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MARCH.

- Mar. 4.—Richmond : Monthly Medal.  
Warwickshire : Club Cup.  
Bowdon : Monthly Medal.  
Cambridge University v. Great Yarmouth (at Cambridge).  
Royal Liverpool : Winter Optionals.  
Brighton and Hove : Berens Gold Medal.  
Lytham and St. Anne's : Captain's Cup.  
London Scottish : Monthly Medal.  
Leicester : Monthly Medal.  
Clacton-on-Sea : Monthly Medal.  
Guildford v. Winchester (at Winchester).  
Edinburgh University : Challenge Shield.  
Birkdale : Monthly Medal.  
Manchester : Monthly Medal.  
Redhill and Reigate : Turner Medal.  
Aldeburgh : Monthly Medal.
- Mar. 6.—Oxford University v. Royal Blackheath (at Blackheath).  
Hunstanton : Monthly Medal.
- Mar. 7.—Oxford v. Cambridge (at Wimbledon).  
Royal Cornwall Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
Carnarvonshire : Monthly Medal.  
Birkdale : Miss Burton's Prize.  
Royal Blackheath : Monthly Medal.
- Mar. 8.—Oxford University : President's Gold Medal.  
Royal Epping Forest : Aggregate Competition.  
Newhaven : Monthly Medal.  
Durham : Nine Winners' Cup.
- Mar. 9.—Kenilworth v. Coventry (at Coventry).

- Mar. 11.—Sutton Coldfield : Monthly Medal.  
Richmond v. Ashley Park (at Walton).  
Warwickshire : Two Challenge Cups.  
Royal Isle of Wight : Monthly Medal.  
Littlestone : Monthly Medal.  
Southport : Monthly Medal.  
Weston-Super-Mare Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
Crookham : "Bogey" Competition.  
Guildford : Monthly Medal.  
Birkdale : Mr. Crowther's Prize.  
Wilmslow : Monthly Medal.  
Cumbrae : Monthly Competition.  
Manchester : Monthly Medal.  
Leasowe : Monthly Medal.  
Buxton and High Peak : Fortnightly Medal.  
Tooting : Monthly Medal.  
Wimbledon Ladies : Mixed Foursomes.
- Mar. 13.—Cumbrae Ladies : Monthly Competition.
- Mar. 15.—Sheffield and District : Captain's Cup.  
Southport : Entries for Haslam Prize close.  
Durham : Members' Handicap Competition.
- Mar. 16.—Tyneside : Monthly Medal (Final).  
Royal Blackheath : Graham Prize.
- Mar. 18.—Wimbledon Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
Mid-Surrey : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Dublin : Monthly Medal.  
Disley : Winter Silver Medal.  
Ranelagh : Monthly Medal.  
Ealing : Monthly Medal.  
Guildford v. Ascot (at Ascot).  
Seaford : Monthly Medal.  
Birkdale : Pearson's Prize.  
Willesden : Club Silver Medal.  
Manchester : Captain's Prizes.  
Aldeburgh v. Sutton Coldfield (at Kenilworth).  
Formby : Monthly Competition.  
Headingley : Monthly Medal.  
Kenilworth v. Sutton Coldfield (at Kenilworth).  
Woodford : Quarterly Medal.
- Mar. 21.—Birkdale : Captain's Ladies' Prize.
- Mar. 20 to 25.—Blackheath Ladies' : Spring Meeting.
- Mar. 22.—Morecambe and Heysham : Club Competition.  
Durham : Sweep Competition.
- Mar. 25.—Huddersfield : Monthly Competition.  
Nottingham : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Eastbourne : Monthly Medal.  
Warwickshire : Monthly Cup.  
Cheadle v. Macclesfield (at Cheadle).  
Royal Dublin : Lumsden Medal.  
Taplow : Monthly Medal.  
Brighton and Hove : De Worms Challenge Cup.  
Royal West Norfolk : Monthly Medal.  
Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.  
Weston-Super-Mare : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Epping Forest : Quarterly Medal ; Gordon Cup ;  
Monthly Medal.  
Islay : Monthly Medal.  
Sidcup : Monthly Medal.  
Crookham : Monthly Medal.

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## Review.

LENA'S PICTURE. By Mrs. Russell Barrington. 2 vols. 15s.  
Edinburgh: David Douglas.

This is a new book by an author not so well known as she deserves to be. As it was read, the pages were marked from which it was wished to cull a quotation with a long slip of paper, and when the first volume was finished it was literally bristling with many-coloured paper spikes, so that the task became difficult which of the many attractive passages should be selected for this purpose. That the second volume was less favoured in this respect is in nowise a cause for blame, for it is devoted more to the actual progress of the story, and contains fewer of the incidental discussions and descriptions which are such pleasant reading in its predecessor. Those who like that all books should end as the fairy-tales of our childhood, with giants miraculously slain, and happiness of a certain order secured for ever, will not, perhaps, care for "Lena's Picture," though even they must acknowledge that the book is a happy one in spite of the sadness, and that it is free from all tinge of those shallow, showy sophistries which are too often mistaken for deep thought nowadays. The story is essentially sad from beginning to end; there is a grey level tone, almost unrelieved, throughout. The light which shines through it and brightens the shadows is from something apart, beyond and above the tale which is so simply and plainly told. It is like the light which shone in the sky of Lena's Picture, saving it from mediocrity, displaying the genius of the artist, satisfying the mind and the eye, and imprinting itself indelibly on the memory of whosoever looked at it thoughtfully and seriously. The foreground was labourous, conscientious, and dull, but in the sky behind the church the artist put something beyond all the rules of drawing which he had obeyed so minutely—"At one happy moment he had forgotten the laws of picture-making, and had thrown his own native power into the painting of a sky. . . . His eye must have been caught by the beauty of a luminous light which hung in the horizon after the sun had dipped below it; a light at once clear, transparent, yet mysterious; a light that seemed to hold a secret from the world where the sun had travelled to after he had said 'Good-night' to the town and its inhabitants. The painter of architecture had somehow got his pigments to record this clear, transparent, mysterious light."

It is only a true artist who can make a picture, a poem, or a novel out of the simple incidents of daily life. This is what Mrs. Barrington has done. Her story is so slight, so devoid of incident, so innocent of intrigue and passion, that we might almost tell it in four or five lines, and yet she has made it of interest to us throughout two volumes. The story has been called sad, but one might use a paradox and call it cheerfully sad. We are taught that the sadness of circumstances, the miseries of pain, illness and death, can be borne so as to deprive them of any poison in the sting, till they become as painless as, and more noble than, happiness itself. "Truly distinguished natures not only do not make miseries for themselves, when they can avoid it, but they never abide in a miserable attitude of mind. The more keenly sorrow is felt, the more imperative becomes the necessity to find a means of alleviating it." The theory may be questioned from experience of human nature, but it is a relief to read such passages, and to follow the fortunes, or rather misfortunes, of a veritable hero and heroine, instead of wearying one's brain with the shallow cynicism, flimsy difficulties, and paltry pessimism which are now so fashionable, and earn a distinction for the moment. It is a relief to read of a sacrifice nobly borne because it has been ordained, instead of the self-inflicted tortures of a diseased or distorted intellect. Lena's trial was no imaginary, self-erected difficulty, but a burden laid upon her, and her manner of bearing it leaves us wiser and better for the reading.

It is noticeable that a distinctly prosaic and matter-of-fact trouble has been treated throughout from an artistic point of view. We scarcely touch the duller side of the question at all. The characters are few, but they are all interesting; the bright, happy little Lady Lovat asks naively—"Don't you think the greatest crime anyone can commit

is in being dull when the world is so full of good things?" This, too, is a relief from the *blasé* men and women of a modern society novel; and yet Lady Lovat was a leader of society. When we are taken away from the quiet Somersetshire village to Bayreuth, with its operas and visitors, and listen to the German-Italian artist's defence of Wagner, we are doubly interested, and we live with Lena and her friends in a world of music and art, and we hear and see, with them, all that they hear and see. Gustave Allbrecht, the artist, with his long-winded opinions and calmly critical frame of mind, strikes one at first as being something of a prig, or rather as the typical woman's-prophet and teacher. But under the influence of a deep, true-hearted, disinterested love, he ripens and develops till he claims our genuine admiration, makes a stupendous and supreme sacrifice for love's sake as a true lover should, simply and unostentatiously. He was blind to much that art held out for him until he met Lena, and then his eyes were opened, and he was startled, dazzled and amazed.

"For is there any author in the world,  
Teaches such beauty as a woman's eye."

The criticism on Wagner is entirely from the emotional point of view; there is no technical criticism. The moral effect of Wagner's music is called into question: but it is so ably defended as to be almost established, by the enthusiastic German artist; and though it may be impossible for calmer minds to accept his doctrines, his diatribes are very pleasant reading. Some of his sentiments recall Carlyle, not in expression or language, but in substance. Take his defence of the artistic enthusiasm which should kindle the slow soul of materialism and make life ideal: "We are put into the world to feel, to have a full sense of existence always; and we ought never to stagnate unless we are ill or asleep. It is your Puritans who have done so much mischief in England by their trying to stamp out all the enjoyment which we are meant to get from the eye and ear. They have brought about the materialistic turn our intellects have all taken by making out that the emotional side is wicked. People are dosed with too much information about the facts of life, to the utter neglect of the training of instincts and emotions." This is liberal and tolerant, and we are only sorry that the same qualities are not continued when the discussion turns on French literature. We should have liked a little justice to have been shown to the best French authors as well as to Wagner. There are passages throughout the book which might be quoted separately, as examples of easy, graceful diction; notably the short digression on the subject of friends, early in the first volume.

But the chief charm of the book lies in its healthy, vigorous tone; in its absence of self-conscious sophistry, theatrical introspection and morbid religious questioning. The women are simple-minded, gentle, and unselfish, without any desire to pose either as martyrs, heroines, or *précieuses ridicules*. The men are inclined to be dictatorial, but there is no whimpering or whining among them when life proves almost too hard to bear. The moral is just this—that we can conquer sorrow by bearing it bravely, and by making none of the worst sort of sorrows for ourselves. Happiness—not excitement mentally or physically—is the aim for the greatest to strive for, and sorrow borne as it is possible to bear it when not created by ourselves, "can be made even more beautiful than the best joy." With this feeling of calm upon us, lifting us above small fears and selfish repinings, we close "Lena's Picture," grateful that it is still possible, even in these days, that such a book should be written.

A COINCIDENCE.—A constant reader of GOLF was talking to a friend in Peterborough on various subjects, from the weather to Waterloo. In comparing notes about what each had seen on the famous battle-field and its neighbourhood, it appeared that the Peterborough man had been most interested in a copy of the *Times*, containing Wellington's despatches of June 19th, 1815, which is to be seen in the inn of the village of Waterloo. The golfing man regretted not to have seen the said *Times*, but determined in his heart to look for it next time. *Mirabile dictu!* Some giftie must have heard his prayer, for he saw and read another copy of that very *Times*, two days afterwards, in the most unexpected manner, in a Golf club-house north of the Tweed.

THE PARLIAMENTARY GOLF MATCH.

The Parliamentary Golf Tournament has been arranged to take place at Furzedown, the private ground of the Tooting Bec Club. The play will begin on Saturday, March 4th, between which date and Monday, March 20th, the first ties must be played off. The last day for the second ties is April 10th; for the third ties, April 17th; for the fourth ties, April 24th; for the fifth ties, May 1st; and for the sixth and final tie, May 8th. Fifty-six entries have been made. The draw took place at the House of Commons on Thursday night, the 23rd ult. It is as follows:—Mr. J. Cumming Macdonald, M.P. (12), against Mr. J. F. Symons-Jeane, clerk, House of Lords (18); Mr. G. W. Balfour, M.P. (13), against Viscount Bury, M.P. (22); Mr. A. J. Balfour, M.P. (13), against J. W. Crombie, M.P. (16); Mr. G. A. Whitelaw, M.P. (5), against Mr. J. Moore, Press Agency (18); Mr. C. J. Hamilton, clerk, House of Lords (10), against Mr. G. Newnes, M.P. (18); Mr. H. Shepherd-Cross, M.P. (18), against Captain M'Calmont, M.P. (18); Mr. H. Seton-Karr, M.P. (8), against Mr. T. Shaw, M.P.; Mr. H. Tollemache, M.P. (10), against Mr. Felix Skene, clerk, House of Lords (4); Mr. C. W. Campion, examiner, House of Commons (12), against Mr. J. P. Croal, *Scotsman* (6); Mr. D. Crawford, M.P. (18), against Mr. R. G. Webster, M.P. (22); Hon. T. W. Legh, M.P. (9), against Viscount Newark, M.P. (20); Mr. A. G. Boscawen, M.P. (18), against Mr. J. Penn, M.P. (scratch); Captain J. Sinclair, M.P. (14), against Mr. D. F. Arnott, *Irish Times* (22); Mr. S. Hoare, M.P. (20), against Mr. H. P. St. John, clerk, House of Lords (10); Sir W. Pearce, M.P. (18), against Mr. A. Graham Murray, M.P. (3); Sir Herbert Maxwell, M.P. (13), against Mr. J. G. Hozier, M.P. (22); Mr. J. G. Baird, M.P. (18), against Mr. W. Jeans, *Dundee Advertiser* (18); Mr. H. W. Forster, M.P. (2), against Sir W. Houldsworth, M.P. (18); Mr. A. J. Robertson, *The Times* (6), against Mr. J. S. Robb, *Glasgow Herald* (12); Mr. W. H. Ley, clerk, House of Lords (20), against Mr. J. Parker Smith, M.P. (18); Mr. A. Cameron Corbett, M.P. (22), against Mr. W. A. Leigh, clerk, House of Lords (12); Mr. J. Seymour Keay, M.P. (13), against Mr. W. Hayes Fisher, M.P. (16); Mr. J. Bigwood, M.P. (22), against Mr. A. W. Nicholson, clerk, House of Commons (10); Lord Balfour of Burleigh (16), against Mr. A. Maokintosh, *Aberdeen Free Press* (22). The following have drawn byes, and consequently do not play in the first round:—Mr. M. H. Shaw-Stewart, M.P. (20), against Mr. S. H. Whitbread, M.P. (14); Mr. C. L. Anstruther, clerk, House of Lords (8), against Earl of Dartmouth (18); Marquis of Granby, M.P. (18), against Captain Joceline Bagot, M.P. (22); Lord Westbury (15), against Mr. E. C. Howe Browne, clerk, House of Commons (18). The handicap allowance is three-fourths of the difference.

