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SEPTEMBER.

- Sept. 2.—Glamorganshire : Club Cup.  
Redhill and Reigate : Turner Medal.  
Alloa : Monthly Medal.  
Wakefield : Lee Cup.  
Brighton and Hove : Berens Gold Medal.  
Woodford : Captain's Prize and Monthly Medal.  
Bowdon : Optional Sweepstakes.  
Disley : Autumn Meeting.  
Leicester : Monthly Medal.  
London Scottish : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Liverpool : Monthly Competition.  
County Down : Captain's Prize.  
Royal County, Portrush : Ladies' and Gentlemen's Foursomes (Open).  
Lanark : Anstruther Medals.
- Sept. 2, 16, & 23.—Felixstowe : Captain's Prizes.
- Sept. 4.—Hunstanton : Monthly Medal.
- Sept. 5.—Carnarvonshire : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Cornwall Ladies : Monthly Medal.
- Sept. 6.—Blackheath Ladies : Monthly Medal.
- Sept. 6, 7, 8, & 9.—Glamorganshire : Monthly Medal.
- Sept. 7.—Amateur and Professional Tournament at Musselburgh.
- Sept. 8.—Royal Cornwall : Monthly Medal.  
Lanark : Business Meeting ; Claret Jug, Purdie Cup, Gold Ball Competitions.
- Sept. 9.—Felixstowe : Monthly Challenge Cup.  
Crookham : "Bogey" Competition.  
Southport : Monthly Competition.  
Rochester : Married v. Single.  
Cumbrae : Monthly Medal.

- Sept. 9.—Weston-Super-Mare Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
St. George's (Sandwich) : Monthly Medal.  
Rochester v. Reigate (at Earlswood).  
Seaton Carew : Club Cup.  
Tantallon : Annual Meeting.  
R. & R. Clark : Prizes (Musselburgh).  
West Lancashire : Autumn Meeting.  
Buxton and High Peak : Fortnightly Medal.  
Guildford : Score.  
Royal Isle of Wight : Monthly Medal.  
Warwickshire : Foursome Challenge Cups (First Round).  
Sutton Coldfield : Monthly Medal.  
County Down : Captain's Prize.  
Lanark : Captain's Prizes.
- Sept. 9, 16, & 23.—Blairgowrie : Ladies' Cup Competition.
- Sept. 11.—Cumbrae Ladies : Monthly Medal.
- Sept. 11 to 16.—Royal Western India (Nasik) : Annual Tournament.  
Royal Western India Ladies : Annual Tournament.
- Sept. 12.—County Down : Stroke Competition (Open).
- Sept. 12 to 16.—Irish Open Amateur Championship (at Newcastle, Co. Down).
- Sept. 13.—Royal Epping Forest : Aggregate Competition.  
Newhaven : Monthly Medal.  
Holmes Chapel v. Marple.
- Sept. 13 and 14.—Royal Cromer : Autumn Meeting.
- Sept. 15 and 16.—Scarborough : Autumn Meeting.
- Sept. 16.—Eltham : "Bogey" Competition.  
Harrogate : Monthly Medal.  
Knutsford : Monthly Competition.  
Gullane : Captain's and other Prizes and General Meeting.  
Rochester : Monthly Medal.  
Headingley : Monthly Medal.  
Alloa : The Club Medal.  
Wakefield : Monthly Medal.  
Chester : Final Monthly Competition.  
Brighton and Hove : De Worms Challenge Cup.  
Formby : Autumn Meeting.  
Woodford : Quarterly Medal.  
Mid-Surrey : Monthly Medal.  
Buxton and High Peak : September Cup.  
Royal Dublin : Monthly Medal.  
Wimbledon Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
Seaford : Monthly Medal.  
County Down : Hole Competition (Open) ; Captain's Prize ; Club Monthly Handicap.
- Sept. 20.—Crookham : Monthly Medal.  
Durham : Nine Winners' Cup.
- Sept. 23.—Ilkley : Monthly Medal.  
Willesden : Club Monthly Medal and Autumn Meeting.  
R. & R. Clark : Medal (Braids).  
West Lancashire : Monthly Competition (Class 2).  
Chester : Final, Committee's Cup.  
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal.  
Lytham and St. Anne's : Ridley Cup.

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## MY FELLOW-GOLFERS.

## XVIII.—OF THE GREAT DEBATE WHICH TOOK PLACE IN OUR CLUB ON THE SUBJECT OF SUNDAY PLAY.

In one of the most brilliant of Macaulay's wonderful essays, that one, to wit, in which he falls so woundily foul of poor Robert Montgomery's poems, he tells us that the unlucky bard at a terrific crisis of one of his descriptions, forbids "the red and raging eye of imagination to pry further," "but," adds the sarcastic essayist, "further Mr. Robert Montgomery persists in prying." Beloved reader, Editorial discretion, and, perhaps, some touch of wisdom of our own—mundane, colubrian—forbid our red and raging eye from prying too microscopically through the lens of this most excellent paper, into the merits of the vexed question of Sunday Golf. In dealing with this thorny subject, therefore, we will follow, Byrlakin, the advice of worthy Bottom, the Weaver; "We will aggravate our voice; we will roar you as gently as any sucking-dove; we will roar you as 'twere any nightingale;" and into the rights and wrongs, the good and harm, the aspects theological and worldly of Sunday play our most discreet and reticent muse shall not persist in prying.

No, dear golfing parsons, all shall be well. Bernardo Rucellai, in "Romola," was, as we know, conscious of an amazingly pure latinity; but, says Erasmus, not to be caught speaking Latin—no word of Latin to be sheared off him by the sharpest of Teutons. Even so shall you find it with us. We are conscious, of course, of amazingly pure and well-reasoned views on this important matter; yet will we simply take, in this number, the standpoint of the amused and interested onlooker, and no word of personal opinion, whether for or against this particular form of Sunday observance, shall be sheared off us by the keenest of Ecclesiastics.

And, as says excellent Bottom, "Ladies, or fair ladies, I would wish you, or I would entreat you, not to fear or to tremble. My life for yours. If you think I come hither as a (Sunday golfing) lion 'twere pity of my life. No, I am no such thing. I am a man as other men are. To bring in, God shield us, a lion among ladies were a most dreadful thing, for there is not a more fearful wildfowl than your (Sunday golfing) lion living, and we ought to look to it."

Thus much by way of proem, and now let us shog, let us on, let us take sash and livery of the great debate which we have had in the club on the subject of Sunday Golf—a debate full of instruction to us, reflective, critical; and the discussions preceding and following which have afforded us much delightful character study.

The meeting was held after our last medal day, and was exceedingly largely attended. Feeling had run very high. It was well known that the "strict" party, led by "Corporal Grace-be-Here Humgudgeon" and General Sankey, and others like-minded, intended to oppose a desperate resistance to Sunday play, and that many other religious men, though not in the least in sympathy with the Corporal's theology and methods, were earnestly opposed to the introduction of Sunday Golf into the club. On the other hand, it was also well known that the Bacchanalians and "mad-wags and wild-fellows" generally were going to fight for it tooth and nail, and in particular that "Dare-devil-Dick" and "Blueskin" and "Smangle" and "Mivins" and "Jorrocks" and "Swiveller" and "Jingle" and "Falstaff" and "Toby Tossopot" and "the Scorcher" and a lot more of them, were contemplating a pulverising onslaught upon poor "Humgudgeon," against whom they had grown exceedingly bitter of late, so that lively times were in prospect. However, how the voting itself would go was a matter of complete uncertainty, and would of course depend on the line taken by the great body of our members, comprehending men of every variety of character and opinion; many of them attached to religion by education and training, but much inclined to be pretty tolerant in their practice; others to whom the voices of the pulpits are as the cawing of rooks and the various contending sects, "never a barrel the better herring," but who were just as likely as not to think six days a week of Golf quite enough, without the bore of having to play it on seven.

I am bound to say I went down to the Club, just after my six weeks' holiday, expecting a scene as violent as a debate in (shall we say) the French Chamber, and to have to interpolate the moderating or indignant "Oh, Oh!" in the midst of expressions like "narrow-minded fanatics," "crass ignorance," "bunkum," "humbug," "foolish prejudice," "ridiculous Sabatarianism," "old world ideas," "exploded theology," "fear of Mrs Grundy," and so forth, on the one side, and "Sabbath-breakers," "indifferentists," "backsliders," "pernicious example," "despisers of good," "the downward path," "lovers of this world," &c., &c., on the other; but at first, at all events, all went sufficiently well.

For, as it afterwards appeared, the more determined opponents of Sunday Golf, of various shades of religious belief, had held a private preliminary meeting among themselves, and had chosen their line of action with great skill and prudence. An immense principle was at stake; nothing must be risked; no undue provocation given; nothing said either too much or too little. The highest possible ground must be taken, and only those should speak who would be likely to be respectfully and attentively listened to on this momentous occasion, when a false step—an unguarded sentence, might carry serious consequences with it. "Corporal Grace-be-Here," and two or three others, therefore, were prevailed on (very unwillingly), to maintain an absolute silence at the debate, and the interests of the earnest anti-golfing party were specially committed to old Whitgift, General Goodheart, Sir Clarkson Latimer, Bobby Wilberforce, Sam Wilkinson, old Jemmy Ken and one or two more, all of them men highly thought of, good, just, discreet, excellent speakers, and likely to be able to obtain a full hearing for all they might have to say in a meeting containing not only a certain proportion of indifferentism, and some pronounced scepticism, but also some exceedingly dangerous and highly explosive elements.

The great discussion was opened by Charlie Huxley-Paine, who characteristically absolutely tabooed the religious aspect of the question, and argued in favour of Sunday Golf from the purely utilitarian and philosophic standpoint. He had the good taste and good sense to say nothing that could possibly be considered personal or offensive by the serious party, but he drove home his points with great adroitness and skill, and as his delivery is excellent and his voice beautifully modulated (they call him "Silver-tongue Paine" at the Bar), he not only gained the ear of the meeting, but produced a great impression, and sat down amidst hearty applause, after moving a resolution, seconded in a brief but brilliant little speech by Jack Spencer, "That it is expedient that the links be thrown open for Sunday play."

Then uprose old Whitgift, and asked leave to move a resolution on the other side. The dear old man spoke with great earnestness, but with exquisite tact, and with all the gentle and conciliatory wisdom which is his special characteristic in every-day life; and he was listened to through the whole of his speech with marked attention and respect—listened to even by the mad wags and wild fellows who were all clustered in a corner of the room, waiting for their victim, the Corporal—for there is no man more generally and deservedly honoured in the Club than this sweet-tempered, kindly, and deeply sincere old man. He was followed by Sir Thomas Latimer, who was not quite so well received. There was a good deal of impatient shuffling of feet, and sarcastic cries every now and then from one or other of the Bacchanalian party, and even thus early it began to be seen that the contrary resolution was likely to have pretty rough weather before it got into port, if it should ever have the good luck to arrive there at all.

And with the close of Latimer's speech the rough weather began. The first shyness once worn off, men began to get accustomed to the situation and to feel their feet; and during the next hour and a-half a succession of very decided Sunday golfers gave us their views in speeches, some of which were forceful and persuasive, some humorous and airily sarcastic, some simply blunt and outspoken, and one or two that I can only characterise as distinctly flippant and impertinent. In vain Goodheart, Wilkinson, Jemmy Ken, Wilberforce (the latter particularly good), and sundry others tried to stem the rising tide. The feeling of the meeting was on the whole apparently decidedly against them. The anti-golfers grew very anxious; they whispered to one another frequently, and one or two of

them left their places to go and talk in low tones to old Whitgift. The Bacchanalians, on the other hand, were in ecstasies; they cheered every point that made for them to the echo, and at one period of the debate it was all "Falstaff" and "Toby Tossput" could do to hold down honest "Jorrocks" in his seat, and prevent that broad-visaged, vulpicidian Silenus from giving some of those "view holloas" for which he is so justly celebrated both in the hunting-field and on convivial occasions.

Now, during all this time, "Corporal Grace-be-Here" had been listening to the debate, restless, uneasy, disconsolate; his massive face growing darker and darker as the discussion appeared to go more and more in favour of those light-minded wordlings who were, as he considered, wickedly, wilfully, defiantly determined on breaking one of the greatest and most important of the laws of God. The honour of religion, of the Christian faith, was at stake, and he sitting idly by who should be in the very forefront of the battle. Several times he half rose from his chair, only to sit down again, when he remembered his promise; but at last the strain became too great; his heart was burning with indignation, wrath, and fiery zeal; the enemy was exulting, triumphing here, here before his very face, while the chosen champions of the truth, of the right, were helpless, prostrate, beaten. To his excited imagination it appeared that voices, not of this world, were ringing in his ears, and summoning him to meet and crush at once and for ever these scoffers and scorners. Who was he that he should be afraid of the face of men that should die? He sprang to his feet, with uplifted right arm, his head thrown back, his chest expanded, his eyes blazing with indignation, his magnificent form towering among us like some war-inspired Achilles. It was a grand sight to see this stern enthusiast face the foe in deadly earnest, and Jones, who was as much struck as I was, dashed off a rapid sketch of him in this attitude which he has since expanded into a splendid water-colour portrait that hangs at this moment over the writing-desk in my study.

Then, from the large body of Bacchanalians and wild fellows arose a yell of defiance, and shout after shout of derision that would have silenced a weaker man; but the Corporal had faced the Russian bayonets in the morning mist at Inkerman with cool and approved valour; aye, and a thousand dangers besides; and he was not the man to quail before such as these. Higher and higher the storm rose. In vain the chairman called for silence; in vain a voice here or there, in various parts of the room, tried to make itself heard crying out for fair play. All was of no use, and quiet was not restored till Whitgift and Wilberforce, and Ken, who doubtless dreaded a very far wilder scene if the Corporal should be allowed to pour out his unrestrained indignation, came to him, and with the utmost difficulty, and amidst the scornful Walpurgis-nacht laughter of the foe, persuaded him to resume his seat. All seemed lost to "Humgudgeon" and his friends; but it is the unexpected which always happens, and victory was close by in the very hour of apparent defeat.

When "Hum" had sat down, up rose that thick-pated, spirit-absorbing, salacious-tongued "Gin-and-Bitters," known among us more familiarly as "Blueskin," or "Major Monsoon," from the extraordinary plum-coloured tint of his complexion; and fired off an attack upon the Corporal, so personal, so vulgar, and once or twice so very blasphemous that even his own party, who are good-hearted fellows enough in the main, were astounded and ashamed, and the whole room rang with indignant cries of "Abominable!" "Disgraceful!" "Apologise!" "Chair, chair!" "Sit down, sit down!" "Make him sit down!" "Pull him down, can't you!" Yet still the excited "Blueskin" stood facing the Corporal (who was looking at him with inexpressible contempt and disdain), gesticulating violently in the midst of the din, and absolutely declining to be put to silence by the chairman, "or any other man." It really seemed hard to know what could be done, and things were getting into a state of most admired disorder, when an episode occurred which has given Jones and me many a hearty laugh since.

