clubmaker), under special handicap, which resulted as follows:—1. Mr. George Thomson, 88, less 16=72; 2. Mr. James W. Murray, 80, less 5=75. The following were next in order:—Mr. William Smart, 81; Mr. Henry Glass, 90; Mr. Alexander Smart, 91; Mr. D. B. Leslie, 91; Mr. James Florence, 93; Mr. John Twigg, 94; Mr. James Smith, 95; Mr. William Leslie, 95; Mr. Charles Ward, 97; and Mr. James Cameron, 98.

BUXTON AND HIGH PEAK GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition for the Strang cup took place on the 13th inst.; there was a very small entry, consequent on the attraction of the grouse on the neighbouring moors. Mr. Bythway's win was a very popular one, as his efforts to overcome the difficulties of the ancient game, have long been recognised as something superhuman. Appended are the scores:

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. E. Bythway	105 22 83	Mr. M. J. Hardcastle	119 24 95
Mr. H. E. Acklom	94 5 89	Mr. R. Haigh	111 14 97
Mr. B. Goode	100 10 90		

Five competitors made no return.

FELIXSTOWE GOLF CLUB.

Captain's prize. August 13th. The following cards were handed in:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. L. Ridpath	92 9 83	Mr. C. G. Tunks	100 8 92
Mr. P. G. Spence	96 11 85	Mr. G. Thompson	108 13 95
Mr. J. M. Henderson	91 4 87	Mr. H. P. Cumming	101 6 95
Rev. M. Washington	110 20 90	Mr. S. Mure-Fergus-	
Mr. F. H. Beaumont	109 18 91	son	88 +8 96
Mr. W. O. S. Pell	94 2 92	Capt. W. St. G. Ord	112 14 98

FOLKESTONE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly handicap was played on Wednesday, August 10th, and the Ladies' handicap, Tuesday 9th. Eighteen holes. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. Penny	106 20 86	Mr. Wilson	108 14 94
Major Harding	93 4 89	Mr. R. P. Eccles	125 30 95
Mr. Jeffery	98 9 89	Mr. Richards	125 30 95
Rev. H. Wood	121 30 91	Mr. Paine	107 10 97
Captain Eccles	101 9 92	Captain Austin	101 3 98
Mr. Pedley	101 9 92	General Williams	125 25 100

* Winner of Morris Cross.

Eight others were over 100 nett, or made no return.

Ladies' handicap, Thirteen holes.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Miss Norah Paine	79 6 73	Miss F. Paine	112 15 97
Miss Augusta Eccles	85 8 77	Miss Cockerell	122 25 97
Miss D. Jeffery	91 10 81	Miss Wood	107 8 99
Miss Alice Eccles	104 15 89	Miss Hunter	130 30 100
Miss Honeywood	110 20 90	Miss P. Jeffery	121 20 101
Miss Carson	111 16 95	Miss Jeffery	129 20 109
Miss Edwards	105 8 97		

* Winner of Edwards Prize.

FORFARSHIRE.

The monthly competition of the Montrose Mercantile Club, for the badges and money prizes in connection with this club was concluded on Wednesday evening. Mr. G. M. Smith, with 78, 2 below his number, won the special prize for the lowest score on the green. The other prize-winners were:—First class—Mr. A. Paterson, 87, and Mr. J. Milne, 80, both at number, a tie; Mr. E. Macdonald, 80, 2 above; Mr. W. Burgess, 92, and Mr. D. Burgess, 89, both 3 above, a tie. Second class—Mr. A. Graham, 86, and Mr. W. Sheret, 95, both 3 below, tied for badge; Mr. W. Thomson, 96, 2 below; Mr. J. Douglas, 94, 1 below; Messrs. J. Moir, 95, G. Bowman, 91, and A. D. Adams, 96, at numbers. Third class—Mr. D. Burgess, 104, and Mr. M'Kie, 109, both 1 below.

The first ties in the competition for the Leith medal by the members of the Caledonia Club, Carnoustie, were finished on Saturday. The results are as follows:—Mr. H. Whyte beat Mr. F. Watson, 3 up and 1 to play; Mr. D. Phillips (10) beat Mr. D. Stewart, 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. D. Winter beat Mr. W. K. Lorimer (6), 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. A. B. Harris beat Mr. D. Myles (7), 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. William Carswell beat Mr. J. J. Anderson (3), 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. D. Anderson beat Mr. W. C. Honeyman (11), 6 up and 4 to play; Mr. Alexander Moir (2) beat Mr. D. Whitton, 4 up; Mr. D. Smith beat Mr. James Fleming (6), 7 up and 6 to play; Mr. A. G. Kidd scratched to Mr. George Simpson.

The members of the Monifieth Club competed for a number of ball prizes and sweepstakes on Saturday afternoon. A good number of players entered, fifty-four starting. A stiff breeze from the west told against play coming in; but, notwithstanding, some very creditable scores were handed in. Amongst the best were the following:—Mr. David Dempster, 82; Mr. George Wright, 82; Mr. David Walker, 83; Mr. David L. Low, 83; Mr. James Young, 85; Mr. Alexander Simpson, 85; Mr. J. C. Burns, 87; Mr. David Anderson, 87; Mr. James Walker, 88; Mr. William Lorimer, 89; Mr. William Wilson, 89; Mr. William Fox, 89; Mr. John Chalmers, 89. Prize list:—First class—Scratch, Mr. George Wright and Mr. David Dempster, tie at 82. Average—1, Mr. James M. Walker, 88, 2 below; 2, Mr. David Dempster, 82, average; 3, Mr. David Low, 83, 1 above; 4 (tie), Messrs. Alexander Simpson, 85, James C. Burns, 87, and William Lorimer, 89, all 2 above. Second class—Scratch and first average, Mr. David Walker, 83, 9 below; 2, 3, and 4 (tie), Messrs. William Wilson, 89, William Fox, 89, and P. Grosset, 96, all 4 below; 5 (tie), Mr. John Chalmers, 89, and Mr. David Hanton, 94, both 2 below. Third class—Scratch, Mr. Normand Kay, 94; first average, Mr. James L. Crockatt, 98, 17 below; 2 and 3 (tie), Mr. N. Kay, 94, and Mr. E. Rowan, 108, both 12 below; 4 and 5 (tie), Mr. D. Robertson, 103, Mr. Thomas A. Gettings, 106, and Mr. J. Ireland, 110, all 10 below.

The return match between Edzell v. Visitors was played on the Edzell course on Friday evening. The weather was favourable, the greens in good condition, and on the whole the scoring was low, the lowest scorers being Messrs. Adams and Arnot with 79 each, and Mr. W. W. Drimmie with 84. The visitors won by 10 holes.

