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NOVEMBER.

- Nov. 19.—Formby : Captain's Prize.  
Disley : Silver Medal.  
Ealing : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Wimbledon : London Scottish Joint Medal.  
Southport : Scarisbrick Cup (Second Round).  
Ranelagh : Monthly Medal.  
Wimbledon Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Dublin : Monthly Medal.  
Southwold : Monthly Medal.  
Seaford : Monthly Medal.  
Sheffield and District : Captain's Cup.
- Nov. 21 to 26.—Nagpur : Grand Annual Tournament.
- Nov. 22.—Cambridge University : St. Andrews Medal.
- Nov. 25.—Littlehampton : Mr. Goff's Medal.
- Nov. 26.—Royal Eastbourne : Monthly Medal.  
West Lancashire : St. Andrew's Meeting.  
Woodford : Captain's Prize.  
Ilkley : Monthly Medal.  
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal and Micholls Cup.  
Crookham : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.  
Lanark : Monthly Medal.  
Felixstowe : Monthly Challenge Cup.  
Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Cup and Monthly Medal.  
Sidcup : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Dublin : The Bar Cup.  
Dumfries and Galloway : Monthly Medal.  
West Herts : Winter Meeting.  
Royal West Norfolk : Monthly Medal.  
St. Neots : Monthly Medal.

- Nov. 26.—Royal Liverpool : Winter Optionals.  
Royal Cornwall : Autumn Handicap Winner's Cup.  
Littlehampton : Monthly Club Handicap.
- Nov. 29.—Cambridge University : Barrow Medal.
- Nov. 30.—Royal Isle of Wight : St. Andrew's Day Meeting.

## DECEMBER.

- Dec. 1.—Tyneside : Handicap Competition.
- Dec. 2.—Royal Cornwall : Monthly Handicap.
- Dec. 3.—Sheffield and District : Monthly Medal.  
Birkdale : Monthly Medal.  
Redhill and Reigate : Club Medal.  
Manchester : Monthly Medal.  
Tooting : Monthly Medal.  
Lytham and St. Anne's : Captain's Prize.  
Monifieth : Mudie Gold Medal.  
Formby : Captain's Prize (Final).  
London Scottish : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Liverpool : St. Andrews Gold Cross and Club Prizes.  
Morecambe and Heysham : Club Prize Competition.  
St. Neots Ladies : Monthly Medal.
- Dec. 3 to 10.—Sheffield and District : Mr. Sorby's Prize.
- Dec. 6.—Carnarvonshire : Monthly Medal.  
Whitley : Wyndham Cup.  
East Sheen Ladies : Medal Competition.  
Royal Cornwall Ladies : Monthly Handicap.
- Dec. 7.—Barnes Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
Blackheath Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
Morecombe and Heysham Ladies : Club Prize Competition.
- Dec. 10.—Royal Dublin : Scratch Medal.  
Littlestone : Monthly Medal.  
Didsbury : Mr. Galbraith's Prize.  
Wilmslow : Boddington and Hanworth Cups.  
Sutton Coldfield : Monthly Medal.  
West Herts : Monthly Medal.  
St. George's (Sandwich) : Monthly Medal.  
Southport : Monthly Medal.  
Cumbrae : Monthly Competition.  
Hayling : Monthly Competition.  
Bradford, St. Andrews : Rhodes Medal.  
Buxton and High Peak : The Strang Cup.  
Guildford : Monthly Handicap.  
Royal Isle of Wight : Monthly Medal.  
Leasowe : Monthly Competition.  
Crookham : "Bogey" Competition.
- Dec. 12.—Cumbrae : Ladies' Competition.
- Dec. 14.—Royal Epping Forest : Aggregate Competition.  
Newhaven : Monthly Medal.
- Dec. 17.—Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Cup ; Captain's Prize ; and Monthly Medal.  
Royal Dublin : Monthly Medal.

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## SUNDAY GOLF.

Strict Sabbatarianism is fast slipping away, and yet we are quite as moral and honourable as we were a couple of centuries ago. Some say more so. The general tendency and growth of the nation is against Sabbatarianism. Year by year the people demand more physical exercise on Sundays, more out-door recreation. They also clamour for mental food, which can be gained by the opening of museums. Slowly and surely they are acquiring both, as it is only right that they should.

Sunday exercise depends on the individual only, and is therefore more easily acquired than the opening of museums or picture galleries, where old traditions rule with an iron hand.

Although we are improving, we are still in the enjoyment of more melancholy Sundays than any other nation, and yet we are not one jot more religious.

The old stiff, dull, Puritanical Sunday is luckily nearly dead. Of course there are still a few houses where the fire is laid on Saturday night, and the Sunday letters remain unopened on the mantel-board for Monday morning's perusal. Households still remain where nothing is cooked on Sunday, except of the warmed-up order. Houses where the host and hostess carefully conceal every interesting book or paper on Saturday night, and the guests are asked to enjoy the *Guardian*, or *Church Bells*, by way of mental elevation. And what is the end of all this? Prayers, church, cold dinner, indigestion, sleep, bad temper, more church; supper, more indigestion, prayers, bed. Is anyone the better for such a prescription? Surely a good round of Golf, a twenty-mile ride, tennis, boating, or any other exercise is better than the old-fashioned Sunday. We all want exercise and fresh air, and as many persons cannot get enough of either on week-days, they should certainly be allowed to enjoy them both on Sundays.

Golf is a very desirable game, for many reasons. It can be played almost from the cradle to the grave. It can be played at all seasons. It is not an expensive amusement. It allows gentle exercise in fresh air, and nowadays it can be played everywhere. Golf is universal in every English-speaking land. It is even played at the Equator.

Now is there any reason, beyond prejudice, why Golf should not be played on Sundays? I think not. Most of the men who play Golf work hard all the week, and a game on Sunday sets them up for the week to come. Nothing is more beneficial to hard-working business or professional men than a week-end out of town, and surely the person who stops their exercise on the Sabbath is very unkind indeed. The change of air and absence from home worries does the wife good, and enables the husband to initiate her and the children in the mysteries of his much-loved game.

The prejudices of the many should, however, not be sacrificed for the pleasure of the few, and therefore in the case of Golf the game should not be played in a town on Sunday; but there are dozens of links not surrounded by any habitations, and the more they are played on on Sundays the better. The following are a few of the more enlightened places where Golf is permissible on the Sabbath:—Sandwich, Littlestone, Epsom, Ranelagh, Reigate, Epping.

Our first duty is to satisfy our own conscience; but we have nothing to do with the consciences of other people. If they do not approve of Sunday Golf, let them leave it alone; but if we do not see any harm in it, they should be equally considerate, and let us play in peace. It is not right to encourage unnecessary labour on Sunday. Consequently it is very much better that caddies should not be employed. This has a double virtue: for the golfer who carries his own clubs means business, and gets double the amount of exercise he would otherwise do. If the player does not feel he is morally suffering by his game, why on earth should he not play? Physically he is certainly gaining by the exercise.

Of course, there is a great cry against the opening of museums on Sunday, because of the employment of labour; but the agitators entirely forget that only a few of the staff would be required for the work, and they would only work for the half-day, being given an extra half-day during the week instead. Some dozen men would, therefore, without losing their holiday themselves, enable hundreds of persons to enjoy themselves,

and improve their minds in a way that is otherwise denied to the hard-working artisan.

Think of the inestimable value to the man whose work is at all artistic, such as pottery, carving or wrought-iron, &c., to be able to go and study beautiful specimens by masters in the art at our museums, or elevating pictures at our galleries on Sunday. Think what pleasure to go and sit in our parks and listen to good music in fine weather on Sunday. Our poor are not given the means to enjoy themselves rationally. All the more elevating amusements are denied them, and the most degrading, such as the public-house, is the only thing open for them on Sunday, and, alas! open for them on every side, with what disastrous results! Yes, we have much to learn, and our Sundays, especially the Scotch Sabbath, induce drinking, gossiping, and endless temptation to vice.

A few years ago, it would have been considered the most awful crime to row on the river on Sunday. Times are changed in this respect. Thousands of boats ply from lock to lock, and no one thinks any worse of their occupants nowadays. The tennis craze is dying out, but it is as much played on Sunday as on any other day, and very rightly, too.

Although I advocate exercise so strongly on Sunday, I do not at all advocate the general employment of labour; the exercise should be individual as far as possible. Nor do I wish to advocate only exercise; the day is quite long enough for church as well. Look at a Catholic country like France or Spain: every man and woman goes to church first, after which they amuse themselves mentally, or exercise their bodies, all the better for the early service they attended in the morning.

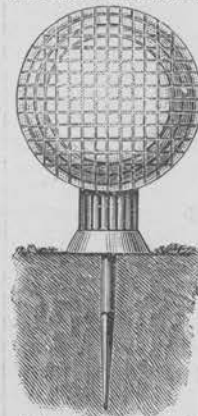
Recreation is necessary to existence, and before long I hope to see every recreation possible on Sundays, and not only possible, but enjoyed by the masses, who are not at all likely to deteriorate by a little exercise or amusement.

Do not be shocked, dear reader, at such utterances. If your own conscience tells you it is wrong to Golf, or row, or ride on Sunday, just leave them alone; but have a little toleration for other people, and let them take their exercise in peace.

MRS ALEC. TWEEDIE.

## THE "PERFECTUM" TEE.

Artificial tees have for some time been known to golfers, but the inconvenience connected with the use of them, more particularly the continual loss through hitting them away, has been a bar to their more general use. We have now before us a new tee called the "Perfectum," brought out by Messrs. Thompson and Co., of 147, Queen Victoria Street, of which we give a cut to enable our readers to more clearly understand the nature of this novelty. This tee seems to embrace all



the essential points which render a tee of value in the game, for while it is secured in the ground by the iron peg, no damage is done to the club should the tee be accidentally struck. The flexible rubber pins upon which the ball rests spread in different directions, the tee remaining in its original position instead of being hit away.

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The durability of the tee will vary with different players. With some players one tee will last for ten rounds, and still be in good condition, while others will hack it to pieces in two rounds. The tee, however, is strongly made, and it will stand a good deal more knocking about than appears to be likely at first sight.

Golfers who are fortunate enough to have private grounds will now be able to have a fixed tee, always in position, stationary on each teeing ground, thus avoiding the trouble of carrying one with them, or having to dirty one's fingers with sand. The "Perfectum" ought to become one of the necessities of every golfer. The price at which it is to be brought out is about 6d. each.

## "A. K. H. B." ON ST. ANDREWS LINKS.—II.\*

I use these initials—not with fear and trembling—because all the world knows them more familiarly than even the Very Reverend Dr. Boyd, yet the brilliant and versatile author of the second volume of "Twenty-five years of St. Andrews," says there, evidently in a temper, "I have done my utmost to get people not to name me with those initials, a fashion I detest. When I was made a D.D., this day twenty eight years, April 20th, 1864, my revered Father (*sic*) was one; and it was necessary to distinguish. But it has not been needful for many a day."

I have enjoyed this volume immensely, and have read every word of it. He was once my minister, when I was a student and a golfer at St. Andrews; and though he did not play, he liked to see the game well contested. To a St. Andrews man it is not quite so interesting as the first, for he takes his readers to Selsdon Park more frequently than they may care; yet there is an irresistible charm in his style and manner. The man is seen in every line; in reading it over I hear his peculiar and original voice.

For golfers I will run over the references here made to the glorious Links of St. Andrews. He speaks about the Links, or the game there played, fifteen times. Principal Tulloch was chaplain of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews until his death in February, 1886. "In recognition of his loss," says the narrator, "the office was allowed to remain vacant for a full year. But at the May meeting of this year (1887) I was unanimously and very kindly elected in his place. The duty is light, but it is conspicuous. The emolument is small, but appreciable. I esteemed it an honour to be asked in such a way to fill such an office, and my relations with those who rule in this premier club of the world have ever been singularly pleasant. I cannot but note how good the speaking is now at the two meetings. Long ago men who had somewhat of value to say lacked the gift of articulate utterance to put it before their fellow-men. I have seen Lord President Inglis, most fluent and graceful speaker of his time, sitting silent while the floor was held by an excellent member, who could not say half a sentence intelligibly, yet who persevered in saying many. Now, every man speaks fluently, clearly, and even gracefully; surely the younger generation of Scotsmen has wonderfully improved, at least in this respect. I used to think the fluency of Dublin miraculous. We do not here speak quite so fast yet, but quite as readily and epigrammatically."

The chaplain tells us that when Lord Selborne delivered his inaugural address as rector of St. Andrews University, in 1879, Dr. Story took the ex-Chancellor's two daughters out to the end of the Links for the charming walk on the crisp snow, he himself being confined to his sick room. According to the Principal, Boyd had "a morbid appetite for going to church." He had service on the Wednesdays. Tulloch never went to any week day service, and he was astonished at Boyd's craze. The congregation, about sixty, consisted almost exclusively of educated ladies. Tulloch was an enthusiast at Golf in his younger days, though never above the middling player; and he always sensibly liked to keep everything in its right place. One can therefore the better enjoy this note about an Ash-Wednesday. "And when Tulloch heard that a neighbouring laird had several times put off a game of Golf to come to church, my dear friend said to me, very seriously, 'It is quite clear that his brain is softening.'" Of course, we cannot tell whether the laird was crazed on the service or the lady worshippers; but he certainly was not a golfer.

A good game at Golf evidently clears a man's head and strengthens his judgment. For it was when "just in from his round of Golf" that a Canon of York (Baillie?) gave this capital answer to Boyd, who had mentioned that an English clergyman had said he had three times declined a bishopric. "A pure invention!" (in fact, with a stronger adjective); and when Boyd replied: "No, not so bad as that. Possibly he has

failed to grasp the fact, that you can't say you have been offered a place, unless you have been offered it by a person *who is able to give it* to you. For instance, I might offer to make you Pope, and then you might go about saying that you had declined the Papacy." "Ah," said the Canon, keenly, "but then I would not decline it!" I well remember the Canon's well-known handsome form on St. Andrew's links; and, besides being a golfer, "he was fit to be anything."

