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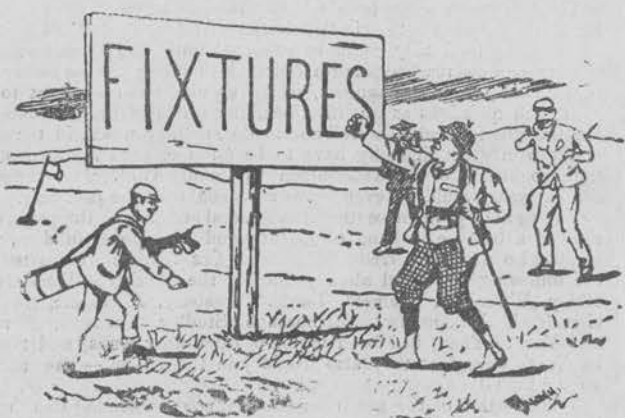
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APRIL.

- Apr. 5.—Woodbridge : President's Prize.
Royal Cornwall : Monthly Medal.
- Apr. 5 & 6.—Hampstead : Spring Meeting.
- Apr. 6.—Hastings and St. Leonard's Spring Meeting : Town Challenge Cup (Open).
West Lancashire : Hobbs Medal.
Finchley : Monthly Medal and Captain's Prize.
Redhill and Reigate : Club medal.
Woodford : Captain's Prize and Monthly Medal.
Wakefield : Medal (Final).
Royal Liverpool : Monthly Medal and Optional Subscription Prize.
Fairfield (Manchester) : Monthly Competition.
Derbyshire : Spring Meeting.
Bowdon : Captain's Cup.
Chester : Second Monthly Competition.
Hythe : Monthly Medal.
Kenilworth v. Dudley.
Kenilworth : Albert Jones Prize.
Neasden : "Bogey" Competition.
Birkdale : Sixth Medal Competition.
London Scottish : Monthly Medal.
Tooting : Monthly Medal.
Wilmslow : First Summer Competition.
Macclesfield : President's Challenge Cup and Monthly Handicap.
Bullwood : Monthly Medal.
North-West Club (Londonderry) : Monthly Medal.
King's Norton : Monthly Challenge Cup.
Raynes Park : Monthly Medal.
Royal Epping Forest : "Bogey" Competition.
Aldeburgh : Monthly Medal.
Clacton-on-Sea : Monthly Medal & Aggregate Competition.
West Middlesex : "Bogey" Competition.
Northwood : Monthly Medal.

- Apr. 6.—Great Yarmouth : Monthly Medal.
Minchinhampton : Monthly Medal.
Finchley : Monthly Medal and Captain's Prize.
Rochester v. Royal Engineers (at Chatham).
- Apr. 6 & 13.—Glasgow : Spring Meeting.
- Apr. 8.—Tantallon : Spring Meeting.
Woodbridge : Monthly Medal.
- Apr. 10.—Burghley Park v. Oakham.
Kenilworth : Albert Jones Prize.
- Apr. 11.—Woodbridge Ladies : President's Prize.
- Apr. 11, 12, 13 & 15.—Southport : Easter Meeting.
- Apr. 11 & 13.—Forfar : Spring Meeting.
- Apr. 11 to 16.—Royal Norwich : Easter Meeting.
- Apr. 12 & 16.—Royal West Norfolk : Easter Meeting : Prince of Wales Challenge Cup.
- Apr. 12, 13 & 15.—St. George's (Sandwich) : Spring Meeting.
- Apr. 12, 13 & 15.—Northwood : Easter Meeting.
- Apr. 13.—Ealing : "Bogey" Competition.
Worlington and Newmarket : W. Gardner Prize.
Arden : Monthly Cup.
Woodford : "Bogey" Handicap.
Hampstead : Monthly Medal.
Kenilworth : Kenilworth Cup.
Seaford : Monthly Medal.
Crookham : "Bogey" Competition.
Mid-Surrey : Monthly Junior Medal.
Cumbrae : Monthly Medal.
Moseley : Captain's Prize.
Southend-on-Sea : Monthly Medal.
Ranelagh : Monthly Medal.
West Herts : Monthly Medal.
Saltburn : Monthly Medal.
St. George's (Sandwich) : Monthly Medal.
Leasowe : Monthly Medal.
Aldeburgh : Easter Meeting.
Lanark : Gold Ball : Special General Meeting.
Enfield : Monthly Handicap.
Southwold : Quarterly Medal.
Finchley : Easter Meeting.
- Apr. 13 & 15.—Royal Ashdown Forest : Easter Meeting.
- Apr. 13, 15 & 16.—Littlehampton : Special Open Easter Meeting.
- Apr. 13, 15 & 16.—Wanstead Park : Easter Meeting.
- Apr. 13, 15 & 16.—Port Elizabeth : Easter Meeting.
- Apr. 13, 15 & 16.—Royal County (Portrush) : Easter Meeting.
- Apr. 13, 15 & 16.—Great Yarmouth : Easter Meeting.
- Apr. 15.—Arden : Monthly Cup.
Woodford : Club Handicap.
Buxton and High Peak : Taylor Prize.
Chester : "Bogey" Competition.
Hampstead : Easter Meeting.
Pau : General Meeting.
Wilmslow : "Bogey" Competition.
Southend-on-Sea : Easter Meeting.
Leasowe : Easter Sweepstake.
West Lancashire : Easter Meeting.
Aldeburgh : General Annual Meeting and Mr. J. Flintham's Cup.

THE LADIES' GOLF UNION.
GENERAL OR METROPOLITAN?

The question of the alteration of the annual general meeting of the Ladies' Golf Union has scarcely been placed fairly before those who are interested in the discussion of the proposed amendment of Rule 6. The somewhat bald report of the meeting in your issue of last week, held to consider this question, has given publicity to one side only. As the demand for the consideration of the alteration in rule 6 has been brought forward by eight of the Ladies' Clubs subscribing to the Union, it will not be amiss to give their reasons clearly and straightforwardly, inasmuch as the amendment has been brought forward in the widest interests of the Union.

1. The fact that eight large clubs have decided that some alteration is necessary, proves the existence of an evil in the existing arrangement, and entirely precludes any suggestions of private feelings or individual fads.

2. Nearly every subscribing club is represented, either among the spectators or the competitors, during the Championship, and therefore the members have a better opportunity of exchanging opinions, before voting, in an impartial understanding of questions to be discussed, than they have by merely rushing to London, where the discussion at any special meeting is necessarily curtailed.

3. As it has been arranged that the Championship shall be held in the North, South, and in Ireland successively, each of these districts will have their special innings, in strict and fair rota, and none will "score" unduly.

4. As the Championship is always held in some important centre of the golfing world, the contemptuous term of "hole-and-corner meeting" could scarcely be applied to any meeting, general or otherwise, held during the Championship, at a time when public attention is especially centred upon the affairs of lady-golfers.

5. The Ladies' Golf Union is not merely a Union of Clubs in the London district, and to encourage such a view will be to sadly diminish the importance of the Union, and to narrow its influence to a suburban rather than a universal and widely-representative body of golfers.

These are a few only of the reasons why the clubs from a distance, and some even from an approachable distance from London, have urged the proposed alteration as one likely to benefit the Union.

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.

Looking at the matter in a fair and candid spirit, this very objection applies to the holding of the general meeting in London, where the representatives of metropolitan clubs as against the representatives of county clubs are in a proportion of at least five to one. Clubs from Gloucestershire, Lancashire, Ireland, and Scotland cannot send as many representatives to London, all put together, as a single club in the suburbs which has some special purpose to serve. The objection might easily be met by limiting the number of representatives from the local club where the Championship was held.

The writer of this article has the widest interests of the Union at heart, as a much-needed governing body in essential matters relating to the game, but, at the same time, recognises the fact that unless there be opportunity given to golfers from a distance to vote and speak with a greater chance of carrying weight than now, there will be a distinct falling off in the clubs represented, and the Union will become merely metropolitan, and of no further general or important interest, or authority. That there is already a feeling of reserve against joining the Union on account of this metropolitan majority at the general meetings, is clearly shown by Mr. Purves' own statement at the last meeting. He pointed out that there were only five clubs situated over 100 miles from London, subscribing to the Union. Naturally these large clubs from the North, and away over the Border, where the spirit of Golf is maintained in its purest form, do not care to pay a large annual subscription regulated by the number of their club members, when those members can scarcely have a chance of a proportionate representation at the meetings.

It is sincerely to be hoped that a larger mind will be shown, and that the Council will give the matter a fair and unobstructed hearing, as a question that is all-important to the Union as a representative body.

Meanwhile club secretaries will do well to call special meetings, and by reading the *pros* and *cons* candidly, gain a fair vote from all the members concerned.

B.

YORKSHIRE UNION OF GOLF CLUBS.

The annual meeting of the council of the Yorkshire Union of Golf Clubs was held on March 27th, at the Queen Hotel, Leeds. The representatives from the various clubs included Mr. R. S. Backhouse (Ilkley), who occupied the chair in the absence of the president (Dr. F. L. Mackenzie, Huddersfield), Mr. A. L. Woodhead (Huddersfield), secretary, Mr. Percy N. Lee (Ilkley), Dr. Macvie, Mr. Arnold Priestman (Bradford), Mr. H. Oxley, Mr. A. D. Stuart (Leeds), Mr. J. G. Ronksley, Dr. Harvey Littlejohn (Sheffield), Mr. F. Bedwell, Mr. C. G. Broadwood (Scarborough), Mr. A. P. Crosland (Huddersfield), and Mr. J. E. Thomas (Harrogate).

Dr. Mackenzie wrote explaining that an attack of pleurisy prevented him from attending the meeting. He was extremely sorry not to be present, if only to thank the Council, which so far he had had no adequate opportunity of doing, for having elected him as first president of the Union. He had appreciated the honour very highly. It had been a source of great gratification to him that the inaugural meeting on the Huddersfield green was such an unqualified success. He wished, therefore, he could have been present in order to take part in the discussion which he supposed was sure to take place in connection with the development of inter-county Golf. The departure was a new one, and the precedents now made would have to be made most carefully. He did not suppose that in the details of inter-county Golf anything approaching to finality could be expected until the federation of the County Unions reached such a point as to justify the formation of a board from the various unions, which should be competent to deal with such questions as qualifications, the status of professionals, &c. He thought it would be well not to do anything which in the future might with great difficulty have to be undone, such as, for instance, the recognition of professionalism in County Golf. He trusted the coming year would be even more successful than the past year.

The secretary, in presenting the general account for the year, which showed a balance in hand of £8 2s., and the prize fund account, which also showed a credit balance of £12 18s. 6d., intimated that the following clubs had already joined the Union:—Huddersfield, Ilkley, Wakefield, Sheffield, Leeds, Dewsbury, Harrogate, Bradford, Cleveland, Birkenshaw, Scarborough, Studley, Barnsley, Beverley, and York. There had been inquiries from other clubs, and the probabilities were that they also would join the Union.—The accounts were adopted.

The selection of the green for the next county meeting was the next item on the agenda paper. Scarborough, Redcar, and Beverley had placed their greens at the disposal of the Council. Scarborough was the only place proposed at the meeting, and it was eventually decided that the meeting should be held there. It was also decided, on the motion of Mr. H. Oxley, that the meeting should be held in the autumn, the actual dates for the three days being left to the decision of the secretary of the Union and the club selected.

The election of officers was then proceeded with. Mr. F. Bedwell proposed Mr. C. G. Broadwood (Scarborough) as president for the ensuing year. Mr. Woodhead seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried. Mr. R. S. Backhouse proposed, and Mr. Broadwood seconded, that Mr. A. L. Woodhead be re-elected secretary. This was also unanimously agreed to. Mr. F. Bedwell became assistant-secretary, as secretary of the Scarborough Club. In accordance with a rule of the Union, which provided that three members be selected by the Council to form a committee to consider and adjudicate upon any point arising at the Championship meeting, no two members to be selected from the same club, Mr. Percy N. Lee (Ilkley), Dr. Macvie (Bradford), and Mr. H. Oxley (Leeds) were elected for that purpose.

The secretary read a letter from the Hampshire and Isle of Wight County Golf Union, challenging the Yorkshire County Golf Union to play home and home inter-county matches at convenient dates. The teams representing each county to consist of one amateur and one professional, and the match to consist of three events, viz., two singles (eighteen holes, match play), amateur *v.* amateur and professional *v.* professional, and a foursome of amateur and professional *v.* amateur and professional. The secretary stated that he had replied that he did not believe that the idea of professionalism entering into the matches would be acceptable to the Yorkshire Union. (Hear, hear.) He received, in reply, another letter from the secretary of the Hampshire Union, saying that if the one-amateur one-professional idea was not acceptable to the Yorkshire Union, they would be glad to meet the latter in a match consisting of amateurs only. It was their desire to see inter-county matches promoted, and they hoped the Yorkshire Union would see their way to accept the challenge. Mr. Broadwood moved the acceptance of the challenge, on the stipulation that it should be confined solely to amateurs. Dr. Macvie seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried. It was further decided that the president and

secretary (ex-officio), and the three members of the Adjudication Committee, three to form a quorum, be appointed to arrange all details, such as the necessary qualifications, &c.

The meeting proceeded to discuss county qualifications, the conditions of play for the Amateur County Championship, and the provision of cheaper railway tickets; but no resolutions were passed, and the meeting was adjourned to a date to be fixed by the secretary.

LITTLESTONE GOLF CLUB.

The annual general meeting of this club was held at the Cannon Street Hotel on Monday, the 25th March, Mr. R. H. Hedderwick, the captain, presiding. There were also present, Sir T. M. F. Parkyns, Bart., Messrs. R. E. Peake, J. Bannon, G. B. Colt, E. E. Cooper, P. Meadows Taylor, C. Wintle, A. S. Johnston, R. Lawson, J. A. H. MacNair, A. Adams, A. Crawford, F. Blyth, Geo. Seton, John Fleming, R. G. MacMillan, Herbert Chipp, G. Graham Thoms, W. B. Tubbs, H. L. Hopkinson, P. B. Tubbs, H. T. Tubbs, W. E. MacLagan, H. Cockburn, Douglas Petrie, A. J. Stanley, A. F. Pearson, F. Chetwynd Stapylton, J. H. Hedderwick, A. F. Denniston, Ashley Gibbings, H. A. Gardom, C. J. Fox, L. E. G. Abney, and H. E. Johnson (Hon. Secretary).

The chairman having moved the adoption of the report and accounts, which were accepted without comment, Mr. E. E. Cooper moved that the entrance fee be raised to ten guineas, and the limit of members increased from 450 to 500, and Mr. G. Seton seconded the motion. The chairman, however, stated that the committee had the question fully under consideration, and he asked members to leave the matter in their hands, pending negotiations, which were in progress with the owner of the property over which the club was permitted to play, and hoped that, under the circumstances, Mr. Cooper would withdraw his motion, which he at once did.

Certain alterations in the rules having been duly passed, Mr. Hedderwick then placed his resignation as captain in the hands of the meeting, and proposed Mr. W. E. MacLagan as his successor for the ensuing year, and his election was unanimously carried.

