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- June 11.—Cumbrae : Monthly Competition.
Southport : Monthly Medal and Summer Meeting
Rochester v. Sidcup.
Buxton and High Peak : The Strang Cup.
West Herts : Monthly Medal.
Littlestone : Monthly Medal.
Guildford : Monthly Medal.
Royal Isle of Wight : Monthly Medal.
Staines : Monthly Medal.
Cathkin Braes v. Ranfurly Castle.
Royal Epping Forest : Foursome Competition.
Scarborough : Monthly Silver Medal.
County Down : Wallace Cup (Final).
- June 13.—Cumbrae : Ladies' Competition.
June 15.—Durham : Walter Cup.
June 16.—Tyneside : Bi-Monthly Medal.
June 18.—Royal Dublin : Monthly Medal.
Redhill and Reigate : Midsummer Medal.
Wimbledon Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Formby : Captain's Prize.
Gullane : Club Prizes.
Woodford : Quarterly Medal.
Ealing : Monthly Medal.
Ilkley : Christmas Cup.
Disley : Summer Silver Medal.
Brighton and Hove : Worms Challenge Cup.
Cathkin Braes : Westwood Cup.
Eltham : Open Competition.
Tooting : Annual General Meeting, at 2 p.m.

- June 18.—Dewsbury District : Monthly Medal.
County Down : Club Monthly Handicap.
West Herts : Monthly Medal.
June 21.—Royal Blackheath : Summer Medal and Monthly Medal.
Rochester : Midsummer Medal.
June 22.—Warrender : Club Medal.
June 23-25.—Bowdon : Summer Meeting.
June 23 & 25.—Wimbledon Ladies : Summer Meeting.
June 25.—Seaford : Monthly Medal.
Crookham : Monthly Medal.
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.
Ilkley : Monthly Medal.
Edinburgh University : Club Medal Challenge Cup and other Prizes.
Rochester v. Reigate.
Woodford : Captain's Prize.
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal and Micholls Cup.
Nottingham : Monthly Medal.
Royal West Norfolk : Monthly Medal.
West Lancashire : Monthly Medal.
Cathkin Braes v. Dumbarton.
Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Cup ; Captain's Prize ; and Monthly Medal.
Scarborough : Monthly Gold Medal.
West Herts : Summer Meeting.
County Down : Railway Cup (Final).
- June 25 to 28.—Portrush : Annual Meeting.
June 28.—Burnham : Monthly Medal.
Luffness : Handicap Medal.
June 29.—Durham : Oxborn Cup.
June 30.—Nottingham : Monthly Medal.

JULY.

- July 1.—Royal Cornwall : Club Competition.
July 2.—Bowdon : Monthly Medal.
Cathkin Braes : Monthly Competition.
Lea Hurst : Monthly Competition.
Redhill and Reigate : Turner Medal.
Lytham and St. Anne's : Monthly Medal.
Richmond : Monthly Medal.
Brighton and Hove : Berens Medal.
London Scottish : Monthly Medal.
Royal Liverpool : Monthly Medal.
Disley : Summer Meeting.
- July 2, 4, 5.—Felixstowe : First Summer Meeting.
July 5.—Carnarvonshire : Monthly Medal.
July 6.—Barnes Ladies : Monthly Medal.
July 7.—Tyneside : Bi-Monthly Medal.
July 9.—Southport : Monthly Medal.
Watsonian : Captain's and Club Prizes.
Cumbrae : Monthly Competition.
Bradford, St. Andrews : Rhodes Medal.
Monifieth : Fenton Gold Medal.
Rochester : Monthly Medal.
Buxton and High Peak : The Owen Prize
Guildford : Monthly Handicap.
Royal Isle of Wight : Monthly Medal.

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MY FELLOW-GOLFERS.

V.—SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT OUR CLUB COMMITTEE, TO WHICH ARE ADDED SOME ABOUT OUR SILENCE-ROOM, AND THE MANNERS AND CUSTOMS OF ITS VENERABLE FREQUENTERS.

Jones said to me one evening, "I never see any of those interesting survivals, our club committee, without being reminded of what Rawdon Crawley said about old Mother Lock: 'Dammy! how those old women last; she was too when I was a boy.'"

I assented laughingly.

"Take that wizen little snuff-taking antediluvian, 'Methusaleh' Cripps," Jones went on. "I suggested to him that we should adopt the rules of the Royal St. Regulus, and what do you think he said?"

"What?" said I.

"He said the St. Regulus Committee were far too young for their work, and that, in fact, they were no better than a set of dangerous revolutionaries, always trying to go ahead of the spirit of the age," says Jones, with a grin.

I laughed out loud at this.

"Well, we may laugh," says Jones, presently, but really it's no laughing matter. I can't understand why the club is so absurdly lax and careless as to go on electing these specimens of pre-historic man year after year. Nothing gets done; all suggestions for improvements are treated as revolution; the lunches are infernal; the servants are getting out of hand and casual; in short, we want a regular turn-out, and the election of younger men, unless we are to come to utter grief. Take old 'Reach-me-down' Flopper, who dresses like a scarecrow, and eats like a cormorant, as Macaulay says. Well, I tried to get at him the other day about enlarging the silence-room, and he stared at me as if I were a wicked spirit come to propose the re-erection of the Tower of Babel."

Now nobody knows better than I do that Jones is right in all this, and especially about the need of improving that silence-room.

In a large and important Golf club like ours there is naturally such a room, a place of (theoretical) rest and quiet, where the weary may escape the noise and everlasting Golf "shop" of the big smoking-room, and where there is peace from the apocryphal legends of poor Longbow, and the assertions of Whacker that he *must* have done it in 79 if it hadn't been for that fool of a caddie, who misled him at the last hole but one.

But how often in life the theory differs from the practice, and the intention from the fact! The simple truth is that that little haven of rest is nothing better than a noisome den, in which the manners and customs of some of the veterans who use it mostly are such that many men will not even enter the room, while Jones has christened this abode of bliss the "Menagerie."

"I wish," said he to me, with a comical look, "we could just hang up a few simple bye-laws in that room."

"What would you have?" says I.

"Let's draw some up," says Jones, producing a note-book and pencil. "Hm—ha—well."

"(1.) This room shall be kept properly aired, and every member using it shall be properly washed, and dressed in clean clothes."

"That'll do to start with; you know how, what with the gas and the fire and the tight-shut windows, and that malodorous little sinner 'Quilp,' who spends the whole day in the place, the room always smells like the wolf's den at the Zoo."

"How are you going to wash Quilp?" said I, laughing.

"We must make it the duty of the steward and the matron, and raise their wages," said Jones, gravely.

"Quilp" is a member of our club committee, and has been most generous to us in money matters, and there is a legend that he was baulked in love, and that it was from that day that his shocking neglect of his insignificant, hook-nosed person began. How that may be I know not, only it is a fact that his horrid, unwashed little entity does exhale perfumes which are not those of Araby the blest).

"Very good," said I, highly amused. "What's the next one?"

"(2.) No one shall spit in the fire." "That is a whack at old Gripper and old Hustler, you know," said Jones, looking up. I nodded.

"(3.) No one may sniff, or snort, or snuffle. When these offences are committed, the waiter is to be rung for, and is to be ordered to present a clean handkerchief to the offender, who shall use it at once, on pain of expulsion."

"That's one for old Tunks and Colonel Howler."

"(4.) No one shall sleep in this room. Snoring shall be followed by severe punches in the ribs with a mashie, which shall be kept in the room for the purpose, and may be used by any member present."

"That'll do for old Grump. Lord! how I should like to use it," said Jones, thoughtfully. I laughed.

"(5.) No one shall yawn loudly, aggressively, and continuously. It shall be lawful to insert a Golf ball into the mouth of any member so offending."

"That'll meet the case of old Potter. That final hach-h-h of his is disgusting and offensive, and the beggar never stops."

"(6.) No one shall make audible comments on the book or paper he is reading."

"Like old 'Coddletoes' Nobbler, you know." I laughed, and nodded again.

"(7.) No one shall sit on the evening paper, nor scrape his boots on the fender."

"That's one in the eye for Colonel Tuber and one or two more."

"(8.) No one is to break the rule of silence on the pretence that he is speaking low."

"That'll stop old Gray and old Baldwin, and that great chat-box Jawkins—eh?"

I was hugely amused by these rules, which really are awfully wanted. That silence-room, as it now is, is uninhabitable, except by people who don't mind hovering "through fog and filthy air," like the witches in Macbeth, and have no objection to very unpleasant personal habits.

I think I see our scented exquisite "Piesse and Lubin" come into the club at 4.30 from the keen sweet air of the links. He looks through the glass door of the room, and sees five gas jets in full blast, a blazing fire, every window tightly closed, and eleven old gentlemen sitting in a room 20 ft. by 18. He mutters, "Oh Lord!" and hesitates, but he has a letter to write, and he doesn't want to write it in the big room, so in he goes, and is all but knocked backward by the "blast from hell" which hits him full in the face as he opens the door.

There is only one seat vacant. It is in the far corner, next to "Quilp."

"How are you?" breathes out that evil-smelling little Punchinello, his words wafted on a gale distinctly not from Eden.

Poor "Piesse" falls back on his chair, buries his head in the eau de Cologne on his handkerchief, nods, chokes, makes a futile attempt to write, and finally flies to the other room. "Couldn't stand it, you know; it was really too—" and his confident grins and is quite well able to supply the blank.

Presently into this silence den come Grandison and De Coverley, men who not only love fresh air, but detest all disagreeable habits, and are very irritable about interruptions in their reading.

They pant, and look helplessly at the windows, then take up some literature and try to enjoy it.

Col. GRUMP (snoring): Nkaugh-h-h-h, Korr-h-h-h-h! (Grandison and De C. look sternly at the offender).

Col. GRUMP (*sostenuto*): Kaumph-h-h-h-h-h!

OLD GRIPPER spits into the fire just past Grandison's patent leather boot—Hau-ick though!

GRANDISON: "Good Ged!"

Col. GRUMP (*crescendo*): Gnurr-r-r-r-r-r-r—ach! Wakes suddenly, looks round him with a wild stare, and then tumbles off to sleep again—Nkah h-h-h-h!

OLD NOBBLER (commenting on his newspaper): Pst—pooh—stuff! Tut, tut! (makes a violent rustling with the journal).

OLD TUNKS (sniffs): Mf-mf-mf-umf!—(Snuffles very loudly)—haump! haumph-h-h! He ends with a great snort—Horrk!

DE COVERLEY looks savagely at him. Both he and Grandison have ceased to read.

OLD POTTER (yawning desperately): Hor-r-r-r! Yah-h-h! Ach-h-h!—the latter word given out with frightful vehemence, and as if he were repelling some devilish suggestion. This performance he repeats at intervals of two minutes.

COL. GRUMP: (*fortissimo*): Kor-r-r-r-r! Aumph-h-h!

GRANDISON (softly): Oh, d——! Lays down his magazine. De Coverley does the same.

OLD HUSTLER (coughing): Ugh-ugh-ugh-ugh! Hugh-ach! He and old Gripper spit simultaneously into the fire with a refreshing unanimity. Grandison again mutters, "Good Ged!" and shoves his chair well away from the fender, on which Col. Tuber proceeds to scrape his boots.

OLD GREY to OLD BALDWIN (who is deaf): So I said, "Look here, my boy, it won't do; you'll have to go through with it."

OLD BALDWIN to OLD GREY (he has scarcely heard a word, but believes the story to be a naughty one): "Capital—capital—Kee-apital! And what did she do then?"

OLD TUNKS (snuffles): Haump! Haumph! Hoick!

DE COVERLEY: "Oh, Lord!"

COL. GRUMP: Hor-r-r-rh! Kor-r-r-rh! Kah-h-h!

OLD NOBBLER (commenting): "Rubbish! Pish! Bah! Pooh!"

COL. TUBER (having done scraping his boots, blows his nose so loud you could hear him at the ninth hole out): Hoo-oo-oo!

This is enough. Grandison and De Coverley look round in despair at this awful set of old men, and walk out amidst a perfect chorus of snoring, coughing, hoick-tooing, sniffing, snuffing, snorting, pishing, poohing, bah-ing, puffing, savage yawning, gasping, groaning, rustling of newspapers, in a temperature above blood-heat, and an atmosphere like the Black Hole at Calcutta.

"Oh, by George!" says De Coverley, "did you ever?"

"Very often, my dear chap," says Grandison, testily. "There, for Heaven's sake, let's get to a window. It's just what Jones calls it; it's no better than a menagerie."

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(*To be continued.*)

IN PRAISE OF THE SELF-ASSERTIVE.

(GOLF, June 3rd, p. 184.)

It is really too bad of you, oh "One More," to take for your text a letter, and preach a sermon upon the sentiments which, no doubt, were uppermost in the mind of the estimable Dr. Watts when he penned for an admiring posterity the exquisite hymn commencing, "Puffed up with pride and self-conceit." Besides, you have taken my name in vain, and proclaimed in printers' ink a deed of which I suppose I ought to feel ashamed; for to rob a man of a record by such questionable means is, I now begin to perceive, open to animadversion. More: you have found out a game of which I am the originator, but of which, unfortunately, I have not secured the patent, or copyright, or entered it at Stationers' Hall, or whatever is the proper thing to do; and you have played this game in public—played it, too, as I should judge, to very little purpose, so far as your real drift is concerned. As to this, I see through it, and through you. I always do see jokes, allusions, innuendoes, quotations, and so forth; and besides, in the words of the lamented George Whyte-Melville, am always in first at the death of a pun. I should like to write an essay on the disabilities of the unduly modest, or, conversely, on the abilities of the unduly conceited; but I am at a loss how to begin. The subject is open to elaborate treatment; but I think it has all been done before, and better than lies in my power.

Look round you, "One More," and say with your knowledge of men and manners, is it generally given to shrinking modesty to obtain the good things of this life? Where is the use, if you have the talent, of burying it underground? Is it not rather the blatant vulgarian, who, though unendowed with any very transcendent merits of his own, yet through sheer impudence, manages to climb the topmost rung of the ladder, making use of the modest, the retiring, the humble, merely as steps to assist his upward progress? A city on an hill, a tower in the city, and somebody on the top thereof, to be seen of men; such is

the position to be aimed at, and why not? As a means to that end, I invented the game which you have now also discovered, and I play it with childish glee whenever I can get the chance. As thus: I button-hole a friend, who, of course, must understand about Golf, and deftly lead the conversation. "Good lot of matches out to-day." "Yes, who were you playing?" "I was playing with Bob Smith." "Oh, he was over, was he; what sort of game was he playing?" "Just about the best of his medal game; never saw him play staidier; he was round in 87, out in 44, home in 43." "Oh, then I suppose he beat you?" "No, I won by 8 and 6 to play. You see I was 37 out, and 7 up at the turn." This is all stern fact. So again you can do it like this: "Leslie Balfour was playing a ripping game this afternoon; he holed the first five holes in the 25 against that wind with me." "Oh, he was beating you, then?" "No, I won the first four of them, but he got a half at the fifth, but I didn't win the match before the twelfth hole." Yet did my playmate turn the tables on me the other day in most annoying fashion. I was unable this year to play in the interesting matches at the spring meeting, wherefore, as a measure of solace, I frequently walked round. He was playing a foursome, and announced to me, what I could well believe, that for a month past no one round of his had been over 90. "Ah! my friend," I said, "it's fortunate for you that I'm not able to play just now, and check your victorious career." The answer was ready on the instant. "Ah! but I'm only playing good matches just now, you see Sandwich is just coming on." It should be added, to elucidate the text, that this question between us had, as I thought, been previously settled, for out of the many encounters in the past year or two, my playmate had won none, nor, as I recollect, had any been halved. This, then, is assurance in sublimated essence; this is the one thing needful; modesty is out of date. I know a man of such retiring disposition, that if he saw the top of my hat five hundred yards off on the links, he would miss the ball from sheer nervousness. I don't wish to spoil his matches, so I avoid going near him. I don't know what I should do if he ever came near the end of a handicap tournament; if I joined the crowd, wanting to see the finish, the other fellow would win.