Dr. Boyd's customary walk with Dr. McMurtrie, after the evening service at the summer communion, "according to unbroken use," was "out the Links to the Eden, returning by the beach." There was a cold, rainy summer in 1879; "but the Links cannot have too much rain; and after the heaviest, you may walk over them and never fear to wet your feet." On July 11th he walked away alone out to the end of the Links, the 1,000 yards target, first time for long. "The turf was like velvet, and though the light was overcast, it was a summer day." He reflects afterwards upon the late Professor Lee, whom Bishop Wordsworth called "a respectable, dull man," and the late Principal Tulloch, and says, "These men had to go away early. Oh! if they could come back to St. Andrews and walk out the Links as of old! I know perfectly that Lee and Tulloch, where they are to-day, are far better and kinder than when we had them here. But most of us would be well content to find them just as they were, and in the likeness that we knew." The associations of the links were all-powerful.

Even in his busiest days Boyd would take a "quiet blink at the Club between six and seven," and with Tulloch he would walk home. One of these evenings, a young man of very striking appearance, dark and keen, walked rapidly past them. In answer to Boyd's question who he was, Tulloch's answer was, "That's Andrew Lang."

One St. Swithin's day, Dean Plumtre was Boyd's guest. "As a treat to the Dean, who was anxious to see our national game, I had got four of our very greatest players to make a match—a foursome—and the Dean and I walked with them." Though the play was magnificent, Boyd too soon discovered that "the eminent theologian and Double-First did not care for it in the very least degree." Accordingly, after reaching the Eden, they returned by the beach. Alas! the grand game stirred no passion in the Dean's breast. But then that man "would walk about wearing trousers under his apron!" which accounted for his eccentric indifference. The Bishop of Rochester, to whom the volumes are dedicated, after listening to Boyd's beautiful and tender remarks after the death of Principal Shairp, was to have gone out the Links before evening service, but they were prevented by the "drenching rain."

An autumn sunset at St. Andrews is sometimes exquisitely glorious. The late Dr. Park used to remark—and he had a painter's eye, as well as a musician's and a poet's—that the sunsets over Lucklaw Hill were simply unsurpassed in the world. And though Boyd says he remembers with ecstasy the sermon of Story one Sunday, he remembers "even more, the miraculous sunset of the evening before," when both exclaimed "A glorious sight!" And he then tells us: "It was a Glasgow merchant (one of outstanding culture and feeling) who, looking at the City from the Links when the sunset of mid-September fell upon it, gilding the towers and making the circling sea to blaze, said to me, with eager face, that it reminded him of Jerusalem the Golden. And indeed, for a glimpse of time, a blinker of a few minutes duration, St. Andrews was a Golden City, bounded by a sea of glass mingled with fire."

Mrs. Oliphant used to reside where from her window she could see the Links and the beach; one of Dr. Boyd's most enjoyable conversations with that celebrated novelist was when she called him in, as he was "coming up from the Club." In his eyes she was "the beautiful ideal of genius, sweetness and goodness." In the record of that evening, before she departed on the morrow—a record "which never mortal saw save its writer—there stands the warm *God bless her!*"

But the last and best reference to Golf brings out a strongly characteristic criticism of Tom Morris, the high-priest of the game. Mr. Tarver, of Eton, son-in-law of Principal Tulloch, was taking part in an amateur dramatic performance in the Town Hall, and he was a most accomplished—even quite marvellous—actor. "And never," says Dr. Boyd, "did amateur or professional player receive more graceful or more characteristic compliment than did he, after appearing in that piece, when the

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good and great Tom Morris was of the audience. 'Ah, Mr. Tarver, you could give me more strokes at acting, than I could give you at Golf.' Had this been only transcribed in Tom's fine vernacular, it would have been perfect; but Dr. Boyd, with all his enormous—exceptionally retentive—memory, cannot just always hit the "rael Scotch." Yet, even as it is, any lover of Golf—for all know old Tom—can understand the exquisite compliment which the veteran gave the scholar and actor.

J. G. MCPHERSON.

### THE TEARIN' O' 'THE GREEN.'

(To be sung by a member of the Green Committee, in a mournful voice.)

Oh, Tyro dear! and when you're here a-goin' o'er your round,  
Remember it's by law forbid to spoil the growin' ground.  
Ever more, then, don't forget to fix the ba' wi' glowerin' een,  
For it's the maist heartfretin' gauf tae see folks tearin' up oor green.

*Chorus.*—For he tapped, &c.

Noo, I played wi' "Tapper Nandy," ain o' the Duffer band,  
He's a divil with his iron through the green and in the sand.  
It was the most distressful gowfin' that ever I have seen,  
For he tapped the ba' and blazed awa and cut up a' oor green.

*Chorus.*—For he tapped, &c.

Oh! if the game that we should play is hittin' "far and sure,"  
Remember not to cut the turf on breezy links or moor.  
Just tee your ba' upon the sly. It's maybe no' the thing;  
But oor club has made some handy rules tae help us through the green.

*Chorus.*—For he tapped, &c.

When laws can stop some "canny" men from diggin' aw  
they go,  
And when the raggit, skelpit turf their progress doesna show,  
Then it will be a pleasant sicht—nae duffers tae be seen—  
Guid gowfers aye replace the turf when wearin' o' the green.

*Chorus.*—For he tapped, &c.

Troon Golf Club.

J. R.

### OLD MANCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

The annual meeting of this club was held in the new Pavilion, Broughton Park, presented by the president, Mr. S. W. Clowes. Sir W. H. Houldsworth, Bart., M.P., was re-elected captain, and Mr. John S. Dods secretary and treasurer. The Bannerman gold medal was played for on Saturday the 5th, when twenty-three members competed. The winner was Mr. Harry A. Dods, who completed the round of twelve holes in 63. Below are some of the scores:—Mr. Harry A. Dods, 63; Mr. Richard H. Prestwich, 66; Mr. Harry W. Freston, 72; Mr. G. W. Moultrie, 73; Mr. John S. Dods, 79; Mr. Edward Holt, 80; Mr. J. C. Bythell, 82; Dr. J. W. Grange, 86; Rev. T. N. Carter, 86; Mr. J. H. Fulton, 88; Mr. Charles Southern, 89; and Mr. Marcus S. Bles, 91. The other competitors were Messrs. F. R. Hesse, J. J. Doyle, Abel Heywood, jun., W. Platt Higgins, Rev. W. Young, Messrs. J. A. Meyer, W. F. Rollinshaw, J. T. Edmondson, G. Edmondson, E. Kenyon, and J. K. Bythell.

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## Review.

A BATCH OF GOLFING PAPERS. By Andrew Lang and others. Edited by R. Barclay, M.A. London: Simpkin, Marshall, Hamilton, Kent & Co., Limited. St. Andrews: A. M. Holden. 1s.

"If you want a good club get a good golfer to make it" is the sensible advice given by Willie Park, jun. Similarly, if you want a good book about Golf, get a good golfer to write it, and he have the aptitude. Mr. Barclay is the captain of the St. Andrews University Golf Club, a body corporate which can boast an almost uninterrupted series of victories, over all teams visiting and visited, for some two or three years or so last past. To hold an honourable place, therefore, amongst such players is sufficient guarantee of Mr. Barclay's prowess in Golf—a game which, in consequence, he may be assumed thoroughly to understand. That being so, he has catered for the public, and proved himself an *arbitrator elegantiarum*, not that we name him so, let us add with all celerity, for the reasons given by Suetonius anent the origin of that expression as applied to Petronius, but rather that with nice discrimination he has collated several clever papers by various writers, has added some of his own, and served up the whole as a cheap and decidedly appetising repast.

First and foremost comes Mr. Andrew Lang, who stands in no need of introduction; he contributes one-third of the series, appearing for the most part at the very top of his game—with the pen. More particularly to specify a selection, one would turn to "Socrates on the Links," in which paper we have evidence of Plato redivivus. Critias and the beautiful Charmides, "for indeed they are seldom apart," are starting to play a match, when the philosopher (of whom also a humorous illustration is given) asks leave to accompany them. He has lost none of his eagerness to try conclusions with the Pancretiasts, Euthydemus, Dionysodorus, and the rest of their tribe, and if he was not too old then, as Crito delicately hinted to him, neither is he now, hence his first request is for the loan of "a putter to knock yonder sophist on the head," but on this being refused, he not only will not act as caddie to Critias, as he had perhaps intended, but proceeds to make himself such an outrageous nuisance, with his dialectics and fine-spun conundrums, that "the match," losing all patience with him, seize him, thrash him with club-shafts, roll him in the whins, and finally settle his account by well ducking him in the Ilissus, "whence I hardly escaped by swimming." They then in their turn propounded a question relating to τὸ πρέπον, "but, by the Dog, I was in no case to answer this question." Seeing, then, that he and his *ἐπιρρωσία* had had such an evil quarter-of-an-hour, he solaced himself with the reflection that he would bring an action against his assailants in the Court of the Areopagus, "estimating at several minæ the injuries received." Excellent and humorous as this paper is, its immediate successor, if possible, is still more so. Like some of the others, it appeared originally in the University paper, "College Echoes," and again in "Longman's Magazine." This time Herodotus speaks. Readers of the "Oxford Spectator" will recall the historian's description of Oxford life, of the perpetual feud between "the Housemen" and the "small but well-armed tribe of Examiners"; of the "Oxonici, who purchase largely from the Pseudoxonici, but never pay for what they purchase." On similar lines does Mr. Lang brightly discourse upon the tribes of St. Andrews; of the Bejants, of the Kâdis, who are propitiated with offerings of silver; of the Clubmen, who esteem it better to die than to live, and being vexed with the ladders and the paint, go and hang themselves round the corner; of the Dundæi in the North, living after the manner of the Sidonians, ignorant of the Greek speech, but some of them worshippers of "The Lynx," whose Oracle is "the Tomoris," greatly revered of all the tribes, and living in a small chapel hard by the sea. Further, of "the Tomoris" it is said that he never grows old, nor does he take odds from anyone; he offers no sacrifice, but remains absorbed in contemplation of the Lynx. The Oracle finishes by indulging in a hexametrical denunciation of Horatios the traveller, the son of Hutchi, for having described the Links as a noble ruin, the "Tomoris" asserting that—

No man, if the links are indeed but a ruin,  
Skelps them with iron so freely as thou, descendant of Hutchi.

"Having said this, he burnt a certain weed in a small vessel, inhaling the smoke, and cursing Horatios the Hutchid." This inimitable paper alone, did none others accompany it, is sufficient to commend the book to the reader's notice.

The same writer gives us Dr. Johnson at St. Andrews, from an Auchinleck MS., supplementing in felicitous style the description of the great Lexicographer's *bonâ fide* visit as given in "Boswell's Tour to the Hebrides." "Sir, if Goldsmith were here, he would try to persuade us that he could urge a sphere to a greater distance and elevation than yonder gentleman who has just hit over that remote sand-pit." When told it was called a bunker, "Sir," said he, I wonder out of what *colluvies* of barbarism your people selected the jargon which you are pleased to call a language." On this incident it might occur to the graceless hyper-critic to remark that the learned doctor's eyesight was exceedingly defective; that he would be unlikely to follow the carry of a ball over a sand-pit, unless it were at his very toes, perhaps not then. Thus and thus does the fun ripple on; it assumes another form in "Classics for the Clubmen," a short Latin poem, in rhyming trochaic metre—a new friend whose acquaintance we are charmed to make. But does not Mr. Lang expect rather too much of the average clubman, when he sets him to construe

Ecce senex Andreanus  
Rubrâ veste *cambricat*.

The clubman, whether "instructed in the Greek language" or not, is unlikely to be deeply versed in the barbarisms "mediæ et infimæ Latinitatis." Let him consult Ducange, and he shall only discover that "*cambrâ*" means "a chamber," whence he may inferentially deduce that the ancient Andrian in his red-coat is addicted to chambering and wantonness, an imputation he would perhaps resent. Or is it a printer's error for *cambucat*? for "*cambuca*" we know, in which case it would appear to be a false quantity, for *cambuca* = *cambucca*, "in medium turbæ sese fortiter intrudens, *cambuccam* suam manu gestabat" which perhaps might be Englished that he went for them with his niblick or *baculus incurvatus*. So with respect to the rival claims of *cambricare* and *cambucare* the clubman's ideas will possibly coincide in forcible expression with those of Hector McIntyre. "D—the *phoca* sir, whether it be the *phoca barbata* or *phoca vitulina*, I say d— them both, particularly." Of the remaining papers "The Devil's Round" is an excellent tale of Flemish Golf, translated by Mrs. Anstruther Thomson, from the French of M. Charles Deulin. Mr. Lang furnishes a short introduction descriptive of the Flemish game of *Chole* or *Chouille* after which the tale narrates the experiences of one Roger, a wheelwright, of Coq, near Condé-sur-l'Escaut, to whom St. Peter and St. Antony, the latter the patron of golfers, granted the fulfilment of three wishes, one of which was that he, Roger, might be the first golfer in the world, "Every time I find my master at Golf, it turns my blood as black as the inside of the chimney, so I want a club that will carry the ball as high as the belfry of the Condé, and will infallibly win me my match." "So be it," said St. Peter. What the result of this was when Beelzebub had a match with the invincible one, what happened when Death came on the scene, will be found duly described. Mr. Barclay himself gives us a eulogistic paper on the Champion, Hugh Kirkaldy, remarking that if Tom Morris be the old gentleman of the professional game, Hugh is the young one, and further, that the ladies of St. Andrews affirm that he is a nice-looking young man, and let their judgment be final! In "Academic Golf," the learned Professors come in for their share of notice, and by comparison of these two papers he who runs may read for himself the difference between a professor and a professional, a point which at no time has been veiled in obscurity. "Always one hole down," by Mr. W. Dalrymple, contains a quaint conceit; and Mr. A. C. Morrison, in "A Visit to Gofftoon," gives an amusingly exaggerated description of sublimated lunacy in a place where man, woman, and child talk, think, and do nothing, but Golf. Briefly, then, Mr. Barclay has earned the thanks of the public for producing a most readable little book; we can imagine nothing better for whiling away the tedium of a railway journey, or of a spell of wet weather; although of course appealing primarily to golfers, its sparkling pages would yet rivet the attention of many who can boast no acquaintance with the game, while those who can will of course derive the greater amusement from a perusal.

