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- July 6.—Royal Cornwall : Monthly Medal.  
July 7.—West Herts : Monthly "Bogey" Handicaps (Final Meeting).  
Woodford : Captain's Prize and Monthly Medal.  
Southend-on-Sea : Mr. Grimshaw's Prize (Fourth Competition).  
Royal Isle of Wight : Monthly Medal.  
Preston : President's Cup.  
North-West Club (Londonderry) : Gentlemen ; Monthly Medal.  
Headingley : Challenge Cup.  
King's Norton : Monthly Challenge Cup.  
Brighton and Hove : Berens Gold Medal.  
Macclesfield : Club Monthly Handicap.  
Sheffield and District : Monthly Medal.  
Bullwood (Essex) v. Maldon.  
Cheadle : Dr. Scowcroft's Prize (First Competition).  
Redhill and Reigate : Turner Medal.  
Glamorganshire : Medal Competition.  
Rochester v. Richmond.  
Glasgow : Club Monthly Medal.  
Rochester Ladies v. Mid-Surrey.  
Rochdale : Optional Subscription Handicap (Final).  
West Middlesex : "Bogey" Competition.  
Minchinhampton : Monthly Medal.  
Neasden : "Bogey" Competition.  
Sidcup : Monthly Medal (First Class).  
Royal Liverpool : Monthly Medal and Subscription Prize.  
Lytham and St. Anne's : The Hermon Prize.  
Leicester : Monthly Medal.  
London Scottish : Monthly Medal.  
Disley : Summer Meeting.  
Tooting : Monthly Medal.  
Raynes Park : Monthly Medal.  
Bullwood v. Maldon.  
Stanmore : Medal Competition.

- July 7.—Aldeburgh : Monthly Medal.  
July 10.—West Cornwall : Ladies' Monthly Medal.  
July 10 & 17.—Carnarvonshire : "Bogey" Cup Competition.  
July 11.—Stanmore v. West Herts.  
July 12.—Royal Norwich v. Worlington and Newmarket.  
July 14.—Southend-on-Sea : Monthly Medals.  
Headingley : Challenge Cup.  
Chester : Monthly Competition.  
Cheadle : Dr. Scowcroft's Prize (Second Competition).  
Littlestone : Monthly Medal.  
Formby : Monthly Optional Subscription Prize.  
Wakefield : Claude Latham Cup.  
Glamorganshire v. Porthcawl.  
Falkirk Tryst : Vice-Captain's Prize.  
Rochester : Mixed Foursomes Competition.  
Rochester Ladies : Mixed Foursomes.  
Mid-Surrey : Monthly Junior Medal.  
Willesden v. Northwood.  
Cumbrae : Monthly Medal.  
Wilmslow : Fourth Summer Competition.  
Southport : Monthly Competition.  
Hayling : Monthly Medal.  
Seaton Carew : Monthly Handicap.  
Crookham : "Bogey" Competition.  
Holmes Chapel v. Heaton Moor.  
Sutton Coldfield : Monthly Medal.  
July 17.—Cumbrae : Ladies' Medal.  
Bridgnorth : Ladies' Medal Handicap.  
July 18.—Falkirk Tryst : Mr. Nimmo's Prize.  
Rochester Ladies : Driving, Approaching, and Putting Competition.  
Morecambe and Heysham : C. J. Clark's Prize.  
July 19.—West Middlesex : Committee Meeting.  
Windermere : "Bogey" Competition.  
Bridgnorth : Gentlemen's Medal Handicap.  
July 21.—Southend-on-Sea : Mr. Hudson's Gold Medal and Capt. Baldwin's Medal.  
Fleetwood : Monthly Medal.  
North-West Club (Londonderry), Ladies ; Monthly Medal.  
Headingley : Monthly Medal.  
King's Norton : "Bogey" Competitions for Captain's Prize.  
Royal Dublin : Monthly Medal.  
Chester : Committee's Cup.  
Sheffield and District : Captain's Cup.  
Cheadle v. Bowdon.  
Wakefield : Monthly Medal.  
Rochester : Monthly Medal.  
Rochester Ladies : Monthly Medal.

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## PROFESSIONAL TOURNAMENT AT IRVINE.

The appearance of the Golf course of the Irvine Golf Club on Saturday last reminded one of the locality when the annual race meeting on the adjacent racecourse is on. The occasion was a gathering together of the principal Scotch professional golfers, who, on the invitation of the club, were present to take part in an open competition over their links at Bogside, near Irvine. The meeting was, in the first instance, intended to be an exhibition match between two of the leading professionals, but the money eventually subscribed being more than was anticipated when the single match was proposed, it was agreed to invite the professionals as a body to compete for a series of prizes amounting to an aggregate of £25. The response to the invitation was a very encouraging one, albeit, none of the leading men south of the Border found themselves able to come so far, and the presence of Fernie, the Troon professional, the three Kirkaldys, Sayers, Ben Campbell, &c., was a sufficient surety for the promoters getting the worth of their money in the shape of a first-rate exhibition. In that expectation, the members and their friends turned out in large numbers to assist as spectators of the event, and they were not disappointed.

The course of the Irvine Golf Club is an eighteen-hole one, and it is situated between the Bogside Racecourse and the Glasgow and South-Western Railway. Though not exactly on the sea shore, it is a sea-side course, all its hazards being natural or artificial sand bunkers, with a few rabbit-scrapes and whins. It contains in the round great diversity of surface. The first nine holes, starting from where they did on Saturday, is the longest half, but it is comparatively plain sailing. The ninth hole is, however, one of the shortest we have anywhere seen, and is a par 3. It is in the homeward journey that the inequalities are to be encountered, and the conditions are such that a very low, or a very high score may result. It was done in 35 and 45 on Saturday by good players. Between the tee and the green, going to the twelfth, there runs the public road, flanked by two high wooden pailings. It is possible to carry these from the tee, but it is rarely attempted, and still more rarely done. One of the incidents of Saturday was the playing of his ball in an approach by C. Thomson on to a vehicle passing along the road. Thomson recovered his ball and dropped it without penalty. The thirteenth and fourteenth holes are, however, the most formidable. The whole ground between the tee and the thirteenth may be described as a deep bunker, which it is impossible to carry with a drive, with the green on the same level as the tee on the opposite side. The approach is a short one, and the play is up against the high railway wall which flanks the green. The fourteenth hole is back over the bunker at an angle, and a full drive is necessary to carry the hazard, a little beyond which lies the green. These two holes conjure up the Maiden at Sandwich, but the bunkers are even more formidable, and we believe it is intended to sow down part of the hazard, so as to give a good lie, at any rate crossing the hazard for the first time. The second shot to the sixteenth hole is far down into the hollow, reminding one of the sixth hole at Bridge of Weir and the sixth hole at Kilmalcolm; and the seventeenth is back up the hill again. The par round is, allowing 2 extra strokes for the thirteenth and fourteenth, 76; and it will be seen from the scores appended that, as this was made by Sayers, Hunter, W. Fernie, and H. Kirkaldy, and was exceeded only to the extent of a single stroke by Douglas and J. Kirkaldy on Saturday, the play was of a high class. There were three 78's. The links were found to be in good condition. The putting-greens were in capital order, thanks to the assiduous care of the hon. secretary, Mr. J. Norval Murray, who takes an enthusiastic interest in this department of green-keeping. Naturally they were, some of them, very keen, the result of the hot weather, and over-running the hole was a somewhat common penalty. All that can be said about the weather is that there was unclouded sunshine, with all its advantages; but the heat was just a little too fervent to be an altogether desirable accompaniment of a double round of the

links. When it is pointed out, however, that four of the putting-greens are in the immediate vicinity of the club-house, it is evident that the spectators, at all events, were not called upon to over-exert themselves.

The original entry numbered twenty players, but three of the entrants did not appear, namely, R. B. Wilson, J. Mackay, and R. Tait. This left seventeen competitors, and to make this number into couples one of the members of the club, Mr. D. Baird, volunteered to go round with one of the professionals. The draw was on account of the absentees slightly, but not materially altered. The field were despatched as undernoted:—

C. Thomson, Troon, and G. Douglas, North Berwick.  
G. Fernie, Dumfries, and J. White, North Berwick.  
A. Kirkaldy, St. Andrews, and Bernard Sayers, North Berwick.  
Ben Campbell, Musselburgh, and G. Cumming, Pollock.  
J. Hunter, Prestwick, and R. Nicol, Troon.  
J. Scott, Prestwick, and R. Jackson, Glasgow.  
W. Fernie, Troon, and H. Kirkaldy, Oxford.  
J. Kirkaldy, St. Andrews, and Mr. D. Baird, Irvine.  
D. W. Clark, Musselburgh, and D. Adams, Glasgow.

A start in the first round was made at half-past ten, Sayers and Kirkaldy, as a matter of course, playing to a large gallery, and, as it was tolerably well known that they were going round to beat each other as well as the rest of the field, an interesting game ensued. The St. Andrew's player had the best of it going out. It was not till he turned for home that the North Berwick representative settled into his usual form. Kirkaldy, with a 2 to the ninth hole, was out in 38, to Sayers' 41. The former pulled his drive to the first hole home to the foot of the railway fence, a stone dyke, and he had to play a left-handed shot out, and as he afterwards got into the whins he took 7 to hole his ball. This mistake, the only serious one he made in the round, cost him at least two strokes, which he did not afterwards recover, and finished in 78. It should be noted, however, that Kirkaldy, from a very fine approach shot at the last hole, found his ball at the bottom of the fence post just beyond the green, and having to play another cramp shot, he took 5 where he was entitled to expect a 4. Sayers played a certain winning game coming home, and, playing the last five holes in brilliant style, 4 3 4 3 3, the third and fifth of the group being at par, 5 and 4, finished at 76.

The round between the well-known exponents of the game, W. Fernie and H. Kirkaldy, divided the following with the first mentioned. Fernie is *facile princeps* among the professional golfers in the West of Scotland, and, as he had a good deal to do with the laying out of the links, he was looked upon as the favourite. He began very auspiciously with 3 4 5 3 4 5, and, if he had played without mistake he could have got out on an average of 4's. He sliced his approach to the seventh, however, and lost a stroke. He failed to carry the bunker with a wrist shot from the tee at the ninth, and what should have been a 3 cost him 5. By contrast with his partner, H. Kirkaldy made an unfavourable beginning, and 5 4 5 4 6 5 did not compare to advantage with Fernie's corresponding figures, but three 4's to Fernie's three 5's to get to the end hole put them on more equal terms. Fernie, however, still had the best of it coming in, and he finished in 78, the Oxford professional taking 81.

Ben Campbell, who has a leading game of Golf in him if he cares to exert himself, was meanwhile, with the aid of a 2 to the end hole—which, considering the shortness of the hole, is a not unfrequent figure—out in 38, and with six 4's to conclude with finished 1 better than Fernie, viz., 77. Jack Kirkaldy played a chequered game going out, but, like Sayers, he recovered, and making up a lot of leeway coming in, taking the last ten holes in two strokes under 4's, placed himself on equal terms with Ben Campbell. This finished the six best-known men; but the scores of Douglas, 81; of White, 80; of Hunter, 82; and G. Fernie, 82, were still in the running for places well up in the list, and those of Douglas and Hunter are of note in the light of what they accomplished in the second round.

A full hour intervened between the conclusion of the first round and the commencement of the second. The same partnerships held in the afternoon; but with a view to enabling those coming from the east of Scotland to get away in time to reach home that night, the order of despatch was rearranged. The two partnerships more particularly referred to again drew

all the following, which considerably increased when the afternoon start was made. As in the first round, Fernie again gave the Oxford man a lead from the beginning, and this time, making no mistake and playing brilliant Golf, he increased his lead to the end hole, at which point, having reached it in 35, he led Kirkaldy by 4 strokes. Fortune here began to desert the Troon man, however. Going to the tenth he fozzled his second shot, and got badly punished; but he saved a stroke by holing off the iron, getting down in 6. Kirkaldy had a par 5. Fernie dropped another stroke at the succeeding hole on account of faulty approaching, but he recovered it at the hole across the road where Kirkaldy failed to get on the green in 2. Both got on the green across the ravine in 2, but Fernie took three more to get his ball to the bottom, Kirkaldy getting his down in a regulation 4. With a splendid drive, recrossing the ravine, Kirkaldy, in virtue of a long putt, pulled off the hole in 3, and Fernie had to be content with 4. At the fifteenth green, which both reached from the tee, Fernie was again weak in the neighbourhood of the hole, and took 4, Kirkaldy again having the advantage of a 3. Going to the sixteenth, in the hollow, both misjudged the length of the approach, and, playing with the cleek, each failed to reach the green. Fernie holed off his iron, however, and Kirkaldy, requiring the odd to hole out, took 5. At the seventeenth green, up the hill, which both carried from the tee, Kirkaldy again placed a 3 to his credit, and, as regarded the round, stood on equal terms with Fernie, who took 3 on the green. The Troon ex-Champion had the worst of the lie on the green, but he failed to be up with his second. Fernie's drive, a very long one, to the home hole all but reached the green, but he failed to take advantage of the position and required 5 to hole out. If Fernie's short game coming home had been equal to the game he played going out, or to his long game coming home, he would have established an easy record for the links. As it was, his 76—all the other players who could by any chance beat him having finished—enabled him to take first place, having precedence of Sayers by 2 strokes.

