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MARCH.

Mar. 29 & 30.—Royal North Devon : Easter Meeting.
Mar. 29 to 31.—Alfreton : Gentlemen ; Bronze Medal.
Mar. 30.—Royal Guernsey : Ladies ; Club Prize.
Mar. 31.—Waveney Valley : Monthly Medal.
Kemp Town (Brighton) : Monthly Medal.
West Herts : Monthly "Bogey" Competition.
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal.
Ventnor : Monthly Medal.
Alnmouth : Monthly Handicap Prize.
Luffness ; Wemyss Challenge Medal.
Taplow : Monthly Medal.
Neasden : Monthly Medal.
Wilkesden : Monthly Medal.
Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Cup ; Captain's Prize ; and Monthly Medal.
Dumfries and Galloway : Monthly Medal.
Cheadle : Sixth Winter Competition.
Didsbury : Mr. W. H. Young's Prize.
Marple : Monthly Medal and Captain's Cup.
Ilkley : Monthly Medal.
Weston-Super-Mare : Monthly Medal.
Crookham : Monthly Medal.
Royal Eastbourne : Monthly Medal.
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.
Royal West Norfolk : Monthly Medal.
Chester : Handicap Sweepstake ; First Round of Cup (Presented by a Member).
Eltham Ladies : Monthly Medal.
West Cornwall : Monthly Medal
Huddersfield : Club Foursome Medals ; Monthly Medal.
Warwickshire : Monthly Competition.
County Down : Captain's Prize.
Southwold : Quarterly Silver Challenge Medal (Gross).
Royal Guernsey : Ladies ; Captain's Prize
Cinque Ports : Monthly Medal.

Mar. 31.—Lanark : Hon. Mrs. Bingham's Prize.
Holmes Chapel v. Macclesfield (at Macclesfield).

APRIL.

Apr. 2.—Hunstanton : Monthly Medal.
Pau : Ladies ; Captain's Prize.
Ventnor : Waltham Cup.
Cotswold : Prize Meeting.
New Club (Musselburgh) : Spring Competition.
Apr. 2 to 7.—Blackheath Ladies : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 3.—Royal Cornwall Ladies : Monthly Medal.
West Cornwall Ladies : Seton Trophy.
Carnarvonshire : Monthly Medal.
Pau : Maclona Challenge Cup and Badge.
Torquay and St. Marychurch : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 3, 4, & 5.—Rhyl : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 3, 11 & 18.—Blackheath Ladies : Barnes "Bogey" Prize.
Apr. 4.—King's Norton Ladies : Challenge Prize.
Lyme Regis : Monthly Medal.
Apr. 5.—East Sheen Ladies : Monthly Medal Competition.
Sapperton Park : Monthly Medal.
Cotswold : Monthly Medal.
Apr. 6.—Royal Cornwall : Club Monthly Medal.
Ventnor : Town Cup.
Apr. 6, 13, 20 & 30.—Whitley : The Hill Cup.
Apr. 7.—Falkirk Tryst : Scratch Competition for Championship Medal.
Rhyl : Monthly Medal.
Edinburgh Institution (F. P.) : Opening Competition at North Berwick.
Rochester v. Cinque Ports.
Holmes Chapel : Monthly Medal.
Glasgow : Monthly Medal.
County Down : Railway Cup ; Captain's Prize.
Preston : President's Cup.
Fleetwood : Silver Medal.
Macclesfield : Monthly Handicap.
Brighton and Hove : Berens Gold Medal.
Huddersfield : Foursome Medals.
King's Norton : Monthly Challenge Cup.
Fairfield : Monthly Medal.
North West Club (Londonderry) : Monthly Medal.
Redhill and Reigate : Club Medal ; Turner Medal.
Royal Isle of Wight : Monthly Medal.
Glamorganshire : Medal Competition.
Sidcup : Monthly Medal (First Class).
Minchinhampton : Monthly Medal.
Royal Liverpool : Monthly Medal.
Bowdon : Captain's Cup.
Seaton Carew : Gray Trophy.

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PROFESSIONAL MATCH AT MINCHINHAMPTON.

HUGH KIRKALDY v. TAYLOR.

A purse having been subscribed by the members of the Minchinhampton Golf Club, for these two professionals to play for on Saturday, the 17th, both arrived on Thursday to have a look round before playing, and in a very sportsmanlike manner agreed to make it a fifty-four hole match, and play the first eighteen holes on Friday afternoon, thus affording some members a chance of seeing them play who would have been unable to attend on Saturday. The greens were in excellent order, and reflected great credit upon the local professional, Nickolls, and his assistants, and the perfect weather, and the beautiful views surrounding the links, which are laid out upon a common of over 1,000 acres, 700 feet above the sea level, with the Severn Valley stretching out for miles upon the one side and the Chalford Golden Valley upon the other, lent additional charm to a keenly contested and finely-played match. Both men expressed themselves highly pleased with the links, which they considered one of the best inland links they had played on, and only took exception to the cart-ruts intersecting the common in many places, some of which may catch a long, straight drive. This the committee will do well to remedy, if possible, or if not, to make rules which will allow the player thus caught to lift and drop without loss of stroke.

A large company followed the match and took a very lively interest in every stroke played, many of the lady-members, who play the game over a very sporting nine-hole course of their own, watching the play with great eagerness.

Kirkaldy having won the toss drove a fine ball straight for the first green. Taylor followed suit with a longer one, their second shots were near the green, and Kirkaldy's approach beautifully laid dead. Taylor made a bold attempt to halve with a long putt, which failed to get down, and Kirkaldy was 1 up in 4 to 5. Going to the second hole, Kirkaldy's fine tee-shot was ruttled. Taylor being just beyond him, and lying well, had no difficulty in taking the hole in 4 to 5, all square. For the third hole both drivers were in the entrenchment, and here Taylor had his share of bad luck, being deep in the rut; his mashie shot out was certainly one of the events of the match, for he laid it beautifully on the green, and got a good half in 4, and followed up his success by taking the fifth in 5 to 7, Kirkaldy having got off the line with a sliced drive. Taylor 1 up. The fifth hole was halved in a good 4 each. Kirkaldy took the sixth well in 3 to 4, making the match all square. The seventh was halved in an indifferent 6 each. The eighth Kirkaldy won in 3 to 4, Taylor's approach being short; the ninth was halved in 5, but should have been easily won by Kirkaldy, who missed a foot putt. Kirkaldy 1 up at the turn. The next hole Taylor again drew level with a well-played 3 to 4, but at the eleventh, Kirkaldy again obtained a lead of 1 up with a sensational 3, by following a long drive with a splendid shot with his mid-spoon, and a long difficult putt. Taylor took 5, which is considered par play for the hole, which speaks well for Kirkaldy's performance. The drives for the twelfth hole were exceptionally long and straight, and each holed out in 4, Taylor getting down a very fine putt for the half. Kirkaldy 1 up, which, however, Taylor knocked off at the next hole; his play being beautifully straight and true he took the hole in 5 to 6. The fourteenth was halved in 4 and the fifteenth should also have been halved in 4, had not Taylor failed at a ridiculously easy putt and taken 5. The sixteenth Taylor took in 5, to Kirkaldy's 6, both having overrun the green and got into the cart-ruts. All square. The seventeenth was taken by Taylor in 5 to 6, Kirkaldy being short with his approach, and caught in the trench guarding the green. Taylor 1 up and 1 to play. Kirkaldy brought the match all square by laying a beautiful approach dead at the last hole, and Taylor being short, took 4 to Kirkaldy's 3. Scores.—Kirkaldy, out, 4 5 4 7 4 3 6 3 5=41; in, 4 3 4 6 4 4 6 6 3=40, total 81. Taylor, out, 5 4 4 5 4 4 6 4 5=41; in, 3 5 4 5 4 5 5 4=40, total 81.

The match was resumed on Saturday morning, in beautiful weather, and before a large crowd of spectators, Mr. Lewis Grist acting as referee. Kirkaldy had the honour of having won the last hole on the previous evening; he secured the first hole in 5, and then followed four halves, the play being steady, but not brilliant, on both sides. At the fifth hole Kirkaldy was unfortunate in having to play off a stone at the very edge of the green, but made up for it by laying Taylor a dead stimpie. At the next hole Taylor put in a difficult down-hill putt, and took it in 3, Kirkaldy missing a much shorter one for the half. The seventh was holed in 5, and the eighth in 4, while Kirkaldy regained his advantage by taking the last hole out in 4, to Taylor's 5, the latter missing a shortish putt. Scores: Kirkaldy, 41; Taylor, 42. The next

hole was halved in an indifferent 4; but Kirkaldy stood 2 up by securing the eleventh in 5 to 6, while he should also have been down in 4 at the twelfth, which was however divided; 5 all. Then followed a series of undeserved misfortunes for Kirkaldy, who was badly trapped off a fine drive to the thirteenth, though Taylor eventually only secured the hole by laying him a stimpie. Taylor, 1 down. At the fourteenth Taylor was on the green with his tee shot, while Kirkaldy was unplayable in the hollow short of the hole, which Taylor won in 3, to 4; all square. By a magnificent tee shot, Kirkaldy nearly got a 2 at the next hole, which he succeeded in winning in 3. At the sixteenth Kirkaldy's fine drive was in ruts; he got beautifully out, but was again badly in ruts within three clubs' lengths of the hole; however, a half was called in 5. The seventeenth also went to Kirkaldy, who now stood 2 up again, Taylor being far too strong with his approach, and consequently getting an unplayable ball down the hill. The last hole was halved in 4, Kirkaldy's putt which looked to be straight on the hole, being stopped by Taylor's ball. The St. Andrews man thus had 2 holes in hand at the start of the third and last round. In this morning's round the driving on both sides was straight and good, but not wonderful, Kirkaldy having perhaps the advantage by a very little. The approaching was very fair, but both men, to make no bones about it, putted badly, and the Golf, though most even and interesting, was never brilliant. Scores:—

Kirkaldy—Out	...	5	5	4	5	5	4	5	4	4=41	} 82
In	...	4	5	5	6	4	3	5	5	4=41	
Taylor—Out	...	6	5	4	5	5	3	5	4	5=42	} 82
In	...	4	6	5	5	3	4	5	—	4=	

Taylor's score cannot be given accurately, as he had to give up the seventeenth hole.

The final round was played in the same glorious weather and before some 400 spectators. Both made good drives from the first tee, but Taylor's second, a wonderfully long and accurate iron, landed him on the green. Kirkaldy being a little short to the left, he was again short with his approach, and Taylor holing out in 2 more, won the hole in 4 to his opponent's 5, reducing the latter's lead to 1 up. Second hole was halved in 4, Taylor holing a long putt. Third hole: both drove into bunker about forty yards short of the green, Kirkaldy's ball lying immediately behind a large stone. This lost him a stroke, and the hole, for Taylor with a good approach was on the far edge of the green with his second. Kirkaldy merely moved the ball clear of the stone with his second, but his next, a lovely approach, was only some eight or ten feet from the hole. Taylor's approach putt was a little wide, and left Kirkaldy only half the hole to play for. He brought off his putt though, but Taylor holing his also, won the hole in 4 to 5, and made the score all level. Fourth hole was won by Kirkaldy in 5 to Taylor's 6, the latter's drive landing in an awkward lie; Kirkaldy 1 up. Fifth hole: Taylor made a poor drive, and his approach overran the green, landing in some loose stones in the quarry beyond. Kirkaldy, with a lovely approach, was on the green, and should most certainly have won the hole; but here, as on several subsequent occasions, his putting was very erratic, and with Taylor making an extraordinary mashie shot from the quarry, and holing out in 2 more, the hole was halved in 5. Sixth hole, Kirkaldy's drive was a little wide, and his approach short. Taylor was on the green with his drive, and holing out in 2 more, won the hole in 4 to 5. Score, all level. Seventh hole, Taylor's drive was just short of the second road. Kirkaldy's, rather longer and more unfortunate, was in the road close to the edge. A long iron shot from Taylor brought him close to the green. Kirkaldy being a little nearer with his third; but Taylor getting down in 2 more, won the hole in 4 to 5. Score: Taylor 1 up. Eighth hole: Two big drives brought them close to the green. Taylor, whose ball had sunk in the muddy ground where it fell, astonished everyone by getting it out and on to the green. Kirkaldy's approach, striking the near bank of the green, was short, and putting indifferently, he lost the hole in 5 to Taylor's 4. Score, Taylor 2 up. Ninth hole was halved in 4, Kirkaldy holing a long putt. Tenth hole was also halved in 4, Kirkaldy, whose iron shot over the quarry was considerably better than Taylor's, losing the advantage on the green. Eleventh hole.—Two good drives, followed by two equally good seconds, brought them both close up. Taylor being rather under, played the odd, and overran the hole some yards; Kirkaldy made a lovely approach, within three feet of the hole. Taylor's approach putt put him dead, and Kirkaldy, owing to a little rough ground, taking his mashie instead of his putter, missed another chance, and the hole was halved in 5. Score, Taylor 2 up. Twelfth hole was halved in 5. Thirteenth hole: with a slight wind against them, Taylor played well down to the right, avoiding the bunker; Kirkaldy, in attempting to carry it, landed inside, but a lovely mashie took him well on; Taylor's second catching the front of the bunker, only went some sixty yards, and his third was short of the green. Kirkaldy, playing the like, took his cleek for what appeared to be well within an iron shot, pulled his ball wide, the hole being eventually halved in 6. Taylor still 2 up. Fourteenth hole:

Taylor's drive landed him in the bunker; Kirkaldy being close to the green, but the latter taking 3 more, only got a half; Taylor, though hampered by a stone in the bunker, playing nicely out his second. Fifteenth hole was also halved in 4; Kirkaldy missing another chance on the green. Sixteenth hole: Both were close up with their seconds; Kirkaldy, a little short with a downhill lie; Taylor, just beyond the green in a rut. In attempting a run up with his putter, Kirkaldy overran the green into a rut, and so lost the hole in 6 to 5, thus giving Taylor a well-earned victory by 3 up and 2 to play. The remaining two holes were played out, Kirkaldy winning both brilliantly in 5 and to his opponent's 6 and 4. Score for the round—Taylor, 82; Kirkaldy, 85.