STYLES OF PLAY.

In the two open competitions which took place in September, at Musselburgh and Muirfield, a large amount of the best golfing talent in the world was present, and certainly a great majority of the best known players were engaged. As both courses are well adapted, from their configuration, for the spectators' convenience in passing easily from one set of players to another, I availed myself of the opportunity of observing some of the styles and methods of play of such well-known players; and as it may possibly interest some of your readers to know the results, and may give some hints to beginners, I send you the same for publication, should you think them worthy thereof.

The observations were made on fifty-seven of the players, including seventeen amateurs, engaged in the two competitions, and on the following points, viz. :—

I. Driving with wood from the tee :

- (a.) The position of the ball to the right or left foot of the player.
- (b.) The grasp of the club.
- (c.) The position of the right or left foot to the intended line of flight of the ball.
- (d.) The extent of swing.
- (e.) The seeming extent of available force put into the stroke.

II. Putting :

- (a.) The club used.
- (b.) The position of the ball to the feet.
- (c.) The grasp.

III. In short approaches with an iron :

- (a.) The grasp.

I. (a.) In estimating the position of the teed ball to the right or left foot, I tabulated the positions for observation as follows :—

- R. = ball opposite the right foot.
- 1 = ball to the left of the right foot, but nearer to it than to the fork.
- 2 = ball to the right of the fork, but nearer to the latter than to the right foot.
- F. = ball opposite the fork.
- 3 = ball to the left of the fork, but nearer to the fork than to the left foot.
- 4 = ball to the right of the left foot, but nearer to it than to the fork.
- L. = ball opposite the left foot.

No player drove the ball from positions R. or 1.

Five players drove it from position 2; eight players from a position opposite the fork; twenty-three from position 3; twelve from position 4; and nine from a position opposite the left foot.

- (b.) In driving, the gripe of the club was nearly invariably somewhat nearer the lower end of the leather than the upper, only eight grasping the upper end, and three holding it close to the lower end.
- (c.) Four players stood dead square to their balls, six had the left foot slightly advanced, and the remainder advanced the right foot more or less.
- (d.) The length of the swing was in two instances decidedly short, the club-head not passing the head of the player; in one slightly longer; and in the remainder the usual full St. Andrews swing was made, and in two cases exaggerated.

- (e.) The force put into the drive from the tee seemed, as far as such a matter could be so judged, the entire muscular power of the player, with notable exceptions in two cases, an amateur and a professional.

I have made observations on this point for some years, and have come to the conclusion that the usual maxim to "drive easy" is not followed by the large majority of good players; in fact, that it is exceptional for long drivers to play "easy."

#### II. Putting:

- (a.) The club used was almost always a cleek, five putting with the wooden putter, while ten used both the wooden putter and the cleek, the former for the approach putt, and the latter for holing out.
- (b.) Three players putted with the ball opposite the left foot, one with the ball opposite the fork, two with it opposite the right foot, two with it nearer to the left than the right foot, and the remainder nearer to the right foot than the fork.
- (c.) While putting three grasped the leather higher up than the centre, four grasped the middle of the grip, five grasped the wood of the shaft, some well down towards the socket, and the remainder grasped the lower part of the leather grip.

III. In playing a half or quarter shot with an iron, the club was invariably grasped at the lower part of the leather.

A summary of the observations gives the following:—

In driving with the driver, the great majority teed the ball so that it would, when the player had taken his stance, be at a point to the left of the fork; grasped the club rather nearer the lower end of the grip than the upper; advanced the right leg; played with a full swing, and put their whole force into the stroke.

In putting, a large majority used a cleek, struck the ball from a point nearer the right foot than the left, and grasped the club round the lower end of the leather grip.

In playing with an iron any approach shot short of a full drive, the grasp was invariably at the lower end of the leather.

W. LAIDLAW PURVES.

#### MORECAMBE AND HEYSHAM GOLF CLUB.

The first of the six competitions for lady-members of this club took place on Wednesday, the 9th inst., on the links at Heysham. The weather was dull and threatening, and doubtless deterred a number of ladies from playing. On a comparison of the cards returned it was found that Mrs. Stewart, Lancaster, and Miss F. E. Walker, Ben Rydding, had tied for the first win with a score of 93. The next in order were Mrs. Glegg, Morecambe; Mrs. Shuttleworth, Lancaster; Miss Spink, Baildon; Miss Wearing and Mrs. Mason, Lancaster. The replayed tie resulted in a win for Mrs. Stewart with a score of 67, Miss Walker returning a score of 80.

KINROSS.—The usual monthly competition was played over the Lochside course on Saturday, 29th ult., when there was a rather small turn-out of members. The putting-greens were in excellent order. On the cards being handed in, Mr. Galloway was found to be the winner with a score of 109, less 14=95.

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FROM "COLONEL BOGEY" TO ARTHUR GOLFBALL.

To the Editor of GOLF.

MY DEAR BOY,—I was very glad to get your letter last week, you know I have always taken great interest in you and your doings. What do you say? Ladies not like you? Nonsense! of course they do, why shouldn't they? You may not be quite so big as your brothers Footie and dear old "Crick," but in my opinion you are much more of a ladies' man than either of them, and you are a good little chap with plenty of quiet fun in you. Besides that, you are not an indoor man. Thank Goodness (as your young lady's ode says), you are moulded in quite a different way; I hate indoor men, and so do the women, take my word for it.

Put this in your pipe, my boy, and smoke it, it's good tobacco, and won't do you any harm. Keep your eye fixed on the ball, and your mind on the game.

You know I never write long letters, but I send you a song of my own composition, which you can whistle to the girls as you go round sometimes.

#### THE COLONEL'S SONG, OR "BOGEY'S" BALLAD.

(Air). "My little Pint Bottle of Beer."

##### I.

Now let us all, both great and small,  
To an old and popular air,  
Right merrily sing, that Golf is the thing  
To drive away everyone's care.  
No matter if *saur* or *mère*,  
No matter if *frère* or *père*,  
When in trouble or doubt  
They should take a walk out  
To the links; and play a round there.

##### II.

An old saw doth say, that all work and no play  
Makes Jacko a thickheaded boy,  
So lassies and lads, ma's and greyheaded dads,  
A good game of Golf should enjoy.  
No matter if Bull or a Bear,  
Or any profession whate'er;  
Of no worries you'll think,  
If you trot round the link  
With old Colonel "Bogey," I'll swear.

I am, Sir, &c.,

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## SUNDAY GOLF.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—If the Sunday Golf correspondence has not yet died of inanition, may I venture to say a word on the subject? It seems to me it is a mere waste of time to discuss the question from an ethical point of view in a Golf journal. It is purely a subject of club rules. In our Bedford Club rules we have framed one, the last, and certainly not the least. It is to the following effect:—"No play whatever shall take place on Sunday," and, to the credit of our club, I am proud to say it is never violated.

I am, Sir, &c.,  
H. VICTOR MACDONA.

## VISITORS ON MEDAL DAYS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I am extremely glad to see that at last a change has come over the scene, and visitors have actually been allowed to play at a club on a competition day, although, of course, not allowed to compete for the prizes. At Ashdown Forest, at the autumn meeting, I see Mr. F. A. Fairlie, Mr. E. Blackwell, and others, took part in the competition, and returned their scores. Whether they were allowed to go in for the sweep or not report does not say, but I conclude they did. At most clubs, if one has taken up one's residence for a quiet month's play, paid over 5s. or 10s., or whatever it is, one is put down as a horrid nuisance and interloper, and roundly abused (even if one goes round keeping some member's score who happens not to have a match) for blocking up the green. I do not think any clubs need be afraid of any systematic attempt to try to pick up half-crowns being resorted to by anyone; but should a visitor be on the spot I think it would be only a matter of common civility and courtesy to let him play, and return his score should he wish it; and if the committee wished to give him a handicap, but feared lest he should "collar the swag," let them make him owe 10 for safety's sake; remembering the words, "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

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

## A COMMITTEE'S DECISION.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In the account of the November meeting of the Great Yarmouth Golf Club I read the following:—"He (Mr. P. M. Lucas) really made 80, but as the error in recording one of the holes was not discovered till after the card had been handed in, the correction was not allowed." The error lost Mr. Lucas a tie for the first place.

Seeing that a player does not record his own score, I submit, Sir, that the ruling of the committee on this point was not in accordance with justice. I assume that the error was discovered between the time of handing in the card and of awarding the prizes. I assume, too, that the evidence in favour of the error was considered satisfactory, or the official account would not have contained so explicit a statement. I assume, further, from the statement that the official decision was given solely on the ground that the card had been handed in. I submit, then, Sir, that it was the duty of the committee to hear the evidence on the point, and, if satisfied that the scorer had erred, to correct his error. Let me assume that the position had been reversed, and that Mr. Lucas had gained first place owing to an error on the part of his scorer. Would that error have been allowed to stand on the technical ground that the card had been handed in? I trow not; and, if not, how can the present decision be justified?

I am, Sir, &c.,  
COMMITTEE.

## DRAWING BYES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Some of your readers may be interested in the method by which, in a tournament, byes may be avoided except at the first draw.

Put briefly, the method is this:—Subtract from the total number of entries the next smaller power of 2 (*i.e.*, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, &c.). The remainder gives the number of pairs to be played off at the first draw, the rest of the entries being byes.

Suppose that, in a foursome tournament, there are 47 couples entered. Then,  $47 - 32 = 15$ . If 15 pairs, *i.e.*, 30 couples, play the first round and 17 couples draw byes, at the second round there will be 32 couples ( $\frac{1}{2}$  of  $30 + 17$ ), thus doing away with the necessity of any further byes.

The rule given above may be arrived at mathematically, thus:—Let  $n$  = total number of entries;  $n > 2^m$  and  $< 2^{m+1}$ ; Let  $2x$  = number playing first round, and  $\therefore n - 2x$  = number of byes at first round. At the second round we have  $x + n - 2x = 2^m$ , or  $x = n - 2^m$ .

I am Sir, &c.,  
H. L. P.

## QUESTIONS ON THE RULES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I should be much obliged if you would give me your opinion on the following points:—

Is it allowable under the rules to use a retriever to find balls in medal play?

It so, does any penalty attach to the player if his dog mouths the ball; or is it a rub on the green?

And what is your opinion on the above two questions in relation to match play?

I am, Sir, &c.,  
SANCHO.

[This is one of those innumerable and charming conundrums put to us every week, the nature of which must cause that body of grave and reverend golfers at St. Andrews to make the welkin between the first tee and the Eden ring with shouts of Homeric laughter. We can only tell our correspondent that hitherto the dog has not been legislated for in Golf rules, that his presence on the links on competition days has been interdicted, and that generally his appearance has been viewed with as much disfavour on the Golf green as it has been on the race-course or in the middle of a cricket-pitch. Strictly speaking, therefore, he ought not to be allowed to accompany the players; he ought not to be allowed to assist in the game any more than a cricketer ought to be allowed to have the assistance of a retriever in fielding. It is a question for the regulation of the local committee; and in a case where a player imports his dog into the match without the consent of his opponent, it ought to become a question for serious consideration whether the penalties attaching to the player and his caddie should not be made to include the dog as well. On the subject of penalties, see answer to Mr. R. B. Mansfield, in issue of November 4th.—Ed.]

CROMER.—In spite of the dull wet weather five ladies entered the Golf competition for the club medal on Friday the 4th, there being with it a prize given Mr. Harold Wilson. Miss Mary Hoare, of North Lodge was the winner, her score being 68, less 12=56. The other competitors were Mrs. Sydney Buxton (who died suddenly a day afterwards), Miss Wyrley Birch, Miss Lucas, and Mrs. H. G. Winter.

BASS ROCK GOLF CLUB.—The monthly competition of this club for the handicap trophy took place over the North Berwick links on Saturday, 29th ult. The weather was favourable and there was a large turn-out of competitors. Mr. David Horsburgh proved the winner with a score of 82, less 8=74. The next best figures were:—Mr. John Forrest, 79, plus 1=80; Mr. D. M. Jackson, 79, plus 1=80; Mr. J. Henderson, 79, plus 2=81; Mr. J. Mitchell, 82, scratch; Mr. W. Merrilees, 91, less 9=82; and Mr. J. W. Greig, 96, less 14=82.

LITTLESTONE GOLF CLUB.—The competition for the monthly medal took place on Saturday last with the following result:—Mr. A. J. Stanley (winner), 92, less 6=86; Mr. F. L. Rawson, 100, less 9=91. Messrs. C. Wintle, T. J. Welldon, H. Mazetti, C. Stringer, H. W. Stringer, E. Colville, W. T. Cotton, W. G. Wells, over 100 or no return.

