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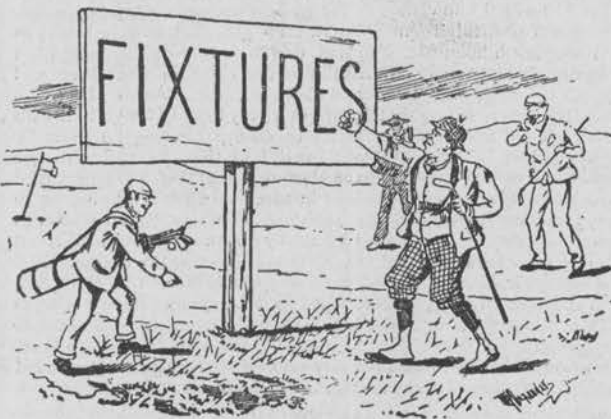
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MAY.

- May 26.—Royal Eastbourne: Spring Meeting.
Rochester v. Cinque Ports (at Deal).
- May 26 & 27.—Royal West Norfolk: Whitsuntide Meeting.
- May 27.—Taplow: Monthly Medal.
Royal Wimbledon: Monthly Medal.
Huddersfield: Monthly Competition.
Royal Epping Forest: Quarterly Medals; Gordon Cup;
Captain's Prize; Monthly Medal.
Islay: Monthly Medal.
Sidcup: Monthly Medal.
Alloa: Club Prize.
Redhill and Reigate: Sir Trevor Lawrence's Jewel
(Scratch).
Cheadle: Second Summer Competition.
Ilkley: Monthly Medal.
Richmond v. Epsom (at Epsom).
Weston-Super-Mare: Monthly Medal.
Seaton Carew: "Bogey" Competition.
West Lancashire: Monthly Competition.
Chester: Mr. Tollemache's Cup.
Kenilworth: Pears Cup Competition.
Dumfries and Galloway: Monthly Medal.
Buxton and High Peak: Whit-Saturday Cup.
Nottingham: Monthly Medal.
Cinque Ports: Monthly Medal.
West Cornwall: Monthly Medal.
Eltham Ladies: Monthly Medal.
Crookham: Monthly Medal.
Troon: Spring Meeting.

May 29.—New Club, Musselburgh: General Meeting, 12 o'clock;
Dinner, 5.30.

May 30.—Burnham (Somerset): Monthly Medal.

May 31.—Durham: Nine Winners' Cup.
Birkdale: Pearson's Prize.

JUNE.

- June 1.—Nottingham: Monthly Medal.
Alloa: Monthly Medal.
Rochester: Winch Challenge Cup.
Tantallon: Summer Meeting.
- June 2.—Royal Cornwall: Monthly Medal.
- June 3.—Porthcawl: Monthly Medal.
Seaton Carew: Gray Trophy.
Chester: Committee's Cup.
Woodford: Captain's Prize and Monthly Medal.
Brighton and Hove: Berner Gold Medal.
Royal Liverpool: Monthly Medal.
Richmond: Monthly Medal.
Edinburgh University: Challenge Cup (at Gullane).
Bowdon: Monthly Medal.
Leicester: Monthly Medal.
Tooting: Monthly Medal.
London Scottish: Monthly Medal.
Knutsford: Mixed Foursome.
Redhill and Reigate: Monthly Medal.
Rochester Ladies v. Eltham (at Higham).
Cheadle v. Disley (at Cheadle).
Eltham: Spring Meeting.
Rochester v. Redhill (at Higham).
- June 3, 10, 17, & 24.—R. & R. Clark: Kirkwood Tournament.
- June 5.—Hunstanton: Monthly Medal.
- June 5 & 10.—Rochester Ladies: Tournament (Final Tie).
- June 6.—Carnarvonshire: Monthly Medal.
Royal Cornwall Ladies: Monthly Medal.
- June 8.—Rochester v. Richmond (at Higham).
- June 10.—Littlestone: Monthly Medal.
Southport: Monthly Competition.
Crookham: "Bogey" Competition.
Cumbrae: Monthly Medal.
Cheadle v. Wilmslow, Second Team (at Cheadle).
Weston-Super-Mare Ladies: Monthly Medal.
Rochester: Darnley Challenge Cup.
Royal Isle of Wight: Monthly Medal.
Royal Epping Forest: Foursome Competition.
West Herts: Monthly Medal.
Seaton Carew: Club Cup.
Chester: Monthly Competition.
Formby: Optional Subscription Prizes.
Guildford: Monthly Handicap.
Leasowe: Monthly Medal.
Buxton and High Peak: Fortnightly Medal.
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Cheadle v. Wilmslow, First Team (at Wilmslow).

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AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

SOME ADDENDA.

The uncertainty of Golf is a theme with which we are tolerably familiar, and it received once more an illustration in the result of the Amateur Championship.

Some four or five players there are who have earned for themselves the title to be considered superior to the ordinary first-class amateur, to be classed rather as equals of the best professionals, high as is the standard of play among these latter; and that these four or five players should have been displaced by one whose powers had hitherto been known to a comparatively limited, though appreciative circle, affords evidence of how, even in such a crucial test as a scratch tournament, the unexpected may sometimes happen.

Since the last important public competition at Prestwick the course has been made decidedly more difficult. The first three holes remain the same; but on crossing the wall, and entering the territory which, with the exception of the two pretty holes where the Himalaya range is utilised, was previously tame and monotonous, sundry new bunkers have been opened up. The first of these is designed to catch an approach-shot at the fourth hole; two more are made in the formerly uninteresting Monkton hole, and a fourth guards the green at the end, while, if the first shot to that hole is badly drawn, it is likely to be caught in a new hazard to the left, about 140 yards or so from the tee. Thereafter no change has been made until the fourteenth hole is reached, where a very long bunker has to be carried at the second shot, if the green is to be reached in two, the very slightest mistake in either the first or second being fatal. As is generally the case in really good play, these additional difficulties make no difference, but if it be not of the best, the difference may be an indeterminate quantity; but, theoretically, that is precisely as it should be.

The events which led up to the tournament will be tolerably fresh in the recollection. Mr. Laidlay's consistently good scoring all through the year, Mr. Hilton's record score of 75 at Hoylake on the Saturday preceding the tournament, and Mr. Macfie's 82 at St. Andrews. In addition to these performances, Mr. Tait, Mr. Leslie Balfour, and Mr. Mure Ferguson were all known to be in full practice, and to be in their usual formidable game.

Coming to the actual play at Prestwick, perhaps Mr. Tait and Mr. Laidlay played consistently the finest Golf, the latter in especial succeeding in reducing by a stroke the amateur record of 76, which heretofore had stood to the credit of Mr. A. Fairlie. As this was a most notable performance, particulars may be given:—Out, 4 2 6 4 3 4 4 4=35; in, 5 5 5 4 4 4 5 3=40; total, 75.

The occasion was a three-ball match with Mr. Hutchings and Mr. Hilton, the latter of whom, round in 82, lost by 6 holes; but accepted the result with laudable composure, appearing, indeed, rather to enjoy it than otherwise.

A few names appear for the first time, such as Mr. T. Beaumont Pease, hailing from Alnmouth, and right well did he maintain the honour of the Northumberland green, of which he was the only representative. In the first round he encountered Mr. C. Hutchings, one of the strongest of the strong Hoylake contingent, and defeated him by no less than 6 holes. This misfortune, however, on the actual play, might very well have happened to anybody, since Mr. Pease returned home in 38, which is understood to be a record for the last half. His figures were 5 4 4 4 4 4 5 3=38. In approaching the holes he used his mashie to perfection; eventually he fell a victim to the ultimate winner.

Another player who doubtless will make his mark—indeed he has already done so at Sandwich—is Mr. C. E. Hambro, a very powerful driver, whose style is somewhat reminiscent of Mr. Horace Hutchinson. On this occasion he seemed to be somewhat of a prey to nervousness, and hardly did justice to the powers he undoubtedly possesses. Then there was Mr. C. F. Whigham, "sweet and twenty," or thereabouts, and "youth's a stuff" that will "endure," let us hope, sufficiently long for him to appear to better advantage than on this occasion, for he has a very good style, and should be a grand player, albeit he early went down before one of the formidable Fairlie family, Mr. W. E., to-wit.

Mr. John Ball, jun., just lately has scarcely been showing that extreme brilliancy with which his name is so justly associated; but that is one of the penalties attaching to his almost unique position. While lesser luminaries play on, perhaps in their game, perhaps out of it, and nothing happens, no criticisms are made; in the case of Mr. Ball it is different. If he fails to render a good account of himself the dirges

begin; he has lost his play, he is not what he was, and similar trash. Everybody is fallible, and golfers more than most; good and bad play comes in spells to all; the latter unluckily at the wrong time for Mr. Ball, who, however, has this most laudable characteristic, that he is never in the least ashamed to return a card, even though it be, as it occasionally is (though at rare intervals), about a stroke a hole in excess of his best play. The Prestwick meeting found him in what was fairly good, though not invincible form. Mr. W. S. Wilson ran him close—to a hole, in fact—much to that player's credit. In the next round the winner had to play well to beat Mr. John Taylor, of Edinburgh Castle Club celebrity. But when Mr. Mure Ferguson met and somewhat easily vanquished the Hoylake champion, the latter had to thank his indifferent putting for his defeat. His compatriot, Mr. Hilton, had been worsted in the very first round of the Tournament by Mr. F. G. Tait, a victory which came as a surprise to some, but to none who knew the real powers of the record driver. As a fact, there is but little to choose in length between him and Mr. E. B. H. Blackwell, hence, naturally, Mr. Tait was the longest driver in the competition. In some quarters there appears to be a little doubt expressed as to the 245 yards carry which Mr. Tait made at St. Andrews in the winter, but as to that, a well-known West country player made the suggestive remark, "I am glad I have seen Mr. Tait play, for I now quite believe he made that drive as stated." There is no manner of doubt that if Mr. Tait's military duties allow, he will be Amateur Champion, or ought to be, in a very short time. Never, perhaps, did Mr. Laidlay appear to better advantage than when pitted against this brilliant young golfer. Had Mr. Tait the sound knowledge of the game possessed by his conqueror, the result had probably been different. To give but one instance, in going to the tenth hole, Mr. Tait had driven a tremendous ball from the tee, Mr. Laidlay was in difficulties to the right, in thick bent, and having played 2, was but twenty or thirty yards in front of Mr. Tait's tee-shot, the latter, seeing that he drives a very long and high ball with his cleek, should have used that club to ensure clearing an abruptly rising hump just in front of him; instead of this, he took a brassie (though with nothing could he have driven home), hit the hump, and sent his ball only some eighty or one hundred yards, and into the rough country; he was now no better than Mr. Laidlay, rather worse; in fact, and only secured for himself a half by a shot of exceptional merit—a half in 6—whereas he had the easiest of 5's for the taking. But for the last six holes, the play on each side was brilliant: to Mr. Laidlay a 5, and then five 4's; to Mr. Tait two 5's, a 3, and three 4's, 25 in all; then at the deciding hole, Mr. Tait had the extreme bad luck to run into a putt which was almost impossible (or very difficult) to hole, while his opponent had one tolerably smooth and easy, and so ended this splendid match, the only tie in the competition.

Considerable surprise was felt, and very freely expressed, in the preceding round at the finish of the match between Mr. C. E. Dick and Mr. Mure Ferguson. They were all square and 1 to play. The Hoylake player, the last survivor of the English representatives, was jammed in an almost unplayable position against the perpendicular face of a bank some two and a-half feet or so in height; it was certainly extremely hard luck, for his shot had been a very fine one. In endeavouring to play it he made what was in Mr. Ferguson's judgment, and in that of a large body of the immediate spectators, the most palpable foul shot. Challenged by Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Dick flatly denied it. The hole was played out, and Mr. Ferguson won.

In his fight with Mr. Anderson, Mr. Mure Ferguson was severely handicapped by a very painful foot, which interfered materially with his driving. Still he was not disposed of without considerable difficulty by the young St. Andrews student, whose triumphal progress was due partly, one may say, to a favourable draw. Mr. Laidlay's exertions with Mr. Tait no doubt told upon him, for at no time during the final did he come up to the brilliant game he had been playing consistently all through the week. The greatest credit, however, is due to the winner, who showed mastery over every detail; in especial (and thanks to this he is now Amateur Champion) his deadly putting with the wooden putter was quite one of the features of the meeting. Another was Mr. Tait's driving. The two in partnership would make things lively for any other couple, amateur or professional, that can be named.

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LOCAL CLUBS' MEDAL, ST. ANDREWS.

It is but natural that at a place like St. Andrews, where the precocious infant takes to Golf ere he can well walk, an amount of talent should be produced which will compare favourably with that available at any other place. With a view of encouraging and developing this ability, the Royal and Ancient two or three years ago presented a gold medal for competition among the local clubs, and the fixture appears to be favourably regarded, as is indeed natural. The only assurance required is that the clubs shall have a *bona-fide* constitution, and shall consist of at least twenty-five members. Numerically speaking, the St. Andrews Club is the most powerful of these associations, producing, consequently, the greatest number of scratch players. Their definition of an amateur, however, is, to say the least of it, an elastic one, for they admit as competitors players who would by no means pass muster were the rules of the Amateur Championship adopted. This year the date of the competition was originally fixed for the second week in May, but was altered in view of the fact that some of the members wished to play at Prestwick; it stood adjourned, therefore, till May 18th. Very heavy rain fell in the night preceding and on the morning of the day, but by three o'clock, the hour of the start, it had cleared off; but the result was apparent in numerous pools of water standing on the course, although, as a rule, the putting-greens were clear, and greatly improved in consequence.