The Sayers-Kirkaldy round was watched by a large following of spectators. The exhibition out was a disappointing one, and neither player was seen at his best. Kirkaldy's 5 4 4 3 to begin with was not amiss, but he compiled a 7 at the fifth hole, which is on the near side of the colliery railway. He unfortunately carried the green and was in the railway, and had to lift and lose a stroke. This misfortune seemed to put him about, and 5 5 6 5 brought him to the end hole, which put his total at 44. Sayers was not very much better. The North Berwick man's form was all the more unaccountable in that it was the short game, he showed deficiency in, his driving being long and straight. Two 6's in the outward half of the journey were not calculated to support his morning round. He recovered somewhat coming in, however, and a 2 at the seventeenth, where he reached the green from the tee and holed a long putt, rather helped him. As events turned out, he had a putt to tie with Fernie, but though the ball almost got to the bottom in the requisite 3, just lipping the hole, it overran the hole, and as Sayers took 5, he was relegated not to the second place, but to the third place. For Ben Campbell, though he started with 5 5 5 5 5, four strokes over par, got out in three less than Sayers, at which point he was leading the North Berwick man on the day's play by 2 strokes. He got badly punished recrossing the ravine by failing to carry his tee shot over all the difficulties, and took 7. He played the last four holes in perfect form, however, and finishing in 7 8, he took precedence of Sayers by 1 stroke, and was only 1 stroke behind Fernie. John Hunter, a very promising player, who was among the quartette who made the lowest score for the round of the day, had also the unique distinction of playing the steadiest Golf for his score, going out and coming home in 38. Jack Kirkaldy, who promised so well with 77 for his morning round, went to pieces in the afternoon, and put himself out of court with an 85. In virtue of a very prettily played finish, which enabled him to get the last four holes in 3 4 3 4—a feat which was excelled only once, by Sayers, who in the morning round had these four holes in 3 4 3 3, and equalled only once by Jack Kirkaldy in his morning round, 4 4 2 4—George Douglas succeeded in getting home with a card which totalled to 77, and enabled him to tie with John Hunter. Of the other players we need only mention R. Nicol, who finds a good excuse for his breakdown in the circumstance that he had never played in an

open competition before. The prizes were £10, £5, £3, and seven of £1, and the prize list and other results are appended:—

W. Fernie, £10:—										
First round—	Out	3	4	5	3	4	5	5	5	5=39
	In	5	4	5	4	5	4	4	3	5=39
Second round—	Out	4	3	5	3	4	5	4	4	3=35
	In	6	5	4	5	4	4	4	4	5=41
										Total ... 154
Ben Campbell, £5:—										
First round—	Out	5	4	5	3	5	6	3	5	2=38
	In	6	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	4=39
Second round—	Out	5	4	5	5	5	5	4	4	3=40
	In	4	5	4	4	7	3	4	3	4=38
										Total ... 155
Ben Sayers, £3:—										
First round—	Out	4	4	5	4	5	5	5	5	4=41
	In	5	4	4	5	4	3	4	3	3=35
Second round—	Out	4	5	6	5	4	5	6	5	3=43
	In	4	4	5	4	4	4	5	2	5=37
										Total ... 156
H. Kirkaldy, £1:—										
First round—	Out	5	4	5	4	6	5	4	4	4=41
	In	5	4	4	6	4	4	4	4	5=40
Second round—	Out	5	4	4	4	3	5	6	4	4=39
	In	5	4	5	4	3	3	5	3	5=37
										Total ... 157
G. Douglas, £1:—										
First round—	Out	4	5	5	4	5	6	6	5	4=44
	In	5	4	4	4	4	4	5	3	4=37
Second round—	Out	3	5	4	4	6	6	4	5	3=40
	In	5	4	4	5	5	3	4	3	4=37
										Total ... 158
John Hunter, £1:—										
First round—	Out	5	4	5	5	5	4	3	5	6=42
	In	6	4	5	5	4	4	3	5	4=40
Second round—	Out	4	4	5	3	4	6	4	5	3=38
	In	5	3	5	4	5	3	5	4	4=38
										Total ... 158
Andrew Kirkaldy £1:—										
First round—	Out	5	4	5	4	4	6	4	4	2=38
	In	7	4	4	5	3	4	5	3	5=40
Second round—	Out	5	4	4	3	7	5	5	6	5=44
	In	6	4	5	4	4	3	5	3	4=38
										Total ... 160
J. White £1:—										
First round—	Out	4	4	5	4	6	5	4	5	3=41
	In	5	4	4	4	5	4	5	3	5=39
Second round—	Out	4	7	5	4	5	5	4	5	2=41
	In	5	5	6	3	4	4	4	4	5=40
										Total ... 161
Jack Kirkaldy £1:—										
First round—	Out	4	4	6	4	5	3	6	5	3=42
	In	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	2	4=35
Second round—	Out	4	5	5	3	5	5	5	5	4=41
	In	6	4	5	5	5	4	5	5	5=44
										Total ... 162
George Fernie, £1:—										
First round—	Out	5	5	5	3	4	5	4	4	4=39
	In	5	6	6	6	5	3	5	3	4=43
Second round—	Out	5	4	6	4	6	5	5	5	3=43
	In	5	4	5	4	5	4	4	3	6=40
										Total ... 165
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R. Nicol, 83, and J. Scott, 87, retired.

The prizes were presented by Major Hight, Irvine. The thanks of all concerned are due to the honorary secretary and the club for the excellent arrangements made for the competitors and visitors.



The Lord-Provost of Edinburgh, in opening the new course at the Braids, took advantage of the birth of a son and heir to the Duke of York to call it "The Prince's Course," thus continuing the Royal connection with the game. Among the presents to the baby at White House, whose appearance has been greeted with such a worthy outburst of loyalty, we have not seen the proverbial Golf-club shaft on which he ought to be teathed if he is to become a first-rate player: but a wink ought to be as good as a nod to enterprising club-makers. However, if all complaints about the deterioration of Golf are true, the Royal and Ancient Game may have disappeared before the new Prince comes to his kingdom, which, though we wish him well, we hope will be a very far-off event.

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The English know better than the Scots the picturesque nooks of Scotland suitable for a quiet holiday. So says a writer in the *Scotsman* (June 30th) who draws attention to St. Abb's, which has hitherto been a happy hunting-ground for artists and a few Sassenachs who had discovered its attractions. "It is," says the writer, "one of the most picturesque spots on the Berwickshire coast, and rejoicing in a beauty all its own." After detailing some of the features of this beautiful sequestered spot, which seems the ideal place for a quiet holiday, he goes on to say—"Time brings many changes, and the day has come when, to a watering-place, if it would hold its own, a Golf course is almost an essential. In this respect, St. Abb's is quite abreast of the times. An excellent nine-hole course is there at hand, where the game may be followed in the most leisurely fashion, without the disconcerting 'Fore!' to urge one on. A player himself, the proprietor of Northfield took the laying-out of the round into his own hands. In the work he allowed his zeal as a golfer to outrun his regard for the antiquarian, and the St. Abb's course is probably unique in that an ancient British camp—of which, by the way, there are several in the locality—does duty as a putting-green. If the majority of such camps are at all like that in question, then Old Tom Morris, when engaged at his congenial task of laying out Golf courses, would do well to look out for such relics. They would make capital natural greens." "The proprietor of Northfield," who has done so much for St. Abb's, is Mr. Andrew Usher, a famous old Bruntfield golfer, and we are mistaken if the writer, who discourses so eloquently on St. Abb's and its attractions, is not himself well-known as a golfer, and one of the famous quartette who annually play the fine-green match in East Lothian. Any way, he deserves the thanks of all who are asking after a sequestered and healthy spot for a holiday, where Golf may be had when wanted.

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The latest addition to the list of Golf courses is on the Border, viz., at Holm Hill, Newcastleton, where a nine-hole round has just been laid out. From the summit of the hill a view is had right across the Border into Bewcastle and Nichol Forest, and northward also there is a wide outlook of the country which so much delighted the great Wizard of the North, Sir Walter Scott, to whom Edinburgh folks are now doing late justice by the formation of a Scott Club. In the Newcastleton district there are some who do not require to be taught the game, the parish minister, the Rev. Mr. Vassie, being a capital player and a member of a family who used to carry all before them on the Lanark course. He will, however, have an opportunity of teaching his parishioners how they ought to golf, for to many the game is new.

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Quite a spirited debate was that in the House of Commons last week, when the Budget increase on the present high spirit duties was brought up. Dr. Macgregor, M.P., who serves to relieve Parliament from dulness, made stalwart attempt to save this great Scottish "industry" from being crushed. The water-supply in Scotland he said, had been found peculiarly suited to the distillation of whisky, and the soil was well suited for the cultivation of barley. Dr. Macgregor illustrated his point, that too much taxation might ruin an industry, by referring to the fact that claret was once the beverage of fashionable Scotland (as can be supported from old Golf club records such as are found in Clark's "Golf"), and that after the Union, the Englishman drove this away by over-taxation—a fact which he said occasioned the following lines from the historian Hume:—

"Firm and erect the Caledonian stood:  
Old was his mutton and his claret good.  
'Let him drink port,' the English Statesman cried.  
He drank the poison, and his spirits died."

The good Doctor did not save the "industry" from further penalties, but he had some compensation in the laughter he provided as he took a draught of whisky and water, and explained that the Caledonian took to the manufacture of drams when the poison port had destroyed his "spirit."

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With reference to the Spirit Duty, it is well known that at North Berwick (and elsewhere) Scotch whisky is known as the "Golfer's Favourite Dew." Those who possess club-boxes generally keep a little in store for a wet or warm day; but, stored in this way, the favourite dew is often in an unaccountable manner spirited away. We remember hearing a tale of woe from the treasurer of the Islay Club, who went to his box to regale himself and a friend; but, alas! all that was there was a poor mixture of the real Lagavulin with a majority of water. He would have forgiven the old customer who did the trick—and he knew him pretty well—if he had only left the whisky pure, however small the quantity! Kind soul, that was very like his character as given in this year's *Annual*. Just yesterday we heard a good old golfer say that he had kept a pint in his box for years, and never found it touched by any profane hand; but then, he said, he kept a label on the bottle, thus—"Machinery Oil." Now that the secret is out, it is doubtful if the "oil" is any longer safe.

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Professor Henry Drummond, whose book on the "Ascent of Man" has been causing a good deal of discussion, recently stated at a meeting at Haddo House, the seat of Lord Aberdeen, that the great factor in the future evolution of society must be the nature of things, by all the traditions of the world's past, by the law of nature, and by the facts of science, be the "Ascent of Woman." Doubtless, the Professor is right, for without this "Ascent of Woman" the future is hopeless; but does he really mean to say that the Open Championship is to go to a woman? If so, here is a factor which even in these lady-golfer days ought to put gentlemen-players on the alert.

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The committee of management of the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Colfers have sent a copy of the prospectus of the

Aberlady, Gullane and North Berwick Railway to each member of the company, drawing attention to the obvious fact that "if the railway is constructed a great benefit will be conferred upon the club." This goes without saying.

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Messrs. G. and D. Murray, the enterprising owners of "The White House," North Berwick, are issuing a monthly list of visitors to this golfing resort, and a great deal of information is found within the covers, which golfers will find useful, such as a list of Golf clubs and fixtures, payments for the various greens, time tables; and there are also added Golf scoring pages for self and opponent to record their various matches.

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In practice over the Bogside course (Irvine) preparatory to Saturday's tournament, Andrew Kirkaldy and Willie Fernie both lowered the record to 75, their scores being:—Kirkaldy—3 4 3 4 3 6 4 4 5 3 5 6 5 4 3 3 5 5=75. Fernie—5 3 4 4 3 3 4 4 5 4 5 6 5 4 3 5 4 4=75. It will be noted that the scores leave the players equal also in holes, and that ten of the holes are done in the same figure by each.