We have among us a canny, old, bushy-eyebrowed, Scotch golfer, one Sandy Macrae, in whom the combination of ultra-strict Calvinism with a dry, pawky humour, would have furnished a delicious character study to ever-charming Dean

Ramsay. This sly old Caledonian suddenly got up and faced the irate "Blueskin," and silence fell on the assembly, for it was seen that there was a twinkle in the veteran's eye which made men anticipate some joke at the Bacchanalian's expense. The old fellow put on his glasses deliberately and gazed at "Blueskin" a minute; then he looked round the room and said with admirable drollery, very slowly, and with the broadest possible Scotch accent—

"Tha high Creestian character-r of the gentleman standing there before ye, eminently qualifies—"

But he got no further than this. "Blueskin" an eminent Christian! The meeting instantly took the humour of the situation, and as old Sandy, who would have made a great comic actor if he had been "born in that line o' life," stood gazing pawkily at his victim, who was glaring wildly on all sides of him, longing to punch someone's head, but utterly unknowing how to meet this damning accusation, roar after roar of laughter shook the room, joined in just as heartily by the Bacchanalians generally as by the rest of us. "Jorrocks" sent out peal after peal at the expense of his fellow Christian; "Falstaff" held his fat sides and gasped for breath; "Daredevil Dick" turned so red in the face that his friends opened his shirt-collar and patted him on the back. Cunning old Sandy! he had given the enemy a clean backheel, and won a complete victory, and "Smangle" and "Mivins," after a minute or two of excited conversation, put out their strength, and fairly pulled the defeated and still raging "Gin and Bitters" down into his seat.

The excitement had hardly subsided when Jones rose, and I had one of the most delightfully amusing ten minutes I ever had in my life. It was soon evident that he had only got up to make fun of the men who had spoken on either side of the question, and as he poured out joke after joke in his own brilliant epigrammatic way, he kept the meeting in a continual ripple of merriment. Just at the close he announced that he intended to vote *against* Sunday Golf. Instantly there were loud cries of "Why; tell us why?" (for Jones, as we know, is not a Church-goer, save when he attends St. Euthanasia's in order to study dear, hard-swearing Brimstone Billy, and listen to the good old man quavering out the hymns), upon which he explained with demure solemnity that he could not possibly think of tempting Messrs. Falstaff and Jorrocks, and their serious-minded friends, to devote to Golf those happy and profitable Sunday hours which all the world knew they invariably consecrated to higher and better things. (Great laughter.)

When Jones had resumed his seat there were loud cries of "Divide, divide," and so concluded this famous debate. The ballot boxes were brought in, the votes were counted, and it was found, to the surprise of most of us, that the numbers were exactly equal. It appeared afterwards that many hesitating men had finally decided against Sunday Golf, on account of the blasphemies of Master Blueskin. The casting vote fell to the chairman, known among us as "Strong Herminius," a man who has won his rank as the club captain by the frank, sterling honesty of his character. That judicious and sensible ruler of men said briefly, that in his opinion so serious a change as the introduction of Sunday Golf into the club ought not to be adopted without the expressed desire of a considerable majority of the club members, and he gave his final and conclusive fiat against the proposal.

Then the meeting broke up into excited groups, and the "Corporal" coming up to Jones, thanked him heartily for his aid in the defeat of "this iniquitous motion." To whom Jones, who must have his jest, "My good sir, pray make no mistake about me. Personally I think Sunday Golf rather a good thing, and I shall probably both speak and vote for it next time. What I did was simply for a little harmless practice, and, if you will pardon such flippant conduct, for what an Elizabethan writer, one Shakespeare, calls a bit of a lark."

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ASTOUNDING ADVENTURE OF AN AFRICAN  
MISSIONARY.

Fife, May 22nd, 1893.

SIR,—The enclosed singular communication from an eminent African missionary may interest some of your readers; and it might even be well to ask what Mr. Garner thinks of the matter. In the latter case, however, one might suggest the prudence of communicating by letter only. It would, at all events give Mr. Garner an opportunity of kicking the postman—an operation fraught with pleasure, no doubt, to the one, and profit, certainly, to the other.

I am, Sir, &c.,

W. DALRYMPLE.

Matakoko, April 1st, 1893.

VENERABLE SIR,—I have little new to report with regard to this station. My black boy, Billee, I regret to say, made a night of it on Saturday, according to custom, but (also as usual) professes profound remorse therefor. This is extremely encouraging, and I accordingly increased his allowance of soda-water for the two following days. Little Johnnie has had a slight touch of measles, and Mary Ann—alas!—been sneezing in what I can only describe as an alarming way. But the following incident seems too remarkable to be passed over in silence altogether—nay, in the hands of the new laureate, whoever he may be, might be so rendered as to deeply impress, if not absolutely awe, the reflecting portion of the great British nation.

At 10.30 a.m. of last Friday, after a light breakfast of chump-steak and chips, my black boy, Billee, and I started for the scene of our day's operations. There was a gentle breeze from the north-west, but the tropical sun was too much for it. I staggered along with my white umbrella, whilst Billee whipped it bravely by my side with a Saratoga rocking-chair, a two-gallon graybeard of lemon-squash (say), an elephant-rifle for shooting hippos, with half a hundredweight of cartridges, and a case of peeys and Roman candles to frighten away snakes centipedes, and hairy caterpillars; a patent stove, and, of course, something to cook with, nicely packed in a brown portmanteau with brass edges; a mosquito net, and five-gallon filter; one pair of bellows, and an extra bottle of Worcester sauce.

Fatly we footed it, my boy Billee and I, till, upon the verge of the primeval forest, we came upon what I at first believed to be the burial-ground of some potent and revered chief. In the centre of a fair spread of virgin turf—green as emerald, and rich in sweet suggestions of a dearer and, at all events, a cooler clime—waved a tiny flag, planted, there was little doubt, to warn off all spectral foes and jumbies generally. The width of the hole in which it was erected led me to the belief that it was probably designed with the kindly idea of giving the hot skull beneath as much air as possible. Such are the idiotic capers of these poor benighted heathens. With the view of inaugurating some wholesome meditation by the side of this pagan sepulchre, I directed my boy Billee to camp in this sequestered spot, and set the tap aflowing. We had barely got comfortably seated and done a couple of cocoa-nuts, when I heard from my rear a most appalling roar.

"O gorry dickee, Massa!" cried Billee, jumping some feet in the air, and turning the colour of a diseased yam; "them be the hairy men of the woods at their daft pranks!"

Again there came down the wind that fell mingling of howl and yell, and, generally, of concentrated execration.

"What um say, you askee, Massa?" said Billee, faintly. "Me know only too well, Oh! Hairy men cry, 'Fore!' in their own tongue. Ho-day, poor me, Oh!"

A black gutta now rattled off the ribs of my umbrella, and I rose to my feet in not unnatural consternation, when immediately there stepped from a glade of the mighty forest a group of stalwart simian golfers, chattering with evident excitement and indignation.

"O Massa, Massa!" cried Billee; "hairy man ask who de debbil bin chuckin' cocoa-shells on him's best puttin'-green. Oh!"

An "Eclipse" next came loping along out of the depths of shade, and settled down between the first ball and the hole.

"By Jumbo!" I exclaimed, on the spur of the moment.

"A stymie!—a clean stymie!" *And so it was!*

The first baboon (I don't know if I am scientifically correct in so describing him, but fortunately I don't care twopence—anyway, his wife, as will be seen afterwards, had toes of a calibre quite worthy of Marian decoration) was evidently a golfer of fierce and untamed passions, verging on the diabolical, for he now began to swear in his own language in the most shocking manner—at least so I suspected, and I need scarcely add, the suspicion pained me extremely—and finally gave a smaller simian, who was carrying his clubs, and from a malign snigger, seemed to have been richly endowed with a misplaced sense of humour, a tremendous rattle on the back of the head with an iron. This—as the sequel showed, and as might, indeed, have been foretold by any missionary of experience—was not only rash but fatuous; for the club broke at once. "Great Scott!" he remarked in his own language, "another patent lofter gone!" while the caddie only laughed good-humouredly.

The chap who had given the stymie had also appreciated the fun of the situation, for he now advanced towards me, with a broad smile upon his brawny visage, and remarked (so Billee translated it), "Him stymie, golley! him stymie, ho, ho!"

I thought better to humour the bulky denizen of the primeval forest, and chuckled with him in unison; and thereafter handed him a cocoa-nut. This he accepted with courteous grace, and cracked it between his mighty jaws without any seeming effort.

"Me verry fond o' cocoa-nuts," he remarked; "but me finds them Silvertowns drefle tyough, hey?"

Billee now came up, and chilled me with the following appalling statement:—"Um hairy man wot am stymied, oh! askee if you, Tom Morris, ho! An' me say, No, but onlee distant ancestor. They's agwine to makee you king to-morrow morning, and will dig holee by de side of a d—d black-water to bury Massa wid all de honours when him putted out, ho!"

This figment of my unprincipled black boy, it may be, saved my life, because few golfers, and certainly none of those who inhabit the primeval forests of Africa will tamely submit to a cherished putting-green being sacrilegiously strewn with with nut-shells or even skulls; but it involved me in a series of embarrassing positions, verging on the parlous. Thus, I at once recognised that the collection of old Philps owned by each player was marvellously complete; but when Umslopogaspape—which was the name of the stymied chap—put forward an old croquet-mallet as the most valued product of the great master's seething brain and cunning hand, no considerations of mere personal safety could prevent me bidding the heathen, in a haughty tone, to get behind me.

Again, take the dangerous duties of the post of umpire which they thrust upon me, of all men the most unwilling! Umslopogaspape, as I have said, had to face a veritable stymie—and a very repulsive face, indeed, he put upon the matter—but the way in which he succeeded in diddling the foe is, so far as I know, original, and singularly effective in spite of its apparent simplicity. I had noticed, but without taking special heed, that one of the young ladies of the party, with a ring through her nose, and several distributed among her tootsies, and clad otherwise in a patent golfing costume (she told Billee with a wink that Redfern had made it specially for her, which was, of course, very kind of him), and who I subsequently discovered was Mrs. Umslopogaspape, was flitting up and down and round about the balls in a more or less fairy-like fashion, when—hey, presto! the adversary's ball was no more seen! If it had vanished mysteriously, it had also done so undeniably. My first feeling was pure surprise, mingled, perhaps, with amused admiration; but as I began to realise the responsibilities of my position as umpire, dim dread and awe came up the way, the more especially as I noticed that Mtoto was sharpening his cleek and had already tightened the belt of where his knickerbockers should have been.

Billee, too, by no means conduced to the comfort or elevation of my feelings.—"Um hairy man say, Massa, in certain circumstances quite light to killee king an' eat him too—you best lookee out—long past him's luncheon hour—sabe?"

"But where has the ball gone to, dear William?"

"Umslopogaspape's wife, she swallowed he—ho, ho!"

sniggered my satanic and utterly unsympathetic retainer—"Her catchee up with toes ob left foot and pop in mouthee behind Massa's back—jist, ho, ho!"

"I am afraid I must report this most reprehensible proceeding of an abandoned heathen to the headquarters at St. Andrews. But, in the meantime, William, what's to be done!"

"Nuffin', Massa, nuffin'!" said my golf adviser, with decision. "Lost ball, lost hole, all de worl' over!"

The ruling seemed incontrovertible, and, in spite of a dread of sudden death and devoration, I gave my decision as umpire accordingly.

Mtoto and his friends withdrew in silence that was completely enervating, and intimated that they would call for me about dinner-time some day this week, so if you do not hear from me ever again, you will know what has happened.

Yours with much respect,

REV. PETER MCPHERSON, UMPIRE.

GREAT amusement was caused in Blackburn last week by a strike of the golf caddies employed on Wilpshire links. Hitherto the lads, who number something over a score, have received 4d. per round of nine holes, but as they resolutely refused to shoulder a club under 6d., they were ordered to hand in their badges and clear out. They did this unanimously, but they immediately picketed the links and prevented the engagement of any competitors. Ultimately the golfers, headed by the Rev. J. Denison, of Church, shouldered their own clubs, and did without caddies altogether.

THE marriage is announced of Miss Florence W. Anderson, North Berwick, and Major Sawyer, of the 1st North Lancashire Regiment. Miss Anderson is well known in golfing circles as one of the best of the lady golfers in North Berwick, playing from scratch in the Ladies' club there. She is a daughter of the rector of St. Baldred's Episcopal Church.

ALNMOUTH CLUB.—On Saturday afternoon the members of this club held their usual monthly competition for the subscription cup offered annually for competition amongst the members. Very fine weather prevailed, and there was a good attendance. Mr. A. Robertson, 98, less 14=84; Mr. W. Fraser, 102, less 18=84; Mr. F. T. Ridley, 89, less 3=86; Mr. T. Tate, 96, less 7=89; Mr. H. Parker, 96, less 6=90; Mr. J. W. Carr, 103, less 12=91; Mr. H. Fawcus, 111, less 18=93; Mr. F. B. Dunford, 98, less 5=93; Mr. W. C. B. Ellis, 100, less 6=94; Mr. C. H. Stanton, jun., 96, less 2=94; Mr. W. G. Welch, 105, less 10=95; Mr. C. Wilkinson, 109, less 14=95; Hon. J. B. Jervis, 104, less 7=97; Mr. J. S. Watson, 112, less 14=98; Mr. C. A. Ridley (scratch), 99; Mr. J. W. Robson, 116, less 14=102; Mr. W. Belk, 124, less 14=110; Dr. G. W. Ridley, Mr. W. R. Heatley, Mr. J. de C. Paynter, Captain Roberts, Mr. A. Browne, and Mr. J. Milton gave no returns. Mr. W. Frazer and Mr. A. Robertson divided the optional sweepstakes, and Mr. F. T. Ridley took third prize.

CLEVELAND GOLF CLUB.—The monthly competition for the privilege of playing for the Ridley trophy, at the end of the year, took place on Friday and Saturday, over the links at Coatham. The play was over the new course, and the change was much appreciated, though, of course, the new greens are not yet in very good condition. A large number of members took part in the competition; but, as "Bogey" is still very difficult to beat, only a few cards were sent in. The scores sent in were as follows:—Mr. A. Mackinlay, 2 up; Mr. A. C. Cochrane, halved; Mr. W. Robinson, halved; Mr. W. Young, 4 down.

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.—The sixth "Bogey" competition took place at Seaton on Saturday, with the following result:—Mr. Geo. Pyman, 7 up; Mr. Fred. Pyman, 2 up; Mr. P. B. Kent, 2 up; Mr. O. K. Trechmann, 1 up; Mr. C. J. Bunting, 1 up. Messrs. E. W. Walker, H. Doughty, Higson Simpson, W. T. Kirby, E. C. Jackson, E. Harris, Geo. Pyman, jun., and Rev. W. Heath made no returns.

## Reviews.

WON AT THE LAST HOLE: A GOLFING ROMANCE. By M. A. Stobart. Illustrations by Major Hopkins. (London: Cassell & Co.) 1s. 6d.

This is an amusing story of love and Golf, two ingredients which mix well in our daily cup of enjoyment. A bachelor betakes himself, in search of rest and recreation, to Golfstone-on-Tees. His golfing stock-in-trade consists of a driver and a mashie tied together by a piece of string, and on arriving at the station he finds himself in the midst of a band of cheery golfers, each laden with a bag of clubs. Attempts are made by his companions to break through the outer crust of reserve which had enveloped Mr. Brown, and naturally the conversation drifted into the channel of Golf. Mr. Brown was asked what handicap he received, to which question he cautiously replied: "I played at Sandwich, and they didn't give me anything." He was, of course, put down as a scratch player, and when he got to the links Mr. Brown was matched with another scratch golfer. He was saved from a ludicrous situation by the appearance of a friend, Mr. Thornton, just in the nick of time. Mr. Thornton and Mr. Brown become rival suitors for the hand of the same lady, a Miss Burrows, who plays Golf pretty well. A good many diverting episodes take place before it is finally arranged between the gentlemen that the result of a foursome should decide who shall have the privilege of asking the lady. Mr. Brown, by the aid of Miss Burrows herself, wins the match by a heroic putt at the last hole, and so the tale ends as it should do. It is capitally told, and the illustrations of Major Hopkins lend added charm to a racy, bright, amusing golfing tale.