Twenty-five couples set in their names, representing four clubs—the St. Andrews, the Thistle, the St. Andrews Guild, and the Ancient Order of Foresters. The system was adopted of balloting the scratch men of the different clubs together, so far as this was possible, descending thence to those with a handicap of four strokes, and so on, while the recommendation was made and acceded to that none whose allowance exceeded nine strokes should enter. In consequence of this, some close and interesting matches resulted. The first to start was Mr. David Leitch, who was not at his very best for the first six holes, a visit to "The Bairdies" necessitating a 7 to the Long Hole, which was not counterbalanced by any 4's; but a very brilliant shot out of water to the end hole laid him stone dead, and he completed the half-round in 42. He maintained but did not improve upon this on his return, although he might have saved some strokes had he putted in the deadly manner which so frequently characterises his play upon the green. Immediately following him, and watched by a numerous crowd, came the new Champion, Mr. Peter Anderson. His exposition of the game was one in every way worthy, nay, more than worthy, of his newly-won reputation. Starting with a safe 5, having but narrowly missed a 4, at the second and third holes he did secure this figure. At the fourth hole he experienced a little hard luck. Two excellent drives landed him in a shallow puddle of water just behind the hill in front of the putting-green. The water caused him partially to miss his shot, which struck the hill, and was very short. Failing to retrieve himself in putting, he required 6. Some perfect play followed, although at the High Hole he was within an ace of being very badly punished, a particularly good second shot being almost caught in the very small and trappy bunker near the Eden bank. So close to it was he that he had to stand in the bunker to play his shot. A well-played approach and a putt of some four yards or so gave him a 2 at the short hole; but at the ninth he played an indifferent approach, and lost a stroke in consequence. The same thing happened at the next hole, though here he regained his ground by a pretty little pitch, which lay dead. The twelfth hole was brilliant. Driving to the right of the bunker, instead of taking the usual course to the left, he sent up one of his deadly iron shots to within a few inches of the hole; a little more, indeed, and it would have been in 2. The next three holes were excellently played, the Long Hole in particular, for the tee shot was trapped in a grassy punchbowl; a long iron shot lay very badly, but the ball was beautifully picked up by the clegg, and driven to the foot of the green, near enough to give a good chance of a 5, which was accepted. Nothing of particular moment occurred until the last green was reached, where, perhaps anxious to break 80, Mr. Anderson missed a short putt, the only real mistake he had made. He drove throughout with his brassie, and it was noticeable that every single drive, both from the tee and through the green, went exactly where it was intended to go; in fact, Mr. Anderson set the seal on his Prestwick victory by as fine a display of Golf as could be wished for. His score of 80 is a new record for medal play on the full round, and eclipses the 82 standing to the credit of Mr. E. B. H. Blackwell and Mr. Macfie of the Royal and Ancient. Although the great bulk of dangerous players were yet to come in, it was not anticipated that this splendid score would be beaten. One of the most likely players to approach it was Mr. David Simpson, who had such a good match at

Prestwick with Mr. Alexander Stuart. Had Mr. Simpson made a better start, perhaps he might have had some chance, but thirteen was too much to take for the first two holes. True, he afterwards played well, and was out in 42, but fell away on the return. The nearest approach to the winner was by Mr. William Greig, whose recent close match with Mr. Tait for the Championship showed him to be in good play. Like Mr. Simpson, however, he was too late in getting properly under way, for he began with a couple of 6's; but after this his play was as good as that of the winner, for he was out in 43, and home in 40. Mr. A. C. Aikman, a most powerful driver, returned the best score for the Thistle Club, viz., 84, and a very large number of players were 90 and under. As a matter of fact, seventeen cards out of thirty returned—an eloquent testimony to the high average of the play. A special word of praise may be given to Mr. L. Walters, Mr. Anderson's partner, who, though a mere lad of about seventeen, drove fully as far as the Champion, and played his iron in exceedingly good style, on one occasion holing outright, with a little timely assistance from Mr. Anderson's ball, which lay dead. Mr. Walters' score was 86, a highly creditable one.

Full details:—Mr. P. C. Anderson (St. Andrews Guild)—Out, 5 4 4 6 5 5 4 2 5=40; in, 4 3 3 5 5 4 5 6 5=40; total, 80. Mr. W. Greig (St. Andrews)—Out, 6 6 4 4 5 5 5 4 4=43; in, 5 2 4 5 6 4 5 5 4=40; total, 83. Next in order:—Mr. D. Leitch (St. Andrews), 84; Mr. A. C. Aikman (Thistle), 84; Mr. L. Auchterlonie (St. Andrews), 85; Mr. L. Walters (St. Andrews), 86; Mr. W. Duncan (St. Andrews), 86; Mr. James Anderson (St. Andrews), 86; Mr. James Foulis (St. Andrews), 86; Mr. R. Braid (St. Andrews), 87; Mr. D. Simpson (St. Andrews), 88; Mr. D. Auchterlonie (St. Andrews), 88; Mr. James Kirk (Thistle), 88; Mr. R. Foulis (St. Andrews), 89; Mr. W. Alexander (St. Andrews), 89; Mr. James Auchterlonie (St. Andrews), 90; Mr. R. Macandrew (St. Andrews), 90; Mr. F. S. Douglas (Guild), 91; Mr. A. Strath (A.O.F.), 91; Mr. T. Auchterlonie (St. Andrews), 91; Mr. J. Liddell (St. Andrews), 91; Mr. T. W. Robb (Guild), 91; Mr. P. Craig (St. Andrews), 94; Mr. D. Baldie (Thistle), 94; Mr. James Robb (Guild), 94; Mr. C. Howie (Thistle), 95; Mr. G. Liddell (St. Andrews), 97; Mr. W. Fletcher (Guild), 97; Mr. A. Doig (Thistle), 100.

SILLOTH GOLF CLUB.

Mr. John Martin, Queen of the South Golf Club, writes:—There have been quite a number of visitors in Silloth during the first half of the month, and some interesting play has been witnessed. The record has been broken by a member of the Dumfries and Galloway Club, who finished the round of eighteen holes in 100. The entire length of the course is two miles and three-quarters, and the distance between each hole varies from 147 to 380 yards. Mr. Haigh, a gentleman who has spent some ten months at Alnmouth, in Northumberland, is among the visitors, and he is so pleased with the green that he may exceed the year at Silloth. It is very creditable to the North British Railway Company, who own the ground on which the game is played, that they have made the course at a considerable cost. Had it not been for a wealthy corporation undertaking the work in connection with the rough ground, it could never have been made, as Silloth is situated in rather an isolated position at the extreme south-west end of the railway system some twenty-two miles south-west from Carlisle. From a primitive stretch of broom, a species of heather, and sand hills, one of the best sporting links in England has been made, huts erected for members to take shelter in various places, wells sunk for water near the putting-greens, and a first-class club-house erected at the Silloth end, with all the latest sanitary improvements. Mungo Park, of Musselburgh, has been professional up to the end of March, but he has left for the West Cumberland Club, whose headquarters are at Workington. The task of keeping the greens in good order has devolved on Fraser, the Company's gardener, who, in his turn, is to be replaced by Strachan, a professional from the West of Scotland. Silloth itself is of comparatively recent growth. Some twenty-four or twenty-five years ago there were only a few stray cottages for fishermen. Now the town contains a resident population of some 1,500, mostly employed about the docks, and grain mills belonging to Messrs. Carr & Co., the famous biscuit manufacturers of Carlisle. It is nearly laid out in blocks, or sections, and buildings of a uniform construction erected, with several good hotels. One of them, the Solway, has, since Golf was established last May, changed its title to the Solway Golf Hotel, the far-seeing landlord, Mr. Neish Thom, seeing the advantage such a name would have among the golfing fraternity. His house is certainly the nearest to the links as well as to the railway station. One of the great drawbacks hitherto to Silloth has been its defective railway communication, only three slow trains each way, taking fully an hour to complete the distance to and from Carlisle; but this state of matters is to be forthwith remedied, as it is announced that five trains are to run to and from Carlisle, beginning in June. This should meet the wants of the most fastidious, and bring a shoal of

golfers, as well as ordinary health-seekers to the place. The railway company have just launched a fast steamer, the "Jarow," from which great things are expected, on the Isle of Man and Dublin service. At present the "Caledonian," a boat built in Glasgow in 1874, takes about six hours to Douglas and fourteen to Dublin. The "Jarow," it is said, will do the voyage in four and eleven hours respectively, and as she is fitted up with the electric light and all the latest improvements she ought to be a great draw. The fares also are, perhaps, the lowest in Great Britain, a return ticket from Edinburgh to Dublin being only 10s.—over 240 miles of railway and 300 miles of water voyage for this small figure. The reason of this low fare must be caused by opposition from Glasgow, Whitehaven, Barrow, and Liverpool. As several scientific men have pronounced Silloth air to be charged with more ozone than any other, golfers will get the full benefit of this, as the links are close to the sea, and the end hole outward is often covered with sand from the shore.

D. PINKERTON v. C. CALLOWAY.

A match between D. Pinkerton, of the Guildford Golf Club, and C. Calloway, of the United Service Club, Haslar, was played on May 17th and 19th. Thirty-six holes were played at Haslar on the 17th, and in spite of heavy showers some excellent play was seen. Pinkerton played a steady game, his approaches and putts being especially good, though he was rather imperfect in the dry ditches. Calloway was slightly superior in driving, and his knowledge of the ground was of course in his favour, but his putting appeared to be weak, and he left off 3 down.

When the game was resumed on the 19th at Guildford, Pinkerton won 10 holes to his opponent's 3 on the first round. After lunch, however, the Haslar man lessened the gap, but his effort came too late, and the match terminated at the twelfth hole, when Pinkerton was 7 up and 6 to play. A bye match resulted in favour of Calloway, who won 3 to his opponent's 2.

"THE SCOTSMAN'S MAIDEN."

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Let others seek their loves by night,
And rave about the joys they feel,
I woo a maid in broad daylight,
And seek her armed with clubs of steel;
Like Lady Fortune at her wheel,
She smiles upon me, grave and sweet,
When full of hopes and fears I kneel
And lay the round world at her feet!

Ah! gracious lady, from the tee
The ball goes like a shooting star;
The "Maiden" has been good to me,
And sent me over, sure and far;
Anon, wherever others are,
Weel I lie from a good drive,
And, barring those mishaps which mar,
May well hole out in four or five

At Machrie Farm on Laggan Bay,
A lonely and sequestered spot,
We meet together day by day;
For, wet or dry, it matters not,
The faithful tryst is ne'er forgot;
She never fails, though now and then
She treats me to the common lot
Of smiling more on other men.

For, whether 'tis to show her power,
Or mere caprice or evil hap,
She looms up hugely like a tower,
And takes the ball into her lap;
Then must I woo her half an hour,
Coaxing sweetly here and there,
Or ever I can part from her,
My wilful lady *debonair*.

When I am fortunate with *her*
My heart is eased of half its load;
I have no fear of "Manipur,
"Glenegidale's," a beaten road,
The "Punch Bowl" but an episode,
"Imer" and "Machrie" feasible,
And though "Mount Zion's" high, ecod!
My score is quite presentable.

T. F. G.

DIVOTS OFF AN ENGLISH LINKS.—IV.

MISS MARY ECCLESTON took a remarkable interest in the games in which Bob was concerned.

This gave no particular occasion for comment, because they had been like brother and sister since they were quite little things. But Miss Eccleston had been told that at St. Andrews there were ladies' links. She asked Colonel Burscough if this were not the case, and when he had answered in the affirmative she told him that he could never rightly call Pebblecombe the "St. Andrews of the South"—a name which in moments of somewhat irreverent levity he had been heard to give it—until he had provided it with a ladies' links. Miss Eccleston was a great favourite with the Colonel, and she did not allow him peace till he had promised that a links should be laid out under the Argus eye of Blobb. Blobb was a great ladies' man, and his heart had been captured by Miss Eccleston through the medium of certain baskets of fruit and tins of beef tea, which the young lady had been in the habit of personally conducting to the cottage in Little Pipkin, when the little Blobb was convalescent from the scarlet-fever.

Now, hitherto, amongst us there had reigned comparative peace. We had been of the number of those happy people whose annals are dull. But with the establishment of the ladies' links there came a great spirit of discord; Miss Eccleston laid siege to old Blobb, and soon induced him to give a great deal of time to the laying-out of the ladies' links. Hence there arose rows and rumours of rows amongst those of the men who said that Blobb was not working as he ought to work upon the long links. The ladies' links, in fact, became a great *casus belli*, and in some unfortunate instances the arena of the contest; but the bitterest feud of all, which was there fought out, had its origin, singularly, in a monkey.

The monkey was the property of Professor Fleg. Professor Fleg was an anatomist—a comparative anatomist, it should be observed. It was with the view of studying the comparative structure of man and his forefather, that Mr. Fleg first became the proud owner of Mr. Johnson. Mr. Johnson was the monkey's name, and Mr. Johnson was a married man—there was also a Mrs. Johnson. Mr. Johnson was not beautiful, but he was better—he was good. He was an affectionate husband, in the absence of any rival to Mrs. Johnson in his affection, and in fact he had so many merits that it appeared to Mr. Fleg not impossible, that, with patience—which is always needed for that great study—he might learn to play Golf. Professor Fleg went further, he not only said that Mr. Johnson might learn to play Golf, but he maintained that the style, the purely natural style, which Mr. Johnson would evolve, would necessarily be the ideal (because the natural primitive and unspoiled) style in which man, his degenerate descendant, ought to Golf.

"You will observe, my dear sir," said Mr. Fleg, "that my friend, Mr. Johnson, is what I may term the natural man. He is physically unspoiled by our nineteenth century civilisation." (He had not even had a chance of reading the Badminton book on Golf.) "Doubtless we shall see in him the perfect, because the perfectly natural, golfer. It remains only in doubt whether I shall be able to impart to him a knowledge of the intricacies and the beauties of the Royal and Ancient Game."

We all had so profound a confidence in the Professor's knowledge and skill, that we doubted not of his ability to impart these great truths to Mr. Johnson. We even envied

the latter the advantages he enjoyed from his close and constant companionship with Mr. Fleg. But at first the pupil made but ungrateful progress. Mr. Johnson was immensely pleased with the little club which Old Blobb, by the Professor's direction, had made for him, but he used it for every possible purpose except the right one. He used it as a walking-stick, as a toothpick, as an assegai. Once it inspired him with such sudden rage (which seems very human when we consider that the instrument was a Golf club) as to make him forget his usual virtue and courtesy, and give his wife a very severe beating with it—apparently for no sufficient cause. Professor Fleg undertook the responsibility of interfering between man and wife, and for a while Mr. Johnson was not permitted the use or the abuse of his Golf club.

The truth is that domestic matters in the Johnson family were nearing a crisis, and about a fortnight after the beating, Mrs. Johnson had a baby. This innocent baby was the first occasion of one of the bitterest feuds which has ever vexed the tranquility of Peblecombe.

