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APRIL.

- Apr. 19.—Ventnor : Town Cup.
Apr. 19 & 20.—Worlington and Newmarket : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 20.—Borghley Park : Monthly Handicap.
Redhill and Reigate : Silver Iron.
Worlington and Newmarket : Monthly Medal.
Arden v. Moseley.
Glasgow : Stewart Cup.
Woodford : Half-Yearly Challenge Cup and Memento.
Rochdale : Two Club Prizes.
Formby : Monthly Subscription Prize.
Wakefield : Monthly Medal.
Wimbledon Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Ventnor : Mrs. Michell's Cup.
Chester : Committee's Cup.
Disley : Winter Silver Medal.
Kenilworth : Albert Jones Prize.
Harrogate : Monthly Medal.
Rochester : Monthly Medal.
Rochester Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Willesden : Monthly Medal.
East Finchley : Monthly Medal.
North-West Club (Londonderry) : Ladies and Juveniles ; Monthly Medal.
King's Norton : Captain's Prize.
Fleetwood : Monthly Medal.
West Middlesex : Monthly Medal.
Eltham : Monthly Medal.
Mid-Surrey : Monthly Medals (Senior and Junior).
Minchinhampton : "Bogey" Competition.
Gullane : Spring Meeting;
Seaford : Monthly Medal.
Apr. 23.—Luffness (New) : Spring Meeting ; Club Dinner.
Apr. 23, 24, 25 & 26.—Royal Liverpool : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 24.—West Lancashire : Monthly Medal.
Wakefield Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Apr. 24, 25, 26 & 27.—Littlehampton : Club Spring Meeting.

- Apr. 24, 25 & 26.—Warwickshire : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 25.—Borghley Park v. Belton Park.
Royal Cromer : Club Monthly Medal.
Bentley Green : Monthly Medal.
Royal Guernsey : Monthly Medal.
Wellingborough : Monthly Medal.
Apr. 25 & 26.—Innerleven : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 25, 26 & 27.—Mid-Surrey : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 25-27.—Royal Wimbledon : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 26.—Glasgow : Professional Competition.
Glamorganshire v. Burnham.
Warminster : Monthly Medal.
Apr. 26 & 27.—Royal Eastbourne : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 26 & 27.—Royal West Norfolk : Spring Meeting ; Annual General Meeting (26th), 5 o'clock.
Apr. 26 & 27.—Pyecombe Ladies : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 26 & 27.—West Middlesex : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 26 to May 2.—Dinard : Spring Meeting.
Apr. 27.—Hants and Isle of Wight : Association County Championship, at Bembridge.
Ealing : Monthly Medal.
Arden v. Banbury.
Glasgow : Edwards & Sons' Trophy.
Glamorganshire : Monthly Medal.
Wanstead Park : Monthly Medal.
Wakefield : Charlesworth Cup.
Derbyshire v. Leicester.
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal.
Bowdon : Club Championship (scratch) ; Behrens Prize.
Luffness : Hope Challenge Cup.
Hampstead : "Bogey" Competition.
Kenilworth v. Leamington.
Kemp Town : Monthly Medal.
Huddersfield : Monthly Medal.
Sidcup : Monthly Medal.
Chislehurst : Monthly Medal.
Birkdale : Captain's Prize.
Dumfries and Galloway : Monthly Competition.
Taplow : Monthly Medal.
Crookham : Monthly Medal.
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.
Marple : Club Medal and Captain's Prize.
Alfreton : Bronze Medal.
Alfreton Ladies : Silver Spoon.
Cinque Ports : Monthly Medal.
Moseley : Monthly Medal.
Leicester v. Derby.
Neasden : Monthly Medal.
Royal North Devon : Monthly Medal.
West Herts : "Bogey" Competitions.
Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Cup ; Captain's Prize ; Monthly Medal.
Lanark : Hon. Mrs. Bingham's Prize.
Royal Ashdown Forest : Monthly Medal.
Ilkley : Monthly Medal.
Tooting : Captain's Prize (Thirty-six holes).
Aberdeen : Spring Meeting.
Eltham Ladies : Monthly Medal v. "Bogey."

ST. ANDREWS: THE NEW COURSE.

The question, "When will the new links be opened?" was finally set at rest by the official announcement, "The new course can be played on from Thursday onwards.—By order. April 10th, 1895." The question had been asked, one might almost say, by somebody or other, at least once a day for several months previously—a fact which might be taken as indicating a tolerably widespread interest in the matter. The stereotyped answer had been, in the expressive words of the very capable foreman of the works, Mr. Duff, "When the four seasons have been over it." Doubtless it would have been possible to inaugurate proceedings before the above-mentioned date, but for the fact of the fourth and last season behaving in an altogether unexpected manner, for "winter, lingering, chilled the lap," not perhaps of May, but of March and early April. The frost remained deep in the ground for an unconscionable period, delaying to that extent the necessary operations—rolling and other.

Although Thursday, the 11th, was the day on which our merry, merry men were officially permitted to uprouse, a sort of preliminary canter was indulged in on the 10th. Needless to say, many surmises were afloat as to "what you could get round in," and, while in general deprecating the counting of scores on ordinary occasions, the question was now not without interest. The first match, therefore, to be recorded was one between old Tom—who, of course, is ever *pars maxima* (not merely *magna*) in all such "ploys"—and Dr. John Duncan, against Sheriff Henderson and his son, the latter, a very good and rising player. The day, unluckily, was all that it should *not* have been in the matter of wind, the strength of which may be imagined from the following illustration: On the old course, at the fifth hole, both balls of a foursome were on the putting green pretty near the hole; side A, at 3 more, laid their ball stone dead; side B, starting to play 1 off 3, did not reach the haven of rest before they, in their turn, had played 3 more, the ball each time being played up to the hole, and returning gaily on its tracks.

Mr. F. G. Tait and Andrew Kirkaldy, the same day, halved a round, in the course of which, several remarkable events likewise happened on the putting green. "Call no man happy till he is dead," said Solon; but on such a day you never *are* dead, and you can't be happy till, in fine, you are, so to speak, buried. It will be apparent then that this was not quite the sort of day upon which to test the capabilities of a new and admittedly difficult course, or perhaps, more correctly speaking, the capabilities of the players, for the course was sure to emerge with all the honours of war. The honour of striking off the first shot lay, as was meet, with "the Tommoris." "Now concerning the details of this round, although they are known to me it is not fit that I should mention them in this place, for the holes were done, as to the most part, in numbers not small but big. In respect of this contest, therefore, let sufficient now have been said." Thus far Herodotus, who seems to prefer leaving the issue veiled in decent obscurity. No such reticence need be observed, however, in the case of Andrew Kirkaldy, who had a round with Mr. D. Leitch, the next day. For about six weeks past the professional has been at his very best, playing a game day after day, which assuredly it will be extremely difficult for anybody to beat at the Championship Meeting in June, if that month finds him as formidable as he is at present. In seven consecutive rounds with the Rev. A. H. Cochrane he varied but four strokes, from 78 to 82. He has played several matches with Mr. Laidlay, winning all but one of them, and altogether he is brim-full of that delightful feeling of confidence born of uninterrupted success. The day, fortunately, was an ideal one, doubly welcome as a contrast to its two predecessors. Kirkaldy, of course, was perhaps at a little disadvantage as to matters of line, distance, and so on, still it is questionable whether more minute knowledge would have enabled him to better what on all hands is regarded as an extremely brilliant performance. In his own opinion he did himself ample justice, and if, as of course was inevitable, a stroke or two extra was required here and there, the balance

was restored when he did other holes at a stroke less than par. Thus the general average comes out at a "Bogey" score—precisely the score, in effect, which has been already made by several amateurs—on Sundays—and without clubs. While all his game was good, perhaps to his putting he was indebted most of all, nevertheless, under like conditions it is probable that he would rarely exceed his present figures, which are as follows:—

Out,	5	5	6	4	4	6	4	5	4	=43	} 85
Home,	5	4	6	3	4	4	6	4	6	=42	

In this score the outward half in 43 was perhaps better than than the inward half in 42.

David Leitch was handicapped to some extent by having to play with strange clubs, his own not being available. His score was 10 worse than that of his partner:—

Out	...	4	7	5	5	4	5	6	6	6	=48	} 95
Home	...	6	4	5	3	8	6	6	4	5	=47	

These figures, relatively high though they are, may be exceeded, it is obvious, by first-rate players, and that with very little difficulty. The compassion of the most misanthropic might be evoked when watching the efforts of a medium player when well off the line, at a hole, say, like the third, or fourth; double figures, it is clear, may be run up with surprising facility; nor, again, is there over much allowance for lateral wanderings. Strait is the prepared course and narrow, a premium, and properly so, on accurate driving.

On Friday Kirkaldy was out again and played a short round, thirteen holes, the result showing that his previous performance was no fluke, for he holed them, in the aggregate, in exactly the same number of strokes. He played the first seven out and the last six home as follows:—

Out	...	5	5	6	5	4	4	5	=34	} 61
Home	...	4	5	5	5	3	5	=27		

On Saturday Mr. Macfie and Mr. E. S. Balfour had a round, the one being 95 and the other 96; each expressed his satisfaction with the course, and would have been contented with from 90 to 92. In the afternoon an interesting competition took place, and all the best players of the St. Andrews Club assembled: one very fine performance is to be recorded, that of Mr. L. Watters, who ran Kirkaldy's 85 very close:—

Out	...	4	6	6	5	4	6	4	6	5	=46	} 86
Home	...	6	3	5	3	4	5	6	3	5	=40	

The next best scores were—D. Auchterlonie, 90; W. Anderson, 92; W. Greig, 94; Lawrence Auchterlonie, 95; D. Simpson, 96; J. Anderson, 96; J. Robb, 96.

Receivers of odds went entirely astray, and the first three prize-winners were all scratch men. The very general verdict appeared to be that it is a splendid links, and will, of course, improve. One of the best players was asked, eight holes from home, "Well, how are you getting on?" to which he replied, in that fine philosophical spirit which is frequently such a distinguishing characteristic of the Scottish artisan golfer, "Oh, grand! Our scores is no vara guid, but we're enjoying oorsels fine: it's a grand change." It was, indeed, for him, as ultimately he holed out in 101, his last recorded score a fortnight or so previously, having been 83, on the old course. The new links is no course for the slovenly player; driving must be straight and long, and the longer the carry the better, for there is no roll upon the ball; approaches must be kept in the air as long as possible, and made to fall dead; a running approach is no manner of use. Apparently it is easy to putt, if only you are firm enough; the greens, considering all things, are wonderfully true; not laid with the unprofitable flatness and featureless dead level of the billiard-table, but rejoicing in dainty curves and undulations. Wind will be a variable hazard, much as at Hoylake, and experience will show where bunkers should be most advantageously placed. It is safe to prophesy that in a few years' time St. Andrews will be able to boast of two courses unrivalled by any in the world.

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YORKSHIRE SEASIDE LINKS.
THE OLDEST YORKSHIRE CLUB.

Yorkshire cannot lay claim to that antiquity as a golfing centre that the sister county of Lancashire can boast. The Red Rose gave the White Rose a long start, but the Yorkists have been making up the leeway very rapidly since the golfing wind caught them in its course. The number of clubs in Yorkshire has grown and is growing rapidly; and will probably soon surpass that of Lancashire. The character of the play too, is steadily improving. Under the impulse derived from the formation of a County Union, that improvement is likely to be accelerated.

The first club formed in Yorkshire was that at Redcar, one of Yorkshire's younger seaside resorts. This club, which was christened the "Cleveland," was formed in 1887, and it still remains the only real seaside links in the county. There are very good links at the opposite side of the Tees at Seaton Carew, opened so long ago as 1874, but that is in Durham. In May, 1891, a club was formed at Scarborough, and seven months later, Whitby followed suit. These two clubs, however, have not made that progress that might have been expected of them, but there is now a prospect of both clubs making much better headway. At Scarborough a good deal of money is being spent in the laying out of an improved course, and the Whitby golfers have decided to remove from the picturesque, but far-away heights of Goathland Moor to Uppang, also picturesque, as every part of the district round about Whitby is, but far more accessible to the visitors to this charming Yorkshire watering-place. The new course will overlook the sea and will, there can be no doubt, be a great attraction to visitors. Not to be behind-hand in catering for the ever-present golfer, a successful move was made last summer to lay out a course at Saltburn-by-the-Sea, and a very nice green has been formed there, where the golfer plays to the music of the bounding ocean, and the wind whistles in his ear across the North Sea. The peculiarity of this green is, that while it is situated practically on the sea-shore—really on the cliffs—it has all the characteristics of an inland course. The latest Yorkshire watering-place to catch the "fever" is that favourite haunt of the artist, Robin Hood's Bay. Mr. E. W. Beckett, the Member for Whitby, has accepted the presidency of this newly formed club, and Mr. G. S. Gibb, general manager of the North Eastern (or, as it used to be called, the Never Early) Railway Company, is to be the vice-president. There should consequently be some hope of good terms for golfers from the railway company. The greens for the new course have already been staked out, and the work of laying out the course is to be proceeded with at once. It will thus be seen that there will soon be an opportunity of spending an interesting golfing holiday on the Yorkshire sea coast, and if a change is desired, there is good golfing to be got inland, at such places as Harrogate, Ilkley, Fixby Park (Huddersfield), and Baildon Moor (Bradford).

