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NOVEMBER.

Nov. 30.—Royal Isle of Wight : St. Andrews' Day Meeting.

DECEMBER.

- Dec. 1.—Holmes Chapel : Monthly Medal.
West Herts : "Bogey" Competition.
Royal Liverpool : St. Andrew's Meeting.
Macclesfield : President's Challenge Cup.
Macclesfield : Club Monthly Handicap.
Bullwood : Monthly Medal.
Redhill and Reigate : Club Medal.
Neasden : "Bogey" Competition.
Brighton and Hove : Berens Gold Medal.
Minchinhampton : Monthly Medal.
Rochdale : Stevens Shield.
West Middlesex : "Bogey" Competition.
Bowdon : Monthly Medal (Final).
London Scottish : Monthly Medal.
Tooting : Monthly Medal.
Leicester : Monthly Medal.
Seaton Carew : Gray Trophy.
Arden : Monthly Cup.
Macclesfield : Club Monthly Handicap.
North West Club (Londonderry) : Monthly Medal.
King's Norton : Monthly Challenge Cup.
Woodford : Captain's Prize and Monthly Medal.
Ventnor : Waltham Cup.
Raynes Park : Monthly Medal.
Manchester : Monthly Medal.
Finchley : Monthly Medal and Captain's Prize.
Clacton-on-Sea : Monthly Medal.
Holmes Chapel : Monthly Medal.
Rhyl : Monthly Medal.
Aldeburgh : Monthly Medal.
- Dec. 3.—Hunstanton : Monthly Medal.
Woodbridge : Monthly Competition.

- Dec. 4.—Carnarvonshire : Monthly Medal.
Royal Blackheath : Photographic Medal ; Calcutta Cup ; Monthly Medal.
Mid-Surrey Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Birkdale : Monthly Competition.
- Dec. 5.—Lyme Regis : Monthly Medal.
King's Norton : Ladies' Challenge Prize.
- Dec. 6.—Tyneside : Bi-Monthly Handicap.
Woodbridge : Ladies ; Monthly Competition.
Great Yarmouth : Monthly Medal.
- Dec. 8.—Ranelagh : Monthly Medal.
Moseley : Captain's Prize ("Bogey" Handicap).
Macclesfield : Hall Prize.
Wilmslow : Third Winter Competition.
Southport : Monthly Competition.
West Herts : Monthly Medal.
Mid-Surrey : Junior Monthly Medal.
Cumbrae : Monthly Medal.
Crookham : "Bogey" Competition.
Hayling : Monthly Medal.
Arden v. King's Norton.
Royal Isle of Wight : Monthly Competition.
- Dec. 11.—Cumbrae Ladies : Monthly Medal.
- Dec. 11 & 18.—Carnarvonshire : "Bogey" Cup.
- Dec. 11 & 21.—Whitley : "Bogey" Competition.
- Dec. 13.—West Middlesex : Committee Meeting.
Royal Guernsey Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Royal Norwich v. Worlington and Newmarket (at Worlington).
- Dec. 14.—Brighton & Hove : Annual General Meeting and Dinner.
- Dec. 15.—Macclesfield : Cameron Bowl.
Wakefield : Monthly Medal.
Fleetwood : Monthly Medal.
Brighton and Hove : De Worms Challenge Cup and Club Prize for Winners of Berens Gold Medal.
Rochester Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Eltham : Monthly Medal.
Royal Dublin : Monthly Medal.
Mid-Surrey : First and Second Class Senior Medals.
Worlington and Newmarket : Monthly Medal.
Sidcup : Monthly Medal (Second Class).
Minchinhampton : "Bogey" Competition.
Wimbledon Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Seaford : Monthly Medal.
Harrogate : Monthly Medal.
Rochester : Monthly Medal.
West Middlesex : Medal Competition.
Disley : Hutton Prize.

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LESSONS ON GOLF.

LESSON VI.

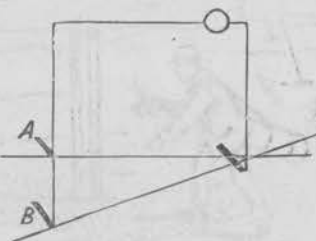
We now come to the approach to the green, and enter upon the use of the lofting iron. Lofting is decidedly the most important stroke in Golf, as also it is perhaps the most difficult. One may hammer fairly well along the course, but if the lofting is badly done, the score for the hole must approach to, or enter into, double figures; a fozled drive, or a bad second, may be entirely made up by a good loft. Three strokes to the bad has often ended in a win on the green by reason of a good loft against the opponent's bad one. That lofting is as important as I have stated, requires no proof. It is a matter of experience, and may be set down as an axiom: learn to drive a long ball, be clever at picking the ball out of bad places; but if you want to be a strong player, and a man hard to beat, give heed to your lofting. I am quite certain that a good lofter will make a hard fight of it with a man who can give him a stroke in each hole through the course, and yet fails to make his approaches sure. And yet the approach to the hole with the lofter is just what the majority of beginners fail to practise. You will find many a man practising driving. There is everlasting practice of putts; but how seldom one observes a man spending an hour with a dozen balls in use, trying, and trying again, to approach the hole with the lofter, and yet, if the worst comes to pass, more than a stroke is difficult to lose on the green by a bad putt, while three strokes are often lost, before the bottom of the hole is reached, by bad lofting.

I have said thus much about lofting because I feel quite certain no instruction, however good, can be given on the matter, or actually learned by rote, unless the learner makes his mind up to seriously practise the art until he can positively do what he knows in theory ought to be done. If you live near a green, it is a very simple business to go out, taking only a lofter and a few balls, with the sole object of doing nothing but loft, and an hour at a stretch is not a bit too long to give to the work; but one does not require to live near a green to practise lofting. It is done quite as well in a field at home by pegging two sticks in the ground at a known distance apart, and lofting from one to the other and back again. The distance may continually be changed, only care should be taken to get the eye and hands accustomed to judge the distance, as, of course, in the game the distance cannot be measured, it can only be judged. It stands to reason in the game much depends upon the player judging his distance rightly. Now, when I speak of distance in lofting, I can only speak generally; some men can, and will always be able to loft farther than others can do, but as I must speak of figures, let me say 80 to 100 yards is a safe and certain loft, which everyone can accomplish. For myself, at a longer distance than that I use another club or the cleek, but 80 to 100 yards from the green may, and ought to be safely lofted. I think every man ought to have two lofting irons, the one for 100 yards and down to 60 yards, the other for shorter distances. There is a great deal of difference between the strokes at these several distances, and I cannot see that they can be carried out to the best advantage with one and the same iron. Let me describe these irons: The one I will call the long-distance, the other the short-distance lofter. The one has some spring in the shaft and a heavy, not too much laid-back head—quite a different iron from a mashie, though I know some use the mashie for a long-distance loft; but I would much rather, if I wanted to carry as few clubs as possible, use my lofter for a mashie stroke than I would a mashie for a lofter. The other is considerably more laid back in the head, and has a shorter and stiffer shaft. I will speak first of the long loft, for it requires less said than the other. It embraces very much what I said in my last paper about the cleek. The hands are to be well kept forward to give the ball true direction, and the club must be divotted (if there is such a word) in order to

ensure a straight travel. But at a long distance, in order to carry the distance, the address to the ball must be the same as the address used with the cleek, the only difference between the two clubs being that the lofter raises the ball higher in the air, and so the ball falls more dead—it does not travel far after it has pitched. The most important part of the business is to practise and practise, till the ball travels the distance required; and travels that distance in a straight line. This is helped by taking a divot and by keeping the hands well forward to the very end of the stroke.

You want to have the power to land the ball on or near to the green, from 100, 80, or 60 yards, with some certainty, and this can never be attained by playing the game for years and taking the strokes as they come. The stroke itself must be practised over and over again till fair certainty comes. But when we come to the shorter loft, and have to use the well-laid-back little lofter, a great deal of explanation is required, and I must ask your most careful attention. You will find it, after a little practice, far easier to place your ball well up from the longer than from the shorter distance, it stands to reason, for you cannot well over-loft from the long distance. It takes all the strength that can be given; the only things to be careful about are not to fall short and to keep direction. But with the short distance it is very different: under-lofting, over-lofting, and direction have all to be considered, and to this end certain methods of help have been devised, which I proceed to set forth. The stroke is quite different from all other strokes; it is a stroke of itself, and has to be learned with pains. I speak of 50 and 40 yards now, and under. The stroke is made entirely off the right foot. Some

place the left foot parallel with the right and a line drawn through the ball, others retire the left foot as I have marked it at B; it does not matter, if you stick to one form or the other. If B is used care should be taken to keep the left shoulder well forward so as not to pull the ball. The left foot is used only to steady the body and stroke, the weight of the body is on the right foot. If in practice you find that the ball does not carry, you must know that for you at that distance the other lofter should be used. It does not at all follow that because you cannot do it the stroke cannot be done by another; each man's power in these strokes varies very considerably. You can only learn by experience what length you can make the club carry. So when I speak of using the well-laid-back lofter for 50 or even 60 yards, my figures must be proved by each reader. All I can do is to show how the stroke is to be done when it is done. You must find out at what distances you can make it successful. Having taken your stand and well bent your knees, keep your hands well forward, sit well down to it, and be sure and rest the heel of the iron well behind the ball, so that the point of the iron is well raised, and in addressing the ball carry the hands well forward, and hold the club somewhat stiffly, moving hands and club over the ball, so that the hands are well in front of the head of the club. Just the reverse of addressing with the driver. In the stroke itself the wrist does a lot of the work, and if the ball has to carry a long way for the club a divot will help materially in increasing the distance and keeping a good line; but if the distance is short the divot is apt to send the ball much too far. Just so according to distance the arms should be free or confined according as the ball is to carry farther or shorter distance. To check the strength, the elbows should be more or less touching the side, and the stroke be a wrist and body stroke entirely; in fact, in some cases, it must be a wrist shot only, and a very delicate one too; as, for example, in a stimy, where one ball has to be lofted over the other, and so into the hole—not by any means an impossible stroke. I won a match at the last hole only a short time ago by that very stroke in a foursome. The object of this short loft is to raise your ball from where it is and land it dead, or almost so, where it falls. Your eye must spot exactly where you wish it to fall, allowing a little for the inevitable sun, and it is evident at each distance something different



is required—stiffer arms—some weight of the body in the stroke. Another time all arms and body and wrist too; another only wrist, and so on. It is, therefore, quite impossible for any one to explain how all this is to be done at each of the several distances your ball will be from one hole or another. All I can do is to lay down principles for you to get up, and then for you to practise. It stands to reason how much practice is required on your part if you wish to learn to loft well, from the fact that a man who will play a very strong game, and make a lot of powerful lofts in a round, will utterly fail five times out of six, if in cold blood he tries to give you a lesson and show you how to do it; nevertheless, get some good hand if you can to show you; you will then see what I have endeavoured to describe actually done, and you will observe his attitude and method of executing the stroke.

Before I close this lesson I must not omit to draw the beginner's attention to the common fault of taking the eye off the ball before the stroke is made, and letting the eye wander to where the ball should go. In ordinary long shots the player is not so likely to do this, as all he cares about is the direction, and his hope is that the ball will travel as far as possible; but with the loft it is different: so much trouble has been taken in the address, not merely to get direction, but also to judge distance, that unless a determined will is exercised the eye will try to anticipate the result. The only cure is a resolute will that nothing shall induce you to allow the eye to wander. Be as long as you like in addressing for distance and direction, but when you have determined upon the stroke keep the eye glued to the ball, remembering it is the stroke which sends the ball, and looking to where you long for it to land will not make it land there, but will hinder it. Strange to say that very often, when the eye has gone on before the stroke, the result has been a half-topped ball, and the ball has gone bumping along and landed close to the hole. I cannot but think, when this has happened to me, that the stroke, if made rightly, would have had the same result; this is a fluke. It does happen sometimes, and why cannot be explained; but if the green is properly fenced with a hazard—as good greens should be—the lofted ball is the only ball that is safe. I should like to say something about a sliced loft, but how to do it is really too difficult to try to explain in words. It should, however, be carefully practised, for it is most useful where a small bunker intervenes between the course and the green, or when the green is approached up a steep bank and your ball is lying at the bottom; if lofted in the ordinary way, the ball will travel too far, but a slice put on the stroke will pitch the ball high and cause it to land dead, or even bound backwards. The nearer you are to the green the more delicate lofting becomes. Of all strokes this is the one where even the fingers play an important part, and the shorter the loft is the more the fingers are brought into play, till one can feel really a sympathetic tingle in the fingers as they grasp the handle, which has a good deal to do with fine play; and I cannot end my lesson better than by repeating what I said when it began, that lofting is out and out the most paying stroke to learn to execute with accuracy and in proper form; that a low score depends upon good lofting, and that it is well worth every player's while to give all heed and practice to lofting.

COACH.

(To be continued.)

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Reviews.

THE FRINGES OF FIFE. By John Geddie. Illustrated by Louis Weierter. Edinburgh: David Douglas.

Any book which treats, however discursively, of Fife and its ancient history cannot fail to be of absorbing interest to every Scotsman and to every golfer. In Fife as Scotsmen see it to-day, with its irregular chain of little seaports and fishing villages, its ancient churches and baronial mansions and its royal palaces, they have a brief, but picturesque epitome of early Scottish history in trade and commerce and government; and the golfer views its long succession of fine links, carpeting the coast-line, not only as the earliest home of the royal game, but as the spot where ideal golfing grounds are to be found. Though the game and the links of Fife do not come primarily within the scope of Mr. Geddie's volume, they nevertheless form a strand in his warp and woof; and being a golfer himself he shows that he is not insensible to the many varied charms which the links and the game impart to his artistic literary sketches in broadening and deepening their effect. But the main purpose of the volume is to describe, with light, graphic touch, the record of a pilgrimage which the author and the artist made along the fringes of Fife—that is to say, along its rugged coast line, keeping always well within sight and sound of the sea. The journey was begun close upon winter, when all the holiday makers had returned to their homes, and when the north-easterly breezes began to give a tooth to the strong, keen air. The pilgrims began at Kincardine in the west and ended their journey, in blazing hot weather, at St. Andrews, having in the intervals of their leisure, and intermittently, visited and explored all the coast towns, villages, churches and castles which are to be found on the coast-line between those two extremities. With such a subject to handle it is almost needless to add that the work has been exceedingly well done. Mr. Geddie has trodden some of the less-known by-ways of Scottish domestic history. He has returned with much quaint lore, gleaned from the inhabitants and from sculptured stone or ruin, which he imparts with unflinching grace and sympathy. Indeed, his mind seems to have been steeped in the very spirit of the places successively visited; and the transcription of the effects produced on the mind of the author by sea and sky, are by no means the least noteworthy pearls to be met with on the string of the narrative. Here is one, for example, taken at random about Elie:—

"Later we sit down by the rocks fringing the Ruby Bay to smoke the calumet of peace. The colours of day slowly fade from the sky, and out of the sea a mystic gray haze steals in and wraps the land in its folds. The lights of Elie become faint blurs of red, and the flashing eye of the May is quenched. It is a medium in which sounds and forms seem to be magnified. Yet nothing is to be seen but the vague shapes of the rocks, and nothing heard except the sob of the troubled breast of the sea, as it tells its secret to the shore."