Mrs. Eccleston, a woman of kind heart but of infinite affectations, had taken into that which did duty with her for a brain the idea that it would be an artistic success if she were to be seen lavishing all sorts of *petits soins* upon that curious imitation of humanity, the baby Johnson. For she belonged to that large class of women who are always thinking of the stage-effect of their actions, playing more or less consciously to a gallery—the class of women who want to write a book or keep a bonnet shop or a livery stable. She was always trying to appear literary or cultured or philanthropic—anything, in fact, which she was not; and into each of these motives there really did mingle a slight taste for the pursuits which she affected, imparting a measure of sincerity which made the affectation so much the more specious. It was in the spirit of mingled self-consciousness and philanthropy that she "took up" little Master Johnson. She assured Mr. Fleg that it was impossible, nay, even almost indelicate, to suppose that a bachelor, even though he were a professor of anatomy, could know how to deal with the peculiar domestic circumstances beneath his roof. She spent much of her time—more perhaps than Mr. Fleg fully appreciated—in running in and out of his house, to see to the wants of little Master Johnson. It was in vain that Mr. Fleg suggested the impolicy of such interference with the maternal methods of Mrs. Johnson. "Are the many thousand years of evolution to go for nothing," Mrs. Eccleston plaintively asked, "that Mrs. Johnson should be considered equally capable, as a mother, with a woman of the nineteenth century?"

This was an appeal to Mr. Fleg's love of science to which he could oppose nothing but the most courteous hints, to all of which Mrs. Eccleston, who was fond of the society of "a man of intellectual attainments," as she rightly described Mr. Fleg, presented a sweet wilful blindness which nothing could perturb. Therefore, Mr. Fleg, sorely tried by the perpetual sweetness of Mrs. Eccleston's presence in his house, could bethink him of no better plan than to make a present to the kind lady of the cause of all her kind assiduity. So, little Master Johnson, having arrived, most precociously, at such an age as to be able to feed himself, Mr. Fleg determined to give him away to the lady who took so great an interest in him. This he was the more ready to do because Mr. Johnson began to show a jealous disposition and to resent the natural affection which, as he seemed to think, Mrs. Johnson had sufficiently lavished upon their child. The offer was made to Mrs. Eccleston in such a way that she could not fail to express her appreciative acceptance of it, and Mr. Fleg at length thought that he

saw his way towards regaining peace both for his own domestic circle and for that of his Johnson dependents, when circumstances, most unkindly, suggested to him a joke.

H. G. HUTCHINSON.

(To be continued.)

ON FOURSOMES.

Ignorant people invariably stigmatise Golf as an unsociable game, in which each player must be more or less isolated, and that on this account the players become selfish, and fail to acquire that *esprit de corps* which is engendered by such games as cricket, football, polo, and hockey. There may be a grain of truth in the assertion that golfers grow selfish in playing always to better their own score; but, on the other hand, Golf is a game which admits of sociability in the same manner as does the game of billiards. The foursome is the most sociable form of Golf, and though it has its dangers in the matter of temper, and its temptations in certain circumstances to loiter and become slack, for the time being the players are bound closely in their love of the royal and ancient sport, and in their eagerness to secure the game for themselves and partners. There are certain conditions of the foursome game which may lead you to prefer the less sociable duel with an evenly-matched opponent. When you are "off play," while your partner is in exceptionally brilliant form, and you feel that but for you he would be playing even better, and enjoying his game thoroughly, is one of the many examples which might be given. To be "off play," when in partnership with a disagreeable player is absolute misery, and to be told candidly that your fozzled drives and wretched putting have lost him his game, and spoilt his fun, reduces you to a state of remorse and anger bordering on frenzy.

A disagreeable player is twice as objectionable in a foursome as in a single match. It is bad enough to hear a man abusing himself, the weather, the caddie, and the links, but to share in this abuse, or at best to be made the victim of his surliness, is unendurable. There is, on the whole, more satisfaction in winning a good match on your own merits, and less pain in getting beaten through your own fault; nevertheless, an evenly-matched and pleasant foursome is a very agreeable and sociable form of the game. In a foursome there are two sorts of partners who should be avoided. The first is the disagreeable player already alluded to, and the second is the fussy golfer. This individual will remind you, as you settle yourself for a drive, that the game is in a critical condition, the opponent's being two up with three to play; or as you are preparing for a long putt he will remark that you have only that for the hole. He will leave nothing to his partner's intelligence or knowledge of the game, in short he takes command of the entire foursome, and has an irritating influence over the three other players. The shy, sensitive golfer is at a great disadvantage in a foursome. He can play well enough for himself, but the responsibility of playing for a partner weighs on him out of all proper reason. This sort of golfer should persistently play in foursomes till he has conquered this super-sensitiveness; he will be the better as a golfer, and none the worse as a human being. To place yourself and your partner on an easy footing, it is as well to agree that neither of you shall apologise to the other, no matter what befalls. It is better almost to rail at one another, for there is a greater variety of expression in railery and more fun to be had out of it. To play in a foursome with a partner whose skill and temper are unknown to you, is like taking a drive on a dark night with a strange coachman; both these experiences have the pleasant excitement of uncertainty attending them. But a short time serves to show you what you may expect in either case; you discover that you will be safely piloted through all difficulties, or you will find yourself liable to be landed in a bunker at any moment.

There is, perhaps, no greater pleasure than to play in a foursome when you are in fine form. Your partner regards you with affection and admiration, and your opponents are forced to acknowledge that you can play Golf upon occasions. The

greatest drawback to a foursome is the temptation to dawdle. Couples pass you, and you wait at the tee, where you probably begin a conversation. There is a lighting of pipes, and a tendency to take things easily, which does not have so much influence in the single game. An absent-minded player will sometimes lapse into a brown study, while his partner plays, and he has to be roused by his caddie, or the shouts of his colleague. Ideal golfers are not subject to these temptations; but for once we are condescending to notice an ordinary individual whom we have encountered on many links.

The mixed foursome—two ladies and two men—is peculiarly liable to the error of dawdling. The ladies, as a rule, play slower than the men, and do not stride so rapidly through the greens. There are mixed foursomes in which the play is very brisk, and strictly Golf, but this is generally on a prize day, when the greens are kept for the contesting foursomes, and the way is clear. To begin to exchange news, or to start a conversation with your partner in Golf, is fatal; it is irritating to have to stop just as you get to an interesting point in order to play. A foursome, like a public reading-room, should be ruled by silence, save as regards the game, and where the partners wish to squeeze in a little conversation this necessity is irksome. Therefore foursomes should be played—except in the case of an eager and business-like match—only on warm, sunny afternoons, when even the most enthusiastic golfer feels inclined to let a partner share half his work, and when it seems a duty to play leisurely. Also, there should be no need to clap your hands furtively for warmth while your partner plays a stroke which you consider one of your best, and therefore long to play it for yourself. With bright sunshine and quiet links we can thoroughly enjoy the sociable foursome, but for Golf pure and simple, for real hard play, and the even tussle which braces the nerves, and makes your pulses tingle, there is no pleasure equal to the single game, when you win by the skill of your own unaided talent, or lose by your unhampered defects, and when you are neither overcome with remorse on your partner's account, nor compelled to share the glory of your victory with an assistant player. Such is human nature all the world over, and under all conditions. It does not prove that Golf is an unsociable game; it only points to the undeniable fact that every man yearns to stand alone at the winning-post.

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WARMINSTER GOLF CLUB.

The Spring meeting of the Golf Club commenced on Tuesday, Wednesday, turning out wet, conducted to make the meeting less satisfactory than it otherwise would have been. Owing to the unsettled state of the weather the foursomes were not played. The results were as follows:—

Ladies' handicap singles.—First Round.—Mrs. Hosking (40) beat Miss K. Gillett (40) by 5 holes up; Mrs. Hickin (30) beat Mr. Bleeck (35) by 4 up and 2 to play; Miss B. M. Alcock (25) beat Mrs. Mackrell (scratch) by 2 up and 1 to play; Miss Alcock (15) beat Miss G. E. Alcock (35) by 5 up and 3 to play; Miss Wyld (15) beat Mrs. Whitehead (50) by 3 up and 2 to play.

Second Round.—Mrs. Hickin beat Mrs. Hosking by 2 up and 1 to play; Miss B. M. Alcock beat Miss Alcock by 1 up; Miss Wyld beat Mrs. "Bogey" by 1 up.

Third Round.—Mrs. Hickin, a bye; Miss Wyld beat Miss B. M. Alcock, absent.

Final.—Miss Wyld beat Mrs. Hickin by 4 up and 3 to play.

Gentlemen's handicap singles.—First Round.—Rev. H. A. Hickin (10) tied with Mr. D. R. Evans (15), (Mr. Evans retire 1); Rev. F. W. Macdonald (5) beat Capt. Whitehead (5) by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. F. J. N. Glass (15) beat Mr. F. H. Milson (25), (Mr. Milson scratched after playing 9 holes); Mr. A. G. Rhodes, a bye.

Second Round.—Rev. F. W. Macdonald scratched to the Rev. H. A. Hickin; Mr. F. J. N. Glass scratched to Mr. A. G. Rhodes.

Final.—Rev. H. A. Hickin beat Mr. A. G. Rhodes by 4 up and 3 to play.

Ladies' Championship.—Mrs. Mackrell, 114. No other card sent in.
Gentlemen's Championship.—Rev. F. W. Macdonald, 97; Capt. Whitehead, 99; Rev. H. A. Hickin, 108; Mr. A. G. Rhodes, 126; Mr. F. H. Milson, 128.

FAIR.—The fortnightly competition of the Saint Duthus Golf Club was played on Saturday. The best scores are:—Mr. D. Macphail, Railway Hotel, 84, plus 2=86; Mr. A. J. Dallas, 98, less 8=90; and Mr. R. Robb, 104, less 14=90.



QUESTIONS ON THE RULES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—What is your ruling in the following circumstances? A player makes an approach shot to the hole, and it is immediately discovered that he has played a wrong ball (one outside the match).

I am not of that number who are continually finding fault with the St. Andrews rules, because I consider, on the whole they are clear and explicit, but I must confess I do not find one to cover this point. It appears to me there are, at any rate, three possible ways of dealing with it.

- 1.—Replace the ball played by mistake and play correct one, losing a stroke.
- 2.—Lose the hole.
- 3.—Replace ball played by mistake, and play correct ball without a penalty.

The last alternative is, of course, the pleasantest to the party who has committed the fault, but hardly satisfactory to his opponent; the second alternative is too severe a penalty, and therefore, to my mind the first is the fairest.

I am Sir, &c.,

Manchester, 15th May, 1893.

H. R. C.

[The suggested penalty No. 1 is the fair one, and it agrees with previous decisions which we have given on the same point, scattered here and there throughout the earlier volumes.—ED.]

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Please give your opinion on the following case:—Two players tie for a medal; they play off the tie separately by strokes, one round of nine holes. At the last hole, the players' caddie holds the iron of the flag about two inches from the hole. The ball passes over the hole, strikes the iron, and bounds back into the hole. How is that? That stroke was the winning stroke!

I am, Sir, &c.,

E. S.

[In match play the player would have lost the hole, according to the St. Andrews rules. He cannot escape without a penalty in the circumstances described; and we think that the penalty of a stroke would meet the justice of the case.—ED.]

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Give me at your leisure your opinion as to the following occurrence:—A foursome is engaged in play. A and B of C and D. A and B are dormy 3; A's caddie is requested to "stand at the hole." C plays up a straight smart putt; the ball catches the lip of the hole, jumps, and touches the foot of A's caddie; C was playing 2 more, thus leaving A and B 3 to halve the hole and so win the match—so far as anything is a certainty in Golf, one for A and B. C and D claim the hole on the ground that the caddie was struck. Does the fact that the caddie was "standing at the hole" and by consent, and not

able to get out of the way quick enough, make any difference in the Rule, and if not, in your opinion ought it not to do so?

A and B eventually won, and even at the time not a cross word between the players was spoken; so do not think this was a quarrel.

I am, Sir, &c.,

A GOLFER.

[C and D are within their right in claiming the hole. Such a point as this has been referred to us again and again for decision, and we have invariably held that the letter of the rule ought to be upheld. If "by consent" our correspondent means that C and D were parties practically to an agreement that A's caddie should stand at the hole, then they would have been well advised, in the interests of fair sportsmanship, to have viewed the occurrence as a rub on the green. But if they claim their pound of flesh, "consent" notwithstanding, they are entitled to it. The only way to adopt in such matches is to refuse "consent," and insist that a player's own caddie shall stand at the hole.—E.D.]

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I think the suggestion in one of the "Tee Shots" in your last issue, that the final should consist of thirty-six holes, a most excellent one; but I would go even farther. I think that not only the final, but the semi-final, should be fought out over thirty-six holes. For this purpose a day would have to be given to the semi-finals and another to the final. Many who saw the last day's play at Prestwick will agree with me in thinking that for such an important event as the Amateur Championship a contest limited to eighteen holes is, in the two final stages, not such a fair and thorough test as the issue demands. As matters stand at present it is perfectly conceivable that on the morning of the last day one competitor should have a fairly easy match, while the other might have such a battle as was fought this year between Messrs. Tait and Laidlay. The result would be that in the final the man with the easy semi-final would have a tremendous advantage over his antagonist, exhausted by the strain of his hard fight of the morning. If it is not thought feasible to extend the semi-finals to thirty-six holes, at least let the final be fought on a separate day over that number of holes. In this way the element of chance would be eliminated as far as is possible in Golf, and the two competitors would start on perfectly equal terms.

I am, Sir, &c.,

ERNEST LEHMANN.

THE LADIES' GOLF UNION.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In this week's issue I see a notice that the North Warwickshire Ladies' Golf Club joined the Golfing Union. I think it is an error, as the hon. secretary of that club tells me they have not joined, and our club, the Warwickshire Ladies' Golf Club, did join, but is not mentioned as having done so. It was my letter which was read, and not one from the North Warwickshire, which is quite a separate club.

I am, Sir, &c.,

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With a score of 80 Mr. P. C. Anderson, M.A., the Amateur Champion, has just won the gold medal presented by the Royal and Ancient Club to be played for by members of kindred clubs in St. Andrews. This score excels any made at the Royal and Ancient Spring meeting.

What has come over our great army of professionals? Is the age of chivalry among them gone? Surely we ought to have some grand contest to interest us between the Amateur and the Open Championship meetings. Where is Sayers? It used to be, "I, Athanasius, contra mundum" with him, but he seems to have settled down to tutor a few landed proprietors who may pay well, but will never play well. It is said that Willie Campbell is prepared to play "onything creepin'" for £100 a-side. Who will pick up the gauntlet, if it is really down?