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A graceful tribute was paid by Mr. Forrester, the President of the Norwich Union Life Insurance Society, to Mr. Deuchar, the secretary, at the annual meeting of that institution on June 27th. The subject of Golf cropped up even in the examination of the dry details of a balance-sheet. The president, in proposing a vote of thanks to the secretary, said that "he had been afraid lest Mr. Deuchar should overwork himself; but his mind had latterly been easier on that point, as he found that Mr. Deuchar had gone in for that wonderful recreation of golfing, because nothing was more likely to keep him in health than plenty of exercise and fresh air." Mr. Chamberlin, in seconding the motion, said he was glad that Mr. Deuchar had taken the Golf fever, as it was a malady which would be productive of increased strength and energy, as well as of advantage to the institution. Though Mr. Deuchar has recently aided largely in founding the Royal Norwich Golf Club, the Golf fever is not a new malady with him. It is a recrudescence, for Mr. Deuchar caught the malady long ago on his native side of the Tweed, and was one of those who did a good deal for Troon in its early days. As a counterpoise to the cares and anxieties of business, Golf holds the field as the supreme remedy. In Scotland this is recognised, for there has lately been a federation of the Edinburgh Insurance Offices with the object of providing an "insurance trophy" to be competed for among the staffs of the various offices. The movement has become as important in Edinburgh as it is popular; and Mr. Deuchar might take the hint to see whether he cannot federate the English Insurance Offices in a movement of the same kind, making Helleston the battle-ground.

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Through the kindness of a Glasgow correspondent we learn that Golf is about to be introduced at the rising town of Tacoma, in the State of Washington, on the Western Pacific, and not far from the frontier of Canada. In the issue of the local newspaper, under May 21st, it is said that "So great has its popularity become along the Atlantic coast that the enthusiasts claim it has superseded tennis. The game in recent years experienced a revival in England. Balfour, the great English statesman, is one of the crack players of the old country. A number of young Scotchmen of the City of Tacoma, and of Stellacoom, are talking of organising a Golf club in Tacoma. It is proposed to locate the links on the prairie near Stellacoom, a place admirably adapted by nature for the sport." There can be no doubt that Golf will flourish on the prairie. The two are made for each other. Happy Tacoma!

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The amateur record for the Burnham (Somerset) Links has been broken twice within a week by Mr. T. W. Colthurst, a member of the club, both times with the fine score of 78. The same player has also done the single round of nine holes in 37 a few days ago. J. H. Taylor, the Champion, when playing here a few weeks ago, beat this score by two points, namely 35.

THE NEW SISYPHUS.

(By a defeated competitor.)

... Then passed we down a winding stair of stone,  
To depths of which my mind had never known,  
And stood upon a kind of sandy soil,  
Where many men came to and fro in toil  
Unending. Virgil turned, and pointing, cried.  
"This is the deepest pit." I to his side  
In terror cowered, and marked th' unhappy men.  
One, clad in awesome garb, stood forth, and then,  
As in some wild bewilderment of sleep,  
Bent to the ground and built a little heap  
Whereon he placed a glistening orb in poise,  
And, with contortions rude, and uncouth noise  
Warning another who advanced athwart,  
Uplifted in the air a wand that sought  
To strike the balanced orb to where afar  
A banneret did flutter as a star  
Remote, upon a green oasis laid,  
Past many hillocks which their hands had made  
To make the coming difficult and slow.  
Then, as he struck, I heard a cry of woe,  
For he had swung his weapon with his hands  
Upon the ball, which wandered to the sands  
And lay engulfed within a horrid pit  
Wherein, with many sighs, he followed it,  
And thrusting forth his wand, a minion passed  
Another, iron shod, the which he cast  
Full many a time upon the treacherous ground  
Whereon his ball untimely grave had found.  
At each new thrust he counted up the cost,  
One two and three, and so henceforward. Last  
He drave it headlong in a briar bush.  
It he dislodged with many a painful push  
'Till it descended in a stream that flowed  
Black as her mother Styx where Charon rowed.  
Here did it sink and he, slow coming, sought,  
To fish it from the shallows. Vain he wrought,  
And drew another which he cast o'er head.  
It was entangled in a nettle-bed  
Whence he propelled it with another wand  
Across the waters to the further strand,  
And passing by a bridge did come again  
To urge it. Hence it rose and sudden flew  
Against a wall of earth where daisies grew  
And hid it quite. So searched he for awhile  
(T'was Hell, but I did see the minion smile)  
Until he chanced upon it next a stone  
At which full many a sigh he drew and groan,  
And, striving to dislodge it, broke a wand.  
Then while I marvelled at a man so fond,  
He hurtled blows upon it 'till it fell  
About the banner on the grassy dell,  
When he essayed to move it to a pit,  
Narrow and deep and hard to come at it.  
But as he struck more gently than before  
It vanished. For the hole was now no more,  
And with a great outcry he passed and went  
Haggard and wan, weary and quite outspent,  
To where he 'gan before, and bent again  
... I hid my face and hastened from the plain.

H. B.

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### RULE AS TO STARTING-TIME.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Mr. W. H. Simms Reeve is of course entitled to his opinion, and I am entitled to mine, and I will only add with regard to the second paragraph of his letter in GOLF of the 26th instant, that the old rule there referred to was, to say the least of, it very peculiarly worded, and that nearly everyone I showed it to, including a member of the present committee, agreed with me that it was quite open to the interpretation I put upon it, which was, that the visitors' days need not be consecutive; and to show that the committee had not much faith in the wording of the rule I may add that they inserted the word "consecutive" before the "row" referred to in "Brancastrian's" letter occurred.

The first sentence of the third paragraph of Mr. Simms Reeve's letter comes upon me as a painful surprise, for what does it mean? "Brancastrian," in his letter, among other little pleasantries, said that he expressed his sympathy with the committees of the clubs which I honoured with my membership, and that the "perpetual complaint" man was a nuisance in all clubs. Now, Sir, paragraph 4 of my letter, with reference to which Mr. Simms Reeve says he is in complete accord with "Brancastrian," was written expressly to show the utter wantonness of "Brancastrian" in making these charges against me, and therefore when I say that, after the last Whitsuntide meeting was over, I parted on the very best of terms with Mr. Simms Reeve, after having played in a foursome with him at his express request, and being his guest at tea afterwards, I think I am entitled to say that if Mr. Simms Reeve really means what he says in his letter, it is a case of "e dunno where 'e are."

One word, Sir, with regard to "Brancastrian's" reasons which Mr. Simms Reeve thinks unanswerable. "Brancastrian" admits that where a considerable number of the members can only play in the afternoon, his reasons have no application. Now there are, I believe, about three hundred members in the club, and out of that number there are in the 1894 list of members only five who live in Brancaster, and only thirteen including the five who live within ten miles, several of these being doctors or clergymen, who have work to do in the morning, and there are about fifty others who live in the Eastern Counties, most of them a considerable way off by train, all the other members are spread all over England, the great majority of them being in London. All these men, who amount to nearly nine-tenths of the whole, are, by the rule limiting the starting time to 2 p.m., absolutely prevented from competing at the prize meetings unless they go down the day before, which, as the journey is four hours by train, with an hour's drive at the end of it, means wasting the whole of the previous afternoon. These facts seem to me to show that "Brancastrian" has been reasoning from false premises, and that if ever there was a club where "a considerable number" of the members "can only play in the afternoon," the Royal West Norfolk Golf Club is at the head of the list.

With regard to the reasons themselves, I am bound to say that the more I think of them the sillier I think them; but I

should not have said so if "Brancastrian" had signed his name. I never before heard of the word "discourteous" being used with reference to anything that was said about an anonymous correspondent, and I would be very much obliged to Mr. Simms Reeve if he would say whether he does not consider "Brancastrian's" letter itself a crying instance of "discourtesy."

Owing to the summer meeting being fixed just before the Long Vacation, I shall not be able to ventilate the question as to starting time at the general meeting, which will take place during the course of it, but I sincerely hope that some one of those who live far from Brancaster will do his best to get the starting time altered, so that at midsummer, at all events, members from London and elsewhere may be able to go down the same day in time to play, for at present it is absolutely impossible for them to do so.

I am, Sir, &c.,  
G. E. S. FRYER.

### OUGHT THE STIMIE TO BE ABOLISHED?

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I am strongly in favour of keeping stimies. I think them a most important feature of the game, and they ought to be manipulated much more frequently than they are. I grant you that it may be hard lines to have to play a stimie, but it is no harder than to find your ball lying badly after a well-played shot, or to have a difficult putt instead of an easy one.

I am, Sir, &c.,  
A. M. ROSS.

North Berwick, June 29th.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I am strongly of opinion that stimies should be abolished altogether, not only in Championships and tournaments, but in every match. I think that a stimie is one of the most unfair things in Golf.

I am, Sir, &c.,  
PETER PAXTON.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—If St. Andrews is opposed to any alteration, could not the committees of Hoylake, Westward Ho! Blackheath, and Sandwich, agree to abolish it on English links entirely, or certainly to the extent proposed by Mr. Purves?

I am, Sir, &c.,  
C. P. G. C.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I am, and always have been, in favour of the abolition of stimies, particularly in important matches.

I am, Sir, &c.,  
HAROLD H. HILTON.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—May I, in a humble way, add a line to the opinion of so many great golfers, as recorded in your issue of 29th ult., on the subject of stimies. It does not appear to me that the stimie itself is so much objected to, as that it is an advantage given to the wrong man, that is, the man who has played the worse approach on to the green.

Ball farthest from the hole plays first, perhaps from the far end of the green, while his opponent may be but a couple of feet off, and lays him a stimie. Alter Rule IX. by the insertion of, "except on the green, when the ball nearest to the hole shall have the option of playing first." This would be a compromise, and a compromise is the only solution that I think will ever be

the result of the stymie question. I am against seeing the stymie altogether done away with, or the ball handled more than necessary, but why the advantage of the chance of laying a stymie should be first given to the man who has made the second best approach on to the green, I never could see. Let the ball nearest the hole have the first chance of holing out, or laying the stymie for the ball farthest from the hole, and to the latter be given the honour of playing "the prettiest shot in Golf," as reward for having made the inferior approach to the hole.

It must be left *optional* (for many reasons) for nearest ball to play first.

I am, Sir, &c.,  
H. L. F.

Guildford Golf Club, July 2nd.

THE SELECTION OF THE RECENT PROFESSIONAL TEAM.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Does it occur to "Dissatisfied" that any good end is to be served by nursing or stimulating a grievance, real or imaginary, that must inevitably be liable to crop up at Golf, as elsewhere, whenever there are a certain number of vacant places to be filled, and a number, exceeding the vacancies, of thoroughly able experts, willing, and perhaps anxious to fill them?

I should imagine that all competent to form an opinion are agreed that Hugh Kirkaldy and Bernard Sayers are about as reasonably near the top of the professional golfing tree as any other two professionals that could readily be named, and certainly there is nothing invidious or offensive to the other professionals collectively in saying so, but surely it is distinctly invidious to single out two thoroughly capable players, who could hold their own anywhere, as "Dissatisfied" has done, and attempt to discredit them as golfers.

As a matter of fact what happened in the actual competition in question? One of the discredited professionals, met and defeated the very strong amateur to whom he was opposed; evidently no professional selected by "Dissatisfied" or any one else could have done more, whilst the other, though certainly defeated, had to succumb to a brilliant player, the only amateur who played in the semi-final, and who, in his turn, when defeated, was only put out, after a tie, by the professional who was the ultimate winner.

"Dissatisfied" suggests an alteration in the future, of those deputed to make a selection. I think the result showed that the professional selection committee, however much difficulty they may have felt in choosing out of the superfluity of talent at their disposal, knew fairly well what they were about, and they at least can hardly be "dissatisfied" with the result.

June 30th. I am, Sir, &c.,  
T. T. A. A.

THE AMATEUR v. PROFESSIONAL TOURNAMENT.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I notice a letter in last week's issue, signed "Dissatisfied," in which the writer launches out against the selection of the eight professionals, and he seems to think an injustice has been done to Ben Sayers and Hugh Kirkaldy by their exclusion from the charmed circle. I would not have troubled you, but "Dissatisfied" is evidently ignorant of the performances of Archie Simpson during the last few years. The following query occurs in the letter of your correspondent—"What has Archie Simpson done during the last five years?"

Well, in answer to this question I would point out to "Dissatisfied" that in 1890, the Forfarshire professional tied with Fernie for the second place in the Open Championship (an event which Mr. John Ball won); in 1890 Archie was also three times higher up in competitions than Hugh Kirkaldy. True, Kirkaldy beat Simpson in the Open Championship at St. Andrews, but Archie's score was on a par with players of the

calibre of Herd and Mr. John Ball. In 1892—in a tournament at St. Anne's—Archie was as good as Rolland, but on account of the stormy weather the tie was not played off. To go back to the year 1889, the Carnoustie professional beat Rolland at Sandwich after one of the finest exhibitions ever witnessed on the Southern green. I think I have perhaps written enough to show "Dissatisfied" that Archie's appearance in the eight was by no means a fluke. Hoping you will find it convenient to insert this short statement of fact,

I am, Sir, &c.,  
A FORFARSHIRE GOLFER.