I know another, decidedly the most bashful soul I ever did come across, *quâ* golfer, quite the very worst. He knows he is bad, and is aware, as I conceive, that I know it too, therefore he yields precedence becomingly, as I think, and I wish his example were more generously followed, to all on the links, and, specially, to myself. But one day I was caught in a thunderstorm, and made for a shelter I knew of, for it is not good, they say, to be abroad with cleeks and irons under these circumstances. I reached the hovel, but found my friend there before me, also in evidence were crowded together rollers, rakes, barrows, a cart and such heterogeneous implements as are for the keeping in order of the green. This good soul, the only occupant and man in possession, saw me coming; escape was barred; I did not want to be drenched, nor I suppose did he; so on my nearer approach he contrived a sort of obstacle race for himself, wherein he was the only competitor. He "overed" the hole-cutter, nipped in and out of the handles of the barrow, crawled under the shafts of the cart, ducked under a cross-beam, till he arrived at the furthest and darkest corner of the shed, where he stood, look you, with his face to the wall, in the corner, like a naughty child, till such time as the storm was over, and we, or at least I, could emerge. It was touching; one felt truly sorry for him, but what could one do? I have read somewhere the confessions of a shy man, but do not recollect in them any incident of such pathos. The coyness of the farmer's daughter is not to be compared to it.

"The farmer's daughter hath ripe red lips
(Butter and eggs and a pound of cheese),
If you try to approach her away she skips
Over tables and chairs with apparent ease."

But that is not the thing at all; assurance is the desideratum. Moreover, such as are of the smallest account need most of it, and, one may add, very commonly have it. The vapourer is not usually your man of inches; his deeds of valour are, necessarily, already sufficiently conspicuous. Rather is it the dwarf; he is further off from our ken, and we might forget he was there but for this wise provision of Nature.

Read, oh! "One More," in your Suetonius the history of the dwarf Lucius, who was one of the greatest attractions in Rome in the days of the virtuous Tiberius. The little man made up what he lacked in inches, which did not reach twenty-four, by stentorian voice and magnificent importance, a joy to all beholders. These things are all variants of the old fable of the ox and the frog. The shrewdest observer of human nature who ever lived has left it on record that "most men will proclaim every man his own goodness"; therefore long live the gospel of swagger! Let us hold fast to that, endeavouring to forget the sad experience of Feste the Jester; bewailing—

"But when I came, alas! to wive,
With, hey ho, the wind and the rain,
By swaggering could I never thrive,
For the rain it raineth every day."

H. S. C. EVERARD

GOLF ON PUBLIC COMMONS.

IT is not easy to consider with patience the blind hostility shown by many of our local authorities in England to the playing of Golf on the public commons. Coincident with the spread of the game everywhere, there appears to be setting in a feeling of antipathy, of jealousy, sometimes of downright persecution, on the part of a certain section of the public against Golf and golfers being allowed to share with other sports the public recreation grounds in and around large towns. One could understand the feeling to a large extent, did golfers appropriate to themselves the fairest, smoothest, flattest portion of the ground, thereby hindering the general public from using that portion of a common which is most desirable for a gentle promenade. But, as is well known, the contrary is the case. Golfers betake themselves to the rough portions unsuitable for any other sport, to the whins, quarries, gravel pits, rough depressions, and little brooks, neglected for the most part by the public. Here they would wish to stay unmolested, and molesting no one. Unfortunately, however, there are always a certain number of pernicious busybodies in a locality who, imbued with the true spirit of the dog in the manger, find that the most desirable form of sport they can indulge in is to bait their neighbours, to set them by the ears, to scent out what they conceive to be a job, to harry members of the local governing body over some ridiculously trivial point, which they magnify into a grievance, and generally, as Mr. Mantalini would say, to take "demmed good care" that nobody shall enjoy what they themselves are unable to share in. When one inquires into the history of these people, it is usually found that they are or have been shopkeepers, or are nebulously described by their neighbours as "something in the City," that they own a £20 nag, and occupy a little villa on the edge of the common. They wish to be considered somebody, and their method of eliciting local admiration is to make themselves disagreeable all round. They come out in the mornings, mounted on a sorry Rosinante that has whilom earned substantial dividends in a livery stable, and as a mark of their gentility they intentionally ride up and down the putting-greens prepared by the local Golf club. *Les misérables*. The worst of it is that these people and others of their way of thinking, have votes; pressure is brought to bear on local governing bodies in consequence, and the members of those bodies, instead of showing backbone and independence, allow themselves to be coerced into accepting the views of a clamorous, interfering, and narrow-minded section of the electorate. It is in this way that Golf is being put under the heel.

Take the case of Golf at Tooting as an example. Here the London County Council have prohibited the golfer from playing any more. No ground of complaint is specifically urged against the club, or any of its members; but it has been long apparent that the local busybody described above was burrowing beneath the surface. It was vaguely alleged that the game as played here was dangerous to public safety. But during the years that the club has played over the Common no accident from a ball has been reported, and this, notwithstanding the fact that as many as sixty or seventy couples used the course in a day. The club took every precaution to prevent any shadow of complaint from being made against them. A fore caddie, carrying a red flag as if to herald the approach of a dangerous locomotive, was always employed, and no player was allowed, on pain of expulsion from the club, to tee off when any member of the public was in the line of the shot. To the Scottish golfer, accustomed to the freedom of Bruntsfield links, Musselburgh, or the Braids, where local corpora-

tions foster Golf instead of suppressing it, all this would seem to be superfluous caution; but so intent were the members at Tooting upon affording the residents of the locality no ground for objection that "by your leave" was the habitual attitude of the golfer towards the public before a shot was played.

Now that London commons are to be given up exclusively to cricket and football, one may be permitted to doubt whether the public as a whole, and the local residents in particular, will be the gainers. All the little picturesque inequalities of the surface of those commons are being converted by the County Council into one dead, monotonous level. Ditches are being filled up, whins uprooted by the score, and an all-round effort is apparently being made to please "our masters." In crossing any of the London public parks on a Saturday afternoon, the pedestrian in search of quiet and fresh air takes his life in his hand. Cricket balls hurtle through the air in every direction. You see cricket matches going on by the score, the pitches so close together that the fielder at point in one team has his head just clear of the bat of an ardent scorer a few yards off. The general public stand or sit impartially between the wickets; and small is the wonder when one reads, as happened the other day, that a spectator of such a cricket match had his skull crushed in by a cricket ball. Women, girls, and elderly people dare not go near these commons on such occasions, and they are forced to keep to the high roads. The same remark holds good of football in the winter. Acres of beautiful turf are kicked into mud in the course of a week or two, and a heretofore beautiful common becomes an unsightly bare patch, fruitful of clouds of dust in dry windy weather. This is the case at Clapham Common, where the Golf club had goal-posts planted on their putting-greens, and their fine hazards of whins surrounding the holes kicked to pieces by unruly football players. The County Council, at great cost, enclosed eight or ten acres of old football ground, returned the whole at great public cost, kept the public off the ground for two years, and then threw it open to the footballers. In three weeks the turf had disappeared. How different is the case of Golf-playing. The Tooting Club spent hundreds of pounds in improving their course, cropping the putting-greens, and filling up the yawning gaps of cricket pitches. They have left the common infinitely more beautiful than when they found it. No eyesore has at least been created by their sport. It is important also to remember that everything was done at their own cost, and the ratepayers were in no way asked to spend a penny. In the case of cricket, football, and lawn-tennis, however, a considerable amount is annually taken out of the rates to keep workmen on the ground in order to repair the havoc caused by the players and to prepare pitches. The residents at Tooting may also be reminded of one good work achieved by the golfers. The common was a notorious hunting-ground of a certain obscene class of loafers. These pests of society couched among the whins, and rendered it absolutely impossible for the local residents to allow their governesses and young daughters to roam about the common, or to pass across it on their way to school. The Golf club was the means of rooting out these pestilent vagabonds. What has been said of Tooting is also true of Wimbledon, Blackheath, and a hundred other clubs in the country. One would naturally think, therefore, that instead of golfers being hunted off public playgrounds, an enlightened Bumbledom would exert itself to preserve opportunities for the exercise of a sport which is free from all the elements of vulgar rowdyism. But this apparently is not to be, and the Tooting golfers have sought fresh playing fields, where, it is to be hoped, they will prosper, and remain undisturbed for many years to come.

“THE FLYING SCOTCHMAN” BALL.

This is the name of a new Golf ball, just patented and brought out by Messrs. Thornton and Co., 78, Princes Street, Edinburgh. The firm is well known everywhere for its “match ball,” and other requisites for the game; but, not content with the success they have achieved, Mr. G. B. Thornton has been at work for some time perfecting the present ball. The advantages claimed for it are these:—(1) It does not hack; (2) It does not go out of shape; (3) it flies true; and (4) it floats. We have tested the ball, and find that the advantages claimed for it are by no means overstated. To find a ball that floats is, in these days of numerous inland greens, with their variety of water hazards, a great desideratum, both in point of saving time and in economy in the expense of playing. To beginners and others, who are not quite sure of their tee shots across such hazards, this ball will be found to be a great aid to the security of the drive. In addition to this much-needed quality, the ball will stand a great deal of topping and other punishment resulting from bad lies, while the price (9s. per dozen) will bring it within the reach of all who care to have a really good ball for ordinary match play. The nicking is clean, deep, and regular, while the paint is as good as it can be. We have no hesitation in recommending the ball.

HOTEL-KEEPER SUED BY A GOLFER.—A case of importance to hotel-keepers was tried before Sheriff Henderson in the Small Debt Court, Cupar Fife, on Thursday last week, Mr. Hugh Francis Birley of the Mount, St. Asaph, North Wales, sued Mr. William Rusack, hotel-keeper, Marine Hotel, St. Andrews, for £8, being the value of a pearl scarf-pin belonging to pursuer, which had been abstracted or stolen from the bedroom of the pursuer while staying in defender's hotel. Mr. J. Ritchie Welch appeared for pursuer, and Mr. R. O. Pagan for defender. Examined by Mr. Welch, Mr. Rusack explained that the dressing-table of the bedroom was near the window, and he was of opinion that the pin might have been carried away by crows. He had read and heard of such a thing. Any property which had formerly gone amissing in the hotel had always been recovered. Mr. Birley, pursuer, stated that on Sunday, 4th October, a friend came to his bedroom for the loan of a pin. He took the pearl pin out of the cushion, but his friend preferred and got a smaller one. He missed the pin on the Wednesday following, and at once complained about it. The conversation about the crows took place a few days after. In cross-examination by Mr. Pagan, he admitted that he had seen the printed notice in the bedroom stating that the hotel-keeper was not responsible for articles of value that went amissing. Mr. Cowan corroborated. For the defender, John Mackay, boots, and Mary M'Kinlay, servant, deposed that they never saw the pursuer with the pin. In re-examination Mr. Rusack stated that another possibility was that the pin might have been blown out of the window, which was in a high position, and the wind had a powerful effect upon it. Mr. Ritchie Welch pleaded that the Roman edict *Nautae, cauponae, stabularii*, applied to Scotland. That was a title given to the well-known edict of the Roman praetor, by which shipmasters, inn-keepers, and stablers were made answerable for the goods and effects of travellers which had been brought into the ship, inn, or stable. He maintained that the defender was responsible for the safety of the property belonging to his customers, and the evidence had established that the pursuer had the pearl pin. Mr. Pagan contended that the pursuer had not taken reasonable precautions to protect his property, and that he had been guilty of contributory negligence. The Sheriff said that the liability of a hotel-keeper was firmly established, and, as pursuer had made out his case, defender was clearly liable. He was of opinion that visitors to hotels were quite entitled to have protection for such articles. He gave decree for £8, with £1 7s. 1d. expenses.

BURNTISLAND.—The Connel trophy competition—Mr. P. M'Naughton scratched to Mr. Adam Wilson; Mr. R. Brown beat Mr. R. Dow; Mr. W. Kennell scratched to Mr. J. Venters; Mr. M. Pithie scratched to Mr. J. Adamson; Mr. P. M'Arteney beat Mr. W. Smith; Mr. W. Dryburgh scratched to Mr. W. Venters; Mr. D. Wood, sen. beat Mr. D. Connel; Mr. D. Wood beat Mr. A. Lyon; Mr. J. Kerr scratched to Mr. J. C. Wallace; Mr. J. Isles scratched to Mr. W. Addison; Mr. J. Wood beat Mr. R. Pittilo; Mr. R. Garrie beat Mr. J. Ross; Mr. A. Reekie beat Mr. T. Gordon; Mr. W. Malone beat Mr. W. Elder; Mr. D. W. Stevenson beat Mr. D. Gow. The annual competition for the June or “scratch” medal took place on Wednesday and Saturday, attracting on both days a good turn-out of players. Amongst the number who handed in cards David Connel was found with an actual score of 87, making him tie with his brother, Mr. J. W. Connel, for the first place. The next in order were:—Mr. W. Cowan, 90, less 6=84; Mr. J. Venters, 88, less 2=86; Mr. A. Jackson, 96, less 6=90; Mr. R. Dover, 88, plus 2=90; Mr. R. B. Ferguson, 96, less 5=91. While the medal was scratch, the added prizes were not so restricted.



THE FLIGHT OF A GOLF BALL.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I observe that nobody has yet answered “C. T. P.’s” query concerning the flight of a Golf ball in your issue of May 6th. As I think it is one of the great charms of the game that it is interesting from so many different points of view, and as no worthier mind has undertaken the task, I may perhaps be permitted to make the following explanation. In reality your correspondent has himself kicked up the dust that obscures his vision. In other words, there is no analogy between a ball which travels in a continuous line through an elastic medium like the air and one which meets with a solid resistance directly in front of it, and bounds back in a contrary direction. For one thing their paths are opposite, and therefore cannot be compared. The nearest approach to a similarity of conditions that could be got on a billiard-table would be when the ball is propelled up the table from baulk towards the spot, and having had a left-hand side communicated to it is allowed to strike the left-hand side cushion on its way. It will then be seen that the angle of reflection becomes more obtuse than the angle of incidence, or in other words, that the ball bends more to the right than it would if it had had no such rotation. When a ball travels through air, having at the same time a right-handed rotation (or left-handed side), the axis of rotation being vertical, Backforth and Professor Tait have shown that the air on the side of the ball that is advancing is denser than the air on the side that is receding. Consequently the resistance on the left side is greater than that on the right, and the ball is constantly being pressed towards the right. The difference between it and the billiard ball is, that in the latter this resistance is operative only during the instant of time that the ball strikes the cushion, whilst with a golf ball it is continuous.