The development of the golfing village of Gullane goes on apace. Following on the passing of the railway scheme a water supply is now to be provided from North Berwick. This will be an enormous benefit to the village. It will necessitate the drainage, about which some years ago there was a serious dispute with Mr. Hope, being carried to the sea, and we understand arrangements are on hand for this being done. In return for this graceful act of North Berwick it is to be hoped that the Superior of Gullane will allow the North Berwick Golf course to be enlarged on favourable terms. In the course of time the interests of North Berwick, Dirleton, and Gullane, will be bound up together, and the sooner they make up one district the better.

Portobello demands an increase of the Golf green lately opened, and for an annual rent of £80, and a sum of £150 as compensation for unexhausted manure, Mr. Simpson of Easter Duddingston Farm offers a suitable field of fifteen and a-half acres. The Corporation offers £60, the present rent of the field, and want the other claim to be reduced by more than one half. This is "penny wise and pound foolish" on the part of the Corporation, and it is to be hoped that the golfers of Portobello will get a Coercion Act to bring the councillors to their senses.

Carlops and Habbie's Howe, to which so many resort for their beautiful surroundings, and for the memories of Patie and Roger and the other deities of Allan Ramsay's "Gentle Shepherd," are now enhanced in attraction by a nine-hole Golf course, which is being laid out and is to be opened on June 5th. The course begins a short distance from the Carlops Hotel, and occupies a picturesque situation on the skirts of the Pentlands. The Habbie's Howe and Carlops Club are to play over it, but it is to be hoped that the members will give facilities to others to Golf in such a delightful spot.

The Queen of the South (Dumfries) Club held its May monthly competition on a new course of nine holes (two rounds), which has been laid out at Kirkconnel Merse, on the opposite side of the Nith from Glencaple, to which place the members

drove by coach. The new course is said to be a "champion" one. A young player, Mr James Martin, had the lowest nine-hole score—43; but Mr. W. M. Blake as usual headed the competition, his score for two rounds being 92. The Dumfries and Galloway Club on the same day journeyed to Moffat, and defeated the Spa folks by 3 holes, six players a-side.

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Provost Brodie, North Berwick, to whose exertions Scotland in great measure owes the new Burgh Police Act, which is expected to be of great use to Town Councils in regulating and developing Golf, was on May 15th, the day on which the Act came into force, presented with a beautiful Menteith silver bowl and gold watch by the burghs of Scotland, the presentation being made by Lord-Provost Russell. Provost Brodie is one of the most interesting men now alive in East Lothian, and no one can give more information about the times of old on the links and on the turf. He is still hale and hearty, and the most popular man in North Berwick.

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In the Ladybank (Fife) Golf Club the clerical members seem to be strong players. but as against the laymen their nerves seem to give way in playing ties. The Rev. John Henderson, on the 16th, won the Ramornie medal with 82. For the handicap medal four clergymen and one layman tied. On playing off the layman won. Three clergymen and one layman played off a tie, on the same day, for the annual charm, when the layman was again victor. The lucky layman on each occasion was Mr. J. T. Hill.

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Davie Grant has returned home to North Berwick, with nothing but kind words to say of the gentlemen who Golf at Stanmore, to which green he was but recently appointed. No provision had, however, been made for properly housing his family, and in the meantime he finds it advisable to retain his place at North Berwick. One of his present pupils is a well-known Edinburgh architect, Mr. Sydney Mitchell, who is residing at Gullane.

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A Golf club has been instituted in connection with the Edinburgh Street Tramway Company. Mr. Frank Hastie, of the Thistle Club, is first captain.

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Mr. Thomas Smith, who is giving up business as a joiner at North Berwick to take charge of a golfing green at Taplow, near Maidenhead, was on Tuesday evening entertained to supper by his friends at North Berwick, by whom he is held in high esteem. Good wishes for his welfare were heartily expressed.

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On Saturday, May 13th, Tom Hogg (professional), playing with Mr. Peel, member of the Richmond Golf Club, holed the new course in 77 strokes. Out: 5 4 5 4 4 4 3 4=37; In: 5 5 4 5 5 3 4 4=40; total, 77. It was a fine day, but warm. This is the record for the course.

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Mr. T. R. Pinkertea, who is playing in brilliant form just now, lowered the record of the Wimbledon course on Saturday, the 20th, playing with Mr. Alexander Anderson. The detailed score is as follows:—Out, 4 3 3 5 4 6 5 4 4=38; in, 4 3 4 5 5 4 3 4 5=37; total, 75.

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Playing in a three-ball match at Leasowe, on Thursday last, Mr. John Ball, jun. reduced his previous record of the links by three strokes. The last nine holes were played in a drenching shower of rain. The following are the details of the score:—First round—4 4 5 3 3 3 3 5 3=33; second round—3 4 4 4 5 5 6 4=40; total, 73.

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A very interesting match was played over the Streatly Links of the Sutton Coldfield Golf Club, on the 20th inst. The Rev. W. C. R. Bedford, using his bow and arrow, v. the Professional, G. L. Ross, with his clubs. Mr. Bedford holed out the eighteen holes in 73, while Ross took 80 to get round.



ABERDEEN.

Golfers here were favoured with magnificent weather on Saturday, and both our local greens were crowded with players. A match between teams representing the married and single members of the Aberdeen Club took place over the Balgownie course on Saturday afternoon. The weather was dull, and rain occasionally fell until two o'clock, after which the weather was all that could have been desired. The greens were in fine order. The married team won easily by 51 holes, the following being the details:—

MARRIED.		Holes.	SINGLE.		Holes.
Mr. W. R. Reid	...	0	Mr. M. M. Duncan	...	2
Mr. Fred. M'Crac	...	0	Mr. T. Todd	...	3
Mr. R. D. Leslie	...	0	Mr. J. M. Duncan	...	3
Dr. Moir	...	6	Mr. J. A. Montgomerie	...	0
Mr. B. S. M'Lellan	...	3	Mr. M. H. Mackie	...	0
Mr. A. J. W. Storie	...	12	Mr. D. M. A. Chalmeis	...	0
Mr. W. Mackenzie	...	8	Mr. R. W. K. Bain	...	0
Mr. H. E. Hadden	...	8	Mr. J. G. Paull	...	0
Mr. A. Wilson	...	6	Mr. Alex. B. Blacklaw	...	0
Mr. James Davidson	...	6	Mr. J. R. Dean	...	0
Dr. Joseph Ogilvie	...	8	Mr. J. C. Willett	...	0
Mr. Henry Peterkin	...	0	Mr. Donaldson S. Rose	...	5
Dr. Macdonald	...	3	Mr. J. R. F. Elmsie	...	0
Mr. A. J. Brander	...	8	Mr. J. E. Rae	...	0
Mr. M. L. Hadden	...	0	Mr. H. J. Jopp	...	8
Mr. A. M. Forbes	...	0	Mr. A. J. R. Thain	...	2
Mr. J. S. Butchart	...	6	Dr. J. P. Watt	...	0
Total...	...	74			23

The members of the Bon-Accord Club played once round the eighteen-hole course on Aberdeen links on Saturday for Mr. Hill's prize. On cards being compared, Mr. J. Falconer was found first with a score of 84, less 14=72. The next in order were:—Messrs. J. Ogilvie, 81; William Smart, 82; J. W. Murray, 88; G. Dunn and G. Thomson, 89 each; J. Twigg and A. Smatt, 90 each; H. Glass, 93; J. Florence and W. Geliatly, 94 each; G. Simpson and A. Jaffray, 95 each; J. Paterson, 96; J. Fraser and J. Rattray, 98 each; and C. Ward, 99. The Bon-Accord will play the Aberdeen Club at Balgownie links.

The members of the Victoria Club competed over the links course for their monthly scratch prize, and Messrs. Chivas and Williams's prizes (handicap). There was a large turn-out of competitors, and some very good cards were handed in. A comparison of these showed that the scratch prize had been won by Mr. A. M. M. Dunn with the fine score of 79; while Mr. Chivas's prize (for first-class players) fell to Mr. D. Jessiman with 85, less 7=78; and Mr. Williams's prize (for second-class players), was carried off by Mr. A. M. Merrylees with 92, less 3=89. The following are a few of the lowest scores handed in:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. A. D. Jessiman	85 7 78	Mr. A. M'Connachie	83 +6 89
Mr. A. M. Dunn	79 scr. 79	Mr. Alex. Cooper	91 2 89
Mr. R. Anderson (2)	84 1 83	Mr. A. M. Merrylees	92 3 89
Mr. L. Anderson	84 scr. 84	Mr. J. Law	98 8 90
Mr. D. J. Innes	84 scr. 84	Mr. J. Haze-wood	99 7 92
Mr. W. Addie	98 12 86	Mr. G. Anderson (2)	93 +3 96
Mr. A. Mitchell	87 +1 88	Mr. J. H. Jamieson	99 3 96
Mr. D. B. Leslie	91 3 88	Mr. G. Souter	94 +3 97
Mr. T. MacLennan	94 6 88		

DUNBLANE HYDROPATHIC GOLF CLUB.—The monthly medal was played for on Friday and Saturday, with the following result:—Mr. James Lennox, 98, less 40=58; Mr. J. Wilson (scratch), 78; Mr. C. M'K. Gray, 84, less 6=78; Mr. R. Henderson (scratch), 84; Mr. D. T. Reid, 99, less 9=90; Mr. Sinclair, 100, less 9=91.

ALDEBURGH GOLF CLUB.

The Whitsuntide meeting of this club began on Saturday, the 20th inst., when there was an excellent muster of members to compete for a silver cup presented by the tradesmen of Aldeburgh. An interesting competition took place for the cup, which was won by Mr. J. Tothill, a young player of considerable promise:—Mr. J. Tothill, 99, less 18=81; Mr. E. W. Longstaffe, 95, less 10=85; Dr. Wrightson, 103, less 18=85; Mr. F. D. Bright, 103, less 18=85; Mr. A. F. Stewart, 98, less 10=88; Mr. Percy A. Bull, 105, less 16=89; Mr. G. F. Pearson, 102, less 10=92; Mr. C. E. Salmon, 111, less 18=93; Mr. George H. Garrett, 113, less 18=95; Mr. John Fry, 112, less 15=97. Messrs. A. Fell, T. C. Fenwick, T. T. Paine, W. B. Prosser, J. B. Pettit, J. G. S. Anderson, W. G. Thompson, R. V. Wicks, and A. L. Tweedie made no returns or were over 100 net.

On Monday, Mr. C. E. Pearson's cup was played for, under handicap limited to eighteen strokes, when Mr. A. Fell succeeded in winning the cup with the excellent score of 78 net:—Mr. A. Fell, 96, less 18=78; Mr. Sam Garrett, 98, less 15=83; Mr. G. F. Pearson, 95, less 10=85; Mr. Percy A. Bull, 101, less 16=85; Dr. R. B. Wrightson, 103, less 18=85; Mr. J. B. Pettit, scratch, 86; Mr. A. F. Stewart, 96, less 10=86; Mr. G. H. Garrett, 105, less 18=87; Mr. A. L. Tweedie, 96, less 9=87; Mr. J. G. S. Anderson, 105, less 17=88; Mr. C. E. Salmon, 107, less 18=89; Mr. A. H. Browne, 103, less 12=91; Mr. F. D. Bright, 109, less 18=91; Mr. J. Tothill, 108, less 15=93; Mr. E. V. Longstaffe, 107, less 10=97; Mr. H. McLeod, 116, less 18=98. The other cards returned were over 100 net.

ARDEN GOLF CLUB.

Foursome competition.—The first round resulted as follows:—Messrs. J. F. Wright and E. P. Wright (giving 6 strokes), beat Dr. Simon and Dr. Benays, disqualified; Rev. G. W. Barnard and Mr. W. J. Burman (receiving 3 strokes), beat Mr. O. Airy and Dr. Ballame, by 5 up and 4 to play; Messrs M. C. Lord and H. H. Wright (giving 4 strokes), beat Messrs. J. L. Wright and A. G. Johnson, by 1 hole; Messrs. F. A. Bainbridge and A. G. Tonks (giving 9 strokes), beat Messrs. A. H. Griffiths and R. G. Evered by 4 up and 2 to play; Messrs. A. E. Wilson-Browne and W. P. Wilson-Browne, byes.

The tie between Mr. Bainbridge and his partner, and Mr. Griffiths and his partner, was a fine match, and had to be played off three times before it could be decided. The first match they were all square at the seventeenth hole, and halved the eighteenth, and the second time Mr. Griffiths and his partner were dormy 1, but lost the last hole by a stroke. The second round will be played this week.

On Wednesday, May 17th, a match was played between Cunningham, the club professional, and Cooper, the professional of the Warwickshire Golf Club. The match was 36 holes, but Cunningham, playing a very fine game, proved much too strong for his opponent, and won by 11 up and 9 to play. Cunningham's score was as follows:—4 4 5 4 4 4 3 6=38; 3 5 4 4 4 3 5 4 5=37; 3 5 5 6 4 3 5 3 4=38.

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, May 13th, a competition was held for a prize given by Miss Riddle, open to members and friends, medal play. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss Moor ...	105 25 80	Mrs. C. Green ...	113 6 107
Miss M. Richardson	109 25 84	Miss E. Scott ...	134 25 109
Miss Birch...	96 scr. 96	Miss F. Taylor ...	124 12 112
Miss Andrews..	99 +3 102	Miss Playford ...	135 not hcpd.
Miss E. Richardson.	128 25 103	Miss E. Meyrick ...	140 not hcpd.
Mrs. F. Lucas ...	124 20 104	Mrs. Russell ...	143 not hcpd.
Miss E. Banister ...	127 22 105		

Friday, 19th, in a match between Tunbridge Wells and Ashdown Forest, the former were beaten by 20 holes. Scores:—

TUNBRIDGE WELLS.		ASHDOWN FOREST.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Miss Andrews ...	4	Miss Birch ...	0
Miss E. B. Curteis ...	0	Miss Stewart ...	0
Miss Fox ...	0	Mrs. C. Green...	4
Miss F. Taylor...	0	Miss M. Richardson ...	5
Miss Frewen ...	0	Miss W. Richardson ...	7
Miss N. Haggard ...	0	Miss E. Banister ...	0
Miss Vavasour...	0	Mrs. Jeddere Fisher ...	8
Miss E. Richardson ...	0	Miss Lee ...	0
	4		24

GLASGOW GOLF CLUB.—This club competed for the Tennant cup at Gailles, Irvine, on Saturday. There was a large number of players. According to the conditions, all started from scratch, and when all the cards had been handed in it was found that Mr. Doleman was the winner with a score of 79. The play all over was good.

