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DECEMBER.

- Dec. 8.—Ranelagh : Monthly Medal.  
Moseley : Captain's Prize ("Bogey" Handicap).  
Macclesfield : Hall Prize.  
Wilmslow : Third Winter Competition.  
Southport : Monthly Competition.  
West Herts : Monthly Medal.  
Mid-Surrey : Junior Monthly Medal.  
Cumbrae : Monthly Medal.  
Crookham : "Bogey" Competition.  
Hayling : Monthly Medal.  
Arden v. King's Norton.  
Royal Isle of Wight : Monthly Competition.  
Sutton Coldfield : Monthly Cup.  
Chislehurst v. Sidcup.  
Enfield : Monthly Handicap.
- Dec. 11.—Cumbrae Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
West Cornwall Ladies : Monthly Medal.
- Dec. 11 & 18.—Carnarvonshire : "Bogey" Cup.
- Dec. 11 & 21.—Whitley : "Bogey" Competition.
- Dec. 13.—West Middlesex : Committee Meeting.  
Royal Guernsey Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Norwich v. Worlington and Newmarket (at Worlington).
- Dec. 14.—Brighton & Hove : Annual General Meeting and Dinner.
- Dec. 15.—Macclesfield : Cameron Bowl.  
Wakefield : Monthly Medal.  
Fleetwood : Monthly Medal.  
Brighton and Hove : De Worms Challenge Cup and Club Prize for Winners of Berens Gold Medal.  
Rochester Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
Eltham : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Dublin : Monthly Medal.  
Mid-Surrey : First and Second Class Senior Medals.  
Worlington and Newmarket : Monthly Medal.  
Sidcup : Monthly Medal (Second Class).  
Minchinhampton : "Bogey" Competition.

- Dec. 15.—Wimbledon Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
Seaford : Monthly Medal.  
Harrogate : Monthly Medal.  
Rochester : Monthly Medal.  
West Middlesex : Medal Competition.  
Disley : Hutton Prize.  
Beckenham : Monthly Medal.  
Finchley : Monthly Medal.  
Headingley : Monthly Medal.  
North West Club (Londonderry) Ladies : Monthly Medal.  
King's Norton : Captain's Prize.  
Woodford : Quarterly Medal.  
Royal Epping Forest : "Bogey" Competition.  
Saltburn : Monthly Medal.  
Holmes Chapel v. Knutsford.  
West Cornwall : Annual General Meeting.
- Dec. 17.—Woodbridge : Final for Monthly Competitions.
- Dec. 18.—Waveney Valley : Monthly Medal.
- Dec. 20.—Tyneside : Bi-Monthly Handicap.  
Woodbridge : Ladies : Final for Monthly Competitions.
- Dec. 22.—Willesden : Monthly Medal.  
West Herts : "Bogey" Competition.  
Ilkley : Monthly Medal.  
Morecambe and Heysham : Captain's Prize.
- Dec. 22, 24, 25 & 26.—Headingley : "Bogey" Sweepstake.
- Dec. 24.—Aldeburgh : Christmas Meeting ; Monthly Medal (Final).
- Dec. 24 & 25.—Ilkley : Christmas Cup.
- Dec. 26.—Wilmslow : "Bogey" Competition.  
Rochester Ladies : "Bogey" Competition.  
Southport : Christmas Meeting.  
Royal Dublin : Sweepstakes (2s. 6d.)  
Warminster : Monthly Medal.  
Beckenham : Captain's Prize.  
Woodford : Club Handicap.  
Royal Isle of Wight : Christmas Meeting.  
Royal Epping Forest : "Bogey" Competition.  
Manchester : Christmas Club Prizes.  
Morecambe and Heysham : Christmas Competition.  
Enfield : Winter Meeting.  
Finchley : "Bogey" Competition.  
Aldeburgh : The late Mr. Newson Garrett's Cup.
- Dec. 27.—Bentley Green : Monthly Handicap.  
Royal Cromer : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Guernsey : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Isle of Wight : "Bogey" Competition.
- Dec. 28 & 29.—Royal Eastbourne : Winter Meeting.
- Dec. 29.—Moseley : Monthly Medal.  
Warwickshire : Monthly Competition.  
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal.  
Cinque Ports : Monthly Medal.  
Knutsford : Monthly Competition.  
Taplow : Monthly Medal.  
Alfreton : Bronze Medal.  
Alfreton Ladies : Silver Spoon.  
Huddersfield : Monthly Medal.  
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.  
Dumfries and Galloway : Monthly Medal.  
Crookham : Monthly Medal.  
Marple : Monthly Medal and Captain's Cup.

## OPENING OF THE BOURNEMOUTH CORPORATION GOLF LINKS.

Until last week this southern sea-side resort, one of the finest recruiting grounds for invalids anywhere, laboured under the serious disadvantage of not possessing a Golf course near the town for the recreation of its many visitors. That reproach has now been removed; and Bournemouth is now in possession of one of the most picturesque greens that can be found anywhere. When one is told of the condition of the ground a year ago, and compares the description with its actual state to-day, it is impossible to withhold a hearty tribute of admiration from the Corporation for the public-spirited policy they have inaugurated. The Meyrick Park, aforesaid, was a howling wilderness of heather and whin (*vide* GOLF, page 22, September 21st) of absolutely no utility or benefit to the town, and certainly not a place wherein the citizens could recreate themselves with playing popular games. To-day the eye-sore has been removed. In place of heather and whin, we have a clean peep of the "heichs and howes" of the rolling land, interspersed with bright green putting-greens and teeing-grounds, and broken up here and there by mountainous ranges of bunkers; while hundreds of the population were to be seen following eagerly in the wake of players, and viewing with some wonderment the ease with which the Champion or Mr. Horace Hutchinson can pick up a ball with the iron, and send it in graceful parabola to the flag. Actuated solely by their interest for the public good, and seeing how essential a Golf course is to the increasing prosperity of the town, the members of the Corporation have done the right thing in the right way; and each and all of them, from the Mayor downwards, deserve the hearty support and gratitude of the citizens whom they represent. Bournemouth is the first Corporation out of Scotland which has thus devoted its attention to Golf in the interest of the community.

The ceremony of opening the new Meyrick Park and Golf links was performed in fine but dull weather on Wednesday, November 28th. A magnificent park, comprising about 126 acres, situate close to the centre of the town, has been secured for ever to the ratepayers at a comparatively trifling cost. The land was formerly what is known as Poor's Common, over which certain holders had rights to cut turf. The park itself—the manorial rights of which were given over to the town by Sir George Meyrick—is probably worth about £100,000, judging from the price which is being obtained for the adjoining land. Sixteen acres of the land acquired was sold for building purposes by the Corporation. The power of sale the town has acquired by Act of Parliament, and the money goes to the development of the park. The extensive work of laying out the park, building a commodious pavilion, and the settling of preliminary matters (£520 paid to the owners of turf rights, £700 cost of the special Act of Parliament, &c.) has involved an expenditure of £12,000. Of this amount, £9,000 is covered by the land sold by the Corporation, leaving £3,000 to be provided by the ratepayers. With sixty acres of Golf links, and about ten acres for cricket, football, bowling, &c., separated from the links by a well-made road that promises in time to become a veritable "Rotten Row," the heart of the most ardently athletic inhabitant and visitor to Bournemouth should be cheered and sustained.

It is true that the course is not a long one, nor one fitted, perhaps, to suit the play of high-class amateurs or professionals, for its entire length of eighteen holes only, reaches to 2½ miles. But Tom Dunn has made the most of every inch of ground at his disposal, and he has placed the hazards with such care and discrimination that while the carries are not long off the tees, they are sufficiently arduous for the moderate driver, the beginner, youths, and ladies, who, in all probability, will often desert their own course for a round on the long course. It is essentially a green, however, on which any player is bound to improve his iron play, for the putting-greens are so placed, and the hazards guarding them so arranged, that sure and accurate lofting is the only means

whereby a creditable score may be attained. The long course (eighteen holes) throughout is one hundred yards wide, and has natural and picturesque borders of heather and furze. The majority of the holes are very sporting in character. The first is a cleek shot from the tee, perched high in front of the pavilion, down to a putting-green lying beyond a ditch in the valley below. The approach to the third is a shot requiring a good deal of skill, as not only is it a blind hole, but an over-reached stroke will send the ball down a steep slope, the green being on the very edge, and protected with a rampart-like bunker with embasures. To the sixth, lying in a valley, is a long, steep approach, with disaster on the far side in the shape of heather and fir trees. The drives across the valley to the seventh, going out—with a water bunker to avoid—and to the eleventh coming home, necessitate accurate play, while at the ninth an awkward fir plantation catches a faulty stroke from the tee. The fifteenth has a peculiarity of its own, and, like many a short hole, is extremely difficult to negotiate with success. The green is on a tableland, the sides of which slope precipitously from the extreme edge of it. At the back it is guarded by the firs of Talbot Wood and a low bank. Either a topped or pulled ball lands among scrubby firs and rough ground in a deep hollow, while a heeled shot comes to grief in the woods. It is an easy half-shot across the valley. The holes which lie along the level and high ground require straightforward play, but are not of an alarming character. The capital idea of laying on water to each green has been introduced, and both putting and teeing greens are all that golfers could desire. Tom Dunn, who has accomplished with remarkable success the task of converting this heathery waste land into a first-rate Golf course, will remain at the links as guide to the tyro, philosopher to the experienced, and friend to all. The ladies' links are situated on the high ground, at the pavilion end, and are encircled by the men's course. The green is a nine-hole one, about 700 yards in length, and covers an area of four acres. The holes are about sixty or seventy yards apart. Here, again, the putting-greens are splendid. The bunkers are of the same miniature mountain-range construction, and, in order that the two links may not be mistaken one for the other, the whole of the ladies' course has been surrounded with a small row of firs. Of all the many links laid out by Tom Dunn, none reflects more credit on his knowledge and skill, looking at the difficult character of the work which had originally to be undertaken, than the Bournemouth green. The cost of making the links amounts to £2,000.

The park was formally opened by Mrs. Meyrick, who was received at the Wimborne Road entrance to the park by the Mayor (Mr. Merton Russell Cotes) and the members of the Corporation. The Chairman of the Parks and pleasure grounds committee (Councillor Davis) and the Borough Surveyor (Mr. F. W. Lacey), under whose superintendence the park has been laid out, were presented to Mrs. Meyrick, who received a gold key from Councillor Davis. A ribbon stretched across the entrance to the park was then severed by Mrs. Meyrick, and a procession was formed and, led by Mrs. Meyrick, proceeded through the park to the Corporation Pavilion, where an address was presented to Mrs. Meyrick by the Mayor on behalf of the Corporation. The address was engrossed on vellum, and had an ornamental border, embodying the arms of the Meyrick family (with the motto, in Welsh, "Be Just and Fear not"), the arms of Bournemouth (with the motto "Pulchritudo et salubritas"), and a small view of the Bournemouth Pier and Bay from the East Cliff. After paying a tribute to the interest of the Meyrick family in promoting the welfare of Bournemouth the address stated:—

This beautiful expanse of ground in which we are now assembled has been secured for the enjoyment and recreation of the inhabitants of the borough through the gratuitous gift by Sir George Meyrick of his rights as Lord of the Manor and Hundred, which enabled the governing body to apply to Parliament for and obtain the Act of Parliament which has given them the power to lay it out as you see it to-day. Among other attractions, they trust that the courses laid out for playing the Royal and Ancient Game of Golf may be the means of inducing many persons to visit and take up their residence in Bournemouth, and of making that game as popular in the southern as it is in the northern parts of the United Kingdom.

Amid the cheers of the large crowd assembled Mrs. Meyrick declared the park open. Mrs. Meyrick then opened the Golf



Links by striking a ball from the first teeing ground near the pavilion. After the ceremony a public luncheon was held at the Winter Gardens.

Among the toasts which were submitted, Mr. T. J. Hankinson proposed the toast of "The Royal and Ancient Game of Golf."

Mr. Horace Hutchinson responded, and said that the work done on the Golf links seemed to him to be simply marvellous, and reflected great credit on the committee and the town. The links appeared to him to be of unsurpassed beauty and great excellence, and he had not the least doubt they must prove to be a benefit to the town of Bournemouth. They ought to congratulate the Corporation on their courageous, enterprising policy, in spending the money in laying out such beautiful Golf links. The Corporation of Bournemouth was the first Corporation to undertake such a task, and he thanked them for having set such an example to others.

In the afternoon a reception was held at the Royal Bath Hotel, the residence of the Mayor, when the silver challenge cup for Golf, the gift of the Mayor, was handed over to the Borough to be competed for annually. In the evening the public gardens were illuminated, and a special concert was given in the Winter Gardens by the combined bands of the Grenadier Guards and the Corporation.

In the afternoon an interesting foursome was played over the new links. In response to a wish expressed by many of the townspeople present on the links to see Taylor, the Champion, play, a foursome was arranged between Mr. J. P. Croal and Taylor against Mr. A. J. Robertson and John Dunn, of Mitcham. A large crowd followed the play from beginning to end with the greatest interest. After a "ding-dong" match Mr. Croal and Taylor won at the last hole by a putt.

SOME INTERESTING MATCHES.