CLASSIFICATION OF LINKS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—This would be interesting if you would take it in hand.

May I suggest something of this sort:—

(a) *Natural; sea-side dunes and links.*—Carnoustie, Prestwick, Sandwich, Troon, and Westward Ho!

(b) *Partly natural; partly laid down in grass.*—Hoylake, Littlestone, Machrihanish, St. Andrews.

(c) *Commons.*—Wimbledon and Blackheath.

(d) *Downs.*—Guildford, and Epsom.

(e) *Parks.*—Furzedown, Alexandra Park (Glasgow), Raynes Park.

The game is so different on these various classes of greens that it would be very useful to have a complete list.

I do not pretend to be accurate in the above few specimens, and only offer them as an idea.

I am, Sir, &c.,  
LONDON, JUNE 28TH. ITINERANT GOLFER.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

H. YOUNG JAMIESON.—(1.) In playing against "Bogey" each competitor plays out the round; the player who either beats "Bogey" or is the fewest number of holes down wins the match. (2.) The stymie is of course suspended, because the field are competing against "Bogey."

ELTHAM LADIES GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was again competed for on June 30th, and was won by Mrs. Fraser, who beat "Bogey" by 1 hole. It is arranged that in future the medal shall be played for every alternate month against "Bogey." Mrs. Fraser (11), 1 up; Mrs. Mackern (scratch), 3 down; Mrs. Archie Keen (5), 3 down; Miss Richardson (7), 4 down; Mrs. Meredith (2), 5 down; Miss Hunter (10), 5 down; Mrs. Needham (12), 5 down; Mrs. Poland (5), 6 down; Mrs. Lord (6), 6 down; Miss A. Bloxam (11), 6 down; Mrs. Massey (13), 6 down; Miss L. Wells (11), 7 down; Mrs. Tasker (13), 7 down; Mrs. Johnston (14), 7 down; Miss M. Blenkiron (13), 8 down; Miss Bryans (11), 11 down; Mrs. Absolom (15), 11; Mrs. Chamberlain (13), 12 down.

ST. ANDREWS GOLF CLUB.—Final for the Jubilee Cup.—The final for the Jubilee cup between Mr. P. C. Anderson, ex-Amateur Champion, and Mr. Alec Strath, was played on Friday evening. The weather was not very favourable for Golf, a thick mist hanging over the links. The first half of the round was of a give-and-take character, and at the turn the match stood all square. The first hole home was halved; the short hole fell to Mr. Strath; the next was halved, and at the next Mr. Strath added another to his credit, making him 2 up and 5 to play. Mr. Anderson, however, won the next two, and all square and 3 to play was declared. A half at the next followed, and Mr. Anderson securing the Burn stood dormy 1. The last hole also fell to Mr. Anderson, and he won the match by 2 holes. A large crowd followed the players. Mr. Anderson holds the cup for the year.

CONTINENTAL REPRESENTATIVES OF OLD  
ENGLISH SPORTS.

I.

MANY of the rural sports in which our neighbours beyond the "Silver Streak" indulge, bear a strong likeness to those of our forefathers. In England the Sabbath was at one time specially devoted to games and amusements of every kind. In "An Admonition to Parliament," published in 1572, the writer, Thomas Cartwright, bitterly complains because "the minister posteth over it (the Service) as fast as he can galloppe; either he hath two places to serve," the writer goes on, "or else there are some games to be played in the afternoon, as lying for the whetstone, heathenish dauncing for the ring, a beare or a bull to be baited, or those jackanapes to ride on horseback; or an interlude to be plaide, and if no place else can be gotten the interlude must be plaide in the church." Charles the First commanded the "Book of Sports" to be read in the churches. Dr. Dennison loyally complied, and after reading the Ten Commandments, he added, "Dearly beloved, you have heard the commandments of God and man: obey which you please." The Continental Sabbath is still kept much after the old English style. We have seen the players of a game called *Ballen*, instantly leave off on hearing the sound of the church-bell. Their coats were donned; they forthwith attended the morning Service, but—resumed their pastime on quitting the sacred edifice, their own curé being an amused spectator.

ARCHERY.—SHOOTING THE POPINJAY.

The English were once deservedly famed for their skill in using the bow and arrow, which were employed for two different purposes—for amusement, pure and simple, and to vanquish aggressive enemies. In the Ages of Chivalry it was imperative for every young man, who wished to achieve distinction in life, to perfect himself in the use of these implements. Camp-ball (Foot-ball) and Golf, however, usurped the lead as popular sports; then followed a grave decline in the practice of archery. In the reign of Henry the Eighth, the bowyers, fletchers (bow and arrow makers), and stringers made a serious complaint to the king because their occupation was waning. An Act was therefore passed prohibiting Golf and other athletic sports, also the use of the hand-gun, which was probably just coming into favour.

Every village formerly possessed its butt, at which the inhabitants were compelled to practise under penalty of a fine; other dead marks were, moreover, brought into requisition, as the standard, target, hazel wand, rose garland, and an artificial bird—the stuffed imitation of a parrot, termed the popinjay.

A ballad entitled "A mery Geste of Robyn Hode," gives a glowing account of the marvellous skill displayed by the notorious outlaw and his merry men. Another poetical effusion of the same type tells how Adam Bell, Clym of the Clough, and William of Cloudesly amused the king with astonishing feats in archery. After a hazel wand had been cleverly split in twain at the distance of four hundred yards, William of Cloudesly essayed to exhibit a further proof of their skill; then, *à la Guillaume Tell*, he skilfully cleft an apple placed on his son's head.

In "Old Mortality" there is a graphic description of one of the old Scotch *wappenschaws*, held at Clydesdale in 1679. These periodical musterings of the feudal army belonging to each county were followed by athletic sports, and

generally ended with the "Festival of Popinjay." The young men shot at an artificial bird, suspended at the end of a pole, with firearms. He whose ball brought down the mark at a distance of sixty or seventy paces bore for the rest of the day the proud title of "Captain of the Popinjay." The Puritans objected strongly to these worldly gatherings,

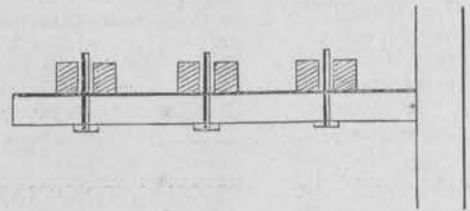
and to the wicked conviviality to which they gave rise. In the time of Sir Walter Scott the Feast of Popinjay was apparently held at Maybole in Ayrshire. Forby and Blomefield mention a house in Norwich called the "Poppingeay Inn," with the sign of a green parrot (16th century).

The practice of shooting at imitation birds is common in Holland and Belgium; the sport is termed *Hojjen Paschen Scheiten*, because Easter and Shrove-tide were, as with our sires, special seasons for amusements of every description.

At the top of a mast or spar, some sixty or seventy feet high, are fixed two or more cross-trees, each about two inches wide. Projecting upwards through these bars, are several iron pins, upon each of which the *hoij*—a coffin-shaped piece of hard wood, somewhat like a bird, is lightly placed.

The mast is movable upon a horizontal pin, and being heavily weighted at the lower end, it can easily be raised or lowered with a hinge-like motion. A forelock keeps it firmly perpendicular when in its box.

As the objects project only a little beyond the cross-trees on either side, an accurate aim is necessary or the bar will be struck and an arrow broken (the cost of which is one franc). No competitor is permitted to shoot without



entering the ring (post and chains), which encircles the foot of the mast. His position, directly beneath the rows of birds, compels him to aim vertically. The men, who collect the arrows wear enormous wickerwork hats, which project over their shoulders like huge umbrellas: this protection is by no means unnecessary.

Sometimes two or three spars are drawn one above the other, until a great height is reached. This is done by means of a simple mechanical contrivance consisting of a chain, a pulley, and a wheel and axle.

Clubs are formed in the villages for the practice of this kind of archery, and much wholesome rivalry is thereby brought into the field. The women often compete, at the *kerms*, and prove themselves the better marksmen. The prizes vary in value, 10 francs being, as a rule, awarded for



bringing down the topmost bird; 5 francs each for those on the highest bar, and so on, decreasing in value.

CAMBUCA, HOCKEY, LA CROSSE, BANDY, GOLF.

It is perhaps curious that the curved stick employed in playing bandy-ball should in England, as well as in France, be named after its fanciful resemblance to a bishop's crozier. The French and Latin nouns, *crosse* and *cambuca*, both mean the same—the ecclesiastical staff. These words were applied in France and England respectively not only to the game itself, but to the articles used in playing. The old Continental form of *La Crosse* was identically the same as our *Cambuca*, from which modern Golf was at length developed.

A game similar in character to Bandy-ball was played by the American Indians. They used long hickory sticks, curved at one end, hence the French emigrants to Canada naturally spoke of it as *La Crosse*. The crozier-shaped implement has, in course of years, been rather modified: across the curve of the stick, stout network is now stretched, so that it extends half-way down the entire length.

In Hockey and *La Crosse*, the aim of the players is to drive the ball between the goal-posts of their adversaries; in this respect these games resemble football rather than Golf. In other things they greatly differ from Golf—in hockey the stick should rarely be raised much higher than the ground; the object of the player should be to shove the ball, rather than to depend on swinging strokes. It is strictly forbidden, moreover, to raise the head of the stick higher than the shoulder, under the penalty of a blow on the shins from the hockey-stick of one of the opposite side. A check is thus given to the reckless and unnecessary flourishing of a player's stick, to the imminent danger of both friend and foe.

In *La Crosse* the ball may be carried any distance on the racket. A player, running at full speed will frequently catch up the ball on the end of his *crosse* and cunningly drop it to the ground to baffle a pursuer; then he will adroitly pick it up again, and dexterously repeat this finesse, until he gains the goal, or is able to pass the ball advantageously to one of his own side.

In a recent number of *The Girl's Own Paper*, Mr. Garden G. Smith, refers to the drawing by Raphael, which Mr. Hutchinson lately discovered in the museum at Venice

(a copy of which appeared in GOLF, August 18th, 1893). This writer agrees with the views we expressed some time since, that the drawing in question ought to be regarded other than *golficè*. We, however, disagree with him when he says, that "the drawing is nothing more than a study of a young athlete exercising himself with the Indian club of the period" (presumably when the artist lived). The aim of the athlete is to drive the ball lying on the ground before him, and not merely to develop his muscles by swinging about a heavy club. We still regard this nude figure as a study of the antique merely.

That Golf was prevalent as an amusement in the Low Countries during the Middle Ages there can be no doubt. Some writers imagine that their game resembled the old

English Benty or Bandy rather than Golf as at present played. "There is nothing to show, as far as I am aware," writes Mr. Andrew Lang "that these early Flemish golfers putted at holes." Sir Walter Scott, in describing the sports which took place in 1679 at the Lanark wappenschaw mentions "Putt the Stone."

The recent discovery of a quaint miniature manuscript in the British Museum establishes the fact, that in the early part of the sixteenth century a game was played in the Low Countries very similar to nineteenth-century Golf. Referring to Mr. Henry M. Mayhew's article in the *Illustrated London News*, June 9th, 1894, we quote the following description:—"A series of miniatures and illuminated leaves, cut from a Book of Hours. Vellum, thirty leaves measuring four and a half by three and a quarter inches, executed at Bruges in the best style of Flemish art, early in the sixteenth century. There are in all twenty-one miniatures; nine illustrate the Services, and



GOLF IN THE LOW COUNTRIES.

Miniature from a "Book of Hours," 1500-1510.

twelve represent the occupations of the several months of the year, at the foot of which are introduced illustrations of various games, including Golf." At the foot of folio 27, under the month September, the game of Golf is shown.

Mr. Mayhew says that the scene is a putting green, that one of the players is represented to be wearing a red coat, and another is dressed in a pair of sky-blue pantaloons. From this picture we may safely infer that the Flemings, as early as 1500-1510,—

- 1, Putted at holes;
- 2, That each player used one club;
- 3, That the club was similar in shape and size to the wooden one now employed;

4, That the face of their club was covered with a piece of steel, "much in the fashion recently advocated by Professor Tait";

5, That their ball was proportionately larger; and,

6, That the attitudes of the three players show that they played as we do. One person is evidently waiting his turn to play; a second is putting at the hole (possibly "home;") whilst the third appears to have teed his ball, ready for driving.