A match between fourteen members representing the Scotsraig and Perth Artisan clubs was played at Tayport on Saturday. Two rounds of the course were played, in all eighteen holes. This was the first visit of the Perth Club, who found the course a rather difficult one. The match resulted in a win for the home team by 22 holes.

The fourteenth of the series of competitions for the members' badge of the Arbroath Club was finished on Saturday, when Mr. Robert M'Glaushan was declared the winner, being 6 below his number. The next best scores were Mr. Robert Guthrie, 4 below, and Mr. D. Arbuthnot, 1 below. A sweepstake was also played on Saturday, and resulted as follows:—1st, Mr. R. M'Glaushan; 2nd, Mr. William Edwards; and 3rd, Mr. Robert Guthrie.

GLAMORGANSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly handicap competition for the gold medal took place on the club links at Penarth, on the 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th inst., with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Dr. Prichard ...	125	35	90	Mr. Robt. Rickards	123	27	96
Mr. F. Milburn ...	114	20	94	Mr. J. Hunter ...	114	18	96
Mr. T. M. Barlow	107	12	95	Mr. G. Fenwick ...	112	16	96

* Winner.

A number of competitors were either over 100, or made no return.

GOLF IN THE RIVER PLATE.

The handicap at Hurlingham, Buenos Ayres, on the 26 ult., was carried through most successfully, in spite of several disadvantages. The weather was against good scoring, a strong wind blowing all day from the south, and the ground, owing to the recent severe frosts, was hard and could not be depended upon. It was quite impossible to use the iron, it was like playing off a brick; and, in the putting-greens, the most scientific putt was affected by the hard state of the ground. The ball did not lie kindly on the green. Such as the ground was, an average of at least one stroke was thrown away at every hole, while the high wind played havoc with the driving.

Mr. F. Clunie, in a hard day's work on Saturday, had done everything calculated to assure the comfort of the competitors and the observance of the game as it should be played.

Some of the best known greens of the old country had representatives, Hoylelake and St. Andrews being exceptionally fortunate in putting two excellent exponents of the game in the field. The honours of the day, however, fell to an old Lorettonian, who had not forgotten his early training on the well-worn links of Musselburgh, where so many noted golfers received their first lessons in the game. The handicapping, although difficult in this the first venture, was fair and well considered, and no one grumbled, a fact which speaks for itself. A good word should be said for those who, only beginners, and severely handicapped for want of clubs, entered their names, although aware that their chances were very small indeed. It showed the sportsmanlike spirit which makes itself so conspicuous in any foreign country where there is a British community, but which, notable in a few, is not always backed up by the many.

In the handicap a full round of 18 holes was played; strokes alone being counted and the ball having to be holed out under all circumstances. Mr. A. Williamson was scratch man, playing with Mr. M. Fortune, and the others arranged themselves in couples as follows:—Messrs. J. Ravenscroft and Lees, Carlisle and Gumpert, Masters and Scroggie, Clunie and Gibson. The other players did not hand in cards. Mr. Williamson was not at all in his usual form, and some of his holes were taken in a way that must have surprised himself as much as it did his co-golfers. His second round of the green for 47 was an improvement, but not equal to what he can do. Mr. Lees was new to the green, and did not play anything like what his form should be. Mr. Ravenscroft put in some good drives, but he had worked too hard at a recent bazaar to do himself justice; and the same may be said about Mr. Fortune, whose play, for a Fife man, was inexcusable. Mr. Carlisle was new to the green, and he was sorely puzzled by it, but his play showed that a few more visits to Hurlingham would make him a formidable opponent. Messrs. Masters and Scroggie can both play far better than they did, and they had no right to get into the same bunker together. Mr. Clunie's chances looked doubtful at 52 for his first round, for he, like many others, suffered on the putting greens. In the second round he showed much better form, and put in a very carefully played 47, which, making a total of 99, less his handicap, placed him first.

A score of 99 for 18 holes is undoubtedly too high, since a possible 43 for nine holes has already been established by Mr. Williamson; but

taking into consideration the disadvantages of the day and the state of the green, Mr. Clunie's score was sufficiently below other cracks, on level play, to give him a well-deserved first place.

It is to be hoped that the success attending this, the first handicap, will be followed by another before the winter is over, and as several consignments of clubs and balls are due to arrive soon, the next big day should see more competitors in the field and better clubs in their hands. In the afternoon Messrs. Fortune and Lees played a foursome against Messrs. Williamson and Ravenscroft, the former winning by 2 up and 1 to play, also the bye.

GUILDFORD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, August 13th. The greens were difficult in the morning, but a little rain in the middle of the day altered the conditions very materially. The three best scores were all made in the afternoon.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. W. F. Richmond	91	15	76	Mr. J. A. Ross ...	94	2	92
Mr. H. G. Armstrong	101	20	81	Mr. J. Kenrick ...	95	3	92
Mr. J. F. Burton ...	108	20	88	Mr. H. T. Cattley...	104	12	92
Mr. C. J. Scott ...	109	20	89	Mr. L. Howell ...	106	13	93
Mr. T. Du Buisson	108	18	90	Mr. W. M. Corrie..	103	9	94
Mr. A. Gray ...	115	25	90	Mr. W. H. Du Buisson	110	16	94

LEASOWE GOLF CLUB.

The second monthly handicap competition for the cup presented by Mr. T. S. Hannay, took place on Saturday, when about thirty members competed. The following are the scores returned:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. B. Smith ...	102	20	82	Mr. Q. M. Sproat...	120	22	98
Mr. J. Ball, jun. ...	76	+10	86	Mr. G. D. Burrell ...	114	15	99
Mr. Donald Ball ...	85	+2	87	Mr. J. Anderson ...	124	25	99
Mr. Theo. R. Evans...	89	2	87	Dr. J. B. Edis ...	121	20	101
Mr. C. H. Smith ...	98	10	88	Mr. J. Cromarty ...	138	35	103
Mr. F. N. Preston...	124	35	89	Dr. J. E. Burton ...	127	23	104
Mr. W. A. Brattan...	110	20	90	Mr. Tom N. Philip	129	25	104
Mr. H. B. Higginson	132	35	97	Mr. J. Preacher ...	150	40	110
Mr. A. C. Jones ...	110	12	98				

The other competitors returned no scores. Mr. J. Ball, jun., made the record score of the green; 40, 36=76.

LUFFNESS.