Messrs. H. E. Johnson and J. H. Jenks having been respectively elected to the offices of hon. secretary and treasurer and hon. auditor. Messrs. H. A. Gardom, R. H. Hedderwick, R. G. Macmillan, A. J. Stanley, and C. Wintle were elected to the five vacancies on the committee, Mr. J. Bannon having previously withdrawn his candidature.

The meeting terminated with votes of thanks to the retiring captain, Mr. R. H. Hedderwick, and to the retiring hon. secretary and hon. treasurer. Messrs. C. Wintle and R. G. MacMillan.

PROFESSIONAL MATCHES.

On Friday, 29th ult., a match, £10 a-side, was played between Mungo Park (brother of Willie Park, jun.) and William Crombie, club-maker, over the Musselburgh Links. Four rounds of the green were played. Despite the uninviting weather, about one hundred persons followed the game, which had created considerable local interest. The scoring was high, and, as an exhibition of Golf, the match was but a poor one. Crombie was distinctly the favourite. He, however, never got on the lead, having hard lines by being penalised three times for getting on the road. On the green he was defective. Park played steadily throughout. In the first round he got three holes and halved the other six. Crombie got the first two holes of the second round, and would have made the match even but for a foul by his caddie on the green. Park claimed the hole, and Mr. J. M. Williamson allowed it. The round closed with Park 2 up. At the close of the third round Park was still 2 up. He increased his lead to 4 by taking the Graves and Linkfield in 4 and 5. Crombie took Forman's. The Sea Hole was halved. Park by skilful play got the Table, and the match stood dormy—4 up and 4 to play. Crombie took the following two holes. At the last hole he fell short by an inch or two with his putt. The hole was halved, and the match finished 2 up and 1 to play.

Willie Fernie, Troon, and John Hunter, Prestwick, played a thirty-six hole match on the same day over the Ayrshire course of the Glasgow Golf Club at Gales. A strong wind was blowing, and rain fell. In both rounds the ex-Champion had the advantage, and going round in 79 and 76, won the match. It is to be noted that Hunter had never previously played over or seen the course, and was thus at a considerable disadvantage. The links was found in first-rate condition, and the putting-greens all that could be desired. The details of Fernie's 76 were as follows:—Out, 4 5 4 6 3 4 4 3 6=39; in, 3 4 3 4 5 5 3 6 4=37; total, 76.

THAT CONFOUNDED BUNKER!

Last year I set my mind (after trying hard to find
A way that was according to my liking)
That I should act the swell, and should act him very well,
And I warrant my success was duly striking!

I heard there was a game of very ancient fame,
And that it was the madness of the day:
For it's "Golf" that's Johnnies patter, and it's "Golf" that's
Pollies chatter,
And why should I not have a try as well as they?

I confided in a friend on whose sense I could depend,
And I asked if he would join me in the ploy.
He consented, and we started, both elated and light-hearted,
As enamoured of the prank as any boy.

We determined to invest in an outfit of the best,
And we spent a few good pounds upon our tools;
But I'd rather not recount—quite exactly—the amount,
In case the thrifty-minded count us fools.

At length we reached the "tee," in a state of bubbling glee,
Conspicuous by the glare of our attire;
We engaged our "caddy" guides, and arranged to take up
sides—
In short, we stood in readiness to "fire!"

As, with introductory cough, I was shaping to strike off,
My friend desired that *he* should "have the say."
With a swoop he smote the ground, and it shook for miles
around,
And his club-head flew a thousand yards away.

His words I won't repeat—they were neither soft nor sweet—
And his looks resembled darkest midnight thunder.
With a snort of fierce contempt he repeated his attempt,
And his stroke might well have rent the rocks asunder.

Compared with such displays my achievements were like rays
Of a farthing dip set up against the sun;
Though I smashed a club or two, and of balls lost not a few,
Yet I entered, heart and soul, into the fun.

But my friend was getting low, and he felt disposed to go,
For his stock of balls was running rather short;
His clubs were all in bits with his thundering, blundering hits,
Yet he grumbled at the poorness of the sport!

With one final desperate shot—'twas the only one he got—
He landed in a bunker of loose sand;
So, with a fiendish yell, to assaulting it he fell,
And raised the dust in clouds on every hand.

For an hour I stood to see what the upshot was to be,
And still the clouds came flying from the hole;
When I left he still was there, and I solemnly declare
That by this time he must be a human mole.

If he does not reappear upon either hemisphere,
There's a duty that's incumbent on the nation,
To equip and organise a Relieving Enterprise,
And confirm it with a Royal Proclamation.
Fraserburgh.

P. M.

GEORGE CLUB, EDINBURGH.—The competition for monthly medals and presented prizes of this club, was played over Musselburgh on Saturday, March 23rd. Considering the alteration of the holes, and high wind which prevailed, some good scores were returned. The best scratch score was that of Mr. D. M. Jackson, who compiled the fourteen holes in 60, and the eighteen holes in 80, made up as follows:—4 4 4 5 5 5 5 3 5 5 4 4 5 2 5 5 4 6=80. The following is the list of prize winners:—Mr. James Adamson, 86, less 6=80; Mr. A. Archibald, jun., 89, less 6=83; Mr. Geo. Robb, 89, less 6=83; Mr. D. M. Jackson, 80, plus 5=85; Mr. G. Hawley, 95, less 8=87; Mr. J. Galbraith, 98, less 10=88; Mr. T. Taylor, jun., 96, less 8=88; Mr. R. Robinson, sen., 88, plus 2=90.

NORTH BERWICK GOLF LINKS.

(The Old and the New).

THE enlargement of the Golf links at North Berwick, which is now being carried out, is of great importance to the inhabitants of the Burgh, and to all who like a game on a course which not only brings out good play under the invigorating influence of healthy sea-breezes, but which, from its interesting history, also carries the imagination back over old times rich in reminiscences of the Royal and Ancient Game. True, North Berwick Golf is not so venerable in antiquity as that of St. Andrews, but it is not far behind. The two, when we read their history, have much in common. Now, when North Berwick is put into order, I venture to say that not only from a historical point of view, but as a high-class green this old Lothian Links will fall little behind the famous links of St.

over this ground, and the Corporation of the Burgh had to answer for their claim in the Court of Session. In the issue it was decided that the public had lost their rights to golf on the East Links, and had acquired them on the West Links by forty years' prescription. The present Lord Trayner represented the Corporation, and to his eloquence Sir Hew good-humouredly attributed the loss of his case.

The formation of the North Berwick Golf Club in the year 1832, brought the links into fame as a Golf centre. At that time the communication between North Berwick and the outside world was very meagre, a one-horse coach, on alternate days (afterwards magnified to a coach with two horses), being the connection with the metropolis, while for provisions the people were chiefly dependent on carriers from Haddington. The club was chiefly composed of country gentlemen, who for big occasions invited their friends to stay with them. The



THE OLD COURSE: SHOWING BOUNDARY DYKE, FROM POINT GARRY.

Rule. Some I have heard prophesying with confidence that the new edition of North Berwick will put St. Andrews out of date. Be that as it may, there can be no dispute that the opening of the enlarged links of North Berwick, with the present season, is one of the principal events of the golfing year in Scotland. Some account of the development of the green and the game at this now fashionable watering-place, with a statement as to the present alterations, may therefore be given in GOLF for the information of such as are interested in the matter. By the usual conferences with the oldest inhabitant and such of his neighbours as possess intelligent memories, I can trace Golf at North Berwick back for more than two centuries. It was a pastime for leisure hours with the "forbears" of several of the present leading burghers, who are themselves devotees of the game. At first it appears to have been confined to the East Links, part of which is now built upon by a row of fashionable villas which shuts out the ground from the sea. When play was transferred to the West Links, it was restricted at first to a limited area—the ground bounded by the first wall which is met with in the present course, for which the golfers paid a certain sum annually to the feuars of the town. The Lord of the Manor, the late Sir Hew Dalrymple, once took occasion to dispute the rights of golfers

parties drove down to the links in grand style, and the meetings of the club were to North Berwick the great events of the year. Among the club's members were some of the most famous golfers of the day, whose names were familiar at St. Andrews, *e.g.*, Sir David Baird, who oftener than any other player won the merit medal of the club; Mr. R. Oliphant, of Rossie, reputed the longest driver; Sir Robert Hay, said to have had the finest golfing style; and such well-known players as Captain Hope Grant, Major Playfair, Mr. J. O. Fairlie, Mr. J. H. Wood, Mr. Campbell of Glensaddell, Mr. Macdonald of Clanranald, Sir D. Kinloch of Gilmerton, Sir Ralph Austruther, Mr. John Whyte-Melville, Sir H. Hume-Campbell, and the Earl of Eglinton. One of the features of each gathering was the sumptuous dinner which followed, each member contributing some seasonable dish to grace the table. Such high golfing jinks by such eminent players could not fail to give to North Berwick a position of importance, and doubtless to these meetings of the old club, the town has to look back for the beginning of its prosperity. Mr. George Fullarton Carnegie, one of the earliest members of the club, places North Berwick alongside of St. Andrews in his "Golfiana," a golfing epic, published in 1832—the year of the club's institution. From the description of a match between Mr. Macdonald of Clanranald, and Mr. Campbell of

Saddell on one side, and Sir David Baird and Mr. Carnegie on the other, we learn that the course consisted at that time of six holes. These were much on the lines of the present first three and last three, only much more difficult, for the teeing-ground for the first was far back near the present residence of Ex-Provost Brodie, and a burn had to be crossed. (The present road past Hutchison's shop is all that remains of this formidable hazard.) Then in driving off to the Sea Hole, an ugly quarry, now filled up, had to be faced. The Gate Hole on the home course was also much more difficult, the putting ground being surrounded by water, shed from another burn, the track of which is seen in the present road to the sea-shore. The quarry was again on the way to Point Garry home, and at the last hole it required a long drive, such as only Mr. Oliphant could make, to carry the burn; and the putting-green, like the first teeing ground, lay much more to the east than it does now.

In 1833, the year after the club began to play, the course was lengthened, but three years later on it had to be shortened. Two rounds of this green would appear to have been played for the medal, which was won for many years on an average score

as twenty to one were laid against them, there was a full round of the links and a hole extra then to be played. How they won their glorious victory thereafter all the golfing world knows, and we need not here recount the extraordinary tale. It was also partly over this old and circumscribed course (a view of which is here given) that Tom Morris, sen., played a match with Willie Park, sen., in 1856, for £100 a-side. Park triumphed at Musselburgh by 8, and at Prestwick by 5 holes, Morris, at St. Andrews by 5, and North Berwick by 2, so that Park landed the winner by 6 holes. The same match was played more than once again, and there was little to choose between the two competitors.

In 1869 the links was enlarged by adding three holes, the Hon. Nisbet Hamilton, of Archerfield, granting the use of a small park to the west end of the links for this purpose. This made a round of ten holes, but the Gasworks Hole being in course of time eliminated, the round was made one of nine holes, two measures of which gave the orthodox eighteen holes. This nine-hole arrangement lasted for eight years, and among its matches of historical note there is one of very pathetic interest, for it was over this course in 1874 that young Tom



SHOWING ALTERATION OF PLANTATION AND MIDDLE PORTION OF COURSE.

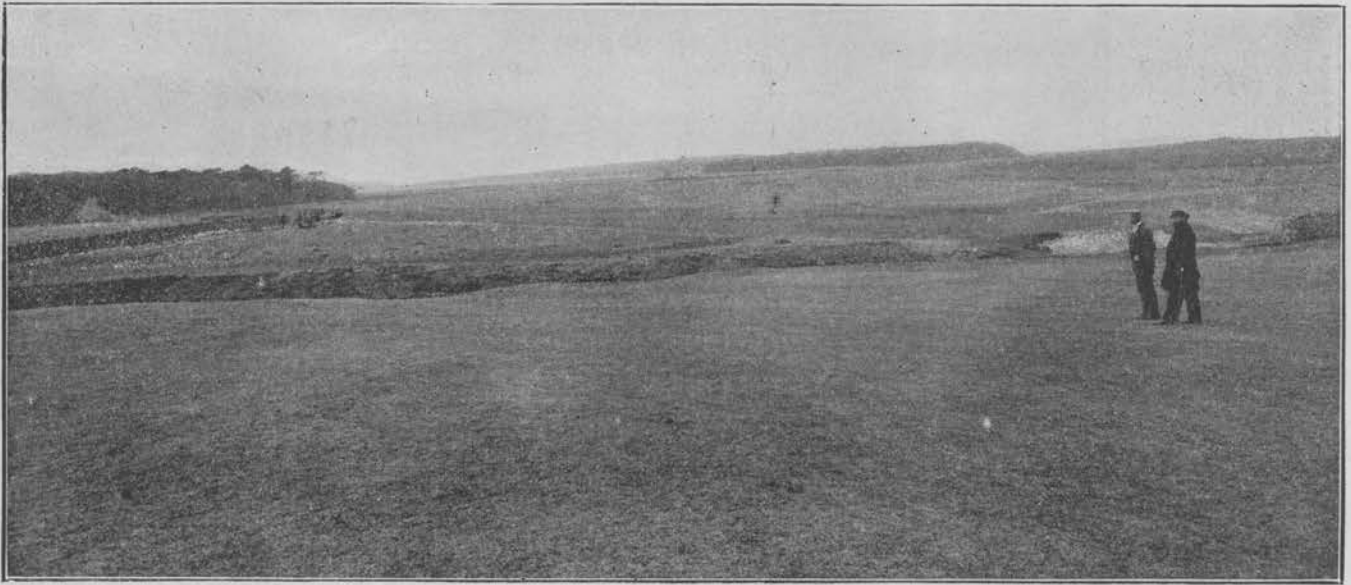
of something like 88 strokes. A short hole seems to have been added to the six mentioned by Carnegie. This was called the Gasworks Hole, and it was carried by a cleek or iron from the return teeing-ground on Point Garry, the putting-green being in a hollow where one of the villas now stands. This short hole was the second last. The medal round would thus be fourteen holes, and, considering the long and hazardous nature of the holes, and the use of the feather ball, the play must be considered good. It was, however, facilitated by the fact that, in early time and up to a comparatively recent date, there were no tins of standard width to mark the holes, which got widened with play, and also owing to the fact that the caddies on taking out the balls usually took sand from the hole to make the next tee, there being no such conveniences as boxes of sand at each teeing-ground in those days. This happy hunting-ground of these famous players was in the year 1849 the scene of the most remarkable finish of the most remarkable Golf match ever played—that between Allan Robertson and Old Tom Morris on one side, and the two Dunns (Willie and James) on the other, for £400 a-side. Mr. Hutchinson, in the Badminton "Golf," naturally gives an erroneous account of the match by omitting to notice that the course was one of seven holes. When Allan and Tom were 4 down and 8 to play, and so much

Morris was playing along with his father, when he was hurried away by telegram to find his young wife dead. The incident is touchingly told by Dr. A. K. H. Boyd in his "Reminiscences of St. Andrews" (I., p. 254). As his many admirers all know, the grand young player reeled and fell under that heavy blow. In 1877 the North Berwick course was enlarged to its present size by additional ground obtained from the proprietor of Archerfield. It has thus existed only eighteen years. But in that time it has gathered around it so many associations that, notwithstanding its acknowledged imperfections, some will regret its transformation. Many important matches were played over it. One of the best I have seen was between the veteran Old Tom and Old Willie Park, not long after the final enlargement of the course. Tom won; and I remember how Old Willie, when they were being photographed after the event, quietly alluded to one of the secrets of his opponent's victory by saying to the photographer, "Mak' a stymie." Tom Dunn was for many years associated as professional with the present green, as Davie Strath was with the earlier course, and both in their day played many interesting matches. Of a later period are the present professionals, Ben Sayers and Davie Grant, the one in the first rank as a player, the other as a professor of the game, and the couple as tough a combination as could be met

in a foursome. I had the pleasure of seeing their united play, over North Berwick green in 1891, against the Kirkaldys—Hugh and Andrew, in which they came off with flying colours, and also Ben's single against Andrew Kirkaldy, in which the former played as good a game as the green could afford, and gave the challenger of the world for the nonce a handsome drubbing. Bob Ferguson, Young Willie Park, Willie Campbell, Willie Fernie, the Simpsons, and other prominent professionals have all played over the green in matches more or less important. Of distinguished amateurs Mr. J. E. Laidlay has the most intimate connection with North Berwick, his father having been proprietor of Sealcliffe, an estate close by, at the mansion house of which (curious to state) the old North Berwick Club was originally formed. Much of his practice has been over this green, of which he holds the amateur record in a competition, viz., 72.

