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1892. MARCH.
- Mar. 4.—Royal Cornwall : Monthly Medal.  
Cambridge University v. Royal Blackheath, at Blackheath.
- Mar. 5.—Brighton and Hove : Berens Medal.  
Redhill and Reigate : Turner's Medal.  
Royal Liverpool : Winter Optional Subscription Prizes.  
Lundin : Handicap Medal.  
Manchester : Monthly Medal.  
Birkdale : Monthly Medal.  
Lytham and St. Anne's : Captain's Cup.  
County Down : Wallace Cup ; Railway Cup ; Monthly Handicap.  
Sutton Coldfield : Muntz Prize.  
Edinburgh University : McEwan Medal and Club Prizes.  
Richmond : Monthly Medal.  
London Scottish : Monthly Medal.  
Bowdon : Monthly Medal.  
Aldeburgh : Monthly Medal.
- Mar. 9.—Pau : Havemeyer Prize (Open Handicap) ; Havemeyer Prize, Ladies (Open Handicap).  
Durham : Osborn Cup.
- Mar. 10.—Oxford v. Cambridge ; at Wimbledon, 12.30.  
Coventry : Blackburne Prize.
- Mar. 11.—Pau : Annual Meeting to Elect Officers.
- Mar. 12.—Manchester : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Epping Forest : Foursome Competition.  
Formby : Pearson Prize.  
Birkdale : Dorning's Cup.  
Didsbury : Captain's Prize.  
Dalhousie : Handicap Match (Fifth Round).
- Mar. 12.—Guildford : Monthly Handicap.  
Littlestone : Monthly Medal.  
Sutton Coldfield : Medal Competition.  
West Herts : Monthly Medal.  
Warwickshire : Graham and Savile Cups ; Foursome, Tournament (First Round).  
Tooting : Monthly Medal.  
Bradford St. Andrews : Rhodes Medal.  
Watsonians : Club Prizes (The Braids).  
Royal Isle of Wight : Monthly Medal.  
Staines : Monthly Medal.  
Buxton and High Peak : Strang Cup.
- Mar. 14.—Coventry v. Oxford : (at Oxford).
- Mar. 16.—Royal Epping Forest : Spurling-Kentish Medal.  
Pau : Gold Medal, Ladies (Scratch).  
Oxford University : Gold Medal and Handicap Prizes.
- Mar. 17.—Coventry : Blackburne Prize.
- Mar. 18.—Pau : Silver Medal, Ladies (Scratch).
- Mar. 19.—Manchester : Captain's Prizes.  
Lytham and St. Anne's : Bury Cup.  
Disley : Winter Handicap Medal.  
Sutton Coldfield : Lloyd Prize.  
Warwickshire : Military Gold Medal.  
Crookham : Royal Ascot v. The Club.  
County Down : Railway Cup ; Monthly Handicap.  
Brighton and Hove : De Worms Challenge Cup.  
Ealing : Monthly Medal.  
Woodford : Quarterly Medal.
- Mar. 21.—Coventry : Blackburne Prize (Final).
- Mar. 23.—Durham : Walter Cup.  
Warrender : Alexander Medal.
- Mar. 24.—Coventry : Gold Medal.
- Mar. 26.—Seaford : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Cup.  
Warwickshire : Half-Yearly Meeting and Club Cup.  
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.  
Nottingham : Monthly Medal.  
Sidcup : Monthly Medal.  
Crookham : Monthly Medal.  
Ilkley : Monthly Medal.  
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal.  
Wimbledon Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
West Cornwall : Monthly Medal.  
Woodford : Captain's Prize.
- Mar. 29.—Burnham : Monthly Medal.
- Mar. 30.—Pau : Morris Post Prize (Scratch) ; Ridley Challenge Prize and Badge (Open Handicap).  
Coventry : Monthly Cup.
- Mar. 31.—Nottingham : Monthly Medal.

## APRIL.

- April 1.—Pau : Macdona Challenge Cup and Badge (Handicap limited to 20 strokes).  
Royal Cornwall : Monthly Handicap.  
Warwickshire : Club v. Coventry (at Coventry).
- April 2.—County Down : Wallace Cup.  
Redhill and Reigate : Club Medal.

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### A MODERN PICTURE OF GOLF.

The Fine Art Society, 148, New Bond Street, W., gave a commission to Mr. W. G. Stevenson, A.R.S.A., the well-known Scottish painter, to paint a picture which should be a representation of modern golf. For a considerable time, Mr. Stevenson was engaged in painting the portraits of a cluster of our leading amateur and professional players, and he finished the work about August last. Since that time the Fine Art Society has been engaged in preparing a plate for reproducing the picture, this branch of the work having been entrusted to Mr. Charles O. Murray.

The Society has kindly sent us an etching of the picture. A more interesting, picturesque, or more artistically conceived work of art could not grace the walls of a club-house, or come into the possession of the individual golfer. The scene is the fourth hole on the St. Andrews links. An important match is represented in progress; and in the immediate foreground we have admirable portraits of the following well known fifteen players:—Mr. Horace Hutchinson, the Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, M.P., Mr. H. S. C. Everard, W. Fernie, W. Campbell, Hugh Kirkaldy (Champion Open), Mr. J. E. Laidlay (Champion Amateur), Andrew Kirkaldy, Mr. J. Ball, jun., Tom Morris, W. Park, sen., W. Park, jun., The Rev. J. G. McPherson, Bob Ferguson and Dr. J. H. Blackwell.

The principal figure in the foreground is Willie Fernie. He is represented striking his ball off the tee with the true St. Andrews swing; while behind him is Mr. Everard, Mr. Hutchinson, and the First Lord of the Treasury without his cap. These three portraits are very good, particularly that of Mr. Balfour. Standing by the sand-box is Willie Campbell, watching the stroke of his brother professional. To the right of this group, and a little further back, Willie Park, jun., is represented holing out the ball. Bob Ferguson is acting as Willie's caddie, and Dr. McPherson stands immediately behind the player, watching the putt. To the left of young Willie stand two golfing heroes, who have fought many a tough fight against each other—young Willie's father and old Tom Morris. In front of them stands Mr. John Ball, who is evidently young Willie's partner; while behind the Hoylake player, to the left, are Andrew and Hugh Kirkaldy, Mr. J. E. Laidlay, and Dr. Blackwell, all of them intent upon the results of young Willie Park's putt. Thirty yards or so to the rear stands that familiar heterogeneous group of onlookers, without whose kind attentions a match at St. Andrews would lose half its charm; while across the billowy hillocks and bunkers, towards the sky-line, the houses and towers of St. Andrews, with a puffing engine entering the town, are seen in clear and sunny perspective.

Mr. Charles Murray, in etching such a subject as this with so much completeness, shows that he is a high master of this reproductive art. The labour must have been one of no ordinary difficulty and delicacy; but he has done the work so well that few golfers who have seen the players and the ground here depicted, will have any hesitation in bearing testimony to the care and elaboration of detail, to the fine distribution of light and shade, to the fidelity of the likenesses, and the harmonious suggestiveness of the perspective. Not only is the picture one which embraces portraits of our leading players, but it is a picture of the classic battleground of Golf, and of the little town whose memories will be imperishably associated with the game. The panoramic expansiveness of the links has been finely caught, and the whole tone of the picture is one which indicates that free, open, and genial abandon, so characteristic of the Golf links, with its mellow sunlight and clear, bracing air. Above all, the Society is to be congratulated on having secured the services of a painter who knows his subject, and how to make the most effective grouping of the materials at his disposal. The pose of the figures is natural, and thoroughly in harmony with the features of a match really in progress. There is no jarring, no incongruous grouping; and Fernie's tee-shot, and Willie Park's putt, might indeed serve as a standing model in the club-house for beginners to carefully note and imitate, both as to the position of the feet, and the handling of the club. There is one figure, however, absent from this picture which we could have wished to see—Bernard Sayers, the North Berwick representative. He has shown, many times and oft, that he can hold his own with the best professionals; he is in the front

rank of his class, and, besides, he is a thoroughly representative player. An omission of this kind is certainly to be regretted in a picture otherwise so complete and representative.

### A NEW GOLF BALL.

Mr. J. A. Brand, jun., of the North British Rubber Company, Edinburgh, has patented the "pneumatic Golf ball." In its composition Mr. Brand has discarded guttapercha altogether, and has employed celluloid. Mr. Brand had numerous difficulties to overcome before he succeeded in carrying out his idea successfully. First of all, for considerations of weight, the ball had to be fashioned with a hollow centre, and this again necessitated that it should be made in two parts. Then there arose a difficulty in connection with the cementing of the portions together in such a way that the ball would not split, but this, too, the patentee has surmounted. It is said to be practically indestructible, and no amount of play or "hacking" will knock it out of shape, even to the extent of indenting the surface. The celluloid composing it is in colour white, and thus the necessity for painting is altogether done away with. We have not seen the ball, and therefore cannot speak of its behaviour while in play from experience.

### THE ELTHAM GOLFING ASSOCIATION.

This is the name of an association which has just been formed to found a Golf club at Eltham, Kent, and to acquire a lease for three, seven, fourteen, or twenty-one years, determinable at the club's option, of Eltham Park, comprising over 118 acres, with the existing mansion known as Eltham Lodge, admirably adapted for all the usual requirements of a Golf and social club. The land has just, and quite independently, been reported upon by Tom Dunn, of Tooting Bec, and Peter Paxton, of Eastbourne, who are both of opinion that turf and soil are excellent, and that a first-class inland course of eighteen holes, of over three miles in length, *without any crossing*, can be readily laid out at very small expense. The proposed links adjoin Eltham Station, on the South-Eastern Railway, to and from which Charing Cross, Waterloo, Cannon Street, and London Bridge can be reached in about, or less than, thirty minutes, by numerous trains throughout the day. It is intended to strictly limit the members of the club to three hundred, for the express purpose of ensuring at all times an uncrowded green, more particularly on Saturday afternoons.

A provisional agreement has been entered into with the owners of the property, giving the association the option of acquiring the whole estate on very favourable terms, on or before the 20th day of May next. In order to give players an opportunity of testing the undoubted capabilities of the ground before the option for the above-mentioned lease is exercised, a fund is being raised by guarantee, not to exceed £20 for each guarantor, to defray the cost of partially laying out the green. It is proposed that each guarantor should be allotted a free locker, to remain his property so long as he may continue a member. This fund is raised on the distinct understanding that each guarantor shall be repaid out of the first funds of the club. As the membership of the club is to be so limited, it is recommended that the entrance-fee of the three hundred original members shall be £5 5s., and annual subscription, £5 5s. It is proposed that a limited number of residents over fifty miles from the club-house shall be admitted as honorary members, on payment of a small annual subscription to be fixed by the committee. Officers on full pay in Her Majesty's service, either naval or military, stationed in Kent, will also, it is suggested, be eligible as honorary members, on such terms as the committee may decide. The committee are:—Mr. W. C. Anderson, captain Royal Wimbledon Golf Club; Mr. W. D. Bovill, Sir Guy Campbell, Mr. F. W. Fison, Mr. Henry A. Lamb, Mr. Evan M. Protheroe, Mr. Walter H. Richardson, Captain Dudley Stuart, and Mr. E. F. S. Tylecote. The hon. secretary is Mr. T. J. Baillie, Dunrobin Villa, Lee Road, Blackheath.

BRIDGE OF WEIR.—RANFURLY CASTLE CLUB.—The third round in the contest going on at present among the members of this club for Mr. Sangster's prize has now terminated, with the undernoted result, six couples competing:—Mr. J. B. Stewart beat Mr. J. R. Scott by 1 hole up; Mr. Wm. M'Lure, jun., beat Mr. R. B. Mitchell by 4 holes up and 3 to play; Mr. W. Adam beat Mr. J. L. Wilson by 3 holes up and 2 to play; Dr. Sandeman beat Mr. A. B. M'Kechnie by 2 holes up; Mr. W. Aitken, a bye from Mr. R. Brownlie, jun.; Mr. A. K. Lindsay, a bye from Mr. Thomas Frame.

## THE TOOTING BEC GOLF CLUB.

The members of the Tooting Bec Golf Club held on Saturday, at their club-house, adjoining the Common, an extraordinary general meeting to discuss and sanction proposals for the acquisition of ground at Furzedown, near the Common, for a private course. The Marquess of Granby, M.P., the captain, presided. The first resolution was: "That the report of the committee, dated 6th February, 1892 (the gist of which was published in a recent issue of GOLF), relative to the taking of a lease of a portion of the Furzedown Estate at Tooting, by this club, for the purpose of a private Golf ground, be, and is hereby approved and adopted." At the suggestion of the Chairman,