On Thursday, Nov. 29th, the new green received its genuine baptism of play. In the forenoon, a large crowd of ladies and gentlemen assembled at the pavilion to see Mr. Horace Hutchinson play the best balls of Mr. H. A. Acklom and Mr. Haviland, and also to follow the match between Tom Dunn and Taylor, the Champion, for a small purse. Mr. Hutchinson played in very fine form throughout, and dragged his opponents behind him in a panting, despairing, stern chase. He played with inexorable precision all through, and greatly charmed the spectators, to whom, for the most part the game was an entire novelty, by his long tee shots, and fine approaching and putting. No doubt, both Mr. Acklom and Mr. Haviland were just a trifle nervous at the start; but they soon settled down to a good, solid, painstaking game, keeping close to the heels of the amateur ex-Champion, and occasionally pressing him very hard. Mr. Hutchinson had the honour all the way. He turned home 3 up, and finished the match at the 13th hole by 6 up and 5 to play. The bye was won, however, by Messrs. Acklom and Haviland through a piece of fine putting by the last named at the fifteenth hole, which was taken in 2 against Mr. Hutchinson's 3. All the other holes were halved. The scores were:—

Mr. Hutchinson ...	Out 3	4	4	3	4	3	3	5	3=32	} 66
	In 4	3	4	3	4	3	4	5	4=34	
Messrs. Acklom and Haviland:—										
Out ...	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	5	4=35	} 72
In ...	5	4	4	5	4	2	4	5	4=37	

While Mr. Hutchinson was making this fine score, which will probably long remain the amateur record of the green, Taylor and Dunn, followed by a large crowd of interested onlookers, were coming up behind. The Champion was also in his best form, and played splendidly throughout. Dunn was unfortunately off his game, and scarcely did himself adequate justice against his powerful young opponent. Taylor started "red hot," with three 3's and a 2, finishing the first half in 31, and closing the match by 9 up and 7 to play. His score is:—

Out ...	3	3	3	2	4	4	3	6	3=31	} 65
In ...	5	3	4	4	4	2	4	5	3=34	

MR. HUTCHINSON AND TAYLOR.

After luncheon a single was played between Mr. Hutchinson and Taylor. The crowd was considerably larger than in the morning, and it was by no means an easy task to keep the perfervid youth of Bournemouth from encroaching on the players. The canine population of Bournemouth had evidently made the links their rendezvous for the day, and had the proverbial "intelligent foreigner" been a witness of

the match between Mr. Hutchinson and Taylor, taking note at the same time of the number of dogs, he might reasonably have confounded the serious Royal and Ancient Game with a coursing match. The writer, who was umpire at the match, counted eighteen dogs on and near the putting-green at one point. The animals were of every variety of species, from the greyhound to the douce collie and inquisitive fox terrier. Some ladies made a valiant attempt to hold their pets in by means of a leash formed of a pocket handkerchief; but the tenure was too insecure to hinder the dogs from a combined general helter-skelter after Mr. Hutchinson's ball when he was manfully trying to get the upper hand of the Champion. The town was *en fêlé*, and so were the dogs. Usually, the canine disposition, when slipped from its collar, is to search for variety of amusement in getting "enough o' fechtin'," as Dr. John Brown says; but on this day there was evidently a unanimous arrangement to share the fun by coursing the Golf ball. They crouched and lay in wait at the tee for both balls being sent on their mission, and not infrequently just as the club was poised in mid-air did the frisky, gambolling charge begin in and out between the players' legs, amid a chorus of restraining yells from onlookers, caddies, vigilant policemen, and sedate Corporation officials. Verily, it was a nerve-trying ordeal for both players, but they were equal to it.

Throughout the match Taylor played in his highest form, and never gave a chance. Mr. Hutchinson at the start allowed the Champion to get a lead of two or three holes, principally owing to one or two weak approach shots and putts; and the lead he was never able wholly to reduce. Taylor turned homeward; 3 up, and, as all the holes in were halved, he finished the match by 3 and 2 to play. The scores were:—

Mr. Hutchinson ...	Out 4	4	4	3	5	4	4	6	3=37	} 72
	In 4	3	4	4	4	3	4	5	4=35	
Taylor ...	Out 3	4	4	3	4	4	3	5	4=34	} 67
	In 4	3	4	4	4	3	4	4	3=33	

At the close of the match the Mayor and Mayoress presented the prizes in the pavilion. A purse of £6 was presented to Taylor, and one of £3 to Dunn, amid cheers, and Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Acklom, and Mr. Haviland received a medal bearing the Corporation arms, in acknowledgment of the part they took in the day's interesting proceedings. Thereafter the Mayor invited Mrs. Hutchinson to open the ladies' links by striking off a ball, which was done in good style amid a hearty round of cheering. A foursome was afterwards played over the ladies' green by Messrs. Acklom and Haviland against Messrs. Brewster and A. J. Robertson, the match ending all square. This brought a very interesting and noteworthy ceremony to a close.

Some interesting groups of the players were taken by Messrs. Debenham and Gould, photographers, Bournemouth.

LOVE'S DECREE.

(With apologies to the *Shade of Herrick*.)

Bid me to strive, and I will strive  
 Golf Champion to be;  
 Or, bid me, love, to hole in five,  
 And I will let you see  
 A ball so long as thou can'st find  
 Driv'n straight from off the tee.  
 That, if perchance you do not mind,  
 That ball I'll hole in three.

Bid that ball stay, and it shall stay  
 Some ten yards from the tee;  
 Or, bid me fuzzle shots all day,  
 And't shall be done for thee.  
 Bid me to use my trusty cleek  
 When playing from the tee,  
 Tho' owning none, still I have cheek  
 A cleek to steal from thee!

Bid me be there, and I'll be there,  
 On to the green in three;  
 Aye, if the lie be foul or fair,  
 I'll honour thy decree!  
 I'd putt with any club, my love,  
 If thus I could please thee;  
 (But this is hard on any cove,  
 And harder still on me).

ROBIN H. LEGGE.

## GIRLS AND GOLF.

BY A SUFFERER.

We were staying in the wilds of Yorkshire, where we had rented a small house on a smaller river, tenanted by the smallest trout on record. It was the fishing that tempted us to bury ourselves down there, and as that did not realise our expectations, we were rather at a loss how to fill up our time for the two months for which we had taken the house. Under more favourable circumstances as regards wind and weather generally, the fishing might have sufficed; but when the river was not in flood, the water was too bright, or if that element happened to be in a satisfactory condition, the cold winds blew the fly off the water; so that at last we put away our rods, packed up our blank fishing diaries, and settled down to discuss the question of what we should do.

It was at this moment, when our spirits were at their lowest ebb, that some good Samaritans living in the village took compassion on the poor strangers stranded in their midst, and came to call. "Would we like to play Golf?" they asked, as they had made a nine-hole course, on which we might disport ourselves as often as we pleased, provided we replaced any turf we might disturb during the performance—rather an unnecessary proviso, thought we in our ignorance. Golf? Well, we might do worse, as, like the lady of Gilbertian fame, "we didn't think we golfed, but we'd rather like to try." Fortunately one of our party had his clubs with him, on the off chance of a game, and as our new friends offered to lend us anything we might require in that way, we started boldly for the fray, prepared to conquer or to die. We did neither, though the latter was nearer of accomplishment than the former.

We were told that they were sporting little links, and as the first hole afforded us sport to the extent of thirty-two strokes—and then we had to throw our balls over the bunkers, as they absolutely declined to go in any other way—we were quite prepared to subscribe to that opinion.

"Now, girls," said our Mentor, "you must begin by learning how to stand, how to hold your club, and how to swing it, as form in Golf is everything." So we tried, but when we remembered our hands we forgot our feet, and when we managed to swing the club we failed to hit the ball, and when occasionally, we succeeded in accomplishing the latter feat, we dug up so much earth that at last we decided to be our own caddies, that the village schoolboys acting in that capacity, and who were indulged in a holiday for the occasion, might devote their time entirely to remedying our gardening operations, and stamp the turf into position again.

It looked absurdly easy when our guide, philosopher, and friend sent his ball spinning through the air, rising higher as it went; but that only made our failure to do the same the more annoying. Perhaps we should do better with a different club, so in turn we tried a driver, lofter, niblick, cleek, and brassy, and should have proceeded to experiment with the putter had we not been told that, for driving purposes, it was a little unusual.

On the greens we certainly did better, and in one case be-guiled our ball into rolling into the subterranean flower-pot that represented our goal in only eight strokes from the edge of the green, which, Mentor said, was very good for beginners, and we really think he meant it.

But our small success on the greens by no means compensated for our utter want of it off them, and our hundred and

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eighty-second stroke found us limp and exhausted as we flung ourselves beside the ninth hole, in which reposed our mangled and ill-used ball, its once snowy surface disfigured by many a gaping wound our prentice hand had bestowed.

There being no ambulance in our primitive quarters, we had to be supported to our temporary roof-tree by caddies and sympathising friends, and since then have only been capable of a little mild fly-tying in the intervals of amateur massing and Elliman's embrocation. When we are no longer *hors de combat*, but are once more equal to dressing our own hair and buttoning our own boots, we mean to ask our long-suffering mentor to give us another lesson. In the meantime our new friends seem a little shy, and, as they have not called again, we think that perhaps they have missed some of their putting-ground; but, if so, it is certainly not our fault, as we paid our caddies to replace the fragments, and it is a little hard if their sins of omission are to be visited on our unoffending heads.

FRANCES PORT.

## SOME CHRISTMAS NUMBERS.

It is a gay time with the railway bookstalls, and a relief from unadorned advertisements are the coloured plates of the Christmas numbers.

Prettiest of all the special covers, is the little Japanese girl, seated on a wall above a wealth of chrysanthemums, sipping some sweet liquid through a straw. "The Last Grip," which is the special picture accompanying the Japanese girl of *Black and White*, is a sad subject, finely painted by Frank Fellar. A dying soldier grasps his comrade's hand, while a troop of Arabs are galloping madly towards them. The long panel pictures which complete the supplement to this number will be very greatly admired, in spite of a certain stiffness and crudeness. "The Dream Club," by Eden Philpotts and Barry Pain, furnishes a series of seasonable stories, well told, and sufficiently amusing. "The Author-Machine" is a dream of the future that tickles the fancy, and has the merit of real originality.

The picture of the Princess of Wales, taken from the fine portrait by Luke Fildes, and presented to us by the *Graphic*, will, I am certain, adorn many a boudoir and smoking-room this Christmas. With its richly-tinted illustrations, and its excellent collection of short stories, the *Graphic* takes very high rank. Of the artists, S. Boyd, W. Hatherall, R.L., Percy Macquoid, and Miss Gow, are all at their best; as usual, Reginald Cleaver illustrates a worn-out theme with a clever pencil, though his "ladies" are of the second-rate suburban type, to which he is addicted, and who present a striking contrast to the high-born dames drawn by Du Maurier. Grant Allen contributes an excellent story, Mrs. Croker has provided a regular *bonne-bouche*, and Maarten Maartens contributes a clever story in his piquante style.

The Christmas number of the *English Illustrated Magazine* is one of the most attractive and interesting appearing at this season of the year, both in point of artistic illustration and enjoyable literary matter. Mrs. Hodgson Burnett has a quaint little kitten story; Percy Andree works out in "A Higher Hand" a surprising detective story of crime; Anthony Hope, in "A Cut and a Kiss," is bright and humorous both in dialogue and situation; Fred A. McKenzie in "London to New York by Steerage" gives an account of a recent journey across the Atlantic, illustrated by snap-shots, of what life is on board a large modern steamer laden with emigrants; "The King's Well," by F. A. Steel, is a dramatically told story, by a soldier, of an incident in the Indian Mutiny; Dr. Garnett tells of "Shelley in Italy," and Mr. Stanley Weyman (of whom there is a good portrait in the number) has another instalment from his "Memoirs of a Minister of France." Mr. Harry V. Barnett has a particularly well written paper, remarkable for a certain pleasing quaint incongruity of style, on "The Lone Bachelor" in London on Sunday. Mrs. Clifford, Clement Scott, Professor Douglas, Helen Mathers, Phil Robinson, and George Gissing all contribute excellent papers.

The *Illustrated London News* gives a richly-toned plate, representing a somewhat prim and self-conscious "Little Bo-Peep," a lovely landscape picture of Anne Hathaway's cottage, and a good picture of a muzzled puppy, suspected of killing a chicken, while the real culprit, a greedy-looking cat, peeps round the corner. The letter-press is scarcely up to the usual standard, but Mr. Quiller Couch's story takes the lead by virtue of merit.

The *Ladies' Pictorial*, except for its large plate, entitled "Buttercups," from the facile brush of Madame Canziani, is below its ordinary standard. The stories, though written by such powerful authoresses as



Marie Corelli and Mrs. W. K. Clifford, are neither engrossing nor amusing, and neither of these ladies are at their best.

*In Town* is among the newest of the Christmas numbers, and the half-tinted plates are admirable, especially "Pals," by A. Morrow. Seven different artists illustrate their ideas of "A Merry Christmas," and six authors embody their sentiments in short stories. Among the latter are Mrs. Riddell, John Strange Winter, Christian Lys, Tom Gallon, and William Le Queux. Among the lesser stars, *In Town* is one of the very brightest that shines in the Christmas numbers.

The *Gentlewoman* gives a softly-tinted picture upon satin, and two of the stories are written in imitation of two popular authors; and two sums of £21 will be divided among the ten correct guessers of the supposed authors whose letters will be first to be opened. With the special Christmas number runs also the current number, so that a double allowance of interest is ensured. In January, Miss Braddon commences her first chapter of a very powerful story, which will run for some months. The illustrations in the *Gentlewoman* have now reached a perfection in softness and finish which was at one time obtained only by the American artists in black and white.