The distinguished leader of the Opposition, the Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, M.P., has as a golfer always been fond of North Berwick Links, and every season he takes a holiday there, where his striking personality, and his devotion to the game make him the central figure of the links. Last season he made a fine score of 78 in a club competition. His Golf is so far inherited, for his father, the late Mr. James Balfour, of Whittinghame, and his uncle, Mr. Charles Balfour were both members of the

Championship. Such are specimens of the reminiscences that cluster round the old links. The changes that have occurred in the history of the Golf course mark the development of North Berwick itself. The town has grown with the growth in popularity of the national game. From the end of the first quarter of the century, when Colonel Brown, with his horses and dogs, drove about as king of the causeway, until the present day—a period of seventy years—we can mark the evolution through Golf of an insignificant fishing village into a fashionable watering-place. When the Eastern Terraces were built fifty years ago, and Golf was confined to the West Links, there were no suburban residences there. This was the case up to a date as recent as 1860, by which time one or two houses had been built on feus of something like £8 per acre. The introduction of gutta-percha in the manufacture of Golf balls, and the construction of the railway, gave the greatest impetus to Golf at North Berwick, and from then till now its popularity has seen no abatement, and hundreds of villas, some built on feus of £30 per acre (one of these, the Marine, costing £50,000), with several capacious hotels, have had to be erected to accommodate residents and visitors, the majority of whom are attracted to North Berwick chiefly by Golf. Even winter does not see the town or the links deserted as they used to be. Mr. M'Culloch, banker, tells how much difficulty he had in getting



SHOWING NEW GROUND ADDED IN ENLARGING COURSE.—FROM PRESENT END HOLE.

old North Berwick Club. The leading Scottish amateurs have all tested the qualities of the links at one time or other, and some of the local players have come to high rank in the amateur list, e.g., Messrs. Stuart Anderson, J. M'Culloch (the secretary of the new green committee), J. R. Whitecross (now Provost of the Burgh, who holds more local medals than any other player), B. Hall Blyth, and R. T. Boothby. Mr. A. M. Ross, the famous Musselburgh player has for some years been a conspicuous figure on North Berwick green, and one of its greatest admirers, of which he has recently given proof by purchasing for a summer residence a villa close by the links. It was on North Berwick Links, and against this redoubtable player, that John Ball, jun., gained one of the first matches of importance, played by him, he being then a mere stripling. The match was of two rounds, Mr. Ross standing 1 up at the close of the first round, but eventually losing by 3 up and 2 to play. I remember seeing another noted English player, Mr. H. H. Hilton, distinguish himself by winning the first prize in a North Berwick Golf tournament in the year 1890. Though in appearance a mere lad, he worked his way to victory over the bodies of some of the most tried competitors, and, from his nimble and finished form on that occasion, I was not surprised to witness his performance at Muirfield in 1892, when he secured the Open

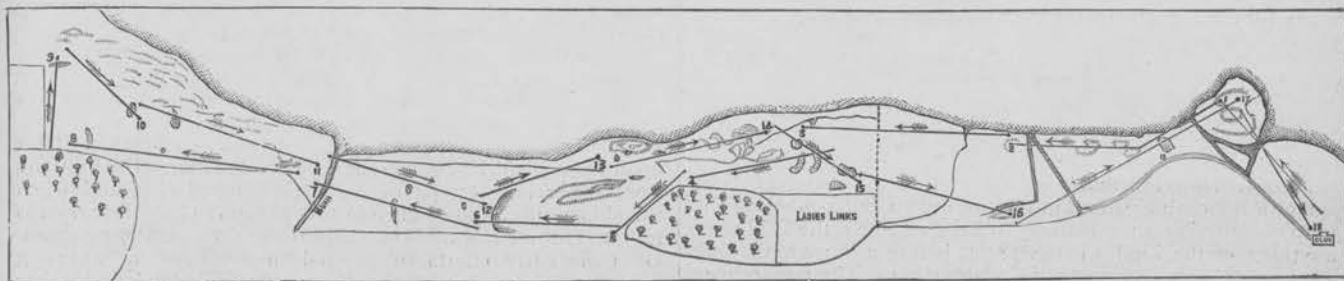
a suitable train to and from the metropolis in winter. He had for some years to raise a guarantee of £500. There is no guarantee needed now. Nearly all the year round the game goes on with comfort, frost and snow very seldom interfering so much with play as during the past winter.

The history of the Tantallon Golf Club gives the most remarkable evidence of the development of Golf at North Berwick. Formed in 1853, its members were chiefly merchants in the town, and for many years did not number more than two dozen. It now embraces on its list the names of over 300 gentlemen, and its secretary, Mr. Bloxson, in one year paid the Railway Company £1,000 for golfers' tickets. The Bass Rock Club, instituted in 1873, has a membership of over sixty, and on its list are and have been some of the best local golfers. These have oftener than any others won the County Cup, competed for at Luffness by four representatives of each club. John Forrest, for a long time local "crack," has gone over to the professionals, and is now keeper of an English green. The New Club, formed in 1880, has a membership of 200, and the Ladies' Club (1888) has a list of no less than 300 members. Such are the results of the development of the game and the green at North Berwick. Alongside of these clubs—all of comparatively modern date—the Old North Berwick Club, verging

on its three-score and ten years, goes quietly on its way, the old and honourable traditions of the club being worthily upheld by the present members, who are mostly the sons or grandsons of the club's founders. No better illustration of the noble character of the old club could be afforded than the fact that the club has handed over a sum of about £900, which has accumulated in its hands during its management of the green, to the New Club to be expended in the present enlargement, the latter club having become lessee of the ground. *Noblesse oblige.* The club was not legally bound to make such payment. Its ready recognition of its responsibility was on a higher level, and will ever redound to its honour. If such be the development of North Berwick, with a green too limited to afford scope for a perfect exhibition of the royal game—a green where one, as Horace Hutchinson puts it, was "always approaching"—what shall the North Berwick of the future be, with a green second to none, where the longest driver shall have ample room and verge enough, and come what may of the golfing multitude, there shall be no congestion even on a Bank Holiday?

Let me note the alterations which have been made. This may be done by giving, to begin with, the distances of the various holes, the measurements being taken from hole to

No. II. shows the aspect of this middle portion of the course when cleared, the view being taken from above the bunker at the Redan. "Low Bents" and "Far Bents," the old touchy fifth and sixth holes, vanish also. For the fifth hole the player takes a drive along the ground, cleared of what was formerly plantation, to the old Hole Across. The Quarry becomes the sixth hole, and suffers no alteration. The next, what used to be the End (or tenth) Hole, becomes the seventh hole, and, ere we have done with it, we are on the new ground which has recently been added, and of which a view is given, taken from above the old putting-green on the near side of the burn (Illustration III.). The putting-green is on the far side of the burn, and it will require a grand second any day to place the gutta safely on the green. The eighth hole, the *pièce de résistance* for length in the new round, is right along the Ferrygate plantation in the Gullane direction, and several hazards, besides the sunken ditch which bounds the wood, will test the skill of the golfer before he covers the 510 yards, so that a small figure here will not be a common occurrence, and the hole will be a formidable argument for the augmentation of present handicaps. There is likely to be a tent for refreshments, with some trusty "Old Daw" in attendance at the finish of this eighth hole, and in the shelter of the wood—a very



PLAN OF THE COURSE.

hole recently by the secretary of the green committee, and certified as accurate:—

1. 313 yards.	10. 273 yards.
2. 466 "	11. 300 "
3. 440 "	12. 363 "
4. 243 "	13. 260 "
5. 300 "	14. 382 "
6. 270 "	15. 266 "
7. 333 "	16. 380 "
8. 510 "	17. 450 "
9. 246 "	18. 300 "
	Total ... 6,095 yards.

Or nearly three miles and a-half.

This table makes apparent the complete change brought about. Instead of being a green with a great many short holes, North Berwick is now a green where there are no short holes—none, at least under two hundred yards. In laying out the course it might have been thought advisable to go outward by the left, and come homeward by the seaside, so as to avoid any crossing. This was the plan which some proposed. By the plan adopted (which is here reproduced), it will be seen that the committee have not followed this suggestion, and that a crossing more than once occurs. This has been done with the view of preserving what was best in the old course, for no one would have liked to see, *e.g.*, the abolition of the Redan Hole, the retention of which is the cause of the most noticeable crossing of players in the new round. The first two holes—Point Garry and the Sea Hole, remain as before. At the third the player does not stop at the Dyke, but has to carry on to the Trap green, this hole being now one of the most sporting character. Next, the Angle Hole is found to have vanished away, and at the fourth teeing-ground the player drives for a putting-green in ground which used to be enclosed in the plantation, and he has no plantation dyke to trouble him, for all this and about half of the plantation have been cleared away. Our illustration

suitable stage in the course for such a welcome interpellation. The ninth hole takes the player seaward; its putting-green with hazard in front reminding one forcibly of some of the Muirfield holes. The tenth hole sees the return homeward, and, after various hazards have had attention, the putting-green will be found about the centre of the new ground. The eleventh hole also finishes in the new ground just close to the burn. For the twelfth, the burn and dyke, as hazards in front of the teeing ground, will make the Quarry Hole in much more difficult than it used to be. The putting green stands as it did. Then for thirteenth hole the "Pit" remains *in statu quo*. For the fourteenth we have one of the most sporting character, due, we believe, to the fertile imagination of the energetic young secretary of the green committee. There the High Bent putting green is not used any longer, and "Perfection" is also removed from its old place and the title given to this fourteenth hole, where the putting-green is in a blind hollow to the northwest of the present dyke and bunker. Mr. Asquith's phrase, "ploughing the sand of the sea-shore" will, in the future as in the past, apply to a good many shots on the way to the Perfection Hole, for the danger of a long drive going seaward will be even greater than before, and many will have a second shot to play with accuracy before they are safe in the happy hollow. The fifteenth (Redan) and the last three holes remain exactly as before.

It will thus be noticed, with a certain sense of satisfaction, that in the new course very little interference has been made with the most ancient part of the links—that over which the grey fathers of the old club of North Berwick had their merry meetings. The brunt of the change has fallen on the parts added in more recent times. On the whole, the town is heartily to be congratulated on the final arrangement of a matter which is so vital to its welfare, and on the judicious way in which the green committee has gone about its work. The lease secured for the ground lasts for twenty-one years, and the rental is understood to be £350 per annum. It is curious to look at the fine farm of Ferrygate, close by,

where the steam plough was first introduced by Mr. Sadler, with great expectations of great results for agriculturists, and then at what was but recently a tract of waste land, worthless except for feeding a few rabbits. Golf has made the latter more valuable than the arable soil close by. Who can prophesy what other twenty-one years will do, if the game goes on as it is doing, and agriculture sees no revival? The proprietor will have to feu his farms for villas to accommodate those who pay big rents for the links, for there are thousands of acres more lying ready to meet the golfing demand. This, however, is of the nature of speculation. I must complete my historical survey of the old and the new links of North Berwick by adding that the green committee, to whose hands the fortunes of the new course and its present formation are committed, consists of Messrs R. Grant-Suttie, B. Hall-Blyth, D. A. Stevenson, Colonel Anderson, and Sir Archibald Napier, with Mr. Dalziel as representing the Tantallon Golf Club, and Mr. Hutchison the Bass Rock Club—the two last not having any say in financial questions. Mr. John McCulloch is secretary of the committee, and has gone into the work of laying out the course with great care and enthusiasm. The committee are also fortunate in having the services of Tom Anderson, the green keeper, in carrying out their ideas. Under his wise direction a large staff of workmen have been busy for months, and by the beginning of May everything is expected to be ready for the opening of the new and improved edition of the green.

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PATENT FOOT GRIP.

Messrs. Thornton and Co., Edinburgh, have brought out rather a noticeable patent, in the form of an India-rubber Foot Grip, which seems more likely to take and hold the field than anything of the kind we have seen before, and we have than seen a good many attempts in that direction. The indiarubber sole catches both the toe and the heel of the boot, and is kept firmly on by the "stretch" given to the rubber spring placed



in the middle of the sole. The patent sells at 3s. 6d., or thereabouts, and for golfers who have not their hob-nailed boots handy, and wish a game, it will be found extremely suitable, as it can be carried in the pocket, and fitted in a twinkling to an ordinary boot or shoe. Those who wish policemen to be noiseless in their tread, might also consider this patent sole; while curlers will find it just the thing they need for the ice.

MR. B. HALL BLYTH has just started on a three weeks' trip to Rome. No doubt we shall soon hear of Golf at the Vatican.

Review.

THE MEMOIRS OF EDMOND AND JULES DE GONCOURT.
Compiled and translated by M. A. Belloc and M. Shedlock. 2 vols. London: William Heinemann. 1895.

THESE two volumes of delightful contemporary literary gossip and criticism, are not merely translations from the letters and journals of the distinguished brothers, but comprise whole paragraphs of valuable original commentaries and information from the correspondence of many other well-known *litterati* of the day. The piecing together of the disjointed translated journals is admirable, and the whole reads for the most part as smoothly as if there were no gaps filled from other sources. M. Edmond de Goncourt has himself helped the two ladies in their work, and for him there must have been a mingling of pain and happiness in thus at once reviving and perpetuating the memory of his much-loved companion whose versatile genius and brilliant talent so effectually influenced his own solid work. Hitherto, the lives and work of the celebrated brother-writers have been but too little recognised in England, albeit, their originality and individuality have very strongly influenced European literature, and introduced psychology into the regions of history, making the dead live again, and enduing the past with all the living interests of the present.