On Saturday, the annual competition for the Hope challenge medal and accompanying pendant took place at Luffness. This trophy has been competed for annually since 1868, at which time the competition was inaugurated by the late Captain George Hope, R.N., who presented the medal for the purpose of giving the "crack" players of the various East Lothian clubs an opportunity once a year of pitting their strength against one another. On this occasion there was a remarkably good muster of players. Mr. John Forrest won the medal with the fine score of 75. The details of this exceptionally low card were:—Out, 5 5 5 4 3 4 3 4=38; in, 3 4 3 4 4 4 5 4 6=37. As all the Bass Rock representatives in the County cup tournament were competitors, they took the opportunity of deciding to whom should go the prize which accompanied the Wemyss cup, with the result that Mr. Forrest was the winner. The Hope medal was won last year by Mr. John Williamson with a score of 77. The following are the best of the scores returned:—Mr. John Forrest, (medallist) 75; Mr. G. Shepherd 78; Mr. J. Henderson 78; Mr. J. Mitchell 79; Mr. Peter Lees 81; Mr. C. A. Stevenson 82; Mr. D. M. Jackson 82; Mr. J. Brotherton 83; Mr. E. Fitzjohn 84; Mr. D. Ritchie 84; Mr. L. Stuart Anderson 85; Mr. Garden G. Smith 86; Mr. James Brown 88; Mr. C. Smith 89; Mr. G. Gordon Robertson 90; Mr. J. M'ulloch 91. At the close of the play, Mr. Hope, of Luffness, presented the medal to Mr. Forrest, and complimented him on the excellence of his performance. The committee of the Luffness club have resolved, it is understood, to recommend to the general meeting, to be held a fortnight hence, that the membership should be increased from 350, as at present, to 400. The committee at the same time resolved to recommend that Mr. J. A. Robertson should be elected captain in the room of Mr. B. Hall Blyth, whose two years' term of office expires at this time.

BEARSDEN CLUB.—The usual monthly handicap competition for ladies for the Howie gold medal took place on this course on Saturday. Four couples entered. The weather was good. When the cards were examined the following were found to be some of the best scores:—Miss Armstrong and Mrs. Russell tied, 90, less 18=72; Miss B. Malloch, 85, less 4=81; Miss Blair, 88, less 5=83.

EAST OF FIFE CLUB.—The quarterly competition for the M'Dougall silver medal took place on Saturday evening. A heavy rain fell during the competition, and few players turned up. At the close Mr. J. Clacher, Pittenweem, became the winner with a score of 83, less 5 =78.

MACCLESFIELD.

The monthly handicap of this club was held on the links at Upton on Saturday, the 6th, in good weather. Mr. G. C. Greenwell's return of 100 gross was the best score of the afternoon, but his handicap allowance of 5 only placed him fourth on the list:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. G. H. Swindells	110 30 80	Mr. F. Tylecote	104 6 98
Mr. W. H. L. Cameron	114 23 91	Captain Haines	116 18 98
Mr. A. G. Gray	103 20 93	Mr. M. H. Hall	108 8 100
Mr. G. C. Greenwell	100 5 95	Mr. W. Mair	129 20 109
		Rev. G. O'Brien	139 30 109
		Mr. L. New	141 25 116

The third and final event in the competition for a silver cup, value £5 5s., presented by Mr. C. P. Gibbons, to be played for on Easter-Monday, Whit-Monday, and the first Monday in August, and to be won outright by the player making the best net score of 18 holes on any of those days, came off on Bank Holiday. Ten members entered. The cup was carried off by Mr. W. Mair with a net score of 85, the next best score, on a previous occasion, 86, having been made by Mr. F. Tylecote. On this last occasion cards were returned by the following players:—Mr. W. Mair, 121, less 36=85; Captain Haines, 109, less 18=91; Rev. G. O'Brien, 125, less 30=95; Mr. F. Tylecote, 103, less 6=97; Dr. Sheldon, 107, less 10=97; Mr. W. H. L. Cameron, 120, less 23=97; Mr. M. H. Hall, 113, less 8=105; Mr. G. H. Swindells, 148, less 30=118; Mr. J. W. Burgess, 130, less 10=120. The following are details of the first handicap:—

Easter Monday.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Captain Haines	117 30 87	Mr. A. Sheldon	102 6 96
Mr. J. W. Burgess	99 10 89	Mr. L. New	124 25 99
Mr. F. Tylecote	103 10 93	Mr. J. Bodkin	126 36 100
Mr. J. Webster	131 36 95	Mr. A. G. Gray	114 10 104

MELBOURNE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition took place on Saturday, July 2nd, over the Caulfield Links, when a very large muster of players entered. The result was a win for the captain of the club, with a score of 88 net. The greens were in capital order, the day fine, and the game thoroughly enjoyable. The club has received a large accession of members during the past few months, and its success is now absolutely assured. The results were:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. M. Bruce	95 7 88	Mr. A. W. Mitchell	100 3 97
Mr. T. A. Keats	100 11 89	Mr. H. F. C. Keats	116 18 98
Mr. M. Anderson	89 scr. 89	Mr. T. S. Huggins	104 6 98
Mr. F. A. Campbell	107 16 91	Mr. Thos. Brentnall	114 16 98
Mr. Alister Clark	98 6 92	Mr. W. Nimmo	116 16 100
Mr. D. Finlayson	103 10 93	Mr. Jas. Turnbull	103 scr. 103
Mr. A. Halley	113 20 93	Mr. Hugh Conley	124 20 104
Dr. Payne	100 7 93	Mr. Jas. Jamieson	104 scr. 104
Mr. J. H. MarFarland	118 24 94	Mr. A. Laing	126 18 108
Mr. T. J. Finlay	103 9 94	Mr. C. W. Brebner	138 30 108
Mr. D. M. Maxwell	95 scr. 95	Mr. Wm. Gow	125 16 109
Dr. Salmon	112 16 96	Mr. Leslie Cumming	144 24 120

NEWBIGGIN CLUB.

The seventh competition for the captain's gold medal resulted as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. Lowthian Bell	88 6 82	Mr. G. Millons	105 12 93
Mr. J. W. Wood	89 3 86	Mr. J. Risdon	129 36 93
Mr. M. P. Ismay	100 13 87	Mr. James Hedley	101 5 96
Mr. J. Tate	104 14 90		

NEWHAVEN GOLF CLUB.

The third monthly competition for the medal presented by Dr. Mossop took place in glorious golfing weather, on Wednesday, the 10th inst., and was won by Mr. James Bannister. This gentleman having won it three times in succession, the medal becomes his property. Score:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. Bannister	106 8 98	Mr. E. S. Currey	115 12 103
Mr. J. Joy	107 8 99	Mr. A. Harcourt	114 8 106
Mr. J. W. Steadman	105 4 101	Dr. Dring	111 4 107
Mr. J. F. Farncombe	107 4 103	Mr. S. Stone	124 16 108
Mr. E. Bedford	111 8 103	Mr. W. Stone	125 16 109

ELECTRIC GOLF CLUB.—The monthly medal competition of this club was played over the Braids course on Friday, with the result that Messrs. A. J. Wilson, D. M. Moore, W. Lawrie, and W. Wood tied with scores of 91 each.