Mr. H. Jackson introduced the resolution, and explained the position of affairs. In doing so, he first of all directed attention to the recommendation of the committee that the present links on Tooting Common be retained as long as possible, but that looking to the restrictions on play, which were already placed by the London County Council, and which were sure to be increased as the building operations in the neighbourhood spread, even if play were not stopped altogether, they strongly urged on the club that they should take advantage of the present opportunity of securing the private ground at Furzedown, which they thought could be got ready for play by 1st May next. That, he said, was the best justification for the report the committee had presented to the members, and it was, in their opinion, the reason why the club should take advantage of this opportunity, and secure this unique piece of ground within six miles of London, in a ring fence, perfectly private, extending to eighty acres, as their future links. The terms of the lease with Col. Seeley, the proprietor, had not been arrived at without very prolonged negotiations, proposals, counter-proposals, and anxious discussions on the part of the committee, and they thought those terms were as reasonable as could be obtained. They were getting a lease for twenty-one years, determinable by the club at the expiration of seven or fourteen years, but not so determinable by Col. Seeley. The rent would be £450 per annum, the club to pay rates and taxes. Then Col. Seeley had very generously offered to build a club-house at a very moderate rental, practically six per cent. of the cost, £1,500. As to the suitability of this ground for a Golf course, he would point to the certificate of Tom Dunn, who he thought he might say was the premier professional in England or Scotland, and had probably laid out more Golf courses than any other professional. Tom Dunn said: "I have inspected the portion of the Furzedown estate proposed to be acquired by Tooting Bec Golf Club. It will, in my opinion, when the drainage is carried out, form a splendid Golf course, being admirably suited for such a purpose, and I strongly recommend the Tooting Bec Golf Club to acquire the land. The full course of eighteen holes will be just over three miles in extent." He did not think Dunn could, in a few words, have said anything stronger than that. That was a very important point upon which the members wished to be satisfied, and he trusted that it would satisfy them. Then they came to the point that the ground required a good deal of draining. That question very much exercised the minds of the committee. When they first saw the ground they determined that they would take no responsibility in the matter, and through one of the members, Mr. Beveridge, they obtained the assistance of Mr. Shelford, railway engineer, a very eminent man in his profession, and very competent to advise the committee on the point. Mr. Shelford, who was present, was satisfied that the ground was perfectly capable of being drained, and would thereafter make a perfect Golf course. The committee estimated that for the purposes of the new course there would be a capital expenditure of £1,150. The items had been arrived at with as much care as possible, but he was sure the members would not bind them to a few pounds more or less. It was estimated that they would have to meet this capital expenditure a sum of £2,306 11s. from funds in hand, and the amounts which would be received for entrance-fees. With regard to the number of members, the figures presented in the report were arrived at on the assumption that a total membership of 500 was obtained. One or two members had raised an objection that that was an impracticable number. The committee did not agree with that objection, and they thought they would have a majority of members with them in adhering to that number. Let them take the case of the two clubs playing on Wimbledon Common—the Royal Wimbledon and the London Scottish—each with a total membership of 550; there the play was limited to three days a week, and no inconvenience was felt, except on Saturdays. On the proposed new course there would be six days' play. At present the club had 250 members, and the outside attendance on a Saturday was forty couples. If they were to consider that as doubled with a membership of 500, they would have eighty couples. He thought gentlemen had been unnecessarily alarmed on the question, and that when they came to consider the matter they would agree with the committee. With reference to the estimated income and expenditure, they would see that a surplus was shown. He was happy to say that

the committee had practically obtained the consent of six members to become lessees of the ground on behalf of the club. It was, of course, natural that these gentlemen should be protected as far as possible from responsibility, and the committee had suggested as the best means of effecting this, that a deed of guarantee should be executed, under which each guarantor should become liable for a sum not exceeding £10. The committee had, up to that time, obtained the written assent of 125 members to the guarantee, and that, he thought, was a pretty good proportion out of a present membership of 250. He thought he might say that the committee had heard no opinions expressed by members antagonistic to the scheme. He was told they could get any number of members, and though prophesying, as a rule, was dangerous, he ventured to prophesy that at the end of the first year not only would the list be filled, but there would be a large "waiting list" wanting to come into the club. (Hear, hear.) He thought the club, in its new position, would be so unique, and so much sought after, that many people who were not members at the present time would be most anxious to come in. Dr. Donald, who had hitherto acted as their honorary secretary, would be unable to continue in that position, and he was sure that on a subsequent occasion they would willingly convey their appreciation of his very valuable services. (Hear, hear.) As his successor, the committee unanimously recommended the appointment of Mr. J. Duthie Matthew, to whom, particularly in connection with the proposed new course, of which practically he was the discoverer, the club was very much indebted. (Applause.) The salary, or allowance, originally recommended by the committee for the secretary was £150; but Mr. Matthew had suggested that it might not be fair to place this burden on the funds. The committee, however, had come to the conclusion to suggest a remuneration of £100, as certainly small enough for the work which Mr. Matthews had consented to undertake. The thanks of the club were due to Mr. J. B. Wood, who had given much time and trouble to the preparing of the guarantee, and to Mr. Samuel Fisher, who had allowed himself to be constituted honorary solicitor to the club, and the value of whose assistance in this matter it would be impossible to overpraise. Col. Seeley and his agent, Mr. Tweed, he should also like to mention, had met the wishes of the committee in a very fair and generous manner. He hoped the members would adopt the report, and take advantage of this exceptional opportunity of securing such a beautiful ground.

Mr. Hoppood made a statement expressing his willingness to sign the lease, and suggesting a verbal alteration in the deed of guarantee, by which the liability of the lessees would be more completely safeguarded by the members over the whole period during which the lease ran.

The Hon. Lionel Ashley seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

It was further agreed that a lease of the part of Furzedown estate referred to in the report of the committee, in such form as the committee should agree upon with the landlord, be executed on behalf of the club by six members, who may consent to act as lessees; and that a deed of guarantee to the lessees, under which each guarantor would be responsible for a maximum of £10 should be executed by the secretary on behalf of the club, and that all the present members should be called upon to execute such deed, as well as all future members prior to taking up their election.

Mr. Arthur Denman mentioned that he knew of several gentlemen who were prepared to double or treble the guarantee if they were asked. He himself was prepared to do so.

Resolutions as to the construction of a new club-house and the drainage of the new ground were also passed.

Mr. Shelford, engineer, who was in attendance, stated that the proposed new course was outside the "springs area" of the Thames Valley, and could be drained by ordinary means, and so far as drainage was concerned, it could be made a very good golfing ground. On that point he was quite satisfied, and was quite willing to take the responsibility. The work would take from a month to two months.

It was next proposed and agreed to that the limit of the number of members of the club be raised from 250 to 500, not including honorary members, and independently of fifty residents on Colonel Seeley's estate, who might be entitled to admission under the terms of the lease.

The Chairman moved that the title of the club should be altered to the "Tooting Golf Club."

Mr. Jackson seconded. He stated that the title of "Furzedown" had been suggested, but it had not been thought that that was sufficient to localise the club. He hoped some day they might get the word "Royal" before it. (Hear, hear.)

The Hon. L. Ashley moved as an amendment that the club be called the "Furzedown Golf Club."

Mr. A. Denman seconded the amendment.

Mr. C. H. Compton observed that the club had now for some years been known through GOLF and other periodicals as the Tooting Club. Besides, their course at Tooting was the battle-field of the two Parliamentary tournaments as yet held, and he hoped the present name would be retained.

A vote was taken, when Mr. Ashley's amendment was lost, only three members supporting it.

The Rev. P. Bainbrigg moved that the present name be retained, namely, the "Tooting Bec Golf Club."

Mr. J. W. Grover seconded.

The Chairman observed that the committee had considered the matter very carefully, and he hoped their proposal would be backed up by the members.

Mr. W. W. Jenkinson hoped the word "Bec" would be retained. There was about it a fine old flavour of antiquity.

The amendment that the present name—the Tooting Bec Golf Club—be retained was carried by a considerable majority.

It was further agreed that the annual subscriptions should be raised from £1 s. to £3 3s., and that Mr. J. Duthie Matthew should be appointed secretary, with a salary or allowance of £100. The Chairman, in reference to the latter proposal, remarked that Mr. Matthew had very kindly volunteered his services to the club, and had stipulated that it should not be unduly burdened in a monetary sense, so far as he was concerned. Mr. Matthew had taken an enormous amount of trouble in connection with this new matter, and no doubt he would continue his valuable services. In the course of the proceedings several members expressed the view that it should be understood that in acquiring the private ground the club, as members of the public, did not relinquish their right to use the common.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Lord Granby for the way in which he had conducted the business of the meeting.

#### REDHILL AND REIGATE GOLF CLUB.

The annual dinner of the Redhill and Reigate Golf Club was held at the Hôtel Métropole, London, on Friday evening, the 19th inst., when Sir Trevor Lawrence, M.P. (the President), occupied the chair. The President was supported by Sir Henry T. Wood, Messrs. A. Schacht (captain of the club), C. Lake, Councillor J. Seex, J.P., Councillor W. Markham, Ross, W. R. Kersey, E.W. Farnall, Lawson, Owen, H. Brooke, T. Winch, R. Winch, G. Watson, Smyth. There were also present Messrs. C. Hall, S. C. Hooley (treasurer), Leonard Horner and C. J. Trevarthen (hon. secs), F. P. Browne, J. C. Tucker, H. D. Tucker, F. C. Milford, Dr. Stevenson, E. Horner, E. C. Greig, Torrens, Johnson, E. L. Balcombe, T. P. Shepherd, Hill, F. S. Ireland, E. Pinkerton, A. R. C. Annison, H. Rogers, G. F. Sanders, Jacob, C. W. Troughton, R. H. Pringle, F. Hindmarsh, L. Fraser, F. Colsell, Captain McKirby, G. Norbury, G. F. L. Foulger, G. F. Ingram, F. Jefferson, F. Cheeswright, Hamilton King, F. Colam, L. Irwin, Rutter, R. Lester, H. S. Lester, T. Perkins, A. T. Ringrove, A. Gray, G. H. Emmet, Higgins, T. C. Fenwick, L. P. Coubro, Sedgwick, S. Wishart, etc.

Sir Trevor Lawrence, in acknowledging the toast of his health proposed by Mr. Seex, said he honestly thought that there was no game of modern times which had made more reasonable progress than the game of Golf, which they were met together to celebrate. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Richard Winch proposed "The Club and the Committee." The club had only been established four years, but it had during that period made very great progress. At the end of 1890 it had a total membership of 95, but in the following year the number amounted to 177. (Applause.) There was only one wish he had with regard to the 177 members that their president, as he had almost intimated the possibility of doing, would become a playing member, and thus carry the fame of the club into the House of Commons, and show them what they could do. (Applause.) With the increase of Golf clubs Englishmen were beginning to understand what the game of Golf really was. The game of Golf required pluck, control of temper, and a perfect control of the English language. (Laughter.) Not only with its members but also in its financial position the club was making great strides. Their total income in 1890 amounted to £158, and in 1891 to £302. (Applause.) The progress the club had made could not have been accomplished unless the committee had worked hard, and when he mentioned the names of Mr. Browne, Mr. Horner, Mr. Milford, and Mr. Trevarthen, he was sure he could congratulate the club on having such a committee, and so worthy a captain as Mr. Alfred Schacht, who took the deepest interest in its welfare. (Applause.)

Mr. Schacht, in responding, spoke of the great kindness the club had received from the Conservators of the Commons. As regards the committee, there had been one or two alterations. Among others, Mr. Hall, who looked upon the club as a child of his own which had grown too strong for him, had retired. He was now retiring with *otium cum dignitate*, which was thoroughly well deserved, and on his resignation the committee made him a life member, subject to confirmation by the members at the next general meeting, in recognition of his valuable services. (Applause.) When he retired, Mr. Horner took up the position, and had thrown a tremendous amount of energy into the

work of the club. For the improvements in the course of the club was indebted to Mr. Horner. (Applause.)

Mr. Leonard Horner (secretary) likewise responded. He thought the Golf Club had done a great deal of good in the locality for the inhabitants, by having drained, to an enormous extent, Earlswood Common. (Applause.) On the new course on the east side of the railway, together with other parts of the course, they had, at their own expense, laid 3,000 feet of drainage since the 1st of December, and they had done it in the most effectual manner. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. F. C. Milford proposed "Our Guests," and regretted the absence of the Mayor of Reigate, and Mr. T. R. Hope.

Mr. Lake, Mr. T. Winch (president of the Rochester Golf Club), and Mr. W. Markham responded to the toast.

#### THE NOTTINGHAM GOLF CLUB.

Last week the members and friends of the Nottingham Golf Club had their first annual dinner at the George Hotel. A large company sat down to dinner. Mr. R. F. Smith presided over a company, which included Messrs. J. A. H. Green (Sheriff of Nottingham), C. L. Rothera (Coroner), G. M. Howard (Clerk to the Nottingham Guardians), P. Waller, A. T. Ashwell, H. Birkmyre, J. Boot, A. Franks, E. A. Coutts, J. B. Douglas, J. W. Dobson, C. B. Edwards, A. Harwood, C. H. Preston, J. Harris, J. Johnstone, J. McMeeking, J. C. Warren, John Warren, F. Sherlock, J. F. Youngman, W. K. Hamilton, H. G. Thornton, A. McFarlane, G. S. Rorke, J. A. Simpson, J. B. Douglas, J. Ackroyd, and others. All the members donned their red playing jackets for the occasion, and presented a very smart appearance.

The Chairman said it was most gratifying to see the way in which the membership of the club had increased during the past season, upwards of one hundred being new members. He sincerely hoped that the club would go on as successfully in the future as it had done in the past. He thought that they might some day expect to see one of their members become so proficient in the game that he would be able to compete successfully for the amateur championship.

The ex-captain, Mr. John Doleman—a hearty old Scotchman, with a strong Highland accent, whose scarlet tunic was adorned with three very handsome medals, one won as far back as 1872, at Aberdeen—responded to the toast. He first apologised for holding the position he occupied—that of vice-chairman. He felt himself unworthy of that high position, but added, "If we see ourself as others see us it would from many a blunder free us." They might think Golf in Nottingham was of recent establishment, but a quarter of a century ago he had played it. He came to Nottingham in 1864, bringing with him a good supply of balls. As he feared, the game was unknown in Nottingham, but, nothing daunted, he sought for a ground, and found a three-cornered course on the Queen's Walk, by the side of where the chapel now stood. There he played by himself. That being unsuitable, he had recourse to the Trent side, where at that time there was a nice piece of turf. Every morning he used to go down to the Trent Baths, taking with him his club and ball, and playing down from Wilford Ferry, where the bridge now stands. After having a refreshing dip in the water, he had another spell of Golf. This went on for three or four years, and then, as he removed from the neighbourhood, he used to go on to the Forest. He here reminded his hearers, amidst much laughter, that all this was between five and eight o'clock in the morning. He formed a small club, consisting of himself and another, and there they played together until they were detected by the authorities and ordered to desist. This broke up the club. (Laughter.) Still, he was not to be denied, but every morning when the Aboretum gates opened at six o'clock he was there with his club, and had his practice between the archway and the pond—without holes, of course. (Laughter.) That was, of course, unknown to the officials, who he supposed knew nothing of the matter up to the present time. He left Nottingham, and returned twenty years later, and after some time, joined the present club in its infancy, and had been a member ever since. When I used to play down on the Queen's Walk by myself, people used to think it a daft sort of game. Crowds of people used to come to see me play. On one occasion one of the bystanders said, "What's the man playing at?" I replied, "What do you think?" "Think," replied the man, "I think you can't be right." (Laughter.) I said to him, "Is there anything more daft in this game than in trying to knock three sticks down with a ball?" (Loud laughter.)