The reason why the curve increases so much towards the end of flight is that, for the first hundred yards or so, the velocity of translation, or onward flight of the ball, is comparatively so much greater than the velocity of rotation, that the latter is practically of no effect; that as the ball slackens its speed the spin begins to tell more and more, with what results most of us unhappily know too well.

Let us, therefore, ever bless the memory of Mr. Lamb and the bulger, himself, I believe, notwithstanding the merits of his invention and his fame as a golfer, the most modest of men. Let us be thankful for this his gift to meaner souls, and that he has rendered it additionally easy for us to imitate his virtues and to avoid the putting on of “side.”

I am, Sir, &c.,

Chislehurst, June 4th.

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THE USE OF IRON CLUBS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have read with much interest the letter signed "Cleek," in your last number, and as one who has suffered in former years from inability to play with anything but iron clubs, I am pleased to give "Cleek" my humble experience.

It is, I consider, most unsportsman-like to use a cleek to drive off with, except in the case of a short hole of only about 150 yards. It is certainly not the game, and now I have taken to using the ordinary driver and bulger, I cannot understand how I can have robbed myself of the pleasure of driving with a wooden club for so many years.

Professionals frequently tell beginners to use the cleek, and they find they can do so well with it that they are loth to give it up, but it is a sure sign of an inexperienced player, and it should be strongly deprecated. It seems to me like eating peas with a knife, an operation which at once stamps a man as wanting in manners; and though I will not go so far as to say that a man who plays with a cleek should be put in the same category, it certainly offends the susceptible feelings of the true golfer.

I should advise "Cleek," if he is writing of himself, to persevere with wooden clubs, and in a short time he will look down upon the iron player with something like contempt.

I am, Sir, &c.,
BRASSEY.

LOCAL AND ARTISAN GOLF AT ST. ANDREWS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Would you allow me space in your valuable paper to say a few words upon an article which my attention has been called to, and which appeared in your paper of May 27th under the heading of "Local and Artisan Golf at St. Andrews," written by Mr. H. S. C. Everard, in which the writer implies a narrow-minded discourtesy on the part of the officials (secretary excepted) of the St. Andrews Golf Club in not allowing him to make use of their books. Any one who reads the article in question can see his anxiety to write an interesting article which has led him to excuse the poverty of it by casting a slur on the officials of the St. Andrews Golf Club.

To protest against an unjust imputation, and perhaps ease an apparent soreness felt by the writer of the article, I have to state it was not in my power or the secretary's to give him access to the books of the club without sanction from the club committee, and which sanction they never had the opportunity of giving or refusing. Courtesy is surely out of place when it causes officials to break faith with their club.

I am, Sir, &c.,
ALEXANDER MILNE,
Capt. of the St. Andrews Golf Club.

St. Andrews Golf Club Rooms,
Golf Hotel, St. Andrews,
June 6th, 1892.

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Having read with interest Mr. Garden G. Smith's letter and your own paragraphs in GOLF concerning the amateur championship, I should be glad if you would allow me a little space to point out the anomalies which might occur in the competition if the "Colonel Bogey" system were adopted. Let us suppose A and B to be playing together, and the "Colonel's" standard for the first three holes to be 455. If A's score for these holes were 645, and B's 555, then at the third hole A would be square and B would be 1 down with their imaginary opponent. Supposing a similar thing to occur every three holes, we should have A finishing his round "all square," and

B 6 down with "Colonel Bogey." At the same time, however, A would be square in holes and equal in strokes to B at the third hole, and also on the full round. A more perfect test of equality of merit could not be imagined than that two players should complete a round in the same number of strokes and be square in holes. Yet if, as you suggest, a player who was more than 3 holes down to "Colonel Bogey" were compelled to stand aside, B would be thrown out, and A, who is of exactly equal merit, would be allowed to proceed to the next round. That such a result should be possible, where Messrs. Laidlay and Ball might be the players A and B, is a sufficient reason for condemning the system; but that it would undoubtedly be of frequent occurrence to a greater or less degree, as all players of three-ball matches must well know—and this, too, in a game in which we are accustomed to see the most important issues decided often by one single hole or putt—ought to make us wish for the total annihilation of a system which dispenses the gravest injustice to golfers. Let its supporters carefully analyse their method of deciding merit before placing in it that implicit confidence which is warranted only by superficial theory.

I am, Sir, &c.,
LEVEN.

June 4th, 1892.

J. C. J.—The rule was complied with as to the number of entries, and in the circumstances the lowest scorer is entitled to the cup.—ED.

GOLF AT HARROGATE.

Among the 70,000 or 80,000 persons who visit Harrogate every year there are many devoted followers of the Royal and ancient game. Until this year there have been no links in the neighbourhood of this famous health resort. However, some ardent golfers residing in the place have communicated their enthusiasm to several others, and as a result, a club has been formed, and a splendid nine-hole course obtained. A couple of months ago, Willie Park, jun., laid out the greens, and formed a very high opinion of the course. Since then, Tom Chisholm, of St. Andrews, has been engaged as professional, and under his superintendence the greens have been put into good order, and the whins and rushes in the line of the holes cleared away, the capital condition of the course reflecting great credit upon him.

The course is situated about a quarter of an hour's walk from the Pump-room, and is thus conveniently placed for those who are taking the waters. It is in the direction of Birk Crag. Part of the links is about 500 feet above sea-level, and is swept by invigorating breezes from the Yorkshire Wolds. As regards picturesqueness of surroundings, it is second to none in the kingdom. The following is the length of the holes, some of which are to be increased later on:—1st hole, 360 yards; 2nd hole, 230 yards; 3rd hole, 200 yards; 4th hole, 370 yards; 5th hole, 140 yards; 6th hole, 340 yards; 7th hole, 220 yards; 8th hole, 400 yards; 9th hole, 320 yards. The course is eminently sporting in character. The fifth hole is the shortest, but it requires a careful drive, as for the first thirty yards it skirts a plantation; then a berk, and the angle formed by the junction of two walls has to be negotiated. There is a ditch close to the wall, and boggy ground on the wrong side of it, so that a fozzled shot will be severely punished.

PRESTWICK ST. NICHOLAS.—The annual general meeting of this club was held on Saturday, when the reports submitted by the secretary and treasurer were of a very satisfactory character. The membership now numbers 320. Mr. A. J. Lawrie was re-elected captain, and Mr. David Caldwell honorary secretary and treasurer. Before the transaction of business the members engaged in the competition for the Eglinton medal, played for at scratch; the Wilson medal, played for by the six winners during the year; and the Ayr trophy. Gold badges are given to the winners of the Eglinton and Wilson medals. The weather was on the whole favourable, a stiff breeze meeting the players on the outward journey, but all in favour on the home course. The cards showed that the Eglinton medal had been won by Mr. William Hunter, with a scratch score of 83, which forms the record of the new green under the alteration of the round. The following are the details:—Out, 6 5 4 7 7 5 4 4 6=46; In, 5 3 3 4 5 4 5 4 4=37; total, 83. The next best scratch scores were:—Mr. Prothero, 85; Mr. O. L. Randall, 85; Mr. W. Hunter (3), 85. The Wilson medal was tied for at 85 by Mr. James Andrew with 3, and Mr. W. A. Kennedy, with 6 of odds. The Ayr trophy fell to Mr. William Hunter, (3), at 79, with 6 of odds.



An interesting case is in progress in the Court of Session, Edinburgh, as to the right of a trainer of racehorses to exercise them over Gullane Common, and the right of the Honourable Mrs. Hamilton-Ogilvy to forbid him. The case is also of interest to golfers, whose pastime may be interfered with. The trainer rented some stabling and ground from Mrs. Hamilton-Ogilvy, and made application for permission to use the Common as a training ground. Now he says that he was wrongly advised in doing this, as the lady has no rights in the Common and cannot sell it or enclose it. One witness in the case was the veteran trainer, Matthew Dawson, who was born at Gullane seventy-two years ago. He said that the Common was always free and open, and that his father regularly used it as a training ground, but he was bothered when shown letters written by his father asking for permission to train horses on this Common for "a Mr. Merry, a gentleman from Glasgow." Old Matthew smiled, and said, "You appear to know more of my father's affairs than I do."

An interesting professional home-and-home match between Mearns, of Aberdeen, and Dalgleish, of Nairn, has been arranged, in the first instance at Nairn on June 8th. The match will be resumed at Aberdeen, on the Balgownie course, on June 22nd—two rounds of eighteen holes on each green.

Abington, a favourite angling and holiday resort in Scotland has been rendered more attractive to the tourist by the opening of a nine-hole Golf course on ground which has been granted by the Messrs. Fletcher, Coldchapel. The course, which is quite close to the station, was laid off by Willie Fernie, of Troon, who considers the turf perfect for golf.

During the ceremony of the formal opening of Brockwell Park, Herne Hill, by Lord Rosebery, on Whit Monday, a most painful incident occurred in the sudden death of Mr. Thomas L. Bristowe, M.P. for the Norwood Division of Lambeth. The deceased gentleman was present at the ceremony, but did not make any speech. At the conclusion of the proceedings he complained of feeling unwell, and was taken to a house in the Park. He was shortly afterwards seized with a fainting fit, and almost immediately expired. Mr. Bristowe was a member of the firm of Bristowe Brothers, and was on the Committee of the Stock Exchange from 1868 to 1885, since which year he has sat in the House of Commons as Conservative member for Norwood. He was president of the Tooting Bec Golf Club, and gave a handsome challenge cup for competition. He was exceedingly fond of the game, and was frequently heard to express regret, while practising patiently with Tom Dunn, that he had not learned such a fine game while a young man.

During the monthly medal competition at Crieff, on Saturday, a rather curious incident occurred. While Mr. Clement was approaching the sixth hole he was struck on the side by a ball driven from the tee-ground at the fifth hole by Dr. M. Thom. Mr. Clement, on looking for the ball that struck him, discovered it in the pocket of his jacket.

LOW SCORING AT SEAFORD.—On Friday, 3rd June, Mr. Calvin Hart went round the course in 77:—4 3 5 4 4 5 4 5 =38; 7 4 5 4 5 3 4 3 4=39. On the same day, playing with Mr. Wilfred Cundell against Messrs. Aspitel and Taylor, he went round in 82, lowering the foursome record by three strokes:—3 3 4 3 4 5 4 4 7 = 37; 7 4 7 5 4 3 5 5 = 45. Mr. Hart before held the amateur record with 81, made last Easter.

A FRENCH VIEW OF GOLF.—Under the heading of "A New English Game," a Paris newspaper writes as follows: "It is called 'Le Golf,' and resembles both 'croquet' and lawn tennis. Its special feature consists in the use of a ball—a sort of marble, extremely small—which is struck by a mallet. One element of the game consists in the erection of a little mound, recalling the pastime of 'forteresses' played with marbles in our young days. 'Le Golf,' which is indulged in especially by those persons whom lawn tennis, with its obligation to keep on running about continually, soon fatigues, is at present the favourite amusement in the suburbs of London. Backed up by our Anglo-mania it will be the rage this summer in our parks and country houses, and, as it does not require a large space of ground, in our gardens and villas."

A match is in course of arrangement between the Tantallon and the Royal Liverpool Clubs. Some years ago a team representing Hoylake, visited North Berwick and sustained defeat at the hands of the Tantallon, and it has now been arranged that the Royal Liverpool players shall have their revenge. The match will take place at Hoylake some time in July.

The membership of the West Herts Golf Club having reached 200, it was resolved, at a committee meeting held on 28th April, 1892, with regard to new members, "That, until the membership exceeds 250, the entrance-fee be £5 5s., and the annual subscription £3 3s."

EARLSFERRY.—LOW SCORING.—Last week three local professionals played a three-ball match over the eleven holes at Elie. At present the links are laid out at their longest, which makes low scoring very difficult. The round was completed in 44 by John Simpson, James Scott, and George Walker. The Thistle Golf Club held their competition for the Mason medal on Saturday. When the cards were handed in, it was found that Jack Simpson had won with 94 for the twenty-two holes; next, James Scott, 97. Simpson, whose portrait and career were given in last week's GOLF is in splendid form, and it is believed by the golfing community in the district that it would be difficult at present to get a golfer who could tackle him successfully.

Mrs. Fisher has offered a prize of £5 to the Southdown Ladies' Golf Club for a match in which the lowest handicap shall be 25. This match will probably take place in the autumn, when the members shall have had a period of steady practice.

NATIONAL BANK GOLF CLUB, EDINBURGH.—The competition at Musselburgh for the Chalmers medal, which resulted in a tie between Mr. John Bremner and Mr. W. H. Hamilton, was played off at the Braids on the 1st inst, when Mr. Bremner came in the winner.

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



ABERDEEN.

Capital weather for the game was enjoyed here on Saturday, and the whole of our three local clubs were engaged in competitions. Over the Balgownie course the members of the Aberdeen Club held their usual monthly competition for the scratch medal and Davidson cup (handicap). There was a large turn-out of competitors, and on comparing the cards handed in it was found that Mr. J. M. Ferguson had won the scratch medal with a score of 82, while the cup for the month fell to Mr. W. C. H. Jopp with a score of 84, less 6=78. The following are a few of the lowest scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. W. C. H. Jopp...	84	6	78	Dr. James Moir ...	90	6	84
Mr. C. F. Deans- Dundas ...	85	4	81	Dr. Joseph Ogilvie...	92	6	86
Mr. H. C. Hadden...	92	10	82	Col. J. E. Boyes ...	91	4	87
Mr. D. Littlejohn...	89	6	83	Mr. J. M. Duncan...	98	10	88
Mr. J. M. Ferguson	82	+2	84	Mr. B. S. M'Lellan	94	4	90

Over the links course the members of the Victoria Club competed on Wednesday and Saturday last for Mr. J. A. Adamson's prize (played for under special handicap). The weather was, on the whole, favourable on both days, and there was a large turn-out of competitors, some fifteen couples in all starting. When the cards were reckoned up at the close the first three names given below were found to occupy the leading places, the remainder following in the order given, viz.:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. T. Crichton ...	95	10	85	Mr. G. Anderson (1)	99	10	89
Mr. W. H. Reid ...	91	5	86	Mr. W. Argo ...	99	10	89
Mr. R. Balmain ...	90	3	87	Mr. A. M. M. Dunn	91	scr.	91
Mr. Alex. Cooper ...	88	scr.	88	Mr. A. Mitchell ...	96	3	93
Mr. G. Mortimer ...	94	6	88	Mr. J. B. Banks ...	97	4	93
Mr. J. Hazelwood...	95	7	88	Mr. J. Russell ...	94	scr.	94
Mr. T. Maclelland...	96	8	88	Mr. A. R. Williams	99	4	95

Over the same course the members of the Bon-Accord Club competed on the same dates for the Old Golfer's prize. When the cards handed in were compared, it was found that Mr. James Greig had won with the score of 91, less 10=81. The following were next in order:—Mr. James Florence, 86; Mr. William Stuart, 87; Mr. James W. Murray, 90; Mr. George Dunn, 91; Mr. Andrew Ducat, 92; Mr. John Twigg, 93; Mr. James Ogilvie, 96; Mr. F. Watt, 97; Messrs. D. B. Leslie, H. Glass, James Fraser, and A. Jaffray, 98 each, and Messrs. George Thomson and James Moir, 99 each.