NORTH BEDFORDSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly gold medal was competed for on Biggleswade Common August 6th. The force of the wind being from 4 to 6 accounts for the scores handed in not being so good as usual. Thanks to Pedler, the professional, the links are getting into capital order, and a new clubhouse is being put up. Any golfers within training distance should give these links a trial, the soil being light and the best adapted for inland links anywhere known. The only things required are a few sand bunkers, which will be made shortly. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. G. Dubery	102 13 89	Mr. H. Lindsell	126 32 94
Mr. A. C. McNish	103 13 90		

The Ladies' prize was competed for on August 10th. The following were the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss Conder	57 10 47	Mrs. Pope	70 10 60
Miss D. B. Conder	65 10 55	Mrs. Chaundler	85 18 67

NOTTINGHAM GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition for July resulted in a win for Mr. J. Harris, who played an admirable game. His score of 83 is the best that has been made in any competition since the extended course was opened. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. Harris	83 4 79	Mr. J. M. Meeking	96 6 90
Mr. E. A. Coufts	106 20 86	Mr. J. Johnstone	101 10 91
Mr. J. Doleman	92 5 87	Mr. C. B. Edwards	105 14 91
Mr. J. Bowes	107 18 89	Mr. J. C. Warren	99 4 95
Mr. R. D. Oswald	96 6 90	Mr. S. Davidson	124 12 112

PORT ELIZABETH GOLF CLUB.

The second half-yearly handicap for the Dunell cup was played on Saturday, 23rd July, by a field of twelve members, in weather which was all that could be desired. The following are the six best scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. A. G. Mullins	116 25 91	Mr. E. H. Walton	107 9 98
Mr. T. Stephen	126 30 96	Mr. R. Thomson	114 15 99
Mr. R. H. H. Heenan	98 scr. 98	Sir C. F. Blaine	115 15 100

and scores of over 100 net were made by Messrs. W. Hume, M. E. Mackenzie, P. Heugh, H. J. Rowbotham, G. Bruce and L. F. Penny.

RICHMOND GOLF CLUB.

The usual monthly medal competition took place on Saturday last, August 6th. The weather and the course were all that could be desired, and contributed largely to the excellent returns. Mr. H. S. Gardner proved to be the winner of the senior medal, also the Scandinavian Cup (first time) with a net score of 75. Dr. Williamson, captain of the club, made the low scratch score of 77, and tied for the sweepstake with Mr. Cyril Routh, whose net was also 77. The junior medal, limited to handicaps of over 18, was won by Mr. A. Saville, with a net score of 76. The following are the scores:—

Senior Medal.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. S. Gardner	81 6 75	Capt. C. E. Reade	101 18 83
*Dr. Williamson	77 scr. 77	Mr. A. Sargeant	100 16 84
*Mr. Cyril Routh	84 7 77	Mr. R. E. Yerburgh	97 12 85
Mr. W. F. Harriss	96 18 78	Mr. J. B. Chamberlain	100 13 87
Mr. M. Hill	97 18 79	Mr. Craigie Millar	99 11 88
Mr. C. B. Vertue	94 15 79	Mr. H. E. Taylor	101 13 88
Mr. W. Low-Lawson	90 9 81	Mr. H. M. Davidson	98 9 89
Mr. A. T. Jockel	81 scr. 81	Mr. D. C. Leman	107 16 91
Mr. A. L. Jockel	84 3 81	Mr. E. C. Davidson	104 11 93
Mr. A. Allan	81 scr. 81	Mr. J. B. Whitworth	124 18 106
Mr. W. Sutthery	96 15 81		
Mr. J. P. Simpson	97 15 82		

* Tie. Divided sweepstake.

Junior Medal.

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. A. Saville	103 27 76	Mr. A. L. Penrhyn	119 27 92
Mr. G. Metzger	104 24 80	Mr. J. Hodgkin	113 21 92
Mr. D. Morris	112 27 85	Mr. H. E. Wooten	112 20 92
Com. McLaughlin	106 20 86	Mr. C. Arnold White	117 21 96
Mr. E. M. Walsh	112 24 88	Mr. H. P. Williams	107 not hcpd
Mr. J. E. W. Webb	109 21 88		

DUNBAR CASTLE CLUB.—The members of this club competed for the monthly medal and trophy. The attendance was small, but play was very fair. On the completion of the round by Mr. Percy Aitken proved the winner with the scratch score of 92, Mr. W. Duncan being next with a score of 93, plus 2=95.

ROYAL BLACKHEATH GOLF CLUB.

Tuesday, 9th August.—The monthly medal was played for on this day. Eight couples started in the competition. Owing to the heavy rain of the previous night, there was a good deal of water lying about the course. The early starters were somewhat handicapped by this, as the water to some extent drained off by the afternoon. The medal was won by Mr. W. H. M. Christie, who has evidently much improved his game of late. Details of the play:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. H. M. Christie	136 28 108	Mr. T. W. Stubbs..	141 16 125
Mr. W. O. S. Pell...	119 scr. 119	Mr. J. G. Gibson ...	128 scr. 128
Mr. E. A. Walker...	125 6 119	Mr. F. Graves ...	158 29 129
Mr. W. Morris ...	132 13 119	Mr. E. Pinkerton ...	140 10 130
Mr. A. H. Baker ...	147 27 120	Mr. Frank Gilbert...	152 21 131
Mr. A. A. Common.	135 14 121	Mr. W. E. Hughes..	140 6 134
Mr. F. S. Ireland ...	125 scr. 125	Mr. Fred Gilbert ...	161 23 138

No returns from Messrs. J. F. Green and F. Stokes.

ROYAL COUNTY GOLF CLUB, PORTRUSH.

A foursome competition in heats and by holes under handicap took place on the links of this club on the 6th inst. There were thirty-eight entries, and the match was most successful, although the wind was rather "fresh" for first-class play. The links have never been in better condition than they are at present, a fact which is eminently gratifying in view of the important Irish Amateur Championship in the second week of September. After a splendid day's sport the first prize was secured by Messrs. C. R. Topping and D. C. Greenlees, the second being taken by the runners-up, Messrs. John Black and G. R. Cox. The heats were as under:—

First heat.—Messrs. E. W. White and J. K. Black (9) beat Messrs. J. M. Dickson and A. D. Gaussen (5); Messrs. John Black and G. R. Cox (3) beat Messrs. H. Morrison and John A. Patrick (9); Dr. Carson and Mr. W. Hone (5) beat Messrs. E. Young and H. Morell (7).