Left with a considerable private fortune, the brothers spent thousands of francs collecting old manuscripts, going to remote museums in search of miniatures or love-letters, travelling to castles and villages in quest of oral traditions, in short, leaving no clue unfollowed, no trace untracked that could throw light upon their historical researches. True Parisians, the brothers were never long happy out of their beloved city, and when travelling with Sainte-Beuve in Italy, they implore their friends in Paris for all the news of their home for which they yearn. Of their early efforts in journalism we have an amusing account. They assisted the Comte de Villedeuil and other kindred spirits to start a daily paper modelled on the *Charivari*, to be literary, artistic and dramatic, and certainly non-political. They christened their organ *Paris*, and the brothers frankly confess that they, at any rate, believed it to be "the first literary daily paper started since the creation of the world"—a confidence in their powers which should have ensured success, to say nothing of the illustrations each day by Gavarni, the greatest master of caricature whom the world has ever known, and who loved the De Goncourts with an undying affection. The description of the celebrated journalists engaged on the paper, including Alphonse Karr, Xavier de Montépin, de Banville, and Aurelien Scholl, is vivid and drawn with the de Goncourt's inimitable talent for characteristic details. But somehow *Paris* did not become well-known or important until dragged into notoriety by the De Goncourts, who outraged the then susceptible public opinion by an article entitled, "A Journey from No. 43, Rue Saint Georges to No. 1, Rue Lafitte," satirising a refusal of Rachel to accept a picture of Venus and Adonis sent as a complimentary present by Mdlle. Nathalie. The chief of police scented evil and the De Goncourts became the centre figures of a literary *cause célèbre*, resulting, however, in nothing worse than a severe reprimand and a warning to depart from the turf of journalism.

Their increasing interest in their historical studies, made this warning less bitter, and they collected their many interesting articles written for various journals, principally for *L'Eclair*, and published them under various titles. The success of their first work of romance, "La Lorette," the forerunner of Zola's "Nana," made them aware of their own powers, and from that moment they worked eagerly, and the Memoirs give us the most fascinating picture of literary Paris. Every well-known man and woman of letters in Paris, every artist of any note, and all musicians visiting the gay capital, made the acquaintance of the brothers, and Jules, the most prolific letter-writer, carried on an extensive and witty correspondence with these *beaux esprits*. The brothers were clever artists, and of the eight illustrations in these two volumes, two are portraits drawn or each other. That from Edmond's pencil shows us the long-legged, gentle-faced Jules, clad in a loose smoking coat, and lying back luxuriously in a deep arm-chair, his feet upon the mantle-piece,

and a favourite pipe hanging indolently between his lips, while there is a dreamy wistful expression on the face, as if the young man were evolving some of the characteristics of a favourite heroine. It is an admirable sketch. Jules has drawn Edmond de Goncourt, also in a loose blouse-like garment, smoking a pipe with a long slender stem, and an expression on his face as if trying to spell some word of which he had forgotten the correct orthography.

The illness and premature death of the lovable, brilliant Jules are carefully translated from Edmond's diary. Very touching is the account of the slow-creeping brain-paralysis, the victim growing each day more childish, more helpless, more unhuman; and the bitter cry of anguish when death left the older man to finish the work of which they divided the labours and the success. The French and German authors are either less robust or wear out their vitality more energetically than their English *confreres*. Heine, Flaubert, Gautier, and many others, died in the very prime of life, before reaching their fortieth year.

Edmond's Memoirs are continued from the date of his great loss in 1870 down to 1888, just after the publication of the "Journal des Goncourts." The work was enthusiastically received, and Edmond rejoices that Jules is recognised as a great writer, a recognition not given during his life-time, but now accorded to the memory of one, and the living fame of the other.

Of the work so delicately and artistically carried out by Miss Belloc and Miss Shedlock, it is not too much to say that by their accuracy, insight and critical discernment, as well as by their intuition of the spirit which animated the life and work of these graceful and classical authors, they have helped to refute that too-lightly accepted proverb, that translators are traitors.

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

Wednesday, the 27th March, was fixed for the four winners of the preliminary competitions for the prize presented by Mr. R. L. Verity to the lady-subscribers of the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club, to play off, under special handicap, for possession, and the following was the result:—Miss Watson (St. Anne's), 108, less 6=102; Miss Maud Salt, (Lytham), 114, less 4=110; Miss C. Salt (Lytham), 122, less 1=121; Miss Hargreaves (St. Anne's), scratched in consequence of illness. The prize, which consisted of three large and handsome silver-mounted scent bottles, was presented to the winner, Miss Watson, by Mrs. Verity, in the ladies' pavilion at the conclusion of play. The "Bogey" prize, presented a short time ago by Mrs. Nuttall, resulted in a tie between Mrs. Ernest Catterall and Miss E. Lythgoe. The last-named lady has now scratched, consequently, Mrs. Ernest Catterall wins the prize. Miss E. Lythgoe won the first sweepstakes, and the second was divided between Miss Thompson and Miss E. H. Salt.

ROYAL BELFAST GOLF CLUB.

The final tie for the Iota cup, presented by Mr. A. S. Matier, Fortwilliam Park, was played at Carnalea, on Saturday, March 23rd, between Mr. Geo. M. Shaw and Mr. Hugh Shaw. Mr. Hugh Shaw had to allow his opponent two strokes on the eighteen holes (taken at first and third), and finally secured the coveted trophy at the 17th hole, by 2 up and 1 to play. The game throughout was exceedingly closely contested. Mr. G. M. Shaw leading by 1 at the turn, but losing the next hole the game was made all even, and it was not until the fifteenth hole was reached that Mr. Hugh Shaw took the lead, holing out in 3 after his opponent had laid him almost a dead stymie. The next hole was halved, and both carried the Chasm well in their drives for the seventeenth hole. Mr. Hugh Shaw had the best lie, and in spite of a fine approach shot played by his opponent, managed to get down in 4, thus securing the cup.

The weather was most unfavourable, rain falling during the entire competition, this did not, however, deter a number of privileged spectators from taking a keen interest in the match.

ROYAL WEST NORFOLK GOLF CLUB.—On Saturday, at Brancaster, the monthly medal was played for with the following results:—Col. John Boughy, 99, less 12=87, first; Rev. H. Thursby, 107, less 16=91, second; Mr. R. O. Ridley, 108, less 16=92, third; Rev. H. Barrett, 105, less 11=94, fourth; and Mr. R. Hetwood, 116, less 15=101, fifth.



Mr. H. Gladstone, the First Commissioner of Works, has declined to grant the portion of the Home Park, Hampton Court, which it was suggested should be set apart for the playing of Golf. He has, however, suggested to the memorialists that a piece of the park between Long and Thames Ditton, and right opposite the river, might be granted for the purpose. There are several serious objections to the use of this portion of the park for Golf, as it is crossed by footpaths leading to and from the palace and the ferries at Long and Thames Ditton. The memorialists have now suggested another alternative stretch of ground, which extends from the Long Water to one of the three avenues in the park, leading to a point opposite the Lambeth Waterworks. This piece of land, the area of which is about 170 acres, is very secluded, and the memorialists undertake that it shall not be increased, that there shall be no playing on Sundays or Bank Holidays, and that the links shall be open to all comers. Unless this piece is granted they will decline to accept the other part suggested. The Kingston Ratepayers' Association has now withdrawn its opposition to the proposal.

The spring meeting of the Chislehurst Golf Club, Camden Park, Chislehurst, will cover three days. May 9th is set apart for ladies' competitions, the 10th, Open Amateur scratch competition for a cup value £15 15s, and the 11th, scratch and handicap competitions for the club members. The links are in fine order, and the greens will be in fine condition for this meeting.

The committee of the Ealing Golf Club have arranged for a wagonette to be run every hour on Saturdays between Ealing Station and the Links.

There is little likelihood of the fourteen-hole extension at Musselburgh, which we condemned last week, being adopted. General disapproval is expressed of the alteration, and the marvel is that any one should dream of so destroying the famous old course. All that is needed is that one of the Bailies be struck by a ball at some of the crossings, and then the monstrosity will be abolished.

With reference to the remarks which appeared in our last issue with regard to the converting of Musselburgh Links into a fourteen-hole course, when we expressed surprise that the proposal should be actively fostered by a few local players of

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ability, with fair pretensions to some eminence in the game, we have been requested to state that Mr. T. T. Gray, of the Royal Musselburgh Golf Club, entirely disapproves the proposed change. This explanation is rendered necessary in consequence of a paragraph having appeared in some of the local papers implying that Mr. Gray approved the scheme.

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Our readers will remember the excellent appearance made by Mr. Gray at the Amateur Championship at Hoylake last year, when, after vanquishing such noted players as Mr. Wm. Doleman, Mr. Wharton Tod, and Mr. Leslie Balfour-Melville, he was only prevented by Mr. John Ball from entering the semi-final round. Mr. Gray's disapproval should, therefore, have great weight with the Musselburgh Town Council.

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We are able to state, on good authority, that the scheme was submitted to Willie Park before he sailed for America, and that he condemned it utterly. Douglas McEwan does the same; and we are informed that Ben Sayers happened to be at Musselburgh (his old green) last week, when he expressed himself against the change. What more can be necessary to show that it is unworthy of consideration?

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Some newspapers seem to have a "silly season," even when Parliament is sitting. The *St. James' Gazette* has had a whole week of discussion on the question, "Is Golf Worth Playing?" In regard to all these talkers, players of the game seem to adopt the old motto, "They say: what say they? Let them say;" and meantime the multitude follow Golf as if it were the only game worth playing.

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Some Airdrie golfers have been figuring in a libel case in the Court of Session lately. It seems that the doctor of the place is a pigeon-fancier, and on their way home from a Golf match, some of the players had hinted, or stated, that the doctor neglected his patients in attending to his "doos." They have had to pay for their uncharitableness. If a man's hobby is Golf, he should not slander another whose hobby is pigeons; and, better go over the round again in the train home, than discuss the deficiencies of your neighbour hobbyist.

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Mr. F. Kinloch, captain of the Haddington Golf Club, writing in the *Haddington Courier*, suggests that in East Lothian the various Golf clubs should form themselves into a County Association after the example of golfers in many English counties. He speaks of the present as "these days of what may be called 'Higher Golf'"—rather a noticeable admission from one who inherits a golfing name famous in the classic age of the Royal and Ancient Game.

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Among those admitted to the Honourable Company of Edinburgh golfers at last meeting was Mr. D. A. Wauchope, who bears a name honoured in Golf, his father Mr. D. B. Wauchope having long been known as a keen hand in the same Company, of which he was captain more than thirty years ago; while his grandfather, Mr. G. Wauchope, was secretary of the old North Berwick Club in 1832, when it was formed, and for many years thereafter. Mr. Wauchope was stroke for Cambridge in the recent boat race.

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Montrose club is thriving, like most others, its membership now being 150, of which no fewer than sixty-three were admitted during the past year. The popular August tournament, in which ladies play an important part, is again to be held, the play to last over a week. W. F. McHardy succeeds C. Davidson as greenkeeper.

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The Berwick-on-Tweed golfers are getting a neat club-house erected, at a cost of £400, most of which is subscribed. Both ladies and gentlemen are very enthusiastic over the game, for which the Goswick course gives excellent facilities.

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Glencorse Club is soon to enter on a new nine-hole course, to be afterwards extended to eighteen holes. Including ladies, the club has now a list of 200 members.

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Sir Walter Simpson, of Balabraes, has again been appointed hon. president of the Eyemouth Club. It is proposed to make a further extension of the present excellent links.

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The Spring competition of the Gullane Golf Club—that by holes under handicap—takes place on the 20th April. The secretary informs members that the card intimating each meeting is to be discontinued, and that in future these will only be intimated in the *Scotsman* and county newspapers. Besides the above, the other meetings fall on the 15th June, 20th July, and 14th September respectively.

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In the rules and by-laws of the United States Golf Association, published in our issue of March 15th, section 12, read as follows:—"The Amateur Golf Championship shall be played by holes: the Open Golf Championship shall be match play." The secretary asks us to state that the section should read:—"The Amateur Golf Championship shall be played by holes. The Open Golf Championship shall be 'medal' play."

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The spring meeting of the Worlington and Newmarket Golf Club takes place on Friday and Saturday, April 19th and 20th, when the McCalmont cup, the hon. secretary's medal, the Baird challenge cup, and the Banbury cup are competed for by the members. In addition to the club prizes, an Eastern Counties trophy, for which members of clubs in the five Eastern Counties are eligible, is offered. This will be the second year this trophy is competed for, the competition being so eminently successful last year. Fuller particulars are given in our advertisement columns. Jack White has the course in grand order.

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INTERNATIONAL MATCH.—An important professional golfing event, which will partake of an international character, has been arranged to take place over the Bridge of Weir course in the beginning of May. This is a tournament between A. Herd, Huddersfield, and J. H. Taylor (Champion), representing England; and W. Fernie (ex-Champion), Troon, and Andrew Kirkaldy, St. Andrews, as representing Scotland.

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The monthly medal of the Seaford Golf Club will be played for on April 20th. The alteration is due to the medal day falling on Easter Saturday.

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A large company of mourners attended the funeral of Alexander Lumsden at North Berwick on Saturday, March 30th. Lumsden who learned the game at North Berwick, and used to be employed by Mr. Bloxson, secretary of the Tantallon Club, has for some years been greenkeeper and professional to the Bristol and Clifton Golf Club. He was doing well, and had laid out a good many greens in the neighbourhood; but a neglected cold and influenza brought him down, after a three weeks' illness, at the early age of twenty-three. His death

makes the first break in a family of twelve, and much sympathy is felt for them and for the young woman who was shortly to have been Lumsden's bride. The Rev. John Kerr, Dirleton, conducted the burial services, and Ben Sayers, Davie Grant, G. Sayers, J. Crawford, J. Hutchison and many other golfers were among the company that followed the young professional to his grave.

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At Balham, on Saturday last, Covington, the professional, played a wonderfully fine game. The record for the course, 44, was reduced by him no fewer than three times in succession. Playing against Mr. Grant Taylor, he got round in 40 and 39, as against Mr. Taylor's 46 and 49, the latter experiencing very bad luck on several occasions. Afterwards, in a three-ball match against Mr. F. J. Randall and Mr. Taylor, he excelled himself, taking 36 only, made up with—4 3 3 5 4 5 4 3 5. Covington, who was taught his game and club-making at Tooting by Tom Dunn and Peter Paxton, has not yet seen his twentieth year, and many of his admirers confidently predict his progress to the first rank of golfers. The Balham Club is undoubtedly fortunate to possess one of the most promising players of the day.

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A thirty-six home-and-home match is to be played by Herd, of Huddersfield, *v.* Toogood, of Minchinhampton. The first thirty-six holes will be played at Minchinhampton on Saturday, April 20th

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Messrs. Cooper, Corah, and Sons, St. Margaret's Works, Leicester, have brought out a very attractive novelty for lady players in the "St. Margaret Knitted Golf Jersey." It is made of English spun yarn, and can be obtained in scarlet, navy, black, white, fawn, sky, and cardinal colours. It is just the ideal garment for ladies to wear on the links, being close-fitting, warm, and responsive to every muscular movement of the arms and body. The scarlet sweaters for men and boys, sent out by the same firm, are now extensively seen on many links.

EWELME GOLF CLUB.

