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MAY.

- May 25 & 26.—Windermere: Open Competition (Amateur); Golf Tournament.
- May 25 & 26.—Royal West Norfolk: Whitsuntide Meeting.
- May 26.—Sheffield and District v. Headingley.
- Rochdale; Mr. W. A. Scholes' Prize; Optional Subscription Handicap and Captain's Cup.
- Rochester Ladies v. Mid-Surrey.
- Rochester v. Richmond.
- Redhill and Reigate: Sir Trevor Lawrence's Badge.
- Falkirk Tryst: Vice-Captain's Prize.
- Cinque Ports: Monthly Medal.
- Preston: Six Medals.
- West Lancashire: Monthly Competition (Class II.).
- Chester: Committee's Cup.
- Royal Eastbourne: Monthly Medal.
- Royal Dublin: Captain's Prize.
- Royal West Norfolk: Monthly Medal.
- Huddersfield: Holiday Handicap Cup.
- Headingley v. Sheffield.
- Kemp Town (Brighton): Monthly Medal.
- Warwickshire: Competition for a Cup.
- Royal North Devon: Monthly Medal.
- West Herts: "Bogey" Competition.
- Buxton and High Peak: Monthly Medal.
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- Porthcawl: Monthly Medal.
- Luffness: Wemyss Challenge Medal.
- Taplow: Monthly Medal.
- Bowdon: Heywood Prize.
- Ilkley: Monthly Medal.
- Royal Epping Forest: Gordon Cup; Captain's Prize; and Monthly Medal.
- Disley: Summer Silver Medal.
- Neasden: Monthly Medal.
- Marple: Monthly Medal.

- May 26.—Warminster: Monthly Medal.
- Dumfries and Galloway: Monthly Handicap.
- Royal Wimbledon: Monthly Medal.
- Crookham: Monthly Medal.
- Huddersfield: Monthly Competition.
- Willesden v. Northwood.
- Clacton-on-Sea: Ashford Cup.
- Knutsford: Monthly Competition.
- Ventnor: Saltarn Badge.
- West Cornwall: Monthly Medal (Final).
- County Down: Captain's Prize (Final).
- May 29.—Waveney Valley: Monthly Medal.
- Burnham: Gold and Silver Medal.
- May 29, 30, 31, & June 1.—Ladies' Golf Championship (at Littlestone).
- May 30.—Falkirk Tryst: Mr. Nimmo's Prize.
- West Lancashire: Monthly Competition.
- Birkdale: Captain's Prize (Final).
- Morecambe and Heysham: Clark Prize; Monthly Prize.
- May 31.—Royal Cromer: Monthly Medal.
- Bentley Green: Monthly Medal.
- Royal Guernsey: Monthly Medal.
- May 31 & June 1 & 2.—Sheffield and District: Monthly Medal.

JUNE.

- June 1.—Great Yarmouth: Monthly Medal.
- Ilkley: Ilkley Challenge Bowl.
- June 2.—West Cornwall: Monthly Medal Winners.
- Eltham: Medal Day.
- Holmes Chapel: Monthly Medal.
- Neasden: "Bogey" Competition.
- Minchinhampton: Monthly Medal.
- West Middlesex: "Bogey" Competition.
- Rochdale: Mr. Stevens' Shield.
- Glasgow: Club Monthly Medal.
- Redhill and Reigate: Club Medal.
- Woodford: Captain's Prize and Monthly Medal.
- Preston: President's Cup.
- North-West Club (Londonderry): Monthly Medal.
- Fairfield: Monthly Competition.
- King's Norton: Monthly Medal.
- Brighton and Hove: Berens Gold Medal.
- Royal Eastbourne: Monthly Medal.
- Macclesfield: Club Monthly Handicap.
- Glamorganshire: Medal Competition.
- Clacton-on-Sea: Monthly Medal.
- Sidcup: Monthly Medal (First Class).
- Royal Liverpool: Monthly Medal.
- Seaton Carew: Gray Trophy.
- Leicester: Monthly Medal.
- London Scottish: Monthly Medal.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Owing to the great increase in the popularity of the game, and the large demands on the space at our disposal, we have decided to issue GOLF bi-weekly instead of weekly. The first issue of the new series will begin on Tuesday next, and the second issue on Friday. Under the new arrangement the Annual Subscription to the paper will be One Guinea. All editorial communications to be addressed to the Editor of GOLF, 80, Chancery Lane, W.C. Advertisements to Greenberg & Co., at the same address.

THE LADIES' GOLF UNION.

The annual general meeting of the Ladies' Golf Union was held in London on Wednesday the 16th inst., Mr. Laidlaw Purves in the chair.

The Chairman reviewed very shortly the proceedings of the Union during the past year, and congratulated the members on having been invited to hold the coming Championship meeting on the Littlestone Golf course, which he characterised as second to none for the purposes of the Ladies' Championship.

After the adoption of the accounts, the two by-laws recommended by the council relating to inter-club matches, were passed by the meeting. These by-laws are as follows:—(1.) "In inter-club matches the minimum number of the team shall be eight for clubs over fifty members, and six for clubs of fifty and under." (2.) "In inter-club matches each match won counts two, in addition to the number of holes up."

The office-bearers, nominated by the council for the ensuing year, were then elected.

Mr. Talbot Fair, on behalf of the Lytham and St. Anne's Club, with the permission of the chairman, brought the following resolution before the meeting, viz., "That this meeting asks the Championship Committee to consider the advisability of eliminating the words from 'but' to 'draw' inclusive, in No. 4 Clause of the Championship Regulations." By removing these the words "but the ballot shall be so arranged that the gold and silver medallists of the previous year shall not be in the same half of the draw," would not appear in Rule 4 of the Regulations issued by the Championship Committee.

In support of the resolution, Mr. Fair contended that there must be a great amount of luck in a draw, and pointed out that it was an innovation whereby the gold and silver medallists of the previous year were to be protected, and that this was not done in the men's Amateur Championship. It was a great benefit to the gold and silver medallists of last year being protected from meeting, and saying they should not play till the final. If there was to be a draw for it, every person competing in the competition ought to be put on the same footing. Supposing last year Lady Margaret Scott had had a very severe fight with Miss Pearson, Lady Margaret Scott might have been beaten, and there is no doubt that has happened in the case of the Men's Championship, where two cracks are drawn in the first round. That was illustrated by the very fact of there being such a favourable draw at Hoylake, whereby Mr. John Ball and Mr. Mure Fergusson got off the lightest of any of the competitors out of the sixty-four. Mr. Mure Fergusson had not to play off at all the first day, and Mr. Ball had nobody to beat, and the result was that these two men were the eventual winner and runner-up. Mr. Mure Fergusson had two terrific fights, and only just won his two previous matches, and the strain was so great on him that he was eventually beaten. As long as there is a draw, when there is tremendous luck in the draw, and there must be in these matters. He looked upon the proposal of the Championship Committee as a great innovation, and felt quite certain that as long as there was a draw it was a wrong course to adopt.

The Chairman—Would you give us some reasons—for that except that it is an innovation.

Mr. Fair, I will give you a good reason. Supposing, in this forthcoming Championship, Miss Pearson and Lady Margaret Scott are drawn together in the first round, one will be beaten. Then that will be a great pull for the other competitors.

The Chairman—That is exactly what we are trying to avoid. Your argument is entirely in favour of luck, nothing else; our whole endeavour is to go against the luck. It should be play, which should determine the winners.

Mrs. Cameron, of Wimbledon, said she desired to hear some reason against the regulation. The only argument Mr. Fair had used against it was, that it was an innovation, which surely was no valid reason.

Mrs. Dill, of the Southdown and Brighton Club, seconded the motion of Mr. Fair.

Professor Turner of Oxford, in opposing the motion said: Supposing that in the luck of the draw the gold and the silver medallists had each come into a different half of the draw, I think we should be mostly agreed that it was a very good thing, and there could be no objection taken. All that the Championship Committee have done is to make sure that what we should all have regarded with favour shall happen, and it does not seem to me, that the innovation is a very serious one. It is of course an innovation, but I am certainly not one who considers that thereby it stands condemned.

The Chairman said that, although he was the person responsible for having proposed this somewhat obnoxious regulation, he had no doubt the meeting would accord to him the belief that it was done in the interests of the game. If they objected to it because it was an innovation, then the Union should not be in existence, as it was a great innovation. A Golfing Union was an innovation that had been pressed upon the golfing world for the last ten years. Every year innovations in the shape of new rules were being brought forward, and accepted because they were considered by the majority to be better. The desire of the committee was that the best players should win, and that was the reason for this innovation. What would occur if the gold and silver medallists of last year came against each other in one or other half of the draw. It would allow, possibly, of a fourth or third rate player becoming the silver medallist of the year. How? Not by her play; not from being better than the others, but by luck. It is this luck that is proposed to try to eliminate. If the committee could, they would have the Championship played by the system pursued in an American tournament; but for that there is not time. It is not suggested that, as in tennis the winner of the previous year should stand aloof, and not be asked to play through the heats and stand the racket of the fight. They still have to meet all the other players before they can again come to the front, and all that the committee propose is that they should not be compelled to meet each other in the first part of the meeting. Take the last Hoylake Championship. Did not every golfer say, "What a magnificent draw!" Why was it a good draw? Because Mr. John Ball was in one section, Mr. Laidlaw in another, Mr. Hilton in another, and so on. What would have been said if all the best players had been drawn in the upper half? It would have been said, "What an unfortunate draw! What a chance for second, third, and fourth rate men to come forward in the under half?" That is exactly what they wished to meet. The Championship Committee have, according to the powers given them, drawn up the rules and published them. They have gone forth to the world, and have been advertised in GOLF. Every member who intends to compete has joined under these rules, and now Mr. Fair says, "We request you to withdraw that part." Having published it, if there be objection to it, discuss it; and, if it be held by the meeting that it should be eliminated, eliminate it for next year; but to ask that it should be withdrawn after it has been published to the world, is not a fair thing to do to the committee.

Mr. Wintle, of Littlestone, said—I am perfectly in accord with the principle which has been embodied in the Championship regulations, and I believe it is desirable in every sense that the element of luck should be reduced to a minimum. I think it will be a good thing if one of these days the Men's Championship followed on the same lines. At the same time, this is the first time it has been brought before the public. It has resulted in promoting a very large amount of discussion amongst the men. I do not know about the ladies, but I know it has amongst the men, and many varied opinions have been expressed, and I feel it would be better to postpone for another year the operation of that clause. Meantime, I think that the ladies may feel that they have by this innovation started the ball rolling in the right direction.

Mrs. Foster, of Wimbledon, said—I think it is a great pity, if it is such a good thing, that it should not be carried out at once. There is no use, otherwise, in having an innovation. No person has said anything against it, except that it is an innovation, and if it will be an innovation next year, I do not see the good of postponing it.

Mr. Arthur Adams said that, as a member of the Championship Committee, he would say that he knew the committee had done its best. He wished to point out the fact that the Golf Championship is one of the few exceptions, if not the only exception, of Amateur Championships where the winner of the previous year has to stand the racket of the fight. It does not occur in rackets, or tennis, or lawn tennis, or fives, or any other game you can mention. He was in favour of this innovation, because he considered it a step in the right direction

of eliminating the luck of the draw, that is to say, that a fourth or fifth rate player should not go through the world with a silver medal when she did not deserve it, and that could easily happen. On the other hand, if there is any question of feeling, he would, for one, strongly advocate the withdrawal of this innovation.

Mrs. Mackern, of Blackheath—Nobody thinks anything personally. Nobody said it, or suspected it for a moment, and I am sure Mr. Fair thinks that too.

Mrs. King, of Wimbledon, pointed out that the runner up in tennis was never protected, and said the two things could not be compared. This would not be a draw. It would be an arrangement.

The Chairman reminded Mrs. King that the gold and silver medallists, must if successful, go through the draw from end to end again.

Mr. Fair's motion was then put to the meeting and carried.

Mr. Wintle thought that the present would be a good opportunity to discuss the suggestion brought forward by the Championship Committee, and hoped the principle now put forward would become universal. He thought the meeting had voted on the question as one of expediency and not on the question of principle. He thought there were many in the room who had voted for Mr. Fair's resolution, who believed the principle right and proper, and he proposed the following resolution. "That this meeting, while agreeing on the expediency of deferring the proposal of the Championship Committee, contained in the last paragraph of the 4th Regulation, fully endorsed it in theory;" that is to say that this meeting thoroughly agrees that the elements of luck shall be eliminated as far as possible.

Mr. Pearson seconded the resolution.

Professor Turner thought that the members of the Union had not sufficiently realised the great difference between the ordinary Golf competitions and the Championship competitions. In the one case they did distinctly want to get at who is the best player if they could. Methods that have been invented up to now were imperfect. He did not know whether the members of the Union had yet realised that that is what the Committee are trying to do—to find the best players as the medallists of the year.

Mr. Fair—I am afraid several members have left, but I may say that with every game it is luck. Is it not luck to win the toss, and get first innings in cricket? and there must be an amount of luck in the draw. As Mr. Adams said, the winner of the tennis competition stands out, and has not to play till the winner of the other event challenges him; but here she is protected by this draw, and as long as we have the luck of the draw, I think everybody ought to have an equal chance. It was a good argument that one gentleman used about Mr. John Ball. He presumably is the best player, but having had a bad draw in a competition, and having had two or three stiff fights, he could not go on playing, and by doing so, that gave somebody else a chance.

The Chairman—Then what follows?

Mr. Fair—A golfer, however good he or she may be, is not always playing their best game, and if not playing their best game, they do not deserve to win. Let the player who is in best form win; but as long as you go on with a draw at all, let everybody be put on an equal footing. That is my argument, and I still maintain that. I may be wrong, and perhaps I am, and in a few years perhaps we may alter it, so as to have gold and silver medallists protected, but as long as there is the luck of a draw, every competitor ought to be put on an equal footing.

The Chairman—So many members have gone, that, in my opinion, we should not take a vote upon this resolution, especially as we know that some supporters of the other view have left.

On the motion of Mr. Fair and Miss Tyrwhitt Drake, votes of thanks were accorded to the hon. secretary and the chairman.

In consequence of the above resolution as to Rule IV., the Championship Committee have decided to withdraw the last clause of Rule IV. from the Championship regulations.

CUMBRAE.—The first of a series of competitions for a handsome gold medal presented by the vice-captain of the club (Baillie Cunningham), took place on the links on Saturday afternoon. The weather was all that could be desired for golfing although on the higher parts of the course the wind somewhat marred the driving. There was a large concourse of players on the links, and a goodly number of these entered the competition. When the cards were handed in the following was found to be the result and a few of the best scores: Mr. W. Macfarlane, 94, less 3=91; Mr. T. C. Macfarlane 99, less 5=94; Mr. J. Reid, 100, less 2=98; Mr. H. Taylor, 118, less 18=100; Mr. J. C. Sharpe, 104, less 2=102; Mr. Alexander Cameron, 115, less 12=103; Mr. J. Cunningham, 121, less 16=105.

GOLF AT ANTWERP.

Though golf has been regularly played in Belgium for eight years or so, the fact is not widely known among golfers. Now and again the circumstance has been borne in upon the minds of the more observant readers in an indefinite way by the fact that at long intervals a competition of the Antwerp Golf Club has been chronicled; but, owing to the absence of particulars as to the green and the character of the game to be enjoyed there, golfers at this side of the North Sea have not utilised their opportunities to indulge in their favourite sport on foreign soil so much as they might otherwise have done. A couple of years ago we gave particulars of the formation of a club at Brussels, the green being on the Champs des Manœuvres; but, probably owing to the character of the ground, the game has not prospered so vigorously there as at the more favourably situated course at Antwerp. Here, as we have said, the game was established about eight years ago. The pioneer of the golfing movement in Belgium, and the founder of the Antwerp Golf Club, is Mr. W. Joseph R. Watson, a well-known and highly respected English resident in Antwerp. For some considerable time he played the game alone to the wonderment of the Flemish and Belgian population in the neighbourhood, who looked upon him as one of those inimitably queer productions of perfidious Albion's civilisation endowed with bizarre tastes for stupendously irrational amusement. But Mr. Watson was an enthusiastic player, and he was not to be daunted by the cheap sneers and sometimes active hostility of his ignorant and unsympathetic neighbours. Soon he enlisted recruits among some of the resident English and Scottish gentlemen in Antwerp; a club was formed and Mr. Watson was very properly made president; the permission of the military authorities was obtained to lay out a course on the extensive and picturesque Plaine des Manœuvres, on the outskirts of the town; Mr. Watson devoted himself with energy and untiring labour to the delicate and difficult task of laying out a course, and the club, with a membership of thirty, stands now as a monument to his industry and foresight. As was to be expected, the club has a fair nucleus of the Scottish element, the prominent local representative being Mr. John Proctor, "a buirdly chiel," hailing originally from Ross-shire, reputed to be skilled in all kinds of abstruse dog lore, genial, kindly, and hearty in his reception of strangers, brimful of contagious gaiety, and generally a fine type of "Puir auld Scotland's" sons. Another noteworthy member of the club is Captain Reyntiens, Equerry to the King of the Belgians. This gentleman is such an enthusiastic player that he travels from Brussels for his two rounds, and then returns to his social and other duties in the evening. On one of the competition days last week he left Brussels at 6 o'clock in the morning, travelled to Antwerp, played a round in a downpour of rain, and returned to Brussels practically without changing his wet clothes. He is a very fine type of the Belgian aristocracy, endowed with a wholesome love for the English sports of hunting, shooting, and fishing, speaks English with an absolutely perfect accent, resides very frequently among us here, and says that the best golf and the best cooking he has enjoyed in this country were at Aberdeen!

The golfing visitor who desires to try the game at Antwerp, and wishes to reach the course, should imagine himself standing, say, at the door of the Hôtel St. Antoine, in the Place Verte, under the shadow of the fine Cathedral. He takes the first tram-car that appears, and by it he travels, for the modest fare of two-pence, through some of the fine, picturesque portions of old and modern Antwerp. The itinerary of the tram would be through the Rue Marché aux Souliers, the Place de Meir, the Avenue de Keyzer, the Rue de Pelican, the Boulevard Léopold, to the end of the Pepinière, where the tram stops. A short distance ahead another tram route cuts across in a transverse direction, and for another penny the golfer is landed at the first tee, after having had a view of the massive fortifications which engirdle the town. The modest little Golf club house is located in the Café Dicke Mee, at Wilryck, which the flamboyant advertiser describes as *un établissement champêtre, avec situation saine en pleine campagne*. The establishment is really a modest little road-side estaminet, embowered amid thickly foliaged trees, which nearly screen it from view. Outside are a few tables and chairs, whereat and whereon the thirsty traveller may regale himself with gargantuan draughts of fine Flemish beer. Behind the house is a garden also replete with chairs and tables, and in fine weather, especially when the races are being held, the place is alive with deep-voiced, voluble Flemish 'Arrys and 'Arrietts, energetic in gesture and criticism, and not more refined than their English analogues in what passes among them for amorous by-play. Standing in a scattered, ill-formed group, under one of the shady trees, or resting listlessly against the corner of the estaminet wall, you espy a motley gathering of boys

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and "hafins," whom your golfing instinct at once interprets to be the local caddie contingent. But your worst adventure among the caddies at Musselburgh or St. Andrews is poor, dull, uneventful fun compared with the pleasing pastime of having to run the gauntlet, with your clubs under your arm, amid this curious group. You are, first of all, assailed from all sides, and in every *timbre* of voice, from the fluted whisper of a timid, bear-headed, bare-footed urchin, up to the hoarse, raucous howl of an obviously debauched ne'er-do-weel. The language is foreign, strange, uncouth. Your protestation, couched in the best Stratford-atte-Bow French at your command, fails to get to the windward of their gentility, and is absolutely futile as an expedient to explain how matters really stand. Your clubs are pounced upon, first by one dirty hand, and then by another; you are pulled this way and that until you begin to think of the football scrimmages in your early college days, and meanwhile the babel of tongues ascends in volume and variety of barbaric vituperation. You are on the point of throwing the clubs among this horde to be fought for, when, all of a sudden, the tempest is quelled by the cheery voice of President Watson, who issues from the door of the estaminet arrayed in red jacket and knickerbockers, and harangues the turbulent caddie throng in voluble, energetically expressed Flemish, with a cuff here, and a cuff there, to lend point and emphasis to the command. Never was mutinous pirate crew more readily quieted by masterful captain; and now the clubs are given to one selected individual, who, proudly conscious of his victory, bears with great good-nature and no little equanimity what appear to be scoffs and jibes and jeers and Rabelaisian witty jests levelled at him by his unsuccessful competitors.

Relieved of this initial embarrassment, you enter the estaminet and find that the common dining-room of the establishment is given up to the use of the golfers, for this is to be their great gathering of the year—the Whitsuntide meeting. Players are present from Huddersfield, York, Tooting, Brussels, and other districts. Greetings are hearty, though the topic of the weather has a note of sadness running through it, for the clouds have begun to lower. At the bar of the little inn are two young sisters dispensing ale to thirsty wayfarers, while an elderly, jovial, military-looking waiter, with apron on arm, stands in the doorway smiling in that aimless, rapid, but wholly benevolent manner characteristic of his class, at the golfers who have gathered for the meeting. If you happen to "strike" conversation with this genial soul, you will hear him declare that he loves the English, and that he was once in the service of an ex-Lord Mayor of London—a piece of finely-rehearsed by-play which embodies an item of information dropped like a piece of melted sealing-wax, and, like it, meant to stick. Attracted by the bustle, the landlady appears—a pale, thin little woman, anæmic in complexion, with vivacious black eyes, bright and kindly in disposition, with an air of subdued sadness about her, betokening a hard struggle in life, speaking neither English nor French. Difference of language, however, is no barrier to the exchange of ceremonial greetings, for while Mr. Watson and Mr. Proctor joked with the lady in her native tongue, the English visitors did their best in homely, commonplace, matter-of-fact Saxon, whereat there was quite as much laughter, on the side of the landlady, at all events, as when Madame Récamier made a stir by her wit in the *salons* of the Faubourg Saint Germain.