## Eminent Golfers.

### XXXIII.—MR. CHARLES HUTCHINGS.

That Scotsmen have no monopoly of good golfers has for some years past been abundantly evident, and where the more famous greens in the South have become well established, there also have players arisen who are amongst the foremost in the game. Hoylake is responsible for the Messrs. Ball, father and son, Mr. Hilton, and others; it has also enabled Mr. Charles Hutchings to take an honourable place beside them. It will be remembered that Mr. Phunky, who was retained with Serjeant Snubbin, was a mere infant in the law; having been at the Bar only eight years and a quarter, he was referred to in terms of "pitying compassion" by the legal luminary above mentioned. Similarly one might almost feel disposed to dub Mr. Hutchings a mere infant at Golf, but at this point the parallelism ceases, for he is an infant precocious and strong, one to whom we can only refer in terms of admiration; more—Mr. Phunky made a shocking mess of his cross-examination, through failing to observe that his chief was winking at him, whereas Mr. Hutchings is quite sufficiently wide-awake, and has conducted his golfing operations with a marked degree of success.

He was born in 1849, near Exeter, and spent his early life in Devonshire; these were days before Westward Ho! existed as a centre of attraction, if to describe such an out-of-the-way spot in these terms be not a misnomer—consequently, as to Golf, he must have been an agnostic. Subsequently he migrated to Warrington, where he went into business, passing his leisure hours at cricket and football; but having sustained a severe fracture of the leg while playing the latter, he was compelled to discontinue both games. Not until 1881, when he was thirty-two years old, did Mr. Hutchings' real education begin. There lives at Warrington a proper apostle of Golf, Mr. John Dun, an eminently fit and suitable person to undertake such preliminaries as are necessary for the enrolment of a somewhat unwilling recruit, for such Mr. Hutchings confesses himself to have been. Mr. Dun himself was for many years a distinguished player, one who had gathered honours in divers fields; his example was no doubt backed by words of weight; is he not indeed "*grammaticus, rhetor*,"? and likely to be well skilled in presenting the gravamen and dignity of Golf in commensurate dignity of phrase. So this mentor took his pupil by the hand, and introduced him to the links on an occasion when some good match was being played. The more immediate result of this can hardly be described as a harbinger of what was to follow, for, in common with others whose experience does not date from the age of boyhood, Mr. Hutchings thought the game somewhat idiotic and absurd. But if other games appear easy to the spectator, more especially is this the case at Golf; nothing apparently can be simpler to one with a good eye in his head, than to hit the ball 150 yards, walk after it, and hit it again. We have all met the confident tyro of this type, perhaps even rejoiced in his certain discomfiture, on his endeavouring to make his practice square with his theories. Mr. Hutchings was persuaded to try a few shots, and the results fell so very far short of his calculations that, in fact, he was wholly unable to account for them. "Pride, old fellow, pride," said Jingle, quite at his ease, on a certain memorable occasion; pride, outraged vanity, and similar emotions were dominant



here also, leading Mr. Hutchings to the determination from that moment that, so far as in him lay, he would become a golfer.

Thus was the good seed sown, which soon was to germinate. He forthwith joined the Hoylake Club, and renounced for good and all his erstwhile heretical opinions. Since that time he has devoted as much practice as possible to the game, of which he is now passionately fond. Mr. John Dun, therefore, may well be proud of his pupil. March, 1881, was the date upon which he joined the Hoylake Club; in October of that year he scored his first success, winning the optional subscription prize under handicap allowance of 15 strokes. In ten months from that time he had improved to the extent of 6 strokes, but at this juncture his health unfortunately completely broke down, and he went on a voyage round the world, whence he did not return till 1883. Still, even then the spring of 1884 had arrived before he resumed regular play. Now, however, the handicappers began to experience sundry bad *quarts d'heures* on his account; like a jack-in-the-box he could not be repressed, and won several prizes, the end of it being that by 1886 he was playing from scratch. Amongst the trophies which have fallen to his share are the Kennard and the Hall Blyth medals at Hoylake, the Spring, Autumn, and St. Andrews medals of the West Lancashire Club, the Clifton and Manchester medals at Lytham and St. Anne's, and one or two others at Pau. Perhaps of all his victories the one which gave him most satisfaction was in the autumn of 1891, when at Hoylake he knew he had but ten strokes left for the last three holes in order to defeat Mr. H. H. Hilton, who had returned with 86. Mr. Hutchings was at the moment labouring under natural feelings of rage and exacerbation, induced by the fact of his having apparently thrown away all his chance at the preceding hole, by playing two or three bad shots, which necessitated the rather large figure of 8 before he holed out. That being so, he must now risk everything. A full play club shot was laid upon the next green, where one putt was sufficient to hole out; a four at each of the two succeeding holes brought him within the stipulated number, and earned for him a thoroughly well-deserved, and certainly most popular victory.

Though he has succeeded in medal play, he holds what all old golfers will consider the thoroughly orthodox opinion that much scoring ruins the game. Sir Robert Hay, and the fine players of his day, never by any accident knew "what they went round in," as the phrase of to-day is, except when playing for a medal; but now the multiplication of handicaps threatens altogether to swamp the legitimate and far more enjoyable game. Such a nuisance has this habitual counting become that it has even been found necessary to instruct would-be players that they should refrain from totalling up their scores upon the putting-green when other matches are coming up! To "such base uses" are we becoming habituated, but not reconciled. Mr. Hutchings most thoroughly enjoys a tough fight; he has often played with Mr. John Ball, jun., and it is something to say that even against him he has been able to claim an occasional match. One of these occasions was to be marked with a white stone, for Mr. Hutchings produced his lowest round of Hoylake links, viz., 78, a score, however, which he equalled on another occasion when playing with Jack Morris. The details of this fine round are:—

Out...	...	4	5	4	4	5	4	4	4	5=39	} 78
In ...	...	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	4=39		

But of all his matches the retrospect of those with Mr. Leslie Balfour, at St. Andrews, is one of the most pleasant. Five



rounds had to be played ere either could claim a victory, the first four having been halved. Mr. Hutchings then came away with a round of 80 on the medal course, and (unluckily for him) on the day after the medal. This round was as follows:—

Out...	...	4	5	4	4	5	5	5	4	4=40	} 80
In ...	...	4	4	4	5	6	4	4	5	4=40	

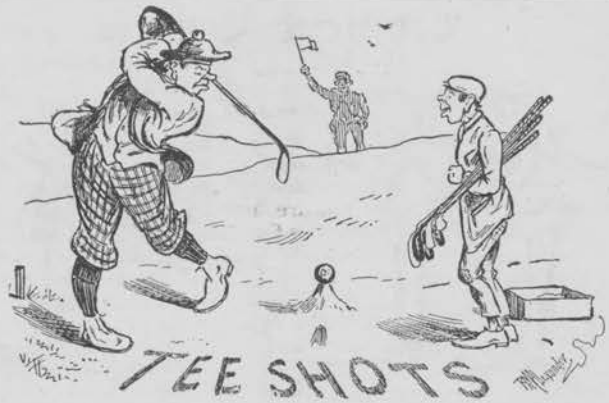
Mr. Balfour's round on this occasion was 84. Few amateurs, and those only of the very best, ever succeed in holing St. Andrews in 80, no better testimony of the accuracy of which statement need perhaps be added than to say that Mr. Balfour himself has only twice accomplished the feat. It is somewhat remarkable that in neither of the above rounds is a three to be found; the sixth and fourteenth holes at Hoylake, as well as the eighth and eleventh at St. Andrews, should all be done in that number.

Mr. Hutchings may certainly be described as an enthusiast; he has attained his present position in the teeth of difficulties which might well have deterred one less resolutely set on an object. In his earlier days, his time being much occupied in business, his practice was limited to two rounds a week, to attain even which small modicum necessitated a journey of thirty miles each way. His progress, as we have seen, was totally interrupted by ill-health shortly after he began, and his subsequent career has been subject to considerable breaks from the same unfortunate cause, these amounting in the aggregate to about three years out of the comparatively short time he has been a player. Yet so devoted is he to the game that rather than forego it, he frequently plays when unquestionably the wiser course were to refrain. At this moment of writing, it is to be feared that he is more or less prostrated, owing to his having taken part in a recent competition at Pau, at a time when he was by no means in a condition to do so. An attack of influenza, which he contracted last year (1891), has left him less able than he used to be for hard hitting, in consequence of which he has been obliged to abandon the cleek, a club with which he was at one time extraordinarily strong. The writer well recollects the first occasion when Mr. Hutchings visited St. Andrews, after he had become a good player. His caddie, a good and experienced one, was utterly at sea, quite dumbfounded at the distance his master drove with the iron and cleek; if the former were asked, "What is this shot?" and replied, "A full iron," away the ball would go scores of yards past the hole. This happened so often that the caddy, thoroughly familiar as he was with all first-class play, at length gave it up as a bad job, remarking with that air of tutelary proprietorship affected by the most capable of his class, "I d'a ken what t' dae wi' him; I'll gie him the airon niblick next time." Mr. Hutchings has long, sinewy hands and powerful wrists, and appears to derive his driving-power principally from the latter; he stands very close to the ball, and plays with the sort of three-quarter swing which is often characteristic of the few players who become first class despite the fact of their having been late beginners.

May it be permitted to add a word as to Mr. Hutchings' social qualities? To know him is, in common phrase, to be friends with him at once; he charms by his good nature; he attracts by his sincerity; he has every attribute a golfer ought to have, none that he ought not; and he would have delighted the heart of Mr. Glennie, of lamented memory. Mr. Hutchings' many friends will hope to see him ere long once more upon the war-path.

H. S. C. EVERARD.

PERTH ARTISAN GOLF CLUB.—On Saturday the members of this club competed for the Lamond medal and several prizes, presented by Mr. P. W. Campbell. The favourable weather conditions allowed the new course to be played over. On the cards being handed in it was found that Mr. W. Munro had won the medal with 108, less 4=104. A special prize presented by Mr. Charles Brand, Carnoustie, was gained by Mr. John Cobb, jun., with the scratch score of 89. The following are the other prize-winners:—Mr. J. Brough, 94, less 2=92; Mr. A. Stark, 108, 2=106; Mr. D. Gourlay, 109, less 2=107; Mr. P. Robertson, 96, less 1=95; Mr. J. Reid, 94, less 1=93; Mr. R. Lawson, 109 (average); Mr. A. Reid, 88, 3 above; Mr. A. Thomson, 107, 3 above; Mr. D. Halley, jun., 112, 3 above; Mr. J. Whittet, 102, 4 above; Mr. D. McLaren, 97, 5 above; Mr. John M'Arthur, 99, 5 above; Mr. F. Grant, 99, 5 above; Mr. J. Barclay, 101, 5 above.



In the report of the monthly medal of the Winchester Golf Club in last week's issue, the winner's name was erroneously given as the Rev. H. L. Pates. It should have been the Rev. H. L. Porter.

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RECORD OF PERTH COURSE BROKEN.—On Thursday, the 10th inst., Capt. P. J. C. Livingston, playing with Capt. Davidson, broke the record of the new course in Perth, doing the round in 75. The details were:—Out, 3 4 5 5 3 4 5 4 4=37; In, 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 5 4=38; total, 75.

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Golf is a subject of heartburning just now at Eastbourne. The problem is to reconcile the interests of the public who use the path across the links, and dread the dangers of the flying balls, with the amusement of the members of the Golf Club. It has been proposed that the path should be diverted, but this has raised an outcry on the part of inhabitants opposed to such interference with their walks for the benefit of any club. The late Mayor has urged that the Golf club does more good to the town than many other local institutions put together, since it brings many people there for the winter to inhabit houses which would otherwise remain unoccupied. The Duke of Devonshire has been in communication with the committee of the Eastbourne Golf Club with regard to complaints of carelessness on the part of some players, and the committee have undertaken to impress on members and their friends the necessity of caution and strict observance of the club rules, which are drawn up with a view to the public safety.

#### WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting began on the 9th in perfect golfing weather. There was a good field. Results:—Shaw gold medal, conferring the captaincy of the club for the year, silver memento cross attached: Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncrieff, 96, first; Mr. G. H. Hume, 97, second; Rev. F. M. Brodie, 102, third; next best scores, Messrs. C. G. Graham and J. W. Liddell, 105, and Mr. F. W. Hayes and Rev. J. L. Green, 107. Handicap (Alcock challenge cup, Mr. Hayes's prize, and sweepstake): Rev. F. M. Brodie, 102, less 18=84; Mr. F. D. Perry, 111, less 24=87; Mr. G. W. Hume, 97, less 9=88.

In splendid weather, and with the course in admirable condition, the foursome competition was held on the 10th. From the subjoined scores it will be noticed that the first place is tied for:—Mr. F. G. Abell and Mr. G. W. Hume, 102, less 9½=92½; Mr. Frank Smith and Mr. H. Smith-Turberville, 109, less 16½=92½; Mr. R. Harrington Smith and Mr. S. J. Wheble, 117, less 24½=92½; Captain Cowan and Mr. C. G. Lefroy, 105, less 11½=93½; Rev. W. C. Bedford and Rev. E. Oldham, 107, less 12½=94½; and Col. Boothby and the Hon. and Rev. W. R. Verney, 108, less 13½=94½.

Splendid weather was again experienced at Warwick on the 11th, when the autumn meeting was brought to a close. There was a large field, and the results were as follows:—Silver challenge cross (scratch): Mr. G. W. Hume, 94; Mr. F. W. Hayes, 95; Mr. H. E. du C. Norris, 96; Mr. A. Rotherham, 96; Mr. S. Latham, 98; Mr. F. C. Hunter-Blair, 101; Rev. E. H. Oldham, 101; Mr. Harold Smith, 102. Handicap prizes (club challenge shield, silver memento medal, sweepstake, and club prize): Mr. G. W. Hume, 94, less 9=85; Mr. F. W. Hayes, 95, less 10=85; Mr. H. E. Norris, 96, less 10=86; Mr. W. L. Bicknell, 108, less 22=86; Mr. A. Rotherham, 96, less 8=88; Mr. S. Latham, 98, less 10=88.