The annual general meeting of the Ewelme (Oxon.) Golf Club was held on March 2nd, in the club-room.—Mr. A. C. Arding of Braziers Park, having been unanimously voted to the chair, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. It was then stated by the honorary secretary, the Rev. G. W. M. Hamilton, that the club had now some forty members on its roll, and that twenty new members had joined the club in the past year, also that a considerable sum of money had been expended in the laying out of a new course and on the greens. After some further business, the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the chairman. The Ewelme Golf course consists of nine holes with a good number of hazards. It is situated on a large open common close to the Chiltern Hills, and close to the historically interesting village of Ewelme. Ewelme is to be reached from Wallingford, Watlington, and Henley, being respectively 3½, 3, and 9 miles from these places. Visitors would find ample accommodation at the Greyhound, Ewelme, a small village hotel, very clean and comfortable.

Monthly medal competition, March (eighteen holes):—Mr. E. H. Burkitt, 115, less 18=97+4=101; Mr. Francis Hedges, 138, less 40=98; Mr. H. Macbeth Raeburn, 94+2=96; Rev. J. G. D. Willis, 137, less 8=129; Mr. A. C. Arding, 115, less 8=107. Mr. Lester Palmer, no return.

MARPLE GOLF CLUB.—Monthly medal competition. Only eight players turned out on Saturday, and Dr. Bailey won the monthly medal, returning his card, 115, less 28=87. Mr. A. Simon came next with 106, less 13=93.

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A REMARKABLE "HALF."

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—It may interest some of your readers to know of a remarkable incident that occurred on these links on the 20th inst., and which is, I think, worthy of record. Colonel Broughton and Mr. C. E. S. Innes were playing a match, and at the eighth or Garden hole (the garden presenting a formidable hazard), Colonel Broughton drove from the tee into a ditch which skirts the garden on two sides. Mr. Innes then drove into the garden, lost a stroke, and played his third from the tee, and holed out at a distance of 130 yards. Colonel Broughton then lifted his ball out of the ditch, dropped a club's length therefrom, with a penalty of a stroke, played his third, and holed out at a distance of forty-five yards; the hole was, therefore, halved in 3.

I am Sir, &c.,

J. H. BOYD THOMSON.

Golf Club, Bedford, March 26th.

COUNTY GOLF.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I think the thanks of all Golf clubs are due to the Hants County Association, for their action in this matter.

The question appears to me to be which club in each county is to take the lead in ascertaining if an Association is wanted, and if so, to invite the co-operation of the clubs in that county.

I think most committees are far too bashful to do anything, unless the initiative is taken by one of the older, larger and wealthier clubs in the county. Which shall it be?

I am Sir, &c.,

AN HON. SECRETARY.

GOLF IN HOLLAND.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Can any of your readers tell me of Golf links in Holland other than at the Hague, and what are the facilities afforded to strangers for playing upon them?

I am, Sir, &c.,

GOLF SPEL.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In reply to "Golf Spel" I beg to say that the principal Golf-courses in Holland are at the Hague, Doorn, Arnheim, and at Velsen, near Haarlem. At the Hague and Haarlem one

has to be introduced by a member; but members of recognised Golf clubs can play at Arnheim and Doorn on sending their names and the names of their clubs to the honorary secretaries. The names and addresses of the secretaries may be had by writing to me here. I have been requested not to publish their names, as they do not want to be plagued with advertisements. The links at the Hague are the oldest, and are therefore in better order, although at Doorn and Arnheim the nature of the ground is more like Scotch greens. The hazards are mostly natural sand bunkers, and all that is wanting for perfect Golf is good turf throughout the course. With proper treatment this will come in time, but at present they have not yet got rid of the heather. I have just returned from laying out the course at Arnheim, but the club-house will be ready and the links open for play by the 1st of May. At Arnheim there is a first-rate hotel, not ten minutes' walk from the first tee. The name of the place is Rosendaal. English is spoken there, and the *cuisine* is excellent. There are several good hotels at Driebergen, where the Doorn Golf Club play.

Through tickets may be booked from Victoria Station, London, Chatham, and Dover Railway. Knowledge of the language is not essential, although by his *nom de plume* I can see that "Golf Spel" must know Dutch. All requisites for the game may be had at any of the above places, as Dunn Bros., of Mitcham, and T. Dunn and Son, of Bournemouth, are continually sending large consignments.

I am Sir, etc.,

JOHN D. DUNN.

Golf Pavilion, Bournemouth.

AN INTER-REGIMENTAL CUP.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In your issue of March 8th, you touch the key-note of a most excellent idea—"Inter-Regimental Golf." There is now "Inter-County Golf," and Parliamentary Golf. Surely the red-coated fraternity should not be behind the M.P.'s in an exposition of "Far and Sure," though they might, perhaps, not be their equals in language. I would that a mightier wielder of the pen, and also of the club, than your humble servant, would take up the subject, which I feel quite certain only requires sufficient ventilation and threshing out to be a success.

There are of course among the different officers of different corps, giant and pygmy golfers; but corps vary, and the spirit of sport should prevent the fact of one or two regiments being particularly strong in the year 1895, from being a deterrent to establish "Inter-Regimental Golf."

Of course the matches would be played by holes. None of your shirt sleeve scoring tablet system; and I would suggest that each corps ought to produce five to six couples.

Were some energetic Guardsman to take the subject up, and in conjunction with, say, another representative of "proposed scheme for establishing Inter-Regimental Golf," at Aldershot, and a third at Edinburgh, matters could soon be brought to a "head," even if it be a broken one!

I am Sir, etc.,

MUSSELBURGH IRON.

ACHES AND SPRAINS!—When a Peer out in the mountains of Chinese Tartary gives a Panamik coolie some Elliman's Embrocation to rub in for a sprain, and the coolie drinks it by mistake, and exclaims, "It is good," you have evidence that Elliman's Embrocation is harmless. Proof:—"To one of the Panamik coolies, who had sprained his knee, I gave some Elliman's Embrocation, in one of our tin teacups, and thought I had made him understand he was to rub it in, but to my horror, and before I could stop him, he swallowed the lotion, and in a very short space of time was sprawling on his stomach, choking and spluttering; but as soon as he recovered his breath, he got up and salaamed, saying it was very good. So, as he seemed quite pleased and none the worse, I did not enlighten him as to his mistake."—Page 13. Quoted from "The Pamirs," by the Earl of Dunmore, F.R.G.S., 1893. Elliman's Universal Embrocation for Rheumatism, Lumbago, Sprains, Bruises, Cuts, Sore Throat from cold, Chest Colds, Stiffness, Cramp, Bronchitis, &c., is an excellent good thing. 1s. 1½d. and 2s. 9d. Prepared only by Elliman, Sons, and Co., Slough, England.



BENTLEY GREEN GOLF CLUB.

The March handicap competition took place on Thursday, March 28th, in very boisterous weather. The following is the result:—Captain E. O. Smith, 105, less 20=85; Lieut.-Colonel W. T. McLeod, 111, less 11=100; Mr. C. H. Morton, 104, less 3=101; Captain L. P. Ditmas, 116, less 15=101; Mr. E. H. E. Morgan, 110, less 8=102; Captain C. H. W. Donovan, 124, less 20=104; Major G. R. B. Patten, 124, less 20=104. No returns from Lieut.-Colonel F. S. Openshaw, Mr. T. C. Peache, Mr. E. J. Dampier, Mr. R. S. Standen, and Captain C. S. Keith.

BOURNEMOUTH GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal.—Played at Bournemouth, March 23rd:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. H. E. Acklom	75	4	71	Rev. G. S. Rogers...	98	18	80
Mr. F. H. Haviland	77	5	72	Mr. F. W. Brewster	91	10	81
Rev. O. K. Prescott	93	20	73	Mr. M. C. C. Burke	107	18	89
Mr. D. H. W. Robson	82	7	75	Mr. E. Terry	124	30	94
Mr. A. H. Cooper	89	13	76	Mr. W. Swainston			
				Godwin	123	28	95

Several made no returns.

BOWDON v. DISLEY.

A Golf match was played on Saturday, March 30th, between the Bowdon and Disley Clubs. The first teams played at Bowdon, and the home team won by twenty-five holes, whilst the match between the second teams at Disley also resulted in favour of Bowdon by twenty-three holes, this being, it is understood, the first defeat Disley have ever sustained on their own links. Both clubs suffered by the absence of several of their prominent players, Bowdon being without Messrs. Morgan, Holden, M. Withington, Kerr, and Muirhead, and Disley missing the services of Messrs. Scholfield, Greenwell, Liebert (2), and Stewart:—

First teams.—

BOWDON.		Holes.	DISLEY.		Holes.
Mr. T. D. Cummins	...	5	Mr. T. G. Yates	...	0
Mr. S. W. Gillett	...	2	Mr. R. W. Hutton	...	0
Mr. C. H. Oecleston	...	2	Mr. W. Bell	...	0
Mr. E. Withington	...	6	Mr. E. G. Hutton	...	0
Mr. A. G. Hogg	...	3	Mr. R. C. Hutton	...	0
Mr. W. G. Clegg	...	0	Mr. E. Hutton	...	2
Rev. T. Pym Williamson	...	5	Rev. E. J. Satterthwaite	...	0
Mr. W. R. Craig	...	0	Mr. A. N. Monkhouse	...	3
Mr. C. H. Wolff	...	9	Mr. H. D. Tonge	...	0
Mr. H. F. Ransome	...	0	Mr. "Jas Herbert"	...	2
		32			7

Second teams.—

BOWDON.		Holes.	DISLEY.		Holes.
Rev. W. Cowie	...	8	Mr. G. C. Satterthwaite	...	0
Mr. G. Shorland Ball	...	5	Mr. H. C. Garrett	...	0
Mr. F. Heywood	...	3	Mr. J. A. Hutton	...	0
Mr. E. C. H. Wolff	...	0	Mr. T. C. Norris	...	3
Mr. S. Smelt	...	0	Mr. G. N. M. Cameron	...	0
Mr. C. W. Dudley	...	2	Mr. H. Latham	...	0
Mr. H. J. Hampson	...	10	Mr. P. Read	...	0
Mr. F. Merriman	...	0	Mr. H. L. Behrens	...	4
Mr. A. S. Hogg	...	0	Mr. A. H. Dixon	...	1
Mr. C. Hopkinson	...	3	Mr. G. Hicks	...	0
		31			8

BURGHLEY PARK v. KETTERING.

Played at Stamford, on Saturday, March 30th.

BURGHLEY PARK.		KETTERING.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. W. W. Lowe	1	Mr. C. Sanderson	0
Rev. R. C. Faithfull	5	Mr. W. Meadows	0
Mr. W. L. de B. Thorold	5	Mr. F. Mobbs	0
Mr. H. J. V. Iggulden	0	Mr. R. Abbott	1
Mr. H. B. Waite	5	Mr. J. Thompson	0
Mr. R. Wyche, jun.	6	Mr. C. W. Stringer	0
Rev. T. Ward	6	Mr. A. Mackay	0
Mr. E. W. Beale	1	Mr. J. Wallis	0
Mr. C. Hunt	0	Mr. H. A. Cooper	3
Mr. E. W. Phillips	1	Col. Brindley	0
	30		4

BURGHLEY PARK v. PETERBOROUGH GORDON.

Played at Peterborough, on Tuesday, 26th March.

BURGHLEY PARK.		PETERBOROUGH GORDON.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. W. W. Lowe	4	Rev. Mr. Peyton	0
Mr. E. Carroll	3	Rev. R. C. Faithfull	0
Mr. H. B. Waite	0	Mr. H. M. Bell	4
Mr. R. Wyche, jun.	7	Rev. T. Ward	0
Mr. C. Hunt	1	Mr. Simpkin	0
Mr. E. W. Phillips	3	Mr. T. H. Norton	0
Mr. G. E. Hewlett	4	Mr. H. W. Gates	0
	22		4

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

The contest for the gold medal, presented by the Blackheath Golf Club in 1873, this year brought out a field of seventy-one. The match extended over two days, Friday and Saturday, March 8th and 9th, and when all scores were returned the winner was found to be Mr. A. J. Dent, who came in with a fine net score of 83. A duffer's cup was also competed for, and was won by Mr. Lindsay Daniell, with a scratch score of 96. The following are the best scores handed in:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. A. J. Dent	88 5 83	Mr. J. A. Cassels	100 9 91
Mr. Lindsay Daniell	96 12 84	Mr. A. C. Young	104 13 91
Mr. N. Mitchell-Innes	88 scr. 88	Mr. R. Elrington	105 14 91
Mr. H. Callaway	94 6 88	Mr. D. C. Blair	107 16 91
Mr. A. J. Pugh	97 9 88	Mr. C. J. Michod	107 16 91
Mr. T. Miller	104 16 88	Mr. L. G. Dunbar	92 scr. 92
Mr. A. F. Simson	89 scr. 89	Mr. A. G. Turnbull	104 12 92
Mr. R. D. Murray	89 scr. 89	Mr. W. D. Stiven	106 14 92
Mr. E. A. Wild	95 6 89	Mr. James G. Anderson	108 16 92
Dr. D. M. Moir	97 8 89	Mr. Norman Mcleod	96 3 93
Mr. F. T. Paine	97 8 89	Mr. G. Robertson	109 16 93
Mr. S. A. H. Sitwell	99 10 89	Mr. A. S. Highet	105 11 94
Dr. R. Macleod	103 14 89	Mr. J. Mann	107 12 95
Mr. W. H. Cheetham	93 3 90	Dr. A. Alcock	111 16 95
Mr. W. R. Stikeman	99 9 90	Mr. C. W. W. Carbery	111 16 95
Mr. H. C. Dring	102 12 90	Mr. P. Donaldson	114 16 98
Mr. W. E. G. C. Dickson	99 8 91		

For the Duffers' cup the following are the scores:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. L. Daniell	96 scr. 96	Mr. James G. Anderson	108 3 105
Dr. R. Macleod	103 3 100	Mr. G. Robertson	109 4 105
Mr. T. Miller	104 4 100	Mr. J. Mann	107 scr. 107
Mr. H. C. Dring	102 scr. 102	Dr. A. Alcock	111 4 107
Mr. D. C. Blair	107 4 103	Mr. C. W. W. Carbery	111 4 107
Mr. C. H. Michod	107 4 103	Mr. P. Donaldson	114 4 110
Mr. R. Elrington	105 2 103	Mr. G. Riley	117 scr. 117
Mr. A. C. Young	104 1 103		
Mr. A. G. Turnbull	104 scr. 104		
Mr. W. D. Stiven	106 2 104		

CHISLEHURST GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal.—In lovely golfing weather a large number of members competed for the monthly medal last Saturday, March 30th, with the following result:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. S. Francis	108 20 88	Mr. H. S. James	113 16 97
Mr. J. D. Ford	109 18 91	Mr. E. Devonshire	111 12 99
Mr. J. A. Dun	102 10 92	Mr. G. Beck	120 20 100
Mr. E. Hawes	100 8 92	Mr. T. R. Hewitt	120 20 100
Mr. R. H. Dun	94 scr. 94	Mr. G. Alexander	106 6 100
Mr. E. F. J. Mills	113 16 97		

CHELTENHAM GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the monthly medals took place on the links at Cleeve Hill on Saturday, March 30th, Mr. F. D. Longe with a score of 82, won the senior medal; Mr. W. R. Porcher, with a net score of 95, won the junior medal. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. F. D. Longe	98 16 82	Mr. G. H. Logan	103 10 93		
Mr. W. A. Gordon	97 14 83	Mr. A. A. Bourne	103 8 95		
Mr. F. W. Hayward		Mr. W. R. Porcher	124 29 95		
Butt	94 8 86	Mr. G. Chester	121 25 96		
Mr. G. W. Goodeve, Senr.	102 14 88	Mr. A. E. Baker	114 15 99		
Mr. A. A. Chester	104 15 89	Mr. J. M. Parker	121 22 99		
Mr. W. S. Macgowan	101 10 91	Mr. W. Bell-Haworth	125 25 100		

Mr. O. J. Williams, Colonel Hume, Mr. H. E. C. Braddell, Mr. W. Mellersh, Mr. Cuthbert Jones, Mr. W. Jopp, Mr. J. F. Campbell, Mr. C. T. Smith, General Campbell, General Brown, Mr. R. Dennis, Mr. J. W. Handley, Mr. H. Heath Smith, Mr. J. L. Hamilton, Mr. W. M. Baker, Mr. C. Tillard, over hundred net or no returns.

