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FEBRUARY.

- Feb. 4.—Clacton-on-Sea : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Liverpool : Winter Optional Prize.  
Leicester : Monthly Medal.  
Birkdale : Monthly Medal.  
Manchester : Monthly Medal.  
Tooting : Monthly Medal.  
Lytham and St. Annes : Captain's Cup.  
London Scottish : Monthly Medal.  
Warwickshire v. Oxford University (at Oxford).  
Sheffield and District : Commander Smith's Medal.  
Bowdon : Monthly Medal.  
St. Neots : Ladies' Monthly Competition.  
Oxford University v. Warwickshire (at Oxford).
- Feb. 4 to 11.—Sheffield and District : Mr. Sorby's Prize.
- Feb. 7.—Carnarvonshire : Monthly Medal.  
Cornwall Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
Birkdale : Miss Burton's Ladies' Prize.  
Whitley : Wyndham Cup.  
County Down : Railway Cup.  
Royal Blackheath : Monthly Medal.
- Feb. 8.—Royal Epping Forest : Aggregate Competition.
- Feb. 9.—Cambridge University : St. Andrews Medal.  
Oxford University v. Coventry (at Oxford).  
Cotswold : Monthly Medal.
- Feb. 10.—Littlestone : Monthly Medal.
- Feb. 11.—Guildford : Monthly Handicap ("Bogey").  
Crookham : "Bogey" Competition.  
Weston-Super-Mare Ladies : Monthly Medal.
- Feb. 11.—Birkdale : Crowther Prize.  
Wilmslow : Boddington and Hanworth Cups.  
Cumbrae : Monthly Competition.  
Redhill and Reigate : Club Medal ; Annual Meeting and Dinner.  
Cambridge University v. Royal Epping Forest (at Cambridge).  
Oxford University v. Royal Ascot (at Ascot).  
Sutton Coldfield : Monthly Medal.  
West Herts : Monthly Handicap.
- Feb. 12.—County Down : Railway Cup.
- Feb. 13.—Cumbrae : Ladies' Competition.
- Feb. 14.—Taplow : Monthly Medal.  
West Cornwall : Monthly Medal.
- Feb. 16.—Wimbledon Ladies' : Monthly Medal (Second Class).  
Tyneside : Bi-Monthly Handicap.  
Cambridge University : The Barrow Medal.
- Feb. 17.—Pau : Gold Medal and St. Andrew's Cross.
- Feb. 18.—Dewsbury District : Monthly Medal.  
Guildford v. Oxford (at Guildford).  
Seaford : Monthly Medal.  
Birkdale : Pearson Prize.  
Willesden : Club Silver Medal.  
Ranelagh : Monthly Medal.  
Disley : Winter Silver Medal.  
Ealing : Monthly Medal.  
Cambridge University v. Richmond (at Cambridge).  
Sheffield and District : Captain's Cup.  
Oxford University v. Guildford (at Guildford).  
Nottingham : Monthly Medal.  
Hayling : Monthly Medal.
- Feb. 20.—Hayling : "Bogey" Competition.
- Feb. 21.—Wimbledon Ladies' : Monthly Medal (First Class).  
Birkdale : Captain's Ladies' Prize.  
County Down : Captain's Prize and Monthly Handicap.  
Royal Blackheath : Bombay Medal and Baker Cup.  
Hayling : Liddell Cup.
- Feb. 22.—Morecambe and Heysham Ladies : Club Prize Competition.
- Feb. 23.—Nottingham : Monthly Medal.
- Feb. 25.—Morecambe and Heysham Ladies : Club Prize Competition.  
Islay : Monthly Medal.  
Sidcup : Monthly Medal.  
Woodford : Captains' Prize (Final).  
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.  
Crookham : Monthly Medal.  
Weston-Super-Mare : Monthly Medal.  
Royal West Norfolk : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Cup ; Captain's Prize ; Monthly Medal.  
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Cambridge University v. Royal Cromer (at Cambridge).

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## MY FELLOW-GOLFERS.

## XV.—THREE POLITICIANS—"BUFFLES," "MUDDLER MIDDLETON," "DIOGENES."

"The word Politics," says that high authority, Mr. Pickwick, "comprises in itself a difficult study of no inconsiderable magnitude." Good 'orts, these—excellent 'orts; but to me—on-looking, observant—it always appears that the study which affords the widest scope is the politician himself—the law-maker, the man. What a field for observation, criticism, amusement, is here, whether the student be good-humoured, mirthful, or cynical, acrid, atrabililar!

Our club is fortified and blessed by the membership of several men who rejoice (although they mostly profess that they do nothing of the kind, and give themselves out as martyrs to duty) in writing themselves "M.P." One pillar of the Constitution I have mentioned already—my friend "Podge"; and to-day I will supplicate whatever cherub has the inestimable privilege of sitting up aloft and watching over the precious lives of members of Parliament, to aid me in a brief reference to two or three others of them.

"A bottle of sherry, a bottle of sham, a bottle of port, and a shass-caffy; it ain't so bad, hay, Pen?" said little Mr. Foker, on the celebrated occasion of his dinner at Chatteris to Mr. Arthur Pendennis; but it is on record that, while on the one hand he held up the port, winked at it with one eye, and declared it to be the right sort, on the other hand he pronounced the champagne to be "condemned gooseberry." Now I can think of no better term than this whereby to describe the politics of my friend, little "Buffles." They are just gooseberry—condemned gooseberry.

Thackeray tells us of Mr. Wenham that he was a true-blue Tory, and his father a small coal merchant in the North of England. If little, comical, fussy, nervous, kind-hearted, red-whiskered "Buffles" has not what the same famous author calls "a coal-scuttle in his escutcheon," at all events his pedigree cannot honestly be described as lost in the mists of a remote antiquity. No; "Buffles" has no connection with William the Conqueror, and no pedigree to lose; and it is a well-attested fact that his grandfather—good man—began life with a hand-barrow, and ended by selling tripe and (so-called) pork sausages in a narrow by-street in Manchester.

"Buffles" father was a pale-faced struggling tailor, and one of the most ardent Reformers and desperate Chartists and agitators of his day. He was very badly hurt by some soldiery in a political riot, and never forgave his wound, and never ceased to his dying day to rail at the oppressions of the rich and the vices of a pampered and bloated aristocracy. In these principles, and under these influences, our "Buffles" was brought up. The real leanings of his heart are all towards the toiling, struggling masses among whom his childhood was spent, and whose dumb misery and hopeless longings, and dangerous possibilities, and whose courage and endurance and neighbourly kindness also, he knows so well, and, if only he were free to go his own way, there is no doubt that he would be what Lavinia, his spouse, calls a "horrid, odious, vulgar, wicked Radical," and—an honest man.

But "Buffles" has become, unexpectedly, awfully rich by the death of an old uncle, and in his great prosperity he has married a strong-minded wife, with a commanding personality and sundry aristocratic relatives, and dear Lavinia's dream is of a great "position," and "social distinction," and "advantageous alliances," and what not, and is it likely that she would allow kindly, timid little "Buffles" to thwart her in so laudable an ambition? Ye gods, no!

So now there is the "M.P.," and the perfectly-appointed town house, and the capital dinners, and the "good society," and the clubs, and the invitations to meet great people, and so on, and so forth; and "Buffles'" daughters, who will both have very large portions, have "come out" and been "introduced," and it has even begun to be whispered about that one of them will shortly be engaged to a great nobleman, of the sort which Glowry the surgeon called "Jooks."

Now I appeal to an impartial and intelligent public, could any decent, self-respecting man and husband be or remain a Radical under such circumstances as these. Never! So poor "Buffles" has stifled his convictions and gone the whole

animal, and now professes the most *outré*, blood-curdling Conservatism imaginable; rallies heroically round the throne and the Constitution, ruffles it in a Court dress on *levée* days, talks of "pernicious agitators," "political incendiaries," "levelling doctrines," what not, and is an absolute Haman on the subject of the duty of Mordecai, and the rest of the lower orders touching their hats to him.

Dear "Buffles"! Of course the whole thing is quite too condemned gooseberry, but he thinks he has taken in the world very successfully, and he would be horror-struck if he could only hear the cynics and the rest of them calling him a confounded little hen-pecked impostor. Indeed, I shall never forget his face of terror and anger when Jones, who is not afraid of the face of man, and certainly not of the countenance of poor "Buffles," and who has caricatured him delightfully, said to him one day, in a tone of cutting raillery: "My poor 'Buffles,' what absolute, unmixed humbug it all is. Now do just be an honest man for once in your funny little life, and vote Gladstone."

Lavinia has ordered her "Buffles" to take to Golf, because he is sure in that way to come across desirable and eligible men. So besides his annual visits to us, the little man refreshes himself after his prodigious labours in Parliament by a weekly appearance at a certain well-known Metropolitan Golf links, dressed in a rather *prononcé* knickerbocker suit, and broadly smiling between his red whiskers. There his funny, fussy little calves twinkle harmlessly round the course, as he waves the fatuous driver and plies the ineffective iron. But the delight of his co-legislators and other fellow-golfers is to see him putt. After studying the ground on *both* sides of the hole with amazing seriousness, "Buffles" will stand in uffish thought over the sphere for some time, and finally give a short, jerky scoop, rising concurrently on the ball of the right foot, and kicking out the left leg as if he were in the act and article of executing a Highland fling. If he holes out, which he has been known to do occasionally, he gives a loud, delighted "Ha, ha!" beams round upon the sniggering caddie and the gratified on-lookers, and gets into such a state of elation and excitement that at the next tee he invariably misses the recalcitrant globe altogether at least twice. The jesters of the club are about to organise a match between "Buffles" and "Podge." When that immortal struggle does take place, may I not miss being one of the great crowd of laughing witnesses that is sure to attend it!

Yes, that match shall be duly recorded; but, meantime, of "Buffles" let enough now have been said, as those well-known golfers, Herodotus and Mr. H. S. C. Everard have it, and let us pass to "Muddler" Middleton, still remembered at Eton for his utter inability to pronounce the word "parallelogram," which he used to render "parallagum," and for his excruciating Latin verses, some of which are still quoted against him by the laughter-loving men of his day and generation. None of them have forgotten his famous pentameter,

"Oh dölör, dölör, misërabilè dÿctör"

nor his immortal rendering of the words "the flowing bowl brings joy into our feasts." Dear "Muddler," he was a worse speller than Col. Rawdon Crawley himself, and, searching laboriously for 'bowl' in his English-Latin dictionary, he came across what he thought was that word at last. There it was; all right, 'bowl.' So in due course the passage appeared thus

"Nos festinantes fluentia viscera gaudunt."

Now it will hardly be believed, and yet it is quite true, that this apparently perfectly dull-witted dog, who to this very day is utterly, crassly ignorant of all history and all literature, has developed the most admirable *business* aptitude, and that his name, which he could only just spell once, is one to conjure with in the City to-day. He has a great staff of clerks in his office in a horrid, dark, stuffy court, near St. Paul's, and fleets of ships, and large plantations in West-India Islands, and he keeps an eye on everything and guides the whole machine, and is simply marvellous at what old Mr. Osborne called "judicious speculations and that." The wealth he inherited from his people he has doubled, nay, quadrupled. Before long he will probably be one of the Governors of the Bank of England. He directs I don't know how many Companies and chairs innumerable public dinners. At these last and in Parliament, he

speaks briefly and to the point of the things he *does* know, and of them only, and is far too wise and canny and cautious in these days to make historical allusions and to run the risk of mixing up Charles the Second and the Spanish Armada, as he used to do at Eton.

I like to have a round with the "Muddler." He heartily enjoys being chaffed about his old-time blunders, and whenever he comes to grief in a bunker, or loses the hole by a fluke, I wink the other eye at him and say, with a melancholy wag of my head,

"Oh dōlōr, dōlōr, mīserābilē dīctū."

And finally, let us celebrate that handsome, listless, sprawling, long-legged, finished cynic, "Diogenes," a younger son of a great house, who, having what Mr. B. Newcome called a "*manche à son nom*," having enjoyed all the advantages of Harrow and Christchurch, and the best society, and the best clubs, of course, votes consumedly Radical at every possible opportunity, and gives himself out as a red-hot Republican.