Now and again the page is lighted up with the flash of a humorous anecdote or incident redolent of the soil of Fife and its inhabitants. There are some breezy golfing touches when the author deals with Burntisland, Kinghorn, West Wemyss, Leven, Elie, and Crail; but as they cannot be quoted here, enough has been said to show that the volume is one to buy and to keep. Every sentence indicates the finished literary artist deeply imbued with a love of his subject. In his illustrations to the text Mr. Weierter has done much to enhance the attractiveness and value of the book. Finally, it may be mentioned that the volume is dedicated to Mr. C. A. Cooper, editor of the *Scotsman*, who has himself done much, in the case of one Fifeshire town, at least, to make it popular and prosperous.

RECORDS OF THE MILLER HOSPITAL AND ROYAL KENT DISPENSARY. By John Poland, F.R.C.S. Greenwich H. Richardson. 8vo. 7s. 6d.; 4to. 12s. 6d.

This is a painstaking record of a most useful public institution, from its foundation in 1783, until the present time. The Committee of the Institution placed at Mr. Poland's disposal all the books and papers connected with its development and expansion, and the author, who

is one of the surgeons attached to the Hospital, has been able to show how the institution arose out of very small beginnings, until it ministers to the relief of a densely populated working-class district. The Dispensary and Hospital have continually increasing calls on their resources, as may be seen by a glance at the number of patients relieved annually, there being an increase of no fewer than 26,000 patients in the last decade. Some of the earlier documents throw a by no means uninteresting side-light on the social characteristics of the eighteenth century. The Governors and their friends, we are told, used to dine at the "Green Man," so long well known in connection with the early days of Blackheath Golf, and dinner was to be "on the table at three o'clock precisely." There is a curious story about a woman named Bridget Bonner having been found in a nude state in the gravel-pit—which is a bunker on the Blackheath course—and who had a fabricated story of a robbery to tell the authorities in explanation of her plight, together with the loss of 500 guineas, a trunk, a smelling-bottle, a phaeton, horses and post-boy. The family of Mr. John Penn, M.P., have long been associated with the institution as liberal supporters to its funds, and the representative for Lewisham is at present the Hon. Treasurer. In connection with Golf at Blackheath, which is in the centre of the district served by the Hospital, Mr. Poland says:—

"The Royal Blackheath Golf Club, in April, 1887, through Francis Gilbert, Esq., presented the handsome donation of twenty guineas to the funds of the Hospital. . . . The members of the club are, and have always been, liberal supporters of the Hospital and Dispensary, and the names of its captains, medal-holders, and members appear among the generous donors to its funds during the century. Although no record appears in the annals of the Hospital and Dispensary of any accidents from Golf having been treated, it is well known that the game is not free—especially of late years—from such, and often of a serious nature, which have taken place elsewhere. This may be largely due to the club rule, which obliges its members to wear red coats while playing, and in which unique costume the late Lord Mayor, Sir Stuart Knill, Bart., a Blackheath resident, and warm supporter of the Hospital, entertained the club, for the first time, at a banquet in the Mansion House."

One recognises with pleasure the names of many golfers among the subscribers to the volume, the proceeds of the sale being devoted to the benefit of the institution. There is the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, Professor Turner, Mr. John Penn, M.P., Mr. J. G. Denham, Dr. J. G. McPherson of Ruthven, the Earl of Dartmouth, and others. The volume is especially interesting to Blackheath golfers, and in buying it they will have the consciousness that their money is going to help in the work of a most deserving public charity.

LORD SALISBURY AND THE CADDIE.—Lord Salisbury, while on a recent visit to his nephew, Mr. A. J. Balfour, M.P., in Haddingtonshire, was playing Golf for exercise. He struck too low with his iron, and asked his caddie, "What have I hit?" The youngster, who was without reverence, gruffly made answer, "Scotland."

In a private match Mr. Dunell lately lowered the amateur record of Port Elizabeth, Cape of Good Hope, green from 85 to 82. The local professional J. Johnstone, late of North Berwick, holds the professional record, viz., 78. In another match Mr. Dunell holed the fourteenth hole in his tee shot, the distance being 176 yards.

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THE GOLFER'S PROGRESS.

AIR—"Comin' thro' the Rye."

Gin a gowfer, swingin' madly,
Ding the ba' in twa,
His caddie sighs and murmurs sadly,
"That's nae guid ava'."

Ilka player has his faddie
'Bout stance, grip, swing and a';
But deil a bawbee-worth's a' that
Gin he fozzle every ba'.

Gin the brassie bang the grassie
Far ahint the ba',
The gowfer, fashed and sair abashed,
Let's sweer words freely fa'.

Ower muckle toddy gars a body
Whiles aim sair awry;
If so, the caddie, honest laddie,
"Winks the other eye!"

Gin your partners, playin' awfu',
Throw the match awa',
Curse not, but pray the Powers abune
His silly neck to thraw!

Or else to "loft" him, swift and sune,
Frae this terrestrial ba',
To whaur he'll play a *higher* game,
Or, may be, *nane* ava'!

A. S. B.

WILLESDEN GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medals, for short and long handicaps, were played for on November 24th. The course was very heavy, and, in spite of every care, the greens were soon trodden to a state that made putting hopeless. Mr. Higgs, who only started playing six months ago, returned a good card. The best scores were:—Mr. H. Higgs, 92, less 16=76 (winner of long handicap medal); Mr. F. Ross, 81, plus 6=87 (winner of short handicap medal); Mr. H. Ball, 114, less 27=87; Mr. F. Chase, 115, less 26=89; Mr. J. K. Hume, 110, less 20=90; Mr. W. F. Mapleston, 100, less 8=92; Mr. J. Sanderson, jun., 121, less 24=97. Other scores over 100 net.

A NEW GOLFING SKETCH.—The golfing sketches of Captain Ranald M. Alexander are already well known to our readers for their broadly humorous effects (see the headings in GOLF as a small example), and the general faithfulness with which they represent laughable incidents on the links. His skilful pencil has also been called in to illustrate some of the mirthful phases of another Scottish game—curling; but in the sketch before us he has essayed a bolder and more imaginative flight. It represents "The Golfer's Dream." A golfer is seen in bed dreaming, and the phases of action which enchain his earnest attention on the links when awake do not fail to crowd upon his slumbering fancy. These different phases are represented as being compartments of the sleeper's dream. First we see the caddies running to meet him as he holds out his clubs; then he is seen playing with a niblick, first out of a bunker and then out of a pool of water in which he is cooling his ardent impetuosity ankle-deep. Again, he is seen receiving a ball in the face, playing with a young lady and a professional, breaking his clubs over his knee in chagrin and desperation of spirit, and finally in an encounter with "Bogey," who is depicted to us as a very formidable-looking opponent. The sketch as a whole has been drawn with great breadth and freedom, and being a golfer himself, Captain Alexander, it is needless to say, is correct in all his golfing details. The sketch, which has been reproduced in autotype, is just the thing to hang on the walls of club smoking rooms, or in the golfer's snuggery at home. It is published by Messrs. Fores, 41, Piccadilly, W., and the price is the very moderate one of 7s. 6d. uncoloured, and 15s. coloured.

THE SCOTSMAN ON THE JERSEY STONE.

“Oh that mine enemy would give an opinion on a point of the rules!”

IF only a stone had not happened to take an uneasy seat on top of a whin in the island of Jersey, what a deal of trouble would have been spared to a number of people who really have acted with the best intentions! I can honestly assure the cruel *Scotsman* that I meant no harm when I said that in my opinion a stone or any loose impediment could by rule be moved from any hazard, provided the player's ball did not lie in the hazard, or, in the case of a whin, touching part of the growing whin. Therefore, such being the innocence of my motives, it seems to me a little hard that the *Scotsman*, reviewing Vol. VIII. of GOLF, should observe in reference to my expression of opinion, “One would have said that a special rule to prevent the cutting and carving of a bunker was not required under any conceivable circumstances.” How hard it is to mock one in such a scathing way! And with such a wealth of imagination, moreover! For “cutting and carving of a bunker”—what a merry jump of the imagination is there not required to carry one to the laborious operations of “cutting and carving,” from the simple act of lifting a stone off a whin, and throwing it away? Some poor simple people might even have thought that more damage was being done to a hazard, such as a whin-bush, by leaving a stone lying on it than by relieving it of such a weight. But no; in the language of the *Scotsman*, such a lifting-off the superimposed weight is equivalent to “cutting and carving.” I am indeed sorry to have advocated anything that should be so fatally injurious to that or any other whin-bush.

The *Scotsman*, further, shows a combination of stern logic with its vivid imaginative power, that is very rarely seen. If one may move a stone, it asks, “why not all loose divots, and if loose divots, why not as much of the bank of the bunker as could be conveniently carried away?” In this query, however, the *Scotsman* seems to have permitted its imagination to be altogether crushed and blighted by its logic; for a slight exercise of the imaginative faculty might have suggested the reason for not carrying away the bank of the bunker—namely that it would tend to spoil the links. One would have thought the answer so extremely simple. As to stones and loose divots, on the contrary, it is a good and philanthropic act to remove them from a bunker, provided your ball be not in it; for you thereby do an act of grace for one who, coming after you, may have the misfortune to find his ball in the bunker. If your ball be in the bunker *then* you may remove nothing. But there is no rule to forbid your moving anything in a bunker when the ball is “lying” (to quote the *Scotsman* again) “on the green within a club-length of it.” There is not, so far as I know, any rule which says anything about what you may or may not do conditionally on the ball being within or without any named distance from the bunker. The rules distinguish the cases of a ball being in the hazard, and being not in the hazard; but they draw no distinction between the case of a ball lying one club-length or one inch from the hazard and the case of a ball lying two hundred yards from the hazard. If a man will regard the matter fairly, and not be blinded by the idea with which many of us seem to have been afflicted, that “nothing can be moved in a hazard,” without heed-

ing the necessary qualification—“if the ball be in the hazard,” he will at once see that a stone or anything may be moved, so long as the ball is not in the hazard. This is what the rule says, and if a man were playing for a prize and went into a Court of Law and claimed his prize on the ground of this rule, the prize would have to be given him, the committee of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club and the *Scotsman* notwithstanding. The appeal to law, however, is generally guarded against by a provision that the decision of the committee of the club, on whose green a competition is held, shall be paramount.

One question I should like to ask the *Scotsman*, if, as he says, “a bunker must always remain a bunker, no matter whether the player's ball is on the green or not,” in that view of the case, am I not allowed to kick a stone out of a bunker as I walk along to my ball? If the *Scotsman* answers, “No,” I can only express my surprise at the answer. But if the *Scotsman* says “Yes,” I would ask, further, why may I do this as I walk along, and not do it when I come near my ball? At what radius from my ball does it become illegal for me to do it? And if, as the *Scotsman's* remarks might lead me to infer, his answer shall be, “At the radius of a club-length,” by the authority of what rule does he give me this answer? for the only rule that I know of, in which this measurement appears, provides that all loose impediments within that distance of the ball *may* be lifted when the ball lies on the green. Surely, scarcely the logic, or the imagination, even of the *Scotsman*, will claim this rule as a sanction for his answer.

With regard to the arena—namely, the links of Jersey—on which a player was guilty of “cutting and carving” a whin-bush by lifting off a stone that lay upon it, I am delighted to read in GOLF of November 16th a letter from Mr. Ernest Lehmann, assuring us that the links has so greatly improved in the quality and consistency of its turf that in these respects it is now second to none. In all other respects it scarcely was second to any before; and I may add that I have heard the view expressed by Mr. Lehmann endorsed by several recent visitors.

HORACE G. HUTCHINSON.

WILLIE DUNN, who has just returned from America to take up his post at Biarritz for the winter, sends us an account of the matches he played with Willie Campbell and other professionals during the past season in America, and which have already been reported in these columns by our New York correspondent. Of the game generally he writes:—“Since my first visit to the States, which was in 1893, Golf has taken a strong hold on the Americans, and bids fair to become the most popular game in the country. Since its initiation here, such strong clubs as the St. Andrews Club, at Yonkers, the Shinnecock Hills Club, of Long Island, the Newport Club and the Essex Country Club, of Boston, have sprung up, to say nothing of hundreds of minor clubs throughout the States. In addition to playing many interesting matches, I have laid out courses with the result that fifteen to twenty have been laid out with the hope that they will become as popular as the above mentioned. Many of the American players have already donned the well-known golfing costume—red jacket, tweed knickerbockers, and plaid stockings.”

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In GOLF, September 7th last, we drew attention to the want of golfing facilities at Aberfeldy, and pointed out that an excellent course could be laid out in two parks on the south side of the Tay, close to the town, the small meadow on the north side of the river, on which six holes were formerly laid out, being inconvenient, and not available in summer, when this fashionable resort is crowded with visitors, many of them golfers. The Lord of the Manor, the Marquis of Breadalbane, was appealed to, that this blot on the scutcheon of Aberfeldy might be removed, and that golfers, whether visitors or residents, might be able to recreate themselves at their favourite game under better auspices. This appeal was made in the best interests of Aberfeldy, for in these days no place of the kind can be perfect without a Golf course. Those who know the noble Marquis are aware of the keen, practical interest he always shows in the welfare of the people around him, and how much he has done to advance the other great national game, curling, in the Breadalbane district. They will, therefore, not be surprised to hear that the Marquis has even gone beyond what was suggested, and has granted the use of the parks for a period of twenty-one years, free of charge. The noble lord has handed the ground over to the Commissioners of the Burgh, to be laid out for Golf and other recreations, and it is to be hoped these gentlemen will harmoniously and speedily carry out the work entrusted to them. Aberfeldy may now be congratulated on having facilities for an excellent game of Golf, and on having as Lord of the manor one who so thoughtfully and liberally seeks the welfare of the place and people.