SOUTHPORT GOLF CLUB.

Easter Tournament.—The Easter meeting of the Southport Golf Club commenced on Thursday, and was continued over Friday, Saturday, and Monday, in splendid weather; the competition being a tournament by match play for a prize offered by Mr. S. A. Ashington. There were thirty-eight competitors, of whom twenty-six had byes in the first tie. In the fourth tie, Mr. A. Entwistle, Bolton, beat Mr. F. Bindloss, Cheadle; Mr. J. E. Pearson, Liverpool, beat Mr. C. J. Mulleneux, Southport; Mr. W. E. Bland, Southport, beat Mr. T. Aitken, Manchester; Mr. E. Leese, Southport, beat Mr. W. Thomson, Southport. In the semi-final ties Mr. Entwistle beat Mr. Pearson by two holes, and Mr. Leese beat Mr. Bland by 5 up and 4 to play. In the final Mr. Leese beat Mr. Entwistle by two holes. In the competition for the first consolation prize for those thrown out in the first and second ties, Mr. W. T. Rowley, Southport, beat Mr. G. Fernihough, Bolton, by 4 up and 3 to play. A second consolation prize was offered for those thrown out in the third and fourth ties, and this will be competed for on Saturday week.

The annual dinner was held at the Queen's Hotel, Southport, on Saturday evening, when Sir G. A. Pilkington, J.P., C.A., one of the vice-presidents, presided over a gathering of about forty members and friends.

BIRKDALE GOLF CLUB.

The Easter tournament of the Birkdale Golf Club was on Monday brought as far as the fifth round, leaving the final to be played on a later day. Seventeen couples were drawn in the first ties, of which the winners were:—Messrs. F. W. H. Campbell, F. Baker, J. E. Pearson, G. D. S. Crowther, W. J. Drewett, M. Bles, A. Smart, G. F. Pearson, W. Thompson, J. F. Anderson, W. W. P. Shatwell, C. A. Colman, A. Entwistle, G. Crowther, G. S. Remer, and the Rev. H. J. Bryan. The second round was won by Messrs. Baker, G. D. S. Crowther, Drewett, Smart, Thompson, Shatwell, Colman, and G. Crowther. There emerged from the third round:—Mr. G. D. S. Crowther (11), 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. Drewett (11), Mr. Thompson (8), 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. G. Crowther (7). The next round saw the victors in Mr. G. D. S. Crowther, 7 up and 6 to play, and Mr. W. Thompson, 1 up. These two have to play off, while Mr. Drewett takes the first sweep, and the second is divided between Messrs. Baker, Smart, and Shatwell. The meeting has proved in every way successful. Mr. Thompson, it should be added, won his match with Mr. G. Crowther by 1 hole, which was an extra hole after they had tied on the eighteen.

A NEW SOMERSET GOLF CLUB.—In accordance with the frequently-expressed wishes of visitors and residents in the neighbourhood, a meeting was held on Saturday afternoon last at the Carnarvon Arms Hotel, Dulverton, to consider the advisability of forming a Golf Club for the town and district. The meeting was well attended by various gentlemen in the neighbourhood, and Mr. G. F. Sydenham was voted to the chair. After a few brief remarks as to the reason for calling the meeting the chairman said the ground, which immediately adjoins the station, and the Carnarvon Arms had been surveyed by a professional golfer from Westward Ho! and most favourably reported on. His report says:—"A very nice nine-hole course can be made, and the quality of the turf is very good. Between every hole there will be a hedge, which will form a hazard; also the river and several other places. The quality of the turf is good." A resolution that a club be formed, to be called the "Dulverton Golf Club," was then put to the meeting and carried unanimously. A committee was elected to carry the resolution into effect, and Mr. R. Sowton Barrow, of Melton House, Dulverton, kindly consented to act as hon. secretary and to give any information to those desirous of joining. The ground, which is easily accessible, will be open for play almost immediately.

INNOVATIONS IN SCORING.

It seems unfortunate that in the discussion of a suggested, and partially-adopted reform, which is becoming necessary there should be so little of the spirit of genuine discussion and fair play, and so much unnecessary venom and personality. Having said this much, I shall endeavour not to transgress, but shall set myself to weigh the pros and cons., deliberately and carefully, of this vexed question. With the growth of Golf Clubs many evils have arisen. Not least among these is the management of inter-club matches. Among the men, at least,—and I set aside the question of ladies' clubs, since a chivalrous golfer has dubbed them "mere excrescences"—there is no governing and authoritative body to appeal to when difficulties arise. The arrangement of teams is to a great extent arbitrary. Handicaps are of little avail, owing to the difference between medal-play and match-play; a player with a low handicap being often of little use in a match, and a fine match-player being not always at his best in medal-rounds. Hence it has often occurred that a team has been "jockeyed," when it happens that a good player placed low in the team meets an inferior adversary, and by scoring an undue number of holes secures a doubtful victory for his club. Of the accidents which occur by one player being "off play" and loosing an unexpected number of holes, I have nothing to say. Misfortunes will occur to all and sundry in any sport that can be mentioned. Many golfers, however, are agreed that some reform in inter club match scoring is necessary. To arrange such a reform with proper authority and by mutual consent, is not to "jockey" the score by any means, as one correspondent would have us believe. Various reforms have been suggested from time to time. Mr. Molesworth, whose fame is not Brummagem, proposed a scale of scoring by which no player could score more than three points for his side. As far as it went, the proposition was a good one, but it conduced to lessen the interest at too early a point in the game, which interest should, in the true spirit of Golf, be sustained right up to the last tee.

Mr. Laidlaw Purves, who, in spite of the recent attacks upon him is a highly respected authority, suggested that each match should merely score one point for the side. Here the same objection of lessening the interest in the play may be reasonably urged, and, moreover, the losing side would have too great an advantage in this case, since a number of holes lost in a match would not score more against them than a match lost by a single hole.

Mr. Turner's suggestion of adding two club points to the full number of holes scored by each individual, seems an open and satisfactory reform to those who regard some reform as being necessary. The spirit of the game is thoroughly sustained; each player has the full benefit of the holes won by his skill and superiority; and, though the addition of two points has been described as "mathematics," to folks accustomed to simple addition the method will appear guiltless of unnecessary elaboration.

The inevitable "Conservative," the "Man from Sheffield," and another have stated their views; but it would be interesting to receive some genuine opinions of good authorities, amateur or professional, for and against this innovation. Perhaps some better suggestion will be forthcoming than any which I have endeavoured to state as the bare outlines already before the consideration of golfers. My personal opinion is of small consequence or weight; but I think most of my readers will agree with me that the subject has scarcely been worthily, wisely, or impressively discussed in the hysterical letters of those correspondents who attack the suggesters rather than the suggestions, and who, without denying the necessity of a reform, shriek at the reformer, but are ready with no good argument against his method. I should like to read a rational, clear, and calm article against Mr. Turner's proposal, showing what, according to the objector's opinion, will be the evil consequences of adopting it; and then it will be possible, perhaps, to give the subject the fair and candid discussion which it most certainly deserves.

ALL IS FAIR IN LOVE AND GOLF.

Miss Ida Broadwood had two strings to her bow—rather she had two *beaux* at her apron-string; and they who took an interest in those matters, observed how she kept them there, and kept even the balance of smiles and snubs. Miss Ida was of an age when that kind of power is sweetest; for the rest, she was gay, and quick-tempered, and most comely.

Her own sex said she was a heartless flirt; the other said she was a girl of spirit, and, moreover, admired her. In particular, Sam Shirley and David Crichton did. Each begrudged the smiles not bestowed on himself, and hated his rival like a good Christian.

Miss Ida's chief amusement was Golf, and it was a common sight to see her proceeding round Bassburgh Ladies' Links escorted by two young men, one carrying her cleek, the other—if she chanced to fetch it—her iron.

This arrangement had its disadvantages, and at length the sweet joys of it began to pall upon the fascinated youths. The days of tilting for a lady's favour have passed. Sam Shirley recalled this fact with regret, as one afternoon he putted in a melancholy mood on the last green. Suddenly he was possessed by a brilliant idea, and forthwith he sought out his rival. He found him in a bunker at Point Garry, diligently shovelling several balls out of the sand on to the green, and then rolling them back again.

"Morning, Crichton," remarked Sam.

"Afternoon," answered his rival curtly.

Sam fidgeted about for a minute and then began.

"Look here, I can't stand this any longer."

"Don't then; go away," replied Crichton, hitting at a ball and driving it into the sand out of sight.

"No I won't; but I've got an idea."

"Have you, really? Who would have thought it?"

"Don't be so disagreeable. As I said, I can't stand it any longer; I want to be either in it or out of it."

"If you were not as blind as a brick you would see that you *are* out of it, and would cease to make yourself a nuisance. For my part, rather than thrust myself in where I was not wanted, I would—go and live among Niggers."

"Rather hard on the Niggers that, eh!" said Sam grinning.

Crichton shovelled out another ball, and did not condescend to answer; but his expression was not "childlike and bland."

"To return to the point" continued Sam, "it has, unfortunately, gone out of fashion in these islands for young fellows in our circumstances to kill each other, but if you are agreeable, I am prepared to Golf you for her."

Crichton laughed derisively. "What romantic nonsense have you got into your head? Have you been studying nursery tales?—not unsuitable reading for you though."

"Confound you! Wait till you hear the conditions. They are, one round of eighteen holes (at scratch of course), and the loser to absent himself from this neighbourhood, and to refrain from any communication with Miss Ida Broadwood for at least six months. In fact he has to leave the coast clear for the other man. There, I throw down the glove, will you take it up?"

"I don't object" growled Crichton, after a pause, "to have it out with you in that way, if you'll pledge yourself to take yourself off if you lose."

"I do, on my word of honour. I have been asked to join some friends in a fishing trip to Norway, and if I lose I will accept the invitation. And if you lose you'll go—to Jericho if you like."

"Agreed" said Crichton, collecting his balls, "I undertake to perform my part of the engagement. When can you play?"

"To-morrow morning at nine."

"That will suit me."

The two young men bowed gravely to each other and parted.

It was the month of July, and the next day dawned one of the brightest of the one-and-thirty. The waves lapped softly on the beach, the air was exquisite. Yet this morning, which awoke with a smile, was as big with fate to our youths, as was a certain 18th of June to the nations.

Sam Shirley was first on the ground. He found a caddie sitting at the teeing ground, cleaning some clubs.

"Who are you carrying for to-day, Dan? he inquired.

"Maister Crichton, sir; I'm thinking you and him are going to play, sir."

"That is so, Dan. Now, which of us would you back?"

"It's gey deeficult to say, sir," answered the son of the links cautiously; "there's no a stroke atween ye; it'll depend on whae's in fettle."

"Trade is a bit dull with you at present, is it not?"

"It is that sir; the profession's no' what it was."

"Well, Dan, if you are a sensible man you will make this the best carry you have had for a long time. I'm particularly anxious to win this match Dan, for the honour of the thing, and I hope you will see that I am not cheated—you understand." Sam held a half-sovereign conspicuously in his hand, and was about to transfer it to the other's horny palm.

"Stop, sir; just drap it cannily on the gress an' I'll get it. Ye see some folk, if they saw ye, micht hae the impidence to say that ye were bribin' me. Thank ye, sir."

"Admirable prudence; quite Machiavelian, Dan."

"Mak' me a villain?" said Dan, offended. "I hope it'll no' do that, sir."

Sam laughed. "I did not say that, Dan; I was complimenting you, man. Well, if I should happen to win the match there's more yellow bits where that one came from—you understand."

"Man, Maister Shirley, ye have a grand way o' sharpenin' a man's wuts," replied Dan, with a grin on his weather-beaten visage. "I see Maister Crichton comin'; hae ye got a caddie, sir?"