On the whole there is something of disappointment after reading these best-known Christmas numbers. There are so many weird tales of suicide and even of murder, while few breathe any of the hearty cheeriness of goodwill amongst men. Originality is a quality that the most tempting offers made by the shrewdest of editors, cannot actually produce, though the writers this year have strained almost painfully to give us grotesque stories and verses. The artists have succeeded as a body far better than the writers, which is, perhaps, as it should be, for many a dull room will be brightened by the Christmas pictures, both in our hospitals and our workhouses, and in far off tents and bungalows they will be hailed with delight and nailed up with pride and pleasure. Nevertheless, for myself, I look forward to the *Figaro Illustré* which, as a rule, teaches every home paper a lesson in the art of coloured illustration, and contains something perfectly finished in the letterpress.

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#### THE CHARTER OF THE EDINBURGH BURGESS GOLFING SOCIETY.

An interesting document, nearly one hundred years old, has only now been lodged at the Register House, Edinburgh, for registration and preservation. It is a seal of cause granted on July 2nd, 1800, by Sir James Stirling, Bart., who was then Lord Provost of Edinburgh, and the other members of the Town Council, in favour of the Edinburgh Burgess Golfing Society. The deed narrates that it proceeds on a petition by the Society, which had then existed as a club or society for upwards of twenty years, and had occasionally got the aid of the Town Council for preserving the Bruntsfield Links in a proper state for their favourite amusement of Golf, for which they have hitherto been and would always remain grateful to the community; that the Society had increased much since its institution, and new members were daily admitted. Their funds were also increasing, but not being a legal society or body corporate, in order to enable them to manage their funds and regulate their affairs with proper effect, the Town Council, on the petition by the Society, "grant a seal of cause constituting and erecting the club or society, and all others who shall hereafter enter with them, into one body politic and corporate, or legal incorporation, under the name and title of the Edinburgh Burgess Golfing Society," and as such and by that name and title to have a perpetual endurance and succession, so as to enable all office-bearers of the Society to hold property. The deed, it may be stated, is written on parchment, but, owing doubtless to the lapse of time, the ink is fading, and has become so faint in some places as almost to render the writing undecipherable. The registration is understood to have been effected in connection with certain negotiations by the club, at present on foot, for the acquisition of a Golf course.

The Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers had a similar charter. Both show how much Golf owes to the kindly patronage of the Edinburgh Corporation, which, in more recent times, has not only given the Braids course to Edinburgh players, but started a Golf club on its own account. Under the new Lord-Propost Macdonald, golfers may be sure that their privileges will be extended if possible.

PERTH LICENSED VICTUALLERS' CLUB.—The final round in the competition for the club cup took place on the North Inch on the 27th ult., between Messrs James Brow and R. Lawrence. The greens were in good condition. At the second hole going out Mr. Brow was 4 up and 8 to play. By careful putting Mr. Lawrence made the score equal, and taking the lead won the cup, being 3 up at the close of the game.

## Our Ladies' Letter.

DEAR LADY GOLFERS,—I have to thank many of you for your kindly appreciation of our efforts to meet your requirements, and for the assurance that my letters will be of assistance to you. You may be sure that I shall only draw your attention to such articles as I have proved to be satisfactory, and that my recommendation will not be given unless I have some experience to give it fair grounds.

As suitable blouses, or bodices for winter play, seem to be the chief question asked by my correspondents, these shall be my first consideration. Last week I paid a special visit to Mr. Peter Robinson to inquire into this item of a lady golfer's winter outfit as supplied by him. I first saw a variety of stockinette Norfolk jackets, or bodices, that are warm, flexible, and particularly neat. They can be obtained in black, navy, cardinal, grey or beige, and are moderately priced at 19s. 6d. Were there space for an illustration, I could convey a better idea of these capital garments, showing how neatly they are finished at the neck and wrists, and how business-like they look. I must add that they are lined throughout with fleecy. Another new jersey, just brought out by this energetic firm, is hand-knitted in the "fisherman stitch." Like the football jersey, this draws over the head, but has the advantage of opening on the shoulders, with small pearl buttons, so that the difficulty of struggling into the jersey is overcome. The full sleeves are drawn into a plain neat wristband, and are well finished at the neck. These jerseys are to be obtained in all colours for 12s. 9d. each. Having investigated these most thoroughly, I next saw a new Golf glove which Peter Robinson has brought out for winter wear. These are of soft doeskin, lined with silk, and are easily drawn on or off, and give full play to the wrists.

Many ladies at this time of the year are busy knitting stockings and socks as appropriate Christmas presents for their men-kind, and I am sure they will be glad to hear of the new Scotch Tartan Yarn invented recently by Messrs. Paton & Co., of Alloa, the well-known wool manufacturers. The wool is delightful for working and of great warmth when knitted, without being heavy, as over-dyed wool is. The colours of the following tartans are at present available, viz., Forbes, Gordon, Hunting Stuart, and Mackenzie, and no doubt other tartans will soon follow, for, once known, this charming wool will make itself universally popular. Some of you will, I know, be glad to hear of the new Rossmore Tweed Skirts, which may be obtained at Garrould's, in the Edgware Road, Hyde Park, made complete in a variety of lengths for 18s. 6d. With these skirts Garrould has designed some special Rossmore capes in checks of all mixtures, and furnished with hoods, which can be drawn up if required. These, having also an interwoven plaid lining, vary in price from 18s. 9d. to 42s. each. The Eidoron is a new cape furnished by Boyd & Co., 11, Bridge Street, Belfast. I have not yet had an opportunity of seeing one, so can give you no details, but, coming from so well-known a firm, the article is sure to be good.

The number of pretty things which I have lately seen as Christmas presents for Golfers must have a special letter to themselves, but I really must advise you to pay a visit to Edwards and Jones, 161, Regent Street. Here are some quite new paper weights made in dark green leather, with a club and ball in painted iron, forming a secure letter clip above. Also some charming Golf candlesticks in painted iron—a split ball forming the holder, supported on three clubs balanced *à la* musket.

Another novelty which will prove a very useful present to a golfer, is the new invention brought out by Donald Macpherson and Co., of the Manchester Colour Works, Knot Mill, Manchester. This is a neat Golf ball holder, made very simply of wires attached to a flat wooden board, which clip the ball and hold it for painting. The Foo-Chow paint accompanying this neat contrivance is the best for the purpose that I have ever tried, and is perfectly serviceable. This compact contrivance is well-named "The Golfer's Companion," for every golfer will on seeing it recognise its utility. I may add that the frame will hold three balls at a time and that a brush accompanies the

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tin of paint. The price, including one tin of Foo-Chow, is 2s. The Foo-Chow paint can be obtained in various tints for painting furniture, baths, screens, etc.; while the gold Foo-Chow can actually be used in painting on velvet.

#### ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

**PRIZE-GIVER.**—I intend to devote an entire letter to the subject of Golf prizes, cups, medals, etc. For the present let me advise you to visit The Goldsmiths and Silversmiths Company, Regent Street; and you might also take a peep at Mr. Thornhill's novelties in Bond Street. You can mention my name if you like.

**HON. SEC., LONDON.**—I am making inquiries for you about the red coats for your club, and have already obtained reasonable estimates from several good ladies' tailors. As you say twenty-four ladies will order coats, the estimates are made especially low. You can call with this letter on Mr. Scott Adie, Regent Street; on Messrs. Elvery and Co., 31, Conduit Street (who will show you the "waterproofers" you asked about), or on Mr. Burgess, of 1, New Burlington Street. The prices differ of course according to the material chosen, but you will find the prices very reasonable at any of these establishments.

Your sincere friend,  
LADY TATTLER.

#### PROFESSIONAL MATCH.

##### A. HERD v. H. VARDON.

On November 28th, the match between A. Herd, the professional of the Huddersfield Golf Club, and H. Vardon, the professional of the Bury (Lancashire) Club, was begun on the links of the Huddersfield Club, at Fixby, Huddersfield. The prizes are £16 and £4 respectively; for the winner and loser—the money subscribed by the members of the Huddersfield and Bury Golf Clubs. The start was made about a quarter to eleven o'clock in good weather. Herd took the honour. Both had good drives, and the hole was halved in 4. A stimie at the second hole gave Herd the hole in 4 to 5; at the third, Vardon had a bad lie, and a perfect 4 gave Herd the hole easily. He took the fourth and fifth, halved the sixth and seventh, and lost the eighth, and won the ninth, which left Herd 5 up at the turn—a very formidable lead. The second half produced much more equal play, though Herd was not so absolutely certain, and Vardon accordingly improved his form, with the result that by a beautiful 4 at the thirteenth, a better 3 at the fourteenth, and an equally good 4 in the fifteenth, he reduced Herd's lead to 2. Then Herd put in a couple of perfect 3's to the sixteenth and seventeenth, which brought up his lead again to 4, and a perfect half in 4 to the last hole, after Vardon had placed the ball rather badly beyond the green, left the Huddersfield player 4 up on the first eighteen holes. The second round of eighteen holes was commenced about half-past one. Herd gave a very good display, and Vardon showed up very much better, and at the stroke game came only one behind Herd, but lost three more holes on the round. Both players gave a fine exhibition of Golf, and made very few mistakes. Herd did not putt quite so well as in the first round, and Vardon putted better, but still Herd was able to give Vardon points on the green. Herd won the four halved holes in the first round and five in the second, and in most cases the holes were won by the odd stroke. A notable exception to this was at the ninth hole, where Vardon got down in 3 and Herd in 5; and another one was at the fifteenth, where Vardon got down in 4 and Herd in 7, Herd getting into the ditch, and taking two to get out. Herd did the first round in 75 and the second in 76, and Vardon completed the first round in 80 and the second in 77. Herd was 7 up on the day's play.

The second portion of the match was played on the links of the Bury Golf Club on Saturday, December 1st. The match was one of thirty-six holes over the Huddersfield course, and the same over the Bury course, the winner to receive £16 and the loser £4, the clubs providing the prizes. On Saturday morning there was a thick fog, and both players found it difficult to judge the distance. The green was in good order. Herd took 82 strokes to the first eighteen holes, but Vardon was 6 worse, and Herd was 3 up on the round. Better weather prevailed in the afternoon, and the play improved. Herd finally proved winner of the whole match by 12 up and 10 to play. A foursome was afterwards played, Messrs. H. Hilton and George Smith opposing Herd and Vardon. The amateurs led the way, and were dromy 1; but Herd, with a good putt at the last hole, halved the match.

**GREENOCK GOLF CLUB.**—On Monday, the Rev. John Young, Greenock, playing on the Greenock Golf course took the seventeenth hole in 1, the ball running into the hole from a drive from the tee.



#### CURE FOR STRAINED WRIST WANTED.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I should be glad if any of your readers could give me any information as to how to cure a hand and wrist strained from too much Golf. The injury is chiefly confined to the tendons of the thumb, near the wrist, in the left hand. I have tried complete rest from Golf for some time, and putting the hand and arm in splints, &c., but it has not had the desired effect. I suppose there are many others who have suffered in the same way, and I should be very grateful for any information from them on the subject.

I am, Sir, &c.,

T. B. BLATHWAYT.

#### ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

**RIGGLER.**—Yes, it may be removed from the putting-green as a loose impediment.

**IGNORAMUS.**—Play must not be suspended in such a competition for the reason you describe. By doing so the player has disqualified himself from winning the competition.

**ALPHA.**—If you mean, by "the absence of any record of number of strokes," the failure of a player to mark after each hole played the total number of strokes taken, as on a medal card, simply contenting himself with marking the *plus* or *minus* signs to indicate against "Bogey's" score the holes won or lost, we do not think that the card should be invalidated if properly attested. At the same time, the committee have a right to insist, as a check in the interest of the other competitors, and as a voucher of good faith, that each competitor shall follow the more generally accepted rule of recording the total to each hole, and then marking it with a *plus* or *minus* sign.

"A GOLFING SONG."—This is the title of a song, the words of which have been written by Mr. Harold Boulton, and the music adapted by Mr. Rowland Wood, published at 2s. by Messrs. J. B. Cramer & Co., 201, Regent Street, W. Mr. Boulton touches with grace, sympathy, and a certain light poetic charm on the salient virtues of the Royal and Ancient Game—"the whirr of the driver, the clang of the cleek," the wily putt, the breezy links, the trials of temper, nerve and skill. Knowing how a chorus is dearly beloved of golfers at convivial gatherings, Mr. Boulton has provided them with a rattling one of great swing, which protests to the "little white ball how I love thee, Driv'n from the top of a well-made tee." Mr. Rowland Wood has been admirably successful in wedding the words to a bright, tuneful air in C., which recalls the animation and sparkle of a fine old English ballad.

**VENTNOR GOLF CLUB.**—The final for the Waltham cup was played off, on December 1st, in glorious weather. Scores as under:—Mr. H. Mitchell, 115, less 11=104; Mr. H. J. Burt, 119, less 7=112; Mr. M. Huish, 132, less 17=115. Mr. Mitchell the winner, 18 holes.





An interesting variant in the way of Golf prizes at competitions has been designed by Mr. J. H. Roger, of the Bodega, Glasgow. It consists of a miniature reproduction of a bag of Golf clubs in gold and silver gilt, the design showing the clubs protruding out of the bag, and the shoulder strap folded up. It has a small ring by means of which it can be attached to the watch-chain, or, in the case of a lady golfer, a pin can be made so as to make the ornament a very handsome and characteristic brooch. The novelty has been registered by Messrs. G. Drummond & Co., jewellers, Buchanan Street, Glasgow. Mr. Roger is a golfer well-known in the West of Scotland, and the author of an interesting short approach game described in the last volume. The game consists in pitching balls at fixed distances over a net up to the hole, and is productive of much amusement as well as useful iron practice.