BARNES LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Wednesday, 1st June. The following are the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Miss Connell ...	99	18	81	Miss Barclay Brown	111	25	86
Miss Gow ...	98	15	83	Miss G. Pearson ...	107	15	92
Miss Gay ...	96	12	84	Mrs. Dallas ...	128	36	92
Mrs. Warner ...	110	25	85	Miss Clare ...	151	36	115

Miss L. Gilby, Miss Macrae, and Miss Spiers returned no scores.

BURNHAM GOLF CLUB.

The monthly gold medal handicap was decided on Tuesday, May 31st, in fine weather. The number of entries was about the same, but the scoring was not so good as usual. The following were the principal cards sent in:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. T. C. Brice ...	105	18	87	Rev. W. R. P. Strange	121	25	96
Rev. T. Crump ...	100	10	90	Col. Armstrong ...	121	25	96
Mr. T. W. Colthurst	94	4	90	Mr. E. J. Colthurst	135	25	110

BANFF GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal for ladies was competed for on Friday. Miss Ethel Hossack, St. Catherine's, was first with 60. The gentlemen's medal was competed for on Saturday. Mr. Baikie was first with 101, less 10=91.

BEVERLEY AND EAST RIDING GOLF CLUB.

The competitions for two prizes given by the captain of the club (Dr. Macleod) were ended last week, after some excellent play, and very closely contested games. The prizes were competed for by the sixteen members who had made the best average scores in the winter competitions. Three rounds of foursome games were first played, the sides being drawn by ballot, and the victorious pair in the third round played a match for the first and second places. The winner of the first prize was Dr. Joyner Fraser, and of the second, Mr. C. R. Hugill, who had curiously enough been drawn to play together in the first three rounds. All the games were for eighteen holes.

First Round.—Dr. Fraser and Mr. Hugill beat Captain Whittle and Mr. Ford, 1 hole up. Mr. E. Hodgson and Mr. G. A. Robinson beat Mr. Stevelly and Mr. A. B. Reckitt, 11 up. Mr. J. E. Pease and Captain Maunsell beat Colonel Hallows and Dr. Stephenson, 4 up. Mr. G. A. Thompson and Mr. R. Hollowes, jun., drew a bye, owing to the illness of a competitor.

Second Round.—Mr. E. Hodgson and Captain Maunsell beat Mr. R. Hodgson and Mr. Thompson, 1 up at the nineteenth hole. Mr. Hugill and Mr. Fraser beat Mr. Robinson and Mr. Pease, 2 up.

Third Round.—Mr. Fraser and Mr. Hugill beat Mr. E. Hodgson and Captain Maunsell, 1 up at the nineteenth hole.

Final.—Mr. Fraser beat Mr. Hugill, 4 up and 3 to play.

On Thursday, May 26th, a team from the club played a friendly match with the Belton Park Golf Club, at Grantham. The links are at Belton Park (close to Grantham) which belongs to Lord Brownlow, who generously permits the full use of his park for the recreation of the district. The Belton Park Club has only been recently formed, the team, although not victorious, played a most plucky game against the older golfers from Beverley. The following are the scores for twenty-seven holes:—

BEVERLEY.		Holes.	BELTON PARK.		Holes.
Mr. C. G. Broadwood ...	...	8	Mr. C. A. Young ...	...	0
Mr. E. Hodgson ...	...	6	Mr. H. J. Hildyard ...	...	0
Mr. J. E. Pease ...	...	3	Mr. F. W. Thompson ...	...	0
Dr. Macleod ...	...	2	Rev. W. Purey Cust ...	...	0
		19			0

BOWDON GOLF CLUB.

The fifth monthly medal competition of the above club was held on Saturday last, the 4th inst., on the links at Dunham Massey. Mr. S. W. Gillett headed the list; but as he has already won a place in the final for the gold medal, the second, Mr. H. F. Ransome, scored a win.

Mr. S. W. Gillett won the first prize, and Mr. A. G. Hogg the second prize, in the optional sweepstakes.

The weather, although somewhat showery, was fair on the whole, with a strong westerly wind. Owing to the illness of Mason, the greenkeeper, the grass on the course has gained the upper hand lately, and consequently low scoring was difficult. The following are the best scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. S. W. Gillett ...	97	7	90	Mr. F. C. Morgan ...	100	3	97
Mr. H. F. Ransome	103	11	92	Mr. J. Pattison ...	111	14	97
Mr. A. G. Hogg ...	105	11	94	Mr. F. R. B. Lindsell	134	36	98
Mr. T. D. Cummins	103	7	96	Mr. E. Withington...	120	22	98
Rev. Wilson Cowie.	109	12	97	Mr. G. Shorland Ball	118	20	98

About thirty members competed.

CLAPHAM COMMON GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the Cronin handicap monthly medal took place on Thursday, June 2nd. Only four couples started, and the scores were rather poor, which was due to the wet weather. Scores as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. E. J. Hunt ...	103	14	89	Mr. J. W. Pace ...	109	16	93
Mr. J. Millar ...	108	18	90	Mr. T. R. Pace ...	114	14	100
Mr. E. L. Arnold...	108	17	91	Mr. T. Ravenhill ...	119	18	101

Mr. T. C. Last and Dr. G. S. Woodhead made no return.

"SCOTSMAN" GOLF CLUB.—The Caxton medal was played for over the Braids on Saturday, and was won by Mr. D. Coultts with the scratch score of 79.

CINQUE PORTS GOLF CLUB, DEAL.

These links were opened for play on Monday last, the 30th ult. Previous to this about forty members sat down to a luncheon, presided over by the Mayor of Deal, and afterwards over twenty players took part in a sweepstake, won by Captain W. H. Eccles. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Capt. W. H. Eccles	109	14 95	Mr. B. C. Manly	121	20 101
Mr. F. N. Harvey	116	20 96	Col. E. Cox	116	14 102
Mr. W. P. Matthews	105	8 97	Mr. E. F. Noel	133	30 103
Mr. R. Moxon	116	18 98	Mr. F. J. Quick	116	10 106
Mr. H. P. Cater	112	12 100	Mr. E. T. Ward	131	18 113
Capt. J. C. Tattersall	103	2 101	Mr. C. J. Mercer	155	24 131

No returns from Captain Conway, Mr. H. G. Alexander, Mr. W. H. Peto, Major Hungerford, Mr. F. W. Morris, Captain E. Boyd, Mr. A. Knipe, Mr. H. R. Johnstone, &c., &c.

Owing to the long-continued drought (scarcely any rain having fallen since the work on the course commenced), some of the greens were rather rough, but, everything considered, much credit is due to Henry Hunter, the green-keeper, for what has been done in the short time at his disposal; and it was the unanimous opinion of all present that in due time the links would be first-rate. When it is mentioned that the club was so fortunate as to obtain the valuable services of Ramsay Hunter, of the St. George's Club, Sandwich, in marking out the course, golfers will know that the most has been made of the ground. The day was perfect, the view seawards being most beautiful, the bold cliffs of Ramsgate standing out clearly. A club-house, containing large luncheon, smoke and dressing-rooms, drying-room, &c., &c., is in course of erection, and will be ready for occupation in October, but temporary accommodation for members has been provided.

DUMBARTON v. GLASGOW.

A Golf match between ten of the scratch and best players of the Glasgow Golf Club and a like number of the Dumbarton players took place on Tuesday night, 31st ult., on the course at Dumbarton. The match has been causing a good deal of interest in Golf circles in Glasgow and Dumbarton. It will be remembered that the Dumbarton players gave the second division of the Glasgow club a severe defeat some time ago, and the present match was arranged with the view of testing the real merits of the respective clubs. The evening, at the start of the game, and almost until it was finished, was fine, and the course was thronged with spectators interested in the play. Many of the pairs played an exceedingly close and clever game, notably Messrs. Lonie and Doleman, who, at the end of each round, stood equal. Mr. Bone, too, was in capital form, and did the single round in 32, which is a record so far for a single round of nine holes on the Dumbarton links. The Rev. John Smith played a very exciting game with Mr. Stewart Carrick. Mr. Carrick, at the end of the first round of nine holes, stood 3 up, but Mr. Smith, on the second round, not only reduced that, but at the close, stood 1 up. Mr. J. R. Motion and Mr. John M'Intyre also played a very close game, Mr. M'Intyre ending 1 up, which he only succeeded in getting in the last round. Mr. J. McClelland was highest for Dumbarton. In the first round he stood 3 up, but his opponent, Mr. Gillespie, reduced that in the second round by 1. All through the play was exceedingly good, although the Glasgow players complained of the difficulty of approaching, and the roughness of the putting greens. The following is the detailed score:—

GLASGOW.			DUMBARTON.		
	Holes.			Holes.	
Mr. W. Doleman	...	0	Mr. W. Lonie	...	0
Mr. D. Bone	...	6	Mr. K. M'Donald	...	0
Mr. R. Adam	...	3	Mr. J. Carrick	...	0
Mr. W. Milne	...	4	Mr. J. Burgess	...	0
Mr. A. Morrison	...	3	Mr. A. Herd	...	0
Mr. J. R. Motion	...	0	Mr. J. M'Intyre	...	1
Mr. J. Gillespie	...	0	Mr. J. M'Lelland	...	2
Mr. S. Carrick	...	0	Rev. J. Smith	...	1
Mr. A. Porteous	...	1	Mr. W. H. Kidston	...	0
Mr. R. Phillip	...	6	Mr. J. Wilson	...	0
		23			4

Majority for Glasgow, 19 holes.

MORAY GOLF CLUB.—The members of the Moray Golf Club played their monthly match on the Lossiemouth course, on the 1st inst., for the club challenge medal. There was a small turn-out of players, owing to some extent to the threatening character of the weather. On the cards being handed in, Mr. J. Roger, Lossiemouth, was found to be the winner with a scratch score of 91, Mr. W. J. B. Macdonald, Elgin, following with 92 actual. The other scores were considerably above these.

FORFARSHIRE.

Mr. Anderson of the Grange, captain of the Monifieth club, has arranged to give three special prizes, one for each class, under the following conditions: Three rounds of the links, medal play, and the best eight aggregate scores in each class to be balloted, and the competitors to play by holes, the same as for the amateur championship, the last player left in each class to be the winner. The club has also arranged to have a competition on the Wednesday afternoons prior to any of their medal or monthly competitions for the benefit of members who have the Wednesday half-holiday instead of Saturday.

Mr. John Hendry played a friendly game with Mr. Alexander Hutchison, on Monifieth links, on Wednesday night 1st inst. The weather was stormy. Mr. Hendry came in at the low score of 78.

The new course, which was opened at Carnoustie last week, is being largely patronised. Mr. Robert Scott, who is in the front rank of amateurs in this neighbourhood, played a game over the new course with Mr. David Shepherd, who is rapidly earning a name as a first-class exponent of the game. The play on both sides was faultless, Mr. Scott beating Mr. Shepherd by two holes and two strokes. The following are the full details:—

Mr. Scott	...	4 4 5 3 4 3 4 4 4 = 35
Mr. Shepherd	...	5 4 4 3 4 4 5 4 4 = 37

On Wednesday night the fourth round of the competitions for the silver cup of the Montrose Mercantile Club was concluded. Several showers of rain fell during the competition. The greens were very keen. The following was the result:—

Mr. J. Thow (3) beat Mr. G. M'Donald (4); Mr. C. R. Murray (3) tied with Mr. W. Jack (5); Mr. J. Findlay (scratch) beat Mr. D. Stott (5); Mr. D. C. Clark (4) beat Mr. J. Falconer (5); Mr. J. G. Cobb (scratch) beat Mr. W. A. Burgess (6); Mr. G. M. Smith (scratch) beat Mr. G. Bowman (4); Mr. J. Davidson (4) beat Mr. A. Graham (7); Mr. A. Oliphant (2) beat Mr. G. M'Intosh (scratch).

The drawings for the fifth round are as follows:—

Mr. J. Davidson (4) v. Mr. A. Oliphant (2); Mr. J. G. Cobb (scratch); v. Mr. C. R. Murray (3), or v. Mr. Jack (5); Mr. J. Findlay (scratch) v. Mr. J. Thow (3); Mr. D. C. Clark (4) v. Mr. G. M. Smith (scratch).

The fourth of the series of competitions for the members' badge of the Arbroath Club was finished on Saturday, when Mr. George Douglas was found to be the winner, being 5 strokes below his registered number. The other best scores were:—Mr. A. Coutts, 2 below; Mr. William Edwards, 1 below; and Mr. A. N. Strachan at his number.

The first round of the Scotsraig Club (Tayport), for ex-captain Thomson's cup, has been played for during the week, and resulted as follows:—Mr. W. C. Dickson beat Mr. James Smith by 3 holes; Mr. G. B. Black beat Mr. W. W. Wilson by 2; Mr. W. E. Methven beat Rev. C. Halliday by 1; Mr. J. Simpson beat Mr. T. Millar by 9 and 8 to play; Mr. W. Sim beat Mr. A. Melville by 1; Dr. Orr beat Mr. J. Dickson by 2 and 1 to play; Mr. J. Robertson beat Mr. J. Greig by 3 and 2 to play; Mr. W. Hogg beat Mr. G. Rollo by 9 and 7 to play; Mr. J. B. Robertson beat Mr. F. Gregory by 3; Mr. P. Sellars beat Mr. W. Death by 7 and 6 to play; Mr. W. Davidson beat Mr. F. Iaw by 6; Mr. W. Smith beat Mr. J. A. Smith by 3 and 1 to play; Mr. A. Robertson beat Mr. J. Ireland by 6; Mr. A. Jack beat Mr. J. Inch by 1; Mr. G. Millar, a bye.

The members of the Monifieth Club played on Saturday afternoon for the handsome gold medal presented by Mr. Robert Mudie, Corona, Broughty Ferry. There was a stiffish breeze, but the links were in splendid order. At the close it was found that the winner of the trophy was Mr. George Wright, at the fine total of 79 strokes. Mr. David Robertson, who holds the championship, followed at 81, and amongst other good scores given in were:—Mr. J. C. Burns, 84; Mr. James Young, 84; Mr. William Young, 85; and Mr. William Lorimer, 87.