THE FOUNDING OF ST. STEPHEN'S GOLF CLUB. By an M.P. (London: W. Ridgway.) Sixpence.

Whether or not the author of this rhymed little golfing story is a Member of the House of Commons, he at least displays considerable knowledge of his golfing legislative characters, and possesses a fund of piquant humour which is as refreshing as it is spontaneous. In rhymed ballad measure the author tells the story of a golfing tournament inaugurated by an individual whom he styles "Forsumnus, of Saint Stephens." In answer to the post cards which he sent out, a goodly number of golfers turned up at the trysting-place. Among them came "the great chief Josephius, the champion bold of Brummagi," from the Norman Forest lawns, Harcourtius frank and free, the fierce Sandrifilius (Colonel Saunderson), John Burns, "Lord of Battacae," Quirardius, the Tribune, in helm of curious make (Mr. Keir Hardie), from distant Localoptio, the chief Lausionius came (Sir Wilfrid Lawson), Sextonius and Timelius (Mr. Sexton and Mr. Healy), Randolfius of the lion heart, Morleius, gaunt and grave (Mr. John Morley), the bold Brysæus (Mr. Bryce), Labius Scrutator, "in whose papyri, week by week, the missing word is 'Truth'" (Mr. Labouchere), Ager from the Eastern bourn (the cheery Admiral Field) and Balforius and Gladstonius, chief of Hardena, of linen gorget huge, "and on each foot he wears a boot, which none but he may wield." The Golf club having been formed, a monthly cup was subscribed for, and Gladstonius challenges all comers. Gladstonius was scratch, and the others had handicaps "from Quiarardius with forty, to Josephius with ten." Sir Wilfrid Lawson, or rather Lausionius, was chosen as the referee, as one who was "versed in 'tee-totalling' lore." Gladstonius and Josephius tee off, the first carrying the green, the member for West Birmingham, getting in a drive "of yards full five." Harcourtius missed the globe entirely, Brysæus dropped in the bunker, Randolfius topped his shot, and Labius smashed his driver. When day was closing excitement ran high on the result of the match, because Gladstonius had still one hole to play. Readers will observe that though Gladstonius was first to tee off he came in last; and in explanation of the extraordinary circumstance the author gives this quaintly humorous, and not wholly inap-

propriate explanation—"It has, with some reason, been asked how this state of affairs came to pass, seeing that Gladstonius was the first chieftain to tee off. Tradition says that, whilst taking a few minutes' rest at the turn, Gladstonius, in response to a demand for a speech from the enthusiastic crowd, delivered 'a few words on the history of the game from the time of Homer to the birth of Balfourius.' Hence a delay of three or four hours." Gladstonius had three strokes in order to win the cup and one hole to play. He gets to the hole-side in two, and then :—

Forth rush the concourse green-wards,  
No laggard may be found,  
Round gather there fair women  
And brave men gather round.

"Curse on him!" quoth Josephius,  
"The villain's done us brown:  
But for his play I'd won the day,  
And painted pink the town."

"Now silence," quoth Timelius,  
"On many Links, I ween,  
They're hanging men and women  
For swearing on the green."

So spake he, and a silence  
Fell on them one and all:  
And thrice Gladstonius eyed the hole  
And thrice he eyed the ball;

And thrice he trode between them  
With ponderous boot and wide,  
Thrice there, thrice back—a goodly track  
In which the ball might glide.

Again the author, knowing his game, explains :—"No exception seems to have been taken to these proceedings on the part of Gladstonius. The only conclusion is that at that time they were regarded as fair and legitimate tactics. *Tempora mutantur; mores mutantur in illis Golforum.*"

And now he grasps the putter,  
Now is his course near run,  
A breathless pause—'tis make or mar—  
A rare old "push"! Hip, hip, hurrah!  
The monthly cup is won.

And now, with shouts and clapping  
And noise of cheering loud,  
He gains the stately club-house  
High-shouldered by the crowd.

They gave him of Glenlivet,  
To celebrate the day,  
As much as two stout coal-heavers  
Could safely put away:

And they sent the cup to Hardena  
For Hardena's conquering lord;  
Full many a day it stayed, men say,  
To grace the Castle board.

And in the nights of winter,  
When the cold north winds blow,  
And the long howling of the waits  
Is heard amidst the snow;

When round the golfer's roof-tree  
Roars loud the tempest's din,  
And the giant logs at Yule-tide  
Roar louder yet within;

When kindred golfing spirits  
Drop in to talk a bit,  
And the oldest bin is open,  
And the largest weeds are lit;

With toasts and cheers and laughter  
Oft will the tale be told,  
How well Gladstonius won the cup  
In the brave days of old.

This little extract will give a fair specimen of the humorous description, genial and kindly, of the founding of the club. We hope to see more of this gentleman's handiwork.



The links of the Southdown and Brighton Ladies' Golf Club at Burgess Hill are compact, easily accessible from the local railway station, and picturesquely situated at the foot of a gentle slope leading from the village, which crowns one of the many rolling, foliage-covered undulations abounding in this part of Sussex. Numerically, the club is a strong one for a ladies' club, and among its members there are some ladies who with care and attention will unquestionably develop into strong match players. The player of outstanding merit in the club at present is Miss Crunden, a lady whose previous record in match and scoring competitions warrants the assumption that with careful practice, and the correction of at least two notable defects, she will be heard of anon. A seasoned Scottish golfer who played a couple of matches with her on Saturday, though winning the first match rather easily, found his work cut out for him in the second round, and only won that by a hole. Miss Crunden drives a good-length ball, both as to carry and direction; and it was only at the hole-side that the lady lost her opportunities of administering a sound drubbing to her male opponent. The two defects from which Miss Crunden suffers are the shifting of the right foot in making the tee shot, and the other is the rigid glueing of the right forefinger down the shaft of the club while putting. The shifting of the right foot while making the drive, causes the ellipse of the swing not only to be broken, but to be changed, and hence a too marked tendency to slice and top. The forefinger defect reminds one of what was said by young Tom Morris of his father, old Tom, who had a tendency to putt with the thumb down the shaft, and in important matches to miss easy six-inch putts. The celebrated son predicted of his genial old father, that he would never putt satisfactorily until someone sliced the errant thumb off altogether. In the same way, if Miss Crunden would fold that forefinger round the shaft, she would find that the approach putts would be truer, not only in direction, but in pace. Even with these defects, however, Miss Crunden's style is particularly neat, correct, easy, and withal powerful; while in other respects no one could wish a more pleasant partner.

Of the course itself, the chief merit is its compactness, and the skill with which the ground has been utilised in placing the nine holes. The distances between the holes vary from 78 to 190 yards, and though in some places the lies are a little rough (due, no doubt, to the long and trying drought), no undue punishment is inflicted in attempting a recovery. One gathers the impression, however, that a little top-dressing of the putting-greens with road scrapings mixed with sand, and a good deal of rolling, would make them more true, and less congenial to the fluky, as opposed to the correct player. A few more hazards in the shape of dug-bunkers at some of the holes (that is, if the permission of the proprietor can be obtained) would add considerably to the already sporting character of the round. Dug-bunkers are a much fairer test of the capabilities of a player in a difficulty than hurdles, while they approach much more

nearly to the true requirements of the game. But, of course, limitations may be imposed in this respect, and if that be so, then the committee have done what in them lay to lend variety to the green.


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One of the chief charms of the course at Burgess Hill is that while being within easy hail of Brighton it is yet sufficiently removed to ensure quiet, repose, a leisurely round, free from bustle and pressure, and a happy blending of social intercourse with the more serious pursuit of the game. Gentlemen are welcomed quite as heartily as ladies, and what strikes the visitor is the frank spontaneity and hospitality of his reception, and the absence of constraint. As someone sings in the "Beggars Opera":—

If the heart of a man is depressed with cares  
The mist is dispelled when a woman appears;

but if, in addition to that comfort, you see the ladies spread the tea-table almost on the first tee, bring "forth butter in a lordly dish," and many other good and wholesome things besides, little margin is left wherewith to fill the golfing visitors' cup of contentment to overflowing. To return to Brighton in the creeping twilight, to mark the shadows lengthening around the dusky woods and brooding over the patient, contented cattle in the fields; to descry them stealthily enveloping half-hidden cottages amid the dells and the dingles around sleepy Hassocks, and to note the ruddy-faced moon slowly clambering over the range of hills to the right, and which appear to act as a barrier to the sea, is as charming an epilogue to a day's golfing as the heart could desire. The writer is indebted to one and all of the ladies for a memorable day's enjoyment.

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**A FEAT IN GOLF AND TRICYCLING.**—The following diary of a month's holiday, will interest, and perhaps be useful to our readers. It is the experience of Mr. George Edward Mosar, Solicitor and Notary Public, Kendal, a gentleman well-known in former years at Wimbledon. **SATURDAY, July 29th.**—Left Kendal 5 p.m. for Keswick, thirty miles. Tricycle, a cushion tyre of last year, loaded as follows:—Knapsack, heavily laden, in front; Sphynx carrier in the  space between wheels; Golf shoes under saddle, each containing a bottle, one of lamp oil, the other of bicycle oil; on either side Golf clubs—weighing in all from sixty-five to seventy pounds. **MONDAY, July 31st.**—Left Keswick midday, went up Newlands by Buttermere and Crummock, and by Frisington and Egremont to Seascales, getting wet through on the way. **TUESDAY, August 1st.**—Went four times over the nine-hole Golf course at Seascales, and tricycled to Maryport. **WEDNESDAY, August 2nd.**—Tricycled to Silloth. Went twice over the eighteen-hole Golf course. Tricycled to Abbey Junction. Took train to Annan, thence to Dumfries. **THURSDAY, August 3rd.**—Wet in early part of morning. Tricycled to Prestwick, in wet and dirty weather. **FRIDAY, August 4th.**—Went twice over Prestwick links, thence to Troon, and over the links there. **SATURDAY, August 5th.**—Went round Prestwick links, and tricycled to Crieff, through Glasgow and Stirling. **MONDAY, August 7th.**—Went twice round Crieff links, then tricycled to Perth, Dundee and Carnoustie. **TUESDAY, August 8th.**—Went three times round Carnoustie links, and tricycled to Montrose. **WEDNESDAY, August 9th.**—Went three times round Montrose links. **THURSDAY, August 10th.**—Went twice round Montrose links, and tricycled to Carnoustie. **FRIDAY, August 11th.**—Went three times round Carnoustie links. **SATURDAY, August 12th.**—Round Carnoustie. Thence to Monifieth. Went round links there, thence tricycled to Dundee and St. Andrews. **MONDAY, August 14th.**—Went twice round St. Andrews links. Tricycled to Crail. Lost one bottle and boot, and had to return six miles to recover the same. **TUESDAY, August 15th.**—Went to Crail links. Thence to Elie, and went round links there. Thence to Leven and round links there. Thence to Elie. Took steamer to Leith and tricycled to North Berwick. **WEDNESDAY, August 16th.**—Went round North Berwick links twice, and once round Gullane links. **THURSDAY, August 17th.**—Went round the links at North Berwick, Luffness and Gullane. **FRIDAY, August 18th.**—Went round North Berwick links and Muirfield links. Tricycled to Musselburgh. Went round links

there. Thence tricycled to Edinburgh and thence to Glasgow. **SATURDAY, August 19th.**—Went from Glasgow to Machrihanish, and went twice round the links there. **MONDAY, August 21st.**—Went three times round the links of Machrihanish. **TUESDAY, August 22nd.**—Went twice round the links of Machrihanish. From there went to Glasgow, thence to Oxenholme by train, arriving two a.m. **WEDNESDAY, August 23rd.**—By gig to Amble-side; before magistrate on business, and thence back to Windermere. Same night went to Gourrock. **THURSDAY, August 24th.**—Walked from Campbeltown to Machrihanish. Once round links. **FRIDAY, August 25th.**—Three times round Machrihanish links. **SATURDAY, August 26th.**—Four times round Machrihanish links.

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Mr. J. M. Barrie, the popular author, is now also among the golfers. He has recently been a visitor at the Pans Hotel, Machrihanish, where he has enjoyed the game on this splendid course.

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The two brothers, Mungo and Frank Park, have recently been visiting Machrihanish links. In a foursome, the local professional, Sandy Munro and Dr. Frank Smith, Coventry, defeated the two brothers by 4 up and 3 to play. In the return match the game was halved.

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A special committee meeting of Musselburgh Town Council was held last week—Provost Keir presiding—at which the opinion of the Solicitor-General on the right of the Corporation to levy a charge on golfers playing on Musselburgh links was again considered. The communication of counsel on the subject had been circulating for private perusal among the Council for six weeks with a view to having the points properly discussed. The discussion lasted two hours, and it was finally agreed to remit to a committee the framing of by-laws in respect to the general regulation of the green. Bailie Sharp was appointed convener. Only very general lines for the draft were indicated. There is to be a charge on strangers using the links—the power to levy a charge on inhabitants and others with a legitimate claim to the use of the green being left to the discretion of the committee. Caddies will be licensed—none to get their permit under twelve years of age. The play on the green will be regulated by a town official. Before the bye-laws are made law, the draft will be submitted to the Golf clubs at Musselburgh. The by-laws may be looked for at an early date.

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We understand that since last advertisement of the Golf Tournament, at Musselburgh, on 7th September, appeared in our issue, the committee have decided to increase the prizes to nearly £50, the first prize now being £15.

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The manner in which the lead is fixed in the head of a club, though the present form has served excellently well, is undoubtedly susceptible of improvement. A few makers have turned their attention to the point, but no improvement we have seen equals in compactness and effect that of Paxton, except perhaps an improvement on the same lines in Forrester's "Bulldog" bulger. Paxton's idea is to insert the lead at the toe of the club, and by means of different sized drills in the interior of the head to carry the weight right up to the heel. The lead is, therefore, enclosed in the head of the club, and is not liable to become loose or come out altogether, as in the present form of head. The club head is also strengthened, while the balance in the clubs we have tried could not be more satisfactory.

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With the spread of the game, the number of club-makers is rising in almost equal proportion. Messrs. D. Anderson and Sons, Ellie Place, St. Andrews, turn out good golfing material that may be relied upon. Their greenheart and split hickory shafts are finely seasoned and beautifully finished; and as they employ workmen skilled in all departments of club and ball-making, players may rely upon getting not only what they want, but the best available material.



"CARRY."

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have read with much interest the article by Professor Tait on "The Flight of a Golf Ball." Of course, a Golf ball must rotate in some direction—that goes without saying—and the way in which it is hit may doubtless affect it; but I am amazed at Professor Tait's conclusion.

I believe that a well-driven ball rotates with an over-spin, a well-lofted ball with an under-spin. If you give a billiard-ball under-spin (by hitting low), on its striking another ball it stops dead short; so does a well-lofted ball on striking the ground. If you give a billiard-ball over-spin (by striking high), it will follow, as a well-driven ball will.