Having been spoken of as a likely scene for the second Championship meeting of the Yorkshire Union of Golf Clubs, although passed over on this occasion in favour of Scarborough it may not be uninteresting if we take a somewhat close survey of the Cleveland Club's Links at Coatham, Redcar. The course at first consisted of only nine holes. It was after there had been some desultory play on the sand-hills that abound at Coatham, that in May, 1887—with the assistance of the late Dr. McCuaig, a Scottish enthusiast in the game, living at Middlesborough, and who had been principally concerned in the formation of the Seaton Carew Club—the course was set out. Three years later the green was extended to the full eighteen holes, under the direction of Tom Chisholm, who was then professional to the club. After the lapse of three years more, the course was again altered, mainly with a view of avoiding crossing. The green is rather narrow in some parts, but by a judicious arrangement of the holes, this objectionable feature has been minimised as much as possible. The course is undoubtedly a sporting one, the strongest objection to it on the part of many players being that it is too difficult. It has two distinctive features that stand out prominently; about one-half of the total number of holes consist almost entirely of sand and rushes, and the other half partake of the nature of an inland links. The green committee, evidently feeling that the hazards are in some instances really too difficult, have been spending a considerable sum of money during the winter in removing what were considered unfair lies and in improving the course generally. It is only fair to the club to say that many good players who have visited the links and played over them, have expressed a high opinion of the course as a whole, and have made very light of its difficulties. One of the most pleasing features about the Cleveland Club is that it exists mainly to provide healthy and invigorating exercise for the lieges, and is not troubled much about record-breaking and pot-hunting. The youth of both sexes may regularly be seen taking their delightful recreation on the links, the ladies in many instances pursuing their game quite

unattended. Of course there are busier scenes on some occasions, and very good play may be witnessed on this health-affording course.

The first hole presents no special feature of interest, and safely over a little bunker, there should be no difficulty in halving the hole with the "Bogey" in 5, although it is a hole of 350 yards length. The putting-green is the principal feature of the second hole. Situated on a small plateau about twenty-five yards wide, with sloping ground on either hand and a bunker beyond the green, a very nice approach shot is needed if the card is not to be spoiled for this hole. The line for the third green is over a bank about twelve feet high and a bunker. The hole is a short one, but the green is surrounded by bunkers, making it a good 4. Playing through the green at the fourth hole is calculated to be a protracted process if the tee shot is not far and sure. There are bunkers at thirty, fifty, 100, and 150 yards from the tee, with a railway siding and broken ground between. The hole is 200 yards in length and thirty yards in front of the hole is a sandy cart-road. On the further side of the green is a public road, so that both the drive and approach must be accurate, or the hole will not be won in 4. Clambering over a number of uninteresting sand-hills, the fifth teeing-ground is reached at length. The hole is appropriately named Sand, and is fortunately a short one. About thirty yards from the tee, is the near side of a desert of sand, varying from eighty to 130 yards wide. On the right of the line for the hole is a railway siding, used in the getting of sand from the face of a series of sand-hills. A good lie is to be found a short distance in front of the green, and with good play there should be no difficulty in securing the hole in 4, but a fozzled drive is sure of severe punishment. The green is a natural one and is surrounded by bunkers. It is well, therefore, to be careful in approaching. The succeeding half-dozen holes partake almost entirely of the inland character. The putting greens are "fine and large," and in several instances are of that undulating character so tantalising to the dufer, but so charming to the accomplished golfer. They are all of considerable length and an average of five a hole is not bad play. Tufts of long grass, rushes, and hillocks form the chief difficulties that have to be encountered. The tee for the sixth hole is on high ground, with a long frowning bunker about a hundred yards away. The ground in front of the Far hole is of such a kind as to afford the luxury of a nice roll in. The tenth green demands very careful putting, as it is a difficult green of the undulating order. The twelfth is rather a pretty hole. About forty yards from the teeing ground is the near edge of a deep bunker, which has a yawning mouth of about forty yards' width. There are a number of little hillocks nearly all the way, and the green is guarded by two big mounds. From this part of the course there is a very extensive view to be obtained of the surrounding sea and land, and the hole has accordingly been named Prospect. The next is Sahara, and the title is not undeserved. Sand is plentiful and good lies are scarce, and 6 is not too liberal an allowance for an ordinary player. The Battery, which comes next, is not much easier, though the "Colonel" is only allowed 5 for it. Big bunkers and long grass harass the indifferent player, and the expert needs to be wary. Indeed a player of any kind may be forgiven for uttering an exclamation of thankfulness on reaching in comfort the bonny little oasis of a putting green. Starting for the fifteenth hole the player finds himself literally surrounded by bunkers. There are sandy graves to the right, the left and in front, and it is a matter for self-gratulation when these are all successfully avoided. The second shot must also be well directed or further trouble is in store. There are bunkers to the right and rough ground to the left, and a small pond lies in wait for a badly sliced ball. The Ridge hole gets its name from the fact that there is a bank about twenty-five feet in height and about a hundred yards from the tee, over which the ball must go. As the tee is on low ground this makes a pretty hazard. On the far side of the ridge the land dips considerably, while the putting green lies on a sort of plateau. The tee shot accordingly needs to be not only strong, but well directed. Given these qualities the player may find the ball nicely laid on the green and a 3, or possibly a 2, may serve to cheer him, and improve an otherwise indifferent card. An ill-judged or badly executed shot, however, will put a very different complexion upon matters. The seventeenth is a more simple affair, and is not a bad hole with straight driving; but there must be no pulling, for on the left the jaws of the bunkers lie gaping for the ball. A couple of insidious little bunkers between the tee and the putting green of the Home hole serve to keep the player up to time right to the end of his round, and if he is not careful it will take him more than the allotted 4 that would otherwise enable him to halve it with "Bogey."

The record of the green was held by J. Taylor, the local professional, with a score of 76, until last July, when J. Kay, of Seaton Carew, defeated him, in an exhibition match, with 74. Taylor learnt his game practically from Dr. McCuaig, for whom he used to act as caddie at Seaton Carew. The lowest scratch score was altered at the same time. Mr. T. French held this record up to July, with a score of 83; but in November last Mr. Slingsby Cradock brought the score down to 80, which is by no means a bad amateur record for these links. As has

already been pointed out, the club is showing increased enterprise, and the improvements that have been effected on the green should help to attract holiday visitors. The convenient club-house, built a little more than two years ago at a cost of some £400, is within five minutes' walk of the Redcar Railway Station. There is plenty of accommodation to be found at Redcar, which is not at all an inconvenient centre for such a golfing holiday as has been spoken of. The charge for visitors to the links is very reasonable, being now fixed at 5s. per week. The secretary of the club is Mr. J. W. Kyle, Coatham, Redcar.

Appended are the names and other details with regard to the various holes which make up the course:—

No.	Name.	Length.	"Bogey" Score.
1.	Bunker.	350 yards.	5
2.	Coastguard.	320 "	5
3.	Magazine.	140 "	4
4.	Depôt.	200 "	4
5.	Sand.	190 "	5
6.	Pond.	400 "	6
7.	Warrenby.	350 "	5
8.	Furnace.	300 "	5
9.	Far.	225 "	4
10.	Hollow.	250 "	5
11.	Quarry.	400 "	5
12.	Prospect.	350 "	6
13.	Sahara.	375 "	6
14.	Battery.	230 "	5
15.	Valley.	230 "	4
16.	Ridge.	190 "	4
17.	School.	175 "	4
18.	Home.	160 "	4
		4,835 "	86

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION.

A prize of TWO GUINEAS will be given for the best six instantaneous snap-shots of any of the competitors in play during the Amateur Championship at St. Andrews, on May 7th. Conditions:—

1. Only amateurs, ladies or gentlemen, are eligible; and competitors must be members of a Golf Club.

2. The photographs must illustrate the various phases of the game in progress—such as the swing off the tee, the approach, the putt, playing out of a bunker, and the grouping of the onlookers; and, if possible, they must represent the actual movements of the player. There must be no posing.

3. The photographs must be accompanied by the name and address, and the Golf Club of the competitor.

4. Competitors are particularly requested not to molest or incommodate players, nor to do anything likely to distract them by manipulation of the camera while playing a shot.

An eminent London photographer, who is himself a golfer, has kindly undertaken to act as judge, and his award must be final. Regard will be paid in deciding the merits of the snap-shots, to (1) grouping; (2) skill in technical manipulation. The photographs must be the complete work of an amateur (lady or gentleman).

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NORTH BERWICK ON GOOD FRIDAY.

"My First Day at North Berwick" might also appropriately head this article, for I have not, in the golfing sense, driven there before. Golf is one of those subjects in which words can have their meanings duplicated *ad libitum*, and therefore endangers the life of the inveterate punster of our club more in that way than from a casual crack on the head by a ball. Still the incorrigible one survives. The novices, with their handicaps of 24 and upwards, applaud him; the older members are apt to smile at the very hoariness of his "chestnut," and, even if you do call, "Chestnut!" he disarms you by inquiring why, of all nuts, a "jest-nut" may not be cracked.

Our club's spring competition was well fixed in time and place, for one could not have played under better circumstances. A glittering prize-list had attracted a good many of us; the links were in perfect condition, and did not appear to have more than double our own number spread over them; and the weather—ah! the weather!—its loveliness has been so universal as to spare me failure in having to describe it. Enough to say that there was a slight haze, the sea lying under it in the heat so glassy and limpid that it looked too lazy to make the least motion. The atmosphere was such that the projection of a mirage would not have seemed unnatural. Visions, indeed, one could see while walking idly round the course, but with the eye of the mind. Especially, on looking along the heated turf towards Tynninghame, did the sandhills suggest an Oriental prospect, and that, in conjunction with Good Friday, the thought of Palestine 1894 years ago. The blue of Genesareth was not much different from that blue on the North Sea. To transport oneself back to that great past could not, surely, have been easier in the pew than in this peaceful scene, nor the devotion of a few minutes' thought thereto more sincere. Is it not true that there is far more predisposition towards worship in the lofty cathedral of the heavens than in almost any church? You are elevated by surroundings, exhilarated by exercise; The windows of the brain are thrown open; you are transported.

On the links, the flight of your ball, even as it disappears in the sunshine, is beautiful, and sweet satisfaction marks your observation of some distant mark for its direction. In the haze the first hole looked half a mile off, and you probably made it farther by a bad beginning. The unexpected shout and murder of your name by the obliging timekeeper startles, and the deadly criticism of silence by the onlookers, as you address your ball, unsteadies you. But everyone gets away somehow. I got away. Near the first hole, by the way, a little hollow struck me as exactly suitable for the boys with the "noisome-smelling lanterns" mentioned in Robert Louis Stevenson's finest essay in "Across the Plains." At the wall which you come to after the fourth hole, a pink slip is offered to you, and, if you have any thought of declining it, as you would an advertisement in the street, you are not allowed to cherish it, for you find that it is your "permission for the day of" &c. They do not fill up all the blanks. You do that yourself when you find that it means another shilling gone. Or, if you have no more blanks left, the same circumstances which necessitated their use will give a present of a brand new blank, warranted to breed, at the end of the competition. But your typical Scot does not draw on his blanks, if he has any. Under pretext of reading the rules, he stands "swithering" whether it is necessary to pay. He thinks that, but for his partner, he might have played on the outside of that wall all day for nothing; but the insurmountable fact that his tennenny ball lies well on the other side apparently decides him to make the best of a bad job, and he manfully lets the "tippence" go bang, not, however, without grudging himself the pleasure he had felt in his successful drive over. Having holed out, he finishes reading the regulations, in order to get his money's worth, and, also, if occasion should arise, to evade them secretly. Rule 8 tells him that, if he has a caddie, he would have had to be paid for a whole round, even had he stopped at the wall; and he further solaces his soul by enforcing the rule that the caddie must clean as well as carry his clubs, notwithstanding that he had polished them spotless himself the night before. The typical Scot refuses to lose a ball; looking for it till it is found, and pre-

ferring a few extra strokes to the risk of forfeiting a ball in St. Anne's. The saving of 1s. 9d. effected by taking a day's excursion ticket from Edinburgh he will probably use to eke out the price of a good dinner at that comfortable hotel, the Royal. Here again he furnishes a further example of getting the full worth of his money. No matter how deeply he may have observed the Lenten fast up to the hour of dinner, there is a ruthless change when he begins to eat. Business is business; and your Type means business on that occasion, if never before. Finally, you may manage to get him on to the links for a second round, but not before a long interval—in which we let down the drop scene.

On Good Friday, the scene after noon was altered. The spirit of motion had breathed upon it: the face of the sea rippled all over; a green fishing yawl suddenly assumed life; the Bass and other basaltic rocks showed themselves more distinctly, and a company of sea-birds on this side of them flashed and wheeled in the sunlight, like a silken ribbon in the wind, every wing and every tail deflecting at the same instant, and glistening in the sun. It is in such things as these, and in the exercise, that Golf has its superiority over billiards, and over all moderate out-door games.

B. X.

PRESENTATION TO MR. J. TALBOT FAIR.

The Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club, a few days ago, showed their estimation of Mr. Talbot Fair, the founder of this most successful and important club, by a handsome presentation, consisting of a solid silver lamp, six silver candlesticks, and a cheque for £120, to be expended as he prefers best.

Mr. Talbot Fair, with other well-known golfers, instituted the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club in 1886, and it is now one of the most important clubs in the kingdom, numbering nearly 500 members, with links that are the pride of the local players, and the admiration of all visitors.

Mr. Fair is a keen supporter of the Ladies' Golf Union, and it will be remembered that before the organisation of the Union, he had arranged for an annual ladies' Championship to be played at St. Anne's, and in consequence the first ladies' contest took place there in 1893.

TONBRIDGE GOLF CLUB.

During the past month the members have been engaged in playing off the rounds in the competition for prizes annually presented by the president (the Rev. Dr. Wood). The most notable feature of the tournament was the stubbornly and well-contested match, in the final round, between Messrs. G. A. Floyd and H. R. Stokoe, the former winning at the twentieth hole.