"Yes; Sandy Gregg."

With few words the rivals saluted each other, and prepared to start. The honour fell to Crichton. After one had been in the road, and the other in the bunker, the hole fell to Sam in seven. Driving to the next hole, Crichton pulled his ball on to the shore, and it could not be found, though closely searched for. Crichton said it had fallen at a certain place; Dan, his caddie, held another opinion, and Sam Shirley smiled as he listened to them. He won the hole. Naturally he was in good spirits, but they were somewhat damped when he saw his ball in his next drive roll into the ditch.

"Run, Sandy," he cried, "and spot it before it is carried down."

Sandy ran, but that was also a lost ball. In the next three holes various misadventures befell each player, such as striking walls, driving into bunkers, being smothered in bents, and driving into the wood. These were pretty equally divided, and when Crichton won the Quarry hole he squared the match. Sam was about to play his second going to the end hole. "Iron," he remarked to his caddie.

"It's a full cleek shot, sir," remonstrated Sandy. Thus advised Shirley took the cleek, and the ball disappeared over the "knowe" on a bee line for the hole. But, alas, when they came up they found that it was not lying by the hole side, nor was it on the strip of bents beyond.

"I believe it is in the burn, confound it!" groaned Shirley; "and confound you, Sandy; can't you tell a cleek from an iron shot yet?"

And in the burn it was, and by this time well on its way to the sea. Crichton laughed quietly as he stooped to hole out. "Good stroke of business that of mine," he murmured. "Tut! it's no sin to cheat a fellow like him. He would have done the same if he had had the brains to think of it." Sam Shirley began to lose the swagger which had suited his condition of 1 hole up. Visions of possible defeat and banishment began to loom before him, and he became quite nervous. He "foozled" his next drive, got into a bunker, and after having played eight, gave up the hole.

He mopped his face with his handkerchief. "Take it cool, old man," sneered his enemy. "That trip of yours is something to look forward to with calm pleasure. Old Walton never got such a chance of tickling the fishes as you'll get." Sam set his teeth hard and answered nothing—aloud.

The next hole was the "Trap." Sam got nicely over the wall in two. Crichton, in playing the like, topped his ball. It rolled along the ground in the direction of Dan, who had sauntered on in front.

"Fore!" shouted Crichton. "Fore, ye deevil!" shouted Sandy. But Dan was strangely deaf; he walked on, and the ball hit him on the leg. Then he turned, with a great show of

surprise and pain. Crichton was furious. For five minutes Dan had a very hot time of it. By way of answer he rubbed his leg, and affected a limp.

"That's my hole, then, Crichton."

"Yes, if you are mean enough to claim it."

Sam laughed with unrestrained delight, and when he had an opportunity, gave Dan a wink of encouragement. After that excitement began to have a grievous effect on the play. Their crossing of the "Alps" was as disastrous as Napoleon's. After passing through the very depths of bunkerdom, the rivals met on "Perfection" green, and here the question arose, how many had each played.

"Six," stated Crichton, calmly.

"Six!" retorted Shirley. "You were pounding away at the rate of a dozen to the minute; I saw you play four in one bunker alone. Is that not so, Sandy?" he added, turning to his caddie.

"I fancy he was only shapin' at the ba', sir."

"Gae wa,' man," said Dan with contempt. "If the ba', puir thing, could speak it wad tell a different story."

Shirley turned. "How many do you say Mr. Crichton played then, Dan?"

"Only ten, sir."

"Only ten!" shouted Crichton, "you doited old fool! I say it's six."

"Then," said Sam unblushingly, "I have also played six. That's right isn't it Dan?"

"I think so, sir; I think so. I'm thinkin' Mr. Crichton has to play five more now."

"Five more be hanged, you old villain! There—you—Sandy, how many has Mr. Shirley played?"

"I am no sure, I've lost coont; ten or eleven sir."

"Sandy Gregg," said Sam impressively, "would you allow me to be cheated? Do you forget, sir, who is employing you?"

Sandy scratched his head and looked perplexed.

"Deed, sir, I'm no' very sure."

Crichton looked at Shirley, and Shirley at Crichton. Both turned rather red. It was embarrassing.

"I understand," said Crichton. "You're a scoundrel, Shirley, and I'm no better."

Sam tried to carry it off with a laugh.

"We must exchange caddies; that's plain" he said. "I suppose you've got my lost balls in your pocket, Sandy: hand them over, they're better than this one."

The game was continued under the new arrangement, and with but four holes to play the excitement grew intense. To keep their courage up they began to banter each other. "When you're away, Crichton, spending your six months in the wilderness, I'll write to you, once a week—tell you how she is, and the progress I am making. She and I will Golf a great deal, of course, and I expect we'll go in for boating too. Two people in a boat, out of range of inquisitive eyes, with perhaps the help of a book to keep up the supply of ideas—by Jove they can get on swimmingly together." To which Crichton replied.

"If I lose this match I won't be afraid of a jackanapes like you spoiling my prospects, though I stay away for six years instead of six months. I'll leave you a book for your rowing excursions, 'Gulliver's Travels.' Of course, that won't suit Miss Broadwood, but she'll be pleased to see you enjoying yourself. I don't propose to lose the match, however." They had driven over the wall, and as they passed through the gate they became aware of a lady and gentleman approaching. The lady was Miss Broadwood; her companion they did not know. It was an uncomfortable encounter. Miss Ida seemed to feel it so too. "Good morning; isn't it a lovely morning?" she said, and then she introduced them to "Mr. Morris, just come down from Manchester yesterday."

Sam, who was watching her, felt a queer sensation come over him. When they had said good morning he seemed to recollect something.

"Oh, by the way, Miss Broadwood, have you heard the latest?" he called.

The lady turned, and when the others were out of earshot, Sam said excitedly, "Ida, who is that fellow?"

"That fellow, as you call him, is an old friend."

"Nothing more?"

"Pray, what right have you to ask such questions?"

"A precious good one, I think, after spending the best part of six months at your beck and call."

"Well, if you *must* know, we *are* engaged—have been for about twelve hours," and, with a pretty, maidenly blush, she gave him a glimpse of a diamond ring on a dainty finger. "There now, you have heard the *very latest*, and please don't go and spread it all over the place—and *don't* break your heart for me, Sam."

Sam lifted his hat and bowed grimly. "Keep your mind easy on that score."

"And he never congratulated me," Miss Ida pouted to herself a minute later.

"I won't finish, Crichton. Good morning."

"What the deuce do you mean?"

"Only that we are a couple of asses; that while we've been blowing thistle-seed another fellow has been making hay. He has come in with a confounded long steal, and we're both one down on the last green."

ROBERT S. TWEEDDALE.

ST. GEORGE'S GOLF CLUB.

The St. George's Club opened their Easter meeting on Friday at Sandwich in glorious weather. The putting greens were in splendid condition, and some fine play was witnessed. For the Sidgwick Cup and the handicap foursome tournament no fewer than fifty-two were entered. The following were the successful couples left in for the next round:—Mr. Welman and Hon. Ivo Bligh, Messrs. T. Mills and E. Tylecote, Messrs. Heriot and Balcombe, Mr. Robinson and Hon. A. Grosvenor, Sir T. Trowbridge and Mr. Luxford, Messrs. Barry and Ruck, Carr and Blyth, Fowler and Deane, Sweard and Shandwell, Hon. J. Legh and Mr. Austin, Messrs. Schmitz and A. Blyth, F. Walker and Tweedie, E. Walker and W. Morley, Brown and Webb, Kekewich and Matthews, Acklom and Fison, Welman and Hon. Ivo Bligh. The second round was started, Messrs. Mills and Tylecote beating Messrs. Heriot and Balcombe. The captain of the club, Hon. R. C. Grosvenor, has put up a medal for the best aggregate score during the season.

Play in the second round for the Sidgwick Cup took place on Saturday, in the presence of a large and influential number of spectators. The wind from north-east, was not so strong as on the previous day, and play was under more favourable circumstances. The matches were as a rule close, that between Messrs. A. D. Blyth (plus 3) and S. S. Schultz (7), and Messrs. F. J. Walker (7) and A. L. Tweedie (12) not being decided until the 19th hole. The following eight couples are left in: Messrs. Barry and Ruck, Carr and Blyth, Legh and Anstruther, Adam and Austin, Schultz and Blyth, Walker and Morley, Welman and Bligh, Mills and Tylecote. Mr. John Oswald won the spring medal with 93, and the Hon. T. W. Legh, M.P., the club cup, with 97, less 11=86. Messrs. S. S. Schultz and T. A. Fison tied for second place with 84, less 7, and 87, less 10, respectively.

BUTEL v. M'EWAN MATCH.—This match, which has been arranged by the respective clubs of St. Anne's and Formby, to test the merits of these two young players, came off on the 21st at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, when the first half, consisting of thirty-six holes, was played. The day was a splendid one for Golf. Butel is Lowe's assistant, while David M'Ewan is a son of Peter M'Ewan, the famous club-maker, of Musselburgh. The play in the first round was steady. M'Ewan's style was greatly admired, and in driving, as a rule, he was from ten to twenty yards in front of his opponent. Butel's putting, however, was so deadly that he quite held his own. The scores were as follows:—First round: Butel, out, 43; in, 44; total, 87. M'Ewan, out, 43; in, 41; total, 84. M'Ewan lost his ball at the twelfth hole, and consequently the hole. His score for that hole is only approximate. From the above it will be seen that Butel finished 1 up in the first round. Restarting at 3 p.m., M'Ewan quickly recovered his ground, and at the last hole out stood 2 up, being out in 42, while Butel was 46. Winning the tenth hole, M'Ewan then stood 3 up and 8 to play. Butel's turn, however, came, and by good, steady play he reduced his opponent's lead, till the match stood all square with 1 to play. M'Ewan won the last hole in a well-played 4. Scores in round: M'Ewan, out, 42; in, 41; total, 83. Butel, out, 46; in, 40; total, 86.

"SCOTSMAN" CLUB.—The monthly medal of this club was played for last week on the Braids, and was won by Mr. D. Blair with the score of 89, less 2=87. Mr. J. Mercer was second with 96, less 7=89. Many of the greens were hard and bare, and the putting difficult and uncertain.



The St. Andrews Links Bill has passed the second reading, and is practically safe. A meeting was recently organised at the instance of those who are opposed to the Bill, but it broke up in disorder, as the majority were evidently in favour of the Bill. Dr. Paterson, who presided, had the support of Major Boothby, Captain Burn, and others on the platform. Mr. Hay Fleming, the able historian of St. Andrews and its Links, championed the Bill, and, after the chairman refused to let him speak in its favour, the meeting broke up, the audience cheering Mr. Fleming, and singing "For he's a jolly good fellow." A good many student voices were heard in the chorus.

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In addition to what we said of the late Mr. Robert Clark, in our last issue, it may be added that Mr. Clark was the inventor of the three-ball match—one golfer playing against two opponents, and the best ball of each—a match not easily won by a good player against two indifferent ones. Mr. Clark is an example of a golfer who attained high rank, though not a player in his youth, but what might be called a late beginner. Without a full swing, he drove a long straight ball. In a foursome he was one of the steadiest and best of players. His portrait was given in the first edition of the Badminton volume on "Golf," but has disappeared from the edition recently published, no doubt because, in the new edition of Mr. Clark's book, there is to be found a portrait of the genial compiler, whose presence will be long missed by many who knew and valued his character and worth.

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There seems to be an increasing demand on the part of book-fanciers for specimens of the early literature of Golf. At some recent sales at Dowell's rooms, very high prices were reached for some of these, e.g., "The Goff," by Mathieson (third edition), brought £2 10s. The late Mr. Clark's "Golf," large paper copy, belonging to the late Mr. Alex. Whyte, in fine condition, brought at one of these sales, £11 10s. This, in future, will be difficult to obtain, as only fifty copies were printed, which are now mostly in the hands of private gentlemen. We should like to get a list of all who have copies of this book, which is certainly the book on Golf, precious above all others in the eyes of the Golf-book fancier.

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One of the most historic of ancient manor houses now in existence in the ever-widening area of the suburbs of London is (says the *Daily Telegraph*) about to come into the market, namely, the Manor of Tooting, which at the time of William

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the Norman was held by Harno de Gravenel, the Sheriff, from the Abbot of Chertsey. In the reign of Henry II., Harno's descendant bestowed the manor, tithes, and the advowson of the church, on St. Mary Overeye's, Southwark. When good Queen Bess was "sovereign lady" of these realms, Sir Henry Maynard, secretary to Lord Burleigh, occupied Tooting Manor House, and entertained the Virgin Queen there.

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Punch used to be famous for its poetry, but the divine afflatus seems, with some other virtues, to have forsaken the old gentleman, as may be seen from this last stanza of his "Lays from the Links, II.—A Toast" (March 17th, 1894):—

Then Royal and Ancient game, accept
This tribute lay from me;
From me then take, for old sake's sake,
This toast—Long life to thee!
A long, long life to thee, old friend,
Now worthier the name—
With three times three, long life to thee,
O Royal and Ancient game!