BEDFORD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, May 13th. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. S. Fielder ...	101 26 75	Mr. N. P. Symonds	100 16 84		
Mr. W. Cantrell ...	100 20 80	Mr. E. Buck ...	106 22 84		
Col. C. E. Harenc...	100 20 80	Rev. G. F. Apthorp	104 18 86		
Col. C. Heathcote...	103 22 81	Dr. Hartley ...	104 12 92		
Mr. S. Fuller ...	99 18 81	Mr. G. E. Darrock	122 30 92		
Mr. J. B. Forsyth ...	95 14 81	Mr. J. H. Boyd			
Rev. H. V. Macdona	100 18 82	Thomson...	112 20 92		
Mr. T. A. White ...	101 18 83	Col. D. Broughton...	118 16 102		

Bedford Golf Club ladies' handicap, May 6th:—Miss E. Jackson, 58, less 8=50; Miss Hibbert-Ware, 66, less 12=54; Mrs. Broughton, 73, less 8=65.

BURNHAM (SOMERSET) GOLF CLUB.

The Spring meeting of this club was held on Tuesday, May 16th, and three following days. There was a good attendance of members and visitors from other clubs, and the meeting was a very successful one. Owing to the prolonged drought, the green was not in such good condition as usual, and a great many players came to grief, hence the large number of net returns over 100. The weather, except on the first day, was unpleasant, there being many heavy storms of rain and a strong south-west wind. This was more particularly the case on the fourth day, and the scores for the foursomes were consequently high. Mr. T. C. Brice secured the club memento for the best aggregate scratch score during first three days' play, also the Rev. Canon Kennard's handsome prize of tortoiseshell and silver ash-trays for the best aggregate (under handicap) for second rounds during first three days' play. His score for the open prize was a good one, taking into consideration the state of the green and adverse weather. Scores:—

May 16th (vice-president's prize) a handsome set of silver-mounted carvers—seven pieces—presented by Mr. W. S. Holt, sen:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. J. H. Palmer	97 13 84	Mr. P. Ll. Naish ...	111 18 93
†Rev. Canon Kennard ...	103 16 87	Mr. T. C. Brice ...	104 10 94
‡Rev. T. Crump ...	101 11 90	Mr. C. R. Rodwell	111 17 94
Mr. H. E. Meek ...	97 5 92	Major A. T. Wilkie	122 23 99
Mr. W. S. Akerman	116 24 93	Major S. Gully ...	123 24 99

- * Winner of vice-president's prize.
- † Winner of two-thirds of entrance fees.
- ‡ Winner of one-third of entrance fees.

The following were over 100 net, or made no return, in order of merit:—Rev. G. Beilby, Mr. F. J. Clark, Rev. F. N. Smith, Mr. W. E. Evans, Mr. J. W. Trevor, Mr. C. Bere, Mr. L. Armitstead, Major Wise, General Fryer, Rev. W. Rowland, Col. Armstrong, Mr. T. Holt, Dr. Peskett, Rev. R. B. Barter, Mr. J. T. Stephens, Capt. Fox, Mr. W. Stoaate, and Rev. G. Utten Todd.

May 17th, Holt challenge cup.—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Major S. Gully ...	109 24 85	Mr. J. W. Trevor ...	115 23 92
†Mr. H. E. Meek ...	93 5 88	Mr. C. E. J. Esdaile	120 27 93
‡Mr. T. C. Brice ...	99 10 89	Rev. T. Crump ...	105 11 94
Major A. T. Wilkie	114 23 91	Rev. G. Utten Todd	113 18 95
Mr. W. S. Akerman	115 24 91	Mr. O. T. Sadler ...	106 9 97
Mr. C. R. Rodwell	109 17 92	Rev. Canon Kennard	115 16 99

- * Winner of cup and two-thirds of entrance fees.
- † Winner of second prize (silver cigarette box).
- ‡ Winner of one-third of entrance fees.

The following were over 100 net, or made no return, in order of merit:—Major A. Wise, Mr. Holt, Mr. J. H. Palmer, Mr. G. Hayward, Mr. W. Stoaate, Mr. F. J. Clark, Rev. F. N. Smith, Col. Armstrong, Mr. J. T. Stephens, Mr. L. Armitstead, Dr. Peskett, General Fryer, Mr. P. Ll. Naish, Mr. C. Bere, and Mr. W. E. Evans.

May 18th, open prize, value £5.—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. T. C. Brice ...	92 10 82	Rev. T. Crump ...	109 11 98
†Mr. M. A. North...	100 10 90	Mr. C. R. Rodwell	116 17 99
‡Mr. W. Stoaate ...	114 21 93	Mr. J. H. Palmer ...	107 7 100
Rev. G. Utten Todd	115 18 97	Major S. Gully ...	118 18 100

- * Winner of open prize (two silver candelabra.)
- † Winner of two-thirds of entrance fees.
- ‡ Winner of one-third of entrance fees.

The following were over 100 net, or made no return:—Canon Kennard, Mr. H. E. Meek, Mr. T. Holt, Mr. W. E. Evans, Mr. A. T. Martin, Mr. E. J. Baillie, Rev. G. Beilby, Mr. O. T. Sadler, Mr. G. H. Clark, Mr. W. S. Akerman, Dr. Peskett, Mr. J. W. Trevor, Capt. Fox, Rev. F. N. Smith, Mr. G. Hayward, Major A. Wise, Mr. P. Ll. Naish, Mr. C. Bere, and Rev. Norton Thompson.

May 19th, foursome competitions.—Owing to the bad weather there were only six entries for this event. Mr. H. E. Meek and Mr. T. Holt won the first prize of two-thirds of entrance fees and one dozen balls each presented by Mr. T. Holt, and Mr. C. R. Rodwell and Mr. W. S. Akerman the second prize of one-third of the entrance fees.

May 20th. Match v. Penarth and Porthcawl.

BURNHAM.		PENARTH AND PORTHCRAWL.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. T. C. Brice	0	Mr. H. Forester	4
Rev. T. Crump	0	Mr. F. Richardson	2
Mr. L. Armitstead	7	Mr. J. Pyman	0
Major A. Wise	1	Mr. R. Crosland	0
Mr. J. H. Palmer	1	Mr. J. Hunter	0
Mr. H. T. Gillmore	4	Mr. F. Milburn	0
Mr. T. Holt	1	Mr. H. J. Simpon	0
Mr. T. H. Railton	0	Mr. W. A. L. Tucker	1
	14		7

Burnham won by 7 holes.

CHESTERFORD PARK GOLF CLUB.

Medal day, May 15th.—Mr. J. Smith, 106, less 2=104; Mr. R. Burrell, 129, less 23=106 (winner of medal); Rev. T. Williams, 132, 25=107; Mr. H. P. Cunliffe, 132, less 23=109; Rev. E. Edgerley, 141, less 28=113. Messrs. W. Waterhouse, H. Neville, and C. Taylor, no return.

Ladies.—Mrs. Pickersgill Cunliffe, 71, less 5=66 (winner of the medal); Miss Feilberg, 102, less 23=79; Miss M. Bliss, 100, less 18=82; Miss G. Garforth, 102, 18=84; Mrs. Turner Collin, 108, less 23=85; Miss E. Tuke, 110, less 23=87; Mrs. Williams, 102, less 14=88.

CARNARVONSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of the above club took place on the links at Conway in splendid weather, but the continued drought made the greens treacherous to a degree. The events were as under. Tuesday, May 9th. Monthly medal competition and sweepstake:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. B. Southwell	110 30 80	Mr. W. B. Turner	114 20 94
Mr. W. Hillman	96 12 84	Mr. A. Evill	118 22 96
Mr. C. A. Hartley	104 18 86	Mr. J. H. Nutt	110 11 99
Mr. H. G. Stock	101 13 88	Col. Marshall	114 15 99
Lieut.-Col. C. E. Dixon	109 20 89	Mr. C. J. Wallace	123 22 101
Mr. E. C. Kendall	114 25 89	Capt. Lempriere	129 24 105
Mr. E. A. Young	97 5 92	Mr. J. M. Frost	125 20 105
Mr. H. Smith	98 6 92	Capt. Carden	140 30 110
Mr. G. F. Pearson	103 10 93	Mr. R. C. Bell	132 20 112
Mr. H. F. Birley	106 13 93	Col. Philippi	160 33 127
		Mr. W. L. Rushton	184 36 148

Messrs. A. L. Woodhead, A. P. Crosland, Dr. F. Smith, and the Hon. Claud Vivian made no returns.

May 10th.—The Young cup ("Bogey" handicap) and sweepstake:—Mr. H. B. Southwell (23), 5 up; Mr. H. Smith (6), 2 up; Mr. W. Hillman (10), 2 down; Col. Marshall (20), 3 down; Mr. J. H. Nutt (11), 3 down; Dr. F. Smith (10), 3 down; Mr. E. A. Young (5), 4 down; Mr. A. Evill (22), 4 down; Mr. A. L. Woodhead (7), 5 down; Mr. H. G. Stock (13), 5 down; Mr. G. J. Wallace (22), 6 down; Mr. G. H. Healey (15), 6 down; Mr. S. Harvey (30), 7 down; Capt. Carden (30), 12 down; Mr. O. S. Pilkington (36), 14 down; Mr. R. C. Bell (20), 15 down; Lieut.-Col. E. H. Thurlow (30), 15 down; Col. Philippi (30), 16 down; Mr. W. L. Rushton (36), 18 down. Messrs. C. A. Hartley, W. B. Turner, G. F. Pearson, A. P. Crosland, and E. M. Southwell no returns. A gold club memento is given to the holder of this cup.

Thursday, May 11.—Open event (handicap), gold, silver, and bronze medals, given by the club, and sweepstake:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. G. Stock	94 13 81	Mr. H. J. Nutt	106 11 95
Mr. W. Hillman	95 10 85	Mr. G. T. Crosland	106 11 95
Dr. F. Smith	99 10 89	Mr. G. F. Pearson	115 12 95
Mr. J. E. Pearson	93 3 90	Mr. C. J. Wallace	117 22 95
Mr. S. Harvey	120 30 90	Mr. A. Evill	118 22 96
Mr. H. B. Southwell	106 16 90	Mr. Pritchd. Gordon	128 30 98
Mr. A. P. Crosland	102 11 91	Mr. R. G. Venables	133 30 103
Mr. A. L. Woodhead	98 7 91	Col. Philippi	134 30 104
Mr. H. Smith	98 5 93	Mr. O. S. Pilkington	155 36 119
Mr. E. A. Young	98 5 93	Mr. W. L. Rushton	172 36 136
Mr. G. H. Healey	108 15 93		

Messrs. W. B. Turner and Osmond Williams no returns.

Friday, May 12th.—Chester v. Carnarvonshire; played at Conway:—

CHESTER.		CARNARVONSHIRE.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. J. E. Pearson	0	Mr. H. Smith	1
Mr. Reynolds	2	Mr. E. A. Young	0
Mr. H. Mayhew	4	Mr. W. Hillman	0
Mr. Kennedy Erskine	1	Mr. H. G. Stock	0
Mr. Alfred Shaw	0	Dr. F. Smith	2
Mr. Soames	0	Mr. A. L. Woodhead	5
*Mr. Blain	3	Mr. A. P. Crosland	0
Mr. Lace	0	Mr. G. F. Pearson	2
Capt. Drummond	1	Mr. G. T. Crosland	0
Mr. Massie	0	Mr. H. F. Birley	2
Mr. Joliffe	0	Mr. G. H. Healey	2
	11		14

* Chester claims 2 holes, Mr. A. P. Crosland having to leave to catch a train, after holing out at the sixteenth hole.

Saturday, May 13th.—Healey Cup handicap, open to the monthly medal winners only. Mr. W. B. Turner, 108, less 20=88; Mr. H. B. Southwell, 109, less 16=93; Mr. E. A. Young, 99, less 5=94; Mr. C. J. Wallace, 117, less 22=95; Mr. G. H. Healey, no return. A club gold memento is given to the holder of this cup. A well-attended special general meeting was held on Tuesday, May 9th, when amongst other business it was decided to have an eighteen-hole course, and to secure more commodious club premises, also to raise the entrance fee to £3 3s., and the annual subscription to £1 10s. to new members on and after August 1st next.

CLEVELAND GOLF CLUB.

A very pleasant and well-contested return match was played on Friday, between teams of the Cleveland and Scarborough Golf Clubs, on the links of the latter at Ganton. Being inland, the links of the Scarborough Club will compare most favourably with any similar links in the kingdom, and for beautiful situation can scarcely be equalled. The visitors were hospitably entertained in the spacious club house. To give greater variety, the match was played in singles and foursomes, a round of eighteen holes in each. The visitors won by the narrow margin of four holes. Scores:—

Singles.—

CLEVELAND.		SCARBOROUGH.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. Roberts	0	Mr. Broadwood	2
Mr. J. Scott	3	Mr. Swaine	0
Mr. Mackay	4	Mr. Hodgson	0
Mr. Mackenzie	0	Mr. Lambert	0
Mr. S. Cradock	9	Mr. Bedwell	0
Mr. Winn	0	Mr. Brumell	0
Mr. Lambert	0	Mr. Wood-Taylor	7
Mr. Boshier	0	Mr. Kirk	5
	16		14

Foursomes.—

CLEVELAND.		SCARBOROUGH.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Messrs. Roberts and Scott	0	Messrs. Broadwood and Swain	2
Messrs. Mackay & Mackenzie	0	Messrs. Hodgson and Lambert	0
Messrs. Cradock and Winn	3	Messrs. Bedwell and Brummell	0
Messrs. Lambert and Boshier	1	Messrs. Wood-Taylor and Kirk	0
	4		2

On Wednesday and Saturday the "Cochrane" cup was played for, with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. S. French	94 8 86	Mr. G. Kay	114 18 96
*Mr. R. J. Robson	104 18 86	Mr. D. Mackay	99 2 97
Mr. A. C. Cochrane	102 15 87	Mr. C. D. Mackenzie	101 4 97
Mr. C. E. Scott	91 4 87	Mr. J. L. Scott	98 scr. 98
Mr. J. Roddam	101 12 89	Mr. J. Weihey	105 6 99
Mr. H. Roberts	90 scr. 90	Mr. A. H. Arden	119 18 101
Mr. J. Smurthwaite	108 14 94	Mr. T. C. Davison	119 18 101

* Tied.