Second Heat.—Messrs. John Black and Cox beat Messrs. White and J. K. Black; Mr. John Patrick and Dr. Traill (7) beat Dr. Carson and Mr. Hone; Messrs. J. Wallace and D. Christie (4) beat Messrs. J. B. Grimdale and M. W. Struthers (4); Messrs. W. H. Webb and J. G. Sewell (6) beat Captain Molesworth and Mr. J. M. Denny (6); Messrs. James M'Keown and J. Sharpe (4) beat Messrs. Joseph Macaulay and James Dickson (8); Messrs. D. M'Laren and J. R. M'Donald (3) beat Messrs. James R. Eccles and R. A. Corry (7); Messrs. C. R. Topping and D. C. Greenlees (3) beat Messrs. Joseph Black and H. M'Guckin (9); Messrs. R. Cuninghame and John Smith (7) beat Messrs. F. Hoey and Joseph Macaulay, B.L. (9).

Third Heat.—Messrs. John Black and G. R. Cox beat Mr. John Patrick and Dr. Traill; Messrs. Webb and Sewell beat Messrs. Wallace and Christie; Messrs. M'Laren and M'Donald beat Messrs. M'Keown and Sharpe; Messrs. Topping and Greenlees beat Messrs. Cuninghame and Smith.

Semi-Final.—Messrs. John Black and Cox beat Messrs. Webb and Sewell; Messrs. Topping and Greenlees beat Messrs. M'Laren and M'Donald.

Final.—Messrs. Topping and Greenlees beat Messrs. John Black and Cox by 2 up and 1 to play.

The second monthly competition for ladies took place on the 12th inst., and was won by Miss Brooks, Portrush, with the very commendable gross score of 88. The following are the nine best scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss Brooks ...	88 16 72	Miss B. Stronge ...	98 5 93
Miss G. Graham ...	91 6 85	Miss C. E. M'Gee...	114 20 94
Miss M. Creighton...	110 25 85	Miss L. M'Keown...	106 10 96
Miss A. Hamilton...	90 4 86	Miss C. Adair ...	101 scr. 101
Miss E. M'Keown...	107 16 91		

At the gentlemen's monthly competition on the 13th inst., there was a large turn-out of players. Score:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. R. Topping	93 16 77	Mr. R. M. Castle ...	110 18 92
Mr. A. D. Gaussen	93 14 79	Mr. J. S. G. Ussher	111 16 95
Mr. John Patrick ...	109 24 85	Mr. J. A. Patrick...	125 28 97
Mr. C. J. Webb ...	109 24 85	Mr. J. R. Eccles ...	115 16 99
Mr. Thos. Dickson	93 7 86		

ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB.

Mr. Turnbull's prize, Saturday, August 13th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. G. M. Robertson	98 13 85	Mr. J. R. Brown ...	101 6 95
Mr. T. W. Barker...	93 5 88	Mr. T. C. Robin ...	97 scr. 97
*Mr. W. H. Monckton	107 17 90	Mr. A. E. Walker...	99 2 97

* Divided sweepstake.

Several players made no returns.

SCARBOROUGH GOLF CLUB.

The gentlemen's silver monthly medal was played for on the 13th inst. Owing to the stormy weather the number of competitors was very small. Mr. Smithson won the medal with the good score of 82. The following scores were returned:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. E. Smithson ...	88 6 82	Mr. Bedwell ...	105 18 87
Rev. M. A. Swayne	90 6 84	Mr. Wood Taylor...	117 18 99

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

The fifth "Bogey" competition took place on Saturday, over the links at Seaton, when Mr. F. W. Purvis succeeded in returning the excellent score of 86, and in defeating "Bogey's" score by 2 holes, Mr. C. J. Bunting and Mr. E. R. Lindley dividing second honours of the day with score all even with "Bogey." Score:—Mr. F. W. Purvis, 2 holes up; Mr. C. J. Bunting, all even; Mr. E. R. Lindley, all even; Mr. W. Purvis, 1 hole down; Mr. O. K. Trechmann, 1 hole down; Capt. A. S. Jenour, 5 holes down. Messrs. C. B. Williamson, A. R. Paton, J. Hardy, jun., H. Doughty, G. Newby, and C. Cooper made no return.

SOUTHPORT GOLF CLUB.

The competition for senior and junior monthly medals took place on Saturday, August 13th. Score:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. G. F. Smith ...	86 +1 87	Mr. J. E. Pearson ...	102 7 95
Mr. S. Aitken ...	105 16 89	Mr. Wm. MacGregor	107 10 97
Mr. H. Sidebottom.	97 7 90	Mr. F. Baker ...	121 20 101
Mr. W. T. Rowley...	102 10 92	Mr. Chas. Mulleneux	129 22 107
Mr. C. Ozler ...	116 22 94		

No returns from Messrs. Barlow, Bland, Morison, and C. Howarth.

Mr. Smith won senior medal and first sweepstake, Mr. Aitken junior medal, Mr. Sidebottom second sweepstake, and Mr. Rowley third sweepstake. The committee have decided to alter the date of the competition for the gold scratch medal, presented by Dr. G. A. Pilkington, and open to all amateur golfers, from September 24th to September 17th, as the former date clashes with other club fixtures.

SOUTHWOLD GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition was played on Saturday, August 6th. Owing to a strong wind the scores were not so good as they otherwise might have been. There were fourteen entries. The following are the returns handed in, viz.:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. A. C. Herbert...	104 6 98	Mr. W. Crimmen ...	169 55 114
Mr. J. C. Taylor ...	116 10 106	Mr. S. W. Woollett	115 scr. 115
Mr. B. Whitmore ...	107 scr. 107	Mr. D. R. Gooding	124 8 116
Mr. Alex. Howard...	119 10 109	Mr. E. Turner ...	125 6 119
Mr. W. J. Browne...	111 scr. 111	Mr. E. B. Ellington	149 15 134
Mr. E. H. Absalom	111 scr. 111	Mr. J. G. Stapelton	180 25 155
Mr. J. B. Gooding...	114 scr. 114		

Mr. J. M. Bazin made no return.

The competition for the challenge medal of this club is fixed for Saturday, the 27th inst.

STAINES GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, 13th inst., the winner being Mr. Geo. Struthers. The following scores were returned:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. G. Struthers ...	96 18 78	Mr. H. Tyler ...	97 14 83
Mr. A. Hughes ...	97 12 85		

THE ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On Thursday, August 4th, the president, Lady H. Nevill, the vice-presidents, and committee, gave an "At Home" at the Ladies Golf Club, and about 200 guests were present. Fortunately the weather was fine, and the visitors were able to sit out and enjoy the beautiful air and scenery of the forest. Mrs. Cecil Green kindly presented six prizes for ladies' and gentlemen's foursome; the first four for members of the clubs making the best and second best net scores. First lady's, a gold and pearl brooch; first gentleman's, a gold and pearl pin; second lady's, a silver and crocodile-skin purse; second gentleman's, a box of cigarettes and holder. The scratch prizes were open to

members and friends. Lady's, a silver photograph frame; gentleman's, a silver pencil-case. No fewer than twenty-three couples entered for the members' prizes; Miss Banister and Mr. Woodland taking the first, and Mr. L. and Miss Andrews the second. The latter player's score of 82 for the eighteen holes beats the record in any previous match.