Mr. Warren proposed "Golf and Golfers Everywhere" in a singularly happy and humorous speech, which caused roars of laughter.

Mr. Harris, who was one of the first members of the club, responded. Mr. W. R. Hamilton submitted the health of the Chairman, which was warmly received.

In proposing the health of Mr. Doleman, Mr. J. Johnstone recounted some of the exploits of that worthy gentleman, and reminded his hearers

that Mr. Doleman was nearly seventy years of age, and was now almost as good a golfer as ever.

Mr. Doleman, in response, said that as far as his health was concerned he was as "perky as ever." He had played Golf for "fifty years and a bittock," and hoped to be able to continue to play it in the future for as long a period. He delighted his hearers with some accounts of contests he had had with celebrated golfers in the past, and concluded by giving some valuable hints on the game.

"The Visitors" was next proposed by Mr. Hamilton, and responded to by the Sheriff in one of his customarily witty speeches. In the course of the evening the Chairman presented the first prize gained for good play to Mr. A. T. Ashwell and the second to Mr. Doleman. A capital musical programme was gone through by Messrs. F. Sherlock, C. H. Preston, J. Johnstone, G. M. Howard, Smith, and others. Mr. J. M. Youngman ably officiated as accompanist.

#### GOLF AT WAKEFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

To the ever-increasing list of Golf clubs must be added that which has just been started at Wakefield. A start was made a few months ago, with the result that a club has been formed, which already commands a considerable number of members.

The links, which are about a mile and a-half from the town, are in every way suited to the requirements of the game. The turf is of excellent quality, and the hazards, which are all natural, are of a very sporting nature.

Tom Dunn, of Tooting Bec, expressed the opinion that this is one of the best inland links he has laid out.

#### GOLF BISCUITS.

Messrs. R. Middlemass and Sons, biscuit manufacturers, Edinburgh, have sent us a sample packet of their Golf biscuits. The Golf biscuits are manufactured from the entire produce of the finest Scotch oats, together with a considerable proportion of the best extract of beef, and are consequently highly nutritious. Undoubtedly there is a demand among golfers for some such conveniently portable nutriment as that provided by these biscuits, which can be readily slipped in the pocket, and eaten at leisure in the course of the round. To golfers who breakfast early and lunch late, or to those who have rarely an appetite for breakfast at all, these biscuits ought to be welcome sustenance in guarding against headache and lassitude.

GLASGOW GOLF CLUB DINNER.—The annual dinner of the Glasgow Golf Club took place on Monday evening, the 22nd inst., in Messrs. Ferguson and Forrester's Restaurant, Buchanan Street, when there was a large gathering of members. Mr. John Risk, captain of the club, occupied the chair, and the croupiers were Messrs. J. Baird, J. Thomson, and J. Hamilton; and amongst others present were Messrs. J. Stewart Carriock, D. Bone, J. Adam, W. Doleman, Chas. D. Sandeman, R. Turnbull, and W. Milne, secretary. After the loyal toasts the Chairman proposed, "The Glasgow Golf Club," remarking that the club was formed originally somewhere about 1750, and was reconstituted in 1870. He traced the history of the club from that time down to the year just closed, for which, he said, the membership was 530, and the balance at the credit of the society £300. The treasurer's report showed the rise the club had had, although that rise was really only part and parcel of the tremendous rise that had taken place in Golf in recent years. The membership of their club had increased so greatly, indeed, that it had become a question whether they should dissolve the club or get a new ground, and he was glad to say they had succeeded in finding a relief course in the immediate vicinity of Irvine Station, on ground belonging to the Duke of Portland. They had an offer of the ground at a very moderate rent, and he hoped the club would carry out the arrangements for taking it over. He also dwelt on the caddie question, and alluded to the excellent services of Mr. Milne and Mr. Turnbull as secretary and treasurer. The toast was cordially drunk. The other toasts were: "Other Golf clubs," proposed by Mr. A. Porteous, and replied to by Mr. P. E. Hart, Oban; and "The Champion," proposed by Mr. W. Doleman, and responded to by Mr. D. Bone. The speech-making was interspersed with songs and instrumental selections.

EDINBURGH CORPORATION GOLF CLUB.—The monthly handicap competition of this club took place on Friday at Musselburgh. The afternoon was pleasant for play. The prizes were won as follows:—1, Mr. W. Henderson, chief constable; 2, Mr. Hew Morrison, city librarian; 3, Councillors Walker and Mackenzie, tie.



#### THE ST. ANDREWS SOCIAL CLUB.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Having read the correspondence on the subject of "The St. Andrews Social Golf Club," I cannot help thinking that if Mr. C. Thompson does not wish to impede the success of the above club he would have shown more taste in merely signing himself "C. Thompson," and thus remain one of the "great unknown," at any rate, as far as the public is concerned, as the fact of signing himself "C. Thompson, captain of the St. George's Golf Club, Sandwich," may cause the general public to believe that his views are endorsed by the members of the St. George's Club, which numbers about 500. I can, however, assure the public that this is not the case, as a considerable number of the St. George's members are already enrolled on the St. Andrews Club books.

As a matter of fact, the proprietors of the St. Andrews Club have, in my opinion, adopted a very business-like method of floating the club. They have not only advertised the club in the daily papers, but in addition have enlisted the sympathies of numerous golfers all over Great Britain. The proof of the pudding is the eating, as these golfers so enlisted have already sent up over two hundred names for membership, and this before the club premises are even open.

I think the members are lucky in having as their proprietors a body of men who are not afraid of putting their hands in their pockets and defraying all expenses until the club has a sufficient number of members to run on its own bottom. The great difficulty in starting a club of this sort is the want of men ready to risk their money, and the want of men ready to take an interest in getting members. Both of these wants have been supplied in this case, and, personally, I have no fear of the success of the club.

In conclusion, I may mention, for the benefit of all golfers, that the St. Andrews Social Golf Club is started purely as a social golfing club, and was never intended to interfere in any way with the framing of the rules and regulations of the game.

I am glad to see that the rules of Golf, as laid down by the Royal and Ancient, are now being adopted by all the leading clubs, and I have little doubt the proposed Golfing Association will die, or has already died, a natural death.

Apologising for the length of my letter,

I am, Sir, &c.,

S. MURE FERGUSSON.

February 28th, 1892.

(One of those enlisted.)

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—As the writer of the first letter in your Journal on the subject, signed "Undecided," and in reference to the comments of the secretary to the St. Andrews Club in your last issue, permit me to say that the sinister motives he attributes to inquirers about free life memberships dwell only in his own imagination as far as I am concerned.

I have not, nor have I ever had, the remotest interest in promoting a social club of any description; but as a member of

the Royal and Ancient St. Andrews, and four other Golf Clubs, it merely occurred to me that the St. Andrews (London) Club might be a useful adjunct.

Under present conditions I prefer to remain outside, and have no doubt many other would-be members will do the same.

I am, Sir, &c.,

"STILL MORE UNDECIDED."

P.S. I fail to notice any provision in the club rules as published, for the admission of life members, unless they come under rule XXVIII. relating to honorary members.

London, 29th February, 1892.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—The secretary, in his letter, published in yesterday's GOLF, says, "If any member of the club suffer disadvantage by the honorary position of the committee, the proprietary will be very pleased to hear of it upon definite points."

I should hardly have thought there was anything particularly indefinite as to the point of the apparent false position in which the committee are placed. They can hardly, individually, wish to make use of the club at the expense of the paying members, and, if they do not intend to use it why are they on the committee?

No sane person supposes that any proprietary would run a club consisting entirely of non-paying members, nor will the generality of people believe that the proprietary would find it worth while to provide for the needs of even a considerable percentage of the "members."

That it was thought disadvantageous to publish the fact of the unusual position accepted by the committee is obvious, not only from the circumstance that no intimation of it was given to those invited to join, but also even more conspicuously from the published correspondence between the secretary and the captain of the St. George's Golf Club.

The rules furnished to those said to have been elected say (Rule XVI.):—"All members shall pay an annual subscription of five guineas." An exception is made in favour of "foreign members," but none as to the committee.

I should be glad to see the club prosper, and there seems no reason why it should not if put on a proper, that is, the ordinary, footing; the more so as, what I gather was, an opposition club seems to have collapsed. This, at least, I infer from the fact that an envelope, which I have seen, containing a letter addressed to the secretary of the club in question at the address given in the public advertisement of the club, was returned to the writer by the Post-Office authorities marked "Gone away."

I am, Sir, &c.,

PAID-UP.

27th February, 1892.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Many golfers will feel grateful to Mr. C. Thompson for lifting, as far as he can, the veil of obscurity which hangs over this new venture.

It is not as an outsider, who, under the influence of a bad round, yearns for a good "slam" at somebody, that I take up my pen, but because I feel aggrieved at the conduct of the secretary in not answering my letter, and speaking so insolently of those who have merely wished for an explanation; and this explanation I had a perfect right to have, as it affected my son, just now resident in Jamaica, who had been elected a foreign member before the true position of the general committee had leaked out. First of all, a prospectus was issued giving the names of 108 gentlemen, nearly all of whom were captains or secretaries of well-known Golf clubs, who were called the general committee.

It began by stating, "The St. Andrews Club has been established, though who were established beyond the general committee does not appear; but, in order to hurry up intending members, it was added, "The list of original members will shortly be closed." The term "established" seems to refer

primarily to the general committee, who, according to the Book of Rules issued to members, with another body, called the proprietary, in Yankee language, "boss the whole show."

Rule IV. states that "the election of members, the arrangements for prizes will be vested entirely in the committee; but all questions involving expenditure, the appointment of secretary and servants, and the general control of the kitchens and management of the club shall be in the hands of the proprietary."

Rule V. says that the management of the club, as defined above, shall be vested in an executive committee appointed from the general committee, who alone can fill up any vacancy in their number; and by a number of other rules every conceivable question affecting the members, such as their election, resignation, misconduct or expulsion, is to be decided by the committee. It is true that Rule XXVI. speaks of members voting. It runs thus:—"No member shall be allowed to vote at any meeting or on any occasion whatever, unless his subscription for the current year shall have been paid; but on what questions his vote can be exercised does not appear.

The helplessness of original and ordinary members is still further intensified by the correspondence between Mr. C. Thompson and the secretary, by which it appears that the members of the general committee who rule over them are *not themselves members of the club and pay no subscriptions*. Incredible as this may be, it really seems to follow from Rule XVI., which says, "ALL members shall pay an annual subscription of £5 5s., except foreign members residing outside the United Kingdom who pay an annual subscription of £1 1s."; and Rule XLIX dealing with the liability of members, which says, "No member of the club or of the committee. The word "or" naturally implies that the two bodies are distinct.

The attraction of having a life membership in a good London club *honoris causa* is very seductive, and one can well understand that many of those to whom it was offered did not fully consider that somebody must pay for it; but instead of holding a substantial interest in the concern as a qualification, these members of the general committee enjoy an airy existence, like that of the Olympian gods, and virtually receive from the ordinary members a donation of from 50 to 100 guineas (for this is the fair way to look at a life enjoyment of the comforts of a palatial residence, the market value of which is supposed to be £5 5s. a year for the promoters, and more for those who come after).

The use of their names, and the time and brains which some of them will expend in management, are no doubt valuable, and the members may consider that they are making a fair bargain, but surely the nature of this bargain should be plainly put before those intending to join, and such persons should consider what they are paying for the surrender of all the duties and privileges of ordinary clubs. I see the secretary denies explicitly (letter to Mr. C. Thompson, February 12th) that this is the case, but instead of calling letters asking for it "too mean, contemptible, and mischievous to take further notice of it," it would be well if he would give a full explanation of how "members are deprived of no advantage consequent upon the position of the general committee."

I am, &c.,

HENRY NICHOLLS.

66, Woodstock Road, Oxford,  
February 29th, 1892.

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

## THE SITTING HEN.

WHEN Dr. Johnson was not abusing something nearer home, he solaced himself by abuse of Scotland. The poor Bozzy was once moved to remonstrate, "After all, sir," he dared to say, "after all, we must remember, must we not, that God made Scotland."

It was a brave stroke, and at first sight the answer is not obvious to the ordinary man. But it did not trouble Dr. Johnson.

"Yes, sir," he replied, instantly; "but we must also remember that He made it for Scotsmen."

The next move is yet to seek. The published gambit ends here.

Much of Dr. Johnson's dissatisfaction with Scotland is explained when we consider that he never seriously adopted Golf. As a professional lexicographer, he was no doubt the man to have edited the new rules, and to have supported his emendations against the attacks of Englishmen. For, of the rules, as at present constructed, if one (the gentleman of Auchinleck, or another) had dared to point out to him that their origin was—not, indeed, divine—but the tradition of those who had played the game for centuries—that is to say, of Scotsmen—he would, doubtless, have retorted in his old manner, "Yes, sir; but we must also remember that it is for Scotsmen that they were handed down."

For this makes a deal of difference. If there is a quality of the Scot, which, even Dr. Johnson might have excepted from the universal ban, it is his patient long-sufferance and forbearance under hardship and wrong. This is doubtless why the game of Golf is so well suited to the Scottish genius, and why one is sceptical if they will ever play Golf well in Ireland—except in Ulster.

But now the English golfer, less long-suffering, is sitting in the shadow of a great dread. He has read—at least a few of him have—the new rules, published by the Royal and Ancient Club, and finds a clause therein which conjures horrid visions. Under the old dispensation, even, greens were sometimes blocked. We sat, and we watched, and we waited, and we swore, while McFozzle and his friend crawled, snail-like, over the links. But we knew there was a bright time coming. So soon as ever McFozzle and his companion had played their second strokes we could take a great, glad shot at them, emphasised by a blood-curdling, premonitory "Fore!" For that was the beneficent rule—you were not to drive into parties in front unless first (*nisi prius*) they had played their seconds. But now—by all that's scarce sufferable by the Scot, intolerable to the Sassenach, and infuriating to the Celt—the rule is made absolute, we are not allowed to drive into them at all! Imagination darkens with the fearful prospect of waiting, helpless and hopeless, upon the tee, while the golfer who has taken to himself the methods of the sitting hen broods in halcyon security over his ball until the abortive, addled result has at length been hatched; then he pursues it, as a hen chases an unmanageable duckling, and we take in fresh microbes of influenza and pneumonia while he once more gathers it deliberately beneath his wing.