First Round.—Mr. J. Le Fleming (18) beat Mr. Eustace Malden (8) by 1 up; Mr. H. R. Stokoe (11) beat Mr. B. Wadmore (11) by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. W. J. N. Griffith (8) beat Gen. Penny (18) by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. C. Bent (10) beat Mr. W. de L. Winter (8) by 1 up; Mr. S. Kennington (4) beat Mr. E. K. Le Fleming (scratch).

Byes:—Mr. F. Collins, Mr. C. Kennington, Mr. C. W. Carles, Mr. G. Furley, Mr. A. L. Bickmore, Mr. J. Le Fleming, jun., Rev. A. Lucas, Mr. L. B. Burns, Mr. C. H. Crofts, Capt. E. S. King, and Mr. G. A. Floyd.

Second Round.—Mr. C. Kennington (13) beat Mr. F. Collins (18) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. C. W. Carles (8) beat Mr. G. Furley (11) by 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. J. Le Fleming (4) beat Mr. A. L. Bickmore (11) by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. H. R. Stokoe (11) beat Mr. J. Le Fleming (18) by 3 up and 1 to play; Mr. C. Bent (10) beat Mr. W. J. N. Griffith (8) by 3 up and 1 to play; Rev. A. Lucas (8) beat Mr. S. Kennington (4) by 1 up; Mr. C. H. Crofts (14) beat Mr. L. B. Burns (4) by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. G. A. Floyd (7) beat Capt. E. S. King (18) by 1 up.

Third Round.—Mr. S. Kennington (13) beat Mr. C. W. Carles (8) by 1 up and 3 to play; Mr. H. R. Stokoe (11) beat Mr. J. Le Fleming (4) by 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. C. Bent (10) beat Rev. A. Lucas (8) by 2 up; and Mr. G. A. Floyd (7) beat Mr. C. H. Crofts (14) by 4 up and 3 to play.

Fourth Round.—Mr. H. R. Stokoe (11) beat Mr. C. Kennington (13) by 6 up and 4 to play; and Mr. G. A. Floyd (7) beat Mr. C. Bent (10) by 2 up and 1 to play.

Final.—Mr. G. A. Floyd (7) beat Mr. H. R. Stokoe (11) by 1 up.



The Scottish Deer Forests Commission have issued their report, in which over a million and a quarter acres of the North of Scotland are scheduled for the use of crofters. Where the crofters are to be got, and how they are to be financed in stocking these crofts the Commission do not say. It seems to us they have neither humour nor common-sense, otherwise they would have scheduled most of this area for golfers rather than for crofters, had they been able to discern the signs of the times.

The Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, M.P., has, it appears, taken to the bicycle. There is little danger of the indiarubber tyre displacing the gutta-percha ball in the affections of the right hon. gentleman, but bicycling has this advantage over golf—that it can be enjoyed on the nearest street. Mr. Balfour has been cycling up and down Carlton Terrace in front of his house, and report says that Mr. Akers-Douglas, the Conservative Whip, discovered the Leader of the Opposition at his new exercise, and congratulated him on his skill.

Sir Herbert Maxwell, M.P., has written a romance of the Galloway district so recently made familiar to the multitude by Mr. Crockett's books. Sir Herbert, however, goes back to the fourth century, the period of the Roman occupation, and his story, alike from an historical and an imaginary point of view, is very interesting and instructive.

The death is announced of Mr. J. R. Lamb, a well-known and highly respected merchant in Glasgow. He was a devoted golfer, and an old Prestwick player, well known to all who frequented this favourite West Coast links.

A cup of Indian design, the handle being a cobra in the act of striking, and the Mussulman arch being chased round the circumference, has been presented to the Duthie (Tain) Golf Club by Sir A. Ghany, K.C.S.I.

The inaugural meeting of the Luffness New Club takes place on Tuesday next, the 23rd inst. The dinner takes place in the Central Hotel on the evening of that date. Ticket 21s., instead of 25s., as at first intimated.

The Golf Club at Aberfeldy and the Commissioners of the town have now come to a mutual arrangement regarding the laying out of the course granted some time ago by the superior, the Marquis of Breadalbane. Patrick, of Leven, is to lay out the course, which will be of nine-holes, and will afford excellent facilities for enjoying the game.

One of the most picturesquely situated courses near London is that of the West Middlesex Golf Club, at Ealing. The view

from the verandah of the club-house, looking towards Harrow, is diversified in the extreme, and calculated to relieve the eye and to soothe the ruffled feelings of the player who has lost his match. The course itself is a short one, curiously blending some heavy portions of clay land, with other portions which are dry, firm, and light as seaside turf. In our judgment, the best holes are the first three, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14, 15, 17, and 18. The river Brent is well worked in as a hazard in the latter portion of the round. The sixteenth hole is not good Golf, owing to the very sloping putting green. The green might with advantage be taken nearer the club house, and placed on fairly level ground.

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Taken altogether, however, there is a good deal of interesting play in the round. The green is well kept by Marks, the local professional. The club-house is one of the most artistic little structures we have seen, furnished and decorated with exquisite taste. Over each doorway one may read golfing legends in letters of gold, as "Be Up," "Far and Sure," "Don't Hurry," "Don't Press." One of the members is Mr. Hal Ludlow, an artist who gives pleasure and amusement to a wide circle of readers by his sketches in a contemporary. The walls of the club-house are hung with two portraits of golfers from his brush—Major Maule, the hon. secretary ("Nul avant le Maule"), and Mr. Cyril Plummer, a familiar figure at Wimbledon and Sandwich, and an ex-captain of the club. Both portraits do the highest credit to Mr. Ludlow's skill. There is also a ladies' Golf course near the club-house, which is well patronised by the ladies, and over which frequent competitions are held.

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In a match on April 8th, with Mr. A. A. Ogle, Alex. Thomson, the professional of the Staines Golf Club, broke the record for the Staines Golf course (9 holes):—5 3 5 3 4 4 3 4 5=36—a decidedly good performance.

THE PHILISTINE GOLFER.

Why prate ye to the golfer of the glories of the scene?
His eye pursues a single speck that flits across the green,
Though brilliant sunshine flood the land, though silver stretch
the sea,
He cares not, if, perchance, he make a fozzle at the tee.

He never hears the shepherd lad, high on the heathery hills,
Whistle among his black-faced flock; the lark unheeded fills
The sky with lavish minstrelsy, a speck above us all,
While he, blaspheming, ploughs the sand around a bunkered
ball.

But though a wild north-eastern blast sweep o'er a famished
land,
Though barren mountains, snow-drift splashed, gloom round on
every hand,
If he, with luck unfailing, always gets his ball away,
You'll hear him vow at evening time—"Its been a glorious
day!"

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THE LADIES' GOLF UNION.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Your correspondent "B." deals with this question in what he or she calls a "fair and candid spirit," and gives "a few only of the reasons" for the proposed alteration of Rule 6, by which the annual general meeting of the Union is held in London.

If, however, the spirit of the article is examined, it will be found that there is an unusual want of the fairness and candour so strongly claimed. In the article the following paragraph occurs "Only one reason was brought forward by the opposers of the scheme, namely, that the club where the Championship was held would, under the new arrangement, have too much power at a general meeting, and could swamp all the other clubs, if they desired to do so for any special purpose." Either the writer has not read the report of the meeting in your issue of March 29th, or, having done so, is culpably suppressing what appears in that report. In it I read that beyond the reason given in the paragraph just quoted—which appears to have some weight with "B.," as "B." does not deny the cogency of the reason, but suggests a remedy therefor, viz., the limitation of the number of representatives from the local club—other weighty reasons were given: That which holds that the convenience of members desirous of attending the Annual General Meeting is best consulted by holding that meeting in London is surely all-important. By being held in London in the season a better opportunity is given to by far the majority of members of attending and voting on what are the primary objects of the Union. When it is known that the clubs which have joined the Union are distributed as follows: in Ireland three, in Lancashire two, in Warwickshire two, in Gloucestershire two, in Surrey four, in Sussex two, and in Kent seven; and further that the number of the members who are within easy reach of London are as two to one compared with those who might by their distance find some difficulty in attending, it will I think commend itself as the strongest reason for holding the annual general meeting in London. Why did "B." suppress such a reason as this? Is this "fair and candid"?

Another reason given was that the rule had worked well so far, and it was asked why should it be altered, unless some good cause for change were given, which had not been done at the meeting. The Union was formed by the metropolitan clubs, and till the distribution of associated clubs is such that a more convenient place of meeting for the majority is found, it should remain there.

Another reason given was that the other objects of the Union were to those who were not hopeful of becoming champion medal-holders, more important than the Championship, and their votes were for such matters as important as those of the great players of the Union.

Your Correspondent says that the "bald report of the meeting in your issue of last week held to consider the question, has given publicity to one side only." If this be a fact, why were the reasons on the other side not made public? Certainly it was not on account of the reasons being suppressed by your

reporter. As far as I heard, and evidently as far as your reporter heard, the only reasons for changing the place of the general meeting were those given by Mr. Fair and Miss Martin. They were as follows:—

(1). "That there was more likely to be a representative attendance at the Championship than at any other time or place."

(2). "That the clubs at a distance from London felt it a great tax upon their delegates, to have to travel so far to attend the meetings."

(3). "There was dissatisfaction among country clubs as to the general meeting."

(4). "Some Kent and Sussex clubs were awaiting the alteration before joining the Union."

I believe these embrace all the reasons given in your report or at the meeting.

To (1), (2), and (4), I would refer the members of the Union to the geographical distribution of the clubs and members given above, and ask if such assertions are "clear and straightforward" reasons for removing the general meeting from the convenient assemblage of the majority of the members in London to some distant county or country even. For, as most members will remember, the 1895 Championship is to be held in the extreme North of Ireland, and that of 1896 will, I trust, be held at St. Andrews. Reason (3) is unanswerable.

But "B." now makes public in your issue of last week the reasons "clearly and straightforwardly" of those moving for the change. I will notice these in order.

(1). "B." says that, as certain clubs wish a change, it "proves the existence of an evil." This by no means follows.

(2). The members, "B." thinks, would have a better opportunity of exchanging opinions during the Championship.

This I decline to accept as a fact, and think that the opportunity of each club discussing any question at home before attending the meeting would be much more satisfactory, as that the opinion of all the members could be more readily obtained and discussed, while the discussion of such questions at the Championship would be limited to those members who had leisure and money sufficient to follow the Championship north, south, east or west, as it might happen to be.

(3). By the meeting being held at the place of Championship, "B." says each district would have "its special innings," and "B." might have added especially Portrush and St. Andrews. I take it, however, that the general members of the Union do not desire to give any district "its special innings," but wish at a general meeting a fair representation of members.

"B." heads his or her Article, "General or Metropolitan?" and says, unless the rule is altered the Union will become merely Metropolitan, and the writer would evidently sacrifice a fair representation, as long as the representation would not be metropolitan. It is admitted that if held away from London the district in which it is held would have a "special innings"; but "B." should remember that, in such a case, the district of the metropolis, although containing the majority of members, would have no innings at all, except at a great cost of time and money.

(4). "B." says the Championship is always held "in some important centre of the golfing world," and therefore any meeting held there could not be "a hole and corner meeting." In answer to this I beg to refer "B." to your issue of March 22nd, in which an independent opinion is given that "only a small and insignificant body of opinion can be represented in such a case."

(5). The last argument for change is that the Ladies' Union is not merely a union of clubs in the London district, and that such a view would diminish the importance of the Union and narrow its influence.

"B." should remember that London is at present the common centre. When a more representative centre is found no one will more readily agree to the annual general meeting being held at that centre than I. At present the metropolitan clubs are, "B." says, in the proportion of at least five to one. Can a better argument be given—as it was at the meeting and in your report, but omitted by "B."—for the annual general meeting remaining for the present in the metropolitan district.

I would point out to your correspondent "B.," and those agreeing with the proposal for change, your comment thereon in GOLF of March 22nd, that "the proposal, in fact, is one in the interest of the crocheteers, and will lead, in all probability, to any small persistent body of members making an attempt to gerrymander the whole organisation in favour of any pet scheme or theory, though opposed by a large resident proportion of the members at home."

While preferring the meeting to be in town, I think that, considering the great distances at which certain clubs are from town, the opinions of the members on any change of rule or other important point might be allowed to be given by written proxies, sent to the Hon. Secretary of the Union before the annual general meeting.

I am, Sir, &c.,

W. LAIDLAW PURVES.

April 8th, 1895.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—The arguments brought forward by your anonymous correspondent, "B.," for holding the general annual meeting at the place of the Championship, instead of in London, are somewhat inadequate for so important an alteration. In answer to No. 1, it should be remembered that every club joined under Rule 6, and the fact that eight large clubs have decided that some change is necessary, is proof rather of private feeling, than that distance from the metropolis is an evil.

As regards No. 2, I am considerably in the dark as to what "an impartial understanding of questions to be discussed" can mean. I should think a quiet meeting in London more conducive to "impartiality" than one held during the excitement of an open competition. But perhaps your correspondent meant to use the word "imperfect." And why should discussions be "necessarily" more "curtailed" in London than in a local district?

No. 3. The third argument advanced by "B." severely damages the change advocated; because, if the three districts in which the Championship will be held secure in this manner "their own special innings," the result will be, as Miss Issette Pearson so aptly pointed out in her speech at Kensington, namely, the local clubs near whose links the Championship is played have the power to negative any existing rule through the overwhelming voting majority of their members. Alterations, new rules, and rescissions would then be of annual occurrence.