"My dear chap," he says, "you may take it as quite certain that *all* politicians are liars. Everyone is playing for his own hand, and all this talk about good of the country, and pure patriotism, unselfish career, single-hearted devotion to duty, and that sort of thing, is just blanked nonsense, and only fit for newspapers and tombstones. Why do I vote Radical? Simply because I rebel against things as they are. Do you really suppose I care a lucifer match about Home Rule and one man one vote! Pooh! No, sirree, I don't see why I should live in lonely chambers on £700 a year, while Tom, my elder brother, and be hanged to him, has got the title and the *sestertia*, and what the guide-books call 'the noble castle,' and 'the glorious, undulating park, crowned with primæval oaks, and dotted with graceful deer, browsing among the fern.' Dash the graceful deer, and the old oaks too! Why should Tom have them more than me? The people and I are one about all that. They want what I've got, and I want what Tom's got, so they vote Radical, and so do I."

"Then politicians are really *all* liars," I said, thinking of one or two who have the general reputation of running pretty straight.

"Every man Jack of 'em," says "Diogenes," lighting a fresh cigar at £5 15s the hundred; "every one, from the fellows in office, who are looking out for still better berths, and for handles to their names, and P.C. and G.C.B., and all that, to the fellows who pose as true patriots, and lovers of their country, or of freedom, or some such balderdash, and take the chair at perfectly unnecessary meetings, and give public parks and churches, ha, ha! and put in heavy subscriptions to public objects, which they would much rather keep in their own pockets, and make oily speeches to a lot of unwashed, insolent, impudent—"

"Gad-a-mercy, Master Tony Fire-the-Fagot!" says I.

"Oh, I know, my dear chap, it doesn't sound over Radical, does it; but I tell you again that I am like the Smith of the Wynd, and fight for my own hand. I *hate* the working classes, with their noise, and their strikes, and their loathsome vulgarity, and their impertinence, and hecklings, and general aggressiveness; but they've got to be conciliated, and it happens to suit me to conciliate 'em, that's all. Cuss the working classes," he added, striking a fresh fusee on a jewelled match-box.

"And you admit that you are as complete a liar as any other politician," I said, laughing.

"*Absolument, mon cher*," he replied, "I've a particular set of lying, humbugging straws with which I tickle horny-handed artisans; but I wish 'em at the devil all the same, and if I could get what I want without the tickling, I'd leave off to-morrow. Ta, ta, take huge care of yourself," and off goes "Diogenes" to one of the half-dozen very select clubs which this red Republican adorns by his membership.

"Diogenes," affects to be just as cynical about the reasons for which men try to excel at Golf; but here, beloved reader, we may whisper into one another's confidential ear that he is certainly wrong. I appeal with confidence to the whole golfing fraternity. Who ever heard of *anyone* guilty of a paltry vanity in connection with the game, or striving to outdo his neighbours at this noble sport with the miserable ambition of getting his name up?

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(To be continued.)

## THE GENTLE ART OF SWAGGERING.

There is swagger and swagger. The individual who, if his self-sufficiency were subtracted, would, like George IV. when shorn of his waistcoats and under-waistcoats, reveal but a poor remnant of humanity, is not often to be met with—let us thank God for it. The haw-haw gentleman, too, who, by his strident tones or brazen effrontery, elbows smaller folk out of the way, is happily, also, not a very common type, and can generally be avoided. Then there is a large class of ordinary folk, who have more or less of swagger, assumed, maybe, to cover social deficiency—product of mannerism, or affectation, or nervousness, or what not. How few of us are entirely outside this almost all-embracing class; and how few of us are not really good fellows at heart, when trouble is taken to penetrate our veneer!

But I am not writing of any of the above; my object is different. I have the golfer in my mind's eye, and not only the golfer, but the cream of golfers. We all of us are cognisant of mock-modesty in all sorts of guises, except, perhaps, in a red coat. The wearer may be as modest as you please, in spite of his glaringness; yet no one can accuse him of modesty, because of his dress. Now, what I wish to know, before I proceed, is whether a red coat is a suitable garb for the golfer or not. Custom says that it is; it pleases the eye in itself; it warns pedestrians of the occupation of its wearer, and bids them stand aside if they value their safety; and it is a most becoming relief to a dreary landscape, if I offend not by saying that even a first-class Golf links may not necessarily be an object of surpassing beauty. If I am correct, then, in my premises, a red coat is becoming to the golfer and the landscape, and is useful to both. Therefore, let the habitual golfer without shame wear a red coat—Q.E.D.

Now I come to the gist of this article. It is observable that the budding golfer, unless he has more than his due share of swagger, does not wear a red coat; his modesty rightly forbids it. No one wishes to attract attention when he is trying to play Golf, but plays at agriculture instead. It is further observable that when a man ceases to be a tyro, if he is not over-modest, he takes unto himself a red coat, as who shall say, "I am a golfer." No one thinks him bumptious in so doing, and one more picturesque object is added to the landscape. But now comes a curious sequel. Our golfer having long ceased to be a tyro, and having jumped into or near the class which may be designated "scratch," immediately doffs his red jacket (unless he is a worthy exception to the general rule of stupid fashion), and becomes a swaggerer—of sorts—inoffensive though it be. The unwritten argument is something of this kind: "It was all very well wearing a red coat when I played a fair game, but now that I am in the first class it is an unnecessary appendage, and it looks like swagger!" My friend, it is nothing of the sort. When you took off that red coat, for the first time in your golfing career you were guilty of that mock-modesty which is none other than swagger. You are really not too good to wear a red coat, and you are setting a bad example. It will be a day to be deplored when the red coat is relegated to the smoking room, and ceases to warm the green.

I do not know how far a protest of this kind may do good. It was noticeable that at the Amateur Championship, held at Sandwich this year, not a single player wore a red coat. The example of our cracks has "caught on," and how deep down it may go I know not. But that the red coat may be restored to its proper place, and that a better example may be set by our leaders is the prayer of an

HON. SECRETARY.

GEORGE WATSON'S COLLEGE GOLF CLUB.—The fourth monthly competition of the club for the monthly charm and prizes was played on Saturday, over the Braids. Prize-winners:—1st, Mr. J. Oliver, 83, plus 3=86; 2nd, Mr. H. Macdonald, 110, less 12=98; 3rd, Mr. J. Brown, 106, less 6=100.



## Review.

GOLFING. By Horace Hutchinson. With illustrations. The "Oval" Series of Games. London: George Routledge & Sons. 1s.

This is a fascinating handbook for beginners, which has just been issued. Within the compass of 100 pages the author has successfully contrived to compress a great deal of interesting material for the benefit of all classes of players, the fruit of long and varied experience as a leading player over many links. Mr. Hutchinson discourses in that light, airy, pleasing style with which all readers of this journal are familiar, laying down rules for the guidance of beginners, not with an air of assertive dogmatism, but as one who has himself passed through the trying ordeal of novitiate before reaching the rank of one of our foremost players. He passes lightly in review the historical aspects of the game and the history of its evolution, until Golf has attained its present phase of deservedly widespread renown. A kind and tolerant word is spoken on behalf of the much cried-down disposition of some golfers to keep their scores on all occasions, whether playing badly or otherwise; and the vice of the "pot-hunter" is viewed as not a very heinous one after all. The suitability of the game for ladies and children is dwelt upon, and beginners are enjoined, when selecting clubs, to give a preference to stiff shafts rather than to supple ones, and to engage a professional teacher rather than an amateur in learning how to stand to the ball and to swing—hints with which all golfers of experience will concur. The advice to the beginner is practically summed up in these sentences:—

"Stand steadily on your feet. Let the swing be a harmony, the up-swing more slow than the down-swing, but in a certain relation to it. Keep your eye on the ball; let your arms swing well away out from the body as you draw the club back from the ball, and similarly as it comes down to the ball and after it has struck it. Grasp more tightly with your left hand than with the right. Let unessential motions, such as lifting the heel of the left foot off the ground and bending the left knee, follow the swing rather than be consciously made a part of it. Do not try to hit with so much force—that is to say, speed—as to be unable to control the direction of the club-head. When you first begin you will learn more by trying to get this swing correctly without a ball than you will with one. Practice at daisies on a lawn, but, if possible, always have a good golfer looking on to tell you of any faults. Then, when you begin hitting at the ball, you will naturally reproduce the swing without having to think about all its details. If you want to get on you must be thoughtful. Golf is not to be learned without an effort. If you have made a bad start, try to think where the error was, and have a few trial swings at a daisy to correct it. Equally, if you have made an unusually good one, try to reproduce it, so as to fix in your mind and muscles the means by which you achieved it. There is really much more fun and satisfaction to be got out of the game if you take it up in this earnest way than if you go at it in a slap-dash fashion. You will improve so much faster. Golf altogether is as much a matter of character and temperament as of eye and muscle. But do not study the details so much as to lose all sense of freedom. Keep the direction of the swing right, and keep your eye on the ball—these are the two big things you have to think of. Other details are less important, and may be taken up as you find you are going wrong in them. Do not sway your body, is a third maxim of first-rate importance, and if you transgress none of these three you cannot long go far wrong."

One of the best features of the book is the sound practical teaching which Mr. Hutchinson gives in the laying out of Golf courses. With Golf Clubs being formed almost every week, and playing over all kinds of ground, hints of this description were really much wanted. Since this journal was started the editor has received numerous applications for advice on this head from neighbourhoods anxious to form a Golf Club, but far from certain as to what the initial steps should be in order to prepare the ground, to allocate the distances between tee and hole, and to utilise to the best advantage the natural bunkers offered by the course. This chapter, by a golfer of experience, will therefore afford a good working basis on which the imperfectly initiated may proceed in their work. The book also contains chapters giving the history of the Open and Amateur Championships, a bird's-eye view of the principal Golf links of England and Scotland, with their distinctive peculiarities in the matter of hazards and the character of the soil; the styles of some well-known golfers are analysed and commented upon;

the professional golfer is also examined, and he is shown that by taking advantage of the boom in Golf to learn club-making, and by cultivating the citizenship virtues of honesty and sobriety, an opening for betterment is given to him which has not before been known. Two practical chapters on "Match Play" and "Handicapping" close a very readable and supremely serviceable volume.

One of the features of this book is the introduction of some fresh golfing portraits, evidently from instantaneous photographs. The frontispiece is a capital likeness of that grand and popular player, Douglas Rolland; there is another illustration in the centre of the book, showing us Mr. Laidlay, Mr. Hutchings, Mr. A. Stuart, Mr. W. de Zoete, and Mr. F. A. Fairlie, who is hitting a ball off the tee. For educational purposes, the swing of the last-named may be usefully contrasted with the concentrated energy of Mr. Leslie Balfour's on a subsequent page, showing, as both portraits do, how nearly similar results are attained by methods not quite akin.

One or two misprints have crept into the volume which ought to have been remedied. On page 48, "Willie Purle" is manifestly meant for old "Willie Park," and on page 51 the word "lie," seventh line from the bottom, should, of course, be "tee." On page 49, the statement that Musselburgh is still included in the rotation of greens for the Open Championship, is at variance with recent experience, and conflicts with the statement at the top of page 56. These are small blemishes, it is true, but in a book intended for popular guidance, it is just as well to be accurate as not.

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### ELTHAM GOLF CLUB.

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On Saturday last the fine old tapestry ball-room in the club-house was opened as a billiard-room with the simple ceremony of a four-handed game played between the captain, Mr. E. M. Protheroe, and the hon. secretary, Mr. T. J. Baillie, partnered against Mr. W. Richardson and Mr. A. S. Johnston, members of the committee, the latter proving as strong on the "green cloth" as on the green proper, and scoring an easy victory. On the same day the adjoining rooms were rendered available for smoking and cards, thus nearly completing all the contemplated internal arrangements of the house. The billiard table is a new one by Burroughes and Watts, with all the latest improvements.

As previously announced, the full membership of the club was reached some time ago, and there is now a considerable waiting list. The remaining seven holes will be ready for play very shortly, when a foursome tournament will be started for prizes presented by the president, the Hon. Algernon Grosvenor, and the captain, Mr. E. M. Protheroe, full particulars of which will be duly published.

A Ladies' Club has been formed on entirely separate links; and part of the club-house, completely cut off from the other rooms and with separate entrances from their links, has been set aside for their exclusive use, the full complement of one hundred members having been duly elected.

Mr. R. H. Hedderwick, of Dunclutha, Eltham, has been appointed hon. secretary to the Ladies' Club.

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### SEASCALE GOLF CLUB.

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A meeting of the members of this newly-formed club was recently held at the Seawell Hotel, Seascale. Among those present were—The Rev. Canon Bell (Muncaster), Rev. J. McConnell (Seascale), Mr. G. H. W. Harrison (Manx View), Mr. E. K. Fox (Pinchinthorpe Hall, Yorkshire), Mr. E. E. Turner (Ponsonby Hall), Mr. J. D. Watson (Carlton Green), Mr. S. L. Burns-Lindow (Irtton Hall), and Mr. H. L. Fox (Sella Bank).