ALDEBURGH GOLF CLUB.

A close contest took place on Saturday on these links for the monthly medal, which resulted in a tie between the captain, Mr. W. F. Thompson, and Mr. G. F. Pearson, with a net score each of 80. On playing off the tie, Mr. G. F. Pearson won the medal with the net score of 84, Mr. W. F. Thompson being 87. The various scores were as under :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. W. F. Thompson	95	15	80	Mr. C. E. Pearson	102	10	92
Mr. G. F. Pearson	95	15	80	Mr. Jno. Fry	113	21	92
Mr. W. G. Thompson	107	23	84	Mr. F. D. Bright	113	20	93
Dr. R. B. Wrightson	113	25	88	Mr. A. F. Stewart	112	15	97
Mr. J. B. Pettit	89	scr.	89	Mr. J. Tohill	120	21	99
Mr. G. H. Garrett	111	20	91				

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On Friday, November 4th, Mrs. Bell, of Vewhurst, kindly gave four prizes for ladies' and gentlemen's handicap foursomes. First prize, ladies, folding silk photograph frame. First prize, gentlemen, ivory and silver paper-knife, for second lowest score. Second prize, ladies, date stand. Second prize, gentlemen, writing case, for second highest score. The competitors were not to know till all the cards were handed in. Miss and the Rev. A. T. Scott won the first prizes, 97, less 15=82. Miss Birch and Mr. Woodland tied with Mrs. Stewart and Mr. Braybrooke for the second, at 90; the former with 4 handicap, the latter 3. The tie is not yet played off. Miss Fox and Mr. Morgan returned the best net score, 100, less 21=79. The other players were :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			
Miss Banister and Mr. Leo Andrews	103	19	84
Miss E. Banister and Dr. Magrath	100	16	84
Miss Parsons and Mr. C. Green	120	25	95

Rain prevented two or three more couples completing their rounds. Mrs. Bell gave tea in the club room.

Medal day, Saturday, 6th :—The weather was fairly fine during the day, and seventeen members competed. Some of the putting-greens were difficult, from being wet, an unusual occurrence on these links, which, as a rule, are wonderfully dry, even after heavy rain. Miss Andrews returned a record, and Mrs. Bell beat any of her previous scores.

The annual general meeting was held in the afternoon, when the report was read and the accounts passed. Miss Birch was re-elected captain, and Miss Andrews, secretary, but there were some changes in the committee.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Miss Andrews	78	2	76	Miss E. B. Curteis	97	4	93
Miss Fox	99	21	78	Mrs. C. Green	102	7	95
Mrs. Bell	101	23	78	Miss Birch	98	scr.	98
Mrs. M. Stewart	91	6	85	Mrs. Astbury	123	25	98
Miss Banister	106	21	85	Mrs. J. Curteis	123	25	98
Miss Moor	114	25	89	Mrs. F. W. Stone	126	25	101
Miss A. Scott	114	25	89	Miss E. Banister	128	22	106

Mrs. Alleyne, Miss Riddle, and Miss M. Murdoch also played.

BRADFORD ST. ANDREWS GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition for the Rhodes medal took place on the links at Baildon on Saturday last. The following cards were handed in :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. W. B. Crichton	100	12	88	Mr. F. H. Hill	136	36	100
Mr. J. Mason	103	12	91	Mr. C. J. Jeffrey	141	36	105
Mr. H. Steel	99	2	97	Mr. J. W. Young	148	28	120
Dr. Macvie	98	scr.	98	Mr. P. Rosling	174	36	138

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY v. GREAT YARMOUTH.

The following is the result of the annual team match between Cambridge University and the Great Yarmouth clubs, played on Tuesday, the 8th inst. There were eleven a-side :—

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.			GREAT YARMOUTH.		
Holes.			Holes.		
Mr. J. S. Low	0	0	Mr. F. S. Ireland	0	1
Mr. A. C. Robertson	0	0	Mr. W. P. Fulcher	0	4
Mr. C. E. Hambro	3	0	Mr. J. G. Gibson	0	0
Mr. A. M. Chance	0	0	Mr. W. O. S. Pell	0	4
Mr. H. Parker	2	0	Mr. R. Whyte	0	0
Mr. C. Bethune	2	0	Capt. C. Hervey	0	0
Mr. G. Joshua	0	0	Mr. H. M. P. Buskin	0	2
Mr. J. H. Maxwell	0	0	Mr. E. M. Hansell	0	4
Mr. C. E. Marriott	0	0	Mr. W. E. Hughes	0	10
Mr. F. Swainson	0	0	Mr. H. Mann	0	8
Mr. H. B. Harris	0	0	Mr. E. G. Ashton	0	9
		7			42

Majority for Yarmouth, 35 holes.

CHESTERFORD PARK GOLF CLUB.

The first competition for the monthly medals took place on Monday, November 7th. There was a dense fog prevailing, and owing to the recent heavy rains the greens were not in very good order. Under the circumstances Mr. W. Waterhouse's score of 53 was very creditable. There was a good attendance of ladies to compete for the ladies' medal and their numbers bid fair to ensure success to this young club.

Gentlemen's first class :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. Waterhouse	53	scr.	53
Mr. W. Cobbold	71	12	59
Mr. H. Stanley	81	15	66

The other competitors in this class were, Messrs. J. Smith, Pickersgill Cunliffe, R. Burrell, A. Wentworth Stanley, Capt. Herbert, Rev. F. Williams, and Rev. R. Pelly.

Gentlemen's second class :—Mr. Taylor, 95, scratch. Rev. B. W. Bliss, and Mr. H. Green also competed in this class.

Ladies' first class :—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.				
Mrs. Pickersgill Cunliffe	89	9	80	Mrs. Wentworth Stanley	115	17	98
Miss Burrell	93	10	83				

The other competitors in this class were, Mrs. Pelly, Mrs. Smith, Miss M. Bliss, Miss Pelly, and Mrs. Close.

Ladies' second-class :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mrs. Williams	124	scr.	124	Miss Taylor	142	scr.	142
Mrs. Bellingham	137	scr.	137				

The other competitors in this class were, Mrs. Eaden, Mrs. Hamond, and Miss Feilberg.

CINQUE PORTS GOLF CLUB.

The new club-house was opened on Saturday last, and the members may congratulate themselves on having such comfortable and commodious quarters. During the day, about fifty members competed for the silver inkstand presented by Mr. R. Moxon, and about twenty-four for the optional sweepstakes. The inkstand and the first prize in the sweepstakes were taken by Captain J. C. Tattersall, Captain Barton taking second money. Scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Capt. J. C. Tattersall	90	6	84	Colonel E. Jee	112	18	94
Capt. Barton	111	26	85	Colonel E. Cox	114	20	94
Mr. T. R. Mills	94	5	89	Capt. A. G. Cochran	120	24	96
Major Hungerford	105	16	89	Mr. C. H. Page	124	27	97
Mr. F. T. Welman	92	2	90	Mr. B. C. Manly	119	20	99
Mr. F. G. Tait	88	+4	92				

The others made no return or were over 100 net. The course was in very good order, great improvements having been made lately.

CITY OF NEWCASTLE CLUB.

A tolerably strong field of players took part, on Saturday afternoon, the 5th, in the second contest for the Wilson cup, a handicap prize presented by Dr. Adam Wilson, ex-captain of the club.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. A. W. White	103	20	83	Mr. A. Hunter	107	15	92
Mr. E. L. Orde	99	13	86	Mr. A. M. Carswell	108	16	92
Mr. E. B. Hoare	93	6	87	Mr. J. W. Robson	123	30	93
Mr. S. F. Bates	102	15	87	Mr. J. Milton	102	8	94
Mr. J. R. Bolton	103	16	87	Mr. F. Smith	106	10	96
Mr. R. S. Ferguson	95	6	89	Mr. F. W. Wyndham	111	13	98
Mr. W. Teasdale	96	7	89	Mr. J. Miller	117	18	99
Mr. A. Richardson	115	25	90	Mr. A. Gregory	131	30	101

Several players made no returns.

COTSWOLD GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played at Stow-on-the-Wold, on Thursday November 10th, when Lady Margaret Scott won over the gentlemen's links (twenty-one holes) with a very fine net score of 94.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Lady Margaret Scott	106 12 94	Mr. G. W. Goodeve	jun. ... 124 11 113
Earl of Eldon	108 12 96	Master Robin Stubbs	170 50 120
Mr. T. W. Stubbs...	114 10 104	Master E. Goodeve	138 not hcp.
Mr. H. E. Rose	122 12 110		

Master Lionel Goodeve and Mr. F. E. Milner, disqualified. No return from Mr. G. W. Goodeve.

The ladies' medal was played on the same day (fourteen holes). Miss Wiggin, 117, less 18=99; Mrs. Rose, 144, less 45=99; Mrs. T. W. Stubbs, 127, less 23=104. On playing off the tie the medal was won by Miss Wiggin.

CROOKHAM GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, November 12th, the first monthly competition took place for a prize given by members of the club residing in and near Reading. The play was against "Colonel Bogey," under handicap, and resulted as follows:—

Hcp. "Bogey."		Hcp. "Bogey."	
Mr. S. S. Wollaston	... 9 +4	Mr. W. H. Belcher	... 12 +8
Mr. F. N. Garry	... 12 +5	Mr. A. C. Bartholmew	7 +9
Mr. J. H. Haviland	... 9 +6	Rev. J. Stewart	... 7 +9
Mr. E. J. Maguire	... 7 +8	Mr. A. R. Hamilton	... 9 +10

DIDSBURY GOLF CLUB.

The second round of the winter monthly competition for prize presented by the hon. treasurer was played on Saturday. The ground was in a better condition than for some time past, and some twenty-six members competed. Mr. W. H. Young scored a win in for monthly competition, and also took the extra prize presented by the captain of the club, Mr. H. R. Coubrough, with 106, less 21=85; Mr. R. Lyall was second, with 110, less 21=89. The following cards were returned showing 100 net and under:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. H. Young	... 106 21 85	Mr. M. Bythwag	... 117 21 96
*Mr. R. Lyall	... 110 21 89	Prof. T. Core	... 119 21 98
Mr. J. G. Fleming	... 106 15 91	Mr. W. Cowrie	... 114 15 99
Mr. H. R. Coubrough	93 scr. 93	Mr. F. D. Smith	... 130 30 100
Mr. J. D. Gallie	... 113 18 95		

\* Divided the optional sweepstakes.

EALING GOLF CLUB.

The autumn competition of this club was held on Saturday, November 12th. The course was good, though some of the greens were rather sticky. The captain, Mr. C. Plummer, and Mr. C. H. Martin tied for the club silver scratch medal with 87, and they also tied for the prize given by Mr. R. H. Woodhouse, silver-backed pair of hair-brushes, for the best nine holes of the round, with 35. Mr. H. W. Miller won the club prize, a silver cigarette box for the best net score for members with a handicap of 16 or under, and Mr. W. Carson, the club prize, a silver cigarette case for members whose handicap is over 16. Mr. A. Radford won the prize given by the committee, a diamond ruby, and sapphire pin for the best net last nine holes, with 37½.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. H. Miller	... 92 12 80	Mr. A. D. Walker	... 104 11 93
Mr. W. Carver	... 100 19 81	Mr. P. M. Bigge	... 109 16 93
Mr. E. Farr	... 97 15 82	Mr. E. Coley	... 118 24 94
Mr. A. Radford	... 100 17 83	Mr. W. D. Tarbet	... 104 10 94
Mr. C. H. Martin	... 87 2 85	Mr. R. C. Hutton	... 111 16 95
Mr. F. Carver	... 93 7 86	Mr. E. Bird	... 117 19 98
Mr. C. Plummer	... 87 scr. 87	Mr. H. E. Pegg	... 117 18 99
Mr. J. R. P. Phillips	109 22 87	Major H. Maule	... 119 20 99
Mr. R. H. Woodhouse	111 24 87	Colonel Parker	... 117 18 99
Mr. A. J. Davies	... 105 16 89	Mr. A. A. Common	110 10 100
Capt. A. E. Ward	... 108 18 90	Mr. F. B. Becker	... 126 24 102
Mr. C. M. Bayfield	115 24 91	Mr. E. Chick	... 131 24 107
Mr. A. Baring-Gould	112 20 92	Mr. E. G. Hamilton	133 25 108
Mr. J. B. Chamberlain	105 12 93	Mr. H. Hall	... 139 30 109
Mr. E. Anderson	... 111 18 93	Mr. W. S. Hargreaves	134 24 110

No returns from Messrs. B. Patten, J. R. Nisbitt, G. V. Balfour, J. Rogers and W. Jackson.

The club has now got into its new and handsome club-house, although it will be a few weeks longer before the furnishing and interior arrangements are complete. The club-house contains locker-room, drying and dressing, luncheon and smoke rooms. The limit of members is now almost reached, and as it has one of the prettiest links round London, the club can look forward to a very successful career. The present secretary, Mr. F. Carver, being compelled to give up the duties, Major H. Maule has been appointed secretary until the next general meeting of the club.

FORFARSHIRE.

On Wednesday evening, the 9th inst., the new club-house erected on the links, north of the Metal Bridge, by the members of the Montrose Mercantile Club, was formally opened. There is a spacious club-room with all the requirements, a parlour and kitchen, and lavatory accommodation. Mr. G. Addison, in declaring the club-house open, referred to the prosperity which had attended the club for the past few years. A smoking concert was then held in the club-room, and a pleasant evening was brought to a close by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

The Dalhousie Club, Carnoustie, had a handicap competition, under the "Bogey" system, on Saturday. Captain Livingstone and Mr. Alexander Johnstone tied for first and second prizes, being 1 down. Captain Livingstone also took first place in the sweepstake competition.