No. 6. "B." seems to rejoice in suggesting that Rule 6 leads to unfairness and favouritism. "Hole and corner meeting," is only applied to gatherings which are badly advertised, called at an inconvenient hour, and held in some little-known place. Does "B." wish to insinuate that the present general annual meeting is of this character?

No. 5.—The holding of the meeting in London, decided on when the Union was formed, and accepted as Rule 6 by all clubs joining, is, no doubt, based on the precedent of nearly all athletic associations. Would "B." call the Cyclists' Touring Club the largest athletic body in the world, numbering over 20,000 members, a metropolitan union of clubs, because its headquarters are in London?

"B." states that only one argument has been brought forward in opposition to the alteration, namely, the overwhelming majority the local club might have at the Championship; he also adds, that this very objection applies to holding the meeting in London. What redress has the Golf Union if alterations and additions to the Rules are made by the power of the local club? None whatever; whereas the provincial clubs could, and, no doubt, would, resign their membership if new rules, to which they were unanimously opposed, were brought forward and carried by members of metropolitan clubs. "B." suggests:—That the number of representatives of the local club, where the Championship is held, could be limited. Surely it would be better and wiser to do away, at once with the general annual meeting and confine all procedure to meetings of the Council.

The whole of the argument put forward by your correspondent applies rather to the system of voting than to the alteration of Rule 6, and if, as stated, the article was written in the widest interests of the Union, it was a pity it should be so permeated with suggestions of partiality and current discontent.

I am Sir, &c.,
AMY PASCOE.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

C. A. C. BOWLKER.—The mistake which B made was to give up the hole without satisfying himself as to the position of A's ball before doing so. The existence of the local by-law as to the hedge does not prejudice A's right to the hole, because obviously the rule cannot come into automatic play of its own accord; the rules and their penalties must be enforced by the players themselves. This is what B did not do, and his decision to yield the hole to his opponent ought to stand.

THE UNSUCCESSFUL GOLFER.

He'd "Badminton" read till it muddled his head,
Odd passages ran in his brain;
He tried for a week to master the cleek,
But torment endured from the strain.

Was no talent latent? He bought ev'ry patent,
As he saw it announced in the press;
But the only effect of these patents correct,
Was his patent want of success.

With the sun sinking low, he homewards would go,
A sad, settled gloom in his breast,
And the Ghost of a Fozzle would grimly bamboozle
Him out of a part of his rest.

At daylight's first peep to his window he'd creep,
And if likely the weather was found,
He'd sleep out his time with contentment sublime,
And dream of a wonderful round.

But yet, sad to relate, as certain as fate,
That bunker *would* welcome his ball,
And that wonderful score he'd be safe to deplore,
As something abnormally tall.

Can anything save from a premature grave
A mortal like this? I'm afraid
He'll have to say "Yes" to that man who with stress
Said "Golfers are born and not made."

W. MALING WYNCH, JUN.

LADIES' GOLF AT BIRKDALE.—The cards returned for the third competition by ladies for the prize offered by the captain of the Birkdale Golf Club were made up on Wednesday, April 10th as follows:—Miss F. Coney, 72, less 2=70; Miss M. G. Cheetham, 82, less 4=78; Miss L. Cheetham, 75, plus 5=80; Mrs. Chalmers (scratch), 80; Miss Smallhorn, 100, less 16=84; Miss Coney, 101, less 17=84; Mrs. Ainsworth (scratch), 86; Mrs. Corkhill, 98, less 10=88; Miss Thompson, 98, less 10=88; Mrs. Smythe, 106, less 18=88; Miss Hesketh, 104, less 15=89; Miss M. G. Mayall, 116, less 23=93.

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ABERDEEN.

Ladies' Club.—A mixed foursome tournament, under handicap, by holes, was played on the ladies' links on Saturday. The weather was magnificent, and the greens in good order but very keen. The following are the results of the play:—

First Round.—Miss J. E. Lumsden and Mr. W. F. Lumsden (1) beat Miss A. Macqueen and Mr. F. Simpson (4), by 7 up and 6 to play; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. W. Storie (3) beat Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hadden (scratch), by 3 up and 2 to play; Miss Ferguson and Mr. L. S. Anderson (scratch) beat Miss J. E. Macqueen and Mr. L. Cotterill (4) by 2 holes; Miss K. Elmslie and Mr. J. R. F. Elmslie (2) beat Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Foggo (3), by 4 up and 3 to play; Miss Hogarth and Mr. T. Todd (1) beat Miss L. M. Elmslie and Mr. M. M. Duncan (1), by 1 hole after two ties; Miss Duncan and Mr. J. E. Paull (2) beat Miss Lumsden and Mr. J. C. Dove Wilson (3), by 5 up and 4 to play; Miss Pirrie and Capt. Lucas (3) beat Mr. and Mrs. Dyer (5), by 2 holes; Miss Mitchell and Mr. A. Chalmers (1) beat Miss M'Kinnon and Mr. A. H. L. M'Kinnon (4), by 2 up and 1 to play. Miss Wilson and Mr. W. H. Campion (4), Dr. and Mrs. M'Clymont (4), Miss H. D. Ferguson and Mr. P. C. Cochran (2), Miss E. L. Adam and Mr. A. J. R. Thain (4), Mr. and Mrs. W. Leslie (2), Miss L. Ferguson and Mr. J. B. Craigie (scratch), Mrs. W. C. H. Jopp and Mr. H. J. Jopp (3), Miss Youngson and Mr. J. M. Duncan (scratch), byes.

Second Round.—Mr. and Mrs. A. J. W. Storie beat Miss J. E. Lumsden and Mr. W. F. Lumsden by 5 up and 3 to play; Miss Ferguson and Mr. L. S. Anderson beat Miss K. Elmslie and Mr. J. R. F. Elmslie by 4 up and 3 to play; Miss Hogarth and Mr. T. Todd beat Miss Duncan and Mr. J. G. Paull by 5 up and 3 to play; Miss Mitchell and Mr. A. Chalmers beat Miss Pirrie and Capt. Lucas by 2 holes; Dr. and Mrs. M'Clymont beat Miss Wilson and Mr. W. H. Campion by 3 up and 1 to play; Miss H. D. Ferguson and Mr. P. C. Cochran beat Miss E. L. Adam and Mr. A. J. R. Thain by 3 up and 2 to play, after a tie; Miss L. Ferguson and Mr. J. B. Craigie beat Mr. and Mrs. Leslie by 8 up and 6 to play; Mrs. W. C. H. Jopp and Mr. H. J. Jopp walked over, Miss Youngson and Mr. J. M. Duncan scratched.

Third Round.—Mr. and Mrs. A. J. W. Storie beat Miss Ferguson and Mr. L. S. Anderson by 2 up and 1 to play; Miss Hogarth and Mr. T. Todd beat Miss Mitchell and Mr. A. Chalmers by 3 up and 2 to play; Dr. and Mrs. M'Clymont beat Miss H. D. Ferguson and Mr. P. C. Cochran by 2 holes. Mrs. W. C. H. Jopp and Mr. H. J. Jopp beat Miss L. Ferguson and Mr. J. B. Craigie by 3 up and 1 to play.

Semi-final round.—Mr. and Mrs. A. J. W. Storie play Miss Hogarth and Mr. T. Todd; Dr. and Mrs. M'Clymont beat Mrs. W. C. H. Jopp and Mr. H. J. Jopp, by 5 up and 4 to play.

The semi-final round must be played off on or before Saturday, 27th April, and the final round on or before Saturday, 4th May. Each match consisted of a round of eighteen holes. Ties were decided by playing nine holes more.

VICTORIA CLUB.—The members of this club held their usual monthly competition for the scratch and handicap prizes on Wednesday and Saturday of last week over the usual links course. The weather was favourable, and the turnout of competitors fairly large. At the close, it was found that Mr. R. Anderson, with 81, had won the scratch prize for the month; while the handicap prize for first-class players fell to Mr. James Sexton, with 91, less 9=82. The same prize for second-class players was taken by Mr. A. Lamont with 91, plus 3=94. Among the remaining cards, Messrs. A. Cooper and D. B. Leslie had 88, Messrs. C. I. Beattie, and J. Watson, 89, J. Grant 90, D. Jessiman 92, J. A. Ross 93, G. Anderson (2) and W. Merrylees 95, G. Anderson (1) 96, J. H. Jamieson 97, W. Anderson (1) 98 and R. Dunn 99.

ABERDOVEY GOLF CLUB.

The medal and cup competition were played on Saturday, the 13th inst. Order of playing:—Morning. Medal (monthly)—Mr. A. B. Sanders, 92, less 4=88; Major R. M. Ruck, R.E., 96, less 4=92; Mr. G. G. Brodie, 105, less 10=95. Other cards not returned.

Afternoon. Cup—Mr. A. B. Sanders, 93, less 4=89; Dr. Cuthbert, 114, less 20=94; Major Ruck, R.E., 102, less 4=98. Other cards not returned.

ARDEN GOLF CLUB.

The final monthly cup competition was competed for on Thursday, April 4th, by the nine various winners of each month during 1894. Mr. J. Fred Wright won easily, and went round in the fine score of 84, which is the record of the links in their new form. The following are the details of his score:—5 5 6 4 2 4 7 3 5=41, 5 5 3 6 5 4 5 4 6=43, total 84. With a handicap of 9 he was an easy winner with 75 net. Mr. H. W. Bainbridge and Mr. A. E. Wilson-Browne tied with 85 net for the second place, and playing this tie off Mr. H. W. Bainbridge won.

On Friday, April 5th, the final "Bogey" took place, Mr. H. W. Bainbridge winning easily with all square. Mr. O. Airy, 3 down; Mr. A. G. Johnson, 3 down; Mr. E. P. Wright, 6 down; Mr. J. F. Wright, 6 down.

On Saturday, April 6th, the ordinary monthly cup for April was competed for as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. A. G. Johnson	100	17 83	Mr. A. E. Wilson-Browne	94	4 90
*Mr. H. Margetts	101	18 83	Mr. O. Airy	99	6 93
Mr. W. J. Burman	101	14 87	Mr. C. T. Wade	112	18 94
Mr. J. P. Wright	97	9 88	Mr. H. H. Wright	113	14 99

* Tie.

Several others made no returns, or were over 100.

BARNES LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, Wednesday, April 10th:—Miss Finch, 106, less 25=81; Miss Gow, 92, less 8=84; Miss Connell, 97, less 12=85; Miss M. Dickie, 98, less 4=94; Mrs. Gay, 118, less 22=96. Others over 100 or no return.

BENTLEY-GREEN GOLF CLUB.

Lieut.-Col. W. T. McLeod's teams v. Mr. H. H. Morgan-Brown's teams. Played at Bentley on Saturday, April 13th:—

Holes.		Holes.	
Lieut.-Col. W. T. McLeod	4	Mr. H. H. Morgan-Brown	0
Lieut.-Col. F. Openshaw	0	Mr. E. H. E. Morgan	6
Mr. H. A. Denham	0	Mr. R. H. Legge	1
Capt. L. P. Ditmas	0	Mr. R. Lubbock	1
Mr. C. E. Higginbotham	7	Mr. O. R. B. Johnstone	0
Capt. E. O. Smith	2	Dr. A. W. Addinsell	0
Capt. C. H. Donovan	0	Mr. F. Freeth	2
Capt. C. S. Keith	3	Mr. R. S. Standen	0
	16		10

Ladies and gentlemen's foursomes:—

Holes.		Holes.	
Lieut.-Col. W. T. McLeod and Mrs. C. G. W. E. Edwards	10	Mr. H. H. Morgan-Brown and Miss F. Standen	0
Lieut.-Col. F. Openshaw and Miss Lovell	0	Mr. E. H. E. Morgan and Miss Standen	0
Mr. H. A. Denham and Mrs. Openshaw	1	Mr. R. H. Legge and Miss E. Standen	0
Capt. S. P. Ditmas and Miss Colvin	0	Mr. R. Lubbock and Miss G. Standen	0
Mr. C. E. Higginbotham and Miss Donovan	10	Mr. O. R. B. Johnstone and Miss M. Burdett	0
Capt. C. S. Keith and Mrs. Allan	0	Dr. A. W. Addinsell and Mrs. A. W. Addinsell	0
Capt. E. O. Smith and Mrs. Ditmas	1	Mr. F. Freeth and Miss E. Burdett	0
Capt. C. H. Donovan and Mrs. T. C. Orde-Powlett	5	Mr. R. S. Standen and Miss B. Standen	0
	27		0

BRIGHTON AND HOVE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Monthly competition, April 10th:—Miss Heathcote, 88, less 6=82 (winner of monthly medal); Miss Kenyon Stow (scratch), 86, (winner of scratch brooch); Miss Reid, 109, less 20=89 (winner of challenge buckle); Miss M. Heathcote, 104, less 9=95. Sixteen started.

BARTON-UNDER-NEEDWOOD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly cups, played for on Saturday, April 6th, in a high wind:—Mr. H. G. Nadin, 106, less 20=86 (winner of cup for best net score); Mr. H. B. Whetstone, 106, less 20=86; Mr. S. H. Evershed, 105, less 18=87; Mr. J. Hartland, 112, less 25=87; Mr. G. E. Lowe, 119, less 27=92; Mr. B. Lorrimer, 110, less 17=93; Mr. A. Maxwell Tod, 114, less 20=94; Mr. C. Palmer, 105, less 9=96; Mr. F. Jennings, 104, less 8=96 (winner of cup for best gross score); Mr. A. R. White, 107, less 10=97. Six others over 100 net.

BOURNEMOUTH GOLF CLUB.

An open competition for ladies took place on the Ladies' Links last Saturday afternoon for prizes—a gold, a silver, and a bronze medal—presented by the Meyrick Golf Club. The conditions were that each player started at scratch, it being impossible to handicap with an imperfect knowledge of the past performance of the players. The nineteen competitors were despatched by Tom Dunn, and a lively interest was manifested in the proceedings by a goodly concourse of ladies and gentlemen.