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If, as we stated a week or two ago, the parish of Dirlerton, with its six Golf courses, bears away the palm among golfing parishes, it would appear that among golfing counties pre-eminence is claimed for Ayrshire, whose Golf courses are the following:—

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| 1. Largs, 9 holes. | 9. Troon Ladies, 9 holes. |
| 2. Stevenston (Ardeer G.C.), 9 holes. | 10. Prestwick, 18 holes. |
| 3. West Kilbride, 9 holes. | 11. Prestwick St. Nicholas (old course), 9 holes. |
| 4. Kilmarnock, 9 holes. | 12. Prestwick St. Nicholas (new course), 18 holes. |
| 5. Irvine (Bogside), 18 holes. | 13. Ayr, 9 holes. |
| 6. Gales (Glasgow G.C.), 18 holes. | 14. Cumnock, 9 holes. |
| 7. Barassie (Kilmarnock G.C.), 18 holes. | 15. Girvan, 9 holes. |
| 8. Troon, 18 holes. | 16. Ballantrae, 18 holes. |

Ayrshire has thus sixteen courses, with 207 holes. Closely following, East Lothian, in which Dirlerton is situated, comes with fifteen courses and 195 holes, so that Ayrshire is not much ahead. One more new eighteen-hole course will place East Lothian at the top. It is likely, however, that Ayrshire will extend her golfing-ground even more than her Eastern rival.

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The Edinburgh University Golf Club have issued a neat little volume of Rules, with lists of medallists and winners of the silver cleek appended. For the cleek competition, entries must be made by 31st January, but, as we have before pointed out, the rules of the competition would be improved by an addition

making it necessary for one or other of the couples to *initiate* arrangements for each tie. An interesting addition regarding "Blues" is as follows:—"One full 'Blue' and two half 'blues,' shall be awarded annually to present students by the Edinburgh University Athletic Club, on the recommendation of the Edinburgh University Golf Club, and according to the conditions laid down by the resolution of the Council passed in November, 1893." In addition to the list of ordinary office-bearers, formerly recorded by us, we have as honorary office-bearers, President—The Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, M.P. Vice-Presidents—Lord Shand, Lord Stormont Darling, Professor Chiene, Professor Nicholson, Dr. Argyll Robertson. These are all devoted players, though varying in degrees of proficiency at the game.

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Dr. John Wyllie, an East Lothian golfer, who has attained high distinction as a specialist in Edinburgh, has published an able and interesting volume on "Disorders of Speech." It appears that stammering and other speech disorders are, like defects in putting and other golfing weaknesses, due greatly to nervousness.

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East Lothian golfers hear with great regret that Mr. J. E. Laidlay has had to abandon his intention of building a house at North Berwick, owing to the fact that the conditions laid down for the feuing of the ground on the Archerfield Estate were not satisfactory. It is a pity that North Berwick is not to have the most eminent of East Lothian players among its residents, as so many would have desired.

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With reference to the "Tee Shot" in last week's issue anent the futility of "resolution" against "Colonel Bogey," "Timothy" writes:—"The only way to gain victory over the "Colonel" is by a *tour de force*, i.e., by going round each green in an average of *fours*. I find the old gentleman invariably succumbs to this score." "Timothy" adds that "the result of the Forfarshire election justifies our remark about 'resolution,' as the county includes several Golf courses and quite a host of golfers."

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Mr. Wm. Blackwood, the present head of the well-known publishing firm of that name, is the latest "Celebrity at Home" in the *World*. From the account of him there given it appears that he keeps up the reputation of the family by cultivating Golf in a practical way, as well as by publishing the books of such well-known writers as Mr. Hutchinson and Dr. McPherson.

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Messrs. J. and R. Parlane, Paisley, have published a very readable little volume by David Cuthbertson, entitled "The Auld Kirk Minister." Mr. Cuthbertson is one of the librarians of Edinburgh University, and has published two volumes bearing chiefly on student life, which are well known. In the present case, somewhat in the style of Professor Wilson's "Lights and Shadows of Scottish Life," he gives a picture of a typical Auld Kirk minister, and the incidents that go to make up the chequered story of a Scots parish. The chapters are all interesting, Mr. Cuthbertson having the faculty of enchanting the reader's attention, and not detaining any one so long in one chapter as to repel from the reading of the next. The minister referred to—Rev. Norman Fraser—is not of the most modern type; his describer does not make him a golfer, and the modern minister, with few exceptions, follows Golf. Perhaps

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at Glenpeat there was no Golf course. He does not omit, however, to make him a curler, for Adam Gordon, the blacksmith, says:—"I've seen him tak' a hand at curling in the winter months, an' he was a brow curler. Man, the stanes just jinkit up to whaur the tee was lying', as if they had been drawn thegither for company like mitherless bairns." This makes Norman a minister worth knowing.

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Dean Hole, whose book of "Memories" was one of the most delightful of last season, has published "More Memories," a volume of the same kind, sparkling with wit and anecdote, and, altogether, healthy and amusing. In his first volume the Dean figured largely as an advocate and supporter of all kinds of healthy amusements. He now says:—

"Years ago I established a club in my village, in which the members could read the newspapers when work was done, play games, smoke their pipes, and have one glass of beer if they liked to pay for it, and I shall never forget my satisfaction when one of the company, who was somewhat notorious for his alcoholic proclivities, turned to me with a cue in his hand and said in an apologetic tone, as though he had omitted a duty or done himself an injustice, 'I don't know how it is, but somehow I get so keen about these games I quite forget the drink!' 'And when you go home to-night,' I replied, 'You will meet with a smile instead of a sigh, and there will be no headache to-morrow morning.'"

This is a capital rendering of the idea that a good game is, even for the working-man, so called, the best friend; and those who are giving Golf to the sons of toil, as the healthiest recreation of all, may take note of the Dean's experience.

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At a meeting of the members of the Cheshire County Cricket Club, presided over by Colonel Dixon, the secretary complained of the lack of interest felt in the game of cricket in Cheshire, and the diminution in the membership and income of the club. Mr. Ravenscroft said the resignations were chiefly those of old cricketers, some of whom had gone in for Golf and abandoned cricket. It was resolved to wind up the club, as there was no prospect of successfully carrying it on.

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Mr. Thos. G. Grahame, a young Dunbar golfer and banker, of good promise, has received an appointment in the National Bank (Limited), London.

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A party of Tooting golfers journeyed to Winchester on Saturday, and played a match with a few members of the Royal Winchester Golf Club. The visitors were soundly beaten, though their ranks were stiffened by a few seasoned match players, like Mr. T. R. Pinkerton, Mr. Croal and Mr. Skene. But Winchester appears to possess a strong nucleus of powerful players, who, on their own ground, at all events, will be hard to beat by any team, however experienced and well chosen. Judging by handicap, Mr. E. H. Buckland, an old Marlborough boy, and a well-known Oxford University cricketer, is their best player, though there cannot be much to choose between him and Mr. John W. Duncan, a name well known in the East of Fife, and formerly an old St. Andrews player, now resident in Hampshire. If the visitors had to submit to a beating, they had as a set-off a most enjoyable day's Golf. The weather was fine and sunny, with a slight frosty bite in the keen air which blew over the Downs; and the members of the club did all they could in the way of kind hospitality to make the visit delightful.

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The Winchester course stands high on the Downs to the east of the city. A description of the course was given in GOLF, Vol. 5, January 27th, 1893, page 312; and it does not appear that the course has been altered since then. The green somewhat resembles Guildford in its hilly character and in the quality of its turf, though the lies throughout the course are probably better. Where the putting greens are natural they are very fine, but the "table-land" greens err a trifle on the side of smallness, especially if a player has to approach the

hole from the top of the slope. The sixth, seventh, ninth, eleventh, twelfth, and eighteenth holes have all the genuine characteristics of the best Golf. The views of the surrounding country from the top of the hill are very fine, and, it is worth a long journey to steep one's self, at this season of the year, in the sun-charged atmosphere, and to become permeated through and through with the keen, invigorating air. Taylor, the Champion, is the professional attached to the club. A short time ago, we announced that he had started as a club-maker in partnership with Cann formerly with Gibson of Westward Ho! It is pleasing to find, that Taylor and his partner are slowly building up a good, sound business. They are turning out very neatly modelled wooden heads, seasoned in the grain, and finished with care and taste. A fine golfer, like the dog in the proverb, has his day; and Taylor has shown more than ordinary prudence, while in the zenith of his reputation as a player, in fostering a club-making business as a stand-by for the inevitable rainy day. We wish him a hearty success.

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Now that the short days and long evenings are with us, not to mention damp courses with shortened holes, temporary greens, and, alas! long scores, golfers' spirits are apt to suffer in consequence. An excellent antidote, however, to the depression likely to arise from the foregoing circumstances is to be found by giving up an evening to seeing Messrs. Willie Edouin and W. Blakely, and Miss Fanny Brough in the new farcical comedy entitled "The Wrong Girl," at the Strand Theatre. The fun of the piece is good, well kept up, and (what is much to its credit) never for a moment risky. Mr. Blakely, in the part of a portly and irascible old City gentleman, who unknown to himself, is being impersonated by W. Edouin, of the Strand Theatre, is, in his own words, constantly finding himself in positions which constitute an "unparalleled state of affairs!" That he is duly mirth-provoking and genuinely funny in his portrayal of this character may be gathered from the fact that it suits his peculiarly marked style of acting exactly, or, as the piece has it, "To a hair, to a chuckle, to a sniff!" In a different way, but none the less comic, is Mr. Edouin's impersonation of Mr. Blakely. He is Blakely, yet with sufficient of Edouin about his acting to prevent the audience being confused as to which is on the stage. This discrimination on Mr. Edouin's part is greatly to his credit as an actor, when one considers the popularity of Mr. Blakely as a comedian. Miss Fanny Brough, to whom is allotted the task of impersonating a girl—presumably of her own creation—is fully equal to the occasion, and introduces the audience to a life-like and truly farcical portrait of an "up-to-date minx." The cast includes the well-known names of Messrs. H. Russell, Philip Cunningham and Forbes Dawson, also Miss Armbruster. The plot, from which the many amusing complications and situations of the piece are evolved is best explained by being seen. Due credit must, however, be given to Mr. H. B. Kennedy and his nameless collaborator for it.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

CIVILIAN.—"Bogey" is the par round of the green, or, in other words, the ideal scratch score. It is always better, however, to allow an extra stroke or two; so that if the ideal round, without a mistake, is 78, "Bogey" ought to be fixed at 80 or 81, which would correspond with the very best score of a scratch player.

F. D. BRIGHT.—Your opponent lost the hole.

A BEGINNER.—Try one of Carruthers' cleeks. On no account buy a heavy club; rather err on the side of lightness at first. Play with stiff shafts to all your clubs; you are more certain in force and direction with them. Read the "Lessons on Golf" now appearing.

ENQUIRER (Dudley).—They are only to be bought from local club-makers, or as lost balls from the caddies—a practice which ought to be frowned upon in the last-mentioned case. It is improbable, however, that the club-makers would part with such balls, for they are re-made and sold at sixpence each. It would be better to buy new balls, and then attempt to remake them after use.

A WELSH GOLFING UNION.

We understand that a proposal is under consideration to form a Golf Union for Wales on lines similar to those adopted by the Golf Union of Ireland. The subject is being placed before the committees of the various Welsh clubs, with the object of ascertaining whether it would meet with general support. If a general support is given it will be necessary to convene a meeting of delegates in some central town to appoint officers (president, secretary and treasurer) for the year, to consider the rules, to take the preliminary steps for holding a Championship meeting next year, and to transact any other business which may be brought forward. It is suggested that this meeting ought to be held not later than January 1st next.

The objects of the Union are to promote the game of Golf throughout Wales, and to further the interests of Welsh golfers:—(a) By encouraging inter-club and possibly international matches; (b) By holding a Welsh Championship meeting each year; (c) By endeavouring to improve the facilities for golfing in Wales by making arrangements with the railway companies, and possibly hotel companies, by discussing the dates of club meetings, and by endeavouring to obtain privileges for Union golfers to play on other greens than those of their own clubs for a limited time during each year free of charge. The Union is to consist of all clubs of twenty-five members or upwards located in Wales who wish to join. Each club to be represented on the Union committee by one delegate, but if the club numbers 150 members two delegates may be sent. Each club is to pay to the funds of the Union an entrance fee of £3 to £5 (to provide challenge cups, medals, &c.), and an annual subscription of £1 if the membership is under 150, if over 150 a subscription of £2 to be paid. The movement is a good one, and ought to be heartily supported.

HONESTAS CLUB (MUSSELBURGH).—The autumn competition of this club took place, on November 22nd, over Musselburgh Links, in cold, breezy weather. The greens were in excellent order, but the high wind made low scoring very difficult. There were five club prizes, and three presented by members (Messrs. Little, Leslie, and Grieve). The Crandles cup and first prize for handicap play, gold medal (scratch), silver medal and second prize (handicap), were the principal prizes, the others being for handicap scoring. Fifteen couples started. At the close of the competition the annual supper of the club was held in the Golf Tavern, the captain (Mr. P. Ireland) presiding over a large company. Scores:—Mr. G. Crandles, 90, less 8=82; Mr. James Forsyth, 94, less 10=84; Mr. Thomas Moffat, 96, less 12=84; Mr. P. Lettice, 107, less 20=87; Mr. D. Steeples, 96, less 8=88; Mr. W. Hood, 110, less 22=88; Mr. James Brown, 101, less 12=89; Mr. A. A. McCulloch, 99, less 10=89; Mr. R. Paterson, 99, less 10=89; Mr. B. M. Norval, 98, less 8=90; Mr. R. Grahame, 100, less 7=93; Mr. G. T. C. Haig, 104, less 11=93; Mr. A. W. Jackson, 99, less 5=94; Mr. G. A. Newlands, 108, less 14=94; Mr. P. Brewster, 99, less 4=95; Mr. P. Blair (scratch), 95; Mr. J. R. Newlands, 117, less 22=95; Mr. W. Steeples, 107, less 10=97; Mr. A. Little, 123, less 25=98; Mr. R. Cockburn, 110, less 12=98; Mr. A. Colville, 116, less 16=100; Mr. D. Clark, 96, plus 4=100.