The competition for the ladies' medal took place on Friday, March 29th, on the links at Cleeve Hill, over a course of fifteen holes, in very boisterous weather. Miss Rawlinson, with a net score of 94, won the medal. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Miss Rawlinson	102 8 94	Miss A. Bateman			
Miss M. Bateman		Champaign	130 25 105		
Champaign	104 5 99	Miss Johnson	121 15 106		
Miss M. Johnson	105 3 102	Miss Horsbrugh	141 18 123		
Miss Morin	105 3 102				

Miss Campbell, and Miss M. L. Tuke made no returns.

CHISWICK LADIES v. MID-SURREY LADIES SECOND TEAM.

CHISWICK.		MID-SURREY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Miss Ward	6	Mrs. Holford Gower	0
Miss M. Castle	12	Miss Roberts	0
Mrs. Finnis	4	Miss Evans	0
Miss Anning	10	Mrs. Marson	0
Miss Malet	0	Mrs. Woodd	0
Miss Castle	0	Mrs. Coote	1
	32		1

DERBYSHIRE v. CHARNWOOD FOREST.

This match was played on Saturday, March 23rd, on the Charnwood Forest Links, and resulted in a win for the home team by 22 holes. Rain was falling for the greater part of the time, which rather marred the comfort of what was otherwise a very enjoyable game. Scores:—

DERBYSHIRE.		CHARNWOOD FOREST.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Dr. Macphail (captain)	0	Mr. T. B. Jones	1
Mr. J. N. Nutt	3	Mr. C. H. Rome	0
Mr. B. D. Aspdin	0	Hon. B. D. Butler	10
Mr. L. A. Guilman	5	Mr. G. P. Braund	0
Mr. A. L. Upstone	0	Mr. C. T. Parker	0
Mr. H. Burton	0	Mr. G. C. Sillar	3
Mr. H. Secretary	0	Dr. Unitt	6
Mr. W. T. Morley	0	Mr. E. H. Holbeche	10
	8		30

ELTHAM GOLF CLUB.

March 30th.—Monthly medal, postponed from February 16th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. G. Spurling	92 10 82	Mr. E. M. Prothero	100 10 90		
Mr. W. M'Arthur	94 10 84	Mr. E. S. McEuen	95 5 90		
Mr. P. F. G. Lord	97 11 86	Mr. W. Nimmo	110 20 90		
Mr. R. H. Hedderwick		Mr. F. Bloxam	107 16 91		
	93 6 87	Mr. J. Brooksmith	103 8 95		
Mr. J. J. Allen	104 15 89	Mr. A. S. Wills	111 15 96		
Mr. H. C. Burton	103 14 89	Mr. S. Priday	116 16 100		
Mr. G. Meredith	98 9 89	Mr. J. Eagleton	118 14 104		

Fifteen players made no return.

On the same day was decided the singles tournament for the president's prize. Mr. A. S. Johnston, after defeating Mr. J. Edge-Partington by 4 up and 3 to play, himself met the same fate at the hands of Mr. R. H. Hedderwick, who was playing a very fine game, and, with the third he received from his opponent, proved the winner. There were sixty-four entries, and the tournament has been in progress for the last few months, the final round exciting considerable interest.

ELTHAM LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the monthly medal took place on March 30th, and resulted in a win for Mrs. Laird with 81 net.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mrs. Laird ...	89	8	81	Mrs. Lord...	103	9	94
Mrs. Fraser ...	99	14	85	Mrs. Robert Whyte	113	19	94
Miss Knapping ...	100	15	85	Mrs. Richardson ...	104	8	96
Miss Bryans ...	101	16	85	Mrs. Ireland ...	106	10	96
Mrs. Mackern ...	88	+4	92	Mrs. Newton ...	117	20	97
Mrs. Hedderwick ...	103	10	93	Miss Richardson ...	106	8	98

Several others were over 100 net or made no returns,

FINCHLEY GOLF CLUB.

The final competition for the gold medal was held on Saturday, March 30th, under most unfavourable conditions. The ground was very wet and soft:—Mr. E. L. Milner Barry, 97, less 9=88; Mr. A. Arnold Hannay, 94, less 5=89; Mr. J. L. Clark, 102, less 8=94; Mr. A. MacGregor, 109, less 14=95. No cards from Messrs. W. G. MacGregor, J. M. MacGregor, H. Godwin, A. B. Smith, and A. F. Drew. Mr. W. Lyle did not compete.

FORFARSHIRE.

The spring competition of the *Dundee Advertiser* Club, took place on Monifieth Links on Saturday. The weather was very stormy in the forenoon, which had a marked effect on the attendance. The greens were in fine order. The Honeyman medal was won by Mr. John Macrae with a score of 92. The club prizes and sweepstakes in the first class were won as follows:—first average and first sweepstake, Mr. Robert Donn; second average and second sweepstake, Mr. John Inglis; third average and third sweepstake, Mr. John Macrae and Arthur Forsyth, tie. Second class: Leng medal, Mr. John Wynd; first average and first sweepstake, Mr. John Clark; second average and second sweepstake, Mr. Peter Paton. Third class: Club cross, Mr. John Calvert; first average and first sweepstake, Mr. W. D. Kennedy; second average and second sweepstake, Mr. John Calvert; third average and third sweepstake, Mr. David Clark (No. 2). Scores under the century were returned by Mr. John Macrae, 92; Mr. John Inglis, 93; Mr. Arthur Forsyth, 94; Mr. Alex. Buchan, 96; Mr. Robert Donn, 96; and Mr. Alex. Bowman, 97.

GLAMORGANSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal for March was played for on the 30th, in wretched weather, with the following result:—Mr. A. M. Ingledew, 103, less 13=90; Mr. J. Hunter, 100, less 4=96; Mr. C. B. Stoddart, 102, less 5=97. Several others retired or were over 100 net.

GOLF TOURNAMENT IN FLORIDA.

Never in the history of St. Augustine, Florida, has there been a more enjoyable social function given in the open air than the tournament arranged and most successfully conducted by the Golf Club on Tuesday afternoon, March 5th, proving most conclusively the popularity of the game and the ability of the management to bring the pleasure-loving people together, affording them delightful entertainment and amusement. The ladies present in their smart gowns added the bright bit of colour needed for picturesque effect as they followed the competitors round the links watching the game with ever-increasing interest, or gathering about the marquee where Mrs. Alexander B. Coxé, assisted by the reception committee, dispensed most charming hospitality, where friends exchanged cordial greetings and brilliant repartee, and where delicious refreshments for the inner man were delightfully served by the committee and their assistants, Miss Bushnell and Miss James, Mrs. Coxé having most generously provided them in honour of the first tournament. Here were great bowls of delicious punch, one of refreshing Russian tea served with cake, macaroons and biscuit; at another table Miss Bushnell and Miss James poured tea that was served by the gentlemen present. Beyond, the band of the 3rd Artillery discoursed inspiring music, another instance of the secretary's generous desire to give pleasure to friends and secure the brilliant success of the club's first tournament.

It was a handicap tournament, only one competitor playing scratch, Mr. Robinson, who remained in the city to take part in the tournament. Mr. John W. Pepper, of Philadelphia, who won the first prize, had played but once before, was given fifteen strokes, making a score of 65, with a net of 50. Mr. Robinson, who won the second prize, scored 53; net, 53. Mr. Knight, who won the Booby prize, was handicapped 20, scored 118; net, 98, receiving a handsome goose pin.

The prizes were very handsome; the first a sterling flask, with a yacht, all set, engraved on the face; the second a corkscrew, with handle of ivory mounted in silver. At the close of the game, President Pendleton announced the result. Mrs. Alexander Coxé, secretary of the club, presented the winning players with their prizes with felicitous

congratulations. After pleasant responses, President Pendleton proposed three cheers for the gracious lady who had contributed so largely to the pleasure of the day, and these were most cordially given, when the voices of at least three hundred, who had enjoyed the afternoon, responded in heartiest fashion.

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. W. Pepper ...	65	15	50	Mr. Winans ...	86	15	71
Mr. Robinson ...	53	scr.	53	Mr. Hart ...	81	8	73
Mr. Hatfield ...	77	18	59	Mr. Willoughby ...	81	7	74
Major Mallory ...	69	5	64	Mr. MacConnel ...	89	15	74
Mr. Upham ...	94	30	64	Mr. Carpenter ...	81	5	76
Mr. Warden ...	87	20	67	Mr. Coxé ...	107	30	77
Mr. Varnall ...	82	15	67	Mr. Wilcox ...	93	15	78
Mr. Pendleton ...	73	5	68	Mr. Knight ...	118	20	98

KEMP TOWN GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, Saturday, March 30th:—Dr. D. W. Giffard, 115, less 18=97; Mr. M. B. Peacock, 119, less 18=101; Mr. F. S. Heath, 136, less 30=106; Rev. A. P. Spelman, 145, less 24=121. There was a strong wind blowing, several members made no return.

LANARK GOLF CLUB.

The competition of this club for the Orchard shield and souvenirs, which had been postponed from New Year's Day on account of the storm, was held on Saturday, March 30th, in fine but windy weather. In this competition a first and second class player are partnered by lots, and half the aggregate odds of such partner is given to the pair forming the couple. Two rounds of the green (twenty-eight holes in all) decided the prize, and, after all cards were handed in, the under-noted scores were recorded, showing a win for Messrs. Jas. Arthur Vassie and Robert Frame, who are respectively secretary and captain of the club. —

Gross. Hcp. Net.			
Messrs. Jas. Arthur Vassie and Robert Frame ...	146	14	132
Messrs. John Vassie, jun., and Thos. Watson, jun. ...	145	12½	132½
Messrs. John Smith, jun., and R. K. McKeane ...	161	18½	142½
Messrs. Alex. Paterson and T. Hodgson ...	159	11½	147½
Messrs. J. M. Davidson and A. McMartin	165	11½	153½
Messrs. J. Hadow and Laurence Stewart	167	13	154

The game between the first and second couples on the list was very close and interesting; they played against each other. At no time in the course of the twenty-eight holes was there more than 2 strokes between them, and it was only the last putt that settled the match.

MANCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the captain's (Mr. G. Haig's) prizes took place on Saturday, March 23rd, when two members of the club—Mr. W. C. Adamson and Capt. Farrant—established a record for the green. Previous to Saturday, the record in a competition was held by Mr. John Macalister, who, in 1888, returned the gross score of 81, but this was lowered by both the above gentlemen to 80. Early in the afternoon rain fell heavily, and interfered with the returns, but, on the whole, the members acquitted themselves well. The first prize was secured by Mr. W. C. Adamson, with the gross score of 80, less 6=74; and Capt. Farrant and Mr. L. Douglas tied for the second, with 80 and 83, less 3 and 6 respectively. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. W. C. Adamson	80	6	74	Rev. H. A. Brayshaw ...	90	4	86
Capt. Farrant ...	80	3	77	Mr. H. Macdonald ...	100	12	88
Mr. L. Douglas ...	83	6	77	Mr. R. Holmes ...	101	12	89
Mr. R. L. Taylor ...	91	12	79	Capt. Hobbs ...	101	12	89
Mr. H. Smith ...	96	15	81	Mr. W. H. Norris ...	107	15	92
Mr. A. Harden ...	99	16	83	Mr. J. Macdonald ...	100	7	93
Mr. S. Kneale ...	94	9	85	Mr. F. Jones ...	111	14	97
Mr. R. Maclure ...	96	11	85				
Mr. J. W. Schofield	101	16	85				

The tie between Messrs. W. Lund and F. T. Pattison for the consolation prize was played off on Saturday, March 16th, and resulted in a win for the latter gentleman.

LARGES.—This club's monthly medal competition (championship) took on Saturday, March 30th. There was an excellent turnout, and the greens and the course generally were in fine condition. The scores made were very good. The best cards were:—Mr. John Baldie (scratch), 40; Rev. J. Heggie (scratch), 42; Mr. Hary Malcolm, 50, less 8=42; Mr. John Orr, 52, less 9=43; Mr. John Macdonald (scratch), 43; Mr. James Morris, 56, less 10=46; Mr. Robert Spier, 56, less 10=46; Mr. Frank M. Wood, 50, less 3=47; Mr. David Harper, 63, less 12=51; Mr. A. Gordon Alexander, 64, less 8=56.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The usual monthly competitions of the Notts. Golf Club took place on Thursday and Saturday last, with the following result:—Thursday. Handicaps of 16 and under—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. Bowes ... 97	10 87	Mr. J. C. Warren ... 104	5 99
Mr. W. P. Snook ... 107	16 91	Mr. F. T. Green ... 111	12 99
Mr. C. B. Edwards ... 111	15 96	Mr. J. McMeeking ... 108	8 100
Mr. J. Hall ... 102	4 98	Mr. J. Bright ... 121	15 106
Mr. F. W. Maude ... 103	4 99		

Handicaps over 16:—Mr. C. P. Dickson, 117, less 21=95; Mr. C. Barker, 127, less 30=97; Mr. T. G. Mellors, 118, less 18=100.

Messrs. W. J. New, A. Noot, H. C. Russell, A. Baker, and W. R. Lymbery, did not return their cards.

Saturday. Handicaps of 16 and under:—Mr. A. T. Ashwell, 91, less 5=86; Mr. C. S. Wardle, 106, less 12=94; Mr. R. D. Oswald, 107, less 8=99; Mr. J. Johnstone, 111, less 9=102; Mr. C. F. Dobson, 119, less 16=103.

Handicaps over 16:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Rev. L. Gwynne ... 105	18 87	Mr. G. A. Smith ... 122	24 98
Mr. F. W. Cooper ... 117	27 90	Mr. J. G. Taylor ... 120	21 99
Mr. J. S. Tew ... 112	21 91	Mr. J. D. Pearson ... 121	18 103
Mr. T. McCulloch ... 112	19 93	Mr. E. J. Cooper ... 127	24 103
Mr. R. T. Gravelly ... 122	27 95	Mr. J. B. Wells ... 132	27 105
Mr. A. Harwood ... 119	21 98	Mr. J. D. Dale ... 162	36 126

Messrs. E. A. Coutts, R. Edwards, J. W. Greig, W. H. Hutton, C. A. Rastal, and H. D. Snook, did not return their cards.