The tie between Messrs. James Simpson, Charles Kydd, and Andrew Ramsay for the Jubilee medal of the Carnoustie and Taymouth Club was played on Saturday. Mr. Ramsay won the Jubilee medal, with 108 (3 up); Mr. Simpson, 92 (12 up); and Mr. Kydd, 95 (6 up). Same club—Sweepstakes:—1st, Mr. R. Simpson, 85 (5 below); 2nd and 3rd (a tie), Mr. G. Ogilvie, 99, and Mr. W. Yule, 99 (average).

On Saturday afternoon, Mr. William Still, Dundee, showed some fine play over Monifieth. Going out, he had the nine holes at less than an average of 4, his total being only 35 strokes. Although he fell off in the incoming, he finished with the fine record of 79 strokes. His outer half was played as follows:—3 4 4 4 4 3 5 3=35.

On Saturday, the second round for the Dundee Courier medal, presented by Mr. Thompson, was played off on Monifieth links, and resulted as follows:—Mr. George Smart beat Mr. Peter Reid, Mr. Peter Auld beat Mr. J. Purvis, Mr. J. M'Intosh beat Mr. D. Glass, Mr. W. Yeaman beat Mr. George Scott.

With a view to inaugurating the completion of the extensive addition to their club-house, which has just been finished, the members of the Caledonia Club, Carnoustie, gave a "house-heating" dinner on Saturday, to which invitations were given to representatives of the local clubs, and the clubs with which matches are played, and also to the contractors for the different departments of the work. The function took place in the banqueting hall of Miss Bruce's Hotel. The company numbered about fifty, and among those present were:—Provost M'Corquodale, Bailie Nicoll, Commissioner Ramsay; Captain Mitchell, R.N.R.; Messrs. D. M. Boath; David Fraser, architect; J. P. Morison, banker; David Scroggie, manufacturer; J. P. M. Lowson, postmaster; J. P. Bruce, architect; W. C. Honeyman, journalist, &c. The following representatives from other clubs were present as guests:—Mr. Daniel M'Intyre, Dalhousie Golf Club; Mr. David Bisset, Broughty Ferry Golf Club; Mr. William Freeland, Ladies' Golf Club; and Mr. David Kidd, Carnoustie and Taymouth Golf Club. Letters of apology for inability to be present were read from Mr. R. B. Sharp, Dalhousie Club, Commissioners Souter and Hogg, and others. After dinner a programme of toasts, interspersed with music, both instrumental and vocal, was gone through. Bailie Nicoll, proposed the toast of the evening—"The Caledonia Golf Club." He said that the building as now completed was a grand addition to the amenity of their excellent golf course. The Chairman, in replying to the toast, said that the members of the club had reason to be well satisfied with their present condition. Beginning with a membership of only twenty, they had now 230 members. Mr. W. C. Honeyman proposed "The Local Industries," which was replied to by Mr. Scroggie. Mr. J. H. Henry proposed "The Sister Clubs," and Mr. M'Intyre, of the Dalhousie Club, replied. Mr. David Fraser proposed "The Stranger Clubs," and to this toast Mr. Bisset, of the Broughty Ferry Club, responded. Songs were rendered by Messrs. Ferrier, Burroughs, Bisset, Mudie, M'Culloch, Ireland, Bruce, Rae, and Lowson, Mr. Burroughs accompanying the singers on the piano. A feature of the evening's entertainment which was greatly enjoyed was a selection of Scottish airs on the violin, rendered by Messrs. Bruce, Mudie, M'Intyre, and Colquhoun, Miss Alice Smith playing the accompaniment on the piano in a manner which showed complete mastery of the instrument. The company, after singing "Auld Lang Syne," broke up at ten o'clock.

GUILDFORD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, Saturday, November 12th. Considering the heavy state of the ground, Mr. Playford's score was a very good one. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. H. Playford	87 4 83	Mr. J. H. Lewis	... 110 20 90
Mr. H. T. Cattle	95 10 85	Mr. H. L. Forbes	... 99 8 91
Mr. W. P. Trench	98 13 85	Mr. A. Owen	... 113 22 91
Mr. C. J. Scott	... 108 20 88	Mr. D. L. Poole	... 101 5 96
Mr. W. Carr	... 91 1 90	Mr. S. S. Brown	... 110 14 96
Mr. P. W. Carr	... 102 12 90	Mr. A. F. Sapte	... 117 20 97
Mr. L. Howell	... 103 13 90	Mr. J. Kenrick	... 101 3 98
Mr. R. Case	... 104 14 90	Mr. J. C. Taylor	... 119 20 99

HAYLING LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting of this club was concluded on November 1st, having been much interrupted by bad weather. Appended are the best scores:—

Open sweepstakes.—Miss Morrison, 94; Mrs. T. R. Swinburne, 102; Miss G. Langley, 113. No returns from Miss Quinton, Miss E. Quinton, &c.

Silver challenge inkstand, presented by Miss E. Sandeman.—Mrs. T. R. Swinburne, 96; Miss Morrison, 101; Miss G. Langley, 106. No returns from Miss Lynch-Staunton, Mrs. Boyd, Mrs. de Kantzow, Misses Quinton, &c.

Routledge challenge cup, presented by Mr. W. Scoresby Routledge.—Miss Morrison, 97; Miss Langley, 100; Mrs. T. R. Swinburne, 102; Miss C. Turner, 103. No returns from the other players.

Club sweepstakes (one round of nine holes).—Miss G. Langley, 52, less 6=46; Mrs. T. R. Swinburne, 51, less 2=49; Miss Lynch-Staunton, 68, less 10=58. Other returns over 60 net.

Ladies' and gentlemen's doubles. Prize presented by Major Swinburne.—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Major Connolly and Miss Lynch-Staunton	89	17	72
Mr. Gann and Miss C. Turner	77	scr.	77
Major and Mrs. T. R. Swinburne	85	5	80
Mr. Barnes and Miss Langley	91	10	81
Capt. Raitt and Mrs. de Kantzow	108	21	87
Mr. Ashworth and Miss Morrison	103	11	92
Mr. Dobrée and Miss Craufurd	126	24	102

MINCHINHAMPTON GOLF CLUB.

Thursday last was the monthly medal day of this club, when the following members competed, with the results as below. Gentlemen:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.				
* Mr. W. Davies	96	17	79	Mr. W. W. Chamberlain	96	6	90
† Rev. Summerhayes	110	25	85	Mr. A. W. Waller	112	18	94
Mr. R. Lewis-Grist	101	12	89				

\* Medal. † Junior Medal.

The following gentlemen whose scores were 100 or over also competed:—Messrs. J. Bryan, E. Jenner Davies, H. V. Woolright, and E. Northam Witchell.

Ladies:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
* Mrs. W. Davies	90	4	86	Miss H. Ridding	98	4	94
Mrs. Storry	110	16	94	† Miss Hemingway	117	21	96

\* Medal and Gross Prize. † Junior Medal.

The following ladies whose scores were 100 or over also competed:—Miss Edith Davies, Miss M. Heelas, and Miss Woolright.

NEW FOREST GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, played November 12th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. Bryan	93	7	86	Col. Cameron	165	40	115
Mr. A. Lubbock	92	scr.	92				

No returns from others.

NEWHAVEN GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Wednesday, the 9th inst., in good golfing weather. The greens, owing to the recent heavy rains, were very soft, and rendered low scoring difficult. The putting-greens, however, were in good order. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. C. J. Bannister	117	25	92	Mr. S. Stone	126	22	104
Mr. J. Joy	107	8	99				

Mr. J. Bannister, Mr. J. Peters, and Mr. J. Webber made no return. The next medal competition will take place December 14th.

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The third competition for the cut-glass bottle, with silver top, took place on Thursday, November 10th, the result being as follows:—

Rounds. 1st 2nd Gross.			Rounds. 1st 2nd Gross.				
Miss A. Dawkins	37	43	80	Mrs. Smith Tuberville	47	47	94
Miss Middleton	42	42	84	Miss Gray	52	43	95
Miss E. Whieldon	45	44	89	Miss Radcliffe	50	53	103
Miss W. Gibsons	44	46	90				

Miss Gray, Miss Wolryche Stansfield, and Miss Collis made no returns.

ELECTRIC GOLF CLUB.—The monthly medal competition of the above club was played over the Braids on the 11th, Mr. Nicholas Beattie winning with a net score of 92.

NOTTINGHAM v. KETTERING.

The return match between these clubs was played on Thursday afternoon last, the 10th inst., at Kettering. The course, which adjoins the station, is a very sporting one, and though the grass is far from being of true golfing quality, the attention the links receive will soon greatly improve them. The match was a most enjoyable one, and resulted in a second win for Nottingham, though by a greatly reduced number of holes. After the match the visitors were hospitably entertained by the Kettering Club. The following are the details:—

KETTERING.		Holes.	NOTTINGHAM.		Holes.
Dr. J. Allison	...	1	Mr. J. C. Warren	...	0
Mr. T. Fraser	...	1	Mr. J. Doleman	...	0
Dr. Lee	...	0	Mr. R. D. Oswald	...	1
Mr. H. A. Cooper	...	0	Mr. R. F. Smith	...	8
Mr. C. Saunders	...	0	Rev. A. C. Beckton	...	4
Mr. J. W. Greasley	...	1	Mr. J. Hall	...	0
Mr. A. C. Simmons	...	0	Mr. S. P. Walker	...	4
Mr. W. Meadows	...	0	Mr. P. W. Allen	...	2
Mr. G. Abbott	...	1	Mr. J. Bowes	...	0
Mr. C. W. Stringer	...	0	Mr. C. B. Edwards	...	8
		4			27

Majority for Nottingham, 23 holes.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

The past week has been an exceptionally busy one for the University Club, no less than three matches being played. The first of these was against the Warwickshire Golf Club, Warwick, on Tuesday, November 8th, when the University, who were very poorly represented, suffered defeat by twelve holes. The day was beautifully fine, and the course in fair order. Mr. Stewart's score was 86, which is the best recorded in a competition as yet. Result:—

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.		Holes.	WARWICKSHIRE.		Holes.
Mr. F. H. Stewart (capt.)	...	8	Col. Boothby (capt.)	...	0
Mr. L. Robertson	...	0	Mr. Harold Smith	...	7
Mr. R. H. Dun	...	3	Hon. R. H. Lyttelton	...	0
Mr. H. Nicholls	...	0	Mr. Hugh Rotherham	...	0
Mr. R. Lodge	...	0	Mr. F. C. Hunter-Blair	...	2
Mr. H. E. Atkinson	...	0	Mr. A. Rotherham	...	7
Mr. J. A. F. Moncrieff	...	0	Mr. C. G. Graham	...	2
Mr. O. T. P. Nelson	...	0	Rev. F. R. Evans	...	0
Mr. E. G. M. Carmichael	...	0	Mr. T. Latham	...	7
Mr. C. W. W. Surridge	...	2	Mr. H. E. du C. Norris	...	0
		13			25

Majority for Warwickshire, 12 holes.

On Friday, November 11th, a fairly strong team went to Stowell Park, to try conclusions with a side captained by the Earl of Eldon, on his private links. The day was fine, the links in excellent condition, and the visitors, who were most hospitably entertained by Lord Eldon, spent a very enjoyable day. Though the University team proved successful in each case, the individual matches were, almost without exception, very close.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.		Holes.	STOWELL PARK.		Holes.
Mr. F. H. Stewart (capt.)	...	3	Mr. G. Gibson	...	0
Mr. H. J. Wigham	...	4	Viscount Encombe	...	0
Mr. P. Balfour	...	2	Earl of Eldon (capt.)	...	0
Mr. L. Robertson	...	1	Mr. T. W. Stubbs	...	0
Mr. H. Nicholls	...	1	Lady M. Scott	...	0
Mr. A. J. Boger	...	5	Mr. G. Goodeve, jun.	...	0
Mr. L. Armitstead	...	5	Mr. H. E. Rose	...	0
Mr. O. T. P. Nelson	...	4	Mr. G. Goodeve, sen.	...	0
		25			0

Majority for Oxford University, 25 holes.

In this match the colours of the home team were lowered for the first time. Lord Eldon kindly gave a prize to be played for in the afternoon; it was won by Mr. H. J. Wigham (O.U.G.C.) with the fine score of 40 for nine holes. Hugh Kirkaldy also played a round over the links, of which he expressed a most favourable opinion. His score was 42, 38=80.

The third match of the week was against the Worcestershire Golf Club, who brought a formidable team, comprising such fine local players as the Rev. H. Foster and Mr. E. F. Chance, who were reinforced by Messrs. Edward Blackwell (the fame of whose driving prowess attracted quite a small crowd of spectators) and H. S. Colt,

who swept the board so completely at the Wimbledon autumn meeting. The best rounds were 77 by Rev. H. Foster, and 78 by Mr. L. Robertson. Messrs. Whigham and Blackwell were about 79 apiece. The day was fine, but the ground was very wet and slippery. Result:—

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.		WORCESTERSHIRE.	
Holes.		Holes.	
Mr. H. J. Whigham ...	0	Mr. E. B. H. Blackwell ...	1
Mr. F. H. Stewart ...	0	Rev. H. Foster ...	6
Mr. R. B. Pearson (capt.) ...	0	Mr. H. S. Colt... ..	6
Mr. P. Balfour... ..	2	Mr. E. F. Chance ... ..	0
Mr. L. Robertson ...	10	Mr. E. G. M. Carmichael ...	0
Mr. H. T. Knight ...	3	Mr. L. S. Milward ... ..	0
Mr. R. H. Dun ... ..	7	Red. C. Block... ..	0
Mr. H. Nicholls ... ..	0	Mr. A. S. Archdale ... ..	1
Viscount Encombe ...	0	Mr. W. M. Binns ... ..	5
Mr. R. Lodge ... ..	0	Mr. H. Dyke Acland (capt.)... 3	3
Mr. F. H. Champion ...	4	Mr. H. K. Foster ... ..	0
	26		22

Oxford, therefore, winning a very closely contested match by the narrow majority of 4 holes. So far the University team have scored four wins and one defeat (at Warwick), and they have not yet been able to play quite their full strength.