NEW GOLF SCORER.—We have received from C. M. Page and Co., 12 and 13, Laurence Pountney Lane, Cannon Street, E.C., a new form of scorer called the "Club Golf Scorer." It is made of metal similar to the "Bunker" marker, and its primary object is to do away with the use of a pencil, and at the same time to admit of the score being kept as well as the holes lost or won in match play. The scorer is constructed on the basis that the player knows roughly the average number of strokes he takes to a hole. The player, for example, according to his proficiency, allows himself a number of strokes to go round the links. If he generally does the round in 90 or a few over, he starts with the idea that he will require 5 strokes per hole. He will no doubt do some holes in 4; he therefore marks all strokes over 72 (i.e., 18x4). The marking is done simply by pushing a stylus through the hole opposite the hole number. If he takes 4 strokes he makes no mark at all; if 5, he pricks the No. 1; if 6 or 7, the No. 2 or 3. If he should take more than 7 he pricks the 1 or 2 in addition to the 3—thus he can score any number from 4 to 10. If he is playing with an opponent he pricks the up or down column, to indicate whether he lost or won the hole. If he is playing alone (or strokes only) he can use the up or down columns to show whether the hole he has pricked in the number columns must be added to or deducted from his average. This system gives a wider range and provides for exceptional scores, say 1, 2 or 3 for a hole. The player has thus a permanent record, traced in little pierced holes, of the progress, or the reverse, of his play. The marker can be readily handled and placed in the pocket, while it is not in the least affected by wet weather. It is a useful addition to the number of scorers already in the market.



LADIES' GOLF MEETING AT RANELAGH.

That the revolving wheel of Time should have swept Ranelagh into the vortex of the golfing world is no great matter for surprise, though a thoughtful person may wonder at the change of centuries. The very name of Ranelagh conjures up pictures of stately dames, delicate high-born damsels, attendant cavaliers, hcoops, patches and powder; while later one thinks of garden-parties, and flirtations under the beautiful trees, and among the shrubberies. From these to a ladies' Golf meeting seems a wide remove, and the contrast is heightened by the fact that in all former times Ranelagh was essentially and only a summer resort, whereas it has now been so arranged that the park and gardens shall not only be available, but also patronized, for fashionable sport in the winter. The edict certainly must go forth that Ranelagh is not perfectly adapted to winter Golf, but, at the same time, the natural difficulties were subdued in a wonderful manner by Mr. Arthur Adams and Burrows, the professional, in order to fit the ground for the recent ladies' competition, and all that their labour could do at so short a notice was done, with the result that some of the ladies, Miss M. E. Phillips, Miss Kenyon-Stow, Miss Isette Pearson, and Miss Pascoe, returned scores which would have been creditable on far dryer and more Golf-like ground.

The course is an excellent one for ladies, and in spring and summer, amid the beautiful surroundings, and in such a perfectly private and sheltered spot, the resort will be one of the most popular anywhere near London. The putting-green, behind the house, where a keen competition took place last week, will prove an immense attraction; it is capable of holding nine sporting holes, and the turf is short, well-kept, and admirably suited to the most fascinating pastime of putting. On a warm summer afternoon, I can imagine what amusement there will be in a close match on this charming lawn, shaded by tall elms, and beautified by flowering shrubs.

Of the club-house and its hospitality, what need to speak? Last week, Mrs. Hastings dispensed the hospitality with a tact and grace that ensured the comfort of all the visitors, to whom had been surrendered a special suite of rooms. On less festive occasions, however, ladies are cordially welcomed, and every comfort is arranged for them. One thing is certain, that some one at Ranelagh knows how coffee should be made. It is not better served, even in Paris, than it is at Ranelagh.

On the whole, perhaps, it was scarcely fair to judge of Ranelagh from a golfing point of view merely during last week. The difficulties were so great, and the previous weather so exceptional that the success scored even under such circumstances induces me to believe that a Spring competition would be trebly successful and enjoyable, with so many enthusiastic supporters of Golf to aid as are now interesting themselves to establish the Royal and Ancient game at Ranelagh, and that putting matches throughout the summer will attract a very large circle of visitors.

That the Ranelagh Club may prosper in its golfing enterprise is the wish that was repeated by all the competitors, as they cordially thanked their hosts for such a spirited entertainment as the ladies' open competition of last week.

A ladies' competition, extending over two days, was held on Wednesday and Thursday, November 21st and 22nd. There was a good entry, and the competition generally was a very interesting one.

Wednesday, 21st, and Thursday, 22nd November.—Prize, value five

guineas, given by the club committee, for the lowest aggregate of the two medal rounds, under handicap, one round each day:—

21st. 22nd. Ttl.		21st. 22nd. Ttl.	
Miss M. E. Phillips	88 97 185	Miss L. Barnes	107 108 215
Miss A. K. Stow	89 98 187	Miss Hatfield	112 103 215
Miss Starkie Bence	100 88 188	Mrs. Willock	110 107 217
Miss Pascoe	91 99 190	Miss J. Wray	112 108 220
Mrs. Stanley Stubbs	103 94 197	Mrs. C. Stapylton	102 119 221
Miss L. Thomson	109 90 199	Hon. Mrs. Murray	121 101 222
Mrs. Alex. King	100 99 199	Mrs. Fraser	112 112 224
Miss A. L. T. Drake	103 98 201	Miss N. Muir	108 117 225
Mrs. M. Stewart	104 99 203	Mrs. N. R. Foster	115 111 226
Miss Issette Pearson	100 105 205	Mrs. A. Keen	111 116 227
Miss M. Dickie	97 109 206	Hon. M. Lawrence	118 109 227
Miss Stringer	113 94 207	Lady Sandhurst	114 114 228
Miss A. Dawkins	100 109 209	Miss K. Barnes	122 107 229
Mrs. Dowson	109 100 209	Miss G. Tee	119 111 230
Miss A. A. T. Drake	109 103 212	Miss Gow	118 121 239
Mrs. Cameron	100 113 213	Mrs. Hessenberg	110 133 243
Miss Farnall	107 106 213	Miss Harris	125 118 243

The others were over 250, or did not return both cards.

Wednesday, November 21st:—Prize, value 5 guineas, presented by the Rev. T. J. Filmer Bennett, for the best medal round of eighteen holes, under handicap:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss M. E. Phillips	95 7 88	Miss B. Martin	129 20 109
Miss A. K. Stow	95 6 89	Mrs. Dowson	131 22 109
Miss Pascoe	99 8 91	Mrs. Willock	120 10 110
Miss M. Dickie	115 18 97	Mrs. Hessenberg	129 19 110
Miss Issette Pearson	97 +3 100	Mrs. A. Keen	127 16 111
Miss Starkie Bence	106 6 100	Mrs. Fraser	128 16 112
Mrs. Cameron	109 9 109	Miss J. Wray	128 16 112
Miss A. Dawkins	109 9 100	Miss Hatfield	130 18 112
Mrs. Alex. King	111 11 100	Miss J. K. Stow	130 18 112
Miss Frere	114 12 102	Miss Stringer	122 9 113
Mrs. Chet. Stapylton	118 16 102	Miss S. Pyke	131 18 113
Miss A. L. T. Drake	112 9 103	Miss Halford	131 18 113
Mrs. Stanley Stubbs	115 12 103	Miss Langley	124 10 114
Mrs. Lawrell	121 18 103	Lady Sandhurst	128 14 114
Hon. Mrs. Rowley	121 18 103	Mrs. Foster	135 20 115
Mrs. M. Stewart	114 10 104	Miss Russell	144 28 116
Miss M. P. Birch	113 8 105	Hon. M. Lawrence	128 10 118
Miss L. Barnes	118 11 107	Mrs. H. Stewart	130 12 118
Miss Farnall	123 16 107	Miss Gow	146 28 118
Miss N. Muir	118 10 108	Miss H. A. MacFarlan	133 14 119
Miss L. Thomson	115 6 109	Miss G. Tee	137 18 119
Miss A. A. T. Drake	118 9 109	Miss M. Langley	139 20 119
Miss F. K. Stow	122 13 109		

And fifteen returns over 120 net.

Thursday, November 22nd. Prize for the best round against "Bogey" under handicap:—Miss Stanley Stubbs, 1 down; Miss Starkie Bence, 1 down; Miss L. Thomson, 3 down; Miss A. K. Stow, 3 down; Miss Stringer, 5 down; Hon. M. Lawrence, 5 down; Mrs. M. Stewart, 6 down; Miss L. Barnes, 6 down; Mrs. Willock, 7 down; Mrs. King, 7 down; Miss Hatfield, 8 down; Hon. Mrs. Murray, 8 down; Miss Phillips, 9 down; Miss Pascoe, 9 down; Mrs. Cameron, 9 down; Miss A. L. T. Drake, 9 down; Miss K. Barnes, 9 down; Miss Farnall, 9 down; Mrs. Dowson, 9 down; Miss V. Ponsoby, 9 down. On playing off the tie, Mr. Stubbs halved her match, Miss Bence being 1 down.

Wednesday, 21st, and Thursday, 22nd. Prize, presented by Miss M. E. Phillips, for the lowest aggregate, under handicap, of the last nine holes, of the two days:—

	21st.	22nd.	Total.	Hcp.	Net.
Miss M. E. Phillips	46	50	96	7	89
Miss Stringer	50	50	100	9	91
Miss Pascoe	47	52	99	8	91
Miss A. K. Stow	48	50	98	6	92
Mrs. Dowson	60	56	116	22	94
Miss I. Pearson	45	48	93	+3	96
Miss S. Bence	54	48	102	6	96
Miss A. L. T. Drake	53	52	105	9	96
Mrs. M. Stewart	54	54	108	12	96
Mrs. A. King	55	53	108	11	97
Miss L. Thomson	55	49	104	6	98
Mrs. Willock	52	56	108	10	98
Mrs. S. Stubbs	57	54	111	12	99
Miss M. Dickie	57	61	118	18	100
Miss K. Barnes	53	55	108	8	100

Twenty-four others over 100.

Prize presented by Mr. Arthur F. Pearson, for a putting tournament to take place in the afternoon of each day.

21st 22nd Total.		21st 22nd Total.	
Miss A. Dawkins	22 22 44	Mrs. M. Stewart	23 25 48
Miss A. K. Stow	23 21 44	Mrs. S. Stubbs	24 24 48
Miss E. Scott	22 23 45	Miss K. Barnes	24 24 48
Miss L. Barnes	22 24 46	Hon. M. Lawrence	25 23 48
Miss Langley	24 22 46	Mrs. R. Browne	25 23 48
Miss M. E. Phillips	24 22 46	Mrs. A. King	26 23 49
Miss N. Muir	25 21 46	Miss G. Hassard	24 25 49
Miss G. Tee	25 22 47	Miss Frere	23 26 49
Miss J. K. Stow	24 23 47	Mrs. Hessenberg	24 26 50
Miss J. Wray	24 23 47	Miss L. Thomson	25 25 50
Miss Pascoe	23 24 47	Mrs. Dowson	26 24 50
Miss Stringer	22 26 48	Miss Harris	26 24 50
Mrs. A. Keen	23 25 48	Miss Gow	26 24 50

Twenty others over 50.

On playing off the tie, Miss Dawkins again repeated her 22, Miss A. K. Stow being 23.

Driving competition for prize given by Rev. T. J. Filmer Bennett for two longest carries out of three drives. Scores:—

	Yds.	Ft.	Aggregate, Yds.	Ft.
Miss Starkie Bence	136	2	266	2
	130	0		
Hon. M. Lawrence	120	1	232	1
	112	0		
Miss A. K. Stow	108	0	215	0
	107	0		
Mrs. Cameron	102	0	200	1
	98	1		
Mrs. S. Stubbs	101	0	199	2
	98	2		
Miss Frere	99	2	192	2
	93	0		
Miss A. A. T. Drake	99	0	192	0
	93	0		

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

A match was played on Friday, November 23rd, between the captain's team and the hon secretary's team. The original arrangement was Married v. Single, but this had to be altered, and handicaps were allowed:—

CAPTAIN'S TEAM.		HON. SEC.'S TEAM.	
Holes.		Holes.	
Mrs. Green	0	Miss Birch	6
Mrs. Whitfield	0	Miss E. Curteis	7
Mrs. Urmsom	0	Miss Andrews	3
Miss J. Curteis	6	Miss Urmsom	0
Miss A. Scott	0	Miss Collins	0
Miss Marchant	0	Miss G. Morgan	4
Mrs. Astbury	0	Miss M. Parsons	3
Mrs. Hessenberg	0	Mrs. "Spencer"	0
	6		23

ABERDEEN.

PROFESSIONAL MATCH.—An interesting professional match of two rounds of Balgowrie Links, or thirty-six holes, was played on Saturday, between Archie Simpson, the new superintendent of the course, and Robbie Mearns, one of the local professionals. The game was witnessed by a large crowd of spectators, who followed the play with much interest. The greens were rather stiff, owing to a heavy frost overnight, but otherwise the conditions were favourable. The driving of both men was of the finest description, but the putting of both was indifferent, Mearns in the first round especially, failing to take advantage of easy chances which were given. Simpson at the outset of the first round came away with a magnificent game, securing the first five holes in 18 strokes, four of the five holes being taken in 3 strokes each. At the end of the first five holes he stood 2 up, and looked like having the game well in hand. Mearns, however, stuck doggedly to his work, and at the close of the round stood only 1 hole down, the approximate scores being:—Simpson, 75; Mearns, 77. Simpson also began the second round in sensational style, narrowly escaping taking the first hole in 2. He secured it in 3, as against Mearns's 4, which made him 2 up on the game. Mearns equalised matters by taking the second and third in 4 and 3, as against Simpson's 5 and 4, and for the rest of the round play was of a give-and-take character. Simpson, however, always held the advantage, Mearns on several occasions failing with his putting. The game at the close of the seventeenth hole was all even with 1 to play; but at last Mearns succeeded in holing

out a fairly long putt in 3, while Simpson required 4, a most stubbornly-contested match thus falling to Robbie by 1 hole. The scores in the second round were :—Mearns, 75; Simpson, 77.

BLACKHEATH SCHOOL OLD BOYS v. EPSOM.

A match was played between teams representing the above clubs, on November 19th, at Epsom, which, after a hard fight, resulted in a win for the old boys by the narrow majority of 3 holes. Whilst the Old Boys were able to put almost their best team in the field, the Epsom Club were not so fortunate, four of their first choices being unable to play, and Mr. G. F. Burgess naturally electing to assist his old school. On the other hand it must be borne in mind that, with the exception of Mr. Burgess, the course was quite new to the other members of the Old Boys team.

OLD BOYS. EPSOM.