I believe that the sudden rise which a well-driven Golf ball gives is from the cessation of the over-spin. I quite believe that Professor Tait's idea of roughening the face of a cleek horizontally will increase the carry by increasing the over-spin. I do not believe that under-spin can be given to a ball except by a downward cut, as in lofting. If a driven ball could be under-cut, I feel sure that there would be little or no run of the ball after hitting the ground.

One thing, I feel sure would much increase the carry of a Golf ball (don't be alarmed, Mr. Editor: I am not going to take out a patent; I present the idea to the golfing public); that is, to make them hollow in the centre, or filled in the centre with some lighter material—say wood. It would prolong the rotation, as the hollow-nosed bullets are found to do in a rifle.

I quite believe that horizontally-grooved club heads would mitigate the tendency to slice by increasing the tendency to over-spin, which tendency must always be present from the air below the ball being denser (caused by the action of gravity), and therefore presenting more friction to the lower than to the upper part of the ball.

It is a very interesting subject, and well worth investigation.

I am not one of those who think that perfection has been attained, either in clubs or balls.

I am, Sir, &c.,  
RIFLEMAN.

### GOLF IN ISLAY AND MACHRIHANISH.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Your correspondents frequently ask for reports about golfing grounds in various parts of the country. Having just returned from Islay, I should like to say a few words about the Machrie course, about which one can hardly speak too highly. I was staying at Port Ellen, three and a-half miles from the course, but the drive to and fro (which is given free) was quite a pleasant feature in the day's proceedings.

The hazards are of all the legitimate kinds—water, sand, ditches, and bents. I made frequent effective use of the driver in playing through the course, from which I infer that one often gets a tee ball for the second shot. The greens may not be

quite so smooth as those of North Berwick or St. Andrews, but they are pretty well cut and rolled, and only require a little more trampling. Many of the players were using wooden putters, which are only suitable to good and keen greens. There is no madding crowd at Machrie, but a good course, and generally a pleasant whiff of sea air fresh from the Atlantic. I cannot imagine a better place for getting up one's game.

The accommodation and cuisine of the White Hart Hotel are both excellent. There is also a good piano and a good billiard-table for those who choose to enjoy these resources of civilisation in the evening. If any clubs are broken they can be well repaired by Quintin, Port Ellen, who is also an agent for two well-known club-makers.

I am, Sir, &c.,  
H. M. B.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Though it be a far cry from here to Campbeltown, yet Golf annihilates space. I have just returned from spending a portion of my holidays at Machrihanish, and, while it is yet time, I wish to call attention to the rapid deterioration of these magnificent links.

I confidently press the following propositions on the green-keeper, his satellites, and his superiors:—

1. The ideal place for a putting-green is not the bottom of a grassy hollow, rendering it immaterial whether the hole be approached with a driver or an iron, and the approach, perhaps the finest point in the game, made of no account.

2. Teeing-grounds ought not by choice to be perched on hill-slopes, as is the rule at Machrihanish.

3. Some attempt, at least, ought to be made to remedy the daily wear and tear, and to replace the divots cut out by careless golfers (whose name everywhere is legion).

No green will stand the usage Machrihanish gets unless this point be attended to.

Between many holes there is scarcely any turf left. The true game is to play off the course, as the chance of getting a decent lie is thereby enhanced.

My first visit to Machrihanish was made in 1886, and my belief is that the course is now worse.

What it would become were there any serious amount of play I fear to think. I should much like to know if more experienced players endorse the points I have raised.

I am, Sir, &c.,  
AN OBSCURE GOLFER.

Edinburgh, August 27th.

### RABBITS ON LINKS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Our links here are terribly infested by rabbits. We manage to repair the scrapes, but it involves a large outlay, both of time and money, and, besides, there is great damage done to the turf. Can any of your readers help us out of this dilemma?

I am, Sir, &c.,  
J. MACCORMAC.

Member of Council County Down Golf Club.  
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PROFESSIONAL TOURNAMENT AT KILMALCOLM.

A professional tournament, organised by the Kilmalcolm Club, took place on Saturday, and in every way passed off with success. For the past year or two the Open Championship Meeting, which is fixed for the end of this week, has been ushered in and also followed by a professional tournament, and this year is going to prove no exception to what is becoming an established rule. Last year the forerunning game was played at Musselburgh, and the closing one at the Bridge of Weir. This year the West country, with the Kilmalcolm tournament, has taken precedence, and Musselburgh will bring up the rear. The Kilmalcolm course is one of eighteen holes, and is situated about a mile from the town of that name in the uplands of Renfrewshire. It was laid out fully two years ago over a tract of wild hill and moorland, and if it is not an ideal course—many of the holes being short—there is a good deal of sport about it, and the air breathed in going round it is keen and bracing. Prizes amounting to £32 were offered, and thirty-two entries were made, the names including most of the crack professionals north and south of the Tweed, and all, with the exception of Willie Park (Musselburgh), Jack Kirkaldy (St. Andrews), and George Sayers (North Berwick), put in appearance. The arrangements for the tournament were made by Mr. A. Thomson Taylor, hon. secretary of the Kilmalcolm Club, and a committee, and the utmost praise is due to them for the smooth way in which the gathering went off. The game was one of two rounds of the course—36 holes—strokes to count; and play was begun at half-past ten in the order following:—

Tom Morris, St. Andrews, and Ben Campbell, Musselburgh; A. Herd, Huddersfield, and R. D. Wilson, Croydon; Harry Varden, Bury, and R. W. Kirk, Wallasey; D. Adams, Prestwick, and W. Latta, Glasgow; George Cummings, Bridge of Weir, and John Hunter, Prestwick; John Allan, Prestwick, and D. Herd, St. Andrews; Andrew Scott, Prestwick, and D. Herd, Hoylake; Peter M'Ewan, jun., Musselburgh, and W. Duncan, St. Andrews; "John Brown, Kilmalcolm, and James Kay, Seaton Carew; Tom Varden, Ilkley, and W. M'Ewan, Chingford; Willie Fernie, Troon, and Archie Simpson, Carnoustie; Douglas M'Ewan, Formby, and C. S. Day, Kilmalcolm; Andrew Kirkaldy, St. Andrews, and Willie Campbell, Musselburgh; David Grant, North Berwick, and Hugh Kirkaldy, St. Andrews; Ben Sayers, North Berwick, and J. H. Taylor, Winchester.

The greens had been brought into excellent condition by the local professional, C. S. Day; and Mr. Taylor, the secretary, despatched the various competitors from the teeing-ground. The veteran St. Andrews professional, Tom Morris, created a good deal of interest among West Country devotees of the game as he drove off. Tom, however, found the undulating character of the course too much for him, and gave up during the first round, but secured the prize of £1 awarded to the oldest competitor. A considerable following went off with A. Herd (Huddersfield), and R. B. Wilson, the latter making a good start by driving on to the green. Herd, who belongs to St. Andrews, and learned the game on the classic links, last year distinguished himself at the Open Championship meeting at Muirfield, and also at Musselburgh and Bridge of Weir, and he was looked upon—along with another English professional, J. D. Taylor, of Winchester—as a likely winner on Saturday. Throughout the two rounds he drove with accuracy and judgment, approached well, and putted generally in a deadly manner. He plays in an easy, unaffected manner. Herd went the first round in 70, which is the present record of the course, going out in 34, and returning in 36. In the second round he took 37 to go out, being penalised at the fifth hole through going out of bounds, and he missed a putt at the seventh hole, owing to some one speaking when he was about to take his stroke. He returned, however, in an almost faultless 34. His total for the two rounds thus came to 141, and was unbeaten. Willie Fernie was in splendid form, and also completed the first round of the greens in 70, but only succeeded in finishing the second eighteen holes in 72, failing to tie with Herd through taking 5 to the last hole. Going out for the

second time, Fernie had two 2's. He displayed some brilliant putting, and approached also at times during the game in a magnificent manner, securing the second place with 142. Considerable interest was shown in his play by the spectators. After this, Ben Sayers came in with 147. The North Berwick player completed the sixteenth hole in the first round with the remarkably low score of 60, but going to the seventeenth hole he came to grief, and took 11 to complete the round, bringing a score which promised to break the record of the course up to 71. J. H. Taylor, the English player, who has lately been showing such brilliant form that he has been spoken of as a probable Champion at Prestwick, played a steady and pretty game throughout for a total of 148, which was marred by very few mistakes. Among the other players, Hugh Kirkaldy gave a fairly good example of his powerful game; but Andrew Kirkaldy had hard lines at the last hole in the first round, which cost him 8, and was unlucky in putting. Herry Varden, a younger brother of Tom Varden (who took a prominent place at Musselburgh last year), gave evidence of good golfing capabilities; and if James Kay had had the staying power, his form would have given him a higher place in the list. Regarding the weather, the day was, on the whole, fine, but both in the forenoon and afternoon there was blowing a sharp north-westerly breeze, one heavy shower falling shortly before the last couples had finished the second round. The following are the scores:—

(£10) A. Herd, 34 36=70, 37 34=71, total 141; (£5) Willie Fernie, 36 34=70, 34 38=72, total, 142; (£4) Ben Sayers, 33 38=71, 38 38=76, total, 147; (£3) J. H. Taylor, 35 37=72, 37 37=76, total, 148. (£2) and 6. (£1) tie—Hugh Kirkaldy and Harry Varden. Hugh Kirkaldy, 36 38=74, 34 42=76, total, 150. Harry Varden, 39 39=78, 34 38=72, total, 150.

Winners of £1.—James Kay, 71 82=153; Ben Campbell, 79 75=154; Tom Varden, 76 78=154.

Winners of 10s.—R. W. Kirk, 155; Andrew Kirkaldy, 156; John Allan, 156; W. M'Ewan, 157; David Grant, 157; Archie Simpson and Willie Campbell (tie), 158 each. The other scores were:—R. B. Wilson, 159; D. Herd (Hoylake), 160; Douglas M'Ewan, 164; W. Latta, 165; W. Duncan, 165; John Hunter, 166; D. Adams, 166; D. Herd (St. Andrews), 167; Peter M'Ewan, 169; Andrew Scott, 170; C. S. Day, 177; George Cummings, 182.

ABERDEEN.

An interesting match was played over the Balgownie Links here, on Saturday forenoon, when Robbie Mearns (professional) tackled the best ball of Mr. John Sutherland, Dornoch, and Mr. W. F. Orr. The latter two players won by 6 up and 4 to play, their aggregate for the round being 69; Mearns, 76; Mr. Sutherland, 78; and Mr. Orr 79.

On Wednesday and Saturday of last week the members of the Victoria Club played off their final competition for Messrs. Robertson and Duncan's prize. Some capital scores were returned, and, on comparing the cards handed in, it was found that the competition had resulted as follows:—1. Mr. A. Cooper, 81, less 2=79; while Mr. A. M'Connachie, 78, plus 2=80; Mr. J. A. Adamson, 88, less 8=80; Mr. J. H. Jamieson, 91, less 11=80; and Mr. W. Anderson (2), 98, less 18=80, have ties to play off for second and third places. Among the remaining cards on Saturday the following were the lowest:—Mr. A. M. M. Dunn, 82; Mr. L. Anderson, 84; Mr. A. Mitchell, 84; Mr. D. B. Leslie, 84; Mr. J. Stewart, 87; Messrs. G. Flett, M. H. Mackie, and W. H. Reid, 88; Mr. T. MacLennan, 89; Mr. D. Jessiman, 91; Mr. G. Anderson (2) and Mr. A. T. Webster, 94; Mr. G. Anderson (1), 95; and Mr. W. Addie, 97.

NAIRN.—The autumn meeting of the Nairn Golf Club took place on Saturday. Preparatory to the competitions, the general business meeting was held in the club-house—Colonel Clarke presiding—when the secretary (Mr. Laing) submitted the annual report, which showed that every year since its commencement six years ago, the club had gone on increasing in prosperity, and this year it had fairly broken the record, both financially and otherwise. Mr. Laing having intimated his retirement, Mr. Alexander Robertson, solicitor, was elected secretary and treasurer in his room. The rule as to lifting out of hazards was discussed at some length, and ultimately a motion was carried increasing the penalty to two strokes. The other business was formal. In the competition for the Cawdor cup a strong field entered. The cup, which is played from scratch, was won by Mr. D. Young, the present holder, with a score of 86. The next best scores were:—Mr. Laing, 87; Mr. Steele, 87; Mr. A. Tobban, 87. In the handicap competition the principal prize-takers were:—Mr. Laing, Mr. Tobban, Mr. A. C. D. Clarke, Mr. Clive Lawrence, Mr. M. Murray, Mr. Mill, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. D. Mackenzie, Mr. Crombie, jun.; Surgeon-Major Mackenzie, Sir Herbert Lewis, Mr. G. Phipps, Mr. T. Finlayson, Dr. Adam, Mr. G. D. S. Sim, Mr. P. H. Smart, and Sir Fleetwood Edwards. In the boys' competition, the Lawrence cup was won by Trevor Lawrence. The foursome handicap was won by Mr. F. M. Marshall and Mr. G. Lawrence. At the close of the play the prizes were presented to the winners by Sir Fleetwood Edwards.

VICTORIA (ABERDEEN) v. BON-ACCORD (ABERDEEN).—The return match between these clubs was played over the course on Aberdeen Links last week. Thirty-one players started on each side, the match being, as usual, decided by holes. The majority of the players started on Saturday afternoon; the weather, unfortunately, turning out wet. Some capital contests were witnessed amongst the leading players on each side, but on reckoning up the totals at the close it was found that victory lay with the Victoria representatives by 26 holes, their men scoring 64 holes as against 38 registered by the Bon-Accord. Full score by holes as follows:—

VICTORIA.		BON-ACCORD.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. A. M. M. Dunn ...	0	Mr. W. Smart... ..	0
Mr. L. Anderson (84)...	0	Mr. J. W. Murray (85)	0
Mr. A. M'Connachie (83)	0	Mr. D. Hutchinson (81)	1
Mr. A. Mitchell (78) ...	5	Mr. J. Ogilvie (88) ...	0
Mr. J. B. Banks ... ..	1	Mr. G. Thomson ... ..	0
Mr. G. Flett (88) ... ..	1	Mr. J. Twigg ... ..	0
Mr. J. Innes ... ..	2	Mr. J. Florence ... ..	0
Mr. D. J. Innes (84) ...	3	Mr. H. Glass ... ..	0
Mr. A. R. Williams ...	0	Mr. A. Smart (83) ...	5
Mr. D. B. Leslie (84) ..	1	Mr. G. Findlay (84) ..	0
Mr. W. H. Reid (89)...	0	Mr. A. Jaffray... ..	0
Mr. J. Russell ... ..	0	Mr. G. Simpson ... ..	5
Mr. MacLennan (89) ...	4	Mr. J. Fraser ... ..	0
Mr. G. Mortimer (87)...	3	Mr. J. Falconer ... ..	0
Mr. C. Robertson ... ..	0	Mr. J. Rattray (83) ...	6
Mr. J. Stewart (87) ...	5	Mr. C. Smith ... ..	0
Mr. G. Barron... ..	5	Mr. C. Ward ... ..	0
Mr. A. D. Leiper ... ..	0	Mr. W. Leslie ... ..	4
Mr. W. Bowman ... ..	2	Mr. A. Noble ... ..	0
Mr. G. Anderson (1) ...	0	Mr. J. Cameron ... ..	6
Mr. J. Hazelwood ... ..	4	Mr. J. Anderson ... ..	0
Mr. D. Jessiman ... ..	2	Mr. W. Gellatly ... ..	0
Mr. M. H. Mackie (88) ..	0	Mr. J. Paterson (1) (85)	4
Mr. J. Forrest ... ..	3	Mr. F. Watt ... ..	0
Mr. J. A. Adamson(88) ..	2	Mr. J. Greig, jun. ... ..	0
Mr. B. Nicholls ... ..	7	Mr. J. Main ... ..	0
Mr. J. J. Mackenzie ...	1	Mr. J. A. Macfarlane ...	0
Mr. G. Anderson (2) (89)	7	Mr. A. Smith ... ..	0
Mr. W. Addie ... ..	0	Mr. R. Reid ... ..	3
Mr. T. Paton ... ..	0	Mr. J. M'Gregor ... ..	4
Mr. T. D. M'Neill ... ..	6	Mr. W. Greig ... ..	0
	64		38

Majority for Victoria, 26 holes.