COPTHORNE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition of this club was played on the 11th and 13th inst. in fine weather. The greens were rather difficult owing to drought. Result as below:—Mr. C. L. Reade, 92, less 2=90; Mr. J. P. Elliot, 95, less 2=93; Mr. C. W. Nix, 102, less 8=94; Mr. G. Elliot, 128, less 30=98. Other scores over 100 net.

Ladies' competition (nine holes):—Miss K. La Primandaye, 65, less 10=55; Mrs. Russell, 75, less 20=55; Miss E. J. Reade, 70, less 14=56; Miss M. C. Nix (scratch), 58; Miss Reade, 64, less 6=58. Other scores over 60 net.

DISLEY GOLF CLUB.

The first summer handicap was contested on Saturday last, in glorious weather, and there was a large number of entries, but the ground was as hard as iron, and the heat was too intense for good Golf. Messrs. Campbell and G. Norris tied for the medal, and also divided the first sweepstakes, the best gross being returned by Mr. H. Liebert. The following were the best returns:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. P. Campbell ...	101	20	81	Mr. G. Lees ...	108	17	91
Mr. G. H. Norris ...	101	20	81	Dr. R. Murray ...	111	18	93
Mr. H. Liebert ...	90	7	83	Mr. A. B. Scholfield	99	5	94
Mr. G. Hicks ...	103	20	83	Mr. G. Satterthwaite	101	7	94
Rev. E. Satterthwaite	95	9	86	Mr. E. G. Hutton...	103	9	94
Mr. G. N. Cameron	98	11	87	Mr. J. A. Hutton...	105	10	95
Mr. T. C. Norris ...	99	11	88	Mr. R. S. Shepley...	122	25	97
Mr. J. Murray ...	113	25	88	Mr. H. D. Tonge...	108	10	98
Mr. S. Thackeray ...	109	20	89	Mr. H. C. Garrett...	109	10	99
Mr. P. Reade ...	110	20	90	Mr. R. C. Hutton...	110	10	100

The same round also decided the final competition for the Winter silver medal, with the following result:—Mr. H. Liebert (scratch), 90; Rev. E. J. Satterthwaite, 95, less 2=93; Mr. T. C. Norris, 99, less 4=95. Mr. E. Hutton (3) and Mr. R. Mellor (5) made no returns. Mr. T. H. Mills (5), absent.

EALING GOLF CLUB.

The first monthly medal competition was played on the club links on Saturday, the 20th inst., with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. A. Baring-Gould	100	20	80	Dr. A. DunbarWalker	98	11	87
Mr. C. Plummer ..	82	scr.	82	Mr. C. B. Bone ...	107	20	87
Dr. E. Farr ...	89	7	82	Mr. J. Pritchard ...	108	20	88
Mr. H. Ludlow ...	98	16	82	Mr. F. Carver ...	91	2	89
Mr. H. Hall ...	106	24	82	Mr. W. H. Miller...	97	7	90
Major H. Maule ...	101	18	83	Mr. W. S. Wargreaves	106	16	90
Mr. E. Bird ...	99	15	84	Col. Parker ...	108	18	90
Mr. J. Ryan ...	97	13	84	Mr. C. M. Bayfield...	110	20	90
Mr. H. Pegg ...	100	16	84	Mr. G. C. Hayt� ...	114	22	92
Mr. J. Hardie ...	104	20	84	Mr. E. H. Alderson	111	18	93
Mr. F. B. Becker ...	106	22	84	Major T.W. Bowhill	112	18	94
Mr. S. Chick ...	99	14	85	Mr. E. G. Hamilton	119	22	97
Mr. N. W. Woodhouse	98	12	86	Mr. A. Gibbings ...	110	scr.	110

The ladies' first medal competition of the year was held on the 19th inst., the medal being taken by Mrs. E. G. Hamilton, with a scratch score of 107.

EDINBURGH INSTITUTION (F.P.) GOLF CLUB.

This club held its Spring meeting at Gullan  on Saturday, in delightful weather. There was a good turn-out, thirty-four members competing for a handsome prize presented by Mr. W. H. Gibb, and four club prizes. The scratch scores were higher than was expected, considering the splendid condition of the green. The best of these were:—Mr. M. J. Brown, 84; Mr. A. Henderson, 85; Mr. F. H. Todd, 86; Mr. R. B. Nisbet, 88; Mr. I. Drummond, 89. The prize-winners were:—1st, Mr. F. H. Todd, 86, less 10=76, and 2nd, Mr. R. B. Nisbet, 88, less 12=76, tie for Mr. Gibb's and first handicap prize; 3rd, Mr. J. A. Robertson, 92, less 15=77; 4th, Mr. William Gordon, 91, less 10=81. The special club prize for the best scratch score was won by Mr. M. J. Brown with an 84.

LADIES' COMPETITION AT PORTRUSH.

A competition by holes between members of the Killymoon Golf Club and of the Ladies' Branch of the Royal County Golf Club, was held on the Portrush links on the 16th inst. Both clubs had entered their best players, and the result was as follows:—

PORTRUSH.		KILLYMOON.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Miss Cox	Mrs. Moutray ...	...
Miss A. Hamilton	...	Miss E. Carter...	...
Mrs. Russell	Miss H. Carter ...	...
Miss Brooks	Miss Gunning ...	...
Miss Stronge	Miss Donaldson ...	...
	14		3

Thus the Portrush ladies beat the visitors by 11 holes.

LONDON SCOTTISH GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of the above club was held at Wimbledon on Thursday and Saturday, the 11th and 13th of May. Favoured by fine weather on both days, the members turned out in strong force, and there was keen competition for the prizes. The greens are still very hard, and on many of them accurate putting is impossible.

The Regimental quail and miniature were won by Mr. John

Wood with 100, less 18=82; and Mr. R. M. B. Otter Barry, won the Wemyss cup with 107, less 25=82. On Saturday, Mr. T. R. Pinkerton carried off, for the fourth time in succession, the Hope Grant and Lord Elcho scratch medal and gold miniature, with the fine score of 80, and Mr. T. Armstrong won the Mackenzie challenge cup with 93, less 15=78. The following are the scores handed in.

Thursday, 11th May inst.:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Mr. John Wood ...	100	18	82	Mr. O. B. Martyn ...	103	15	88
†Mr. R. M. B. Otter Barry	...	107	25	Capt. St. John ...	104	15	89
Mr. John A. Greig...	89	5	84	Mr. A. Tait...	101	12	89
Mr. D. Strahan Smith	92	8	84	Mr. W. T. Henderson	97	7	90
Dr. Common ...	96	12	84	Mr. W. W. Slater ...	102	12	90
Capt. Sutherland ...	99	14	85	Mr. J. H. Davidson	102	12	90
Mr. W. H. Warner	100	15	85	Mr. T. C. Hedderwick	102	12	90
Mr. G. Newnes, M.P.	103	18	85	Mr. W. F. Branford	102	12	90
Mr. G. G. Kennedy	106	21	85	Mr. Jas. Sutherland	115	25	90
Mr. A. E. Walker ...	88	2	86	Mr. A. Anderson ...	91	scr.	91
Mr. E. F. White ...	101	15	86	Hon. P. Wyndham	111	20	91
Mr. T. R. Pinkerton	84	+3	87	Major Alexander ...	107	16	91
Mr. W. M. Rhodes...	89	2	87	Mr. James Duncan...	92	scr.	92
Mr. J. D. Charington	93	6	87	Mr. D. S. Froy ...	98	5	93
Mr. James Gow ...	93	5	88	Mr. W. S. Scott ...	111	18	93
Mr. P. Bonthron ...	97	9	88	Dr. Sheppard ...	114	18	96
Mr. W. G. Mant ...	100	12	88	Mr. S. G. Warner...	117	16	101
				Mr. S. B. Tristram	116	12	104

* Winner of Regimental quail and miniature.

† Winner of Wemyss cup.

Fifteen members made no return.

Saturday, May 13th. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Mr. T. R. Pinkerton	80	scr.	80	Mr. A. E. Walker...	92	2	90
†Mr. T. Armstrong	93	15	78	Mr. R. Lindsay ...	105	15	90
Mr. B. Hillyard ...	93	14	79	Mr. G. J. Low ...	108	18	90
Mr. T. Aitken ...	97	18	79	Mr. John Wood ...	105	14	91
Mr. James Gow ...	88	5	83	Mr. Jas. Sutherland	116	25	91
Mr. D. S. Froy ...	88	5	83	Mr. K. B. Brown ...	94	2	92
Mr. W. M. Rhodes	86	2	84	Mr. W. W. Slater...	104	12	92
Capt. Sutherland ...	98	14	84	Mr. W. A. Wigram	110	18	92
Major Alexander ...	100	16	84	Dr. Sheppard ...	110	18	92
Mr. W. F. Branford	97	12	85	Mr. W. Walker ...	110	18	92
Mr. W. S. Scott ...	103	18	85	Mr. J. D. Charington	99	6	93
Mr. John A. Greig...	91	5	86	Mr. J. H. Davidson	105	12	93
Mr. W. T. Henderson	93	7	86	Dr. Common ...	105	12	93
Mr. E. F. White ...	101	15	86	Mr. E. B. Woodford	108	15	93
Mr. O. B. Martyn...	101	15	86	Hon. P. Wyndham	113	20	93
Mr. G. G. Kennedy	107	21	86	Mr. D. Strahan	...	...	...
Mr. A. Anderson ...	87	scr.	87	Smith ...	102	8	94
Mr. T. Burrell	...	...	...	Mr. J. E. Drower...	109	15	94
Bewick ..	99	12	87	Mr. John Walker ...	108	12	96
Capt. St. John ...	102	15	87	Mr. J. G. Glover ...	109	12	97
Mr. W. H. Warner	102	15	87	Mr. C. Horne Sinclair	115	18	97
Mr. R. M. B. Otter Barry	...	108	21	Major Lindsay ...	104	6	98
Mr. James Duncan	89	scr.	89	Dr. Dudgeon ...	120	18	102
Mr. A. Tait ...	101	12	89	Mr. S. B. Tristram...	118	12	106

* Winner of scratch medal and gold miniature.

† Winner of Mackenzie cup.

Twelve members made no return.

Aggregate prizes:—First class, Mr. T. R. Pinkerton, 80, 87=167; second class, Mr. R. M. B. Otter Barry, 82, 87=169.

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

THE WHITSUNTIDE MEETING.

On Saturday the Whitsuntide meeting of the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club was commenced on the links at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, when the first of six competitions for a handsome silver cup, presented to the club by Sir Matthew White Ridley, Bart., M.P., was played, to be won by the player making the best three net scores in the six competitions. The day was somewhat unfavourable, heavy thunder showers falling occasionally, and, owing to this, several players were disqualified in consequence of taking shelter, one of the rules for medal play only very recently adopted along with the St. Andrews rules being to the following effect:—"Competitors may not discontinue play because of bad weather." Sixty-five members went out, and there was some good play during the competition. The best gross scores were:—Mr. G. F. Smith, Bolton, 84; Mr. W. Newbiggin, St. Anne's, 88; Mr. A. B. Scholfield, St. Anne's, 89; Mr. J. A. Brown, St. Anne's, 93; Mr. A. H. Doleman, South Shore, 94; Mr. J. M. Rea, St. Anne's, 94; Mr. J. H. Hulton, Bolton, 94. The best net scores were:—Mr. D. McIver, Lytham, 98, less 15=83; Mr. W. Newbiggin, St. Anne's, 88, less 4=84; Mr. J. H. Hulton, 94, less 10=84; Mr. A. B. Scholfield, St. Anne's, 89, less 4=85; Mr. W. Stringer, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, 95,

less 10=85; Mr. G. F. Smith, Bolton, 84, plus 2=86; Mr. W. Cross, St. Anne's, 103, less 16=87. The scores up to 100 net were as follows:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. D. McIver, Lymm	98	15	83
Mr. W. Newbigging, St. Anne's	88	4	84
Mr. J. H. Hulton, Bolton	94	10	84
Mr. A. B. Scholfield, St. Anne's	89	4	85
Mr. W. Stringer, Chorlton-cum-Hardy	95	10	85
Mr. G. F. Smith, Bolton	84	+2	86
Mr. W. Cross, St. Anne's	103	16	87
Mr. S. F. Butcher, Bury	99	9	90
Mr. D. E. Anderson, Manchester	106	16	90
Mr. J. Marcus Rea, St. Anne's	94	3	91
Mr. J. A. Brown, St. Anne's	93	1	92
Mr. A. H. Doleman, South Shore	94	2	92
Mr. R. Hampson, Blackpool	105	12	93
Rev. J. K. Jacques, St. Anne's	108	15	93
Mr. James Mellor, St. Anne's	101	7	94
Mr. T. Muirhead, Bowdon	109	14	95
Mr. J. Craig, St. Anne's	110	15	95
Mr. R. W. Hutton, Disley, Stockport	101	4	97
Mr. J. E. Pearson, Liverpool	101	3	98
Rev. J. G. Denison, Church	102	4	98
Mr. T. H. Miller, Singleton Park	105	7	98
Mr. R. Finlay Miln, Hoylake	105	7	98
Mr. T. C. Midwood, Salford, Manchester	113	15	98
Mr. J. H. Evans, Manchester	113	15	98
Mr. T. H. Rushton, Bolton	114	16	98
Mr. G. H. Huthwaite, Barrow-in-Furness	116	17	99
Mr. E. T. Wilson, St. Anne's	121	22	99
Mr. C. H. Atkinson, Singleton Grange	118	18	100

Mr. D. McIver therefore put in the win for the cup. The first optional sweepstake was won by Mr. D. McIver, the second by Mr. J. H. Hulton, and the third was divided by Mr. A. B. Scholfield and Mr. W. Stringer.

SECOND DAY, MONDAY.