Mr. Roger tells a very good story of his first experience in learning the game half-a-dozen years ago. He was staying at North Berwick, and towards the gloaming of an evening he sauntered down to the first tee for a little quiet practice. He ran against a caddie of whom he inquired whether some Golf clubs could be got. "Ou, aye, I'll get ye clubs," said the caddie, and he disappeared for a few moments, to reappear with three or four clubs. "What'll ye gie me?" quoth the caddie, preparatory to the match. With unconscious humour and innocence, Mr. Roger replied, "A stroke a hole!" "Then ye'd better tee aff first," rejoined the cautious caddie, thinking, no doubt, he had foregathered with a greater than the Champion. Mr. Roger tee'd his ball, and played, but he missed the globe altogether. "I'm thinkin' I'd better gie ye a stroke a hole," commented the cautious, observant critic. "D'ye ken wha I am?" "No," said Mr. Roger. "Aweel, I'm Sandy Broom, the Champion!"

We should like to call attention to an advertisement in another column, suggesting the formation of a Golf club confined to the members of the medical profession. Considering the number of medical men, and the large proportion of students who have learnt to play a first-class game, the movement ought to meet with warm and hearty support. Is it not time that the clergy on both sides of the Border followed suit? The Kirk in Scotland has some very notable players, like the Rev. Mr. Proudfoot, of Haddington, the Rev. Mr. Patterson, of Perth, the Minister of Dirleton, and many others. The Church, united in Golf, would be a formidable opponent to disestablish, at any rate on the links.

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In a volume entitled "Clans of Scotland, their Tartans, Badges, and War Cries," is a small vignette on the title-page, which purports to be taken from a painting in Armadale Castle, Skye, of date 1750. It represents two youths, the younger dressed in tartan trews, addressing a Golf ball with a club, the elder in full Highland costume, with a gun in his hand; and a laudatory legend to the effect that such sports as Golf and the chase have bred in the bone and sinew of Scottish youth the highest physical qualities. Have any of our readers seen the original, or can they supply any information with regard to it?

Golf has taken a firm hold upon the people of Sligo. Every day votaries of the game may be seen wending their way towards Rosse's Point to play upon the excellent links there. Young and old of both sexes now sport their figures on the Greenlands, eager to learn the mysteries of this, to them, new and entrancing pastime. The support accorded to the formation of the County Sligo Golf Club has borne such good fruit that, within a month of its organisation, the council have been enabled to engage the services of a professional—a *protégé* of Ben Sayers of North Berwick. Already there are over 100 members in the club. It is stated that expert opinion has pronounced the links of the Sligo Club to be one of the finest natural greens in Ireland. Mr. H. Campbell Perry is the hon. secretary.

At the one hundred and twenty-eighth annual dinner of the York Gimcrack Club, held last week, interesting speeches on sport were made by the Solicitor-General (Mr. Lockwood), and by the Right Hon. James Lowther, M.P. The former, in proposing the "Jockey Club," made a reference to the recent agitation, and said, "Of this there was no doubt; it was legal in this country to make a bet; an Act of Parliament had declared so. There was a widespread mania for gambling which had had a bad effect on any sport, but it was as unreasonable to hold horse-racing responsible for all the evils of gambling, as to hold the Stock Exchange responsible for the system of bucket-shops." Mr. Lowther, in replying, referred to the Sporting League, which had been formed for the purpose of affording a bond of union, and a means of common action amongst all those who were interested in any sport, pastime, recreation, or amusement. "They had," he said, "at this moment to contend against a puritanical and hypocritical movement, which, unless it was sternly and vigorously contested, would do a vast deal of mischief."

The Home Secretary, in the course of a reply to a deputation who called attention to the evils arising from racing in connection with betting, let fall one remark which all persons ought seriously to consider. It had been suggested by the deputation, that all places where races took place should be under the jurisdiction of a local licensing authority. That appeared to him to be a very serious matter, and he pointed out that he could not stop racing, and that any amusement which drew numbers of persons together must obviously be considered in the same connection—football, cricket, cycling, Golf, or whatever amusement drew a number of persons together. There was a general principle by which sports and pastimes were regulated and controlled. Under the Jockey Club, the Marylebone Cricket Club, the Rugby Union, and the Football Association, the games and pastimes were controlled. He strongly deprecated, in the interest of sport and amusement, the surrender of their independence in those respects to any body of persons, however composed. Of all bodies which could be called into existence to interfere with their amusements, in his judgment a popularly-elected local body was pre-eminently the worst. The formation of a healthy public opinion was the true way in which any reform of sport should be effected. The League would bind together all who took an interest in the maintenance of the old traditional sports of this country.

Cricket has recently been making its voice heard in Scotland. Last week a number of gentlemen met to consider proposals for the popularising of the game by the institution of county

matches and the formation of an Edinburgh League. As the gentlemen present did not represent their clubs nothing definite could be done, but the subject is to come up again, when the matter will be put on a proper footing by the clubs whose authority is required. The Grange Cricket Club have also had a very successful bazaar. It has been quite the event of the season in Edinburgh, and the club will be able to maintain with dignity its premier position with such a handsome addition to its finances. Cricket, no doubt, suffers in popularity by the enthusiasm now abroad for Golf, as we have more than once noticed. But as regards the Grange bazaar many proofs were given that Golf had no jealousy of cricket. Parlour Golf, Golf club makers, and golfers all contributed to make the bazaar a success. Mr. A. G. G. Asher, the secretary of the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers, is one of the leading cricketers of the Grange Club, and to him and other well-known golfers who assisted in the work much of the cricket bazaar's success was no doubt due.

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When such kindly feelings exist between supporters of both games it is a pity to hear odious comparison made by those who have such functions as bazaar openers to discharge, though much latitude may be allowed on such occasions. Owing to the unfortunate absence of Mr. A. J. Balfour, M.P., the Rev. Dr. Whyte was called on to preside, and he no sooner opened his mouth than he "put his foot in it" by saying that, "good as Golf was, it was only second to cricket." Colonel Wauchope, who followed, did the same thing in even more absurd fashion. "He thought cricket was a finer game than Golf, and the reason no doubt was that he used to play cricket, but never could play Golf." Hereat there was much unrestrained hilarity; and no wonder. But the Colonel was honest. Most of the crying down of Golf comes from those who cannot play the game. It reminds one of Disraeli's definition of the critics as "those who have failed in literature and art." But the whole business of comparison between Golf and cricket or any other game is absurd. It is a good thing the Grange Bazaar did not suffer from such an inauspicious opening ceremony.

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*La Vie Cannoise*, of November 18th, quotes with satisfaction from our review of M. Mariassy's little volume, "Le Golf en Angleterre," on October 26th last. The same paper announces that M. Mariassy is preparing for publication, at the end of the year, a revised, enlarged, and illustrated edition of his book. A portrait of the Grand Duke Michael of Russia, president of the Cannes Golf Club, is to appear among the illustrations.

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The poems of the late R. F. Murray, the author of "The Scarlet Gown," have been published, with a sketch of the author's brief career, written in kindest sympathy by Mr. Andrew Lang. In this volume there are no such songs depreciatory of Golf and the Golf fever as were in "The Scarlet Gown"; but all who are interested in St. Andrews will read with curiosity Mr. Lang's account of one who clung intensely to the dear city as a home, and yet cared nothing for Golf.

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The Rev. William Rogers, Prebendary of St. Pauls' and rector of St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, well deserved the honour conferred upon him by so many friends of all classes and creeds, for whom the Prime Minister, Lord Rosebery, acted as spokesman, and presented Mr. Rogers with his portrait in oil by Mr. A. S. Cope, and a set of three massive silver bowls. The Prebendary was an Eton and Oxford man, to begin with, and a well-known Varsity oar, and he has always taken a keen interest in manly sports, although it is in the subject of education that he has won distinction for unwearied work. Up to a few years ago, when he met with a serious accident, he regularly rode to hounds. At the opening of Smith Street School, referring to the fact that disputes connected with economical and theological questions never came to any definite settlement, he wound up by saying, "Hang economy, hang theology; let us begin." The nickname, "Hang-theology Rogers," was then given, and to his disgust, has stuck to him till this day. Lord Rosebery

could not have pronounced a better eulogium on the genial Prebendary, whose seventy-fifth birthday so many friends met to celebrate than when he said:—"There is not a poor Jew in Houndsditch or in Petticoat Lane, whose face will not brighten when he sees you appear."

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Owing to damage done to windows in the neighbourhood by balls driven off the course, the Musselburgh authorities have made a new rule to the effect that players driving on to the road (defined as beyond the paling) must pay the penalty of two strokes, lift the ball, and drop it on to the green at a point opposite the place where it had been found. As this provision might improve the position of a ball at "Mrs. Forman's," where the green is immediately adjacent to the road, it was decided that the ball in that case must be dropped on the green at a point equi-distant from the hole with the spot where the ball was found.

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The proposal to enlarge the Musselburgh course seems to hang fire. If the authorities do not act now with a resolute determination to secure an extended course, they will be guilty of dereliction of duty. The eyes of all who wish well to Musselburgh are upon them, and if they let the matter slip they deserve to be called severely to account.

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The Headmastership of the new Bruntsfield School, Edinburgh, an appointment much coveted among the teaching profession in the district, has been given to Mr. John King, M.A., B.Sc., at present headmaster in South Morningside School. The school is one of the finest that has yet been built in the country, and Mr. King is to be congratulated on receiving the coveted post. He is one of the best golfers in Edinburgh, and has more than once carried the colours of the Teachers' Club to victory. As a teacher his fame is in all the schools, and the Edinburgh Board have chosen the best man for the post.

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The Annual of the Ladies' Golf Union has been issued. It contains a great deal of useful and interesting information to golfers of both persuasions, including a capital article on Lady Golfers, by the hon. treasurer of the Union, Miss Blanche Martin.

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Annan, a border town in Dumfries-shire, associated with the memories of Edward Irving and Thomas Carlyle, has not, hitherto, had a Golf course nearer than Clarencefield, which is nine miles from the town. This is to be remedied, and a course laid out on the Distillery Holms, provided that terms can be arranged with the tenant.

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Mr. Stuart Anderson's amateur record of 76 for the Balgownie course (Aberdeen) has been reduced by Mr. John M. Ferguson with the following score:—Out, 4 5 4 5 4 5 4 5 4=40; In, 4 5 4 4 4 3 3 4 4=35; total, 75. Archie Simpson, who is now at Balgownie, holds the professional record with 73.

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An attempt is being made by some anonymous correspondents in a local paper to get the Road Board to interfere against the new Luffness Club crossing the public highway in playing round their course. "The demon Golf," says one writer, "has driven our servant-girls and children off the commons, and now he is going to make it dangerous to walk along the road; and all that a neighbouring proprietor may make a high rent." It is rather late in the day to get up an agitation of this kind when the same thing has been going on at Gullane from time immemorial. Indeed, Golf at many places would have a poor chance if such agitations were got up successfully. Golfers have rights on public roads as well as other people, and Road Boards have plenty to do already without listening to such representations, got up for no good purpose, but just to cause mischief.



At a recent meeting of the Students' Association at Peterborough, Mr. H. M. Bell, who frequently contributes to our pages, gave an interesting lecture on the objects of Arctic Exploration. Franklin, whose work received full treatment, was, it appears, born at Spilsby, and was sent to school at St. Ives.

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Peter Lees, greenkeeper at the Braids, has been appointed keeper of the new Barnton Course of the Edinburgh Burgess Societv. Messrs. Dicksons & Co., one of the partners of which firm, Mr. Welsh, is an enthusiastic golfer have been entrusted with the laying out of the course, and Mr. Morris, contractor, a member of the club, is to superintend the work. A considerable number of new members have been added to the club since the Barnton Course was taken up, among recent entries being the name of Mr. Robert Valentine-Hagart, a golfer well-known on the links of Luffness and Gullane.

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Miss Andrews, Tunbridge Wells, writes:—"Would it be possible in your accounts of matches to give some idea of the distance of the different links, and number of holes. The Folkestone Ladies play thirteen holes of the long links with short tees; and as now reported several medal returns are most misleading to many of your readers. If each club would just state about the number of yards and holes, it would be a help." It is purely a question for hon. secretaries to consider. We think the suggestion a good one, and we shall co-operate heartily in giving the returns in this form if they are sent in.

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We are requested to state that Mr. R. A. Collingwood, who was formerly hon. secretary of the Royal County Golf Club, Portrush, has been appointed secretary and treasurer to the Eltham Golf Club, in succession to Mr. James C. Montgomerie, who is going to fill a similar post at the Mid-Surrey Golf Club, Richmond.

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A professional match between Peter Paxton, of Tooting, and Rowe, of Forest Row, will be played at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning, over the ground of the Sydenham Hill Golf Club, to inaugurate the opening of the pavilion.

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The Royal Hotel, Hoylake, was on Saturday last the scene of a very pleasant function, the occasion being a complimentary dinner given by some of the leading members of the Royal Liverpool Golf Club to their late honorary secretary, Mr. Thomas Owen Potter. Between sixty and seventy members were present, and, in the unavoidable absence of the captain, Mr. Horace Hutchinson, the chair was taken by Mr. T. Leslie Ferguson, who, during the evening, presented Mr. Potter with a very handsome gold repeater watch, and a cheque for a substantial amount subscribed for by 274 members of the club, as a slight recognition of the great services rendered during the thirteen years of his honorary secretaryship. The toast of "The Guest" was received with great enthusiasm, and the pleasures of the evening were greatly enhanced by the vocal contributions of several of the "hosts."