The East Grinstead band was in attendance during the afternoon, and played a choice selection of music; and Mr. Dartnall, of the Parade, Tunbridge Wells, supplied all the refreshments in a large marquee erected near the cricket ground. The cricket club kindly lent their small tent for the occasion as well. Scores:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Miss Banister and Mr. Woodland	96	18	78
Miss and Mr. L. Andrews	82	3	79
Miss F. Blencowe and Mr. G. Birch	104	23	81
Mrs. and Mr. H. Peek	105	24	81
Miss Green and Mr. R. P. Birch	105	24	81
Miss Bone and Mr. H. Streatfeild	102	19	83
Miss and Mr. N. R. Stone	103	20	83
Miss E. Banister and Mr. Grime	105	22	83
Miss A. and the Rev. A. T. Scott	99	15	84
Miss Birch and Mr. F. A. Lee	89	4	85
Mrs. Astbury and Mr. Stone	112	25	87
Mrs. Stewart and Mr. W. R. Lee	97	8	89
Mrs. Peckham and Mr. Flanagan	109	20	89
Miss Fox and Mr. Percy Fox	110	20	90
Miss A. Bidwell and Mr. Fred Swainson	101	11	90
Miss Lee and Mr. Meyrick	110	16	94
Miss Blencowe and Mr. Frank Swainson	115	18	97
Mrs. and Mr. T. Hyde	113	14	99
Mrs. and Mr. Jones Bateman	114	13	101
Miss N. Haggard and Mr. Graham	131	25	106
Miss Du Pré and Mr. Cecil Green	134	25	109
Mr. and Mrs. Groves	177	13	164

Scratch Entries.—Miss E. Scott and Mr. C. Scott, 108; Mrs. Jeddere Fisher and Mr. E. Bell, 110; Miss Forbes and Mr. C. Maude, 113; Mrs. Craven and Captain Ruck-Keene, 113; Miss D. Riddle and Mr. R. Lucas, 114.

Medal day, August 6th.—The gold medal was played for as usual on the first Saturday in the month; a very heavy shower in the middle of the morning rather spoilt some of the putting; but in the afternoon Miss Birch made her record, and equalled Mrs. Green's good return in June. Mrs. F. Lucas kindly gave luncheon and tea, and a great many members and friends were present. Scores:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Miss Birch	86	1	85	Miss S. Green	119	25	94
Miss Banister	111	25	86	Miss Andrews	101	1	100
Mrs. C. Green	99	11	88	Mrs. Stone	128	25	103
Mrs. Stewart	91	1	90	Miss E. Scott	134	25	109
Miss Riddle	114	23	91	Mrs. Jeddere-Fisher	128	25	103

No returns from Mrs. Pearless, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Astbury, Mrs. Lucas, Miss Stone, Miss E. Banister.

TROON.

Result of ladies' handicap foursome competition for silver niblick and cleek, presented by Mr. W. A. Robertson:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mrs. Mitchell and Miss Katie Bishop	67	11	56
Mrs. Morrice and Mrs. Fleming	73	15	58
Miss Dickie and Miss E. Herbertson	75	15	60
Miss Bell and Miss Bishop	70	8	62
Miss M. Dickie and Miss M. Paton	67	6	61
Miss T. Clark and Miss Dundas	69	5	64
Miss M. Bishop and Miss J. J. Paton	66	scr.	66
Miss Agnes Ross and Miss Brown	71	5	66
Miss Walker and Miss MacMichael	73	6	67
Miss Connell and Miss A. Ross	76	6	70
Miss Jean Bishop and Miss M. A. Hutcheson	78	5	73
Miss J. Dickie and Miss Bayne	83	10	73

WEST CORNWALL GOLF CLUB.

The fourth handicap competition of the season between the ladies of the club took place on Tuesday, 9th inst., when the following returns were sent in:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mrs. F. H. Harvey	122	47	75	Miss Wilkinson	125	32	93
Mrs. Young Jamieson	98	10	88	Mrs. H. N. Harvey	110	10	100
Mrs. R. F. Tyacke	130	38	92	Miss Vivian	141	27	114

The prize presented by the captain, Mr. T. Mudge, will be played for by the ladies, under handicap, on Wednesday, September 7th.

WEST HERTS GOLF CLUB.

The usual monthly medal handicaps were played over the club course at Bushey on Saturday last.

First class (handicaps of 10 and under):—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. C. E. Pearson	96	10	86	Mr. Denton Scholes	99	10	89
Mr. B. M. Barton	94	7	87	Mr. W. Wilson	101	10	91

Second class (handicaps over 10):—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. G. F. Pearson	91	13	78	Mr. John Jackson	116	18	98
Mr. Howard Williams	95	11	84	Rev. Dr. O. C. Cockrem	117	18	99
Mr. J. S. Crawford	108	17	91	Mr. E. R. Harby	120	16	104
Mr. H. J. Cottam	107	13	94	Mr. H. Hirschhorn	122	24	108
Mr. H. H. Tankard	116	21	95	Mr. E. F. Jackson	101		Not
Mr. E. A. Ferry	120	23	97	Major J. E. Ewer	111	13	98
Mr. S. O. Jackson	102		hcpd.				

WEST LANCASHIRE v. FORMBY.

A home-and-home match was played between the above clubs, on the 6th inst., at Hall-road, and on Saturday last at Freshfield. The teams were fairly representative, but to a certain extent the match was robbed of some of the excitement that usually attends such meetings by the fact that most of the players in each team were also members of the other club. Still, there was a keen struggle on both days, with the result that the elder club was rather easily victorious, though many of the individual matches were closely contested. On the two days' play the West Lancashire Golf Club won by 95 holes, against 29 to the Formby Golf Club. Appended are the results:—

MATCH AT HALL ROAD.

WEST LANCASHIRE.		Holes.	FORMBY.		Holes.
Mr. J. W. Fowler	...	0	Mr. F. E. M. Dixon	...	3
Mr. H. J. Chisholm	...	4	Mr. E. Hewer	...	0
Mr. L. D. Stoddart	...	1	Mr. J. Shepherd	...	0
Mr. J. Reid Moir	...	0	Mr. W. R. H. Spratt	...	4
Mr. W. Potter	...	0	Mr. F. C. Morgan	...	0
Mr. G. F. Smith	...	4	Mr. R. J. Kerr	...	0
Mr. T. H. Luzmore	...	6	Mr. W. B. Stoddart	...	0
Mr. J. Fairclough	...	5	Mr. J. S. Beauford	...	0
Mr. A. Chisholm	...	1	Mr. W. Bell	...	0
Mr. J. E. Pearson	...	6	Mr. W. Turnbull	...	0
		27			7

WEST LANCASHIRE.