The Rev. Canon Bell was voted to the chair, and the following office-bearers were elected:—President, Lord Muncaster; captain, Earl of Erroll; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. Herbert L. Fox; committee, Lord Muncaster, Earl of Erroll, Rev. Canon Bell, Sir Henry Pottinger, Bart., Mr. E. E. Turner, Mr. G. H. W. Harrison, Mr. S. L. Burns-Lindow, Rev. J. McConwell, and Mr. H. L. Fox.

It was stated that there were fifty-six members of the club. After some discussion, an entrance fee of one guinea, with an annual subscription of two guineas were agreed upon. It was stated that the course, which has been planned by Willie Campbell, of Bridge-of-Weir, and is said to be a very sporting one, was rapidly being completed. A hearty vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the proceedings.

## THE NOTTS GOLF CLUB.

In accordance with a resolution adopted at the annual meeting of the Notts Golf Club, on the 13th ult., reported in our last issue, Tom Dunn, professional to the Tooting Bec Golf Club, went down to Bulwell Forest, Nottingham, last Thursday and laid out a new links. The professional report is entirely favourable; indeed, Dunn is of opinion that that as an inland green Bulwell Forest possesses qualifications second to none. Among the most notable features which it presents are the number of natural hazards, and the large extent of undulating ground.

A course of eighteen holes was planned; but in the meantime, and until the long round is completed, it is intended to play over a course of nine holes, which has been formed out of the eighteen. The following description will show what players will have to contend with in negotiating the various hazards through the green.

The first hole is a long one with whins on either side of the course, and requires two drives and an iron. The approach is over whins, the hole being situated short of a sandy road. The second hole, which has also whins on either side, takes a drive and an iron. A bunker runs right across the approach. This hole is prettily situated on table land. The third is over a valley with whins right and left, and takes a drive and an iron to reach. The fourth hole is a full shot, with whins and a road to contend with. The fifth can be reached with a drive and an iron, the hole being on uprising ground. The sixth is a long hole and takes two drives and an iron, with whins on the left of the line of play and a sandy road running parallel on the right. The seventh is a drive and a short iron, with whins on either side of the course, and a road immediately at the back of the putting-green. The eighth hole, although only a drive, is very sporting, a ravine about 100 yards wide having to be crossed. Woe to the player who tops his ball, as at the bottom of the ravine there are deep cart ruts. The putting-green is nearly surrounded with whins. Driving for the ninth, this ravine has to be re-crossed, and the hole is a long one, requiring two drives and an iron. The tenth, although only an iron shot, may certainly claim to be one of the most sporting holes to be met with in Golf. Several deep grassy hollows have to be crossed, and on the left of the hole is an old sand-pit, whilst immediately at the back of the putting-green is a large and deep bunker, which might fitly be termed "the Precipice," or "Hell." The tee for the eleventh is on the brink of the sand-pit, which extends about 50 yards across. There is also a bed of whins on either side of the course. This hole requires a drive and a short iron. Turning homewards, the side of the next hole (which is about the same distance as the preceding one), reminds one of rugged Highland scenery. The thirteenth is the longest hole in the round, and will come as a relief to the less experienced golfer after the difficulties met with in the preceding holes, the driving being through a long valley devoid of hazards until the approach to the hole is reached, when skill is again essential in order to cross a deep sandy cutting, and avoid a large bunker to the right of the hole, situated on a plateau partly surrounded with whins.

The carry for the fourteenth is over a ravine fully a hundred yards wide, the bank on the opposite side, which is steep, being dotted here and there with whins. It requires a full drive from the tee to land on the putting-green. The next hole is barely a full drive, but requires a very correct shot to clear a long, straggling bunker close to the hole, an over-driven ball being punished in the whins beyond. The sixteenth hole lies in a basin, but the difficulty is to get to it, as, although it is only a short iron stroke, there is a road to cross with a bunker on the left, whins on the right, and steep sloping ground at the back. This part of the land lies high, and the country can be seen for miles around. The seventeenth is all down-hill, with whins and a road intervening. It takes a drive and an iron to reach the putting-green. The last hole is all up-hill, with whins on either side of the course. It is about the same distance as the last mentioned. A neat wire-wove pavilion has been erected close to the station and the home hole.

The Notts Golf Club is certainly to be congratulated upon having acquired such splendid sporting links.

**BURNTISLAND.**—The links medal was the object of competition, both on Wednesday and Saturday, and the contest was keen. Scores were uniformly good, there being an unusual number of ties. The following were the principal:—Mr. J. Blyth, 70, less 4=66; Mr. J. Begg, 76, less 8=68; Mr. H. Addison, 80, less 10=70; Mr. W. Addison, 79, less 8=71; Mr. A. Lyon, 78, less 7=71; Mr. W. Elder, 76, less 5=71; Mr. J. C. Wallace, 74, less 2=72; Mr. R. Garrie, 82, less 10=72; Mr. J. W. Connel (scratch), 72; Mr. H. Philip, 76, less 4=72; Mr. W. Duncan, 71, plus 1=72; Mr. T. Gibb (scratch), 72; Mr. T. J. Potts, 88, less 15=73; Mr. J. Adamson (scratch), 73.

## THE RED COAT.

THE wearing of what the Conservators of Wimbledon Common have vaguely described, in their recent bye-law for the regulation of Golf, as "an outer garment of red," has for a long time fallen into desuetude, especially in Scotland. To inquire the reason why, in the home of Golf itself, this recognised distinctive badge of the tribe of golfers should have been discarded would be to open up a wide field of investigation, affecting largely the habits and characteristics of the widespread class who now play Golf. One obvious cause for its disappearance, however, in the North may be indicated. The provision of a red coat meant the adding of a couple of pounds to the annual outlay on the player's favourite game. At one time in the history of the sport the wearing of "a club uniform" was obligatory on all members of Golf Clubs; but at that time the bulk of the players were the landed gentry, the advocates, the highly-placed Government officials, and the well-to-do professional classes. Balls in those days were five shillings apiece; travelling between Edinburgh and St. Andrews or Musselburgh was laborious and costly, and could only be undertaken by men with ample leisure. Then there was the dinner and the wine after the game was over, and if the losses on matches be added, it will be seen that the cost of a very ordinary day's outing came to £5 or £6. The game was one essentially under the dominion of the classes; so far the masses were mere outpost skirmishers. But when in 1848 that great revolution took place in Golf by the introduction of the gutta-percha ball, and the consequent cheapening of the sport, the barrier which had made Golf the almost exclusive appanage of wealth was cast down, and the democracy marched into the citadel, so to speak, with tuck of drum and banners flying. But though the basis of the fabric was broadened and strengthened, some of the venerated traditions surrounding the institution were cast aside, and one of these was the disappearance of the red coat. Many of the in-coming players naturally argued that it cost money to buy a red coat, trimmed with buff or blue, and mounted with brass buttons, while the wearing of it did not add to the length of the drive nor to the certainty of holing out. Possibly "the missus" lodged a prior claim to the utilisation of the funds for a new Sunday gown to herself, or shoes and stockings for the children, and "the mister" was, perhaps, not proof against the gibing sarcasm of a female tongue with its edge set, nor at the prospect of being hectorred and worried every time he sallied out to play a match in a red coat. So the golfer's red jacket has led a lean and precarious existence in the North; the well-worn and strangely assorted misfits of the wardrobe have been husbanded and utilised instead; and one of the oldest and most picturesque traditions of the game, extinguished by callous neglect in Scotland, is now being fostered and maintained by the rising band of young, energetic, and enthusiastic golfers south of the Tweed.

It has been pointed out more than once in the correspondence columns that not a red coat was to be seen among the competitors in the last Amateur Championship. Some correspondents have drawn from this fact the inference that the wearing of the red coat is now only the peculiar prerogative of the long handicap player—of the man who, so to say, began to play Golf only yesterday. But if this canon of hasty criticism is to be applied to "the exterior garment" of a player in order to allocate his class or fitness, then the scratch golfer, or the golfer who owes, is to be picked out from among the golfers of gay plumage by the superlative seediness



of his appearance. This, of course, would never do, for the virtue lies not in the coat, but in the wielder of the clubs; and while there are many players to be met with wearing red coats who can give long odds to the player clothed in "remanets" and hardly to be distinguished in appearance from a professional, so the converse is equally true. All that can be said is that there is a good deal of conscious or unconscious "swagger" on both sides. The player with the red coat may trust more to outward magnificence for effect on the spectator than to real ability in handling the clubs; the other player, with reason to be proud of his play, may wish, and may seek, to emphasise a tacitly assumed distinction between two classes of players—may wish to lend the authority of personal approval to a currently accepted, but erroneous, impression among a large class that the player with the red coat is a duffer. But let us see which of the two classes has authority on his side, which corresponds more nearly in upholding the former traditions of the game.

The golfing dress of the old Scottish golfer was a round blue Scottish bonnet, like a Tam O'Shanter, a red coat, and knee breeches, with shoes and buckles. So much, at all events, the old portraits of celebrities in past days show us, especially the golfers belonging to the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers. The wearing of the golfer's dress was rigorously exacted in those days by the imposition of pains and penalties, for we find that on November 16th, 1776, there is an entry in the above Company's minutes to this effect—"This day Lieut. James Dalrymple, of the 43rd Regiment, being convicted of playing five different times at Golf without his uniform, was fined only in six pints, having confessed the heinousness of his crime." But Lieut. Dalrymple was evidently of opinion that the crime was far from being expiated at the cost of six pints of claret, for the captain humorously adds a note, "At his own request he was fined of three pints more." Again, under date May 31st, 1788, it was decreed that "every member of the Society shall dine in his uniform at every public meeting of the club, and play in the uniform when they appear on the links." On the 3rd June, 1837, the medal was played for at Musselburgh, and "Mr. John Wood was fined 'two tappit hens' for appearing on the links without a red coat." The golfers at St. Andrews on 4th August, 1780, "took into consideration the question that their golfing jackets are in bad condition, and agreed to have new ones—red, with yellow buttons." In 1790 and 1793 the Bruntsfield Links Golf Club "agreed to appoint a caddie to attend the captain 'clothed at the expense of the Society'"; and in 1824 Douglas McEwan, the son of the club-maker, "was appointed to carry the captain's clubs on the Saturdays." When Peter McEwan was appointed club-maker to the Society on 30th January, 1819, "a committee was appointed to see him provided with a proper coat and uniform suitable to the Society, and to which there would be attached a very handsome present of a badge voluntarily offered by Bailie Tullis." On the 12th June, 1790, the Edinburgh Burgess Golfing Society, which was instituted in 1735, passed a minute stating that in future the members of the society "shall wear an uniform as is universally done by other societies of golfers, and that the uniform be a scarlet jacket, black neck, and badge." The old Innerleven Club also declared that the uniform of the players should be "King Charlie's tartan" (they must have been lingering adherents of the Stuart cause!); and members were not allowed to play for the medal or for any other prizes except in the uniform of the club. Resolutions were also passed declaring that members should dine in their club uniforms. Here then we have well authenticated

evidence to show that the practice of wearing the red coat was widely established and pretty rigorously enforced. Even professionals of the old school wore red coats, and Allan Robertson's red jacket was as well known on St. Andrews Links as any of the familiar marks in the landscape. But a society of golfers had no more power to ensure the preservation of the red coat among golfers than the Legislature had power 500 years ago to ensure the sale of commodities at a fixed and invariable price for all time coming. The taste and inclination of the Scottish golfer have been opposed to the red coat, and hence it has fallen on evil days in the North. But no one can say that there was not wisdom as well as policy in the efforts of our golfing forefathers to press home the utility of the "outer garment of red." It was picturesque and distinctive; it was useful in order to secure the attention of the non-golfing public. The societies we have quoted played on the old Leith links, Musselburgh, Bruntsfield, and St. Andrews—places largely shared in for recreative purposes by the community as a whole. The red coat, therefore, marked out the players and the non-players, and the danger to the pedestrian was as far as possible eliminated from the chances of the game. Even the Conservators of Wimbledon Common have recognised this fact, and since the beginning of December all golfers at Wimbledon have been obliged to wear red jackets on pain of being prohibited by the Common rangers from playing altogether. What is the result? Players and the public alike see at a glance who is playing Golf; the danger of being struck by a ball is much less acute; and certainly the ever-circling army of red-coated players is a pleasing and exhilarating element in the surrounding landscape. On all sides, therefore, though it may be tabooed by aspirants for Amateur Championship honours, there is much to be said for the universal adoption of the red coat, both in point of picturesqueness and comfort—considerations which are only heightened if one goes, for example, to the Braids on a summer Saturday afternoon, and watches the toiling, perspiring golfers arrayed in a hard billycock hat and a tight-fitting Sunday black coat.