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A new club called the Merrylea has been formed in Glasgow, and a course laid out on the farm of Merrylea, near Langside Station on the Cathcart District Railway. The course is a nine-hole one, and the hazards are chiefly hedges. The members are, meantime, playing on temporary greens, and it is expected that the permanent greens will be ready in February or March.

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WEAPONS OF WAR.—The *Gold Fields News* has the following amusing paragraph, recording a difficulty recently met with by the Barberton Golf Club (Natal):—"Owing to the non-arrival of a quantity of clubs, the great majority of the members of the Barberton Golf Club are unable to 'go the round,' with the result, also, that the formal opening of the club has

been delayed. The reason of the non-arrival of the sundry drivers and cleeks has, however, at last been explained. It appears that the Portuguese authorities, on inspecting the parcel, came to the conclusion that these Golf clubs were weapons of war, and the enthusiasm of a Delagoa Scotsman, when he caught sight of the relics of St. Andrews, completely confirmed the idea of the Dons that there was even more in that parcel than met the eye. Not only, therefore, will many Barberton Golf players sigh in vain meanwhile for a 'round o' the links,' but the president of the club—our worthy Landdrost—and the other responsible officials have, we are afraid, laid themselves open to a very serious charge of aiding and abetting the importation of munitions of war into a friendly State."

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The members of the Golfers' Club, Whitehall Court, spent a joyous evening on St. Andrew's day, when a special musical house dinner was held. The music was supplied by an excellent string band, and several vocalists sang, with admirable taste and expression, a number of songs. Altogether, a most enjoyable evening was spent. We are glad to hear that the membership of the club is increasing in a very satisfactory manner. The club supplies a decided want felt by London and Provincial golfers, and, during the first year of its existence its success has been conspicuous and gratifying.

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#### WEST CORNWALL GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, November 24th, the final of the autumn series of medal competitions was played off, with the following result:—Mr. R. F. Tyacke, 89, less 13=76; Mr. C. R. D. Carter, 113, less 28=85; Mr. E. C. Bridges, 97, less 6=91; Mr. T. A. Lang, 96, less 4=92; Mr. W. L. Fox, 107, less 14=93.

On Saturday, December 1st, the winners in the above series played for the half-yearly prize; but of the eleven qualified only seven were able to compete in what will be the last club competition over the old nine-hole course, twice round. The result was as follows:—Mr. Robert Fox, 96, less 16=80; Mr. H. B. Fox, 91, less 2=89; Major Mansel, 104, less 13=91; Mr. T. A. Lang, 99, less 4=95; Mr. G. Gow, 107, less 11=96; Mr. R. F. Tyacke, 110, less 3=107; Mr. C. R. D. Carter, 135, less 27=108.

The Fox medal, "for the best aggregate score of any six competitions out of the twelve monthly handicaps (eighteen holes each) played in the year," has been won by Mr. T. A. Lang, with a score of 605 for the 108 holes.

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#### CITY LIBERAL CLUB.

By the courtesy of the Richmond Golf Club, a competition was held over their course at Sudbrook Park on November 27th, open to members of the City Liberal Club, for the handsome shield presented by Mr. J. Newton Mappin. There were twenty-six entrants, and twenty put in an appearance, the honours resting with Mr. C. W. Link, who won the shield and gold memento with 2 up to "Colonel Bogey," and Mr. J. M. Henderson and Mr. G. P. Cox, who tied for second prize with 2 down. Mr. Link played the very fine round of 89, with a handicap of 18 strokes.

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GLASGOW CLUB.—The usual monthly medal competition took place on Saturday at Alexandra Park. The following were the principal scores:—Club medal (first class), Mr. R. R. Allan, 81, less 5=76; Mr. J. B. Duff, 81, less 5=76; Mr. A. Boyd, 81, less 4=77; Mr. H. Duncan, 82, less 5=77; Mr. J. Hamilton, 83, less 6=77; Mr. A. V. Lothian, 81, less 3=78; Mr. J. H. Millar, 84, less 6=78. The monthly competition for the Risk, Wilson and Scott medals took place over the links of the Glasgow Golf Club at Gables on Saturday. On the cards being handed in, Mr. J. M. Gray, who started scratch, was found winner with a net score of 83. Appended are the principal scores made.—First class (Risk medal)—Mr. J. M. Gray (winner), (scr.) 83; Mr. W. R. Wilson, 90, less 6=84; Mr. David Sinclair, 90, less 6=84. Second class (Wilson medal)—Mr. John Stewart (winner) 87, less 7=80; Mr. Alexander Walker, 91, less 9=82; Mr. J. M. Lamont, 94, less 12=82. Third class (Scott medal)—Mr. Alex. Miller, jun., 100, less 16=84; Mr. R. Shaw, 98, less 13=85; Mr. A. Lindsay, 104, less 17=87.



ABERDEEN.

ABERDEEN CLUB.—The members of this club held their usual monthly competition for the scratch medal and Storie cup (handicap), over Balgowrie links on Saturday, December 1st. The day was fine, but the greens difficult owing to the frost. At the close of the competition, it was found that Mr. J. M. Ferguson had won both prizes, with a score of 78. The following are a few of the lowest scores handed in:—Mr. J. M. Ferguson (scratch), 78; Colonel Boyes, 86, less 5=81; Mr. A. Martineau, 89, less 7=82; Mr. James Moir, 93, less 6=87; Mr. H. J. Jopp, 97, less 10=87; Mr. W. F. Orr, (scratch), 88; Mr. M. H. Mackie, 95, less 7=88; Mr. Joseph Ogilvie, 99, less 8=91.

ALDEBURGH GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, 1st December, and won by Mr. F. D. Bright, Messrs. J. B. Pettit and Jno. Fry having won the medal on a previous occasion this year. Scores as under:—Mr. J. B. Pettit, 81, plus 2=83; Mr. John Fry, 103, less 17=86; Mr. F. D. Bright, 104, less 17=87; Mr. A. F. Stewart, 102, less 9=93; Mr. E. J. Cheney, 102, less 6=96. No returns from Messrs. Alec. Key, John Sherwood, and C. E. Pearson.

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

A larger number of members competed for the medals on Saturday, December 1st, than for some time past, and the weather was more like June than December, in spite of the white frost and slight fog in the early morning. The course and putting-greens are in almost perfect condition. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Miss E. B. Curteis	74 +3 77	Mrs. C. Green	94 3 91
Miss J. Curteis	97 17 80	Miss Collins	109 18 91
Miss M. Parsons	98 14 84	Miss Playford	121 30 91
Miss G. Morgan	101 17 84	Miss Moor	106 14 92
†Miss Holland	114 30 84	Miss A. Scott	111 18 93
Miss Andrews	88 2 86	Miss Skipwith	128 30 98
Mrs. S. Russell	106 18 88	Miss E. S. Reade	99 } not
Mrs. S. Whitfield	100 11 89	Miss C. Reade	105 } hc'pd.
Miss E. Banister	118 28 90	Miss Malden	128
Miss Birch	92 1 91		

\* Gold medal and Greenhall scratch.  
† Silver cup for handicaps over 20.

Mrs. Gordon and Mrs. Peckham over 100 net.

BENTLEY-GREEN GOLF CLUB.

The following is the result of the foursome competition for a prize kindly presented by Capt. Hon. H. W. Mansfield, 22nd Hussars, which was played off between the 22nd and 29th November inclusive. The conditions were handicap, the partners being drawn for. There were some capital matches in the first two rounds, but, as was fully anticipated, Lieut.-Col. W. R. Housion-Craufurd and Mr. J. C. Peache ultimately won somewhat easily:—

First round.—Mr. H. H. Morgan-Brown and Capt. C. H. W. Donovan a bye; Mr. E. H. E. Morgan and Surg.-Major Johnston (2) beat Capt. L. P. Ditmas and Capt. C. S. Keith, 1 up; Lieut.-Col. F. S. Openshaw and Major W. M. Skinner, R.E. (4), beat Mr. C. H. Morton and Capt. E. O. Smith, 3 up and 2 to play; Lieut.-Col. W. R. Housion-Craufurd and Mr. J. C. Peache beat Lieut.-Col. W. T. McLeod and Mr. R. S. Standen (4), 1 up.

Second round.—Mr. H. H. Morgan-Brown and Capt. C. H. W. Donovan beat Mr. E. H. E. Morgan and Surg.-Major Johnston (1) 1 up; Lieut.-Col. W. R. Housion-Craufurd and Mr. J. C. Peache beat Lieut.-Col. F. S. Openshaw and Major Skinner (7), 4 up and 3 to play.

Final round.—Lieut.-Col. W. R. Housion-Craufurd and Mr. J. C. Peache beat Mr. H. H. Morgan-Brown and Capt. C. H. W. Donovan (4), 4 up and 3 to play.

The monthly handicap competition took place on Thursday, November 29th, with the following result:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. H. Morton	92 7 85	Capt. C. H. W. Donovan	111 20 91
Mr. E. H. E. Morgan	98 9 89	Major G. R. B. Pat-ten	114 20 94
Lieut.-Colonel J. E. Harden	109 20 89	Capt. C. S. Keith	115 20 95
Capt. L. P. Ditmas	105 15 90	Col. W. Merriman	114 18 96
Lieut.-Col. W. R. Housion-Crawford	98 7 91	Capt. E. O. Smith	117 20 97
Lieut.-Col. W. T. McLeod	102 11 91	Mr. R. S. Standen	117 18 99
		Mr. R. W. Caldwell	124 22 102
		Mr. J. C. Peache	119 12 107

Lieut.-Col. F. S. Openshaw no return.

BEVERLEY AND EAST RIDING GOLF CLUB.

Handicap matches of eighteen holes were played on November 28th, by the members of this club for the monthly badges. The senior badge was won by Mr. E. Hodgson, with a net score of 82, and the junior badge by Mr. C. N. Jackson, with a net score of 86.

The following were the scores made, viz.:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. E. Hodgson	92 10 82	Capt. Maunsell	102 11 91
Col. Hallowes	98 14 84	Capt. Ogle	108 15 93
Major Ward	101 16 85	Mr. H. St. J. Payne	112 18 94
Dr. Savege	104 16 88	Mr. G. A. Robinson	110 14 96
Mr. G. Ford	101 11 90	Dr. Macleod	112 16 96

Junior badge:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. U. Jackson	106 20 86	Mr. R. S. Stevelly	120 23 97
Mr. J. L. J. Clarke	118 25 93	Mr. J. H. Hobson	118 20 98
Mr. W. Croskill	120 25 95	Mr. F. Bond	137 25 112
Rev. J. A. Richardson	116 20 96		

BEXHILL GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Wednesday, November 21st, when fourteen competitors turned out. The links were still very soft from the recent rains. The following sent in returns:—Mr. J. H. Lansdell, 103, less 24=79; Dr. Garrard, 90 less 10=80; Dr. McDougall, 104, less 22=82; Mr. W. G. Macgregor, 97, less 8=89; Mr. J. H. Escolme, 101, less 12=89; Mr. D. H. Benwell, 111, less 20=91; Mr. W. G. Carpenter, 127, less 24=103.

BIRKDALE GOLF CLUB.

The second competition for the first and second class medals took place on Saturday on the links of the Birkdale Golf Club, good fields going round in dull weather. Chief scores:—

First class—Mr. C. A. Colman, 101, less 18=83; Mr. G. D. S. Crowther, 86, plus 3=89; Mr. J. S. Remer, 107, less 18=89; Mr. F. W. H. Campbell, 100, less 10=90; Mr. W. Thompson, 111, less 14=97; Mr. W. D. S. Crowther, 116, less 15=101.

Second class—Dr. Corkhill, 98, less 25=73; Mr. E. H. Sheldon, 117, less 25=92; Mr. F. W. Prier, 118, less 26=92; Mr. F. Hayes, 123, less 30=93; Mr. W. H. Hayes, 123, less 23=97; Mr. A. Gil-mour, 122, less 25=97; Mr. R. Jones, 119, less 22=97; Mr. T. N. Leighton, 123, less 26=97.

Mr. C. A. Colman won the first sweepstake, and Messrs. G. D. S. Crowther and J. S. Remer divided the second.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE GOLF CLUB.

The Berens monthly medal was played for on December 1st in fine weather, with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. W. Keen	91 8 83	Col. Hough	110 22 88
*Mr. A. C. Wooley	95 12 83	Mr. W. H. Abbey	111 18 93
Capt. Maitland	102 18 84	Mr. S. A. Boulton	106 10 96
Mr. F. H. Cripps	100 14 86	Major Dudgeon	114 18 96
Dr. Bruce Goff	88 scr. 88		

\* Tied.

Thirty-six starters.

BURNHAM GOLF CLUB.

Result of monthly medal competitions played on November 27th:—Rev. T. Crump, 92, less 8=84 (gold medal); Canon Kennard, 103, less 18=85; Mr. W. Stoate, 106, less 19=87 (silver medal); Mr. T. W. Colthurst (scratch), 89; Major S. M. Gully, 107, less 15=92; Mr. F. J. Clark, 110, less 18=92; Rev. G. Eden Peake, 114, less 18=96. Several other players were over 100 net, or made no return.