The word "Golf" is not derived from the Anglo-Saxon, as we might reasonable suppose, but from a Teutonic source. Golf comes to us directly from the Low Dutch, *kolf*; German, *kolbe*—a club. The light, guttural *k* is flattened into *g*, as in *knaschen*, from which we derive "gnash." In the Netherlands, Golf is denominated *kolf-spel*, literally, "club-game."

In *Bandy-ho'shoe*, which was played in Norfolk as late as the beginning of the present century, a club, shod either with the point of the horn or the hoof of some animal, was used. The game probably derived its name either because the lower end of the club was shod, or because in strength and curvature it resembled a horse's hoof. The empty hoof of a calf or sheep, into which the club was driven, might well be likened to a shoe. A similar club was formerly used in playing cricket; hence the game was termed in those days *Bandy-wicket*.

HENRY J. HILLÈNE.

(To be continued.)

#### OPENING OF THE NEW GOLF HOUSE AT LITTLEHAMPTON.

On Saturday, June 23rd, the Duke of Norfolk opened the newly-erected pavilion of the Littlehampton Golf Club, which occupies a prominent position on the Climping side of the river Arun, facing the Littlehampton Pier Road. In company with Mr. Upperton Lear, his Grace was ferried over the river, and proceeding to the flagstaff unfurled the club colours. The flag is a red and blue diagonal, with a monogram, "L.G.C.," conspicuous at the top corner. The new premises are commodious, and well adapted for the purpose intended. They were built by Messrs. Linfield, a local firm. The building is furnished, club-fashion, with octagon tables and bentwood chairs, and on the interior walls hang photographs of players of the club, views of the links, &c. A spacious dining-room is provided, and there is also a well-furnished committee-room, a refreshment-bar, and a smoke-room. A verandah runs along the full length of the building on the south side, and a view of the whole links, and of play when in progress, can be obtained thence. On the ground floor is a spacious dressing-room, with every accommodation, and a workshop is attached to the building. His Grace having inspected the premises, with which he seemed well pleased, a private luncheon was served. The Duke occupied the chair, and the members present included Earl Winterton, Lord Ernest Hamilton, Major Middleton, and Messrs. C. Bartlett (ex-mayor of Arundel), A. J. Constable (hon. secretary), J. C. Constable, H. Casswell, C. Farmer, D. Turner, E. C. R. Goff, H. E. Harris, T. Hewitt, A. Holmes, R. Holmes, U. Leat, D. Munro, R. B. Pearson, A. J. White, J. Whitehead, and J. Wood.

At the conclusion of the repast, the Chairman gave "Prosperity to the Littlehampton Golf Club," coupled with the name of the hon. secretary, Mr. A. J. Constable, who made a suitable response.

Earl Winterton proposed "The health of the Duke of Norfolk" which was enthusiastically received, his Grace making a happy response.

Afterwards the Duke walked round the links and watched the play of the members.



#### ABERDEEN.

ABERDEEN CLUB *v.* PETERHEAD CLUB.—Teams of nineteen men a side, representing these clubs, played a match over the Balgownie course on Monday, the 25th ult. The weather was favourable, and, as both sides were strongly represented, a good match was anticipated. The visitors, however, found the Aberdeen team much too good for them, and were beaten by no less than 81 holes. Full score by holes, as follows:—

ABERDEEN.		PETERHEAD.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. R. A. Nicolson ...	3	Mr. James Milne ...	0
Mr. T. Todd ...	4	Mr. A. W. Robertson ...	0
Mr. M. M. Duncan ...	6	Mr. W. L. Murray ...	0
Colonel Boyes ...	8	Mr. James Forrest ...	0
Mr. W. C. H. Jopp ...	11	Rev. A. Lawson ...	0
Mr. A. W. Mitchell ...	10	Mr. J. W. Macgregor ...	0
Mr. W. R. Reid ...	6	Mr. J. C. Gibb ...	0
Sheriff Robertson ...	6	Mr. R. R. Ballingall ...	0
Mr. R. D. Leslie ...	0	Mr. W. R. Macbean ...	3
Mr. James Williams ...	10	Mr. J. H. Crichton ...	0
Mr. J. R. Whyte ...	2	Mr. Peter Yule ...	0
Mr. W. M'Kenzie ...	4	Mr. A. Forrest ...	0
Mr. D. Littlejohn ...	0	Mr. R. B. Crabb ...	2
Mr. Jas. Davidson ...	6	Mr. C. F. Wills ...	0
Mr. H. C. Hadden ...	8	Mr. J. A. Fairley ...	0
Mr. A. Chalmers ...	8	Mr. A. Philip ...	0
Mr. D. L. Rose ...	6	Mr. G. Anderson ...	0
Mr. A. L. Miller ...	0	Mr. J. Pyper ...	9
Mr. D. Rolland Ball, jun. ...	0	Mr. W. Mackay ...	3
	98		17

Majority for Aberdeen, 81 holes.

ABOYNE.—The third of a series of competitions for the M'Kinnon cup was played on Saturday. The following are a few of the best scores:—Mr. John Davidson, 76; Mr. F. Sandison, 85; Mr. Charles M'Kenzie, 89; Mr. David Valentine, 91; Rev. A. Gray, 98.

#### ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, June 30th, the competition took place for the scratch silver challenge dishes, to be played for every three months. Scores:—

1st 2nd			1st 2nd		
	Rnd.	Til.		Rnd.	Til.
Miss Birch ...	41	45 86	Mrs. C. Green ...	49	49 98
Miss Andrews ...	48	45 93	Miss Richardson ...	46	53 99
Mrs. M. Stewart ...	45	51 96	Mrs. Gordon Dill ...	55	53 108
Miss E. Richardson ...	49	47 96	Mrs. Astbury ...	56	57 113

Miss Lee made no return.

In the afternoon a match was played *v.* "Bogey" for two prizes given by Mrs. Beh. Miss Birch won the scratch, and Miss Andrews the handicap. Scores:—Miss Birch (scratch), 7 up; Miss Andrews (2), 6 up; Miss E. Richardson (6), 3 up; Mrs. M. Stewart (1), 2 up; Mrs. C. Green (6), 2 down; Miss Richardson (12), 2 down; Mrs. Gordon Dill (9), 2 down; Mrs. Astbury (18), 3 down.

CHEADLE GOLF CLUB.

The third summer medal competition was held on Saturday ; but owing to the heat, and the grass on the course being so long, very few members turned out, and the scores were very high. Mr. F. Bindloss put in a win for the silver medal and took the first sweep ; Mr. J. B. Parkinson took the second sweep ; and Mr. A. T. Holland put in a win for the bronze medal. Scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. Bindloss ...	95 6 89	Rev. F. A. Macdona 108	10 98
Mr. H. W. Carlton ...	104 13 91	Mr. G. G. Campion 112	13 99
Mr. J. B. Parkinson 108	13 95	Mr. A. T. Holland . 122	15 107
Mr. J. Merry ...	96 scr. 96		

The remainder were over 100 net or made no returns.

CINQUE PORTS GOLF CLUB, DEAL.

About twenty-four members competed for the monthly medal on Saturday, June 30th, when Sir Bevan Edwards and Mr. A. T. Kent tied. Scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Sir Bevan Edwards 103	14 89	Mr. F. N. Harvey... 105	10 95
Mr. A. T. Kent ...	105 16 89	Rev. G. Hyde-Smith 106	10 96
Mr. M. Tomson ...	100 8 92	Mr. E. G. Rand ...	107 8 99
Mr. H. M. Leggatt .	101 8 93		

The others made no return.

COVENTRY v. WORCESTERSHIRE.

Coventry v. Worcestershire. Played at Coventry, on June 26th :—

COVENTRY.		WORCESTERSHIRE.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. Harold Smith ...	2	Mr. W. E. Paterson ...	0
Captain F. B. Johnstone	4	Mr. A. S. Archdale ...	0
Mr. G. F. Twist ...	2	Rev. C. Black ...	0
Mr. A. Rotherham ...	7	Mr. H. D. Acland ...	0
Mr. J. A. Moncrieff ...	0	Mr. H. A. Armitage ...	7
Hon. and Rev. Moncrieff	4	Mr. G. A. Jones ...	0
Mr. W. H. Hillman ...	3	Mr. S. C. Healing ...	0
Mr. H. J. Nutt... ..	0	Mr. G. W. Blathwayt... ..	1
Mr. F. Smith ... ..	1	Mr. W. C. Perry ... ..	0
Mr. J. Powers... ..	7	Mr. W. Mylrea ... ..	0
	30		8

DISLEY v. WILMSLOW.

Home-and-Home matches between the above clubs were played on Saturday last, with the following results :—

First teams at Disley.—

DISLEY.		WILMSLOW.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. R. W. Hutton ...	0	Mr. A. W. Cumming... ..	0
Mr. A. B. Scholfield ...	2	Mr. J. A. Tweedale ..	0
Mr. T. G. Yates ... ..	10	Mr. R. A. Bradley ... ..	0
Mr. R. C. Hutton ... ..	0	Mr. W. Scowcroft ... ..	3
Mr. G. C. Greenwell ...	10	Mr. H. G. Langley ... ..	0
Mr. G. C. Liebert ... ..	2	Mr. A. H. Dixon ... ..	0
Mr. E. G. Hutton ... ..	0	Mr. J. H. Milne ... ..	0
Mr. H. Liebert ... ..	10	Mr. J. K. Ford... ..	0
	34		3

Disley won by 31 holes.

A teams, at Wilmslow.—

DISLEY.		WILMSLOW.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. E. Hutton ... ..	5	Mr. R. R. Schofield ...	0
Mr. A. N. Monkhouse ...	0	Mr. C. Hervey... ..	0
Rev. E. J. Satterthwaite	9	Mr. J. D. Hobkirk ... ..	0
Mr. J. D. Milne ... ..	0	Mr. P. Swanwick ... ..	1
Mr. G. N. M. Cameron ...	0	Mr. F. Godlee... ..	1
Mr. F. C. Midwood ... ..	5	Mr. C. W. Stoehr ... ..	0
Mr. P. Read ... ..	0	Mr. J. J. Brickbill ...	0
Mr. E. H. Fuller ... ..	0	Mr. J. Young ... ..	5
	19		7

Disley won by 12 holes.

CRIEF.—The final, by holes, for the Bailie Cochrane gold medal was played for by Mr. C. E. Rice (scratch), and Mr. G. W. Richardson (scratch), on Thursday, last, when a tie was the result. The match was replayed on Friday, when Mr. Rice won by 2 up and 1 to play. The medal becomes his property.

CITY OF NEWCASTLE GOLF CLUB.

Monthly competition, June 30th :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. J. W. Robson 98	12 86	Mr. A. H. Dickenson 109	14 95		
Mr. A. H. Marsh... 102	13 89	Mr. A. Hedley ... 103	7 96		
Mr. T. H. Leathart 104	14 90	Mr. N. S. Green ... 114	18 96		
Mr. J. Lockie ... 110	19 91	Mr. A. Richardson 109	12 97		
Col. Campbell ... 113	19 94	Mr. J. R. Bolton ... 105	8 97		
Mr. G. W. Williams 100	5 95				

Mr. C. H. Harrison retired.

EPPING GOLF CLUB.

The final competition in connection with the Lyall handicap for a prize presented by Mr. R. C. Lyall for the two best aggregate scores out of three monthly competitions under handicap, was held on Saturday, June 30th, when Mr. George Sewell came in an easy winner with two 86's net=172 ; Mr. A. C. Oldham being second with 93, plus 89=182, and Mr. T. Pearson third with 90 plus 97=187. Seven others competed.

FORFARSHIRE.

In the semi-final round for the captain's prizes of the Monifieth Club, in the third-class, Mr. J. Watson and Mr. C. A. Gittings beat Mr. J. Ross and Mr. T. Sturrock. The other foursome in this class has still to be decided. The following are the players in the last stage of the competition, and the matches will be played off during the next week, viz. :—First-class, Mr. W. Hutcheson and Mr. J. Pearson v. Mr. J. Hendry and Mr. W. Drimmie. Second-class, Mr. G. Davidson and Mr. R. Grossart v. Mr. D. Fox and Mr. D. K. Drimmie. Third-class, Mr. J. Watson and Mr. C. A. Gittings v. Mr. R. Locke and Mr. W. Adie or Mr. D. Scott and G. J. Farbat.

The play in the fourth stage of the competition for the Dalhousie cup has just been finished, with the result undernoted :—Mr. James Ogilvie (4) beat Mr. Joseph Wood (9) by 3 ; Mr. Robert Myles (10) beat Mr. David Robb (9) by 1 ; Mr. George Davidson (10) beat Mr. William Hogg (12) by 5 up and 3 to play ; Mr. George Trickett (9) beat Mr. Robert Scott (scratch) by 4 up and 3 to play ; Mr. George Ogilvie (11) beat Mr. David Ramsay, sen. (9) by 3 up and 2 to play ; Mr. James Simpson (scratch) beat Mr. T. Mill (14) by 8 up and 7 to play ; Mr. Thomas Smith (12) beat Mr. William Laing (11) by 1 ; Mr. Andrew Simpson (2) beat Mr. A. Smith (4) by 4 up and 2 to play.