Players began now to troop out in couples for the first tee, accompanied by the caddies, some of whom wore yellow-painted sabots. In front the plain stretches, for the distance of four holes, right up to the circumvallation of the massive fortification, girdled at the foot by a deep, wide moat. In the right foreground is a long level patch of bare sandy ground, whereon the cavalry and artillery exercise; in the middle distance, slightly to the left, stands the race-course and the grand-stand; while the view to the left is bounded by a rich clump of foliage, whence issues the plaintive, melancholy note of the cuckoo. On this morning a few regiments of Belgian soldiers are out for exercise and drill, and accompanied by the strains of the band, they are manoeuvring in the neighbourhood of the third hole. Before the golfers reach that point, however, the exercise of the soldiers is over for the day, and soon the men are seen stepping briskly off to barracks accompanied by the inspiring strains of a Belgian march. The large plain is now given over to the golfers, and a flock of long-eared, long-faced Belgian sheep, tended by a lame shepherd and a couple of under-sized, intelligent dogs, browse lazily along the pasture. The first hole out is a good drive across a bunker of considerable width, named "The Sahara." The second hole "The Avenue" is a good drive and an iron, but the play must be straight. "The Dyke" is a long tee shot, and a cleek or iron, the hole being on a hill-slope with a good deal of broken bumpy ground intervening. "Westward Ho!" is along the ridge of the slope, and has to be played with great care if the green is to be reached in two. "Hades" is the best hole on the course. It is a blind one off the tee; but if you pull the ball it is landed in the moat, and if you slice it gets among nettles and rough ground. A good straight shot lands one on the green. "The Garden" is a long hole and very difficult to play well in two long shots, a sandy road intersecting the course just in front of a long tee shot, with a market garden and ditch to the right to entrap a

sliced ball. "The Fort" harks back again to the hill and ought to be carried in one, while "The Avenue" is awkwardly placed for the green to be reached easily in two. "The Racecourse" gives a carry of 170 yards over a deep sandy road in order to reach the neighbourhood of the green, while "The Mound" ought to see the tee shot within an easy pitch of the hole, which is situated in a little hollow on the top of the mound. The second shot is the crucial one here, for it must neither be too weak nor too strong, if you do not wish to spoil your card. Those are the salient holes of the round, which is one of eighteen holes, though three of the holes have to be played twice in order to make up the full course. Considering the limitations placed upon Mr. Watson in laying out the course, he has done his work admirably and skilfully, for of course the military authorities, though benignant in their toleration of the game and its players, will not naturally give permission for the digging or erection of bunkers. The course is over 6,000 yards, and a scratch score of 84 or 86 is very good play indeed for the round.

The Whitsuntide meeting of the club was held on May 12th, 13th, and 14th, for prizes presented by the club. Those prizes consisted of a case of handsome silver spoons bearing the arms of Antwerp on the stem, and a cup richly chased, bearing the figure of a golfer in antique native costume swinging the club off the tee. The weather on the first two days of the meeting was very wet, and recourse was had to the kitchen of the estaminet in order that the players might dry their clothes—an object which was obligingly seconded by the attentive care of the landlady. Now that the Exhibition at Antwerp is in full swing, golfers will see that they can enrich the store of their experience by playing golf under new conditions, while at the same time they may amuse and instruct themselves both legitimately and wisely by becoming familiar with the inhabitants and inner life of a town, rich almost beyond all others in Europe in pictures, monuments and associations, and in notable landmarks of mediæval history.

Handicap sweepstakes, May 12th :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. A. J. Robertson	91 5 86	Mr. A. W. Malcolm	112 20 92
Mr. C. L. M. Pearson	98 8 90	Mr. C. G. Broadwood	96 3 93
Mr. J. Wilkinson	110 19 91	Mr. E. Devonshire	114 16 98
Mr. W. J. R. Watson	100 8 92	Mr. L. Evan-Thomas	107 8 99

Twenty players; others no returns.

Club prize, May 12th :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. C. G. Broadwood	87 3 84	Mr. C. L. M. Pearson	95 8 87
*Mr. J. Proctor	108 24 84	Mr. L. Evan-Thomas	97 8 89
Mr. A. J. Robertson	91 5 86	Mr. W. J. R. Watson	99 8 91
Mr. E. B. Graham	109 23 86	Mr. E. Devonshire	107 16 91
Mr. A. J. Wyley	105 18 87	Mr. A. W. Malcolm	112 20 92

* In playing off the tie Mr. Broadwood won with 92, less 3=89.

No returns :—Messrs. E. B. Graham, P. Jones, H. Evan-Thomas, F. B. Langridge, F. Hall, F. Chapman, J. Wilkinson, and Captain Reyntiens.

May 14th. Cup :—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Total.
*† Mr. E. B. Graham ...	{ 104 105	23	{ 81 82	163
† Capt. Reyntiens ...	{ 110 108	26	{ 84 82	
Mr. A. W. Malcolm ...	{ 99 108	20	{ 79 88	167
Mr. H. Evan-Thomas ...	{ 100 101	16	{ 84 85	
Mr. F. B. Langridge ...	{ 119 115	30	{ 89 85	174
Mr. P. Jones ...	{ 119 115	30	{ 89 85	
Mr. W. J. R. Watson ...	{ 95 97	8	{ 87 89	176
Mr. C. L. M. Pearson ...	{ 95 96	7	{ 88 89	
Mr. J. Wilkinson ...	{ 109 106	19	{ 90 87	177
Mr. E. Devonshire ...	{ 112 99	16	{ 96 83	
Mr. J. Proctor ...	{ 119 108	24	{ 95 84	179
Mr. L. Evan-Thomas ...	{ 93 103	8	{ 85 95	
Mr. A. J. Robertson ...	{ 91 100	3	{ 88 97	185
Mr. C. G. Broadwood ...	{ 92 95	scr.	{ 92 95	

* Won cup and divided first sweep.

INTERESTING GOLF AT ST. ANDREWS.

Taking advantage of the Whitsuntide holidays, Mr. Hilton recently paid a visit to St. Andrews, and embraced the opportunity of measuring himself against such players as Mr. P. C. Anderson, Mr. Ernley Blackwell, and Andrew Kirkaldy, and in every instance a most interesting match was the result. Before venturing to throw down the gauntlet, he had two or three days' practice, principally on the left course, or the round reversed, as he happened to find it on his arrival. Determined to avail himself to the utmost of his holiday, he played three rounds a day, inaugurating his proceedings with two 80's and a 79, a performance which speaks for itself. With the new week, however, bad weather set in, and although Mr. Hilton played well, he could scarcely expect in the circumstances again to parallel such scoring. On Tuesday, the 15th, he had a set-to with Mr. Peter Anderson. It rained in torrents all the morning, and in the afternoon the weather was but little better, but about half past one they sallied forth, and played three rounds with but little interval between each, a task scarcely attempted but by the lusty and strong. In the first round Mr. Anderson was hardly at his best; well over the burn in 2, his antagonist placed the first hole to his credit with a well-played 4, but a like figure gained the second for the ex-Amateur Champion. Of the next five holes each won two, and one was halved, but Mr. Hilton winning the last two, turned with that advantage—out in 41: Mr. Anderson 44. Three halves followed, when the latter threw away an easy chance, after making what promised to be a splendid recovery; he was thus 3 down and 5 to play. At the fifteenth, holing prettily in 2 off his iron, he reduced the lead by 1, but driving into the "Principal," while Mr. Hilton avoided all difficulties, Mr. Anderson lost the match by 3 and 2 to play. Scores 84, 89. The second round promised, as far as the first few holes were concerned, to result in easy victory for the Hoylake player, who from an only moderately good tee shot, crossed the burn with a long and brilliant carry, from which he holed out in 3. Up to the sixth hole Mr. Anderson's play was decidedly loose, and he was therefore 3 down, but the next three holes were brilliant; two very fine drives took him well on to the high hole green, where he holed out in 4; at the short hole, the wind being very strong, and almost against him, a grand swipe landed him some four yards past the hole, which he won with a good putt in two, while at the end, Mr. Hilton's ball lying three or four inches from the hole in 3, Mr. Anderson holed out in that number from a distance of fully fifteen yards. Approaching better at the tenth, he won that also, the fourth in succession; but he now missed his favourite shot, a half-iron approach, a mistake which subsequently he twice repeated, and the match was all square and 7 to play. After two halves Mr. Hilton won the long hole, this being due to the cause just mentioned, but again Mr. Anderson drew level at the Railway, with a good 4, a figure at which the Dyke was halved, an extremely good half for Mr. Anderson, who had but the veriest margin of space, by reason of the other ball lying almost a stymy. Square and 2 to play. In the next hole, Mr. Hilton met with dire disaster, his third being caught in the Scholar's Bunker, and his fourth in that near the green, and he was unable to finish in less than 9; his opponent therefore became dormy, and halving the last hole, won an interesting match by one. Scores:—Mr. Anderson, 41, 45=86; Mr. Hilton, 40, 47=87. Each having won a round, a third was played to decide the question; but, probably owing to the fact that the players had had little or no rest, the Golf fell off in a marked degree, and neither managed to complete the round in less than about 93 or thereabouts. Mr. Hilton started by visiting the burn; at the second hole each in turn missed an absurdly short putt, and thereafter the chronicle is one long tale of bunkers visited by Mr. Anderson, and of Mr. Hilton's inability to account for these casualties to his own advantage. Nevertheless it was an interesting struggle, and after innumerable misdeeds by either gentleman, Mr. Anderson was 1 up and 2 to play; then he had bad luck; his fourth shot, a running loft to the seventeenth green, from the left, being badly treated; it was past the bunker, on the edge of which for a moment or two it hung, and then rolled back, almost unplayable. The last hole and the match was halved, Mr. Anderson again being unlucky in failing by a hair's breath to hole what would have been the winning putt.

Wednesday the 16th was a typical St. Andrews Spring day, a strong north-easter, very cold, blew right across the course, and to keep the line demanded accurate play. In the forenoon Mr. Hilton had a single with Mr. Ernley Blackwell. With a straighter approach the former won the first hole, only immediately to lose his advantage, for Mr.

Blackwell drove the second in 2, and holed out faultlessly in 4. The play was of a give-and-take character, as far as the high hole, but the last two were won by Mr. Hilton, who was now 2 up; Mr. Blackwell having had two stymies to contend with on the way out. That gentleman, however, now won three holes in succession, the last of them by a very timely and useful long putt, after an approach played much too vigorously. Hole about followed, and the match was all square and 3 to play; at which stage Mr. Blackwell drove into the railway, from whence, albeit his second failed to extricate him, he reached the green with his third, securing a good half by reason of Mr. Hilton's indifferent putting. Deceived by the very strong side-wind, the latter now drove over the wall, but lay in the triangle. Later on, the wind again baffled him, and carried his approach into the road, but although he recovered well, he had lost too much ground, and Mr. Blackwell was dormy 1; halving the last hole, he won a close and interesting match. He drove throughout remarkably well, but Mr. Hilton threw away at least five easy chances on the green. Scores:—Mr. Blackwell, 89, which but for stymies, would have been two less; Mr. Hilton, approximately, 92. In the afternoon, this being the only opportunity open to Mr. Hilton of having a match with Andrew Kirkaldy, the professional joined in with the amateurs, and a three-ball match was played. The wind, if anything, had increased in strength, but this time Mr. Hilton was found at his best, while Mr. Blackwell was a long way below his game, and the interest lay solely in the trial of strength between the Hoylake player and Kirkaldy. The latter, usually so strong a player in coarse weather, had to submit to a severe drubbing. Mr. Hilton made an unpromising start by going into the burn, while Kirkaldy, with faultless play, was easily down in 4; but at the third hole, the figures were reversed, Mr. Hilton had the 4, and Kirkaldy the 6, occasioned by a drawn tee shot which lay close to the railway fence. In order to get it away at all, Kirkaldy turned his back to the hole and played the ball between his legs. Each then won two holes, when the match being all square, Mr. Hilton came away with a brilliant game, holing the eighth, ninth, tenth, and eleventh in 3 each, and winning the whole of them. For the 3 at the end he was beholden to a long putt, but at the next his approach was stone dead, in fact, all but in the hole. He was now 4 up; the twelfth was halved, but Mr. Hilton won the thirteenth, dormy 5; and halving the next, carried off the match by 5 and 4 to play; a very good performance. Of the remaining holes two were halved, and each player won one. Scores:—Mr. Hilton—Out, 6 5 4 6 7 5 5 3=44; home, 3 3 4 5 5 6 4 5 5=49; total, 84. Kirkaldy—Out, 4 5 6 5 6 6 6 5 4=47; home, 4 5 4 6 5 4 4 6 5=43; total, 90.

Considering the strength of the wind Mr. Hilton's score was probably equal to a round of 80, or even under it in calm weather, for the outgoing holes were all difficult to reach, with the exception of the first and the last two. His play on the whole, during his visit to St. Andrews, was remarkable for two things; first, the deadly accuracy of his full shots on to the green; no matter where his tee shots went, he invariably seemed to be in the close neighbourhood of the hole after two drives, or if the distance required it, three; secondly, the success which always attended him when intentionally slicing a brassy shot, in order to induce the ball to rise quickly from behind a hill. He alone, of modern players, seems to have devoted attention to this scientific stroke, so successfully practised by Allan Robertson, and by means of it, Mr. Hilton accomplished many of the long and deadly approaches to which we have just alluded.

ROYAL MUSSELBURGH GOLF CLUB.—The first tie of the annual tournament by holes, for which fifty-eight members entered, has been played off, with the following result:—Mr. A. W. Miller (scratch) beat Mr. N. J. Stewart (7); Mr. T. T. Gray (plus 3) beat Mr. H. B. Tristram (plus 3), after two ties; Mr. John Young (6) beat Mr. A. S. Bourhill (1); Rev. R. G. Fraser (9) beat Dr. Craigie (9); Mr. J. C. Sharp (3) beat Mr. J. Anderson (3); Mr. R. Miller (3) beat Mr. A. P. Meldrum (9); Mr. J. A. Macpherson (9) beat Mr. G. Crawford (5); Mr. James Williamson (7) beat Mr. James Stevenson (6); Mr. J. M. Williamson (plus 2) beat Mr. J. D. Wakelin (scratch); Rev. G. Kirkwood (7) beat Mr. M. Dewar (9); Mr. J. W. Dickson (9) beat Mr. J. S. C. St. Clair (6); Mr. R. C. Menzies (3) beat Mr. T. A. Buttar (3); Mr. W. Tait (5) beat Mr. A. White (9); Mr. W. Kirsopp (7) beat Mr. W. D. Niven (9); Mr. Thomson White (2) beat Mr. J. Herriot (9); Mr. W. M. McLachlan (5) beat Mr. John Ramsay (3); Rev. G. Lowe (1) beat Rev. J. Edgar (9); Mr. A. Mitchell (3) beat Mr. C. Carey (5); Mr. James Paul (2) beat Mr. George More (9); Mr. James Aikman (6) beat Mr. W. D. Husband (9); Mr. Charles Taylor (scratch) beat Mr. D. Whitelaw (9); Dr. Gilruth (9) beat Mr. W. S. Smart (2); Mr. J. D. Gibson (4) beat Mr. James Smart Musselburgh (5); Mr. R. T. Ozaimé (6) beat Mr. C. J. Ray (7); Mr. H. B. Ferrier (scratch) beat Mr. James Smart, Portobello (6). The following members received byes:—Dr. Scott, Messrs. J. Richardson, D. S. Duncan, R. N. Ramsay, F. L. R. Lee, and John Lyall.

ST. ANDREWS LOCAL CLUBS COMPETITION.

As briefly noticed in our last issue, the competition for the medal presented by the Royal and Ancient to the local clubs, took place on Saturday, May 12th. Representatives from four of these bodies took part in the proceedings, the St. Andrews, the Thistle, the Guild, and the Foresters, forty-two in all, but of these by far the most numerous were the St. Andrews players, who numbered twenty-eight, including all the strongest in the club. It would not have been rash to suppose, therefore, that that body might furnish the winner; but as a matter of fact, they signally failed to maintain their reputation, none of their numbers succeeding in attaining a better position than fourth, notwithstanding the fact that the scoring, taken altogether, was by no means up to an exceptional standard. Probably, everybody suffered from over-anxiety to do well, with the result that the play was considerably below the average. Certainly no weather conditions could have been more favourable, the light was first-rate, and there was an entire absence of wind, conditions which Mr. Leslie Balfour-Melville turned to excellent account (in a match with Mr. Edward Boyd), for he went round in 79, 38 out, 41 home. What strikes one as somewhat surprising in these competitions, is the admission of players who, under the not very stringent definitions of the Amateur Championship (as compared, for instance, with rowing), would be regarded as professionals, and rigorously excluded. None of them, however, on this occasion reached first-class amateur form, and the foremost places were all filled by players whose amateur status is unexceptionable. Previous winners have been Alexander Herd, 88; L. Auchterlonie, 88; Joseph Auchterlonie, 87; and last year, Mr. P. C. Anderson, ex-Amateur Champion, 80. During the last year or two, a pair of brothers, T. W., and James Robb, have come prominently to the front, and reaped considerable honours in tournaments and other competitions. Very recently they ran through to the final of a handicap tournament, tied, and, playing off, the elder brother won. It should be stated that James Robb, the younger, is but fifteen years old, and that on Wednesday, the 9th inst., he won the Madras College medal with the grand score of 83, beating record by 5 strokes, and on Thursday, the 10th inst., he repeated this score, carrying off the medal of the Thistle Club. Not since the days of young Tommy Morris has a lad appeared who could rival such performances, and it may be doubted whether even Tommy, at such an early age, was as good. For the club's medal, Robb, jun., did not do quite so well, he was 88, but, *uno avulso non deficit alter*, and his brother came to the front with 85. He, too, has often played better than on this occasion, and only by a magnificent shot to the eleventh hole was his card redeemed from mediocrity, for he had taken 44 to go out, but an excellent 2 for that dangerous hole made amends for some loose play.

As Mr. Robb had started early, second on the list, succeeding players knew pretty well what they had to do, but curiously enough, card after card was returned in excess of 85, which, somehow, if one may say so, seemed provokingly to bear a charmed life. Many in truth, had excellent opportunities, having gone out better than Mr. Robb, indeed, curiously enough, no less than seven competitors were out in 42, but one and all threw away their chances on the homeward journey, most of them in the last few holes. To none does this observation apply with greater force than to W. Greig, of whom much was expected, and who, in a measure, justified these expectations. Starting with two long drives, he was over the burn in 2, close to the hole, a poor putt, followed by a very good one, saved the 4; after which his play was steady, if not brilliant, 25 for the first five holes. Then came, after a somewhat lucky escape for his tee shot, a grand cleek drive on to the green, and following it up, he had a 3. A stroke or two might have been saved at the next two holes, but his total, after all, was 41 for the first half, the lowest of the day. But coming home he fell off; a very badly missed second ran up a 5 at the Heather hole. At the fifteenth he missed a very short putt, but the next two holes were remarkable for excellent recoveries, for at the Dyke, being unluckily bunkered in his second, he got well out, and then holed out in 4, and at the seventeenth, having to cross a corner of the road bunker, he pitched into it, but again got out, and holed. Even now a 4 to the last hole would have saved him, but being away to the left and putting loosely, he ran up a 6, finishing in 87. Failing Greig, one of the most likely winners of the medal was its late custodian, the ex-Amateur Champion, Mr. Peter Anderson, whose career also was watched with interest. But he played "a good match game," rather than a good medal round, and three 6's and a 7 put him out of court, and besides he was unlucky. A brilliant second shot to the second hole was trapped, and he had to play no less than 3 in the bunker ere he was clear, and all things con-

sidered, he did remarkably well to come off with no higher figure than 6. Two good 4's followed, and then a bad lie from the tee was the cause of his being bunkered at his third, and a 7 resulted. Again fortune persecuted him when driving to the sixth hole, and a long tee carried into the small round bunker beyond the others, but this time he escaped with a 5. With 43 out, he was well in the running, but a short putt missed at the tenth augured ill. A bunker at the Hole o'Cross green, and a visit to the Beardies from that tee cost him two more shots, but subsequently his play was perfection, and only on the last green did he throw away a chance of tying, notwithstanding all his misfortunes, and this too was annoying, for three times he was interrupted in his putting by the vagaries of a wandering dog, with the result that 43 home landed him second to Mr. Robb. None were found to challenge that gentleman till Mr. A. C. Aikman arrived, who had played a strong game, albeit somewhat befriended by luck, as at the fifth hole out, where, being very long, but also wild, from the tee, he nearly managed after all to hole out in 4. Like the others, he knew what was required of him, but having played seventeen holes, he had miscounted his own score, and thought he had but 3 to tie. After his third stroke he was about eight yards from the hole, when learning that he still had his putt to tie, with admirable precision he holed it.

As nobody else succeeded in lowering these figures, the tie was played off late in the evening. Mr. Aikman drew first blood at the second and third holes, but his opponent equalised matters by winning the fifth and sixth. The subsequent play, however, showed Mr. Aikman at his best, and with a 4 at the high hole, as against 6, and with 4 to 5 at the end, he held a lead of 3 strokes. The advantage thus gained he never wholly lost; driving very long and straight balls on the way home, he placed the issue practically beyond doubt at the long hole, where his powerful long game secured him an easy 5, whereas Mr. Robb, weak from the tee, was badly bunkered at his third, and finishing badly by missing a short putt, he was 4 down and 3 to play. Mr. Aikman, increasing his lead, ultimately won by 6 strokes, with the very good score of 84.

Details as follows:—Mr. Robb, out 5 5 4 5 7 5 5 3 5=44; home, 4 2 5 6 5 4 5 6 4=41; total 85. Mr. Aikman, out, 5 4 4 4 5 5 6 4 5=42; home, 5 4 4 5 6 4 5 6 4=43; total 85.

For the tie:—Mr. Aikman, out, 5 5 4 5 6 5 4 4 4=42; home, 4 4 5 5 4 4 6 5=42; total 84. Mr. Robb, out, 5 6 5 5 5 4 6 4 5=45; home, 4 3 5 4 8 5 6 6 4=45; total 90.

ROLLAND AND WHITE v. W. PARK, JUN., AND H. KIRKALDY.

There is an old saying about the success of the early bird, and the proverb was exemplified on Saturday, the 12th, at Worlington, for Rolland and White were first on the ground, and showed better acquaintance with the links during the contest. Independently of this, they played a steadier game than the others throughout, gauging their approaches better, and though Park and Kirkaldy each holed a long putt occasionally in the moment of need, yet they did not shine in the short game so much as might have been expected.

A wet morning was somewhat discouraging to all concerned, as the rain had been improving the course all through the night; indeed, had wet come a week sooner, the eighteen-hole course would have been ready for play. As it was, great credit is due to Tom Hood and his assistants for the general excellence of the short course. All the professionals had but one word to say for it, that it was more like links by the sea than any other inland course within their knowledge.