**BOWDON GOLF CLUB.**

The final for the gold medal was played on the links of this club at Dunham Village, on Saturday, December 1st. The course throughout was very soft and sticky, and the putting-greens were most difficult. The weather, although fine, was very foggy, and so dark that it was almost impossible to judge distances accurately. Under these adverse circumstances Mr. M. Withington's gross score of 87 was a remarkably fine one, and would have landed him an easy winner even without the allowance of 3 strokes which he received under the special handicap. All the five winners of the preliminary monthly contests competed, and the scores of those who returned cards are appended:—Mr. M. Withington, 87, less 3=84; Mr. C. W. Dudley, 100, less 10=90; Mr. S. W. Gillett, 99, less 5=94; Mr. H. Holden (scratch), 96. Rev. Wilson Cowie made no return.

**CHELTENHAM GOLF CLUB.**

The competition for the Ladies' medal took place on Friday, November 23rd, on the links at Cleeve Hill, over a course of fifteen holes. Morning very foggy. Miss C. L. Pearce, with a net score of 95, won the medal:—Miss C. L. Pearce, 115, less 20=95; Miss M. Johnson, 102, less 5=97; Mrs. C. W. Aylmer, scratch, 100; Miss Campbell, 118, less 15=103; Miss J. L. Griffiths, 126, less 23=103; Miss Bateman Champain, 110, less 5=105; Miss Leighton, 114, less 8=106. Miss Healing, Miss E. E. Peace, Miss A. Bateman Champain, Miss Johnson, Miss Rawlinson, Miss Tuke, Miss Maitland Reid, no returns.

The competition for the monthly medals took place on the links at Cleeve-Hill on Saturday, November 24th, Mr. C. Tillard won the senior medal with a net score of 86. Captain H. H. A. Littledale, the junior medal with a net score of 87.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. Tillard ...	90 4 86	Mr. W. Bell Haworth	117 25 92
Capt. H. A. Littledale ...	112 25 87	Mr. G. W. Goodeve	107 14 93
Mr. A. E. Baker ...	103 15 88	Gen. R.D. Campbell	113 20 93
Mr. H. E. Rose ...	102 12 90	Mr. George Chester	123 30 93
Mr. F. D. Longe ...	107 16 91	Mr. F. W. Hayward	
Mr. W. Jopp ...	113 22 91	Butt ...	104 9 95
Mr. Mascie Taylor ...	104 12 92	Mr. H. C. Harrison	115 20 95
Rev. W. D. Challice	105 13 92	Mr. W. M. Baker ...	106 10 96
		Rev. F. W. Berry ...	121 24 97

Mr. J. G. Baker, Mr. W. R. Porcher, Mr. H. E. C. Braddell, Mr. A. A. Chester, Mr. G. H. Logan, Mr. W. G. Johnson, Mr. Jenner Davies, Mr. Cuthbert Jones, Dr. A. E. Dyer, Mr. H. C. Taylor, Col. A. Hume, Mr. G. O. Trower, Mr. H. Lee, Mr. E. Meyricke, Mr. O. J. Williams, Mr. J. L. Tickell, Mr. S. P. Ryland, Mr. L. W. Rees, Mr. E. L. Bayliss, Mr. A. A. Bourne, Mr. W. S. Macgowan, Mr. E. A. Bennett, no returns, or over 100 net.

**CLEVELAND GOLF CLUB.**

The monthly qualifying competition for the Ridley trophy was played on Friday and Saturday, November 23rd and 24th, over the links at Coatham. There was no wind on either day, but a drizzling rain on Saturday and bad light proved fatal to most of the competitors. The winner was Mr. Huddart. The cards sent in were as follows:—

	Hcp.	Up.	Down.	Result.
Mr. W. Huddart ...	...	11	7	7 Square
Rev. W. E. Flowers ...	...	19	6	8 2 down
Mr. T. Cradock ...	...	5	4	6 2 down
Mr. H. Smurthwaite ...	...	10	5	8 3 down
Hon. G. E. Lascelles ...	...	13	5	9 4 down
Mr. C. E. Scott ...	...	5	4	8 4 down

The other competitors made no return.

**DIDSBURY GOLF CLUB.**

The third round for a prize presented by Mr. R. G. Adamson for six monthly competitions during the winter, was played on Saturday. The weather was heavy and damp, and the ground not in the best condition. In spite of this Mr. J. W. Hulse put in an excellent score of 84 gross, which is the amateur record in a competition. The course, also, may be considered more difficult than even before, some slight changes in the greens having tended to lengthen several holes, and the new greens are not yet in a good condition to put on. Mr. Hulse deserves great credit for the win in. The hon. secretary, Mr. J. G. Fleming, took the second sweep with 92 gross. The following members returned cards under 90 net. Some twenty-five members competed:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. W. Hulse ...	84 10 74	Mr. C. W. Foster ...	105 18 87
Mr. J. G. Fleming ...	92 14 78	Mr. F. H. Overmann	103 15 88
Mr. C. J. Turner ...	94 14 80	Mr. H. R. Coubrough	97 8 89
Mr. W. Cownie ...	94 13 81	Mr. W. C. Adamson	97 8 89
Mr. R. G. Adamson	96 9 87	Mr. A. Galbraith ...	104 14 90

**FELIXSTOWE GOLF CLUB.**

The ninth competition for the monthly challenge cup was played on 24th November, and resulted as follows:—Mr. C. A. W. Cameron, 87, less 4=83; Mr. W. O. S. Pell, 87, plus 1=88; Mr. J. E. Faithfull, 91, less 3=88; Rev. M. Washington, 102, less 12=90; Mr. C. T. Fox, 103, less 13=90; Mr. J. D. Cobbold, 99, less 7=92; Mr. G. R. Quilter, 98, less 3=95. No more cards returned.

**FINCHLEY GOLF CLUB.**

Monthly medal and captain's prize, December 1st:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. E. L. Milner-Barry ...	99 10 89	Mr. W. Howe ...	114 20 94
Mr. J. W. James ...	98 7 91	Mr. W. G. MacGregor ...	106 10 96
Mr. H. B. Wimbush	102 10 92	Mr. A. MacGregor	110 14 96
Mr. J. M. McGregor	102 9 93	Mr. F. H. Swinstead	107 10 97
Mr. John Heal ...	113 20 92		

Others over 100 net or no returns.

**FORFARSHIRE.**

The concluding competition for the season of the Monifieth Club took place on Saturday, December 1st, in splendid weather. For the gold medal presented by Mr. Robert Mudie, West Ferry, two splendid scores were handed in, Messrs. George Wright and William Still being equal, at 77 strokes. The handicap medal of the club was won by Mr. William Ross, who came in 11 below his average. The aggregate medals presented by Mr. David Anderson, The Grange, to each of the three classes, for the best aggregate of four out of five rounds played during the season, were gained as follows:—First class, Mr. George Wright, 85, 78, 73, and 77, being an average of 78½; second class, Mr. Robert D. Smith, 92, 83, 85, and 89, average 87¼; third class, Mr. Thomas Douglas, 105, 96, 93, and 91, average 96¼. The annual supper took place in the evening.

**GLAMORGANSHIRE GOLF CLUB.**

The monthly medal competition was held at Penarth on Saturday, November 24th, with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. P. Hagarty ...	103 16 87	Dr. Rogers ...	115 18 97
†Mr. J. Hunter ...	95 4 94	Mr. G. A. Woods ...	120 19 101
‡Mr. C. B. Stoddart	99 5 94	Mr. C. Ward ...	130 25 105
Mr. A. M. Ingledew	109 13 96	Mr. W. H. M. Tucker	116 9 107
Mr. A. B. Sumner ...	114 18 96	Mr. R. H. Rickards	125 16 109

\* Winner of medal and two-thirds of sweepstake.

† Divided one-third of sweepstake.

No returns from several others.

**HUNSTANTON GOLF CLUB.**

Monthly medal, December 3rd. Played in perfect weather, but the scores were not so good as might have been expected. Some of the greens are being relaid, and the temporary substitutes are somewhat rough. Won by Mr. J. C. Morgan-Brown, with a score of 103, less 6=97; Mr. E. Dawburn being second with 125, less 26=99.

**KETTERING v. UPPINGHAM.**

Played at Kettering, Saturday, December 1st:—

KETTERING.		Holes.	UPPINGHAM.		Holes.
Mr. N. Dawson ...	...	3	Mr. G. Martineau ...	...	0
Mr. C. Saunders ...	...	3	Mr. R. N. Douglas ...	...	0
Mr. W. Meadows ...	...	7	Mr. A. C. Taylor ...	...	0
Mr. R. B. Wallis ...	...	3	Mr. A. F. Mullins ...	...	0
Mr. R. Abbott ...	...	6	Rev. F. C. Raven ...	...	0
Mr. F. Mobbs ...	...	7	Mr. H. Maynard ...	...	0
Mr. A. H. Bryan ...	...	7	Mr. S. W. S. Carey ...	...	0
Mr. J. P. Roughton ...	...	6	Mr. W. H. Power ...	...	0
Mr. C. W. Stringer ...	...	0	Rev. R. Waltham ...	...	4
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**MACCLESFIELD GOLF CLUB.**

The third monthly competition for the president's challenge cup, played on Saturday last, resulted in a tie for the first place between Dr. Sheldon and Mr. Ramm, with a net score of 85, Captain Haines coming in second with 88. Scores:—Dr. Sheldon, 100, less 15=85; Mr. A. Ramm, 100, less 15=85; Captain Haines, 106, less 18=88; Mr. J. W. Burgess, 103, less 14=89; Rev. D. Wilmot, 117, less 28=89; Rev. J. Fodd Ferrier, 126, less 36=90; Mr. G. H. Kessler, 124, less 30=94; Mr. E. Wright, 124, less 30=94; Mr. S. Adthead, 125, less 28=97; Mr. F. Tylecote, 110, less 11=99. Four cards withheld.

MINCHINHAMPTON GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal meeting of this club took place last Saturday. The following are the scores. Gentlemen:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. H. H. Stephens	104	25	79	Mr. G. Sotheron-	
†Mr. E. B. Haygarth	98	16	82	Estcourt ...	109 18 91
Mr. H. A. Armitage	108	25	83	Rev. G. M. Scott ...	116 25 91
Mr. F. W. Storry ...	109	25	84	Mr. T. Graham-	
Mr. E. N. Wittchell	107	22	85	Smith ...	112 20 92

\* Junior medal. † Senior medal.

The following gentlemen made no returns:—Messrs. J. H. Bryan, A. R. Davies, H. Guise, F. Metford, A. E. Smith, and P. J. Trouncer.

Ladies:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mrs. Leslie ...	93	7	86	Miss V. Chambers...	117 21 96
†Miss E. Gwynne ...	115	24	91	Miss S. Kitcat ...	116 18 98
Miss Blenkin ...	114	20	94	Miss E. Stanton ...	124 25 99

\* Senior medal. † Junior medal.

The following ladies' scores exceeded 100:—Mrs. Henry, Miss E. Davies, Miss McQuade, and Miss Woollwright. Miss Johnstone made no return.

NORTHWOOD GOLF CLUB.

The final of the Edwards cup competition took place on Saturday November 24th, between Mr. W. L. Mansergh—a rapidly improving player—and Mr. A. W. Soames. The latter, who was in receipt of 2, was 1 up at the turn, but at the fourteenth hole Mr. Mansergh led by 3 holes, and he ultimately gained possession of the cup by 2 up and 1 to play. Thirty-four members entered. Final round.—Mr. W. L. Mansergh (8) beat Mr. A. W. Soames (10), by 2 up and 1 to play.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

Competition for the club challenge cup (scratch) and the St. Andrews cross (handicap, limited to 18). Played on Wednesday, November 28th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. H. G. B. Ellis	75	3	72	Mr. C. W. W. Sur-	
Mr. M. Fleming ...	95	18	77	ridge ...	88 6 82
Mr. R. H. Mitchell.	78	scr.	78	Mr. R. W. Macan ...	90 8 82
Mr. P. A. Lushington	...	81	3	Mr. H. L. Havers ...	93 11 82
Mr. R. Marett ...	92	14	78	Mr. K. Cobb ...	93 10 83
Mr. A. B. Sanders ...	84	4	80	Mr. R. B. R. Mair.	84 scr. 84
Mr. J. H. Richardson	...	87	6	Mr. A. S. Leslie ...	103 18 85
son ...	87	6	81	Mr. G. B. Grundy...	89 3 86
Mr. G. C. Montagu.	92	11	81	Mr. F. H. Hall ...	97 11 86

\* Cup and St. Andrew's cross.

Twenty-four entries.

Weekly handicap, Friday, November 30th. First class:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. R. H. Mitchell	74	scr.	74	Mr. R. W. W. Hender-	
Mr. G. W. Goodeve	80	6	74	son ...	83 5 78
Mr. H. G. B. Ellis...	75	scr.	75	Mr. P. A. Lushington	82 3 79
Mr. R. W. Macan...	85	8	77	Mr. H. Nicholls ...	83 4 79
Mr. T. Ranken ...	81	3	78	Mr. G. B. Grundy...	87 3 84

Second class.—Mr. A. E. C. Lane, 102, less 24=78; Mr. J. A. Smith, 96, less 15=81; Mr. C. A. Clarke, 100, less 18=82; Mr. E. Y. Orlebar, 107, less 24=83; Mr. D. H. Meggy, 103, less 15=88.

Twenty-five entries. No returns from the rest.