Try it again, old man! If you cannot do better you cannot do any worse.

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Messrs. Russel and Co., George IV. Bridge, Edinburgh, a firm who supply a good many trophies to various Golf clubs, have just registered an invention which is sure to be popular in Golf-club rooms and the lobbies of golfers. This is an aneroid, neatly fixed to three Golf clubs whose heads, by an ingenious arrangement, come in to support the instrument. The clubs are full-sized, made by Willie Park, and consist of driver, cleek, or iron, so that if the worst came to the worst, and the golfer was left alone in the world with his aneroid he could have a game at Golf. There is also a thermometer fixed on the tripod arrangement, with a real Golf ball in the centre, so that all the appurtenances are provided in the interesting design.

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North Berwick has been granted an increase of its number of magistrates under the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, so that in future the government of the town and the links will be more efficient than ever. A new High School is to be built, at a cost of £2,000, which should make the town still more attractive as a place of residence for golfers with families.

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Dunbar loses one of its keenest golfers and most active townsmen by the removal of Mr. R. M. Rogers, of the Inland Revenue, to another sphere of labour. Mr. Rogers acted as secretary of the Dunbar Castle Golf Club, and to him most of the club's success was due.

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"Timothy" writes to say that the Brougham Patent Driver, of which so much is said in last week's paper, is not new to him, for he has been driving his "Brougham" for years back, and many a long drive he has enjoyed.

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The same gentleman begs to inform the *Westminster Gazette* which has been writing about the Prince of Wales golfing at Musselburgh, when he studied at Edinburgh University, that the statement about Sir James Gardiner Baird acting as medium between the Prince and the caddie, is nonsense. The Prince would undoubtedly have enjoyed the game had there been a private course to go to with his friends, but it was the pressure of the mob who interfered with his game at Musselburgh, and caused His Royal Highness to abandon the idea of playing there. At Cannes he seems to be more fortunate.

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According to our correspondent in Scotland, the Baird and Eckford Patent Dumb-caddie, which has just come under his notice, is the most useful and the simplest thing of the kind he has seen. The rod which fixes the bag in the ground runs right through the centre, with sockets at the top and bottom of the bag, and by it the bag and clubs are carried. At the lower end the rod has a steel point, not too sharp, which goes easily

into the ground, and at once gives the bag a firm stance, the hand grips the rod, and in the easiest way the bag is lifted, the point sheathing itself at the same time. From all accounts, this is likely to be the most popular of all the dummies.

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Mr. John Penn, M.P., who has been taking part in Mr. Balfour's candidature for Berwickshire, paid a visit to Muirfield, where he had a good game against Ben Sayers on Friday on Saturday.

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A new professional record of the Cheltenham Golf Club links was made by George Sayers, of North Berwick, on the 24th inst. The following was the score:—Out, 3 3 5 5 4 3 4 5 4=36; home, 4 4 5 3 7 5 3 4 4=39; total 75. W. D. Brown 76, David Brown, of Malvern, 78, and H. Kirkaldy 80, are the professional records of the green.

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As a consequence of the delightfully fine weather experienced of late, the North Berwick links have become all at once unusually brisk at this early stage of the season. On Good Friday the starting-box was availed of for the first time this year, and that its appearance was opportune may be judged from the fact that over a hundred couples had their names recorded on the "sheet" during the day. There were two competitions amongst the members of Edinburgh clubs, and several of the Bass Rock trophy matches were also played. On Saturday the weather was again summer-like, and a goodly number of visiting and resident golfers drove from the tee.

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The ladies' course at North Berwick is looking in really excellent trim at present, visitors from all quarters being high in its praise. Mr. Cuthbert, the custodian, well known as a former starter at the long course, has the greens also nicely rolled and in the pink of condition. The ladies' "season," in the way of club competitions, begins later than that of the gentlemen, but a good number of fair exponents of the game have been out lately in friendly play.

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The comparatively new Rhodes links at North Berwick are just now receiving a large measure of patronage. Amongst those over this course the other day were Lords Kyllachy and Stormonth Darling. Ben Sayers, who took part in a foursome here last Friday, speaks in high praise of the green as affording, among other things, delightful "carries." Ben and General Ralston halved a match with the Messrs. Pullar.

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The "Bogey" competition of the Canterbury Golf Club, fixed for Easter Monday, had to be postponed on account of the Volunteer manoeuvres. Members of the club now have the privilege of getting first-class tickets between London and Canterbury at a reduced tariff. Four new holes are to be substituted for four of the existing ones, and will be a great improvement. Every hole in the course will then be sporting.

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A new Golf links has been formed at Ayr by the local cricket club. The course, lying adjacent to the cricket ground at Newtonhead, embraces five fields, and consists of nine holes. The turf is old, while the hazards are considered good. It is expected that the links will be opened next month.

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Hugh Kirkaldy and Taylor, the Winchester professional, are to play a match at Kettering on Monday.

CRAWFORD.—The spring meeting was held on Saturday, and attracted a good number of players. The weather was perfect, and the course in a condition favourable to good scoring. The first scratch prize, a silver challenge cleek, which now becomes his property, was won by Mr. William Shanks with a score of 78. The second scratch prize was secured by Mr. William Kennedy with a score of 88. Mr. William Mitchell won the first handicap prize challenge cup with a score of 113, less 25=88; and the second fell to Dr. Jardine, whose score was 111, less 18=93.



AN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP FOR WALES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Allow me to make a suggestion, which I presume has never been brought to your notice before. The suggestion which I refer to is with regard to the amateur golfers of North and South Wales. Why should there not be a Championship for this country (for amateurs only)? Ireland has a Championship of its own, and the Open Championship includes Scotland and England. Why should Wales be thus overlooked? There are several amateur golfers residing in Wales each of whom is quite worthy of being a "Welsh Champion," and there are also courses quite fit for a Championship to be played on. Take for instance Rhyl or Conway. This would make a considerable difference to the Golf of Wales, and at the same time might be a very good thing for some of the clubs.

Hoping this will find a place in your precious columns,

I am, Sir, &c.,

W. A. C.

GOLF AT PORT SALON.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In turning over the pages of GOLF, the reader may occasionally notice a short paragraph advertisement, headed, "Golf in Ulster," and he will very likely pass it by without much consideration. Scotland has so long been considered the place for Golf, that anyone seeking at such a distance what can be got—as is generally supposed—so much better at home, would be put down as cranky. Having formed one of a small party of ardent "gowfers" who lately visited the North of Ireland, partly for the sake of change of air, but principally to enjoy a week or two of their favourite game, I can assure your readers that none of them would regret taking ten days in spring or autumn at, say, Port Salon.

A very short railway journey from Londonderry brings the travellers to Fahan Station, from which point a steam ferry conveys them to Rathmullen on the further shore of Lough Swilly, and here cars or wagonettes are readily procurable for the remainder of the journey by road to Port Salon Hotel. The Hotel and Golf course are both on the estate of Colonel Barton of Greenfort, who deserves the gratitude of the golfing

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public for building such a comfortable lodging, and laying out so perfect a course for the pleasure of visitors. A finer natural situation than the bents surrounding Ballievostocker Bay, about six miles from the entrance of Lough Swilly, it would be difficult to find, and here the Golf course has been laid out. It consists of eighteen holes, over three miles in circuit, starting and finishing about one hundred yards from the Hotel. The opinion of my party—who are well acquainted with all the good Scotch Golf links—was that Port Salon is equal to the best. There is good turf, lots of natural hazards, with putting-greens mostly large and good. The scenery is very beautiful, and greatly enhances the enjoyment of the game. The Lough, with its ever-changing shadows, is seldom out of view, while the landward side is made picturesque by an amphitheatre of dark and rocky hills, beyond which again are seen the more lofty summits of the Donegal mountains. The caddies are sons of crofters on the estate, and those we saw were respectable, respectful, and intelligent. Ordinary players will enjoy the immunity from overcrowding, which is so unpleasant a feature of most favourite Scotch links, and ambitious first-class players will have as an inducement, the possibility of lowering the record of the course, which at present stands at 82. In conclusion, I may mention that there is a post and telegraph office just beside the Hotel.

I am, Sir, &c.,
MIDLOTHIAN.

NORTH MANCHESTER GOLF CLUB.—A general meeting of the above club was held last week, the president, Col. W. W. Clapham, in the chair. It appeared from the report of the committee appointed at the first meeting that the committee had secured ground and laid out an eighteen-hole course, nine holes of which will be available all the year round, and the other nine from the 1st of August to the 1st of May. On account of the increase of members the committee have decided to enlarge the pavilion, and to erect a workshop for the professional. At the present time there are ninety-one gentlemen members and fourteen lady members. All the officers and committee retired, but were unanimously re-elected. The following are, therefore, the officers and committee for the year 1894:—President, Col. W. W. Clapham; vice-presidents, Dr. Braddon, J.P., Wm. Craven, Henry Kershaw; captain, Edward Holt, J.P.; hon. treasurer, Thos. Horsfield; hon. secretary, J. H. Boardman; committee, J. E. Beaumont, J. V. Braddon, W. H. S. Craven, J. A. Elliott, J. H. Fulton, J. B. King, and Hartley Lees.

HADDINGTON LADIES' GOLF CLUB.—The Clerkington course was informally opened on Saturday, when a meeting of the club was held on the ground, which has now been laid out. The club starts with a membership of thirty-two. Mrs. W. T. Ferme was elected captain, and the management of the club is vested in a committee of seven, consisting of Mrs. Ferme, Mrs. Robert Todrick, Mrs. J. G. Croal, Miss Cook, Miss Maud Vetch, Miss Dods, and Miss Wannop. Messrs. W. T. Ferme and J. G. Croal were appointed honorary joint-secretaries, and it is intended that the course shall be formally opened about the beginning of May. The lady patronesses are the Marchioness of Tweeddale, Mrs. Houstoun, of Clerkington, and Mrs. Vetch, of Caponflat.

GALASHIELS.—The Barclay medal was played for on Saturday, and was won by Mr. Walter Shaw, captain of the club, with a score of 99, less 18=81. He is the present holder of the club medal also.

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ABERDEEN.

ABERDEEN VICTORIA CLUB.—The members of this club held their usual monthly competition for the scratch and handicap prizes over the Links course on Wednesday and Saturday last. The weather was exceedingly favourable on both days, and the turn-out of competitors was large. On comparing the cards handed in, it was found that Mr. A. M. M. Dunn, with the fine score of 79, had won the scratch prize for the month, while the handicap prize for first-class players fell to Mr. W. Mitchell, with the score of 86, less 10=76. The handicap prize for second-class players was taken by Mr. T. Mason, with a score of 98, less 9=89. Among the remaining cards the following had the lowest figures: Mr. L. Anderson and Mr. D. B. Leslie, 85 each; Mr. A. Cooper and Mr. J. Innes, 86 each; Mr. J. Russell, Mr. D. Jessiman, and Mr. B. Nicholls, 89 each; Mr. J. Hazelwood, 90; Mr. T. Macleannan, 91; Mr. D. J. Innes and Mr. C. Robertson, 93 each; Mr. T. Crighton and Mr. D. W. Clark, 95 each; Mr. G. Anderson (1) and Mr. J. A. Ross, 96 each; Mr. G. Souter, Mr. A. Mackay, and Mr. W. Scott Hall, 97 each; and Mr. G. G. Cameron, jun., 99. At the same time a members' match was decided, the Press Members v. Rest of Club being the names of the respective sides. Twenty players started on each side. The match was decided by holes, and ended in an easy win for the Rest of Club, who scored 40 holes as against 8 registered by the Press members. Full score as follows:—

REST OF CLUB,		Holes.	PRESS MEMBERS,		Holes.
Mr. L. Anderson	...	0	Mr. D. B. Leslie	...	1
Mr. A. Cooper	...	0	Mr. J. Innes	...	0
Mr. R. Anderson	...	3	Mr. W. H. Reid	...	0
Mr. J. B. Banks	...	0	Mr. J. Russell	...	0
Mr. T. Macleannan	...	6	Mr. G. Barron	...	0
Mr. D. Gunn	...	3	Mr. G. Mortimer	...	0
Mr. B. Nicholls	...	2	Mr. T. Crighton	...	0
Mr. C. Robertson	...	0	Mr. D. Jessiman	...	3
Mr. J. Stewart	...	0	Mr. J. Hazelwood	...	1
Mr. G. Souter	...	2	Mr. A. Mackay	...	0
Mr. J. A. Ross	...	2	Mr. G. Anderson (2)	...	0
Mr. G. Anderson (1)	...	3	Mr. G. Hendry	...	0
Mr. R. Dunn	...	0	Mr. W. R. Stalker	...	0
Mr. A. T. Webster	...	2	Mr. J. Gall	...	0
Mr. J. Law	...	2	Mr. W. Addie	...	0
Mr. W. Duncan	...	0	Mr. A. Taylor	...	3
Mr. D. Walker	...	2	Mr. A. H. Smith	...	0
Mr. W. A. Gordon	...	6	Mr. A. Cumming	...	0
Mr. D. W. Clark	...	6	Mr. N. Gavin	...	0
Mr. H. O. Gardiner	...	1	Mr. A. M'Donald	...	0
		40			8

Majority for Rest of Club, 32 holes.