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#### WALLASEY GOLF CLUB.

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The annual meeting of the Wallasey Golf Club took place in Liverpool on Monday, and was largely attended. The treasurer gave a very satisfactory report of the finances of the club, and with the new club house, now open, and the links in constantly improving condition, the members look forward to a most successful coming season.

On the retirement of Captain R. W. Brown (the club's first and much-esteemed captain), Mr. James Cullen was elected unanimously to the post of captain for 1893, and Mr. G. R. Cox, jun., reappointed hon. treasurer, and Mr. Walter Roughton also re-elected hon. secretary. The new members of council elected to fill the places of the three retiring members were Messrs. R. W. Brown, Gould Smythe, and S. W. Anderson.

A cordial vote of thanks to the retiring captain, Mr. R. W. Brown, was unanimously passed, with a warm expression of appreciation for the great services he had rendered in bringing the club to its present remarkable degree of prosperity.

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Last Wednesday evening, January 25th, the hundred and twenty-fourth anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns was celebrated with the usual *perfervidum ingenium Scotorum*, which includes haggis, drams, and orations in praise of the immortal Robby, *ad infinitum*. A very eloquent speech was that of Mr. Lewis M'iver at the Edinburgh Burns Club. A very ominous one was that of the Rev. Alexander Webster, who, in proposing "Burns Clubs all over the World," is thus reported:—"There was room, he said, for more of these. He understood that there was a great increase of Golf Clubs everywhere—(applause)—which were no doubt beneficial from a physical point of view; but all over the world men required to be kept also in an intellectual and moral state of health, and assuredly one means that would conduce to that end would be the multiplication of Burns Clubs." We rub our eyes. What! Does the popularity of Golf threaten to throw that of Burns into the shade? Evidently the memory of the national bard is not being kept in proportion to the progress of the national game, and Scotsmen must look out. It used to be the Psalms of David and the songs of Burns that were the indispensables for right living. Now, according to Bishop Webster, Golf and Burns make a man perfect physically, intellectually, and morally. Halt, then, ye builders of Golf clubs, and run up a Burns club at the same time, or your work is defective, "intellectually and morally." This is what we have come to.

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There are other institutions that seem to be alarmed at the progress of Golf. We have it on good authority that the Edinburgh Queen's Rifle Volunteer Brigade, which last year had two hundred non-efficient in its ranks, ascribes the fact to the difficulty of getting members to attend Saturday drills, so many being golfers, and preferring Golf to Volunteer duty. This is serious, and if it goes on we may hear of a revival of the old Acts of the Scots Parliament prohibiting Golf as an "unprofitable sport," that archery, which was needed for the defence of the country against England, might be practised. On Saturday, January 21st, a very large meeting was held in Lincoln's Inn Hall to consider the difficulty of keeping up the Inns of Court Volunteer Corps, known as "The Devil's Own," for want of recruits. The battalion, despite its title, is highly respectable, and it is to be hoped it may overcome its difficulties and keep up its old renown. We have not heard, but we should not be surprised if Golf had also something to do with this crisis in the Volunteer Corps of the Inns of Court.

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The reappearance of Mr. J. E. Laidlay on his old familiar green at North Berwick has been looked upon with perhaps more interest than will await the promulgation of the new Home Rule Bill of the Government, for the player is the despairing hope of North Berwick in the near future of Golf. Mr. Laidlay has had several rounds of the green lately with Ben Sayers, and on the whole the professional had the best of it, one of his rounds being 70, 29 for the inward part of the journey being the score.

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In a single, on Saturday, with Mr. Leslie Balfour, at North Berwick, Mr. J. E. Laidlay completed the round in the phenomenally low score of 68. Mr. Laidlay's game was almost

faultless, and he beat his opponent, who was somewhat off his play, rather easily. At the Trap he had a lucky 2, holing from an iron shot; but at the Quarry Out he had an awkward stymy, otherwise he might have reduced his score by a stroke. Another stymy at the Pit was dead, and this he easily holed for his stroke game. Mr. Laidlay's only apparent slackness was at the High Bent, where a doubtful 3 was converted into a 5 owing to his being rather strong on the green, and then missing a short putt. The details of this unusually fine score were as follows:—Out, 3 5 4 2 4 4 4 3 4 4=37; In, 3 3 5 4 4 5 4 3=31; total, 68. In a second round in the afternoon, Mr. Laidlay again showed first-rate form; but Mr. Balfour was also in his best playing mood, and the latter ultimately won the afternoon game by a hole. Mr. Balfour finished the round in 72, and Mr. Laidlay in 74.

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The opening of the season finds golfers much more active in the West than in the East of Scotland, where almost the only event has been the reappearance of Mr. Laidlay. On Saturday, January 21st, in the Glasgow Club competition in Alexandra Park, fifty-one couples played, the best score being that of Mr. A. M'Lean, 78. At Prestwick twenty-two couples played, the best scratch score, Mr. A. Boon, 83; Mr. S. Armstrong scored 88 scratch in a good field of the Bearsden Club. At Cambuslang, Mr. A. Porteous had an 89, and at Dumbarton the silver medal was won by Mr. William Craig, who had 3 to deduct off a good score of 85. The Greenock Club have resolved to extend the present limit of membership which is 160, so great is the demand for admission on the part of the citizens of Sugaropolis. The greatest nuisance to the golfer thereabout is rain, which falls so copiously that "a duck with an umbrella" up has been suggested for the city's coat of arms, but the spirits of the golfers seem never to be damped, there being always a good many forward for the monthly medal play. Good scores are not yet forthcoming, but the Craigs is rather a stiff green for making a record on. At Skelmorlie, further "doon the water," there is a lively little club presided over by the parish minister, Mr. Lamond. Though near the sea, it is not a sandy course, but hilly, and the scoring here is also generally high. A good many ladies play the game under the auspices of the Skelmorlie Club.

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Among the Golf clubs of East Lothian "Golf suppers" seem to be becoming the fashion, the Bass Rock and the Dunbar Castle having both recently been negotiating these new departures. At the former Mr. A. Hogg presided, and Provost Brand at the latter, and both meetings, with songs and toasts, seem to have been so enjoyable, that we need not be surprised to hear of the spread of the infection.

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Under Somerville the Dunbar course, long notable for its roughness, seems to be rapidly improving, so much so that we may hear of Mr. Laidlay's 78, and the 77 of Ben Sayers and Mr. W. T. Armour, being beaten next season. At the supper of the Castle Club, referred to above, it was mentioned that "since the end of March last the club record, which stood for many years at 87, had been broken in club competitions seven times, no less than four being by Mr. W. Duncan, whose score of 81 in April now stands as the record of the club.

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"It is very interesting," says "Argus," "to read the article by Mr. Everard in last week's GOLF, regarding Mr. F. G. Tait, and to compare the same with your Tee-shot of date December 9th, 1892, GOLF, p. 302, in which you say, 'Perhaps Scotland's most hopeful player is Mr. F. G. Tait, if only his regimental duties would permit him to practise sufficiently.' On this text Mr. Everard's article is an excellent commentary. In the *Saturday Review*, January 14th, in a notice of 'Golf in 1892,' the writer (who we should suppose is either Mr. Everard or the —) takes the same view of Mr. Tait, whom he describes as 'almost as powerful a driver as Mr. Blackwell, and better at the rest of the game,' and then goes on to say, 'Mr. Tait's turn assuredly will come if his military duties permit his entering reasonably frequent appearances.' From GOLF, January

13th, we notice that this 'coming man' made a record for the County Down green of 76. The Leinster Regiment claims to be the owner of young Tait, who, according to the report of the competition, 'if he improves much upon 76, will prove a veritable Saul amongst Irish players.'

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The following paragraph is from the article in the *Saturday Review* to which we have referred:—"An interesting statement has recently been made by a learned lecturer in Dundee, who is reported to have said in the course of an address upon the people of New Guinea, that nothing is more striking than their affection for their children, 'who indulged in games well known and practised in this country, such as hide-and-seek, Golf, and shinty.' One is familiar with museums containing assegais, knobkerries, 'groanmakers' (to quote Mr. Haggard), and similar unpleasant objects of vice; but hitherto the Golf club *Cambuca vulgaris* has not been of the number. One would like a little more information on the subject. What are the clubs like, and the links? On the occasion of a badly-cupped ball, or of a stimy, what are the 'swear words' most in vogue in the Papuan tongue? and is the game played on Sundays? Or—Sir Thomas Browne was content 'to carry a wary eye' in reading 'Paulus Venetiis' his travels—is there any lurking possibility of a mistake anywhere? Is this, in fine, merely to be regarded as the latest addition to the sufficiently voluminous catalogue of 'travellers' tales?'"

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To the magazine articles already mentioned we may add as worthy of inclusion under the Bibliography of Golf, an article by Mr. W. E. Norris, entitled "The Apotheosis of Golf" in *The Century Illustrated Monthly Magazine* Vol. XLIV. No. 4, August, 1892, with drawings by H. D. Nichols. The article was reviewed in GOLF, Vol. IV. page 340.

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Sir Walter Simpson, whose name, owing to ill health, is not now heard of in golfing competitions, still keeps up his interest in the game, and only last year a new edition of his "Art of Golf" with additional remarks, was published. A few days ago a deplorable gun accident happened to his two boys aged ten and twelve years respectively, the latter in shooting at some birds having accidentally shot the younger. Professor Chiene was sent for, and the lad is under his care. Golfers will sympathise deeply with Sir Walter and Lady Simpson, and will sincerely hope that the accident will not have fatal results. Ballabraes, near Eyemouth, is now the residence of the Baronet and his family, and it was there that the accident happened.

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It seems that a correspondent of the *Yorkshire Post* has been suggesting the formation in Yorkshire of a Golf Union, to look after the interests of the game. What does he mean? Does he wish to rule the game from Yorkshire as is now done from St. Andrews? If so, we would have confusion worse confounded. No; let there be an International Golf Union, and let Yorkshire and every other county be represented at its council; but the suggested formation of a County Union for Yorkshire makes more of Golf Home Rule than of Golf Union.

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The Amateur Championship is fixed to take place at Prestwick on Tuesday, May 9th, when the trophy, value £100, and four medals will be played for.

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Happily for the active spirits who must have exercise of some kind, hunting is not the only resource in the way of sport at Pau, and the "Plaine" and the tennis court have afforded a means of working off superfluous energy. The tennis court has been well patronised during the late frost, and on a recent Sunday afternoon there was quite a "gallery" assembled in the dedans to witness a match between the leader of Her Majesty's Opposition in the House of Commons, the Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, and Mr. J. M. Post. Among those looking on were Mr. and Mrs. F. Maude, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Morgan, Mrs. Levita, Mr. Claud Levita, Mr. T. G. King, Hon.

T. Legh, M.P., Mr. Julian Steele (Coldstream Guards), Major J. L. and Mrs. Cecil Anstruther, Mrs. W. Kingsland, Mrs. Morris Post, Miss Kane, the Misses Hatch, Miss Berners, Miss Craigie-Halket, Colonel Talbot-Crosbie, Mr. G. Harrison, M. A. de Lasseuse. The first set fell to Mr. Balfour, the second to Mr. Post, and the final, after a very close fight—"deuce" and "advantage" being called over and over again by the marker—to Mr. Post. The expense of the game is generally given as the principal reason for the comparatively few tennis players there are, but at Pau it can be played at a very moderate cost—an abatement of 100fr. a month giving the right to play every day. The court is an excellent one, and every possible convenience in the shape of dressing and bath rooms is provided.

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The end of the Pau v. Biarritz Golf match has been announced. The first match resulted in a tie, and, on playing it off, Pau proved the victors by four holes. Biarritz did not think it possible that Mr. Horace Hutchinson could be beaten; but beaten, and well beaten, he and his partner, Mr. Hambro, were by Mr. R. Boreel and Mr. J. Low, both of whom were in capital form on the deciding day. The Post medal and the Anstruther shield were played for last week, and won respectively by Mr. Sydney Platt and Mr. H. G. Ross.

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John Hunter, on Saturday, established a record for the links of Prestwick St. Nicholas Golf Club as follows:—Out 5 4 5 4 5 5 4 3 4=39 In—5 3 4 4 5 5 4 4 3=37; total 76.

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Playing with Mr. D. Templeton on Prestwick St. Nicholas Links the other day, Dr. Rowand, Ayr, holed the eleventh, the short hole, in one stroke.

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21,994. Improvements in Golf clubs.—Geo. Jamieson & Co., 4, St. Ann's Square, Manchester.

22,206. Apparatus for use in playing Golf.—J. H. Brighouse, 42, Portland Street, Southport.