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DEATH OF A PROFESSIONAL.

Charles Ramage, for nearly four years the professional to the Brighton and Hove Golf Club, died at his residence, 19, Cowper Road, West Brighton, on Friday, the 24th February, at 11, a.m., from cardiac failure, following a severe attack of pleurisy.

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



We have decided to discontinue the red jacket hitherto worn by GOLF. This is not due to any desire to depart from a golfing tradition, but simply owing to practical considerations connected with advertising and printing. Many advertisers complain that the red cover of the paper does not “show up” the advertisements so well as it should do, and a preference is pretty generally expressed in favour of the white background. We therefore appear before our readers in unostentatious white, and trust that as the contents of the paper will not in any degree suffer detriment thereby, our readers may be disposed to fall in with the change.

We are asked to state that the projected professional tournament by the Tooting Bec Golf Club has been postponed for the present. It has been represented to the committee that with the Parliamentary Golf match in full swing, with other important club competitions in process of being played, the lack of accommodation owing to the club-house not being quite finished, the near approach of the Spring meeting, and the large amount of general play now taking place, the green would become unduly crowded, and there might be a danger of the professionals being hampered. It has, therefore, been decided to wait until the club-house is finished and occupied before final arrangements are made for the tournament. The proposal has met with a great deal of favour and support, and much anxiety is shown by a wide section of Southern golfers to see the game played as it should be by players who represent the traditional ideal.

“I am very glad,” writes “Argus,” “to see a son contributing ‘Leaves from Mr. Robert Chambers’s Scrap-Book.’ They will be read by many with deep interest. I must, however, point out that in the contribution in last week’s GOLF there is a slight confusion made between two great events in which Mr. Chambers took part in 1857 and 1858 respectively. Under the heading, ‘First Grand National Golf Club Tournament,’ the writer mixes up this Tournament with the Amateur Championship by asking comparison between the rules given for said Tournament and the Championship as now played, and by saying, ‘The first Championship was gained by Mr. Robert Chambers, who, with Mr. Marjoribanks, was chosen to represent the Musselburgh Golf Club, and the trophy presented to the winner is still in the possession of his family.’ Now, as will be seen in one of the verses of the song, Mr. Chambers and his partner were defeated:—

The club from Musselburgh sent  
Two stalwart men to play;  
An’ well these chieils did represent  
The honest toun that day.  
But though they focht wi’ might and main,  
And a’ their efforts lent,  
The Leven folk by two did gain  
The first day’s Tournament.

Messrs. Glennie and Stewart, for Blackheath, won the Tournament. The trophy in possession of the Chambers family was won single-handed in quite a different contest, that of 1858; for

the Amateur Championship, which is that described by Mr. Everard in GOLF, July 29th, 1892. On this occasion, as appears from the minute quoted in the article, it was the Bruntsfield Club, and not Musselburgh, that claimed the honour of having 'The Champion Golfer of Great Britain' among its members, and *fit*ed him accordingly. It is a pity we have not a Championship of the former kind yet, in which each club would be represented by two or by four players. Such a competition would be grand. I hope much more will be given us about Robert Chambers. I knew him well, and shall never forget the inimitable rendering of 'The Knife-Grinder' at our club dinner. Peace be to his ashes!"

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In warning beginners in his excellent "Hints" against cutting up "fids of turf"—*Golfied*, "divots"—Mr. Horace G. Hutchinson says "Golf is not agriculture." This, no doubt, is true; but the connection between Golf and agriculture is much closer than at first sight might be supposed. If the present low prices for grain are to continue, and the development of Golf is to go on as it has been doing, it will become a question with many who hold land in certain districts whether it will not pay better to devote it to Golf than to agriculture. A very interesting return might be asked for at the present time of the acreage of the country now wholly devoted to Golf. A comparison of this with the amount so used, say, twenty years ago (which could be easily calculated), would astonish anyone, and it would then be seen that Golf is, after all, a more profitable agriculture than what is commonly so called. Some of our Furzedown M.P. golfers might do players a favour by asking for such a return. It would be interesting for comparison with future returns of a similar kind as much as with the past. The idea is suggested to us on reading the results of the recent inquiry by the Board of Agriculture into the amount of area in Great Britain of rough hill grazings and unenclosed mountain lands (which are not technically included under the term "permanent pasture"). This area, it seems, is about 12,000,000 acres, or more than a fifth of the surface of Great Britain. More than three-fourths of this area is in Scotland. Upon this wild region, as well as upon the same arable area, Golf will make many encroachments in coming years.

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Considering that Golf and Turf have always been closely connected we are not surprised to see that Mr. H. Christopher, at the Sandown Spring Race Meeting, entered "Golf Juan" as a competitor in the Village Selling Hurdle Race of 100 sovereigns. The betting was, however, 11 to 2 against, and "Golf Juan" was only fourth. Better luck next time to the bearer of such a grand name. With less "carry" and more "run" on, the horse will win some day.

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"Tom Tiddler," in the *Athletic News*, speaking of Golf at Wearside, says:—"Lord Durham has accepted an invitation to become President of the Sunderland Golf Club. Although newly formed, the club already has over 100 members. We are quite Scotch, you know, on Wearside. At least there is a considerable colony, and although we have not yet taken to haggis, parritch, kilts, and usquebaugh, Scotch games find favour in the eyes of a good many people. The links are at Coxgreen, and an expert pronounces them one of the best inland courses in the kingdom. The distance from Sunderland is short and easily accessible by rail, and on a Saturday afternoon it is a common occurrence for some dozens of enthusiasts to take train for the links. Compared with Golf, baseball has proved a fizzle. But then it is an American game, which just proves my theory that we are rapidly getting Gaelicised on Wearside, and that when the next Ordnance Survey takes place Sunderland will have to be marked on the map as a town in Scotland!"

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The West Lancashire Golf Club contemplate inviting Mr. Balfour down to open their new club-house some time in the spring.

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It is announced that the sale of the club-house of the Honourable Company at Musselburgh, which was to have taken place

in Dowell's on Wednesday week last, is postponed. Does this mean that there are still some members who object to taking final leave of the old happy hunting-ground, and threaten interdict? The latest candidate for the property is said to be Loretto School, which has been the *Alma Mater* of many good golfers, notably Mr. J. E. Laidlay.

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The petition of Mr. Hope, of Luffness, against the Aberlady, Gullane and Dirleton Railway has now been lodged. Mr. Hope throws the onus of the Bill on the Honourable Company. "Your petitioner," he says, "believes that the Bill is primarily, if not solely, promoted in the interests of the Edinburgh members of a private club of golfers, who have recently rented, on a lease of nineteen years, a golfing green of 100 acres at Muirfield, opposite the termination of railway No. 1, and in order to provide those Edinburgh members of this private club with better facilities for reaching their private golf links. There has been no desire expressed by those residing in the district for additional railway facilities, and your petitioner submits that such golfers possess sufficient facilities for access to those links at present." This is a specimen of the arguments against the proposed railway. For years there has been a general desire for a railway, and Mr. Hope himself has proposed several plans for better communication, and encouraged golfers to come to the district by making greens. Now that he imagines that a little of the amenity of Luffness will be taken away he makes an onslaught on the Honourable Company—of which he is a member—for pushing forward what everyone who has no selfish interest at stake wishes to see an accomplished fact. The inhabitants of the district, it is understood, are to petition in favour of the Bill.

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Here is another of Mr. Hope's arguments against the railway: "It has for long been the custom of your petitioner and his ancestors, and the families residing at Luffness, to use the Luffness links as part of the recreation or policy grounds attached to Luffness Mansion House, and large sums have been expended in improving and beautifying the links, and so adding to the attractiveness and residential amenity of Luffness. The estate of Luffness has a frontage of upwards of a mile to the Firth of Forth, and the extensive and uninterrupted sea views which may at present be enjoyed from the house and policies, together with free access to the links and foreshores, greatly enhance the general attraction of the mansion as a place of residence." This is the tone of undesirable exclusiveness. Mr. Hope will not be cut off from the links by the railway; he and his friends can go and enjoy themselves there as before, and if he can prove that the amenity of Luffness suffers he will be amply paid for his loss. But mark his view of Luffness links. It is just as an appanage to his mansion and enhancing its attractiveness that he thinks of the Golf course. Nothing about the hundreds of members who pay him a rent for the course, and who cannot reach it without a long and expensive journey. It is true that Mr. Hope first laid out the course—all honour be to him for so doing—but it is the members that have made it what it is, and Mr. Hope has not spent much on it since his first outlay. It is to be hoped that at Westminster a more enlightened and generous view will be taken of the situation.

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"The question," says "Uxor," "whether marriage interferes with Golf is one of considerable importance. I see that the Bass Rock Club, North Berwick, have tried to answer it by pitting the married against the single, when the latter were victorious by thirteen holes. This pleases my maiden aunt, who sometimes asks me why it is people so often speak of 'single' blessedness, while they never talk of the other kind. I do not, however, accept the match at North Berwick as any test, for I notice that the result was chiefly due to Councillor Macintyre beating Treasurer Shiel by ten holes. Now the councillor happens to be a druggist, and I have no doubt that by some chemical fumes he was able to stupify his opponent at the start without anyone knowing anything about it. Otherwise the Treasurer would have been ahead, and the benedicts would have won."

One of the Senators of the College of Justice, Lord Trayner, who is often seen enjoying a game on the North Berwick links, is about to follow the example of the Lord Advocate, and build a mansion at this fashionable watering-place. For this purpose he has taken a feu of six acres from Sir Walter Dalrymple, on the high ground adjoining the farm of Mains. The view from here is very commanding, and the situation is more convenient for the links than at the East End, where the large mansions of St. Baldred's Tower, &c., are built.

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Young men who leave North Berwick to try their fortune in distant countries do not seem inclined to let their left hand lose its cunning at Golf, to which they have all been trained on their home green. Mr. Wilfrid Sprott, a son of the parish minister, has recently gone to Bombay to enter business there, and he has enrolled himself in the Royal Gymkhana Club. In the recent competition for the Calcutta medal he came in second, two points behind the actual winner. We expect to hear more of him in future competitions of the club, and from his high character he will no doubt be very successful in business, to which Golf ought to be always a help and never a hindrance.

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The clergy at North Berwick, as might be supposed, have mostly succumbed to the blandishments of Golf, without which the dissenting portion of them would fare very poorly, for there would be little money in the place if there were nothing in Golf to attract rich people to it, and it is well-known that Golfers who have won during the week are always liberal to the "plate" on Sunday. The Episcopal rector is proud of his golfing son, L. Stuart Anderson; but he is not a bad hand himself, and recently in commenting on the unprecedented number of deaths that had taken place, he summed up by putting it shortly and saying that "in fact, death had made a record score." The Free Church Minister is sometimes seen having a game, and in the School Board shows always great interest in the caddie question. The United Presbyterian Guild recently had a lecture on "the Attractions of Golf," from Mr. James Mitchell, one of the members of the Bass Rock Team that won the County Cup, when the United Presbyterian clergyman made some supplementary remarks in favour of Golf. His great impending work on "the Evolution of Conscience," however, interferes with his desire to be a good player. In the case of the parish minister, a new High Church development in the National Zion, the Suspensory Bill, and the defections in general of the Modern Church, forbid such frivolities as Golf, and his son's success at Bombay was more alarming to him than gratifying. The parish assistant, however, pays some attention to Golf.

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Elsewhere the old game seems quite in favour with the gentlemen of the black coat and dog collar. In a recent match between Moffat and Crawford no fewer than five out of nine players for the last-named club were parish ministers. They were unitedly victorious over their five opponents by two holes, but their club lost by 53, and for the opposite side (Moffat) the minister of the parish played and contributed 16 to the victory. The match was played on the Moffat course, which is one of the shortest—three holes. Mr. Deane, of Duanion, did a record for nine holes (three rounds) by compiling a 36 in this competition. It is a pity that in such a popular health resort there is not a larger course. Might not some of the enormous Proudfoot bequest be applied to making a good Golf course?

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Many great lights have emerged from the Sleepy Hollow of Haddington, notably John Knox, whose birthplace is now in the market. Later we had Jane Welsh, by whose marriage the great prophet Carlyle became for ever associated with the burgh. Later still, and lesser, we have Samuel Smiles, James Purves, Frank Watt, and the London correspondent of the *Scotsman*, all shedding lustre on their native town. "The Lamp of Lothian," recently renovated, with a well-known golfer in collegiate charge, illumines "far and sure" the great golfing shire of East Lothian with admirable brilliancy. The burgh may also be proud of a "Davy" lamp in the form of a Town

Councillor of that name, who has just got a committee appointed to carry out the great aim of his life, viz., to make the policeman's boot noiseless. Warned by the heavy tramp of Robert's hob-nailed boots, the thief has usually got off before his enemy got near, and the burghers of Haddington have been for years mercilessly rooked by the burglars thereof. It was always a case of "never up, never in." As thoroughly suited for the purpose we would recommend Scafe's patent combination boots and Randall's guinea Golf boots, both well-known to golfers. The thief should always be provided with the same boot, so that when, overtaken by the noiseless constable, it became a case of "one up and two to play" the sleeping inhabitants might not be disturbed by the excitement of the finish.

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On Monday, the 20th ult., Mr. W. Thomson, a local player, in a single with Paxton, the parish policeman, lowered Sayers' record for the Archerfield course, which stood at 71. Thomson's round was as follows:—4 4 4 5 4 4 4 3 4 3 4 4 3 3 4 4 6 3=70. It is needless to report that with this record score the young lad considerably "outran the constable."

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Mr. T. D. Thomson, the energetic secretary of the Archerfield club, has made a new departure in the usual humdrum duties of secretaries. He has at considerable expense got a large album, which he intends to fill with portraits of past and present members of the club, and to bequeath as a legacy to the club on his demise, which we hope will be far distant.