When the cards were returned it was found that Miss Lowndes had secured the gold medal with the very fine score of 61, comprised as follows:—4 4 2 2 4 4 2 3 3—total for first half, 28; 3 3 5 3 4 4 3 4 4—total for second half, 33. This is a very meritorious win, and stands as a record for the Ladies' Links. The silver medal was won by Mrs. Young with the creditable score of 65, and the bronze medal was tied for by Miss Thomson and Miss Muriel Thompson at 71.

Mr. F. W. Brewster, captain of the Meyrick Golf Club, to whom is due much of the credit in arranging the competition, rendered valuable assistance during the proceedings.

BROMLEY AND BICKLEY GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition, April 6th:—Mr. M. Morris, 100, less 16=84; Mr. F. Schooling, 109, less 23=86; Mr. H. Morris, 105, less 18=87; Mr. H. E. Solly, 112, less 23=89; Mr. C. Coventry, 103, less 9=94; Mr. F. W. Haines, 100, less 2=98; Mr. P. P. Lincoln (not handicapped), 111.

CHESTERFORD PARK GOLF CLUB.

Medal day, April 6th. Eleventh competition for the Charterhouse challenge cup:—Mrs. A. S. Barthropp, 127, less 12=115; Mrs. Williams, 154, less 28=126; Miss Robinson, 163, less 36=127; Miss F. Nockolds, 159, less 30=129; Miss Taylor, 158, less 21=137. Mrs. Bartlett, Mrs. Waterhouse, Mrs. Bellingham, and Miss Burgess, no returns.

Last competition for the Ashford cup:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. G. Waterhouse	119 21 98	Mr. J. C. T. Smith	123 13 110
Mr. H. P. Cunliffe	126 21 105	Mr. C. H. Taylor	140 25 115
Mr. A. W. Stanley	123 17 106	Rev. E. F. A. Hext	133 15 118
Mr. W. Waterhouse	111 2 109		

Mr. A. S. Bartropp, Mr. M. Taylor, Mr. R. Waterhouse, and Mr. A. J. C. Smith, no return.

The Ashford cup becomes the property of Mr. W. Waterhouse, who has won it four times during the last twelve months.

CHESTER GOLF CLUB.

The second monthly competition was played for on April 6th; when an unusually high wind, even for Sealand, spoiled the scores, and as a result few cards were returned. A reduction of each player's handicap by 2 when no return is made might possibly act as an inducement to members to reveal their scores:—Dr. Renton, 95, less 1=94, (win in for final, and takes first sweep); Mr. F. O. Evans, 115, less 16=99, (winner of second sweep); Mr. D. Dobie, 107, less 6=101; Mr. R. Wilkinson, 113, less 12=101; Mr. Ashton, 122, less 20=102.

DURHAM v. SOUTH SHIELDS.

Played at Durham, April 10th. Scores:—

DURHAM.		SOUTH SHIELDS.	
Holes.		Holes.	
Dr. E. S. Robson	9	Mr. A. Purvis	0
Mr. J. Duncanson	11	Mr. C. F. Sutcliffe	0
Dr. T. E. Hill	6	Dr. Campbell	0
Mr. Alan Hutchinson	16	Mr. H. M. Salmon	0
Mr. H. W. Roberts	3	Mr. W. H. Wilson	0
Mr. O. B. Cluff	9	Mr. G. P. Robson	0
Mr. G. P. Blagdon	11	Mr. T. F. Wilson	0
	65		0

EAST SHEEN GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played off on Saturday, April 13th, with the following result:—Mr. A. J. Vernet, 99, less 20=79; Mr. H. F. A. Willis, 95, less 9=86; Mr. F. R. D. Onslow, 114, less 15=99. Messrs. E. H. Leicester-Penrhyn, A. Leicester-Penrhyn, and N. E. Willis no returns, or over 100 net.

EDINBURGH TEA MERCHANTS v. GLASGOW TEA MERCHANTS.

The golfers connected with the tea trade in Edinburgh had their annual friendly match with the golfers connected with the tea trade in Glasgow over the Troon Links on Monday, April 8th. The weather was favourable and the links in fine playable condition, and nine couples started. The following is the result:—

GLASGOW.		Holes.	EDINBURGH.		Holes.
Mr. T. Brown ...	...	3	Mr. Jas. Dickson ...	...	0
Mr. A. W. Evans ...	...	10	Mr. C. J. Ray ...	...	0
Mr. J. Greenlees ...	...	4	Mr. A. Wright ...	...	0
Mr. J. Hutton ...	...	5	Mr. W. Overton ...	...	0
Mr. A. McBratney ...	...	2	Mr. J. G. Dickson ...	...	0
Mr. Jas. Morgan ...	...	8	Mr. A. Spink ...	...	0
Mr. W. M. Paton ...	...	0	Mr. A. McPherson ...	...	0
Mr. A. Porteus ...	...	2	Mr. R. Melrose ...	...	0
Mr. H. Tulloch ...	...	0	Mr. D. L. Grant ...	...	4
		34			4

Glasgow has now won six times out of seven.

ENFIELD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly handicap, Saturday, April 13th:—Mr. A. Leslie, 98, less 15=83; Mr. A. Bass, 102, less 15=87; Mr. G. F. W. Smale, 102, less 15=87; Mr. A. Hill, 120, less 32=88; Mr. E. L. Sewell, 125, less 36=89; Mr. E. Hunter, 119, less 26=93; Mr. J. A. Allen, 115, less 18=97; Mr. G. F. N. Beazley, 122, less 22=100. Four Gentlemen above 100. Three did not return cards.

FORFARSHIRE.

On Wednesday and Saturday Apr. 3rd and 6th, the first monthly competition of the Montrose Mercantile Club for the season took place. On Saturday a strong wind blew, and good play was rendered almost impossible. The prize list was declared as follows:—Winner of badge, Mr. J. Bowick, 106, 4 below. Lowest on the green, Mr. J. Findlay, 82, 2 above. Sweepstakes, First Class, 1, Mr. W. Findlay, 3 above; 2, Mr. W. A. Burgess, 4 above; 3 and 4, Messrs. A. Patterson and A. M. Low, 5 above; 5 and 6, Messrs. R. Cobb and W. Forbes, 6 above; 7 and 8, Messrs. W. Cobb and E. Macdonald, 7 above; 9, 10 and 11, Messrs. J. G. Cobb, R. Winton, and A. Still, 8 above; Second Class, 1, Mr. J. Douglas, 1 below; 2, Mr. W. Dickie, at number; 3, Mr. D. Bowick, 1 above; 4 and 5, Mr. W. Nicoll and Mr. A. Napier, 2 above; 6, Mr. John Smith, 3 above; 7, Mr. T. Methven, 5 above; and 8, Mr. J. Edwards, 6 above. Third class, 1, Mr. J. Wyllie, at number; 2, Mr. John Craig, 2 above; 3, 4, and 5, Messrs. James Burnett, sen., John Gordon and W. Ross, 3 above; 6, Mr. D. Taylor, 5 above; and 7, Mr. D. Winton, 7 above.

The monthly sweepstakes competition of the Dalhousie Club, (Carnoustie), was held on Saturday, when there was a large turn-out of players. Prize-winners:—1, Mr. Allan Baxter, 94, less 10=84; 2, Mr. John Jones, 91, less 4=87; 3, tied for by Mr. William Ballingall, 89, scratch, and Dr. Raw, 97, less 8=89. Mr. John Jones and Dr. Raw secured places for the optional sweepstakes.

On Thursday and Saturday the spring meeting of the Forfar Golf Club was successfully brought off on the club's links at Cunninghamhill. Excellent weather prevailed on both occasions, and the greens were in splendid condition. On Thursday twenty-three couples entered, and on Saturday 29 couples. The result of Thursday's play is:—Merchants' Cup, Mr. John Smith, jun., 89, less 6=83; Mr. D. W. Waterston, 101, less 18=83; Mr. W. D. Morris, 102, less 18=84; Mr. John Yuille, 102, less 18=84; Mr. John R. Abel, 98, less 14=84. The best scratch scores were:—Mr. John Smith; jun., 89, Mr. James Brodie, 90; Mr. J. Lowson, 90; Mr. Tawse, 90; Mr. W. Shepherd, 91; Mr. W. Lowson, 91. On Saturday, Mr. James Cunningham secured the scratch medal with the brilliant score of 78. He also secured the Whyte gold cross with an aggregate of 163 (85 and 78) for the autumn and spring competitions. Mr. David Waterston gained the handicap medal with a score of 95, less 18=77; Mr. Cunningham (scratch) and Mr. James Craik, with 9 odds, being second, equal in 78, and Mr. John Yuille being fourth with 100, less 18=82.

GOLFERS' CLUB TOURNAMENT.

The first round in the foursome competition between members of the Golfers' Club, Whitehall Court, resulted as follows:—Mr. J. S.

Crawford and Mr. Arch. Borwick beat Mr. H. R. Morrison and Mr. J. H. Hamilton; Mr. H. L. Foster and Mr. C. Braby beat Mr. L. B. Burns and Mr. John Annan; Mr. E. G. Whitehead and Mr. J. M. C. Austin beat Mr. W. H. Macintosh and Mr. J. B. Wildman; Mr. W. R. Kersey and Mr. F. Bell, bye; Mr. St. C. J. Bryne and Mr. G. B. Voules, bye; Captain W. E. Beak and Mr. Meadows Taylor, bye; Mr. W. W. Nicholson and Mr. T. Barker, bye; Major G. Rumsey and Major H. Maule, bye; Mr. J. T. Currie and Mr. C. G. Poole, bye; Mr. J. H. Roger and Mr. A. W. Barr beat Mr. E. R. Harby and Mr. F. R. Leftwich; Mr. A. E. Wilson-Browne and Mr. G. C. Snelling beat Mr. F. E. Gripper and Mr. H. Tomlinson.

GLAMORGANSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The St. Fagan's Golf Club and the Glamorganshire Golf Club (second teams), met on the St. Fagan's Links on Saturday, April 13th, with the following result:—

ST. FAGAN'S.		Holes.	GLAMORGANSHIRE.		Holes.
Mr. V. T. Hill ...	...	0	Mr. A. M. Ingledew ...	...	0
Mr. P. Hill ...	...	0	Mr. A. B. Sumner ...	...	2
Mr. W. H. Watson ...	...	0	Mr. J. F. F. Common ...	...	2
Mr. A. Waldron ...	...	5	Mr. P. J. H. Evens ...	...	0
Mr. W. H. Brain ...	...	7	Mr. E. Nicholls ...	...	0
Mr. J. E. Gladstone ...	...	0	Mr. Henry Flint ...	...	1
Mr. Lindow ...	...	0	Mr. J. Pitchford ...	...	4
Mr. R. T. Hill ...	...	0	Mr. K. A. Woods ...	...	8
		12			17

HAGLEY v. SUTTON.

This match was played at Hagley on Saturday, and after a pleasant game, resulted in a win for Hagley by 12 holes. Mr. H. W. Bainbridge was rather handicapped in having to play with borrowed clubs, his own having been left behind.

HAGLEY.		Holes.	SUTTON.		Holes.
Mr. E. F. Chance ...	...	5	Mr. H. W. Bainbridge ...	...	0
Rev. H. Bourne ...	...	0	Mr. A. E. Wilson-Browne ...	...	4
Mr. W. H. Grazebrook ...	...	1	Mr. E. E. Lamb ...	...	0
Mr. G. Macpherson ...	...	0	Mr. E. P. Wright ...	...	0
Mr. H. E. Evers ...	...	4	Mr. W. P. Wilson-Browne ...	...	0
Mr. A. V. Moore ...	...	6	Mr. T. G. Griffiths ...	...	0
		16			4

HEADINGLEY GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, first class, played April 13th:—Mr. F. H. Mayo (winner), 84, less 10=74; Mr. H. Oxley, 85, less 8=77; Mr. F. P. Joscelyne, 97, less 16=81; Mr. J. R. Bower, 90, less 8=82; Mr. W. C. Mayo, 95, less 13=82; Mr. J. D. Cormack, 92, less 8=84; Mr. C. M. Gillespie, 101, less 16=85.

HUDDERSFIELD GOLF CLUB.

The postponed (February) monthly medals were played for on Saturday, April 6th, at Fixby, under most adverse circumstances. The wind and rain being responsible for the bad scoring. Thirty-five cards were taken out, sixteen first class and nineteen second. The following made returns:—

First Class.—Mr. O. L. Anders, 96, less 10=86; Mr. A. P. Crossland, 96, less 7=89; Mr. R. Nelson, 106, less 9=97; Mr. E. E. Hirst, 114, less 11=103.

Second Class.—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. A. Moore ...	108 19 89	Mr. J. Barnicot ...	117 19 98
Mr. G. W. Dyson ...	116 20 96	Mr. G. P. Norton ...	122 24 98
Mr. E. A. Sykes ...	111 14 97	Mr. T. G. Beaumont ...	116 14 102
Mr. J. S. Faulder ...	121 24 97	Mr. R. V. Middlemost ...	124 22 102

HYÈRES GOLF CLUB.

Weekly handicap, April 6th:—Rev. H. Bellasis, 92, less 10=82; Col. St. J. Barne, 100, less 16=84; Mr. F. J. Patton, 83, plus 2=85; Col. P. Curran, 109, less 24=85; Mr. A. Evill, 101, less 14=87; Mr. E. F. Noel, 104, less 16=88; Mr. Wm. Peel, 102, less 13=89; Mr. M. E. Collet, 96, less 7=89. Over 90 net:—Captain McLaughlin, R.A., Messrs. H. O. Ritchie, S. Peel, A. Dunn, M. Dunn, Major Parkinson, Capt. Slazenger, and Mr. G. E. Wellesley.