The match was for a purse of £20, and when the four combatants appeared at the first tee shortly before eleven o'clock, there was an assemblage behind them, whom weather could not deter, well wrapped in waterproofs and carrying umbrellas. The barometer was rising, so was the wind, and every one's hopes followed suit, but there were small pools of water here and there for a short time. By the end of the first round, the rain had ceased for the day, and the ground was just right for golf.

One important personage must not be forgotten. Willie Park brought "Fiery" from Musselburgh, and the well-known caddie attracted much attention, having his photograph taken at the close of the match.

In the first round the play was of a give-and-take character. After three halves, Park and Kirkaldy altered this state of matters at the fourth hole, where both drives had been whirled out of the course by the wind, Kirkaldy's being clear of the trees. Park made a perfect approach over the first to the hole-side; Rolland lifted out of the ditch, but was short with his iron. Rolland and White won the next two holes in 5 and 4. The seventh is a full cleek shot from the plantation across a wide hazard; Rolland and Park were both on the green, but not dead. At the long hole Park's approach putt was too strong, and Kirkaldy had too much to do, but at the home hole Willie made amends by a good putt. Rolland and White 1 up. Scores, 42 all.

In the second round time about was still the order of the day, but at the

fourth hole, after a brilliant drive by Rolland and a long putt home in 3, the ex-Champions lost the lead for good. At this point Rolland and White were playing a faultless game. The Railway in 4 and the sixth in 4 made them 3 up. Kirkaldy's want of local knowledge cost him a stroke in whins at the long hole, which also went to the others. At the end of the round, however, the St. Andrews man holed a pretty putt, and White failed with the like. Rolland and White, 3 up. Scores: Rolland and White, 39; Park and Kirkaldy, 43.

In the afternoon the number of spectators was greatly increased, and a few ladies graced the scene. Among the company we observed Mr. William Gardner, Captain Laing, Revs. George Hodges, J. D. Toolis, F. Lord, Messrs. H. T. Barclay, A. G. Salmon, C. Pegg, A. A. Ruston, F. R. Upcher, J. Russell, J. Watson, T. C. Fitzherbert, Major Ord, and Mr. and Mrs. Ryan. Mr. A. C. Sealy, winner of the silver cup in the previous week, acted as Umpire.

Park led off on to the road, where it looked bad, for Rolland had swiped a straight ball which some one paced at 220 yards, but Kirkaldy played the man, making a full cleek shot off the gravel without displacing a pebble. A good putt of Park's won the hole. From this point the game became one-sided, Rolland and White winning four holes in succession. The others were ditched at the third hole, and at the Railway Kirkaldy lost the ball in water where he thought he had played safe; but the play of the ex-Champions was not such as to inspire confidence, whereas Rolland and White were showing dogged resolution, being always there or thereabouts. After three halves the home hole was again won in 3 by a putt of Park's, and Rolland and White stood 5 up and 9 to play. Scores:—Rolland and White, 42; Park and Kirkaldy, 44.

There is little further to record; after halving the first and second holes, Rolland practically won the third by making the most brilliant shot of the day, over ditch and bents on to the green, within holing distance, the only time this green was carried in two strokes during the day. Dormy 6 is depressing. Park pulled his tee-shot, while Rolland's was a beauty. Kirkaldy tried to play through the trees, but luck was not his; the hole went to Rolland and White easily, and the match by 7 up and 5 to play.

Park and Kirkaldy won the bye by three holes. Scores:—Rolland and White, 44; Park and Kirkaldy, 45. By a curious coincidence, the home hole was won by the ex-Champions every time. Approximate scores:—

Rolland and White	{ First Round ... 6 4 5 6 5 4 3 5 4=42 } 81
	{ Second Round ... 6 3 6 3 4 4 4 5 4=39 }
Park and Kirkaldy	{ First Round ... 6 4 5 4 6 5 3 6 3=42 } 85
	{ Second Round ... 5 4 5 5 5 6 4 6 3=43 }
Rolland and White	{ Third Round ... 6 4 5 4 5 5 3 6 4=42 } 86
	{ Fourth Round ... 6 4 4 4 6 4 4 8 4=44 }
Park and Kirkaldy	{ Third Round ... 5 5 6 5 6 5 3 6 3=44 } 89
	{ Fourth Round ... 6 4 5 7 5 5 3 7 3=45 }

Rolland as usual made slashing drives, but his long putts generally lipped the hole, and he failed twice from a few feet. Park showed best with his cleek, being unable to keep the line with his driver. Kirkaldy generally drove well, but it was not his day, and his deadly approaches did not come off. White played a strong, steady game, his approaches being frequently admired.

BEARSDEN CLUB.—The usual monthly handicap competition for the gold medal presented by Mr. J. W. Stewart, Balgownie, took place on this course on Saturday, in magnificent golfing weather. When the cards were examined the following were found to be best scores for one round of the course:—Miss L. Russell (18), 57, winner of the medal; Miss J. K. Smith (14), 58; Mrs. Russell (14), 58; and Miss Thomson (24), 60.

DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY CLUB.—The annual championship competition took place over the Kingholm course at Dumfries on Saturday. The wind was strong, and the putting greens were somewhat rough, which made the scores high. Mr. Blake, the winner of last year, was again the victor, his score being 81. Captain Scott was next in order with 82. For the monthly handicap medal, which was played for at the same time, Captain Scott and Mr. W. I. Scott tied with a net score of 80, their respective handicaps being 2 and 18.

GOLF IN ULSTER.—Inexpensive and enjoyable. Climate mild and bracing. Unsurpassed Eighteen-hole Seaside Courses. Portrush, Co. Antrim; Portsalon and Rosapenna, Co. Donegal. Superior Hotel accommodation. Special arrangements for Golfers all the year round. Full particulars from Thos. Cook and Son, and H. Gaze and Sons, Tourist Agents; and in Belfast from G. L. Baillie, 21, Arthur Street, and E. J. Cotton, General Manager, Northern Counties Railway.

Reviews.

A GENTLEMAN OF FRANCE. By Stanley J. Weyman. London: Longmans. One Vol. Price 6s.

Mr. Weyman has sprung up as a writer of historical romance in a style peculiarly bright, interesting and truthful. His history is good; his incidents succeed each other with thrilling rapidity, but withal with a sufficient sobriety and probability to ensure belief, at least for the time of reading. "A Gentleman of France" carries off a young lady possessed of great private wealth and important public secrets, and he passes through situations dangerous and delicate with credit to his head, his heart and his honour, and eventually with advantage to his shattered fortunes, inasmuch as he inevitably marries the young lady whom he so sternly kept as a state prisoner, and receives as his reward for the achievement of his task, honours, titles and offices. With the exception of Mr. Quiller Couch, whose "Splendid Spur" is a romance of like description, there are few historical writers who are so captivating, convincing and accurate as Mr. Stanley Weyman, who has delighted a very large circle of readers, young and old, of both sexes, with his charming and absorbing romance entitled "A Gentleman of France."

SIX HUMOROUS GOLF SKETCHES. By C. J. Edmondson: Manchester, Abel Heywood & Son. Price 5s.

These six coloured golfing sketches are broadly humorous in their design, and in their general effect are as mirth-provoking as anything we have seen in connection with the game. It appears that Mr. Edmondson, a member of a Manchester Golf Club, has employed the fertile resources of his pencil to illustrate a number of golfing terms for the decoration of the club-room. Golfers in the neighbourhood of Manchester have been so much struck with the illustrations, that, in order to meet numerous requests for copies, six of the sketches have been reproduced in chromo-lithography. Each sketch has a happy Shakespearian quotation descriptive to some extent of the incident depicted. "The Drive" represents a player striking off the tee; and the pose, swing, garb, eyeglass, red coat, and expression of the player's face are in the happiest vein of caricature. "A Scratch Player" shows a dashing, handsome young lady in cap and red jacket, and club through the arms behind the waist, with the legend below "I am not in the roll of common men." "A Bad Lie" is also particularly funny; but surely, since the primeval days of golf, no golfer has played with such a golf club. "A Duffer" shows a bullock looking intently in suppressed anger at the ball lying at the hole-side (the ball, by the way, is much too large), and at the flag in the hole, while the unfortunate player has taken refuge behind a neighbouring tree. He is frantically waving his iron in order to frighten the animal, adopting the words from Henry V. "I dare not fight, but I will wink and hold out my iron." We strongly recommend golfers and Golf Club executives to buy these drawings for decorative purposes; they have been admirably reproduced, and are certainly worth the money.

GOLFERS' GUIDE TO THE GAME AND GREENS OF SCOTLAND. Edited by W. Dalrymple. Published annually by W. H. White and Co., Edinburgh.

It is difficult to give an easy, compact description of this interesting little volume. The first half of it is not so much a guide to Scottish Golf greens as a solid, chatty, lightsome contribution to Scottish golfing biographical literature. In the first 100 pages the editor has gathered together, for the benefit of a new generation of players, all the facts that can be known concerning the playing prowess and character of the noted Scottish golfers who lived in the early decades of this century. The bulk of that material, it is true, has been gathered long before Mr. Dalrymple's little book appeared, and to that extent, therefore, his ransacking of living memories and contemporary documents has served but little to add fresh facts to the already published store. But if Mr. Dalrymple has not been able to cast much fresh light on this branch of his subject he has achieved a greater success by his portraits of the players as they appeared in the heyday of their game. Thus we have several photographs of Allan Robertson, old and young Tom, the brothers Dunn,

Gourlay, the celebrated feather-ball maker, of Musselburgh, J. O. F. Morris, Dow of Montrose, the professionals in the great match of 1849 between the two Duns, and Allan Robertson and old Tom, and the leading amateurs who played in the tournaments of 1857 and 1858 at St. Andrews. With reference to the group facing page 33, Tom Dunn, to whom we showed the group, says that the doubtful player is not his uncle but old Willie Park, to whom it certainly bears a very striking resemblance. The book also contains capital portraits of Fernie, W. Park, jun., Sayers, Herd, Hugh Kirkaldy, Archie Simpson, Grant, and Mr. Peter C. Anderson, while the editor very justly laments that he has not been able to get a photograph of Davie Strath, the great rival of young Tom. The editor ought to note, with a view to future revision, that the "John Dunn" mentioned on pages 40 and 43, has only one "n" in his name. He is a well-known player at Hoylake.

The second portion of the book gives an alphabetical list of the Scottish Golf greens, with a brief indication of the means of transit thither; and at the end of the book is a map of Scotland, the towns where greens are situated being dotted red. In this part of the book, as well as in the earlier portion, the editor has left the impress of his vast range of reading in legendary lore; towns with a bald and unpromising history serve as themes around which Mr. Dalrymple lets play his anecdotal fancy, brightening and diversifying dry details by the appropriate incorporation of an eerie legend here and there. The work could not have been entrusted to more capable or versatile editorship than that of Mr. Dalrymple, and we wish the book a hearty success.

SOUTHWOLD GOLF CLUB.—The monthly competition (match play) held on the 5th of May, was won by Mr. J. B. Gooding, 2 down.

CLAPHAM COMMON GOLF CLUB.—The Ladies' monthly medal competition was played upon the six-hole course on Tuesday, 8th May, with the following results:—Miss M. Andrews, 44, less 9=35; Miss M. Bradbury, 37, less 1=36; Mrs. Woodhead, 38, scratch, 38; Miss Cameron, 50, less 12=38; Miss A. H. Bradbury, 43, less 5=38; Miss Brookes, 43, less 4=39; Miss Green, 54, less 9=45; Miss H. Marval, 59, less 12=47.

STUDLEY ROYAL CLUB.—The third competition of this club for a prize presented by the club took place on the links in Studley Park, on Monday, May 7th. Results:—Mr. R. Harrison, 99, less 8=91; Mr. W. Powell, 118, less 24=94; Major St. Paul, 132, less 36=96; Mr. A. Wood, 105, less 8=97; Major Busfield, 114, less 16=98; Rev. W. Bardsley (scratch), 100; Hon. G. Lascelles, 114, less 14=100; Mr. W. Mawson, 114, less 14=100; Mr. R. Williamson, 113, less 12=101; Mr. R. Wilkinson, 128, less 24=104; Captain Cameron, 123, less 17=106; Mr. T. S. Mason, 117, less 10=107; Mr. E. A. Maugin, 119, less 12=107; Mr. O. H. Wade, 124, less 8=116; Mr. F. Sharp, 150, less 20=130; Mr. F. Wise, 173, less 25=148. The three winners to play off for possession are Mr. T. S. Mason, 101, less 10=91; Mr. A. Wood, 98, less 8=90; and Mr. R. Harrison, who will play it off on May 19th.

SCOTCH HUMOROUS READINGS; "TIBBIE AND TAM." By J. Wilson McLaren. Illustrated. Edinburgh. J. T. Baillie, 5, Nicholson Square. 1s.

This is an excellent specimen of those books which constitute the mainstay of the humorous reciter or reader at country-side gatherings in the North, and indeed, at social meetings of Scottish folk in London and other parts of England. Extracts from them are always acceptable upon these occasions, though the degree of success usually depends upon the "lay-off" of the Doric. In the present case, the doings of Tibbie and Tam, a married couple of the conventional Scottish funny kind, are narrated in a series of fourteen chapters, and Mr. McLaren, following the "Jeems Kay" and "Generalship" example, has not only put the talk of the pair and their neighbours into "braid Scots" of the Lothians, but has employed the colloquial medium of the same quarter for the descriptive and connecting parts of his book. One of the stories describes how Tam fell a victim to "the Gowff craze," and the manner in which his very much better-half effectually crushed his aspirations in that direction. Mr. McLaren writes in a strain of rollicking humour, chastened here and there by a touch of sweetness and tenderness.

FINCHLEY GOLF CLUB.—The competition for the captain's prize and the monthly medal took place on these links on the 5th inst. A considerable number of members competed, and the result was as follows:—Mr. J. L. Clarke, 94, less 15=79; Mr. H. B. Wimbush, 98, less 16=82; Mr. Percy B. Tubbs, 103, less 12=91.

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL.



MR. S. MURE FERGUSSON.

MR. JOHN BALL, JUN.
(Amateur Champion, 1894.)

(From a photograph by Robinson and Thompson, Hamilton Square, Birkenhead.)

RHYL GOLF CLUB.—The Ladies' monthly handicap of this club was played off on Monday, 7th May, with the following result:—Mrs. Hewitt, 156, less 60=96; Miss Haynes, 160, less 55=105; Mrs. Miller, 166, less 50=116; Miss E. Kennedy, scratch 136.

BROMLEY AND BICKLEY GOLF CLUB.—Monthly medal competition, May 5th:—Mr. E. Baldwin, 110, less 26=84 (winner); Mr. J. Tattersall, 113, less 20=93; Mr. H. E. Solly, 116, less 23=93; Rev. R. I. Woodhouse, 110, less 16=94; Mr. A. E. Willett, 115, less 20=95; Mr. R. W. Johnson, 126, less 30=96; Mr. G. Grant, 134, less 30=104; Mr. A. Gedge, 143, less 36=107; Mr. W. T. Fullilove, 147, less 36=111.

ST. ANDREWS CLUBMAKERS' COMPETITION.—The workmen in the employ of Tom Morris and Messrs. Forgan & Son played for their medal and prizes on Saturday, the 5th inst. The weather was all that could be desired for play. Seventeen couples started, and after the round was played the following was the result:—D. McIntosh (Morris), 77, with odds, medal and first prize; L. Walters (Morris), 80, scratch; P. Black (Forgan), 84, with odds; W. Millar (Morris), 87, with odds; G. Braid (Forgan), 88, with odds; H. Turpie (Forgan), 91, with odds; A. Drummond (Morris), 91, with odds; J. Govan (Forgan), 92, with odds; James Anderson, sen. (Forgan), 93, with odds; Fred Herd (Forgan), 93, scratch; James Anderson, jun. (Forgan), 94, scratch; Charles Grieve, 94, scratch.



THE UMPIRE IN GOLF.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—When I wrote to you a little while back on the subject of the "Umpire in Golf," I did not think that the views I then enunciated would so soon receive such a forcible illustration as has been given to them by the unfortunate Hilton-Ball incident.

This emboldens me to press on the attention of the Amateur Championship authorities once more the necessity of having, if not two umpires, at least one with active powers for every match in that competition, so that unpleasant wranglings between the players themselves may be rendered impossible.

I am, Sir, &c.,
ERNEST LEHMANN.

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

MR. HILTON AND MR. JOHN BALL OF LEASOWE.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—As my silence may be construed into an admission that I was in fault at the ninth hole, I must ask you to allow me a small space in your valuable paper. It is perhaps not generally known that the spectator whose interference caused so much commotion was a competitor for the Championship and beaten by me on the previous day. When he accused me of having touched the sand, I replied "Well, if I did it must have been very slight, as I never noticed it." I may mention that I addressed and played my ball with the greatest care, and feel satisfied that the stroke was a fair one.

The incident at the seventh hole, when—after Mr. Hilton had missed his putt, and I had been successful—Mr. Hilton's caddie accused mine of having put his foot on an "offending worn-cast," can be taken for what it is worth. I saw nothing of the sort, nor did Mr. Hilton, whose back could not have been turned very long, as his ball was within a few feet from the hole.

I am quite content to leave myself in the hands of the sporting public, who can form their own opinion as to whether or not I acted in a fair and sportsmanlike manner.

I am, Sir, &c.,
JOHN BALL (2), Leasowe.

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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

AMATEUR.—This point has frequently cropped up before, and so far as our knowledge and experience go it has never been held to be an infringement either of rule or etiquette to miss the ball intentionally. There is no rule on the subject; it is purely a question, of tactical expediency as between one opponent and another. As we told a previous correspondent writing on the same subject a short time ago, it was the constant practice of Allan Robertson and Hugh Philp in foursome play either to tell a weak partner to miss the ball altogether if, say, he could not carry the Swilcan in his second, or to use his putter to putt the ball to the edge of the bunker. Why should the opponent object to such a stroke, seeing that there is no dispute about counting it practically as a penalty stroke? Each player has to play the game according to his own judgment; and it would indeed be an absurd piece of refined chivalry if, knowing well that neither he nor his partner could carry a hazard, either player has to play a shot with all his might and main in order to please his opponent by getting into a bunker.

H. BROKE.—(1) The balls having been exchanged as described, the first results ought to have been counted, because both players having erred, the penalty was cancelled. (2) If B had found out the mistake before playing his second, A would have been penalised a stroke in match play; but in medal play there is no penalty, and the ball is replaced.

H. B. Y.—(1) Yes, the hole can be claimed because the position of the ball has been improved. (2) No, because the dropped ball striking the player is purely accidental and quite beyond his control. All you can do, if not satisfied with the position of the dropped ball, is to ask the player to re-drop.

CHURSTON.—A "Bogey" score is compiled by taking every hole at its par value, that is to say, in the number of strokes that a scratch player at the top of his game will hole them in. Such a scratch score is the ideal round of the green, and takes no account of variations in the weather, such as wind and rain, or the heaviness of the course. In this lies the defect of the "Bogey" principle, because the score is invariable, while the actual competitors are handicapped seriously in playing down to a score which is fixed under the most favourable auspices in which the game can be played. It is, therefore, better to allow a few more strokes on the gross total of the "Bogey" score to meet those variations. The players competing against "Bogey" take three-fourths of the difference in their handicaps, a table of strokes being fixed by the committee beforehand, showing automatically at which holes in the round a stroke is to be taken against "Bogey." Such a handicap table will be found in a previous volume of the paper.

Q.—It is a question purely for the discretion of the committee. Inasmuch as taking shelter gives a player an advantage over his fellow-competitors, we see no actual hardship in applying the disqualification to both competitions, seeing that the one is interwoven with, and really governed by, the other.

INQUIRER.—(1.) Yes, the captain is within his rights as head of the club in calling the attention of any member to an irregularity in the observance of the rules or by-laws. This remark also applies to the committee. (2.) Yes, and of all members of the club as well. (3.) The placing of a notice on the board ought only to be done with the sanction of the general committee, whose view it ought to represent as the governing authority of the club. The proper officer to sign and put up the notice is the hon. secretary, and no notice ought to be posted on the initiative of the captain alone, or of any individual member of the committee.

SCOTSMAN CLUB.—The second competition for the aggregate trophy was played on the Braids on the 12th. The best scores handed in were:—Mr. H. Neilson, 81, less 1=80; Mr. H. Arnott, 86, less 1=85; Mr. D. Pringle, 90, less 5=85; Mr. G. J. Webster, 95, less 10=85; Mr. D. Blair (scratch), 87; and Mr. W. Walter, 117, less 30=87;

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Golfers familiar with Westward Ho! will hear with regret that owing to ill-health, consequent on a recent attack of scarlet fever, Lieut.-Col. Winterscale, the hon. secretary of the Royal North Devon Club, has been ordered rest by his medical attendant. He has, in consequence, retired from the hon. secretaryship in favour of Major Winter, York House, Bideford.

A Professional Tournament will be held at Ilkley, in Yorkshire, for prizes amounting to £12, on Thursday, May 31st. On the following Friday and Saturday there are several interesting open competitions for amateurs.

"House of Commons, 13th February, 1893," is the title of a historical painting by Mr. R. Ponsonby Staples, illustrating the scene in the representative chamber of the British Legislature on the occasion of the introduction by Mr. Gladstone of his Home Rule Bill. The painting has been on view at the gallery of Messrs. Henry Graves & Co., 6, Pall Mall, S.W., and has been inspected by large numbers of public men, artists, and journalists. It is on all hands admitted that the portrayal of a general scene in the House of Commons is a matter of no ordinary difficulty. The cramped limits of the chamber are all against that from the ordinary point of view; the best aspect of it on a big night is seen from the Press Gallery, which enables a bird's-eye but fairly comprehensive view to be obtained. Mr. Staples has depicted the scene from the other end of the chamber, which, though it furnishes opportunities for a striking presentment of the Speaker's chair, the clerks' table, and both front benches, yet leaves the grouping of members below the gangway, and especially towards the bar, a somewhat inartistic aggregation, even making liberal allowance for the difficulties alluded to. The main centre of action however—Mr. Gladstone depicted standing at the table in an attitude of vigorous declamation—with his Cabinet and under-Ministers, and the leading members of the Opposition all closely following his utterances, is very powerful, and the likenesses are, almost without exception, faithful portraiture. A few well-known Press representatives in the gallery surmounting the Speaker's chair can be readily recognised. To those who know intimately the interior of the House of Commons both on great and small occasions, the *tout ensemble* of the painting is somewhat disappointing, but as a commemorative work of a great occasion it is sufficiently impressive and realistic to ensure a large subscription for the photogravure reproduction which is about to be brought out.