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The humours of Golf, interwoven with politics, have seldom received a more artistic and laughable delineation than in two sketches sent out by the proprietors of *Cope's Tobacco Plant*. The first sketch is in sepia tint, and is entitled "The Tee-Shot; More Humours of Golf." It represents a Parliamentary foursome in progress, and in the centre of the picture we see Mr. Gladstone, clad in a check knickerbocker suit, white gaiters, and Tam-o'-Shanter, teeing off across a yawning sand bunker. The swing is capital, and the Prime Minister appears to have his eye thoroughly on the ball. Mr. John Morley stands at the sand-box with Tim Healy acting as his caddie, and the Chief Secretary is apparently uncertain whether he ought to select a brassie as the club with which to play the next shot—when his chief's ball has got across the bunker. In the background Joseph Arch, in bucolic smock, stands as an interested onlooker, and a little to Mr. Gladstone's left is Lord Randolph Churchill watching the effect of the right hon. gentleman's shot. At the same teeing ground Mr. Goschen, acting as caddie to Mr. Balfour, is teeing up his leader's ball; Lord Salisbury stands immediately behind his nephew, and Sir William Harcourt, acting as the Prime Minister's caddie, is engaged in repressing the exuberant attentions of Mr. Keir Hardie, John Burns, and Mr. Labouchere.

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Right below the Prime Minister sits "Old Tom" enjoying his pipe, club in hand and ball at foot, while the towers of St. Andrews loom darkly behind him in the distance. At the corner to the left we have a "lost ball" incident. A couple, with the aid of their caddies, are hunting laboriously for their ball among the whins on the top of a rabbit-burrow, while two wary little bunnies have got the strange object at the mouth of their hole, a third bunny being an interested spectator of the fruitless search of the golfers. At the top corner is a party of "enthusiasts" calmly putting out in a drenching rain, their caddies shivering, and evidently not quite seeing where the fun comes in. On the top right-hand corner are two ladies playing, while at the tee is "a novice," an elderly gentleman in knickerbockers with one hand at the top of the grip and the other hand half-way down the shaft, receiving instruction from a little scallywag of a caddie. At the bottom right-hand corner is the representation of the "Last Hole," a foursome limned in silhouette against the fading evening light. For letterpress we have these sage counsels:—"Keep your eye on the ball."—*Young Man's Guide to Golf*. "Keep your eye on the Bill."—*G. O. M.* "Keep your eye on Truth."—*Truthful Tommy*. "Keep your eye on me."—*Randy*. "Keep your eye on Hodge."—*Joseph Arch*. The picture is instinct with genuine golfing

humour, which every one can appreciate with reference to the present political situation. The likenesses are faithful.

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The other picture is in colour, and represents the Parliamentary foursome on the putting-green, or "A Stimy: One of the Humours of Golf." It is dedicated to the members of the new House of Commons, and a saying is attributed to Mr. Balfour that "Even games are not to be regarded as wholly serious." Mr. Gladstone has laid for the right hon. gentleman a stimy. The shot is evidently a critical one. Lord Salisbury, in red jacket, is crouching behind his nephew's ball in order to make the line, and Mr. Balfour, judging from his strained attitude, is evidently trying to put "cut" on his ball. Mr. Gladstone wears a complacent smile, Mr. Morley is more serious, and Sir William Harcourt, the drollest figure of all, is grinning broadly at the position of the Tory leader in the Commons. In the centre of the picture, below the foursome, we have a good portrait of Mr. Andrew Lang, "on Parnassus." There are also portraits of the Duke of Devonshire and Mr. Chamberlain. The artist has done his work with great spirit.

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Playing with Sir William Gordon Cumming over the course at Lossiemouth on Monday, 20th ult., Andrew Kirkaldy, the St. Andrews professional, returned the remarkably fine score of 71—33 out and 38 in; thus establishing a record for the green which, unless improved upon by himself, is likely to stand for some time. All the new greens have been completed, and the course is now in splendid trim for play. Kirkaldy speaks of it in terms of high praise.

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Dr. Highet, the popular honorary secretary of the Troon Golf Club, has decided to resign office. The genial doctor's name has been inseparably associated with the history of the club since its formation some fifteen years ago. He is one of the original members, and has acted as honorary secretary from the very beginning. In the early years of the club's existence Dr. Highet's duties were necessarily of a very heavy nature, and, indeed, he has never ceased to devote all the energy and time at his command to the service of his fellow-members. The result is well known. Largely owing to Dr. Highet's exertions, the Troon Club has become one of the largest and most prosperous in the kingdom, possessing a membership of close on 550, a club house of a highly convenient and comfortable nature, and links which are surpassed by few others. The members of the club are not likely soon to forget his labours of love on their behalf. Their feelings on the subject will probably assume some more tangible shape before the time arrives for Dr. Highet's retirement.

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"The Golf, so long a favourite and peculiar exercise of the Scots, continues to exercise to the full as much interest in Inveresk" (suburban to Musselburgh) "as in any other of the few localities where it still continues in favour. Children are trained to it from their early years, incited by the attractive features of the links and by the encouragement of their parents. To preserve the taste for it a club of gentlemen was formed in 1760, and purchased a handsome silver cup, which continues to be the object of an annual competition, and is disposed of nearly in the manner of the silver arrow of the archers. But healthful and harmless as golfing is in itself, and cheerfully used by multitudes of exemplary persons, it has unhappily become considerably associated with some vices which have much withered its attractions!" So writes an anonymous old teapot with vague venom; but I suppose we must forgive him in respect of his having, in all human probability, been himself long bunkered. "Some vices!" When a man is more than 5 down, he is the incarnation of all vice, sacred and profane, besides thirst with justification.—W. D.

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While playing round the Littlehampton course on Saturday, February 25th, with Lord Ernest Hamilton, Rowland Jones, the professional, holed the sixth hole in one stroke. The hole is 173 yards, and Jones played it with a cleek.

At a special meeting of the Southdown and Brighton Ladies' Golf Club Miss Sherlock was elected captain of the club for the ensuing year, Mrs. Gordon Dill and Miss M. Fair acting as vice-captains during Miss Sherlock's absence in Scotland. The club-rooms are being painted and decorated, and the links are under improvement both by the club and by the landlord, who is draining the low-lying parts of the ground. The Southdown and Brighton Ladies will play at Wimbledon on March 7th.

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The mania for Golf, instead of showing signs of abatement, seems still to be on the "wax." Where the eye has hitherto been accustomed to see only the bloom of the furze or the bare ridges of a sheep-walk, it is now attracted by the manly forms of the golfers and their retinue of caddies. Many inland towns where Golf might be least expected to find a road of invasion have succumbed, like their more favoured seaside rivals, to the fascination of this most popular game. No one will be surprised to learn that Huntly, in Aberdeenshire, with its charming surroundings of wood and water, has been added to the number of places that possess a course. The Duke of Richmond and Gordon at once acceded to the request of the local gentlemen to allow a nine-hole course to be laid out along the beautiful slopes that skirt the right bank of the Bogie, beneath the shadow of the grey old castle, once the proud residence of the noble Duke's ancestors. The task of doing so was entrusted to the skilled hands of old Tom Morris, who has, of course, made the best of the situation. Visitors to this fine summer resort will be delighted to have an opportunity of pursuing their favourite game amid such magnificent surroundings, and we must congratulate alike the benefactor and the local gentlemen who promoted the enterprise on having added one more to the number of Golf courses, which will soon, at the present rate of increase, be counted by their thousands over broad Scotland.

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Continuing the question of Golf-balls referred to in last week's issue, our inquiries among the large Southern makers show that the demand for the most expensive ball is really enormous. Slazenger and Sons have at present a stock of 5,000 dozen boxes of their "Slazenger" ball, the price of which has been reduced from a guinea to 17s. 6d. They guarantee that every ball sent out is six months old; and all golfers who have tried it speak in unrestricted terms of praise of its capabilities. This firm has also a stock of over 7,000 dozen of the "Truflite" ball ready for the season's play; and though this ball is cheaper it wears splendidly for ordinary play. The higher-priced ball, however, is the one to select for important matches where the gain of every stroke is a matter of the keenest importance.

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Peter Paxton, at Eastbourne, with great enterprise, set up hydraulic machinery twelve months ago for the making of balls. He has turned out 1,000 dozen of black and red gutties, and of this stock only 200 dozen remain. A simple fact like this shows how high Paxton's balls stand in golfing favour, and players over a wide area of the country have testified to their excellence in flight as well as in ability to withstand a great deal of hacking and general hard play. Paxton is at present engaged in making a large stock of new red gutties, but with a stock on hand of 200 dozen three months' seasoned balls he is able to meet the spring demand, which is sure to arise on all sides.

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Messrs. H. J. Gray and Sons, Cambridge, of whose excellent clubs we have already spoken, are busy turning out a new ball called the "Playfair." The ball, which is made in two sizes of 27 and 27½, is beautifully moulded in the orthodox pattern, finely and deeply nicked, and painted with great care and durability. The demand for it is very large, notwithstanding that the price is 15s. per dozen; but, as we showed a fortnight ago in treating of gutta percha and its cost, it is inevitable that golfers should face the contingency which is fast arising, if a really good ball is wanted for important play, of a slight increase in the price. The "Playfair" is, in all respects, an excellent ball, and ought to meet with general and widespread favour.



QUESTIONS ON THE RULES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Would you be good enough to state your opinion on the very fine point of "oscillation versus movement" of a ball? If a player, in addressing a ball, which may be slightly cupped, should touch it with his club, and cause it to move, say one or two inches, and should the ball, owing to its lie, roll back into exactly its original position, according to the St. Andrews rule, it could only be described as oscillation, and not as a stroke, which it would be, had it "left its original position in the least degree, and stopped in another?"

I am, Sir, &c.,  
DEVONIAN.

[In Vol. I., page 282, and in the correspondence in the same volume, our correspondent will find an article and other material on the question, "A moved ball—what is it?" In the case described above, it was certainly not "oscillation," but "movement"—that is to say, the ball actually revolved at least once round its axis, and was quite clearly a stroke.—ED.]

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—A player in a foursome is in a hazard, and plays to go out through an opening. To the left of this opening is a clump of trees, under which an opponent, with his caddie, are standing over their ball, about ten yards to the left front of the player.

In striking, the player pulls his ball to the left, and it strikes the top of the clump of trees, falls down through them, and strikes the opponent's caddie. The caddie and opponent were not in the line of flight as the striker intended the ball to go.

Does this entail the loss of the hole under Rule 23, or does the fact of the ball first striking the tree make it a "rub of the green?"

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

Beverley, February 24th.

[We do not see how the player whose caddie was struck is able to escape the penalty of the rule, which has no qualification of time, place, or circumstance attached to it. With a desire, however, to be liberal and fair in the interpretation of the rules, and not to decide in favour of a player who gets an advantage from a supposed or alleged transgression, one is impelled to ask of the player and his caddie under the trees, "Qu'allaient-ils faire dans cette galère?" If the player whose caddie was struck had played the game as it ought to be, and is, played by good golfers he would not have been in front of his opponent, even though he was not in the line of flight of the ball. It is this looseness, this disregard in observing the etiquette of the game on Southern greens which leads to so many disputes. No player has a right to go in front of his opponent's ball. He ought to wait until the farthest-off ball is played, standing quietly in the neighbourhood of the player meanwhile. By going in front he cannot possibly tell how the shot is being played by his opponent, nor can his opponent see whether there are any irregularities being committed by the other player. One sees matches constantly in progress where, as soon as the tee shot is played, the player who struck the ball rushes after it a quarter of a mile ahead of his opponent, the second player not infrequently having to call "Fore!" to the partner who is walking fast ahead in the line of the tee

shot, intent only on his own ball, and with a discourteous and thoughtless disregard of his opponent's convenience and method of play. Through the green it is the same topsy-turvy method of play which prevails—the ball nearest the hole, in defiance of rule or custom, being as often as not played first. In view of all the circumstances, therefore, and in the interest of a proper observance of the game, we say that the hole ought to be claimed, and that "a rub on the green" does not apply.—ED.]

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Please answer the following question:—A and B are playing a game. I say to A, "I will bet you £5 B beats you." They halve the match. Do I lose my £5?

I am, Sir, &c.,  
WRANGLE.

[This is not a subject which we are anxious to touch, as it really lies outside anything connected with the game or its rules. Gentlemen ought to be able to settle their bets "out of court;" but since our correspondent has put the point to us, and out of courtesy to him, we should say that the bet is off, always supposing that even money was laid. If odds were laid, the ordinary rule ought to apply of adding the larger sum to the smaller, dividing, and then paying the proportion lost.—ED.]

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Would you kindly give me your opinion on the following question:—We arrange to play a match with another club, eight a-side. Five of our men turn up and play; the other three men do not put in an appearance. Can the opposing side claim eighteen-holes from each of the men who do not turn up (their opponents being present)? If not, what is the rule on this point?

I am, Sir, &c.,  
CLIFF. D. MILNE, Hon. Sec.  
Cheadle Golf Club, Cheadle, Cheshire,  
February 25th, 1893.

[There is no rule on this point, as far as we know, except that of mutual accommodation. If men fail to turn up and play, it is usual to find opponents for the other team, as, of course, it is not the courtesy which ought to be extended to a visiting team to disappoint players who may have travelled from a distance for the pleasure of a game. Failing the chance of finding other three players, the match can only be decided by the result of the five a-side match.—ED.]

THE CARE OF CLUBS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Could you kindly inform me what is the best plan to preserve the spring and straightness of club shafts? What is the best kind of oil to use, and how often should it be applied? Should oil be used for the heads to prevent cracking? What is the best plan of cleaning iron clubs?

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

[In order to keep shafts supple and straight, they ought to be oiled from time to time, and invariably after play, especially in damp or very hot weather. A good rule to adopt, however, is the use of a little oil in the palm of the hand, always after the clubs have been used. The oil best suited for this purpose is the finest linseed, or vaseline. Rub the clubs first with a dry piece of rag; put a little oil or vaseline in the palm of the hand, and stroke the shaft gently. If the shaft is warped or crooked, which may be due to green wood, or to the habit of digging under the ball and cutting out divots at each shot, heat it in front of the fire, and then rub it liberally with oil, straightening the shaft by gradual pressure of the heated hand. It is better not to put oil on the heads of wooden clubs, especially the face. If the face of the club is cracked, get the club-maker to put in a leather face. To clean iron clubs use finest emery paper (which, however, scours the iron pretty rapidly, and in time destroys the weight and balance of the club), "Sunlight" or Brooke's soap. A process of silvering iron heads, called the "Arcas," is being brought out by Slazenger & Sons, and this prevents the clubs from rusting, or the necessity of cleaning as above described.—ED.]