PALACE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The first competition took place on Saturday, November 24th, for a prize (a handsome gold bangle with diamond and sapphire heart), presented by Miss Buckley. The prize is to be won by the member returning the lowest aggregate net score for three competitions out of six. The result of the first day's play was as follows:—Miss L. Cheetham, 73, plus 1=74; Miss F. Coney, 78, less 3=75; Miss Mayall, 87, less 12=75; Miss Morris, 94, less 18=76; Miss Mackenzie, 109, less 27=82; Miss Coney, 107, less 22=85; Mrs. Wright, 93, less 7=86; Mrs. Smyth, 113, less 24=89. Other players were either over 100 net, or made no return.

The second competition for General Anderson's prize took place on Saturday, December 1st. Result:—Miss M. G. Cheetham (scratch), 75; Miss Mayall, 91, less 11=80; Miss F. Coney, 84, less 3=81; Mrs. Wright, 93, less 7=86. Other players were either over 100 net, or made no return.

CHISLEHURST GOLF CLUB.—The monthly medal was competed for on Saturday, November 24th, and was won by Mr. S. C. Van-de-Linde. The greens throughout were in splendid condition.

PRINCE'S LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The tie for the scratch competition for a set of clubs presented by Messrs. Dunn Brothers, was decided on Friday, and resulted in Miss Pascoe doing the round in 84, against Mrs. Cameron's 91, Miss Pascoe winning by 7 strokes.

REDHILL AND REIGATE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition against "Bogey" on Saturday, December 1st, resulted as under:—Mr. C. W. Link (13), 1 down; Mr. C. L. Reade (4), 4 down; Mr. J. S. Miller (14), 5 down; Mr. L. Horner (1), 7 down; Mr. J. F. Gordon (11), 8 down; Rev. R. J. Woodhouse (12), 8 down; Mr. J. H. Bland (18), 8 down; Mr. F. Link (13), 9 down. Remainder 10 down, or no returns.

ROMFORD GOLF CLUB.

The third round for the captain's prize with club prize, was played on Saturday, November 24th; low scoring was made very difficult owing to the very wet weather:—Mr. E. A. Hume, 98, less 6=92; Mr. J. J. Read, 101, less 6=95; Mr. C. C. Knowles, 113, less 15=98; Mr. E. Baxter, 112, less 12=100; Mr. D. Hill, 125, less 25=100. Others over 100 or made no returns.

Monthly cross, played on Thursday, November 29th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mrs. J. J. Read ...	71	4	67	Mrs. D. Womersley	100 18 82
Miss W. Hill ...	80	8	72	Miss D. Sperling ...	100 16 84
Mrs. D. Hill ...	97	20	77	Miss M. Green ...	110 20 90
Mrs. A. W. Ramsay	97	18	79	Miss M. Fraser ...	101 6 95

ROYAL ASHDOWN FOREST GOLF CLUB.

There was a good attendance at the monthly meeting, November 24th, though the following were the only returns made:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Col. Hon. C. G. Gathorne-Hardy	94	17	77	Mr. C. L. Reade ...	92 4 88
Rev. A. T. Scott ...	85	6	79	Mr. A. F. White ...	102 13 89
†Mr. A. Lubbock ...	84	3	81	Mr. F. Hessenberg	109 20 89
Mr. J. F. Gordon ...	95	12	83	Mr. T. Hyde ...	91 1 90
Mr. C. Bigwood ...	92	8	84	Mr. H. A. Curteis...	92 1 91
Mr. S. McCalmont-	...	96	12	Mr. E. Noel ...	112 21 91
Hill ...	...	96	12	Mr. C. A. Ashton ...	105 13 92
Rev. C. C. Wood-	...	90	5	Mr. Leonard An-	...
land ...	...	90	5	drews ...	110 18 92
Mr. J. Bigwood,	...	104	18	Mr. H. Lazenby ...	107 13 94
M.P. ...	...	104	18	Mr. F. Scrutton ..	111 15 96

\* Monthly medal.

† Yewhurst gold clubs.

ROYAL CROMER GOLF CLUB.

Club monthly medal played for on Thursday, November 29th. Weather favourable. Mr. G. P. Elwes won the medal with 89, less 7=82, and also first in the optional sweepstake, Mr. P. M. Lucas taking second. Scores:—Mr. G. P. Elwes, 89, less 7=82; Mr. E. C. Homer, 113, less 25=88; Mr. P. M. Lucas, 88, plus 2=90; Mr. R. N. Fenner, 101, less 10=91; Mr. R. W. Ketton, 100, less 6=94; Dr. McClure, 114, less 20=94; Mr. G. L. Charlesworth, 104, less 9=95. Nine players made no returns.

ROYAL GUERNSEY GOLF CLUB.

Result of November gold badge, played November 29th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. T. S. Dobrée...	92	12	80	Mr. C. F. Crewe ...	106 17 89
Mr. H. Maclean...	94	12	82	Mr. R. J. Bainbrigg	108 18 90
Mr. F. A. Fraser ...	106	23	83	Major C. E. Wright.	116 25 90
Lt.-Gen. N. Steven-	...	95	11	Mr. A. W. Stone ...	105 12 93
son ...	...	95	11	Mr. A. Falle ...	119 26 93
Capt. L. E. Amadroz	101	16	85	Lt.-Gen. J. G. Cloeté	115 20 95
Capt. O. A. Taylor.	99	13	86	Major C. R. Townley	114 18 96
Capt. R. F. McCrea	104	16	88	Mr. F. Hutchesson .	120 22 98
Col. S. Field ...	96	8	88		

Several members made no return, or were over 100 net. Weather dull, with a strong breeze from the north-east.

ROYAL LIVERPOOL GOLF CLUB.

The St. Andrew's meeting was held on Saturday, December 1st, in fine weather, which would have been perfect for golfing if it had not been for a slight fog. Some of the holes had been considerably lengthened since last week, with the result that the scores were high and the returns few. Fifty-three couples started during the day. Mr. John Ball, jun., sent in the best scratch return, made up as follows:—

Out ...	...	5	5	4	4	5	3	5	4	6=41
In ...	...	5	3	5	4	4	5	6	5	4=41

which secured for him the St. Andrew's cross with memento. Mr. E.



Spencer is to be congratulated on his score, and before long we hope to see this young golfer do even better. There were very few returns in the second class handicap, which was won by Mr. W. Lowndes.

St. Andrew's cross, with memento for best scratch score at the meeting:—Mr. J. Ball, jun., 82 (winner); Mr. E. Spencer, 87; Mr. H. Farrar, 89.

First class handicap:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. E. Spencer ...	87	2 85	Mr. W. S. Patterson	105	11 94
†Mr. H. B. Steel ...	100	11 89	Mr. J. Bushby ...	99	4 95
‡Mr. H. Farrar ...	89	+1 90	Mr. A. Chisholm ...	99	4 95
Mr. J. Ball, jun. ...	82	+9 91	Mr. G. Wild ...	108	13 95
Mr. W. Potter ...	94	2 92	Mr. G. W. Harris...	109	14 95
Mr. W. C. Aspinall	104	12 92	Mr. W. W. Sand-		
Mr. T. H. Bingham	105	13 92	brook ...	109	14 95
Mr. R. J. Kerr ...	98	5 93	Mr. E. V. Crooks ...	102	6 96
Mr. H. W. Leader ...	98	5 93	Mr. M. Rollo ...	104	8 96
Mr. E. Whineray ...	98	5 93	Mr. A. H. Higgins...	100	3 97
Mr. W. Y. Crowe ...	105	12 93	Mr. G. Stone ...	111	14 97
Mr. G. W. Francis	107	14 93	Mr. W. Dod ...	102	4 98
Mr. L. S. M. Munro	97	3 94	Mr. J. E. Pearson...	100	1 99
Mr. J. R. Wells ...	99	5 94	Mr. H. Janion ...	109	10 99
Mr. G. E. Godwin...	102	8 94	Mr. F. W. Carson...	111	12 99

\* Wins first class prize.

† Wins first sweepstake.

‡ Wins second sweepstake.

|| Divide third sweepstake.

Second class handicap:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. W. Lowndes...	108	18 90	Mr. R. W. Menneer	114	18 96
Mr. Horace Walker	111	16 95	Mr. C. Gostenhofer	117	18 99
Mr. A. St. Clare			Professor Strong ...	119	20 99
Byrne ...	111	15 96			

\* Wins prize.

ROYAL NORWICH v. BLICKLING.

Played at Hellesdon on Thursday, the 29th November:—

ROYAL NORWICH.		Holes.	BLICKLING.		Holes.
Mr. J. J. W. Deuchar...	...	0	Rev. J. E. Pease ...	...	6
Rev. A. T. Farquharson	...	5	Rev. Mr. Arnold ...	...	0
Mr. T. Ireland ...	...	0	Rev. Mr. Black ...	...	3
Col. Dawson ...	...	1	Capt. Coxhead...	...	0
Mr. R. Jewson ...	...	7	Dr. Belding ...	...	0
Mr. C. H. A. Lock ...	...	3	Dr. Little ...	...	0
Mr. F. Jewson...	...	0	Mr. J. H. Gidney ...	...	3
Rev. E. B. Pearse ...	...	7	Mr. J. T. Spurrell ...	...	0
Mr. H. Cozens-Hardy	...	0	Mr. J. H. Mannall ...	...	0
Capt. Roberts ...	...	0	Mr. P. Gabbett ...	...	6
		23			18

ROYAL WINCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

November 30th, St. Andrew's cup. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. H. C. Steel ...	92	11 81	Capt. L. G. Russell	94	6 88
Mr. E. H. Buckland	81	+1 82	Mr. M. J. Rendall...	102	13 89
Mr. H. Gore Browne	101	16 85	Capt. G. H. Steven-		
Rev. G. M. A. A.			son ...	105	16 89
Hewett ...	94	9 85	Col. Twemlow ...	106	16 90
Mr. J. A. T. Bram-			Lord Eldon ...	102	10 92
ston ...	94	7 87	Rev. J. T. Bramston	107	15 92
Rev. G. Richardson	110	22 88	Mr. H. A. Adamson	109	14 95

December 1st, Fairbairn cup, for two rounds, the St. Andrew's cup round counting as one. Scores:—Mr. E. H. Buckland, 166, plus 2=168; Rev. G. M. A. Hewett, 186, less 18=168; Mr. H. C. Steel, 192, less 22=170; Colonel Twemlow, 208, less 32=176; Lord Eldon, 198, less 20=178; Captain Russell, 192, less 12=180; Mr. H. A. Adamson, 216, less 28=188.

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

Gray Trophy.—On Saturday, December 1st, perhaps the finest day there has been during this year, the second competition for the new Gray trophy took place on the Seaton links. Thirty-four competitors took part in the competition, with the result that Mr. J. Robson won with the excellent score of 82, less 13=69—Mr. Robson's play was indeed remarkably steady and strong, and inasmuch as it is the first competition of this club in which he has played, the handicapping committee have not had an opportunity of estimating his play, and hence the extraordinary way in which he out-distanced all the other competitors. Mr. J. Richardson was second, playing a steady round of 101, less 25=76, who in similar competitions for the president's prize has

generally been within the winning score. The following are the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. J. Robson ...	82	13 69	Mr. W. S. Woodiwis	111	23 88
Mr. J. Richardson...	101	25 76	Mr. W. S. Mery-		
Rev. F. W. Savory	98	16 82	weather ...	106	16 90
Mr. O. H. Trech-			Mr. C. Seaton ...	98	7 91
mann ...	96	12 84	Mr. R. Elliott ...	107	16 91
Mr. G. Pyman ...	89	5 84	Mr. S. Strover ...	107	14 93
Mr. G. Newby ...	92	7 85	Mr. T. Danby ...	110	15 95
Mr. M. Gray ...	99	14 85	Mr. A. Robinson...	106	10 96
Mr. S. McPherson...	104	18 86	Mr. E. W. Walker...	111	12 99
Mr. P. Wood ...	106	19 87	Mr. F. W. Purvis...	109	3 106
Mr. C. J. Bunting...	94	7 87			

Sixteen others competitors made no returns.

SEMPRINGHAM ABBEY v. PETERBOROUGH GORDON.

Played at Peterborough, November 28th, St. Botolph Bridge Links:—

SEMPRINGHAM ABBEY.

PETERBOROUGH GORDON.

Holes.		Holes.			
Mr. E. Smith ...	...	1	Rev. T. Ward...	...	0
Mr. A. Fletcher ...	...	0	Rev. R. C. Faithfull	...	2
Mr. B. Smith ...	...	0	Mr. H. M. Bell ...	...	3
Mr. B. H. de Leigh	...	10	Rev. W. P. Rigg ...	...	0
Mr. A. Glead ...	...	2	Mr. H. W. Gates ...	...	0
Mr. L. F. Beatson ...	...	0	Mr. M. V. English ...	...	5
		13			10

SINGAPORE GOLF CLUB.

Championship, 1894. Played in October. First round.—Mr. A. W. Stiven beat Mr. P. A. Gillespie, 3 up and 1 to play; Mr. J. B. Robertson beat Mr. P. P. Langdon, 3 up and 2 to play; Dr. Hinde beat Mr. R. W. Crighton, 6 up and 4 to play; Mr. A. Mackay beat Mr. H. H. Vade, 3 up and 1 to play; Dr. Mugliston beat Capt. Hawkins, walked over; Dr. Fowlie beat Mr. W. Grigor Taylor, 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. J. K. Birch beat Mr. J. M. Allinson, walked over.

Second round.—Dr. Fowlie beat Dr. Mugliston, by 2 up; Dr. Hinde beat Mr. J. K. Birch, walked over; Mr. J. B. Robertson beat Mr. A. Mackay, 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. A. W. Stiven a bye.