BECKENHAM GOLF CLUB.

The third monthly competition was held at Woodside on Saturday, August 19th, with the following result:—

Handicap, not exceeding 18.—Mr. T. F. Kerr, 95, less 12=83 (winner of the gold medal); Mr. J. M. Kerr, 95, less 5=90; Mr. W. Rait, 105, less 13=92; Mr. E. C. Bliss, 110, less 18=92; Mr. W. H. Dees, 109, less 15=94; Mr. O. Cramp, 122, less 18=104.

Handicaps exceeding 18.—Mr. H. O. Crowther, 115, less 34=81 (winner of the silver medal); Mr. C. Alliston, 111, less 27=84; Mr. H. L. Mather, 121, less 36=85; Mr. A. R. Stephenson, 119, less 30=89; Mr. F. Sturges, 126, less 36=90; Mr. T. A. Boulton, 118, less 27=91; Mr. E. Latter, 127, less 36=91; Mr. J. Waddington, 128, less 36=92; Mr. H. R. Latter, 114, less 21=93; Mr. F. Walker, 124, less 24=100; Mr. H. P. Spottiswoode, 139, less 36=103.

BUXTON AND HIGH PEAK GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal and optional sweepstakes, played for on August 26th:—Mr. C. Coventry, 99, less 10=89; Mr. C. F. Wardley, 100, less 11=89; Mr. C. A. C. Ponsonby, 100, less 10=90; Mr. E. M. Owen, 105, less 15=90; Mr. C. C. Deane, 99, less 4=95; Mr. E. Micholls, 108, less 12=96; Mr. G. Taylor Whitehead, 127, less 26=101; Mr. A. Stewart, 130, less 24=106. Six players made no returns. Messrs. Coventry and Wardley tied for the monthly medal; Mr. Wardley won the sweepstakes.

MORAY CLUB.—On Saturday afternoon the members of the above club played over their course at Lossiemouth for the possession for one year of the medal presented them by the Corporation of the city of Elgin. The medal is for scratch play, and was won by Colonel Underwood with the very good score of 85. A rather high wind, accompanied by showers of rain, made good scoring rather difficult. The following are some of the cards returned:—Colonel Underwood, 85; Mr. A. Macdonald, 93; Captain Swan, 95; Mr. D. Cameron, 98; Mr. J. Hunter, 8; Mr. G. Thomson, 99; Mr. A. J. Jeans, 99; Captain Livingstone, 100; Mr. J. Maclaren, 100; Mr. D. W. Deas, 100; Mr. P. Dow, 101; Mr. R. Winchester, 102.

BOLARAM GOLF CLUB (INDIA.)

The second competition for the silver challenge cup took place in August. On August the 4th the Royal Artillery team played a team from the 15th and 16th Regiments of Madras Light Infantry:—

ROYAL ARTILLERY.		15TH AND 16TH M. L. I.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Capt. Duhan ... ..	6	Capt. Stevens ... ..	0
Capt. Hutchinson ... ..	7	Lieut. Walker ... ..	0
Surgeon-Major Asbury ...	1	Lieut. Lee ... ..	0
Lieut. Evans ... ..	0	Lieut. Playfair... ..	1
	14		1

On August 5th:—

BOLARAM.		SECUNDERABAD.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Surgeon-Major Kellie... ..	9	Mr. R. Roberts ... ..	0
Mr. W. Dobbie ... ..	0	Mr. E. Dwane ... ..	4
Major Mason ... ..	7	Lieut. Pratt ... ..	0
Capt. MacDonald ... ..	7	Capt. Rideout... ..	0
	23		4

On Tuesday, August 8th:—

BOLARAM.		ROYAL ARTILLERY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Surgeon-Major Kellie ...	3	Captain Hutchinson ...	0
Mr. W. Dobbie ... ..	0	Capt. Duhan... ..	8
Capt. MacDonald ... ..	5	Surgeon-Major Asbury ...	0
Lieut. Langhorne ... ..	0	Lieut. Evans ... ..	0
	8		8

A tie to be played off.

BRADFORD ST. ANDREWS v. HEADINGLEY.

Representatives of the Headingley Club journeyed to play this return match on the links of the Bradford club at Baildon, on Saturday. The day was fine, and all the games were most enjoyable. The result was a win for the home team as follows:—

BRADFORD.		HEADINGLEY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. T. G. Greig ... ..	0	Mr. Peacock ... ..	3
Dr. Macvie ... ..	3	Mr. Dawson ... ..	0
Mr. H. Steel ... ..	8	Mr. A. D. Stuart ... ..	0
Mr. T. M. Holmes ... ..	12	Mr. Oxley ... ..	0
Dr. Dunlop ... ..	5	Mr. Cormack ... ..	0
Mr. C. W. Allen ... ..	0	Mr. Smithells ... ..	4
Mr. O. Firth ... ..	8	Mr. W. Robinson ... ..	0
	36		7

CARLISLE v. WEST CUMBERLAND.

The above match was played over the Carlisle course at Dalston on Saturday, when a most enjoyable game resulted in a win for the home team by 12 holes. The weather was fine, and the greens in capital order. Scores:—

CARLISLE.		WEST CUMBERLAND.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Dr. Murphy ... ..	1	Dr. Highet ... ..	0
Mr. C. Todd ... ..	8	Mr. K. Willis ... ..	0
Dr. Helm ... ..	0	Mr. J. R. Crum ... ..	3
Mr. E. W. Parker ... ..	0	Mr. D. Fraser ... ..	5
Mr. Brandstaetter ... ..	1	Mr. G. A. Lightfoot ...	0
Mr. W. P. Story ... ..	4	Mr. K. H. Williamson ...	0
Mr. F. W. Chance ... ..	8	Mr. McKerrow ... ..	0
Mr. F. W. Buck ... ..	7	Mr. E. A. Thompson... ..	0
Mr. R. W. Tweedy ... ..	0	Rev. J. F. Pollock ... ..	6
Dr. Graham ... ..	0	Mr. G. Wilson... ..	3
	29		17

CHILTENHAM GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the monthly medals took place on the links at Cleeve Hill, on Saturday, August 26th. Mr. H. Bansall Todd, with a net score of 81, won the senior medal; Mr. W. R. Porcher, with a net score of 74, won the junior medal. Colonel A. H. Langdon (visitor), 86, less 10=76; Mr. H. Bansall Todd, 87, less 6=81; Mr. E. Jenner Davies, 99, less 15=84; Mr. H. Wilson, 92, less 6=86; Mr. W. G. Johnson, 99, less 12=87; Mr. J. C. Gray, 106, less 15=91; Mr. Mascie Taylor, 108, less 12=96; Mr. W. R. Porcher, 109, less 35=74; Mr. W. S. Macgowan, 114, less 20=94. Mr. W. Johnson, no return.

The competition for the ladies' medal took place on the links at

Cleeve Hill, on Friday, August 25th, over a course of fifteen holes. Leighton was the winner, with a net score of 93. Miss Leighton, 103, less 10=93; Miss M. Bateman Champain, 101, less 5=96; Miss Mabel Johnson, 122, less 25=97; Miss Johnson, 127, less 30=97; Miss A. Bateman Champain, 154, less 25=129.

CINQUE PORTS GOLF CLUB.

About fifty members competed for the monthly medal on Saturday last, the 26th ult, when Mr. M. Thomson and the Rev. R. C. Radcliffe tied with a score of 89 net. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Martin Thomson	98 9 89	Mr. F. J. Toulmin	115 22 93
Rev. R. C. Radcliffe	105 16 89	Mr. E. F. Noel	117 24 93
Mr. J. B. Wood	104 14 90	Mr. Spencer White-	
Mr. R. Moxon	103 12 91	head	114 20 94
Col. Lloyd, R.A.	109 18 91	Major Wilkinson,	
Capt. Shute, R.A.	114 22 92	R.M.L.L.	113 18 95
Mr. F. T. Welmar	95 2 93	Capt. Urmston	103 7 96
Rev. G. Hyde-Smith	103 10 93	Mr. E. P. Barlow	113 14 99

The others made no returns, or were over 100 net.

DORNOCH GOLF CLUB.

The annual meeting and tournament of the Dornoch Golf Club began on Tuesday, the 22nd ult., in what threatened to be unpropitious weather, for at ten o'clock, when the start was made, heavy clouds hung about, and it looked as if a renewal of the boisterous weather of the previous day was imminent. Soon, however, the sun came forth, and matters looked more cheering. At the business meeting of the club, held on Monday evening, Mr. Leslie was reappointed captain for the ensuing year, and Mr. J. Sutherland secretary and treasurer. The couples started in the following order:—Messrs. M. Macdonald and G. R. Kennedy, Messrs. W. G. Jamieson (Aberdeen), and R. Ritchie (Inverness), Messrs. A. M'Hardy (Inverness), and J. M. Gray (Glasgow), Messrs. A. L. Tweedie (Royal and Ancient), and Lancelot Speed (London), Dr. Coates (Glasgow), and Mr. Harvey (Edinburgh), Messrs. Alexander Innes and William M'Kay, Mr. David Peters and Provost Sutherland, Messrs. Charles Fletcher (Wick), and J. Gibson (Perth), Messrs. D. Macphail (Tain), and P. P. Park (Inverness), Messrs. W. G. Moore and J. G. Couper (Edinburgh), Messrs. Colin Livingstone (Fort-William), and T. C. Hedderwick (Wimbledon), Messrs. J. Campbell and Donald Ross, Messrs. George Robb (George, Edinburgh), and D. Bruce, Professor Nicholson (Edinburgh), and Captain Leslie, Bailie Fraser and Mr. R. Hamilton Bruce, Messrs. Hugh Munro, jun., and R. G. Campbell (Edinburgh), Messrs. Allan M'Dougall (Edinburgh), and Smeller (Edinburgh), Messrs. J. Sutherland and George Munro, Messrs. L. Macrae (Inverness), and G. Bridgeford, Messrs. H. M. Mackay and R. Macrae, Messrs. J. Angus and J. L. Guild (Inverness), Dr. Gordon (London), and Mr. Thomas Ross, Messrs. S. Andrew (Edinburgh), and G. Melville Shaw (Portrush), Messrs. Hugh Munro, sen., and A. J. Hallas (Tain), Messrs. Horace Field (London), and A. K. Sellar, Messrs. P. C. Jackson (Edinburgh), and J. Guild, jun. (Inverness), Messrs. T. Moir and A. J. Fife (Inverness), Messrs. W. D. Barclay (Fort-William), and F. M'Farlane. One round of the green decided the club silver medal and accompanying gold medallion, the blue ribbon of the meeting (scratch), a challenge vase (handicap), presented by Dr. Hugh Murray (Glasgow), and a large number of other handicap prizes. For the past five years the silver medal was gained by Mr. J. Sutherland, the hon. secretary of the club. Early in the day, Mr. Macdonald handed in 85, and nothing touched this till Mr. J. Sutherland, later in the day, finished with the same figures, and therefore the two tie for the prize. Mr. Hugh Munro, sen., secured the challenge vase, while the winners of the other handicap prizes were:—Mr. Alexander Innes, 90, less 6=84; Mr. J. M. Gray, 87, less 2=85; Mr. Macdonald, 85, plus 1=86; Mr. G. R. Kennedy, 90, less 4=86; Mr. J. Campbell (scratch), 87; Mr. William M'Kay, 93, less 6=87; Mr. George Robb, 94, less 7=87; Mr. H. Munro, 95, less 7=88; Mr. J. Sutherland, 85, plus 4=89; Mr. H. Munro, jun., 91, less 2=89; Mr. Bridgeford, 97, less 8=89; Mr. P. Park, 97, less 8=89; Mr. A. J. Dallas, 102, less 13=89; Mr. Lancelot Speed, 107, less 18=89. A gold medal, presented by a member of the club, was played for in the afternoon by the eight leading scorers in the above list by holes on a round of nine holes, with the following result:—Mr. Innes (2), beat Mr. Gray (1), by 2 holes; Mr. Hugh Munro, a bye; Mr. Macdonald (scratch), beat Mr. Kennedy (1), by 1 hole; Mr. Campbell (scratch), beat Mr. Robb (2), by 1 hole. Second round—Mr. Innes beat Mr. Munro by 3; Mr. Campbell beat Mr. Macdonald by 5 up and 4 to play. Final—Mr. Campbell beat Mr. Innes by 4 up and 3 to play.

The meeting was continued on the 23rd, when there was again a very large attendance. During the first half of the day the weather was all that could be desired, and the play all round was of a better order than that of the previous day. In the forenoon the Northern Counties Trophy, a cup worth forty guineas, was played for by teams of twelve

players each, the one representing the visitors who are *bona fide* members of South Country clubs (Mr. M'Hardy, Inverness, captain), and the other representing the Dornoch club, the result of which was as follows:—Dornoch, 37; visitors, 13. In the afternoon the chief events were the playing off the tie for the silver medal and gold medallion, the blue ribbon of the meeting, between Mr. M. Macdonald and Mr. J. Sutherland, and the Ospisdale quach, another scratch prize, which has to be won three years before it becomes the absolute property of anyone. Just as the second round was about to be entered upon, a heavy rain-fall came on, which detained the play for an hour, but the afternoon cleared up beautifully. It finished in favour of Mr. Sutherland by two strokes. Details:—Mr. Sutherland, 86; Mr. Macdonald, 88. This makes Mr. Sutherland the winner of the medal for six years in succession.

ELTHAM LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the monthly medal took place on Saturday, August 26th, with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mrs. Alf. Schacht	96 24 72	Mrs. Massey	102 22 80
Mrs. Meredith	75 2 73	Miss L. Stokes	89 7 82
Mrs. Richardson	83 10 73	Miss E. Lethbridge	94 12 82
Mrs. Needham	93 18 75	Mrs. Thornton	102 18 84
Mrs. Tasker	92 16 76	Miss A. J. Brown	103 17 86
Miss Bryans	92 14 78	Miss C. Bean	106 20 86
Miss W. Richardson	92 14 78	Miss S. Sams	102 15 87
Miss Farnall	89 10 79	Miss D. Bean	114 20 94
Mrs. Absalom	100 21 79		

\* Winner.

FELIXSTOWE GOLF CLUB.