## INTER-CLUB MATCHES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I am glad to see, in your last issue, the letter of Dr. Purves on this vexed question, and inviting discussion on the disparity and inequality between golfers on opposing sides, resulting in the total defeat of one club by a large majority of holes gained by the winning side, as shown in last week's GOLF in three glaring instances, and a remedy is greatly required.

To gain this desired end, allow me to suggest the following points:—

1. That the playing capabilities and handicaps of intending players should be exchanged between the two club secretaries previous to the day of play, and let them arrange the couples.

2. That the contests should be home and home matches of one day's play, one round being played by holes, the other by strokes on each respective day.

3. That care be taken that the best and scratch golfers should play against one another, and not against an inferior player, so as to gain a number of holes for their side.

The foregoing points cover a large quantity of ground, but with care on each side to select the best golfers, who can generally be depended upon to win their match and beat their opponents in both medal and match play, and, if possible, on both inland and seaside greens, should their experience extend so far, or otherwise, with the addition of two or three novices on each side, to vary and equalise matters, each player depending on his own individual exertions, and playing his level best, like "Hal of the Wynd," each for his own hand, would, I am sure, bring about better and more equal results.

Golf has more than one advantage over cricket, in so far that drawn games for lack of time or wet weather are unknown, and that a player has either nine or eighteen chances of scoring a win for himself and his side, and not two innings, with a chance of being run out by his partner. Although in foursome play your partner may often fail to hole your good-lying quarter-stroke, and miss a dead put, and *vice versa*, you may do the like by him.

I am, Sir, &c.,

London, February 26th, 1893.

FIAT JUSTITIA.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have read the letter by Mr. Purves under the heading "Inter-Club Matches," in your last issue, and quite agree with him that the present system of playing these matches is quite wrong.

With a view to inter-club and county matches being made interesting and exciting, in place of "a walk over" which has been the result of most of the team matches played under the present system, I make the following suggestions through your valuable paper:—(1) Each win to count 1 point; (2) If by 6 holes 2 points; (3) If by 12 holes, or more, 3 points.

Therefore the highest possible that one player can win for his side is 3 points.

I am, Sir, &c.,

ARTHUR H. MOLESWORTH.

## GOLF CLUB WANTED.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Can you (or any of your readers) kindly oblige me with the names of any Golf Clubs (large or otherwise) which play on the Downs between Croydon and Purley and Caterham, with secretary's address, entrance fee, &c.?

I should like to find a club near a railway station, where one can play on Sundays, and where ladies are admitted, either as members or visitors.

Any information would be much appreciated by

Yours faithfully,

C. F. LINCOLN FIELD.

## MR. TAIT'S DRIVE.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I hope Mr. Everard does not suppose that I meant that Mr. Tait ought to have seen his ball lying 341 yards from the tee. All I ventured to suggest was, that it seemed curious that a good player like Mr. Tait, knowing the St. Andrews links as well as he does, and seeing the direction in which his ball started, should have lost his ball. I take it that most golfers who do not trust to their caddies to find their balls for them, usually mark by the direction, distance, and their knowledge of the links. I quite agree with Mr. Everard that it would have required exceptional length of sight and a very level plain to have seen a ball 341 yards, and I think I might also add, a very white ball and very green grass.

I am, Sir, &c.,

Q. E. D.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In reply to Mr. Everard's queries in your last number, the distances 1, 2, and 3, entirely depend where the wickets are pitched. Of course I cannot say for certain, as I have never heard of any of the said distances ever having been measured; but, if the wickets were pitched in the middle of the ground, I doubt very much whether 1 and 3 would reach 170 yards and for No. 2 160 yards. As regards Mr. Thornton's drive that I mentioned in my last, all I can tell Mr. Everard is, that Mr. Thornton himself gave me the letter from the professional who measured it, and at the same time told me that he thought as far as he could tell, it was as long a drive as he had ever made. The Hon. Ivo Bligh and others, who ought to know, have told me that they thought some of Bonnor's drives were longer; but I could get no authentic record of any of his. I myself, certainly saw Bonnor make one of the finest drives I have ever seen. It was at the Oval, some years back, in one of the Australian matches. It was from the Pavilion end, and carried well over the line of sight canvas, nearly straight over the bowler's head, but a trifle on the on side. Being a low ball, however, I doubt very much whether its carry exceeded 160 yards. I think for a long carry a greater elevation or higher trajectory is necessary for a cricket ball than for a Golf ball, owing, I suppose, to the difference in weight or the specific gravity of the earth. Perhaps Professor Tait would enlighten us about this.

I am very glad to see Dr. Purves's letter as to club matches. At present they seem to me to be an utter farce, and will never excite any real interest (except perhaps to those playing) on the present system, for many reasons, but chiefly on account of many of the best players belonging to so many clubs. Why not take the bull by the horns at once and have proper county matches, as I suggested some time back? These would be really interesting and exciting, and cause some first-class play to be seen.

I am, Sir, &c.,

A. LUBBOCK.

## IS IT A RECORD?

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—An ardent golfer of about a year's experience lately addressed himself to his ball at the first tee and missed the globe three times running. Not a word escaped him, but there was a look as of hunted misery in his eyes as he turned to his caddie and exchanged his driver for a cleek. It is a fact that neither he nor the ball gave any outward sign of being moved till stroke number 8 shook the latter from the tee. Then a kindly spectator swore for him, and he went on his way.

Is there any previous record of equally bad Golf combined with equally good temper? How can the combination be reconciled with natural law? I may add that any such explanation as that "he always hit the *other* ball" is quite out of court in this case.

I am, Sir, &c.,

KANGAROO.

Melbourne Golf Club, 20th January, 1893.



MR. HUTCHINSON'S "GOLFING."

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In your appreciative criticism of Mr. Horace Hutchinson's new work "Golfing," you say, "one or two misprints have crept into the volume which ought to have been remedied." I notice, however, something worse in his chapter on implements p. 16. "The outfit of a golfer is said to consist of seldom more than two drivers—one in case of accident to the other, and a brassey—*i.e.*, a wooden club soled with iron." This is surely, worse, than a misprint; or is it another "patent," of whose number no man knoweth. I have seen a good many clubs, but a brassey with an iron sole, have I never.

I hope your enterprising "M.P." will carry his new Golfing Bill which is "to provide for the abolition of all patent Golf clubs invented since the death of Allan Robertson."

I am glad to see a portrait of my old caddie adorning the cover of Mr. Hutchinson's pleasant volume, which, please add to "Bibliography of Golf."

I am Sir, &c., T. C.

Edinburgh, February 20th.

MADE-UP BALLS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In answer to "Amphion" in this week's issue of GOLF, I do not know whether my advertisement has caught his eye or not. But I make up balls in a thoroughly efficient manner at 2s. 6d. per dozen; and make it a special point of my business to see that every one sending their balls for making-up, get the same returned. I send you per same post one of our machine re-made balls for a sample.

I may add that all work executed on our premises is under the efficient management of Mr. J. Buchart, mentioned in connection with the biography of Mr. T. Gilroy in last week's issue.

Trusting you will insert this for the satisfaction of "Amphion,"

I am, Sir, &c.,  
CHAS. BRAND,  
Golf Club and Ball Maker.

Caledonia Golf Club-House, Carnoustie, N.B.  
February 27th, 1893.

MR. BALFOUR AND IRISH GOLFERS.—Mr. Balfour, in a letter to Captain McCalmont, M.P., thanks the golfers of Ireland for their recent presentation. He says:—"It is, indeed, a kindly thought of those among my Irish friends who share my devotion to the greatest of outdoor games thus to mark their goodwill to one, who, however little qualified to show by example what Golf may become in the hands of a competent performer, is at least zealous to promote the interests and spread the knowledge of the art."

A short time ago an hon. secretary wrote to a well-known seedsman in the Eastern counties to ask him to recommend some grass seed for a particular kind of putting-green. The seedsman indicated the desirable quality, and suggested that a crop of oats should be sown with it to shelter the young grass! I fancy there would be some danger of a third and luxuriant crop springing up also—a crop of oaths!

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ABERDEEN.

A return to the foursome played some three weeks before between Messrs. L. Stuart Anderson and J. M. Ferguson, against Mearns and Annand, the two local professionals, took place on Saturday, over the Balgowrie course. It will be remembered that the first match was won by the two amateurs by 3 up and 2 to play, both men playing a very strong game. The conditions on Saturday were two rounds of the links, or thirty-six holes, and though the weather was bitterly cold a fairly large crowd followed the players round the course. The two amateurs on this occasion played but an indifferent game, Mr. Ferguson, in particular, being repeatedly faulty in his putting. Mearns and Annand, therefore, had an easy thing on hand, and at the end of the first round came in 6 holes up. The second round was more closely contested, the professionals on this journey only gaining 2 holes, which, with their lead of 6 on the first round, gave them an easy victory by 8 holes.

On Friday, the 24th, Mr. Stuart Anderson and Annand played Mr. W. F. Orr and Mearns a foursome round the Balgowrie course. The first pair were in grand form, and at the close came in victorious by 4 and 3 to play.

The Aberdeen Club meet the Royal Perth Golfing Society over Balgowrie links on Saturday, 11th March. Twelve players, we understand, start on each side.

After the usual two months' winter break, the members of the Victoria Club here resumed their usual monthly competitions on Wednesday and Saturday of last week over the nine-hole course on the Town's links. The prizes played for were the monthly scratch and handicap ones, and the course was gone round twice. The weather, though bitterly cold, was favourable on both days, and some very good cards were handed in. A comparison of these showed that Mr. L. Anderson had won the scratch prize with an 82, while he and Mr. D. J. Innes, 85, less 3=82, have a tie to play off for Mr. Chivas's handicap prize for first-class players. Mr. Williams's prize for second-class players was carried off by Mr. W. Mitchell with a score of 92, less 4=88. The following are a few of the lowest scores:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. L. Anderson ...	82	scr.	82	Mr. A. M. Scott ...	98	12	86
Mr. D. J. Innes ...	85	3	82	Mr. A. McConnachie	87	scr.	87
Mr. W. H. Reid ...	87	2	85	Mr. W. Mitchell ...	92	4	88
Mr. M. H. Mackie	91	6	85	Mr. A. Mackay ...	96	8	88
Mr. Alex. Cooper...	86	scr.	86	Mr. C. Robertson...	98	8	90
Mr. A. Mitchell ...	88	2	86	Mr. J. A. Ross ...	95	4	91
Mr. J. B. Banks ...	88	2	86	Mr. J. J. Mackenzie	92	scr.	92
Mr. J. Hazelwood..	92	6	86	Mr. J. H. Jamieson	99	3	96
Mr. W. Addie ...	98	12	86				

The members of the Bon-Accord Club, with handicaps of from 14 to 18 strokes, competed for the treasurer's (Mr. James Cameron) prize over the links nine-hole course. Two rounds were played, and on cards being compared, Mr. Charles Smith was found to be first, with a score of 96, less 14=82.

ALNMOUTH GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, the members inaugurated the present season by holding the first of a series of eight monthly competitions for a subscription cup, on the links at Alnmouth. In the early morning snow fell very heavily, and the links were covered with fully an inch of snow, which, although quickly dispersed by the hot rays of the sun, left the putting greens in a sticky condition, and made holing out a difficult task. The inclement weather doubtless narrowed the field, nevertheless, twenty-two entered. A meeting was held in the club-house previous to the competition, and seven new members were elected, the club being now in a very satisfactory condition as regards membership. The course, since last season, has been altered slightly, the fourth hole at the end of the links being removed to a more difficult position, which no doubt made the competition on Saturday a matter of speculation to several of the players, and

made their totals on the high side. The competition was held under handicap rules, and the allowance given in some cases was on the generous side, which naturally made the work of the four scratch players assume the character of a stern-chase. Several players did not give their cards in. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. E. S. Osborne...	96	8	88	Mr. H. E. Brown ...	100	2	98
Mr. W. R. Heatley	106	19	88	Mr. T. L. M. Orde	105	4	101
Mr. R. Thomson ..	90	scr.	90	Mr. M. P. Ismay ...	111	10	101
Mr. G. F. Charlton	97	5	92	Mr. J. de C. Paynter	102	scr.	102
Mr. C. G. Percival	107	15	92	Mr. J. W. Carr ...	118	14	104
Mr. C. A. Ridley ...	95	scr.	95	Mr. J. Limont ...	118	7	111
Mr. J. Robertson ...	102	6	96	Mr. W. C. Selby ...	158	25	133
Mr. J. A. Robertson	110	14	95				

Capt. Fred Browne, Mr. G. W. Ridley, Mr. E. Horne, Mr. W. H. Haigh, Mr. P. J. Roddam, Mr. A. Leather, and Mr. Alex. Browne, made no return.

ARDEN v. KENILWORTH.

This match was played at Kenilworth on Wednesday, February 22nd, in wretched weather, and the course was very wet. Mr. A. E. Wilson-Browne was 1 hole down at the turn, but won every hole in the second half.

ARDEN.		Holes.		KENILWORTH.		Holes.	
Mr. F. A. Bainbridge (capt.)	3			Mr. W. H. Hillman ...	0		
Mr. O. Airy ...	6			Dr. E. K. Bourne (capt.)	0		
Mr. A. E. Wilson-Browne	8			Mr. F. M. G. Abell ...	0		
Mr. A. G. Tonks ...	0			Mr. V. Jepson ...	6		
Mr. E. P. Wright ...	0			Mr. H. R. Hands ...	1		
Mr. M. C. Lord ...	8			Mr. T. Kinmond ...	0		
	25				7		

Majority for Arden, 18 holes.

ARDEN v. BARTON.

This match was played on Saturday, February 28th, at Barton, near Burton-on-Trent, and after a most enjoyable game, resulted in a victory for the visiting team by 26 holes, thanks chiefly to its "tail."