Several inquiries have been made as to whether Epsom was a public Golf course, and writing from the experience of many players who have gone there to play who were not members of the club, as well as from the general character of the Downs as an "open public space," we said that Golf was not private there. A correspondent, however, who is a resident near Epsom, and a member of the club, writes to correct the misapprehension. At first, when the Epsom club started, the belief was entertained among the members that all that was needed for the playing of Golf on the Downs was the permission of the Commoners. This permission was granted, but after a short

interval the club were served with a prohibitory notice from Mr. Dorling, of the Grand Stand Committee. The club obtained legal advice on the point, and as the result it was decided to recognise Mr. Dorling's right, a lease for playing purposes being granted to the club at a low rental.

It gives us pleasure to make this announcement, and to have the widespread impression authoritatively corrected that public golfing rights exist at Epsom. The correspondents who have written on the subject ought therefore, to take note of the above announcement, and to see that their play is regulated by a proper introduction to the club and under the ægis of its authority. In face of this statement irresponsible and unattached players cannot have any *locus standi* at Epsom, and if golfers insist upon playing there without recognising the claims and the authority of the club they are not only certain to be stopped, but the pastime as a whole is in danger of being wrecked on one of the loveliest downs in England.

NEW RECORD FOR BEARSDEN.—The record for Bearstden Golf Links was broken on Saturday, the 12th. Mr. Saml. Armstrong, in playing a game with Mr. W. Wilson, did the round of nine holes in 35. The previous record was 36.

MONTROSE VICTORIA CLUB.—At a large and enthusiastic meeting of the members of this club, held the other day, it was unanimously resolved that, in view of the increased membership and the present club-house giving inadequate facilities to those who play regularly, the erection of a new club-house on a larger scale should be proceeded with immediately. Of the sum estimated to be required for the new building, nearly two-thirds were subscribed by those present. It was remitted to the secretary to make application to the Town's Treasurer for a site in the corner of the field opposite the old club-house.

The Town Council of Glasgow are, it is stated, to impose a small fee on golfers in Alexandra Park, in order to better regulate the play.

The Eyemouth Golf Course was opened on the 10th inst. by Sir Walter Simpson, of Balabraes, who was presented with a handsome Golf club, bearing an inscription on a silver plate.

At a recent meeting of Montrose Town Council several matters in connection with Montrose Golf Course were under consideration. It is proposed to lay out several new bunkers, and to effect other improvements on the course. An application by Mr. H. W. Thomson, secretary of the Victoria Golf Club, asking the Council to feu 1,000 square yards of ground opposite the former club-house of the Royal Albert Club, on which to erect a new club-house, was heartily entertained, and the Treasurer's Committee instructed, after consideration, to take the necessary steps for exposing the ground at a feu duty of ¼d. per square yard. A similar resolution was come to in regard to an application from the Montrose Ladies' Golf Club for a site to the south-east of the Royal Albert Club-house on which to erect a club-house.

The young ladies of Hawick are going strongly in for the game of Golf, and a ladies' course has now been laid out on the Vertish Hill. The other day while two gentlemen were finishing a round, a number of labourers, who had been enjoying a stroll, gathered round the green to witness the close of the game, after which one of them, drawing his companions' attention to a group of lady golfers, remarked—"There's an awfu' lot o' women playin' Gowff noo." "Oh, ay," exclaimed another, "they used to play what they ca'd the tennis, but a' the men hae left the tennis for the Gowff!"

THE ASSESSMENT OF GOLF COURSES.—Sheriff-Principal Berry, at Glasgow, on Thursday, 17th, issued his decision in a case in which the point of law was whether land, admitted to be

pasture land, ceased to be such when played over by golfers. Lenzie Golf Club some time ago leased certain fields on the farm of Wester Auchencloch, Lanarkshire, and were assessed by the Local Authority on the full rental value of £55. The committee of the club appealed against the assessment on the ground that the fact that the land was played over by golfers did not alter the character of the lands. Being pasture lands, they only fell to be assessed on a fourth of the sum fixed. It was explained that the course was sublet for grazing purposes. Sheriff Birnie refused the petition on the ground that the primary use of the fields was for golfing, and not for the pasturing of cattle. On Thursday, Sheriff Principal Berry recalled that judgment, and decided in favour of the contention of the Golf Club. The view he took of the case was that the land was in its nature pasture land, and should be assessed as such. This decision is well-timed, as there is a disposition on the part of many County Councils and private individuals to regard Golf clubs as lucratively squeezeable.

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Inverness, the capital of the Highlands, can now boast of one of the finest nine-hole sporting courses in the kingdom. There are now forty Golf courses north of the Grampian Range, all of more or less excellence. A good match was played against Dornoch a few days ago, when the Invernessians were beaten by 14 holes. Mr. J. Sutherland, the crack Dornoch player, did the eighteen holes of the Inverness course in the record score of 76. List of courses north of Grampian Range:—Newtonmore, 9 holes (fair); Kingussie, 9 holes (beautifully situated); Aviemore, 9 holes (a good inland course); Boat-of-Garten, 9 holes (excellent); Abernethy, 9 holes (sporting course); Grantown, 9 holes (wonderful course, out of an old pine wood); Gordon Castle, 9 holes (private); Banff, 18 holes (links short and narrow); Cullen, 9 holes (improving); Buckie, 9 holes (somewhat rough); Lossiemouth, 18 holes (very good); Forres, 18 holes (good turf, too level); Nairn, 18 holes (good turf, too level); Inverness, 9 holes (sporting and good); Ness Castle, 9 holes (private); Fortrose, 9 holes (fair); Beauly, 9 holes (poor); Strathpeffer, 9 holes (much improved, fine sporting course); Invergordon, 9 holes (fair); Cromarty, 9 holes (fine sporting course); Castlecraig, 9 holes (fair); Tain, 12 holes (capable of being made excellent); Lairg, 9 holes (good course); Dornoch, 18 holes (grand course); Golspie, 9 holes (excellent); Brora, 9 holes (very fine); Helmsdale, 9 holes (good); Wick, 9 holes (fair); John O'Groats, 9 holes (requires a green-keeper); Reay, 9 holes (good); Eriboll, 9 holes (private); Durness, 9 holes (grand undulating course); Stornoway, 9 holes (fair); Newton, Loch Maddy, 9 holes (very good); Benbecula, 9 holes (good); Askernish, South Uist, 18 holes (grand turf); Arisaig, 9 holes (private); Fort William, 9 holes (fair); Balintore, Ross, 9 holes (very imperfect); Ballater, 9 holes (good).

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We notice an announcement in several papers that Golf has just been introduced into the Isle of Man; but it is several years since Golf took possession of the Isle, and at Castletown, Douglas, and Ramsey, there are excellent courses and flourishing clubs already in existence. Mr. Hall Caine, who has laid the scene of several of his novels in the Isle of Man, and knows every corner thereof, has just written a short sketch of the island entitled "The Little Man Island," a phrase borrowed from John Speed's History. A visit to any of the main courses, which are all available on easy terms, would be interesting to holiday-seeking golfers, and they would find Mr. Caine's booklet, with its description of the cliffs, curraghs, rivers, glens and towns of the island, a useful companion.

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Mr. M. Power, who at Whitsunday took possession of the famous Cross Keys Hotel, St. Andrews, was recently entertained to dinner by his friends in Haddington. Bailie Young, who presided, referred to the courteous manner of Mr. Power, and the excellence of the entertainment provided by him at the George Hotel, which for ten years he had conducted with great success. He was now moving to a higher sphere in the classic town of St. Andrews, and he was sure Mr. Power carried with him the good wishes of the people of Haddington. Mr. Power suitably thanked the company for their

kind wishes. St. Andrews is certainly fortunate in having Mr. Power at the Cross Keys. He is most active, courteous, and obliging, a splendid skater, a keen curler, and a fair golfer, and no doubt he will prove a great acquisition to the great Golf capital.

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Dunbar has now got a ladies' Golf club of which Miss Russell, of Broxmouth Park, grand-daughter of the Dowager-Duchess of Roxburgh, has been elected first captain, and Miss Storey, of Balerna Villa, East Links, secretary and treasurer. In forming the club, the ladies had the assistance of several gentlemen of the Dunbar Club. As the full course is rather long and trying, it is expected that that a new ladies' course will soon be mapped out.

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At a recent meeting of the Dunbar School Board, Mr. Fyshe reported that to prevent complaints about school children being taken away for caddies, the club had adopted a badge and a register. No boy under fourteen years of age, except he had passed the fifth standard, would be accepted. This is quite a laudable resolution, which ought to be adopted wherever it is possible, as the popularity of Golf in many places acts injuriously on the education of the children of the district, and makes the teachers' work very difficult.

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One of the most successful Edinburgh clubs is the Morton-hall, which with repeated raising of the entry money has still a legion of applicants waiting for admission at the present high figure. The club-house is about to be enlarged, as the club now numbers 300 and 50 additional members are about to be elected. In addition to a dining-room and cloak-room a new box-room will be added with increased accommodation for the club-servants, the work being in the hands of the original architects, Messrs. Sydney Mitchell and Wilson. The extended course, which for some-time has been in preparation, has also been finished, and is in wonderfully good condition.

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The annual spring camp of the Edinburgh University Volunteer Medical Staff Corps is just now at Archerfield, where Surgeon-Major Hepburn is in command. Through the kindness of the tenant of Archerfield (Mr. James Law), the Golf course within the grounds has been placed at the disposal of the volunteers who care to play.

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The Edinburgh Ladies' Club has started most auspiciously with a fine green at Millbank, a membership of nearly 200, the blessing of the Lord-Provost of the city, and the active assistance of a great number of well-known gentlemen golfers. Mr. Bloxson and Mr. St. Clair Cunningham, are a couple whose support secures the triumph of any good cause, and it was also pleasing to see that the daughter of the Secretary of the Tantallon Club returned the best scratch score in the opening competition. Mr. Andrew Usher the famous old Bruntsfield player, has been a generous benefactor of the new club, and, along with Mr. W. J. Menzies and Mr. W. Currie, has provided the ground for the course.

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Among the presentations made to the Queen at the recent Drawing-room was that of Mrs. Horace Hutchinson, on her marriage, by the Hon. Mrs. Trotter.

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As a result of the visit of the German fleet to the Firth of Forth, it is expected that Vice-Admiral Köster and other officers will have Golf introduced at Kiel, where it seems all the necessary qualifications for a good Golf course obtain. While Dr. and Mrs. Mackinnon were on a visit to the Vice-Admiral, he got from the doctor a full explanation of the game, in which he expressed the greatest interest, and for future use had a course drawn out on paper with as much care as would be given to the plan of the fleet's manœuvres.

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Under the agreement with the proprietors of the Dirleton Estate, the North Berwick New Club are to be the lessees of the links, the other clubs having representatives on the Green

Committee. It is understood that the committee will consist of three representatives from each of the three clubs, New Club, Tantallon, and Bass Rock. The Town Council, after much talk on the matter, have approved this, and only ask now for a condition in the lease giving the inhabitants of North Berwick and the visitors the same privilege over the extended course as they now enjoy.

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The recent destruction by fire of a club-maker's premises at the Edinburgh Braids course, when a great many golfers lost their coats, clubs, and other golfing accoutrements, ought to act as a warning. The club-maker's loss was covered by insurance, but what about the golfers? As far as we know they are helpless, as the insurance does not extend to them. The Warrender, which suffered most, not only lost the clubs, &c., of its members, but some valuable property of historical interest. The Thistle got defeated by the Burntisland players because some of its members had also lost their clubs, and could not appear. On the principle of not "putting all the eggs into one basket," golfers should not commit themselves and their belongings to one club-maker, and if they do, they should see that their property is insured as carefully as that of the person to whom it is entrusted.

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Musselburgh has not yet got into smooth sailing with the regulations for the links, although these are working wonderfully well. The head master of Loretto School, Dr. Almond, has been insisting on the right of himself and his pupils to play cricket "all over the place," and has been setting the by-laws of the magistrates at defiance. How the matter will end we know not. Then the fishermen have a grievance. Under the new regulations they are forbidden to "bark" and dry their nets on the links as they used to do, and it is a hard thing, as one of them expressed it, that while in all strange ports they were allowed to dry their nets, in their "ain toon" they were prohibited. Instead of *Duns*, it may evidently now be said "Golf dings a'."

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Golfers who have played on Islay course will be delighted to hear that Mr. McCuaig, the excellent landlord of the White Hart Hotel, has now taken a lease of Machrie House and Farm, adjoining the Golf links. This will be an enormous boon to the golfer who loves to spend a holiday on these glorious links where the only drawback was the want of a hotel close by. Mr. McCuaig having now the hotel at Islay and the house at Machrie both in his hands, will be able to make golfers who reside at either place much more comfortable than was before possible. Mr. Alex. Stuart, with some friends, has paid another visit to the links, which are now in excellent order. An account of the course is, we believe, to appear in this year's *Annual*.

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The Hawick Club did so well by their Bazaar that they are £720 to the good, and they have resolved to erect a club-house for the members of the ladies' and gentlemen's clubs. On the occasion of last meeting the club had before them a request from the civic authorities for a subscription to help in the removal of an old projecting house known as "the Hole i' the Wa'," one reason assigned being that this house was on the road to the Golf course. A member said it was probably looked upon as a "hazard," and the chairman remarked that that being so they had better give £2 to "loft" it out of the way, which was agreed to. No one thought fit to suggest that "the Hole i' the Wa'" should simply be "putted out," which was really what was wanted. The Teribus golfers are flourishing immensely.

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Dumfries course, so recently in unenviable distinction by the fatal accident to a boy from being hit by a Golf ball, is at present confined to six holes, and the course in other ways is capable of much improvement, but it is now to be slightly extended, as two greens have been formed in the large field on the east side of the Kingholm, and another placed midway between the "short" and the "farm." This will bring the "Queen of the South" into a better position in the Golf world. By the way, the players should have combined and shown some tangible sympathy with the parents of the unfortunate

boy. No one could blame the player, but even out of sympathy for him (as it might have happened to any other), the fraternity should have taken the action suggested. Perhaps they did.

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Truth, in an article on "The Decline of Golf," comes down upon the "Pot-hunting" and loose observance of the old rules and traditions which have followed the rapid spread of the game. Mr. Labouchere will find, like Mr. Jaeger, that he has furnished a supply of caps which will fit a great many golfers in a great many clubs. But the caps will not be so comfortable as Jaeger's.

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We have received "The Golfer's Handy Record" scoring card from Messrs. Turner and Dunnett, Eagle Chambers, Fenwick Street, Liverpool. It is a thin, small case, into which a card is slipped for scoring purposes, and showing the links, date, state of the weather, and columns for the score of the player and his opponent. The adjective "handy" aptly describes the card, which is serviceable as well as economical.

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A useful little publication is issued by Messrs. Farrer and Sons, of Reading, entitled "The Reading and District Cricket, Cycling, and Athletic Handbook." For local sportsmen, as well as for a wider circle of readers, the book ought to be useful, for it contains the names and addresses of cricket clubs, local and other cricket fixtures, cycling, swimming, rowing, and quoit fixtures, Thames angling bye-laws, and other records of interest.

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At Worlington, on the 11th inst., Rolland went twice round in 75, viz., 6 3 4 4 5 4 3 4 4=37, and 5 3 4 4 5 5 3 5 4=38. White took 83, and Kirkaldy several more.

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In playing with the professionals an iron approach by Mr. H. M. Bell struck Kirkaldy's ball so clean as to cause it to describe an arc and run past the hole over twenty yards, the offending ball remaining stationary.

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Willie Park was so pleased with the ground that he said he wished he had been down a little sooner to have had some more play on it. His best form was shown on Friday afternoon when, in playing with Mr. T. C. Fitzherbert, he did the last four holes in 15 strokes.

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Miss M. E. Phillips writes:—"I have read the following in a weekly paper:—

The result of the Wimbledon Ladies' foursomes at the spring meeting was rather unexpected. The winners were Miss M. E. Phillips and Miss Hatfeild, with the score of 81, less 6=75; but Miss Hatfeild was rather 'a dark horse,' having private links of her own; and although the committee knew of this, and had reduced her handicap, they had not given her credit for the great improvement in her game that had taken place. The next best score, and one that was at first thought good enough to win, was Miss Issette Pearson's and Miss Delcomyn's, 93, less 9=84.

(Signed) LADY DI.

"Miss Hatfeild and myself play on numerous public greens, and we both played in the April medal at Wimbledon, for the reduction of our handicaps (our scores are to be found in the *Field* and *GOLF*), and they were reduced; but had they not been it would have made no difference to us. We won with our gross score; therefore had we started at scratch we should still have been the winners."

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Mr. F. S. Richardson, playing with Rev. W. E. Woodward on the links, Biggleswade Common (North Beds Club), on Monday 14th, did the seventeenth hole (a distance of two hundred yards) in one.

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A new course was laid out, in the week ending May 12th, on Onchar Head, Douglas Bay, Isle of Man, by Tom Morris, St. Andrews, and George Lowe, St. Anne's. This course is specially for visitors coming to the island. The round of twelve holes is admirably situated for good Golf, the best of exercise, and

beautiful views. The ground is being got ready, and will now be fit for play. The new electric tramway stops at the first tee, fifteen minutes from the Promenade. We hope to have a description of the holes later on, but Old Tom gave them ample recommendation. When asked if they were not first-rate for Golf, exercise, and views, he said there could be nothing better. A pavilion will be erected for the convenience of members. Visitors can obtain further information from Mr. J. H. Quine, Dumbells' Banking Company, Douglas, Isle of Man.

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SONNET.

(On Cows being permitted to graze on the Course, while the Committee neglect to fence in the Greens).

O Golfer, whilom man of meekest mind,
But with just anger now infuriate,
A herd of filthy kine outrage th' estate
Unto thy patron deity assigned.
To uttermost ills be thou performed resigned.
E'en on the greens, erstwhile inviolate,
Hoof-marks they leave, to show their ruthless hate,
And others, too—for worse remains behind!
Yet may'st thou take revenge, an if thou wilt,
Take thee a brasse, aim, and smite, and slay
The intruders till they be "intoi'rely kilt."
Then for an epitaph thus may'st thou say,
'Here lie the victims of unconscious guilt,
"Butchered to make a Golfer's holiday!"

J. K. H.

DEATH OF A SCOTTISH GOLFER.—The announcement of the death of Mr. S. B. Kennedy, Mountbary, Nairn, will be received with regret by a widespread circle of friends. A few years ago Mr. Kennedy, who had just passed his thirty-third birthday, was in the forefront of amateur golfers. Before his health broke down, and he became a confirmed invalid, his name in the golfing world was well worthy to rank with those of Mr. John Ball, Mr. J. Laidlay, and Mr. L. M. Balfour. During a visit to North Berwick, some seven or eight years ago, Mr. Kennedy was in brilliant form, and the following paragraph may be interesting to that comparatively new generation of golfers which has come into existence within the past four or five years:—"North Berwick Golf Club.—The colours of the local cracks have been lowered, and, like the old year, the mantle of the 'what has been' hides a multitude of sins. Mr. J. Laidlay suffered defeat some ten years ago from a new-comer, a light weight—Mr. Kennedy—but this, of course, was a fluke! The fluke, however, was repeated last Saturday on no less a personage than Mr. Leslie Balfour, this latter gentleman losing his last match by six holes. *Eheu Fugaces!*" About this time a thirty-six hole match was arranged between Mr. Kennedy and Davie Grant, the well-known professional. The play all round was of a high-class description, Mr. Kennedy eventually winning the match by 4 up and 3 to play, and the bye by 1. The victory was undoubtedly due to the extraordinary fine play of the amateur, whose two rounds were completed in 78 and 72, while Grant's figures were 76 and 76. Mr. Kennedy left this country to take up an appointment in Burmah, and while there contracted the trouble which has just led to his untimely end. Up to the last, however, he was a keen and enthusiastic golfer. His death will create a sad blank on the Nairn Links, where he was well known and justly popular with residents and visitors alike. For a long time past he was only able to move about in a bath-chair, and something was seriously amiss when his familiar figure was absent from the Golf house even for one day. The very difficult and delicate task of handicapping the members was left entirely in his hands, and this duty he performed to the satisfaction of everyone concerned. Before he became totally incapacitated from playing Mr. Kennedy displayed marvellously fine form, and, in the homely phrase of our local professional, "a better gowfer never stood in shoe leather." Many of the best scores for Nairn Links were recorded by Mr. Kennedy. As an illustration of what skill can achieve as against mere physical strength I have seen him totter out of his chair, and (to illustrate some point under discussion) drive a ball that fairly astonished the onlookers, having regard to the fact that poor Kennedy had barely strength enough to swing the club. During the height of the season he was never so happy as when arranging and superintending the various competitions on the ladies' course, and the sight of Kennedy's chair on the "Loop" was almost as familiar as the Golf house itself. His funeral, which took place on Saturday last, was largely attended by members of the Nairn Golf Club, including General MacDonnell, Colonel Fraser, of Kilbokie, Major Rose, of Kilmavock, and Capt. Rose, of Holmerose.—*Requiescat in pace.*—THE "CHIEF."



ABERDEEN.