ARDEN v. STAFFORD.

Played on the ground of the former club, and after a most enjoyable game ended in a win for the Arden Club. Score:—

ARDEN.		Holes.	STAFFORD.		Holes.
Mr. H. W. Bainbridge	...	0	Mr. C. S. Hayward	...	3
Mr. O. Airy	...	0	Mr. B. T. Fitzherbert	...	3
Mr. A. E. Wilson-Browne	...	11	Rev. C. W. L. Bode	...	0
Mr. A. G. Tonks	...	4	Mr. H. W. Gardner	...	0
Mr. F. F. Wright	...	3	Mr. C. H. Greater	...	0
Mr. M. C. Lord	...	0	Mr. T. T. Soltau	...	3
Rev. R. Wilson	...	3	Mr. G. H. Tunncliffe	...	0
		21			9

Majority for Arden, twelve holes.

BEDFORD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, March 10th.—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. C. F. Gurney- Hervey ...	102	26	76	Col. F. W. Grant ...	107	22	85
Mr. N. R. Slator ...	101	24	77	Mr. G. Clark ...	115	30	85
Mr. N. P. Symonds ...	93	16	77	Mr. J. H. Boyd- Thomson ...	106	20	86
Mr. W. C. Fletcher ...	98	18	80	Capt. C. W. Hutton ...	114	26	88
Mr. E. Buck ...	100	20	80	Col. C. E. Harenc... ..	107	18	89
Rev. G. F. Apthorp... ..	100	18	82	Mr. S. Fielder ...	110	18	92
Col. C. L. Heathcote ...	102	20	82	Mr. J. B. Forsyth ...	104	10	94
Col. D. Broughton... ..	97	14	83	Maj.-Gen. E. Layard ...	118	22	96
Mr. S. Fuller ...	97	12	85	Mr. E. A. Holmsted ...	129	30	99

All others over 100 net, or no return.

Ladies' monthly medal, March 3rd.—Miss Jackson, 123, less 22=101; Mrs. Hutton, 131, less 18=113; Miss Slator, 138, less 22=116; Mrs. Broughton, 148, less 22=126; Mrs. Macdona, 171, less 36=135.

BEVERLEY AND EAST RIDING GOLF CLUB.

A handicap match of eighteen holes was played on 26th March, by the members of this club, for a sweepstakes which resulted in a tie between Messrs. Unett and Reckitt, with net scores of 78, which was afterwards played off in one round of nine holes, and won by Mr. Unett with a score of 45. The following were the scores made, viz. :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. A. Unett ...	93	15	78	Mr. R. Hodgson, jun. ...	110	20	90
Mr. A. B. Reckitt... ..	96	18	78	Rev. J. H. Richardson ...	111	20	91
Capt. Maunsell ...	93	11	82	Major Ward ...	108	16	92
Mr. G. A. Robinson... ..	101	14	87	Capt. Dancombe ...	121	28	93
Mr. R. S. Stevelly... ..	110	23	87	Mr. W. W. Boulton, jun. ...	131	36	95
Col. Hallows ...	100	12	88	Mr. R. G. Boulton... ..	132	36	96
Mr. J. W. Boulton... ..	107	19	88	Mr. H. S. Thompson ...	137	35	102
Mr. G. Ford ...	100	11	89				

A handicap match of eighteen holes was played on March 26th by the members of this club for the "Fraser Medal, which is a half-yearly match, played from scratch. The following were the scores made, viz. :—Capt. Whittle, 92; Mr. J. A. Unett, 93; Capt. Maunsell, 93; Mr. A. B. Reckitt, 96; Mr. G. Ford, 100; Col. Hallows, 100; Mr. G. A. Robinson, 101; Mr. J. W. Boulton, 107; Major Ward, 108; Mr. R. Hodgson, jun., 110; Mr. R. S. Stevelly, 110; Rev. J. H. Richardson, 111; Capt. Dancombe, 121; Mr. W. W. Boulton, jun., 131; Mr. R. G. Boulton, 132; Mr. H. Scott-Thompson, 137.

CLEVELAND GOLF CLUB.

On Easter Monday the return match between twelve Scotchmen and an equal number of English members was played on the club's now splendid links at Coatham. The event was anticipated with great interest, as the first "International," which took place on New Year's Day, resulted in a tie. To the surprise of a large crowd of onlookers, the Scotchmen, who were favourites, were utterly beaten. It is only fair to add that the English members number ten to one of the Caledonians, and that all have learned the game on this side of the Border. Scores :—

SCOTCHMEN.		Holes.	ENGLISHMEN.		Holes.
Mr. R. F. Helm ...	...	0	Mr. S. French ...	...	0
Mr. D. Mackay ...	...	0	Mr. J. Smurthwaite ...	...	8
Mr. C. Mackenzie ...	...	0	Mr. A. P. Whitwell ...	...	4
Mr. J. E. Scott ...	...	0	Mr. E. W. Wethey ...	...	1
Mr. C. E. Scott ...	...	10	Mr. T. H. Wynn ...	...	0
Mr. A. Mackinley ...	...	2	Mr. J. Lambert ...	...	0
Mr. W. Young ...	...	0	Mr. W. Boshier ...	...	4
Mr. J. W. Kyle ...	...	0	Mr. J. Rodham ...	...	1
Mr. T. N. Muller ...	...	0	Mr. J. Harrison ...	...	10
Mr. And. Scott ...	...	0	Mr. T. C. Davison ...	...	2
Mr. Gavin Kay ...	...	0	Mr. J. Arden ...	...	7
Mr. R. McCurrach ...	...	2	Mr. T. W. Ridley ...	...	0
		14			37

John Taylor, the club professional, playing with Mr. T. H. Wynn, on Friday last established a record for the new course, which constitutes perfect play—38 out and 38 in, 76.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

The annual match for the silver bowl presented by the Ladies' Golf Club took place on the Calcutta Maidan, on Friday and Saturday, the 9th and 10th February, when ninety members entered to play. This is the largest entry there has ever been for any Golf match in Calcutta, and must be taken as a compliment to the donors of the prize. The tents of the Calcutta Light Horse form this year again an additional

hazard, but three of the scratch players of the Golf club surmounted all the difficulties of the two rounds, and Mr. A. F. Simson and Mr. Mitchell-Innes tied for the first place at 85, while Mr. Lamb came very near that with 86. Mr. Mitchell-Innes returned a score of 39 for the new round, which is the record of the course, being only equalled by Mr. J. F. Macnair's scores for the Kashmir cup in 1887-88 and 1891-92. In the absence of Lady Elliot, Mrs. Pugh kindly came to the Golf pavilion with a number of the members of the Ladies' Club and other lady friends to present the prize. The ground was very hard, as usual at this season, and scoring somewhat easy for the generality of Golfers, but the scratch players are to be congratulated in coming to the front as they did, and the tie, when played off, will, no doubt, be a very close and exciting match. The ladies were entertained by the Golf Club to witness the finish of the match, and some enjoyed a game at bowls on the beautiful green in front of the pavilion. The following are the best scores handed in for the match :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. N. Mitchell-Innes	85	scr.	85	Mr. A. C. S. Holmes	110	16	94
Mr. A. F. Simson ...	85	scr.	85	Mr. G. S. Hannah... ..	100	4	96
Mr. F. H. E. Lamb	86	scr.	86	Mr. N. F. Mackenzie	102	6	96
Mr. R. D. Murray... ..	91	3	88	Mr. D. S. Murray... ..	104	8	96
Mr. H. Callaway ...	96	8	88	Mr. A. R. Becher... ..	105	9	96
Mr. J. G. Ritchie ...	98	9	89	Mr. J. Mann ...	112	16	96
Mr. G. A. Ormiston	94	4	90	Mr. W. M. Yule ...	103	6	97
Lieut. L. T. B. Saun- derson ...	96	6	90	Dr. C. R. M. Green ...	109	12	97
Mr. J. G. Buchanan	94	3	91	Mr. W. D. Cowan... ..	113	16	97
Mr. T. Drimmie ...	95	3	92	Capt. W. V. Eccles	101	3	98
Capt. J. M. Fleming	98	6	92	Mr. A. J. Dent ...	112	14	98
Mr. J. Davenport ...	108	16	92	Mr. C. A. Smith ...	108	9	99
Dr. A. S. Lethbridge	108	16	92	Mr. C. B. Watkins... ..	108	9	99
Mr. H. C. Dring ...	105	12	93	Mr. A. F. Bruce ...	113	14	99
Mr. J. Adamson ...	94	scr.	94	Mr. L. G. Dunbar... ..	100	scr.	100
Mr. C. Little ...	94	scr.	94	Mr. J. A. Cassels ...	108	8	100
Mr. J. Florence ...	108	14	94	Mr. W. E. G. C. Dickson ...	109	9	100
Mr. A. C. Matthews	108	14	94				

One of the most popular competitions of the season, namely, that for the prize presented by Mr. James F. Finlay, I.C.S., for a match "by holes," was concluded on February 20th, and has resulted in Mr. Mitchell-Innes carrying off the prize from a field of forty-four competitors. The following are the results :—

First Round.—Mr. G. A. Ormiston and Captain J. M. Fleming, a bye; Mr. A. F. Simson and Mr. J. Mann, a bye; Mr. O. T. Barrow and Mr. E. M. Shand, a bye; Mr. J. Adamson and Lieut.-Col. McArthur, a bye; Rev. D. Reid and Mr. J. F. Finlay, a bye; Mr. J. H. Oatts (1) beat Mr. W. H. Chetham (2) by 1 up; Mr. P. V. Luke (4) and Mr. Alex. Duff (scratch) scratched; Mr. W. Orrell (2) beat Mr. J. H. Lane (4) by 5 up and 4 to play; Dr. A. S. Lethbridge (7) beat Mr. J. Davenport (6) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. C. Little (scratch) beat Mr. H. Callaway (2) scratched; Mr. N. Mitchell-Innes (scratch) beat Mr. A. Brown (2) scratched; Mr. J. G. Buchanan (2) beat Mr. R. D. Murray (1) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. F. H. E. Lamb (scratch) beat Mr. G. Robertson (6) by 2 up; Mr. D. Pym (2) beat Mr. A. J. Dent (6) by 2 up; Mr. D. Youngson (2) beat Mr. J. Taylor (2) by 1 up; Mr. H. C. Begg (scratch) beat Mr. C. A. Smith (4) by 1 up; Mr. J. M. Anderson (2) beat Mr. J. A. Bourdillon (5) scratched; Mr. D. S. Murray and Mr. J. E. K. Boyd, a bye; Mr. J. Williamson Jones and Captain W. V. Eccles, a bye; Mr. Norman McLeod and Mr. J. H. Hechle, a bye; Mr. F. E. Patteson and Mr. J. A. Cassels, a bye; Mr. T. Drimmie and Mr. H. C. Boyd, a bye.

Captain J. M. Fleming (2) beat Mr. G. A. Ormiston (2) by 1 up; Mr. A. F. Simson (scratch) beat Mr. J. Mann (6) by 3 up and 1 to play; Mr. O. T. Barrow (5) beat Mr. E. M. Shand (scratch), scratched; Mr. J. Adamson (scratch) beat Lieut.-Col. McArthur (7) by 3 up and 2 to play; Rev. D. Reid (2) beat Mr. J. F. Finlay (4) by 2 up; Mr. J. H. Oatts (2), a bye; Mr. W. Orrell (2) beat Dr. A. S. Lethbridge (7) by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. N. Mitchell-Innes (scratch) beat Mr. C. Little (scratch) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. J. G. Buchanan (2) beat Mr. F. H. E. Lamb (scratch) by 1 up; Mr. D. Youngson (2) beat Mr. D. Pym (2) by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. H. C. Begg (scratch) and Mr. J. M. Anderson (2), scratched; Mr. D. S. Murray (3) beat Mr. J. E. K. Boyd (2) by 2 up and 1 to play; Captain W. V. Eccles (2) beat Mr. Williamson Jones (2) by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. J. H. Hechle (3) beat Mr. Norman McLeod (2), scratched; Mr. F. E. Patteson (1) beat Mr. J. A. Cassels (3) by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. T. Drimmie (2) beat Mr. H. C. Boyd (scratch) by 3 up and 2 to play.

Second Round.—Mr. A. F. Simson (scratch) beat Capt. J. M. Fleming (2) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. J. Adamson (scratch) beat Mr. O. T. Barrow (5), scratched; Rev. D. Reid (2) beat Mr. J. H. Oatts (2), scratched; Mr. N. Mitchell-Innes (scratch) beat Mr. W. Orrell (2) by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. D. Youngson (2) beat Mr. J. G. Buchanan (2), scratched; Mr. D. S. Murray, a bye; Mr. J. H.