FORMBY.

WEST LANCASHIRE.		Holes.	FORMBY.		Holes.
Messrs. J. W. Fowler and H. J. Chisholm	...	7	Messrs. F. F. M. Dixon and E. Hewer	...	0
Messrs. L. D. Stoddart and J. Reid Moir	...	5	Messrs. J. Shepherd and W. R. H. Spratt	...	0
Messrs. W. Potter and G. F. Smith	...	7	Messrs. F. C. Morgan and R. J. Kerr	...	0
Messrs. T. H. Luzmore and J. Fairclough	...	0	Messrs. W. B. Stoddart and J. S. Beauford	...	1
Messrs. A. Chisholm and J. E. Pearson	...	0	Messrs. W. Bell and W. Turnbull	...	4
		19			5

MATCH AT FRESHFIELD.

WEST LANCASHIRE.		Holes.	FORMBY.		Holes.
Mr. G. F. Smith	...	0	Mr. H. H. Hilton	...	6
Mr. J. W. Fowler	...	12	Mr. F. E. M. Dixon	...	0
Mr. H. J. Chisholm	...	4	Mr. E. Hewer	...	0
Mr. W. Potter	...	0	Mr. G. R. Cox, jun.	...	3
Mr. L. D. Stoddart	...	4	Mr. J. Shepherd	...	0
Mr. J. Fairclough	...	0	Mr. R. Goold	...	0
Mr. T. B. Grimsdale	...	0	Mr. W. R. H. Spratt	...	0
Mr. T. H. Luzmore	...	1	Mr. W. B. Stoddart	...	0
Mr. A. Chisholm	...	9	Mr. W. Bell	...	0
Mr. J. E. Pearson	...	6	Mr. P. S. McCulloch	...	0
		36			9

WEST LANCASHIRE.		FORMBY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Messrs. J. W. Fowler and H. J. Chisholm	1	Messrs. H. H. Hilton and E. Hewer	0
Messrs. W. Potter and G. F. Smith	0	Messrs. F. E. M. Dixon and G. R. Cox, jun.	6
Messrs. L. D. Stoddart and J. Fairclough	0	Messrs. J. Shepherd and W. R. H. Spratt	2
Messrs. T. B. Grimsdale and T. H. Luzmore	5	Messrs. R. Goold and W. B. Stoddart	0
Messrs. A. Chisholm and J. E. Pearson	7	Messrs. W. Bell and P. S. McCulloch	0
	13		8

WORCESTERSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly meeting was held on Thursday, the 4th inst., in fine weather, when some twelve players entered their names for the cup competition. Owing to the very keen condition of the putting-greens the scores were not good. Result:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
*Mr. R. R. Brown	97	15	82	Mr. W. E. Patterson	91	+2	93
Mr. F. Freeth	103	20	83	Rev. W. E. Bolland	107	10	97
†Capt. O. S. Vale	99	12	87	Mr. A. C. Cheory	119	16	103
Mr. C. E. Moilliet	106	19	87	Mr. G. A. Jones	125	20	105
Mr. H. W. Buck	103	13	90				

* Wins monthly cup and junior medal

† Wins senior medal.

NAIRN.—The competition for the Pullar medal took place on Saturday, when there was a large gathering of players. The medal was won by Mr. William Finlay with a score of 95, less 15=80. Mr. J. Mackay came next with 83, scratch. In a competition for prizes, Mr. J. Brown did the round in 76, being the lowest amateur score yet made. Mr. W. Finlay came next, and Mr. Mackay third. The greens were in capital order, and the weather extremely favourable. The next highest scores were:—Mr. K. Macrae, 91, less 6=85; Mr. F. M'Ivor, 94, less 8=86; Colonel Underwood, 93, less 6=87; Mr. F. M. Marshall, 89, scratch; Rev. D. L. Ritchie, 92, less 2=90; Mr. J. Wallace, 93, less 3=90; Mr. J. Shaw, 99, less 9=90; Mr. Gourlay, 100, less 10=90; Mr. R. Bruce, 97, less 6=91; Mr. A. T. Lawrence, 99, less 8=91; Mr. H. E. Richards, 99, less 8=91; Mr. D. Mackenzie, 102, less 10=92; Mr. D. Wallace, 95, less 3=92.

GRANTOWN.—The third competition for Mr. Harvey's prize (time-piece) took place on Saturday, when the winner was Mr. J. R. Burgess, with a scratch score of 91. Captain Macdonald's prize was afterwards played for, and the winner was Mr. James Grant, with a score of 106, less 18=88.

EDINBURGH THISTLE GOLF CLUB.—This club met on the Braid Hills on Saturday, to compete for their silver medal and prizes. There was a large turn-out of members, most of whom got a thorough drenching in the thunderstorm which occurred during the play. The medal was won by Mr. A. Martin, with a net score of 70. As the medal is played for bi-yearly, Mr. Martin will play off with Mr. Firth, the winner in the previous half-year, for the position of holder for the year. The following is a list of the prize winners:—Mr. A. Martin, 90, less 20=70; Mr. D. Sime, 80, less 7=73; Mr. J. Harvey, 82, less 9=73; Mr. J. Bell, 83, less 10=73; Mr. W. Cunningham, 88, less 15=73; Mr. A. Struthers, 83, less 8=75; Mr. F. Hastie, 88, less 11=77; Mr. T. Brown, 92, less 15=77; Mr. D. Grant, 91, less 13=78; Mr. J. Grant, 91, less 13=78; Mr. W. Small, 93, less 15=78; Mr. D. Plenderleith, 98, less 20=78; Mr. W. Rankine, 101, less 23=78; Mr. J. Braid (scratch), 79; Mr. J. Ross, 86, less 7=79; Mr. J. Ormiston, 104, less 25=79.

EDINBURGH ST. ANDREW GOLF CLUB.—The monthly medal, played for over the Braids course on Saturday, resulted in a win for Mr. J. Stewart, with the score of 85, less 10=75.

LUNDIN CLUB.—A gold ring and several other prizes were competed for on Saturday afternoon, when there was a large turn-out of members. The players who started early had fine weather for their round, but the last couple were not at the third hole when a thunderstorm came on, with a downpour of rain. Appended is the result:—Mr. J. Grant Ferguson, 104, less 18=86, won the ring. The following were also prize-winners:—Mr. T. Nicol, 89, less 2=87; Mr. T. R. Outhwaite, 99, less 12=87; Mr. J. H. Outhwaite, 94, less 6=88; Mr. J. Richardson, 100, less 12=88; and Mr. J. Bremner, 87+2=89.

