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FEBRUARY.

- Feb. 23.—Cambridge University *v.* Royal Blackheath, at Cambridge (eight a side), 11 a.m.
Feb. 24.—Cambridge University *v.* Great Yarmouth, at Cambridge (twelve a side), 10.30 a.m.
Taplow : Monthly Medal.
Willesden : Monthly Medal.
Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Cup ; Captain's Prize ; Monthly Medal.
Dumfries and Galloway : Monthly Medal.
Cheadle : Silver and Bronze Medals.
Lytham and St. Anne's : Captain's Cup.
Didsbury : Mr. W. H. Young's Prize.
Marple : Monthly Medal and Captain's Cup.
Ilkley : Monthly Medal.
Weston-Super-Mare : Monthly Medal.
Crookham : Monthly Medal.
Knutsford : Winter "Bogey."
Wallasey : Monthly Optional Subscription Competition.
County Down : Captain's Prize.
Kemp Town (Brighton) : Monthly Medal.
Neasden : Monthly Medal.
Sidcup : Monthly Medal.
Wilmslow : "Bogey" Competition.
Royal West Norfolk : Monthly Medal.
Huddersfield : Monthly Medal.
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.
Alnmouth : Monthly Handicap.
Eltham Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Porthcawl : Monthly Medal.
Ventnor : Monthly Medal.

- Feb. 24.—Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal.
Oxford University : Past *v.* Present (at Oxford).
West Herts : "Bogey" Competition.
Dunn *v.* Rolland, at Tooting, 10.30 a.m.
Olton : Monthly Medal.
West Cornwall : Monthly Medal.
Feb. 26.—Warminster : Monthly Medal.
Feb. 27.—Cheadle : Annual Meeting.
Burnham : Gold and Silver Medals.
Waveney Valley : Monthly Medal.
Feb. 28.—Cambridge University : Committee Meeting, 4.15 p.m.
Headingley : Ladies *v.* Gentlemen, the latter to use putters only.

MARCH.

- Mar. 1.—Cambridge University *v.* Captain Kinloch's Army Team, at Biggleswade (twelve a side).
Great Yarmouth : Monthly Medal (Second Division).
Mar. 1, 2 & 3.—Sheffield and District : Monthly Medal.
Mar. 2.—Royal Cornwall : Gentlemen ; Monthly Medal.
Mar. 3.—Oxford *v.* Cambridge, at Sandwich (by kind permission of the St. George's Golf Club).
North West Club (Londonderry) : Gentlemen ; Monthly Medal.
West Middlesex : "Bogey" Tournament.
King's Norton : Monthly Challenge Cup.
Redhill and Reigate : Monthly Medal.
Wakefield : Lee Cup.
Glamorganshire : Medal Competition.
Fairfield : Monthly Medal.
Sidcup : Monthly Medal (First Class).
Minchinhampton : Monthly Medal.
Bowdon : The Captain's Cup.
London Scottish : Monthly Medal.
Leicester : Monthly Medal.
Birkdale : Mrs. Coney's Prize.
County Down : Captain's Prize.
Royal Liverpool : Winter Optionals.
Manchester : Monthly Medal.
Tooting : Monthly Medal.
Holmes Chapel : Monthly Medal.
Mar. 5.—Hunstanton : Monthly Medal.
Mar. 6.—Carnarvonshire : Monthly Medal.
Royal Cornwall Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Mar. 7.—Oxford University : President's Gold Medal ; General Meeting at 5.30, in Exeter College.
King's Norton : Ladies ; Challenge Prize.
Pau : Duke of Hamilton's Medal and Pendant.
Lyme Regis : Monthly Medal.
Blackheath Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Mar. 9.—Pau : T. A. Havemeyer Prize.
Mar. 10.—Littlestone : Monthly Medal.
Littlestone Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Sutton Coldfield : Monthly Medal.
Royal Isle of Wight : Monthly Medal.
Southport : Monthly Competition.

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IMPLEMENTS IN SPORT.

I.—THE BAT IN CRICKET.

The ball, either solid or inflated, has held, from the earliest to the present time, the supreme place in our rural sports. It was originally struck or patted by the hand as it was thrown, or as it rebounded from the ground. To continue this procedure for any length of time would doubtless prove somewhat inconvenient, hence, those who amused themselves with the wind-ball, or balloon-ball, as it was subsequently termed, soon found it expedient to wear a bracer of wood to guard the hand and lower part of the arm. The more necessary was protection, when the ball was constructed of any hard, unyielding material.

Club-ball was played with a curved kind of bat. In a fourteenth century manuscript in the Bodleian Library, Oxford, a female is portrayed in the act of throwing the ball, whilst a man with a club in his raised hand stands ready to strike it. Several other figures of both sexes are in the distance "fielding"; they are evidently on the alert to secure the ball.

In another illustration (thirteenth century) copied by Strutt, we find only two players represented; the first is apparently on the look-out for the ball, whilst the second holds a club in one hand and the ball in the other, so that he can either throw up the ball, if solid, and hit it as it descends, or, if otherwise, he can throw it upon the ground and strike as it rises.

Cricket is supposed to owe its origin to a Persian game; but *chugan*, like polo, was usually played on horseback. We may reasonably infer that our national sport is far more closely allied to the bandy-ball of the Welsh, the hurling of the Irish, and the elegant Golf of the Scotch.

The word cricket is, moreover, derived from the Anglo-Saxon word, *cricce*, a staff, and *et*, a diminutive ending; hence, etymologically, the word means a little staff—the straight bat being a modified form of the ancient club.

The earliest mention of this modernised game occurs in a song published by D'Urfey at the beginning of the last century:—

" Hur was the prettiest fellow
At football or at cricket,
At hunting chase or nimble race
How feately could hur prick it."

The game has received the patronage of royalty, for George the Fourth formed a noble cricket-ground adjoining the Pavilion—his palatial residence at Brighton—and his successor, William the Fourth, instituted the Royal Clarence Cricket Club at Hampton. This manly sport was, nevertheless, at one time, regarded as derogatory to us as a nation. Jenyns, in imitating Horace, says:—

" England, when once of peace and wealth possess'd,
Began to think frugality a jest,
So grew polite; hence all her well-bred heirs
Gamesters and jockies turn'd, and cricket players."

II.—THE CLUB IN GOLF.

In Golf (or Gouf, as the Scotch pronounce it), a hard ball is driven by means of a straight, slender stick, which is weighted and slightly bent at the head.

During the reign of Edward the Third a crooked club or *cambuca* was used. In all probability this name was given because of its fanciful resemblance to the episcopal staff. The *cambuca* was afterwards styled a *bandy* or *benty* (Latin, *pan-dare*, to bend in; Anglo-Saxon, *bendan*, to make crooked; e.g., *bandy-legs*). The game itself was, moreover, spoken of as *cambuca*, or *bandy-ball*.

The writers of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries often mention *Stow-ball*, which appears, if we may credit Littleton, to be synonymous with Golf. Under different names the same game, with trifling alterations, is still played. Dr. Jamieson says it was in vogue in London as *hackie* (hockey); in Gloucester-

shire, it was termed *knout*, because the ball was made out of a hard, knotty piece of wood. It was also called *shinty*, because the shin-bones were apt to show signs of the violence with which the ball was struck. The present appellation is of Teutonic origin: the German *Kolbe* and the Low Dutch *Kolf* both mean a club.

The Romans indulged in a similar kind of rustic amusement; they employed a leather ball stuffed with feathers, which was named *paganica*, from *paganus*, a countryman.

The game of Golf, which was for several centuries peculiar to Scotland, was formerly an unlawful amusement. In 1457, and again, in 1471, it was suppressed under pains and penalties "lest it should interfere with the practice of archery so necessary to the martial education of the country." An Act in the reign of James the Fourth forbids the playing of "fute-ball, Golfe, and uther sik unprofitabill games, under paine of fourtie shillings"—a very heavy fine in those days.

No stringent enactments prevented the spread of this pleasing pastime. It was not, however, until the commencement of the seventeenth century that it became a fashionable amusement in this country. From an anecdote we may infer that Prince Henry, the eldest son of James the First, frequently indulged in this sport. Charles the First, too, was an ardent votary, and his son, afterwards known as James the Second, was quite distinguished as a golfer. It is recorded that no one could equal him except perhaps Patterson, an Edinburgh shoemaker. The king ultimately beat the valiant Scotsman, whose injured feelings were afterwards healed by a munificent donation from his gracious Majesty.

Referring to an interesting article, entitled "A 'Raphael' at Golf," which appeared in GOLF, August 18th, 1893, we wholly endorse Mr. H. G. Hutchinson's remarks anent the graceful attitude of the player. As a study in anatomy it is certainly unique, because every muscle is strained to produce the greatest effect. All the strength the man possesses seems concentrated and ready to expend itself upon the ball lying at his feet. Verily, here is a golfing swing which ought to send the ball at least 150 yards—far beyond the radius of "very moderate drives."

Nevertheless, we are constrained to regard the artist's figure as a study of the antique. The Romans were in the habit of regularly visiting their commodious *Thermae*, which in a measure resembled our so-called Turkish baths. (Whether Mr. Hutchinson speaks literally or not, will not alter our conclusion). Bathing with them was none other than an act of religion primarily, for to offer sacrifices to the gods, before the body was scrupulously purified would have been looked upon as nothing less than unpardonable profanation. The Roman baths contained special apartments for different games, as leaping, running, throwing the disc, wrestling, boxing, and playing in various ways with balls. Besides the simple pentathletic sports the ancients had two others, in which only professional gladiators indulged, viz., *pancratium*, which consisted merely of wrestling and boxing, and the *pentathlon*, in which all exercises of a violent nature were combined. These games were mostly played before bathing, between the hours of twelve and three. Minute instructions were drawn up showing how to serve and how to take a ball. A slave generally attended the wealthier bathers, carrying a sack of balls.

A straight stick, broken from a tree, was undoubtedly used by man in his primitive state for driving the ball, or any naturally-formed object which answered his purpose. Possibly he soon discovered that a stick heavier at one end yielded a greater momentum, and thus materially assisted him; hence he made for himself clubs (straight or curved) and knobbed sticks, to which our modern hammer-headed implements used in croquet and Golf owe their birth.

Raphael has evidently depicted a Roman youth not playing at *jeu de mail* (Italian, *pala maglio*) or Golf, but merely striking a ball, with a knobbed club.

* The following experiment may prove interesting. Stretch a strip of paper $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch wide across the page, from side to side, beneath the figure's left foot and covering the ball. Now by tracing an imaginary downward curve, the position of the ball may be determined because the curve will cut, at the point where the visual axes meet, for the eyes are focussed on the ball. In nine cases out of ten, a little consideration has enabled the exact position of the ball to be pointed out.

III.—THE MALLET IN CROQUET.

Croquet bears a striking likeness to pall mall—a game very popular, not only in England, but in France, during the seventeenth century.

Cotgrave defines the old-fashioned amusement thus:—"Pall maille is a game wherein a round box ball is struck with a mallet, through a high arch of iron, which he that can do at the fewest blows, or at the number agreed upon, wins." The definition of the Italian word, *pala maglio*, according to Florio, is, "A stick, with a mallet at one end, to play a wooden ball with." The mall, or mallet, was a wooden hammer, having a long, straight handle.

It will be seen from the following quotation that, unlike modern croquet, pall mall was an indoor game:—"If one had *paille mails*, it were good to play in the alley, for it is a reasonable good length, straight and even."—"The French Garden for English Ladies and Gentlewomen to Walk In." London: 1621.

Pepys, in his "Diary," under May 15th, 1663, writes: "I walked in the Parke [St. James'], discoursing with the keeper of the *pell mell*, who was sweeping it, who told me of what the earth is mixed that do floor the *mall*, and that over all there is cockle-shells, powdered and spread to keep it fast, which, however, in dry weather, turns to dust, and deads the ball."

The locality near St. James' Park now known as Pall Mall obtained its appellation from the notorious alley formerly so much frequented by our Merry Monarch and his jovial courtiers.

Ring-ball, a similar game, mentioned by Comenius and others, consists in driving a rigid ball, with a bandy, through rings fastened in the ground. Like pall mall, this game was played in a specially-constructed apartment.

IV.—THE RACKET IN TENNIS.