The monthly contests of the Carnoustie and Taymouth Club, for the sweepstakes, the Stevenson cup, and the subscription medal, came off on the Carnoustie links. The cup was gained by Mr. James Simpson with a total of 89, while Mr. Andrew Ramsay, 105, and Mr. James Ramsay, 108, tied for the medal, both at average. The result of the sweepstake competition was as follows:—1 and 2, tied for by Mr. Andrew Ramsay, 105, and Mr. James Murray, 108; 3, Mr. George Ogilvie, 103, 6 up; 4 and 5, tied for by Mr. Robert Munro, 91, and Mr. William Laing, 105, both 7 up.

On Saturday afternoon the Carnoustie and Taymouth Club v. Montrose Mechanics played off their annual home-and-home match over Carnoustie links. The game was played in foursomes, and eight and a-half couples competed on either side. The Carnoustie Club had the best of the match all through, and at the close had 26 holes to their credit, to their opponents' 4.

The members of the Broughty Club played over Monifieth links on Wednesday evening, the 1st inst., for the gold pendant and other prizes. There was a good turn-out of the second-class players. The pendant was won by Mr. D. G. Glennie with a score of 104, being 11 below his average. The prize-winners in the first class were:—Mr. James Bowman (scratch) (first sweepstake), 92, 4 below; average prize and second sweepstake, Mr. Alexander Bowman, 100, 5 above. In the second class the scratch prize was won by Mr. James Belford with 101; the average prize and second sweepstake by Mr. Charles Philp, 105, 10 below; first sweepstake by Mr. Glennie, 104, 11 below; third and fourth sweepstakes a tie between Mr. David Spence and Mr. William Bowman, both 111, 9 below; and fifth was tied for by Mr. J. Croudale, 105, Mr. Alexander Grieve, 107, and Mr. W. Gray, 115, all 5 below.

On Wednesday afternoon thirteen representatives of the Caledonia, Carnoustie, visited Tayport, and engaged in a friendly match with a like number of the Scotsraig Club. Two rounds of the course were played—in all, eighteen holes. At the close it was found that the visitors were victorious by 4 holes.

GREAT YARMOUTH GOLF CLUB.

The Whitsuntide meeting was held on Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday last. On Saturday the weather was splendid, the greens, except the third, in good order; but the want of rain made them too slippery to admit of good putting. There were fifty players for the Saturday's match against "Colonel Bogey." This time the conditions were as completely favourable as they were disastrous and miserable at Easter. "Colonel Bogey" plays a good steady match-game—nothing brilliant, but ever steady. On this course he never makes a two-hole, and only two 3's in the round of eighteen holes. He is hard to beat, is still undefeated, and challenges the world to a match under handicap.

The match-play odds—viz., three-fourths of medal-play allowance—were given, and the strokes taken in accordance with the table in use here, the allowance of strokes being divided and distributed with mathematical accuracy over the round. This arrangement seems to be the best, and continues to meet with approval. The only question in connection with it under discussion was the way in which nine strokes are taken. In this table the strokes are given after they are earned in the first half of the course, and before they are earned in the second half. This seems a reasonable method of getting over the difficulty, and more correct than is the giving of all the strokes, either before or after they are earned. It may be taken that the mathematical division of the course is gradually winning adherents.

Mr. W. E. Hughes, with an allowance of 4, halved the match with "Colonel Bogey," so that on this occasion the "Colonel" came nearer defeat than he ever did before. The scratch players, who tackled him on equal terms, all suffered defeat to about the same extent, being 6 and 7 holes down. Mr. William Michie and Gen. Elliott did well, being only 1 hole down. On playing off the tie they tied again at 10 down. Finally Mr. Michie won with 10 down to the General's 11—a singular contrast to their first round with the "Colonel," even better than when they tied at 1 down. As to whether "Colonel Bogey" was an interesting opponent, with whom it was a pleasure to compete, opinion varied. Some were enthusiastic, and declared it was the finest system of Golf competition ever invented. Others more cautious, that an agreeable variety and a relief to the monotony of the everlasting medal round, and the terrible total apt to be run up. A few said they could see nothing in it, or get up an interest in the match, having a feeling they were playing against nobody. The great bulk of feeling was, however, clearly in favour of these new match competitions which seem to have been established on numerous links with ever increasing popularity. No doubt some points want to be carefully considered. It may be that at Yarmouth the score of "Colonel Bogey" is too exceptionally good, and does not give his opponents a chance. If he gives all an equal chance it is right enough, even though the chance against him is a poor one. He certainly never makes one downright bad hole, and we most of us do before we finish even a good round with a brilliant putt at the eighteenth. Perhaps if he did make a bad hole the middling players would have too good a chance, and scratch men, if they beat "Bogey" at his bad hole, would be no better off than the poor fooler who at last holed out just one short of "Bogey." A little more experience and some discussion will soon settle this point, and enable us to decide what the imaginary score should really be to give all equal chances.

Below is a detail of Saturday's play of those who handed in their cards. "Colonel Bogey's" score against which all played under handicap match allowance was—

Out	...	...	...	6	4	3	4	6	4	4	4	4
In	...	...	...	6	4	4	5	4	4	3	6	5

Saturday, June 4th, 1892.—Match play against "Colonel Bogey"—

	Allwd.	Result.		Allwd.	Result.		
Mr. W. E. Hughes	...	4	Even	Mr. Harold Smith	...	5	— 7
Mr. W. Michie	...	7	— 1	Dr. T. Brown	...	6	— 7
General Elliot	...	14	— 1	Mr. C. E. Innes	...	9	— 7
Capt. C. Hervey	...	4	— 2	Rev. J. Dredge	...	12	— 7
Mr. O. S. Curtis	...	6	— 3	Col. Shuttleworth	...	9	— 7
General Dixon	...	12	— 3	Mr. John Powers	...	8	— 8
Mr. A. L. Jockel	...	2	— 4	Mr. W. Morris	...	8	— 8
Mr. E. A. Young	...	5	— 4	Mr. D. T. Belding	...	10	— 8
Mr. G. C. Snelling	...	12	— 4	Mr. H. Rotherham	...	6	— 9
Mr. F. Gilbert	...	14	— 4	Mr. J. W. Stubbs	...	14	— 9
Mr. Lancelot Orde	...	6	— 5	Mr. C. B. Lindsay	...	14	— 9
Mr. A. Bovill	...	7	— 5	Mr. A. Rotherham	...	4	— 10
Mr. J. Tillard	...	12	— 5	Mr. A. H. Mathison	...	7	— 11
Mr. Robert Whyte	...	scr.	— 6	Rev. C. J. Steward	...	14	— 12
Mr. J. G. Gibson	...	scr.	— 6	Mr. W. R. Glassier	...	7	— 12
Mr. Horace Mann	...	3	— 6	Mr. D. R. Fowler	...	12	— 13
Mr. C. Lethbridge	...	11	— 6	Mr. F. Graves	...	14	— 13
Mr. W. O. S. Pell	...	scr.	— 7	Rev. G. Broke	...	5	— 16
Mr. P. M. Lucas	...	scr.	— 7				

On Monday the weather was if possible better than on Saturday, the heavy rain of Sunday having greatly improved the greens; there was more catch on the ball and less of that irritating running round the hole. It was medal play only. Then was no brilliant scoring. Mr. A. L. Jockel played a steady game and came in first with 83, less 2=81. This player has improved the play very rapidly in the last two years. It would be too great a compliment to call him scratch now, but he is within reach of that distinction, and will probably reach it within twelve months. Handsome prizes had been given by the Mayor of Great Yarmouth by the prize winners of 91, and by Mr. A. H. Mathison and Mr. H. Mann.

It must be noticed that in addition to the prizes Mr. A. L. Jockel carried off and keeps the Poynder cup, which has for a good many years been an object for competition and at last disappears. It was well won and well deserved.

Below is a detail of Monday's play of those who made returns.

On Tuesday there was a competition for the prize winner's prize, but as this has to be played for again at November, there was less than the usual interest.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. A. Jockel	...	83	2	81	Mr. M. P. Lucas	...	89	scr.	99
Mr. John Powers	...	92	10	82	Mr. A. Rotherham	...	94	5	89
Mr. G. F. Sanders	...	92	10	82	Mr. F. Gilbert	...	107	18	89
Mr. G. C. Snelling	...	99	16	83	Captain Hervey	...	96	5	91
Mr. W. Glasier, jun.	...	93	9	84	Mr. W. Michie	...	101	9	92
Mr. W. Morris	...	95	11	84	Col. Shuttleworth	...	106	12	94
Mr. Robert Whyte	...	85	scr.	85	Dr. T. Browne	...	102	8	94
Mr. O. S. Curtis	...	93	8	85	Rev. C. J. Steward	...	113	18	95
Mr. E. A. Young	...	91	6	85	Mr. C. J. S. Sawyer	...	103	8	95
Mr. Horace Mann	...	90	4	86	Mr. E. Carroll	...	113	18	95
Mr. W. E. Hughes	...	91	5	86	Mr. C. Lethbridge	...	111	15	95
Mr. H. Rotherham	...	94	8	86	Mr. J. Tillard	...	114	16	96
Rev. J. Dredge	...	103	16	87	Mr. L. Orde	...	107	8	99
Mr. A. Bovill	...	96	9	87	Mr. D. T. Belding	...	112	13	99
Mr. J. G. Gibson	...	88	scr.	88	Mr. F. Graves	...	118	18	100
Mr. W. O. S. Pell	...	88	scr.	88	General Elliott	...	119	18	101
Mr. D. R. Fowler	...	104	16	88	Mr. C. E. Innes	...	115	12	103
General Dixon	...	104	16	88					

HARTLEY WITNEY GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the ladies' challenge medal took place on Wednesday, June 1st, when Miss Mabel Sharpe secured a popular victory. Playing without mistake, Miss Sharpe returned a record gross score of 46 for the nine holes—a fine performance on a difficult green. There was a close finish for second place. Scores:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Miss Mabel Sharpe	...	46	13	33	Miss Maturin	...	70	17	53
Miss Pulleine	...	75	31	44	Miss Haddan	...	67	11	56
Mrs. Claxton	...	66	21	45	Miss N. Burton	...	70	14	56
Mrs. Seymour	...	74	29	45	Miss V. Sharpe	...	80	24	56
Mrs. Morton	...	63	17	46	Miss B. Burton	...	81	24	57
Miss Barton	...	78	31	47	Miss J. Haddan	...	73	14	59

LITTLESTONE GOLF CLUB.

The Whitsuntide meeting of this club took place on the 4th and 6th of June, and was attended by about fifty or sixty players. The rain which fell on Sunday did much to improve the greens, and the moderate breezes which prevailed were favourable to good scoring. The Littlestone challenge handicap cup for the best aggregate for the two days' play, was carried off by Mr. A. J. Stanley, 82, 86=168; whilst

Mr. F. L. Pattison took the second prize, given by the club, with 81, 90=171. The club prize for handicaps over eighteen strokes was won by Mr. Cumming Macdona, 112, less 24=88. The gold medal (handicap), competed for by winners of the monthly medals for the preceding year, was secured by Mr. Egerton Macdona, 99, less 14=85. The Whitsuntide challenge (Bannon) bowl, under handicap limited to eighteen strokes, was won by Mr. John Fleming, 96, less 16=80. The best scratch scores at the meeting were Mr. H. S. Colt, 93, 87=180; Mr. A. J. Stanley, 90, 94=184. Appended are the full scores:—

Saturday, June 4th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. F. L. Pattison	99	18	81	Mr. W. E. Maclagan	103	8	95
Mr. A. J. Stanley	90	8	82	Mr. W. L. Bradbury	119	24	95
Rev. G. H. Samson	92	10	82	Mr. J. Bannon	102	7	95
*Mr. Cumming Macdona	112	24	88	Mr. J. T. Weldon	120	24	96
Mr. L. R. Erskine	96	8	88	Mr. J. Fleming	113	16	97
Mr. G. Thomas	117	24	93	Mr. E. W. Thomas	116	18	98
Mr. H. S. Colt	93	scr.	93	Mr. F. Faithfull Begg	112	14	98
Mr. Egerton Macdona	107	14	93	Mr. D. Petree	117	18	99
Mr. H. T. Wright	103	10	93	Mr. Stanley W. Tubbs	116	16	100

* Winner of club handicap (over eighteen strokes).

Twenty-one other starters over 100 net, or made no return.

Monday June 6th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Mr. Egerton Macdona	99	14	85	Rev. G. H. Samson	102	10	92
Mr. A. J. Stanley	94	8	86	Mr. F. Faithfull Begg	106	14	92
Mr. H. T. Grundtvig	97	11	86	Mr. J. H. Hedderwick	103	8	95
Mr. H. S. Colt	87	scr.	87	Mr. G. Brace Colt	104	8	96
Mr. P. B. Tubbs	107	18	89	Mr. J. Fleming	113	16	97
Mr. F. L. Pattison	108	18	90	Mr. Graham Thoms	107	10	97
Mr. Stanley W. Tubbs	106	16	90	Mr. H. T. Wright	107	10	97
Mr. W. L. Bradbury	114	24	90	Mr. J. A.H. Macnair	114	16	98
Mr. H. E. Johnson	108	16	92	Mr. W. E. Maclagan	106	8	98
Mr. L. R. Erskine	100	8	92	Mr. Cumming Macdona	124	24	100

* Winner of handicap gold medal.

Twenty-four other starters over 100 net, or made no return.

Littlestone challenge handicap cup for the best aggregate scores, as above:—

4th June			6th June			Net Agg.		
* Mr. A. J. Stanley	82	86	168	Mr. F. Faithfull Begg	98	92	190	
† Mr. F. L. Pattison	81	90	171	Mr. H. T. Wright	93	97	190	
Rev. G. H. Samson	82	92	174	Mr. Stanley W. Tubbs	100	90	190	
Mr. Egerton Macdona	93	85	178	Mr. W. E. Maclagan	95	98	193	
Mr. L. R. Erskine	88	92	180	Mr. J. Fleming	97	97	194	
Mr. H. S. Colt	93	87	180	Mr. H. E. Johnson	103	92	195	
Mr. W. L. Bradbury	95	90	185	Mr. P. B. Tubbs	106	89	195	
Mr. Cumming Macdona	88	100	188	Mr. G. B. Thoms	93	103	196	

* Winner. † Winner of second prize given by the club.

The Whitsuntide Challenge (Bannon) Bowl handicap, limited to 18 strokes. Monday afternoon.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
* Mr. John Fleming	96	16	80	Mr. P. B. Tubbs	108	18	90
Mr. Egerton Macdona	98	14	84	Mr. Stanley W. Tubbs	106	16	90
Mr. H. E. Johnson	101	16	85	Mr. W. B. Westhead	100	10	90
Mr. R. Ritchie	92	6	86	Mr. H. T. Grundtvig	102	11	91
Rev. G. H. Samson	96	10	86	Mr. G. Graham-Thomas	102	10	92
Mr. A. J. Stanley	96	8	88	Mr. G. Brace Colt	100	7	93
Mr. G. B. Thomas	106	18	88	Mr. L. R. Erskine	101	8	93
Mr. H. S. Colt	88	scr.	88	Mr. F. Faithfull Begg	110	14	96
Mr. H. T. Wright	99	10	89				

* Winner.