STIRLING.—The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, April 6th, the winner being Mr. J. Roberts with a score of 99, less 10=89. Other scores:—Mr. T. Keyden, jun., 99, less 8=91; Mr. W. Cowan Finlay, 103, less 10=93.

KEMP TOWN GOLF CLUB.

Spring meeting, Tuesday, April 9th.—The Abbey challenge cup ("Bogey" competition, eighteen holes):—Dr. Bruce Goff (plus 3), first; Mr. D. C. Wickham (18), second; Mr. D. C. Furner (37), Capt. O'Reilly (15), and Mr. G. Shaw (18), ties, third.

Wednesday, April 10th.—The Furner silver challenge iron (medal play, eighteen holes):—Mr. R. P. Lawrence (22), first; Rev. A. P. Spelman (24), second; Mr. M. B. Peacock (17), third.

The club gives a silver memento. Both the Furner iron and Abbey cup are played for twice a year, spring and autumn.

NORTH WALES (LLANDUDNO) GOLF CLUB.

The third monthly competition for the gold medal took place on the links on Saturday, April 6th, the clerk of the weather providing half a gale, blowing from the south-west, which little attention, varied with occasional showers, kept many intending competitors from starting. Mr. Webb, with a good return, considering the conditions, secured the sweepstakes and put in a win for the medal. Result:—Mr. Geo. Webb, 105, less 16=89; Mr. T. D. Cummins (scr.), 93; Mr. F. T. Wright, 104, less 3=101; Dr. G. L. Travis, 117, less 8=109; Mr. A. C. Conolly, 138, less 24=114; Mr. C. H. Pedley, 146, less 28=118; Mr. W. D. Henderson, 152, less 25=127. Several competitors scattered their cards to the winds. The winners for the two previous months were Messrs. J. B. Johnson and T. D. Cummins.

OLD MANCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

Mixed doubles tournament.—Mr. H. A. Dods and Mrs. Owen Dickens (plus 3) beat Mr. R. Bazlev and Miss Dods (4); Mr. Rollinshaw and Miss Hamilton (7) beat Mr. Hague and Miss Schofield (7); Dr. Grange and Mrs. Albrecht (7) beat Mr. Heywood and Miss Heywood* (9); Mr. Miller and Miss Grange (9) beat Mr. R. Schofield and Miss Dickens (7); Mr. Dods and Miss A. Davies Colley (7) beat Mr. Boddington and Mrs. Boddington* (3); Mr. G. Broadhurst, jun., and Miss Broadhurst (3) beat Mr. J. H. Fulton and Miss Fulton (9); Mr. J. Barnes, jun., and Miss Barnes (5) beat Mr. Prestwich and Mrs. Prestwich* (0); Rev. W. Young and Miss Young (9) beat Rev. Mr. Sale and Miss Maclure (9).

Second ties.—Mr. Rollinshaw and Miss Hamilton (7) beat Mr. H. A. Dods and Mrs. Owen Dickens (plus 3); Dr. Grange and Mrs. Albrecht (7) beat Mr. Miller and Miss Grange (9); Mr. E. Broadhurst, jun., and Miss Broadhurst (3) beat Mr. Dods and Miss A. Davies Colley* (7); Mr. J. Barnes, jun., and Miss Barnes (9) beat Rev. W. Young and Miss Young (9).

Third ties.—Mr. Rollinshaw and Miss Hamilton (7) beat Dr. Grange and Mrs. Albrecht (7); Mr. E. Broadhurst, jun., and Miss Broadhurst (3) beat Mr. J. Barnes, jun., and Miss Barnes (9).

Finals.—Mr. Rollinshaw and Miss Hamilton (7) tied with Mr. E. Broadhurst, jun., and Miss Broadhurst (3), and agreed to divide the first and second prizes.

* Scratched owing to illness or absence from home.

PEPPAREL (OXON) GOLF CLUB.

The first competition for the silver challenge cup, presented by Mr. Henry Taylor, was played for on Monday, April 15th, with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. H. L. Havers	87 8 79	Mr. A. Finch	91 7 84
Col. Davis	99 20 79	Mr. M. H. F. Sutton	106 20 86
Mr. T. E. H. Orr	94 14 80	Mr. V. F. Maude	97 10 87
Mr. F. G. Brakspear	99 16 83	Rev. E. J. Gillam	104 16 88
Rev. M. P. Williams	106 22 84	Mr. W. O. Nares	100 12 88
Mr. H. Taylor	94 10 84	Mr. R. N. Wolfenden	103 15 88
Mr. A. C. Arding	90 6 84		

*Mr. H. L. Havers subsequently played off, and won the tie; also won the prize, presented by Mr. R. Hermon-Hodge, for the best scratch score.

PETERBOROUGH v. OUNDLE.

At Oundle, April 6th:—

PETERBOROUGH.		OUNDLE.	
Holes.		Holes.	
Rev. T. T. Peyton	5	Mr. G. H. Nevill	0
Mr. H. M. Bell	7	Mr. L. R. Jones	0
Rev. W. P. Rigg	2	Mr. J. H. Smith	0
Mr. M. N. English	4	Mr. C. F. McKee	0
Mr. W. S. Thompson	0	Mr. D. E. Tower	9
Mr. H. Calyton	0	Mr. Nevill	7
	18		16

RANELAGH GOLF CLUB.

The singles and foursomes tournaments were brought to a conclusion recently, after many hard fights, with the following results. Foursomes. Prizes presented by Rev. T. H. Filmer-Bennett:—

Heat 1.—Mr. W. Evans (20) and Mr. H. R. Troup (15) beat Mr. R. Bramwell Davis (11) and Sir W. Russell (5); Mr. A. J. Davies (13) and Mr. W. H. Miller (6) beat Mr. A. Craven (16) and Mr. G. W. Rowe (20); Mr. A. F. Pearson (16) and Mr. J. C. M. Thompson (20) beat Mr. W. Sedgwick (18) and Mr. E. E. St. Quinton (20); Mr. L. E. G. Abney (10) and Mr. G. A. Williams (12) beat Mr. G. E. Mercer (20) and Mr. C. E. Mortimer (18); Mr. Arthur Adams (6) and Mr. Horace White (9) beat Mr. E. C. Mumford (18) and Mr. V. D. O. Wintle (18); Mr. E. F. White (13) and Mr. J. G. Wylie (5) beat Mr. R. Hepburn (15) and Mr. R. J. B. Howard (17).

Heat 2.—Rev. T. G. Filmer-Bennett (11) and Mr. F. Keen (9) beat Mr. M. Cloete (14) and Mr. Woodbine Parish (18); Messrs. Davies and Miller beat Messrs. Evans and Troup (scratched); Messrs. Pearson and Thompson beat Messrs. Abney and Williams, after a halved match; Messrs. White and Wylie beat Messrs. Adams and White.

Heat 3.—Messrs. Davies and Miller beat Messrs. Bennett and Keen (scratched); Messrs. Pearson and Thompson beat Messrs. White and Wylie, after a halved match.

Final.—Messrs. Davies and Miller beat Messrs. Pearson and Thompson, after a halved match.

Singles. Prize presented by the Ranelagh Club Committee:—

Heat 1.—Mr. M. Cloete (14), beat Mr. W. Evans (20); Mr. R. Hepburn (15), beat Mr. A. Craven (16); Mr. J. C. M. Thompson (20) beat Mr. A. F. Pearson (16); Mr. Arthur Adams (6) beat Mr. R. Bramwell Davis (11); Mr. L. E. G. Abney (10) beat Mr. R. J. B. Howard (17); Mr. G. A. Williams (12) beat Mr. G. H. Hardcastle (10) scratched; Mr. J. G. Wylie (5) beat Mr. G. Rowe (20).

Heat 2.—Mr. W. Sedgwick (18) beat Mr. E. F. White (13); Mr. Woodbine Parish (18) beat Mr. W. J. Sheppard (13); Mr. F. Keen (9) beat Mr. Horace White (9), after a halved match; Mr. A. J. Davies beat Rev. T. J. Filmer-Bennett, scratched; Mr. M. Cloete beat Sir W. Russell (5); Mr. Hepburn beat Mr. Thompson; Mr. Abney beat Mr. Adams; Mr. Williams beat Mr. Wylie.

Heat 3.—Mr. Sedgwick beat Mr. Parish; Mr. Keen beat Mr. Davies. Mr. Cloete beat Mr. Hepburn; Mr. Williams beat Mr. Abney.

Heat 4.—Mr. Keen beat Mr. Sedgwick; Mr. Cloete beat Mr. Williams.

Final.—Mr. Keen beat Mr. Cloete.

RAYNES PARK GOLF CLUB.

Medal competition, April 6th.—First division:—Mr. C. E. Maddock, 94, less 10=84; Mr. G. S. Wallis Adams, 95, less 10=85; Mr. G. Farie, 105, less 14=91; Mr. H. R. Morrison, less 103, less 10=93; Mr. T. G. Harkness, 104, less 9=95; Mr. H. Jenkins, 114, less 18=96; Mr. W. G. de Mattos, 105, less 6=99; Mr. C. J. Willock, 116, less 12=104.

Second division.—Mr. Bernard Hamilton, 129, less 36=93; Mr. G. Midgley Taylor, 119, less 20=99.

REDHILL AND REIGATE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition on April 6th, resulted as under. Mr. Bevan, who is playing a very steady game just now, repeated his recent victory at Eastbourne. The wind was high with occasional rain:—Mr. O. C. Bevan (5), 1 up against "Bogey"; Dr. W. A. Berridge (27), all even; Mr. J. S. Miller (14), Rev. R. J. Woodhouse (15), Mr. J. Gibb (18), 5 down; Mr. A. Schacht (plus 1), Mr. C. W. Link (10), Mr. C. H. Dorman (18), 6 down; Mr. C. L. Reade (4), Mr. R. Winch (15), 7 down; Mr. L. Horner (1), Mr. A. H. Allen (27), 8 down; Rev. J. H. Bland (17), 9 down; and Mr. W. B. Avery (16), 10 down.

ROYAL CORNWALL GOLF CLUB.

The first of the monthly summer series of medals was played April 2nd.

Monthly medal.—Brig.-Surgeon Elliot, 105, less 21=84; Mr. Magor, 97, less 13=84; Mr. H. O. Every, 107, less 22=85; Mr. C. H. Hext, 98, less 7=91; Rev. W. P. P. Matthews, 110, less 17=93; Mr. B. F. Edyvean, 95, less 1=94; Major H. Y. Hext, 114, less 18=96; Capt. Johnstone, R.N., 129, less 24=105.

Played April 5th.—The last of a series of six monthly medals played through the winter.

Ladies' Club.—Miss Anderson, 93, less 24=69; Miss Magor, 118, less 39=79; Mrs. Bannerman, 92, less 9=83; Mrs. Simpson, 91, less 7=84; Mrs. Young-Jameison, 91, less 6=85; Mrs. C. Hext, 92, less 4=88; Mrs. Salmon, 92, less 4=88; Miss Alms, 104, less 15=89; Miss A. Barnett, 94, less 4=90; Miss K. Archer, 140, less 36=104; Miss Johnstone, 136, less 5=131. Mrs. Every retired.

ROYAL EASTBOURNE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal of this club was played for on Tuesday, April 9th, with the following result:—Mrs. Franks, 92, less 6=86; Miss H. Lambert, 99, less 12=87; Miss O. Graham, 99, less 11=88; Miss Dowker, 92, less 3=89; Miss M. C. Reid, scratch, 92; Mrs. Pott, 114, less 20=94; Miss Graham, 110, less 15=95. No returns from the remainder.

ROYAL NORWICH GOLF CLUB.

The Easter meeting of the Royal Norwich opened at Helleston on Thursday, April 11th, with a competition against "Bogey," under handicap. The want of growth, caused by the lateness of the season, made the greens too keen for accurate putting, and the sharp wind also militated against low scoring. The first place was tied for by Mr. H. C. Bolingbroke and Mr. F. Jewson at 2 down:—Mr. F. Jewson, 2 down; Mr. H. C. Bolingbroke, 2 down; Mr. Davidson Walker, 4 down; Mr. E. Orams, 5 down. No returns from Colonel Dawson, Messrs. N. Gurney, H. C. Pattin, J. A. Harmer, P. Gabbett, E. Rice, B. F. K. O'Malley, A. T. Pratt, Dr. Everit, Mr. C. Baker, Rev. E. B. Pearse, Mr. F. Notley, Mr. S. A. Morgan, Mr. F. M. Long, Mr. J. W. Hyje, Mr. J. D. Smith, Mr. H. Cozens Hardy.

On Saturday, April 13th, the monthly silver and bronze medals were competed for, when Messrs. C. H. A. Lock and B. F. K. O'Malley tied for the silver, and Mr. Clement Hart won the bronze. Scores:—Mr. B. F. K. O'Malley, 107, less 18=89; Mr. C. H. A. Lock, 98, less 9=89; Mr. T. A. Ireland, 100, less 8=92; Mr. J. G. Tingey, 117, less 20=97; Mr. W. S. G. Wilcox, 112, less 14=98; Dr. Watson, 119, less 20=99; Mr. A. J. Clark, 122, less 20=102; Mr. E. Rice, 121, less 18=103; Mr. C. B. Hart, 130, less 25=105; Mr. Turner Tillett, 127, less 20=107. The following were over 110 or made no returns:—Messrs. J. J. W. Deuchar, H. C. Bolingbroke, Colonel Dawson, Rev. W. S. Wright, Rev. J. F. Darrel, Messrs. E. Orams, H. Cozens Hardy, E. Reeve, E. G. Buxton, J. Edric Barwell, E. M. Bolingbroke, W. D. Harmer, Davidson Walker, D. Havers, C. F. Burlingham, E. Nuthall, R. Fletcher, C. Baker, E. Page, A. G. Howlett, D. Havers, J. D. Smith, and L. Miller.