LOW SCORING AT OXFORD.

On Saturday last, November 12th, Hugh Kirkaldy, playing over the links of the Oxford University Golf Club, with Mr. H. S. Colt, of the Royal Wimbledon Golf Club, did the round of eighteen holes in the record score of 71. His figures were as follows:—Out, 3 4 4 6 3 4 5 5 3=37. In, 5 4 4 3 4 3 3 3 5=34; total, 71. The amateur record for the course is 73, made on Thursday, November 10th, by the hon. secretary Mr. F. H. Stewart (Magdalen College) playing with Mr. H. E. Atkinson (Exeter College). His figures were:—Out, 4 3 4 5 4 3 4 3 5=35. In, 6 4 5 4 4 3 5 4 3=38; total, 73. Until this term the record was 77, made by Mr. H. J. Whigham, ex-captain of the club.

PALACE LADIES' GOLF CLUB, SOUTHPORT.

The monthly medal competition took place on Saturday. The best scores were:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss G. Southam ...	94 30 64	Miss Blumberg ...	107 30 77
Miss M. G. Cheetham	71 4 67	Miss F. Coney ...	116 36 80
Miss M. Coney ...	94 24 70	Miss H. Cheetham .	117 30 87
Mrs. Ainsworth ...	77 6 71	Miss A. P. Forrester	111 24 87
Miss E. A. Southam	96 24 72		

No returns from Mrs. Harlam, Miss Burton, Mrs. Arllington, and Miss L. Cheetham.

RICHMOND GOLF CLUB.

The usual monthly medal competition was held at Sudbrook Park, Petersham, on Saturday, the 5th. Additional interest was given to the meeting by the five winners of the Scandinavian cup, Messrs. A. Allan, C. K. Peache, H. M. Davidson, H. J. Gairdner, and W. Low Lawson, playing off their finals. The cup was given by Sir Henry Pottinger, the first captain of the club, to be played for at five meetings under medal rules, and if won twice by the same player to become his property. The ground, from the heavy rains of late, was not conducive to good play, but, notwithstanding, Mr. H. M. Davidson came in an easy winner, with the excellent score of 84, less 9=75, winning both cup and senior monthly medal. Mr. D. Morris proved to be the winner of the junior monthly medal, with a score of 111, less 24=87. The following are the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. M. Davidson	84 9 75	Mr. A. Allan ...	85 scr. 85
Mr. E. O. Drabble.	92 15 77	Mr. E. C. Davidson	97 11 86
Mr. C. G. Broadwood	86 6 80	Mr. E. V. Longstaffe	98 12 86
Mr. B. Thomas ...	88 6 82	Sir H. Pottinger ...	100 14 86
Mr. L. Renault ...	89 7 82	Mr. E. F. W. Foley	99 12 87
Mr. J. C. Taylor ...	98 16 82	Mr. D. C. Millar ...	100 11 89
Mr. H. E. Knight... ..	92 9 83	Mr. A. L. Jockel ...	93 3 90
Mr. W. Low Lawson	93 9 84	Capt. C. E. Reade,	
Mr. D. C. Leman... ..	100 16 84	R.N. ... ..	109 15 94
Mr. J. B. Chamber-		Com. McLaughlin,	
laine ... ..	97 13 84	R.N. ... ..	110 16 94
Mr. J. Hodgkin ...	102 18 84	Mr. J. B. Whitworth	122 18 104

Junior monthly medal:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. D. Morris ...	111 24 87	Mr. J. W. Johnson .	114 21 93
Mr. A. Leycester-		Mr. A. T. Marson .	128 27 101
Pennrhyn ... ..	115 27 88	Mr. H. F. Dibben .	128 21 107

And others who made no returns.

ROCHESTER v. ROYAL ENGINEERS.

Played at Higham on November 12th.

ROCHESTER.		ROYAL ENGINEERS.	
Holes.		Holes.	
Mr. A. Schacht ... ..	8	Major Onslow ... ..	0
Mr. C. Lake ... ..	10	Mr. R. S. Walker ... ..	0
Mr. A. C. Sealy ... ..	4	Mr. J. B. Barstow ... ..	0
Mr. T. Winch ... ..	9	Mr. E. M. J. Burn ... ..	0
Mr. G. K. Anderson ...	15	Mr. W. J. Johnston ...	0
Mr. A. H. Atkin ... ..	4	Capt. Mantell ... ..	0
Mr. E. Woodgate ... ..	0	Capt. Dunder ... ..	3
	50		3

ROYAL ASCOT GOLF CLUB.

"Bogey" competition, November 12th:—Mr. H. F. De Paravicini 2 up on "Bogey." Also played Sir T. Dyer, Col. Eden, Dr. G. Pater-son, Rev. H. Wilson, and Messrs. C. C. Bayley, H. Blackett, H. C. Clarke, Henley Eden, C. E. Ferard, F. A. Govett, E. M. Hadow, H. H. Longman, F. J. Patton, E. Ponsonby, G. W. Ricketts, and C. Ponsonby.

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

In dull weather, and with the course heavy, the aggregate competi-tion was held on the 9th at Chingford. Results:—Captain Cowper Coles, 89, less 5=84; Mr. E. A. Tewson, 95, less 9=86; Mr. J. James, 104, less 10=94; Mr. F. E. Fisher, 105, less 9=96.

ROYAL CORNWALL GOLF CLUB.

The first of a series of six competitions which are to be played through the winter, on the first Friday in each month, was played on November 11th. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Hon. Geo. Moles-		Mr. Bannerman ...	97 +2 99
worth ... ..	110 29 81	Mr. Melvill Sandys	108 9 99
Mr. Matthews ...	109 18 91	Mr. Young Jamieson	114 13 101
Mr. Bernard Edyvean	99 5 94	Mr. H. J. Graham	127 22 105
Bgde.-Surgeon Elliot	120 23 97		
Mr. Melvill Sandys	106 12 94	Mr. H. J. Graham...	136 22 114
Mr. E. M. Bannerman	95 scr. 95	Mr. C. H. Hext ...	116 1 115
Mr. E. M. Banner-		Mr. H. Young	
man ... ..	95 scr. 95	Jamieson... ..	113 13 100
Mr. C. H. Hext ...	99 1 98	Mr. H. J. Graham...	127 22 105

Major Carden, Mr. Young Jamieson, Mr. Cochran, and Col. Parkyn retired.

Ladies' competition.—Scores in the second of the winter competi-tions, played November 1st:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss B. Prideaux-		Miss Page ... ..	111 6 105
Brune ... ..	119 25 94	Miss C. Vyvyan ...	125 18 107
Mrs. Young Jamie-		Miss C. Alms ...	128 21 107
son ... ..	99 4 95	Miss Treffry ...	120 11 109
Miss Fenwick ...	112 15 97	Miss G. Prideaux-	
Miss C. Hext ...	115 16 99	Brune ... ..	142 30 112
Miss A. Barnett ...	100 scr. 100	Miss Petherick ...	146 34 112
Mrs. B. Edyvean ...	109 8 101	Miss Anderson ...	137 14 123
Mrs. Salmon ...	104 3 101	Miss Berryman ...	155 30 125
Miss K. Peter Hoblyn	123 20 103	Mrs. Elliot... ..	175 40 135

Mrs. J. Every made no return.

ST. GEORGE'S GOLF CLUB, SANDWICH.

Monthly medal meeting, November 12th, 1892.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Capt. W. H. Eccles	96 13 83	Sir B. Edwards ...	106 16 90
Mr. W. Gay ... ..	99 15 84	Mr. D. S. Hindmarsh	96 6 90
Mr. F. T. Welman	87 2 85	Mr. W. H. B. Goldney	117 24 93
Mr. F. G. Tait ...	85 scr. 85	Mr. E. Hands ...	107 14 93
Mr. T. R. Mills ...	91 5 86	Mr. T. W. Legh, M.P.	102 15 97
Capt. Tattersall ...	92 5 87		

Other members either made no return or their scores were over 100.

SOUTHWOLD GOLF CLUB.

The monthly handicap was played on Saturday, the 12th inst.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. J. Waller ...	112 25 87	Mr. J. B. Gooding	110 14 96
Mr. S. W. Woollet...	112 20 92	Capt. H. McGeorge	145 40 105
Mr. W. J. Browne ...	114 20 94	Mr. A. W. Ellis ...	145 35 110
Mr. A. C. Herbert	115 20 95	Mr. W. Ram, jun....	153 40 113

The Rev. T. S. Curteis made no return.

SIDCUP GOLF CLUB.

The annual general meeting was held on November 2nd at the club-room, Manor Farm, Captain Blanks, vice-president, in the chair. The first annual report was read, and the balance-sheet (which showed a credit balance of £38) approved. The chairman favourably commented on the highly successful season and the financial position of the club. The following officers for 1892-3 were elected:—President, Sir John Pender, M.P.; vice-president, Captain Blanks; captain, Dr. Frank Shapley; hon. secretary, Dr. James Crombie; hon. treasurer, Mr. Ma'colm Hewitt; committee, Messrs. T. Barker, T. Fry, W. L. Harries, T. Jones, W. W. Nicholson, and N. A. Patterson. The following prizes were volunteered:—Vice-president's, for monthly medal winners; Captain's, for best aggregate on six scores in all club competitions by medal rules, Club giving a second and third prize; Mr. Nicholson, a prize for best gross score in above; Mr. Patterson, another monthly medal for second class handicap; Mr. Barker, a prize for hole competition on a Bank Holiday; Mr. Layton, a prize for ladies' competition. Arrangements were also suggested for the presentation of a bronze memento medal to the first-class monthly medal winners. The two handicaps were, for the next three months, fixed at 72 scratch, 27 limit for first class; 100 scratch, 25 limit for second class. It was also proposed to challenge members of the neighbouring Golf Clubs, whose handicaps were 15 and over, to a match six or eight a-side, on the first Saturday in each month. This would enable the local club to have a fair chance of success, and the members of the large clubs around who are not usually selected for matches a chance of a match on foreign links. The possibility of an open competition in the summer was discussed. Additional bunkers were arranged for, and the greens to be enlarged to 12 yards square. Arrangements were settled for the greens to be swept and rolled (during the winter) every morning; and, it is hoped, that a professional will be engaged for the five months, May 1st to September 30th. The limit of gentlemen members was fixed at sixty, and ladies thirty-six. A few resignations were tendered, chiefly members who lived near the new links at Eltham. Several new members were proposed and elected, and there are a few vacancies. The entrance-fee was left at £1 1s., and the subscription for old and new members alike was fixed at £2 2s. The prize list for the year was read by the chairman, who took the opportunity to present his prize to Mr. Nicholson. On adding up the scores in medal competitions during the year it was found that the new captain had won both the novice's and aggregate medals, Mr. Hewitt taking second novice's, and Mr. T. Fry second aggregate. A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the meeting.

SOUTHPORT GOLF CLUB.

On the links of the Southport Golf Club on Saturday, was played, in fair weather, the monthly competition for the senior and junior medals. The greens were in capital condition, the only detriment experienced by the nineteen couples who started being clouds of smoke from the gasworks occasionally.

First Class.—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. W. E. Bland...	103 12 91	Mr. W. T. Rowley...	104 8 96
Mr. R. H. Prestwick	96 4 92	Mr. H. Sidebottom	104 7 97
Mr. G. F. Smith ...	94 +2 96	Mr. J. E. Pearson...	106 4 102

Second Class.—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
†Mr. P. Musgrave...	103 18 85	Mr. F. Baker	... 117 20 97
Mr. A. Entwistle...	111 15 96	Mr. R. Deane	... 114 16 98
Mr. H. Dorning ...	114 18 96		

\* Senior medal. † Junior medal.

Messrs. Musgrave, Bland, and Prestwick won the first, second and third sweepstakes respectively. No returns from Messrs. W. Eckersley, F. D. Irvin, S. Ashington, A. Darbyshire, H. H. Perkes, and C. Mulleneaux. The prizes for the monthly "Bogey" competition were awarded thus:—Mr. W. E. Bland, 1 down; second and third divided between Mr. W. Bell and Mr. W. T. Rowley, each 4 down. Next Saturday a round will be played for the Scarisbrick cup.

THE ARDEN GOLF CLUB.

The November competition for the club cup was played for on Saturday, November 5th, with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Dr. Bernays ...	106 24 82	Mr. O. Airy ...	97 4 93
Mr. H. H. Greenway	103 18 85	Mr. H. H. Margetts	114 17 97
Mr. F. A. Bainbridge	91 3 88	Mr. G. Zair ...	130 30 100
Mr. E. P. Wright...	105 16 89	Mr. C. T. Wade ...	125 25 100
Dr. Ballance ...	109 18 91	Mr. A. G. Tonks ...	112 11 101
Mr. H. H. Wright...	112 21 91	Mr. A. H. Griffiths	117 15 102

Seven other players no returns.

WEST CORNWALL GOLF CLUB.