Best scratch scores at meeting:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. H. S. Colt	93	87	180	Rev. G. H. Samson	92	102	194
Mr. A. J. Stanley	90	94	184	Mr. L. R. Erskine	96	100	196

Fifteen other starters over 100 net, or made no return.

EDINBURGH.—WARRENDER CLUB.—The members of this club played for their monthly medal on the Braids on Saturday, when Mr. James Addison proved the winner with a score of 85, less 2=83.

MELBOURNE GOLF CLUB.

The Easter meeting was held on the 16th, 18th, and 19th April. The result of the play determined the championship of the club for the ensuing six months, and was won by Mr. D. M. Maxwell with an aggregate scratch score of 297 for the three rounds, or an average of 99 per round. The second day's play took place in a blinding rain-storm, which militated against good scoring, and in some instances completely handicapped good players out of the competition. The handicap prizes fell to Dr. C. A. Payne, Mr. J. M. Bruce (captain), and Mr. M. G. Anderson, who were first, second, and third respectively with net scores of 273, 287, and 288. The following are the scores of the players who handed in their cards:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. D. M. Maxwell	98	scr.	297	Dr. Parkinson	115	54	303
	107				120		
	92				122		
	103				118		
Dr. C. A. Payne	102	33	273	Mr. T. Brentnall	131	48	307
	101				106		
	95				114		
Mr. J. M. Bruce (captain)	107	21	287	Mr. H. G. Callaway	124	39	310
	106				111		
	105				105		
Mr. M. G. Anderson	109	27	288	Mr. Jas. Turnbull	106	scr.	314
	101				103		
	102				113		
Mr. A. Lister Clark	108	18	290	Mr. G. M. Bruce	126	48	323
	98				122		
	117						
Dr. Carty Salmon	119	54	303				
	121						

MINCHINHAMPTON v. CHELTENHAM.

This match was played on Saturday, May 21st, on the links of the latter club. Being the return match, Cheltenham tried hard to atone for their previous defeat. Though not successful, they made a good fight for it, and only lost by 10 holes. Below are the scores:—

STROUD.		Holes.	CHELTENHAM.		Holes.
Rev. E. H. Hawkins	...	0	Mr. T. B. Todd	...	4
Mr. R. Lewis Grist	...	0	Mr. C. Tillard	...	7
Mr. Lawrence Grist	...	6	Mr. T. B. Cardew	...	0
Mr. W. Davies	...	0	Mr. H. Bourne	...	3
Mr. C. Ritchie	...	0	Lord Eldon	...	7
Mr. H. V. Woollright	...	2	Mr. F. B. Wallace	...	0
Mr. J. T. Woollright	...	0	Mr. C. Turnbull	...	4
Mr. W. Margetson	...	9	Mr. T. Tickell	...	0
Mr. G. J. Holloway	...	8	Mr. F. D. Longe	...	0
Mr. E. Jenner Davies	...	4	Major Hogg	...	0
Mr. F. A. Chambers	...	0	Mr. G. Kitchin	...	0
Mr. G. Sotheron Estcourt	...	6	Mr. E. Bennett	...	0
		35			25

NORTH BERWICK.

The Tantallon Club held their annual summer medal meeting at North Berwick on the 1st inst., the weather, unfortunately, being rather wet and stormy. There was a fairly large muster of competitors, about seventy driving from the tee in the course of the forenoon. Scratch players were well represented, the Chambers cup affording chief attraction to such. Among the foremost couples to drive off were Mr. John Forrest and Mr. Garden G. Smith. Mr. Forrest was decidedly out of form, and of this fact he gave some evidence at the outset, topping his second shot and getting bunkered on the way to Pointgarry. With the aid of a long putt at the green he got a 6, as against 5 by Mr. Smith. Proceeding to the second hole both had good drives. Mr. Forrest approached well, but he was cupped, and required another 6, whilst Mr. Smith got down almost perfectly in 5. At the dyke Mr. Forrest threw away a stroke by missing an easy putt after playing his mashie finely from the hollow. Mr. Smith holed out here in 4, having reached the green in 2. The trap was remarkably well played by Mr. Smith, who got down in 2, against 5 by his opponent. With a tee shot straight to the green Mr. Smith holed his long putt, whilst Mr. Forrest got into the bunker beside the green and putted badly. Continuing his strong game, Mr. Smith drove finely for the Angle, and holed out in 3 to 4 by Mr. Forrest. Going to the sixth hole both drove well, Mr. Garden Smith having to play the odd. He was rather strong, and Mr. Forrest won the hole in 3 to 4 with a grand approach down hill. At the Far Bent Mr. Smith again drove beautifully. Mr. Forrest topped his tee-shot, but got a good half in 4, Mr. Smith putting indifferently for the first time. The Hole Across should have been halved in 3, but Mr. Smith got down with his putt, while his opponent again just lipped the hole. Mr. Smith played the ninth hole indifferently, half-topping his second, and failing to get out

of the quarry with his third. Mr. Forrest drove the quarry with his cleek in 2, and won in 4 to 6. With a perfect 3 to the End Hole, Mr. Smith turned in 40, against 46 by his opponent. Coming home, Mr. Smith misjudged a brassy shot in going to the Quarry-in, and required 6; but his opponent was more unfortunate, playing three out of the bunker and holing out in as many as nine. Mr. Forrest was now out of the running, but Mr. Smith was still a very likely man. The Pit was fairly well halved in five against a strong wind. At the High Bent Mr. Smith drove wildly on to the sand from the tee, and was very fortunate in getting a 4 here. Both played safely to the right for Perfection. Mr. Forrest had a fine mashie approach here, and laid his third dead, but unaccountably missed and required 5. Mr. Smith was rather strong with his approach, and failed to get up with his third, but he won with a good putt in 4. The Redan was finely halved in 4, both having excellent iron approaches. A half in 5 was also registered at the Gate, and in 6 at Pointgarry. In going to the home hole, however, Mr. Smith pulled into the sand to the left, and required 6 against 4 by Mr. Forrest. Mr. Smith's score of 80 was a very fine one indeed, considering the weather, and justly entitled him to the scratch honours, which he ultimately carried off. The nearest approach to his figure was an 83 by Mr. John M'Culloch, who played a very steady game, going out in 42 and coming home in 41. The details were:—

Mr. Garden G. Smith (Chambers cup)—												
Out ..	...	5	5	5	2	3	4	4	3	6	3=40	} 80
In				6	5	4	4	4	5	6		6=40
Mr. John M'Culloch—												
Out ...	...	6	5	5	5	3	3	3	3	4	5=42	} 83
In ..	...				5	4	5	6	5	6	5=41	

Mr. F. T. Robertson proved the winner of the Croall handicap medal with 86, less 8=78. The best returns were as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. F. T. Robertson	86 8 78	Mr. H. Craigie	96 8 88
Mr. Garden G. Smith	80 scr. 80	Mr. J. A. Macdonald	94 6 88
Mr. D. S. Duncan	95 14 81	Mr. A. M. Ross	87 +2 89
Mr. H. O. Savory	99 18 81	Mr. G. G. Robertson	90 scr. 90
Mr. John Donaldson	100 18 82	Mr. A. S. Douglas	92 2 90
Mr. J. M'Culloch	83 scr. 83	Mr. W. G. Bloxson	90 scr. 90
Mr. A. Hogg	87 4 83	Dr. S. W. Allen	109 18 91
Mr. C. E. Huie	89 6 83	Mr. W. H. Brodie	101 10 91
Mr. J. Brodie	96 12 84	Mr. J. Forrest	89 +2 91
Mr. Irvine Williamson	94 10 84	Mr. G. Lawson	98 6 92
Mr. D. P. Aitken	90 6 84	Mr. R. J. Younger	98 6 92
Mr. James Young	95 10 85	Mr. R. H. A. Watson	110 18 92
Mr. H. H. Harley	91 5 86	Mr. E. Millidge	111 18 93
Mr. J. Ainslie	95 8 87	Mr. W. Croall	102 9 93
Mr. D. M. Lewis	97 10 87	Mr. A. T. Simson	103 10 93
Mr. Somerville Shawe	105 18 87	Mr. A. C. Robertson	109 16 93
Mr. J. R. Whitecross	91 4 87	Mr. C. Campbell	102 8 94
Mr. L. S. Anderson	87 scr. 87	Mr. J. Tweeddale	107 12 95
Mr. H. White	102 16 88		

* Croall medal.

The second round in the annual tournament of the Bass Rock Club for the Fyshe silver medal of the club, played over the course at North Berwick, has resulted as follows:—Mr. D. M. Jackson (scratch) beat Mr. G. Nelson (6) by a hole; Mr. J. Forrest (plus 1) beat Mr. A. Hogg (3) by 4 up and 3 to play, after a tie; Mr. J. Henderson (1) beat Mr. W. Merriles (9) by a hole; Mr. G. S. Milne (18) beat Mr. J. Mitchell (1) by 4 up and 3 to play. The couples in the semi-final now play off as follows:—Mr. Jackson v. Mr. Forrest and Mr. Henderson v. Mr. Milne.

NOTTINGHAM v. KETTERING.

This match was played at Bulwell Forest on the 2nd inst., and resulted in an easy win for the Notts team by eighty-seven holes. The following are the particulars:—

NOTTINGHAM.		KETTERING.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. J. C. Warren	...	Dr. Allison	...
Mr. J. Harris	...	Mr. E. P. Toller	...
M. J. McMeeking	...	Mr. C. Sanders	...
Mr. J. Hall	...	Dr. Lee	...
Mr. J. Johnstone	...	Mr. G. Abbott	...
Mr. S. Davidson	...	Mr. G. Greasley	...
Mr. C. S. Wardle	...	Mr. C. A. Stringer	...
Mr. F. T. Green	...	Mr. W. P. Brough	...
Mr. J. Bowes	...	Mr. T. G. Fraser	...
	88		1

Majority for Nottingham 87 holes.

REDHILL AND REIGATE GOLF CLUB.

Notwithstanding a high wind, which somewhat interfered with low scoring, Mr. G. A. Meredith did a creditable round of 48 out and 51 home in the monthly competition for the club medal on the 4th instant, and thus scored a win. The best cards returned were:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. G. A. Meredith	99 16 83	Mr. H. D. Tucker	112 18 94
Mr. A. H. Eve	103 16 87	Mr. J. N. Maitland	114 18 96
Mr. J. F. Gordon	109 22 87	Mr. W. B. Avery	115 16 99
Mr. T. H. D. Berridge	110 22 88	Mr. C. Hall	118 18 100
Mr. A. J. Eames	96 5 91	Mr. H. Webber	122 22 100
Mr. T. P. Shepherd	110 18 92		

In the final round of the foursome tournament, under handicap, played off on the 1st instant, Messrs. E. L. Balcombe and H. D. Tucker, receiving 8 strokes, beat Messrs. L. Horner and E. S. McEuen by 3 up and 1 to play.

RICHMOND GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday last, June, 4th, the usual monthly medal meeting was held at Sudbrook Park, Petersham, and in addition, the Scandinavian cup presented by Sir H. Pottinger was again played for, (to be competed for at five meetings, and if won twice by the same player, to become his property). Mr. C. K. Peache returned the lowest score of 86, less 13=73, winning the senior medal and the Scandinavian cup for the first time. Mr. D. C. Millar came in with an excellent second of 91, less 13=78. Mr. T. Lough, with a score of 106, less 21=85, won the Junior medal (limited to a handicap of 18 and upwards). The following are the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. K. Peache	86 13 73	Mr. G. R. W. Macklin	112 24 88
Mr. D. C. Millar	91 13 78	Mr. E. O. Dunn	112 24 88
Mr. W. Lindsay	88 7 81	Mr. J. B. Whitworth	112 24 88
Mr. A. T. Jockel	82 scr. 82	Mr. H. Chapman	108 20 88
Mr. T. Glover	89 7 82	Mr. H. S. Gairdner	96 6 90
Dr. Williamson	83 scr. 83	Com. McLaughlin	112 22 90
Mr. C. Routh	93 9 84	Mr. H. Knight	100 9 91
Mr. A. Allan	85 scr. 85	Mr. F. E. M. Walsh	117 27 90
Mr. T. Lough	106 21 85	Mr. W. F. Harriss	112 18 94
Mr. J. B. Chamberlain	98 13 85	Capt. Reade	114 18 97
Mr. W. T. Sutherly	101 15 86	Mr. S. Peel	119 20 99
Mr. R. E. Yerburgh	98 12 86	Mr. A. T. Marson	126 27 99
Mr. H. S. Greenwell	100 13 87		

And others over 100 net.

ROYAL DUBLIN GOLF CLUB.

The half-yearly competition for the Lumsden medal took place on Saturday at Dollymount, having been postponed from the previous Saturday, owing to the exceedingly heavy rain on that day. Formerly the medal was played for by strokes, but it was lately decided that in future it should be played for by holes, and, accordingly, that was the mode of competition on Saturday. All day the weather looked threatening, and in the afternoon, while the second round was being played, the rain came down in torrents, thoroughly drenching the competitors. Some of the matches were exceedingly close, notably that of Mr. G. C. May and Mr. W. Keating, they being all even at the end of the eighteen holes, and it was only after playing off three more holes that Mr. May succeeded in beating his opponent by one hole. Only two heats were played on Saturday, and the remainder will be played during the week. The following is the result of Saturday's play:—

First Round.—Mr. J. O. Wylie (13) beat Mr. J. M. Dickson (10) by 6 up and 4 to play; Mr. J. Lumsden, jun. (4), beat Mr. O'Connor-Morris (10) by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. G. C. May (8) beat Mr. W. Keating (11) by 1 up; Mr. H. Daly (11) beat Mr. Percy Watson (17) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. D. MacGregor (8) beat Mr. J. P. Barrington; Mr. E. H. Johns (10) beat Mr. "Winkle" by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. J. Brown (11) beat Mr. F. H. Orr (18) by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. Geo. Green (8) beat Mr. V. Kyrke by 2 up; Mr. J. H. Barrington (11) beat Mr. R. H. Moore by 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. J. H. S. Russell (8) beat Mr. J. Lumsden, sen., by 1 up; Mr. D. F. Moore (14) beat Mr. A. L. Figgis (9) by 3 up and 2 to play.

Second Round.—Mr. J. Lumsden, jun., beat Mr. J. O. Wylie by 7 up and 6 to play; Mr. G. C. May beat Mr. H. Daly by 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. D. MacGregor beat Mr. E. H. Johns by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. G. Green beat Mr. J. Brown by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. J. H. Barrington beat Mr. J. H. S. Russell; Mr. D. F. Moore, a bye.

WEST LINTON.—Thorburn medal (scratch). Seven couples played. Best scores:—Mr. Richard Aitken (winner), 90; Mr. J. Mowbray, 95; Mr. R. Millar, 97; Mr. R. Alexander, 98; Mr. J. Martin, 101; Mr. W. Mackie, 105.