ARDEN.		Holes.		BARTON.		Holes.	
Mr. F. A. Bainbridge (capt.)	6			Mr. C. Palmer (capt.)...	0		
Mr. A. E. Wilson-Browne	0			Mr. F. Jennings ...	1		
Mr. A. G. Tonks ...	0			Mr. A. Palmer ...	2		
Mr. E. P. Wright ...	2			Mr. A. R. White ...	0		
Mr. J. F. Wright ...	8			Mr. P. S. White ...	0		
Mr. M. C. Lord ...	13			Mr. T. Dixon ...	0		
	29				3		

Majority for Arden, 26 holes.

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal meeting of the above club, on February 25th, was favoured with charming weather, which came as a welcome change to the days of rain and snow and sleet which preceded it. The green, notwithstanding the treatment it has recently received from the elements, was perfectly dry, except in the bottoms, and the putting-greens were very good and true. The result of the competition is as yet undecided, though Mr. Braybrooke, of course, takes the scratch prize, the Yewhurst gold clubs. The Tunbridge Wells members of the club have presented an exceedingly handsome silver cup, to be held for the year by the member sending in the two best net returns at any of the club's meetings. Score:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Mr. H. M. Braybrooke ...	85	scr.	85	Mr. N. W. Grieve ...	113	22	91
*Mr. H. A. Curteis ...	90	5	85	Mr. W. C. Johnson ...	113	22	91
*Mr. C. A. Ashton ...	105	20	85	Mr. H. Simson ...	112	20	92
Rev. A. T. Scott ...	91	5	86	Mr. J. F. Gordon ...	105	12	93
Mr. T. Hyde ...	90	3	87	Colonel Browne ...	113	20	93
Mr. P. J. Andrews ...	102	11	91	Mr. T. P. Fox ...	115	22	93
				Mr. E. A. Horne ...	112	18	94

\* Tie for monthly medal, and divide sweep.

† Yewhurst gold clubs.

No returns from Major Spens, Rev. C. C. Woodland, Messrs. H. J. Fisher, F. R. Lucas, L. W. Andrews, A. J. Simpson, R. Chignell, W. R. Lee, Lawford Andrews, J. C. Miller, J. Sykes, J. A. Nix, Capt. W. Hussey, and others.

GEORGE WATSON'S COLLEGE GOLF CLUB.—The sixth monthly competition of the club was played on Saturday, over the Braids. The prize-winners were:—1st, Mr. S. Meikle, 109, less 20=89; 2nd, Mr. W. Prentice, 115, less 24=91.

BIRKDALE GOLF CLUB.

On Tuesday, the 21st ult., the lady-members of this club were engaged in playing-off the first competition for the Captain's prize. The winner proved to be Miss F. Coney. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Miss F. Coney ...	94	24	70	Miss Burton ...	103	17	86
Miss M. Coney ...	108	28	80	Miss Coney ...	132	40	92
Miss Morris ...	121	40	81	Miss Darwell ...	123	30	93
Miss Cheetham ...	78	+5	83	Miss M. G. Mayall...	136	40	96

On Saturday, February 25th, the first competition for the Captain's prize (a pair of handsome silver candlesticks) also occupied the attention of the gentlemen. The winner was Mr. F. Baker. The scores under 100 net were:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. F. Baker ...	96	18	78	Mr. W. J. Drewett...	116	27	89
Mr. T. S. Turnbull...	88	9	79	Mr. W. Thompson...	119	30	89
Mr. J. E. Pearson...	85	4	81	Mr. G. D. S. Crowther	94	2	92
Mr. H. Dorning ...	97	16	81	Mr. G. Crowther ...	100	7	93
Mr. W. Bowker ...	102	18	84	Mr. A. Smart ...	115	18	97
Rev. H. J. Bryan ...	108	22	86				

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

The annual match for the silver bowl presented by the Ladies' Golf Club took place on the Calcutta Maidan on Friday and Saturday, 3rd and 4th February, when 69 members entered to play. An additional hazard has come into existence in the shape of the Light Horse Camp tents which varies the monotony of the game on the Maidan, and several players found themselves in difficulties in trying to play the usual course at the fifth hole old round. Mr. H. C. Begg (scratch) and Mr. J. A. Cassels (12), however, were equal to the occasion, and tied for the prize with an excellent net score of 86. The prize was presented by Lady Elliott in the presence of a large number of ladies and gentlemen, the ladies of the Ladies' Golf Club being the guests of the Golf Club to witness the finish of the match. Sir Charles Elliott, who was also present, made a few complimentary remarks to the winners, and on behalf of Lady Elliott, as president of the Ladies' Golf Club, congratulated them on their success. From the annexed scores it will be seen that Mr. Begg and Mr. Cassels won somewhat easily, and six tied for third place at 90. The tie for the bowl will be played off early this week. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. H. C. Begg ...	86	scr.	86	Mr. D. Youngson ...	99	6	93
Mr. J. A. Cassels ...	98	12	86	Mr. C. Little ...	94	scr.	94
Mr. A. F. Simson ...	90	scr.	90	Rev. D. Reid ...	98	4	94
Mr. W. E. Hitch ...	93	3	90	Mr. W. E. G. C.			
Mr. J. A. Taylor ...	98	8	90	Dickson ...	103	9	94
Mr. F. T. Paine ...	100	10	90	Mr. P. Donaldson ...	112	18	94
Dr. W. Forysth ...	102	12	90	Mr. F. H. E. Lamb	95	scr.	95
Mr. E. J. Marshall...	108	18	90	Mr. H. J. S. Cotton	111	16	95
Mr. G. A. Ormiston	95	4	91	Dr. C. A. Martin ...	107	10	97
Mr. G. N. Nairn ...	101	10	91	Mr. J. Davenport ...	110	12	98
Mr. H. Callaway ...	103	12	91	Mr. J. W. P. Muir-			
Mr. C. J. Elton ...	101	9	92	Mackenzie ...	106	7	99
Dr. D. M. Moir ...	102	10	92	Mr. J. H. Lane ...	111	12	99
Mr. F. Rawson ...	110	18	92				

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

Owing to the unusual and tremendous rainfall of the last few days, the University links at Coldham Common are partially submerged, the drains lately put in by the club being quite inadequate to carry off the great volumes of water. From this cause, the match which was to have taken place on Saturday, February 25th between the University and Royal Cromer Club at Cambridge, has had to be postponed. It is to be hoped that the waters will very soon abate, as on March 3rd the University play Royal Blackheath, and on March 4th, Great Yarmouth at Cambridge.

Return matches with Royal Blackheath, Royal Epping Forest, and Richmond, will be played either in the Easter Vacation, or in the May Term.

When the Cambridge links shut on May 12th, for the Long Vacation, golfers will find many links near Cambridge, the best of which are those at Biggleswade and Royston.

Cambridge links are open from October 6th until May 12th, including Easter and Christmas Vacations.

The two most interesting matches of this term take place at Coldham Common, Cambridge, on Friday, March 3rd, and Saturday, March 4th, when the University tackle Royal Blackheath and Great Yarmouth Golf Clubs. The visiting teams bring with them many well-known and formidable golfers, among others, Mr. John G. Gibson, captain Royal Blackheath Golf Club; Mr. Robert Whyte, the Yarmouth captain, and winner of the Victoria Vase of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews; Mr. John Penn, M.P., Mr. F. S.

Ireland, Capt. H. Gillon, Mr. A. Schacht, Mr. Waller Richardson, Mr. W. E. Hughes, Mr. Wickham Noakes, and several others. Cambridge will be very strong with Messrs. J. L. Low, R. A. Nicholson, D. D. Robertson, E. C. P. Boyd, A. M. Chance, W. T. Linskill, A. C. Robertson, H. Parker, C. C. Bethune, I. H. Maxwell, H. Glazier, and F. E. Swainson. Mr. C. E. Hambro is absent on sick leave, but will play for Cambridge at Wimbledon on the 7th.

CANNES GOLF CLUB.

Fortnightly handicap, played February 18th :—

GENTLEMEN.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Lieut.-Col. Elliott	88 26 62	Mr. Carr Gomm	91 6 85
Lockhart	86 14 72	Grand Duke Michael	130 45 85
Mr. M. Sargent	119 45 74	of Russia	94 6 88
Mr. Barlow Webb	83 6 77	Col. Lloyd	113 25 88
Mr. T. W. Stubbs	89 10 79	Mr. E. Harbord	119 30 89
Mr. J. Roberts	89 10 79	Mr. J. Dugdale	144 30 114
Capt. Irvine	110 30 80	Col. Maillard	
Mr. Brown Westhead			

Seven other players made no return.

LADIES.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss C. Ramsay	40 +6 46	Countess de Torby	64 4 60
Mrs. Tennent	42 +8 50	Miss F. Halford	75 14 61
Miss G. Willoughby	70 16 54	Miss M. Burns	77 13 64
Mrs. Stubbs	56 scr. 56	Miss A. de la Brosse	80 16 64
Miss Wienholt	56 scr. 56	Miss de Neufville	84 18 66
Mrs. Fish	62 5 57	Miss Sargent	61 +7 68
Miss H. Chomeley	76 18 58	Miss Willoughby	90 18 72
Miss N. Ramsay	54 +5 59	Miss Bland	98 18 80

CLAPHAM COMMON GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of this club was held on Thursday, February 23rd, when there was a good muster, considering the size of the club, and the short time allowed for play. Mr. J. B. Wood won the scratch medal, and Messrs. T. C. Last and W. Williams tied for the first handicap prize, and Mr. G. H. Gill took the third handicap prize. The scores, which were all rather big, owing to water on the Common, were as follows :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. T. C. Last	104 14 90	†Mr. J. B. Wood	101 6 95
*Mr. W. Williams	102 12 90	Mr. T. R. Pare	111 14 97
†Mr. G. H. Gill	105 14 91	Mr. J. E. Drower	113 16 97
Mr. E. J. Hunt	105 13 92	Mr. J. Millar	114 15 99
Mr. J. W. Pare	108 14 94	Mr. T. Ravenhill	118 18 100
Mr. D. F. Russell	108 14 94	Dr. G. S. Woodhead	116 15 101
Mr. E. L. Arnold	109 15 94	Mr. J. J. Hayes	133 25 108
Mr. J. Taylor	102 7 95	Mr. J. Lidiard	136 25 111

\* First handicap prize. † Third handicap prize.  
‡ Scratch gold medal.

Two others made no returns.

COPTHORNE GOLF CLUB.

The first monthly competition of this club, postponed from January, was held on Thursday and Saturday, the 16th and 18th ult. Owing to unfavourable weather the number of entries was limited, and the scores higher than the average. Result :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. L. Reade	103 5 98	Mr. H. G. Bateson	126 15 111
Mr. J. Elliot	114 10 104	Capt. Laprimanday	139 25 114
Mr. M. Drummond	111 5 106	Mr. C. Reade	140 25 115
Mr. A. Walker	120 12 108		

Several other scores over 120 net.

Ladies' competition, nine-hole course :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss A. Hurst	84 10 74	Mrs. Burnand	109 20 89
Wright	97 15 82	Miss E. S. Reade	102 10 92
Miss F. M. Banks	86 scr. 86	Miss A. Elliot	122 20 102
Miss Nix	97 10 87	Miss M. L. Banks	123 15 108
Miss Reade	89 scr. 89	Miss Hurst-Wright	141 20 121

CROOKHAM GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, February 25th, in beautiful weather, with hardly any wind :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. B. Rendall	98 14 84	Mr. P. T. Baker	113 23 90
Mr. E. J. Maguire	98 11 87	Mr. F. G. Fitton	102 11 91
Rev. J. Stewart	100 11 89	Mr. P. A. Underhill	104 13 91
Mr. W. H. Belcher	107 18 89	Mr. G. S. Edwards	114 16 98

CINQUE PORTS GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, Saturday, February 25th :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Capt. J. C. Tattersall	91 5 86	Capt. G. Austin	103 7 96
Mr. Alfred Schacht	92 scr. 92	Gen. Sir Bevan	111 15 96
Mr. T. R. Curtis	119 27 92	Edwards	116 20 96
Mr. E. G. Rand	109 16 93	Mr. E. P. Barlow	119 20 99
Mr. F. T. Welman	96 2 94	Major Wilkinson	
Mr. J. F. Dixon	119 24 95		

Twenty others made no return or were over 100 net.

DURHAM GOLF CLUB.

The first of a series of nine monthly competitions was played on Wednesday, February 22nd. The weather was stormy and boisterous, and as a consequence there was not a large turn-out of members. Result :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Dr. E. S. Robson	103 4 99	Mr. B. T. Walter	130 24 106
Mr. J. Duncanson	110 8 102	Mr. F. W. Cluff	137 18 119

Several players retired.

EALING GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, February 25th, the Ealing Golf Club, second team, held their match for handicaps over 10, on the Ealing Club links, with the West Herts second team. The excessive rain in the week, with the frost of Friday night and partial thaw, made the greens very sticky and difficult, which no doubt operated disadvantageously to the visitors. Scores :—

EALING.		WEST HERTS.	
Holes.		Holes.	
Mr. A. Dunbar Walker	0	Mr. Patullo	1
Mr. W. Carver	0	Mr. Crawford	4
Mr. A. J. Davies	5	Mr. Hirst	0
Mr. Henry Maule	2	Mr. Whitaker	0
Mr. E. Bird	6	Mr. Whitehorn	0
Mr. R. F. Yeo	1	Mr. Jackson	0
Mr. G. B. Balfour	1	Mr. Davis	0
Mr. R. C. Hutton	12	Mr. Clark	0
Mr. R. Shortrede	2	Mr. E. R. Harby	0
Mr. H. E. Pegg	2	Mr. Tankard	0
Mr. R. H. Woodhouse	1	Mr. T. Williams	0
	32		5

EAST SHEEN LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition, which resulted in a tie between Lady Napier and Miss Sinclair, was held on Thursday, February 16th. The weather, which looked hopeless at first, cleared up satisfactorily in the afternoon. However, the morning's downpour deterred several ladies from playing, and of those who did compete, only four sent in their scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss Sinclair	120 24 96	Mrs. Routh	128 20 108
Lady Napier	136 40 96	Miss H. Cholmly	143 20 123

The tie, which was played off the following Monday, resulted in a victory for Lady Napier by one point.

EPSOM GOLF CLUB.