Now what is to be done to him? For the object of this elaborate essay is no syllogistic conclusion, but merely a practical suggestion, given as we go along, for the remedy of a sad trouble which threatens to make the game of Golf as injurious, and as slow, as a funeral. When a hen wants to sit, the remedy is to make her sit longer than she wishes—

to shut her up—just as they give the confectioners' boys sugar-plums until they hate them, or as you tie up a sheep-worrying dog to an aggressive old ram. But a golfer, even one who has the methods of the sitting hen, does not thereby forfeit his rights as a British subject (though he ought to), and if we treated him on the lines of the sheep-worrier or fowl, he would have us up for false imprisonment. Moreover, it is doubtful if it would be any real discipline for him to be shut up—even indefinitely—with a Golf ball.

Yet we are not delivered over absolutely to his mercy; for this clause which bids us spare him is not a rule, though in the old days of chaos it was confounded with rules. It is but a maxim of courtesy, and as such, under the new dispensation, it finds its place. We are at least thus far advanced since the chaotic age: it is not open to the opponent, as heretofore, to claim the hole from us because we have driven into the sitter. But is there any degree of offending—any length of sitting—which can justify us in the breach of such a maxim? We think there is. Even here, in a warm comfortable room, we can record this as our honest opinion; and when we have waited a quarter of an hour, in a bitter wind and rain, upon the lethargic sitter, there can be no doubt that we shall be absolutely convinced of it; which point of casuistry is to be approached with the following test—if we see the sitter brooding over his ball with a clear field a hole or two before him, and behind him a telescoped muddle of exasperated golfers, then cry, "Fore!" and spare not. For this is indeed no breach of courtesy. In such extreme cases the obligation becomes reversed. It is in no rules or code of courtesy, but in a far older book, that no man may annoy his fellow-man too unconscionably; that we are but poor worms, but that it is a long worm that has no turning. And if the sitting hen continue to brood over the nest egg regardless of the sufferings of fellow-creatures, he must expect that the sufferer will turn and rend him—speedily if the sufferer be a Celt, after a certain sober interval it he be a Sassenach, and eventually even if he be a Scot.

Wherefore let the sitting hen take warning, nor arrogate to himself, with much cackling, an indefeasible position, in virtue of the clause in his favour in the new rules; but let him be assured that after a time human nature will assert itself and proclaim its prior existence to maxims of golfing courtesy, even though it be a Scottish nature, and it is for Scotsmen that the rules were made. Either the halcyon period of brooding must not be indefinitely prolonged, or the brooder must let others go past him. Otherwise of a surety the sitter will be slain as he sits, and a jury of good golfers will hold the homicide justifiable.

How long and how often a man should be allowed to sit before he is shot is a question which perhaps does not admit of a general answer. Each case must probably be judged on its individual merits.

H. G. HUTCHINSON.

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"SCOTSMAN" V. LEITH SEAFIELD.—The fifth of a series of annual home-and-home matches between these clubs was played over Leith links on Saturday afternoon, in favourable weather. Eighteen men a-side played two rounds of the green (fourteen holes), and at the conclusion of the match the totals were:—*Scotsman*, 34 holes; *Seafield*, 17 holes—majority for *Scotsman*, 17 holes. For the winners, Mr. A. Geoghegan was 9 up, Mr. R. Melrose 6 up, and Mr. R. M'Intyre 5 up on their opponents; while, for the losing team, Mr. Irvine defeated his opponent by 6 holes.



The Parliamentary Golf Handicap has been started, the draw having been made on Thursday evening, the 25th, in the smoking-room of the House of Commons. Play is to take place on the links at Tooting Bec, as last year. There are forty-six entries. The first round must be completed by 12th March, the second by 26th March, and the final on 28th May. Mr. John Penn, M.P., is placed at scratch; Mr. A. J. Balfour, M.P., receives 12; the Marquis of Granby 16; Mr. H. S. Stewart, M.P., Mr. S. Hoare, M.P., Mr. Mulholland, M.P., Lord Kinnaird, Mr. J. M'Calmont, M.P., Viscount Newark, M.P., the Hon. C. Mills, M.P., and Mr. R. G. Webster, M.P., get 20 each.

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The very handsome prize which was presented at the recent grand tournament at Pau, South France, by the municipality of the town, is a superb silver cup of exquisite design. The cup, which was manufactured by Messrs. Mappin and Webb, measures nearly 2 feet, including its ebony pedestal. On one side of the cup are the arms of the town of Pau, and on the other the following inscription:—"1892: Pau Golf Club: Scratch Prize: Presented by the Town of Pau: Won by R. B. Sharp." Full details of the competition will be found in another column.

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The Golf tournament at Pau has been a great success, and the field of players was a pretty large one. The heavy rain of Wednesday was succeeded by charming weather on Thursday and Friday. Among players who put in an appearance for the tournament were Mr. A. E. Peat, Col. Anderson, Col. Broadwood, Mr. R. B. Sharpe, Mr. C. J. Robinson, Sir W. Style, Mr. R. Brownlow, Mr. J. R. Hutchison, Mr. C. Hutchings, Sir Chas. Tennant, and others.

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A "Golfer" writes to the *Scotsman*—on the Golf championship at Sandwich—"I desire to make just one observation regarding the Amateur Golf Championship, which I notice is to take place this year at Sandwich in the second week of May. I take no exception to the Championship being played on English soil; but I think a time might be selected which would be more convenient for the general body of golfers throughout the country. It cannot be denied that hitherto there has not been a proper representative field, and this, I think, is accounted for in great measure by the fact I have mentioned. Were both the Amateur and Open Championships played during the holiday season, I am almost certain that at both meetings we should have a much larger representation of the golfing talent in the country than we have yet had."

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The extension of the telegraph to Gullane is now completed. The opening of a telegraph office in the village will be a great boon to those golfers who frequent Gullane and Muirfield greens, and also to the residents in the village and neighbourhood and to a large number of summer visitors. The extension of the telegraph has been carried out by the Post Office under a guarantee by gentlemen resident in Gullane during the summer months, and by the Honourable Company of Edinburgh golfers.

Willie Campbell, the professional, has just inspected a proposed Golf course for Greenock of nine holes, which is situated on the Craigs Farm, close to the cemetery. He reports that the ground selected will make an excellent golfing course when laid out, and one special advantage about it is that it could easily be converted into an 18-hole course should occasion arise for such an extension. Already considerable support has been given to the establishment of a Golf club at Greenock, and at present upwards of seventy gentlemen have signified their intention of becoming members.

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Playing a match with Mr. Erskine, of Dun, over Prestwick, on Monday, Archie Simpson, Prestwick, displayed very fine form. He was out in 38, and was in to the fourteenth hole in an average of two over fours, and had an average of fours for the last four holes to finish in 77. The match, however, finished at the fourteenth hole in favour of the professional, and he did not complete the round. The amateur was in receipt of a half,

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A club-house is about to be erected on the new links acquired by the Prestwick St. Nicholas Golf Club. The design has been prepared by Mr. J. Mercer, architect, Ayr. The building is intended to accommodate 500 members; but, meantime, boxes are provided for 300, and these will be added to as the membership increases. The buildings for club-maker and caddies are distinct and apart from the main block, and to the north of it. The house is expected to be ready for occupation by the end of summer. The new Golf course, which the club has acquired on a long lease, is about a mile long, with a breadth varying from 200 to about 500 yards. It extends along the beach, and the turf is of a similar nature to that found on the Prestwick and Troon links. An eighteen-hole round has just been laid out, under the direction of Charlie Hunter and Allan, and golfers will find all the usual hazards characteristic of the principal golfing links of the country.

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In another column readers will find the synopsis of a circular relating to the proposed Eltham Golfing Association. It is intended to lease 118 acres of Eltham Park, and to limit the membership to 300, in order to preserve the green from becoming crowded. The subscription is to be five guineas annually. As the course will be private, no doubt many golfers will see the advantages which the new club offers. Arrangements have also been made for the links and house to be seen at any time on application to Mr. Keeler, at the Farm House, Court Road, within three minutes' walk of Eltham Station.

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The Prestwick Golf Club have provided a comfortable shelter for their caddies. The structure, which is built of brick, replaces a wooden structure which the caddies had whittled into a riddle of holes. The new house is well ventilated and warmed, and altogether they are now better provided for than any other body of caddies in the kingdom.

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The Prestwick St. Nicholas Golf club who have acquired a new links in the vicinity of the ground they play over at present, are proceeding with the preparation of the new ground for play. The erection of a large new club-house, from designs by Mr. John Mercer, architect, Ayr, has also been commenced.

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There has been a great deal of Golf played over Prestwick links during the past month. The weather, with the exception of one or two days, has been very favourable, and the links has never been in finer playing condition. On an average from sixteen to twenty-four couples have been out nearly every day.

GIRVAN.—The monthly competition for the silver medal took place on Saturday, and was won by Mr. Thomas Hardie, Union Bank, with a score of 105, less 10=95, Mr. John Eaglesome (scratch) coming in second with 97.





ABERDEEN.

The members of the Victoria Club here competed on Wednesday and Saturday last, over the nine-hole course on the town's links and Broad Hill, for their scratch and handicap prizes. The weather was somewhat dull, but there was a fairly large turn-out of competitors, some twelve couples in all starting. Two rounds of the course were played, and, on comparing the cards handed in, it was found that Mr. A. M'Connachie, with the excellent score of 85, had carried off the scratch prize and the handicap prize for first-class players. The handicap prize for second-class players was won for the month by Mr. J. Jack, with 116, less 12=104. The following are a few of the best scores handed in:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. A. M'Connachie 85 scr. 85	Mr. G. Mortimer ... 97 6 91
Mr. D. J. Innes ... 90 4 86	Mr. A. M. M. Dunn 92 scr. 92
Mr. J. Hazelwood... 94 8 86	Mr. J. Innes ... 92 scr. 92
Mr. D. Jessiman ... 96 10 86	Mr. A. Mitchell ... 96 3 93
Mr. J. Grant ... 97 10 87	Mr. L. Anderson ... 97 3 94
Mr. A. Milne (1) ... 96 8 88	Mr. J. B. Banks ... 98 4 94
Mr. R. Anderson (2) 95 6 89	Mr. J. Russell ... 96 scr. 96
Mr. W. Bowman ... 98 8 90	Mr. Alex. Cooper ... 97 scr. 97
Mr. W. H. Reid ... 97 6 91	

The members of the Bon Accord Club also competed on Saturday over the same course, by playing two rounds for the monthly scratch and handicap medals. When the cards handed in were compared, it was found that Mr. Andrew Ducat had won both prizes, with the score of 85 (scratch). The following were next in order:—Messrs. James Florence, 93; James Ogilvie, 95; George Dunn, 96; James W. Murray, 97; James Fraser, 97; Fred Watt, 99; and James Greig, 99.

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS GOLF CLUB.

The February monthly medal was played for on the 27th ult. The greens were in good order, but the weather was all that was disagreeable, and the scoring as high as the wind. The neighbourhood of the home green was white with fragments of cards, chiefly those of men with small handicaps; who, indeed, had they held on, might have had a look-in for the Yewhurst Golf clubs for the best gross. These, however, went, as it was, to the medal winner. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. G. Flanagan ... 103 16 87	Dr. T. Colcott-Fox.. 108 14 94
Col. Kington ... 117 25 92	Mr. Leonard Andrews ... 116 22 94
Mr. H. E. Curteis... 107 14 93	
Mr. L. Midgley ... 118 25 93	

About twenty others went round.

BURNHAM (SOMERSET) GOLF CLUB.

The monthly gold medal handicap was decided on February 23rd, in fine weather; but a strong wind in the morning, and a good deal of water lying on the course prevented any good scoring: The medal was won by Mr. S. M. J. Woods, the popular and well known cricketer, whom we are glad to see coming to the front in the ancient game. The following cards were sent in:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. S. M. J. Woods 101 18 83	Mr. T. Holt ... 119 18 101
Mr. T. W. Colthurst 104 6 98	Col. E. Armstrong 130 27 103
Dr. A. W. C. Peskett 125 27 98	Rev. T. Crump ... 115 10 105
Rev. G. E. Peake... 109 10 99	Mr. W. H. Fowler 117 scr. 117
Rev. F. N. Smith... 127 27 100	

The following gentlemen made no returns, viz.:—The Rev. Canon Kennard, Mr. R. T. Coombe and Mr. S. Austin.

BERKHAMSTED GOLF CLUB.

There were eight players competing last Saturday at this meeting. Mr. H. G. Tylecote, with a handicap of 6, and Mr. A. H. Briggs, with 27, tied, with a net score of 111, for the first place. The two chief prizes to be contended for were Dr. Fry's silver medal and the Tylecote prize handicap, limited to twenty-seven. All the scores were unaccountably high.

BIRKDALE GOLF CLUB.

The final competition for the captain's cup took place on Saturday last. The winner was Mr. G. D. S. Crowther, who made the surprising score of 89 gross. As his nett score is the lowest of the three competitions (the other two scores being Mr. W. Bowker, 99, less 17=82, and Mr. G. Crowther, 93, less 12=81) the cup becomes his property. He was also the winner last year. The scores under 100 nett were as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. G.D.S. Crowther 89 14 75	Mr. F. Baker ... 115 30 85
Mr. H. Kennedy ... 109 30 79	Mr. T. Pemberton... 109 20 89
Mr. J. E. Pearson ... 87 6 81	Mr. W. Bowker ... 112 15 97
Mr. H. Mayhew ... 97 13 84	

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

The first Golf match over the new course at Dum-Dum was played on the 3rd and 4th of February, which days, being holidays, were taken advantage of by many golfers for an outing at Dum-Dum, twenty-eight having entered for the match. The competition was for two prizes presented by the club, and a scratch player, Mr. J. Adamson, succeeded in securing the first place and the first prize played for over these links. Mr. Adamson's score of 44 in his first round was a very high class performance, and but for an unfortunate nine to the last hole, would have established a record decidedly hard to beat. The leading scores were as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. J. Adamson ... 93 scr. 93	Mr. J. C. R. Johnston 104 2 102
Mr. W. E. D. Fyfe 101 6 95	Mr. F. E. Patteson. 106 4 102
Mr. R. L. Morgan... 99 2 97	Mr. C. B. Watkins.. 118 12 106
Mr. R. G. Scott ... 101 4 97	Mr. J. D. West ... 120 14 106
Mr. F. H. E. Lamb 100 scr. 100	Major C. H. Brookes 125 12 113
Mr. C. A. Smith .. 110 10 100	Mr. L. Truninges ... 127 10 117

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY v. BLACKHEATH.