Captain's prizes (6th heat). August 26th. The scores made in this competition were as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Rev. M. Washington	96 18 78	Capt. W. St. G. Ord	99 9 90
Mr. E. A. Tewson	92 10 82	Mr. G. H. Frean	108 18 90
Mr. R. Gaskell	99 16 83	Mr. H. P. Cumming	97 6 91
Mr. W. O. S. Pell	86 2 84	Mr. W. K. Graham	101 9 92
Mr. C. G. Tunks	93 8 85	Mr. C. L. Bushell	108 16 92
Mr. J. M. Greig	94 9 85	Mr. H. M. Davidson	101 8 93
Mr. J. M. Henderson	89 3 86	Mr. A. W. Ramsey	108 13 95
Mr. C. S. Havell	93 7 86	Mr. F. H. Beaumont	111 16 95
Mr. M. Johnston	100 14 86	Mr. J. G. Glover	109 13 96
Mr. G. R. Quilter	93 3 90	Mr. A. F. Waters	103 6 97
Mr. J. G. Wylie	96 6 90		

Several members returned no cards.

FORFARSHIRE.

A special competition amongst the members of the Moutrose Mercantile Club was held on Saturday on the new short course which has been laid out round the old skating pond. Two rounds of the green were played with cleeks and irons only, and the prize-winners were:—Mr. Thomas Sheret, 57; Mr. J. C. Pairman, 59; and Mr. J. M. Smith, 60.

The thirteenth of the series of weekly competitions for the Arbroath presentation badge was played at Elliot on Saturday. The result was as follows:—Mr. James Laing, 94, 1 below, 4 points; Mr. R. Guthrie, 97, 3 above, 3 points; Mr. J. Cobb, 95, 5 above. The others had one point each. The greens are in first-class order, and the heavy grass and bent have been cut down; hence the reason for so many scores under the century.

HUDDERSFIELD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly competition. The conditions were altogether favourable to low scoring for this competition, which was held at Fixby on Saturday, and the consequences were seen in the best gross scores that have yet been returned in such numbers. Fifteen entered, and nine made returns in each class. In the first, Mr. Fredk. Huth followed up his win of three months ago with another excellent winning score, and in the second, Mr. Kenyon gave evidence of greatly improved form. First class returns: Mr. Fredk. Huth, 90, less 12=78; Mr. C. B. Knight, 93, less 10=83; Mr. F. Lumsden, 86, less 2=84; Mr. E. B. Wilson, 97, less 12=85; Mr. N. Nugent, 101, less 16=85; Mr. W. England, 99, less 13=86; Rev. J. T. Taylor, 99, less 12=87; Mr. E. T. Woodhead, 99, less 11=88; Mr. J. Wilkinson, 107, less 18=89.

Second-class returns: Mr. J. W. Kenyon, 106, less 30=76; Mr. T. B. Keighley, 100, less 22=78; Mr. R. Nelson, 101, less 22=79; Mr. F. H. D. Vickerman, 101, less 22=79; Mr. G. H. Edgcombe, 104, less 22=82; Mr. G. C. H. Willans, 106, less 20=86; Mr. F. A. Brooke, 122, less 36=86; Mr. Frank Huth, 107, less 20=87; Mr. A. Jubb, 135, less 36=99.

## HOLMES CHAPEL GOLF CLUB.

Holmes Chapel had a pleasant time at Marple—plenty of hospitality; and though we all got wet before reaching the third hole, there was a large balance on the side of pleasure.

Played at Marple on the 19th:—

MARPLE.		HOLMES CHAPEL.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. H. Eskrigge ...	0	Mr. L. Armitstead ...	9
Mr. W. Livesey ...	0	Mr. F. Lawrence ...	5
Mr. D. G. Holmes ...	2	Mr. H. Latham ...	0
Mr. A. Cresswell ...	0	Mr. T. Latham ...	3
Mr. C. F. Johnson ...	0	Mr. F. F. Sladen ...	3
	2		20

Played at Holmes Chapel, August 26th (the return match):—

CREWE.		HOLMES CHAPEL.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. Wm. Rowland ...	1	Mr. L. Armitstead ...	0
Mr. H. Rowland ...	0	Mr. F. Lawrence ...	5
Mr. T. Latham ...	0	Mr. L. Barlow ...	6
Mr. C. H. Pedley ...	0	Rev. H. Armitstead ...	0
	1		11

## ILKLEY GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the monthly medal was held on Saturday last. The greens were in excellent condition, notwithstanding the very unfavourable summer, but a strong west wind was detrimental to low scoring. Mr. J. P. Edison, 103, less 27=76; Mr. R. G. Scott, 112, less 30=82; Mr. S. M. Yoxall, 98, less 14=84; Mr. H. F. Campbell, 111, less 23=88; Mr. H. B. McCarthy, 112, less 20=92; Mr. A. Potter, 114, less 20=94; Dr. Bampton, 113, less 16=97; Mr. S. T. Colville, 107, less 10=97. Eighteen others had scores of over 100 net.

The July "Bogey" handicap was won by Mr. R. S. Backhouse, who tied with "Bogey," and the competition for the silver putter presented by Mr. Jas. Sykes resulted in a win for Mr. A. J. C. Stanfield, who beat Mr. T. A. Carpenter in the final by 1 hole.

## LUFFNESS GOLF CLUB.

The summer meeting of this club took place on Saturday, at Luffness. For the scratch men the president's medal and gold pendant—the latter taking the form of a broken globe, the crest of the Hope family. The principal prize in the handicap competition was the captain's award, and the club added to this by giving four for other handsome prizes. On this occasion the prize given by the captain, Mr. J. A. Robertson, of the Lodge, Gullane, consisted of a beautiful inkstand, the base of which is a slab of polished Peterhead granite, resting on four silver Golf balls, and surmounted by an excellently modelled figure of a golfer in the act of driving from the tee. The trophy is heavily mounted in silver. The other awards consisted of a salad bowl in china and gilt, silver-mounted brushes, silver napkin rings, and a silver-mounted bread trencher. The lowest scores in the two competitions, after playing off the ties in the handicap, were as under:—

President's medal.—Mr. A. M. Ross, 80; Mr. C. P. Finlay, jun., 81; Mr. C. L. Blaikie, 81; Mr. W. T. Armour, 81; Mr. T. T. Gray, 81; Mr. G. Gordon Robertson, 83; Mr. J. G. Croal, 83; Rev. W. Proudfoot, 83; Mr. Gregor M'Gregor, 83; Mr. D. Ritchie, 84.

Handicap competition.—Mr. J. G. Croal, 83, less 8=75; Mr. C. L. Blaikie, 81, less 2=79; Mr. W. T. Armour, 81, less 2=79; Mr. T. T. Gray, 81, less 2=79; Mr. J. S. Stevenson, 86, less 6=80; Mr. I. Williamson, 87, less 7=80; Mr. A. D. Macpherson, 88, less 8=80; Mr. C. P. Finlay, jun., 81; Mr. J. Fairgrieve, 92, less 11=81; Mr. J. Wilson, 95, less 14=81; Mr. A. M. Ross, 80, plus 2=82; Rev. W. Proudfoot, 83; Mr. G. Gordon Robertson, 83; Mr. Gregor M'Gregor, 83; Mr. J. McCulloch, 84; Mr. D. Ritchie, 84; Mr. W. Merrilies, 88, less 4=84; Mr. R. Melrose, 90, less 6=84; Mr. G. Napier, 85; Mr. R. J. Younger, 89, less 4=85; Dr. Gray, 88, less 2=86; Mr. R. Macdonald, 98, less 12=86; Mr. H. Bryden, 87; Mr. J. Smith, 99, less 12=87.

The prizes were presented in the club-house by the captain Mr. J. A. Robertson.

## LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

## THE RIDLEY CUP.

The fifth competition for the Ridley cup for the best three net scores out of six competitions, took place on the links at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea on Saturday. The attendance of members was the smallest that there has been at St. Anne's on a competition day for some years back. This may most probably be accounted for by the fact that some important cricket matches were taking place elsewhere, and also that

comparatively few players had now any tolerably certain chances of winning the prize, four out of the six competitions having previously taken place. Only thirty members went out, and it is noticeable that in the cards returned every one of the scores were under 100 net. The morning was showery and threatening, but the weather afterwards turned out to be tolerably favourable. The best gross scores of the day were:—Mr. G. F. Smith, Bolton, 88; Mr. A. B. Scholfield, St. Anne's, 88; Mr. J. A. Brown, St. Anne's, 92; Mr. F. C. Morgan, Manchester, 93; and the best net scores, Mr. J. G. Gartside, Manchester, 96, less 12=84; Mr. A. B. Scholfield, 88, less 3=85; Mr. E. E. G. Terry, St. Anne's, 108, less 20=88; Mr. G. F. Smith, 88, plus 2=90; Mr. J. A. Brown, 92, less 1=91, the full score of the day being as follows:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. J. G. Gartside, Manchester ...	96	12	84
Mr. A. B. Scholfield, St. Anne's ...	88	3	85
Mr. E. E. G. Terry, St. Anne's ...	108	20	88
Mr. G. F. Smith, Bolton ...	88	+2	90
Mr. G. Worthington, Altrincham ...	100	10	90
Mr. J. A. Brown, St. Anne's ...	92	1	91
Mr. F. C. Morgan, Manchester ...	93	1	92
Mr. G. H. Uttley, St. Anne's ...	119	25	94
Mr. Fred. H. Smith, Manchester ...	102	7	95
Mr. W. Newbigging, St. Anne's ...	99	3	96
Mr. J. Hargreaves, Blackburn ...	101	5	96
Mr. James Mellor, St. Anne's ...	102	6	96
Mr. M. Taylor, Blackburn ...	113	17	96
Mr. J. A. F. Eltoft, St. Anne's ...	103	5	98
Mr. J. Buckley, St. Anne's ...	105	7	98

The first optional sweepstakes was won by Mr. J. G. Gartside, the second by Mr. A. B. Scholfield, and the third was divided by Mr. G. F. Smith and Mr. G. Worthington.

The sixth and final in the competitions for this prize will be played on Saturday, September 23rd.

## MACHRIHANISH LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

## OPENING OF THE LADIES' CLUB HOUSE.

On Saturday, the 19th ult., the opening of the new Golf club house was celebrated by the final competition for Mr. Samuel Greenlees' gold diamond brooch, and a game of mixed doubles in the afternoon. The weather was beautiful. There was a larger turn-out of spectators than has been seen at any former competition. Play began at twelve o'clock, and when the competitors had completed their rounds, it was found that Mrs. Frank Smith, Coventry, was the winner, with the splendid score of 69, a record for the green. The company then adjourned to the Golf club house, where Mr. Greenlees, in presenting the prize to Mrs. Smith, complimented that lady on her splendid victory. He felt sure he spoke the sentiments of all the other lady golfers when he said that they were highly pleased that a visitor had been successful in the competition, particularly as all the local lady golfers admitted that Mrs. Smith was undoubtedly the finest player in the Ladies' Golf Club. Mrs. Smith, 69, plus 3=72; Miss Macneal, 76, less 3=73; Miss J. Cunningham, 79, less 2=77; Miss L. Colville (scratch), 78; Miss Lyon (scratch), 83; Miss M. S. Ferguson (scratch), 85; Miss Nellie Brown, 88, less 1=87; Miss Sykes, 89, less 2=87; Miss M. M. Harvey, 93, less 3=95; Miss Nannie Brown, 97, less 1=96; Miss M. R. Greenlees, 102, less 3=99.

Mr. Greenlees, in declaring the club house open, said—We are assembled here this afternoon on a very interesting occasion, and it is my pleasing and agreeable duty at the request of the committee of the Ladies' Golf Club to declare this club house open. About twelve months ago the members of the Ladies' Golf Club decided that they should have a golf house of their own, and we who know the energy of the ladies of Cambeltown felt that what was merely a suggestion a few months ago would soon be an accomplished fact. The committee have been indefatigable and untiring in their endeavour to make the club house not only attractive in appearance, but comfortable in every way, and I have much pleasure in congratulating the ladies on the success which has attended their efforts. I hope the house will be a pleasant rendezvous for many years to come. It will interest you to know how the finances of the building fund stand. The total is £384 10s. 6d., made up as follows:—Tableaux, £108 4s.; concerts at Pans, £7 9s.; subscriptions, £268 17s. 6d. The result is that the amount received is sufficient to cover the outlay incurred up to the present time; but there is a considerable further expenditure necessary for walls and laying out the ground, so we hope to receive additional subscriptions. We will require at least another £100, which will be judiciously expended. This will be a suitable opportunity for me to express on behalf of the members of the club their best thanks to Captain Macneal for giving us what is undoubtedly the most charming site at Machrihanish. We have also to thank the numerous subscribers for the liberal manner in which they have met our appeal, and Mr. Clifford for giving his services free from any professional charge; and I should like also to

make special reference to the hon. secretary and treasurer, upon whose shoulders the heavy part of the duties have fallen. I have now the pleasure of declaring this club house open for all time to the members of the Ladies' Golf Club.

In the afternoon a game of mixed doubles was played on the ladies' links of one round of nine holes. Partners were balloted for, and twenty-three couples started. The prizes were presented by the ladies to the winning gentlemen. The following were the best scores made:—Mr. W. Greenlees and Mrs. Brown, 37, less 4=33; Mr. Syme and Miss Elsie Fleming, 41, less 6=35; Mr. J. Cunningham and Miss Lothian, 38, less 3=35; Mr. W. Colville and Miss I. Cunningham, 38, less 2=36; Mr. Welsh and Miss L. Colville, scratch, 37; Mr. A. N. Fleming and Miss M. Ferguson, scratch, 37; Dr. Smith and Miss Llewelyn, 46, less 9=37; Mr. Lyon and Mrs. MacEwing, 39, less 2=37; Mr. W. Greenlees and Miss Paxton, scratch, 39.

NORTH BERWICK.

Last week Willie Park, jun., paid a visit to the North Berwick links, and had two rounds in foursome play. In the forenoon Mr. Edward Blyth was partnered with Willie against Mr. F. B. Maddison and J. Lumsden, a young local professional lately returned from Bristol. The latter couple succeeded in getting dorny at Point Garry-in, and won a close match at the home hole by 2. The same couples were opposed again in the afternoon, when the players attracted a fair following of spectators. Quite a gale blew over the course, rendering steady play altogether impossible. The forenoon result was reversed, Mr. Blyth and Willie Park winning a good game by 4 up and 3 to play, and halving the bye. Amongst others round the green in the afternoon were Mr. A. M. Ross with Mr. P. Balfour, and Mr. L. Stuart Anderson with Mr. F. Kinloch.

The links of the North Berwick Ladies' Club presented a bright and animated appearance on Friday 25th, on the occasion of the annual competition for the merit gold medal of the Ladies' Club. Very handsome prizes, under allowance conditions, were also offered by the committee as an encouragement to handicap players, and with favourable weather and the greens in admirable order, the play was of a most enjoyable nature. Of the crack exponents of the game there was a large muster, amongst those absent, however, being Miss Gillies Smith, who has a record of quite a unique description. This young lady has carried off the gold medal of the club on no fewer than six occasions, and of these five times in succession. Indeed, her monopoly of gold-medal wins was interfered with only last August by her younger sister, Miss Ada Gillies Smith, carrying off the merit honours on that occasion. In the course of the forenoon and afternoon sixty players drove from the tee in two sections, the order of start being as follows:—Miss Mylne and Miss Anna Blair, Miss A. Chalmers and Miss H. M'ulloch, Miss Bloxson and Miss Muriel Campbell, Miss G. Graham and Miss Nellie Graham, Miss Marion Marshall and Miss Marion Forbes, Miss Smith Clark and Miss L. Smith Clark, Miss Ada Gillies Smith and Miss Coventry Gillies Smith, Miss Alice Napier and Miss Stewart, Miss Bell and Mrs. Dunlop, Miss Brooks and Miss A. Cheyne, Miss Mary M. Graham and Miss Gracie W. Pringle, Miss Peplow and Miss Ethel Montgomery, Miss Orphoot and Miss Edith Campbell, Miss Edith M'ulloch and Miss Madeline Campbell, Miss A. B. Guthrie and Miss Sybil Mure, Miss Ethel M'ulloch and Miss Eveline Campbell, Mrs. Gordon Robertson and Miss Annie Dalziel, Miss Violet Thomas and Miss Mina Sprott, Miss Blanche Anderson and Miss Elsie Blyth, Miss Hayward and Miss Edith Hayward, Miss Duncan and Miss M. Stevenson, Miss Adeline Harvey and Miss Evelyn Harvey, Miss Ada Hunter and Miss M. Henderson, Miss Constance M. Brown and Miss Maimce Bayley, Miss E. Blair Cunynghame and Miss Florence Veitch, Miss Helen S. Pringle and Miss Sybil Mackinlay, Miss Guthrie and Miss M. S. Guthrie, Miss J. A. Bell and Miss E. Hunter, Miss Sprott and Miss V. Sprott, Miss A. W. Bowie and Miss M. T. Bowie.