"The Lancashire Fusiliers' Cup" presented in 1891 by the officers of the 3rd and 4th battalions of the Lancashire Fusiliers, Bury, to the members of the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club, was played for on Monday, the concluding day of the Whitsuntide meeting. The cup is held for twelve months, and the winner each year receives a handsome silver memento, given by the club, the play being limited to a handicap of eighteen strokes. Sixty-six members competed. On Saturday the weather was fine as could be wished, and the greens were in excellent order. The best gross scores were:—Mr. C. G. D. Hoare, St. Anne's, 92; Mr. D. Tonge, Disley, 92; Mr. S. F. Butcher, Bury, 93; Mr. A. H. Doleman, South Shore, 94; Mr. J. A. Brown, St. Anne's, 96; Mr. J. A. F. Eltoft, St. Anne's, 97. The best net scores were:—Mr. D. Tonge, 92, less 12=80; Mr. S. F. Butcher, 93, less 9=84; Mr. T. Muirhead, Bowdon, 98, less 14=84; Mr. R. B. Hardman, St. Anne's, 101, less 14=87; Mr. H. Parke, Withnell, 103, less 15=88; Mr. C. D. Hoare, 92, less 3=89. The scores up to 100 nett were as follows:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. D. Tange, Disley	92	12	80
Mr. S. F. Butcher, Bury	93	9	84
Mr. T. Muirhead, Bowdon	98	14	84
Mr. R. B. Hardman, St. Anne's	101	14	87
Mr. H. Parke, Withnell	103	15	88
Mr. C. G. D. Hoare, St. Anne's	92	3	89
Mr. James E. King, St. Anne's	99	8	91
Mr. W. Stringer, Chorlton-cum-Hardy	99	8	91
Mr. A. H. Doleman, South Shore	94	2	92
Mr. J. A. F. Eltoft, St. Anne's	97	5	92
Mr. Thos. Fair, Lytham	116	23	93
Mr. J. Craig, St. Anne's	109	15	94
Mr. J. A. Brown, St. Anne's	96	1	95
Mr. J. Hargreaves, Blackburn	104	9	95
Mr. J. Muirhead, Bedford	107	12	95
Mr. R. T. Gillibrand, St. Anne's	109	14	95
Mr. J. H. Evans, Manchester	110	15	95
Mr. R. Lythgoe, St. Anne's	110	15	95
Mr. R. Finlay Miln, Hoylake	103	7	96
Dr. Eason, Lytham	106	10	96
Mr. A. B. Scholfield, St. Anne's	101	4	97
Mr. J. S. Fair, Lytham	108	11	97
Mr. T. H. Rushton, Bolton	113	16	97
Mr. G. Haig, Manchester	106	8	98
Mr. T. C. Midwood, Salford, Manchester	113	15	98
Rev. J. K. Jacques, St. Anne's	113	15	98
Mr. F. Topp, Little Hulton, Bolton	112	13	99
Mr. W. Cross, St. Anne's	115	16	99
Mr. J. Buckley, Norbreck	106	6	100

Mr. D. Tonge was winner of the cup and memento. The previous winners of the cup were in 1891, Mr. W. Newbigging, St. Anne's, and in 1892, Mr. Donald McIver, Lymm. The first optional sweepstake was won by Mr. D. Tonge, and the second and third were divided by Mr. S. F. Butcher and Mr. T. Muirhead.

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The fifth competition for the cut-glass bottle with silver top took place on Tuesday, May 16th, with the following result:—Miss E. Howe, 43, 42=85; Mrs. Smith Turberville, 49, 49=98; Miss Matheson, 55, 45=100; Miss Cross and Mrs. Cole Hamilton no returns.

On Saturday, May 20th, prizes, kindly given by Mrs. Acheson Gray and Mrs. Cross, were played for v. "Col. Bogey," the result being as follows:—Miss M. Gray (20), 11 up (winner of Mrs. Cross' prize); Miss Collis (18), 10 up (winner of Mrs. Acheson Gray's prize); Miss E. A. Whieldon (3), 8 up; Miss Matheson (26), 6 up; Mrs. Smith Turberville (9), 5 up; Miss Middleton (6), 3 up; Miss Gray (9), 3 up; Miss A. Clarke (2), 2 up; Miss E. Howe (13), all even; Miss Gibsons (18), all even; Mrs. Hatherell (26), 1 down; Miss Dawkins (21), 3 down; Miss Edmann (11), 3 down; Mrs. Cole Hamilton (26), 11 down; Miss F. Whieldon and Miss Wolryche Stansfeld no returns.

The tie for the Prior prizes (foursomes), on being played off on Friday, May 19th, resulted as follows:—Miss E. Howe and Mr. Mallam (10), 2 up; Miss M. Gray and Mr. Richardson (11), 1 up.

NOTTS GOLF CLUB.

The Spring cup competition was held on the 18th inst., on Bulwell Forest. There was a large muster of members, and the day was fine, but there was a high wind, which may to some extent explain the fact that the play was far from being up to its usual standard. The cup and medal for the best scratch score went to Mr. C. J. Didham, with a score of 89, he being the only player who got below 90. A prize for the best score under handicap, limited to 14 strokes, was taken by Mr. C. S. Wardle with 96, less 12=84, and two handicap prizes for members above 14 were won by Mr. C. F. Dobson with 101, less 15=86; and Mr. T. G. Mellors with 112, less 22=90. A "bogey" competition, for a prize presented by Mr. R. F. Smith, was won by Mr. P. W. Allen (handicap 14 strokes), who was 3 holes down on the "Colonel," after a tie with Mr. C. J. Didham. A lofting competition for a sweep—the winner taking two-thirds, and the runner up one-third of the amount—was won by Mr. McMeeking, Mr. Didham being second. The following is a complete return:—

Handicaps 14 and under.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. C. S. Wardle	94	12	82	Mr. J. McMeeking	98	8	90
Mr. C. J. Didham	89	5	84	Rev. A. C. Beckton	99	9	90
Mr. P. W. Allen	98	14	84	Mr. J. Harris	96	5	91
Mr. R. D. Oswald	93	7	86	Mr. J. Hall	99	8	91
Mr. R. F. Smith	97	9	88	Mr. J. Doleman	98	6	92
Mr. J. C. Warren	94	5	89	Mr. J. Johnstone	110	9	101
Mr. C. B. Edwards	103	14	89	Mr. J. Bowes	131	14	117

Messrs. A. T. Ashwell and F. W. Thompson made no returns.

Handicaps over 14.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. C. F. Dobson	101	15	86	Mr. J. Forman	122	20	102
Mr. T. G. Mellors	112	22	90	Dr. J. S. Tew	129	27	102
Mr. T. McCulloch	109	18	91	Mr. W. Lymbury	124	20	104
Mr. W. F. M. Webb	110	18	92	Mr. A. Harwood	126	22	104
Mr. G. H. Wallis	117	24	93	Mr. A. Baker	128	22	106
Mr. J. A. Simpson	114	20	94	Mr. A. Oliver	126	18	108
Rev. M. P. Tucker	118	20	98	Mr. R. F. Carey	130	20	110
Mr. L. Margetson	118	20	98	Mr. A. H. Pearson	138	27	111
Mr. F. W. Cooper	123	23	100	Mr. H. Russell	145	27	118
Mr. F. T. Green	117	16	101				

Messrs. E. A. Coutts, E. L. Manning, W. R. Hamilton, W. Rickman and J. B. Wells made no return.

HADDINGTON GOLF CLUB.—The members of this club competed at Luffness on Saturday for the Hogarth gold medal, which is a merit award, and a number of handicap prizes. There was a large field of competitors, and the green was in excellent order. The medal and accompanying merit prize were won by Mr. James G. Crol with an actual of 84. The handicap prize-list was as under:—Rev. W. Proudfoot (scratch), 89; Mr. M. McNeill, 98, less 8=90; Rev. J. A. Shannon, 105, less 14=91; Mr. T. M. Henry, 111, less 18=93; Mr. W. Merrilees, 92, plus 2=94; Mr. T. Black, 97, less 3=94.

BRORA.—The weekly competition for the club's handicap prizes, and the fortnightly scratch for the "Gunnis" and club medal took place on Saturday. Principal scores:—In the former, Messrs. J. S. Fraser, James Melville, John Melville, William Donaldson, and R. McKay; and in the latter, Messrs. Daniel Grant, George Sutherland, George Campbell, Alexander Will, and George M'Intyre.

RICHMOND v. ROCHESTER.

Played at Sudbrook Park on Saturday the 13th. Result :—

RICHMOND.		ROCHESTER.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. John Gairdner ...	8	Mr. Alfred Schacht ...	0
Dr. Williamson ...	0	Major Onslow ...	0
Captain Gillon ...	0	Hon. Ivo Bligh ...	2
Mr. A. L. Jockel ...	2	Mr. F. B. Maddison ...	0
Mr. Bulmer Howell ...	0	Mr. Charles Lake ...	0
Mr. F. H. A. Booth ...	5	Mr. A. C. Seely ...	0
Mr. Cyril Routh ...	0	Mr. T. Winch ...	1
Mr. P. R. Don ...	10	Colonel Langdon ...	0
Mr. Thompson Glover ...	9	Mr. G. K. Anderson ...	0
Major Welman ...	0	Major Darby ...	3
	34		6

Richmond won by 28 holes.

ROYAL DUBLIN GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal.—This competition drew a fair number of members to the "North Bull" on Saturday, but many were away for Witsuntide. The weather was beautifully fine, although in Dublin it rained nearly the whole day. The greens are looking remarkably well after the rain of the past week, which come not a bit too soon, as the long drought was beginning to tell a little on them. The competition resulted in a tie, between Mr. Geo. C. Green, and Mr. Percy Watson, with a net each of 79. They will probably play off on Monday. The following were the scores handed in :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Geo. C. Green	89 10 79	Mr. T. Gilroy	84 +2 86
Mr. Percy Watson...	94 15 79	Mr. J. H. Barrington	99 12 87
Mr. J. Lumsden, jun.	88 6 82	Mr. C. C. Townsend	107 20 87
Mr. R. H. Chartes...	89 7 82	Mr. J. P. Barrington	112 20 92
Mr. H. "Smart" ...	104 22 82	Mr. R. Harrison ...	125 26 99
Mr. F. H. Orr ...	94 11 83	Mr. A. Blood ...	129 26 103
Mr. J. Petrie ...	90 6 84		

The new club-house is making rapid progress towards completion, and will probably be ready by the middle of June, when there will be ample accomodation for even more members than there are at present.

SEAFORD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition. The club's monthly medal was competed for on Saturday, the 20th, in first-class golfing weather :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Duncan C. Furner	83 9 74	Mr. T. J. Baillie ...	98 12 86
*Mr. W. Leith Mal-		Mr. J. Pitcairn ...	103 16 87
colm ...	92 14 78	Mr. C. Hart ...	91 3 88
Capt. G. Nugent ...	85 5 80	Mr. A. B. Hutchings	102 14 88
Mr. J. E. Shaw ...	88 8 80	Mr. E. E. Jackson...	107 18 89
Mr. J. F. Farncombe	96 14 82	Mr. W. Love ...	112 20 92
Mr. W. Lambe ...	99 16 83	Mr. J. Jackson ...	109 16 93
Mr. F. G. Bampfyld	89 5 84	Mr. J. Gibbs ...	120 25 95
Mr. W. M. Cundell	101 16 85	Mr. C. Walker ...	124 18 106
Mr. C. S. Hand ...	99 14 85	Mr. A. Payne ...	126 25 101

* In consequence of the rule precluding one who has before won a monthly medal competition during the current year, Mr. Malcolm, with 92, less 14=78, takes the medal.

After the challenge cup competition, a driving competition, decided by the carry, was held up the valley near the club-house, wind to the side, but slightly following. Captain Nugent's drive was exceptionally fine. Capt. Nugent, 199 yds.; Mr. H. C. Stewart, 173 yds. 2 ft. 9 ins; Mr. W. P. Morgan, 170 yds. 2 ft.; Mr. A. P. Willett, 158 yds. 1 ft.; Mr. E. G. Jackson, 157 yds.; Rev. W. F. Eaton, 153 yds. 1 ft.

Challenge cup competition, Whit-Monday, 22nd May.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. E. Shaw ...	176 16 160	Mr. C. E. Walker...	210 36 174
Mr. H. J. Dring ...	196 32 164	Mr. A. B. Hutchings	203 28 175
Mr. T. J. Baillie ...	190 24 166	Mr. W. Malcolm ...	204 26 178
Mr. W. J. Crook ...	194 28 166	Mr. R. T. Glover ...	216 36 180
Mr. J. F. Farncombe	196 28 168	Mr. P. S. Lee ...	213 32 181
Mr. C. Hart ...	176 6 170	Mr. F. G. Bampfyld	193 10 183
Mr. D. C. Turner...	186 16 170	Mr. G. C. Tyler Smith	221 36 185
Mr. G. L. St. Quentin	187 16 171	Mr. C. S. Hand ...	217 28 189
Rev. W. F. Eaton...	203 32 171	Mr. F. G. Horn ...	215 24 191
Capt. G. Nugent ...	182 10 172	Mr. E. G. Jackson	232 26 206
Mr. J. S. Sellor ...	201 28 173	Mr. W. P. Morgan	265 40 225
Mr. H. C. Stewart	185 12 173	Mr. A. Payne ...	280 50 230
Mr. H. E. Currey...	210 36 174		

STAINES GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, 13th inst., the following being the best scores :—Capt. T. R. Harrison, 84, less 14=70; Capt. P. H. Slee, 95, less 20=75; Mr. J. I. Ward, 94, less 16=78; Mr. Geo. Struthers, 96, less 18=78; Mr. G. J. Hunter, 95, less 14=81; Mr. E. Spong, 108, less 26=82; Mr. R. V. Bankes, 108, less 26=82; Mr. A. R. King Farlow, 97, less 14=83.

SUTTON COLDFIELD GOLF CLUB.