Hechle (3) beat Captain W. V. Eccles (2) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. T. Drimmie (2) beat Mr. F. E. Patteson (1) by 2 up.

Third Round.—Mr. A. F. Simson (scratch) beat Mr. J. Adamson (scratch) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. N. Mitchell-Innes (scratch) beat Rev. D. Reid (2) by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. D. Youngson (2) beat Mr. D. S. Murray (3) by 1 up; Mr. J. H. Hechle (3) beat Mr. T. Drimmie (2) by 3 up and 2 to play.

Fourth Round.—Mr. N. Mitchell-Innes (scratch) beat Mr. A. F. Simson (scratch) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. D. Youngson (2) beat Mr. J. H. Hechle (3) by 1 up.

Final.—Mr. N. Mitchell-Innes (scratch) beat Mr. D. Youngson (2) by 3 up and 2 to play.

CANNES GOLF CLUB.

SPRING MEETING.

Medailles d'honneur presented by the Town of Cannes, March 15th:—Captain Philip Green, 112, less 26=86; Colonel Woodward, 109, less 15=94; Mr. S. W. Hillyard, 100, less 4=96; Mr. J. Roberts, 112, less 15=97; Hon. W. Vernon, 118, less 18=100.

Ladies:—Miss Willoughby, 67, less 20=47; Miss A. Walker, 77, less 20=57; Miss Haggard, 61, less 4=57; Mrs. Tennent, 54, plus 4=58; Miss Hamilton, 78, less 20=58; Mrs. Gordon Duff, 73, less 14=59; Miss Halford, 60, less 1=59; Mrs. Spencer Chapman, scratch, 60; Mrs. Barlow Webb, 64, less 4=60; Miss Schenley, 74, less 14=60; Hon. Mrs. Mulholland, 70, less 10=60; Mrs. Shelton, 69, less 5=64; Mrs. Stubbs, 78, less 9=69; Miss F. Halford, 79, less 9=70.

Tie for second prize, won by Miss Haggard.

H. I. H. The Grand Duke Michael's (President) prize, March 16:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. A. D. Halford...	118	32	86	Capt. Philip Green	119	25	94
Mr. G. W. Hillyard	91	4	87	Col. Cragg	120	25	95
Count Sierstorff	122	35	87	Mr. J. Roberts	110	15	95
Mr. Fred Walker	104	17	87	Mr. H. Bacon	115	18	97
Mr. J. W. Allen	95	6	89	Mr. R. Williamson	116	17	99
Mr. E. Hewetson	117	26	91	Baron de St. Genest	129	30	99
Mr. C. Cazalet	97	5	92	Hon. W. Vernon	118	18	100
Hon. A. Mulholland	97	5	92	Mr. R. Teevan	113	13	100
Mr. M. H. Cazalet	107	14	93	Sir F. Milner	128	26	102
Sir A. C. Jervoise	102	8	94				

Ladies:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.				
Miss Hamilton	60	20	40	Miss Schenley	68	14	54
Miss L. de Labrosse	65	20	45	Hon. Mrs. Pratt	58	3	55
Mrs. Tennent	45	+4	49	Mrs. Spencer Chapman	56	scr.	56
Mrs. Stubbs	58	7	51	Mrs. Barlow Webb	60	4	56
Mrs. Shelton	56	5	51	Miss Bland	79	20	59
Miss F. Halford	60	9	51	Miss Bowring	79	20	59
Miss Willoughby	69	16	53	Mrs. Gordon Duff	74	14	60
Miss Haggard	57	4	53				
Countess of Torby	56	2	54				

The Gold Medals, March 19th, (Scratch competition):—Hon. A. Mulholland 84; Mr. C. Cazalet 85; Mr. H. G. Walker 89; Mr. G. W. Hillard 92.

Ladies:—Mrs. Tennent 51; Mrs. Stubbs 54; Mrs. Shelton 55; Countess of Torby 55; Miss Haggard 55.

Sir Thomas Lucas' prizes, March 19th:—Mr. C. Cazalet, 85, less 5=80; Mr. E. Hewetson, 112, less 28=84; Mr. M. H. Cazalet, 98, less 14=84; Mr. H. Bacon, 110, less 21=89; Colonel Cragg, 117, less 25=92; Colonel Woodward, 108, less 15=93; Mr. J. B. Dugdale, 122, less 28=94; Mr. R. Williamson, 113, less 19=94; Hon. W. Vernon, 114, less 20=94.

Ladies:—Miss Haggard, 48, less 4=44; Mrs. Stubbs, 54, less 7=47; Mrs. Shelton, 57, less 5=52; Miss G. Willoughby, 63, less 10=53; Miss A. Walker, 69, less 15=54; Miss K. Duncombe, 67, less 9=56; Mrs. Spencer Chapman, 57, less 1=56; Hon. Mrs. Mulholland, 69, less 10=59; Miss L. de Labrosse, 70, less 10=60; Miss Hamilton, 76, less 8=68.

CITY OF NEWCASTLE GOLF CLUB.

March 24th. Twelfth and last day of winter competition:—Mr. R. T. Thomson, 85, plus 3=88; Mr. J. B. Casement, 108, less 18=90; Mr. A. Muir, 121, less 30=91; Mr. C. A. H. Todd, 110, less 17=93; Mr. A. Richardson, 106, less 12=94; Mr. G. W. Williams, 99, less 1=98.

Final scores, winter handicap. Lowest five scores of twelve. Competitions:—Mr. R. T. Thomson, 436, plus 11=447; Mr. G. W. Williams, 463, less 14=449; Mr. A. Richardson, 525, less 70=455.

CANTERBURY GOLF CLUB.

Medal competition, March 21st.—Dr. W. W. Smith, 99, less 20=79; Col. C. E. Reeves, 111, less 28=83; Dr. E. Morris, 91, less 8=83; Mr. A. J. Lancaster, 97, less 14=83; Dr. A. C. Elliman, 113, less 26=87; Mr. A. J. Macfarlane, 95, less 8=87; Mr. A. W. Andrews, 107, less 18=89; Capt. F. G. Frith, 115, less 22=93; Mr. T. H. Oyler, 104, less 8=96; Mr. C. Iggesden, 108, less 12=96. Also competed, Messrs. J. H. Joyce, E. S. Loudon, E. F. Noel, Dr. Manby, and others.

COUNTY DOWN GOLF CLUB.

Easter Meeting.—The first of the Easter competitions of the above club took place on Saturday last at Newcastle in magnificent weather. The task set was two rounds of the green, and the prize was carried off by Mr. James Turnbull; Mr. Geo. Combe securing second honours. The following were the scores under 200:—Mr. Jas. Turnbull, 219, less 44=175; Mr. Geo. Combe, 191, less 8=183; Mr. G. C. Green, 202, less 18=184; Mr. L. B. Barker, 214, less 28=186; Mr. Wm. Wilson, 211, less 20=191; Mr. H. E. Richardson, 241, less 44=197. About sixty competitors sent in no cards.

FALKIRK TRYST GOLF CLUB.

In continuation of the spring handicap tournament, the third round was played on Saturday last. The weather was of the best, and the putting-greens, if anything, too keen for accurate putting. There were two ties in the round, which resulted as follows:—Mr. A. M. Shaw (4) beat Rev. J. Scott (8); Rev. C. McGlashan (18) beat Mr. D. M. Wilson (12); Mr. F. Seatter and Mr. W. M. Scott had byes.

FORFARSHIRE.

ABERDEEN v. DUNDEE TELEGRAPHISTS.—The annual match between the Aberdeen and Dundee telegraphists took place on Friday at Monifieth. Delightful weather favoured the game, which was of a very pleasant nature, but ended rather disastrously for the Dundee men, Aberdeen being no fewer than 46 holes up. Details:—

ABERDEEN.		Holes.	DUNDEE.		Holes.
Mr. R. Anderson	...	7	Mr. J. M'Rae	...	0
Mr. A. D. Leiper	...	7	Mr. C. Duncan	...	0
Mr. D. Dunn	...	1	Mr. H. Currie	...	0
Mr. J. Sheriffs	...	1	Mr. J. D. Robertson	...	0
Mr. J. Burness	...	6	Mr. G. Philip	...	0
Mr. W. Bruce	...	6	Mr. W. B. Duncan	...	5
Mr. J. Leiper	...	6	Mr. R. Wilson	...	0
Mr. C. Eaton	...	1	Mr. G. Robertson	...	0
Mr. H. Ross	...	12	Mr. J. Anderson	...	0
Mr. A. Milne	...	10	Mr. D. R. Nicoll	...	0
		51			5

MONTROSE.—The tie for the Mercantile medal between Mr. James Findlay and Mr. David Burgess (1), both of whom played the course on the previous Saturday in 79, was decided on Saturday, and the result was a somewhat easy win for the first named.

In the forenoon a match between teachers from Aberdeen and Dundee resulted in a narrow win for the representatives of Dundee by 1 hole.

MONIFIETH CLUB.—The members of the Monifieth Club, on Saturday, competed for a number of prizes and sweepstakes. Broughty being engaged with the Artisans at Perth, the attendance was scarcely so large as would otherwise have been the case, the majority of the Broughty being connected with the Monifieth. The weather was all that could be desired for low scoring. There were sixty-five entries, as compared with eighty-two in the last competition. The play of the first class men was on the whole disappointing, Mr. David Dargie and Mr. William Still being the only couple who handed in good figures. The prize-list is as follows:—First class—Scratch, Mr. David Dargie and Mr. William Still, tie; first average, Mr. William Still, 2 below; 2, Mr. A. Hutcheson, average; 3, Mr. T. Grant, 1 above; 4 and 5 (tie), Mr. D. Dargie, Mr. W. Lorimer, and Mr. A. Osler, 2 above. Second class—Scratch—Mr. J. L. Crockatt; first average, Mr. David Glass, 5 below; 2 and 3 (tie), Mr. J. L. Crockatt and Mr. Douglas Fox, 4 below; 4, 5, and 6 (tie), Mr. R. D. Smith, Mr. Sylvester Wybrants, and Mr. H. Brown, 2 below. Third class—Scratch, Mr. D. Anderson; first average, 1, Mr. J. Stirling, 20 below; 2, Mr. D. Anderson, 18 below; 3, Mr. W. Malcolm, 15 below; 4, Mr. J. B. Briggs, 3 below; 5, Mr. William Angus, 2 below. The best scores returned were.—Mr. D. Dargie and Mr. W. Still, 81; Mr. W. Lorimer, 84; Mr. W. Hutcheson and Mr. D. Anderson, Dundee, 85; Mr. J. Burns and Mr. Alex. Hutcheson, 86; Mr. J. Melville and Mr. J. Stirling, 87; Mr. D. Dempster and Mr. J. Hendry, 88.

GOLDEN PARSONAGE GOLF CLUB.

BOYS UNDER FOURTEEN.

Competitions have lately been held by the members of the above club for two prizes of Golf clubs presented by Mr. H. L. W. Wright, and also for a handsome scarf pin presented by Captain McCalmont, M.P. The returns come out very satisfactorily, when due allowance is made for the age of the competitors, and the nature of the course, which is over a mile in length, and has plentiful hazards in the shape of trees, enclosures, railings, and a large pond. The results of the competition for Mr. Wright's prizes, for which four single rounds of nine holes were played, were as follows:—

C. E. Hulton (scratch), 195; A. F. Pery-Knox-Gore (scratch), 198; J. G. G. Mellor (scratch), 210; Sir Francis Waller, 243, less 24=219; J. M. Ingram, 245, less 26=219; E. G. McCorquodale (scratch), 223. There also competed—R. A. B. Trower, J. H. Hulton, R. C. A. McCalmont, M. Knowles, G. L. Wright, H. C. Conant, C. F. M. Pike.

The play for Captain McCalmont's prize took place on the last day of the competition, March 17th, when the following returns were made on a double round of nine holes:—

C. E. Hulton (scratch), 96; R. C. A. McCalmont, 110, less 13=97; R. A. B. Trower, 109, less 9=100; Sir Francis Waller, 111, less 8=103; A. F. Pery-Knox-Gore (scratch), 105; J. G. G. Mellor, 108, less 2=106; E. G. McCorquodale, 111, less 2=109; G. L. Wright, 121, less 11=110. The remainder were over 110 net.

C. E. Hulton electing to take Captain McCalmont's prize; Mr. Wright's prize has been awarded to A. F. Pery-Knox-Gore and J. G. G. Mellor.

HYÈRES GOLF CLUB.

Weekly handicap, 17th March.—Mr. Wm. Peel, 112, less 28=84; Mr. Carpenter-Rowe, 102, less 12=90; Capt. Swinford, 98, less 7=91; Mr. G. R. Corbett, 113, less 22=91; Mr. F. J. Patton, 96, plus 2=98; Capt. Slazenger, 124, less 26=98; Lt.-Col. Smythe, 126, less 28=98; Col. Hutton, 115, less 14=101.

KETTERING v. OAKHAM.

Played at Oakham on Wednesday, March 21st.