This match was played at Cambridge on Saturday, February 26th. The day was dull and cold, and the green very wet. Scores:—

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.	Holes.	ROYAL BLACKHEATH.	Holes.
Mr. J. L. Low...	4	Mr. J. G. Gibson ...	0
Mr. E. C. P. Boyd ...	5	Mr. F. Ireland...	0
Mr. W. T. Linskill ...	3	Mr. W. O. S. Pell ...	0
Mr. R. A. Nicholson ...	1	Mr. R. Whyte ...	0
Mr. D. D. Robertson ...	12	Mr. W. E. Hughes ...	0
Mr. A. M. Chance ...	7	Mr. A. Schacht ...	0
Mr. J. E. Pease ...	6	Mr. H. H. Turner ...	0
Mr. A. M. Joshua ...	0	Mr. W. Noakes ...	2
	38		2

Cambridge won by 36 holes.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY, v. GREAT YARMOUTH.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.	Holes.	GREAT YARMOUTH.	Holes.
Mr. J. L. Low ...	10	Mr. J. G. Gibson ...	0
Mr. E. C. P. Boyd ...	9	Mr. E. P. Shute ...	0
Mr. W. T. Linskill ...	0	Mr. W. O. S. Pell ...	0
Mr. R. A. Nicholson ...	0	Mr. R. Whyte ...	2
Mr. D. D. Robertson...	4	Mr. T. Thomson ...	0
Mr. A. M. Chance ...	9	Mr. A. Rotheram ...	0
Mr. A. M. Joshua ...	0	Mr. W. Noakes ...	0
Mr. J. E. Pease ...	0	Mr. H. H. Turner ...	0
Mr. C. E. Hambro ...	8	Mr. W. E. Hughes ...	0
Mr. I. W. Maxwell ...	0	Mr. E. G. Ashton ...	4
Mr. J. Whitelaw ...	1	Dr. Browne ..	0
Mr. C. Pigg ...	7	Mr. A. T. Young ...	0
Mr. G. H. Joshua ...	4	Mr. G. F. Sanders ...	0
Mr. H. Parker...	0	Mr. H. Mann ...	1
Mr. I. Heron Maxwell ...	5	Mr. J. S. Sanger ...	0
Mr. W. Watson ...	0	Mr. H. Wilson ..	4
	57		11

Cambridge won by 46 holes.

Played at Great Yarmouth on Saturday. Day fine. Green not in best order. One round eighteen holes.

## CHELTENHAM GOLF CLUB.

The usual monthly handicap was played on Saturday, February 27th, with the following results:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. C. Jobling	... 116	30 86	Mr. H. B. Todd	... 107	7 100
Lieut.-Col. Hume	... 107	14 93	Mr. Monat Biggs	... 133	30 103
Mr. J. C. Gray	... 116	20 96	Mr. F. D. Longe	... 127	22 105
Mr. A. A. Bourne	... 109	12 97	Mr. A. Myers...	... 135	25 110
Mr. C. Tillard	... 107	10 97	Mr. C. W. Bell	... 128	17 111
Mr. Mascie Taylor	... 130	30 100	Mr. S. P. Ryland	... 126	14 112

No returns from Captain Chamier, Major Fawkes, Rev. J. Lochhead, Rev. W. D. Challice, and Messrs. F. Burgoyne Wallace, G. W. Blathwagt, Boyd Cardew, and E. A. Bennett.

## CROOKHAM v. MARLBOROUGH.

On Wednesday, February 24th, the return match was played between Crookham and Marlborough on the Crookham Links. In the previous match at Marlborough, the home team were victorious by three holes up, and on this occasion Crookham won on their own ground by nine holes. From the subjoined score it will be seen that, although the result was one-sided, the match on the whole was an exceedingly close and interesting one, the players being very well matched. The day was perfect, and the greens in capital order.

CROOKHAM.		MARLBOROUGH.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. A. B. Cook	... 2	Mr. N. S. Durrant	... 0
Mr. A. H. Evans	... 1	Mr. C. A. Cancellor	... 0
Mr. W. Ridley	... 0	Mr. A. S. Eve	... 0
Mr. F. Hairland	... 2	Rev. C. E. Thorpe	... 0
Rev. E. P. Spurway	... 4	Mr. H. R. Gifford	... 0
	9		0

## DINARD GOLF CLUB.

Foursome competition.—Mrs. Gordon's prize, February 23rd:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. E. Grey and Miss Edye	... 101 19 82	Mr. Elton and Miss Stack	... 114 25 89
Capt. Bill and Miss M Gordon	... 110 27 83	Mr. R. Forbes and Miss Forbes	... 105 15 90
Sir G. Duntze and Miss Pomeroy	... 108 20 88	Mr. W. Grey and Miss Millar	... 113 21 92
Major Domville and Csse. M. Hatzfeld	... 113 25 88	Mr. Ramsbotham and Mrs. Stewart	... 96 2 94
Mr. Edye and Miss G. Edye...	... 108 19 89	Mr. Pomeroy and Miss Hopkins	... 144 32 112

## DISLEY GOLF CLUB.

The fourth winter handicap was contested on Saturday, having been postponed from February 20th on account of the snow. Although the weather was all that could be desired, most of the scores were very bad, the best gross return being made by Mr. G. Hutton, Mr. Soares secured a win for the medal and also took the first sweepstake prize. The following were the best returns:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. E. J. Soares	... 113 22 91	Mr. S. Thackeray	... 113 12 101
Mr. G. J. Hutton	... 104 10 94	Mr. H. C. Garrett	... 115 14 101
Mr. P. Campbell	... 119 22 97	Mr. T. S. Turnbull...	... 126 25 101

## DURHAM GOLF CLUB.

The first of nine monthly competitions for the Walter cup was played on Wednesday, February 24th. The conditions are that the greatest number of wins handed in secures the prize. On the cards being examined, it was found that the Rev. A. Robertson was first, with a net score of 101. This was highly creditable, as this gentleman had experienced a substantial reduction in his handicap, in consequence of having won the competition for the Osborn cup a fortnight previous, and we hope that he will experience the pleasure which every true golfer feels when he finds his allowance approaching by degrees to that mystic number "scr." The club has engaged David Walker, of Great Yarmouth, as professional for the months of April, May, and June, and it is to be hoped that members will avail themselves of his experience in trying to perfect themselves in the royal game. Appended are the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Rev. A. Robertson...	... 121 20 101	Mr. R. C. Bell	... 149 40 109
Mr. J. Duncanson	... 111 9 102	Mr. E. W. F. Walker	... 115 6 109
Mr. O. B. Cluff	... 137 32 105	Capt. H. W. Roberts	... 131 18 113
Dr. O. F. N. Treadwell	... 107 scr. 107		

Messrs. H. E. Ferens, F. W. Cluff, and B. T. Walter retired

## FELIXSTOWE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly challenge cup was played for on Saturday, the 27th February. The secretary would remind members that there is only one more heat (before the final), which will be played off on Saturday, the 26th March, when it is hoped there will be a large muster. The links are in very good order, and have quite recovered from the effects of the snow. The following are the only scores returned:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. J. Tunks	... 98 12 86	Mr. R. E. Peake	... 109 20 89
Capt. W. St. George	...	Dr. Dawson Williams	... 115 24 91
Ord.	... 101 15 86	Mr. F. W. Wilson	... 102 9 93
Mr. G. H. Grant	... 94 6 88		

## FORFARSHIRE.

The annual general meeting of the Monifieth Club was held on Thursday evening, when the reports submitted showed that the club financially and numerically was in a prosperous condition. There was a large attendance. Mr. David Anderson, of the Grange, was unanimously elected captain, and the following were appointed members of committee, viz.—Messrs. David Robertson, Alexander Simpson, John R. Fairweather, and James C. Burns. As the field on the West side of the Camp is again under cultivation, it was decided to enforce the rule that a player whose ball goes on the field must lift and count a stroke, and that the same rule should apply to the plantation at the paling. Eight new members were admitted. The club open the season on 5th March, when the Panmure medal (scratch) and the average medal will be played for.

The half-yearly competition for the challenge cup presented to the Stonehaven Golf Club by their vice-captain (Mr. William Mowat, Viewmount), and other prizes took place on Saturday, over Cowie green, with the following result:—Mr. A. L. Wood, cup, 94, plus 2—96; Mr. W. B. Cormack, 92, plus 5=97; Mr. W. Murray, 108, less 9=99.

An interesting foursome was played on Monifieth links, on Saturday, the players being Messrs. William Young and George Wright against Messrs. Alexander Simpson, ex-champion of Monifieth, partnered with David L. Low. The play was not brilliant on either side, the match ending, however, in favour of Messrs. Simpson and Low, who were three holes to the good, with a score of 88 strokes. The other couple had to lift, and had no score.

The monthly medal (handicap) competition of the Scotsraig Club took place on Saturday, when there was a good turn-out of members. At the close, on examination of the cards, it was found that the medal had been won by Mr. A. Jack with a score of 95, less 16=79. The next best were:—Mr. W. Methven, 93, less 10=83; Mr. F. Gregory, 101, less 18=83; Mr. J. Simpson, 87, less 2=85; Mr. W. Smith, 95, less 8=87; Mr. A. S. Black, 99, less 12=87; Mr. J. Greig, 105, less 16=89; Mr. A. S. Thomson, scratch, 90; Mr. W. Hogg, 93, less 2=91; Mr. W. C. Honeyman, 110, less 12=98.

The usual monthly sweepstake competition of the Dundee Advertiser Club came off at Monifieth on Saturday. There was a fair turn-out of players. When the cards were handed in it was found that Mr. John Macrae was lowest at 94; Mr. Arthur Forsyth, 95; Mr. James Clark, 95; and Mr. John Inglis, 96. Sweepstakes were won as follows:—Lowest and 2nd average, Mr. John Macrae; 1st average, Mr. James Clark; 3, Mr. Alexander Buchan; 4, Mr. Arthur Forsyth. Second class—lowest and 2nd average, Mr. W. F. Black; 1st average, Mr. Peter Williamson; 3, Mr. Allan Bell; 4, Mr. William Scott. Mr. James Brown won the prize in the third class.

The members of the Broughty Club opened their season's play on Saturday afternoon, when the Miller cup and several other prizes were competed for on Monifieth links. Although the weather was mild play was difficult, large wreaths of snow lying in the hollows on various parts of the course. There was a fair turn-out, twenty-seven members starting. After the cards had been returned it was found that the best average score had been made by Mr. Hugh M'ulloch, who had completed the round at 97 strokes, being 17 below his registered number, Mr. E. Rowan being next at 14 below. Several other members of the second class also made substantial reductions in their averages—Messrs. Thomas Drinnie and Edward Shield being 10 below, and Mr. T. E. Suttie 9 below. The winners of the club prizes and sweepstakes were as follows:—First Class—Scratch, Mr. James Nicoll, 95; 1st average—Mr. James Bowman, 99—1 above; 2nd average, Mr. David Smyton, 97—3 above. Mr. Ireland's prize—Tie, Messrs. Frank A. Begg, 97; and John Kidd, 106—both 9 above. Second Class—Scratch, Mr. R. B. Cowan, 92; 1st average—Mr. E. Rowan, 106—14 below; 2nd average and Mr. Ireland's prize—tie, Messrs. Thomas Drinnie and Edward Shield, both 98—10 below. Mr. Ireland's second prize—Mr. T. E. Suttie, 100—9 below. Sweepstakes—first class—1, Mr. J. Nicoll, 1 below; 2, Mr. James Bowman, 1 above; 3, Mr. D. Smyton, 3 above. Second class—1, Mr. H. M'ulloch, 17 below; 2, Mr. E. Rowan, 14 below; 3, 4, and 5, tie—Messrs. R. B. Cowan, T. Drinnie, and E. Shield—all 10 below.

ILKLEY GOLF CLUB.

The first monthly medal, 1892, was played for on the above links, twenty-six members competing. The day was fine, but patches of snow between two or three of the holes rendered play difficult, and to this cause the indifferent return must be attributed.

The final competition for the monthly medal, 1891, after being thrice postponed on account of bad weather, was also played on the same day, when eight out of the twelve entitled to compete turned out. The result was a tie between Mr. L. Glyde, Ilkley, and Mr. A. L. Knight, of Thórner, with a net score of 97.

Mr. P. N. Lee was the winner of the captain's cup presented by the Rev. Irton Smith for the best six gross scores made in the medal competitions during the year.

Final medal, 1891 :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. L. Glyde	140	43	97	Mr. D. F. Douglas	132	20	110
Mr. A. L. Knight	124	27	97	Mr. P. N. Lee	130	12	118
Mr. W. H. Scott	123	25	98	Mr. R. G. Scott	145	25	120
Mr. H. W. Wild	108	9	99				

Monthly medal (first month) :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. A. L. Knight	124	27	97	Mr. D. F. Douglas	132	22	110
Mr. L. Glyde	140	43	97	Mr. A. J. Stanfield	129	18	111
Mr. W. H. Scott	123	25	98	Mr. W. F. Potter	138	25	113
Mr. H. W. Wild	108	9	99	Mr. T. A. Carpenter	149	36	113
Dr. Brampton	141	40	101	Mr. A. W. Godby	157	40	117
Mr. A. L. Booth	132	30	102	Mr. P. N. Lee	130	12	118
Mr. F. P. Wild	123	13	110	Mr. R. G. Scott	145	25	120

The following players were over 120, or made no return :—Messrs. Tannett, Marshall, Moeller, Garnett, Tristram, Blankley, Howson, Atkinson, Mammatt, Gibbon, and Jones.

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

PROFESSIONALS' COMPETITION.