The allowance awards were a dressing-case, silver buckle, silver-mounted purse, and a club case. The results from the first portion of players showed Miss Ada Gillies Smith at the head of the scratch list with the splendid score of 62. This position she retained until the close, and accordingly recorded her second success in the gold medal competitions of the Ladies' Club. Scores:—Miss Ada Gillies Smith, winner of gold medal (scratch), 62; Miss Violet Sprott, 66, less 10=56; Miss Ada Hunter, 74, less 12=62; Miss Bloxson, 72, less 10=62; Miss G. Graham, 72; less 10=62; Miss Ada Gillies Smith (scratch), 62, tie; Miss M. Bayley, 73, less 10=63; Miss A. Chalmers, 81, less 18=63; Miss Blanche Anderson (scratch), 64; Miss Elsie Blyth, 69, less 5=64; Miss Sprott, 75, less 11=64; Miss Nellie Graham, 76, less 12=64; Miss Muriel Campbell, 76, less 12=64; Miss J. A. Bell, 78, less 14=64; Miss Milne, 74, less 9=65; Miss E. Hunter, 75, less 10=65; Miss C. M. Brown, 79, less 14=65; Miss Edith M'ulloch, 70, less 4=66; Miss Madeline Campbell, 71, less 5=66; Miss Orphoot, 72, less 6=66; Mrs. Dunlop, 84, less 18=66; Miss Annie Dalziel, 74, less 7=67; Miss Eveline Campbell,

74, less 6=68; Miss Ethel M'ulloch, 74, less 6=68; Miss Edith Campbell, 78, less 10=68; Miss Bell, 82, less 14=68; Miss M. J. Bowie, 79, less 10=69; Miss Smith Clark, 85, less 16=69; Miss Evelyn Harvey, 87, less 18=69; Miss Violet Thomas, 87, less 18=69; Miss H. M'ulloch, 80, less 10=70; Mrs. Gordon Robertson, 85, less 15=70; Miss Montgomery, 85, less 15=70; Miss Florence Veitch, 86, less 16=70; Miss Sybil Mackinlay, 86, less 16=70; Miss Sybil Mure, 88, less 18=70. At the close the Marchioness of Tweeddale, who was introduced by Sir Walter Hamilton Dalrymple, presented the awards in presence of a large company at the home green.

On Friday, in favourable weather, an interesting mixed double tournament, open to members, honorary members, and associates, took place in connection with the Ladies' Club over the North Berwick Links. Some twenty-two couples took part in the tournament, and during the day the home green presented a bright appearance with competitors and interested spectators. Handsome prizes were offered for the two most successful couples. The results were:—First Round.—Miss Edith M'ulloch and Mr. G. Gordon Robertson beat Miss Evelyn Harvey and Mr. R. M. Harvey by 4 up and 3 to play; Miss Eveline Campbell and Mr. John M'ulloch beat Miss Blanche Anderson and Mr. L. Stuart Anderson by 4 up and 3 to play; Miss M. Bayley and Mr. P. Shaw Stewart beat Miss Ethel Shaw Stewart and Mr. P. Balfour by 4 up and 3 to play; Miss Elsie Blyth and Mr. B. Hall Blyth beat Miss Bloxson and Mr. W. G. Bloxson by 4 up and 3 to play; Miss Madeline Campbell and Mr. C. L. Blaikie beat Miss Adeline Harvey and Mr. Gerald Harvey by 3 up and 1 to play; Miss E. Hunter and Mr. T. M. Hunter beat Miss M. Graham and Mr. G. Dalziel by 1 after a tie. Ten couples received byes. Second Round.—Miss Ada Gillies Smith and Mr. Cecil Gillies Smith beat Miss Ada Hunter and Mr. C. L. Dalziel by 3 up and 2 to play; Miss Ethel M'ulloch and Mr. E. L. I. Blyth beat Mrs. Gordon Robertson and the Rev. F. L. M. Anderson by 7 up and 6 to play; Miss Coventry Gillies Smith and Mr. Charles Whigham beat Miss Elsie Milne and Mr. Frank Dalziel by 2 up and 1 to play; Miss Gillies Smith and Colonel Boothby beat Miss M. Sprott and Mr. G. Napier by 7 up and 5 to play; Miss Violet Thomas and Mr. B. Thomas beat Miss Edith Campbell and Mr. R. M. M'kechnie by 2 up and 1 to play; Miss Eveline Campbell and Mr. J. M'ulloch beat Miss Edith M'ulloch and Mr. G. Gordon Robertson by 4 up and 2 to play; Miss Elsie Blyth and Mr. B. Hall Blyth beat Miss M. Bayley and Mr. P. Shaw Stewart by 6 up and 4 to play; Miss M. Campbell and Mr. C. L. Blaikie beat Miss E. Hunter and Mr. T. M. Hunter by 2 up and 1 to play. Third Round.—Miss Ada Gillies Smith and Mr. Cecil Gillies Smith beat Miss Ethel M'ulloch and Mr. E. L. I. Blyth by 4 up and 3 to play; Miss Coventry Gillies Smith and Mr. Charles Whigham beat Miss Gillies Smith and Colonel Boothby by 7 up and 5 to play; Miss Eveline Campbell and Mr. J. M'ulloch beat Miss Violet Thomas and Mr. B. Thomas by 2; Miss M. Campbell and Mr. C. L. Blaikie beat Miss Elsie Blyth and Mr. B. Hall Blyth by 4 up and 3 to play. Semi-final Round.—Miss C. Gillies Smith and Mr. Charles Whigham beat Miss Ada Gillies Smith and Mr. Cecil Gillies Smith by 2; Miss Madeline Campbell and Mr. C. L. Blaikie beat Miss Eveline Campbell and Mr. John M'ulloch by 1. Final Round.—Miss Coventry Gillies Smith and Mr. Charles Whigham beat Miss Madeline Campbell and Mr. Charles L. Blaikie by 4 up and 2 to play. Among a large following of spectators who witnessed the final round was the Marchioness of Tweeddale. Sir Walter and Lady Hamilton Dalrymple and Mr. John Penn, M.P., also visited the green in the course of the afternoon.

RANELAGH GOLF CLUB.

The first monthly medal for the season was played for on the 26th ult, the medals being given by Captain W. Evans, H.A.C. Mr. W. H. Miller, 80, less 8=72; Captain W. E. Beak, 93, less 10=83; Mr. A. E. L. Slazenger, 94, less 11=83; Mr. E. Lehmann, 88, less 4=84; Captain W. Evans, 109, less 24=85; Mr. W. H. Hudson, 106, less 20=86; Mr. W. Jackson, 98, less 11=87; Sir W. Russell, 95, less 7=88; Mr. H. R. Payne, 110, less 18=92.

ROYAL EASTBOURNE GOLF CLUB.

The August competition for the monthly medal was played on Saturday, 26th ult., with the following result:—Mr. W. N. Willis, 92, less 16=76 (wins monthly medal and two-thirds sweepstake); Mr. F. Darwin, 94, less 14=80 (wins one-third sweepstake); Col. Shaw, 89, less 9=80; Mr. H. F. Matheson, 95, less 12=83; Mr. F. J. Newnham, 102, less 19=83; Mr. R. Thornhill, 103, less 20=83; Mr. A. Graeme, 109, less 17=92; Mr. A. Smith, 106, less 12=94. Several others made no return.

CUMBRAE CLUB.—A match between members and visitors took place over the course of the above club on Friday afternoon. The weather was splendid, but a stiff breeze blowing. After an interesting struggle, the members were defeated by the large majority of 35 holes.

## ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB.

Colonel Mackenzie's prize—Saturday, August 26th.—\*Dr. Hodder, 103, less 14=89; Mr. D. Turnbull, 105, less 14=91; \*Mr. A. T. G. Brown, 109, less 18=91; Mr. H. P. H. Spencer, 99, less 7=92; Mr. G. Pison, 106, less 13=93; Mr. H. G. H. Spencer, 99, less 5=94; Mr. M. Stephens, 112, less 18=94; Colonel Mackenzie, 99, less 3=96; Mr. Reynolds, 110, less 13=97; Mr. W. D. Russell, 120, less 18=102. Several players made no returns.

\* Divided sweepstakes, limited to 22.

## ROYAL LIVERPOOL GOLF CLUB.

The annual children's competition for the medal (scratch) and prizes under handicap, raised by voluntary subscription, took place at Hoylake on Wednesday, 23rd August. The day was somewhat breezy, and great credit must be awarded to Master Eric P. Crowther, who won the medal with a score of 91, made up as follows:—Out—5 6 4 5 7 4 5 4 6=46; home, 6 7 3 4 5 5 4 6 5=45; total, 91. Appended are the results of the various classes:—

Boys.—First Class.—Age over 12 and under 16, eighteen holes:—Eric P. Crowther medal and first prize (scratch), 91; W. S. Blake, second prize, 102, less 9=93; H. Stubbs, third prize, 105, less 7=98; C. Nicholson, 112, less 12=100; V. H. Blake, 111, less 9=102; L. Fairclough, 137, less 30=107; W. Howarth, 118, less 9=109; E. Howarth, 129, less 18=111; F. Shaw, junr., 146, less 30=116; E. S. Harris, 146, less 22=118.

Second Class.—Age 9 and under 12; twelve holes:—George Cochran, first prize, 87, less 14=73; A. Graham, second prize, 79, less 4=75; A. Holford, third prize (scratch), 78; J. Cochran, 93, less 14=79.

Third Class.—Age under 9; five holes:—Theo. P. Crowther, first prize (scratch), 35; Peter Cochran, second prize, 41, less 5=36; David Brown, third prize, 57, less 15=42; Robert Spalding, fourth prize, 66, less 15=51; Royle Reynolds, 98, less 30=68.

Girls.—First Class.—Age 12 and under 16; eight holes:—Miss Dorothy Simpson, first prize, 70, less 16=54; Miss Mollie Graham, second prize (scratch), 55; Miss Marian Banks, third prize, 80, less 25=55; Miss Hettie Cook, 62, less 6=56; Miss Nora Cook, 75, less 17=58; Miss May Nicholson, 83, less 25=58; Miss Lilly Stubbs, 80, less 20=60.

Second Class.—Age under 12; five holes:—Miss Elsie Stubbs, first prize (scratch), 71; Miss Mary Brown, second prize (scratch), 91; Miss Bessie Banks, third prize (scratch), 92. Miss Mollie Graham won the tie in the first-class for girls.

Special Prizes.—Youths, age over 16 and under 18; eighteen holes:—E. Spencer, first prize (scratch), 96; W. Glover, second prize (scratch), 100; Thomas Stone, junr. (scratch), 102; H. P. Crowther, (scratch), 103; R. Dobell, 141, less 30=111; H. B. Duckworth, 156, less 30=126.

## ROYAL WEST NORFOLK GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, August 26th, 1893:—Mr. J. L. Clarke, 101, less 20=81; Mr. W. L. Richmond, 97, 12=85; Mr. P. V. Broke, 93, less 3=90; Mr. E. Chetwynd Stapilton, 107, less 14=93; Mr. P. G. Spence, 104, less 10=94; Mr. G. Brace Colt, 104, less 10=94; Mr. W. R. Burgess, 106, less 11=95; Mr. Alan Grav, 110, less 15=95; Mr. G. E. S. Fryer, 116, less 20=96; Rev. C. Black, 105, less 8=97.

## ROYAL WIMBLEDON GOLF CLUB.

Monthly handicap challenge medal, August 26th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. S. Creswell...	92 15 77	Mr. H. Blake ...	104 18 86
Mr. C. A. W. Cameron	84 4 80	Mr. F. Baden Powell	104 18 86
Mr. H. C. Archer...	96 16 80	Mr. W. Morley ...	100 12 88
Mr. E. A. Walker...	86 4 82	Mr. W. Bazalgette	92 3 89
Mr. I. D. Charrington	88 6 82	Mr. C. E. McLaren	96 7 89
Mr. N. Lubbock ...	92 10 82	Mr. D. F. Park ...	105 16 89
Mr. N. R. Foster ...	81 +2 83	Mr. F. B. Birt ...	108 18 90
Mr. W. Michie ...	93 9 84	Mr. C. Plummer ...	92 scr. 92
Mr. T. W. Lang ...	89 4 85	Mr. J. Murray ...	104 10 94
Mr. A. Pollock ...	90 4 86		

No returns from thirteen players.

ELIE GOLF HOUSE CLUB.—The annual competition for the St. Margaret's tankard, presented by Mr. Orr Paterson, took place on the 25th. Two rounds (twenty-eight holes) were played, the greens being in capital condition. The winner was Mr. T. R. Outhwaite, with 132, less 2=130, the second place being taken by Mr. John Foggo, with 128, plus 4=132. The next lowest scores were:—Mr. W. White, Edinburgh, with 136; Mr. M. R. Bow, 136; and Mr. J. Scott Davidson, of Carnie, 139.

## SCARBOROUGH GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, the 19th ult., the first competition for the challenge cup, presented to the club by the Rev. Filmer Bennett, was held over the links at Ganton. There were a fair number of entries, and play began soon after eleven o'clock, in perfect weather. The result was a tie between Mr. L. P. Edwards and Mr. F. Bedwell for first place, with net scores of 78 each. In the afternoon the tie was played off, and resulted in a win for Mr. Bedwell by 6 points:—Mr. L. P. Edwards, 105, less 27=78; Mr. F. Bedwell, 97, less 19=78; Mr. C. G. Broadwood, 83, less 4=79; Rev. A. W. Swayne, 89, less 9=80; Mr. F. Bassett, 100, less 20=80; Major G. C. Palmes, 106, less 24=82; Mr. W. H. Wood Taylor, 107, less 19=88; Captain Freeth, 114, less 24=90; Captain Barclay, 117, less 27=90. The final scores of the two players who tied were Mr. F. Bedwell, 103, less 19=84; Mr. L. P. Edwards, 117, less 27=90.

The competition is confined to members of the club, elected on or before the 1st of July in each year, and must be won twice (but not consecutively), before becoming the absolute property of the winner. The best thanks of the members of the club are due to Mr. Filmer Bennett for his generosity in presenting such a handsome trophy for competition. The autumn meeting of the club will be held on Friday and Saturday, the 15th and 16th of September. Full particulars will be found among the advertisements of this paper.