In the Mediæval Ages, pat-ball was a favourite amusement, to which children were exceedingly partial. The Easter holidays were specially devoted to this harmless pastime, and the boys and girls of our ancient peasantry were wont to try to outvie each other in the dexterity with which they could manipulate the balloon-ball. When the weary hand called in foreign aid, necessity devised the simplest kind of racket.

The game of rackets, as pat-ball was styled in its amended form, was played by striking the ball against a "head-wall." The object of each player was to hit the bounding ball, so that it might strike the wall in such a way that an adversary could only fail in trying to return it.

Public racket-courts were established later on, hence there was no need for the lovers of this game to seek admission into the King's Bench or Fleet Prison to gratify their tastes.

Pat-ball was also called *paume*; the French, who certainly excelled in this and kindred games, termed it *le jeu de palme*; they, notwithstanding, made use of "raquets," and were in the habit of shouting "*Tenez!*" (take) whenever the ball was successfully returned, hence our word *tennis*. The old game, without the aid of rackets, continued for many years to be played under the name of "Fives."

Sir Tristram was unquestionably renowned as an athlete, for we are told in "The Romance of the Death of Arthur" that among his other accomplishments he excelled everyone in running, playing at *paume*, and casting the bar.

Modern or lawn-tennis is not without a Classical origin. Not only was it practised among the ancient Greeks, but it was known among the Romans as *pila ludus*. Claudius Galenus, moreover, strongly recommends it as most salutary for the healthful development of the muscular system.

Coming to recent times, Sir T. Elyot assures us that "*Tenyse* seleedome vsed, and for a lytell space, is a good exercisce for young men," and King James the First, with paternal anxiety, strongly recommended his son to persevere in "playing at caich or tennis."

HENRY J. HILLÉNE.

MR F. A. FAIRLIE (the *Morning Post* announces), will be married at Easter to Miss Pedro-Gordon, of Wardhouse and Kildrummy Castle, Aberdeenshire.



Golfers cannot now complain that they have not a social club devoted to their interests, and centrally situated. "The Golfers' Club," Whitehall Court, S.W., has risen upon the ashes of the defunct St. Andrews Club, whose birth was heralded to the golfing world with so much trumpeting. The correspondence which took place in these columns on certain incidents in the constitution of that club will be fresh in the minds of most of our readers. "The Golfers' Club" occupies the same magnificent suite of premises in Whitehall Court; it is managed by a small, compact committee, who, together with Major Branston, the secretary, have done all that enthusiasm and foresight can do in the short time the club has been opened to make the members comfortable. The club premises are on the ground-floor, and comprise a large smoking room (in which there are fine photographic groups of the Guildford, the Royal Blackheath and the Royal Liverpool Golf Clubs), a snug, warmly furnished dining room, a good billiard room, and another smoking room upstairs overlooking the Thames. There are also bedrooms attached to the club, and the whole of the premises are lighted by electricity. We understand that the membership is increasing so rapidly that an entrance fee will soon be imposed. The subscription is the moderate one of £4 4s. for town members, and £2 2s. for country members. There are few clubs which are so daintily furnished, and so comfortable; and golfers who wish to make it a point to foregather now and again with kindred spirits in the game could not do better, if they have not already joined, than visit the premises, at least, and see things for themselves.

A new nine-hole course has been laid out by Tom Dunn at Cunden Park, Chislehurst. The course will be a pretty long one, and the ground, which is undulating, is in every way suited for Golf. Several natural hazards have been skilfully worked into the round, and at one point a tremendous sand quarry has to be crossed. The green is ten minutes' walk from the station. Operations will be begun immediately, in order to put the ground into thorough order, and it is expected that the course will be open for play in a month or six weeks. Though the course is on the land of Mr. William Willett, the proprietor, it is, we believe, the intention to form an open club.

Tom Dunn has also laid out a green at Enfield, in the north of London. The course will be a nine-hole one, of good length, and abounding with variety of play. The ground is undulating, while the turf is fairly good, and possesses in all respects the making of a good Golf course. Mr. H. Porter, Haslewood, Old Park, Enfield, is attending at present to the arrangements in connection with the green.

Hall Barn, Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire, the fine seat of Sir Edward Lawson, has had a very nice nine-hole Golf course added to its other attractions. Tom Dunn was down there lately giving Sir Edward some lessons in the game. Sir Edward is keen and enthusiastic, and gives indications of soon being able to play a fairly good game.

We shall be hearing soon of a great Golf boom in America. Advices from New York indicate that in that city the fever is

spreading rapidly, and many orders for implements are being "put on file" by some of our home manufacturers.

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The Golf craze is showing itself in an alarmingly assertive manner. "I saw," says Mr. Harry Furniss recently, "a fashionable young lady walking along Piccadilly with a full-sized brassy in her hand. She was not going toward any railway station that would take her to Wimbledon or Chorley Wood, and we have not yet got Golf in Hyde Park, although we may in time (what a capital bunker the Ride would make!) so it is evident that the fair golfer wished to show her pride in her new hobby. If this is to become the fashion we shall expect to see the page-boy walking behind as a caddie with a bag containing the whole stock of clubs, and 'putting' parties with afternoon tea may become as popular in the London squares and gardens as they are on the lawns in the country."

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At the recent annual dinner of the Braids Club, Councillor Kinloch Anderson, who presided, said that while the Sheriff had refused to sanction the by-law which provided for a charge upon golfers, it was satisfactory to know that the relief course was practically completed, and, as it would cost more to undo it than to finish it, golfers had benefited by the agitation.

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Tom Anderson, it appears, is to leave the Braids and return to North Berwick. Tom should never have left, though with a family to feed, cloth, and educate it was natural that a larger fee and perquisites should have carried him away. It was simply the North Berwick Green Committee that were to blame, for Tom was invaluable as a green-keeper. It is saying nothing against others that this green has never been the same since Anderson left, and now that it is under extension and that an effort is being made to get its imperfections remedied; it is satisfactory to know that its keeper is again to be Tom Anderson. There is some hope now for North Berwick. Tom, we fancy, is also glad to get back.

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Mr. J. E. Laidlay, we believe, has feued a piece of ground on the Archerfield estate, on which he intends to build, so that in future, his native county of East Lothian is likely to see more of its distinguished golfer, of whom it is justly proud, than it has hitherto done, although Mr. Laidlay has always shown a liking for North Berwick and its links.

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A countryman who was urged to try Golf in Ulster, said it was really no use, he had tried it in mackintosh and in ordinary great-coat, and it would not do; he foozled and got bunkered every time he tried. It is best, he says, in knickers and gaiters, with no coat whatever (let alone ulster)—simply a woollen jersey.

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Golfing Divotees—Players who take turf.

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In the Exhibition of the Royal Scottish Academy, just opened, golfers will notice a good picture of the first tee at Machrihanish (No. 319), from the brush of Mr. John Smart, R.S.A., who seems to be an adept at Golf subjects.

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Dr. Sprague, manager of the Scottish Equitable Life Assurance Society, has presented a handsome silver cup to the society's Golf Club for competition. The cup bears above the inscription the donor's crest and motto, "Optima est veritas," and on the reverse side the society's seal.

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Mr. Owen R. Dunell, writing from Port Elizabeth, South Africa, says:—"It may interest you to know that we have imported a professional from home—J. Johnstone, from Sayers, North Berwick—and that he is likely to do very well here. He has got accustomed to the strange surroundings quickly, and, within ten days of his arrival, reduced the record of our green from 88 to 80. Golf is flourishing in South Africa generally, and new clubs are starting in many districts. The Port Elizabeth Golf Club have a big meeting at Easter, and expect a good gathering from other towns. An account of the matches will be sent you."

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In case the authorities of the Cinque Ports Golf Club at Deal may not suspect it, we should like to tell them that they have in their midst a young and promising poet—and one, too, who deserves encouragement. The editor is pleased to acknowledge that now and again there appear among his correspondence letters from professionals and caddies either of a personal character or in connection with the game, but none of them has conferred the pleasure, as well as created the surprise, which was derived from this note, written in a bold boyish hand—"Will you kindly insert this short poem in your paper and oblige."

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On looking at the MS. it was found to contain a poem of eight verses in a fairly well rhymed ballad measure on the Royal and Ancient Game. Here are the opening stanzas:—

One most delightful pleasure,
That cheers us on our way,
Is played all over England
And in Countries far away
It is a bonny Scotch Game
From whence it gets its name
And is played by old as well as young
This Royal Golfing Game.

There is no other rival
To this Royal Ancient Game
Its played by Kings and Emperors
And Lords of greatest fame
It is an healthy pastime
No bustle and no noise
It makes the sad heart brighten
This game with all its joys.

The air is most salubrious
And gently on you steals
The fresh and balmy sea-breeze
Which is found in healthy Deal
Flanked on one side by Walmer
So picturesque and gay
The other by the sandhills
Where the old Scotch Game is played.

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Then follows a tribute to the picturesqueness, and healthiness of Deal, the sweetness and freshness of the air, the fine turf of the links, the good condition of the greens and the tees, closing with a well earned compliment to the greenkeeper:—

This little sporting Golf Links
Most heartily dost thrive
And from Deal Railway Station
Is fifteen minutes drive
Long live our Golf professional
From him we'll never shrink
He is a sturdy Scotchman
And his health we'll gladly drink.

And may Scotland's national pastime
Still hold its sway and fame
And many a friendly peaceful match
Be played at the old Golf Game
Then Golfers fill your bumpers
May this good game never cease
But still roll on for ages
A game of joy and peace.

The author of these by no means unmusical lines is William J. Brown, Golf caddie, Deal."

Mr. Macfarlane, Town Clerk of Musselburgh, appeared before Sheriff Blair in the Edinburgh Sheriff Court on Monday, and obtained his assent to the new by-laws which the Town Council of Musselburgh have framed for the regulation of the links and of the Golf caddies and street porters. Mr. Macfarlane explained that effect had been given to the decisions and the suggestions of the Sheriff on the occasion when the by-laws were discussed before him a short time ago.

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On Thursday, February 8th, the Huddersfield Golf Club introduced a new feature into their proceedings by giving a tea to all the caddies engaged on the ground. There were over one hundred caddies, who had to be accommodated at two sittings, in the entrance-hall of the club-house. A most excellent tea, consisting of sandwiches, cakes, and sweets, was provided by the caretakers, and the boys did not fail to do full justice to all that was put before them. After tea an adjournment was made to the luncheon-room, when a really capital concert was given, several of the caddies contributing items which reflected great credit on them. Two boys particularly distinguished themselves. One of these used a beautiful voice with excellent taste and judgment, and the other gave a more than creditable performance on the violin. A number of the members of the club (ladies and gentlemen) kindly assisted, and everything passed off very well. The behaviour of the boys was exemplary, and afforded every inducement to the committee to make the tea an annual institution. The captain of the club (Mr. Harry Huth) presided, and he was well-supported by members of the committee and the club generally.

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At the first statutory meeting of the Aberlady, Gullane, and North Berwick Railway, Messrs. Wieland and Grierson (Directors of the North British Railway), and Mr. Kemp, Secretary of the Union Bank, were re-elected Directors.

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Ben Sayers has been doing another low record at North Berwick, viz., 67. It is to be hoped that this is the last of the low records we shall hear of on these links, which are now being enlarged and improved. No good course should be negotiable, even by a Sayers, in 67.

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A STYMIE.—Some years ago, when golfing on Alexandra Park, Glasgow, was not such a popular institution as it is to-day, two hardened golfers hastened, panting, with their clubs, along the platform of St. Enoch Station, trembling with fear lest their train had gone. The puffing of a train which appeared just to have left the station lent weight to their fears, which they breathlessly communicated to a porter. That worthy looked them all over, with that deliberation which is so exasperating to men in haste, but at last replied: "Na; she's oot yonder; but she canna' get in till this yin gangs oot. Sae," glancing slyly at the clubs, "that'll be a stymie; will it no'?"

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A deputation from the Glasgow Golf Club waited on the sub-committee of the Parks Committee of the Glasgow Town Council on Friday, to discuss the subject of the drawing up of a set of regulations for the playing of Golf on Alexandra Park. After hearing the deputation, the committee decided to obtain information respecting the regulations in force on Golf grounds belonging to other municipalities before taking any definite steps in the matter.