KETTERING.		OAKHAM.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. W. F. Neilson	...	Mr. H. Callander	...
Mr. A. C. Simmons	...	Mr. B. Thompson	...
Mr. C. Saunders	...	Mr. J. L. Grist...	...
Mr. F. Mobbs	...	Mr. E. Hanbury	...
Mr. R. B. Wallis	...	Mr. E. V. Hodge	...
Mr. R. Abbott...	...	Mr. W. Thompson	...
Mr. A. H. Bryan	...	Mr. Clarke	...
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LITTLEHAMPTON GOLF CLUB.

The monthly meeting was held on Friday and Saturday, March 16th and 17th, in beautiful spring-like weather. Scores:—Lord E. Hamilton's cup: Mr. A. J. Constable, 90, less 8=82; Mr. E. C. R. Goff, 88, less 5=83; Mr. W. S. Simpson, 106, less 22=84; Mr. H. E. Harris, 101, less 15=86; Mr. A. Holmes, 99, less 9=90. No return from other players.

The captain's cup.—Mr. R. Holmes, 97, less 8=89; Mr. H. Casswell, 109, less 20=89. Several players made no return.

The monthly medal and sweepstakes.—Mr. J. Horn, 91, less 11=80; Mr. A. J. Constable, 94, less 8=86; Mr. A. Holmes, 96, less 9=87; Mr. C. Bartlett, 105, less 15=90.

PRESTWICK.

With splendid golfing weather on Friday, there was an unusual turnout of players, the Prestwick and St. Nicholas courses being fully occupied all day. The following are a few of the matches played over the Prestwick Links in the forenoon:—Mr. J. Higginbotham beat Mr. D. Cowan by 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. G. Davidson, giving a third, beat Mr. Pollock by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. D. Reid, giving a half, was 2 up and 1 to play against Mr. Crouch; Mr. N. Scott beat Mr. G. Gillan by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. T. Anderson beat Mr. S. Carrick and Mr. J. Robertson by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. Patten beat Mr. J. Jamieson and Mr. D. M'Lagan by 1; Mr. J. M'Neill was 8 up and 4 to play against Mr. J. Harvey; Mr. R. Phillips, getting a third, beat Mr. Munro Thomson by 2; Mr. J. A. Neilson, giving two-thirds, beat Mr. D. H. Gibb by 3 up and 1 to play; Captain Carter, getting 4 strokes, beat Mr. C. K. Aitken by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. D. D. Whigham and Mr. J. Blackburn halved a match with Mr. B. B. M'George and C. Hunter; Captain Dalrymple Hay beat Mr. H. D. Crailsheim by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. T. F. Donald beat Mr. D.

Johnstone by 2; Mr. J. Perrie and Johnnie Hunter, giving a stroke a hole, played a fine game against Mr. J. Young and Mr. S. M'Call, and beat them by 8 up and 7 to play. In the afternoon, Mr. P. Davidson giving a third to Mr. R. Niven, beat him by 3 up and 1 to play; Mr. D. Johnstone beat Mr. T. J. Donald by 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. Blackburn and Mr. D. D. Whigham beat Mr. B. B. M'George and C. Hunter by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. J. S. Higginbotham was 1 up against Mr. D. Cowan.

With fine weather prevailing for the Easter holidays, the greens were again fully occupied on Saturday, the following being some of the matches played in the forenoon:—Mr. G. Loudon, getting a third, beat Mr. T. Gallie by 2 up and 1 to play; General Morgan was 3 up against Mr. A. Lamb; Mr. J. G. A. Baird, M.P., getting two-thirds, beat Mr. G. Whitelaw by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. J. B. Murray halved a match with Mr. Bottomley; Mr. C. Thomson beat Mr. J. M'Neill by 3 up and 1 to play; Mr. J. S. Higginbotham and Mr. R. Patten beat Mr. R. J. Jamieson and Mr. D. D. M'Lagan by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. H. B. Crum was 4 up and 3 to play against Mr. J. Pirrie; Mr. C. K. Aitken, giving Captain Carter 4 strokes, ended 1 hole up; Mr. J. Blackburn, giving a third, halved a match with Mr. D. Cowan; Mr. A. C. Scott was 1 up against Mr. B. B. M'George and C. Hunter; Mr. N. Thomson, giving a half, beat Mr. J. Stewart by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. J. B. Thorneycroft beat Captain Dalrymple Hay by 3 up and 2 to play. In the afternoon Mr. T. R. Lamb halved a match with Mr. M. Thomson; Mr. H. B. Crum, giving a half, beat Mr. J. Pirrie by 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. Towers Clark, giving two-thirds, was 3 up against Mr. W. Crouch; Mr. J. Knox, getting a third, was a hole up with Mr. J. Harvey; Mr. J. M'Neill beat Mr. C. Thomson by 1; Mr. J. B. Murray beat Mr. Bottomley by 2; Mr. G. Whitelaw and Mr. J. G. A. Baird, M.P., getting 4 strokes, beat M. A. C. Scott and Mr. G. Gillan by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. J. S. Higginbotham and Mr. R. Patten beat Mr. R. Jamieson and Mr. D. D. M'Lagan by 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. W. N. Scott and Mr. E. F. Dudgeon were a hole up against Captain Carter and Mr. C. K. Aitken; Mr. T. Gallie, giving a third, beat Mr. G. Loudon by 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. T. Goudie beat Mr. G. Davidson by 1; Mr. Mac-Brayne beat Mr. N. Brown by 5 up and 4 to play.

RANELAGH GOLF CLUB.

Oxford and Cambridge boat-race day. This being generally accepted as a holiday, it has been usual to have some special attraction at this club, for members and their friends; owing, however, to the race being rowed so early in the morning, it was thought advisable to confine it to a Golf competition. The club gave a cup, and the Rev. T. J. Filmer-Bennett, who is always a warm supporter of the club, gave two £2 2s. prizes, one as a second prize for two rounds, and the other for the best round of the afternoon.

The result is given below:—Mr. R. Hepburn, 201, less 36=165; Mr. L. E. Guy Abney, 190, less 20=170; Mr. H. R. Payne, 199, less 28=171, (two-thirds of sweepstakes); Sir W. Russell, 183, less 8=175, (one-third of sweepstakes). Best afternoon round.—Mr. E. Lehmann, 87, less 3=84.

Monthly medal, 24th March:—Capt. W. E. Beak, 95, less 10=85; Sir H. G. Bergine, 104, less 18=86; Rev. T. J. Filmer-Bennet, 100, less 10=90; Mr. Norman Salmond, 103, less 12=91; Mr. W. Jackson, 103, less 10=93; Mr. J. S. Satterthwaite, 118, less 24=94.

ROYAL JERSEY GOLF CLUB

On Thursday, the 22nd inst., a match was played on the Jersey links between Mr. Horace Hutchinson and Mr. Stuart Anderson. So interesting a match had never been played in the Island before, and the large crowd in attendance both morning and afternoon, showed that it was duly appreciated. A cold east wind was tempered by the bright sunshine which appears to be one of the charms of Jersey weather, and the keen interest in the game never flagged for a moment. Mr. Hutchinson, who played the finest game all through, was 4 holes up on the first round of eighteen, the best out of thirty-six being the match arranged. He concluded the second round at the fourteenth hole with 6 up and 4 to play. Mr. Hutchinson has, during his visit to Jersey beaten all previous records on the links, having done the round of eighteen holes in the fine score of 70.

WEST LANCASHIRE CLUB.—The Easter meeting of this club was held at Blundellsands on Saturday in splendid weather, when Mr. H. H. Hilton, the Champion, once again won the Cookson challenge cup for another year with a score of 76 net. Mr. T. R. Henderson won the handicap prize and first sweepstake with 84 net; Mr. H. Litchfield, 85 net, second sweepstake; Dr. Hewer, 86, 3d. Next best score of that to Mr. Hilton's was by G. F. Smith.

MOFFAT.—On Saturday a competition took place over the Chapel-hill course for a silver medal presented by Mr. Walter Johnstone of Bodesbeck. The winner was Mr. H. F. W. Deane, Dundamon House (scratch), 94.

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

At the quarterly meeting of this club, held on Saturday last, 17th inst., Mr. Robert Redwood tied with Mr. A. M. Kyd for first place in first class (handicaps of 12 and under) with a net score of 85, and in the second class (handicaps over 12) Mr. James Latham jun., came in first with 98 less 18=80. Thirty-eight members in all handed in cards, and the following are the scores:—

First Class (handicaps of 12 and under)—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. Robt. Redwood	92	7 85	Mr. G. Hillyard		
Mr. A. M. Kyd	97	12 85	Swinstead	101	4 97
Mr. T. T. Cowell	97	9 88	Mr. C. E. Greig	106	8 98
Mr. S. R. Bastard	90	1 89	Mr. J. E. Brown	109	10 99
Mr. S. Kemp	101	9 92	Mr. Frank H. Swin-		
Mr. J. W. Greig	101	7 94	stead	111	12 99
Mr. W. E. Hall	103	8 95	Mr. E. Flint	110	10 100
Mr. N. Wykes	103	8 95	Mr. A. W. Good	112	12 100
Mr. A. E. L. Slazen-			Mr. L. S. McKenzie	113	12 101
ger	108	12 96	Mr. S. N. Dimbleby	111	8 103
Mr. C. W. Cooke	109	12 97	Mr. B. G. Fabian	117	10 107
Mr. H. Parker	106	9 97	Mr. Geo. E. Smythe	119	12 107

Second Class (handicaps over 12)—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. J. Latham, jun.	98	18 80	Mr. C. Grundy	113	16 97
Mr. A. Wallace Barr	102	16 86	Mr. J. Badkin	112	13 99
Mr. J. O. Milledge,			Mr. Sidney Clarke	117	16 101
jun.	101	14 87	Mr. R. S. Cox	117	15 102
Mr. J. C. Hindley	105	18 87	Lieut.-Col. Lockyer	118	16 102
Rev. Ewart Barter	106	18 88	Mr. R. Oxenham	126	18 108
Mr. A. H. Cooke	106	14 92	Mr. E. L. Latham	129	18 111
Mr. J. Hax	110	16 94	Mr. John Godwin	130	17 113
Mr. J. B. Shaw	113	16 97	Mr. Walter Stair	131	16 115

ST. ANDREWS.

ST. ANDREW'S CLUB.—The tie between Mr. W. Greig and Mr. L. Auchterlonie for the charm of the St. Andrews Club was played on Saturday. Mr. Auchterlonie got the start, and kept it all the way, and ultimately won by 3 strokes. The scores were:—Mr. Auchterlonie—Out, 39; in, 45; total, 84. Mr. Greig—Out, 44; in 43; total, 87.

ST. ANDREWS UNIVERSITY CLUB.—The final for the University hole medal took place last week, when Mr. A. M'Kenzie beat Mr. P. C. Anderson by 4 up and 3 to play. This medal is for scratch players only, and is decided by holes.

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The final competition for the silver-mounted claret jug, kindly presented by Mr. T. H. Ashton, M.F.H., in 1893, as a "Bogey" prize, was held over the links on Saturday the 17th in perfect golfing weather, although the putting-greens had suffered from the night's frost, and were somewhat sticky in places. Scores:—Mr. F. M. G. Abell (5), 3 down; Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncreiff (3), 5 down; Mr. W. Bouch (scratch), 6 down; Mr. J. P. Robertson (9), 7 down; Mr. M. T. Brown (9), 7 down; Mr. T. Latham (9), 7 down; Mr. F. C. Hunter Blair (6), 8 down; Mr. H. T. Hickman (16), 9 down.

The weekly competition against "Bogey" was won by Mr. W. Bouch (scratch), who was 1 down.

INNEREITHEN.—The monthly competition for the Robertson medal took place on the Leithen Links on Saturday. The weather being fine, there was a large turn-out of members. The following are the best scores:—1st, Mr. R. C. Small, 85, less 10=75; 2nd, Mr. W. Small, 94 less 18=76; 3rd, Mr. J. Weir, 102, less 25=77; 4th, Mr. A. Robertson (scratch), 80; 5th and 6th, Mr. T. Weir, 99, less 18=81; and Mr. M. G. Thorburn (scratch), 81; 7th, Mr. J. M. Gunn, 93, less 10=83; 8th and 9th, Mr. R. T. Robertson, 94, less 7=87, and Mr. W. Hall, 101, less 14=87.

MELROSE v. SELKIRK.—A match took place between these clubs on the Melrose course on Saturday, and resulted in a win for Selkirk by 16 holes. Scores:—Melrose, 10; Selkirk, 26.

GREAT YARMOUTH CLUB.—EASTER MEETING.—Mr. Pell, with 82, became the winner of the Young challenge cup. Next best scores were:—Mr. F. I. Ireland, 84, less 1=83; Rev. J. Dredge, 96, less 10=86; Mr. A. Rotherham, 91, less 4=87. Mr. Ireland won the Penn gold medal for the best scratch score.