Medal competition, Saturday, February 18th :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. D. Bovill	90 4 86	Mr. F. McNair	110 16 94
Mr. K. M. Macdonald	103 15 88	Mr. E. Skinner	124 30 94
Mr. F. C. Tudor	101 12 89	Mr. E. Chetwynd	109 14 95
Mr. C. H. Gossage	105 16 89	Stapylton	114 18 96
Mr. G. Cosens	110 18 92	Mr. C. P. C. Jones	114 18 96
Mr. W. Tatham	108 16 92	Mr. J. Hatchard	116 20 96
Hughes	101 8 93	Smith	121 24 97
Mr. A. C. Barton	105 12 93	Mr. Bouverie Deedes	108 9 99
Mr. Gordon Ruck	117 24 93	Mr. G. F. Burgess	117 18 99
Mr. W. Maples		Mr. J. Kinder	

Many players made no returns.

The annual general meeting was held at the new club-house on Epsom Downs on Saturday, February 18th. Over forty members were present, the chair being taken by the president, Mr. J. S. Strange (the lord of the manor). It was decided to increase the number of members in the club to 200, and to raise the entrance-fee to five guineas. Mr. G. F. Burgess was elected captain of the club for 1893. The president and vice-presidents were unanimously re-elected. The number of the members on the committee was raised from eight to nine. Mr. C. Collier Jones was elected hon. treasurer in the place of Mr. W. H. Bagshaw, who retires after two years' service. Votes of thanks for their services were passed to the late hon. treasurer, the committee, and hon. secretary.

FELIXSTOWE GOLF CLUB.

Monthly challenge cup. Mr. J. M. Henderson, with a capital net score of 81, proved to be the winner of this competition, the scores being as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. J. M. Henderson	85	4	81	Mr. W. Johnston	104 15 89
Capt. W. St. George	...	...	...	Mr. C. G. Havell	102 9 93
Ord	98	10	88	Mr. G. R. Quilter	102 3 99

The remaining cards returned were over 100 net.

FORFARSHIRE.

A match was played at Elliot, Arbroath, on 22nd ult., between Rob Scott and Archie Simpson, the two celebrated Carnoustie players. The result was in favour of Archie Simpson by 3 holes up. Scores:—Simpson, 83; Scott, 90. The weather was very cold and boisterous, and, taking that into account, the play was considered excellent. There was a large number of spectators.

The Arbroath Club completed on Saturday the sixteenth of the series of their winter competitions. There being snow on the ground, the number of players was smaller than usual, and none of them were below the 100. The result of the play was:—1, Mr. Thomas Lindsay, 2 below, 4 points; 2, Mr. George Milne, number, 2 points; 3 and 4 (tie), Messrs. A. Coutts and George Douglas, each 1 above, 1½ points. The other players receive 1 point each.

HAGLEY v. KENILWORTH.

Played at Kenilworth, on Saturday, February the 18th, and resulted in a victory for Hagley.

HAGLEY.		KENILWORTH.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Mr. E. F. Chance	1	Mr. J. H. Mitchell	0
Mr. H. H. Turner	3	Mr. W. H. Hillman	0
Rev. J. H. Bourne	5	Mr. A. K. Bourne	3
Mr. G. Albright	4	Mr. F. M. Able	0
M. W. K. Harrison	0	Mr. V. Jephson	1
Mr. H. J. Stobart	0	Mr. H. R. Hands	4
Mr. W. H. Grazebrook	0	Mr. T. Kinmond	1
	13		6

HAYLING GOLF CLUB.

The winter meeting of the club was begun on Saturday, 18th February, and continued on Monday and following days; unfortunately the weather all through was against good scoring. The principal event of the meeting was the competition by holes, under handicap, for a handsome silver cup (to be won twice by same player before becoming his property) presented by the late hon. sec., E. H. Liddell, Esq.

Monthly medal, February 18th.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. A. O. Burton	103	18	85	Mr. E. H. Liddell	113 18 95
Mr. R. Saumarez	96	10	86	Mr. R. G. Hargreaves	110 15 95
Mr. G. C. Wylie	92	4	88	Mr. A. Read	105 9 96
Captain Quinton	96	8	88	Mr. J. Silvester	117 20 97
Captain Swinburne	99	10	89	Mr. Fraser Sande-	...
Mr. P. J. T. Henery	90	scr.	90	man	112 15 97
Mr. R. F. Fisher	98	8	90	Mr. Fleetwood Sande-	...
Mr. J. S. Sassoon	107	15	92	man	117 18 99
Mr. F. Johnson	114	20	94	Mr. L. G. B. Carter	109 10 99

Messrs. W. Gann, A. Kruckenbergh and Major Anstruther, over 100 or no return.

"Bogey" competition, February 20th, resulted in a tie between Major Anstruther, Major Swinburne and Mr. L. G. Bonham-Carter, who were each 5 down. The tie was played off on Thursday afternoon, 23rd, when Mr. L. G. Bonham-Carter won with 2 down, Major Swinburne being second, 4 down. Besides those mentioned, the following played: The Hon. T. W. Legh, M.P., Messrs. A. O. Burton, R. F. Fisher, R. G. Hargreaves, C. H. Sapte, J. S. Sassoon, A. Read, G. C. Wylie, W. Gann, P. J. T. Henery, Fleetwood Sandeman, Fraser Sandeman and Captain Quinton.

Liddell Cup, 21st February and following days—Third Heat.—Mr. R. G. Hargreaves (15) beat Captain Pease (12); Hon. T. W. Legh, M.P., (8) beat Mr. A. O. Burton (15); Mr. C. H. Sapte (12) beat Mr. J. Silvester (18); Mr. A. Read (9) beat Mr. W. Gann (4).

Fourth Heat.—Mr. R. G. Hargreaves beat Hon. T. W. Legh, M.P., and Mr. A. Read beat Mr. C. H. Sapte.

Final Heat.—Mr. R. G. Hargreaves beat Mr. A. Read, 8 up and 6 to play. Besides those mentioned the following played: Messrs. P. J. T. Henery, G. C. Wylie, Fleetwood Sandeman, F. Johnson, Fraser Sandeman, H. T. S. Ross, A. Harcourt, R. F. Fisher, J. S. Sassoon and Colonel G. Sandeman.

HUDDERSFIELD GOLF CLUB.

Notwithstanding the fact that there was an inch of snow on the links at Fixby, nine players took out cards, and the following five excellent returns were made:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. N. Nugent	109	25	84	Mr. E. B. Wilson	110 21 89
*Mr. T. B. Keighley	115	31	84	Rev. N. Langham	128 36 92
Mr. J. H. Exley	106	20	86		

\* These gentlemen will play off the tie.

LITTLESTONE GOLF CLUB.

Ladies' monthly medal:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Miss South	63	6	57	Miss A. Cobb	92 24 68
Miss F. South	60	scr.	60	Miss E. Cobb	90 16 74
Mrs. Hick	87	24	63	Miss H. Stringer	103 16 87
Miss D. Rowlandson	76	12	64	Mrs. Stilwell	111 24 87
Miss C. South	90	24	66	Miss W. Rowlandson	104 16 88
Miss Rowlandson	89	22	67		

MACCLESFIELD v. CHEADLE.

A friendly contest arranged between these teams came off at the Upton links on Saturday, and resulted in an easy win for the Macclesfield team by a majority of 6 holes. Teams of six-a-side instead of eight, as originally intended, contested the game, the wintry weather which prevailed at Cheshire no doubt accounting for the missing members. Over at Macclesfield, however, all traces of snow had disappeared, and both the ground and putting-greens were in good condition, and favourable to the enjoyable game which resulted. Appended are details of the scores:—

CHEADLE.		MACCLESFIELD.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Mr. T. A. Tweedale	1	Mr. F. Tylecote	0
Mr. C. D. Milne	1	Mr. A. G. Gray	0
Dr. Scowcroft	3	Mr. A. Sheldon	0
Mr. D. H. Greenwood	3	Mr. J. W. Burgess	0
Rev. F. A. Macdona	0	Dr. Cooke	2
Mr. King	0	Mr. M. H. Hall	11
	7		13

MID-SURREY GOLF CLUB.

The first monthly medal competition of this club took place on the 18th ult., in a strong wind. A good number of members turned out, and the links was in excellent condition. On Friday last J. Munro, the professional, did the round in 79, which is the record. The following are the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. W. G. Clibborn	97	16	81	Mr. E. E. Evans	107 10 97
Mr. T. C. Last	98	14	84	Mr. L. Chance	115 16 99
Mr. L. Rinault	96	9	87	Mr. R. McGregor	...
Mr. L. W. Evans	112	25	87	Jolly	114 14 100
Mr. A. J. Eames	97	7	90	Mr. R. S. Gardner	107 7 100
Mr. W. B. Dick	110	14	96	Mr. E. T. Sachs	124 24 100
Mr. R. Radford	114	18	96	Mr. T. S. Hazeon	136 36 100
Mr. A. E. Allan	113	16	97		

Messrs. H. Graham, H. Tomlinson, A. J. Wood, W. J. Bowyer, W. P. Bowyer, and W. Weston were over 100.

MORECAMBE AND HEYSHAM CLUB.

The fourth competition for the monthly prize of this club took place on Saturday, the 25th ult. The snow which had fallen during the night did not interfere very much with the rounds, although the greens were very sticky in consequence. On completion of the rounds it was found that Mr. R. Charnley (Heysham) had put in a very deserving win with a net score of 90. There are still two more competitions for this prize, the final to be played off at the spring meeting by the winners. The other players who have recorded a win, so far, are Mr. W. Stewart (Lancaster), Dr. Glegg (Morecambe), and Mr. H. A. Paley (Lancaster). Appended are the scores sent in:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. R. Charnley	120	30	90	Mr. F. Bannister	120 25 95
Mr. R. G. W. Howson	132	40	92	Mr. B. H. Cookson	115 15 100
Mr. M. Satterthwaite	128	35	93	Mr. A. J. Swift	138 35 103
Mr. R. T. Reynolds	129	35	94	Mr. C. E. Friend	148 35 113

Rev. C. V. Gorton, Dr. Glegg, Mr. W. Stewart, and Mr. H. A. Paley also played.

The monthly competition for the lady-subscribers of this club was advanced another stage on Wednesday, the 22nd ult. The day was bitterly cold, and a high wind greatly interfered with low scoring. On

comparison of the cards returned it was seen that Mrs. Mason (Lancaster) and Miss Gertrude Spink (Buildon), had tied for first place with a net score of 64 each. On replaying the tie Miss Spink won with a score of 63, against Mrs. Mason's score of 64. The scores returned were:—

	Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.
Miss G. Spink	... 64 scr. 64	Mrs. Shuttleworth	.. 94 20 74
Mrs. Mason	... 82 18 64		

Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Glegg, and Miss Hartley also played.

NEWHAVEN GOLF CLUB.

At a committee meeting on Monday, the 20th ult., it was decided to hold the Easter competition on Wednesday, April 5th, for prizes presented by Mr. A. Harcourt, Mr. F. Sandeman, Mr. E. Bedford and Mr. J. Webber, one round of eighteen holes to be played under handicap.

During the meeting it was announced that Lord Winchelsea had accepted the post of president of the club; and the Hon. Harold Finch Hutton, Mr. Cumming Macdonald, M.P.; Mr. Fleetwood Sandeman, and Mr. Herbert Whitfield had consented to be vice-presidents. The following are the officers for the ensuing year:— Captain, Mr. Aubrey Harcourt; treasurer, Mr. J. Webber; hon. secretary, Mr. Smith Stone. Committee:—Messrs. \*W. Hobbs, \*J. Webber, \*J. Bannister, \*G. H. Wilson, \*E. Bedford, J. Kennard, A. J. Lewis, J. Peters, E. Currey, \*J. Joy, J. Steadman, W. Stone, Major W. W. Turner, Dr. Smailes, Dr. Mossop, the captain and hon. secretary. The names marked \* are on the greens committee, of which Mr. E. Bedford is chairman.

Handicappers:—The captain, Mr. A. Harcourt; Messrs. E. Bedford, J. Bannister, J. Steadman, and W. Stone.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

PAST V. PRESENT.

This most interesting match took place on Saturday last, February 25th, at Hincksey. Although the last were without the services of Messrs. Horace Hutchinson, Andy Stuart, H. S. C. Everard, R. A. H. Mitchell, E. H. Buckland, and others, they were still very strongly represented, Mr. Kinloch is an old captain of the club, and Messrs. Davidson, Cumming, Biske, and Ripley are former secretaries. The day was beautifully fine, but the state of the course was execrable after the heavy rains. In the evening the two teams dined together in Brasenose, under the presidency of Mr. Pelham. A most enjoyable dinner was brought to a close by the following toasts and speeches: "The Queen," "The two Captains," proposed by the Chairman, and responded to by Messrs. Paterson (an old President of the O. U. B. C.) and Pearson; "Prosperity to the Oxford University Golf Club," proposed by Mr. A. N. Cumming, formerly president of the Union, and secretary of the Golf club, and responded to by the Rev. P. A. Henderson; "The officers of the club," proposed by Mr. R. W. Macan, and responded to by Messrs. H. Nicholls, and F. H. Stewart; and finally "Mr. Lodge," to whom conjointly with Mr. Pelham, the thanks of all present are due for having taken so much trouble in promoting this match, of which the result is subjoined.

PAST.		PRESENT.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. A. R. Paterson (captain)...	1	Mr. F. H. Stewart	... 0
Mr. F. Kinloch	... 0	Mr. R. B. Pearson (captain)...	10
Mr. J. W. B. Pease	... 5	Mr. P. Balfour	... 0
Mr. F. J. Patton	... 5	Mr. R. H. Dun	... 0
Mr. B. Howell	... 2	Mr. L. Robertson	... 0
Mr. W. D. Davidson	... 2	Mr. R. L. Proudfoot	... 0
Mr. A. H. Higgins	... 8	Mr. H. E. Atkinson	... 0
Rev. J. G. Denison	... 0	Mr. H. Nicholls	... 4
Mr. A. N. Cumming	... 2	Mr. R. W. Macan	... 0
Mr. G. W. Ricketts	... 2	Mr. R. Lodge	... 0
Mr. P. V. Broke	... 0	Viscount Encombe	... 2
Mr. H. T. Knight	... 0	Mr. G. M. T. Smyth	... 0
Mr. A. H. Evans	... 0	Mr. A. J. Boger	... 1
Mr. A. E. Ripley	... 0	Mr. F. H. Campion	... 1
Mr. F. F. Liddell	... 0	Mr. O. T. P. Nelson	... 4
Mr. A. C. M. Croome	... 2	Mr. C. W. W. Surrige	... 0
Earl of Eldon	... 0	Mr. H. F. Pelham	... 2
Mr. C. L. Anstruther	... 11	Mr. L. W. S. Rostron	... 0
Mr. F. E. Dubs	... 2	Mr. W. R. Hardie	... 0
Mr. R. H. Balloch	... 0	Mr. J. B. Wood	... 1
	42		25

Past winning by seventeen holes.