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Saturday, March 23rd.—Competition for the New Club Cup v. "Bogey"—Mrs. Turner (18) 1 up, Miss Crane (11) 1 up, Mrs. Smith Turberville (6) 1 up, tied; Miss Matheson (19), 1 down; Miss E. Howe (12), 2 down; Miss Gibsons (14), 3 down; Miss E. A. Whieldon (scratch), 5 down; Miss Chambers (5), 7 down. The tie, on being played off, was won by Mrs. Turner, she being 1 up for the second time against "Bogey."

Friday, March 29th.—Mixed foursomes for balls, kindly given by Mr. Hickman, and sweepstakes.

Gross Hcp. Net.	
Miss Chambers and Rev. A. Edgell ...	84 12 72
Miss Matheson and Mr. Richardson ...	94 19 75
Miss E. A. Whieldon and Mr. M. T. Browne ..	80 4 76
Mrs. Turner and Mr. Hickman ...	89 13 76
Mrs. Hornby and Rev. H. Green ...	110 22 88
Miss G. Whieldon and Mr. Wheatley ...	114 24 90
Miss Gibsons and Mr. Treacher ...	113 19 94
Mrs. Eardly Wilmot and Dr. P. Hicks ...	120 23 97

Miss Middleton and General Dandridge made no return.

POROTHCAWL v. ASHBURNHAM.

This match, played on the links of the latter club, resulted in a win for the visitors by seven holes. The following are the scores:—

POROTHCAWL.		ASHBURNHAM.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Mr. D. R. Paterson ...	8	Mr. H. C. Bond ...	0
Dr. E. Williams ...	1	Mr. C. Herbert ...	0
Mr. Dick ...	11	Mr. F. Bond ...	0
Mr. E. T. Collins ...	0	Mr. F. Trubshaw ...	7
Mr. J. Tate ...	0	Mr. W. D. Rock ...	8
Mr. E. Breffit ...	1	Mr. R. Hughes ...	0
Dr. T. Thompson ...	0	Mr. W. R. Rodrick ...	2
Prof. Haycraft ...	3	Mr. R. S. Seymour ...	0
	24		17

ROYAL ASCOT v. WOKING.

Played at Woking, March 23rd.

ROYAL ASCOT.		WOKING.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Mr. G. W. Ricketts ...	0	Mr. C. M. Smith ...	1
Mr. H. Blackett ...	3	Mr. A. Gray ...	0
Sir G. Pigot ...	1	Mr. H. L. Forbes ...	0
Mr. H. Sawyer ...	2	Mr. W. M. Corrie ...	0
Mr. E. Maxwell Stuart ...	0	Mr. R. H. Bullock ...	2
Mr. H. H. Longman ...	0	Mr. H. E. Richards ...	1
Mr. F. L. Govett ...	0	Mr. A. Owen ...	1
Mr. S. H. Eden ...	2	Mr. C. W. Dent ...	0
	8		5

Ascot won by 3 holes.

ROYAL ASHDOWN FOREST GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal of this club was played for at Forest Row on March 30th. The weather was fine, but there was a strongish breeze blowing. The Rev. Arthur Meyrick took the medal, and Mr. H. M. Braybrooke, the Yewhurst clubs for best gross. Scores:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
*Rev. A. Meyrick ...	91 10 81	Mr. F. Lazenby ...	105 17 88
†Mr. Lawford Andrews ...	89 6 83	Mr. F. Scrutton ...	104 15 89
Mr. H. M. Braybrooke ...	81 +3 84	Mr. W. A. B. Musgrave ...	108 19 89
Rev. A. T. Scott ...	90 5 85	Mr. Cecil Bigwood ...	98 8 90
Mr. Alfred Lubbock ...	89 3 86	Mr. A. D. Stevenson ...	107 17 90
Mr. C. L. Reade ...	91 4 87	Mr. H. G. Bateson ...	107 16 91
Mr. E. A. Horne ...	103 16 87	Mr. C. A. Ashton ...	106 13 93
Mr. L. W. Andrews ...	105 18 87	Mr. L. B. Barns ...	104 10 94
Mr. F. R. Lucas ...	106 19 87	Mr. C. W. Carles ...	107 12 95
		Rev. A. Lucas ...	113 15 98

* Medal.

† Yewhurst Clubs.

About ten others over 100 or no return.

ROYAL BLACKHEATH v. ROYAL ARTILLERY, WOOLWICH.

Played March 27th, at Blackheath:—

BLACKHEATH.		ROYAL ARTILLERY.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Mr. J. L. Low ...	9	Mr. Morris ...	0
Mr. F. S. Ireland ...	16	Capt. Lamb ...	0
Mr. A. Schacht ...	7	Major Coker ...	0
Mr. R. Whyte ...	2	Capt. Quinton ...	0
Mr. E. C. Fraser ...	4	Capt. King ...	0
Mr. H. Glasier ...	1	Mr. Straubenzee ...	0
Mr. E. Pinkerton ...	3	Capt. Strange ...	0
Surg.-Col. Staples ...	0	Mr. Tuson ...	4
	42		4

Blackheath won by 38 holes.

ROYAL CROMER GOLF CLUB.

The competitors for the monthly medal had a very high wind with rain to contend with on Thursday, the 28th March, and under these circumstances, the card of Mr. C. H. Aveston, which entitled him to the prize, was a very creditable one, 103, less 10=93. Mr. R. W. Ketton, the previous holder, and Mr. R. N. Fenner, tied for second place. Several players made no return. The optional sweepstake was won by Mr. E. M. Hansell. Scores as under:—Mr. C. H. Aveston, 103, less 10=93; Mr. R. W. Ketton, 101, less 6=95; Mr. R. N. Fenner, 105, less 10=95; Mr. E. M. Hansell (scr.) 97; Mr. I. H. Mannall, 111, less 14=97.

ROYAL DUBLIN GOLF CLUB.

The annual competition for the medal presented by Mr. John Lumsden took place on Saturday. The play was by holes (nine). The entries were not so large as usual, owing to many members being away from town. The following heats were played off:—

First Round.—Mr. Watson beat Major Acton; Mr. "Shea" beat Mr. Kyrke; Mr. Johns beat Mr. Elliott; Mr. Mooney beat Mr. Stack; Mr. J. H. Barrington beat Mr. May; Mr. J. P. Barrington beat Mr. Wilson; Mr. Moore beat Mr. Keating; Mr. Stevenson, walked over.

Second Round.—Mr. A. L. Figgis, walked over; Mr. Hussey beat Mr. Orr; Mr. Pakenham, walked over; Mr. Hone beat Mr. Synnott; Mr. "Shea" beat Mr. Watson; Mr. Johns beat Mr. Mooney; Mr. J. H. Barrington beat Mr. J. P. Barrington; Mr. Moore beat Mr. Stevenson.

Third Round.—Mr. Hussey beat Mr. Figgis; Mr. Hone beat Mr. Pakenham; Mr. "Shea" beat Mr. Johns; Mr. J. H. Barrington beat Mr. Moore.

Fourth Round.—Mr. Hone beat Mr. Hussey; Mr. "Shea" beat Mr. J. H. Barrington.

Final.—Mr. Hone beat Mr. "Shea."

SEAFIELD GOLF CLUB.—The half-yearly competition for scratch and handicap medals and prizes took place over Leith Links on Friday and Saturday, March 29th and 30th, with the following result:—Winner of scratch medal, Mr. R. Robinson, 82. Handicap medal and prizes—1 and 2 (tie), Mr. J. Fairgrieve, 89, less 10=79, and Mr. J. G. Farquhar, 93, less 14=79; 3, Mr. D. Blair, 85, less 3=82; 4 and 5 (tie), Mr. Arthur Stoker, 90, less 7=83, and Mr. S. W. Stewart, 100, less 17=83; 6 (tie), Mr. W. Morrison, 95 less 11=84, and Mr. M. Golder, 96, less 12=84.

ROYAL EASTBOURNE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

A tournament was held on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 26th and 27th, when the following competitions took place. The weather on both days was very boisterous and stormy. On Tuesday morning a prize was given by Mrs. Evill for the lowest score under handicap. This resulted in a tie between Miss M. C. Reid and Miss Graham, but the latter eventually secured it after playing another eighteen holes. On Tuesday afternoon the members competed for two prizes given by Mrs. Evill for the lowest score under handicap made by two members playing together. Miss O. Graham and Miss E. Knipe carried this off rather easily.

On Wednesday, Mr. J. E. Sinclair presented two prizes for the lowest score under handicap made by a lady and gentleman playing together. This was won by Miss Turner and the donor of the prizes, but the latter handed his over to Col. FitzGerald who came in second. Scores.—Singles:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.		
Miss M. C. Reid ...	84	scr. 84	Miss H. Lambert ...	109	12 97
Miss Graham ...	99	15 84	Miss O. Graham ...	109	11 98
Miss J. Davenport ...	98	12 86	Mrs. W. Wright ...	114	15 99
Miss Dowker ...	93	3 90	Mrs. Pott ...	120	20 100
Mrs. Von E. Scott ...	107	12 95	Mrs. Jeffery ...	126	12 114
Mrs. T. S. Whitfield	108	12 96			

Doubles:—Two ladies—

Gross Hcp. Net.		
Miss O. Graham and Miss E. Knipe ...	93	18 75
Miss M. C. Reid and Miss H. Lambert ...	89	6 83
Miss Graham and Mrs. Pott ...	104	18 86
Miss Dowker and Miss J. Davenport ...	97	8 89
Mrs. Von E. Scott and Mrs. W. Wright ...	107	14 93
Mrs. T. S. Whitfield and Mrs. Jeffery ...	107	12 95
Miss M. Gregg and Miss Winter ...	116	17 99
Miss J. E. Chambers and Miss C. Chambers ...	121	19 102

Doubles. Lady and gentleman:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		
Miss Turner and Mr. Sinclair ...	90	21 69
Miss Graham and Col. FitzGerald ...	83	11 72
Miss H. Lambert and Mr. Evill ...	88	13 75
Mrs. Evill and Mr. Spencer ...	97	19 78
Mrs. Von E. Scott and Rev. Von E. Scott ...	87	8 79
Mrs. W. Wright and Mr. E. Matheson ...	93	14 79
Miss M. C. Reid and Col. Shaw ...	85	4 81
Miss Dowker and Gen. Hill ...	89	8 81
Mrs. Jeffery and Mr. T. S. Whitfield ...	94	13 81
Miss Buchanan and Mr. A. Smith ...	91	9 82
Mrs. T. S. Whitfield and Mr. Lambert ...	102	15 87
Miss O. Graham and General Davidson, R.A ...	104	16 88

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

The following is the result of the Gordon cup, captain's prize, and monthly medal competition, played on Saturday, March 30th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. Walter Lush ...	96	18 78	Mr. A. W. Barr ...	107	12 95
Mr. Sidney Kemp ...	93	6 87	Mr. W. H. Boney ...	110	15 95
Mr. Arthur Boney ...	99	11 88	Mr. J. E. Brown ...	105	9 96
Mr. R. S. Cox ...	100	12 88	Mr. J. B. Shaw ...	108	12 96
Mr. R. G. Fabian ...	100	9 91	Mr. H. Parker ...	106	9 97
Mr. J. W. Greig ...	100	7 93	Mr. W. H. Martin ...	113	16 97
Mr. J. Hax ...	103	10 93	Mr. N. H. Wykes ...	106	8 98
Mr. A. H. Cooke ...	104	11 93	Mr. Ernest Flint ...	108	10 98
Mr. R. H. King ...	109	16 93	Mr. A. A. Hannay ...	105	6 99
Mr. C. E. Greig ...	101	7 94	Mr. J. Latham, jun. ...	109	10 99
Mr. Alfred Kemp ...	102	8 94	Mr. E. L. Latham ...	111	12 99
Mr. J. O. Milledge, jun. ...	106	11 95			

The other cards handed in were over 100 net.

ROYAL GUERNSEY GOLF CLUB.

Monthly gold badge March.—Major Wright, 111, less 25=86; Mr. F. Fraser, 111, less 23=88; Mr. N. Williams, 107, less 16=91; Mr. J. Swinborne, 105, less 12=93; Mr. T. S. Dobree, 109, less 12=97; Mr. F. H. O. Maclean, 109, less 11=98. Col. St. Clair, Capt. O. Taylor, Mr. A. Falle, Col. Le Mottée, Major Harvey, and Mr. F. Hutchinson made no returns.

EDINBURGH CARLTON.—The spring competition took place at Gullane on Saturday, March 30th, in boisterous weather. The following were the prize-winners:—Oakvale bowl, and scratch prize; Mr. W. B. Taylor, 85, silver medal and captain's prize; Mr. A. Macbeth, 97, less 14=83, second handicap, Mr. P. W. Drummond, 104, less 18=86; third handicap, Mr. John Taylor, 86, plus 4=90.

ROYAL NORTH DEVON GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, March 30th, in fair weather, but with a stormy westerly breeze. Thirty-four started. The medal was won by Mr. E. A. Cumming, 98, less 12=86. Next best scores:—Mr. J. C. McLaren, 89, plus 1=90; Rev. R. W. Sealy, 97, less 7=90; Mr. H. E. Molesworth, 110, less 18=92; Mr. St. C. K. M. Stobart (scratch), 93; Col. S. Scott, 104, less 11=93; Col. Templeman, 113, less 20=93; Mr. T. W. Colthurst, 98, less 4=94.

ROYAL WIMBLEDON GOLF CLUB.

Monthly handicap challenge medal, March 30th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. A. Pollock ...	90	4 86	Mr. J. MacFarlan ...	110	18 92
Mr. G. E. Jones ...	104	18 86	Mr. E. S. Spencer ...	110	18 92
Mr. J. M. Henderson ...	91	4 87	Mr. E. A. Walker ...	97	4 93
Mr. N. Lubbock ...	95	8 87	Mr. F. J. Walker ...	98	5 93
Mr. G. E. Tabor ...	98	10 88	Mr. H. P. Cumming ...	99	6 93
Mr. R. Browne ...	100	12 88	Mr. C. A. Pidcock ...	100	7 93
Mr. W. Johnston ...	100	11 89	Mr. H. B. Forde ...	109	16 93
Mr. W. H. Oliver ...	105	16 89	Mr. H. T. Wright ...	98	4 94
Mr. A. H. Molesworth ...	89	+1 90	Mr. A. Davidson ...	104	10 94
Mr. E. Field ...	94	4 90	Mr. J. Murray ...	104	10 94
Mr. C. M. Smith ...	94	4 90	Mr. F. S. Creswell ...	106	12 94
Mr. R. Thomson ...	94	4 90	Mr. W. Morley ...	106	12 94
Mr. H. E. Johnson ...	96	6 90	Mr. J. A. C. Tanner ...	110	16 94
Mr. H. Blake ...	105	15 90	Mr. J. J. Cater ...	113	18 95
Mr. H. E. Archer ...	106	16 90	Mr. C. C. Wyllie ...	113	18 95
Mr. F. E. Faithfull ...	94	3 91	Mr. R. F. Denniston ...	101	5 96
Mr. G. Nicol ...	95	4 91	Mr. W. R. Portal ...	112	16 96
Mr. H. W. Home ...	99	8 91	Lieut. Col. F. J. Tidy ...	114	18 96
Mr. F. W. Hollams ...	100	9 91	Mr. N. R. Foster ...	95	+2 97
Mr. F. C. Stapylton ...	105	12 91	Mr. Guy Pym ...	102	5 97
Mr. C. A. W. Cameron ...	96	4 92	Mr. D. E. Park ...	114	16 98
Mr. H. C. Willock ...	98	6 92	Mr. W. P. Crane ...	109	10 99
Mr. S. A. Boulton ...	102	10 92	Mr. H. H. Batten ...	114	14 100
Mr. W. D. Scott-Moncrieff ...	103	11 92	Mr. H. P. Paul ...	119	18 101
			Mr. C. W. Harrison ...	113	10 103

No returns from thirty-two players.