With the match on Saturday between Mr. W. Reid (Victoria) and Mr. A. Still (Mercantile) the fifth round in the Boothby-Campbell challenge shield competition was completed. On that day the weather was foggy and the greens were very stiff. Mr. Reid had matters all his own way, and he eventually won the match at the Skating Pond hole by 5 up and 4 to play. The following is the result of the fifth round :—Mr. W. Reid (V.) beat Mr. A. Still (M.) ; Mr. A. Keillor (M.) beat Mr. R. Winton (M.) ; Mr. Jas. Thow (V.) beat Mr. L. S. Smith (V.) ; Mr. Jas. Hampton (M.) beat Lieut. Gairdner (R.A.).

The quarterly competition of the Dundee Advertiser took place at Monifieth on Saturday. There was a good muster of players, but the cards returned showed that most of the members were somewhat off colour. The lowest scorers were :—Mr. John Macrae, 92 ; Mr. Allan Bell, 95 ; Mr. Alexander Bowman, 96 ; Mr. Robert Donn, 96 ; Mr. Peter Wallace, 98 ; Mr. Andrew Caird, 98 ; Mr. Thomas Knox, 99 ; Mr. John Inglis, 99 ; and Mr. Alexander Buchan, 99. Prizes and sweeps were won as follows :—First class, 1 and first sweep, Mr. Adam Bell ; 2 and second sweep, Mr. Robert Donn ; 3 and third sweep, Mr. John Macrae ; 4 and fourth sweep, Mr. Alexander Bowman ; 5 and 6, Messrs. Alexander Buchan and John Inglis, tie. Second class, 1, 2, and 3, and first, second, and third sweep, Messrs. Andrew Caird, Peter Wallace, and W. Scott, tie ; 4, Mr. John I. Smith. Third class, 1 and first sweep, Mr. William Fleming ; 2 and second sweep, Mr. William Robertson ; 3 and 4, and third and fourth sweep, Messrs. D. R. Anderson and Finlay Currie, tie ; 5, Mr. W. D. Kennedy ; 6, Mr. John Strachan.

CARNOUSTIE AND TAYMOUTH v. MONIFIETH.—The first half of the annual home-and-home match between these clubs

was played at Carnoustie on Saturday afternoon. The game resulted in a victory for the Monifieth team by a majority of 4 holes. Details:—

CARNOUSTIE AND TAYMOUTH.		MONIFIETH.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. R. Scott ...	1	Mr. G. Wright ...	0
Mr. W. Smith ...	5	Mr. D. Dargie... ..	0
Mr. J. Simpson ...	0	Mr. A. Simpson ...	0
Mr. J. Kidd ...	4	Mr. D. L. Low ...	0
Mr. D. Bell ...	2	Mr. W. Young... ..	0
Mr. R. Ferrier... ..	3	Mr. W. Hutchison ...	0
Mr. A. Simpson ...	0	Mr. T. Brimer... ..	4
Mr. G. A. Low ...	0	Mr. D. Dempster ..	2
Mr. J. Fox ...	0	Mr. W. Lorimer ...	2
Mr. A. Smith ...	2	Mr. G. Fox ...	0
Mr. T. Jamieson ...	1	Mr. J. Hendry... ..	0
Mr. C. Kidd ...	0	Mr. W. Still ...	5
Mr. J. Hogg ...	0	Mr. J. R. Fairweather	0
Mr. J. Ogilvie ...	0	Mr. J. C. Burns ...	1
Mr. D. Ramsay, jun. ...	0	Mr. D. Anderson ...	0
Mr. T. Japp ...	0	Mr. G. Pearson ...	4
Mr. J. Stewart... ..	0	Mr. J. W. Walker ...	2
Mr. D. Boyle ...	0	Mr. W. Donaldson ...	2
Mr. W. White ...	1	Mr. W. Drimmie ...	0
Mr. J. Wood ...	0	Mr. F. A. Begg ...	1
	19		23

Some very good stroke scores were recorded, among the best being—For Carnoustie, Mr. R. Ferrier, 81; Mr. J. Kidd, 82; Mr. A. Simpson, 82; Mr. D. Bell, 82; Mr. R. Scott, 84; and Mr. W. Smith, 84. For Monifieth, Mr. T. Brimer, 80. Stimies prevented some of the players from making good scores.

#### GULLANE.

Dirleton Castle Club held their summer meeting on Saturday, thirty-six members taking part. Mr. Alexander G. Gow, 90, less 10=80; Mr. Alexander Aitken, sen., scratch, 81; Mr. Alexander Lister, scratch, 81; Mr. J. Brotherston, scratch, 81; Mr. J. Hush, 93, less 12=81, tied; Mr. D. Ritchie, 85, less 2=83; Mr. G. A. Scott, 93, less 10=83; Mr. William Scott, 98, less 15=83, tied. Messrs. J. Brotherston, A. Lister, J. Lister, and D. Ritchie were selected to play for the County cup at Luffness.

#### HUDDERSFIELD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal.—Notwithstanding the sweltering day a big field turned out to try conclusions with "Col. Bogey" at Fixby on Saturday. The hard greens made approaching and putting somewhat uncertain, so that the only player who got on terms with "Bogey" was one whose handicap was patently too high. Fifty-three players took out cards, and the following returns were made:—

First class.—Rev. E. N. Langham (12), 2 down; Mr. Fredk. Huth (4), 3 down; Mr. H. Huth (5), 3 down; Mr. R. Nelson (10), 3 down; Mr. B. P. Allen (12), 3 down; Mr. R. Holliday (5), 5 down; Mr. R. B. Learoyd (11), 5 down; Mr. A. E. Learoyd (scratch), 6 down; Mr. C. B. Knight (6), 9 down.

Second class.—Mr. G. C. H. Willans (16), all square; Mr. H. Terry, jun. (17), 1 down; Mr. E. Sykes (17), 2 down; Mr. A. Todd (22), 2 down; Mr. F. A. Brooke (23), 3 down; Mr. J. Barnicot (17), 4 down; Mr. A. C. Sharpe (19), 5 down; Mr. T. Heron (20), 5 down; Mr. A. W. Reith (16), 7 down; Mr. A. Dyson (19), 8 down; Mr. J. S. Faulder (27), 8 down.

#### KEMP TOWN (BRIGHTON) GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal of the above club was played for on Saturday in a strong north-east wind. The only return made was Mr. Duncan Furner's, 89, less 6=83.

The following gentlemen made no returns:—Revs. Luce and Spelman, Messrs. Evershed, Taylor, and Peacock.

#### LEVEN.

The Leven Thistle Golf Club competed for the Baird cup on Saturday afternoon, the conditions being the first eight lowest players play one another off by holes. The following is the result:—Messrs. J. Kinnell, 81; J. Wilkie, 82; R. Simpson, 84; J. T. Ireland, 85; R. Houston, 85; W. Marshall, 89; G. Findlay, 89; W. N. Boase, 91, and A. Greig, 91, tie for last place.

A mixed foursome competition for prizes presented by Messrs. Crabbe, Donaldson, Gilmour, and Haig, open to members of the Lundin Ladies' Club took place. Eighty ladies and gentlemen played, and the result was as follows:—1st, Miss N. Ronaldson and Mr. Mortished, 76, less 9=67; 2nd, Mrs. Crole and Mr. Anderson, 73, less 4=69; 3rd and 4th, tied for by Miss Mary Wilkie and Mr. Inglis, 75, less 4=71; Miss A. Adamson and Mr. T. Ronaldson, 77, less 6=71; and Miss Marshall and Mr. Bruce, 77, less 6=71. Result of tie, Miss Marshall and Mr. Bruce, 71, less 6=65; Miss Wilkie and Mr. Inglis, 72, less 4=68. The second part of a home-and-home match between the Burntisland and Leven Ladies' Clubs came off on the ladies' course at Leven on Saturday, Leven winning by 56 holes.

#### MARPLE GOLF CLUB.

The usual monthly medal competition in connection with this club was held on these links last Saturday. Owing to the oppressive weather, there were only eight entries. Mr. C. H. Roth won by returning the lowest gross and net scores.

#### NORTH BERWICK.

On Monday evening Mr. J. E. Laidlay and Jack White played Mr. A. M. Ross and Ben Sayers in a foursome. Mr. Ross and Sayers played a capital game outward, and getting away from their opponents, stood 5 up at the turn. Ultimately the match resulted in an easy win for Mr. Ross and Sayers.

#### OLD MANCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

Competition for monthly gold medal, June 30th:—Mr. Alfred Brookes, jun., 108, less 27=81; Mr. M. S. Bles, 101, less 9=92; Mr. E. Kenyon, 107, less 12=95; Mr. Chas. Southern, 109, less 9=100. Five other players did not return their cards.

#### PRESTWICK GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday the monthly handicap competition for the gold medal was played for by the members of the Prestwick Club. The day was bright and scorching, and with greens very keen, putting was a matter of nicety. The following are the best scores for the round of eighteen holes:—Mr. George Davidson, 92, less 9=83; Mr. T. Anderson, scratch, 84; Mr. P. Davidson, 100, less 14=86; Mr. W. S. Wilson, 98, less 12=86; Mr. R. Cowan, 90, less 3=87; Mr. W. N. Scott, 92, less 4=88.

#### ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

Competition for Gordon cup, captain's prize, and monthly medal, played Saturday, June 30th. Result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. W. G. McGregor	94	14	80	Mr. John Godwin...	104	13	91
Mr. H. Parker ...	93	9	84	Mr. C. E. Greig ...	99	7	92
Mr. A. W. Good ...	97	12	85	Mr. J. W. M. Guy...	104	12	92
Mr. W. P. Pechey ...	98	13	85	Mr. J. B. Shaw ...	109	16	93
Mr. T. T. Cowell ...	93	7	86	Mr. T. H. Wakefield	117	24	93
Mr. Julius Hax ...	96	10	86	Mr. S. R. Bastard...	95	1	94
Mr. G. A. Peattie...	104	18	86	Mr. E. Flint ...	106	10	96
Mr. J. Cleghorn ...	106	20	86	Mr. H. W. Horner	108	12	96
Mr. J. W. James ...	98	9	89	Dr. J. D. Cruick-			
Mr. J. W. Greig ...	97	7	90	shank ..	112	16	96
Mr. J. E. Brown ...	100	10	90	Rev. Ewart Barter	112	16	96
Mr. J. O. Milledge,				Mr. G. F. Sanders .	107	9	98
jun. ...	102	12	90	Mr. J. Latham, jun.	110	12	98
Mr. W. H. Glan-				Mr. C. J. Fox ...	110	12	98
ville ...	108	18	90	Mr. E. C. Walbourn	110	11	99
Mr. H. N. Wykes...	99	8	91	Mr. H. P. Lowen ...	116	16	100
Mr. Wm. Walker ...	103	12	91	Mr. W. Nicholls ...	120	20	100
Mr. E. L. Latham .	105	14	91	Mr. J. H. Radmall .	126	18	108
Mr. R. J. Pinney ...	104	13	91	Mr. W. J. Crump ...	147	25	122

#### ROYAL GUERNSEY GOLF CLUB.

Monthly gold badge, June 28th. Played in a very strong N.E. wind, hence low scores returned. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Col. Spencer Field	106	9	97	Mr. C. Crewe ...	115	12	103
Mr. G. Christie ...	115	14	101	Capt. Amedroz ...	115	10	105
Mr. F. P. Hutchesson	117	16	101	Major Wright ...	126	15	111
Mr. R. J. Bainbrige	116	13	103	Col. St. Clair ...	128	14	114

ROYAL ASHDOWN GOLF CLUB.

The medal, on June 30th, was won by Mr. F. Scrutton, and the scratch prize, as usual, by Mr. H. M. Braybrooke. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. F. Scrutton	97	20 77	Mr. G. Gardner	90	3 87
Mr. F. H. Peek	104	25 79	Mr. J. O. Scott	101	14 87
Mr. W. H. Richardson	82	1 81	Mr. C. W. Nix	102	14 88
Mr. M. Waterlow	92	10 82	Mr. J. S. Scott	92	3 89
Mr. H. M. Braybrooke	81	+2 83	Mr. L. B. Burns	99	10 89
Mr. R. Homan	99	16 83	Mr. C. A. Ashton	102	13 89
Mr. J. G. Scaramanga	108	25 83	Mr. A. F. White	102	13 19
Mr. A. D. Stevenson	101	17 84	Lt.-Col. F. Luttmann-Johnson	116	25 91
Mr. H. Lazenby	101	17 84	Mr. C. E. Green	118	25 93
Mr. W. F. Danby	101	16 85	Mr. Eric Lee	113	19 94
Rev. A. Meyrick	96	10 86	Mr. J. A. Luttmann-Johnson	111	17 94
Mr. R. Chignell	98	12 86	Mr. F. J. Lawrence	115	19 96

ROYAL EASTBOURNE GOLF CLUB.