OXFORD v. CAMBRIDGE.

The team that will represent Cambridge against Oxford at Wimbledon, on March 7th, is pretty well fixed regarding the first seven places, and it is as follows:—Mr. John L. Low (Clare); Mr. D. D.

Robertson (Christ's); Mr. E. C. P. Boyd (Trin.); Mr. A. M. Chance (Trin.); Mr. C. E. Hambro (Trin.); Mr. A. C. Robertson (Christ's); Mr. H. Parker (Trin. Hall).

The first six are all scratch players. For the last place Mr. J. L. Bethune (Jesus); Mr. H. Glazier (Emmanuel); and Mr. I. Heron Maxwell (Trin.), will compete. The team is selected by Mr. J. L. Low (captain); and Mr. W. T. Linskill (the hon. secretary).

The following five have been definitely selected for Oxford:—Mr. R. B. Pearson (captain, Brasenose); Mr. F. H. Stewart (Magdalen); Mr. P. Balfour (Balliol); Mr. R. H. Dun (Brasenose); Mr. L. Robertson (Balliol).

ROCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

Ladies' competition for prize, presented by Mrs. Holroyde, on the 25th ult. Medal round (eighteen holes).

	Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.
*Mrs. Upton	... 116 34 82	Mrs. Budden	... 116 15 101
Miss Murton	... 111 20 91	Miss Pochin	... 122 16 106
Miss Hobbs	... 118 27 91	Miss G. Cunliffe	... 126 20 106
Miss Pease	... 129 36 93	Miss L. Winch	... 118 10 108
Miss Ethel Cunliffe	118 18 100	Mrs. Keith	... 138 30 108

\* Winner.

Several others made no return.

ROYAL ASCOT GOLF CLUB.

Mr. Henley Eden's prize competition, February 25th.—

	Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.
Sir G. Pigot	... 97 18 79	Mr. H. Sawyer	... 92 9 83
Mr. H. Eden	... 93 11 82	Dr. G. Paterson	... 101 18 83

Also played—Sir T. Dyer, Mr. E. Donsonby, Col. Eden, Mr. E. M. Hadow, Mr. H. H. Longman, Capt. Kenny Heubert, and Capt. Morrison. Mr. F. G. Tait, while playing with Mr. H. C. Clarke, did the splendid score 77, 38, and 39 from the long tees.

ROYAL BLACKHEATH GOLF CLUB.

Tuesday, February 21st.—The Bombay medal (scratch), and a cup presented by Mr. A. H. Baker (under club handicap), were competed for this day. Thirty-six members started in the competition. The heavy rain which poured down unceasingly throughout the day's play made matters most unpleasant for the players, and caused a good many cards to be destroyed. Mr. A. Schacht carried off the medal with a score of 118, made up of a 40, a 35, and a 43, his middle round being a very fine one considering the sodden state of the course. Mr. Adam T. Young put in a score of 122, which, with his handicap allowance of 4, gave him a tie with Mr. Schacht for the cup. Details of play:—

	Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.
*†Mr. A. Schacht	... 118 scr. 118	Mr. R. M. Richard-	
†Mr. A. T. Young	... 122 4 118	son	... 147 18 129
Mr. F. S. Ireland	... 122 scr. 122	Mr. C. M. Baker	... 150 21 129
Rev. F. W. S. Le		Mr. C. Lethbridge	150 21 129
Lièvre	... 134 12 122	Mr. W. G. Barnes	161 30 131
Mr. W. E. Hughes	131 7 124	Mr. W. C. Johnson	154 22 132
Mr. W. K. Graham	134 9 125	Mr. W. R. M. Glasier	162 30 132
Mr. W. Morris	... 139 14 125	Mr. G. H. Frean	... 156 23 133
Mr. S. A. Young	... 135 9 126	Mr. E. Pinkerton	... 142 8 134
Mr. Sidney Clarke	... 154 28 126	Mr. Robert Whyte	... 136 1 135
Mr. H. Gillon	... 128 scr. 128	Mr. G. Spurling	... 149 14 135
Mr. J. G. Gibson	... 128 +1 129	Mr. H. H. Turner	... 152 6 146

\* Winner of the Bombay medal. † Tied for the Baker cup.

Messrs. W. A. Adam, J. W. G. Andras, A. H. Baker, D. Christopherson, Frank Gilbert, W. Glasier, jun., G. O. Jacob, H. A. Laird, E. M. Protheroe, M. H. Richardson, J. S. Sawyer, G. Watson Smyth, E. A. Walker, and E. W. D. Walthall made no returns.

ROYAL CROMER GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition for the club medal took place on Thursday, the 23rd ult. Mr. E. Carroll, with a most creditable score of 100 reduced to 85 by his handicap allowance of 15, was well to the fore, and secured the medal, with 10 strokes to spare, his nearest opponent being Dr. Dent, 95 net, after deducting 11 handicap. Among others whose cards were handed in were the Rev. J. Gurney Hoare, 114, less 18=96; and Mr. E. M. Hansell, 100, less 4=96. The following were also competitors:—Major Archdale, Mr. J. L. Charlesworth, Mr. P. M. Lucas, Mr. A. E. Jarvis, Mr. Alf. Burton, and Mr. D. Davison. The links have been vastly improved during the past year, and their present condition reflects the greatest credit on all entrusted with their maintenance.

Miss M. Blofeld was the winner of the ladies' medal, played for on Friday February 24th, her score being 91, less 15=76.

ROYAL EASTBOURNE GOLF CLUB.

The February competition for the monthly medal was played on Saturday, the 25th ult. The day was beautifully fine. Forty members started, but only fourteen made any return. Those under 100 net are given below. Three members tied for the medal with 87 net. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Rev. H. von E. Scott	91 4 87	Col. Shaw ...	102 10 92
*†Mr. G. Cuming...	95 8 87	Mr. C. H. Evill ...	106 14 92
*†Major Beville ...	107 20 87	Capt. B. G. Harrison	108 12 95
Mr. G. Rivett-Carnac	100 12 88	Capt. E. J. Grant...	116 20 96
Mr. J. G. Wood ...	105 15 90	Mr. T. S. Whitfield.	116 18 98
Mr. H. E. Salusbury	...	Mr. H. T. Matheson	111 12 99
Hughes ...	100 8 92		

\* Tie for medal. † Divide optional sweepstake.

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

Gordon cup, Captain's prize, monthly medal, and sweepstakes. Played at Chingford, in lovely weather, on Saturday, February 25th. Some thirty members competed. The scoring was high, excepting that of Capt. Cowper-Coles, whose score of 88, less 3=85, was very good, considering the heavy state the links were, in owing to the to the recent severe rains; this is the third occasion that this player has carried off this medal in the last four competitions. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Capt. R. L. Cowper-Coles ...	88 3 85	Mr. G. H. Swinstead	109 14 95
Capt. L. Peskett ...	101 14 87	Mr. A. W. Barr ...	112 16 96
Mr. H. A. Gardom.	96 7 89	Mr. J. E. Brown ...	111 14 97
Mr. F. G. Bampfylde	98 8 90	Mr. N. Wykes ...	108 10 98
Mr. A. Boney ...	108 18 90	Mr. F. H. Swinstead	116 18 98
Mr. C. J. Fox ...	109 18 91	Mr. R. T. Glover ...	118 20 98
Mr. E. Flint ...	102 10 92	Mr. J. E. Shaw ...	108 9 99

Others 100 or over.

ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB.

The Renton Prize, Saturday, February 25th. Score:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. Fulcher ...	81 scr. 81	Col. Mackenzie ...	95 3 92
Mr. G. Hornby ...	82 +5 87	Mr. F. Alexander ...	101 9 92
Col. Mayne ...	94 5 89	Mr. J. B. Elcum ...	114 22 92
Dr. Hodder ...	104 15 89	Mr. H. P. H. Spencer	104 11 93
*Capt. Orr ...	101 11 90	Capt. Fairlie ...	97 3 94
Mr. P. De Cres-		Capt Le Feuvre ...	104 9 95
pigny ...	91 scr. 91	Mr. W. H. Monckton	113 17 96
Surg.-Capt. M'Mil-		Mr. A. G. Robertson	114 17 97
lan ...	110 19 91	Mr. O. Belk ...	105 3 102

\* Divided sweepstakes.

Ten players made no return.

ROYAL NORTH DEVON GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday last the monthly medal with memento silver cigarette case, and usual sweepstakes, was played for. The weather was fine; there were thirty-seven players out, but only twenty-one competed. Major Winter won the medal and first prize in sweep, Mr. J. J. Harding taking second prize. Score:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Major Winter, M.S.	102 17 85	Mr. St. C. Stobart,	
M. J. J. Harding, M.S.	90 3 87	M.S. ...	98 4 94
Col. Stanley Scott,		Mr. C. R. Robinson,	
M.S. ...	100 12 88	M.S. ...	105 9 96
Rev. A. H. Cochran,		Mr. F. T. Cooke, M.S.	112 16 96
M.S. ...	93 4 89	Lt.-Col. Winterscale,	
Mr. J. Lillie, M.S. ...	103 14 89	M.S. ...	108 10 98
Mr. A. Christie, M.S.	98 7 91	Rev. J. Eustace, M.S.	112 14 98
Mr. T. G. J. Heathcote,		Mr. W. R. King, S. ..	112 13 99
M.S. ...	97 4 93		

The remainder over 100, or no returns.

ROYAL ISLE OF WIGHT GOLF CLUB.

The honorary treasurer of the above club (Col. W. L. Clayton) and Jackson, their professional, have been inspecting some land, with a view to obtain new links for the club. The round, Jackson says, is favourable for an eighteen-hole course without any crossing, which has so long been a great disadvantage to the present links. The new links are situated on the reclaimed land belonging to the Brading Harbour Company, on either side of the line between St. Helen's and Bembridge Stations, and within a few minutes walk of either station, and the Royal Spithead Hotel. The soil and situation is simply perfection for the game, and putting-greens can soon be obtained under Jackson's

management. The hazards consist of trees, whins, streams, and pools, which no doubt will be made good use of by Jackson, and to make the course as sporting and enjoyable as possible. The Brading Harbour Company, has kindly offered to assist in getting the course in proper order, and it is to be hoped that Jackson will be permitted to use his own judgment in the laying out and management of the new links, as we feel sure a first-class course will be the result.

ROYAL WEST NORFOLK GOLF CLUB.

Thirteen players put in appearance last Saturday to compete for the monthly medal, the weather being perfectly glorious, and the links in splendid order. Mr. E. F. Chance, the winner, broke down at the last hole, or his score would have been a fine one. Appended are the returns:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. E. F. Chance...	90 2 88	Mr. H. H. Morgan	
Rev. H. D. Barrett...	107 18 89	Brown ...	110 14 96
Mr. J. F. Chance ...	105 15 90	Mr. J. C. Morgan	
Rev. G. T. Thomson	112 17 95	Brown ...	109 12 97
		Mr. E. H. S. Morgan	122 20 102

No returns from the Revs. G. D'Angibau and W. F. G. Sandwith, and Messrs. W. H. Simms Reeve, H. C. Holloway-Calthrop, W. Mellor, and Holcombe Ingleby.

ROYAL WIMBLEDON GOLF CLUB.

Monthly handicap challenge medal, February 25th.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. A. Hughes ...	95 16 79	Mr. A. G. Rickards	111 21 90
Mr. W. P. Crake ...	96 12 84	Mr. H. T. Wright...	100 9 91
Mr. N. R. Foster ...	83 +2 85	Mr. J. A. Burrell ...	101 10 91
Mr. H. S. Colt ...	84 +1 85	Mr. W. E. Martyn	103 12 91
Mr. J. H. Mudie ..	89 4 85	Mr. H. C. Archer...	107 16 91
Mr. M. A. O. Mac-		Mr. H. P. Cumming	98 6 92
kenzie ...	95 10 85	Mr. J. M. Kerr ...	101 9 92
Mr. C. A. W. Cameron	90 4 86	Mr. W. Muir ...	106 14 92
Mr. E. Field ...	90 4 86	Mr. F. Pownall ...	107 15 92
Mr. R. Thomson ...	91 5 86	Mr. J. Taylor ...	103 10 93
Mr. J. H. Driver ...	97 9 88	Mr. R. Durnford ...	104 10 94
Rev. J. H. Ellis ...	97 11 86	Mr. D. F. Park ...	112 18 94
Rev. H. W. Hussey	102 16 86	Mr. A. Davidson ...	105 10 95
Mr. W. Bazalgette	91 3 88	Mr. F. A. Wallroth	109 14 95
Hon. Ivo Bligh ...	93 5 88	Mr. C. F. Gruntvig	113 18 95
Mr. P. Strickland...	95 7 88	Sir W. Style ...	115 20 95
Mr. J. W. Potter ...	104 16 88	Mr. H. Peel ...	105 9 96
Mr. E. A. Walker...	95 6 89	Mr. H. C. Willock	112 16 96
Mr. A. C. Adam ...	97 8 89	Mr. F. S. Creswell...	111 15 96
Mr. G. P. Leach ...	101 12 89	Mr. J. A. C. Tanner	114 18 96
Mr. A. Adams ...	95 5 90	Mr. A. H. Molesworth	94 +3 97
Mr. C. E. Routh ...	100 10 90	Mr. J. L. Muir ...	118 20 98
Sir H. Pottinger ...	106 16 90	Mr. H. W. Bradford	105 15 90
Mr. F. Baden-Powell	108 18 90	Mr. C. A. Pidcock	113 12 101

No returns from thirty-five players.