LITTLESTONE CLUB.—Mr. J. G. Cobb, with 85, less 5=80, won the Dingie trophy challenge cup, limited to 18 strokes.

ROYAL WEST NORFOLK CLUB.—The Prince of Wales's challenge cup was played for at Brancaster on Saturday, when fifty players competed. Result.—Mr. H. J. Wright, 91, less 9=82, first; Mr. Halcombe Ingleby, 94, less 9=85, second; Mr. W. D. Richmond, 98, less 12=86, third; Mr. R. W. Skipwith, 98, less 12=86.

NORTH BEDS CLUB.—This club decided its "Bogey" competition at Biggleswade Common, on Saturday, with the following result:—Mr. D. Mann (15), 3 down, first; Mr. J. Duberly (6), 4 down; and Mr. H. M. Lindsell (17), 4 down, tied for second place. "Bogey's" score was 82.

PARKSIDE CLUB.—The quarterly trophy was played for over Braids on Saturday. Fourteen members competed. Mr. D. Murdoch proved the winner with a net score of 92.

HARRISON CLUB.—This club commenced their season on Friday morning with a match between teams chosen by the captain and vice-captain, when the team of the former won by 3 holes.

BRITISH LINEN COMPANY GOLF CLUB.—The first competition of the season for the Allan gold medal and handicap prizes was held at Leven on Friday. Twenty-four members competed, and handicap prizes were won by the following:—1st, Mr. W. H. Montgomery; 2nd, 3rd, 4th, Mr. A. M. Milroy, Mr. W. Shields, and Mr. D. Thomson—tie.

NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND GOLF CLUB.—This club held its spring competition over Leven Links on the 23rd inst., when nineteen couples started. The weather was of the most favourable kind. The merit award was the Chalmers medal, which was won by Mr. Charles S. Halkett with the score of 88. The prizes presented by one of the vice-presidents, and others by members, and by the club were all under handicap, the winners being:—Mr. G. Goldie, 84 net; Mr. R. Turnbull, 89 net; Mr. J. H. Malloch, 89 net; Mr. E. Leyde, 90 net; Mr. T. B. Gantt, 90 net; Mr. W. Cunningham, 91 net; Mr. W. Bennett, 93 net.

CIVIL SERVICE GOLF CLUB.—The first competition of this recently-formed club was held over the Braids on the 23rd inst. Nearly forty of the members took part in it. The following were the prize-winners and their net scores:—1st and 2nd, Mr. J. Hawley and Mr. J. Newlands (tie), 75; 3rd, Mr. William Wood, 77; 4th, Mr. W. C. Hamilton, 81; 5th, Mr. A. Gunn, 82; 6th, Mr. W. Carmichael and Mr. T. Newlands (tie), 84.

WHITEHOUSE.—This newly-formed club held its first meeting at Musselburgh on Saturday in a match by teams picked by captain and secretary, which ended in a victory for the secretary's team by 16 holes.

LOCHEND.—A match between teams representing vice-captain (Mr. G. Mauchline, and treasurer (Mr. R. Hogarth), of this club was played over Leith Links on Saturday, when a victory was gained by the vice-captain by 2 holes.

STANDARD LIFE CLUB.—The first competition of the season took place over Leven links on Friday, when the "Calcutta Cup" and prizes presented by the captain, Mr. Joass, were competed for. The cup and first prize were gained by Mr. C. J. Liston Foulis, the other prize-winners being Messrs. Mackintosh, Buddie, Maitland, and Browning. A special prize to those with a handicap of 12 and upwards was gained by Mr. R. H. Wilson.

WEST LOTHIAN v. BATHGATE.—A match between these clubs was played over the course of the first-mentioned club on Saturday, when Bathgate won by 7 holes. West Lothian, 20; Bathgate, 13.

PERTH ARTISAN GOLF CLUB v. BROUGHTY FERRY.—A match between these clubs took place on the North Inch, Perth, on Saturday. The weather was delightful, and the greens in fine condition. Thirty-five couples started, and at the close it was found that the strangers had won by 25 points. Scores:—Broughty Ferry, 40; Perth Artisans, 65.

TAIN.—The St. Duthus Golf Club held their first competition of the season on Saturday, when the prizes presented by Mr. D. Macphail, Railway Hotel, were competed for. The best scorers were:—Mr. J. Maclean, watchmaker, 100, less 12=88; Mr. W. J. Munro, Market Street, 105, less 8=97; and Mr. W. W. Chalmers, Royal Academy, 100, less 2=98.

BABERTON.—The Baberton Golf Club held their first competition on their new eighteen-hole course at Juniper Green on Saturday, when the Riccarton shield, presented to the club by the president, Sir Jas. H. Gibson-Craig, Bart., and the captain's handicap medal were competed for. The Riccarton Shield, the scratch trophy of the club, to be competed for annually, was won by Mr. John Bowie with the fine score of 81. The winner of the handicap medal was Mr. James Findlay, with 96, less 20=76. A large number of members competed, and one and were much impressed with the fine condition of the course, the greens being in very fine order.

THE SCOTTISH EQUITABLE CLUB played their spring competition over North Berwick links on Good Friday, when ideal weather, an attractive prize list, and a good muster of the members, combined to put the maximum of enjoyment within the reach of all. The results were:—1st, Mr. A. R. Murray; 2nd, Mr. H. N. Boyd; 3rd, Mr. R. R. Reid; 4th, Mr. D. G. R. Murray; 5th and 6th, Messrs. A. H. Morgan and H. G. W. Meikle tied. The scratch and the handicap medals again fell to Mr. A. R. Murray.

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EDINBURGH CORPORATION GOLF CLUB.—The monthly handicap competition of this club was, on the invitation of Councillor Walker, played on the North Queensferry course last week. The first prize consisted of a handsome trophy in the form of a silver shield, presented by Councillor Walker, the winner being entitled to retain the same for a year. The trophy was won by Baulie Macpherson with a scratch score of 89; and other prizes were gained by Mr. Hew Morrison, Mr. T. B. Laing, and ex-Councillor Smith-Clark.

ROYAL CROMER GOLF CLUB.—The monthly competition for the club medal was held on Thursday, March 22nd, Mr. P. M. Lucas (captain), with a score of 84, plus 2=86, being the winner. Mr. R. W. Ketton and Dr. Fenner, tied for second place, their respective scores being 96, less 7=89; and 99, less 10=89. Mr. Lucas took first prize in the optional sweepstake, and Dr. Fenner, second.

LADIES' GOLF AT BIRKDALE.—On the links of the Birkdale Golf Club, in beautiful weather last week, there took place the second competition by lady members, for the prize given by the captain. Scores:—Miss Coney, 108, less 26=82; Miss L. Cheetham, 80, plus 5=85; Mrs. Corkhill, 108, less 22=86; Mrs. Ainsworth (scratch), 87; Miss M. Burton, 102, less 15=87; Miss F. M. Coney, 90, less 2=88; Mrs. Earle, 105, less 12=93; Miss Drewett, 123, less 23=100.

LOTHIAN GOLF CLUB.—This club held their first monthly medal competition at Musselburgh last week. Mr. Thomas Haig won.

KING JAMES VI. GOLF CLUB (PERTH).—The members of this club finished the first round for the cup presented by Mr. William MacLeish, City Clerk, on the North Inch, Perth, on Saturday afternoon, with the following result:—Mr. John Dickson (12) beat Mr. John Ritchie (9); Mr. James Hay (3) beat Mr. John Moncrieff (scratch); Mr. James A. Robertson (12) beat Mr. H. S. Shields (scratch); Mr. A. H. Crawford (11) beat Mr. John Mailer (4); Mr. R. Grant (4) beat Mr. D. S. Grant (3); Dr. Paton (18) beat Mr. Thomas Chalmers (15); Mr. J. C. Dow (3) beat Mr. L. Grant (6); Mr. G. T. Cairncross (3) beat Mr.

R. Mackay (scratch); Mr. John Crerar (4) beat Mr. F. M'Ewan (10); Mr. Alexander Robertson (5) beat Mr. Hugh Campbell (6); Mr. Thomas Dempster (18) beat Mr. D. S. Dow (8); Mr. R. Keay (scratch) beat Mr. James Proudfoot (scratch); Mr. R. M'C. Chambers (9) beat Mr. R. A. Hay (9); Mr. James Paterson (3) beat Mr. H. H. Greig (3); Mr. William M'Nicoll (4) beat Mr. A. Fraser (10); Mr. W. Garvie (9) beat Mr. John Robertson (5); Mr. George Buist (8) beat Mr. James Kennedy (9); Mr. James Donaldson (6) beat Mr. John Bruce (8). The following secured byes:—Mr. H. B. Mitchell (scratch), Mr. W. S. Leitch (9), Mr. A. T. Mackay (5), Mr. A. Syme (13), Mr. A. Jamieson (3), Mr. H. Shields (10), Mr. R. Hunter (scratch), Mr. John Marshall (14), Mr. P. W. Campbell (6), Mr. D. Wood (4), Mr. R. M'Killop (scratch), Mr. J. C. Brady (15), Mr. R. Halley (3), Mr. R. Dunsmore (scratch).

BARNES LADIES' GOLF CLUB.—On Wednesday, March 21st, the members who had won the monthly medal during the past year, played off for the memento. Owing principally to members having won the medal more than once only five competitors were eligible:—Miss Gay (winner), 85, less 10=75; Miss Connell, 92, less 12=80; Miss M. Dickie, 87, less 5=82; Mrs. Warner, 107, less 25=82. Miss Gow no return.

MOSELEY GOLF CLUB.—The final for the monthly club cup was played on Saturday last, with the following result:—Mr. S. R. Lowcock, 103; Mr. H. Bewlay, 104; Mr. H. Padmore, 110; Mr. F. H. Elderton, 111; Mr. R. D. Paull, 119.

INVERGORDON.—Playing on the 19th with Cræmond, a St. Andrews professional, over the nine-hole course recently laid out here, Mr. W. Cromb, of the local club, beat the professional by 3 up and 2 to play, and holed the round in the record score of 40; thus, 4 5 4 4 4 4 6 5=40.

ST. ANDREWS.—On Tuesday, March 20th, Andrew Kirkaldy, in a match with Mr. W. F. Orr, Aberdeen, went round the green in the very fine score of 75, beating Mr. Orr, who was in receipt of 5 strokes, by 3 and 2 to play. Kirkaldy's figures were—Out, 5 5 4 4 6 4 4 3 3=38; in, 3 4 3 5 5 4 4 5 4=37; total, 75; Mr. Orr's score was 85.

LANGHOLM.—A fousome tournament in connection with this club concluded on Saturday in splendid weather, when the final tie was played on a very keen green, with the putting-grounds, which are somewhat on the slope, in an exceptionally ticklish condition. In the semi-final ties Captain Scott and Mr. J. Hounam defeated Mr. Cairns and Mr. E. J. Bell by 7 up and 6 to play; and Mr. J. Howie and Mr. Thomas Easton got the better of the Rev. J. Panton and Mr. Thomas Beattie by 5 up and 4 to play. It was thought that the final tie would prove a very close affair, but Messrs. Howie and Easton showed decidedly superior form, while Captain Scott and Mr. Hounam did not play up to their usual standard, the result being that the former pair ran out easy winners by 6 up and 5 to play.

PERTH LICENSED VICTUALERS' CLUB.—The members of this club are progressing with their spring competitions. For Mr. A. K. Bell's gold medal, Mr. Stark was first with a score of 78, Mr. John Jack, sen., and Mr. David Duff's score being 79 each. Mr. R. Lawrence, Albion Inn, has won the gold pendant presented by Mr. Eadie, Blackford. His score for the two rounds (less odds) was 156. Mr. John Patterson was runner-up with (less odds) 160.

GLASGOW v. DUMBARTON.—On Saturday these two clubs met at Dumbarton, and played off their first match this season. The weather was splendid, and after a very close match, Glasgow only ran out victors by the narrow majority of 4 holes.

ALLOA.—A sweepstake (handicap) competition took place on Saturday. All over the scoring was above the average of the season. The prize-winners and lowest scores were:—Mr. W. T. Buchan, 94, less 10=84; Mr. J. Bowie, 88, less 3=85; Mr. J. Thomson, 90, less 5=85; Mr. J. Laing, 97, less 10=87.

KELSO v. HAWICK.—This match, ten men a-side, was played over the course at Friars Haugh, Kelso, on Saturday afternoon in glorious weather, resulting in an easy win for the visitors. Scores:—Kelso, 7; Hawick, 28.

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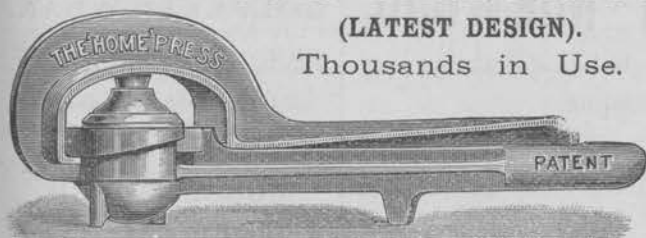
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