OLD BOYS.		EPSOM.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. F. S. Ireland ...	4	Mr. F. Barry ...	0
Mr. H. Richardson ...	1	Mr. F. H. A. Booth ...	0
Mr. R. Whyte ...	4	Mr. F. McNair ...	0
Mr. G. Nicol ...	0	Mr. A. E. Harter ...	0
Mr. W. E. Hughes ...	0	Mr. W. A. Scott ...	4
Mr. E. G. Ashton ...	0	Mr. H. Ross ...	3
Mr. J. S. Sawyer ...	0	Mr. G. F. Ruck ...	3
Mr. H. Glasier ...	2	Mr. A. L. Tate ...	0
Mr. G. F. Burgess ...	0	Mr. R. B. Fleet ...	2
Mr. C. Frean ...	4	Mr. A. C. Barton ...	0
	15		12

BUXTON AND HIGH PEAK GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition, November 24th :—Mr. C. Bythway, 102, less 13=89; Mr. C. E. Willoughby, 96, less 6=90; Mr. W. L. Shipton, 101, less 9=92; Mr. H. Shipton, scratch, 95; Mr. Allan Edward, 112, less 15=97; Col. Fernley, 112, less 13=99; Mr. E. M. Owen, 114, less 14=100; Mr. C. J. Wardley, 111, less 11=100. Several players over 100 net and others made no returns. On the 23rd inst. Mr. Herbert Shipton, playing with the hon. secretary, made the fine round of 81, which is the record of the links.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

The Barrow medal, played for on November 20th, under "Bogey" play. Day fine. One round eighteen holes; green in good order, and quite free of water. "Bogey" score was fixed at 82, players receiving two-thirds of ordinary handicap :—Mr. W. Philip, Clare (8), 1 up; Mr. B. Darwin, Trinity (scratch), square; Mr. R. A. Nicholson, Trinity (scratch), 2 down; Mr. F. H. Newnes, Clare (6), 2 down; Mr. N. R. Crum Ewing, Pembroke (8), 2 down; Mr. F. R. Upcher, Trinity Hall (scratch), 13 down; Mr. C. A. Hunt, Trinity (9), 3 down; Mr. H. C. Barnes Lawrence (6), 4 down; Mr. J. G. McCall, Christ's (7), 4 down; Mr. H. H. Marriott, Clare (8), 4 down; Mr. H. J. Webb, Pembroke (15), 4 down; Mr. J. A. Scott, Jesus (5), 5 down; Mr. G. T. Walker, Trinity (12), 5 down; Mr. W. T. Linskill (scratch), 6 down; Mr. E. K. Le Fleming, Clare (scratch), 6 down; Mr. C. E. Sykes, Pembroke (16), 7 down; Mr. W. Watson, Jesus (4), 8 down; Mr. J. H. N. Armstrong, Trinity Hall (14), 8 down; Mr. F. B. Smith, Pembroke (12), 9 down; Mr. P. S. Nicol, Trinity Hall (13), 11 down; Mr. R. J. U. Todd, Trinity (13), 12 down. Six other players made no return.

CANTERBURY GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition, Tuesday, November 20th. This competition was played over the new course opened about a fortnight ago. It is sad to reflect that the late captain, Dr. B. C. Manly, who practically made the new course, did not live to play over it. Mr. C. Igglesden, 98, less 12=86; Mr. E. S. London, 109, less 22=87; Rev. G. H. Gray, 109, less 20=89; Mr. T. Winch, 96, less 4=92; Mr. A. J. Lancaster, 101, less 9=92; Rev. T. Field, 103, less 11=92; Mr. A. J. Macfarlane, 104, less 8=96. Others over 100 net or no return. A high wind rendered less scoring difficult.

CHEADLE GOLF CLUB.

The above club held their second monthly winter competition on Saturday, when Mr. S. Fernyhough put in a win for the silver medal and took first sweep, Mr. C. D. Milne took second sweep, and Mr. C. H. Schill put in a win for the bronze medal. Scores :—Mr. S. Fernyhough, 95, less 11=84; Mr. C. D. Milne, 95, less 7=88; Mr. C. W. Southwell, 103, less 13=90; Mr. H. W. Carlton, 97, less 6=91; Mr. C. H. Schill, 106, less 14=92; Mr. J. J. Brickhill, 105, less 11=94; Mr. G. King, 110, less 16=94; Mr. G. G. Champion, 108, less 13=95. Several players were over 100 net, or made no return.

CHESTERFORD PARK GOLF CLUB.

Tuesday, November 20th, competition for ladies' brooch, and sixth competition for the Charterhouse challenge cup :—Miss Burrell, 101,

less 12=89 (winner of medal and cup); Miss Wentworth Stanley, 131, less 18=113; Mrs. A. Shafto Barthropp, 135, less 12=123; Mrs. C. E. Barnes, 164, less 36=128; Miss Robinson, 166, less 36=130; Miss M. Bliss, 171, less 32=139.

Saturday, November 24th, medal day and seventh competition for the Ashford challenge cup :—Mr. A. Wentworth-Stanley, 121, less 16=105 (winner of medal; holder of cup); Mr. C. H. Taylor, 134, less 27=107; Mr. W. Waterhouse, 113, less 3=110; Mr. J. C. T. Smith, 131, less 12=119; Mr. Marshall Taylor, 158, less 36=122. Mr. Barclay Hanbury and Rev. E. E. Edgerley made no return.

Saturday, November 24th, "Bogey" cup competition :—Rev. E. E. Edgerley (27), 4 down; Mr. W. Waterhouse (3), 8 down; Mr. A. W. Stanley (16), 8 down; Mr. C. H. Taylor (27), 8 down. Messrs. Marshall Taylor, J. C. T. Smith and Barclay Hanbury made no return.

CINQUE PORTS GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, Saturday November 24th. Result :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Sir Bevan Edwards ...	98 12 86	Mr. E. P. Barlow ...	110 14 96
Mr. M. Tomson ...	94 6 88	Mr. B. H. Flint ...	114 18 96
Col. Davidson ...	108 18 90	Dr. Stone, R.N. ...	122 24 98
Gen. Lloyd, R.A. ...	110 18 92	Col. Shewell ...	122 20 102
Mr. F. W. Morris ...	113 20 93	Major E. P. Salusbury ...	108 not hcpd.
Mr. H. D. Hirst ...	105 11 94		

Twenty others made no returns.

CLAPHAM COMMON GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting of this club was held on Thursday, November 22nd, with the following results, viz. :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Dr. Woodhead ...	101 12 89	Mr. J. J. Hayes ...	114 8 106
Mr. W. Williams ...	101 12 89	Mr. J. W. Pace ...	116 10 106
Mr. E. J. Hunt ...	102 12 90	Rev. R. Lovett ...	136 25 111
Mr. T. Ravenhill ...	107 14 93	Dr. Cameron ...	143 18 125
Mr. W. S. de Mattos ...	94 +3 97	Mr. S. Wallace Adams ...	99
Mr. E. L. Arnold ...	114 10 104	Mr. A. E. Rowarth ...	133
Mr. D. Russell ...	116 11 105		

Mr. W. S. de Mattos takes the Fairlie scratch medal, together with memento; Dr. Woodhead and Mr. W. Williams tie for the first and second prizes respectively; and Mr. E. J. Hunt takes the third prize.

COVENTRY LADIES v. HAGLEY LADIES.

On November 10th, in a pouring rain, the Hagley ladies came over and played a return match v. Coventry, at Coventry, which resulted in a win of 16 holes for the home team. Scores :—

COVENTRY.		HAGLEY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Miss N. Verrall ...	7	Mrs. Chance ...	0
Mrs. Pridmore ...	3	Miss King ...	0
Mrs. Smith-Turberville ...	7	Miss M. Harrison ...	0
Miss Verrall ...	3	Miss M. King ...	0
Mrs. Wyley ...	0	Mrs. T. Grazebrook ...	4
Mrs. Kevitt Rotherham ...	0	Miss Harrison ...	0
	20		4

DOUGLAS (ISLE OF MAN) GOLF CLUB.

A match was played on the links at Langness, Castletown, between the Douglas and Castletown Golf Clubs on Thursday, the 22nd November. Douglas winning by nine holes. Scores :—

DOUGLAS.		CASTLETOWN.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. Thos. Kneen ...	1	Mr. H. S. Christopher ...	0
Dr. Atkinson ...	6	Mr. Dickson ...	0
Mr. J. H. Quine ...	5	Rev. W. Baker ...	0
Mr. A. W. Moore ...	0	Rev. L. L. Davies ...	1
Mr. W. F. Dickinson ...	1	Rev. F. B. Walters ...	0
Mr. C. H. Games ...	0	Mr. G. L. Colbourne ...	4
Mr. D. Kaneen ...	0	Rev. F. Hemingway ...	4
Mr. E. Kneen ...	3	Dr. Hannay ...	0
Mr. W. A. Hutchinson ...	0	Mr. W. A. Stephenson ...	1
Mr. R. D. Gelling ...	5	Mr. J. T. W. Wicksey ...	0
Mr. F. B. Fleming ...	0	Major Brown ...	0
Mr. W. A. Gill ...	0	Mr. Hubert Cox ...	2
	21		12

EAST SHEEN GOLF CLUB.

The first competition for the gentlemen of this club was played off on Saturday, November 24th. Owing to the competition being confined to the afternoon, only one round of nine holes was played, with

the following result:—Mr. H. F. A. Willis, 46, less 6½=39½; Captain Sutherland, 53, less 7=46; Mr. W. G. Stone, 64, less 17=47; Mr. K. Millikin, 63, less 15=48; Mr. A. Leicester-Pemrhyn, 56, less 6½=49½; Mr. N. E. O. Willis, 68, less 18=50; Mr. H. F. W. Gwatkin, 63, less 12=51; Hon. C. Home Sinclair, 60, less 8=52; Mr. F. Onslow, 67, less 7=60. Several others no returns, or over 60 net.

ELTHAM LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was competed for on November 24th, and was again won by Mrs. Mackern. This is now the fourth time she has been successful during the year beginning in May:—Mrs. Mackern, 77, plus 2=79; Miss M. Richardson, 89, less 4=85; Mr. L. Stokes, 92, less 6=86; Miss A. Richardson, 98, less 8=90; Mrs. Laird, 99, less 8=91; Mrs. G. Spurling, 113, less 20=93; Mrs. Needham, 111, less 14=97. Several others made no returns or were over 100 net.

FORFARSHIRE.

The monthly competition of the Dundee Advertiser Club took place on Monifieth Links on Saturday, November 24th. There was not a large entry. The prizes were won as follows:—First class—First average and first sweep, Mr. John D. Brown, 88; second average and second sweep, Mr. James Clark, 89; third and fourth sweep, Mr. John Macrae, 90, and Mr. Robert Donn, 96. Second class—First average and first sweep, Mr. Alexander Davidson, 95; second average and second sweep, Mr. William Scott. Third class—First average and first sweep, Mr. W. D. Kennedy; second average and second sweep, Mr. Finlay Currie; 3 (tie), Messrs. Alexander Low and William Robertson. Other scores under the century were—Mr. Arthur Forsyth, 93; Mr. John English, 96; and Mr. Alexander Buchan, 98.

VICTORIA (MONTROSE) v. ST. ANDREWS UNIVERSITY.—On Saturday, November 24th, the above clubs engaged in a match on Montrose Links. The weather was dull and cold, but the greens were in fair order. Both clubs were well represented. Included in the 'Varsity list was Mr. P. C. Anderson, ex-Amateur Champion. He was their "first man," and was pitted against Mr. Walter Reid, the present year's Montrose Champion. The match was a good one, and finished with the Montrose representative 3 up. On the whole, the Victoria players acquitted themselves well, and at the end it was found that they had gained a creditable victory of 21 holes. There were no low scores. The details are as follows:—

VICTORIA.		UNIVERSITY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. W. Reid ...	3	Mr. P. C. Anderson ...	0
Mr. L. S. Smith ...	1	Mr. T. Carmichael ...	0
Mr. H. W. Thomson ...	0	Mr. A. M'Kenzie ...	5
Mr. David M'Kenzie ...	3	Mr. R. Johnston ...	0
Mr. Thomas Thow ...	3	Mr. F. S. Douglas ...	0
Mr. R. R. Balfour ...	0	Mr. G. Oswald ...	4
Mr. A. Wilkie ...	0	Mr. D. Rusack ...	3
Mr. A. B. Kydd ...	3	Mr. W. H. Henderson ...	0
Mr. James Johnston ...	0	Mr. H. M. Kyle ...	0
Mr. John Sim ...	6	Mr. W. Wilson ...	0
Mr. A. Oliphant ...	2	Mr. W. F. Spiers ...	0
Mr. James Murray ...	4	Mr. Fowke ...	0
Mr. D. Murison ...	6	Mr. Campbell ...	0
Mr. James Lessels ...	2	Mr. R. C. Mitchell ...	0
	33		12

After the match the players sat down to dinner, and a pleasant hour or two were spent in song and sentiment.

HEADINGLEY GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medals, November 17th. Scores:—

First class.—Mr. J. R. Bower, 89, less 8=81 (winner); Mr. J. D. Cormack, 93, less 8=85; Mr. H. Oxley, 97, less 8=89; Mr. W. C. Mayo, 101, less 12=89; Mr. R. G. Emsley, 105, less 10=89; Mr. A. E. Kirk, 106, less 16=90; Mr. J. P. Eddison, 107, less 16=91; Mr. J. M. Lister, 104, less 12=92.

Second class.—Mr. E. H. Tetley, 107, less 30=77 (winner); Mr. A. Barran, 110, less 28=82; Mr. G. Walker, 104, less 20=84; Mr. F. W. Bedford, 106, less 20=86; Mr. C. Kirkby, 111, less 24=87; Mr. H. E. O'Dwyer, 112, less 18=94; Mr. R. H. Hall, 116, less 20=96; Mr. J. Ingleby, 123, less 27=96.

HEATON MOOR GOLF CLUB.

The eighth monthly handicap was played on Saturday, November 17th. A fair number of members turned out to play for the Glover and Laidlaw gold medals, which were both won by Mr. W. H. Mann, with the net score of 83, who also took the first sweepstake, Mr. W. H. Smartt receiving the second.—Mr. W. H. Mann, 103, less 20=83; Mr. W. H. Smartt, 92, less 8=84; Mr. S. Marsden, 91, less 5=86;

Mr. W. J. Hunt, 99, less 12=87; Mr. A. Jackson, 107, less 20=87; Mr. J. Spilsbury, 97, less 8=89; Mr. S. I. Thomson, 97, less 8=89; Mr. T. B. Glover, 101, less 12=89; Mr. W. Dewse, 102, less 12=90; Mr. G. M. Yates, 102, less 12=90; Mr. J. Stirling, 99, less 8=91; Mr. W. Sockett, 106, less 12=94; Mr. A. W. Reynolds, 102, less 7=95; Mr. Stelfox, 118, less 20=98; Mr. A. T. Miniatti, 116, less 17=99; Mr. A. H. M. Gow, 104, less 5=99.