VICTORIA CLUB v. BON ACCORD CLUB.—The first match for the season between these two local clubs was completed over the Aberdeen Links course on the 12th. No fewer than thirty-five players started on each side, the game being, as usual, decided by holes. The weather on the whole was favourable. Full scores by holes as follows:—

BON ACCORD.		Holes.	VICTORIA.		Holes.
Mr. W. Smart...	...	1	Mr. A. M. M. Dunn...	...	0
Mr. D. Hutchison...	...	0	Mr. A. Mitchell...	...	1
Mr. J. Ogilvie...	...	0	Mr. J. Innes...	...	1
Mr. J. Twigg...	...	0	Mr. D. B. Leslie...	...	5
Mr. H. Glass...	...	0	Mr. R. Anderson...	...	3
Mr. A. Smart...	...	9	Mr. W. H. Reid...	...	0
Mr. J. Greig, sen.	...	0	Mr. D. J. Innes...	...	0
Mr. G. Thomson...	...	0	Mr. G. Barron...	...	1
Mr. J. Greig, jun.	...	6	Mr. G. Mortimer...	...	0
Mr. J. Paterson (1)	...	0	Mr. J. Stewart...	...	2
Mr. J. Rattray...	...	0	Mr. J. Rennie...	...	1
Mr. F. Watt...	...	0	Mr. M. H. Mackie...	...	3
Mr. J. Duthie...	...	0	Mr. C. Robertson...	...	4
Mr. J. Anderson...	...	1	Mr. B. Nicholls...	...	0
Mr. A. Noble...	...	0	Mr. J. A. Ross...	...	8
Mr. A. Thomson...	...	3	Mr. T. Crighton...	...	0
Mr. J. Falconer...	...	8	Mr. A. Mackay...	...	0
Mr. C. Smith...	...	1	Mr. A. D. Leiper...	...	0
Mr. R. Reid...	...	0	Mr. J. A. Adamson...	...	1
Mr. J. Cameron...	...	0	Mr. T. Macleannan...	...	10
Mr. W. Gellatly...	...	1	Mr. G. Hendry...	...	0
Mr. W. Leslie...	...	0	Mr. G. Anderson (2)	...	0
Mr. L. B. Robb...	...	0	Mr. J. Hazelwood...	...	3
Mr. J. R. Macfarlane...	...	0	Mr. D. Gunn...	...	1
Mr. G. Middleton...	...	0	Mr. A. T. Webster...	...	0
Mr. J. Lamont...	...	0	Mr. G. Souter...	...	0
Mr. A. Smith...	...	3	Mr. W. R. Stalker...	...	0
Mr. W. Twigg...	...	0	Mr. R. Dunn...	...	7
Mr. T. Cummings...	...	0	Mr. J. Law...	...	4
Mr. W. Greig...	...	0	Mr. J. Gall...	...	3
Mr. A. Gemmell...	...	2	Mr. W. Bowman...	...	0
Mr. J. Paterson (2)	...	0	Mr. D. W. Clark...	...	7
Mr. J. Macgregor...	...	2	Mr. T. Mason...	...	0
Mr. G. Farquhar...	...	7	Mr. W. Anderson (1)	...	0
Mr. J. Linton...	...	0	Mr. W. Duncan...	...	8
		44			73

Majority for Victoria, 29 holes.

VICTORIA CLUB.—The third monthly competition for the Press members' prize resulted as follows:—Messrs. A. M. M. Dunn (scratch), 79, and D. Jessiman, 84, less 5=79, tie for first and second places; while Mr. G. G. Cameron, jun., 90, less 10=80, secured the third place. Amongst the remaining cards the following had the lowest scores:—Mr. A. Mitchell, 82; Messrs. A. Cooper, R. Anderson, and D. B. Leslie, 84 each; Mr. J. Innes, 88; Mr. J. B. Banks, 89; Mr. G. Barron, 91; Mr. G. Souter, 93; Mr. J. H. Shepherd, 94; Mr. J. Gall, 97; and Mr. J. Law, 99.

BON ACCORD CLUB.—This club held a competition on Saturday, the 12th inst., over the Links course, for the scratch and handicap prizes for first and second class players, the winners being:—First class, scratch, Mr. James Ogilvie, 84; handicap, Messrs. James Greig, sen., and Andrew Jaffray, 89, less 9=79 (tie). Second class, scratch, Mr. J. M'Farlane, 89; handicap, Mr. J. Ross, 103, less 18=85. The following scores were handed in:—Mr. H. Glass, 88; Messrs. J. Cameron and G. Thomson, 92 each; Messrs. A. Smart and J. Twigg, 93; Mr. A. Smith, 94; Mr. J. Falconer, 95; Mr. R. Reid, 96; Mr. G. Farquhar, 97; Mr. W. Twigg, 98; Mr. W. Leslie, 99.

ARDEN GOLF CLUB.

The monthly cup competition of the above club was played on Saturday, 5th inst. Mr. A. E. Wilson-Browne's score of 86 is the best one that has been handed in for the cup since the club started. Mr. A. E. Wilson-Browne did the amateur record score the other day, viz., 75. The score was made up as follows:—Out, 3 4 6 5 4 3 5 4 4=38; in, 5 4 4 5 4 3 4 3 5=37; total, 75.

Dr. Bernays, 102, less 20=82, Mr. M. C. Lord, 92, less 10=82, tied; Mr. A. E. Wilson-Browne, 86, less 3=83; Mr. F. Lindner, 102, less 18=84; Mr. C. T. Wade, 101, less 16=85; Mr. H. H. Wright, 94, less 9=85; Mr. H. Margetts, 106, less 20=86; Mr. O. Airy, 91, less 5=86; Mr. P. Leitner, 107, less 20=87; Mr. E. H. Pearce, 115, less 28=87; Dr. Ballance, 97, less 9=88; Mr. A. G. Johnson, 107, less 18=89; Rev. G. W. Barnard, 100, less 8=92; Mr. J. A. Marigold, 105, less 12=93; Mr. J. F. Wright, 99, less 5=94; Mr. W. J. Burman, 104, less 10=94; Dr. Barling, 115, less 18=97; Dr. Simon, 111, less 14=97; Mr. E. P. Wright, 105, less 7=98.

The tie between Dr. Bernays and Mr. M. C. Lord was played off on Tuesday, the 8th inst., Dr. Bernays winning with the net score of 80.

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On Tuesday, May 8th, a competition was held for prizes, of the value of £5, presented to the club by Mr. J. Bigwood, M.P. The conditions of the match were medal play, thirty-six holes, for members with handicaps 8 and over. First prize, silver-backed brush and two silver-backed tortoise-shell combs; second prize, silver buckle; third prize, silver button-hook. Mrs. G. Moor, 221, less 50=171; Miss E. Bigwood, 223, less 50=173; Mrs. Hessenberg, 219, less 36=183; Miss Skipwith, 238, less 50=188; Miss A. Scott, 229, less 36=193; Miss Moor, 210, less 16=194; Miss E. Banister, 239, less 44=195; Miss Bone, 255, less 50=205; Miss Playford, 259, less 50=209; Miss Holland, 262, less 50=212; Miss M. Parsons, 248, less 36=212; Miss Lee, 246, less 32=214; Mrs. F. Lucas, 259, less 40=219; Mrs. Skipwith, 274, less 50=224; Miss M. Riddle, 274, less 46=228.

On Saturday, 12th, Miss Birch gave a prize for members, handicaps limited to 18, medal play; and also tea at the club. Mrs. C. Green, 86, less 6=80; Mrs. J. Fisher, 106, less 18=88; Miss Birch, 89, plus 2=91; Miss Andrews, 96, plus 3=99; Miss E. Banister, 117, less 18=99; Mrs. F. Lucas, 119, less 18=101; Miss Moor, 111, less 8=103; Mrs. C. Johnson, 123, less 16=107.

BOWDON GOLF CLUB.

The fifth, and last, of the preliminary competitions for the captain's cup was played on Saturday, May 5th, at Dunham Village. The weather was fair, but rather windy in the morning, and the afternoon players had much the best of it. The winner was Mr. P. J. Worsley with 83 net. Mr. F. C. Morgan, who went round early, returned the best gross score (84), and but for two unlucky 5's at the short hole, would in all probability have handed in the winning card. Dr. Mules also did well, and tied with Mr. Morgan for second place.

The first prize in the optional sweepstakes went to Mr. Morgan, and the second to Mr. Sykes. The scores were good on the whole, twenty-two out of the thirty-three starters returning cards of under 100 net as follows:—

Gross.	Hcp.	Net.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		
Mr. P. J. Worsley...	101	18	83	Mr. R. D. MacLaren	106	14	92
Mr. F. C. Morgan...	84	scr.	84	Mr. E. Withington	99	6	93
Dr. P. H. Mules ...	99	15	84	Mr. W. R. Craig ...	102	9	93
Mr. R. Sykes ...	107	22	85	Mr. W. Mowat ...	104	10	94
Mr. H. Holden ...	87	1	86	Mr. C. W. Dudley ...	112	16	96
Mr. W. G. Clegg ...	89	2	87	Mr. J. H. Myrtle ...	116	20	96
Mr. C. H. Oecleston	94	5	89	Mr. Jas. Boyd ...	122	24	98
Mr. T. D. Cummins	91	1	90	Mr. A. Corah ...	113	14	99
Mr. J. Pattison ...	105	14	91	Mr. W. S. Mainprice	113	14	99
Mr. A. G. Hogg ...	95	3	92	Mr. C. Hopkinson ...	117	18	99
Mr. F. Heywood ..	100	8	92	Mr. W. M. Neild ...	119	20	99

The five winners of these monthly preliminary contests are Messrs. S. W. Gillett, H. F. Ransome, W. R. Craig, C. H. Oecleston, and P. J. Worsley, and they play off on Saturday, June 2nd, for possession of the cup presented by the captain (Mr. T. W. Killick).

BIRKDALE GOLF CLUB.

The final competition for Mr. Drewett's handsomely cup took place on the Birkdale links on Saturday, in beautiful weather, the winners in three previous competitions playing off against a "bogey" score. Mr. G. D. S. Crowther (plus 2), won on the last hole with 8 down; Mr. C. F. Court (less 8), being 10 down, and Mr. R. Jones (less 17), being 16 down.

The third competition for the captain's prize took place on Saturday, and resulted in a win for Mr. J. H. F. Hulton, with a net score of 89. Scores:—Mr. J. H. F. Hulton, 97, less 8=89; Mr. J. E. Pearson, 94, less 2=92; Mr. E. H. Sheldon, 122, less 30=92; Mr. W. W. P.

Shatwell, 102, less 9=93; Mr. A. Gilmour, 123, less 30=93; Mr. G. D. S. Crowther, 89, plus 5=94; Mr. G. Crowther, 106, less 11=95; Mr. F. W. Price, 119, less 23=96; Mr. F. W. H. Campbell, 115, less 15=100; Dr. Corkhill, 125, less 25=100; Mr. W. J. Drewett, 119, less 16=103; Mr. R. Jones, 126, less 21=105.

BERKHAMSTED GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of this club was held in fine weather on Saturday, May 5th. Mr. A. Duchesne won the scratch and handicap prizes, putting in a win for Mr. Brigg's and the secretary's prizes. Mr. C. E. Farnar won Mr. Mawley's prize for handicaps over 24. Owing to the extraordinary growth of grass this year, the first and last holes played very heavily.

BRIDGNORTH v. SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE.

A match between the above clubs was played on the Bridgnorth links, on Tuesday, May 8th, resulting in an easy victory for the home team.

BRIDGNORTH.	Holes.	SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE.	Holes.
Mr. H. B. Southwell ...	4	Mr. E. A. Spurgin ...	0
Mr. E. S. S. Haslewood ...	0	Mr. Rupert Smith ...	1
Mr. W. P. Gordon ...	0	Mr. R. H. Bailey ...	1
Mr. Samuel Harvey ...	3	Mr. T. S. Lewis ...	0
Mr. Price Collier ...	5	Mr. Victor Hickman ...	0
Mr. T. W. Haslehurst ...	0	Mr. N. H. Mander ...	0
Rev. H. K. Southwell...	12	Mr. T. J. Waterhouse...	0
	24		2

BRIGHTON AND HOVE GOLF CLUB.

The spring prize meeting took place on Friday and Saturday, May 4th and 5th. A strong N.N.W. wind made play difficult on the first day, causing the breakdown of many of the fancied players. Mr. H. F. de Paravicini was, however, in great form, and carried off the Buckley Challenge Bowl for the best net score, also winning the club prize for the best gross score. Mr. Harold Blackett, who occupied second place, took the club prize for the best net score, as Mr. Paravicini could not take both club prizes on the same day. Forty-eight competed and the following are the principal scores for the first day:—Mr. H. F. de Paravicini, 89, less 6=83; Mr. H. Blackett, 92, less 5=87; Mr. E. Ponsonby, 95, less 6=89; Mr. F. L. Rawson, 95, less 6=89; Mr. A. Denman, 93, less 2=91; Mr. L. Horner, 95, less 4=91; Mr. H. T. Ross, 101, less 10=91; Mr. E. J. Gawe, 107, less 16=91; Mr. F. Furze, 109, less 18=91; Mr. F. M. Luther, 113, less 20=93; Mr. H. R. Knipe, 113, less 20=93; Mr. A. Radford, 110, less 16=94; Mr. R. Knight, 110, less 16=94; Mr. H. E. Acklom, 99, less 4=95; Mr. G. L. Denman, 107, less 12=95; Mr. R. B. Reid, 106, less 10=96; Mr. A. J. Stanley, 99, less 3=96; Capt. Congreve, 114, less 18=96; Mr. R. S. Greenhill, 115, less 18=97; Mr. S. S. Schultz, 102, less 4=98; Mr. P. Willett, 108, less 9=99; Mr. S. A. Cosser, 110, less 11=99; Major de Roebuck, 122, less 22=100.

On the second day the weather was more favourable, and the play improved all round. Mr. Eustace Ponsonby, who was playing thoroughly good Golf, deservedly won with the fine return of 85, less 6=79, the Knipe challenge bowl for 18 strokes and under, together with the club prize for the best net score and the Berens monthly medal. Mr. E. F. S. Tylecote and Mr. R. B. Reid tied for second honours with 80 net, the handicapping coming out remarkably well. Mr. H. F. de Paravicini, still keeping up his steady play, carried off both the aggregate prizes—the Kenderdine gold scratch challenge medal, with gold memento, and the Sherlock challenge bowl. The following are the principal scores for the second day, when forty-one competed:—Mr. E. Ponsonby, 85, less 6=79; Mr. E. F. S. Tylecote, 86, less 6=80; Mr. R. B. Reid, 90, less 10=80; Mr. A. J. Stanley, 84, less 3=81; Mr. D. E. Cardinall, 98, less 16=82; Mr. L. Homer, 87, less 4=83; Mr. H. F. D. Paravicini, 88, less 5=83; Mr. S. S. Schultz, 88, less 4=84; Mr. C. O. Walker, 83, less 5=84; Mr. P. A. Willett, 93, less 9=84; Mr. F. E. Baddeley, 102, less 18=84; Mr. H. Blackett, 90, less 5=85; Mr. H. E. Johnson, 95, less 10=85; Mr. H. E. Acklom, 90, less 4=86; Mr. S. A. Cosser, 97, less 11=86; Mr. J. Brock, 94, less 7=87; Mr. H. T. Ross, 97, less 10=87; Mr. E. Webb, 99, less 12=87; Mr. A. C. Woolley, 102, less 15=87; Major G. Edwardes, 106, less 18=88; Mr. A. Denman, 91, less 2=89; Mr. C. G. Heathcote, 98, less 9=89; Mr. R. Knight, 105, less 16=89; Mr. H. R. Knipe, 109, less 20=89; Mr. F. L. Rawson, 96, less 6=90; Mr. H. Bunbury, 104, less 14=90; Mr. E. J. Gawe, 106, less 16=90; Mr. W. F. Ingram, 111, less 18=93; Mr. A. Radford, 113, less 16=97; Mr. R. W. Ker, 113, less 15=98; Capt. Congreve, 117, less 18=99.

CRAWFORD GOLF CLUB.—The monthly medal competition was held on the 12th. Though the weather was good the attendance was small. Dr. Jardine and Mr. David Oswald were equal, the former, 113, less 18=95; and the latter, 115, less 20=95.

BRISTOL AND CLIFTON GOLF CLUB.

The Whitsuntide meeting was commenced on Saturday, 12th inst., with the return match against the Glamorganshire Golf Club. Result of match:—

BRISTOL AND CLIFTON.		GLAMORGANSHIRE.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. W. Fairbanks	0	Mr. J. Hunter	2
Mr. E. J. Barff	5	Mr. C. B. Stoddart	0
Rev. H. T. Knight	0	Mr. T. M. Barlow	2
Mr. G. E. Leman	1	Mr. W. H. Tucker	0
Dr. D. G. Johnston	13	Mr. F. Mason	0
Mr. M. A. North	0	Mr. H. W. Flint	0
Mr. G. H. Clark	8	Mr. R. H. Rickards	0
Mr. S. H. Hooke	0	Mr. A. M. Ingledew	0
Mr. H. V. James	3	Mr. A. B. Sumner	0
	30		4

Bristol and Clifton won by 26 holes.

For Whit-Monday, scratch and handicap prizes were presented by two members. The first was won by the captain of the club, whose second round (nine holes) was a record for the links. His 39 only included two 3's, but one of these was for the second hole, which is 360 yards in length. The handicap prize was easily taken by the late secretary of the Somersetshire Cricket Club, whose score was steadiness personified. Mr. T. Spencer, 93, less 23=70; Mr. W. Fairbanks, 85, less 6=79; Mr. G. Carter, 102, less 21=81; Mr. M. A. North, 91, less 9=82; Mr. H. Nash, 95, less 13=82; Mr. E. N. P. Moor, 109, less 23=86; Capt. Broke, 101, less 13=88; Rev. H. T. Knight, 95, less 6=89; Capt. Bridges, 116, less 27=89; Mr. G. H. Clark, 101, less 11=90; Mr. F. F. Cartwright, 123, less 33=90; Mr. E. J. Barff, 97, less 6=91; Mr. T. P. H. Jose, 104, less 13=91; Mr. E. H. C. Smith, 106, less 15=91; Mr. H. L. Vaughan, 109, less 18=91; Mr. W. O. Moberley, 115, less 23=92; Mr. J. H. Woodward, 130, less 38=92; Mr. H. V. James, 105, less 12=93; Mr. W. J. Webb, 114, less 20=94; Mr. A. T. Martin, 113, less 18=95; Mr. W. F. Gorton, 107, less 11=96; Mr. W. McPherson, 114, less 16=98; Mr. H. C. Barstow, 115, less 16=99. Messrs. S. S. Gouldsmith, A. McArthur, T. Norman, H. G. Edwards, J. Weston, H. H. Townsend, H. P. Luckman, and S. H. Hooke were over 190 net or made no return.

The monthly medal was played for on the 5th inst., with the following result:—Mr. C. C. Savile, 121, less 40=81 (medal and second class sweep); Mr. S. H. Hooke, 95, less 13=82 (first class sweep); Mr. G. Carter, 109, less 21=88; Capt. Broke, 103, less 13=90; Dr. D. G. Johnston, 100, less 9=91; Mr. E. J. Barff, 98, less 6=92; Mr. A. T. Martin, 110, less 18=92; Mr. G. H. Clark, 104, less 11=93; Col. Methuen, 110, less 15=95; Mr. M. D. Mackenzie, 108, less 12=96; Mr. W. McPherson, 115, less 16=99. No returns from Mr. G. E. Leman, Mr. A. M. Fry, Mr. G. F. Fry, Capt. King, Capt. Bridges, Mr. H. L. Vaughan, Mr. J. D. Miller, and Mr. J. Arnott.

BRIDGNORTH GOLF CLUB.

The Ladies' monthly medal handicap was played on the above links on Tuesday, May 15th:—Mrs. R. F. Haslewood, 70, less 19=51; Mrs. E. M. Southwell, 92, less 30=62; Miss Hunter, 100, less 35=65; Mrs. Dawes, 110, less 45=65; Miss Homfray, 126, less 60=66; Miss Temple, 83, less 15=68; Miss Wilson, 103, less 34=69; Miss Hilda Southwell, 80, less 8=72. Mrs. W. Lascelles Southwell and Mrs. Henry Skelding, no return.

The monthly medal handicap for gentlemen was played on Thursday, May 17th:—Rev. H. K. Southwell, 108, less 20=88; Rev. G. H. Maddison, 125, less 32=93; Mr. E. M. Southwell, 124, less 30=94; Mr. W. P. Gordon, 112, less 15=97; Mr. R. F. Haslewood, 126, less 24=102; Mr. H. J. Wyley, 135, less 30=105; Mr. Price Collier, 123, less 17=106; Mr. T. W. Haslehurst, 125, less 18=107. Colonel Owen Jones and Mr. H. B. Southwell no returns.

CARLISLE GOLF CLUB.

MR. C. TODD'S RIGHT-HAND TEAM v. MR. F. W. BUCK'S LEFT-HAND TEAM.

Played at Silloth on Saturday, May 5th. Scores:—

MR. C. TODD'S TEAM.		MR. F. W. BUCK'S TEAM.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. C. Todd	9	Mr. J. K. Parker	0
Mr. J. G. Brandstaetter	0	Mr. R. Todd	6
Mr. W. P. Story	0	Mr. F. W. Buck	2
Mr. G. A. Story	7	Mr. R. W. Tweedy	0
Mr. D. L. Thorpe	0	Rev. E. Robertson	1
Dr. Brunsell	0	Mr. W. P. Gibbings	0
	16		9

Majority for Mr. C. Todd's team, 7 holes.

CHEADLE GOLF CLUB.

The lady members of the above club held their first competition on Monday, May 7th, for a prize, presented by Mr. G. E. Lund, for the best score for the nine holes, under handicap. The course was the same as the one played over by the gentlemen, and the medal tees were used:—Mrs. C. D. Milne, 83, less 20=63; Mrs. F. Fernyhough, 71, less 5=66; Miss A. Clarke, 76, less 7=69; Mrs. J. B. Parkinson (scratch), 75; Mrs. Southwell, 100, less 25=75; Miss N. Kendal, 95, less 15=80; Mrs. S. Fernyhough, 105, less 25=80; Miss E. Milne, 99, less 18=81; Miss E. de C. Bellamy, 110, less 25=85; Mrs. Todd, 119, less 25=94; Mrs. Wilson, 108, less 13=95.

CITY OF NEWCASTLE GOLF CLUB.

Second monthly competition May 5th:—Rev. W. H. Ainger, 89, less 5=84; Mr. G. W. Williams, 91, less 1=90; Mr. S. F. Bates, 100, less 9=91; Mr. D. R. McDonald, 103, less 12=91; Mr. A. G. Ridout, 110, less 18=92; Mr. W. G. Richardson, 100, less 7=93; Mr. H. Armstrong, 111, less 18=93; Mr. W. T. Wilson, 99, less 5=94; Mr. W. Robertson, 102, less 8=94; Mr. C. D. Ismay, 109, less 14=95; Mr. N. S. Green, 111, less 15=96; Mr. A. Richardson, 105, less 8=97; Mr. T. S. Williamson, 106, less 8=98; Mr. H. Simms, 117, less 18=99; Mr. J. R. Bolton, 105, less 4=101; Mr. C. A. H. Todd, 115, less 12=103.

Final first monthly:—Rev. W. Ainger, 89, less 5=84; Mr. W. Teasdale, 99, less 5=94; Mr. A. Richardson, 105, less 8=97; Mr. H. Simms, 117, less 18=99; Mr. J. R. Bolton, 105, less 4=101; Mr. C. A. H. Todd, 115, less 12=103.