A subscription having been entered into by the members of the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club for prizes to be competed for by the four younger professionals employed under George Lowe in connection with the club, they were played for on Saturday on the links at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, and created a considerable amount of interest. The four players and their handicaps were, T. Vardon, scratch; G. Pulford, 4; J. Anson, 15; F. Lovat, 20. The day was fine. The course was twice round the links, 36 holes. The result was as follows, F. Lovat, first round, 104, less 20=84; second round, 90, less 20=70, total 154. T. Vardon, first round, 79, scratch 79; second round, 83, scratch 83, total 162. G. Pulford, first round, 84, less 4=81; second round, 85, less 4=81, total 162. J. Anson, first round, 105, less 15=90; second round, 98, less 15=83, total 173. The first prize, £3, was therefore taken by F. Lovat; and the second and third were divided by T. Vardon and G. Pulford, (receiving £2 each); and the fourth prize, £1 10s. was taken by J. Anson. There was some excellent play in course of the competition. Vardon came home in his first round in 37, and Lovat's score home in his second round was only 40, a wonderful score for so young a player. There is promise of splendid Golf in all the four.

MACCLESFIELD v. WILMSLOW.

On Saturday last a return match was played on the Macclesfield links between the Macclesfield and Wilmslow clubs, the latter winning by four holes. Scores :—

MACCLESFIELD.		WILMSLOW.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Dr. Duffus	5	Mr. J. A. Tweedale	0
Mr. G. C. Greenwell	1	Mr. V. Bellhouse	0
Mr. J. W. Burgess	2	Mr. A. Darbyshire	0
Mr. A. Sheldon	0	Mr. C. Hervey	3
Mr. C. J. Edmondson	0	Mr. G. Bickham	1
Mr. A. G. Gray	3	Mr. C. D. Milne	0
Dr. Rees	0	Mr. H. W. Hughes	2
Mr. M. Hall	0	Mr. P. Swanwick	5
Mr. C. P. Gibbons	0	Mr. — Bowman	2
Mr. W. H. L. Cameron	0	Mr. — Stocks	2
	11		15

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.—Excellent golfing weather was experienced at Warwick on Saturday, and the links were in admirable condition. There were twenty competitors for the club cup. Mr. F. W. Hayes, 119, less 30=89, was first; Mr. F. C. Hunter Blair, 100, less 8=92, second; Mr. C. G. Graham, 106, less 13=93, third. The next best scores were :—Colonel Boothby, 101, less 6=95; Rev. A. E. Bedford, 116, less 20=96; Mr. W. Heathcote, 109, less 13=96; Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncrieff, 100, less 4=96; and General Dandridge, 121, less 24=97.

NOTTINGHAM GOLF CLUB.

The match between this club and the West Herts Golf Club, which was to have taken place on the 18th February, had unfortunately to be postponed on account of the snow. The annual dinner of the club was held at the George Hotel on that evening, and was a great success. The chair was taken by the retiring president (Mr. R. F. Smith), and the vice-chair by the ex-captain (Mr. Doleman), whose account of the formation of the club, and reminiscences of Willie Park, sen., and other giants o' old days, formed the feature of the evening.

The February medal competition took place on Thursday and Saturday, the 25th and 27th ult., in capital golfing weather, and there is no excuse for the very moderate play which was shown. The winner, Mr. J. McMeeking, was the only member who played up to form, and he thoroughly deserved his place at the head of the list. The following are the results :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. McMeeking	89	2	87	Mr. J. Doleman	106	scr.	106
Mr. J. Johnstone	102	8	94	Mr. R. D. Oswald	106	scr.	106
Mr. C. F. Dobson	107	12	95	Mr. S. Davidson	118	10	108
Mr. J. C. Warren	97	scr.	97	Mr. C. S. Wardle	121	10	111
Mr. A. T. Ashwell	107	8	99	Mr. A. Barrow	129	16	113
Mr. J. Hall	107	8	99	Mr. C. B. Edwards	141	20	121

Several players made no returns.

Willie Aveston, the young Cromer professional, is on a visit to the links, and speaks very highly of them. The members are looking forward to his breaking the present record of 37 to the nine holes before he leaves, and this, there is little doubt, his fine straight play will enable him to do.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

On Wednesday, February 24th, the Past v. Present match was played at Oxford, and resulted in a most exciting finish, the Present winning by the narrow majority of two holes. The Past were but poorly represented, however, and were without the services of Messrs. Horace Hutchinson, R. A. H. Mitchell, Alex. Stuart, and others, who, it had been hoped, would have been able to play again this year. Each side won six matches, and most of the matches were close. The links were very wet, owing to the rain that fell in the morning, and the greens were very deceptive. The following was the result :—

PAST.		PRESENT.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. E. H. Buckland	2	Mr. H. J. Whigham	0
Mr. F. S. Tylecote	0	Mr. W. D. Davidson	3
Mr. H. Nichols	0	Mr. H. T. Knight	4
Mr. P. V. Broke	0	Mr. F. H. Stewart	3
Mr. A. E. Ripley	0	Mr. P. Balfour	4
Mr. G. M. Style	4	Mr. L. Armitstead	0
Mr. R. W. Macan	3	Mr. F. H. Campion	0
Mr. A. C. Croome	0	Mr. A. J. Boger	1
Rev. P. Henderson	3	Mr. A. R. Hamilton	0
Mr. H. M. Burge	3	Mr. A. Moncrieff	0
Mr. W. R. Hardie	0	Mr. J. C. Smith	7
Rev. F. H. Hall	5	Mr. C. W. Surridge	0
	20		22

Majority for the Present of 2 holes.

OXFORD v. CAMBRIDGE.

The Cambridge team to compete against Oxford at Wimbledon on Thursday, March 10th, will probably be as follows :—Mr. John L. Low (Clare), Mr. E. C. Percy Boyd (Trin.), Mr. D. D. Robertson (Christ's), Mr. A. M. Chance (Trin.), Mr. J. E. Pease (Pemb.), certain; Mr. C. E. Hambro (Trin.), Mr. A. M. Joshua (Trin.). For the eighth place probably the following will compete :—Mr. J. Maxwell (Trin. Hall), Mr. C. C. Bethune (Trin.), Mr. A. J. L. Hill (Jesus), Mr. H. Parker (Trin. Hall), Mr. J. B. Whitelaw (Trin.), and Mr. E. D. C. Strode (Trin.).

EDINBURGH THISTLE CLUB.—This club met at the Braid Hills on Saturday to play their postponed competition for the monthly trophy. As the club has been presented with two handsome gold charms to be played for along with this competition as aggregate prizes—the first for the lowest five scratch scores out of nine medal plays, the second as a handicap prize under the same conditions—it caused some excitement in the competition. There were twenty-two players started to play the round. The hill was in good condition, although there were several patches of snow, which caused additional hazards, and resulted in making the scores higher than usual. The game resulted in a close finish, no fewer than three players tying for the trophy with the following scores :—Mr. R. Harvey, jun., 91, less 8=83; Mr. J. Turnbull, 92, less 9=83; Mr. T. Brown, 95, less 12=83. The above players stand first in the handicap aggregate. Mr. R. Harvey, sen., with a score of 90, is first for the actual aggregate.

PAU GOLF CLUB.

In very fine weather the Grand Amateur Tournament was begun on Monday, the 15th, with the preliminary open 5 francs handicap. No fewer than fifty-two gentlemen competed, Mr. A. O. Burton winning with the following score:—Mr. A. O. Burton, 99, less 16=83.

On Tuesday, 16th, and Wednesday, 17th, the handicap prizes were played for, Mr. C. J. Robinson, after making two fine rounds, proving to be the winner. Unfortunately, the weather on Wednesday was very boisterous, which was much against good scoring.

The following are the results:—

		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Total.
*Mr. C. J. Robinson	First day	96	18	78	156
	Second "	96	18	78	
†Mr. R. B. Sharp	First "	88	+2	90	178
	Second "	86	+2	88	
†Mr. J. Mellor	First "	91	5	86	178
	Second "	97	5	92	
Mr. S. Platt	First "	107	14	93	179
	Second "	100	14	86	
Col. Bethune	First "	97	7	90	180
	Second "	97	7	90	
Mr. H. G. Ross	First "	99	14	85	182
	Second "	111	14	97	
Col. Marshall	First "	109	22	87	186
	Second "	121	22	99	
Mr. C. de Lacy Lacy	First "	107	14	93	188
	Second "	109	14	95	
Mr. G. P. Elwes	First "	104	11	93	188
	Second "	106	11	95	
Capt. Hewett	First "	103	7	96	190
	Second "	101	7	94	
Mr. T. Carr Gomm	First "	124	28	96	192
	Second "	124	28	96	
Major Levett	First "	118	25	93	193
	Second "	125	25	100	
Mr. A. H. Crossfield	First "	110	15	95	193
	Second "	113	15	98	
Mr. G. L. St. Quintin	First "	110	14	96	194
	Second "	112	14	98	
Mr. L. Hornor	First "	109	14	95	196
	Second "	115	14	101	
Capt. Walker	First "	113	16	97	198
	Second "	117	16	101	
Mr. A. E. Peat	First "	114	20	94	199
	Second "	125	20	105	
Hon. A. Bingham	First "	109	14	95	199
	Second "	118	14	104	
Mr. V. Brooke	First "	113	10	103	204
	Second "	111	10	101	
Col. Macleay	First "	122	18	104	205
	Second "	119	18	101	
Mr. W. Ritchie	First "	117	11	106	212
	Second "	117	11	106	
Sir W. Style	First "	137	24	113	220
	Second "	131	24	107	

\* Wins first prize. † Ties.

In the tie for the second prize Mr. Mellor won, Mr. R. B. Sharp taking the third prize.

On Thursday, 17th, and Friday, 18th, the scratch cup was played for, the weather on both days being very fine. Mr. R. B. Sharp, who came out from Scotland for this competition, won the cup, Mr. Hutchings being second:—Mr. R. B. Sharp: First day, 91; second day, 87; total, 178. Mr. C. Hutchings: First day, 90; second day, 94; total, 184.

On Monday, the 15th, and Wednesday, the 17th, the Town of Pau Gold Medal (scratch) and the St. Andrews Cross (open handicap) were played for, Mr. C. Hutchings winning the Town Medal, and Col. Boyes the St. Andrews Cross.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Col. Boyes	195	12	183	Mr. C. Hutchings	188	+4	192
Mr. L. Hornor	216	28	188	Col. Marshall	238	44	194
Mr. H. G. Ross	216	26	190	Capt. Walker	229	32	197
Major Levett	242	50	192	Hon. A. Bingham	226	28	198

No returns from:—Mr. F. Carr Gomm, Mr. J. Boit, Lord Kilmaine, Mr. R. Boreel, Mr. J. Page, Col. Anderson, Mr. B. C. Morris, Mr. R. Knight, Mr. J. Roberts, Mr. J. Colt, Mr. C. Wagstaff, Mr. R. Brooke, Mr. V. Brooke, Col. Buscarlet, Col. Bethune, Mr. G. P. Elwes, Mr. S. Platt, Col. Macleay, Mr. W. Ritchie, Major Pontifex, Lord St. Levan, and Rev. Acland Troyte.

PAU LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Handicap played on the new course on February 15th, Miss Bethune making a remarkably fine round. Result as follows:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Miss Bethune	69	1	68	Mrs. Daubeney	114	32	82
Hon. El. St. Aubyn	89	19	70	Mrs. Harrison	109	26	83
Miss Hatch	97	26	71	Miss F. Barham	115	32	83
Lady Nugent	92	20	72	Hon. Mrs. Bingham	91	7	84
Miss Anderson	90	18	72	Miss Potter	113	28	85
Miss K. Anderson	87	15	72	Miss Rendersley	108	22	86
Hon. Ev. St. Aubyn	92	18	74	Mrs. Taylor	112	25	87
Lady Herschell	104	28	76	Miss Asser	117	30	87
Miss N. Ross	84	7	77	Mrs. A. Troyte	108	20	88
Miss Pontifex	109	32	77	Mrs. Barton	124	30	94
Mrs. A. Dodd	107	30	77	Miss A. Dodd	124	30	94
Lady A. Townshend	107	30	77	Miss Gourley	115	20	95
Miss de Longueuil	98	20	78	Miss Brackenbury	126	30	96
Miss Bewicke	100	22	78	Mrs. A. Carr	130	32	98
Mrs. Jones	99	20	79	Mrs. R. Boreel	131	32	99
Miss Newall	80	scr.	80	Miss Sykes	136	32	104

Also played:—Miss Hilda Mycat Baubles, Mrs. Scarisbrick, Miss Levett, Miss M. Newall, Hon. M. St. Aubyn, Miss M. Hatch.

The Hon. Mrs. Bingham's prizes—three very pretty purses, containing seventy-three and twenty-five francs each—were played for over the new course on February 16th, with the following result:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Miss Taylor	89	27	62	Miss M. Hatch	109	30	79
Miss Anderson	88	18	70	Miss C. Halkett	104	25	79
Miss M. Newall	74	3	71	Lady A. Townshend	111	30	81
Miss Cunningham	104	32	72	Mrs. Walker	111	30	81
Miss de Longueuil	92	20	72	Mrs. A. Troyte	101	20	81
Miss N. Ross	80	7	73	Hon. M. St. Aubyn	112	30	82
Mrs. Harrison	103	30	73	Miss Levett	90	7	83
Miss Berners	100	25	75	Miss K. Anderson	100	15	85
Lady Nugent	95	20	75	Miss A. Dodd	117	32	85
Miss F. Hay	104	28	76	Mrs. Jones	106	20	86
Hon. El. St. Aubyn	95	19	76	Miss Willis	119	32	87
Mrs. A. Dodd	106	30	76	Mrs. Daubeney	123	32	91
Miss Rane	97	20	77	Miss Gourley	113	22	91
Miss Newall	77	scr.	77	Mrs. R. Boreel	126	32	94
Miss Hatch	103	26	77	Mrs. Burton	124	30	94
Miss Bethune	78	scr.	78	Mrs. Scarisbrick	129	32	97
Mrs. Taylor	106	27	79	Miss Sykes	132	32	100

Also played: Hon. Ev. St. Aubyn, Miss Potter, Miss Hay, Miss Hubert, Miss J. Hubert.

PERTH ARTISAN CLUB.

CAPTAIN AND SECRETARY'S COMPETITION.