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition for the Gordon challenge cup and the captain's prize, together with the monthly medal, was played off on Saturday, 28th ult., at Chingford. The weather was beautifully fine, but a very strong southerly wind prevented low scoring. Only a moderate number of members compe.ed, owing to a rumour that there was to be some 14,000 volunteers down. The following are some of the best returns made :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. J. W. Greig	97	8 85	Mr. G. Thompson...	101	12 89
Mr. Sidney Kemp...	95	10 85	Mr. J. G. Glover...	102	12 90
Mr. A. E. L. Slazenger	100	15 85	Mr. J. Badkin...	108	18 90
Mr. J. Gould-Smith.	88	2 86	Mr. W. Stair...	109	18 91
Mr. S. R. Bastard...	92	6 86	Mr. F. F. McKenzie	106	14 92
Mr. H. A. Gardom...	95	9 86	Mr. H. Parker...	107	15 92
Mr. H. W. Horner...	102	16 86	Mr. G. E. Smythe...	107	14 93
Mr. J. S. McDowall	99	11 88	Mr. G. A. Peattie...	118	25 93
Mr. Sidney Clarke...	108	20 88	Mr. E. Walbourne..	105	11 94
Mr. J. E. Shaw...	93	10 89	Mr. J. E. Brown...	111	14 97

ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB.

Monthly prize. Saturday, June 4th :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. H. P. H. Spencer	97	14 83	Mr. W. H. Monckton	105	17 88
*Dr. Comerford...	94	10 84	Mr. R. Reynolds...	105	16 89
Mr. Spencer Robin..	82	+3 85	Mr. M. Nixon...	97	7 90
Mr. A. E. Walker...	88	2 86	Mr. A. G. Robertson	108	17 91
Captain Fairlie...	93	6 87	Major Scott, R.A. ...	91	+1 92
Colonel Mackenzie..	91	3 88	Mr. H. Spencer...	97	3 14
Captain Robin...	92	4 88			

* Divided sweepstakes.

Several players made no return.

ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The fifth competition for Mr. J. Wilson's prize was played on Saturday, 28th May, with the following result :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Miss M. Saunders...	84	2 82	Miss G. Stanger-Leathes...	98	4 94
Mrs. Gaitskell...	91	8 83	Miss Nicholson...	121	25 96
Miss Saunders...	83	+2 85			
Mrs. Culshaw...	111	18 93			

On Monday, 30th May, the first competition for a handsome silver centrepiece, presented by Mr. Richard Badger, "In memoriam, E. B.," took place. The following were the scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Miss M. Saunders...	84	scr. 84	Miss G. *Stanger-Leathes...	99	4 95
Mrs. Saunders...	83	+2 85			
Mrs. Gaitskell...	97	6 91			

The monthly competition for the Badger dish took place on Wednesday 1st June. Scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Miss G. Stanger-Leathes...	83	4 79	Miss Mitchell...	92	10 82
Miss Kinmond...	109	29 80	Mrs. Gaitskell...	100	6 94

The last competition for Mr Wilson's prize was played on Saturday. Scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mrs. Gaitskell...	93	6 87	Miss Mitchell...	97	7 90
Miss M. Saunders...	88	scr. 88	Mrs. Culshaw...	114	18 96
Miss N. Saunders...	90	2 88			

The prize was played for six weeks under handicap, and won by the best aggregate of three scores. The following was the result :— Miss Saunders, 247; Miss N. Saunders, 248; Mrs. Gaitskell, 248; Miss Vinning, 249; Mrs. Culshaw, 249; Miss M. Saunders, 250; Miss Craddock, 253; Miss Nicholson, 254; Miss Oldfield, 264; Miss G. Stanger-Leathes, 266; Miss Mitchell, 267.

On Whit-Monday an ivory and silver paper-knife, presented by Miss Horsfall, was played for, the result being a victory for Mrs. Gaitskell. The rounds consisted of nine holes.

First round.—Miss Morris, a bye; Miss Mitchell, a bye; Mrs. Culshaw beat Miss Halke by 5 up and 4 to play; Mrs. Gaitskell, giving 2 strokes, beat Miss Ada Allen by 4 up and 3 to play; Miss G. Stanger-Leathes, receiving 2 strokes, beat Miss M. Saunders by 2 up and 1 to play; Miss Kinmond, a bye; Miss N. Saunders, a bye; Miss Saunders, a bye.

Second round.—Miss Mitchell, giving 2 strokes, beat Miss Morris by 4 up and 2 to play; Mrs. Gaitskell, giving 2 strokes, beat Mrs. Culshaw by 3 up and 2 to play; Mrs. G. Stanger-Leathes, giving 3 strokes, beat Miss Kinmond by 4 up and 2 to play; Miss N. Saunders, receiving 3 strokes, beat Miss Saunders by 2 up and 1 to play.

Third round.—Mrs. Gaitskell beat Miss Mitchell by 4 up and 3 to play; Miss G. Stanger-Leathes, receiving 1 stroke, beat Miss N. Saunders by 4 up and 2 to play.

Final round.—Mrs. Gaitskell, receiving 2 strokes, beat Miss G. Stanger-Leathes by 2 up and 1 to play.

Sweepstakes were then played for, Mrs. Gaitskell again proving the winner with a net score of 37; Miss Horsfall coming in second with 37½ net.

ROYAL LIVERPOOL GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal and optional subscription prizes, all under handicap, of the Royal Liverpool Golf Club were competed for at Hoylake on Saturday. The green was in splendid condition, and the weather was favourable for good Golf. Forty-six couples started, and on the cards being examined it was found that Mr. J. K. Housden had put in a win for the second optional subscription prize with the fine score of 93, less 15=78. Mr. G. R. Cox put in a win for the first optional with 84, less 3=81. The first sweepstakes was won by Mr. Housden, the second by Mr. Cox, and the third by Mr. H. Holden. The scores were as follows :—

First class optional subscription prize (up to 14 in the handicap) :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. G. R. Cox...	84	3 81	Mr. A. Turpin...	91	1 90
Mr. H. Holden...	91	8 83	Mr. John Farrar...	100	10 90
Mr. E. V. Crooks...	93	10 83	Mr. John Ball, jun.	82	+9 91
Mr. A. Nimmo...	89	5 84	Mr. I. B. Fortune...	97	6 91
Mr. H. Collier...	96	12 84	Mr. H. A. Dods...	100	9 91
Mr. John Graham...	96	11 85	Mr. J. More...	105	14 91
Mr. L. S. M. Munro	90	3 87	Mr. T. W. Crowther	94	2 92
Mr. H. J. Simpson	97	10 87	Mr. H. H. Hilton...	87	+6 93
Mr. A. Lawson...	99	12 87	Mr. F. W. Carson...	107	14 93
Mr. F. P. Crowther	88	scr. 88	Mr. A. H. Higgins	98	4 94
Mr. Joseph Hornby	90	2 88	Mr. Geo. Cook...	100	6 94
Mr. R. L. Dalglish	100	12 88	Mr. E. Whineray...	100	5 95
Mr. T. R. Bulley...	100	12 88	Mr. C. J. Crowther	105	10 95
Mr. W. Hodge Wilson...	100	12 88	Mr. Geo. Hamilton	101	5 96
Mr. C. T. Dixon...	101	13 88	Mr. J. E. Perrin...	110	14 96
Mr. H. C. S. Sievwright...	92	3 89	Mr. R. J. Ker...	100	3 97
			Mr. W. Thompson...	106	9 97
			Mr. A. Travis...	112	14 98

Second class optional (15 to 30) :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. J. K. Housden	93	15 78	Mr. R. A. Woods...	121	30 91
Mr. G. A. Solly...	114	30 84	Mr. E. Massey...	109	16 93
Mr. H. W. Abernethy...	101	15 86	Mr. A. Stewart...	112	18 94
Mr. H. H. Springmann...	102	16 86	Mr. H. J. Bromilow	114	20 94
Mr. R. W. Menneer	107	20 87	Mr. C. N. Stewart...	116	22 94
Mr. Theo. Turpin...	112	25 87	Mr. W. S. Paterson	113	18 95
Mr. G. N. Francis...	106	18 88	Mr. J. F. Ellison...	120	25 95
Mr. D. C. Scott...	106	18 88	Mr. C. Todd...	111	15 96
Mr. W. H. Alexander	108	20 88	Mr. T. S. Hannay...	119	22 97
Mr. G. F. Milligan	104	15 89	Mr. R. B. Gardner...	122	25 97
Mr. Geo. Wild...	195	16 89	Mr. H. J. Houghton	127	30 97
Mr. A. C. Jones...	107	18 89	Mr. J. K. Crooks...	114	15 99
Mr. H. Janion...	106	16 90	Mr. E. H. Higgins	115	16 99
Mr. J. G. Smith...	109	18 91	Mr. G. T. Addis...	120	17 103
			Mr. A. Huntington	125	18 107

Two players were not handicapped, and twenty-seven did not return their cards.

SOUTHWOLD GOLF CLUB.

A handicap was played on Saturday, June 4th, for a prize presented by Mr. R. Nugent. Competitors to use one club only, with the following results :—

Gross. Net.		Gross. Net.	
Mr. C. J. Waller (cleek)	102 95	Mr. A. C. Herbert (iron)	115 103
Mr. J. B. Gooding (cleek) scr.	97	Mr. T. Sergeant (cleek)	124 109
Mr. W. T. Browne (iron)	105 101	Mr. J. B. Tippets (cleek)	149 114
Mr. B. Whitmore (cleek)	107 101	Mr. S. W. Woollett (brassie)	122 116

EDINBURGH THISTLE GOLF CLUB.—The second round of the Thistle cup tournament was brought to a close on Saturday at the Braid Hills, and resulted as follows :—Mr. T. Brown beat Mr. R. Harvey, sen., Mr. J. Vance scratched to Mr. J. Ross, Mr. J. Bell beat Mr. W. Frier, Mr. J. Harvey beat Mr. J. Smith, Mr. A. Martin beat Mr. J. Turnbull, Mr. J. Hutchison beat Mr. G. Lawrie, Mr. R. Lynn scratched to Mr. J. Loughton, Mr. D. Brown a bye, Mr. W. Cunningham beat Mr. W. Stewart, Mr. T. Weston scratched to Mr. C. Struthers, Mr. J. Nelson beat Mr. W. Rankine, Mr. F. Hastie beat Mr. A. Struthers, Mr. D. Grant beat Mr. G. Skinner, Mr. P. Whittan a bye, Mr. W. Davidson a bye, Mr. J. Braid beat Mr. J. R. Duncan

SEAFORD GOLF CLUB.

Annual challenge cup competition, Monday June 6th:—

	1st Rnd.	2nd Rnd.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. F. C. Tudor ...	93	93	186	30	156
Mr. H. Tanner ...	95	86	181	24	157
Mr. J. E. Shaw ...	91	91	182	16	166
Mr. R. Belton ...	103	96	199	32	167
Mr. A. E. Ashpitel ...	101	102	203	36	167
Mr. W. E. Whitehorn ...	103	101	204	36	168
Mr. P. A. Willett ...	104	93	197	28	169
Mr. A. B. Hutchings ...	95	105	200	30	170
Mr. G. L. St. Quintin ...	94	92	186	16	170
Mr. M. Beaumont ...	106	103	209	38	171
Mr. F. G. Bampfylde ...	100	96	196	24	172
Mr. G. Blois Johnson ...	87	91	178	6	172
Mr. D. Fumer ...	103	97	200	28	172
Mr. J. Fletcher Farncomb ...	98	100	198	24	174
Mr. F. Tate ...	103	109	212	36	176
Mr. F. L. Rawson ...	91	103	194	18	176
Mr. T. Brown ...	96	110	206	30	176
Mr. G. C. Tyler Smith ...	106	106	212	36	176
Mr. Graham Stokes ...	104	93	197	20	177
Mr. C. Hart ...	88	90	178	scr.	178
Mr. J. S. Sellar ...	105	110	215	36	179
Dr. Dring ...	104	110	214	32	182
Mr. E. Bedford ...	115	100	215	32	183
His Honour Judge Coventry ...	110	108	218	34	184
Mr. T. J. Baillie ...	105	105	210	26	184
Mr. F. G. Horne ...	105	101	206	22	184
Mr. J. O. Scott ...	99	111	210	24	186
Mr. W. Lambe ...	105	121	226	36	190
Dr. Rutherford ...	113	107	220	28	192

Thirty-four starters; the remainder made no returns.

In addition to the cup presented as a memento to the winner, the club gave the following small prizes:—A brassie for the best single net round, won by Mr. H. Tanner, 86, less 12=74; a brassie for the best first nine holes, Mr. H. Tanner, 40, less 6=34; a brassie for the best second nine holes, Mr. F. C. Tudor, 43, less 7½=35½.

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

The return match with the Cleveland Golf Club was a contest of fairly equal merit. Both clubs brought the best players available into the contest, and the Seaton Carew Club were to a certain extent handicapped by the want of Messrs. G. Newby (the captain of the club) and A. B. Crosby.

CLEVELAND.

SEATON CAREW.

	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. R. F. Helm ...	0	Mr. W. Purves ...	2
Mr. D. Mackay ...	0	Mr. C. Cooper ...	3
Mr. E. J. Wethey ...	0	Mr. J. B. Dale ...	6
Mr. C. Scott ...	2	Mr. F. W. Purvis ...	0
Mr. J. Scott ...	0	Mr. S. Walker ...	2
Mr. C. D. Mackenzie ...	2	Mr. P. A. Raps ...	0
	4		13

On Saturday the prize of the club (the Gray trophy) was again keenly contested for; the wind and weather were in favour of the players. The best score of the day rests with Mr. W. Purves, who was playing with Mr. Cooper. Both did 93 in the first round, while the former improved 4 strokes in his second round, the difference in the handicap making the total equal. Mr. Cooper was driving in his very best form, but was unfortunate in having some bad lies.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. A. R. Paton ...	215	50	165	Mr. W. T. Merry-			
Mr. E. W. Walker ...	204	36	168	weather ...	212	32	180
Mr. J. F. Wilson ...	201	30	171	Mr. F. Vasey ...	231	50	181
Mr. W. Purves ...	182	10	172	Mr. C. J. Bunting ...	203	20	183
Mr. C. Cooper ...	186	14	172	Mr. J. Hardy, jun. ...	234	50	184
Mr. A. Robinson ...	190	18	172	Mr. W. S. Woodiwis	237	50	187
Mr. W. Ropner ...	222	50	172	Mr. R. Elliott ...	223	35	188
				Mr. J. R. Fryer ...	244	25	219

Several other members made no returns.

SOUTHDOWN LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On June 18th a match will be played for prizes presented by Mr. H. D. Willock. The only ladies eligible for competition are those whose handicaps range between 30 and 40 inclusive.