SALTBURN GOLF CLUB.

The club medal competition was played on Saturday. A strong cross wind rendered accurate play difficult, and only one return under 100 net was made. Mr. J. H. Peacock returned the winning score, 122, less 24=98.

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

"Bogey" competition. The fourth monthly "Bogey" competition took place on the Seaton links on Wednesday, April 10th. Fine weather prevailed, but was again marred, as in recent competitions, by a strong westerly wind blowing, which greatly increased the difficulties in contending against the "Bogey" score. In consequence, only a few members took part in the competition. Mr. T. Danby made the best fight against the "Bogey" score, being first with 3 holes up, whilst Mr. N. Gordon was second with 1 hole up. The following made returns:—Mr. T. Danby (10), 3 up; Mr. N. Gordon, (5), 1 up; Mr. A. B. Norton, (6), all even; Mr. G. Pyman (4), 2 down; Mr. R. Balfour (1), 3 down; Mr. J. Robson (1), 6 down. The other members made no returns.

Mr. Robert Balfour, playing with the hon. secretary (Mr. C. J. Bunting) last week, succeeded in breaking the amateur record of the course, 78, established by Mr. George Pyman last May, by 1 stroke, going round in the fine score of 77, the details of which are as follows:—Out, 6 4 6 4 5 4 5 4 4=42; Home, 4 4 5 4 5 3 4 3 3=35, total 77. Mr. Balfour is a very powerful player. The weather was beautifully fine, and the greens in almost perfect condition.

SINGAPORE GOLF CLUB.

The competition, under medal-play rules, for the captain's (Mr. A. W. Stiven) prize, was played for on Saturday, March 9th, when there was a large turn-out of competitors. The course in this instance was reversed, and, taking this into consideration, it will be seen from the appended scores that there was some very good play:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. M. Elliot ...	92 9 83	Mr. C. W. Alexander	105 12 93
Dr. Mugliston ...	90 3 87	Dr. Croucher ...	101 8 93
Mr. J. M. Allinson .	97 8 89	Mr. P. S. Gillespie .	98 4 94
Mr. T. E. Earle ...	97 8 89	Mr. R. W. Crighton	104 8 96
Mr. A. Mackay ...	96 6 90	Mr. J. Graham ...	124 25 99
Mr. I. B. Robertson	91 scr. 91	Mr. J. MacRitchie .	121 20 101
Dr. Fowle... ..	91 scr. 91	Mr. E. M. Mere-	
Mr. H. Bryan ...	99 8 91	wether ...	116 12 104
Mr. S. Jeffrey ...	101 10 91		

Several other competitors did not hand in their cards.

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA GOLF CLUB.

The extra monthly medal given by this club, was played for on Saturday, April 6th, and won by Mr. J. R. Priestley with a score of 111, less 20=91, a creditable one considering the high wind that was blowing.

The links are now getting into good order, and the greens much improved.

SOUTHPORT GOLF CLUB.

The usual Easter handicap for Mr. Musgrave's prize began on the links at Churchtown on Thursday in splendid weather, and by Saturday afternoon the fourth ties were completed, leaving the semi-final and the final for Monday. In the third ties Mr. H. Parkes beat Mr. F. Topp by 7 up and 6 to play; Mr. J. E. Pearson beat Mr. J. B. Richardson by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. S. A. Ashington beat Mr. W. W. Shatwell; Mr. F. W. H. Campbell beat Mr. T. E. Flitcross by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. G. Duffus beat Mr. H. H. Perkes by 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. H. Sidebottom beat Mr. W. T. Rowley by 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. G. F. Pearson beat Mr. F. Bindloss by 2 up and 1 to play; and Mr. G. F. Smith beat Mr. W. F. Chadwick by 5 up and 4 to play. In the fourth ties Mr. J. E. Pearson beat Mr. H. Parkes by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. F. W. H. Campbell beat Mr. S. A. Ashington by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. H. Sidebottom beat Mr. G. Duffus by 2 up and 1 to play; and Mr. G. F. Smith beat Mr. G. F. Pearson by 3 up and 1 to play.

STANMORE GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, the 6th inst., the monthly medal competitions took place with the following results:—

President's medal—Dr. Risk, 99, less 16=83, winner; Mr. F. Horley, 103, less 15=88.

Mr. Grinling's medal—Mr. A. G. Sharpe, 122, less 32=90, winner.

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. A. Begbie ...	92 scr. 92	Mr. J. Price ...	127 28 99
Mr. J. E. S. Sharp...	119 27 92	Mr. P. A. Underhill	108 8 100
Mr. J. R. Scully ...	101 5 96	Mr. J. Duthie ...	118 18 100
Mr. S. Grinling ...	116 18 98	Mr. G. H. C. Lea...	116 10 106

ST. ANDREWS v. MONIFIETH.

The first part of the home-and-home engagement of the St. Andrews and Monifieth Clubs was decided on the green of the Fifeshire Club on Saturday afternoon, April 6th. Several of the scratch men on each side were absent. Since the beginning of the season proper, the St. Andrews men have shown superb form, as the returns handed in for the competitions played will at once show to the most sceptical. Every couple had the benefit of onlookers. A strong wind had to be encountered on the outgoing half, which affected the driving considerably. The first couple were finely matched going out, and at the turn the St. Andrews man only led by 1 hole. Mr. Auchterlonie played a grand game coming in, and was 6 up at the sixteenth hole. Mr. Brimer fought pluckily, and won the last two holes by a good exhibition of Golf. Mr. Dargie made a disastrous start, losing the first four holes, while the next in order, Mr. William Still, was in a similar position, being 5 down at the sixth hole. Some good scores were registered. Mr. D. Simpson, for St. Andrews, went round in 81; Mr. W. Anderson, 83; Mr. J. Anderson, 85; Mr. W. Greig, 85; Mr. R. M'Andrew, 86; Mr. G. Wright, Monifieth, 88. The following are the detailed scores:—

ST. ANDREWS.		MONIFIETH.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. L. Auchterlonie ...	4	Mr. T. Brimer...	0
Mr. W. Greig ...	4	Mr. George Wright ...	0
Mr. D. Simpson ...	7	Mr. D. Dargie...	0
Mr. James Anderson ...	6	Mr. William Still ...	0
Mr. R. Braid ...	0	Mr. W. Lorrimer ...	0
Mr. James Auchterlonie	0	Mr. George Fox ...	3
Mr. W. Anderson ...	12	Mr. J. Hendry...	0
Mr. L. Waters...	3	Mr. J. Burns ...	0
Mr. D. Auchterlonie ...	0	Mr. D. Anderson ...	1
Mr. Joseph Auchterlonie	3	Mr. G. Pearson ...	0
Mr. William Foggo ...	1	Mr. W. Donaldson ...	0
Mr. Walter Anderson...	7	Mr. W. Drummie ...	0
Mr. Jas. Kirk ...	2	Mr. A. Osler ...	0
Mr. H. Turpie ...	1	Mr. R. Smith ...	0
Mr. F. Herd ...	4	Mr. H. Christie ...	0
Mr. A. Strachan ...	5	Mr. W. Fox ...	0
Mr. Thomas King ...	4	Mr. A. Moir ...	0
Mr. P. M'Andrew ...	4	Mr. E. Shield ...	0
Mr. J. Davidson ...	0	Mr. A. Buchan ...	2
Mr. A. Milne ...	0	Mr. W. Reid ...	1

ST. DAVID'S GOLF CLUB, HARLECH.

The Easter competition took place on Saturday, April 13th, in perfect weather, the green being in excellent order throughout. The new eighteenth hole, opened for this competition, materially improves the finish of the round, and the green committee have every reason to be satisfied with the success which has attended their efforts to make the links of first-rate quality. Every feature dear to the golfer who plays the strict game is present. The hazards are fair and of every description; the lying is good, and the greens, including three new ones, are rapidly recovering from the effects of the severe winter. Best scores as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. G. F. Charlton.	91	10 81	Mr. R. R. Ashworth	103	15 88
Mr. A. P. Gaskell .	104	23 81	Mr. Osmond Wil-		
Mr. E. Buckley ...	119	36 83	liams ...	100	11 89
Mr. F. D. Smith ...	117	31 85	Mr. E. L. Ashworth	115	25 90
Mr. H. J. Wright ...	117	31 86	Mr. R. P. Allaway .	127	36 91
Mr. D. T. Roberts .	99	12 87	Mr. R. Prys Owen .	124	28 96
Mr. F. O. Roberts .	100	13 87			

Other cards not handed in, or over 100 net. The tie between Messrs. Charlton and Gaskell was played off by a round of nine holes, the latter winning.

ST. NEOTS GOLF CLUB.

April 6th.—Competition for possession of ladies' prize. Played for by the winners of the monthly competitions during the season. Score:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.		
Miss Bower	109	10 99	Miss Tomson	150	30 120
Mrs. P. C. Tomson	132	21 111	Mrs. Jordan	154	25 129
Miss I. Squire	136	18 118			

Gentlemen's monthly competition and first round for the Good medal. Score:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. W. McNish ...	119	30 89	Mr. A. B. Bracken-		
Mr. F. N. Butler ...	121	25 96	bury ...	110	10 100
Mr. J. A. Ennals ...	107	10 97	Mr. W. H. Hillyer	126	17 109
			Mr. P. C. Tomson	120	10 110

SUTTON COLDFIELD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly cup.—Played on Saturday, April 13th:—Rev. W. C. R. Bedford, 102, less 16=86; Mr. T. S. Wilson, 106, less 17=89; Mr. T. G. Griffiths, 107, less 13=94; Mr. J. H. Chavasse, 112, less 18=94; Mr. H. H. Yates, 117, less 22=94; Mr. E. E. Lamb, 101, less 5=96. No returns from six others. The March monthly "Bogey" competition was won by Rev. W. R. Bedford.

TORQUAY LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On Monday, April 1st, a foursome match was commenced for a prize given by one of the members of the gentlemen's Golf Club. The prize being a pair of silver pen and pencil cases:—Miss Oldfield and Miss K. Oldfield (17), receiving 5 strokes, beat Miss Pemberton and Miss Wollen (5), by 5 up and 4 to play. Miss Colhoun and Miss E. Colhoun (30), giving 3 strokes, beat Miss Collett and Miss F. Leatherdale (38), by 7 up and 6 to play.

On Tuesday, April 2nd, the competition for Miss Young's prize—an umbrella with a Golf-club handle—took place. It was played for by members whose handicaps were 19 and above. There were six entries, but only five competed:—Miss Colhoun, 123, less 30=93; Miss G. Rose, 121, less 24=97; Miss Dance, 121, less 23=98; Miss B. Fleming, 121, less 23=98. Miss F. Leatherdale sent in no card.

On Wednesday, April 3rd, the consolation prize given by Mrs. Pemberton was played for, the prize being a brass inkstand:—Miss Wollen, 90, less 3=87; Miss Livingston, 99, less 11=88; Miss Boyd, 108, less 16=92; Miss F. Sealy, 110, less 16=94; Miss C. Rose, 124, less 16=108. Miss Collett sent in no card.

On Thursday, the foursome match was continued with the following results:—Miss Livingston and Miss Boyd (27), receiving 4 strokes, beat the Misses Oldfield (17), by 2 up, and the Misses Colhoun (30), receiving 2 strokes, beat Miss A. Knox-Gore, and the Hon. L. Yarde-Buller (24), by 7 up and 5 to play.

On Friday, the finals between Miss Livingston and Miss Boyd, and the Misses Colhoun took place, and the latter, receiving 1 stroke, won by 6 up and 4 to play.

WOODBIDGE GOLF CLUB.

The fourth competition for monthly medal was played off on Monday, with following result:—Mr. F. J. W. Wood, 87, less 4=83 (Mr. F. J. W. Wood having won medal previously, Major King is therefore the winner for April); Major R. King, 95, less 10=85; Capt. L. W. Hayward, 110, less 20=90; Mr. A. J. Hayward, 117, less 20=97; Mr. T. Carthew, 122, less 25=97; Dr. G. C. Edwardes-Ker, 115, less 16=99.

WOODBIDGE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

In perfect weather, the fourth competition for the president's prize took place on Thursday, April 11th:—Miss K. Hewetson, 60, less 12=48; Mrs. Howey, 67, less 19=48; Miss L. F. Stains, 62, less 10=52; Miss J. Hewetson, 57, less 3=54; Miss B. Grimwood, 72, less 16=56; Miss R. Darling, 67, less 7=60; Miss Soppitt, 76, less 16=60; Mrs. Hicks, 84, 20=64.