May 12th, second day, second monthly competition. Mr. J. Miller, 98, less 10=88; Mr. C. A. H. Todd, 103, less 12=91; Mr. C. D. Ismay, 107, less 14=93; Mr. W. Cross, 108, less 15=93; Mr. H. P. Bailey, 108, less 15=93; Mr. A. Richardson, 103, less 8=95; Mr. A. H. Marsh, 105, less 9=96; Mr. C. Harrison, 111, less 15=96; Mr. F. Smith, 105, less 8=97; Mr. G. W. Williams, 99, less 1=98; Mr. N. S. Green, 113, less 15=98; Mr. H. Armstrong, 116, less 18=98. Messrs. A. G. Ridout, W. R. Heatley, D. R. McDonald, A. J. Robinson, and J. W. Osborne, retired.

CLACTON-ON-SEA GOLF CLUB.

The Whitsuntide meeting was held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, and a good number of the members turned out. This was the fifth quarterly meeting of the club. The prizes for Monday were: 1st, quarterly challenge medal with memento (a Carruthers driving iron); 2nd, an Ashford brassie; 3rd, for best nine holes, an Ashford club. These were taken as follows:—Mr. S. N. Dimpleby, 98, less 7=91; Dr. Murray, 108, less 15=93; Captain E. Fraying 61, less 12=48.

On Tuesday the prizes were: 1st, half dozen Golf balls and a club; 2nd, caddie bag; 3rd, for best nine holes, an Ashford club, taken as follows:—Mr. S. N. Dimpleby, 106, less 6=100; Captain Fraying, 127, less 25=102; Lieutenant-Colonel Openshaw, 58, less 7=51.

Wednesday.—The Towers half-yearly challenge plate (a silver bowl, value ten guineas); this has to be won three times before becoming the absolute property of any winner. Mr. S. N. Dimpleby was again to the fore with 99, less 6=93. Dr. Murray being second; the half-crown sweepstakes being divided between them.

The first quarterly meeting of the lady members took place on Monday last, when a prize putter was competed for. The round was a full course of nine holes and the winner's card was that of Miss R. Eagle with 73, less 25=48. Mrs. Worts being second with 98, 25=73. Miss Mackenzie being third.

CLEVELAND GOLF CLUB.

The return match with the Beverley and East Riding Club was played on the Coatham Links on Thursday, May 3rd. There were eight players on each side, and two rounds of the links were played, i.e., thirth-six holes, the scores being:—

CLEVELAND.		BEVERLEY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. H. Roberts	10	Mr. E. Hodgson	0
Mr. C. O. Mackenzie	10	Capt. Maunsell	0
Mr. E. C. Scott	6	Mr. H. J. Whittle	0
Mr. D. Mackay	21	Mr. H. Rockett	0
Mr. W. Young	0	Capt. Haggard	4
Mr. J. F. Whitwell	15	Mr. M. H. Unett	0
Mr. A. Mackinlay	9	Col. Hallows	0
Mr. Maurice Bell	8	Dr. Macleod	0
	79		4

On the previous day the second qualifying competition for the ladies' prize was played. The weather being wet, only three competitors appeared, whose scores were:—Miss Robson, 31, 31=62; Miss E. Wood, 33, 43=76; Miss G. North, 35, 51=86.

The monthly competition for the club tankard took place on Friday

and Saturday, May 4th and 5th, over the Coatham Links. On Friday the weather was windy and cold, but Saturday was calm and more favourable for play. There were a fair number of competitors, but the cards sent in were not numerous. The winner, Mr. J. J. March, had the advantage of a liberal handicap. Scores:—Mr. J. J. March, 96, less 24=72; Mr. A. C. Cochrane, 99, less 20=79; Mr. J. Harrison, 97, less 16=81; Mr. L. Bell, 104, less 18=86; Mr. H. Smurthwaite, 104, less 16=88; Mr. D. Mackay, 97, less 8=89; Mr. C. E. Scott, 100, less 6=94.

COUNTY DOWN GOLF CLUB.

Railway cup and captain's prize.—The eighth competition for the Railway cup took place on Saturday, 5th, at Newcastle. Owing to this being the last heat there was a large turn-out of members; the entries numbered over thirty. Messrs. Roberts and Wilson, having the two best scores, are qualified to play in the final, which takes place next month. The following are the scores of 100 and under returned:—Mr. S. Roberts, 105, less 24=81; Mr. W. Wilson, 98, less 16=82; Mr. C. Topping, 98, less 12=86; Mr. H. T. Henderson, 112, less 26=86; Mr. F. Koeller, 115, less 22=93; Mr. F. L. Heyn, 119, less 26=93; Mr. A. Combe, 116, less 22=94; Mr. J. F. W. Hodges, 109, less 12=97; Mr. J. J. Pim, 125, less 25=100.

The last heat of the captain's prize was played last month, when Messrs. Roberts and A. Herdman qualified for the final, to be played at the end of this month. The following are the net scores of under 200 returned:—Mr. S. Roberts, 224, less 44=180; Mr. A. T. Herdman, 224, less 40=184; Mr. G. M. Shaw, 193, less 8=185; Mr. W. H. Smiles, 209, less 14=185; Mr. J. Woodside, 195, less 8=187; Mr. J. M. Bristow, 210, less 22=188; Mr. W. B. Ritchie, 233, less 44=189; Mr. G. S. Clarke, 213, less 20=193; Mr. W. J. Brown, 223, less 28=195.

DERBYSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition for the Strutt trophy and a "Bogey" competition based on the Strutt trophy scores, took place on the 12th inst., when the Rev. T. E. M. Hutchinson proved victorious.

Strutt trophy competition:—Rev. T. E. M. Hutchinson, 89, less 8=81; Dr. Vaudrey, 91, less 6=85; Mr. S. Wilson, 98, less 12=86; Mr. J. N. Nutt, 98, less 12=86; Mr. T. C. Jeffrey, 93, less 4=89; Mr. A. C. Lawrie, 109, less 15=94; Mr. L. A. Guilman, 109, less 13=96; Mr. R. Harvey, 116, less 20=96; Mr. T. Newton, 122, less 20=102; Mr. W. T. Morley, 124, less 20=104; Dr. Moon, 128, less 20=108; Mr. J. Sayers, 136, less 20=116.

"Bogey" competition:—Rev. T. E. M. Hutchinson, 2 down; Dr. Vaudrey, 4 down; Mr. J. N. Nutt, 5 down; Mr. T. C. Jeffrey, 7 down; Mr. S. Wilson, 7 down; Mr. L. A. Guilman, 12 down; Mr. A. C. Lawrie, 12 down; Mr. R. Harvey, 12 down; Mr. J. Sayers, 12 down; Mr. T. Newton, 13 down; Mr. W. T. Morley, 14 down; Dr. Moon, 14 down.

ELIE GOLF HOUSE CLUB.

Mixed Foursomes.—Competition by holes. Each couple to play every other couple; the couple who are greatest number of holes up at the finish to be the winners. Open to visitors and residents in Elie or Earlsferry. Miss Scott and Mr. H. Simson (scratch), 11 holes up, first prize; Miss M. Gavin and Mr. R. G. Anderson (7), 10 up, second prize; Miss D. Duff and Mr. T. R. Outhwaite (plus 1), 5 up; Miss H. G. Anderson and Mr. H. W. Gavin (3), all square; Miss Bethune and Mr. A. Bethune (5), 2 down; Miss H. Gavin and Mr. N. G. Anderson (3), 5 down; Miss L. Gavin and Mr. B. Duff (5), 7 down; Mrs. Outhwaite and Mr. T. H. Outhwaite (plus 3), 12 down.

FORFARSHIRE.

MONTROSE MECHANICS' CLUB.—The following is the result of the competition in connection with this club for the Albert medal:—Mr. T. Sheret, 82, winner of medal; Mr. James Hardie, jun., 91; Mr. John Clark, 83; Mr. A. M'Lean, 91; and James Hamilton, 83—all 1 below; Mr. William Collie, 103—1 above; and Mr. W. Cobb, 84—3 above.

MOTROSS MERCANTILE.—Monthly badge.—Mr. C. Burgess won the prize for the lowest score on the green with 80, and the badge was gained by Mr. A. Still, with 82, 8 below his number.

PANMURE SPRING MEETING.—The spring meeting of the Panmure Golf Club took place at Monifeth, on Saturday, the 12th. The weather was fine, and the greens were in good order. Forty players started, being as follows:—The M'Lachlan medal (scratch) and the Gilroy cap (handicap) were competed for, and when all the cards had been handed in it was found that Mr. W. R. Sharp, with the fine score of 79, had carried off the scratch medal. The details of the round are as follows:—Out, 3 4 4 5 4 5 4 6 4=39; in, 6 4 3 6 5 4 4 4 4=40; Mr. J. M. Smieton, 94, less 18=76, won the handicap cup. Among the other scores were:—Mr. W. Ballingall, 81; Mr. D. Anderson, 82; Mr. A. Guthrie, 82; Mr. G. W. Cox, 83; Mr. S. C. Thomson, 85; Mr. Jones, 86; Mr. P. D. Mitchell, 86; Mr. R. B. Sharp, 87; Mr. W. W. Machan, 88; Mr. J. S. Croudace, 88;

Mr. R. Gilroy, 88; Mr. D. I. Lamb, 88; Mr. A. Johnstone, 89; Mr. G. A. Gilroy, 90.

CALEDONIA CLUB, CARNOUSTIE.—The spring competition was held on Saturday, the 12th, when there was a large turn-out of players, the weather being exceptionally fine. In addition to the usual sweepstakes the scratch and average medals were competed for. The scratch medal was carried off by Mr. David Winter with the remarkably fine score of 80 strokes, which was made up as follows:—Out, 5 4 4 3 5 4 6 4 4=39; in, 4 5 5 4 6 4 4 5 4=41, total 80. The next best score was made up by Mr. Alexander Cant, who on more than one occasion has had a look-in for the scratch medal. His score was 82, made up as under:—Out, 5 4 5 5 4 4 6 6 4=43; in, 4 5 5 4 5 3 4 4 5=39, total 82. The sweepstake prizes were gained as follows:—First class—first and second, tied for by Mr. David Winter, 80, and Mr. D. M. Boath, 84, each 8 below; third, Mr. William Harris, 84, 7 below; and fourth, Mr. Alexander Cant, 82, 6 below. Second class—first, Mr. D. Phillips, 89, 16 below; second, Mr. Robert Sellars, 95, 9 below; third, Mr. D. W. Baxter, 100, 8 below; fourth, Mr. H. Chalmers, 98, 7 below. Third class, first, Mr. D. S. Morrison, 100, 14 below; second, Mr. D. M. Smart, 96, 12 below; third, Mr. W. Garvie, 102, 10 below; and fourth, Mr. John J. H. Henry, 105, 6 below. An extra prize—a Golf ball, presented by Mr. John Ross, Denver, for the player whose score was composed of the greatest number of fours—was gained by Mr. David Winter, whose card showed no less a number than ten fours in it.

The members of the Broughty Club competed for the Kirk medal, under scratch conditions, at Monifeth on Saturday. There was a large turn-out, forty-four starting. Mr. William Harris, with the excellent score of 83, won the medal and also the scratch prize in the first class. Mr. Robert Locke, with 95, won scratch in the second class, and Mr. Frank L. Parker was scratch at 97 in the third class. Mr. Edward Shield, with 86, was the winner of the first average prize in the first class. Mr. J. D. Brown was 92, Mr. Robert Grossart 94, Mr. Allan Bell 95.

ILKLEY v. WAKEFIELD.

A match between these clubs was played at Heath on Wednesday, 2nd inst., with the following result:—

ILKLEY.		WAKEFIELD.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. R. S. Backhouse...	2	Mr. G. H. Peacock ...	0
Mr. H. B. McCarthy...	0	Mr. C. Leatham ...	1
Mr. J. C. Shaw ...	0	Dr. Murray ...	1
Mr. S. M. Yoxall ...	4	Mr. A. J. C. Stanfield ...	0
Mr. P. Neel ...	7	Mr. Creswick ...	0
Mr. A. W. Godby ...	0	Mr. J. Hall ...	2
Mr. J. Hollis ...	8	Mr. Arch. Donne ...	0
Rev. G. H. Frodsham...	7	Mr. Waterhouse ...	0
Mr. W. M. Barwick ...	4	Mr. C. C. Roberts ...	0
	32		4

ILKLEY GOLF CLUB.

The final round of the Buckley cup competition in connection with this club was played off on Tuesday, May 8th, when Mr. Salmon Backhouse, with a handicap of 1 stroke, defeated Mr. McCarthy, who received 13 strokes, by one hole. The winner was round in 85, but, as Mr. McCarthy has recently been round several times under 90, and his handicap had been reduced from 13 to 4 since the competition commenced, it was thought he would prove too strong for the local scratch man. Such, however, was not the case. Scores:—

First round.—Mr. Godby beat Mr. Turner, 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. Smith beat Mr. Lee, retired; Mr. Potter beat Mr. Yoxall, 1 up; Mr. W. H. Scott beat Mr. Empsall, 6 up and 4 to play; Mr. Hattersley beat Mr. F. Lee, 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. F. Potter beat Mr. Booth, 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. Hirst beat Mr. Howson, 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. Briggs beat Mr. Glyde, 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. Mammatt, jun., beat Mr. Mammatt, 9 up and 8 to play; Mr. McCarthy beat Mr. Spark, 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. Douglas beat Mr. Clarke, 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. Kitson beat Mr. Elin, 8 up and 6 to play; Mr. Shaw beat Mr. Campbell, 6 up and 4 to play; Mr. Bampton beat Mr. Tristram, 7 up; Mr. Buckley beat Mr. McDowell, 1 up; Mr. Stanfield beat Mr. Steintal, 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. Backhouse beat Mr. Carpenter, 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. Frodsham beat Mr. Blankley, retired.

Second round.—Mr. Backhouse beat Mr. Buckley, Mr. Hirst beat Mr. Bampton.

Third round.—Mr. Shaw beat Mr. Mammatt; Mr. Backhouse beat Mr. Hirst, 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. Stanfield beat Mr. Scott, 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. Kitson beat Mr. Smith, 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. McCarthy beat Mr. Briggs, 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. Godby beat Mr. Potter, 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. Douglas beat Mr. Frodsham, 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. Hattersley beat Mr. Potter, 3 up and 2 to play.

Fourth round.—Mr. Backhouse beat Mr. Shaw, 2 up and 1 to play ; Mr. Kitson beat Mr. Stanfield, 5 up and 4 to play ; Mr. McCarthy beat Mr. Godby, 5 up and 4 to play ; Mr. Douglas beat Mr. Hattersley (scratched).

Fifth round.—Mr. Backhouse beat Mr. Kitson, 3 up and 2 to play ; Mr. McCarthy beat Mr. Douglas, 4 up and 3 to play.

Sixth round.—Mr. Backhouse beat Mr. McCarthy, 1 up.

KILLYMOON GOLF CLUB.

The fourth annual competition for the Killymoon all Ireland ladies' scratch medal was held on the Killymoon Links on the 2nd inst. Owing to a series of untoward and unforeseen circumstances, the number of entries fell considerably short of that of other years.

The trophy was carried off by Miss Cox, of the Royal County Club, Portrush, who played well, and had a hard struggle for victory. In the round where the winner met Mrs. Moutray, holder of the medal for 1893, and in the final contest against Miss Ella, the long and steady driving of the competitors was the admiration and envy of the members of the sterner, as well as of the gentler sex, who formed the "gallery." The links, which are situated in the beautiful demesne belonging to Mr. Moutray, and are by him most kindly placed at the disposal of the club, were looking their best, the weather was admirable for play, although a trifle cold for the spectators, and the greens in fair order.

Luncheon and afternoon tea were provided in the club-house by the members, and a most agreeable day was passed.

In 1891, Miss Garratt (Royal Belfast Club), was holder of the medal; in 1892, Miss Constance Adair (Killymoon); and in 1893, Mrs. Moutray (Killymoon).

First round.—Miss Constance Adair (Killymoon) beat Miss Adair (Killymoon); Miss M. Scott (Dungannon) beat Miss Creighton (Royal County); Miss Gunning (Killymoon) beat Mrs. D. Gausson (Killymoon); Miss Ella Carter (Killymoon) beat Miss Daniel (Dungannon).

Second round.—Miss Cox (Royal County) beat Mrs. Moutray (Killymoon); Miss E. Daniel (Dungannon) beat Mrs. Adair (Killymoon), a bye; Miss M. Scott beat Miss C. Adair; Miss E. Carter beat Miss Gunning.

Third round.—Miss Cox beat Miss E. Daniel; Miss E. Carter beat Miss M. Scott.

Finale.—Miss Cox beat Miss E. Carter.

KING'S NORTON GOLF CLUB.

Monthly Challenge Cup. Played Saturday, May 5th. Scores:—Mr. W. H. Tolkien, 102, less 20=82, winner; Mr. H. H. Greenway, 101, less 13=88; Mr. A. D. Charles, 112, less 24=88; Mr. R. A. Bennett, 112, less 20=92; Mr. T. H. Charles, 123, less 27=96; Mr. T. Hadley, 119, less 22=97; Mr. T. Townsend, 120, less 22=98. No returns from several other players.

Ladies' Prize Competition.—Played May 2nd:—Miss Hart, 157, less 10=147, winner; Mrs. G. M. Elkington, scratch, 150; Miss M. Wolsey, scratch, 150.

Captain's Medal ("Bogey") Competition.—The tie in this competition between Mr. P. M. Ellis and Mr. A. H. Wolsey was played off on the 30th April, when the latter won with 8 holes down against "Bogey," Mr. P. M. Ellis being 9 down.

MINCHINHAMPTON GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of this club took place on Friday and Saturday last, the 4th and 5th inst. On both days there was a good number of competitors, and but for a strong wind on the first day the weather was favourable to the game. From the scores it will be seen that those who attended the meeting took part in two excellent days' sport enhanced by the good condition of the links, which are situated in a most healthy and charming position. The interest in the competition for the Ladies' Club Prize on the second day was considerably increased by the addition of a very handsome silver cup kindly presented by Lady Marling (the President of the Ladies' Club), and which is to be held by the winner of this event until the autumn meeting. The following are the scores:—Silver challenge bowl (open); silver challenge goblet (members only) for handicaps 18 and under:—Mr. J. H. Bryan, 99, less 18=81, first net; Mr. F. H. Playne, 96, less 14=82, second net; Captain F. W. S. Stanton, 99, less 16=83; Mr. C. A. Gillanders, 87, less 4=83, tie first gross; Mr. T. Norton, 101, less 18=83; Rev. E. H. Hawkins, 87, less 4=83, tie first gross; Mr. W. K. Graham, 96, less 12=84; Mr. E. A. Chamberlain, 101, less 17=84; Mr. G. H. Edgecumbe, 103, less 17=86; Mr. E. Jenner Davis, 104, less 18=86; Mr. C. F. Chamberlain, 102, less 16=86; Mr. A. W. Waller, 101, less 14=87; Mr. T. B. Keighley, 101, less 14=87; Mr. R. Lewis Grist, 94, less 7=87; Mr. W. Margetson, 106, less 18=88; Mr. G. Sotheron, Estcourt, 107, less 18=89; Mr. A. B. Davis, 108, less 18=90; Mr. Lawrence Grist, 98, less 7=91.

Ladies' silver challenge cup (open); ladies' gold brooch (members only), for handicaps 18 and under:—Miss Mary Henry, 92, less 7=85, first gross; Mrs. Storry, 95, less 10=85, first net; Miss Bryan, 101, less 12=89, second net; Miss Woolright, 104, less 11=93; Miss H.

Ridding, 100, less 7=93; Mrs. W. Davies, 103, less 7=96; Miss J. Golightly, 100, less 4=96; Miss C. Graham, 98, less 1=97, second gross; Miss S. V. Guise, 109, less 11=98; Mrs. Pierce Taylor, 107, less 8=99.

A silver challenge cup (the gift of Col. Pierce Taylor) for handicaps over 18.—Mr. W. V. Niblett, 93, less 20=73, first; Mr. E. F. Chamberlain, 104, less 25=79, second; Capt. Golightly, 107, less 25=82; Mr. E. C. Cripps, 109, less 25=84; Mr. J. T. Woolright, 106, less 22=84; Mr. A. R. Grieve, 105, less 23=82; Mr. M. F. Woolright, 110, less 25=85; Mr. E. B. Haygarth, 108, less 22=86; Mr. A. E. Smith, 112, less 23=89; Mr. M. Graham, 112, less 23=89; Mr. F. Winterbotham, 110, less 19=91; Mr. E. N. Witchell, 113, less 22=91; Mr. F. G. Yeo, 117, less 25=92; Mr. J. Bryan, 113, less 20=93; Col. Pierce Taylor, 117, less 23=94.

Ladies' club prizes (members only), for handicaps over 18.—Miss M. Margetson, 112, less 24=88, and Miss E. L. Margetson, 113, less 25=88, ties, first; Mrs. E. A. Chamberlain, 111, less 22=89, third; Miss S. Kitcat, 109, less 19=90; Miss Trollop, 113, less 19=94; Miss F. M. Johnstone, 114, less 19=95; Miss V. Chambers, 118, less 21=97; Miss F. Chambers, 119, less 22=97.

Gentlemen's foursome prizes (open).—Messrs. R. L. Grist and T. B. Keighley, 92, less 10½=81½, first; Messrs. A. W. Waller and H. Chambers, 103, less 19½=83½, second; Messrs. T. Norton and C. F. Chamberlain, 101, less 17=84; Messrs. F. G. Yeo and E. F. Chamberlain, 111, less 25=86; Messrs. E. N. Witchell and E. J. Davies, 106, less 20=86; Messrs. M. T. Woolright and W. K. Graham, 106, less 18½=87½; Messrs. Law Grist and J. T. Woolright, 102, less 14½=87½; Messrs. J. Bryan and J. H. Bryan, 108, less 19=89; Messrs. E. C. Cripps and E. B. Haygarth, 114, 23½=90½; Messrs. W. Davies and F. H. Playne, 106, less 15=91; Messrs. W. A. Lucy and C. A. Gillanders, 99, less 6½=92½; Rev. H. Summerhayes and Rev. P. A. Nash, 109, less 16=93; Capt. Stanton and Mr. G. H. Edgecumbe, 110, less 16½=93½; Messrs. E. P. Little and G. Sotheron Estcourt, 112, less 17=95; Messrs. W. J. Rugg and W. P. Niblett, 116, less 18=98; Col. Pierce Taylor and Capt. Golightly, 123, less 24=99.