22,220. Improvements in boots and shoes for athletic purposes.—A. Ainsworth, Denton Road, Hooley Hill, Manchester.

22,456. A new or improved marker or scorer for the game of Golf.—John Burman Woollaston, 7, Staple Inn, London.

23,509. Case for carrying Golf clubs.—Chas. Bell, 12, Delahay Street, Westminster.

24,123. A new or improved portable folding bracket-rack for Golf and other balls, also for other articles.—F. Geo. St. Wiche, 16, Charing Cross, London.

#### ROYAL DUBLIN GOLF CLUB.

The annual general meeting of the club was held on Wednesday last, when the hon. treasurer submitted his account, showing the club to be in a flourishing condition, and the hon. secretary his report, both being unanimously adopted. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Press for publishing reports of matches, &c. The following were elected as office-bearers for 1893:—President, Mr. John Lumsden; captain, Mr. Geo. C. May; hon. secretary, Mr. J. W. Peisley White; hon. treasurer, Mr. Vernon Kyrke. Committee:—Mr. John Brown, Mr. R. H. Charles, Mr. David Christie, Mr. F. E. Cumming, Mr. Serjeant Dodd, Q.C., Mr. W. Hone, Mr. John Lumsden, jun., Mr. Walter Keating, Major-General Moncrieff, Mr. John Petrie, Mr. J. H. S. Russell, and His Honour Judge Shaw.

On Saturday next a competition will take place for a prize presented by the captain of the club.





THE WALLASEY GOLF CLUB.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I regret to notice several inaccuracies, which I trust you will allow me to correct, in your account of the opening meeting of the Wallasey Golf Club.

Our links can scarcely be said to be near Leasowe, though our farthest hole does reach within a mile of Leasowe Castle. Our club-house and starting point to the first hole is within three minutes' walk of the Wallasey Railway Station, on the Wirral Railway, and is thus within twenty minutes' journey from Liverpool.

Our greenkeeper does not live on the club premises, and has nothing to do with the club-house, but suitable dwelling accommodation has been provided for the club steward and servants.

I may mention that the council, in making provision for the comfort of members, omitted, through ignorance of the existence of such valuable pieces of furniture, to provide the articles described by your correspondent as "clothes drying chairs," a good substitute, however, has been provided in the shape of a *drying-room*, and we trust it may serve the purpose equally well.

I am, Sir, &c.,

WALTER ROUGHTON,  
Hon. Secretary.

Liverpool, January 30th.

THE COTSWOLD LINKS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—During my holiday jaunt this autumn, I put up at the Unicorn Hotel, Stow-on-the-Wold, for a few days, and being a keen golfer. I asked the landlord of the house whether there were any Golf links near. He promptly said; "Just across the road, sir, are the Cotswold Golf Club links." So I got the keys of the gate, which was opposite the stable-yard door, and had a walk round. I did not play because I was not a member, and not knowing anyone in the club I could not get permission; but I am sure from what I have heard of the popular secretary that he would have "franked" me round the course. I do not profess to be a first-class golfer, but I think I may say I am one of the next lot, and qualified to judge of links. The course, as I found, is a seven-hole one, played three times round, viz. twenty-one holes (this I got from an intelligent caddie, looking for balls, whom I met on the links). The first teeing ground is just outside the lawn tennis ground, and the first hole lies in a valley about 230 yards away. A wall about 170 yards from the tee forms a hazard, with a pit on the right, but also one must drive straight, because if the ball is "sliced," it would land over a wall into a field with a very rough lie. The second hole, about 240 yards off, has as a hazard some trees about forty yards away from the tee, but there is an opening of about thirty yards to allow for straight driving. The third is only a cleek shot with a wall about 110 yards from the tee, the

rest is easy going. The fourth is quite a sporting hole (about 270 yards) from the tee; 140 yards away is a ditch with a high hedge; and tall trees every thirty or forty yards apart; it requires a good drive to carry it. I must mention that from tee to hole seems to be on a level, but the hedge and ditch are in a valley about forty feet deep. The fifth hole, about 170 yards, one tees up sixty yards from a wall. Ten yards or so from the putting-green are large pits covered with short grass. The sixth tee is about thirty yards from a wall, and the rest is plain sailing provided you keep straight (about 310 yards). The seventh is a real sporting hole (about 220 yards). From the tee at a distance of say 140 yards, there is a big pit covered with grass with a stone quarry on the left, a wall and high hedge as well. Once over you are on a very fine large tennis ground. The greens are beautifully level and exceedingly well kept. I do not know whether the club is in a flourishing condition, but if it is not, it ought to be, because the links are for inland ones the most sporting I have seen, and I hope when I am in the neighbourhood again I may get permission to play over them. I always like to see good links mentioned, especially in a valuable paper like yours, in order that one should know, if he is near that part, where to enjoy the best game on earth.

I am, Sir, &c.,

HARCOURT GREY.

"THE GOLF GREENS OF SCOTLAND."

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Until my attention was called to it by a friend, I had not noticed your question regarding the publication of the etchings from my drawings of "The Golf Greens of Scotland," otherwise I would have replied sooner.

I am pleased to tell you that the publication has not been abandoned, but, on the other hand, to tell you that the plates, twenty in number, are now all but completed, and I hope to have them in the hands of the printer almost immediately.

The proof copies—£5 5s. per set of twenty—are now well subscribed for, and as they will be issued in the order in which they are subscribed for, in order to avoid disappointment, I shall be pleased if any of your readers desirous of subscribing will communicate with me. As soon as ready, I shall be pleased to send you a special set of proofs for opinion, which I trust will be favourable.

Thanking you for the very kindly interest you have shown in this matter.

I am, Sir, &c.,

13, Brunswick Street,  
Hillside, Edinburgh.  
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JOHN SMART.

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ARDEN GOLF CLUB.

The final for the club cup was played off on Saturday, January 28th, when all the eleven winners (Mr. A. G. Tonks having won twice) put in an appearance. The weather was fortunately fine, though a strong south wind was blowing, and Mr. E. P. Wright's score was certainly a very good one, and his victory was extremely popular. The Rev. G. W. Barnard and Mr. J. F. Wright tied for the second prize. The following were the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. E. P. Wright ...	99 14 85	Mr. O. Airy ...	100 6 94
Rev. G. W. Barnard ...	95 6 89	Mr. A. E. Wilson-	
Mr. J. F. Wright ...	104 15 89	Browne ...	106 8 98

The other players were over 100 net, or made no returns.

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS GOLF CLUB.

The annual dinner of the above club was held at the Calverley Park Hotel, Tunbridge Wells, on the 27th ult., at which the names of the winners of prizes given for the four best gross scores, and the four best net, in monthly medal competitions were announced. The names of those with the next best scores were also given.

GROSS.			
Mr. W. E. Hughes ...	...	91 92 86 90=	359
Mr. T. Hyde ...	...	92 88 88 93=	361
Mr. H. A. Curteis... ..	...	92 89 91 93=	365
Rev. A. T. Scott ...	...	91 98 89 89=	367
Mr. Lanford Andrews ...	...	91 91 92 93=	367

NET.			
Rev. A. Meyrick ...	...	79 79 82 86=	326
Mr. H. A. Curteis ...	...	81 82 84 88=	335
Mr. W. E. Hughes ...	...	85 86 80 84=	335
Mr. L. Midgley ...	...	93 85 81 81=	340

On Saturday, the 28th ult., the play for the January monthly medal took place. The weather was most unfavourable, as the wind was very high and cold, and the greens had by no means recovered from the effects of the recent frost and rains. The scoring was therefore uncommonly high, though had some of the smaller handicap men held on, they would easily have secured the Yewhurst clubs, which fell to the ex-captain with the tallish score of 100. The general meeting was held in the afternoon, at which Mr. T. Hyde, a deservedly popular member of committee and a thorough good sportsman all round, was elected captain for 1893, and the Rev. A. T. Scott, and Messrs. H. A. Curteis and Norman Grieve were elected to fill vacancies on the committee. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. T. Percy Fox... ..	109 23 86	†Mr. H. Jeddere-	
†Rev. A. Meyrick... ..	103 14 89	Fisher ...	100 6 94
Mr. P. J. Andrews... ..	102 11 91	Mr. J. F. Gordon ...	106 12 94
Mr. L. Andrews ...	110 18 92	Mr. A. T. Simpson ...	119 24 95
Lt.-Colonel J. L. St.		Mr. A. D. Stevenson ...	114 15 99
Clair ...	115 22 93		

\* Medal. † First sweep. ‡ Yewhurst gold clubs.

BOURNEMOUTH GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, January 21st:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. J. Hibberd..	93 8 85	Mr. W. Fisher ...	112 20 92
Mr. H. Sladen ...	107 20 87	Gen. Truell ...	119 22 97
Mr. A. Pontifex ...	100 13 87	Mr. C. Cammell ...	119 17 102

Rev. O. K. Prescott, Messrs. D. W. Preston, and Charlton were no returns.

BEVERLEY AND EAST RIDING GOLF CLUB.

A handicap match of eighteen holes was played on Wednesday, January 25th, by the members of this club for the club monthly badge, which was won by Captain Maunsell with a net score of 74. The day was fine, and the ground has recovered from the recent frost.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Captain Maunsell ...	99 25 74	Mr. W. M. Thomas	116 24 92
Mr. G. A. Thompson	116 34 82	Colonel Hallowes ...	122 20 102
Capt. Griffin, R.A.	121 34 87	Mr. G. A. Robinson	129 11 118

Mr. Macleod did not give in a score.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY v. OLD CANTABS.

This match took place on Saturday, January 21st, over the University links at Coldham Common. The green was very hard, owing to the recent frost, but greasy at the top. The Hon. Ivo Bligh, and Messrs. Bazalgette and Milward were unable to come. Result:—

OLD CANTABS.		CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.	
Holes.		Holes.	
Mr. W. T. Linskill ...	... 0	Mr. H. Parker ...	... 0
Mr. A. M. Joshua ...	... 2	Mr. I. Heron Maxwell	... 0
Mr. A. Denman ...	... 0	Mr. A. C. Robertson ...	... 2
Mr. N. Hicks ...	... 0	Mr. H. Glazier... ..	... 2
Mr. C. Toppin... ..	... 1	Mr. E. C. P. Boyd ...	... 0
Mr. C. E. Nesham ...	... 4	Mr. C. C. Bethune ...	... 0
Mr. H. S. Colt... ..	... 0	Mr. J. L. Low... ..	... 3
Mr. H. T. Wright ...	... 1	Mr. G. L. K. Finlay ...	... 0
	8		7

Old Cantabs 1 up. The day was dull and cold.

CANNES GOLF CLUB.

The following are the results of the fortnightly handicap held Tuesday 24th January.

Gentlemen—		Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. Roberts ...	90 21 69	Mr. Ure ...	101 16 85		
Mr. Brown Westhead	131 60 71	Mr. A. Saunderson	103 8 95		
Mr. T. W. Stubbs... ..	83 8 75	Captain Dick ...	144 45 99		
Col. C. C. Woodward	101 24 77	Cl. Saunderson, M.P.	129 30 99		
Mr. H. G. Walker	90 13 77	H. I. H. The Grand			
Mr. S. Saunderson	84 4 80	Duke Michael of			
Lt.-Col. Lockhart... ..	108 26 82	Russia ...	152 50 102		
Mr. M. Sargent ...	99 16 83	Mr. Sargent ...	168 65 103		

Ladies—		Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
The Countess de		Mrs. Tennent ...	45 + 10 55		
Torby ...	71 32 39	Mrs. Stubbs ...	58 + 2 60		
Miss Sargent ...	84 35 49	Miss F. Halford ...	99 33 66		

CHELTENHAM GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the monthly medal of this club took place at Cleeve Hill on Saturday, January 28th, in very boisterous weather. Lady Margaret Scott, with a net score of 86, was the winner. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Lady M. Scott ...	101 15 86	Mr. C. Tillard ...	102 8 94
Mr. C. C. Turnbull	107 15 92	Mr. Mascie Taylor	113 18 95
Mr. J. L. Tickell ...	115 22 93	The Earl of Eldon... ..	110 10 100

Mr. E. Jenner-Davies, Mr. E. A. Bennett, Mr. W. R. Porcher, Mr. F. D. Longe, Lady Louisa Scott, Rev. W. D. Challice, Mr. A. A. Hunter, Mr. L. H. Spry, Mr. S. P. Ryland, Miss P. Edwards, Mr. W. M. Baker, and Mr. J. C. Gray over 100 net.

CINQUE PORTS GOLF CLUB, DEAL.