The members of the Perth Artisan Golf Club played a friendly game on Saturday afternoon, which resulted in a win for the Secretary's team. The following were the players:—

CAPTAIN.		Holes.	SECRETARY.		Holes.
Mr. A. Reid and Mr. H. Wilkie	0		Mr. W. Anderson and Mr. W. Reid	...	3
Mr. P. Robertson and Mr. R. Drisdale	0		Mr. A. Strachan and Mr. A. Gibson	...	3
Mr. D. M'Laren and Mr. J. Stewart	0		Mr. W. Young and Mr. J. Allan	3	
Mr. G. Martin and Mr. D. Thomson	...	1	Mr. J. Reid and Mr. W. Munro	0	
Mr. D. White and Mr. J. Robson	0		Mr. E. Robson and Mr. James M'Arthur	...	0
Mr. F. Grant and Mr. D. Halley	0		Mr. John M'Arthur and Mr. A. Duncan	...	4
		1			13

The members afterwards sat down to supper in Mrs. M'Arthur's Restaurant, Mill Street. Mr. A. Reid, captain, occupied the chair, and Messrs. Thomson and Halley acted as croupiers. There was a large turn-out of the members, over forty sitting down to supper. Delegates were present from the Advertiser Golf Club, and letters of apology were received from the Broughty Ferry Golf Club and several others who were unable to attend. After the usual loyal and patriotic toasts, songs and recitations were contributed by the gentlemen present. To the toast "Kindred Golf Clubs," proposed by the Chairman, Mr. W. Still, of the Advertiser, replied. The company being composed exclusively of golfers, it was natural that the weakness so dear to the golfer's heart was pretty freely indulged in—the retailing of particular feats performed at times with cleek and ball. One of the strangers present excited the admiration of all when it became known that he had

that day been fortunate enough to have the famous Peninsula hole in 3. Thus with song and sentiment, interspersed with golfing incidents, the hours flew far too swiftly by. After toasting the landlady for her admirable purveying, the company, on the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," separated.

ROYAL BLACKHEATH GOLF CLUB.

On Tuesday the 23rd of last month, the annual competition for the Bombay medal (scratch) was held; a very handsome prize presented by the Captain of the Club (Mr. John George Gibson) was also competed for, under handicap. Forty members started in the competition. The weather was much better than that which the club has recently experienced on its medal days, and the green in fair order; the scoring, however, was not good, as a rule, many players appearing to find the putting difficult. Mr. F. S. Ireland secured the Bombay medal with a gross score of 123. The captain's prize fell to Mr. Gilbert Spurling, with a score of 133, less 16=117. Mr. F. J. Walker came within one stroke of Mr. Spurling for the Captain's prize, with a score of 125, less 7=118. Details of the play:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Gilbert Spurling	133 16 117	Mr. C. Lethbridge	150 21 129
Mr. F. J. Walker	125 7 118	Mr. Wickham Noakes	137 6 131
Mr. F. S. Ireland	123 2 121	Mr. G. O. Jacob	154 22 132
Mr. J. W. G. Andras	128 6 122	Mr. John Osmond	149 16 133
Mr. J. R. Baillie	139 16 123	Lt. A. E. Poland R.N.	153 20 133
Mr. J. G. Gibson	126 2 124	Mr. R. M. Richardson	154 20 134
Mr. W. O. S. Pell	126 2 124	Mr. T. W. Stubbs	158 23 135
Mr. A. Schacht	129 5 124	Mr. E. M. Protheroe	146 10 136
Mr. W. Morris	137 12 125	Mr. G. H. Frean	157 21 136
Mr. E. A. Walker	133 6 127	Mr. G. C. Snelling	159 23 136
Mr. W. A. Adam	155 28 127	Dr. P. C. Scott	158 21 137
Mr. W. E. Hughes	134 6 128	Mr. Sidney Clarke	166 28 138
Mr. Robert Whyte	133 4 129	Mr. W. G. Barnes	170 30 140
Mr. A. T. Drysdale	142 13 129	Mr. Fred. Gilbert	166 23 143
Mr. J. R. J. Bramly	147 18 129		

No returns from Messrs. T. J. Baillie, A. H. Baker, C. M. Baker, W. H. M. Christie, the Rev. J. H. Ellis, Messrs. Frank Gilbert, C. B. Lindsay, M. H. Richardson, G. F. Sanders, E. F. S. Tylecote, and H. H. Turner.

ROYAL CROMER GOLF CLUB.

Of the competitors who entered for the club medal, played for on Thursday, the 25th February, twelve handed in cards. The result was a tie between Mr. E. M. Hansell and Mr. W. B. Monement, whose scores were 87 net. The following is a list of scores not exceeding 100:—Mr. E. M. Hansell, 95, less 8=87; Mr. W. B. Monement, 112, less 25=87; Mr. G. L. Charlesworth, 107, less 14=93; Mr. R. W. Ketton, 104, less 10=94; Mr. C. A. Trouncer, 114, less 18=96; Mr. C. H. Aveston, 104, less 5=99; the Rev. H. C. Rogers, 106, less 7=99; Major Edwards, 125, less 25=100.

ROYAL DUBLIN GOLF CLUB.

Owing to the severity of the weather on the 20th ult., the monthly medal competition was postponed to Saturday last, when there was a very large turnout of members. There were thirty-two entries for the medal, but there were many members playing besides, who did not compete. Owing to the recent very wet weather, the ground was very heavy, and against low scoring, and, as will be seen from the returns below, only one gross score was under 100. Mr. H. J. Daly was the winner of the medal, with a gross score of 107, less 25=82. The following were the scores handed in:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. J. Daly	107 25 82	Mr. Granby Burke	121 25 96
Mr. J. H. Pigot	96 10 86	Capt. Murray	112 15 97
Mr. R. H. Moore	106 20 86	Mr. J. H. S. Russell	110 12 98
Mr. D. Christie	100 11 89	Mr. W. R. Joynt	114 15 99
Mr. J. O. Wylie	109 20 89	Mr. J. P. Barrington	130 30 100
Mr. G. C. May	102 12 90	General Moncrieff	116 15 101
Capt. Crawford	102 12 90	Mr. W. H. Dadd	123 22 101
Capt. Archdale	101 10 91	Mr. J. Lumsden jun.	108 6 102
Mr. W. Keating	114 23 91	Prof. Doherty	127 20 107
Mr. F. H. Orr	121 30 91	Mr. J. W. P. White	118 10 108
Mr. H. Barrington	117 25 92	Mr. H. C. Hart	135 23 112
Mr. Hume-Hender-son	115 20 95		

The remaining competitors did not make any return.

LARGS CLUB.—A competition on Saturday resulted:—Mr. John Baldie, banker, 59; Master Bertie Orr, 71; Mr. John Orr, grocer, 72; Mr. A. E. Barbour, stationer, 74; Mr. J. K. Boyd, banker, 82; Mr. T. H. Colquhoun, Victoria Hotel, 97. On a previous day Mr. McCall, of Holmwood, the captain, equalled the record score of the club—44. His strokes were (nine holes)—5 6 3 6 4 4 3 6 7—44.

ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB.

Col. Mackenzie's prize, Saturday, February 27th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. G. H. Spencer	93 4 89	Col. Mayne	103 8 95
*Mr. R. R. Renton	98 9 89	Mr. M. Nixon	106 11 95
Captain Prendergast,		Mr. A. E. Walker	96 scr. 96
S. L. R. ...	108 18 90	Mr. R. Hodder	114 18 96
*M. R. B. Lattimer	99 7 92	Mr. C. E. Lewis	107 10 97
*Captain Sumner,		Mr. J. R. Brown	107 9 98
S. L. R. ...	99 7 92	Major-Gen. Renton	110 11 99
Captain Mohl	107 14 93	Mr. W. H. Monckton	116 17 99
Mr. A. H. Lushington	100 5 95		

\*Divided sweepstakes.

Several players made no return.

ROYAL WIMBLEDON GOLF CLUB.

The monthly handicap challenge medal was competed for on February 27th, by a fairly large field, but the "no returns" was unusual. The day was dull, and the east wind searching, but good weather for play on the whole. This year sees an alteration in the conditions of the champion medal competition, the counting of scores for which is as follows:—Best scratch score and ties count 1, second scratch score and ties  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and third and ties  $\frac{1}{3}$ . The other conditions remain the same, with the addition that "no return" will be reckoned as twenty on lowest scratch of the day.

Monthly handicap challenge medal, February 27th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. E. Field	94 10 84	Mr. R. Durnford	101 10 91
Mr. F. A. Fairlie	83 +3 86	Mr. R. Howell	103 12 91
Mr. F. E. Faithful	89 3 86	Mr. R. Browne	106 15 91
Mr. G. F. Muir	98 12 86	Mr. W. Bazalgette	95 3 92
Mr. N. R. Foster	85 +2 87	Mr. H. T. Wright	104 12 92
Mr. W. Gordon	96 9 87	Mr. W. D. Bovill	101 7 94
Mr. W. M. Allport	106 18 88	Major-Gen. H. Elliott	115 20 95
Mr. W. L. Purves	89 scr. 88	Mr. H. W. Bradford	111 15 96
Mr. Guy Pym	94 5 80	Mr. H. C. Archer	112 16 96
Mr. C. A. Walker	95 6 89	Mr. D. F. Park	114 18 96
Mr. A. Adams	99 10 89	Mr. W. Rutherford	101 4 97
Mr. A. Davidson	99 10 89	Mr. F. J. Walker	102 5 97
Mr. C. A. W. Cameron	94 4 90	Mr. A. Pollock	103 5 98
Mr. J. M. Henderson	94 4 90	Mr. S. E. Carlyll	114 16 98
Mr. C. E. McLaren	99 9 90	Mr. W. R. Glennie	109 10 99
Mr. J. Taylor	100 10 90	Mr. G. P. Leach	111 12 99
Mr. A. L. Tweedie	108 18 90	Mr. C. Macdona	130 24 106
Mr. R. Thomson	96 5 91	Mr. C. F. Grundtvig	126 18 108
Mr. H. W. Horne	99 8 91	Mr. C. M. Baker	108 not h'pd

No returns: Messrs. H. S. Colt, R. H. Usher, J. J. Hamilton, R. Clutton, E. Sidgwick, G. Clark, J. K. Kerr, G. C. Wylie, M. Taboutene, J. S. Russel, Sir H. Pottinger, Messrs. W. C. Anderson, C. Plummer, F. Sandeman, W. R. Portal, A. P. Simpson, J. D. Charrington, J. Anderson, R. Thomson, G. Jones, A. G. Rickards, C. E. Routh, H. Marsh, T. Smith, W. Michie, J. Macfarlane, J. H. Nelson, A. C. Adam, J. Murray, jun., S. F. Gedge, B. Howell, and R. Howell.

SEAFORD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, February 27th, 1892:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. W. Crouch	112 24 88	Dr. Dring	114 18 96
Mr. G. B. Johnson	99 10 89	Mr. J. S. Sellar	121 25 96
Mr. C. A. S. Leggatt	98 6 92	Mr. E. Bedford	122 25 97
Mr. T. J. Baillie	108 13 95		

Wind from the east made the "Pump" and "Hell" bunkers rather difficult to carry.

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

Calcutta Cup.—The ties for this prize have been played off during the last month on dates arranged by the various couples. Some of these matches gave place to some exciting play. That between Messrs. J. Tennant and E. W. Walker was won by the former by the last putt at the last hole. Mr. Walker's ball just nipped the hole, and turned off; whilst Mr. Tennant's fortunately got down. Mr. W. Warwick played an excellent game with Mr. J. F. Wilson, but unfortunately getting into the stones, which have recently been laid by the shepherd's cottage, was only able to finish with a tie. Messrs. G. Newby and Seymour Walker played a very good game. The latter seemed likely to gain an easy victory, being three holes up, when, striking off for the Pond Hole, the former then did a very clever performance in negotiating the remaining four holes in nineteen strokes, placing three holes to his credit, which brought the result to a tie. Mr. P. A. Raps v. Mr. C. Cooper.—The former was unfortunately out of practice, whilst the

latter came out with a strong game. The winners of the first round were drawn for the second round as follows, which will be played off on or before Saturday, 12th March. Scores:—

Mr. O. K. Trechmann ... 5	Mr. W. Warwick ... 9
Mr. C. O. Trechmann ... 9	Mr. C. J. Bunting ... 6
Mr. F. W. Purvis ... 3	Mr. J. R. Fryer ... 9
Mr. A. B. C. Osby ... 5	Mr. J. F. Wilson ... 9
Mr. A. L. Robinson ... 5	Mr. J. Tennant ... 3
Mr. W. Purves ... 3	Mr. S. Walker ... 3
Mr. G. Newby ... 2	Mr. A. R. Paton ... 9
Mr. W. Ropner ... 9	Mr. H. Simpson ... 8
Mr. R. E. Leach ... 7	
Rev. F. L. Cope ... 8	

Mr. C. Cooper (3), bye.

The competition for the club cup again resulted in a tie between Messrs. Seymour Walker and A. L. Robinson. The third honours were carried off by Mr. W. Purves. The inclemency of the weather accounts for the high scoring.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Seymour Walker 92	7 85	Mr. J. F. Wilson ... 114	22 92
Mr. A. L. Robinson. 95	10 85	Mr. A. R. Paton ... 117	25 92
Mr. W. Purves ... 94	7 87	Mr. C. B. Williamson 106	13 93
Mr. J. Tennant ... 94	7 87	Mr. R. E. Leach ... 111	14 97
Mr. J. R. Fryer ... 115	25 90	Mr. O. K. Trechmann 109	11 98
Mr. G. Newby ... 96	4 92		

Several members made no returns.

SHERINGHAM GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, February 27th, the first monthly competition for the captain's prize took place on the Sheringham links, the weather being perfect for Golf. There was a good turnout of players, and it was found, when the cards were handed in, that Mr. Bolding Monement had proved the winner. The following were the three best scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Bolding Monement ... 124	25 99	*Mr. J. J. Read ... 124	12 112
*Rev. A. H. Upcher 137	25 112	Mr. R. Ketton ... 123	10 113

\* Tied.