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ST. ANDREWS HISTORY.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—You kindly refer to my book on St. Andrews, and Mr. Hay Fleming's exposure of some of its inaccuracies. Perhaps I may explain how they come to stand where they ought not. I wrote my book here, using the volumes in the University Library. On leaving the place, I could not readily take the library with me, and my friends, the librarians, very kindly and carefully compared and corrected my figures (in dates) and references. They sent the corrected proofs to the printers, who sent them on to me. I observed the corrections with gratitude; but—where are they now? I don't know; nor do I know why so many of them were not printed in the book. I am ready and willing to take all the blame, as Messrs. Spottiswoode's staff are most accurate and careful, whereas I am notoriously casual. Many such errors as a false date on a later page, following a correct date earlier, or a name given wrongly (as Kennedy for Wardlaw), after being given rightly; or such a misprint as 1544 for 1554; or 1665 for 1565, almost correct themselves, and I seldom take up any book (as Wallon's "Jeanne d'Arc," Taine's "Napoléon,") without finding plenty. However, had there not, doubtless by my fault, been some shuffling of proof-sheets, these errors would not have given the friends of the Covenant a chance. It is quite *de bonne guerre* to make the most of them, and I would ask Mr. Hay Fleming whether he thinks *errata* a feminine noun of the First Declension, also whether he really thinks that a figure of a Madonna, over an archway is correctly described as "a Popish idol"? However I am not reviewing his excellent new "Guide to St. Andrews," where these and other pleasing peculiarities occur, "knots in a reed."

As it is too wet for Golf, I may add an old St. Andrews story. About 1650 we had here the Rev. Mr. Blair, the same who detected the devil in giving a sermon to a divinity student. This gentleman (Mr. Blair) must have been a golfer, but was he a person of good taste? According to the Rev. Mr. Wodrow, writing about 1710-30, Mr. Blair used to liken the Union between the Church and her Founder to that between the shaft of a Golf club and the head "Faith and love are the whipping and the glue." I kept this anecdote dark, I now offer it as a specimen of Presbyterian eloquence.

In talking of Kirkheugh, the ruined chapel outside the Cathedral, Mr. Hay Fleming makes a point of my mentioning a pair of scissors on a tomb, and a "mass of masonry" at the east end. The scissors were there, all right, when I first saw the stone; now they are scarcely visible, if at all. The "mass of masonry" is an oblong flooring of stones across part of the east end, perfectly visible even to the shortsighted. It may have been higher when the ruins were

first excavated, but of this I have no memory, nor have I any information as to the Parish Pump. If Mr. Hay Fleming will kindly collect all his reviews of my book, and publish them in a neat illustrated volume, he will confer on me, and on students of St. Andrews history, a real service, especially if he adds an excursus on Kate Kennedy. Nobody knows so much about the place as he, and, if he is pleased to chastise an intruder, I take it, as the opponent of Colonel Quagg did not—"lying down."

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

The Club House, St. Andrews, N.B.
February 17th.

P.S.—Just wait till he publishes *his* book!

QUESTIONS ON THE RULES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I should be glad to hear your opinion on the following incident, which occurred on our green:—

A and B are approaching the hole; A's ball is lying on the green near the hole. B plays an approach shot, and his ball, when landing, strikes A's ball, and knocks it away from the hole. Has A the option of replacing his ball in its original position?

Your ruling in this matter will oblige.

I am Sir, &c.,
CLEEK.

[Though the rule seems primarily to contemplate the case of a ball so moved while one of the players is holing out on the green, we think that a just and equitable construction of it would apply to the circumstance above, where the position of the ball on the green is seriously prejudiced by the approach shot. The intention of the rule is to hinder a player from playing strong on his opponent's ball so as to considerably worsen the position; and, though there is a material difference between design and accident, we think that A has the option, under both categories, of replacing the ball.—Ed.]

INNOVATIONS IN SCORING.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Dr. Purves thinks the principle of Golf is a fit matter for sober discussion. I think it was settled centuries ago, and as a matter of fact he agrees with me; for mark the peculiar humour of the last paragraph of his letter. Just after he has been doing his best to undermine the essential basis of the game, he complains that others are 'doing the same, and cries for a censorship of clubs. May I suggest to him that it is because he and others of some name in golfing circles choose to tamper with rudimentary conditions that we are now asked seriously to say whether a ball may not be putted out with a billiard cue?

He shrewdly takes no notice of my argument. The Grace analogy explodes his case. I must speak respectfully of lady golfers, though I find them often in the way; but ladies' clubs are, after all, mere excrescences. Let Dr. Purves suggest to Old Tom that he should take Mrs. Lucas for a guide. He knows very well the look of genial satire that would come over the veteran's face. But possibly he may say this is not sober discussion. Well, let us to it, then.

I take his three propositions in order, though they make a very bad syllogism:—

1st.—To say that a single player often wins the match for his side is not to demonstrate that this is unfair. It is not satisfactory to the beaten club, but eminently so to the victorious club. If a club cannot find a Horace Hutchinson to play a Horace Hutchinson, let it refrain from challenging its betters.

2nd.—If the teams are not properly arranged it must be because those in charge of a match are incompetent and useless. The latest handicaps on both sides should be supplied, with the names of the pairs arranged accordingly. I have known cases

in which this was not done, and where "jockeying" took place; but I blamed the officials and not the game.

3rd.—To say that the comparative strength of the two clubs is not arrived at, is not relevant to the question. To begin with, it is not the primary purpose of the match which, after all, is only a day's friendly rivalry in a fine pastime. What conceivable good it would do to any human being to know that, say, Blackheath is superior to Wimbledon I do not know; and how it is ever to be ascertained is beyond conjecture, for each is not a separate organic entity, but really a confused mass of atoms, many of which are common to both bodies. I apologise to Dr. Purves for this vain effort to be scientific. What I mean is that many members belong to both clubs, and therefore his problem could never be worked out.

Finally, let me pray, my fellow-golfers, especially those who, like "Unionist," began yesterday, to remember that Golf is a pleasure, a sport, a pastime, not a problem in the mysteries of life, not a mathematical proposition to be weighed to the last drachm of nicety, not a matter on which this damnable day of fidgety invention should be invited to expend its superficial ingenuity.

I am, Sir, &c.,

A CONSERVATIVE PLAYER.

GRASP FOR THE CLEEK AND IRON.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I take the liberty of sending the following remarks, not maintaining that they are perfect, but in order that they may rather facilitate than retard the progress of young golfers who may not be unwilling to receive a little advice, which, at all events, in being offered is kindly meant.

J. L. L. speaks very sensibly, and, I think, correctly, in his capital letter regarding style, for it is just "the heroes who lead the fashion." The reference he makes to the sixpenny-worth of leather is by no means out of place, as it does look curious; and yet many of those who adopt the style, of which Mr. Laidlay is the inventor, putt well, and if they can putt well in that way so much the better. But, while there is no rule against doing away with the use of the leather, there was a time when for anyone to have held his club, in putting, within two inches of the head, as many do now, would have been looked upon as the infringement of an unprinted rule, being contrary to established custom. J. L. L. is also not far from the mark in saying that, in putting near the hole, the tighter the right hand should be. This cannot be far wrong from the fact that one can putt just as well with one hand at short distances as with both, and often better; but grasp altogether is a perfect study, as it must vary, in order to play in a scientific manner, at each shot, according to the circumstances in which the player is situated, and is quite as necessary as the calculation of the requisite strength for the various distances.

It would certainly be a little out of place to set down that there is any hard and fast rule for the holding of the club tightly with the left hand, because players are to be found everywhere, who grasp their clubs in every conceivable fashion, and yet play exceedingly well; but, at the same time, it seems to be a fact that cannot be denied that holding the club tightly with the left hand and easy with the right gives the club every freedom, and enables the player to take a full and graceful swing.

After a player has formed a habit of playing in a certain style for a number of years it becomes a difficult matter for him to break it off entirely, and to acquire another which may look better or more scientific; and it may, therefore, be better for him to continue in the style which he has practised. No doubt it would be the desire of every golfer that his son, for instance, in beginning the game should acquire a good style, and learn the game as an art.

But it is not, however, mere reading alone that will enable one to acquire a good style or to make much of the game. One must not only be taught by a good exponent of the game, but by one who is capable of explaining it verbally, as well as by demonstration, and capable of putting his pupils into the proper attitudes. All teaching, however, is of little use without con-

tinual practice. It is better for one to depend upon practice alone than upon the teaching of one whose tuition is defective, and, in addition to practice, nothing could be better than, when opportunity presents itself, to go round with really good players, and carefully watch them playing the game.

GRIP.—Good iron play, without much doubt, is one of the most essential parts in the game of Golf, and, in order to ensure success, it is not by any means the least important part to see that the grip is in good order. It is pretty generally known that no grip surpasses the ordinary leather, when it is securely and compactly rolled round the shaft; but it may be also worth knowing that, when the leather is put on, it is not a bad plan to take the fine parts of a rasp or file and file it smooth, so that the hands may easily run up and down, if wanted, but not quite sufficiently smooth to cause a slip—by which means the leather is rendered less likely to shift, less likely to blister the hands, and becomes pleasanter to the feel. Rough leather is very often the cause of injury to the hands, unless, through much practice, they have become hard and horny; but holding the club too tightly is alone quite sufficient to injure the hands.

GRASP.—In grasping the club, nearly all players have different styles, and adopt the methods which they fancy best suited to them. Besides, it may be admitted that many players have very odd, not to say ungainly, methods of grasping their clubs; but many of the most successful players grasp the handle tightly with the left hand, only allowing the club to have plenty of play in the right.

As a driving-iron, practically speaking, is just a deep-faced cleek, it would not be far wrong to say that the same rule should be as applicable to the grasping of the one as to the other. The use of the driving iron is only seen to best advantage in a long approach against a wind when a strong ball is played, which, at the termination of its flight, drops without rolling much; the accomplishment of which stroke, however, depends in a great measure upon whose hands the driving-iron is in, to make it perform, on calm days, the same feat of dropping dead, as if played from an ordinary iron.

In order to effect this particular shot successfully, the ordinary iron is the proper club, and should be grasped as above mentioned. When the club is brought down, and just at the moment of impact, the bottom of the iron should not hit the ball clean altogether, but just sufficiently low to merely cut the turf. Nothing more is needed, as this stroke causes the ball to be struck in such a manner as to give it an extra under-spin, causing the ball to revolve extra quickly, in the reverse direction to its flight, so that when it falls it should have little tendency to roll. If well done, the ball, after falling, should not go beyond a yard or two. On inland greens, however, such shots are difficult to accomplish without cutting the turf out altogether. Such shots are sprung, but in springing shots there is great danger of breaking shafts, more especially if they be held tightly by both hands; and if such method of holding the club as has been described were more freely adopted there might not only be a saving of handles but of turf as well.

STANCE.—In order to play a low skimming shot, the ball should be teed near the right foot, which causes the club at the point of impact to strike the ball as if with the intention of driving it into the ground, and if carefully practised it affords the player delight to see the ball make a long flight, without rising during the greater part of its course beyond a foot or a couple of feet from the ground. Of course such shots are of great value in playing against a strong wind; for the ball, being sent away with an overspin, *i.e.*, revolving in the same direction as it flies, it has less tendency to stop on landing.

In playing before the wind it is very necessary that a well-driven ball should have plenty of elevation, the greater elevation with the combined force of the wind the farther the ball will travel, and for this purpose the ball should be teed near the left foot, so that the club at the point of impact may strike the ball much lower down than in the former case; but in the event of there being no wind or obstacle to overcome, the ball should be teed neither to the one side nor to the other, but immediately between the two feet.

In holding the club tightly with the left hand it is not meant that it should be grasped as tightly as possible, but sufficiently so to prevent the club from flying out of the hands altogether,

which curious-looking thing has on more than one occasion happened. However tight the left hand be held, when the top of the handle in the swing reaches the point of culmination, so to speak, the fourth and fifth finger of the left hand should relax a little, as they do naturally. At this point also the fingers of the right hand relax altogether, so that for the moment the fingers being almost quite open the handle should rest in the hollow between the forefinger and thumb and rest upon the thumb, which latter finger, when the balance comes into play, technically speaking, acts as a knife-edge upon which the power of the left hand and the forefingers of the right start the club in its upward motion in the reverse part of the swing. When in the course of the swing both hands should regain their former position round the handle as the club begins to descend, and the fingers of both hands should again relax at the completion of the swing. After impact the club should incline more to follow the ball than to describe a complete circle, in the necessary accomplishment of which the arms should be flung well forward free from the body, which *modus operandi* was particularly observable in the never-to-be-excelled style of Old Willie Park, whose attitudes during the complete operation of the swing, from beginning to end, were grace, elegance, and ease.