Monthly medal, January 28th.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Major Hungerford... ..	105 16 89	Mr. W. P. Matthews	107 10 97
Mr. F. T. Welman... ..	96 2 94	Mr. E. Rand ...	116 16 100
Capt. J. C. Tattersall	100 5 95		

Twenty others made no return, or were over 100 net.

Mr. F. T. Welman proved the winner of the December monthly medal.

CLEVELAND GOLF CLUB.

The break-up of the wintry weather, and the disappearance of the snow, was welcomed by the members, as it enabled the postponed fixtures to be played, and the usual sequence of competitions to be resumed. The first arrear worked off was the monthly competition for the club tankard, which has been postponed for a week, and was played for on the 14th instead of the 7th ult. The rain, however, set

in so early in the afternoon that very few of the members were able to play out, and only two cards were sent in, Mr. Slingsby Cradock winning, with 88 net, against 94 made by Mr. D. Mackay. On Wednesday there was a field day, as the final competition for the ladies' trophy had to be decided. The committee had fixed this for January 2nd, which, being a holiday, gave ample time for playing the two rounds which had been decided upon. The postponement made it impossible for some of the competitors to play two rounds, and consequently they were unable to compete, much to their disappointment. Ten out of the twelve, however, turned up at the teeing-ground, and the weather was almost perfect. At the end of the first round there was only one point between Mr. Mackenzie and Mr. Cradock, but in the second round Mr. Mackenzie fell off, while Mr. Cradock improved upon his first round, and came in a winner by 15, his gross score being absolutely the lowest, so that if it had been a scratch competition he would still have won. The detailed scores were:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. S. Cradock	193	30 163	Mr. T. French	211	24 187
Mr. C. D. Mackenzie	198	20 178	Mr. H. E. Cradock	231	36 195
Mr. J. Lambert	225	40 185	Mr. C. Cochrane	239	38 201
Mr. C. E. Scott	206	16 190	Mr. W. Young	240	36 204
Mr. H. Roberts	198	8 190			

Mr. T. H. Wynn retired, and Mr. J. F. Whitwell and Mr. J. W. Kyle were absent.

Mr. J. F. Whitwell won the Cochrane cup the Saturday following, and the 28th saw the first competition under the "Bogey" system in this club for the Ridley trophy, which has to be won every month, and the twelve winners play off next January for absolute possession. A large number competed, but only six members sent in cards, the other members being ashamed of their performances against the mythical "Colonel." The scores were:—Mr. D. Mackay, won 5, lost 6—1 down; Mr. S. Cradock, won 3, lost 5—2 down; Mr. C. D. Mackenzie, won 4, lost 9—5 down; Mr. R. McCulloch, won 4, lost 9—5 down; Mr. J. Roddam, won 2, lost 8—6 down; Mr. H. Smeathwaite, won 2, lost 8—6 down.

CROOKHAM GOLF CLUB.

The final competition for the monthly medal (1892) and the first competition for the monthly medal (1893) were held simultaneously on Saturday, January 28th. A strong south-east wind was blowing, which made low scoring impossible. It was generally acknowledged that the greens were never in better condition. Result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. S. S. Wollaston	101	14 87	Rev. J. Stewart	103	11 92
Mr. A. C. Bartholomew	100	10 90	Mr. W. H. Beleter	113	18 95
Mr. J. Ashley Waller	118	27 91	Rev. E. P. Spurway	111	9 102

No returns from Messrs. A. B. Cook, A. H. Evans, F. N. Garry, J. H. Hairland, E. J. Maguire, and B. Rendall.

DISLEY GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the annual cup was held on January 28th, the links being in excellent condition, but unfortunately there was a very strong wind blowing from the south-west, which made good scoring impossible, and most of the competitors made no returns. Mr. H. Liebert won pretty easily with a net score of 85, his gross return of 98 being a very creditable score considering the unfavourable circumstances. The following were the best returns.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. H. Liebert	98	13 85	Mr. J. B. Thistlewaite	117	22 95
Mr. T. C. Midwood	108	18 90	Mr. H. C. Garrett	106	10 96
Mr. H. D. Tonge	102	10 92	Mr. C. G. Satterthwaite	111	15 96
Mr. T. H. Mills	107	15 92			
Mr. J. E. Mills	110	18 92			
Rev. E. S. Satterthwaite	103	10 93			

The annual meeting was held in the evening, and in presenting their report the committee congratulated the members on the progress made by the club during the past year in every way, the accounts showing a balance of £60, notwithstanding the fact that there has been a considerable amount of extra expenditure during the year. The number of members continues to keep up, there being only a few vacancies, which will probably soon be filled; the links are now in excellent condition, and are comparatively dry in wet weather and absolutely free from long grass in the summer, and the putting greens are as good and true as those on many of the seaside links. During the year great improvements have been made throughout the green, and it is now very seldom that a well-hit ball will meet with a bad lie. After the meeting the members dined together at the Ram's Head Hotel.

EALING GOLF CLUB.

The usual monthly medal competition was held on the links in Twyford Abbey Park, on Saturday, the 21st ult. The greens were

somewhat sticky in the afternoon, owing to the partial thaw. Appended is the score, but several of the members seem to have mislaid their cards:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. E. Bird	98	19 79	Mr. C. Plummer	91	scr. 91
Mr. A. J. Davies	97	16 81	Mr. G. B. Balfour	112	21 91
Mr. R. H. Woodhouse	100	19 81	Major Bowhill	113	22 91
Mr. F. Carter	91	5 86	Mr. J. Ryan	115	20 95
Mr. W. Hargreaves	108	22 86	Mr. H. Maule	115	20 95
Mr. R. C. Hutton	103	16 87	Mr. W. R. Hill	117	22 95
Mr. C. M. Bayfield	111	24 87	Mr. W. Bartlett	114	18 96
Mr. H. E. Pegg	106	18 88	Mr. R. Shortrede	114	16 98
Mr. G. C. Haité	110	22 88	Mr. S. Chick	122	24 98
Mr. W. H. Miller	98	9 89	Mr. W. Palmer	122	not
Mr. F. B. Becker	114	24 90	Mr. W. Hern	134	hep'd.
Mr. H. Hall	120	30 90			

FELIXSTOWE GOLF CLUB.

Monthly Challenge Cup.—The winner of this competition proved to be Mr. G. H. Grant, with a score of 97, less 6=91, which, considering the strong south-easterly wind prevailing, was, under the circumstances, a very creditable one. The next best score was that of Mr. G. R. Quilter, 97, less 3=94. Several members competed but returned no cards.

FOLKESTONE GOLF CLUB.

The January, handicap postponed on account of the weather, was played on the 25th and 26th, with the following results:—

GENTLEMEN.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Capt. C. Carter	87	8 79	Colonel Jee	105	16 90
Mr. Jeffery	108	22 86	Sir Bevan Edwards	103	11 92
Mr. Beeching	119	30 89	Mr. Jeffery	105	9 96

And several others who made no returns.

LADIES (thirteen holes).

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Lady Clerk	85	10 75	Miss L. Wood	95	12 83
Miss Jeffery	95	20 75	Miss Wood	99	8 91
Miss B. B. Wood	80	4 76	Miss F. Paine	106	7 99

Lady Clark won the handicap after playing off the tie with Miss Jeffery.

FORFARSHIRE.

The annual meeting of the Broughty Club was held in the new clubhouse at Monifieth, on the 25th ult., Mr. David Smyton, the captain, presiding. The following were elected office-bearers for the ensuing year:—Mr. Allan Bell, captain; Mr. W. K. Lorimer, vice-captain; Mr. James Belford, secretary; Mr. John Smart, assistant-secretary; Mr. David Melville, treasurer; and Messrs. Frank A. Begg, David Philip, Alexander Bowman, John Croudace, and William Mudie, councillors. It was reported that there were about 170 members in the club, and the financial statement showed a considerable balance on the right side. The club-house was formally opened on Wednesday by Chief Magistrate Orchar, when a competition and supper afterwards took place.

The members of the Dundee Advertiser Club held a competition on Saturday at Monifieth, when some creditable scores were made, the best being:—Mr. James Melville, 85; Mr. John Inglis, 90; Mr. James Clark, 92; Mr. Alexander Buchan, 92; Mr. John D. Brown, 94; Mr. Thomas Knox, 94; Mr. John Macrae, 95; Mr. James Dairs, 97; Mr. Jacob Clark, 98; Mr. John Wynd, 99.

The twelfth of the Arbroath Club's series of winter competitions was finished on Saturday. Fourteen players handed in their scores. The best (handicap) were those of Messrs. A. McCullum, D. Brown, and A. Coutts, 3 above, and who each received three points. The others had each one point.

The monthly competition of the Scotsraig Club (Tayport), for the medal (handicap), took place on Saturday, when it was won by Mr. W. Hogg, with a score of 88, less 2=86. The next best were—Mr. A. Melville, 94, less 4=90; Mr. J. Smith, 103, less 8=95.

LARGS CLUB.—On Saturday afternoon the monthly competition for the trophy presented by Major Eckford, the captain of the club, took place. The ground was heavy, but some fair scores were made. The following are the best:—Mr. T. Macdonald, scratch, 42; Mr. John Baldie, scratch, 50; Mr. J. W. Dallachy, 57, less 6=51; Mr. H. Jack, 55, less 3=52; Mr. James Crawford, 65, less 12=53; Mr. D. Miller, 69, less 9=60; Mr. J. Fleck, 72, less 9=63; Mr. A. Young, 78, less 12=66; Mr. T. Widdowson, 77, less 9=68; Mr. J. Morris, 86, less 12=74; Mr. John K. Boyd, 90, less 12=78.



## HUDDERSFIELD GOLF CLUB.

After the frosts and snows of the past weeks, members were greatly pleased at the prospect of being able to play in the monthly competition on greens that had returned to their normal condition. There was accordingly a large field, no fewer than thirty-two taking out cards. Many good returns were made, of which the best was the wonderful 68 of the winner, for which everybody was quite unprepared, as he has previously done nothing to justify this performance. The score of the second was more or less expected, as he has lately been showing a greatly-improved game. The following were the cards returned:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. G. C. H. Willans	102	34	68	Mr. G. S. Brook	103	15	88
Mr. A. P. Crosland	98	26	72	Mr. J. Oliver	106	18	88
Mr. E. B. Wilson	102	25	77	Mr. W. A. Hutchin-			
Mr. A. F. Frith	97	18	79	son	112	24	88
Mr. A. L. Woodhead	92	11	81	Mr. A. E. Nield	128	36	92
Mr. T. R. Keighly	114	32	82	Mr. A. W. Reith	121	28	93
Mr. A. E. Learoyd	95	12	83	Mr. W. England	123	27	96
Mr. F. H. Woodhead	91	5	86	Mr. E. O. Burton	127	30	97
Mr. J. E. Exley	106	20	86	Rev. N. Langham	133	36	97
Dr. Carter	117	30	87				

## LEASOWE GOLF CLUB.

The annual general meeting was held in the Angel Hotel, Liverpool, on Wednesday evening, the 25th of January, Mr. J. E. Perrin in the chair. The report of the treasurer (Mr. C. H. Smith) was read, and showed a balance of £21 17s. 4d. in the bank, since augmented by several overdue subscriptions. The treasurer was congratulated on the result of the year's working. The secretary, in the course of some remarks regarding the history of the club, announced that the membership had doubled during the year, and that the affairs and prospects of the club were in every way favourable, and that the members could look forward to a very successful career. Mr. T. S. Hannay was elected vice-president, and Dr. J. E. Burton, Messrs. E. A. Cuncell, Roderick Johnston, and W. H. Roxburgh were elected to fill the vacant places on the committee. It was decided to call a general meeting to pass proposals in connection with increasing the entrance fee. The captain (Mr. John Ball, jun.) has presented the club with a handsome medal for monthly competition under handicap.

## LITTLEHAMPTON GOLF CLUB.

Monthly sweepstake, January 27th—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. A. Holmes	88	14	74	Mr. C. Farmer	96	10	86
Mr. A. J. Constable	98	13	85				

Messrs. H. Burnell and B. Thompson made no return.

Mr. E. C. R. Goff's medal, January 28th—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. D. Munro	100	15	85	Mr. A. Pearson	97	3	94
Mr. E. C. R. Goff	97	6	91	Mr. F. Nead	140	25	115

Messrs. A. Holmes, J. C. Constable, and H. Burnell made no return.

The Captain's cup, January 27th and 28th—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. A. Holmes	88	14	74	Mr. A. Pearson	91	3	88
Mr. B. Thompson	92	11	81	Mr. F. H. Lawson	122	25	97

Mr. E. C. R. Goff made no return.