Ladies' foursome prizes (open).—Mrs. Davies and Mrs. Storry, 98, less 8½=89½, first; Mrs. Taylor beat Miss Guise, 115, less 16½=98½; Miss Blekin and Miss Bryan, 116, less 17½=98½, ties, second; Mrs. Bryan and Miss Graham, 111, less 12=99.

Gentlemen's club prizes (open):—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
*Capt. Golightly ...	99	25	74	Mr. J. H. Bryan ...	101	16	85
†Rev. E. H. Hawkins ...	81	4	77	Mr. E. N. Witchell ...	107	22	85
Rev. H. Summerhayes ...	95	17	78	Mr. T. B. Keighley ...	100	14	86
Mr. E. A. Chamberlain ...	95	17	78	Mr. J. Richie ...	112	25	87
Mr. E. F. Chamberlain ...	101	22	79	Mr. A. W. Waller ...	101	14	87
Mr. C. F. Chamberlain ...	97	16	81	Rev. P. A. Nash ...	104	15	89
Capt. F. W. Stanton ...	97	16	81	Mr. W. K. Graham ...	101	12	89
Mr. M. T. Woolright ...	107	25	82	Mr. A. C. M. Croome ...	94	4	90
Mr. T. Norton ...	100	18	82	Mr. F. Winterbotham ...	109	19	90
Mr. W. Davies ...	99	16	83	Mr. E. Jenner Davies ...	109	18	91
Mr. L. Grist ...	91	7	84	Mr. M. Graham ...	114	23	91
Mr. F. G. Yeo ...	109	25	84	Mr. C. A. Gillanders ...	95	4	91
Mr. R. Lewis Grist ...	92	7	85	Mr. W. A. Lucy ...	100	9	91
				Mr. W. W. Chamberlain ...	97	4	93
				Mr. A. E. Smith ...	120	23	97
				Mr. J. Bryan ...	118	20	98

* First.

† Second.

Ladies' club prizes (open).—Mrs. E. A. Chamberlain, 97, less 22=75, first, and winner of Lady Marling's cup; Miss Woolright, 90, less 11=79, second; Miss Bryan, 95, less 11=84, third; Miss Blekin, 111, less 23=88; Mrs. W. Davies, 96, less 7=89; Mrs. Henry, 109, less 16=93; Mrs. Storry, 102, less 8=94; Miss Trollop, 115, less 19=96; Miss C. Graham (scratch), 96; Miss V. Chambers, 119, less 21=98; Miss J. Golightly, 103, less 4=99.

Ladies and gentlemen's foursomes (open). Gentlemen's links.—Mrs. W. Davis and Mr. L. Grist, 102, less 7=95, first; Miss Bryan and Rev. H. Summerhayes, 110, less 14=96, second; Miss V. Chambers and Mr. A. W. Waller, 114, less 17½=96½; Miss G. Beavis and Mr. C. A. Gillanders, 110, less 12=98; Miss Woolright and Mr. A. R. Grieve, 115, less 17=98.

Ladies' links.—Miss Golightly and Mr. G. Sotheron Estcourt, 98, less 9½=88½, first; Miss J. Golightly and Capt. Golightly, 101, less 9½=91½, second; Mrs. Bryan and Mr. J. Bryan, 111, less 14½=95½.

On Thursday, the annual competition between the winners of the monthly medal competitions, was decided as follows:—

Seniors.—Mr. R. Lewis Grist, 91, less 7=84, winner; Mr. L. Grist, 94, less 7=87; Mr. C. A. Gillanders, 91, less 4=87; Mr. W. W. Chamberlain, 97, less 4=93.

Miss Woolright, 97, less 11=86; Mrs. Storry, 97, less 10=87; Miss Bryan, 102, less 12=90; Mrs. W. Davies, 99, less 7=92.

Juniors.—A. R. Grieve, 106, less 23=83; E. C. Cripps, 108, less 25=83, ties for prize; W. P. Niblett, 104, less 20=84.
Miss M. Margetson, 123, less 21=99, winner; Miss F. M. Johnstone, 120, less 19=101; Miss P. Cooke, 129, less 24=105.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

Weekly handicap, Friday, May 11th:—Mr. P. Scoones, 91, less 13=78; Mr. A. J. Laurie, 92, less 10=82; Mr. G. B. Grundy, 93, less 6=87; Mr. G. C. Jobling, 93, less 9=84. Eleven entries: no returns from the rest.

Weekly handicap, Friday, May 18th, Mr. M. Waterlow, 92, less 14=78; Mr. G. B. Grundy, 85, less 6=79; Mr. A. C. Livingstone, 92, less 13=79; Mr. H. B. Clarke, 100, less 21=79; Mr. A. J. Lawrie, 93, less 10=83; Mr. A. S. Leslie, 105, less 18=87; Mr. W. M. Lindsay, 111, less 15=96. Thirteen entries. No returns from the rest.

RAYNES PARK GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition presented by Cosmo Bonsor, Esq., M.P., played on May 5th.

First Division.—Mr. J. T. Currie, 92, less 9=83, winner; Mr. E. Field, 90, less 4=86; Mr. J. M. Henderson, 92, less 4=88; Mr. H. Warters Horne, 99, less 8=91; Mr. N. R. Foster, 95, plus 2=97; Mr. T. G. Harkness, 110, less 12=98; Mr. B. Smith, 111, less 13=98; Mr. Robert Thomson, 104, less 4=100; Mr. C. J. Blackburn, 111, less 11=100; Mr. W. H. Oliver, 117, less 16=101; Mr. G. Nicol, 107, less 4=103; Mr. H. E. Cater, 118, less 15=103; Mr. J. A. C. Tanner, 123, less 16=107; Mr. H. R. Morrison, 118, less 10=108; Mr. H. C. Archer, 124, less 16=108; Mr. C. L. Longstaff, 127, less 18=109; Mr. J. Wild, 130, less 18=112; Mr. G. Dixey, 132, less 18=114; Mr. E. G. Whitehead, 141, less 16=125.

Second Division.—Mr. Barry Westrop, 118, less 24=94, winner; Mr. J. E. B. Wilson, 125, less 25=100; Mr. G. E. Gush, 124, less 24=100; Mr. G. M. Taylor, 121, less 20=101; Mr. H. M. Deeley, 140, less 36=104; Mr. H. Jenkins, 128, less 20=108; Mr. Stanley Hitchins, 139, less 30=109.

RICHMOND GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of this club was held on May 3rd, 4th and 5th, when the Club's Gold Challenge Medal and other prizes were played for over the Golfing Course in Sudbrook Park.

May 3rd Gold Challenge medal:—Mr. J. R. Gairdner 80; Mr. A. T. Jockel 82; Dr. Williamson 82.

Peel handicap prize:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. A. St. G. Sar-	89 12 77	Mr. B. Chamberlain	95 11 84
geant	...	Mr. F. E. Badham	94 9 85
Mr. R. E. Yerburch	92 13 79	Mr. L. Renault	94 9 85
Dr. Williamson	82 scr. 82	Dr. Coles	102 16 86
Mr. A. T. Jockel	82 scr. 82	Mr. D. Allport	104 18 86
Mr. H. Knight	88 6 82	Mr. J. F. Aber-	
Mr. W. Barclay	96 14 82	cromby	88 1 87
Mr. O. T. Kent	98 15 83	Mr. R. Warner	99 11 88

Twenty-one others returned scores of 90 and upwards.

May 4th, "Bogey" competition:—Mr. J. F. Abercromby, 1 down; Mr. J. Bromley, 4 down; Mr. D. S. Hindmarsh, 4 down; Mr. P. R. Read, 4 down; Mr. E. C. Routh, 4 down; Mr. B. Chamberlain, 5 down; Mr. S. Peel, 5 down; Mr. L. Renault, 5 down; Mr. W. B. Westhead, 5 down; Mr. J. B. Wood, 5 down; Mr. R. E. Yerburch, 5 down. Eleven others returned scores.

May 5th monthly medal:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. E. Badham	89 9 80	Mr. P. R. Read	97 11 86
Mr. S. Hewett	98 18 80	Mr. A. L. Penrhyn	101 15 86
Mr. W. Barclay	95 14 81	Mr. P. R. Don	91 4 87
Mr. E. F. Lankester	95 13 82	Mr. E. O. Drabble	97 10 87
Mr. J. P. Simpson	96 13 83	Mr. R. E. Yerburch	103 12 88
Mr. H. Knight	89 6 83	Sir H. Pottinger	102 14 88
Mr. E. C. Davidson	98 14 84	Capt. Reade, R.N.	102 14 88
Mr. T. W. Roberts	102 18 84	Mr. S. Peel	103 15 88
Mr. H. M. Hewett	101 16 85	Mr. J. H. Renton	106 18 88
Mr. J. Gairdner	84 +2 86	Mr. J. B. Wood	99 10 89
Rev. J. H. Ellis	95 9 86		

Junior monthly medal:—Mr. W. Sedgwick, 100, less 20=80; Mr. E. E. B. Boehmer, 102, less 21=81; Mr. R. G. Warner, 106, less 25=81; Mr. H. C. Wootton, 102, less 20=82; Mr. J. Tettley, 105, less 21=84; Mr. D. Morris, 111, less 24=87; Mr. M. G. Davidson, 109, less 21=88.

Mr. F. E. Badham's prize (best scratch score for the nine home holes):—Mr. H. Knight, 45. Aggregate prize:—First, Mr. W. Barclay, 96, less 14=82; 95, less 14=81, total 163; second, Mr. F. E. Badham, 94, less 9=85; 89, less 9=80, total 165; Mr. H. Knight, 88, less 6=82; 89, less 6=83, total 165.

REDHILL AND REIGATE GOLF CLUB.

A large number of members turned out on Saturday, May 5th, to compete for the Turner medal. The following cards were returned under 100 net:—Mr. W. H. J. B. Joyce, 101, less 25=76; Mr. C. A. Malone, 102, less 24=78; *Mr. H. Aste, 96, less 17=79; *Mr. H. D. Tucker, 99, less 18=81; Rev. W. H. Churchill, 99, less 18=81; Mr. F. H. King, 108, less 27=81; *Mr. E. L. Balcombe, 92, less 9=83; *Mr. A. H. Eve, 95, less 12=83; *Mr. J. F. Gordon, 98, less 14=84; Mr. C. H. Heriot, 95, less 10=85; Mr. D. Pym, 96, less 10=86; *Mr. C. W. Link, 104, less 18=86; Mr. J. C. Tucker, 105, less 18=87; Mr. G. H. Emmet, 105, less 12=88; *Mr. T. P. Shepherd, 105, less 17=88; *Mr. W. B. Avery, 107, less 16=91; *Mr. W. J. Dyer, 109, less 18=91; Mr. C. H. Dorman, 118, less 24=94; Mr. M. W. Slade, 121, less 27=94; Mr. C. J. Trevarthen, 124, less 27=97; *Mr. J. S. Miller, 113, less 15=98.

* Count in for aggregate.

ROCHDALE GOLF CLUB.

The competition for Mr. Wm. S. Petrie's prize took place on the links at Lobden on Saturday, the 4th May. Mr. John Jackson won with a net score of 75. Messrs. Healey and Mackenzie divided the optional sweepstakes. These links are now very much improved, most of the putting-greens being in capital order, and reflecting great credit on the greenkeeper:—Mr. John Jackson, 95, less 20=75; Mr. Ed. Healey, 101, less 24=77; Mr. T. N. C. Mackenzie, 102, less 21=81; Mr. A. H. Crowther, 100, less 17=83; Mr. J. Broadbent, 97, less 13=84; Mr. B. Schofield, 102, less 18=84; Mr. W. S. Petrie, 93, less 8=85; Mr. E. R. Petrie, 98, less 12=86; Mr. Jas. Smithson, 110, less 24=86; Mr. Frank Pilling, 100, less 12=88; G. D. McLennan, 101, less 12=89; Mr. A. Bell, 107, less 17=90; Mr. W. A. Scholes, 98, less 8=90.

ROYAL LIVERPOOL GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting for members receiving from 15 to 39 in the handicap, took place at Hoylake in disagreeable showery weather, when two prizes, presented by the club, were played for under handicap; seventeen couples competed. The first prize was secured by Mr. W. S. Henderson, and the second by Mr. Geo. Jager, jun. The first sweepstakes were won by Mr. H. St. Clare Byrne, the second by the Rev. F. A. Macdona; and the third by Mr. S. Ravenscroft. The result of the play was as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. S. Hender-	110 25 85	Mr. St. Clare Byrne	113 18 95
son	...	Mr. Cola Stolterfoht	114 18 96
Mr. Geo. Jager	112 25 87	Prof. H. A. Strong	116 20 96
Mr. H. St. Clare		Mr. C. Gostenhofer	118 22 96
Byrne	110 22 88	Mr. R. W. Menner	118 22 96
Mr. B. H. Hilton	113 21 89	Mr. A. A. Reid	121 25 96
Rev. F. A. Macdona	111 18 93	Mr. P. Wild	119 20 99
Mr. S. Ravenscroft	114 20 94	Mr. J. W. Glover	127 22 105

Not handicapped:—Dr. H. Briggs, 107; Mr. R. M. Dawson, 124; Mr. J. C. Clarke, 141.

Seventeen competitors made no returns.

Friday, May 4th.—The spring meeting for the second class, i.e., those receiving 15 to 39 in the handicap, came to a close, the day was very boisterous, a strong wind greatly interfering with the play, consequently the returns were high. Two handicap prizes, the gift of the club, were played for. Twenty couples contended, with the result that Mr. H. J. Houghton won the first prize and first sweepstakes; Mr. Geo. Jager, jun., securing the second prize and second sweepstakes; Mr. W. H. Alexander won the third sweepstakes. The scores were as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. J. Houghton	113 22 91	Mr. J. G. Rodger	119 16 103
Mr. Geo. Jager, jun.	114 22 92	Mr. W. S. Hender-	
Mr. W. H. Alex-		son	121 18 103
ander	117 20 97	Rev. F. A. Macdona	122 18 104
Mr. John Royston	114 16 95	Mr. P. Wild	126 20 106
Mr. A. A. Reid	123 25 98	Mr. D. L. Wright	125 18 107
Mr. John Stewart	115 16 99	Prof. H. Strong	127 20 107
Mr. St. Clare Byrne	118 18 100	Mr. Theo. Turpin	132 25 107
Rev. H. V. Macdona	118 18 100	Mr. P. Brown	126 18 108
Mr. C. S. Parker	120 20 100	Dr. H. Briggs	135 22 113
Mr. W. H. Legge	121 20 101		

Not handicapped.—Messrs. H. J. Ryalls, 114; J. C. Clarke, 141.

Nineteen competitors made no returns.

Saturday, May 5th.—The second competition for the monthly medal and optional subscription prizes, all under handicap, took place at Hoylake. There was a large turn-out of players, fifty-one couples being despatched from the tee. The day was fine, and the returns should have been better. The medal was won by Mr. J. B. A lamson; a win-in for the first optional subscription prize was secured by Mr. E.

J. B. Farrar, Messrs. J. B. Adamson, John Farrar, and E. F. Watt not having entered for it. Messrs. W. H. Legge and G. N. Francis tied for a win-in for the second optional subscription prize, with their respective net scores of 89. The first sweepstakes were won by Mr. J. B. Adamson, the second by Mr. John Farrar, and the third divided between Messrs. E. J. B. Farrar and E. F. Watt. The result of the play was as under. First class optional subscription prize (limited to 14 in the handicap):—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. B. Adamson...	92	12	80	Mr. H. Reef ...	106	14	92
Mr. John Farrar ...	95	9	86	Mr. John Ball, jun. .	84	+9	93
Mr. E. J. B. Farrar ...	89	2	87	Mr. T. W. Crowther	92	+1	93
Mr. E. F. Watt ...	97	10	87	Mr. G. Stewart ...	101	8	93
Mr. J. Hornby ...	90	2	88	Mr. J. R. Wells ...	104	10	94
Mr. J. H. Knight ...	93	5	88	Mr. Regd. Haigh ...	108	13	95
Mr. H. Stewart-				Mr. W. C. Aspinall.	109	14	95
Brown ...	102	14	88	Mr. Arthur Turpin .	96	scr.	96
Dr. J. Davidson ...	91	2	89	Mr. H. C. R. Siev-			
Mr. John Graham...	97	8	89	wright ...	99	3	96
Mr. John Bushby ...	95	5	90	Mr. Alex. Sinclair...	100	4	96
Mr. R. F. Miln ...	96	6	90	Mr. Wm. Dod ...	102	6	96
Mr. A. H. Higgins .	94	3	91	Mr. R. H. Blain ...	107	11	96
Mr. C. T. Dixon ...	100	9	91	Mr. J. E. Perrin ...	110	14	96
Mr. T. R. Bulley ...	103	12	91	Mr. G. D. Wilson...	110	13	97
Mr. J. Ravenscroft .	103	11	92	Mr. D. C. Scott ...	113	14	99
Mr. C. Pilkington...	104	12	92				

Thirty competitors made no returns.

Second-class optional subscription prize (15 to 30 in the handicap).—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. W. H. Legge...	109	20	89	Mr. C. S. Parker ...	114	20	94
Mr. G. N. Francis..	107	18	89	Mr. R. W. Menneer	116	22	94
Mr. Percy Wild ...	111	20	91	Mr. J. W. Glover ...	118	22	96
Mr. C. J. G. Duranty	110	18	92	Mr. E. J. M. Phillips	122	25	97
Mr. B. H. Hilton...	116	24	92	Mr. St. Clare Byrne	118	18	100
Mr. H. St. Clare				Mr. J. H. Silberbach	124	19	105
Byrne ...	114	20	94	Mr. Cola Stolterfoht	126	18	108

Not handicapped—Messrs. H. Bamford, 105; W. L. Milligan, 110; W. K. Weir, 121; J. L. Grant, 121; Geo. Wall, 124; J. C. Clarke, 132; John Given, 139; Prof. Gotch, 124.

Twenty competitors made no returns.

The tie between Messrs. G. N. Francis and W. H. Legge, on being played off, resulted in favour of Mr. W. H. Legge, with a net score of 92 against his opponent's net score of 101.

ROYAL ASHDOWN FOREST v. CIVIL SERVICE.

This club played a match against the newly-formed Civil Service Club on May 5th, and gained a somewhat hollow victory. Mr. W. D. Bovill, who played an excellent round of about 83 on an unknown course, was unfortunate in finding Mr. Braybrooke at the top of his form. This gentleman's fine score is well worth recording:—Out, 6 4 5 3 4 4 5 4 4=39; in, 5 5 5 3 5 3 4 3 3=36; total, 75.

ROYAL ASHDOWN.		CIVIL SERVICE.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. H. M. Braybrooke	7	Mr. W. D. Bovill	0
Mr. A. Lubbock	6	Mr. Felix Skene (captain)	0
Mr. L. Andrews	7	Mr. A. S. Eames	0
Mr. C. L. Reade	6	Mr. W. H. Miller	0
Rev. A. T. Scott (captain)	7	Mr. O. B. Martyn	0
Mr. W. E. Hughes	5	Mr. H. H. Batten	0
Major L. T. Spens	11	Mr. H. A. St. John	0
Rev. C. C. Woodland	3	Mr. W. Tatham Hughes	0
	52		0

Majority for Royal Ashdown, 52.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT GOLF CLUB.

The usual competition for the medal took place at Lindrick on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th inst.:—Mr. A. E. Thompson, 53, less 10=43; Mr. T. W. Sorby, 52, less 8=44; Mr. H. Littlejohn, 54, less 8=46; Mr. D. Burgess, 58, less 11=47; Mr. J. E. Goodbody, 58, less 10=48; Mr. A. F. Watson, 64, less 16=48; Mr. C. R. Hemingway, 55, less 6=49; Mr. J. G. Ronskley, 57, less 8=49; Mr. W. Robinson, 61, less 12=49; Mr. W. A. Matthews, 63, less 14=49; Mr. G. T. Fernell, 65, less 16=49; Mr. C. Barber, 67, less 18=49. The rest were over 50 or made no returns.

R. & R. CLARK GOLF CLUB.—This club held a prize competition over the Braids course on Saturday, the 12th. The following were the results, with the net scores:—First, (prize presented by Mr. Waggott, clubmaker), Mr. T. Izzett, 85; second, J. G. Mills 87; third Mr. P. S. M'Blain, 89.

ST. ANDREWS.

LADIES' GOLF CLUB.—The spring meeting was held on the 16th inst., when fifteen couples played. The weather was splendid, and the proceedings were witnessed by a number of spectators. The result was as follows:—First medal, Miss J. K. Stewart, 110; second medal, Miss L. Gavin, 113; third medal, Miss E. E. Moir and Miss Mary Gavin (tie), 114. On playing off Miss Moir won. The next in order were:—Mrs. Hay and Miss L. C. Bethune, 115; Mrs. Everard, Miss Bethune, and Miss Hilda Gavin, 116; Miss Bett, Miss Moir, and Mrs. Hull, 117.

MATCH BETWEEN MR. P. C. ANDERSON AND MR. H. H. HILTON.—A fine single was played at St. Andrews last week between Mr. P. C. Anderson, ex-Amateur Champion, and Mr. H. H. Hilton, the well-known Hoylake player. The day was very wet, and the players did not get away till half-past one, but by that time the weather had improved. At first the play was very equal, but Mr. Hilton won the last two holes in the outward journey, and turned 2 up. Homeward the first three holes were halved, but Mr. Hilton carried the Hole Across, and led with 3 and 5 to play. The Ginger Beer was halved. Mr. Anderson secured the next, but losing the Dyke, Mr. Hilton won by 3 and 2 to play. The bye was halved. A second round was played during the afternoon. At first Mr. Hilton had it all his own way, and at the sixth hole out was leading by 3. Mr. Anderson, however, coming away with a rush, secured the next three holes, and the players turned all square. Homeward Mr. Anderson won the first hole, but lost the High hole. The Heather and Hole Across were halved. Mr. Hilton carried the Ginger Beer, and was 1 up with 4 to play; but Mr. Anderson squared this at the next green. The Dyke was halved, but the Burn fell to Mr. Anderson, who was now dormy 1. The Home hole was divided, Mr. Anderson winning the round by 1. Each having won a round, a third round was played for a decision before a largely-increased crowd. Play was very exciting, and a very level game was witnessed all the way through. At the turn Mr. Hilton was leading by 1, but Mr. Anderson soon wiped this off, and after give-and-take play, all was square at the Burn, with 1 to play. The last hole was played under some excitement. Both players were short of the green with their seconds; both approached well, Mr. Anderson especially, and he lay two yards off the hole. Mr. Hilton played the odd, and missed, and Mr. Anderson following suit, the round ended in a half. Each thus won a round on the day's play.