I shall not attempt to say more upon stance, as I have already written something in a former number of GOLF ("Advice to Beginners"); besides, there are so few beginners nowadays, as the following illustration will show:—

One morning I had the pleasure of playing with a young gentleman, who, at the fourth or fifth hole of the round, expressed his surprise at my winning them so easily by remarking, "Well, that beats all. I believe you are going to get this one again." "Oh, but you'll just be a beginner, I suppose?" I replied. "Oh, no," said he; "I started yesterday morning, and I played the whole day."

I am, Sir, &c.,

R. J. B. TAIT.

Edinburgh, January 27th.

MR. TAIT'S NEW RECORD.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In connection with Mr. F. Tait's recent record-breaking round on these links, permit me to draw attention to the unprecedented steadiness and equality of the play, both going out and coming in, as shown in the exact halving of the whole round in each case, as under:—

Round.	Out.	In.
Six 5's=30	Three 5's=15	Three 5's=15
Six 4's=24	Three 4's=12	Three 4's=12
Six 3's=18	Three 3's=9	Three 3's=9
72	36	36

There were five consecutive 3's in the round.

I am, Sir, &c.,

R. D. F.

St. Andrews, February 14th.

WORM CASTS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—By far the most superior thing to destroy worms is sold by Deighton and Smith, Chemists, Bridgnorth. One tablespoonful to three gallons of water, and is done with a watering-can. I have seen it used on tennis lawns with tender grass, and it does well on putting-greens. It is also very cheap and handy, and they term it "Worm Destroyer."

I am, Sir, &c.

F. LAWRENCE,

Hon. Secretary Holmes Chapel Golf Club.

A TRIO OF CHAMPIONS.

III.—WILLIAM AUCHTERLONIE.

THE Shibboleth for the English tongue struggling with the gutturals of the North is said to be "Auchtermuchty," a village in Fife; the pronunciation of that word once mastered, that of the latest Champion's name becomes easy, presenting as it does, but one half of the difficulty. Yet let not the weaker brethren despair, for if they utterly fail, it is perfectly legitimate, and indeed proper, to dispense with the first two syllables, when the rest, of course, is easy. The stranger in St. Andrews will often hear of a "Lonie." The kindred are numerous, but he may tarry long or ever he learn that as a corporal entity "Lonie" and "Auchterlonie" are one and indivisible; but so it is. We have alluded to the frequency of the name; the Champion himself has four brothers, golfers—and *such* golfers. Very sorry would he be, albeit the hero of the year 1893, to back himself against any one of them for more than a mere nominal stake. They frequently play amongst themselves, and presumably one wins as often as another; but while William Auchterlonie has chosen Golf as a profession, the rest of them are strictly within the designation of amateurs. Hence, although the result of the Open, as of the Amateur Championship, was in the nature of a surprise to the world in general, none who have watched this family at work with driver and iron were astonished. Generally speaking, one of the recognised heads of the profession wins the blue ribbon, though some of these eminent persons, undoubted leaders, have not as yet done so. Now and then, as in Jack Burns' year, a new name appears; but whether in virtue of a single victory a professional is to be ranked, like Agamemnon, as a leader among men, is a little difficult to say, specially so in Auchterlonie's case, for he so rarely plays Golf at all, except perhaps when the days are long in the summer months. For years past—to be accurate, seven—he has worked tirelessly at his trade, club-making; but with leisure for continued practice, such for instance as the Kirkaldys have, there is little doubt that he, like them, would be of the elect, if he is not so already. At so early an age has he won his honours—he is but twenty-one—that to write anything at all about him is, as it were, to make bricks without straw. No big matches before thousands of people are here to record; no scoring triumphs such as Mr. Hilton can boast, nothing but the uniform routine of daily manual work, varied here and there by an occasional round. With such scanty opportunities to carry off a Championship is a feat indeed; but it is scarcely necessary to say that Auchterlonie from his earliest years took to the links as a duckling to water. He followed the good old fashion that used to prevail, of taking out nothing but a play-club and cleek; nay, so late as his first year of apprenticeship, 1887, he owned nothing else; at this moment, questioned as to what he con-

siders his most deadly club, he will tell you these are his favourites. In these days, of the making of many clubs there is no end, and the multiplication of patents is a weariness of the flesh; probably he will do best who carries few, like 'Lonie, but all tried and trusty friends. St. Andrews can be holed in 80 with club and cleek alone; the writer has seen it done, by David Ayton, one summer evening long ago.

Before the 1893 Championship, Auchterlonie's experience was limited entirely to his own green; in small sweepstakes he sometimes came to the front, having won two or three times with the excellent score of 80. On the institution of the Clubmakers' medal, open to the workmen employed by Messrs. Forgan and Tom Morris, he tied with Jamie Anderson, in 85, and subsequently won, again with a score of 80. After

two more victories, one with 83, he entered for his first really important competition, the Championship of 1891, won by Hugh Kirkaldy with 166. On that occasion the play reached such a high standard that something exceptional was required if a good place in the prize-list were to be taken; three professionals broke the record—170—which also was equalled by an amateur; still, in the circumstances, Auchterlonie's place was a creditable one—eighth on the list—equal to Mr. Hilton, with 175. It was a curious coincidence that these two were destined to become the Champions of the immediate future. Nothing of moment has to be chronicled until 1893, in the summer of which year Auchterlonie entered for his favourite Clubmakers' medal; but on this occasion the embryo Champion, who scored 86, had to acknowledge a defeat on his merits at the hands of that sprightly septuagenarian, Tom Morris, who returned with 83. A few weeks afterwards 'Lonie began regularly to practise for the Prestwick meeting. Some men do well with comparatively little preliminary play, others again consider that weeks, nay, months, must elapse before a trustworthy



WILLIAM AUCHTERLONIE, Open Champion of 1893.

and steady game can be built up; among the latter class is Park, who holds, we believe, that six months' constant play is desirable. Not so the Champion, for whom, in his own estimation, a week is all that is necessary. Certainly, some of his rounds at St. Andrews go far towards bearing out his theory; for among his preliminary matches with Turpie, who carried for him at Prestwick, were three or four so steady and brilliant as to deserve mention. Turpie was in receipt of a half; in no one of four consecutive rounds did he exceed 86, neither was he lower than 84. Of these matches, three came to the last hole, and each player won two, Auchterlonie's scores being, 77, 78, 80, 80. So far, so good; and he started for the West, not, indeed, with the least expectation of winning, but determined to do his best for the honour of the old links at home. Four or five rounds were sufficient to teach him the pitfalls of Prestwick; and perhaps his best match was with Mr. Frank Fairlie, with whom he halved in 82. He appeared to improve as he went on, reserving his best play for the time it was wanted. It is unnecessary to recapitulate the details of the

two days' play, fully described at the time, and probably fresh in the recollection of the reader, suffice it to draw attention to the steadiness of Auchterlonie's play—78, 81, 81, 82=322. The torrents of rain which fell throughout the first day made a total of 159 doubly significant, but the heavy green, sodden with wet, was in his favour, driving as he does, very long balls, of which the carry is the principal feature. If any one ever had reason to bless that fifteenth hole at Prestwick, the Champion is the man, yet lo! he bans it altogether, holding that the bunker at the end of the tee shot should be filled up, being but a trap to "catch a sunbeam," if it be permissible thus to compare a sweetly driven ball. But, at a most critical time, he did that hole in 3, whereas the opponent from whom he then had most to fear, drove well into that bunker, and took 8 to the hole.

Auchterlonie gained golden opinions at that meeting from his quiet, unassuming demeanour. Nothing apparently could ruffle his composure, no delay irritate him; obviously his temperament is of the very best, and to nervousness he seems a complete stranger. As to his actual play, he has the first prime requisite, power; his hands, *bien gantées*, in ball array, might scarcely acknowledge the restraint of 9½ full measure; he has the grasp of a vice, therefore, the advantage of which is seen in long half-cleek approaches. He has this peculiarity, that he never swings iron or cleek above the shoulder; for he finds that he can drive every whit as far with these half-shots, in which he excels. He entirely agrees with Mr. Laidlay, who holds that the moment you begin to swing an iron you go wrong, though, unlike Auchterlonie, the amateur does not extend the embargo to the cleek. The Champion never touches a wooden putter; at Prestwick, with putting-cleek throughout the tournament, he holed out from 6 feet and under, with the most machine-like regularity; and, like Mr. Peter Anderson in the spring, won his victory on the putting-greens; though that in nowise disparages the rest of his game. Like most Britons, he is imbued with sporting instincts—sailing and shooting have charms for him, and he does not disdain Golf on the sands, with old tins and jars, arranged at convenient distances, for holes. He has now started club-making on his own account; a hard worker, and thoroughly conscientious, he deserves success, which he is likely to attain, and he can make an excellent club, *experto crede*; most of us would be glad to wield them, when made, as effectively as William Auchterlonie.

H. S. C. EVERARD.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

HON. SECRETARY, F. W. C., AND PINKERKNOWLE.—The government of a Golf Club, being essentially democratic in its nature, gives the committee a pretty wide discretionary power within the limits of its rules of management. In the case you have put so clearly, we should have been disposed to say that your committee acted decidedly *ultra vires*, not only in ignoring the specific application of Rule X., but in flying in the face of ordinary policy favoured by most clubs, that no member can compete for a prize until his subscription, box rent, and other arrears due, are paid. Clearly it might be upheld that the winner of the competition had—to put the case broadly—ceased to be a member of the club for the time being, and that he was passing through a certain period of disability, at the end of which his name could either be posted in the club or struck off the list of membership altogether. While believing that the committee acted irregularly, it has to be borne in mind that the special general meeting which was summoned to consider the case upheld their action by a majority, small, it is true, but sufficient. As a general rule, the working of the law described above, applying to a member who has not paid his subscription, is automatic, and rarely leaves a committee any option except disqualification, viewing in a fair spirit the interests of the other members; but here the irregular action of your committee has been condoned by a general meeting, which would seem to show that the members as a body are satisfied there were circumstances impelling to the mitigation of the rule in this case.

OLD SUBSCRIBER.—There is a club at Bromley and Bickley, one at Streatham (mornings only), on Tooting Common, two at Norbury, one at Tooting Junction, one at Beckenham, and one at Sydenham.

EDINBURGH ST. ANDREW GOLF CLUB.—The monthly medal competition of the above club was played over the Braids, when a goodly number competed. The greens were very heavy. Mr. A. Wilson was the winner with a score of 46, less 8=38, for the nine holes.

Reviews.

THE CANTERBURY POETS (new Edition). London: Walter Scott, Limited. 1894. 1s. 6d.

"The Canterbury Poets," in their old form, have already established themselves in public favour; but these new volumes, daintily bound in green and gold, the type clear and well-printed on rough paper, will become popular as soon as they are discovered. Two of these little volumes claim especial notice and praise. One is entitled, "Contemporary Scottish Verse," and the other, "Canadian Poems and Lays: Selections of Native Verse Reflecting the Seasons, Legends, and Life of the Dominion." The collection of contemporary Scottish verse is edited, with a critical introductory note, by Sir George Douglas, author of "The New Border Tales," which are becoming well known. The list of poets is comprehensive, and representative of much that is not Scottish only but universal, and it includes among others, William Bell Scott, James Thomson, Lord Southesk, Professor Blackie, Robert Buchanan, R. L. Stevenson, Alexander Anderson ("Surfaceman"), Andrew Lang, and William Sharp. Many of these poems will be new to the majority of readers, and will be as delightful as new.