## MORECAMBE AND HEYSHAM GOLF CLUB.

The monthly handicap competition of this club was advanced another stage on Wednesday, the 25th ult., in perfect golfing weather. A slight breeze from the sea did not interfere with low scoring, and barely sufficed to convince players that spring had not arrived. Fifteen competitors, several lady-members, and a few visitors put in an appearance. When cards were returned it was found that Mr. H. A. Paley and Mr. C. E. Mason, Lancaster, had tied for first place with a net score of 81, and also divided the first and second sweepstakes. The following are the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. C. E. Mason	101	20	81	Mr. R. G. W. Howson	140	40	100
Mr. H. A. Paley	116	35	81	Mr. B. H. Cockson	117	15	102
Dr. Glegg	99	9	90	Mr. A. Satterthwaite	191	35	156
Mr. S. M. Satter-				Mr. G. Barrow	276	40	236
thwaite	134	35	99				

Colonel Leggett, Rev. W. L. Appleford, Messrs. C. J. Clark, R. Charney, F. Bannister, and W. N. H. Mason made no return.

A "Bogey" competition, for one round of the links, or nine holes, which commenced the beginning of November last, was concluded on Saturday, the 28th ult. On comparison of the cards returned it was found that Dr. Glegg, Morecambe, who had four strokes allowed, and Mr. C. E. Mason, Lancaster, with eight strokes, had tied for the first

and second prizes, each being 1 up. The best score returned by Dr Glegg, who beat "Bogey" on several occasions, was 42, Mr. Mason's best being 46. "Colonel Bogey's" score for the round was 40, which figure was arrived at by allowing two strokes on each green. The number of cards taken out was 199.

The "Bogey" competition for the lady-subscribers commenced the same date as the members', and also ended on Saturday. The course for the ladies is the same as the gentlemen's, with this exception, that the tees to the longer holes are advanced. "Mrs. Bogey," who had the rather high score of 60 for the round allowed her, had on a good many occasions to submit to defeat by several of her fair rivals, especially at the more skillful hands of Mrs. Stewart, Lancaster, and Miss G. Spink, Buildon, two very keen competitors. Miss G. Spink, owing 2 strokes, came in first with 5 up, recording a score of 51. Mrs. Stewart, starting from scratch, and Mrs. Glegg, Morecambe, with an allowance of 14 strokes, being second. Mrs. Stewart's best score was 55, and Mrs. Glegg's 66. A hundred and nineteen cards were taken out in this competition.

In consequence of the popularity of these competitions, as evidenced by the number of cards taken out during the last three months, the council have decided to commence other competitions of the same kind for both ladies and gentlemen. These competitions will begin on the 1st of February, and close on the 29th of April.

## NOTTINGHAM GOLF CLUB.

The result of the monthly medal play for the best average during 1892 is given below. Only members who had competed at least eight times were eligible for the prize given by the club for the best average score. The winner was Mr. J. C. Warren. Particulars are as follows:—

Players who have competed eight times or upwards.

	Number of Times Played.	Hcp.	Net Average.
Mr. J. C. Warren	10	4	90'7
Mr. J. Johnstone	12	10	92'16
Mo. J. Bowes	8	14	93'8
Mr. J. McMeeking	10	6	94'0
Mr. R. D. Oswald	11	6	94'17
Mr. J. Hall	8	8	94'5
Mr. J. Doleman	8	5	95'2
Mr. C. S. Wardle	9	12	96'7
Mr. C. B. Edwards	12	14	98'0

Players who have competed three times or upwards, but less than eight.

	Number of Times Played.	Hcp.	Net Average.
Mr. A. T. Ashwell	7	8	87'8
Mr. P. W. Allen	3	16	88'3
Mr. John Harris	5	4	88'6
Mr. C. F. Dobson	6	14	91'8
Mr. E. A. Coutts	6	16	97'1
Mr. S. Davidson	7	12	97'5
Mr. A. Barrow	7	16	100'1
Mr. E. L. Manning	3	18	102'3
Mr. W. H. Hutton	4	16	103'7
Mr. W. Rickman	5	27	106'0
Mr. W. Ross	7	20	107'8
Mr. A. Oliver	3	24	114'0

A large number of other members took part in the medal competitions, but played less than three times.

## OXFORD UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

## THE INTER-COLLEGIATE FOURSOMES.

These foursomes for the silver iron took place last term, and resulted in a win for Balliol, represented by Messrs. P. Balfour and L. Robertson, after some most exciting matches. Results:—

First Round.—Merton (Messrs. T. M. Winch and J. Johnstone) beat University (Messrs. L. A. Selby Bigge and R. W. Macan) by 2 holes; Exeter (Messrs. H. E. Atkinson and H. F. Pelham) beat New College (Messrs. F. H. Campion and C. S. C. F. G. Ridgeway) by 2 up and 1 to play. The rest had byes, viz.:—Magdalen (holders) (Mr. F. H. Stewart and Viscount Encombe); Brasenose (Messrs. R. H. Dun and R. Lodge); Balliol (Messrs. P. Balfour and L. Robertson); Wadham (Mr. H. Nicholls and Rev. P. A. W. Henderson); Hertford (Messrs. C. W. W. Surridge and J. Hall); Oriol (Messrs. V. T. Hill and E. G. M. Carmichael).

Second Round.—Brasenose beat Magdalen by 2 up and 1 to play; Merton beat Oriol by 2 holes; Balliol beat Hertford by 1 up (after a tie); Exeter beat Wadham by 4 up and 3 to play.

Third Round.—Brasenose beat Merton by 3 up and 2 to play; Balliol beat Exeter by 4 up and 3 to play.

Final.—Balliol beat Brasenose at the 20th hole.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY v. MR. H. S. COLT'S TEAM.

The team opened with a match against a very strong team brought down by Mr. H. S. Colt, which included the Cambridge captain and several players who are very well known at Wimbledon. After some rather curious in and out play Oxford University won by nine holes. Result:—

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.		MR. H. S. COLT'S TEAM.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. F. H. Stewart	0	Mr. J. L. Low	6
Mr. L. Robertson	0	Mr. H. S. Colt (captain)	5
Mr. R. H. Dun	0	Mr. C. E. Nesham	1
Mr. R. B. Pearson (captain)	1	Mr. E. F. Chance	0
Mr. P. Balfour	10	Mr. W. Bazalgette	0
Mr. H. E. Atkinson	0	Mr. F. E. Faithfull	0
Mr. H. Nicholls	0	Mr. W. D. Davidson	2
Mr. C. F. Balfour	0	Mr. P. Strickland	0
Viscount Encombe	6	Mr. H. A. Curteis	0
Mr. A. J. Boger	9	Mr. N. Hicks	0
Mr. F. H. Champion	0	Mr. H. T. Wright	3
	26		17

Weekly handicap, January 27th. This was won by Mr. Atkinson, whose home coming nine holes were specially good, being done in 35. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. E. Atkinson	80 8 72	Mr. B. A. L. Batchelor	105 20 85
Mr. J. R. Marriott	107 30 77	Mr. F. H. Stewart	86 scr. 86
Mr. H. Nicholls	87 5 82	Mr. W. R. Hardie	98 12 86
Mr. G. C. Jobling	103 20 83	Mr. J. B. Wood	99 13 86
Mr. A. C. Livingstone	114 30 84	Mr. R. W. Macan	100 12 88
Mr. C. E. Brownrigg	96 11 85	Mr. E. J. Palmer	106 18 88
		Mr. F. Nicholls	113 20 93

No returns from Messrs. A. J. Boger, H. M. Burge, L. D'Oyly Carte, A. C. Headlam, D. G. Hogarth, W. M. Lindsay, J. R. Ratcliff, C. W. W. Surridge, and Hon. F. J. N. Thesiger.

PALACE LADIES' GOLF CLUB (SOUTHPORT).

The monthly competition for the gold medal took place on Saturday, January 14th. Mrs. Tyrer and Miss F. Coney tied with net scores of 63. On playing off the tie, Miss F. Coney won with the good net score of 61. The weather was bad, and only five ladies competed.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss F. Coney	83 20 63	Miss M. Coney	90 18 72
Mrs. Tyrer	87 24 63		

No returns from Miss Burton and Miss Lowndes.

The result of the December "Bogey" was as follows:—1st, Miss A. Southam (24), 4 up; 2nd, Mrs. Ainsworth (4), 4 down; 3rd, Mrs. Haslam (7), 5 down.

PRESTWICK.

On Saturday the members engaged in competition for the monthly handicap medal, the cards showing the following results for the game of eighteen holes:—Mr. J. S. Alston, 92, less 6=86; Mr. S. R. Fleming, 105, less 18=87; Mr. C. Thomson, 115, less 12=93; Mr. W. D. Reid, 112, less 18=94; Mr. J. Blackburn, 106, less 12=94; Mr. J. S. Higginbotham, 116, less 20=96.

RANELAGH GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, Saturday, January 21st —

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Sir H. G. Bergne	101 24 77	Mr. L. E. G. Abney	94 12 82
Capt. Cowper-Coles	80 2 78	Mr. W. F. Thompson	100 12 88
Mr. E. Lehmann	84 3 81	Capt. W. E. Beak	101 12 89
Mr. E. Britten-Holmes	109 28 81	Mr. C. O'Malley	107 16 91

ROYAL EASTBOURNE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition for January was held on Saturday, 28th. The day was very fine, but a strong wind blowing across the links caused few returns to be made. Thirty-eight members started; only eleven sent in cards. All returns under 100 net are given below:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Capt. C. D. King	102 14 88	†Mr. R. B. Masefield	107 15 92
R. A.	109 19 90	Mr. J. G. Wood	109 15 94
Col. J. Fitzgerald	103 11 92	Rev. H. Salwey	114 18 96
†Capt. T. F. Swinford	103 11 92	Mr. G. Gardner	103 5 98

\* Wins monthly medal and two-thirds sweepstake.

† Divide one-third sweepstake.

ROYAL ASCOT GOLF CLUB.

Mr. Henley Eden's prize, January 28th, 1893:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. A. L'Amey	90 13 77	Mr. G. W. Ricketts	93 7
Mr. H. H. Longman	92 14 78	Mr. H. Blackett	97 9 88
Colonel Eden	92 12 80	Mr. J. M. Heathcote	109 18 91
Mr. F. J. Patton	81 1 80	Mr. H. Wilson	110 15 95
Sir G. Pigot	107 22 85		

Also played—Messrs. C. Ponsonby, H. C. Clarke, A. H. Bowring, C. C. Clarke, A. K. Hichens, F. L. Govett, and the Rev. B. Kerr Pearce.

ROYAL BLACKHEATH GOLF CLUB.

Tuesday, January 24th.—The competition for the monthly medal was brought off on this day, after several postponements from the 3rd January. Twenty-six players started. The course was in rather rough condition after the break-up of the frost. Mr. F. S. Ireland won the medal from scratch. Details of the play.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. S. Ireland	118 scr. 118	Mr. D. Christopherson	149 23 126
Mr. A. Schacht	119 scr. 119	Mr. Robert Whyte	128 1 127
Mr. W. E. Hughes	126 7 119	Rev. J. H. Ellis	141 12 129
Rev. F. W. S. Le Lièvre	133 12 121	Mr. C. B. Lindsay	154 25 129
Mr. C. M. Baker	142 21 121	Capt. H. Gillon	131 scr. 131
Mr. H. H. Turner	128 6 122	Mr. A. T. Drysdale	141 9 132
Mr. A. H. Baker	144 22 122	Mr. E. A. Walker	140 6 134
Mr. G. Watson Smyth	147 24 123	Mr. W. R. M. Glasier	164 30 134
Mr. J. G. Gibson	124 +1 125	Mr. G. H. Frean	158 23 135
Mr. W. Glasier, jun.	138 12 126	Mr. Clifford Young	145 8 137
		Mr. J. W. G. Andras	143 5 138

No returns from Messrs. W. A. Adam, E. Pinkerton, E. W. D. Walthall, Richard Winch, and Adam T. Young.

ROYAL CORNWALL GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal.—Played January the 6th. Weather awful, high wind, cold sleet and rain.

	1st and 2nd Rnd.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. E. M. Bannerman	47	45	92	+2 94
Mr. B. F. Edyvean	55	54	109	5 104
Mr. Matthews	60	63	123	18 105
Mr. Melville Sandys	61	54	115	9 106

Ladies' Club.—Fourth monthly handicap, January 24th, 1893:—

	1st and 2nd Rnd.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss A. Barnett	46	45	91	scr. 91
Miss Page	51	50	101	8 93
Mrs. Young-Jamieson	51	48	99	4 95
Miss Fenwick	55	57	112	15 97
Mrs. B. Edyvean	60	58	118	8 110

Mrs. Every made no return.