This club has been incorporated under the Companies Acts, under the name of "The Incorporated Sutton Coldfield Golf Club." This has been done for the purposes of borrowing money and acquiring leases, etc. The first general meeting was held at the club-house, Streetly, on the 13th inst., when the following officers were appointed for the year :—President, Alderman Conchar, Mayor of Sutton; vice-presidents, Mr. P. A. Muntz, M.P., and Alderman Evans; captain, Mr. T. S. Eddowes; hon. treasurer, Mr. A. Lloyd; hon. secretary, Mr. P. A. Bourke; committee, Major-General Arbutnot, Mr. G. A. Muntz, Rev. W. C. R. Bedford, Mr. J. H. Chevasse, Mr. F. Rathbone, Mr. H. T. Edge, Mr. S. H. Kuyvett, Mr. F. H. Winder; auditors, Mr. F. H. Smith and Mr. T. G. Griffiths. The monthly medal was played for on the 13th inst., with the following result :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Dr. C. Palmer ...	96 16 80	Mr. A. L. Lloyd ...	108 23 85
Mr. J. E. Evershed	96 14 82	Mr. E. A. Spurgin	105 17 88
Rev. A. E. R. Bedford	100 17 83	Mr. J. W. Wilson...	105 15 90
Mr. H. M. Eddowes	94 11 83	Mr. E. G. Keay ...	118 27 91
Mr. G. S. Albright	92 7 85	Mr. P. A. Bourke...	105 12 93
Mr. E. E. Lamb ...	96 11 85	Dr. Simon ...	111 18 93

WEST LANCASHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The second competition for the Shelmerdine prize of the West Lancashire Golf Club, confined to members receiving over 15 strokes, in the handicap took place on Saturday last, May 19th, on the links at Hall Road, Blundellsand, in showery weather. The attendance of competitors was not very large, only about twenty couples starting. Scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Norman M'Laren	98 18 80	Mr. P. O'Brien ...	111 18 93
Mr. W. M'Laren ...	96 15 81	Mr. D. Main ...	112 18 94
Mr. W. Bowker ...	97 16 81	Mr. W. R. Gardner	111 16 95
Mr. D. T. Roberts...	101 18 83	Mr. T. Shelmerdine,	
Mr. G. Cunliffe ..	101 17 84	jun. ...	116 20 96
Mr. Chas. Stoddart...	101 15 86	Mr. W. Buckley ...	113 16 97
Mr. Geo. Edgecombe	105 18 87	Mr. G. Seatree ...	115 18 97
Mr. J. N. P. Newton	103 15 88	Mr. J. G. Twentyman	129 30 99
Mr. Wm. Litchfield..	107 18 89	Mr. H. E. Clare ...	116 16 100
Mr. A. K. Cannington	109 18 91		

In perfect golfing weather the annual Whit-Monday competition was held. Forty couples took part in the competition. The following were the net scores under 100 :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Chas. Stoddart.	95 15 80	Mr. J. N. P. Newton	105 15 90
Mr. Frank Harrison	88 6 82	Mr. G. Cunliffe ...	107 17 90
Mr. T. Leicester ...	107 25 82	Mr. W. Buckley ...	107 16 91
Mr. T. R. Henderson	86 3 83	Mr. D. Inglis ...	109 18 91
Mr. Geo. Durandu..	96 13 83	Mr. W. R. Gardner	108 16 92
Dr. Hewer...	86 2 84	Mr. W. Revis ...	110 18 92
Capt. Channer ...	92 8 84	Dr. Stookes ...	97 4 93
Mr. E. L. Lewis ...	92 8 84	Mr. R. G. Hayward	101 8 93
Mr. Alex. Stoddart.	95 11 84	Mr. G. Hayward ...	101 8 93
Mr. O. Blundell ...	95 11 84	Mr. G. H. O. Salt...	106 12 94
Mr. T. H. Luzmore.	88 2 86	Mr. G. Edgecombe..	112 18 94
Mr. J. E. Pezson...	89 3 86	Mr. T. Shelmerdine,	
Mr. M. H. Durandu	98 10 88	jun. ...	114 20 94
Mr. G. O. Jones ...	113 25 88	Mr. N. McLaren ...	110 15 95
Mr. M. Rollo ...	98 9 89	Mr. R. Hibbert ...	112 17 95
Mr. F. Litchfield ...	98 9 89	Mr. G. Segar ...	120 25 95
Dr. Bushby...	98 9 89	Mr. W. S. Taylor ...	101 5 96
Mr. H. E. Clare ...	105 16 89	Mr. L. J. Ferguson..	102 5 97
Mr. R. Harpin ...	107 18 89	Mr. W. Litchfield...	117 18 99
Mr. R. Buchanan ...	102 12 90	Mr. D. Main ...	117 18 99
Mr. H. Newsome...	104 14 90		

Several made no returns.

EDINBURGH THISTLE CLUB.—This club met at the Braid Hills on Saturday to play for their monthly gold trophy. Owing to the showery afternoon only eighteen players started, with the result that Messrs. J. W. Barclay, £7, less 15=72, and J. R. Duncan, 88, less 16=72, tied for the trophy; Mr. J. Nelson being third with an actual 76.

WIMBLEDON LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medals, Saturday, May 20th.

First class:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Miss G. Tee ...	96	22	74	Mrs. A. King ...	101	19	82
Miss M. Colt ...	95	20	75	Miss N. Muir ...	95	10	85
Miss E. Scott ...	92	15	77	Lady Clayton ...	106	20	86
Miss Issette Pearson	78	scr.	78	Mrs. Archer ...	109	23	86
Miss Clarke ...	99	20	79	Miss Frere ...	106	19	87
Mrs. Dowson ...	104	24	80	Mrs. Cameron ...	102	14	88
Miss Nicol ...	95	14	81	Mrs. Meates ...	108	19	89

* Winner of first medal and brooch.

Second class:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
†Miss Jacomb ...	104	26	78	Mrs. Henderson ...	115	28	87
Miss Connell ...	107	28	79	Miss Hatfield ...	118	30	88
Miss Ethel Carver ...	119	36	83	Miss Ripley ...	129	30	99

† Winner of second medal.

Several members were disqualified through stopping during a very heavy shower.

Miss Issette Pearson's cup for the four best net monthly medal scores has been won by Miss Frere. Miss Frere, 106, less 34=72; 103, less 34=69; 92, less 29=63; 97, less 25=72; total, 276. Mrs. Willock, 103, less 33=70; 97, less 28=69; 98, less 25=73; 89, less 23=66; total, 278. Miss Tee, 97, less 29=68; 98, less 24=74; 99, less 21=78; 97, less 23=74; total, 294. Mrs. Cameron, 98, less 22=76; 90, less 18=72; 88, less 15=73; 92, less 13=79; total, 300. Miss N. Muir, 91, less 17=74; 96, less 17=79; 79, less 14=65; 92, less 9=83; total, 301.

On Thursday, the 18th inst., the Minchinhampton Ladies brought a strong team to play the Wimbledon Ladies; and the result was a win for the home team. Scores:—

MINCHINHAMPTON.		WIMBLEDON.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Lady Margaret Scott ...	0	Miss Issette Pearson ...	2
Mrs. Wilson Hoare ...	4	Miss Lena Thomson ...	0
Miss J. Golightly ...	0	Miss A. L. Tyrwhitt Drake ...	2
Mrs. Davies ...	6	Miss Nellie Muir ...	0
Mrs. Pierce Taylor ...	0	Miss Phillips ...	9
Mrs. Cameron ...	0	Miss M. Nicol ...	10
Mrs. Lynch-Blosse ...	0	Miss Hassard Short ...	10
Miss H. Ridding ...	0	Miss Edith Scott ...	4
Miss Golightly ...	0	Mrs. Willock ...	3
	10		40

Foursomes were played after lunch. Scores:—

MINCHINHAMPTON.		WIMBLEDON.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Lady Margaret Scott and Miss H. Ridding ...	0	Miss Issette Pearson and Miss E. Scott ...	4
Mrs. Davies and Mrs. Cameron	3	Mrs. N. R. Foster and Miss N. Muir ...	0
Mrs. Pierce Taylor and Mrs. Lynch-Blosse ...	0	Mrs. Willock and Miss Hassard Short ...	4
	3		8

WITHINGTON GOLF CLUB (MANCHESTER).

The members of the above club held their second monthly competition on Saturday last, to compete for the gold and silver medals presented by their president, Zila A. Ward, Esq. Owing to the unsettled weather and the quantity of grass, good play was impossible. The following are the best returns sent in:—Mr. J. M. Eaton, 89, less 5=84; Mr. H. F. Warden, 106, less 20=86; Mr. Albert Clegg, 99, less 12=87; Mr. H. Davies, 101, less 12=89; Mr. E. Ratcliffe, 105, less 9=96; Mr. J. M. Leake, 111, less 14=97; Mr. G. Barton, 109, less 10=99; Zila A. Ward, 112, less 12=100.

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.—The third competition for the club cup took place at Seaton on 13th inst., and resulted in a tie between Messrs. A. Robinson and H. Doughty with a net score of 81. Mr. Robinson also tied with Mr. W. Purves for the best score of the day on merit, viz., 94. Scores:—Mr. A. Robinson, 94, less 13=81; Mr. H. Doughty, 106, less 25=81; Mr. A. R. Paton, 105, less 21=84; Mr. W. Purves, 94, less 9=85; Mr. W. Ropner, 105, less 20=85; Mr. P. B. Kent, 97, less 11=86; Mr. C. J. Bunting, 98, less 8=90; Mr. F. W. Purvis, 97, less 6=91; Mr. G. Newby, 98, less 7=91; Mr. E. Harris, 119, less 25=94; Mr. E. W. Walker, 107, less 12=95. Messrs. A. Massingham, Rev. F. L. Cope, George Pyman, A. B. Wilson, G. Pyman, jun., and P. A. Raps made no returns.

HARRISON CLUB, EDINBURGH.—The second of this season's competition for the Cox medal was played over the Braids course on Saturday. Owing to the unsettled nature of the weather, only fifteen members put in an appearance. Mr. W. M'Queen Smith returned the excellent scratch score of 76, but it was only successful in securing him second place to Mr. A. Tait's 85, less 10=75. The following were the next best results:—Mr. James Scott, 93, less 17=76; Mr. J. Blyth, 92, less 15=77; Mr. J. C. Bell, 94, less 16=78; and Mr. J. Murray, 97, less 18=79.

YE MONKS OF YE BRAIDS.—The second handicap competition of the season took place over Gullane links on Thursday. There was a large attendance of the brotherhood. The first prize (presented by Abbot A. W. Sansome) was gained by Mr. E. Reid, 108, less 27=81, after a tie with Mr. A. King, 85, less 4=81; 3rd, Mr. J. E. Sansome, 84, less 2=82; 4th, Mr. J. Rose (scratch), 83; 5th, Mr. W. Gordon, 91, less 6=85, Mr. J. King, 83, plus 2=85, and Mr. W. King, 89, less 4=85, tie. The tie, on being replayed, resulted in favour of Mr. W. Gordon.

CUMBRAE CLUB.—The half-yearly competition for the Smart medal took place yesterday at Millport, in fine golfing weather. Mr. P. C. Sharpe, 91, less 4=87 (winner); Mr. Archibald Cameron, 97, less 7=90; Mr. John Reid, 98, less 5=93; Mr. William Macfarlane, 99, less 3=96; Mr. J. M'Kinnon, 114, less 18=96; Mr. J. Morgan, 104, less 7=97; Mr. J. Cunningham, 113, less 16=97; Mr. George Boyle, 118, less 18=100; Mr. W. Ross, 116, less 15=101; Mr. Robert Scott, 108, less 6=102; Mr. Thomas M'Farlane, 108, less 6=102; Mr. John Smith, 133, less 18=115.

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EDINBURGH TRACHERS' CLUB.—The second quarterly competition of this club for charms, medals, and prizes took place at North Berwick on Saturday. There was a large turn-out of members, and the results were as follows:—First division: 1st, Mr. James M. Niven, 83, less 11=72; 2nd, Mr. W. R. Hay, 86, less 8=78; 3rd, Mr. John C. Ross, 83, less 4=79. Second division: 1st, Mr. William Walker, 94, less 21=73; 2nd, Mr. J. T. Sharpe, 92, less 18=74; 3rd, Mr. William Crichton, 99, less 24=75.

ROYAL MUSSELBURGH CLUB.—The first tie in the annual tournament by holes, for which there were fifty-two entries, has now been concluded, with the following results:—Byes: Mr. J. M. Williamson, Mr. T. H. Young, Mr. James Smart (Portobello), Mr. Robert Millar, Mr. F. A. Renwick, Dr. Hughes, Mr. John Robertson, Mr. James Welsh, Mr. T. T. Gray, Mr. John Lyall, Dr. Scott, and Mr. D. S. Duncan. Dr. Gilruth (7) beat Mr. W. D. Husband (9); Dr. Craigie (9) beat Mr. T. B. Mitchell (2); Mr. James Williamson (7) beat Mr.

Thomas Thompson (9); Rev. James Sharp (7) beat Mr. John Ramsay (3); Mr. James D. Gibson (4) beat Mr. John Richardson (4); Mr. Charles Mitchell (2) beat Mr. F. L. R. Lee (4); Mr. W. A. Dudgeon (5) beat Mr. J. M. Thomson (9); Mr. John C. Sharp (2) beat Mr. R. N. Ramsay (6); Mr. R. C. Menzies (3) beat Mr. A. Mitchell (2); Mr. J. S. C. St. Clair (7) beat Mr. A. Davidson (9); Mr. James Paul (2) beat Mr. John Mitchell (1); Mr. John Herriot (9) beat Mr. F. Ferguson (4); Mr. William Kirsopp (7) beat Mr. J. A. Macpherson (7); Mr. R. T. Ozanne (4) beat Mr. A. W. Millar (plus 1); Mr. H. B. Tristram (plus 1) beat Mr. John Shepherd (5); Rev. George Kirkwood (7) beat Mr. John Young (6); Mr. William Tait (6) beat Rev. R. G. Fraser (8); Mr. W. S. Smart (2) beat Mr. A. P. Meldrum (9); Mr. A. S. Bourhill (scratch) beat Rev. Thomas White (5); Mr. Charles Carey (4) beat Mr. John Gray (9).

ARBROATH CLUB.—The final for the Carnegie challenge cup was played on Saturday. The finalists were Mr. W. Edwards and Mr. D. Arbuthnot. By agreement eighteen holes instead of thirty-six were played. At the twelfth hole the match was square, but Mr. Edwards, by a run of 4's, booked the next three holes. He ultimately won by 2 holes, and is thus champion of the club for the year. The second of the series of competitions for the badge was also played on Saturday, and resulted:—1, Mr. R. Guthrie (at his number), 4 points; 2, Mr. W. Edwards (1 above), 3 points; 3, Mr. J. Cobb (5 above), 2 points. The following were under the century:—Mr. W. Edwards, 84; Mr. D. Arbuthnot, 87; Mr. A. Garvie, 90; Mr. J. Cobb, 91; and Mr. R. Guthrie, 91.

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