It is impossible to give many extracts, but the reader should turn as quickly as possible to Anderson's simple nursery song, "Cuddle Doon," which alone is worth the price of the collection. Mr. Anderson was once a working railway navvy; he is now a librarian, and by the publication of his "Songs of the Rail" showed that he had not only a cultivated mind, but that he was one of the sweetest of Scottish singers. This little piece was published among his "Ballads and Sonnets" as far back as 1879. Lord Southesk's "Pigworm and Dixie" is remarkable and not easily forgotten, the lament of a prodigal over a boon companion reclaimed to respectability and prosperity. Needless to say, the prodigal gains all the reader's sympathy. Professor Blackie's "Song of Geology" is a delightful specimen of sweet poetic fancy clothed dry-as-dust fact with garlands of flowers. "The Canadian Poems," ably and artistically edited by W. D. Light-hall, M.A., of Montreal, reveal a new world of poetry, rich, refined, spirited, and pathetic. We have songs and poems that are essentially Canadian, full of wide-flowing rivers, brilliant skies, bright foliage: we have also hymns and songs full of loyalty and love for the Old Country, and panting with the Imperial spirit which associates the Canadians with the traditions of Englishmen. Then, again, there are songs characterised by a certain French vivacity of fancy, and others of Indian legends and Indian life. One of these Indian songs—"The Injun," by John Logan—recalls the force and fire of Rudyard Kipling, while it gives a fine picture of the old Hudson trader of times gone by, whose name was a passport for honest, upright dealing and bravery, so that the English Union Jack carried those who bore it safely through the hostile country of the Red Indian, where other travellers would have been tortured and killed. The old Injun's words are significant—

Yes this—an' Injuns know'd it—
That whar them Cullers flew,
The men that lived beneath them
Wuz mostly straight an' true.

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But when the men beneath that flag
Tries any monkey ways,
Then, good-bye, old time friendship,
For the Injun's going ter raise.

The names of the Canadian poets are not familiar among us, but that they are gifted with true poetic fire, no one who reads this small collection, even at random, will be inclined to dispute.

JOHN INGERFIELD, and other stories. By Jerome K. Jerome. London, Maclure and Co., 1894. 1s. 6d.

A dainty little book shaped somewhat like the "Pseudonym" volumes, but withal liberally and artistically illustrated. Mr. Jerome has won for himself fame as a humorist; but in the short preface he implores us to lose sight of him as a

'funny man,' and to allow him to stretch his wings freely in wider flights, and to judge of his flying on the merits of his new performance only. So bold, so free, so high is his flight, that his readers cry "Encore! encore!" and clamour for another journey into such a cloudland as "John Ingerfield." The first story, which gives a title to the book, is sweet, simple, pathetic. The cynicism and commercial spirit of the first few pages melt gradually into the very essence of romance, into love, self-sacrifice and peace nobly won. The illustrations, too, are full of beauty, and give expression to the full meaning of the author's pathetic little tale.

"The Woman of the Sater" is weird, creepy, convincing. Read it only in the full glare of common-sense-noonday, and drive it out of your after-dinner thoughts and conversation resolutely. Those who prefer Mr. Jerome in his most familiar roll of jester will laugh over his "Variety Patter," and the "Lease of The Cross Keys," and good things these two are, and the laughter they raise will be hearty and cheering. "Silhouettes" is an old friend, not to be touched with critical, dissecting impertinence. The fiat has gone forth upon it and is well established. We were glad to welcome the old friend with a new illustration.

AN ARMY DOCTOR'S ROMANCE. By Grant Allen. London: Raphael Tuck and Sons. 1894. 1s.

This is the third of the "Breezy Library" publications, and it claims to be a "shilling soother." Very much up to date is Mr. Grant Allen's story, for his hero goes off to Africa; fights in Matabeleland; resides as a guest with Lobengula himself, and returns home. How he leaves a girl behind him; what a startling disclosure of her he receives from the lips of a dying brother officer; how two people feel bound to marry from principle only, combined with interest, and are saved ultimately from such a dangerous undertaking, the reader will discover, if he buys this well-printed, well-illustrated, well-written little book. That Mr. Grant Allen errs in sending out Imperial troops to Matabeleland is the one fault which calls for correction. The brave men who have fought and died in Lobengula's territory are not Imperial soldiers bent on annexation; they are the pioneers of commerce, industry, and colonisation—private gentlemen, soldiers of fortune, such as set forth in the days of good Queen Bess to raise the English flag in a new world, and to establish the influence of England wherever men are to be found.

At a meeting of the Commissioners of St. Andrews, held on Monday evening the 12th, Provost MacGregor communicated the result of the conference between a committee of the board and a committee of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club as to an arrangement to be scheduled with the Bill for the acquisition of the links, promoted by the City. The club committee, it appeared, were willing to recommend to the club that the new course be made, and that both old and new courses be maintained by the club. Except during the months of July, August, and September, the new course would be free, but during these months members of the Royal and Ancient and rate-payers alone should have the right of free play. Visitors and others would acquire the right on payment of a fee. It was also stipulated that the old course should remain, as in time past, free to all without charge. For the exceptional right granted during the above summer months, it was further stipulated that the club should pay £125 per annum.

CUMBRÆ GOLF CLUB.—The usual monthly competition for the ladies' gold medal took place on the Millport course. The weather was cold, and a gusty wind blowing made scoring high. Miss Henry was winner with a score of 99.



BARTON-UNDER-NEEDWOOD LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the monthly gold bracelet was held on February 15th against "Mrs. Bogey," with the following result:—Miss F. Nadin (3), 8 holes up; Miss E. Palmer (4), 6 up; Miss M. White (3), 5 up; Miss J. Phillips (1 1/2), 3 up; Miss M. Nadin (4) 2 up; Miss S. Phillips (1 1/2), 2 up; Miss B. Nadin (1 1/2), 1 up; Mrs. Whetstone (3), 2 down; Miss K. Phillips (2), 3 down; Miss A. Wise (1 1/2), 3 down; Miss E. White (1 1/2), 7 down.

BECKENHAM GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal took place at Woodside on Saturday, February 17th. In spite of the drenching rain and strong wind there was a good turn-out of members. The score returned by Dr. Hetley is, considering the day, one of the best that has been returned for some time. Handicaps of 18 and under:—Dr. H. Hetley, 100, less 14=86 (winner of the gold medal); Mr. A. J. Hyland, 104, less 15=89; Mr. H. C. Bond, 112, less 18=94; Mr. H. Pullen, 114, less 18=96; Mr. W. H. Dees, 113, less 15=98. Other returns over 100.

Handicaps over 18.—Mr. W. B. Bishop, 113, less 25=88 (winner of the silver medal); Mr. A. Howard, 129, less 36=93; Mr. W. N. Dunn, 128, less 30=98; Mr. F. M. Walker, 123, less 24=99. Other returns 100 or over.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

Linskill cup (scratch), St. Andrews medal, and Pirie memento. Day fine and cold, green in very good condition:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. Waterhouse	91 10 81	Mr. H. M. Siddall...	90 4 86
Mr. A. P. Whitwell	93 9 84	Mr. W. W. Lowe...	95 9 86
Mr. W. T. Linskill	85 scr. 85	Mr. F. R. Upcher...	89 2 87
Mr. E. K. Le Fleming	89 3 86	Mr. A. H. Style...	103 15 88
Mr. F. E. G. Johnston	89 3 86	Mr. C. G. L. Cator	96 7 89
		Mr. W. Lovett	100 11 89

Second Class:—Mr. J. A. Scott, 101, less 25=76; Mr. J. H. N. Armstrong, 101, less 20=81; Mr. A. W. Turner, 103, less 22=81; Mr. W. J. Fosbery, 116, less 30=86; Mr. B. Macleod, 107, less 20=87; Mr. G. L. Barstow, 107, less 20=87; Mr. E. H. C. Craig, 108, less 18=90; Mr. G. S. Burge, 109, less 18=91; Mr. A. H. Stuart, 111, less 16=95; Mr. H. H. Vivian, 127, less 22=81. Eighteen competitors made no return. Mr. Linskill won the cup; Mr. Waterhouse the St. Andrews medal; and Mr. Scott the Pirie medal.

COLCHESTER GARRISON v. THE REST.

Played on Thursday, February 15th, in a steady drizzle, the garrison winning, after a very stubborn contest, by 7 holes:—

COLCHESTER.		THE REST.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Lieut.-Col. W. R. Houison...	0	Mr. H. H. Morgan-Brown...	0
Craufurd...	4	Mr. C. H. Morton...	2
Lieut.-Col. F. S. Openshaw...	0	Mr. E. H. E. Morgan...	0
Lieut.-Col. W. T. McLeod...	2	Colonel W. Merriman...	0
Captain L. P. Dittmas...	2	Mr. E. J. Dampier...	0
Captain Keith...	2	Mr. R. W. Caldwell...	1
Surgeon-Major P. H. Johnston	0		
	10		3

BRIGHTON AND HOVE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.—Monthly medal, February 14th.—Miss Heathcote, 93, less 6=87; Miss M. Heathcote, 103, less 14=89; Mrs. Sanderson, 97, less 6=91; Miss Sanders, 116, less 25=91; Miss Blaine, 120, less 25=95; Mrs. Baker, 125, less 30=95; Miss Reid, 125, less 30=95; Mrs. Gordon Dill, 110, less 14=96; Mrs. Germon, 122, less 22=100.

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CHESTERFORD PARK GOLF CLUB.

Result of play, medal day, February 12th (eighteen holes). A strong westerly wind prevailing rendered low scoring very difficult. The ladies played for the first time over their new course of nine holes, which was universally considered a great improvement on the old round:—

Ladies.—		Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mrs. Pickersgill-Cun-	...	120	20 100
liffe	...	122	20 102
Miss Burrell	...	142	30 112
Mrs. Waterhouse	...	176	60 116
Miss Feilberg	...	157	30 127
Miss T. Pulteney	...	177	50 127
Miss Knockolds	...	165	36 129
Mrs. Bellingham	...	191	60 131
Mrs. Atkinson	...	194	60 134
Miss Burgess	...	186	46 140
Miss M. Bliss	...	184	40 144
Mrs. Stewart Wade	...	206	60 146
Miss E. Tuke	...	166	20 146
Mrs. Shafto Bar-	...	206	56 150
thropp	...		
Miss Tuke	...		

Miss Taylor, Mrs. Wentworth Stanley, and Mrs. Williams made no return.

Gentlemen.—		Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. Pickersgill-Cun-	...	133	30 103
liffe	...	144	30 114
Rev. T. F. Williams	...	142	20 122
Rev. E. F. A. Hext	...	153	25 128
Mr. W. N. Cobbold	...	179	37 142
Mr. H. W. Atkinson	...	217	45 172
Mr. H. Green	...		

Mr. A. W. Stanley and Mr. Barthropp made no return.

CLAPHAM COMMON GOLF CLUB.

A ladies' competition was held on St. Valentine's Day for a prize presented by the hon. secretary, the competitors playing over the full round of eighteen holes. The following was the result:—Mrs. Woodhead (scratch), 139; Mrs. Saunders, 156, less 16=140; Miss M. Bradbury (scratch), 146; Mrs. Greenfield, 162, less 6=156; Miss A. H. Bradbury, 164, less 8=156; Miss Drake, 194, less 8=186. Owing to a severe frost over-night the greens were very difficult.

COUNTY DOWN GOLF CLUB.

Club Monthly Handicap.—Induced by the fine weather a very large number of members went to Newcastle on Saturday last, nor were they disappointed, as a finer day for the game could not have been wished for. Scarcely half of those present entered for the competition, the remainder playing in the less-exciting but more enjoyable foursome. As will be seen from the details the prize was won by Mr. H. Morrell, who scored a highly popular win. The following are the net scores of under 100 returned:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. H. Morell ... 114 26 88	Mr. T. S. Ferguson 106 14 92
Mr. T. Dickson ... 94 4 90	Mr. D. J. Lindsay ... 117 24 93
Mr. S. C. Kelly ... 101 10 91	Mr. G. M. Shaw ... 102 4 98
Mr. H. Agnew ... 111 20 91	Mr. H. Herdman ... 116 18 98
Mr. L. Campbell ... 113 22 91	Mr. W. J. Martin ... 113 14 99

Eighteen were over 100, or made no return.

DERBYSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition for the Struss trophy took place on the 10th inst., when Mr. Jeffrey and Mr. Aspdin tied for first place, but as the former won the January competition, he retired in favour of Mr. Aspdin who thus secures the right of playing in the final. The following are the principal scores returned:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. T. C. Jeffrey ... 94 7 87	Mr. R. Harvey ... 122 20 102
Mr. B. D. Aspdin 101 14 87	Mr. A. C. Laurie ... 119 15 104
Rev. T. E. M. Hut-	Dr. Laurie ... 132 25 107
chinson ... 100 10 90	Mr. H. Burton ... 131 22 109
Mr. J. N. Nutt ... 109 15 94	Mr. L. A. Guilmant 135 15 120
Mr. P. Hawkridge... 113 15 98	

DISLEY GOLF CLUB.