HUDDERSFIELD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal.—A very fair field turned out for the November medal, but only twelve of the thirty-six who took out cards did well enough to return them. The scoring has not been good for some time, and on Saturday the winning scores were 2 over the par score of the green in the first class, and 6 over in the second. The following were the returns:—First class.—Mr. H. M. Woodhead, 87, less 5=82; Mr. R. Holliday, 89, less 6=83; Mr. H. Huth, 95, less 7=88; Mr. T. B. Keighley, 97, less 8=89; Mr. F. K. Adcock, 103, less 12=91; Mr. A. Shaw, 103, less 10=93.

Second class.—Mr. F. H. Shaw, 110, 24=86; Mr. L. Middlemost, 102, less 15=87; Mr. J. Hirst, 105, less 18=87; Mr. A. C. Sharpe, 110, less 23=87; Mr. T. C. Bentley, 106, less 16=90; Mr. J. Wilkinson, 112, less 17=95.

HUNTINGDON v. BEDFORD.

Played at Huntingdon, Wednesday, 21st November, resulting in a victory for the home team by nine holes.

BEDFORD.		HUNTINGDON.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. Guy Pym ...	0	Capt. Kinloch ...	1
Mr. H. E. Tredcroft ...	0	Mr. T. C. Fitzherbert ...	12
Mr. S. Fuller ...	0	Mr. R. T. Lindsell ...	2
Mr. C. E. S. Innes ...	0	Mr. A. C. Sweeting ...	5
Mr. T. Boyd Thompson ...	0	Mr. J. P. Maule ...	2
Mr. G. F. Apthorp ...	8	Mr. P. Purves ...	0
Mr. N. R. Slator ...	5	Mr. H. Vernon ...	0
	13		22

ILKLEY GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, November 24th, the monthly medal was played for at Ilkley:—Mr. A. L. Booth, 96, less 16=80; Mr. B. Hirst, 103, less 16=87; Mr. H. B. McCarthy, 95, less 5=90; Mr. H. Russell-Smith, 102, less 12=90; Mr. S. M. Yoxall, 98, less 8=90; Mr. J. K. Empsall, 110, less 18=92; Mr. C. Stansfield, 112, less 18=94; Mr. J. Hollis, 105, less 10=95; Mr. J. C. Sykes, 121, less 22=99. Twenty-two cards were taken out; no returns, or over 100 net, from thirteen others.

KENILWORTH LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On Thursday, November 22nd, the ladies of the Kenilworth Club played off the final competition for the monthly club prize, which has been competed for during the last year. Only five played, several having won the competition more than once during the year, and Miss Humphreys (one of the successful players) having gone abroad for the winter. Details:—Miss Homfray, 122, less 25=97; Mrs. G. Jepson, 116, less 11=105; Mrs. O'Leary, 115, less 8=107; Mrs. Mitchell, 121, less 10=111; Mrs. Carter, 149, less 38=111. Miss Homfray wins the prize, and Miss G. Jepson the sweepstake.

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

At the second competition for the captain's cup, which took place at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, by the members of the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club, on Saturday, November 24th, about seventy players faced the tee, and the net scores over 100 were:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. F. E. Rowe, Rossall ...	94	12	82
Mr. C. E. Walker, Bolton ...	102	18	84
Mr. P. Musgrave, Bolton ...	92	5	87
Mr. M. Taylor, Blackburn ...	98	10	88
Mr. W. Fletcher, London ...	92	3	89
Mr. A. N. Cumming, Manchester ...	93	4	89
Mr. J. Brooks, Eccles ...	104	15	89
Mr. E. W. Hermon, St. Anne's ...	101	11	90
Mr. C. H. Atkinson, Singleton ...	105	15	90
Mr. J. Eccles, Ashton, Preston ...	93	2	91
Mr. J. Mellor, St. Anne's ...	96	5	91
Mr. A. B. Scholfield, Disley ...	93	1	92
Mr. J. E. Pearson, Liverpool ...	94	2	92
Mr. J. G. Kirk, Manchester ...	96	4	92
Mr. T. Swainson, London ...	106	14	92
Mr. H. Hughes, Wilmslow ...	107	15	92
Mr. T. H. Rushton, Bolton ...	101	8	93
Mr. K. C. Bellhouse, Alderley Edge ...	107	14	93

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. N. Macbeth, jun., St. Anne's ...	103	9	94
Mr. C. H. Bentley, St. Anne's ...	111	17	94
Dr. Eason, Lytham ...	102	7	95
Mr. T. C. Midwood, Manchester ...	106	11	95
Mr. A. Lancashire, Alderley Edge ...	116	21	95
Mr. E. M. Whipp, St. Anne's ...	109	13	96
Mr. T. Baxter, St. Anne's ...	111	15	96
Mr. B. Thompson, St. Anne's ...	105	7	98
Mr. J. Bradbury, South Shore ...	110	12	98
Mr. H. T. Parke, Withnell ...	108	9	99
Rev. J. K. Jacques, St. Anne's ...	112	13	99

The weather was very fine, and the links in admirable order. Mr. F. E. Rowe made the win for the cup, and also obtained the silver memento given by the club. The best gross scores (which, considering the very favourable day, were rather disappointing) were:—Mr. W. Fletcher, 92; Mr. P. Musgrave, 92; Mr. A. B. Scholfield, 93; Mr. J. Eccles, 93; Mr. A. N. Cumming, 93; Mr. J. E. Pearson, 94; Mr. F. E. Rowe, 94. It may be noted as somewhat singular that amongst the cards returned were those of two members who each made precisely the same scores of 51 each in going out, and also 51 each in the return home. The optional sweepstakes were won—1st, Mr. F. E. Rowe; 2nd, Mr. P. Musgrave; 3rd, Mr. M. Taylor. The previous winner in the cup competition was Mr. H. Bowman, St. Annes, with 84. The greens were never in better condition than they were on Saturday.

MARPLE GOLF CLUB.

The club monthly medal competition took place on Saturday, and resulted in a win for Mr. G. Sherwin with 107, less 3=104. Twelve members competed, and, unless it was attributable to the early closing in of the daylight, the high scores are unaccountable; everything else seeming to be in favour of the players.

MORECAMBE AND HEYSHAM GOLF CLUB.

The fourth monthly competition for the prize presented by the captain of this club, Captain Le Feuvre, Lancaster, was decided on the links at Heysham on Wednesday, the 21st inst. The weather was fine and bracing, and notwithstanding the previous week's rain, the course was perfectly dry. The greens were just sufficiently moist to prevent them being too keen, as is generally the case at this time of the year. Fourteen players took out cards, and a close competition resulted in a victory for Mr. R. Charnley, Heysham, who succeeded in establishing his right to compete in the final with a net score of 86. The following members, in order named, are also entitled to play in the deciding round:—Messrs. B. H. Cookson, W. Stewart, and R. Preston. Mr. R. Charnley took the first sweepstakes, and Mr. B. H. Cookson the second. Appended are the scores:—Mr. R. Charnley, Heysham, 104, less 18=86; Mr. B. H. Cookson, Lancaster, 105, less 18=87; Mr. H. A. Paley, Lancaster, 102, less 13=89; Mr. S. M. Satterthwaite, Lancaster, 107, less 18=89; Captain Le Feuvre, Lancaster, 97, less 7=90; Mr. C. E. Mason, Lancaster, 115, less 18=97. No returns from Rev. A. F. Clarke, Rev. George Willis, Rev. C. E. Golland, Dr. Gemmel, Messrs. W. Stewart, F. Storey, and R. G. W. Howson.

NOTTS v. SHEFFIELD.

Played on Saturday, November 17th, in fine weather.

NOTTS.	Holes.	SHEFFIELD.	Holes.
Mr. J. Hall ...	0	Mr. H. W. Leader ...	6
Mr. J. C. Warren ...	0	Mr. C. R. Hemingway ...	0
Mr. J. McMeeking ...	9	Mr. A. Allan ...	0
Mr. R. W. Oswald ...	7	Mr. E. Bramley ...	0
Mr. A. N. Bromley ...	4	Mr. H. H. Littlejohn ...	0
Mr. J. Johnstone ...	4	Mr. C. C. Ellison ...	0
Mr. H. Secretary ...	8	Mr. T. W. Sorby ...	0
Mr. J. Harris ...	6	Mr. J. G. Ronksley ...	0
	38		6

NEASDEN GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, played November 24th, and also the result of two special prizes:—

Senior.—Mr. J. J. W. Deuchar, 92, less 3=89, and Mr. W. J. Ketley, 98, less 9=89, tie; Capt. Cowper Coles, 88, plus 2=90; Mr. Garden G. Smith (scratch), 90; Mr. John Wood, 99, less 7=92; Mr. A. E. Slazenger, 105, less 12=93; Mr. F. W. Watts, 100, less 6=94; Mr. S. Clifford, 107, less 12=95; Mr. A. L. Foley, 109, less 10=99.

Junior.—Mr. P. Beachcroft, 106, less 20=86, and Mr. S. M. Dent, 102, less 16=86, tie; Mr. A. H. Beard, 103, 16=87; Mr. E. Moore, 113, less 25=88; Mr. M. Woolf, 111, less 16=95; Mr. H. J. Allen, 117, less 20=97; Mr. A. Purdey, 122, less 22=100. The rest over 100, or no return.

The prizes presented by Messrs. Isidore Clifford and W. J. Ketley, for the best half-rounds under handicap, were won by—out, Mr. P. Beachcroft, 52, less 10=42; in, Mr. S. Clifford, 42, less 6=36.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

"Bogey" competition, Wednesday, November 21st:—Mr. R. B. R. Mair (scratch), 2 down, first prize and medal; Mr. R. H. Mitchell (scratch), 4 down, second prize; Mr. H. L. Havers (7), 4 down, third prize; Mr. G. B. Grundy (2), 5 down; Mr. T. Ranken (2), 5 down; Mr. E. C. H. Wolff (8), 5 down; Mr. H. G. B. Ellis (2), 6 down; Mr. O. T. P. Nelson (3), 6 down; Mr. R. W. Macan (6), 7 down; Mr. M. Waterlow (5), 10 down; Mr. E. R. Walker (12), 13 down. Medal presented by Hugh Kirkaldy, twenty-two entries, no returns from the rest.

Weekly handicap, Friday, November 23rd:—First class—Mr. R. H. Mitchell, scratch, 78; Mr. P. A. Lushington, 82, less 3=79; Mr. T. Ranken, 85, less 3=82; Mr. J. H. Richardson, 88, less 6=82; Mr. A. B. Sanders, 90, less 4=86; Mr. C. W. Surridge, 92, less 6=86.

Second class—Mr. R. B. Townshend, 91, less 17=74; Mr. R. Marett, 93, less 15=78; Mr. M. Fleming, 99, less 20=79; Mr. J. A. Smith, 97, less 15=82; Mr. A. S. Leslie, 102, less 18=84; Mr. H. F. Ashby, 101, less 16=85; Mr. S. C. Symonds, 113, less 24=89.

Twenty-seven entries. No returns from the rest.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY v. GUILDFORD.

The University was strongly represented on the 24th inst. at Guildford, and had it not been for a very fine display of all-round Golf by Mr. J. A. Ross, who found his opponent a little off his game, and gave him no encouragement by any weakness on his part, the home team would have had a very narrow margin of holes to the good. The other matches were very evenly contested, nearly all being decided on the last hole. Mr. Mair well deserved his victory, as he put in a fine score of 80 from the medal tees, which is a record if his putts were holed out:—

OXFORD.	Holes.	GUILDFORD.	Holes.
Mr. R. H. Mitchell ...	1	Mr. W. Carr ...	0
Mr. R. B. R. Mair ...	3	Mr. B. Howell ...	0
Mr. P. A. Lushington ...	0	Mr. J. A. Ross ...	12
Mr. H. G. B. Ellis ...	1	Mr. J. Kewick ...	0
Mr. O. T. P. Nelson ...	0	Mr. H. H. Playford ...	2
Mr. T. Ranken ...	1	Mr. W. D. Marshall ...	0
Mr. A. B. Sanders ...	0	Rev. H. C. Gaye ...	2
Mr. C. W. W. Surridge ...	0	Mr. A. H. Mathison ...	1
	6		17

ROCHESTER LADIES GOLF CLUB.

The members of the above club played a medal round on Saturday, November 24th, for a dozen balls, kindly given by the Misses Cunliffe. The following were the three best returns:—Miss Pochin, 92, less 8=84; Miss Pound, 100, less 9=91; Miss Harris, 101, less 8=93.

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

The following is the result of the competition for the Gordon cup, Captain's prize, and monthly medal, played on Saturday, November 24th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. Sidney Kemp ...	94 7 87	Mr. J. B. Shaw ...	113 14 99
Mr. W. E. Hall ...	96 7 89	Mr. J. O. Millidge, Jun. ...	111 11 100
Mr. J. F. Anderson ...	107 16 91	Mr. J. W. James ...	109 9 100
Mr. N. H. Wykes ...	101 8 98	Mr. A. Wallace Bair ...	112 12 100
Mr. F. Whitley ...	100 12 93	Mr. H. W. Horner ...	112 12 100
Mr. C. E. Greig ...	102 7 95	Mr. W. G. MacGregor ...	112 12 100
Mr. E. A. Tewson ...	102 7 95	Mr. Alf. Kemp ...	111 10 101
Mr. A. A. Hannay ...	102 7 95	Mr. J. Cleghorn ...	117 16 101
Mr. J. D. Geddes ...	111 16 95	Mr. R. Oxenham ...	117 16 101
Mr. J. Latham ...	106 10 96	Mr. T. H. Wakefield ...	120 18 102
Mr. Charles J. Fox ...	106 10 96	Mr. A. B. Smith ...	122 20 102
Mr. F. H. Swinstead ...	106 10 96	Mr. J. W. Greig ...	111 7 104
Mr. G. Whitley ...	107 11 96	Mr. G. T. B. Cobbett ...	122 18 104
Mr. G. H. Gordon ...	114 18 96	Mr. B. G. Fabian ...	115 9 106
Mr. G. Hillyard ...		Mr. C. W. Cooke ...	118 12 106
Swinstead ...	101 4 97	Mr. W. W. Challice ...	125 18 107
Mr. S. R. Bastard ...	99 1 98	Mr. E. G. Sawyer ...	126 18 108
Mr. T. T. Cowell ...	105 7 98	Mr. C. W. Sawbridge ...	127 18 109
Mr. J. Hax ...	108 10 98	Mr. W. Nicholls ...	139 18 121
Mr. F. M. Bryanf ...	116 18 98	Mr. H. A. Chappell ...	159 24 135
Mr. E. Walbourn ...	110 11 99		

ROYAL ASCOT GOLF CLUB.