The June competition for the monthly medal was played on Saturday last, when twenty-eight members started, and the following returns were made:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. J. H. Shaw	92	15 77	Dr. Gabbett	101	15 86
Mr. T. H. B. Beresford	93	12 81	Mr. E. Spencer	102	16 86
†Mr. R. B. Masefield	96	15 81	Capt. Swinford	99	10 89
†Mr. E. W. W. Bell	100	18 82	Mr. A. Mayhew	98	6 92
Mr. T. S. Whitfield	96	13 83	Mr. G. Rivett-Carnac	102	10 92
Mr. C. A. Leatham	99	16 83	Mr. R. G. Wylde	111	18 93
Mr. H. S. Colt	82	+2 84	Capt. Stansfeld	112	18 94
Mr. E. O. Langham	90	6 84	Mr. C. Lethbridge	111	16 95
Mr. E. A. Hambro	96	12 84	Mr. R. C. Lambert	115	18 97

\* Wins monthly medal. † Two-thirds sweepstake.  
‡ One-third sweepstake.

ROYAL MUSSELBURGH GOLF CLUB.

The summer meeting of the Royal Musselburgh Club took place on Friday in beautiful weather. There was a numerous turn-out, and golfers played under conditions which were very much in favour of low scoring. Considering the dryness of the weather lately, the course was in capital order, though putting was difficult, owing to the very keen condition of the greens. The links have been vastly improved since the Town Council undertook an oversight of them, and the game is now played at Musselburgh much more comfortably than was the case when one had to scramble for a place at the starting-point and there was no controlling power. The improvement is particularly noticeable in the banking-up of the bunkers, and in the efforts that are being made to bring the worn-out portions of the green into something like playable order. The competition had in a way novel features in that the club for the first time played for the handsome cup presented by the bowlers of the burgh—a scratch award, along with which went a gold pendant. For the handicap players the chief attraction was the silver club, the winner of which also receives, by way of memento, a gold star. The day found Mr. J. M. Williamson in his top game. His play for the first round more particularly was faultless, as his card showed. Only at one hole did he make a slight mistake. This was the "Bathing Coach," where he pressed a little with his second, and was bunkered so near the face that he lost a stroke in recovering. His round of 39 was, at the same time, exceptionally good, and maintaining his grand form in the last half of the eighteen holes, he finished in 79, and easily won the Bowlers' cup—the scores other than his being, as a rule, high. The details of Mr. Williamson's card were:—First round, 5 4 5 4 4 6 3 4 4=35; second round, 5 5 4 5 5 4 4 3=40. The best scores in handicap order were:—Rev. P. G. Fraser, 99, less 18=81; Mr. J. M. Williamson, 79, plus 4=83; Dr. Gilruth, 108, less 18=90; Rev. George Low, 93, less 2=91; Mr. A. W. Millar, scratch, 92; Mr. John Young, 104, less 12=92; Mr. James Williamson, 106, less 14=92; Mr. T. A. Bullar, 98, less 6=92; Mr. W. Tait, 99, less 6=93; Mr. H. B. Ferrier, scratch, 94.

ROYAL NORWICH GOLF CLUB.

MIDSUMMER MEETING.

On Thursday, the 28th ult., in glorious weather, the first summer meeting of this club was brought to a conclusion. This meeting has excited exceptional interest, the culmination having been led up to by a tournament of match play for the captain's medal, the final rounds for which were the special feature of the day. Interest in the meeting has also been greatly stimulated by the two professional matches, Kelly v. White, and Kelly v. Milne, which have already been reported fully in these columns. There was therefore a large and enthusiastic gathering of members to compete for the club scratch and handicap gold medals and other prizes. Owing to the great heat the ground was hard, and the greens difficult, causes which led to the scores being higher than usual. The following were the results:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. T. Ireland	105	10 95	Mr. C.H.A. Lock	112	16 96
*Mr. R. Jewson	109	14 95	†Mr. J.J.W. Deuchar	97	scr. 97
Rev. A. T. Farquharson	106	10 96	†Mr. W. O. Wilcox	118	20 98
			Mr. Poole Gabbett	113	13 100

\* Tie for handicap gold medal. † Winner of scratch gold medal.  
‡ Winner of long handicap prize.

The following were over 100, or made no return:—Col. Dawson, Messrs. Harold Wilson, R. Lawrence, G. Jewson, T. Jewson, J. de Carle Smith, A. G. Howlett, E. Rice, E. Reeve, Campbell Steward, E. Boardman, J. A. Harmer, D. Walker, Pinder, Everett, Crowe, Nuttall, Corder, and others.

The chief centre of interest to on-lookers was the semi-final and final of the tournament for the gold medal, presented by the captain of the club, Col. Dawson. The earlier rounds having been decided as under:—

First Round.—Mr. F. Jewson (18) beat Mr. R. Crosse (20) scratched; Mr. J. H. Mannall (13) beat Mr. E. Rice (25) scratched; Mr. E. T. Boardman (18) beat Rev. W. S. Wright (25), 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. J. W. Jewson (16) beat Mr. E. Orams (16), 3 up and 1 to play; Col. Dawson (12) beat Mr. E. Reeve (25), 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. T. H. Gwillim (18) beat Mr. W. E. Hansell (14), 3 up and 1 to play; Mr. W. S. C. Wilcox (20) beat Mr. C. F. Taylor (25), 7 up and 6 to play.

Second Round.—Rev. E. B. Pearse (20) beat Mr. W. Pinder (25), 1 up; Mr. R. Jewson (14) beat Mr. E. M. Bolingbroke (25), 6 up and 4 to play; Mr. Mannall beat Mr. E. White (25), 9 up and 8 to play; Mr. J. A. Harmer (25) beat Rev. J. F. Darrel (25), 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. D. Walker (12) beat Rev. Pelham Burn (20), 6 up and 4 to play; Mr. J. J. W. Deuchar (2) beat Mr. Gwillim, 4 up and 3 to play; Col. Dawson beat Mr. Cooper Patten, scratched; Mr. R. Lawrence (18) beat Mr. Wilcox, 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. Boardman beat Mr. F. Nobley (22), 7 up and 5 to play; Mr. C. H. A. Lock (20) beat Mr. S. Todd (25), 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. T. Ireland (10) beat Mr. F. Jewson (18), 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. Poole Gabbett (15) beat Mr. A. W. Jones (25), 9 up and 8 to play; Rev. A. T. Farquharson (12) beat Mr. A. Pratt (20), 7 up and 5 to play; Mr. H. Cozens Hardy (15) beat Mr. J. W. Jewson (16), 6 up and 4 to play; Mr. C. H. Finch (20) beat Mr. A. C. Howlett (22), 1 up; Mr. Campbell Steward (20), beat Mr. J. De Carle Smith (25), 1 up.

Third round.—Rev. E. B. Pearse beat Mr. R. Hewson, 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. J. A. Harmer beat Mr. J. H. Mannall (scratched); Mr. J. J. W. Deuchar beat Mr. Davidson Walker, 6 up and 4 to play; Mr. E. T. Boardman beat Col. Dawson, 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. C. H. A. Lock beat Mr. R. Lawrence (scratched); Mr. Poole Gabbett beat Mr. T. Ireland, 2 up and 1 to play; Rev. A. T. Farquharson beat Mr. H. C. Hardy, 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. Campbell Steward beat Mr. H. C. Finch (scratched).

Fourth round.—Rev. E. B. Pearse beat Mr. J. A. Harmer, 6 up and 4 to play; Mr. J. J. W. Deuchar beat Mr. E. T. Boardman, 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. P. Gabbett beat Mr. C. H. A. Lock, 2 up and 1 to play; Rev. A. T. Farquharson beat Mr. Campbell Steward, 2 up and 1 to play.

The semi-final thus resolved itself into a combat between the two clergymen and the two laymen named, and all three games were as keenly and closely fought contests as the most

ardent golfer could wish to see. Mr. Deuchar, conceding 14 strokes, beat Mr. Pearse, but only by the narrow margin of 1 up. That the Norwich curate played a particularly fine game is best evidenced by the fact that Mr. Deuchar went round in 88, a record for the Hellesden course which we believe no amateur has beaten. Mr. Farquharson, conceding 2 strokes, defeated Mr. Gabbett, but the result of this game was undecided until the Diss man had got down the eighteenth hole. At a comparatively late hour in the evening the final between Mr. Deuchar and Mr. Farquharson was begun. The vice-captain had the best of the earlier part of the struggle, being 3 up at the sixth hole. But coming in, Mr. Farquharson played a grand game, and at the fifteenth hole the score was all even, 3 to play. A large number of members who had just finished medal rounds, hearing of the exciting position of affairs, hastened out to see the concluding stages of the game. Going for Westward Ho! Mr. Farquharson, with a fine second, lay dead. Mr. Deuchar was a good yard from the hole, and missed a somewhat ticklish putt. This gave his opponent the hole, and made the situation, Mr. Farquharson 1 up 2 to play. The clergyman driving over Hades landed short of the green in a wheel rut. Mr. Deuchar made a better shot, being a yard or so beyond the red flag. Mr. Farquharson, after a stroke with his mashie, was still some distance from the hole, Mr. Deuchar playing the like was rather weak. Mr. Farquharson with the odd was also short, and his adversary again playing the like ran four feet past the hole. This time Mr. Deuchar had to play the odd. He hung on the lip of the hole. Amid breathless excitement, Mr. Farquharson ran round him, and likewise hovered on the edge, thus halving the hole. With Mr. Deuchar, 1 down, 1 to play, Mr. Farquharson teed up for the eighteenth hole. He was obviously nervous, however, with the crowd of critics looking down at him from the crest of Rabbit's Hill, and his shot fell in Hades. But he made a good recovery, and had bad luck in finding that his ball had rolled back from the edge of the teeing ground for the first hole to the path behind the club-house. Mr. Deuchar, who had driven well over Hades, secured the hole, and the round was over with the score all even. The men had consequently to go out again. Mr. Deuchar, with a capital drive on the Whinny-out green, holed out in 4, and obtained first blood, and so won a sensational match and the captain's medal.

#### ROYAL WIMBLEDON GOLF CLUB.

Monthly handicap challenge medal, June 30th:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. G. Humphreys .	100	15 85	Mr. J. H. Driver ..	100	9 91
Mr. S. S. Schultz ...	91	5 86	Mr. R. Browne ...	106	15 91
Mr. W. Johnston ...	97	11 86	Mr. N. R. Foster ...	90	+2 92
Mr. W. R. L'Amy .	98	12 86	Mr. W. Michie ...	101	9 92
Mr. G. F. Muir ...	99	12 87	Mr. S. F. Still ...	109	16 93
Mr. H. F. Lawford.	93	5 88	Mr. H. W. Horne...	102	8 94
Hon. Ivo Bligh ...	92	2 90	Mr. G. E. Jones ...	112	18 94
Mr. A. Pollock ...	94	4 90	Mr. J. MacFarlan...	112	18 94
Mr. C. M. Smith ...	94	4 90	Mr. J. D. Charrington	101	6 95
Mr. F. J. Walker ...	95	5 90	Mr. J. M. Batten ...	118	18 100
Mr. H. P. Cumming	96	6 90	Mr. F. S. Creswell .	113	12 101
Mr. C. A. W. Cameron	95	4 91			

No returns from thirty-six players.

#### SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

KAY *v.* HERD.

A professional match, held under the auspices of the Seaton Carew Golf Club, took place on Saturday last on the Seaton Links, between James Kay, the local professional, and Alexander Herd, the professional of the Huddersfield Golf Club, for money prizes subscribed by members of the Seaton Carew Golf Club. Herd is one of the very finest players of the day, having this year in professional tournaments won, among other prizes, two first prizes at the Macrihanish Golf Club meeting, and again first at the Deal Golf Club meeting, whilst he was eighth in this year's Open Championship competition at Sandwich, where he had bad luck, and was one of the chosen eight professional players against the eight best amateurs at the Sandwich meeting, where he ran into the semi-final, being defeated by the Champion, J. H. Taylor. It will

thus be seen that Kay had a very formidable opponent to contend with. But Kay has hitherto proved himself equal to all comers upon his own green, and, although he was out of form at this year's Championship meeting, he has in the last few years consistently taken a high place in the Championship competitions, on one or two occasions nearly winning it, thus proving that he also is in the first rank of professional players.