## SEAFORD GOLF CLUB.

Dr. Dring, of Seaford, has recently presented to the club a handsome silver cup, which belonged to one of its former captains, the late Major J. Webb Turner, to be competed for annually, the present, however, to remain the property of the club, and the winner each year receiving in its place another valuable cup as a memento of his success. The first competition was held on Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday, 5th, 7th, and 8th August, and attracted a large number of entries. Full score:—

First heat.—Mr. A. P. White (14) beat Mr. D. McMillan (22), by 7 up and 6 to play; Mr. J. S. Sellar (14) beat Mr. A. Greenlees (16), by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. C. A. S. Leggatt (5) beat Mr. E. Easterbrook (16) by 1 up; Mr. E. Bedford (15) v. Mr. C. Hart (3); Mr. E. Bedford scratched; Mr. Rooke (18) beat Mr. J. Harding Browne (18), by 7 up and 5 to play; Rev. H. D. Macnamara (14) beat Mr. P. S. Lee (15), by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. Duncan Furner (8) beat Mr. H. Tanner, jun. (12), by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. J. E. Blois Johnson (14) beat Mr. Gilbert D. Wansborough (13), by 7 up and 5 to play; Mr. W. Amsden (18) v. Dr. Dring (16) scratched; Mr. Norman Foulie (12) beat Mr. J. Fletcher Farncombe (14), by 7 up and 5 to play; Mr. J. Moody Stewart (19) v. Mr. E. S. Currey (16), scratched; Mr. Walter Crook (14) beat Mr. P. C. Anderson (16), by 9 up and 7 to play; Mr. H. Tanner (9) v. Mr. G. C. Tyler Smith (16); Mr. H. Tanner scratched; Captain Beak (12) beat Mr. E. W. Furnall (18), by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. F. G. Bampfylde (5) beat Captain O'Reilly (18), on the nineteenth hole; Mr. J. E. Shaw (7) beat Mr. Walker (18), by 2 up and 1 to play.

Second heat.—Mr. A. P. White beat Mr. J. S. Sellar, by 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. C. Hart beat Mr. C. A. S. Leggatt, by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. Rooke beat Rev. H. D. Macnamara, by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. J. E. Blois Johnson beat Mr. Duncan Furner, by 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. Norman Foulie beat Mr. W. Amsden, by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. Walter Crook beat Mr. Moody Stewart, by 9 up and 7 to play; Mr. G. C. Tyler Smith beat Captain Beak, by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. F. G. Bampfylde beat Mr. J. E. Shaw, by 4 up and 3 to play.

Third heat.—Mr. C. Hart beat Mr. A. P. White, by 1 up; Mr. J. E. Blois Johnson beat Mr. Rooke, by 3 up and 1 to play; Mr. Walter Crook beat Mr. Norman Foulie, 1 up at the nineteenth hole; Mr. G. C. Tyler Smith beat Mr. F. G. Bampfylde by 2 up and 1 to play.

Fourth heat.—Mr. J. E. Blois Johnson beat Mr. C. Hart, by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. G. C. Tyler Smith beat Mr. Walter Crook, by 2 up and 1 to play.

Final heat.—Mr. G. C. Tyler Smith beat Mr. J. E. Blois Johnson, by 5 up and 3 to play.

## SOUTHWOLD GOLF CLUB.

The following competitions, open to visitors, were played on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 22nd and 23rd ult. Tuesday, 22nd.—Match competition against "Bogey":—The prize presented by Mr. S. W. Woollett was won by Mr. W. W. Nicholson with 1 down. Messrs. W. Whytock, G. H. Swinstead, and E. Webb tied for second place with 5 down. There were twenty-seven entries. Wednesday, 23rd.—A foursome match against "Bogey," in which thirteen pairs started, was won by Messrs. G. H. and F. H. Swinstead with 1 down. Messrs. S. W. Woollett and W. W. Nicholson took second place with 2 down.

TENBY GOLF CLUB.

TOURNAMENT (SUMMER SEASON), AUGUST 21ST, 22ND, AND 23RD.

The Summer Golf Tournament may be considered quite a success, and be greeted by the Golf-player with pleasure, as it has established itself (at least we have every reason to believe) as a yearly event, and no doubt as it becomes known will each year be supported better and bring many visitors to this pretty seaside resort, to the benefit of the householder and shopkeeper, as now. No links, few visitors, is an established fact. The following is a curtailed account of the events, for which there were no less than 103 entries:—

Gentlemen's Single (Scratch) Gold Medal.—Mr. Clifford Young, Carnarvonshire Golf Club.

Gentlemen's Single (Handicap) Gold Medal.—Mr. R. Hutton, Ceylon Golf Club.

Gentlemen's Foursome (Handicap) Silver Medals.—Mr. Mathias Thomas and Mr. C. Mathias, Tenby Golf Club. This was a really good match, their opponents being 8 up in the first round, but on the second round all being equal, a third round had to be played which ended in 3 up and 2 to play.

Approach Competition (Park Patent Lifter).—Mr. R. Hutton.

Putting (Park Patent Putter).—Mr. C. Lethbridge, Blackheath Golf Club.

Driving (Driver presented by the Tenby Sports Depot).—Mr. Clifford Young. Length of drive, 198 yards 2 feet 4 inches.

WEST LANCASHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The fifth monthly competition was played over the links at Hall Road on Saturday, with the result that Messrs. Cornelius, Blundell, and Leicester tied for a win-in for the prize, Mr. Greenwood having previously recorded a win. He, however, won the first sweepstakes, whilst the second and third were divided between Messrs. Cornelius and Blundell. Appended are the returns not exceeding 100:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. D. H. Greenwood ...	88	7	81	Mr. C. A. Rawcliffe	98	8	90
Mr. F. W. Cornelius	92	10	82	Mr. H. F. Fernie ...	108	18	90
Mr. O. Blundell ...	93	11	82	Mr. C. W. Hobbs...	109	18	91
Mr. T. Leicester ...	97	15	82	Mr. W. Litchfield...	109	18	91
Mr. G. H. Harris...	101	18	83	Mr. C. Stoddart ...	104	12	92
Mr. T. H. Luzmore	87	2	85	Mr. W. R. Gardner	108	16	92
Capt. Chamier ...	94	8	86	Mr. George Edgecombe ...	110	18	92
Mr. Frank Harrison	93	5	88	Mr. J. W. Fowler...	92	+1	93
Mr. T. A. Kirkwood	93	5	88	Mr. A. Chisholm ...	96	3	93
Mr. A. Stoddart ...	99	11	88	Mr. T. E. Sampson	112	18	94
Mr. G. H. O. Salt...	100	12	88	Mr. W. Revis ...	113	18	95
Mr. J. Esplin ...	102	14	88	Mr. G. O. Jones ...	120	25	95
Mr. J. E. Pearson...	92	3	89	Mr. G. Segar ...	120	25	95

WEST LINTON GOLF CLUB.

Match on Saturday, the 26th ult.—Visitors v. Residents:—

VISITORS.		RESIDENTS.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Mr. J. King ...	4	Mr. R. Alexander ...	0
Mr. E. King ...	8	Mr. R. Aitken...	0
Mr. A. J. McClymont	0	Mr. J. Steele ..	5
Mr. J. I. McClymont...	1	Mr. J. Martin ...	0
Mr. T. Chisholm ...	0	Mr. J. Mowbray ...	4
Mr. J. Webster ...	0	Mr. A. Alexander ...	2
Capt. Steele ...	0	Mr. R. Miller ...	0
Mr. G. S. Dunlop ...	0	Mr. J. Wightman ...	2
Mr. R. Miller ..	0	Mr. W. Sanderson ...	2
	13		15

Residents, 2 up. Mr. E. King made the record of the course—77.

COMRIE.—The annual scratch competition for the Sanderson medal took place over the course on Thursday afternoon. Mr. Sanderson gave a handsome set (six) of clubs; Mr. M'Isaac, a carrying-bag, and Dr. Temple, a Golf club. The competition was keen. Results:—First, Dr. Temple, 85; second, Mr. P. M'Intyre, 92; third, Mr. D. Ferguson and Mr. J. Stobie, 96 each—tie. Dr. Temple's score:—First round, 4 4 4 5 6 8 5 5 4=45; second round, 4 5 4 4 4 6 4 5 4=40, total 85. Sweepstake—Mr. J. Stobie, 96, less 10=86; Mr. P. Brough, 99, less 10=89; Mr. D. Ferguson, 96, less 5=91; Mr. J. Graham, 103, less 12=91.

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.—In the club cup competition on Saturday the results were:—Mr. J. B. Ludford-Astley, 100, less 22=78; Mr. C. E. G. Hatherel, 100, less 22=78; Mr. F. J. M. G. Abell, 90, less 7=83; Mr. M. T. Brown, 95, less 11=84; and Mr. T. Latham, 94, less 9=85.

DUNBLANE HYDROPATHIC GOLF CLUB.—The final competition between the winners of the monthly medal for the past year was played over the Laighills course on Saturday. The best scores were the following:—Mr. Robert Blair, 88, less 12=76; Mr. C. M'Kenzie Gray (scratch), 76; Mr. James Lennox, 96, less 18=78; Mr. R. M'Intyre, 91, less 10=81. On playing off the tie between Messrs. Gray and Blair, whose scores were the same, the former won with a score of 74.

ELIE—LADIES' CLUB.—The usual Sunday afternoon mixed doubles was played over the links on Saturday. Twenty-five couples entered, and several of the matches were very closely contested, many ties having to be played off. The winners were Miss Edith Parsons and Mr. Muir, who, after playing off a tie, defeated Miss Gray and Dr. Ferguson. Besides the usual prizes, the competitors played for prizes generously given by Mr. and Mrs. Acheson Gray, who are at present staying at Elie.

FALKIRK TRYST GOLF CLUB.—On Saturday the third of a series of handicaps for the subscription prize took place on the Tryst course. The following were the best scores:—Mr. Archibald Campbell, 102, less 15=87; Mr. Hector Robson (scratch), 92; Mr. W. M. Scott, 105, less 12=93; Rev. John Scott, 104, less 8=96; Mr. T. Scatter, 101, less 4=97.

GULLANE.—A competition was got up for the visitors of Gullane by Mr. Jenkins and Mr. W. B. Alexander. The first prize for the ladies' was won by Miss Chattie Robertson; second, Miss Bessie Robson; third, Miss Georgina Robson; fourth, Miss Sophie Drybrough; fifth, Miss Molly Cathcart (scratched); sixth, Miss Kate Fraser. The first prize for the gentlemen was won by Mr. A. Robertson; second, Mr. W. Hill; third, Mr. A. Johnson; fourth, Mr. G. M'Neil; fifth, Mr. R. Drybrough; sixth, Mr. Stanley Drybrough; seventh, Mr. J. Gillespie.

LUNDIN LADIES' GOLF CLUB.—The competition for Mrs. Gil-mour's challenge silver mirror (scratch) took place on Friday, with the result that Miss Mary Stevenson, Edinburgh, was the winner, with a score of 98. The handicap prizes were won by Miss M. Henderson, Miss K. Nicholson, and Miss Macindoe.

PRESTWICK.—The members of the Prestwick Club engaged on Saturday for the monthly handicap gold medal, the cards showing the following results for the game of eighteen holes:—Mr. J. B. Brown, 96, less 14=82; Mr. William Houldsworth, 91, less 9=82; Mr. J. E. Orr, 90, less 8=82, tied for the medal.

TROON.—The monthly competition for the Sandhills gold medal took place on Saturday, and when the cards were handed in it was found that Mr. James M. Gray was the winner with the score of 85, less 3=82. The next best scores were:—Mr. W. J. Anderson, 96, less 10=86; Mr. John Shaw, 88, less 2=86; and Mr. Alex. Raeside, 102, less 14=88.

WAKEFIELD CLUB.—The monthly competition for the Percy Tew ladies' medal took place on Thursday, 24th ult. Mrs. W. Hurst, of Croxton Hall, was on this occasion the winner with the excellent net score of 83 for the round of eighteen holes; Mrs. Creswick, of Walton, with 93 net, being a good second. The tie for the gentlemen's monthly medal was played off last week, Mr. H. R. Mackie beating Mr. J. L. Lee by 8 strokes.

WEST KILBRIDE GOLF CLUB.—The first monthly competition for the captain's medal took place on Saturday at Ardnail Bay. The weather was very fine, and the greens were in good condition. The following were the best scores recorded:—Mr. William Law, scratch, 104; Mr. John T. Costigane, 133, less 27=106; Mr. R. G. Paterson, 125, less 12=113; Mr. N. P. Brown, 132, less 8=124; Mr. John Steven, 151, less 25=126; Mr. William Steven, 156, less 27=129.

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**T**HE above Meeting will be held, on the Links of the County Down Golf Club, at Newcastle, on Tuesday, September 12th, and following days.

#### EVENTS.

September 12th.—Competition by Strokes under Handicap.—Open to all *bonâ fide* Amateurs. 1st Prize, Gold Medal value £4; 2nd Prize, Silver Medal value £2. Presented by the County Down Golf Club. Entrance Fee, 2s. 6d.

September 13th, 14th, 15th.—**IRISH AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.**—Open to all *bonâ fide* Amateurs. 1st Prize, Championship Challenge Vase, and Gold Medal value £5; 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Prizes, Silver Medals. Entrance Fee, 10s.

This Competition will be played in heats of 18 holes, and the final will be a 36-hole match.

September 16th.—Competition by Holes (9) under Handicap.—Open to all *bonâ fide* Amateurs. 1st Prize, Gold Medal value £4; 2nd Prize, Silver Medal value £2. Presented by County Down Golf Club. Entrance Fee, 2s. 6d.

Entrance Fees payable on or before Saturday, September 9th, to G. COMBE, 3, High Street, Belfast.

**REGULATIONS.**—The Competitions will be played under the rules of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club and the usual rules governing Championship Meetings. All disputes to be referred to the Council of the Golfing Union of Ireland, whose decision shall be final.

The Winner of the Irish Championship will retain the Gold Medal, but the Challenge Vase will become the property of the Club from which he entered, for one year.

## SCARBOROUGH GOLF CLUB.

## OPEN AUTUMN MEETING,

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FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 15th and 16th September.

**FRIDAY 15th.**—Club Scratch Foursome Competition.—Open to all recognised Golf Clubs. Each Club to send two representatives only to compete. First Prize, Challenge Cup and Gold Medals; Second Prize, Silver Medals. The winners of the Cup will retain the Gold Medals, but the Cup will become the property of the Club from which they entered for one year; and must be won three times (but not consecutively) before becoming the absolute property of the Club. Entrance fee, £1.

For those not engaged in the Cup Competition on the 15th, there will be the following additional Competition, open to all Amateurs, viz:—

“Bogey” Competition. Divided into two Classes.—First Class—Open to all whose handicaps in Match Play do not exceed nine strokes. First and Second Prizes. Second Class—Open to all whose handicaps in Match Play exceed nine strokes. First and Second Prizes. Entrance fee, 2s. 6d.

Saturday 16th.—Competition by Strokes under Handicap. Open to all Amateurs. Course, eighteen holes. Handicap limit, 24. First, Second and Third Prizes. Entrance fee, 2s. 6d.

The Entry List for the Cup Competition will close on Tuesday, the 12th September.

For the “Bogey” Competition on the Morning of Friday, the 15th September.

For the Competition by Strokes under Handicap, on Friday Evening, the 15th September.

The Competitions will be played under the Rules of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, and the Local Rules of the Scarborough Golf Club. All disputes to be referred to the Committee of Management, whose decision shall be final.

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