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The annual match between the Universities (past and present) and the Rest was played over the links on Saturday, April 6th, the weather being very wet and stormy. The course, however, was in fair condition, and an excellent match resulted in favour of the Rest by three holes. As the Universities turned out numerically the stronger team, three of their number, Mr. Hunter Blair, Brigade-Surgeon Wilson, and Mr. Hill, played on the opposite side. The following was the full score:—

THE UNIVERSITIES.		Holes.	THE REST.		Holes.
Mr. A. B. Sanders	...	0	Mr. F. McL. Marshall	...	1
Mr. M. T. Brown	...	7	Mr. F. C. Hunter Blair	...	0
Hon. R. H. Lyttelton (capt.)	...	1	Mr. W. M. Smythe (capt.)	...	0
Mr. J. P. Robertson	...	0	Mr. G. G. Brodie	...	7
Mr. C. G. C. Mallam	...	0	Mr. A. E. Williams	...	4
Mr. H. L. V. Pryse	...	12	Mr. E. Edmondson	...	0
Mr. C. W. Falcon	...	0	Mr. S. J. Whelple	...	9
Mr. W. L. Melville Lee	...	0	General Dandridge	...	2
Rev. R. Arnold Edgell	...	0	Captain East	...	2
Rev. C. J. Reade	...	0	Mr. G. H. Eastwood	...	4
Rev. E. J. Bidwell	...	5	Brigade-Surgeon Wilson	...	0
Rev. J. Adams	...	4	Mr. A. J. Douglas Adkins	...	0
Mr. E. Field	...	2	Mr. R. W. Lindsay	...	0
Mr. J. F. Alston	...	0	Mr. M. S. Hill	...	5
		31			34

Majority for the Rest, 3 holes.

WHITLEY GOLF CLUB.

On the 9th inst. the ladies held their first competition, the prizes being Golf clubs, one set for the lowest scratch score, and the other for the best under handicap.

There was a field of twelve players, and the winner of the handicap turned out to be Miss A. Brown, Miss B. Craig being second, while Miss S. Boyd and Miss B. Green tied for tertiary honours. The honours of the day for lowest score on merit fell to Miss C. Duerden, whose 58 and 62, total 120, was a very meritorious performance, as a stiff westerly wind prevailed, which made the rather narrow course very difficult. Mrs. Pattinson handed in the next best scratch score. The Whitley ladies are to be complimented on their perseverance, as their club has only been in existence this season, and the course is rather a heavy one for the fair sex.

WILMSLOW GOLF CLUB.

The first summer competition took place on Saturday, April 6th. Judge Parry won the first sweepstakes, and qualified to play in the final for the Ashford cup. The second sweepstakes was taken by Mr. J. J. Brickhill, and the third by Mr. C. D. Milne. Scores under 100 net:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Judge Parry	99	15 84	Mr. J. B. Parkinson	106	15 91
Mr. J. J. Brickhill	98	10 88	Mr. W. Wood	105	13 92
Mr. C. D. Milne	94	5 89	Mr. R. Burn	109	10 93
Mr. J. H. Milne	96	6 90	Mr. T. Tatham	112	15 97

WOODFORD GOLF CLUB.

Course in fine condition, but a strong westerly wind upset scoring. Captain's prize and monthly medal, April 6th:—Mr. D. Munro, 106, 16=90; Mr. C. B. Hunt, 102, less 10=92; Mr. A. H. Tczar, 110, less 18=92. Twenty-three entries.

WORLINGTON AND NEWMARKET GOLF CLUB.

A silver cup for winners of the monthly medals was played for on Saturday 13th April, in lovely weather. Mr. C. J. E. Sparke was the winner with a score of 97, less 14=83.

EDINBURGH CIVIL SERVICE CLUB.—A good turnout of members travelled to Leven on Good Friday for the opening fixture of the season, which was held in splendid weather, though the rough state of the greens, and a pretty stiff cross wind, rendered the scoring higher than usual. The prize-winners were:—1 and 2, Mr. A. M. Runciman, 94 (4), and Mr. A. Gunn, 100 (10); 3 and 4, Mr. J. T. Maxwell, 94 (3), and Mr. J. M'Cracken, 107 (16); 5, Mr. H. M. Knight, 97 (4); 6, Mr. R. S. M'Nab, 99 (5), and Mr. T. Kinnear, 100 (6).

ARDEER GOLF CLUB.—On Saturday, April 6th, the spring meeting of this club took place, when there was a good attendance of members. The players were divided into two classes—class 1, scratch to 12 handicap, and class 2, 13 handicap and upwards. In the first section, Mr. Robert Blair, who went out with Mr. J. Colvil, got home for 79 net. At last spring meeting Mr. A. K. Murray was winner, with a score of 76 net. The second prize fell to Mr. James Laird, with a net score of 81, and Robert Adam (scratch) was third, with 82. In the second class, Mr. H. P. Buchanan took first prize, with 79 net; Mr. H. Bicket, jun., was second, with 81 net; Messrs. William Gardner, George H. P. Buchanan, and William Stewart tied for third.

BRUNTSFIELD LINKS CLUB.—The members of this club held a spring competition over the North Berwick course on the 2nd, for a prize presented by the captain (Mr. Hugh Gilmour) and two club awards—all under handicap. Twenty-four players took part. The weather was very pleasant, and, as a consequence, the average scoring ruled low. On a return of cards it was found that Messrs. C. S. Halkett at 83, less 2=81, and C. J. Currie at 89, less 8=81, had tied for the first and second prizes; whilst the third had fallen to Mr. J. Somerville Shaw at 98, less 16=82. Other scores were as appended:—Mr. T. T. Gray, 80, plus 3=83; Mr. C. D. Rutherford, 93, less 9=84; Mr. A. Usher, 91, less 6=85; Mr. J. Gibson, 99, less 12=87; Mr. W. W. Macfarlane, 100, less 12=88. The lowest actual figure of the day was a well-compiled 80 by Mr. T. T. Gray. On playing off the tie for first and second prizes Messrs. Halkett and Currie were again equal at 80 net—82, less 2, and 88, less 8, respectively. The tie will be replayed at Gullane.

CRAWFORD.—This club held its Easter meeting at Crawford on Saturday in perfect weather. There was a large attendance. The following is the prize-list:—First scratch prize, won by Rev. C. J. Ritchie with a score of 83; second scratch prize, won by Mr. W. M. Shanks with 84. Handicap Prizes—1 and 2, tied for by Mr. C. W. Walker, 94, less 12=82, and Mr. M. Arthur, 102, less 20=82; 3, Mr. W. Kennedy, 85 (scratch); 4, Mr. J. Muir, 111, less 25=86.

CUMBRAE CLUB.—A large number of visitors were in evidence on the course of this club on Saturday. The links have been greatly improved, and are well patronised by the golfing class who frequent the island of Cumbrae during the coasting season. The final competition for the beautiful gold medal presented by Bailie Cunningham was down for decision on Saturday. This medal has been played for throughout the year, and the four lowest scores made during that time decide the winner. There was much speculation as to who would be the owner of the medal. Three of the competitors were in the running, two of them being equal and the other a point or two behind, and therefore all depended on the day's play who should become possessor of the prize. The weather was dull and had a threatening aspect, but nevertheless, was good for golfing. The course was dry and in good order, and the greens were in splendid condition. The following are the best scores:—Mr. John Houston, 102, less 3=99; Mr. H. Taylor, 111, less 10=101; Mr. J. C. Sharpe, 105, less 2=103; Mr. W. Macfarlane (scratch), 104; Mr. H. W. Davidson, 109, less 4=105. The result of the year's play is as follows:—Mr. H. Taylor, 89, 93, 100, 101=383; Mr. J. Reid, 94, 95, 97, 98=384; Mr. J. Houston, 99, 29, 99, 92=387. Mr. H. Taylor is thus winner of the medal with the narrow majority of 1.

DORNOCH.—Delightful weather favoured the opening competition of the season on Saturday, April 13th. The course, as a whole, was in remarkably good trim, although one or two of the putting-greens were rough and unreliable. Thirty-three players left the tee, and, with the exception of one or two cards, the scores ruled high. The spring and autumn challenge vase, presented by Dr. Murray, Glasgow, was the chief attraction on the programme. It is played for under handicap, and is always a popular prize amongst local players. Then there were a number of other prizes in clubs and balls, given by Dr. Ronaldson, Edinburgh, and Mr. Sutherland, the secretary of the club. On the cards being examined, Mr. D. Mackay turned out to be the winner of the vase with 97, less 12=85; and Mr. J. Sutherland with 82, plus 4=86, and Mr. W. Cameron (scratch), 86, tied for second place—sharing the second and third prizes between them. These three players also won Dr. Ronaldson's special prizes. The secretary's prizes were open only to players in receipt of over 12 odds, and the winners were Messrs. Thomas Munro, Donald Mackay, and John Cameron.

FALKIRK TRYST GOLF CLUB.—The Club Championship for Col. Nimmo's medal and the scratch medal took place on the Tryst course on Saturday, April 6th. The Championship was won by Mr. A. Nimmo, jun., with a score of 84, Mr. A. Campbell being second, with 88. A handicap was decided at the same time, with the following result:—Mr. A. Campbell, 88, less 8=80; Mr. W. Lennox, 103, less 20=83; Mr. A. Nimmo, jun., 84, plus 3=87.

NAIRN.—A prize competition, open to all the members of the Nairn Club, was played at Nairn on Saturday, April 6th. The players were divided into three grades according to handicap. In the first grade,

with handicap of 6 and under, the prizes were won as follows:—1, Mr. K. Macrae, 88, less 6=82; 2, Mr. J. J. Annan (scratch), 92; 3, Mr. M. Murray, 96, less 3=93. In the second grade, with handicap above 6 and not exceeding 12, the prize-takers were:—1, Dr. Adam, 99, less 8=91; 2, Mr. E. E. Simpson, 105, less 9=96; 3, Mr. J. Mill, 107, less 9=98. In the third grade, 12 to 18 handicap, the winners were:—1, Mr. A. S. Simpson, 98, less 18=80; 2, Mr. D. King, 99, less 14=85; 3, Mr. D. Sutherland, 108, less 18=90.

NORTH BERWICK.—On Saturday the weather was lovely, and the links were briskly occupied throughout the day. A goodly number of places were also booked at the starting-box for to-day (Monday). The members of the Bass Rock Club competed on Saturday afternoon for the monthly handicap trophy, Mr. James Mitchell proving the winner with the fine actual score of 79, made up as follows:—Out, 5 6 4 4 3 4 5 4 4 4=43; in, 5 5 3 4 4 5 7 3=36. Other scores in net order were as follow:—Mr. A. Thorburn, 85, less 2=83; Mr. D. B. Swan, 91, less 7=84; Mr. D. M. Jackson (scratch), 85; Mr. A. Hogg, 92, less 6=86; Mr. G. Nelson, 92, less 6=86; Mr. T. Johnston, 96, less 10=86; Mr. J. Glass, 95, less 5=90; Mr. W. Merrilees, 101, less 10=91; Mr. A. Bisset (scratch), 93; Mr. T. Turnbull (scratch), 94; Mr. M. Thorburn, 98, less 4=94.

RECORD FOR GAILES COURSE.—In the course of three rounds of the links of the Glasgow Golf Club at Gales, Ayrshire, John Hunter, playing with Willie Fernie, established a record for the course, holing out in 2 strokes less than the previous record. In the first round Fernie went round in 77, and Hunter did not hole out. In the second, Hunter holed out in 76, and Fernie in 79. In the third round both players played a fine game going out, Hunter being out in 34, and Fernie in 35. The details of Hunter's score were:—Out, 4 4 4 4 3 3 4 3 5=34; in, 4 4 5 4 4 3 6 3=37; total, 71. The previous record, 73, was held by Fernie.

SEAFIELD CLUB.—The April competition for the monthly medal and prizes was held on Leith Links on Friday and Saturday. Forty-three members competed, with the following result:—1, Mr. R. Duthie, 99, less 13=77; 2, Mr. R. Gibson, 87, less 8=79; 3, Mr. James Fairgrieve, 88, less 8=80; 4, Mr. S. F. Notman (scratch), 80.

SCOTTISH EQUITABLE.—This club held their spring competition on Good Friday. There was a large attendance. The principal prize-winners were:—1, Mr. L. G. Glassford; 2, Mr. D. G. R. Murray; 3 and 4, Messrs. A. R. Murray and G. Brown (tie); 5, Mr. A. Paterson. Mr. A. R. Murray's prize, competed for by the best attenders at the club's monthly meetings, was won by Mr. D. G. R. Murray, while the special handicap prize fell to Mr. Story.

WEST LOTHIAN CLUB.—The spring tournament for the Melville Bowl was played on Saturday, with the following result:—Mr. James Forbes, a bye; Mr. J. C. Liddell (scratch) beat Mr. W. Swan (1) by 2; Mr. W. T. Steward (6) beat Mr. J. Russell (1), retired; Mr. W. Bowie (8) beat Mr. W. Wardrop (8) by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. D. R. Donaldson (4) beat Mr. A. Allan (4) by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. W. Russell (scratch) beat Mr. W. Allan, jun., (4) by 3 up and 1 to play; Mr. S. C. Cuthbert (3) beat Mr. J. W. Anderson (6) by 1; T. Allan (4) beat Mr. W. Nimmo by 5 up and 3 to play.

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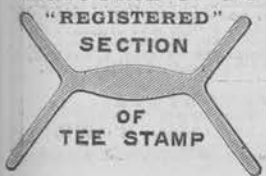
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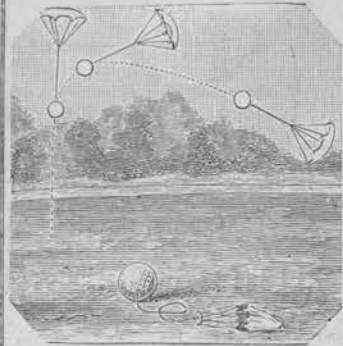
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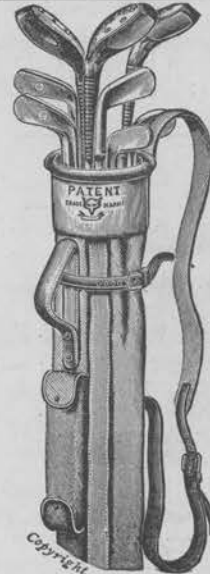
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