Play commenced at 1.30, in the presence of a large gathering of spectators, including a fair sprinkling of ladies. Mr. C. J. Bunting, the hon secretary of the club, acted as umpire. The weather was all that could be desired, a refreshing breeze blowing from the sea. The first hole was won by Herd in 5 to Kay's 6, the latter just missing his putt. The next three holes were halved in 4 each (par play). The fifth fell to Kay in 5 to Herd's 6, the latter being weak in his putting. Going to the railings to the sixth hole, Kay was down in 4 to Herd's 5, making Kay 1 up. Unfortunately Herd trod on his ball, which was in the rushes from his drive, which would have lost him the hole in any event. He however got the ball out of the difficulty, and played a splendid approach shot, which lay within a yard of the hole; but, missing the putt, he took 5 to Kay's 4. The next hole was halved in a well-played 4 each. The eighth hole was also halved in a somewhat indifferently-played 5. The ninth, or last hole out, however, was halved in a finely-played 4 by each, leaving Kay 1 down, and the scores, Kay, 40; Herd, 41. Returning home, the first two holes were halved in 5 each. The twelfth hole was won by Herd in a well-played 4 to Kay's 5, and the thirteenth again fell to Herd in a brilliantly-played 3 to Kay's 4. Proceeding to the fourteenth, or Pond hole, Kay unfortunately topped his drive, and took 6 to Herd's 4, making the latter 2 up. The Doctor's hole was halved in 4, and the following hole was won by Herd in a perfectly-played 3 to Kay's 4. The next hole was won by Kay in 4 to Herd's 5, and the last hole halved in 4 each, Herd being 2 up on the first round, the total scores being respectively, Herd, 78; Kay, 81.

After half-an-hour's interval, the players again started for the second round. Kay, in playing his approach to the first hole, allowing a little too much for the wind, unfortunately got bunkered, whilst Herd, playing a perfect picture of an approach, lay within half a yard of the hole, and was down in 4 to Kay's approximately 6. The next three holes were again as in the first round, halved in the par play of 4 each. The fifth was also halved in 5 each. The sixth hole was won by Herd in 4 to Kay's 5, Herd's approach to this hole being a very fine shot. The next hole, however, was won by Kay by a brilliantly played 3 to Herd's 4. Herd responded with an equally fine-played 3 to the next hole to Kay's 5, the latter's ball being unfortunately in the ruts of the roadway from his drive. Proceeding to the ninth hole, Kay essayed to carry the bunker in his second shot, but was short, and was bunkered. He, however, recovered well, and was on the green in 3, but took 3 more to hole out to Herd's total of 4. At the turn, therefore, Herd stood 5 up, his score of 36 out constituting almost perfect play. Kay's score out was approximately 42. Returning home, Herd, still playing strongly, won the tenth in 3 to Kay's 4. At the next hole Kay, playing in his best form, holed in 3 to Herd's 5. The twelfth hole was won by Herd in a well-played 4 to Kay's 5, and, the thirteenth hole being halved in 4 each, Herd became the winner of the match by 6 up and 5 to play. A bye was played in, the fourteenth hole being halved in 5. The fifteenth, or Doctor's hole, was won by Herd in 3 to Kay's 4, but the two next holes were won by Kay in 4 each to Herd's 5 each, and the last hole was also won by Kay in a finely-played 3 to Herd's 4, Kay thus winning the bye by 2 holes. The totals of the second round were—Herd, 74; Kay, 78; and the total scores of the two rounds were—Herd, 78, 74=152; and Kay, 81, 78=159. As before stated, Herd won the match and the first prize by 6 up and 5 to play, but altogether was 4 holes up and about 7 strokes less than Kay on the two rounds, Kay receiving the second prize. The slashing St. Andrews swing, long driving, and fine approach shots of the winning player were much admired, whilst Kay's straight driving and good putting were also pleasing to witness; but he was somewhat over-matched by his powerful opponent, who has only about two equals in the golfing world.

TIMPERLEY GOLF CLUB.

The summer meeting of this club is now in progress. The first round and part of the second round of the subscription handicap have been played with the following results:—

First round.—Messrs. J. Wildgoose, R. Cressy, J. A. Cuffley, C. A. Chiswell, and S. W. Gillett, had byes. Mr. C. H. Occleston (2) beat Mr. S. Thompson (7) 1 up; Mr. H. R. Yates (16) beat Mr. T. Ibbotson (11), 3 up; Mr. T. W. Deane (5) beat Mr. W. Ibbotson, jun. (13), 1 up; Mr. C. Pierce (12) beat Mr. Tudor-Smith (10), 4 up; Mr. E. C. Symons (10) beat Mr. H. Cardwell (8), 4 up; Mr. W. H. Woods (16) beat Mr. W. H. Thompson (14), 1 up; Mr. J. W. Sargeant (10) beat Mr. W. Brookes (16); Mr. H. Goble (12) beat Mr. M. H. Coke (13), 6 up; Mr. K. Thompson (10) beat Mr. G. Garlick (16); Mr. G. Bucklehurst (12) beat Mr. A. S. Fletcher (16), 7 up; Mr. J. M. H. Blamey (10) beat Mr. J. H. Atkinson (10), 3 up.

Second round—Mr. C. Pierce beat Mr. E. C. Symons, 10 up; Mr. W. H. Woods beat Mr. C. A. Chiswell, 9 up; Mr. J. W. Sargeant beat Mr. H. Goble, 1 up; Mr. J. M. H. Blamey beat Mr. S. W. Gillett (scratch), 4 up.

On Thursday a Married v. Single match was played, and resulted in an easy win for the single.

On Friday a mixed foursome was played, and resulted as follows:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. W. Bell and Miss J. Taylor	58	15	43
Mr. K. Thompson and Mrs. Dippie	59	12	47
Mr. J. Wildgoose and Miss M. Taylor	63	16	47
Mr. J. M. H. Blamey and Miss B. Redfern	64	14	50
Mr. R. M. Nosworthy and Mrs. S. Thompson	64	13	51
Mr. H. Cardwell and Mrs. Chiswell	63	11	52
Mr. T. W. Deane and Mrs. Owen	63	11	52
Mr. Tudor-Smith and Miss Thompson	65	13	52
Mr. S. Thompson and Miss Ogden	60	7	53
Mr. C. A. Chiswell and Miss Dippie	64	10	54
Mr. W. Owen and Miss Bell	68	14	54
Mr. H. R. Yates and Miss Deane	72	16	56

On Saturday the ninth competition for the captain's medal took place, when twenty-seven members competed. Mr. Pierce won the qualifying round for the medal and also the first prize in the sweep, and Mr. Yates the second. The following are the details of scores not over 100:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. C. F. G. Pierce	96	18	78	Mr. S. W. Gillett	95	1	94
Mr. H. R. Yates	108	25	83	Mr. M. H. Coke	117	20	97
Mr. W. H. Woods	110	25	85	Mr. J. Wildgoose	122	25	97
Mr. W. Bell	113	25	88	Mr. R. M. Nosworthy	112	14	98
Mr. C. H. Occleston	91	3	88	Mr. E. C. Symons	114	15	99
Mr. T. W. Deane	97	8	89	Mr. J. A. Cuffley	125	25	100
Mr. W. Owen	117	25	92	Mr. W. Ibbotson	120	20	100
Mr. J. M. H. Blamey	109	16	93	Mr. K. Thompson	115	15	100
Mr. H. Goble	112	18	94				

TORYGLEN GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition, 30th June:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. H. W. Davidson	97	2	95	Mr. J. Gordon	104	3	101
Mr. A. McVean	99	scr.	99	Mr. A. Hunter	114	10	104
Mr. J. L. Davidson	102	2	100	Mr. A. Boyd, jun.	114	10	104
Mr. A. D. Thompson	101	scr.	101				

WEST DORSET v. SEATON.

A match was played between the above clubs, at West Bay, on June 28th, the former proving victorious by thirty holes, as will be seen by the following score:—

WEST DORSET.		Holes.	SEATON.		Holes.
Mr. J. T. Stephens	...	8	Mr. A. Elton	...	0
Rev. F. W. Crick	...	2	Mr. H. Glazbrooke	...	0
Rev. J. L. Templer	...	10	Mr. H. G. Heasman	...	0
Mr. J. Gundry	...	8	Mr. J. T. Scarborough	...	0
Rev. St. J. Methuen	...	0	Mr. H. J. Cooper	...	4
Mr. R. Tucker	...	6	Mr. A. W. Oakley	...	0
		34			4

WEST HERTS GOLF CLUB.

The summer meeting was held on Saturday last, the course at Bushey being in most excellent condition.

Handicaps 12 and under:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. F. W. W. Graham	82	1	81	Mr. C. L. M. Pearson	94	8	86
Mr. B. M. Barton	88	6	82	Mr. R. S. Clouston	93	6	87
Mr. A. H. Wallace	92	8	84	Mr. J. L. Clark	99	9	90
Mr. R. Frank	93	8	85	Mr. H. J. Cottam	107	10	97

Handicaps exceeding 12:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. Collier T. Smithers	103	25	78	Mr. W. E. Whitehorn	104	13	91
Mr. A. Butcher	98	18	80	Mr. F. J. Burr	107	16	91
Mr. R. André	101	21	80	Mr. J. Somervail Clerk	107	16	91
Mr. P. L. Whitehorn	105	20	85	Mr. E. T. M. Tunnicliffe	111	20	91
Mr. P. B. Coombe	104	18	86	Mr. John Jackson	108	15	93
Mr. A. T. Nowell	103	16	87	Mr. E. R. Harby	113	18	95
Mr. J. Annan	109	22	87	Mr. A. Stafford Walker	118	21	97
Mr. E. A. Ferry	104	16	88	Mr. Ricardo Palmer	121	23	98
Mr. J. H. Walker	109	21	88	Mr. C. Davis	116	17	99
Mr. C. A. Barton	103	14	89				
Mr. B. Schofield	104	15	89				
Mr. J. Harding							
Brown	105	16	89				

Mr. F. W. W. Graham won the club gold medal; Mr. Collier T. Smithers the handicap prize, open to all members; Mr. B. M. Barton and Mr. A. H. Wallace the handicap prizes for handicaps of 12 and under; Messrs. A. Butcher and R. André tying for those over 12.

WOODFORD GOLF CLUB.

The final tie for the president's challenge cup, a massive silver trophy, presented by Mr. J. R. Roberts, was played in brilliant weather on Saturday, 30th ult., and won by Mr. E. A. Reid (2 up) after a close match with Mr. C. J. Fox. There were thirty-two entries, and the preliminary heats produced some keen contests.

LARGES.—The monthly competition for the captain's prize was played on Saturday afternoon. Scores:—Mr. J. McDonald, scratch, 85; Rev. J. Heggie, 92, less 4=88; Mr. James Crawford, 108, less 16=92; Mr. J. N. Dallachy, 98, less 6=92; Mr. D. Harper, 126, less 30=96; Mr. F. Wood, 109, less 10=99; Mr. T. J. Ker, 110, less 8=102; Mr. R. Spier, 133, less 25=108; Mr. James Morris, 122, less 13=109; Mr. A. D. Ker, 124, less 15=109.

LADIES' COURSE AT COMRIE.—Favoured with the best of June weather, the lady members of the Comrie Golf Club opened their course on Friday afternoon. There was a large turn-out of ladies, including the Hon. Mrs. Williamson of Lawers, Mrs. Colquhoun of Clathick; Mrs. Grant, Lawers House, Mrs. Maclagan, Comrie House; Mrs. P. Brough, Comrie (captain of the club). Colonel Williamson made a few remarks on Golf. Mrs. Brough afterwards presented the Hon. Mrs. Williamson with a Golf club and ball, and called upon her to open the course. After thanking the ladies, Mrs. Williamson, amid loud applause from the large assemblage, played off the first ball.

MORAY CLUB.—On Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, the members of the above club competed for a handsome silver-mounted liqueur stand, presented by Mr. William Christie, captain of the club. The competition was under handicap conditions, the lowest aggregate of the two days' play to count. The result has ended in a draw between Col. Underwood and Mr. J. Hunter, teacher, with a score of 170. Splendid weather prevailed, and many took part in the play.

"SCOTSMAN" CLUB.—The summer competition of this club was, by permission of the Lothianburn Club, held over the course at Swanston. The prize-winners were:—Mr. R. Melrose, scratch, 90; Mr. G. H. Law, 97, less 2=95; Mr. D. Pringle, 99, less 4=95; Mr. J. Lawrie, 97, less 1=96; Mr. R. Thom, 100, less 4=96; and Mr. T. Brotherston, 108, less 12=96.

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