ST. ANDREWS v. ST. ANDREWS UNIVERSITY.

A match between teams representing town and gown took place at St. Andrews on Saturday the 18th ult., when the "Varsity men were defeated. The detailed result was as follows:—

ST. ANDREWS.		Holes.	THE UNIVERSITY.		Holes.
Mr. W. Greig ...	...	0	Mr. T. Carmichael	...	0
Mr. L. Auchterlonie	...	4	Mr. P. C. Anderson	...	0
Mr. D. Simpson ...	...	3	Mr. D. W. M. Hodge...	...	0
Mr. D. Auchterlonie	...	2	Mr. J. Rose ...	...	0
Mr. W. Duncan ...	...	0	Mr. A. C. Abbie ...	...	0
Mr. R. Brand ...	...	6	Mr. W. Anderson ...	...	0
Mr. A. Strath ...	...	4	Mr. W. W. Wilson ...	...	0
Mr. P. Craig ...	...	11	Mr. W. Burnett ...	...	0
Mr. J. Foulis ...	...	0	Mr. F. S. Douglas ...	...	0
Mr. A. Litster ...	...	1	Mr. G. Simpson ...	...	0
Mr. J. Liddell ...	...	7	Mr. A. Cant ...	...	0
		38			0

SEAFORD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, 18th February.—

Gross Hcp. Net		Gross Hcp. Net	
Mr. E. Bedford ...	104 16 88	Mr. J. E. Shaw ...	100 8 92
Mr. J. G. Duberley..	100 12 88	Mr. C. H. Rooke ...	114 18 96
Capt. O'Reilly ...	109 18 91	Mr. J. Pitcairn ...	115 18 97

Messrs. Leggatt, Tate, Cundell, Dring, Currey, Cranch, Crook, Farncombe, and others made no returns, or were over 100 net. Strong south wind; ground wet.

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### SIDCUP GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition. Result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. T. W. Fry ...	94	15	79	Mr. M. Hewitt ...	114	17	97
Dr. F. Shapley ...	101	15	86	Dr. J. Crombie ...	125	24	101
Mr. W. W. Nicholson	108	16	92	Mr. J. Horsfield ...	127	20	107
Mr. W. J. Harries...	111	18	93	Mr. F. H. Monckton	133	24	109
Mr. R. A. Patterson	120	24	96				

Second-class handicap—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. H. Platt ...	147	45	102	Mr. S. Ward ...	149	30	119
Mr. J. Monckton ...	154	35	119	Mr. W. Dale Glossop	177	52	125

Six gentlemen did not hand in their cards.

### SOUTHWOLD GOLF CLUB.

The quarterly medal for the best gross score, was played for on Saturday February 18th. Mr. A. R. Grubbe and Mr. T. B. Gooding tying with 110; Mr. C. J. Waller, 112. The tie was played off on Monday, February 20th, with the following result:—Mr. J. B. Gooding, 102; Mr. A. R. Grubbe, 103.

### SUTTON GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, the 25th ult., and resulted as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. C. E. Morley...	130	40	90	Mr. A. L. Tate ...	114	15	99
Mr. W. A. W. Scott	116	19	97	Mr. W. Hewetson...	139	25	114

### TAPLOW GOLF CLUB.

Our second monthly medal was played on Saturday, when the Hon. Reginald Brougham won with 109, less 25=84, Mr. C. H. Wade being next with 115, less 25=90. The greens were in splendid condition, but the muster of members rather short.

### TYNESIDE GOLF CLUB.

The following are the scores in the bi-monthly competition, played for on Thursday, February 16th, over the club course on Ryton Willows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. R. T. Thomson.	83	+2	85	Mr. M. P. Ismay ...	101	9	92
Mr. G. F. Charlton..	90	4	86	Mr. J. Annandale ...	117	25	92
Dr. R. Howden ...	99	12	87	Dr. E. S. Robson ...	100	6	94
Mr. C. A. Ridley ...	88	+2	90	Mr. J. W. Carr ...	112	10	102
Mr. J. Hansell ...	105	15	90				

Messrs. J. S. Brown, Fred Smith, and Geo. Welch made no returns.

The tie from the previous competition between Messrs. R. T. Thomson, J. S. Brown, and J. W. Carr was played off concurrently with the above, Mr. Thomson proving victorious on the readjusting of the handicaps.

### WILLEDEN GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the monthly medal took place on Saturday, 18th ult., with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Mr. P. B. H. Adam	98	5	93	Mr. E. F. Jackson..	119	11	108
Mr. J. Horn ...	103	5	98	Mr. M. Hardie ...	118	10	108
Mr. J. R. Townsend	118	12	106	Mr. J. Hardie ...	141	17	124
Mr. C. J. Simpson...	115	9	106				

\* Winner.

No returns from the other competitors.

EDINBURGH LICENSED VICTUALLERS' GOLF CLUB.—This club played at Luffness on Wednesday, 22nd ult., when the following were the scores:—Mr. J. Millar 99, less 16=83; Mr. A. M'Lennan, 91, less 5=86; Mr. J. P. Omand, 94, less 8=86; Mr. D. M'Kay, 90, less 2=88; Mr. W. M'Laren, 100, less 10=90; Mr. G. J. Morrison, 90, plus 1=91; Mr. John Kay, 107, less 15=92; Mr. John Doig, 89, plus 5=94. Special prize by Mr. M'Lennan—Mr. James Stevenson, 108, less 10=98.

### WIMBLEDON LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, first-class, Tuesday, February 21st. In spite of pouring rain seventeen ladies started to play. Scores as below:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
* Mrs. Willock ...	89	23	66	Miss Edith Scott ...	105	19	86
Miss M. E. Phillips	93	13	80	Miss Kenyon Stow	92	4	88
Miss Hassard Short	98	18	80	Miss A. L. T. Drake	97	9	88
Miss Lena Thomson	86	4	82	Miss G. Tee ...	110	20	90
Miss Issette Pearson	86	scr.	86	Mrs. Archer ...	108	15	93
Miss Nellie Muir ...	95	9	86	Mrs. Alex. King ...	114	21	93

\* Winner of medal and brooch.

No returns from Mrs. Meates, Miss Carson, Miss Bertha Thomson, Mrs. Dowson and Miss A. A. T. Drake.

Monthly medal, second class, Thursday, February 16th.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Mrs. Fisher ...	106	36	70	Mrs. Chetwynd-			
Miss Frith ...	107	34	73	Stapylton ...	116	32	84
Miss H. MacFarlan	102	28	74	Miss Gladys Meates	119	34	85
Miss F. Kenyon Stow	102	25	77	Mrs. Horne ...	118	31	87
Mrs. R. Browne ...	113	36	77	Miss Aston...	129	36	93
Miss Buxton ...	117	36	81	Miss Emily Carver	120	25	95
Miss L. Eveleigh ...	111	27	84	Mrs. Hannahford ...	130	30	100

\* Winner of medal.

Over 100, or no returns:—Miss Hall, Mrs. Field, Miss Bardswell, Miss L. Wilson, Miss F. G. Thompson, Miss Economo and Miss Horne.

Mixed foursomes competition (members and associates) will be played on Saturday, March 11th, and a single competition (associates and members 1st class) on Saturday, April 8th.

### WOODFORD GOLF CLUB.

Captain's prize, final.—Twelve players turned out for this competition on Saturday. The course was very wet, and greens difficult. Messrs. W. Kemsley and F. C. B. Hunt put in some very consistent play, the former taking possession of the cup by the small margin of 1 stroke. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. W. Kemsley ...	97	12	85	Mr. W. S. Mason...	113	15	98
Mr. F. C. B. Hunt..	93	7	86	Mr. E. J. Morris ...	114	16	98
Mr. C. B. Hunt ...	101	15	86	Mr. H. E. Kaye ...	114	14	100
Mr. S. Hellyed ...	111	24	87	Mr. B. B. Hunt ...	118	15	103
Mr. E. A. Read ...	98	4	94	Mr. N. Womersley.	120	14	106

Messrs. A. Rankine and R. Redwood made no return.

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.—There was a large field for the cup competition on Saturday at Warwick, when the weather proved delightful. The links were heavy, owing to the rains, but the putting-greens were in good condition. Mr. G. G. Brodie, 104, less 16=88, was the winner; and the next best scores were:—Mr. M. T. Brown, 112, less 19=93; Mr. C. Graham, 106, less 11=95; Mr. H. E. Du C Norris, 106, less 10=96; and Mr. M. S. Hill, 124, less 27=97. This being the last of the club cup competitions for 1892-93, the thirteen winners play in the final on Saturday next.

YE MONKS OF YE BRAIDS.—The opening meeting of the brotherhood was held over the Braids on Saturday. There was a large attendance of members. A match was played between the Abbot's team and the Scribe's team, and resulted in favour of the latter by 5 holes.

BURNISLAND.—The monthly competition for the Links medal took place on Saturday, snow falling during the game. Despite adverse climatic influences, fairly good scores were returned, the principal being:—Mr. W. Addison, 70, less 8=62; Mr. R. Carmichael, 71, less 5=66; Mr. A. Jackson, 75, less 5=70; Mr. D. Walker (scratch), 70; Mr. J. Venters, 73, less 2=71; Mr. W. Elder, 77, less 5=72; Mr. D. W. Stevenson, 80, less 8=72; Mr. R. B. Ferguson, 76, less 4=72; Mr. J. Wood, 72, plus 1=73; Mr. J. Blyth, 77, less 4=73.

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**BEARSDEN.**—The usual monthly handicap competition, confined to the ladies of this club, for the Howie gold medal, took place on Saturday in magnificent weather. The course, which was one of eight holes, was hard, owing to the frost, and putting was uncertain. When the cards were examined, it was found that the medal had been won by Miss Maggie Burnside with a net score of 58. Next best scores were—Miss Anderson, 60; and Miss Russell, 61.

**PRESTWICK.**—Saturday proved an excellent day for golfers, and although the course was somewhat stiff from the keen frost, the brilliant sunshine, as the day advanced, rendered the greens keen and true. There was a large muster of players over both links, and many private matches were played. The members of Prestwick Club engaged in competition for the monthly handicap medal, and at the close of the game the following were the best scores recorded:—Mr. George Davidson, 94, less 16=78; Mr. George Younger, 94, less 15=79; Mr. R. Cassels, 103, less 24=79; Mr. W. D. Reid, 97, less 18=79.

**GIRVAN.**—The competition for the monthly medal took place on Saturday. The day was fine, and there was a good turn-out of members. The following are the scores:—Mr. Hugh Dickie, 101, less 15=86; Mr. John Eaglesome (scratch), 88; Mr. John Paterson, 104, less 12=92; Mr. John Bryce, 100, less 4=96; Mr. Andrew Brown (scratch), 96; Mr. David M'Connell (scratch), 96; Mr. Hew M. Blair, 124, less 25=99.

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**LARGS CLUB.**—On Saturday afternoon the usual monthly competition for a trophy presented by the captain (Major Eckford) took place. Scores:—Mr. John Baldie (scratch), 44; Mr. J. W. Dallachy, 50, less 6=44; Mr. Henry Dallachy, 59, less 12=47; Mr. James Crawford, 59, less 12=47; Mr. Bertie Orr, 55, less 9=46; Mr. John M'Donald (scratch), 51; Mr. John Orr, 54, less 3=51; Mr. Dan Miller, 60, less 9=51; Mr. J. Murray, 69, less 15=54; Mr. J. Taylor, 76, less 18=58; Mr. T. S. Colquhoun, 68, less 9=59; Major Eckford, 76, less 12=64; Mr. J. Knox Boyd, 80, less 12=68; Mr. James Fleck, 77, less 9=68; Mr. Charles Lambert, 92, less 15=77.

**FALKIRK TRYST GOLF CLUB.**—On Saturday this club held their first monthly handicap under "Colonel Bogey" rules, for a prize presented by the Blairlodge members. The result was that the Rev. John Yellowlees defeated "Bogey" by 5 holes; Dr. Ronald was 3 holes up; and Mr. A. Nimmo, jun., and Mr. J. H. Melville, of Eriden, equal.

**INNERLEITHEN CLUB.**—The monthly competition for the Panton medal took place on Saturday over the home links. There was a good turn-out of members. The following are the best scores:—Mr. James S. Smail, 87, less 7=80; Mr. Andrew Robertson, 78, plus 3=81; Mr. William Ballantyne, 100, less 15=85; Mr. George B. Brown, 101, less 14=87; Mr. Thomas Weir, 112, less 18=94; Mr. John Weir (scratch), 127.

**STIRLING GOLF CLUB.**—The club's monthly medal was competed for on Saturday, in somewhat changeable weather. The scoring throughout was good. Result:—Mr. R. A. Smith (winner), scratch, 88; Mr. Charles Cochrane, 94, less 5=89; Mr. W. Cowan Finlay, 101, less 12=89; Mr. C. S. Hoare, 95, less 5=90; Mr. R. Whyte, 96, less 5=91; Mr. J. B. Whitelaw, 101, less 8=93; Mr. D. Millar, 105, less 12=93; Mr. A. C. Buchanan, 104, less 10=94; Mr. D. B. Murray, 104, less 10=94; Mr. C. M. Robertson, 110, less 12=98; Captain Dalrymple Hay, 109, less 10=99; Mr. R. Raines, 119, less 18=101; Mr. R. D. Fraser, 116, less 12=104.

**GREENOCK.**—The competition for the Greenock Golf Club monthly medal took place on Saturday, in splendid Golf weather. There was a large turn-out of golfers. The best scores were as follow:—Mr. William J. Reid, 110, less 18=92; Mr. Andrew Stewart, 111, less 18=93; Mr. C. Gordon Cowan, 99, less 4=95; Mr. A. B. Letham, 120, less 24=96; Mr. R. Park Lyle (scratch), 99; Mr. James Letham, 108, less 9=99; Mr. J. L. Adams, 108, less 8=100; Mr. Andrew Carmichael, 110, less 10=100; Mr. B. P. Kidd, 120, less 18=102; Mr. Alexander Arthur, 108, less 6=102; Mr. William J. Wright, 120, less 18=102.

**DUNBLANE.**—The monthly medal of the Dunblane Hydropathic Club was won on Saturday by Mr. A. Whitton. Scores:—35 single round, 75 double round.