The above club held their fourth winter handicap meeting on Saturday last, when the weather was again most unfavourable for play, as it was snowing the greater part of the day; consequently only very few members turned out, and the scoring was much higher than usual. Mr. A. H. Dixon put in a win for the winter medal, and took the first sweepstake, the second being taken by Dr. Scowcroft. Mr. R. E. Branthwaite put in a win for Mr. Tonge's prize for members with handicaps of 16 or over. The following were the best returns:—Mr. A. H. Dixon, 110, less 13=97; Dr. Scowcroft, 107, less 8=99; Mr. J. E. Mills, 114, less 14=100; Mr. R. R. Branthwaite, 129, less 25=104. Eleven others returned higher scores, or made no returns.

NORTHERN MERCHANTS' CLUB.—The monthly medal competition was played over Musselburgh links on the 13th, and on the cards being handed in it was found to have resulted in a tie between Mr. Jas. P. Cockburn and Mr. R. Fraser, with the net scores of 90.

ELTHAM GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the monthly medal took place on Saturday last 17th February, in very wet and windy weather, the scoring was unusually high, and very few returns were made. Result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
*Mr. L. Stokes ... 91 10 81	Mr. A. S. Johnston 196 1 95
†Mr. W. McArthur 100 11 89	Mr. A. B. Hutchings 110 13 97
Mr. H. T. Selby ... 107 16 91	Mr. A. S. Wells ... 119 20 99
†Mr. H. C. Burton 108 15 93	Mr. G. Spurling ... 112 12 100
Mr. R. H. Hedder-	Mr. P. F. G. Lord 118 13 105
wick ... 102 9 93	Mr. W. A. Adam ... 123 16 107

* Winner of first sweepstake. † Winner of second sweepstake.
‡ Winner of third sweepstake.

FORFARSHIRE.

The members of the Broughty Club opened their season's play on the 14th, on Monifieth links, when they were favoured with fine weather. The course, however, was very hard and sprinkled with snow, and putting was very difficult. There was a good muster, twenty-seven members entering for the medal presented by Mr. Edward Rowan, which is played for under average conditions. With two exceptions, the first class players were all above average; but some heavy breaks were made by the second, and more particularly the third class contingent. Mr. James Carver, who returned a card with 97, came in 23 below his average and won the medal, and was followed by Mr. J. Green with an excellent 89, showing 22 of a reduction on his average. The other scores under the century were:—Mr. Andrew Miller, 89; Mr. J. S. Croudace, 94; Mr. W. K. Lorimer, 95; Mr. Robert Grossart, 95; Mr. William Gray, 95; Mr. James Bowman, 96; Mr. Allan Bell, 97; Mr. George Morton, 97; Mr. W. N. Machan, 97; Mr. William Smith, 98; Mr. Alexander Bowman, 99. The prize-winners were:—First Class—Scratch and first average, Mr. Andrew Miller, 89, 5 below; second average, Mr. Allen Bell, 97, 2 below. Second Class—Scratch (tie), Messrs. Robert Grossart and William Gray, 95 each; first average, Mr. William Smith, 98, 10 below; second average, Mr. William Gray, 95, 9 below. Third Class—Scratch and second average, Mr. John Green, 89, 22 below; first average, Mr. James Carver, 97, 23 below.

FORMBY GOLF CLUB.

The fourth of the winter monthly optional subscription competitions took place on the links at Freshfield on Saturday in miserably wet weather. Forty-two players started, and sixteen returned cards under 100 net, the others being either over 100 or made no return. Mr. T. C. Morris recorded a win, taking also the first sweepstake; Messrs. J. Fairclough and D. C. Anderson dividing the second and third sweepstakes. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. T. C. Morris ... 100 16 84	Mr. J. Hornby ... 93 scr. 93
Mr. J. Fairclough ... 92 3 89	Mr. R. J. Kerr ... 96 3 93
Mr. D. C. Anderson 105 16 89	Mr. D. Webster ... 101 8 93
Mr. J. B. Arkle ... 103 13 90	Mr. G. C. Liebert... 96 2 94
Mr. R. A. Tatton ... 108 18 90	Mr. H. H. Hilton... 85+10 95
Mr. G. F. Smith ... 89 +2 91	Mr. S. M. Crosfield 101 5 96
Mr. G. R. Cox, jun. 92 scr. 92	Mr. T. W. Rowley 105 8 98
Mr. R. P. Stein ... 105 13 92	Mr. J. Spink ... 111 12 99

FELIXSTOWE GOLF CLUB.—The eleventh heat in the series of competitions for the Syndicate's monthly challenge cup was played on Saturday, the 17th inst., with a strong south-easterly wind prevailing, which rendered low scoring almost an impossibility. The winner therefore is entitled to great credit for the excellence of his card. Principal scores:—Mr. P. Colley, 102, less 18=84; Mr. F. W. Wilson, 103, less 9=94; Mr. W. H. Franks, 119, less 20=99.

A FOUR-BALL MATCH AT ST. ANDREWS.—The return four-ball match came off on Friday, the 16th. The weather was dull and wet. Mr. F. G. Tait, who played the best ball of Mr. Everard, Captain Burn, and Tom Morris, won the first round of the last match by 2 and 1 to play, but lost the second by 7 and 5 to play. The play in the first half of the forenoon round was rather in favour of Mr. Tait, who turned 1 ahead. He, however, lost the first two holes coming home, which made him 1 down at the high hole. The next three holes were halved, but the trio secured the next, which made them 2 up and 3 to play. They lost the next, but halving the last two, won the round by 1 hole. Play in the second round was of a give-and-take order, and Mr. Tait won three out of the first five holes. His opponents, however, won three out of the next four, turning square. Mr. Tait secured the first hole home with a fine 3. He lost the next three holes, which made him 2 down and 4 to play. The next fell to Mr. Tait, and, halving the corner of the dyke, and Mr. Tait winning the burn, the match stood all square and 1 to play. The last hole being halved, the round ended all square.

GLAMORGANSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

A match with the St. Fagans Golf Club was played at St. Fagans on the 10th inst., and resulted as follows:—

ST. FAGANS.		GLAMORGANSHIRE.	
	Holes		Holes
Mr. E. U. David	... 3	Mr. J. Hunter	... 0
Mr. Rhys Price	... 0	Mr. T. M. Barlow	... 4
Mr. J. E. Williams	... 0	Mr. W. H. M. Tucker	... 0
Mr. H. A. Tapsfield	... 0	Mr. F. Milburn	... 6
Mr. F. Halsey	... 0	Mr. R. H. T. A. Rickards	... 0
Mr. W. H. Watson	... 0	Mr. H. W. Flint	... 0
	3		10

A match with Abergavenny Golf Club was played at Abergavenny on the 17th inst., and resulted as follows:—

ABERGAVERNENY.		GLAMORGANSHIRE.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. T. Powell	... 1	Mr. J. Hunter	... 0
Mr. W. Maund	... 0	Mr. C. B. Stoddart	... 9
Mr. W. Marsh	... 0	Mr. Rhys Price	... 13
Rev. A. C. Evans	... 0	Mr. T. M. Barlow	... 3
Dr. Howison	... 0	Mr. F. Milburn	... 7
Mr. W. Davis	... 0	Mr. W. H. M. Tucker	... 0
Mr. C. Pegler	... 0	Mr. R. H. T. A. Rickards	... 8
Mr. Colquhoun	... 12	Mr. E. Nicholls	... 0
	13		40

A match was also played between the Professionals Thompson (G.) and East (A.), and resulted in a win for the former by 2 holes.

HAYLING GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, February 10th. There was a regular gale from the west, and therefore the scoring ruled high. The score of the winner (Mr. Sassoon) was rather a curious one, namely, 59 out and 39 in, the latter being 2 below scratch play.—Mr. J. S. Sassoon, 98, less 11=87; Mr. W. Gann, 94, less 5=89; Rev. H. A. Spyers, 122, less 24=98; Mr. E. S. McEuen, 104, less 3=101; Col. J. E. Savill, 123, less 20=103. No returns from three players.

Monday, February 12th, "Bogey" competition. Day fine, but wind even stronger than on Saturday. Results:—Mr. A. O. Burton, 5 down; Mr. W. M. Corrie, 5 down; Mr. H. W. Street, 5 down; Mr. A. Chandler, 7 down; Mr. F. J. Crooke, 7 down; Capt. G. C. Wylie, 10 down; Mr. W. Gann, 10 down; Mr. A. Read, 10 down; Mr. J. S. Sassoon, 10 down; Mr. C. H. Sapte, 10 down; Mr. Fleetwood Sandeman, 10 down; Mr. S. F. Higgins, 11 down. No returns from two players.

Tuesday and Wednesday, February 13th and 14th, the Liddell cup, competed for by match play. In the semi-final heat Mr. R. G. Hargreaves (9) beat Mr. A. Read (5); and Mr. J. S. Sassoon (11) beat Mr. P. J. T. Henery (scratch). Final heat.—Mr. R. G. Hargreaves beat Mr. J. S. Sassoon. The cup has only been played for on two occasions, and each time it has been won by Mr. Hargreaves.

HEATON MOOR GOLF CLUB.

The twelfth monthly competition for the gold medal presented by the president, Mr. P. J. Ramsay, was played on Saturday. Owing to the inclement weather, only twelve members competed, and the following are the scores returned under 100:—Mr. E. Watkin, 107, less 20=87; Mr. J. Stirling, 107, less 15=92; Mr. W. Dewse, 112, less 20=92; Mr. T. W. Taylor, 112, less 18=94; Mr. A. H. M. Gow, 105, less 10=95.

HUDDERSFIELD GOLF CLUB.

The third annual meeting of this club was held on Tuesday night at the George Hotel. Mr. H. Huth, the captain of the club, presided, and he was supported by the full strength of the committee and a considerable attendance of members. The minutes of the previous annual meeting were read and adopted. The captain gave a brief review of the year's doings. The secretary's (Mr. A. L. Woodhead) report showed that the club numbered four hundred members; mentioned the alterations at the club-house, the addition of a billiard-table to the club's attractions, the alterations in the course; gave a brief account of the competitions of the year, and referred to several other matters of interest to the members. The treasurer's balance-sheet, read by Mr. Johnson Wilkinson, proved a most satisfactory document. A large number of the previous year's liabilities had been cleared off all liabilities of the year fully met, and a small balance remained in hand. The report and balance-sheet were adopted on the motion of Mr. Frank Huth, seconded by Mr. J. E. Webb. The Earl of Dartmouth was re-elected president; Colonel Clarke-Thornhill was made a vice-president of the club; Dr. F. L. Mackenzie was elected captain of

the club, in succession to Mr. Huth. Dr. Mackenzie thanked the members for the honour they had done him, and mentioned a few of the things which he would like to see taken up during his captaincy. Mr. Arthur L. Woodhead was re-elected secretary, and Mr. Johnson Wilkinson was re-elected treasurer. The two vacancies on the committee were filled by the election of Messrs. H. Huth and G. H. Edgcombe. The passing of votes of thanks closed a very good meeting.

KETTERING GOLF CLUB.

The match Kettering v. Leicester was played on Saturday last at Kettering in a downpour of rain. At the finish Kettering were 36 up. Score:—

KETTERING.		LEICESTER.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Dr. Allison	... 9	Mr. E. W. Beale	... 0
Mr. A. C. Simmons	... 7	Mr. E. A. Thompson	... 0
Mr. C. Saunders	... 0	Mr. H. W. B. Richardson	... 5
Mr. W. F. Neilson	... 9	Mr. W. G. Reynolds	... 0
Mr. F. Mobbs	... 4	Mr. H. L. Goddard	... 0
Mr. A. H. Bryan	... 0	Mr. C. G. Bissell	... 0
Mr. R. B. Wallis	... 7	Mr. J. S. Anderson	... 0
Mr. R. Abbott	... 5	Mr. R. E. S. Richardson	... 0
Total	41	Total	5

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

The third competition for the prize presented to the lady subscribers, by the captain of the club, took place on Wednesday, the 14th, over the ladies' links at St. Anne's-on-the-sea (twice round, eighteen holes in all). The morning had been remarkably fine, but after noon there was a change to damp and somewhat hazy weather, and rain commenced just as the last competitors came in. Considering the recent storms and rain, the links were in fair order. The best eight net scores were:—Miss M. Lythgoe, St. Anne's, 91, plus 3=94; Miss E. Terry, St. Anne's, 100, less 3=97; Mrs. E. Catteral, St. Anne's, 94, plus 4=98; Mrs. A. Brown, St. Anne's, 96, plus 2=98; Mrs. Miller, Singleton Park, 115, less 13=102; Mrs. E. Harrison, St. Anne's, 124, less 20=104; Miss G. Oram, Lytham, 143, less 25=118; Miss C. Salt, Lytham, 129, less 10=119.