Autumn meeting, November 23rd and 24th :—

	FIRST DAY.		SECOND DAY.		Total.
	Gross.	Hcp. Net.	Gross.	Hcp. Net.	
*Major Kinlock ...	82	scr.	82	87	scr. 87=169
†Capt. Cooper Key ...	94	9	85	93	9 84=169
†Capt. Wolfe Murray ...	86	scr.	86	84	scr. 84=170
Mr. E. Ponsonby ...	94	5	89	89	5 84=173
Mr. H. Blackett ...	95	5	90	92	5 87=177
Mr. L. B. Keyser... ..	95	11	84	106	11 95=179
Lieut.-Col. Lewes ...	106	16	90	108	16 92=182
Dr. Paterson	112	15	97	101	15 86=183
Rev. J. Stewart	101	10	91	106	10 96=187
Mr. F. N. Gairy	105	12	93	108	12 96=189
Mr. R. Nares	106	16	90	115	16 99=189
Mr. J. F. E. Bowring ...	94	5	89	105	5 100=189
Mr. A. R. Hamilton ...	110	10	100	102	10 92=192
Mr. H. J. B. Hollings ...	127	14	113	101	14 87=200
Mr. H. H. Longman ...	98	11	87	—	— — —
Mr. J. M. Heathcote ...	105	18	87	—	— — —
Mr. H. G. Armstrong ...	103	16	87	—	— — —
Mr. H. C. Clarke... ..	105	16	89	—	— — —
Captain Bolton	—	—	—	107	14 93 —
Mr. F. F. Liddell... ..	—	—	—	100	9 91 —
Mr. H. Sawyer	98	8	90	—	— — —
Mr. J. K. Hitchens ...	119	24	95	—	— — —
Dr. Nicolson	115	18	97	—	— — —
Mr. E. Maxwell Stewart... ..	—	—	—	100	10 90 —

* Winner of silver presented by Mr. F. J. Patton for best scratch eighteen-hole round. Winner of club prize, £4, and Mr. H. F. de Paravicini's prize for best eighteen-hole round under handicap, score, 82 (scratch).

† Winner of Rev. B. Kerr Pearse's prize for the best aggregate score of the two days.

‡ Winner of challenge cup presented by Mr. F. J. Patton for best aggregate scratch score of the two days, 86, 84=170.

Winners of club prize, 13s. 4d. each:—Captain Cooper Key, Captain Wolfe Murray, Mr. E. Ponsonby.

No returns, Sir S. Dyer, Mr. H. F. de Paravicini, Mr. A. H. Bowring, Mr. C. M. Woodbridge.

ROYAL BELFAST GOLF CLUB.

The monthly handicap competition of this club came off on Saturday, November 24th, in somewhat better weather than what has prevailed of late, but the greens played rather tricky after their recent soaking, and the scoring consequently was not quite up to the usual mark. As will be seen from particulars given below, and which include all cards returned under 100 net, Mr. W. Megaw secured the first place with 86 net, Mr. G. Hill being well up with one point more :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. Megaw ...	103 17 86	Mr. J. S. Reade ...	104 11 93
Mr. C. Hill... ..	107 20 87	Mr. F. F. Figgis ...	106 12 94
Mr. J. L. M'Ferran ...	111 22 89	Mr. W. Gregg ...	122 28 94
Mr. H. E. Reade ...	99 10 89	Mr. C. H. Bowen... ..	108 14 94
Mr. G. S. Clark ...	100 9 91	Mr. R. E. McLean ...	108 14 94
Mr. W. J. Martin ...	105 14 91	Mr. R. F. Ringwood ...	117 22 95
Mr. W. E. Williams ...	107 16 91	Mr. James Woodside ...	98 2 96
Mr. H. Herdman ...	110 18 92	Mr. V. Greene ...	108 10 98
Mr. J. Hyndman ...	111 18 93	Mr. C. C. Craig ...	129 30 99

ROYAL DUBLIN GOLF CLUB.

In very stormy weather the monthly handicap took place on Saturday, November 17th. Mr. F. H. Orr distinguished himself by taking first place, due to his steady and accurate play. Scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. H. Orr ...	90 11 79	Colonel Willoughby ...	104 17 87
Mr. F. H. Henderson ...	100 19 81	Mr. C. Crookshank ...	107 20 87
Mr. H. Dodd	101 19 82	Mr. D. Christie ...	98 11 87
Mr. J. Mooney	107 25 82	Mr. John Lumsden ...	98 10 88
Mr. G. C. May	94 11 83	Mr. H. Traill	106 18 88
Mr. J. Stevenson ...	100 17 83	Mr. A. S. Hussey ...	100 11 89
Mr. J. P. Auld	100 15 85	Dr. Lumsden	100 10 90
Dr. Traill	97 11 86	Mr. S. Moore	102 11 91
Mr. J. H. Barrington ...	98 12 86	Mr. S. T. Martin ...	107 15 92
Mr. C. P. Brett	104 18 85	General Moncrieff... ..	113 19 94

ROYAL WEST NORFOLK GOLF CLUB.—Monthly medal, November 24th :—Rev. H. E. Thursby, 104, less 17=87; Mr. Chas. N. Rolfe, 103, less 14=89; Rev. C. Prangley, 108, less 18=90; Rev. H. D. Barrett, 103, less 11=92; Dr. C. Whitty, 124, less 20=104.

ROYAL EASTBOURNE GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, played on Saturday, November 24th :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. T. S. B. Wilson ...	97 16 81	Mr. R. P. Masefield ...	100 10 90
†Mr. R. A. Kyrke	98 16 82	Mr. J. C. Robinson ...	103 13 90
‡Mr. G. Cuming	90 6 84	Mr. W. F. Wilkinson ...	102 12 90
Mr. E. Spencer	103 16 87	Mr. J. Lee-Warner ...	109 17 92
Dr. Bookless	100 12 88	Mr. G. Gardner	92 +1 93
Mr. R. H. Ellis	104 16 88	Mr. E. O. Langham ...	101 6 95

* Wins medal. † Wins two-thirds sweepstakes.

‡ Wins one-third sweepstakes.

Thirty players sent in no returns.

A "Bogey" competition (thirty-six holes) took place on November 21st and 24th, for a prize presented by Mr. H. F. Matheson, one round each day. Twenty-six players :—Mr. R. B. Masefield (9), first day square, second day 3 down—3 down (wins prize); Mr. A. M. Wilkinson (7), first day 3 down, second day 6 down—9 down (wins sweepstakes); Mr. R. A. Kyrke (12), first day 6 down, second day 4 down—10 down; Mr. E. Spencer (12), first day 5 down, second day 5 down—10 down.

ROYAL LIVERPOOL GOLF CLUB.

The first competition for the winter optional subscription prizes was held on Saturday, November 24th. The morning broke very dull and foggy, but, after the fog cleared off, the sun came out, and, as there was no wind, it was a capital golfing day. Forty-six couples started. At present the short course is being played, and some of the greens are not as good as they might be; but, in spite of these, Mr. C. E. Dick made a very fine score of 79. Mr. J. R. Wells also played a good round, which, with his handicap off, brought him in an easy winner.

First class optional.—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. J. R. Wells	88 10 78	Mr. E. Macdona	100 9 91
†Mr. C. E. Dick	79 +5 84	Mr. J. B. Hunter	103 12 91
‡Mr. E. Whineray	89 5 84	Mr. J. Royston	105 14 91
Mr. H. A. Farrar... ..	85 +1 86	Mr. J. Ball, jun.	83 +9 92
Mr. H. Gair, jun.	93 7 86	Dr. P. Davidson	94 2 92
Mr. G. Stone	100 14 86	Mr. A. Turpin	94 2 92
Mr. W. C. Aspinall ...	99 12 87	Mr. G. H. Potter	104 12 92
Mr. W. Y. Crowe... ..	99 12 87	Mr. T. H. Bingham ...	105 13 92
Mr. G. R. Cox	90 2 88	Mr. R. J. Kerr	98 5 93
Mr. A. H. Higgins ...	92 3 89	Mr. R. L. Dalgleish ...	105 12 93
Mr. J. H. Knight	92 3 89	Mr. J. K. Housden ...	104 10 94
Mr. W. S. Patterson ...	100 11 89	Mr. J. G. Smith	106 12 94
Mr. H. B. Steel	100 11 89	Mr. C. Holt	107 13 94
Mr. H. E. B. Harrison ...	102 13 89	Mr. H. Keef	108 14 94
Mr. T. W. Crowther ...	89 +1 90	Mr. W. W. Sandbrook ...	108 14 94
Mr. W. Dod	94 4 90	Mr. G. Wild	113 13 100

* Scores a win for the winter optional subscription prize; wins first sweepstake.

† Divide third sweepstake.

Second class optional.—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. J. W. Glover	102 22 80	Prof. F. Gotch	113 20 93
Mr. H. St. C. Byrne ...	103 18 85	Mr. Ruston Parker ...	115 22 93
†Mr. C. Gostenhofer ...	107 22 85	Mr. P. Wild	115 18 97
Mr. B. H. Hilton... ..	111 23 88	Mr. A. J. Meade	121 18 103
Prof. Strong	112 20 92		

* Wins second sweepstake.

† Scores a win for second class optional, as Messrs. Glover and Byrne did not enter.

ROYAL WINCHESTER v. TOOTING BEC.

Played at Winchester, November 24th. Scores :—

ROYAL WINCHESTER.		TOOTING BEC.	
Holes.		Holes.	
Mr. E. H. Buckland ...	4	Mr. T. R. Pinkerton ...	0
Mr. J. W. Duncan ...	5	Mr. A. J. Robertson ...	0
Mr. H. A. C. Brooking ...	7	Mr. F. Skene	0
Capt. L. G. Russell ...	8	Mr. J. P. Croal	0
Capt. the Hon. A. Hewitt ...	0	Mr. J. G. Maclean ...	0
Mr. W. M. Corrie	0	Mr. F. E. Badham ...	5
Mr. M. J. Godby	0	Dr. Ackroyd	2
Rev. G. M. A. Hewett ...	8	Mr. S. T. Fisher	0
Mr. H. C. Steel	8	Mr. J. C. Bayldon ...	0

ROYAL NORTH DEVON GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, Saturday, November 24th. Weather fine, with strong east wind:—Hon. D. Scott, 90, less 4=86; Capt. Gordon, 101, less 10=91, and Mr. C. G. Lefroy, 104, less 13=91, tie; Mr. A. H. Boyd, 94, less 2=92; Mr. T. G. J. Heathcote, 95, less 1=94; Major Winter, 99, less 5=94; Major Pigott, 103, less 9=94; Mr. F. Penny, 109, less 14=95. Thirty-six started.

ROYAL NORWICH GOLF CLUB.

The first anniversary meeting of this club was held on Wednesday and Thursday, the 7th and 8th November, and consisted of the following events:—Colman challenge cup, presented by the president, Mr. J. J. Colman, M.P., for the best scratch score, thirty-six holes, medal play; November monthly medal, under handicap; autumn scratch and handicap gold medals, with second prizes; and long handicap prize for handicaps of 18 and over.

The course was extended to its fullest limits, and boisterous weather prevailed, which made the scoring necessarily higher than usual. The wind, however, had subsided to a great extent on Thursday afternoon, and this gave those who went out late on that day considerable advantage over those who had already sent in their returns. There was a large muster of members, and as no competitor was entitled to take more than one prize, interest in the results was general. They were as follows:—

Colman cup:—Mr. J. J. W. Deuchar, 100, 96=196; Mr. H. Cozens-Hardy, 108, 99=207; Mr. C. H. A. Lock, 115, 102=217; Rev. A. T. Farquharson, 114, 107=221; Mr. T. Ireland, 115, 107=222; Mr. F. Jewson, 119, 118=237.

November monthly medal:—Mr. H. Cozens-Hardy, 108, less 14=94 (disqualified as winner of gold scratch medal); Mr. J. J. W. Deuchar (scratch), 100 (disqualified as winner of Colman cup); Mr. F. Jewson, 119, less 15=104; Mr. C. H. A. Lock, 115, less 11=104 (disqualified as winner of second scratch prize); Rev. A. T. Farquharson, 114, less 7=107; Mr. W. T. Hartcup, 125, less 18=107; Mr. T. A. Ireland, 115, less 8=107; Mr. J. A. Harmer, 134, less 25=109.

Scratch gold medal.—Mr. J. J. W. Deuchar, 98 (disqualified as winner of the Colman cup); Mr. H. Cozens-Hardy, 103 (winner of gold medal); Mr. C. H. A. Lock, 106 (winner of second prize); Rev. A. T. Farquharson, 107; Mr. Davidson Walker, 108; Mr. Poole Gabbett, 108; Mr. F. Jewson, 110.

Handicap gold medal.—Mr. H. Cozens-Hardy, 103, less 14=89 (disqualified because of being winner of scratch medal); Mr. H. Mellersh, 115, less 22=93 (winner of gold medal, and accordingly disqualified for the long handicap prize); Mr. E. Reeve, 114, less 20=94 (winner of second prize); Mr. F. Jewson, 110, less 15=95; Mr. C. H. A. Lock, 106, less 11=95; Mr. D. Walker, 108, less 12=96; Mr. P. Gabbett, 108, less 12=96. Others over 100.

ROYAL WIMBLEDON GOLF CLUB.