Next week the date and terms on which Mr. F. G. Sherlock's cup will be competed for will be published. Time will be given to members to practise for the big event. Several new members were elected during last month. Ladies or gentlemen wishing to join the club must send

in their names to Mrs. J. Gordon Dill, 8, Brunswick Place, Brighton, or to Miss Martin, 35, Brunswick Square, Brighton.

A match took place between the ladies of the Ashdown Forest and Southdown Clubs, in which the latter were successful by 3 holes. The play was very good, and the match an even one. The scores were as follows:—

SOUTHDOWN.		ASHDOWN.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Miss Crunden ...	0	Mrs. Campbell ...	3
Miss A. Crunden ...	4	Miss Lee ...	0
Miss M. Heathcote ...	8	Mrs. Ramsay-Parsons ...	0
Miss M. Fair ...	8	Mrs. Dicks ...	0
Miss M. Crunden ...	0	Miss Andrews ...	7
Miss Heathcote ...	0	Miss Birch ...	7
	20		17

SIDCUP GOLF CLUB.

Handicap medal, Saturday, June 4th:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. T. R. Jones ...	115	35	80	Mr. T. Barker ...	117	25	92
Mr. R. A. Patterson ...	106	25	81	Mr. T. Whitehead ...	119	26	93
Mr. M. Hewitt ...	100	17	83	Mr. T. Fry ...	106	11	95
Dr. Shapley ...	102	14	88	Mr. W. Nicholson ...	122	27	95
Mr. W. J. Harries ...	115	24	91				

Others over 100 net.

Whit-Monday, June 6th:—Scratch competition, match play. First prize presented by Mr. T. Barker (captain); second prize presented by the club:—

First Round.—Mr. W. J. Harries, a bye; Mr. Fry beat Mr. Barker by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. Layton beat Mr. Nicholson by 1; Mr. Patterson beat Mr. L. Burrell by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. Hewitt beat Mr. Ward by 7 up and 6 to play; Dr. Shapley beat Mr. Whitehead by 9 up and 8 to play; Dr. Burrell beat Mr. T. R. Jones; Mr. A. Lindley, a bye.

Second Round.—Mr. Fry beat Mr. W. Harries by 2; Mr. Patterson beat Mr. Layton by 1 hole (nineteenth); Mr. Hewitt beat Dr. Shapley by 1 hole (nineteenth); Mr. Lindley beat Dr. Burrell by 4 up and 3 to play.

Third Round.—Mr. Fry beat Mr. Patterson by 8 up and 6 to play; Mr. Hewitt beat Mr. A. Lindley by 1 hole (nineteenth).

Final.—Mr. Fry beat Mr. Hewitt by 2 up and 1 to play.

This, the first Golf match of the Sidcup Club, was carried out in perfect weather. Some of the contests were one-sided, but it is peculiar that three were undecided at the eighteenth hole, and each one was settled at No. 1 on the putt. In the final the competitors were all even at the fifteenth hole. Mr. Fry then won the sixteenth and seventeenth, and with them the captain's prize.

ST. ANDREWS.

The members of the St. Andrews Golf Club Makers' Club held their spring meeting on Saturday, the 28th ult., when sixteen couples started. The weather was somewhat showery, but some good scores were made. Mr. John Hunter (Morris) took the medal and first prize with the fine score of 83. Mr. A. Drummond (Morris) was second, with the handicap score of 84. The next were Messrs. J. McGregor (Forgan's), 85, with odds, and Henry Turpin (Forgan's), 85, with odds.

The monthly medals of the St. Andrews Ladies' Golf Club were played for on Saturday, May 28th. Eighteen couples entered, as follows:—Mr. and Mrs. Purvis; Mrs. Boothby and Mrs. Lamb; Miss M. Bethune and Miss J. M. Bethune; Miss Hutton and Miss Paterson; Mrs. Macfie and Miss Moir; Mr. J. Hunter and Mr. J. A. Scott; Miss Tarbet and Miss E. E. Moir; Miss Wright and Miss King; Mr. and Mrs. Everard; Miss Bett and Miss H. Bett; Miss A. Moir and Miss Houston; Rev. R. Barclay and Mr. D. Hodge; Miss E. Houston and Miss Birrell; Mrs. A. R. Howell and Miss B. Howell; Major Bell and Mr. O. T. Bell; Miss A. Houston and Miss H. Leighton; Miss F. Henderson and Miss Elsner; Miss C. Hodge and Miss H. Houston. Two rounds were played, and at the close it was found that Mr. and Mrs. Everard had tied for the medal at 108. The tie was played three times, but the scores were the same on each occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Everard had a noteworthy struggle for victory. After tying for the first round the weather became very bad. The rain descended, and the wind blew north-easterly. But, notwithstanding this drawback, off they went, eighteen holes to decide. The match stood all square and one to play, Mrs. Everard about three feet from the hole, down hill, and Mr. Everard about three yards, or more. In their firsts Mr. Everard played and holed; and, after pulling herself together, Mrs. Everard did also: square again. For the third time they started off to decide. They were now drenched—wringing, pulpy with wet, clothes ruined, putters like blotting-paper. Though Mr. Everard got 5 up and 7 to play, Mrs. Everard finished with four 2's, and halved again. A fourth round was played, and it was again

halved. In the circumstances it was not wonderful that a truce should have been called, and the tie left over for decision on another and more favourable day. When Monday, the 30th ult. arrived, however, Mr. Everard was confined to bed with a severe attack of rheumatism, and consequently had to withdraw. The medals, therefore, were awarded as follows:—To Mrs. Everard, the first medal; to Miss M. Bethune, the second medal; to Mr. H. S. C. Everard, the silver star for the best single round, viz., 53; and to Miss Bett the medal for players who have never previously won a prize. The third best score was 110, by Miss J. M. Bethune, and the fourth 111, by Mr. D. W. M. Hodge.

The annual Golf competition in connection with the St. Salvator's School, St. Andrews, took place on Monday, the 30th ult. A strong south-westerly wind made low scoring a difficulty for boys. The school medal was won by A. R. Aitken, with a score of 117, and the challenge vase, for best handicap score, by C. E. Lamb, with 118, less 17=101.

A couple of capital scores were made here on Monday evening of last week, by Mr. T. W. Robb, hon. secretary, and Mr. James Kirk, of the Thistle Club. The game was by holes, and resulted in a halved match. The short hole (eighth) was taken in 2 strokes both ways, by Mr. Robb going out and Mr. Kirk coming in. The game was a close give-and-take one all the way. At the fourteenth hole Mr. Kirk stood 1 hole to the good; going to the fifteenth hole, he lay dead in 2 strokes, winning the hole, making him now 2 up. The sixteenth was halved. Mr. Kirk was now dormy 2; Mr. Robb won the next two holes, which brought matters square. Scores:—Mr. Kirk, out, 41; in, 42=83; Mr. Robb, out, 40; in, 44=84. The showers of rain lately have put the green in magnificent order.

WARWICKSHIRE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On May 21st the club met to play for a prize presented by the Hon. Mrs. R. H. Lyttelton. The competition consisted of a match of strokes, under handicap. The scores were as under:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Miss E. P. Baly ...	82	5	77	Miss Bullock ...	95	7	88
Miss S. C. Smith ...	78	scr.	78	Mrs. Grundy ...	97	8	89
Miss Saunders ...	79	scr.	79	Miss O. S. Baly ...	92	scr.	92
Miss Moore ...	93	13	80	Mrs. Page ...	98	4	94
Mrs. Caulfeild-Stoker	96	15	81	Mrs. Gaitskell ...	111	6	105
Mrs. Wilson ...	104	20	84	Miss Bower ...	119	9	110
Miss Bonner ...	107	20	87	Miss Brown ...	131	16	115

The foursomes, which had been postponed from Wednesday on account of the weather, were then played. The first prize for ladies (a gold brooch) was presented by Mrs. Barron, and the others were given by the club.

First Round.—Miss O. Baly and Mr. M. J. Brown, Miss Bower and Mr. Meade, byes; Mrs. Caulfeild-Stoker and Dr. Perkin beat Miss Bullock and Mr. Smythe; Hon. Mrs. R. H. Lyttelton and Hon. R. H. Lyttelton beat Mrs. S. C. Smith and Major Caulfeild-Stoker; Miss Saunders and Mrs. Page beat Miss Moore and Major Burn-Callander; Mrs. Gaitskell and Miss E. Baly beat Miss Bonner and M. S. Wilson; Mrs. Grundy and Dr. Wilson, Miss Brown and Mr. Burn-Callander, byes.

Second Round.—Miss O. Baly and Mr. M. J. Brown beat Miss Power and Mr. Meade; Hon. Mrs. R. H. Lyttelton and Hon. R. H. Lyttelton beat Mrs. Caulfeild-Stoker and Dr. Perkin; Mrs. Page and Miss Saunders beat Mrs. Gaitskell and Miss E. Baly; Miss Brown and Mr. Burn-Callander beat Mrs. Grundy and Dr. Wilson.

Third Round.—Miss O. Baly and Mr. M. J. Brown beat Hon. Mrs. R. H. Lyttelton and Hon. R. H. Lyttelton; Mrs. Page and Miss Saunders beat Miss Brown and Mr. Burn-Callander.

Fourth Round.—Mrs. Page and Miss Saunders beat Miss O. Baly and Mr. M. J. Brown.

On Saturday, 28th, the finals of an American tournament were played, for a clock presented by Mr. S. C. Smith. The games won were as under:—Miss Moore, fifteen; Miss O. Baly, fourteen; Miss F. Humphreys, twelve; Miss E. Baly, twelve; Hon. Mrs. R. H. Lyttelton, eight; Miss Brown, eight; Miss Bonner, seven; Miss Humphreys, seven; Miss Bower, four; Mrs. Caulfeild-Stoker, four. Mrs. Bullock, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. S. C. Smith, Mrs. Page, Miss Bullock, Miss Jones, and Miss Fisher retired.

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WORCESTERSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

On Tuesday last, the above club played a very enjoyable match, over the Malvern course, against the Oxford University Golf Club. The ground was in capital order, but the weather was showery, with a good deal of thunder. Most of the games were closely contested, though the home team finally won by twenty holes.

OXFORD.		Holes.	WORCESTERSHIRE.		Holes.
Mr. H. J. Whigham ..	...	0	Rev. H. Foster...	...	1
Mr. W. D. Davidson ..	...	1	Mr. C. Toppin ..	...	0
Mr. H. Nicholls ...	...	3	Mr. W. E. Paterson ...	...	0
Mr. F. H. Stewart ...	...	0	Rev. C. Black ...	...	7
Mr. L. Armitstead ...	...	0	Mr. W. M. Binns ...	...	13
Mr. F. H. Campion ...	...	0	Mr. H. N. B. Erskine...	...	0
Mr. J. G. Smith ...	...	0	Mr. H. D. Acland ...	...	0
Mr. R. Lodge ...	...	3	Mr. L. S. Milward ...	...	0
		7			27

NEWCASTLE WORKING MEN'S CLUB.—A meeting of those wishful for the formation of a working men's Golf club for Newcastle was held on Saturday night in Lockhart's Cocoa Rooms, Clayton Street, T. Fernie, the City Golf Club professional occupying the chair. It was decided to start a club under the name of the Newcastle United Golf Club. Mr. J. S. Thompson was elected captain, and Mr. J. McLean, 92, Croydon Road, Newcastle, secretary, along with a committee. Mr. Fernie expressed his willingness to give a prize to be played for by the members, and it was decided to start a competition on Saturday next. The secretary will be glad to receive the names of intending members, as will also Mr. Fernie, 30, Clarendon Road, Newcastle.

LEVEN THISTLE GOLF CLUB.—The following is the result of the fourth round for the Gilmour jug:—Mr. R. Simpson beat Mr. J. Bell by 2 holes; Mr. D. Jackson beat Mr. J. Husband by 2; Mr. J. T. Nealand beat Rev. A. Shaw by 7; Mr. A. Coutts beat Mr. G. Nicoll by one.

LIFE ASSOCIATION OF SCOTLAND GOLF CLUB.—This club held their second monthly competition over Musselburgh links on the 3rd inst. Prize-winners:—1st, Mr. John T. Paterson, 94, less 8=86; 2nd, Mr. James Sanderson (scratch), 89; 3rd, Mr. A. Hunter, 112, less 10=102.

MUSSELBURGH "LARKS" CLUB.—The annual summer outing of the above club took place on Thursday at Gullane. Twenty-five members entered for the Crandles cup and quarterly prize competition, the same round being good for the monthly medal. On comparing cards, it was found that Mr. George Newlands had again won the cup and medal, first prize (a biscuit box), and sweep.

EDINBURGH ST. ANDREW GOLF CLUB.—In the final round of the Thomson claret jug tournament, Mr. R. Knowles, jun., beat Mr. James Knowles by 3 strokes. Scores:—82, less 4=78, and 83, less 2=81 respectively.

ROYAL MUSSELBURGH CLUB.—The fourth ties in the hole tournament at present going on have been decided as follows:—Mr. C. E. Huie (1) beat Mr. D. S. Duncan (5); Mr. A. Mitchell (3) beat Mr. John C. Sharp (2); Mr. Thomas T. Gray (less 1) beat Mr. John D. Wakelin (scratch); Dr. Gray (1) beat Mr. W. J. Gulland (4). There being six prizes, the losers in this tie play again for fifth and sixth places.

BRUNSWICK GOLF CLUB.—The competition for the club monthly medal was played at Musselburgh, with the following result:—1, Mr. W. G. Mackenzie, 108, less 26=82; 2, Mr. W. Hepburn, 94, less 9=85; 3, Mr. E. A. Rhead (scratch), 93.

INNERLEITHEN.—The third ties in the annual championship competition, which involves the custody of the silver driver, and constitutes the winner champion of the club for the year, have resulted as follows:—Mr. A. Robertson beat Mr. J. Currie; Mr. J. S. Smail beat Mr. J. Ramsay Smith; Mr. M. G. Thorburn beat Mr. W. H. Ballantyne; Mr. R. T. Robertson receives a bye from Mr. J. Simpson.

ANSTRUTHER CLUB.—The competition for the monthly medal took place on Wednesday night the 1st inst., on the Billowness course. Heavy rain fell at intervals during the competition, and the greens were very stiff. For eighteen holes Mr. Robert Ramsay became the winner with the scratch score of 84, Mr. W. Morton being second with 86.

TAIN.—The monthly competition of the St. Duthus Golf Club for the prizes presented by Mr. MacBean (captain) was played on Saturday. The best scores are:—Mr. A. H. Hutt, 108, less 18=90, and Mr. William Cromb (scratch), 92.

RANFURLY CASTLE CLUB.—The monthly medal of the above club was played for on Saturday. When the cards were handed in it was found that Mr. J. L. Wilson had won the medal for the second time. The following are a few of the best net scores:—Mr. J. L. Wilson (16), 82; Mr. A. C. Weir (10), 85; Mr. J. B. Scott (scratch), 87; Mr. George Taylor (12), 88; Mr. R. B. Mitchell (6), 92; Mr. J. F. Anderson (30), 92; Mr. James Potts (30), 92.

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