The course, considering the short space of time since the formation of a club, has made wonderful progress towards perfection. A great feature of the links, and which was much appreciated by the players, are the raised teeing-grounds which have been made under the superintendance of the young professional, Gourlay Dunn. There is no doubt that in the course of a very short space of time, when all improvements are effected, that the Sheringham links will be one of the best, longest, and most sporting nine-hole courses in the three kingdoms. The new club-house, situated within a few yards of the home hole, is rapidly approaching completion, and by Easter, when it is decided to hold the opening meeting, will be quite ready for use. The membership now exceeds one hundred, and is commencing on the two-guinea entrance-fee, the first hundred having been elected without entrance-fee.

STAINES GOLF CLUB.

The Sanger cup was played for on Saturday, February 27th, the winner being Mr. M. W. Mossop. The following scores were handed in:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. Mossop ... 90	15 75	Mr. G. Rigdon ... 102	14 88
Mr. F. B. Maddison 90	8 82	Mr. H. Tyler ... 112	16 96
Mr. Geo. Struthers 106	22 84	Mr. J. I. Ward ... 112	16 96
Mr. H. D. Waters.. 109	24 85	Capt. Warren ... 109	12 97
Capt. F. R. Harrison 98	12 86		

Several others made no return.

ST. ANDREWS.

The monthly handicap of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club was played on Wednesday, the 24th inst., with the following result:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. G. Tait ... 87	+2 89	Mr. H. B. Gilroy ... 101	9 92
Mr. R. Gilroy ... 95	4 91	Mr. A. Lindsay ... 106	13 93
Mr. W. R. Sharp ... 97	6 91	Mr. W. Ballingall... 96	scr. 96

There was some snow and water, which made the scoring high.

ARDEER.—Walter Day, professional, had on Tuesday a round of nine holes in 31, and a round of eighteen holes in 67.

1ST L.R.V. AMATEUR ATHLETIC CLUB.—The monthly medal competition was held on Saturday. Owing to the sham fight, in which the regiment was taking part, there was not as large an attendance of members as usual. The full course of eighteen holes was played. The following were the best scores:—Mr. A. G. Menzies (30), 91, winner of medal; Mr. George M'Gregor (20), 96; Mr. R. M. Norrie (20), 101; Mr. James Lindsay (10), 102; Mr. W. J. Wilson (5), 102.

THE PARLIAMENTARY GOLF MATCH.

The draw for this match took place on Thursday night, the 25th inst., at the House of Commons. The play will take place at Tooting, and will begin this week. There are forty-six entries, and there will consequently be eighteen byes in the first round. The last day for play in the first ties is Saturday, March 12th, and for the second ties March 26th. The other rounds are so arranged that the final will be played in the week ending May 28th. The handicap allowance will be two-thirds of the difference of strokes. The following is the draw:—

DRAW.

Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, M.P. ... 12	Mr. W. C. Grant ( <i>Scotsman</i> ) 18
Mr. S. Hoare, M.P. ... 20	Mr. H. Shepherd Cross, M.P. ... 20
Mr. J. G. Baird, M.P. ... 18	Mr. A. J. Robertson ( <i>The Times</i> ) ... 6
Mr. H. Ley (Clerk H. of C.) 15	Mr. W. Nicholson (Clerk H. of C.) ... 10
Mr. W. Jeans ( <i>Dundee Advertiser</i> ) ... 16	Mr. H. Broadhurst, M.P. ... 12
Mr. M. H. Shaw-Stewart, M.P. ... 20	Mr. F. W. Wilson ( <i>Star</i> ) ... 9
Mr. H. Mulholland, M.P. 20	Mr. C. L. Anstruther (Clerk H. of L.) ... 8
Mr. Sydney Buxton, M.P. ... 18	Mr. H. J. St. John (Clerk H. of L.) ... 9
Mr. H. Seton-Karr, M.P. 9	Mr. F. Skene (Clerk H. of L.) ... 4
Mr. H. Tollemache, M.P. 20	Mr. A. D. Hutchinson ( <i>Scotsman</i> ) ... 20
Mr. J. Bell ( <i>The Times</i> ) ... 12	Mr. T. W. Legh, M.P. ... 10
Mr. W. Hayes-Fisher, M.P. 16	Marquis of Granby, M.P. ... 16
Sir W. Houldsworth, M.P. 16	
Mr. J. Bigwood, M.P. ... 20	
Lord Kinnaird ... 20	
Mr. John Penn, M.P. ... scr. J	

BYES.

Mr. J. M'Calmont, M.P. ... 20	Mr. T. Milvain, M.P. ... 18
Lord Elcho, M.P. ... 14	Mr. J. P. Croal ( <i>Scotsman</i> ) 4
Hon. C. W. Mills, M.P. ... 20	Sir Herbert Maxwell, M.P. 16
Mr. J. Parker Smith, M.P. 18	Mr. R. G. Webster, M.P. ... 20
Mr. J. Robb ( <i>Glasgow Herald</i> ) ... 9	Lord Balfour of Burleigh... 16
Mr. Donald Crawford, M.P. 18	Mr. W. Austen Leigh (Clerk H. of L.) ... 13
Mr. R. B. Finlay, M.P. ... 6	Mr. C. W. Campion (Clerk H. of C.) ... 12
Mr. Gerald Balfour, M.P. ... 12	Mr. D. P. Barton, M.P. ... 20
Mr. A. Graham Murray, M.P. ... 3	Lord Newark, M.P. ... 20

THE ROYAL NORTH DEVON GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal and Kentish prize was played for on Saturday. The lovely spring-like weather of the past week had given place, apparently for this occasion only, to a black east wind, which was as disagreeable to play in, as it was against it, hence high scoring and no returns. Major Piggott won the medal, with the memento, a handsome table lamp, the first prize in the sweep, and, for the third time, the Kentish gold jubilee £5 prize, consequently retaining it. Major Piggott last month carried off the medal, and the Houldsworth prize, which he had won twice and retained. Mr. H. Clerk took second prize in the sweep.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Major Piggott, M.S. 102	11 91	Mr. J. W. Cooke, S. 121	22 99
Mr. H. G. Clerk, MS. 110	18 92	Major Winter, S. ... 124	20 104
Mr. E. T. Cooke, M.S. 113	20 93	Mr. A. W. Cruickshank, S. ... 127	21 106
Capt. Fairlie, S. ... 105	10 95	Mr. J. Lillie, M.S. ... —	—
Mr. J. C. McLaren, S. 97	2 95	Dr. Reid, S. ... 133	22 111
Capt. Chichester, M.S. 115	20 95		

No returns—Rev. A. H. Cochrane Gorton, Mr. J. J. Harding, Mr. H. Hutchinson, Mr. W. E. Lard, Major Ross, Dr. Siddall, Mr. W. H. Toller, Hon. Ivo Bligh, Lt.-Col. Winterscale.

WEST CORNWALL GOLF CLUB.

The third of the spring series of handicap matches was played on the Lelant links on Saturday, February 27th. The weather was much against the Influenza convalescents, though the latest victim heads the list. The scores were:—

Mr. Robert Fox ...	1st Rnd.	2nd Rnd.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
	52	52	
Mr. W. Harvey ...	73	62	135 20 115
Mr. R. F. Tyacke ...	65	66	131 16 115
Mr. H. Mansel ...	63	68	131 12 119
Mr. T. Mudge ...	66	76	142 16 126
Mr. A. F. Bealey ...	74	77	151 12 139
Mr. Howard Fox ...	85	81	166 24 142

## WHITLEY GOLF CLUB.

After the recent severe frost, fall of snow, and sudden thaw, the links at Whitley were in capital condition for the game. The grass was in that splendid order, and the putting greens were in that state of smoothness which is only produced by careful cutting and rolling. Mr. R. T. Thomson, who started from scratch, played very well through the first round, until he came to the last hole, and here he got into difficulties of a serious nature, and ended up with an increase to his score of ten strokes. In the second round he played much better, and had it not been that he was most unlucky over the sixth hole, he would undoubtedly have won. After reaching the green in two strokes the ball rolled round and round the hole, and five more strokes were expended in getting it in. Mr. G. F. Charlton played very steadily all through, improving in the second half, and finished with a net score of 96, which placed him at the head of the score sheet. Considering the weather, the high scoring is somewhat remarkable, play not being at all of the quality that might have been expected. Score:—Mr. G. F. Charlton, first round 52, second round 47, total 99, less 3=96; Mr. R. T. Thomson, 54, 44, total 98 (scratch); Mr. A. Marmion, 57, 50, total 107, less 8=99; Mr. J. Wood, 54, 51, total 105, less 5=100; Mr. T. A. Hutton retired. This competition is the ninth for the Joicey cup.

## WIMBLEDON LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medals, Saturday, February 27th.—The first medal was won by Miss G. L. Hassard Short. For the second medal there was a tie between Miss M. E. Phillips and Miss Edith Scott. Scores in our next impression.

## WOODFORD GOLF CLUB.

The first of the monthly competitions for the captain's prize of the above club, was played off on Saturday, February 27th. As the links were in rather a bad condition after the recent bad weather, the scores were in consequence high. Appended are the scores of the first four:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. F. C. B. Hunt...	107	12	95	*Mr. W. Kemsley...	137	16	121
Mr. W. S. Mason...	133	27	106	*Mr. B. B. Hunt...	139	18	121
				* Tie.			

KILMALCOLM.—There was a large turn-out of the members on the links here on Saturday, when the first ties for Messrs. Cassels' and Taylor's prizes were completed, with the following result:—Mr. Neil Robson beat Mr. R. Fullerton, Mr. J. B. Gray a bye from Mr. W. Young, Mr. W. H. Douglas a bye from Mr. D. J. Brown, Mr. A. F. Duncan beat Mr. Alexander Lade, Mr. N. M'Nicoll a bye from Mr. W. Howie, Rev. J. Findlay a bye from Mr. D. H. Munro, Dr. Stevenson beat Mr. John Crawford, Mr. James Craig beat Mr. George Robertson, Mr. John Sinclair beat Mr. George Laird, Mr. James Crawford beat Mr. John Millar, Rev. James Murray beat Rev. T. N. Thompson, Mr. A. L. Holms a bye from Mr. A. M'Pherson, Mr. A. Symington beat Mr. A. Mitchell, and Mr. John Adams, jun., beat Mr. N. Ferguson.

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.—At Chingford, the Gordon cup, captain's prize, and monthly medal were played for, and resulted thus:—Captain Cowper Coles, 94, less 10=84; Mr. E. A. Lewson, 102, less 10=92; Captain L. Peskett, 107, less 15=92; and Mr. J. W. Greig, 102, less 8=94.

ROYAL EASTBOURNE GOLF CLUB.—In fine cold weather the monthly medal competition was held on Saturday, with the following results:—Mr. W. C. Howard, 104, less 16=88, first; Rev. H. Von E. Scott, 93, less 4=89, second; Mr. C. Evill, 109, less 18=91, third; Mr. Holcombe Ingleby, 103, less 11=92, fourth; and Lieutenant-Colonel H. A. Burton, 121, less 28=93, fifth.

PRESTWICK ST. NICHOLAS.—On Saturday the monthly handicap competition for Baillie Wilson's medal took place, twelve couples starting on the usual game of eighteen holes, with the following result:—Mr. J. Kellie, 96, less 20=76; Mr. C. I. Highet, 90, less 12=78; Mr. J. Howat, 86, less 6=80; Mr. A. Boor, 81; Mr. J. Andrews, 87, less 3=84; Mr. A. Y. Peattie, 103, less 18=85; Mr. J. Bowden, 106, less 20=86; Mr. W. A. Kennedy, 92, less 6=86; Mr. D. Moore, 117, less 30=87; Mr. J. Gibson, 87.

AIRDRIE CLUB.—The monthly competition for the Watt medal took place on Saturday at Rochsoles. The greens were heavy with the recent snow and rain, and low scoring was the exception. After the cards were handed in it was ascertained that Mr. Robert Shanks (scratch) was the winner of the medal with a score of 92.

KELSO CLUB.—The third of a series of handicap competitions for the captain's prize was held on the usual course, at Friars Haugh, on Saturday afternoon. There was a good muster of members, and although the ground was heavy the greens were in fair order. Principal scores:—Mr. A. Pott Stevenson, 108 (for two rounds), less 12=96; Mr. J. Rutherford, 115, less 18=97; Mr. Walter Rutherford, 93, plus 5=98; Dr. G. Grindlay, scratch, 100; Mr. J. Forrest, 125, less 25=100; Dr. Fleming, 135, less 33=100.

CARLTON GOLF AND CRICKET CLUBS' SOCIAL.—The annual smoking concert in connection with the Carlton Cricket and Golf Clubs, was held on Saturday evening at the Windsor Hotel, Edinburgh, Mr. William Paxton, president, occupying the chair. There was an attendance of about a hundred gentlemen, and as the programme submitted was a long and attractive one, the proceedings proved of an exceedingly enjoyable nature.

INNERLEITHEN.—The members of this club held their handicap competition for the Panton medal on Leithen links on Saturday. Conditions, two rounds of the green of nine holes. The weather was favourable, and there was a good turn-out of players. The following were the best scores:—1st, Mr. A. Robertson, 81, less 3=78; 2nd, Mr. J. M. Gunn, 96, less 16=80; 3rd, Mr. T. Weir, 100, less 18=82; 4th, Mr. G. A. D. C. Fergusson, scratch, 87.

STOCKBRIDGE GOLF CLUB.—This club held their first monthly competition on Friday in Inverleith Park, where the Wallace handicap silver medal and prizes were played for. The green was in capital order. The following were the prize winners:—Mr. J. Cowper, 49, less 5=44 (medal and first prize); Mr. J. Cochrane, 52, less 5=47; Mr. P. W. Drummond, 51, less 4=47; and Mr. W. D. Johnstone, 52, less 5=47.

"LARKS" CLUB, MUSSELBURGH.—The quarterly competition for the Crandles cup and club prizes, postponed on account of the snow, took place on Thursday over Musselburgh. Mr. Adam Jackson, Ormiston, proved the winner of the cup and first prize, with 102, less 16=86. Other prize-winners were:—Mr. George Crandles, 97, less 10=87; Mr. Charles M'Intosh, 99, less 12=87, ties; Mr. A. M'ulloch, 97, less 8=89; Mr. T. K. Campbell, 99, less 10=89; Mr. A. Colville, 111, less 22=89, ties; Mr. Robert Cockburn, 108, less 18=90.

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