Third round.—Dr. Hinde beat Dr. Fowlie by 1 up; Mr. J. B. Robertson beat Mr. A. W. Stiven, 3 up and 1 to play.

Fourth round and final.—Dr. Hinde beat Mr. J. B. Robertson by 3 up and 1 to play.

SUTTON COLDFIELD v. COVENTRY.

A match between these clubs took place on Thursday, November 22nd, over the links of the former club at Streetly, resulting in a win for the home team by a majority of 4 holes. Scores:—

SUTTON COLDFIELD.

COVENTRY.

Holes.		Holes.			
Mr. A. E. Wilson Browne	...	2	Mr. H. Rotherham ...	...	0
Mr. E. E. Lamb ...	...	1	Mr. H. W. Bainbridge	...	0
Mr. G. S. Albright ...	...	0	Rev. F. R. Evans ...	...	7
Mr. E. P. Wright ...	...	0	Mr. Harold Smith ...	...	2
Mr. F. Jennings ...	...	0	Mr. W. Hillman ...	...	6
Mr. S. Baldwin ...	...	4	Mr. F. Smith ...	...	0
Mr. H. M. Eddowes ...	...	5	Mr. A. P. Pridmore ...	...	0
Mr. W. P. W. Browne	...	7	Mr. H. J. Nutt ...	...	0
Mr. P. A. Bourke ...	...	0	Mr. K. Rotherham ...	...	0
Dr. Palmer ...	...	0	Mr. W. F. Wyley ...	...	0
		19			15

TOOTING BEC GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, December 1st:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. O. E. Coles ...	101	12 89	Mr. J. C. Bayldon .	110	14 96
Major R. M. Ruck.	98	7 91	Mr. G. H. Gill ...	117	12 105
Mr. J. T. Steen ...	104	12 92	Mr. C. D. Cumming	126	15 111
Dr. G. S. Woodhead	107	14 93			

Over sixty members returned no cards.

It has been decided by the committee to present a gold medal yearly to be played for by the winners of the club's bronze monthly medal.

“SCOTSMAN” CLUB.—The monthly competition for the aggregate trophy was played over the Braids on Saturday. The lowest scores handed in were by Mr. A. Hamilton, 83, less 2=81; Mr. J. Robb (scratch), 85; Mr. J. Laurie, 90, less 1=89, and Mr. J. P. Lees, 101, less 12=89.

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### WEST HERTS GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday last the usual monthly "Bogey" competition was held over the club course at Bushey. Handicaps of 12 and under:—Mr. F. W. W. Graham, 4 down; Mr. C. L. M. Pearson, 4 down; Mr. J. S. Clerk, 5 down; Mr. S. Hirst, 5 down; Mr. R. S. Clouston, 6 down; Dr. Frank, 6 down; Mr. J. S. Crawford, 7 down; Mr. D. Scholes, 9 down. Handicaps exceeding 12:—Rev. J. A. Bevan, 5 down; Mr. H. S. Whittaker, 5 down; Mr. W. R. Carter, 7 down; Mr. J. Jackson, 8 down; Mr. J. H. Walker, 8 down.

### WEST MIDDLESEX GOLF CLUB.

"Bogey" competition, Saturday, December 1st:—Mr. P. Barlow (11), 7 up; Mr. F. B. Becker (14), 1 up; Mr. C. Hull (10), 2 down; Mr. W. Jackson (11), 3 down; Mr. S. Hull (15), 3 down; C. Farr (12), 4 down; Mr. J. D. Hart (19), 4 down; Col. Menzies (24) 4 down; Mr. E. Bradley Hunt (12), 5 down; Mr. J. Pritchard (18), 5 down; Mr. G. Rumsey (8), 6 down; Mr. W. S. Hargreaves (11) 6 down; Mr. H. S. Mahony (22), 6 down; Mr. H. Shephard (17), 6 down; Mr. E. Woodger (24), 6 down; Mr. J. Hardie (17), 7 down; Mr. J. Turner (24), 7 down; Mr. H. E. Pegg (13), 8 down; Mr. T. G. Hewitt (15), 8 down; Mr. J. R. Phillips (15), 8 down; Mr. W. Regge (16), 9 down; Mr. A. Reside (18), 9 down; Mr. B. W. Willett (18), 9 down; Mr. C. M. Bayfield (18), 9 down; Mr. H. C. Roberts (20), 9 down; Mr. E. B. Ellington (20), 9 down; Mr. J. May (24), 10 down; Mr. E. R. Frere (24), 10 down; Mr. A. Hart (12), 12 down.

### WEST MIDDLESEX LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The monthly club gold brooch was played for on Saturday, December 1st, and won by Miss Spence with 99, less 10=89. Other scores were as follows:—Mrs. Radford, 114, less 20=94; Miss Yeames, 115, less 15=100; Miss Griffith, 117, less 14=103; Miss Hale, 119, less 16=103; Mrs. Becker, 137, less 10=127.

### WEST LANCASHIRE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The St. Andrew's meeting of this club was held on the ladies' links at Hall Road on Nov. 28th. The weather was not very favourable for Golf, being wet and misty. The first handicap prize was won by Mrs. Petitjean with 92, less 15=77; and the second by Mrs. S. H. Johnson with 99, less 18=81. The first optional sweepstake was also won by Mrs. Petitjean, the second by Mrs. D. L. Chalmers, and the third divided by Mrs. Fowler and Miss E. L. Couper. Fifty-six members competed, and the following scores were returned under 100:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mrs. Petitjean ...	92 15 77	Miss Welch ...	90 scr. 90
Mrs. Johnson ...	99 18 81	Miss E. Young ...	92 2 90
Mrs. Chalmers ...	83 scr. 83	Miss I. Taylor ...	100 10 90
Mrs. Lyon Taylor ...	106 23 83	Mrs. Warburton ...	100 10 90
Mrs. Fowler ...	83 +1 84	Miss E. Hagger ...	101 10 91
Miss E. L. Couper ...	84 scr. 84	Mrs. McLaren ...	106 15 91
Miss M. Bushby ...	90 6 84	Miss Alison Couper ...	110 18 92
Miss H. Edgecombe ...	95 11 84	Miss Fernie ...	108 15 93
Mrs. Rawcliffe ...	109 25 84	Miss Durand ...	111 18 93
Mrs. J. Potter ...	90 5 85	Miss Edmondson ...	108 14 94
Mrs. Duranty ...	101 16 85	Miss B. Welch ...	95 +1 96
Miss Latham ...	90 4 86	Miss Scott ...	108 12 96
Mrs. J. W. Thompson ...	97 10 87	Miss McCulloch ...	107 10 97
Miss E. Stoddart ...	86 +2 88	Miss J. Brown ...	113 16 97
Miss F. Carr ...	88 scr. 88	Miss Ada Couper ...	115 18 97
Mrs. Warr ...	88 scr. 88	Miss Stephens ...	115 18 97
Miss G. F. Taylor ...	87 +2 89	Miss W. Clark ...	116 19 97
Mrs. S. H. Vey ...	107 18 89	Mrs. Harley ...	106 8 98
		Miss J. Job... ..	119 20 99

**HAWICK GOLF CLUB.**—Play for the monthly medal took place over the Vertish Hill on Saturday afternoon, December 1st. The weather being extremely pleasant, there was a large turn-out. Mr. G. J. Smith was the winner with the score of 104, less 18=86; 2nd, Mr. James Barrie, 86, plus 1=87; 3rd, Mr. A. Laing, 105, less 18=87; 4th, Mr. J. S. Turner (scratch), 88; 5th, Mr. R. G. Laidlaw, 93, less 5=88; 6th, Mr. James Scott, 100, less 12=88; 7th, Mr. T. H. M'Lellan, 100, less 11=89; 8th, Dr. Barrie, 94, less 4=90; 9th, Mr. J. Macdonald, 100, less 10=90; 10th, Mr. A. Turnbull, 96, less 3=93.

### WHITLEY GOLF CLUB.

On Friday, the 23rd November, the third competition for the Donkin cup, under "Bogey" rules, was held over Whitley Links in charming golfing weather. In three instances the "Colonel" was beaten, viz., by Messrs. E. W. Taylor, P. W. Leathart, and J. H. Hiddlestone; whilst Mr. James Milton drew with his invisible opponent. Scores:—Mr. E. W. Taylor (10), 1 up; Mr. P. W. Leathart (3), 1 up; Mr. J. Hiddlestone (8), 1 up; Mr. J. Milton (3), all even; Mr. M. P. Ismay (5), 1 down; Mr. J. G. Leathart (6), 1 down; Mr. R. A. Charles (scratch), 2 down; Mr. J. W. Carr (7), 2 down; Mr. J. B. Radcliffe (scratch), 4 down; Mr. T. H. Leathart (11), 4 down; Mr. S. Brown (4), 5 down; Mr. A. Hedley (3), 6 down; Mr. W. B. Shaw (9), 8 down; Mr. E. T. Ridley (15), 8 down; Mr. T. Green (12), 9 down; M. R. Heatley (12), 12 down. Messrs G. Bell (18), J. Hansell (9), G. Welch (8), G. F. Charlton (5), and J. W. Kimpster (14), made no returns.

The fair sex are becoming great enthusiasts here, and a ladies' branch of the club is in process of formation.

### WOODFORD GOLF CLUB.

Captain's prize and monthly medal, December 1st, 1894:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. W. M. Guy ...	88 8 80	Mr. C. Akers ...	116 25 91
Mr. W. P. Pechey ...	86 5 81	M. E. A. Tewson ...	95 3 92
Mr. R. S. Cox ...	92 9 83	Mr. F. W. Muggford ...	110 15 95
Mr. D. Munro ...	98 15 83	Mr. F. S. Phillips ...	115 20 95
Mr. A. H. Tozer ...	99 10 83	Mr. H. E. Kaye ...	105 9 96
Mr. F. P. Telfer ...	100 14 86	Mr. E. J. Morris ...	106 10 96
Mr. A. Rankine ...	102 16 86	Mr. B. B. Hunt ...	110 14 96
Mr. W. Pearce ...	101 14 87	Mr. F. T. Shadbolt ...	111 15 96
Mr. D. Lloyd Howard ...	111 24 87	Mr. A. Scrutton ...	115 18 97
Mr. C. J. Fox ...	95 7 88	Mr. C. J. Glanfield ...	113 15 98
Mr. H. Dickson ...	102 14 88	Mr. S. Hellyer ...	111 12 99
Mr. W. Kemsley ...	96 5 91		

Twenty-five entries. All the cards but two under 100 net. Course in capital order.

**BEARSDEN GOLF CLUB.**—The monthly handicap competition for Captain Howie's medal took place on this course on Saturday, December 1st. The medal was won by Mr. Samuel Armstrong (2) 77. The next best scores were:—Mr. J. Inches Robertson (18), 86; Mr. W. Wilson (4), 87; Mr. W. J. Armstrong (10), 88; Mr. W. J. Reid (5), 88; Mr. D. Nicolson (18), 88; Mr. W. Macnaughton (6), 88; Mr. J. G. Carrick (16), 89; Mr. James Burnside (5), 89; Mr. W. Anderson, jun. (6), 89; Mr. W. Gibson (16), 90; Mr. G. Gerstenberg (24), 90; Mr. J. M. Thomson (1), 90.

**GREENOCK.**—The foursome competition for ladies and gentlemen was played over the local links on Saturday, December 1st. The opening rounds were decided earlier in the week, leaving the final round for settlement on Saturday. The final round was contested by Miss R. Luxton and Mr. George Luxton (12), who played against and beat Miss Adams and Mr. J. L. Adams (10), the match being abandoned when the former were dromy 7. The prize for the best individual score was won by Miss Luxton, second prize going to Miss Adams.

**HAGLEY GOLF CLUB.**—The monthly medal was won on Saturday, November 24th, by Mr. E. A. Spurgin:—Mr. E. A. Spurgin, 95, less 14=81; Mr. W. K. Harrison, 96, less 13=83; Mr. G. Macpherson, 91, less 6=85; Mr. R. H. King, 97, less 10=87. Other returns over 90.

**ROYAL AND ANCIENT GOLF CLUB.**—The monthly handicap competition was held at St. Andrews on November 28th. The day was fine, and a good number entered. The following were some of the best scores:—Mr. W. R. Sharp, 88, less 4=84; Rev. Mr. Cochrane, 88, less 4=84; Capt. Livingston, 90, less 2=88; Mr. H. S. C. Everard (scratch), 88.

**STIRLING GOLF CLUB.**—The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, December 1st. Scores:—Mr. C. J. Lewis (winner), 99, less 12=87; Mr. P. W. Macdougall, 100, less 12=88; Mr. Crawford Shaw, 103, less 14=89.

**WEST LOTHIAN CLUB.**—The final for the Melville bowl was played over the Bonnyton course on Saturday, between Mr. J. C. Liddle and Mr. W. Swan. The latter, who was in receipt of 2 holes, won the tie by 2 up and 1 to play.



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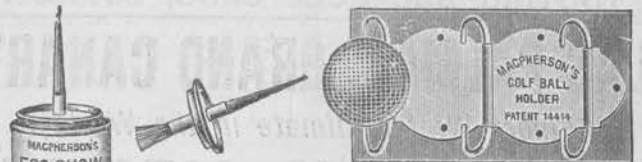
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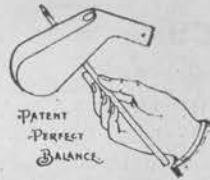
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