Many ladies did not send in any returns. Miss M. Lythgoe therefore put in the win for the prize. The first competition was won by Miss A. Turnbull, Manchester, with 96, less 9=87; and the second by Miss May Mugliston, Lytham, with 97, less 5=92. There are three more competitions to be played.

THE CAPTAIN'S CUP.

At the fourth competition for the captain's cup, played on the links of the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, during the heavy gale on January 27th, three players—Mr. A. H. Doleman, South Shore, Mr. J. A. F. Eltoft, St. Anne's, and the Rev. C. Billington, Lytham—tied for the win with net scores of 106 each. This tie was played off under the same handicaps on Saturday, during a downpour of rain which continued the whole day, and consequently caused a considerable quantity of casual water to lodge in places on the links. The result of the play was as follows:—Rev. C. Billington, 104, less 9=95; Mr. A. H. Doleman, 97, plus 2=99; Mr. J. A. F. Eltoft, 111, less 6=105. The Rev. C. Billington therefore obtained the win for the cup, and received the silver memento. The fifth and sixth competitions will take place on February 24th and March 24th, and the six winners will play off for possession of the cup at the first day of the spring meeting, Saturday, April 7th.

NORTH-WEST GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition in the ladies' branch of the club took place on Saturday on the Buncrana Links, and the competitors were favoured with an exceptionally fine day. The recent inclement weather, however, has prevented much practice, and the scoring was not good. It is only fair, however, to bear in mind, in scrutinising the figures, that the Buncrana ladies' course approximates somewhat in length and difficulty to an ordinary course for gentlemen. Miss Reid secured the medal, and her score and those of the other competitors who returned cards are given below:—Miss Reid, 111, less 12=99; Miss O'Brien, 121, less 20=101; Miss Leebody, 128, less 23=105; Mrs. Hume Babington, 131, less 27=104; Mrs. T. B. Montgomery, 131, less 25=106; Miss L. T. Colquhoun, 112, less 5=107.

There was a large turn-out of gentlemen at the Lisfannon Links, and a number of interesting private matches, singles, and foursomes were played off.

ROCHESTER LADIES' GOLF CLUB.—The ladies of the above club played for the monthly medal on Saturday, 17th inst. A very wet afternoon accounts for the few returns:—Miss F. E. Cobb, 111, less 20=91; Miss Evelyn Cunliffe, 118, less 18=100; Mrs. F. Knight, 128, less 26=102; Mrs. Sealy, 112, less 8=104.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

Weekly handicap, Friday, February 16th.—Mr. G. C. Jobling, 90, less 14=76; Mr. T. M. Winch, 86, less 8=78; Mr. H. Nicholls, 85, less 4=81; Mr. F. H. Stewart, scratch, 82; Mr. M. Waterlow, 98, less 14=84; Mr. W. H. Abell, 103, less 18=85; Mr. C. R. Jeff, 108, less 22=86; Mr. R. Marett, 112, less 24=88. Twenty-three entries. No returns from the rest.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY v. COVENTRY.

Played at Coventry on February 14th, and resulted in a victory for Oxford by 9 holes.

COVENTRY.		OXFORD UNIVERSITY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Capt. F. B. Johnston ...	0	Mr. R. H. Mitchell ...	0
Mr. F. M. G. Abell ...	0	Mr. J. A. F. Moncrieff ...	5
Mr. H. Rotherham ...	3	Mr. H. Nicholls ...	0
Mr. H. Smith ...	1	Mr. H. G. B. Ellis ...	0
Mr. A. Rotherham ...	0	Mr. R. Lodge ...	7
Mr. H. W. Bainbridge ...	0	Mr. A. B. Sanders ...	2
Mr. G. S. Albright ...	1	Mr. P. A. Lushington ...	0
Mr. W. Hillman ...	1	Mr. C. W. W. Surridge ...	0
Mr. A. P. Pridmore ...	0	Mr. F. Nicholls ...	0
Mr. J. Powers ...	0	Mr. T. M. Winch ...	1
	6		15

OXFORD UNIVERSITY v. GUILDFORD.

This match was played at Guildford on Saturday, the 17th inst., and resulted in a substantial win for the home side. The rain did not leave off all day, so that the conditions of play were not in favour of the best Golf, as the tees were very slippery, and the greens, in spite of the wet, were very fast, and tricky.

OXFORD.		GUILDFORD.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. F. H. Stewart (captain) ...	0	Mr. S. Mure Fergusson (capt.)	6
Mr. R. H. Mitchell ...	0	Mr. Walter Carr ...	0
Mr. R. B. R. Mair ...	0	Mr. B. Howell ...	1
Mr. J. A. F. Moncrieff ...	0	Mr. J. A. Ross ...	4
Mr. A. J. Boger ...	0	Mr. J. Kenrick ...	4
Mr. H. G. B. Ellis ...	0	Mr. H. H. Playford ...	5
Mr. H. Nicholls ...	0	Mr. H. L. Forbes ...	6
Mr. P. A. Lushington ...	0	Mr. W. M. Corrie ...	6
Mr. G. M. T. Smyth ...	0	Mr. H. Davenport ...	7
Mr. T. M. Winch ...	0	Colonel W. Pott ...	7
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RANELAGH CLUB.

Ranelagh monthly medal, February 17th. Owing to the heavy rain, which continued all day, only seven competitors put in an appearance. Scores:—Dr. Lynes, 95, less 13=82; Mr. F. Keen, 103, less 16=87; Mr. E. Britten-Holmes, 102, less 14=88; Sir H. G. Berge, 110, less 18=92; Mr. L. E. Guy Abney, 103, less 10=93; Mr. H. R. Payne, 109, less 12=97; Mr. A. E. Bateman, 120, less 20=100.

On March 17th, being Boat Race Day, it is proposed to offer a three-guinea cup for competition for the best aggregate scores of two rounds under handicap, entries one shilling each, to be divided between the second and third competitor as arranged hereafter. Breakfast will be served at the club at 9.45 a.m.

ROYAL DUBLIN GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on the 17th inst., Mr. P. Watson being the winner with a good gross score of 84. The returns were as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. P. Watson ...	84	11	73	Mr. R. J. Harrison ...	109	26	83
Professor Doherty ...	97	18	79	Mr. A. Hussey ...	96	12	84
Mr. T. Gilroy ...	80	scr.	80	Dr. Kelly ...	96	12	84
Mr. C. D. Barry ...	91	11	80	Dr. Traill ...	93	9	84
Mr. G. C. Green ...	90	9	81	Mr. C. T. Thring ...	104	18	86
Capt. Rose ...	96	13	83	Mr. D. M. Wilson ...	93	5	88
Mr. J. H. Pigot ...	89	6	83	Mr. D. Christie ...	95	7	88
Mr. T. Stewart ...	97	14	83				

ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Competitions for the club prize and Badger dish took place respectively on Wednesday, January 31st, and Saturday, February 10th. Owing possibly to the weather, which made play difficult, there were few competitors, and the scoring was somewhat high on both occasions.

Club Prize.—Miss Ada Allen, 118, less 26=92; Miss Parratt, 116, less 21=95; Miss Jackson, 121, less 26=95; Miss Horsfall, 118, less 20=98. Miss Saunders and Miss M. Saunders made no return.

Badger Dish.—Miss C. Allen, 107, less 15=92; Miss Saunders (scratch), 94. Miss M. Saunders and Miss A. Allen made no return.

The monthly competition for the club prize (scratch) was played on Wednesday, February 17th, and won by Miss E. A. Whieldon, with an excellent score of 77 gross. Miss E. A. Whieldon, 77; Miss N. Saunders, 89. Miss M. Saunders and Miss Horsfall made no return.

ROYAL EASTBOURNE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition in connection with this club took place in delightful weather on Tuesday, February 13th.—Miss M. Lawrence, 95, less 11=84; Mrs. S. Whitfield, 99, less 13=86; Mrs. Pott, 112, less 24=88; Mrs. Jeffery, 113, less 24=89; Miss Dowker, 95, less 5=90; Mrs. Franks, 104, less 12=92; Mrs. Scott, 109, less 12=97.

ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB.

Mr. T. W. Barker's prize, Saturday, February 10th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Mr. A. Critchley			Mr. W. Field ...	103	10	93	
Salmonson ...	98	12	86	Mr. A. G. Robertson ...	106	13	93
*Mr. E. Lehmann ...	91	2	89	Capt. Fairlie ...	98	4	94
*Mr. W. L. Lawson ...	101	12	89	Mr. T. Ramsbotham ...	104	10	94
Mr. J. Alexander ...	92	2	90	Mr. H. G. H. Spencer ...	99	4	95
Major Scott, R.A. ...	89	+2	91	Mr. H. P. H. Spencer ...	102	7	95
Col. Mackenzie ...	94	3	91	Mr. E. B. Pusey ...	113	18	95
Mr. H. A. Berryman ...	108	17	91	Gen. Markham, R.A. ...	115	18	97
Mr. O. Belk ...	94	1	93	Mr. E. L. Vans Agnew ...	120	18	102

* Divided sweepstakes.

Thirteen players made no return.

SEAFORD GOLF CLUB.

Our monthly medal, played on Saturday in drizzling rain, resulted as follows:—Capt. Nugent, 85, less 4=81; Mr. Wilfred Cundell, 101, less 15=86; Capt. O'Reilly, 107, less 16=91; Mr. E. S. Currey, 108, less 16=92; Mr. T. S. Whitfield, 108, less 14=94. Half a dozen others made no return, or were over 100 net.

TENBY GOLF CLUB.

Gentlemen's single "Bogey" handicap, played February 10th.—Col. Lloyd (12), 1 up; Mr. E. Span (15), 2 down; Capt. Westby (15), 5 down.

Ladies' handicap, played February 12th.—Miss Vachell, 65, less 3=62; Miss A. Philipps, 76, less 10=66; Miss Clifton, 70, less 2=68; Miss A. Voyle, 73, less 5=68.

Gentlemen's single handicap, February 14th.—Col. Voyle, 108, less 20=88; Mr. A. C. Evans, 100, less 9=91; Col. Lloyd, 109, less 17=92; Mr. H. Garnett, 111, less 17=94; Mr. L. R. Wood, 123, less 28=95; Mr. E. G. Span, 122, less 20=102; Mr. M. M. Thomas, 118, less 13=105.

TIVERTON GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played off last Wednesday in delightful golfing weather. The greens were in excellent order. Scores:—Mr. R. S. Owen, 90, less 12=78; Mr. A. L. Francis, 92, less 12=80; Major Gardner, 107, less 27=80; Mr. M. L. Banks, 95, less 12=83; Mr. S. H. Fisher, 101, less 12=89; Mr. G. H. Spring, 112, less 20=92. All the other cards sent in were above 100 net. Mr. R. S. Owen won the medal for the third time, it has thus become his own.

TORQUAY LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

In the monthly medal competition which took place on the 16th inst. only six members entered, although the weather was everything that could be desired. Miss Oldfield, 88, less 8=80; Miss Pemberton, 90, less 7=83; Miss Wollen, 91, less 5=86; Miss E. Colhoun, 94, less 8=86; Miss Boyd, 126, less 16=110. Miss Collett made no return.

WEST MIDDLESEX GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition was held on the new links on Saturday, the 17th inst., when, in spite of the incessant downpour, some good scores were made, notably that of Mr. Cyril Plummer, the captain, whose score of 85, from scratch, heads the amateur record of the new course, the medal being won by Mr. A. Riside, with 84 and a handicap of 17. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. A. Riside ...	101	17	84	Mr. J. Ryan ...	102	6	96
Mr. C. Plummer ...	85	scr.	85	Mr. S. Chick ...	102	6	96
Mr. Hal Ludlow ...	100	14	86	Major Maule ...	113	14	99
Mr. J. Rogers ...	99	8	91	Mr. J. Phillips ...	113	14	99
Mr. E. Bird ...	105	13	92	Mr. L. S. Hargreaves ...	113	8	105
Mr. Regge ...	112	18	94	Mr. M. Peckell ...	133	22	111
Mr. J. Hardie ...	112	18	94	Mr. J. Valérie ...	135	24	111
Mr. Cosser ...	111	16	95				

WIMBLEDON LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

A tournament by holes, handicaps limited to 9, prize a scarf pin kindly given by Mrs. Fisher, was finished on Saturday, February 10th, Miss E. R. Faithfull, a rapidly improving player, proving the winner. Till last week her regular handicap was 17, but she managed to come off victorious in this competition with an allowance of 9 only. There were thirty-seven entries, making twenty-seven byes, and several very close and interesting matches resulted.