Monthly handicap challenge medal, November 24th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. N. Lubbock ...	93 8 85	Mr. A. Davidson ...	102 10 92
Mr. E. A. Walker ...	90 4 86	Mr. S. G. Carlyll ...	107 14 93
Mr. H. E. Willock ...	93 6 87	Mr. H. B. Forde ...	109 16 93
Mr. W. D. Scott-Moncrieff ...	99 11 88	Mr. S. F. Still ...	108 14 94
Mr. G. F. Muir ...	100 12 88	Mr. A. Pollock ...	99 4 95
Mr. G. E. Jones ...	106 18 88	Mr. J. L. Ridpath ...	104 9 95
Mr. W. L. Purves ...	89 scr. 89	Mr. D. F. Park ...	111 16 95
Mr. J. E. Peat ...	96 7 89	Mr. A. L. Tweedie ...	106 10 96
Mr. G. L. St. Quintin ...	96 7 89	Mr. W. R. Portal ...	112 16 96
Mr. F. S. Creswell ...	102 12 90	Mr. W. C. Anderson ...	111 14 97
Mr. N. R. Foster ...	89 +2 91	Mr. J. A. C. Tanner ...	113 16 97
Mr. J. C. G. Sykes ...	97 6 91	Mr. W. P. Crake ...	109 10 99
Mr. H. W. Horne ...	99 8 91	Mr. A. Fell ...	117 18 99
Mr. H. C. Archer ...	107 16 91	Mr. J. N. Maitland ...	119 18 101

No returns from forty-five players.

RYE GOLF CLUB.

The autumn meeting was held on Saturday and Monday, November 3rd and 5th. The Colt medal was played for on Saturday, under handicap limited to 18 strokes. The following are the results of the day's play:—Mr. A. Roberts Law, 93, less 9=84; Capt. Swinford, 96, less 10=86; Rev. H. C. Tindall, 95, less 8=87; Mr. J. S. Scott, 98, less 1=97. All others over 100 gross. Twenty entries. Mr. E. R. H. Blackwell won the open sweepstake with 78 net.

The monthly medal was played for on Monday. The following are the results:—Mr. H. S. Colt, 81, plus 1=82; Mr. A. Roberts Law, 93, less 9=84; Mr. J. S. Scott, 93, less 1=92. All others over 100 gross. The course has improved considerably since the last meeting. The weather was fair on Saturday, but on Monday it was bad, which accounted for the small entry.

On Saturday, Messrs. H. S. Colt and E. R. H. Blackwell played in a foursome against Mr. J. S. Scott and Douglas Rolland. Two rounds. Result:—First round—Mr. Scott and Rolland won by 3 up and 2 to play. Second round—Messrs. H. S. Colt and E. R. H. Blackwell won by 1 up. On Monday a third round was played, and the result was a halved match.

STAINES GOLF CLUB.

The Sanger cup was played for on Saturday, November 24th:—Capt. Harrison, 84, less 11=73; Mr. M. W. Mossop, 88, less 6=82; Rev. F. Williamson, 99, less 11=88; Capt. Warren, 104, less 14=90. The cup becomes the property of Capt. Harrison.

TIMPERLEY GOLF CLUB.

The third monthly medal competition for the captain's cup took place on Saturday, and was won by Mr. C. H. Occleston with a good score of 89, less 2=87. That player also won the first prize in the sweepstake, Mr. W. Ibbotson, jun., taking the second. Thirty-six cards were taking out, of which twenty-two were returned. The following were the details of scores under 100 net.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. H. Occleston	89 2 87	Mr. W. Bell ...	121 25 96
Mr. W. Ibbotson, jun. ...	105 16 89	Mr. F. R. Watson ...	106 9 97
Mr. J. E. Wild ...	104 12 92	Mr. J. A. Cuffley ...	123 25 98
Mr. J. C. Thompson ...	110 18 92	Mr. G. Brocklehurst	116 18 98
Mr. R. Cressy ...	108 14 94	Mr. J. H. Atkinson	114 15 99
Mr. J. J. Arnold ...	120 25 95	Mr. J. C. McBride	117 18 99

TONBRIDGE GOLF CLUB.

On the 24th inst the monthly medal and sweepstakes were played for in glorious weather on the temporary new course. Result:—Mr. J. Le Fleming, jun. (medal and first sweepstake), 40, less 3=37; Mr. G. A. Floyd, 45, less 7=38, and Rev. A. Lucas, 48, less 10=38, divided second sweepstakes; Mr. J. Le Fleming (20 handicap sweepstakes), 58, less 20=38; Mr. G. Furley, 51, less 12=39; Mr. H. R. Stokoe, 51, less 11=40; Mr. Eustace Maiden, 51, less 9=42.

WANSTEAD PARK GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, 24th inst, in beautiful weather. The course was in wonderfully good order considering the heavy rains of the last fortnight. Result:—Mr. J. W. M. Guy, 94, less 10=84; Mr. H. A. Gardom, 89, less 1=88; Captain Bishop, 108, less 18=90; Mr. Sidney Kemp, 99, less 9=90; Mr. N. Womersley, 106, less 10=96; Mr. S. W. Pedley, 112, less 15=97; Mr. R. B. Johnson, 109, less 12=97; Mr. H. B. Gripper, 111, less 12=99. Other returns over 100 net. Nineteen entries.

Cowley Challenge Bowl.—The competition for this handsome piece of plate, presented to the club by the president, Earl Cowley, which has occupied some weeks, was brought to a conclusion on Monday, 26th inst. There were thirty-two entries, and some of the matches were very close. In the second round Mr. E. A. Read made a record for the nine-hole course, going out in 39. The final was between Mr. J. W. M. Guy (10) and Mr. Sidney Kemp (9). Mr. Guy won by 5 up and 3 to play, and therefore holds the cup for the first year, and wins a memento presented by the club.

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly cup was played for on Saturday last, with the following result:—Mr. H. T. Hickman, 99, less 11=88; Mr. C. G. C. Mallam, 100, less 12=88; Mr. E. Edmondson, 101, less 12=89; Mr. H. H. Child, 104, less 14=90; Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncreiff, 98, less 3=95; Mr. M. T. Brown, 103, less 7=96; Rev. R. A. Edgell, 117, less 19=98. The remainder were over 100, or no return. Mr. Hickman and Mr. Mallam accordingly tied for first place, and divided the sweepstake. The course was in very fair order for the time of year, and beautiful weather prevailed throughout the competition. The tie between the winners will be played off during the present week.

SEAFIELD GOLF CLUB.—A competition for club medal and prizes was held over Leith Links on Friday and Saturday, November 23rd and 24th. Over sixty members took part:—Medal and first prize, Mr. Archibald Wilson (scratch), 80; 2, Mr. James S. Fraser, 88, less 6=82; 3, 4, and 5 (tie), Mr. H. H. Muirhead, 89, less 6=83; Mr. James Adamson, 103, less 20=83; Mr. James Farquhar, 99, less 16=83; 6, Mr. Robert Gibson, 93, less 9=84.

PRESTWICK.—On Saturday, November 24th, the members engaged in the handicap competition for the gold medal, eleven couples starting on the usual medal round of eighteen holes. The greens were somewhat uncertain, owing to the keen frost, but as the day advanced they resumed the normal truthness. The following are the best scores:—Mr. N. Thomson, 108, less 24=84; Capt. Dudley Stewart, 100, less 15=85; Mr. Alex. E. Stephen, 95, less 10=85.

WEST HERTS GOLF CLUB.

The winter meeting was held over the club course at Bushey, on Saturday last, Mr. F. W. W. Graham, winning the club silver medal with a scratch score of 88, the captain's prize (handicap) falling to Mr. C. A. Barton, and the other handicap prizes as follows:—Handicaps of 12 and under—First, Mr. A. Dunbar Walker, Mr. J. S. Crawford, and Mr. Albert Roberts tying for the second. For handicaps exceeding 12, Mr. Arthur Butcher, took the first, and the Rev. J. A. Bevan the second; Mr. J. Herbert Walker winning the prize presented by a member for the best score for handicaps of 16 and over.

The members and friends dined at the Hall, Bushey, in the evening, and were much pleased with a most excellent entertainment, invented and written by Mr. R. Andre, and who was greatly helped in the rendering by Mr. Howard Williams, Mr. W. A. Ogan, and Mr. Rupert Sedgwick:—

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Mr. C. A. Barton ...	95	14	81	Mr. E. F. Jackson	109	16	93
Mr. A. Butcher ...	96	14	82	Mr. C. T. Smithers	110	17	93
Mr. A. D. Walker ...	93	10	83	Mr. J. Jackson ...	111	16	95
Mr. J. S. Crawford ...	95	11	84	Major Trapaud ...	113	18	95
Mr. A. Roberts ...	96	12	84	Mr. E. G. Jackson	108	12	96
Mr. R. Frank ...	93	8	85	Mr. B. Schofield ...	111	15	96
Mr. F. Carver ...	96	10	86	Mr. E. H. Harby ...	114	18	96
Rev. J. A. Bevan ...	100	13	87	Mr. E. Taylor ...	114	18	96
Mr. J. S. Clerk ...	100	12	88	Mr. W. R. Carter...	115	19	96
Mr. J. H. Walker...	107	19	88	Mr. D. Scholes ...	109	12	97
Mr. F. W. W. Graham	88	+1	89	Mr. J. L. Clark ...	107	9	98
Mr. A. F. Denniston	98	9	89	Mr. A. B. Chalmers	107	8	99
Mr. B. M. Barton...	96	6	90	Mr. J. H. Whitehorn	109	9	100
Mr. P. A. Houghton	111	21	90	Mr. W. E. Whitehorn	114	14	100
Mr. O. W. F. Hill	98	7	91	Mr. W. G. Barton...	119	19	100
Mr. A. H. Wallace	99	8	91				

WEST WRATTING PARK v. CHESTERFORD PARK.

Played on Saturday, November 17th. Scores:—

WEST WRATTING PARK.		CHESTERFORD PARK.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Mr. F. W. Beckford ...	1	Mr. Waterhouse ...	0
Mr. N. W. Cobbold ...	3	Rev. H. J. E. Burrell...	0
Mr. E. B. Winch ...	8	Capt. Inglis ...	0
Mr. H. S. Cobbold ...	0	Mr. A. W. Stanley ...	0
Mr. W. R. Gray ...	3	Mr. H. P. Cunliffe ...	0
Mr. A. Lumsden ...	12	Mr. C. H. Taylor ...	0
Mr. C. M. King ...	0	Rev. E. E. Edgerly ...	2
	27		2

West Wrattng Park won by 25 holes.

WINCHESTER COLLEGE.

A match, now an annual institution, was played during the second week in November, between the Masters and the School. The conditions were eighteen holes on the Winchester links, and eighteen on the School links; and victory remained on the side of the younger team, who on their own links only lost one match, and that only by 1 hole.

MASTERS.		SCHOOL.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Mr. E. H. Buckland ...	12	R. F. Fuller ...	0
Rev. G. M. A. Hewett ...	3	E. C. Lee ...	0
Mr. H. C. Steel ...	0	Hon. M. Scott...	3
Mr. M. J. Rendall ...	0	W. Mitchell-Thomson	8
Mr. H. A. Adamson ...	1	F. H. Latham ...	0
Rev. J. T. Bramston ...	0	G. H. Rowe ...	4
Mr. R. G. K. Wrench...	0	D. Anderson ...	0
Mr. A. J. Toyce...	0	A. B. B. Hamilton	2
*Mr. E. J. Turner ...	1	A. C. Barton ...	0
Mr. C. Griffith ...	0	E. E. S. Utterton	4
Mr. L. L. Garbutt ...	0	A. L. Gibson ...	13
Rev. W. P. Smith ...	0	G. M. Lee ...	4
Rev. G. Richardson ...	0	P. M. T. Hill ...	11
Mr. R. A. Du Pontet ...	0	V. F. Maude ...	5
*Mr. J. S. Furley ...	1	F. C. Maple ...	0
	18		54

* Only played one round on the Town links.

WOKING GOLF CLUB.

Saturday, November 24th. Monthly handicap:—Mr. R. V. Bankes, 105, less 20=85; Mr. H. E. Richards, 98, less 10=88; Mr. J. H. Renton, 107, less 16=91; Mr. S. Hutton, 116, less 20=96; Mr. B. J. Levenson, 108, less 10=98. The remainder were over 100 net, or made no returns.

TROON GOLF CLUB.—The monthly competition for the Sandhills gold medal was held on Saturday, November 24th. Mr. J. W. Hartley, 97, less 16=81, was the winner; Mr. George Barclay, 96, less 14=82, was second; and Mr. John Shaw, scratch, 83, third.

ARCHERFIELD CLUB.—A competition took place on Saturday, November 24th, for a handsome silver cup, presented by Mr. John Penn, M.P. at present tenant of Archerfield, when there was a good attendance. On cards being handed, in it was found that Mr. Thomas Yule, with 82 plus 5=87, and Mr. James Morrison, with 93, less 6=87, had tied. Mr. Yule was victorious in playing off the tie. The competitors were entertained by Mr. Penn to luncheon at Archerfield House.

SCOTSMAN CLUB.—The monthly and Caxton medals were played for over the Braids, on November 22nd, Mr. H. Arnott (scratch), 84, won both medals; Mr. D. Pringle, 88, less 3=85, being second.

HADDINGTON CLUB.—The tie between Mr. J. G. Croal (less 2 strokes) and Mr. R. Whitelaw (less 18 strokes), for the Macniven handicap medal and special prize, was won by Mr. Croal. A second prize went to Mr. Whitelaw.

BOXMOOR GOLF CLUB.—Medal competition, Saturday, November 24th:—Mr. W. H. Macintosh, 94, less 12=82; Mr. F. Cornwell, 102, less 15=87; Mr. F. J. Courtney, 121, less 30=91. Others over 100.

GREENOCK.—The competition for the monthly medal, postponed from the previous Saturday on account of the weather, took place on Saturday, November 24th. The day was favourable, and a large number took part in the competition. The following were the best scores:—Mr. Geo. T. Luxton, 82, less 4=78; Mr. James Young, 85, less 2=83; Mr. J. B. Duff, 89, less 4=85; Mr. Chas. W. Clark, 98, less 12=86; Mr. Jas. Millar (scratch), 87; Mr. R. J. Blair, 93, less 2=91; Mr. Alex. Arthur, 93, less 2=91; Mr. J. L. Adams, 95, less 3=92. No fewer than sixty-six new members have joined the club since March last.

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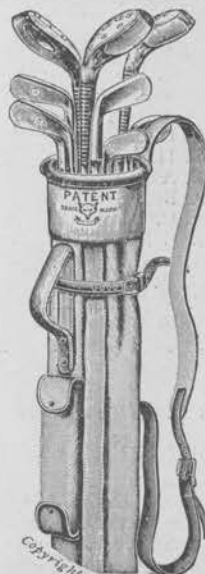
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