The fourth ladies' monthly handicap, which ought to have been played on on the 3rd inst., took place on the 24th. Weather fine, attendance small.

ROYAL WIMBLEDON GOLF CLUB.

Monthly Handicap Challenge Medal, January 28th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. G. Nicol	88 6 82	Mr. F. J. Walker	97 5 92
Mr. C. A. W. Cameron	87 4 83	Mr. E. A. Walker	98 6 92
Mr. A. H. Molesworth	82 +3 85	Mr. F. Pownall	107 15 92
Mr. C. M. Smith	89 4 85	Mr. F. A. Fairlie	89 +4 93
Mr. R. Browne	100 15 85	Mr. W. L. Purves	93 scr. 93
Mr. W. F. Lyon	103 17 86	Mr. W. Michie	102 9 93
Mr. W. J. Cundell	98 11 87	Mr. D. B. Gibson	109 16 93
Mr. C. A. Adam	96 8 88	Mr. N. R. Foster	92 +2 94
Mr. A. Davidson	98 10 88	Mr. W. Rutherford	98 4 94
Mr. G. P. Leach	101 12 89	Mr. A. Pollock	99 5 94
Mr. E. Ross	107 18 89	Mr. J. E. Peat	103 9 94
Mr. H. C. Willoch	105 16 89	Mr. H. W. Bradford	109 15 94
Mr. C. Plummer	90 scr. 90	Mr. F. S. Creswell	109 15 94
Mr. R. Durnford	100 10 90	Rev. J. H. Ellis	106 11 95
Mr. F. W. Hollams	102 12 90	Mr. F. Baden Powell	113 18 95
Mr. G. A. Pidcock	102 12 90	Mr. J. Murray	108 12 96
Mr. A. E. Peat	100 9 91	Mr. S. F. Still	116 20 96
Mr. W. P. Crake	103 12 91	Mr. H. P. Cumming	104 6 98
Mr. W. E. Martyn	103 12 91	Mr. H. W. Horne	106 8 98
Mr. W. C. Anderson	107 16 91	Mr. J. A. C. Tanner	120 18 102
Mr. A. Adams	97 5 92	Mr. C. F. Grundtvig	121 18 103

No returns from thirty-nine players.

ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB.

The Renton prize, Saturday, January 28th :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. J. R. Brown ...	92	5 87	Col. Campbell ...	103	9 94
*Col. Mackenzie ...	94	3 91	Capt. Robin ...	97	2 95
Capt. Orr ...	104	12 92	Mr. G. C. Broadwood	98	2 96
Mr. A. C. Hodder ...	101	8 93	Mr. G. Hornby ...	93	+5 98
Gapt. Fairlie ...	97	3 94			

\* Divided sweepstakes.

Twelve players made no returns.

SIDCUP GOLF CLUB.

A fine fresh day favoured the players, for the monthly medal competition but considerable allowance had to be made for a stiff west wind. Mr. W. J. Harries won the medal for the second time this year, with a score of 109, less 21=88. Mr. E. Meade took the second class handicap medal with 152, less 40=112. Scores appended below :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. J. Harries...	109 21 88	Mr. L. Burrell ...	127 27 100
Mr. T. W. Fry ...	105 15 90	Mr. F. H. Monckton	124 24 100
Mr. W. W. Nicholson	110 16 94	Mr. R. A. Patterson	129 24 105
Mr. J. Crombie ...	119 24 95		

Second class handicap—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. E. Meade ...	152 40 112	Mr. J. Spencer Ward	153 30 123
Mr. G. Rhys Jones	143 28 115		

ST. ANDREWS.

The monthly handicap of the Royal and Ancient Club was played for on the 25th ult., with the following result :—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. R. Sharp ...	90 6 84	Mr. R. B. Sharp ...	92 scr. 92
Mr. R. A. Hull ...	90 4 86	Mr. E. Scratton ...	104 8 96
Mr. J. L. Luke ...	95 6 89		

The first of a series of three competitions of the St. Andrews Golf Club (best two scores out of three to count), took place on Saturday in showery weather, for a handsome case of meerschaum pipes, presented to the club by one of its members. There was a good turn-out, eighteen couples starting. Subjoined are a few of the lowest scores :—Mr. L. Auchterlonie, scratch, 82, and Mr. J. Brown, 96, less 14=82, tie; Mr. T. Kirk, 108, less 25=83; Mr. D. Simpson, scratch, 84; Mr. J. Liddel, 92, less 7=85; Mr. James Leslie, 105, less 20=85; Mr. Alexander Dargie, 95, less 10=85; Mr. P. Craig, 90, less 4=86; Mr. A. Strath, 90, less 4=86; Mr. Joseph Auchterlonie, scratch, 86; Mr. J. Herd, 94, less 7=87; Mr. D. Auchterlonie, scratch, 87; Mr. A. Tylor, 93, less 6=87; Mr. R. Braid, scratch, 88.

ST. NEOTS GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, January 28th. The day was very fine, and the greens in excellent order. Result (scratch 96) :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. T. Spencer ...	148 60 88	†Dr. Good ...	134 30 104
†Mr. J. A. Ennals...	128 30 98	Mr. A. B. Bracken-	
Rev. R. D. Cooper.	133 32 101	bury ...	117 12 105
Mr. A. C. McNish...	114 12 102	Dr. Hillyer..	150 40 110

\* Winner of medal.

† Winner of sweepstake, first prize.

‡ Winner of sweepstake, second prize.

SUTTON GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, the 28th inst., and resulted as follows :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. R. Cripps ...	123 30 93	Mr. C. Nickalls ...	135 30 105
Mr. A. L. Tate ...	115 15 100	Mr. W. A. Scott ...	134 19 115
Mr. F. Richardson..	120 20 100		

Two players made no returns.

TAPLOW GOLF CLUB.

The first monthly medal competition was played on this sporting course on Saturday. There was a good muster, and the greens, under the care of Archie Dickson, were in excellent condition. Scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. J. Leslie ...	101 25 76	Mr. R. W. Maude...	138 28 110
Mr. P. G. S. Payne	117 25 92	Mr. Meadows Taylor	150 35 115
Mr. C. Newton ...	114 20 94	Mr. A. E. Davis ...	151 35 116
Hon. R. Brougham	121 25 96	Mr. I. Clifford ...	153 35 118

No returns from several other players.

TROON.

On Saturday the usual competition for the Sandhills gold medal took place. Mr. A. T. Craig was first, score 98, less 10=88; second, Mr. W. Law, 100, less 10=90; third, Mr. W. J. Anderson (captain), 103, less 10=93; fourth, Mr. Porteous, 101 (scratch.) The weather in the afternoon was fine, and the greens and links generally in first-class condition.

THE ROYAL NORTH DEVON GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday last in fine weather but with a strong south-west wind, the monthly medal, memento a gold pencil case, the Pigott cup, and the usual sweepstakes, produced a field of eighteen competitors out of thirty-seven players, Mr. J. J. Harding won the medal and first prize in the sweep end the Pigott cup for the second time and retains it, Mr. F. T. Cooke took second sweep.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. J. Harding, M.S.	93 4 89	Mr. J. Lillie, M.S.	111 14 97
Mr. F. T. Cooke, M.S.	107 16 91	Rev. J. Eustace, M.S.	112 14 98
Mr. St. C. Stobart, M.S.	98 6 92	Mr. C. R. Robinson, M.S.	108 9 99
Lieut.-Col. Winter-scale, M.S.	102 10 92	Col. S. Scott, M.S.	112 13 99
Mr. A. L. Christie, M.S.	103 7 96		

The rest were over 100 or made no returns—Messrs. Hamilton, M.S., G. Gorton, S., B. James, S., C. Didham, M.S., H. Houldsworth, S., G. Willes, S., Rev. R. W. Sealy, M.S., Col. Pearse, M.S., Dr. Wood Cooke, M.S.

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The final heat of the foursome tournament for the Graham and Savile challenge cups was played off on Saturday, the 21st ult., the winners proving to be two very promising gollers, Captain Cowan and Mr. C. G. Lefroy. These gentlemen will now challenge the holders of the cups, Messrs. F. A. Bainbridge and J. F. Wright, and much interest will attach to the final match, as, in the event of the holders winning them for the fourth time in succession, the cups will become their absolute property.

Seven couples entered for the tournament, which commenced on Saturday, December 10th, and were drawn as follows :—

Mr. C. G. Graham (9) and Mr. S. J. Wheble (22) v. Mr. H. E. Du C. Norris (9) and Major Caulfeild Stoker (22); Hon. R. H. Lytton (7) and Mr. F. C. Hunter Blair (7) v. Mr. M. T. Brown (17) and Mr. J. W. Liddell (15); Colonel Boothby (5) and Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncreiff (3) v. Mr. E. L. Ireland Blyth (18) and Mr. W. L. Bicknell (20). Captain Cowan (12) and Mr. C. G. Lefroy (11) had byes.

The following are the details of the tournament :—

First Round.—Messrs. C. G. Graham and S. J. Wheble (even) beat Mr. H. E. Du C. Norris and Major Caulfeild Stoker by 5 up and 3 to play; Messrs. M. T. Brown and I. W. Liddell and Messrs. E. A. Ireland Blyth and W. L. Bicknell retired.

Second Round.—Hon. R. H. Lytton and Mr. F. C. Hunter Blair (plus 6) beat Messrs. C. G. Graham and S. J. Wheble by 2 up and 1 to play; Colonel Boothby and the Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncreiff retired.

Final Round.—Captain Cowan and Mr. C. G. Lefroy (3) beat Hon. R. H. Lytton and Mr. F. C. Hunter Blair by 4 up and 2 to play.

The club cup competition was held on Saturday at Warwick, when the weather was fine, but a high wind blew. Mr. C. G. Lefroy, 96, less 11=85, was the winner; Major Caulfeild Stoker, 109, less 22=87, came second; and the Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncreiff, 95, less 3=92, third.

WILPSHIRE AND DISTRICT v. CLITHERO AND DISTRICT.

The above match was played at Clithero on Saturday, January 28th, 1893. Scores as below :—

WILPSHIRE AND DISTRICT.		CLITHERO AND DISTRICT.	
Holes.		Holes.	
Mr. J. Nowell Withers (capt.)	0	Mr. R. Coates ...	5
Rev. J. G. Denison ...	9	Dr. Smithies ...	0
Mr. J. W. Sharples ...	3	Dr. Musson ...	0
Mr. John Hargreaves ...	6	Mr. T. Garnett (captain)	0
Mr. James Fish ...	8	Mr. R. Southworth ...	0
Dr. Irvin ...	0	Mr. W. Irving ...	2
Mr. G. Hindle ...	2	Mr. W. Southworth ...	0
Mr. R. A. Pippett ...	1	Mr. Frank Mitchell ...	0
Mr. C. E. Kenyon ...	1	Mr. H. Wheeler ...	0
	30		7

Wilpshire and District won by 23 holes.



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**ROYAL WEST NORFOLK GOLF CLUB.**—Several players entered for the monthly medal on Saturday, when a very strong wind blew across the links at Brancaster. The Rev. G. D'Angibau, 116, less 20=96, was first; and the Rev. H. Barrett, 118, less 18=100, and Mr. Victor Ames, 120, less 20=100, tied for second place.

**INNERLEITHEN.**—The monthly competition for the Panton medal, along with Mr. R. T. Robertson's prize, was played on Saturday. Mr. A. Robertson was the winner of both prizes, with a score of 84, plus 3=87; Mr. M. G. Thorburn, 92, less 5=87; Mr. G. R. Brown, 101, less 14=87.

**TYNESIDE CLUB.**—After suffering postponement from wintry weather, the members of this club resumed their bi-monthly competitions for the club cup, under handicap terms, on Ryton Willows, on Thursday afternoon 26th ult. The weather was fair but windy, and there was a capital turn-out of players. First honours were gained by Mr. J. B. Radcliffe, from scratch, who handed in a score of 91 for the eighteen holes, with Mr. J. Huddleston (10) and Dr. R. Howden (12) tying for second honours at 92 net.

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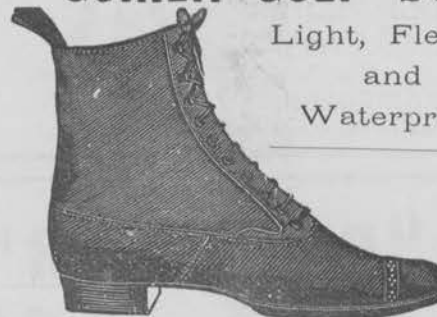
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