CUPAR CLUB.—In the last monthly competition for the Jubilee Medal Mr. W. Watson was the winner with the scratch score of 75.

KINGHORN.—On Saturday afternoon the Autumn meeting of the Kinghorn Golf Club took place, and turned out to be one of the most successful gatherings the club has yet held. Owing to the crowded state of the town with visitors, a large number of whom are members of the club, the green presented a very animated appearance, and the prizes, principally presented by Edinburgh friends, were both valuable and numerous. Most unfortunately, a severe thunderstorm greatly interfered with the afternoon's enjoyment, and caused the players to seek the shelter of the club-house. The following is a list of the prize-winners:—Mr. James Wyllie, Kinghorn (10), 78; Mr. George B. Turnbull, Edinburgh (10), 79; Mr. D. Foulis, Edinburgh (18), 81; Mr. C. H. Turnbull, Edinburgh (12), 82; Mr. G. B. Key, Kirkcaldy (8), 82, tie; Mr. Drummond, Edinburgh (5), 84; Mr. D. Clark, Edinburgh (14), 84, tie; Mr. Thos. Dunsire, Kinghorn (4), 85; Mr. John Hunter, Kinghorn (2), 85, tie; Mr. George Oswald, Kinghorn (scratch), 86; Mr. Thomas S. Watt, Kinghorn (scratch), 86, tie. The last two tied for a dozen balls presented by an Edinburgh gentleman for the best scratch scores. Other good scores were those of Mr. H. Marden, Kirkcaldy (12), 86; Mr. James M'Pherson, Kirkcaldy (5), 86; Captain M'Pherson, Kirkcaldy (scratch), 87; Mr. W. J. Turnbull, Edinburgh (16), 87; Mr. T. N. Hepburn, Edinburgh (14), 88; Mr. William Mann, Kinghorn (12), 88; Mr. George R. Hepburn, Kinghorn (2), 89; Mr. Archibald Wilson, Leith (scratch), 89.

PRESTWICK ST. NICHOLAS.—The following ties were played on Thursday night in the tournament competition for a platinum portrait of the winner:—Mr. John Wallace (one-third) beat Mr. R. M. Kellie (two-thirds) by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. W. J. Templeton (one-third) beat Mr. W. Allison (one-third) by 4 up; Mr. T. Weir (two-thirds) beat Mr. J. Howat (one-third) by 3 up and 1 to play; Mr. D. Ferguson (one-half) beat Mr. A. Runcie (one-half) by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. W. Weir, jun., (two-thirds) beat Mr. R. D. Reid (two-thirds) by 3 up and 1 to play.

BOWMONT CLUB.—On Thursday night the Bowmont golf club held its first competition over Dunbar Golf Course for a silver cup presented by the president, Mr. C. Mackinlay. On the cards being handed in, it was found that Mr. W. Clark, Edinburgh, was the winner of the cup, with the scratch score of 91. The handicap prizes were distributed as follows:—Mr. W. Clark, 91, less 2=89; Mr. D. Bruce, 104, less 15=89; Mr. J. Scott, 100, less 6=94; Mr. D. Campbell, 100, less 6=94; Mr. S. Dalgleish, 92, plus 5=97; Mr. R. J. Dick, 96, plus 3=99.

ACHERFIELD CLUB.—The members played two rounds of the green on Saturday for four prizes. Result:—First Round—Mr. G. Law, 81, plus 1=82 (Rev. J. Kerr's prize); Mr. J. C. Law, 83, plus 1=84 (Mr. Palmer's prize); Mr. J. Young, 97, less 12=85; Dr. M'Lagan, 101, less 15=86. Second Round—Mr. T. Binnie, 80, less 2=78 (Mr. Begbie's prize); Mr. T. Yule, 82 (Mr. Murray's prize); Mr. A. Murray, 81, plus 2=83; Mr. J. Bisset, 83, plus 1=84; Mr. J. Edgar, 94, less 10=84.

BALLANTRAE CLUB.—The ladies' competitions finished on Tuesday, the 9th. Miss M. Houston has proved herself champion of 1892, by winning second competition for silver purse (scratch): 2nd, Miss C. D. Houston; 3rd, Miss Gladstone; 4th, Miss J. Houston. The Hunter monthly medal was played for on Friday, and was won by Mr. J. M. Fergusson with 86 (scratch). Some of the other scores were:—Mr. J. Phillips, 87; Mr. Brown, 88; Mr. Henderson, 88; Mr. Temple, 103, less 12=91; Mr. Gladstone, 93.

CULLEN.—On Wednesday afternoon the 10th inst., the usual monthly competition for the captain's cup came off. The weather was splendid, and the links in first-rate condition. The following cards were handed in, viz.:—Mr. Robert Bremner, 100, less 4=96; Mr. W. Wood, 101, less 3=98; Mr. Bremner is holder of the cup for this year, and should he carry it another year it becomes his property. At the same time a prize competition was held. Mr. James Conslund proved to be first with a card of 93.

CUMBRAE CLUB.—A ladies' competition took place on the links on Wednesday, the 10th, in splendid golfing weather. The prizes were as follows:—1st, silver inkstand presented by Mr. Cowan, Glasgow—winner, Miss Davidson, 116, less 5=111; 2nd, gold Golf ball presented by Mr. Dales, Stirling—winner, Miss Ross, 120, less 3=117; 3rd and 4th, mother-of-pearl and tortiseshell hair brushes—winners, Miss Barclay, 142, less 20=122; Miss Russell, 177, less 35=142; and 5th, Golf club presented by Mr. M'Glashan, Renfrew—winner, Miss M. M'Millan, 178, less 35=143.

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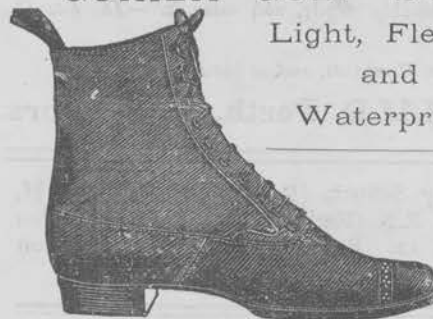
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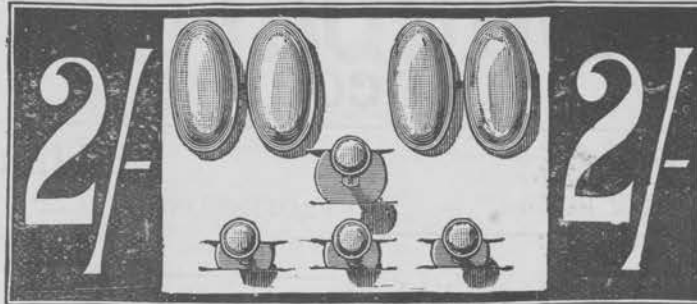
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