The second ladies' winter handicap competition was played on the links at Lelant, in weather which made it seem that the ladies must have forgotten the season of the year, and have inserted "winter" for "summer." With a thermometer over 60 deg., the bay crowded with boats, and an unusual number of large vessels passing up Channel close in shore, hardly a more beautiful look-out could have been found in England than that of Lelant Towns on Tuesday. The cards sent in were as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Miss Downing ...	103 29 74	Miss Wilkinson ...	117 32 85		
Miss Vivian ...	104 28 76	Miss Banfield ...	141 49 92		
Miss N. Banfield ...	118 41 77	Mrs. Tyacke ...	148 38 110		
Mrs. H. N. Harvey.	91 9 82				

The old course, which included a crossing that had become dangerous, has been altered, the crossing cut out, and two new holes over splendid sporting ground have been added. The greens are re-laid, and the green-keeper and workmen are getting the course in order, but it will take some months' labour and plenty of trampling by players before the lies will be equal to those on the old portion of the links. The hazard known as "Bunker's Hill," reported to be the mother of the "Sandwich Maiden," has always been artistically an interesting object, and will now twice appear in different forms, and have to be negotiated diagonally as well as from the square front. Some very attractive bunkers, safe to catch topped, pulled, or sliced balls, also appear between the two new holes known as the "Ferry" and "Light-house" holes. The character given by Chas. Gibson, the Westward Ho! professional, no mean judge of Golf, is that when the two new holes are in good order the West Cornwall links will be the best nine-hole course in England.

WEST HERTS GOLF CLUB.

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

Handicaps of 10 and under:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. H. Whitehorn	88 10 78	Mr. R. S. Clouston	95 5 90
Mr. D. Scholes ...	91 10 81	Mr. O. W. F. Hill	96 6 90
Mr. B. M. Barton...	95 7 88	Mr. W. Wilson ...	101 10 91
Mr. E. F. Maitland	99 10 89	Mr. Howard Williams	103 10 93
Mr. Thomson Glover	90 scr. 90		

Handicaps exceeding 10:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. J. Cottam ...	101 13 88	Mr. C. Davis ...	116 14 102
Mr. S. Hirst ...	104 14 90	Mr. H. H. Tankard	120 15 105
Mr. T. J. Williams	109 16 93	Mr. T. Uzielli ...	125 20 105
Rev. Dr. O. Cockrem ...	117 18 99	Mr. W. R. Carter ...	123 17 106
Mr. W. E. Whitehorn	114 14 100	Mr. F. J. Burr ...	134 20 114
Mr. S. O. Jackson...	114 14 100	Mr. E. Kingham ...	135 24 111
		Col. Coyne...	136 25 111

WILMSLOW GOLF CLUB.

The second winter monthly competition for the season 1892-93, took place on Saturday. The weather was fine, and the green in good condition, and consequently there was a large turn-out of forty-three competitors, forty-one of whom returned cards. There were some very low net scores sent in, and the play of members seems to be improving generally.

The following were the net scores under 100:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. B. Parkinson	99 30 69	Mr. A. H. Dixon ...	109 18 91
Mr. T. A. Bradley..	95 20 75	Mr. W. Eller ...	106 15 91
Mr. H. M. Langley.	92 16 76	Mr. C. D. Milne ...	99 6 93
Mr. J. D. Milne ...	88 7 81	Mr. W. H. Welsh...	113 20 93
Mr. H. Hughes ...	98 13 85	Mr. J. Kent Ford ...	115 22 93
Mr. A. W. Henry...	97 11 86	Mr. J. C. Aldred ...	122 29 93
Mr. J. D. Hobkirk.	100 14 86	Mr. L. H. Marriott.	109 15 94
Mr. T. H. Mills ...	98 11 87	Mr. R. A. Tatton ...	124 29 95
Mr. G. H. Shakerley	96 8 88	Mr. W. R. R. Gemmell	122 26 96
Mr. F. Godlee ...	106 18 88	Mr. John Beaumont.	112 15 97
Mr. T. S. Beaumont	117 29 88	Mr. P. Swanwick ...	108 10 98
Mr. V. Bellhouse ...	97 8 89	Mr. W. B. Daniel...	111 13 98
Mr. K. C. Bellhouse	109 20 89	Mr. A. L. Payne ...	114 16 98
Mr. W. Watson ...	117 28 89	Mr. W. Wood ...	113 14 99
Mr. J. A. Tweedale.	91 scr. 91	Mr. R. Burn ...	123 24 99
Mr. J. H. Milne ...	101 10 91	Mr. J. Bles...	124 25 99

Nine members returned cards over 100 net, and two members made no returns. Mr. J. D. Milne won the Boddington cup and memento, and the third sweepstakes; Mr. J. B. Parkinson won the Haworth cup and memento, and the first sweepstakes; and Mr. H. G. Langley took the second sweepstakes.

WINCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Tuesday, 8th inst. The following scores were sent in :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Rev. H. L. Porter	97	12	85	Rev. G. Richardson	120 22 98
Mr. A. J. Fort	106	21	85	Mr. W. Ramsay	123 22 101
Rev. J. Bramston	106	12	94	Mr. A. J. Toye	113 12 101
Rev. W. P. Smith	113	18	95		

\* Won on playing off tie.

October "Bogey" competition.—Scores :—Rev. H. Leech Porter (8), 3, 4, and 4 down; Mr. H. C. Brooking (1), 4 down; Rev. J. Bramston (8), 4 down.

The second monthly medal was played on Tuesday and Thursday, November 8th and 10th, with the following result :—

Tuesday—			Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. C. E. Leveson-			Mr. W. Mitchell-					
Gower	89	12	77	Thompson	102	18	84	
Mr. O. Scott	83	5	78	Mr. J. R. Mason	93	7	86	
Mr. F. C. Maples	97	18	79	Mr. A. L. Gibson	107	20	87	
Mr. P. M. T. Hill	94	14	80	Mr. J. E. Bradburne	110	16	94	
Mr. P. O. Barker	111	30	81	Mr. E. Hamond-				
Mr. F. H. Latham	101	20	81	Graeme	152	30	122	
Mr. J. A. T. Bramston	99	16	83	Mr. W. H. Yeatman	159	30	129	

Thursday—			Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. E. W. Timms	97	28	69	Mr. W. E. Emerson	99	16	83	
Mr. W. H. Barry	104	30	74	Mr. H. W. Kaye	94	9	85	
Mr. J. F. Alexander	105	30	75	Mr. W. A. Baird	121	30	91	
Mr. G. F. Fuller	96	16	80	Mr. H. W. Thomp-				
Mr. K. Wigram	100	18	82	son	121	24	97	
Mr. R. F. Fuller	88	5	83	Mr. A. F. Dudgeon	124	12	112	

The second "Bogey" competition ended on Thursday, November 10th, with the following result :—Mr. E. W. Timms, 2 down;

Mr. R. C. Barnett, 4 down; Mr. W. K. Barry and Mr. D. Scott, 5 down; Mr. A. L. Gibson, Mr. C. E. L. Gower, Mr. O. Scott, and Mr. G. A. C. Phipps, 6 down; Mr. G. F. Alexander, 7 down; Mr. P. M. T. Hill, Mr. F. C. Maples, and Mr. R. F. Fuller, 8 down; Mr. E. F. Fuller Mr. J. A. T. Bramston, Mr. J. R. Mason, and Mr. H. W. Kaye, 9 down; Mr. W. E. Emerson, Mr. F. H. Latham, Mr. P. O. Barker, and Mr. K. Wigram, 10 down; Mr. W. A. Baird and Mr. J. T. Weatherby, 11 down; Mr. W. M. Thomson and Mr. P. A. Lushington, 12 down; Mr. J. E. Bradburne, 13 down; Mr. H. W. Thompson and Mr. A. F. Dudgeon, 14 down.

WORCESTERSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, 2nd November. A fine day following one of dense fog, attracted a large number of players, and the scores sent in were good. The handicapping committee have lately reduced the maximum allowance to 20, which entailed a general revision of handicaps, and the remarkable number of ties on the day's play, speaks well for the allowances given.

Dr. Bookless won the monthly cup and the senior medal. Messrs. House, Romer, and Moilliet, tie for the junior medal. Subjoined are the scores sent in :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Dr. J. P. Bookless	94	14	80	Mr. J. W. Jeakes	104 17 87
Mr. A. S. Archdale	92	9	83	Mr. G. Hitchings	107 20 87
Mr. H. H. House	102	19	83	Rev. H. Foster	88 +1 89
Mr. C. E. Moilliet	102	19	83	Mr. F. Bassett (2)	106 15 91
Mr. H. S. Romer	102	19	83	Mr. L. S. Milward	97 5 92
Mr. H. N. B. Erskine	93	7	86	Mr. F. G. Trollope	107 15 92
Col. W. Lewes	99	13	86	Mr. F. Freeth	110 18 92
Mr. E. F. Chance	87	scr.	87	Mr. G. A. Jones	113 18 95
Mr. W. E. Paterson	87	scr.	87		

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EDINBURGH TEACHERS' CLUB.—The first monthly competition, under the new conditions, for the charms, took place on the Braids on Saturday. Over sixty members took part in the competition, and the winners of the charms were:—First division, Mr. Wm. Jenkins, 87, less 4=83; and second division, Mr. Wm. Young, 107, less 20=87.

HERIOT'S HOSPITAL SCHOOL CLUB.—The members of the above club inaugurated their season on Saturday at the Braids with the first of a series of monthly competitions for a gold pendant. The following were the lowest scores:—Mr. T. Purves, 114, less 24=90; Mr. G. A. Grant, 99, less 6=93; Mr. James Ranken, scratch, 98; Mr. D. Robertson, 113, less 15=98.

EAST OF FIFE CLUB.—The first competition, for a young deer's head, presented by Mr. Duncan Campbell, took place on the Grange-muir course on Saturday. There were few competitors. Mr. William Morton, jun., Anstruther, came in first with a scratch score of 79.

BRIDGE OF WEIR.—RANFURLY CASTLE CLUB.—The members of this club, on Saturday, competed for the Brunfant monthly medal. Result:—Captain Ross, with 97, less 15=82, and Mr. W. N. Scott, scratch, 82, tied for the medal.

BEARSDEN CLUB.—The monthly handicap competition for the Howie gold medal, confined to the lady-members of the club, took place on this course on Saturday. The medal was won by Miss Meta Maclaurin, with a score of 83, less 18=65, Miss Burnside being next with 87, less 18=69.

CUMBRAE CLUB.—The monthly competition for the vice-president's and vice-captain's medals was held on Saturday. The winners of the medals are:—Vice-president's, Mr. John Reid, 107, less 6=101; vice-captain's, Mr. John Cunningham, 135, less 16=119.

BURNISLAND.—The competition for a charm presented by the captain was played on High Bents on the 9th. The following are the best scores:—Mr. T. Gordon, 91, less 3=88; Mr. P. M'Artney, 100, less 10=90; Mr. W. Smith, 107, less 15=92. The medal given by Captain Stevenson for monthly competition drew out a goodly number of players to the High Bents course on Saturday. Fine weather prevailed. The match was not finished till after dusk, and the following were the principal results:—Mr. J. Blyth, 87, less 4=83; Mr. W. Elder, 90, less 7=83; Mr. A. Jackson, 91, less 7=84; Mr. J. Wood, 83, plus 2=85; Mr. J. Simpson, 90, less 4=86; Mr. D. Walker, scratch, 86.

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NAIRN.—The monthly competition for the Pullar medal took place on Saturday, when there was a good turn-out of players. The medal was won by Mr. J. Finlayson with a score of 94, less 12=82; Mr. D. Young (scratch), 86; Mr. K. Macrae, 94, less 6=88; Mr. A. F. Steele (scratch), 89; Mr. John Birnie (scratch), 89; Mr. F. R. S. Walker, 107, less 18=89.

GIRVAN.—The annual competition for prizes presented by Mr. David Andrews and other members of the club, was played for on Saturdays, 5th and 12th, thirty-six holes in all. The following are the aggregates over the two days' play:—Mr. John Eaglesome, winner of first prize, 174; Mr. James Galloway, winner of second prize, 194, less 16=178; Mr. Robert M'Connell, 183. Next lowest scores:—Mr. David M'Connell, 184; Mr. George Dougal, 198, less 8=190; Mr. John Bryce, 200, less 8=192.

KILMALCOLM.—The monthly gold medal contest was decided over this club's links on Saturday, when the weather was good and the course in fine condition. There was a fair number of entries, and the winner of the medal was Mr. T. B. Spiers, whose score was 97, less 11, which gave him the net total of 86. The other best scores were as follows:—Mr. Andrew Synnington (10), 87; Mr. James Crawford (24), 88; Mr. Hugh M'Lelland (24), 93; Mr. J. C. Aitken (24), 97.

ARDEER.—The monthly medal competitions took place on Saturday. The weather was favourable, but as the course is partially under repair this was against play. Mr. W. Law and Mr. T. Halden tied for the Heys medal with a net score of 89. The Robertson medal was won by Mr. James Mackintosh with the net score of 87.

DUMBARTON.—The monthly competition for the club's silver medal took place on Saturday. The weather was excellent, and the greens were in splendid condition. Best scores:—Mr. W. Farquhar (4), 75; Mr. W. Aitken (4), 77; Mr. J. Tullis (2), 80; Mr. A. Kyle (10), 80; Mr. M. Webster (6), 82; Mr. W. Risk (5), 84; Mr. J. Risk (6), 89.

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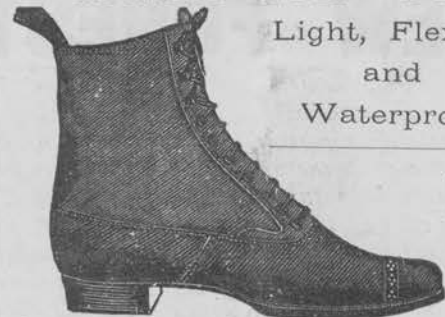
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