First Heat.—Mrs. Willock (8), Miss H. MacFarlan (9), Miss E. M. Martyn (9), Miss Freda Kenyon Stow (9), Mrs. Cameron (8), Miss A. Kenyon Stow (3), Miss N. Muir (7), Mrs. Meates (9), Mrs. Lawrell (9), Miss Frere (9), Mrs. Foster (9), Miss Horne (9), Miss K. MacFarlan (9), Miss A. Tyrwhitt Drake (9), Mrs. Alex. King (9), Miss Ethel Carver (9), Miss B. Thomson (9), Miss E. R. Faithfull (9), Mrs. A. Pollock (9), Miss M. Faithfull (9), Miss Pascoe (6), Miss N. Martyn (9), Mrs. J. Peat (9), Miss Emily Carver (9), Miss Issette Pearson (scratch), Miss S. Henderson (9), Miss G. Tee (9), byes; Miss A. L. Tyrwhitt Drake (6) beat Miss Phillips (9); Mrs. Fraser (6) beat Miss A. MacFarlan (9); Miss Lena Thomson (3) beat Miss L. Eveleigh (9); Mrs. Dowson (9) beat Miss K. Tuely (9); Miss E. Scott (9) beat Miss Wayne (9).

Second Heat.—Miss H. MacFarlan beat Mrs. Willock; Miss F. Kenyon Stow beat Miss E. M. Martyn; Miss A. Kenyon Stow beat Mrs. Cameron; Miss N. Muir beat Mrs. Meates; Miss Frere beat Mrs. Lawrell; Mrs. Foster, walked over, Miss Horne, scratched; Miss A. Tyrwhitt Drake beat Miss K. MacFarlan; Mrs. A. King beat Miss Ethel Carver; Miss E. R. Faithfull beat Miss B. Thomson; Mrs. A. Pollock beat Miss M. Faithfull; Miss N. Martyn beat Miss Pascoe; Mrs. J. Peat beat Miss Emily Carver; Miss Issette Pearson beat Miss S. Henderson; Miss G. Tee beat Miss A. L. Tyrwhitt Drake, Miss Lena Thomson beat Mrs. Fraser; Miss E. Scott beat Mrs. Dowson.

Third Heat.—Miss Freda Kenyon Stow beat Miss H. MacFarlan; Miss Kenyon Stow beat Miss N. Muir; Mrs. Foster beat Miss Frere; Miss A. Tyrwhitt Drake beat Mrs. A. King; Miss E. R. Faithfull beat Mrs. Pollock; Miss N. Martyn beat Mrs. J. Peat; Miss Issette Pearson beat Miss G. Tee; Miss Scott beat Miss Lena Thomson.

Fourth Heat.—Miss F. Kenyon Stow beat Miss Kenyon Stow; Miss A. Tyrwhitt Drake beat Mrs. Foster; Miss E. R. Faithfull beat Miss N. Martyn; Miss Issette Pearson beat Miss Edith Scott.

Semi-final.—Miss A. Tyrwhitt Drake beat Miss F. Kenyon Stow; Miss E. R. Faithfull beat Miss Pearson.

Final.—Miss E. R. Faithfull beat Miss A. Tyrwhitt Drake by 2 holes.

Monthly medals, Saturday, February 17th.—Played in pouring rain, which became heavier as the day wore on. There were very few competitors, and several of those did not finish their round. Miss Pearson's scratch 75, was a most creditable performance. She was playing steadily all through. Below are the scores returned:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
*Miss Issette Pearson	75	scr.	75	Miss Pascoe	... 98 9 89
Miss Lena Thomson	84	3	81	Miss N. Muir	... 97 6 91
†Miss F. Plunkett...	141	30	81	Miss A. Harrison	... 111 20 91
Miss G. Tee	... 93	10	83	Mrs. Whitehead	... 105 13 92
Mrs. Meates	... 98	15	83	Mrs. Foster...	... 108 14 94
Mrs. Alex. King	... 99	15	84	Miss H. Wilson	... 113 19 94
Mrs. H. C. Willock	94	8	86	Miss K. MacFarlan	115 18 97
Miss G. Hassard	...			Miss Delcomyn	... 127 30 97
Short	... 97	8	89		

*Winner of medal and brooch. †Winner of medal for handicaps over 18.

WITHINGTON GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition, played February 17th. The best returns were:—Mr. J. M. Eaton, 86, plus 2=88; Mr. Edgar Ratcliffe, 97, less 9=88; Mr. J. A. Brewis, 103, less 12=91; Mr. F. W. Lee, 97, less 4=93; Mr. C. H. Schill, 105, less 10=95; Mr. J. M. Leake, 103, less 6=97; Mr. C. J. Fleming, 104, less 6=98; Mr. E. Bayley, 107, less 8=99.

WEARISIDE GOLF CLUB.—The annual meeting of the Weariside Golf Club, which has its links at Coxgreen, was held at the Queen's Hotel, Sunderland, Mr. J. Brewis (chairman) presided. Mr. Sparks (hon. secretary and treasurer) submitted his statements, which showed that the present number of club members was 144, and that after having spent the sum of £66 on capital account, the balance at the end of the year against the club was only £14. The Chairman congratulated the members upon the very successful year—the first in the club's existence. The Earl of Durham was re-elected president of the club, Mr. J. Brewis, chairman, Mr. J. B. Sparks, hon. secretary and treasurer, and the following committee:—Messrs. T. Patterson J. Darney, W. Halcro, Col. McKenzie, Messrs. D. Yeaman, W. A. Kidson, W. M. Roche, Alf. Dickinson, W. D. Mann, Dr. Legat, and Mr. Craig. It was decided to admit ladies into the club membership at an annual subscription of 10s. 6d.

LARKS CLUB, MUSSELBURGH.—The first quarterly competition for the season of this club was held on Thursday, the 15th inst., in fine golfing weather, the Crandles cup and club prizes being the chief attraction of this meeting. Thirty members turned out, and resulted in a number of ties. The following are the prize-winners:—1st, Mr. A. W. Jackson, Ormiston, 89, less 10=79, cup and captain's prize (a handsome timepiece); 2nd and 3rd, Mr. R. Graham, 90, less 10=80, and Mr. T. Haig, 100, less 20=80, tie; 4th and 5th, Mr. R. M' Culloch, 91, less 10=81, and Mr. J. R. Newlands, 81, tie; 6th, Mr. P. Lettice, 82; 7th and 8th, Messrs. G. Crandles, P. T. Ireland, R. Colville, and C. M'Intosh, ties. Mr. D. Clark won the scratch medal with 81.

WORCESTERSHIRE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.—On Thursday, the 8th inst., the new course of nine holes was opened, and a gold brooch, presented by Mrs. Carington, was competed for. Mrs. H. Arnold Armitage, 113, less 32=81 (winner of brooch); Mrs. K. E. Lyon, Miss Nevile, Miss Hilliard, Mrs. Nevile, Mrs. J. Jupp, Miss E. Brown, Miss Pike, Miss Foster, Mrs. J. N. Swann, Miss Toppin, Mrs. T. Spear, and Miss L. Ellis also competed.

NEWHAVEN GOLF CLUB.—The monthly medal of this club was played for on Saturday. The greens were in fine playing condition, although the recent heavy rains made the course rather slow. Twenty competitors took part, the leading scores being:—Mr. C. L. Reade, 93, less 2=91; Mr. Aubrey Harcourt, 111, less 19=92; Mr. J. Dymon, 118, less 25=93.

SEAFIELD GOLF CLUB.—The February competition for monthly medal and prizes was played over Leith links on Friday and Saturday. Owing to the unfavourable weather there was a small turnout of members. The following was the result:—1. Mr. J. Grosert, 91, less 9=82; 2. Mr. F. P. Cochrane, 94, less 6=88; 3. Mr. A. Clark, 99, less 9=90; 4 (tie), Mr. John Gardner, 95, less 4=91, Mr. H. M. Wallace, 103, less 12=91, Mr. T. Sinclair, 102, less 11=91.

NORTH BERWICK.—On Saturday the weather was disagreeably wet, and there were comparatively few players over the course. The following are the results of additional matches played in the competition for the handicap trophies of the Bass Rock Club:—Mr. T. Johnston (7) beat Mr. D. Horsburgh (5); Mr. G. S. Milne (8) and Mr. J. Walker (8) halved twice; Mr. J. Mitchell (scratch) beat Mr. D. M. Jackson (scratch), Mr. W. Merriles (7) beat Mr. Milne (8), Mr. J. W. Earnshaw (6) beat Mr. J. W. Greig (6), and Mr. Milne (8) beat Mr. D. M. Murray (10).

HADDINGTON GOLF CLUB.—The members of this club competed at Garleton, on Saturday, in stormy weather, for the Ross medal and other prizes. Two rounds of the course, which is one of nine holes, were played. The medal was won by Mr. G. M'Neill, the best scores being:—Mr. G. M'Neill, 88, less 9=79; Mr. J. G. Croal, 84, less 2=82; Mr. T. M. Henry, 91, less 8=83; Mr. M. M'Neill, 94, less 6=88.

PRESTWICK ST. NICHOLAS.—The annual handicap medal was played for on Saturday, and with favourable weather in the afternoon there was a fair muster of members. The following are the best cards given in:—Mr. M. Smith, 101, less 16=85; Mr. W. Macfarlane, jun., 91, less 4=87; Mr. D. Wadell, 104, less 14=90; Mr. J. Gray, 99, less 8=91.

HARRISON CLUB, EDINBURGH.—The annual general meeting of this club was held on Tuesday night, the 13th, the captain, Mr. W. M'Queen Smith, presiding. The executive for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—President, Mr. Robert Cox; vice-president, Mr. John Harrison; captain, Mr. M'Queen Smith; vice-captain, Mr. James Allan; secretary, Mr. O. W. Howie; treasurer, Mr. J. Blyth; members of committee, Messrs. J. Lamb Smith, Stewart Mackenzie, George Henderson, and George Bonar, the only changes being represented by the last three names. From the annual reports of the secretary and treasurer, it appeared that the club had had a successful season, and is in a satisfactory position, although the number of new members was somewhat under previous years. Four new members were elected at the meeting.

WEST CORNWALL.—The ladies of the club played their monthly handicap competition on Tuesday, February 13th. The weather was perfect, but only five returns were made:—Miss Vivian, 96, less 25=71; Mrs. E. Boase, 145, less 49=96; Mrs. Tyacke, 124, less 27=97; Miss Wilkinson, 112, less 3=109; Miss Bodilly, 135, less 22=113.

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.—In wretchedly bad weather, there being a south-westerly gale blowing, with a continuous downpour of rain and sleet, the second competition for the club cup took place on the Seaton Links on Saturday last. Five members were, however, enthusiastic enough to brave the elements. The result was that Mr. E. R. Lindley secured the well-earned win for the cup, with a score of 105, less 16=89. Considering the wretched weather, Mr. Lindley's score was very good. Mr. Seymour Walker was second, with 101, less 10=91; and Mr. Newby third, with 104, less 9=95; the other two competitors retiring.

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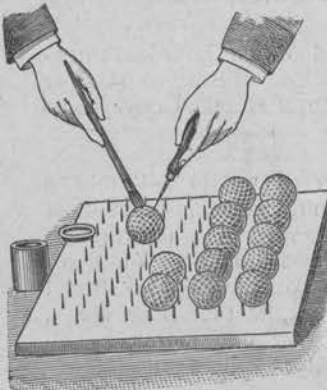
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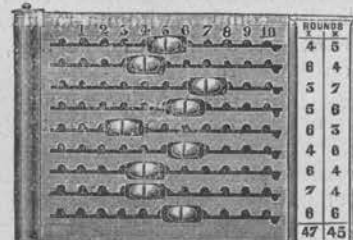
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