FIVE-BALL MATCH.—About a week ago a fine five-ball match was played between William Auchterlonie (Open Champion) and Andrew Kirkaldy against the ball of Mr. P. C. Anderson (ex-Amateur Champion), L. Watters, and W. Duncan. This was a return of the match played the previous night, which resulted in a win for the latter players by 3 and 1 to play. Going out, the play was very close, but occasionally the latter players were 1 up, and when the end hole was reached they were 1 to the good. Coming home the play was still very level, and at the fifth hole from home all was square. The trio won the next two holes, however, and stood 2 up with 3 to play. The Dyke was halved, but the three players got the Burn, and again became victors by 3 and 1 to play.

TYNESIDE GOLF CLUB.

The spring prize meeting of the above club was held on Wednesday, May 2nd, over the club course on Ryton Willows, the weather being most inclement, heavy rain falling all day. The course and putting-greens were in good order, but were partially submerged in many places with the rain. Some fifteen couples braved the elements, with the subjoined results:—

The Whyte Jubilee challenge cross (scratch).—Mr. J. B. Radcliffe, 90; Mr. Jas. Tennant, 92; Mr. C. A. Ridley, 92; Dr. G. W. Ridley, 93; Mr. F. T. Ridley, 94; Dr. R. Howden, 98; Dr. J. Limont, 99; Mr. J. W. Carr, 100; Mr. R. Y. Batey, 102; Mr. M. P. Ismay, 102; Mr. W. Douglass, 102; Mr. W. E. Stephenson, 103; Mr. Jas. T. Robb, 104; Mr. M. Dodd, 105; Mr. T. W. Bourn, 105; Mr. J. S. Brown, 105; Mr. Chas. Seaton, 106; Mr. W. D. Robb, 106; Mr. C. D. Ismay, 110. The rest made no returns.

The Thomson medal (handicap).—Mr. W. Douglass, 102, less 16=86; Mr. Jas. T. Robb, 104, less 16=88; Mr. Jas. Tennant, 92, less 2=90; Mr. W. E. Stephenson, 103, less 13=90. Other gross scores same as competition for the Whyte cross.

The half-yearly general meeting of members was held in the clubhouse, under the presidency of Mr. Wm. Whyte, vice-president. Mr. G. F. Charlton, the hon. secretary and treasurer, read the financial statement, which showed the club to be in a prosperous condition.

HUNSTANTON GOLF CLUB.—Monthly medal, May 7th:—Mr. C. Thompson, 103, less 17=86; Mr. G. Carrick, 108, less 21=87; Mr. C. A. F. Gregson, 102, less 12=90.

CALEDONIAN INSURANCE GOLF CLUB.—The second competition for the United States Manager's cup was played over Musselburgh links on the 12th, and resulted as follows:—First, Mr. R. Rodger, 90, less 2=88; second, Mr. A. E. Murray, 102, less 12=90.

THE SOUTHPORT GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition took place on Saturday. A heavy wind blew across the course, and accounted for so few cards being handed in. Result:—Mr. D. C. Anderson, 108, less 24=84; Mr. A. Smart, 101, less 17=84; Mr. G. F. Smith, 88, plus 3=91; Mr. R. A. Nicholson, 108, less 12=96; Mr. H. Sidebottom, 98, less 1=97; Mr. G. F. Pearson, 104, less 5=99; Mr. R. O. C. Deane, 117, less 18=99; Mr. W. E. Buckley, 114, less 12=102; Mr. H. B. Barlow, 118, less 13=105. Mr. Anderson won the first optional sweepstakes, Mr. Smith the second, and Mr. Sidebottom the third.

On Monday a prize offered by Mr. A. Smart was competed for by members of the Southport and Birkdale Clubs. The weather was dull but fine while play was in progress, and Mr. Bazley scored an easy win. Scores:—R. Bazley, 104, less 25=79; Mr. A. Smart, 103, less 13=90; Mr. H. Sidebottom, 94, less 1=93; Mr. G. D. S. Crowther (Birkdale), scratch, 93; Dr. Irvine, 102, less 9=93; Mr. R. A. Nicholson, 106, less 12=94; Mr. G. Swire, 112, less 17=95; Mr. W. W. P. Shatwell, 108, less 13=95; Mr. G. Duffus, 99, less 4=95; Mr. W. E. Buckley, 108, less 12=96; Mr. T. O. Clinning, 120, less 22=98; Mr. J. K. Knowles, 119, less 20=99; Mr. R. O. C. Deane, 117, less 18=99; Mr. G. F. Pearson, 105, less 5=100; Mr. D. C. Anderson, 125, less 18=107; Mr. G. Kilvert, 133, less 25=108; Mr. W. H. Hayes, 131, less 22=109. Mr. Bazley also won the first sweepstake, Mr. Smart, taking the second, while the third was divided between Messrs. Sidebottom, Crowther, and Irvine.

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The half-yearly competition for the Military gold medal, was held on May 5th, in perfect golfing weather, with the following result:—Mr. H. E. du C. Norris, 87, less 6=81; Mr. C. Humphries, 97, less 14=83; Rev. M. Robertson, 87, less 3=84; Mr. A. L. Chance, 103, less 16=87; Mr. C. T. Richardson, 102, less 13=89; Mr. C. E. G. Hatherell, 108, less 18=90; Rev. R. Arnold Edgell, 109, less 18=91; Mr. E. J. Vavasour, 111, less 20=91; Mr. M. T. Brown, 102, less 10=92; Mr. W. M. Smythe, 104, less 12=92; Capt. Granville, 110, less 17=93; Mr. A. E. Williams, 106, less 12=94. Eight players made no return, or were over 100 net.

The "Bogey" winner for the week was Mr. F. M. G. Abell (5), all even. The triple tie for the club challenge cup on the last day of the spring meeting was played off on Thursday, with the following result:—Mr. H. E. du C. Norris, 88, less 9=79; Capt. Granville, 112, less 20=92; Mr. C. Humphries, 110, less 16=94. Mr. Norris, who is playing a very strong all-round game at present, therefore won the cup, and Mr. Hatherell's silver-mounted spirit case, value eight guineas, while the other gentlemen divided seven-eighths of the sweepstake, amounting to six guineas.

A match between members of the club representing Oxford and Cambridge (past and present), and the Rest, was played over the links on Saturday, the 12th, the weather being brilliantly fine, and the course in beautiful order after the night's rain. A series of excellent matches, twenty-two in all, resulted in the defeat of the Universities by sixty-three holes to thirty-five. The following are the details of the tournament:—

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE.		THE REST.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncreiff	0	Mr. W. Boach...	3
Mr. F. M. G. Abell	0	Mr. C. G. Graham	2
Mr. J. A. F. Morcreeff	0	Mr. G. C. George	8
Hon. R. H. Lyttelton	0	Mr. T. H. Ashton	4
Mr. T. Latham	0	Mr. W. Ricketts	3
Mr. M. T. Brown	0	Mr. J. P. Robertson	3
Mr. H. Garnett	1	Mr. W. M. Smythe	0
Rev. F. M. Brodie	2	Mr. H. L. V. Pryse	0
Mr. J. W. Liddell	0	Mr. W. E. Chance	1
Rev. A. P. Dodd	7	Mr. J. T. Daly	0
Rev. R. Arnold Edgell	2	Mr. W. Maclaren	0
Mr. W. A. Willes	0	Mr. C. T. Richardson	10
Mr. W. L. Melville Lee	0	Mr. R. W. Lindsay	2
Major Kelso	0	Mr. E. J. Vavasour	8
Mr. I. F. Alston	0	Colonel French	2
Rev. H. W. H. Green	0	General Dandridge	9
Rev. J. A. Dawkins	0	Brig.-Surg. Wilson	5
Mr. W. C. Alston	2	Mr. C. W. Digby	0
Rev. E. J. Bidwell	0	Mr. A. L. Chance	3
Rev. A. H. M. Russell	14	Capt. Brinkley	0
Dr. Philip Hicks	7	Mr. R. F. Thornton Perkin	0
Mr. P. Grove	0	Mr. W. P. Cross	0
	35		63

Majority for the Rest, twenty-eight holes.

VENTNOR GOLF CLUB.—The Huish cup was played for in beautiful weather on Whit-Tuesday. Mr. H. J. Burt, 97, less 9=88; Mr. E. Waltham, 109, less 15=94; Mr. A. Prentice, 125, less 30=95; Mr. Hy. Michell, 109, less 12=97; Colonel Coyne, 133, less 22=111; Mr. Hy. Saltarn, 154, less 36=118.

WEST CUMBERLAND v. CARLISLE.

Played at Siddick on the 12th inst. in glorious weather. Scores:—

WEST CUMBERLAND.		CARLISLE.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Mr. J. R. Crum	0	Mr. C. Todd	0
Rev. J. T. Pollock	0	Mr. R. Todd	0
Mr. R. S. U. Thompson	5	Mr. J. K. Parker	0
Mr. E. A. Thompson	3	Dr. Murphy	0
Mr. Robt. Willis	1	Mr. W. P. Story	0
Mr. Lloyd Wilson	0	Mr. G. A. Story	2
Mr. Donald Fraser	3	Lieut. Pollard	0
Mr. J. L. Smith	0	Mr. R. W. Cowen	4
Dr. McKerron	3	Mr. R. W. Tweedy	0
Mr. J. F. Hodgson	0	Mr. D. L. Thorp	1
	15		7

WEST LANCASHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The concluding medal competition for the handsome prize presented by the officers stationed at Seaforth barracks took place over the links at Hall Road, on Saturday. A strong wind militated against good scoring, and except for a fine return by Dr. T. B. Grimsdale, the play was indifferent. On the conclusion of play it was found that the following members had, by their returns of the 21st April and last Saturday qualified for the coveted position of being amongst the eight to compete for the prize by match play in a tournament under special handicap, viz:—Mr. F. Harrison, 83, 89=172; Dr. T. B. Grimsdale, 92, 81=173; Mr. F. Litchfield, 81, 92=173; Mr. F. Gittins, 83, 91=174; Mr. G. Durandu, 84, 95=179; Mr. M. Rollo, 83, 96=179; Mr. G. H. O. Salt, 88, 92=180, whilst Messrs. T. H. Luzmore, H. E. Clare and Major Munn tied for the eighth place, with aggregate scores of 181. On Saturday, Dr. T. B. Grimsdale won first sweepstakes, the second and third were divided by Messrs. Harrison and Cornelius.

The following are the returns under 100:—Dr. T. B. Grimsdale, scratch, 81; Mr. F. Harrison, 94, less 5=89; Mr. G. Newsom, 94, less 5=89; Mr. F. W. Cornelius, 98, less 9=89; Mr. W. Bowker, 104, less 14=90; Mr. G. Norton, 115, less 25=90; Mr. F. Gittins, 103, less 12=91; Mr. F. W. Lees, 109, less 18=91; Mr. D. H. Greenwood, 93, less 1=92; Mr. F. Litchfield, 99, less 7=92; Mr. G. H. O. Salt, 103, less 11=92; Mr. J. N. P. Newton, 105, less 13=92; Mr. J. G. Thompson, 110, less 18=92; Mr. J. A. Beauure, 115, less 23=92; Mr. T. H. Luzmore, scratch, 94; Dr. Rowlands, 102, less 8=94; Mr. H. E. Clare, 104, less 10=94; Rev. D. G. F. Smith, 106, less 12=94; Mr. T. R. Henderson, 97, less 2=95; Capt. Chamier, 99, less 4=95; Mr. G. Durandu, 106, less 11=95; Mr. N. McLaren, 108, less 13=95; Mr. W. Buckley, 110, less 15=95; Mr. J. W. Fowler, 95, plus 1=96; Mr. W. Potter, 97, less 1=96; Mr. M. Rollo, 103, less 7=96; Major Munn, 109, less 13=96; Mr. W. F. Burrell, 108, less 12=96; Mr. A. Stoddart, 108, less 11=97; Mr. John Esplen, 111, less 14=97; Rev. C. de B. Winslow, 119, less 20=99.

GLASGOW GOLF CLUB.—The final competition for the monthly medals of 1893 took place on the 12th inst. over the Alexandra Park course. For the club medal (first class) there was a tie between Mr. D. Bone, 72, plus 3=75, and Mr. John Storrar, 77, less 2=75. The Wilson medal (second class) was also a tie between Mr. J. T. Irving, 84, less 6=78, and Mr. Stewart Blackley, 83, less 5=78. The winner in the third class (Scott medal) was Mr. J. A. Grant, 80, less 8=72. The Tennant cup competition.—The annual competition for the cup presented by Sir Charles Tennant of the Glen, Innerleithen, took place at Gales on Saturday, 19th inst., under the auspices of the Glasgow Golf Club. The conditions attached to the competition are that the cup shall be held by the captain of the club with which the winner is connected for a period of one year, and that all amateurs of clubs receiving invitations to join in the competition shall be eligible to play. The winner of the cup last year was Mr. William Doleman, Glasgow Club, and he was also a successful competitor on two previous occasions. The weather on Saturday was very genial, although of a threatening description. Sixteen pairs entered. The principal amateur golfers of the West took part in the match, which was a very enjoyable one all over. The winner of the trophy this year is again Mr. William Doleman, with a score of 77; his score last year was 79. Mr. D. Bone, of the Dumbarton Club, won the cup four times, and on this occasion he had a score of 80. The following are the principal scores:—Mr. William Doleman (Glasgow), 77; Mr. A. F. Duncan (Kilmalcolm), 78; Mr. E. D. Prothero (Troon), 79; Mr. George Gillespie (Glasgow), 79; Mr. David Bone (Dumbarton), 80; Mr. A. C. Robertson (Troon), 81; Mr. Andrew Boon (St. Nicholas, Prestwick), 81; Mr. J. A. Shaw (Troon), 82; Mr. M. Black (Glasgow), 85; Mr. William Fleming (Ardeer), 86; Mr. R. Brownlee (Glasgow), 86; Mr. F. R. Motion (Glasgow), 86; Mr. J. R. Motion (Glasgow), 86; Mr. James Andrew (St. Nicholas), 87; Mr. R. B. Mitchell (Bridge of Weir), 88; Mr. William M'Farlane, jun. (Glasgow), 88; Mr. D. G. Miller (Carnoustie), 89; Mr. John Storrar (Leven Thistle), 93.

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On Saturday, May 5th, a match, with twelve players on each side, was played at Malvern between the Worcestershire and the Coventry clubs. The result was a win in favour of the home team by twenty-three holes:—

WORCESTERSHIRE.		COVENTRY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Rev. H. Foster...	...	Captain J. B. Johnstone	... 3
Mr. C. Toppin	... 4	Mr. P. M. G. Abell	... 0
Mr. R. S. Archdale	... 1	Mr. H. Smith	... 0
Mr. W. Paterson	... 2	Mr. G. S. Albright	... 0
Rev. C. Black	... 4	Mr. W. Hillman	... 0
Colonel Prescott Decie	... 3	Hon. R. H. Lyttelton	... 0
Rev. H. M. Faber	... 0	M. T. Latham	... 0
Mr. H. D. Acland	... 2	Mr. A. P. Pridmore	... 0
Captain H. A. Armitage	... 5	Mr. F. Smith	... 0
Mr. C. A. Jones	... 0	Mr. H. J. Nutt	... 0
Dr. J. P. Bookless	... 10	Mr. G. G. Brodie	... 0
Mr. F. A. Horn	... 0	Mr. J. Powers	... 5
	31		8

The monthly competition was held on the 3rd in splendid golfing weather, but the trickiness of the greens was too much for the majority of the players, and the cards handed in were, with a few exceptions, much below the average. The cup and senior medal were secured by Capt. H. Arnold Armitage, the junior medal falling to Mr. E. G. Bromley Martin. Subjoined are the returns sent in:—Capt. H. A. Armitage, 90, less 8=82; Rev. H. M. Faber, 90, less 4=86; Mr. E. G. Bromley Martin, 100, less 14=86; Mr. H. W. Buck, 101, less 13=88; Mr. B. M. Smith, 104, less 16=88; Mr. J. Foord Kelcey, 97, less 8=89; Mr. C. E. Moilliet, 105, less 16=89; Mr. F. A. Horn, 102, less 10=92; Mr. R. H. C. Neville, 108, less 16=92; Capt. C. C. How, 108, less 16=92; Mr. G. A. Jones, 101, less 8=93; Mr. R. R. Brown, 103, less 10=93; Rev. C. Black, 98, less 3=95.

WORCESTERSHIRE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Thursday, May 3rd, and resulted as follows:—Miss Foster, 102, less 13=89, holder of the silver vases; Miss J. Brown, 127, less 33=94; Miss E. Brown, 116, less 21=95; Mrs. Jupp, 135, less 37=98; Miss Piper, 139, less 40=99. Three other members were over 100 net.

SCOTSCRAIG CLUB.—A large number of the members of this club competed for the Thomson cup, under the "Bogey" system. The trophy was won by Mr. T. L. M'Donald with 3 holes down. The following were the lowest scores:—Mr. John Simpson, 83; Mr. James Morton, jun., 86; Mr. T. L. M'Donald, 87; Mr. A. Jack, 89; Mr. A. S. Melville, 92; Mr. James Morton, sen., 93; Mr. William Hogg, 94; Mr. William Davidson, 94; Mr. G. B. Black, 95; Mr. William Dickson, 97; Mr. J. M. Scott, 97; Mr. D. Law, 99; Rev. Canon Hodson, 99; Mr. J. L. Eadie, 99. The first half of the competition for the captain's prizes took place on Saturday, the 12th, under favourable conditions. There was a large turn-out of members, thirty of whom returned cards under the century. The conditions of competition were 36 holes by strokes (handicap), 18 played on Saturday, and the other 18 on Saturday next. The following are the best scores:—Mr. William Davidson, 90, less 8=82; Mr. William Coss, 94, less 12, =82; Mr. T. L. M'Donald, 95, less 12=83; Mr. J. Matthew, 102, less 18=84; Mr. J. Morton, sen., 91, less 6=85; Mr. J. Simpson (scratch) 86; Mr. A. Mills; 104, less 18=86; Mr. J. Morton, sen., 99, less 12=87; Mr. W. E. Methven, 90, less 2=88; Mr. A. Jack, 92, less 4=88; Mr. A. S. Melville, 93, less 4=89; Mr. T. S. Pattulo, 101, less 12=89; Dr. J. Orr, 93, less 4=89; Mr. A. S. Thomson, (scratch) 90; Mr. H. Fyfe, 99, less 8=91; Mr. R. Law, 100, less 8=92; Mr. G. Millar, 96, less 4=92; Mr. J. Sievwright, 96 less 4=92; Mr. W. Oswald, 110, less 18=92; Mr. T. Willock, 104, less 12=92; Mr. J. Dickson, 101, less 8=93; Mr. J. M. Scott, 101, less 8=93; Rev. C. Halliday, (scratch) 94; Mr. A. Robertson, 102, less 8=94; Mr. R. L. Baxter, 106, less 12=94; Mr. A. Lawson, 110, less 16=94; Mr. J. Inch, 107, less 12=95; Mr. J. Hyslop, 112, less 16=96. The course is now in excellent condition, and it is the only private course in the neighbourhood. The membership of the club is increasing so rapidly that the admission of members may soon require to be stopped.

CHURSTON GOLF CLUB.—The second monthly cup competition took place Wednesday, May 16th. Col. Simpson, 103, less 21=82; Mr. E. F. Denison, 106, less 24=82; Col. Vallings, 112, less 30=82; Mr. Spens, 105, less 21=84; Col. Gibbs, 112, less 25=87; Mr. J. Entley, 116, less 27=89; Dr. Alexander, 113, less 22=91; Mr. B. Bennett, 114, less 21=93.

BOURNEMOUTH GOLF CLUB.—Monthly medal, May 5th:—Mr. W. H. Harrison, 92, less 16=76; Mr. E. W. Charlton, 100, less 15=85; Mr. A. H. Cooper, 101, less 16=85; Col. Bannatyne, 107, less 22=85; Mr. F. H. Haviland, 93, less 7=86; Mr. H. F. Harvey, 103, less 15=88; Mr. C. Burke, 115, less 24=91; Dr. Williams, 112, 20=92. Others made no returns or over 100 net.

WOODFORD GOLF CLUB.—Whitsun handicap, May 14th. Perfect weather and course in excellent order. Mr. F. W. Mugford, 99, less 20=79; Mr. D. Munro, 101, less 20=81; Mr. A. H. Tozer, 100, less 18=82; Mr. E. J. Morris, 98, less 12=86; Mr. F. S. Phillips, 111, less 24=87; Mr. E. A. Tewson, 93, less 5=88; Mr. R. H. Glanfield, 99, less 10=89; Mr. S. Hellyer, 103, less 14=89; Mr. F. P. Telfer, 113, 16=97; Mr. H. Dickson, 116, less 18=98.

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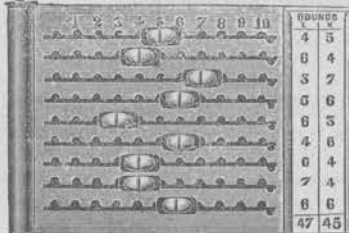
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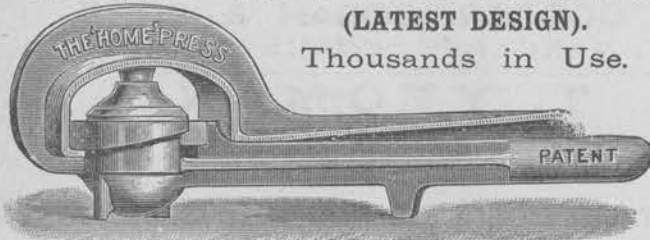
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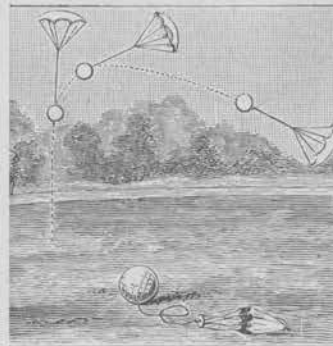
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