SEAFORD (LOCAL TEAM) v. BEXHILL.

BEXHILL.		SEAFORD.	
Holes.		Holes.	
Mr. H. S. Colt ...	0	Capt. Nugent ...	0
Mr. W. G. McGregor ...	0	Mr. Hugh Thomson ...	2
Mr. G. Garrard ...	7	Mr. Davenport-Knight ...	0
Mr. J. H. Escoline ...	0	Mr. W. M. Cundell ...	3
Mr. M. Mahala ...	2	Mr. O. E. Winslow ...	0
Rev. H. N. Fowler ...	0	Mr. W. Lambe ...	5
Mr. H. McDougall ...	0	Mr. L. Crawshaw ...	0
	9		10

Seaford won by 1 hole.

SHERINGHAM GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday last, March 30th, the monthly medal competition of this club was held, Mr. P. M. Lucas winning with the fine score of 79, plus 2=81. The following is a list of the scores handed in:—Mr. P. M. Lucas, 79, plus 2=81; Mr. C. B. Lee Warner, 111, less 25=86; Mr. J. W. Scott, 100, less 14=86; Mr. G. H. Bramley, 93, less 6=87; Rev. Mr. Murray, 105, less 13=92; Major Stopford, 108, less 15=93.

PRESTWICK, ST. NICHOLAS.—On Saturday, March 30th, the members of St. Nicholas engaged in competition for a series of prizes under handicap. The chief honour at issue was the Kilmarnock trophy, the lowest scorer for which received a framed platinum portrait, presented by Mr. J. N. Paton, art photographer, Pollockshields. The first and second Ayr trophies winners received gold medals. The Wilson medal competition also reached its third stage on Saturday, March 30th. The weather throughout was favourable, although a stiff easterly breeze was against the competitors starting in the forenoon. The players numbered twenty-two couples, the following being the best scores:—Mr. Robert Andrew (scratch), 83; Mr. C. B. Macfarlane, 91, less 8=83; Mr. D. H. Crauford, 92, less 8=84; Mr. E. Orr, 99, less 14=85; Mr. J. E. Macfarlane, 91, less 6=85; Mr. J. H. Andrew (scratch), 86; Mr. James Andrew (scratch), 86; Mr. Andrew Boon, (scratch), 87; Mr. J. Turnbull, 104, less 16=88; Mr. J. Blane, 105, less 16=89; Mr. H. N. Wallace, 99, less 10=89; Mr. J. H. O. Bennie, 107, less 18=89.

SINGAPORE GOLF CLUB.

The usual monthly handicap was played on Saturday, March 2nd. The weather was grand and the greens in good condition, and the afternoon's play resulted in several very low scores being handed in. As will be seen below, Mr. James MacRitchie, the popular president, came in an easy winner and was heartily congratulated. Mr. MacRitchie holds the record as the only president that has won a competition. It is hoped that, now he has made a start, his name will frequently come to the front. We append the result:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. MacRitchie ...	103	30	73	Mr. F. S. B. Gaffney	106	18	88
Hon. J. K. Birch ...	90	12	78	Mr. H. Wade ...	89	scr.	89
Lieut. Greene ...	89	10	79	Mr. F. M. Elliot ...	100	9	91
Mr. Jas. Miller ...	109	30	79	Mr. W. Fox ...	101	10	91
Dr. Mugliston ...	86	5	81	Mr. R. H. Padday ...	105	12	93
Mr. E. M. Mere-				Mr. R. Dunman ...	108	14	94
wether ...	103	20	83	Mr. J. Graham ...	122	28	94
Mr. J. D. Saunders	114	30	84	Mr. E. J. Nanson ...	106	12	94
Dr. Croucher ...	96	12	84	Mr. A. C. Somerville	114	20	94
Mr. J. M. Allinson	96	12	84	Mr. P. A. Gillespie	99	4	95
Lieut. Guggisberg ...	96	10	86	Mr. W. Grigor Taylor	110	15	95
Mr. J. B. Robertson	85	+2	87	Mr. C. W. Alexander	110	14	96
Mr. F. Jeffrey ...	99	12	87	Mr. A. P. Talbot	120	20	100
Mr. J. D. Taylor ...	101	14	87	Mr. W. A. Cadell ...	116	14	102
Surg.-Capt. Hinde ...	88	scr.	88	Mr. A. Reid ...	122	20	102

Retired:—E. des Voeux, 14; Mr. T. E. Earle, 9; Mr. P. Zimmer, 24; Mr. W. R. Crighton, 10; Mr. A. Mackay, 6; Mr. J. Forbes, 20; Mr. J. Stuart, 20; Mr. A. Gentle, 30; Hon. W. R. Colleyer, 30.

ST. NEOTS v. CHESTERFORD PARK.

Thirty holes was the margin by which St. Neots won this match last Saturday, March 30th, over the St. Neots Links, which are now in first-class order. Score:—

ST. NEOTS.		CHESTERFORD PARK.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. A. C. McNish ...	2	Mr. W. Waterhouse ...	0
Mr. J. A. Ennals ...	7	Mr. J. C. T. Smith ...	0
Mr. P. C. Tomson ...	11	Mr. A. W. Stanley ...	0
Mr. A. B. Brackenbury	6	Rev. F. F. Williams ...	0
Mr. F. Day ...	4	Mr. H. P. Cunliffe ...	0
	30		0

TORQUAY LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On Monday, March 25th, the first day of the spring meeting commenced. Throughout the week the weather was bad, with heavy storms of wind and rain. The Monday's competition was for the first club prize, value £3 (a gold curb-chain bangle); second, value £1 (a red morocco leather writing case). Sweepstakes formed the third prize. There were seventeen entries.

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.				
Miss E. Colhoun ...	86	2	84	Miss Boyd ...	114	16	98
Miss Oldfield ...	91	6	85	Miss F. Sealy ...	115	16	99
Miss G. V. Guise ...	88	1	87	Miss C. Rose ...	115	16	99
Miss Wise ...	100	13	87	The Hon. L. Yar-			
Miss Pemberton ...	90	2	88	Buller ...	113	9	104
Miss Wollen ...	91	3	88	Miss Collett ...	117	13	104
Miss Livingston ...	100	11	89	Miss A. Knox-Gore..	134	17	117
Miss Knox-Gore ...	104	13	91				

Miss K. Oldfield, Miss B. Flemyng, and Miss L. Brown sent in no cards.

On Tuesday, 26th, a match was commenced for the second club prize (a Russia leather dressing-bag, value £2); second prize, value £1 (a silver-handled shoe-horn). Sweepstakes again forming third prize. There were twelve entries, but two of the members were unable to compete. Miss Collett (13), giving Miss Boyd (16) 2 strokes, won by 3 up and 2 to play. The Hon. L. Yarde-Buller (9), receiving 7 strokes, beat Miss E. Colhoun (scratch) by 3 up and 2 to play.

On Wednesday the match could not be continued owing to the steady downpour of rain, but was resumed on Thursday. The Hon. L. Yarde-Buller, giving Miss Collett 3 strokes, won by 3 up and 2 to play. Miss Livingston (11) and Miss Wollen (3) had a very close fight. Miss Livingston, receiving 6 strokes, at the end of the fourteen holes ended "all even." Another round was then played, and Miss Livingston won by 1 hole. Miss Oldfield (5), a bye, giving 6 strokes, beat Miss R. Oldfield (13), a bye, by 5 up and 4 to play. The following couple was also a bye: Miss Pemberton (2), giving Miss F. Sealy (16) 11 strokes, won by 3 up and 2 to play.

On Friday the match was again continued. Miss Oldfield, giving Miss Livingston 5 strokes, won by 2 up and 1 to play. The Hon.

L. Yarde-Buller, receiving 5 strokes from Miss Pemberton, at the end of the fourteen holes ended all even. They then played on, and the former won by 4 up and 3 to play.

On Saturday the finals were played. The Hon. L. Yarde-Buller, receiving 3 strokes from Miss Oldfield, won by 1 up.

A putting match was also played on Friday for a prize presented by Miss Knox-Gore, the captain of the club. There were fifteen entries. Miss E. Colhoun and the Hon. L. Yarde-Buller tied for the prize, and, on playing it off, the former won, the prize being a gold brooch. Play will be continued next week.

TAPLOW GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, 30th ult., played in wind and rain.—Mr. F. C. B. Welch, 114, less 24=90; Mr. W. E. Beak, 105, less 12=93. Four other returns 100 net or over. Weekly "Bogey" competition.—Capt. G. J. Metcalfe (15), 3 down.

TONBRIDGE v. LIMPSFIELD CHART.

A match was played between these two clubs on Wednesday, March 27th, with the following result:—

TONBRIDGE.		LIMPSFIELD.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. E. K. Le Fleming ...	0	Mr. F. N. Streatfield ...	1
Mr. L. R. Burns ...	0	Mr. W. E. Hughes ...	7
Mr. J. Le Fleming ...	0	Mr. C. N. Watney ...	2
Mr. S. Kennington ...	0	Rev. F. W. Parsons ...	2
Mr. G. A. Floyd ...	0	Mr. R. M. Tabor ...	5
Mr. C. W. Carles ...	0	Mr. R. Brodie ...	5
Mr. W. J. N. Griffith ...	0	Rev. C. G. Acworth ...	2
Rev. A. Lucas ...	0	Mr. H. Leveson-Gower	3
Mr. H. R. Stokoe ...	0	Mr. J. O. Scott ...	6
	0		33

WARWICKSHIRE v. WORCESTERSHIRE.

A match between these county clubs was played on the 1st inst. at Warwick in fine weather. The course, though improved since Saturday, was a little heavy. Results:—

WARWICKSHIRE.		WORCESTERSHIRE.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. W. Bouch ...	3	Mr. W. Paterson ...	0
Mr. F. M ^L . Marshall ...	3	Mr. A. S. Archdale ...	0
Mr. H. E. Du Norris ...	1	Mr. G. W. Blathwayt ...	0
Mr. Alexander Rotheram	5	Mr. G. A. Jones ...	0
Mr. Hugh Rotherham ...	1	Capt. Armitage ...	0
Mr. H. W. Bainbridge ...	0	Mr. H. D. Acland ...	2
Mr. A. B. Sanders ...	0	Rev. C. Black ...	2
	13		4

Warwickshire won by nine holes.

WILLESDEN GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medals were played for on the 23rd ult., a large number of members competing. The course is rapidly returning to good condition, and lower scores should be looked for in the ensuing competitions.

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.				
*Mr. H. Higgs ...	95	13	82	Mr. J. R. Townsend	104	15	89
†Mr. J. K. Hume ...	104	20	84	Mr. C. B. Handyside	104	15	89
Mr. L. Carter ...	100	16	84	Mr. W. P. Johnson	109	20	89
Mr. J. Rawlings ...	98	13	85	Mr. A. H. Briggs ...	119	24	95
Mr. Franklin Ross ...	79	+7	86	Mr. H. Bell ...	123	27	96
Mr. J. T. Heath ...	114	27	87	Mr. B. Pierpoint ...	125	27	98
Mr. H. Dobb ...	114	27	87	Mr. H. Collot ...	126	26	100

* Winner of short handicap medal.
† Winner of long handicap medal.

Other scores over 100 or no return made.

CINQUE PORTS GOLF CLUB.—The "Bogey" and medal rounds are now played in alternate months. Saturday last, at Deal, was devoted to the "Bogey" competitions, when the following returns were made:—Major Darby, R.A., 1 down; Mr. H. G. Walker, 2 down; Mr. H. M. Leggatt and Mr. A. J. Matthews, 5 down; Mr. E. P. Barlow and Mr. H. J. Bowen, 6 down; Col. Jee and Mr. F. N. Harvey, 7 down; Mr. J. P. Walsham, 8 down; and Messrs. T. R. Curtis, F. Leith, and C. V. Laurie, 10 down. The others were over 10, or made no return. There was a high wind, but the course and putting-greens were in splendid order.

BUXTON AND HIGH PEAK GOLF CLUB.—Mr. Milner won the monthly medal.

TROON GOLF CLUB.—The Sandhills monthly competition for the gold medal was decided at Troon on Saturday, March 30th, when the weather was fine and the green in good condition. A considerable number of competitors took the field, the play being quite up to the average. Mr. J. G. Jenkins, 94, less 10=84, and Mr. W. Fulton, 93, less 9=84, tied for first place; Mr. A. H. Holm, 91, less 5=86, and Mr. Alexander C. Robertson (scratch), 86, tied for third place; while Mr. J. Donaldson, 100, less 12=88, was fifth.

PRESTWICK GOLF CLUB.—The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, March 30th, and resulted thus:—Mr. Hugh R. Wallace, 98, less 18=80; Mr. John M'Neill, 98, less 12=86; Mr. J. Stewart Clarke, 99, less 12=87; Mr. T. Anderson (scratch), 88; Mr. James A. Fleming, 100, less 12=88; and Mr. G. W. Younger, 100, less 10=90.

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.—On Saturday, March 30th, the first competition for the club cup for 1895-96 was decided at Warwick, when the weather was dull, rain fell, and the links were heavy. Mr. J. Lloyd Carson and Mr. M. T. Brown were equal firsts, both their scores being 93, less 6=87; the Hon. R. H. Lyttelton, 97, less 7=90, came third; and the next best scores were:—Mr. J. P. Robertson 101 less 9=92; Mr. G. G. Brodie, 103, less 9=94; Mr. W. T. Burman, 105 less 11=94; and the Rev. R. Arnold Edgell, 111, less 17=94.

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OWING to the Medal Day falling on Easter Saturday, the Monthly Medal will be played for on the following Saturday.

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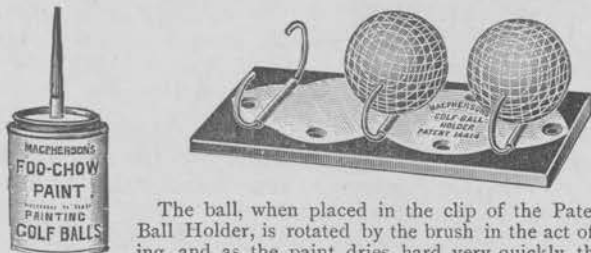
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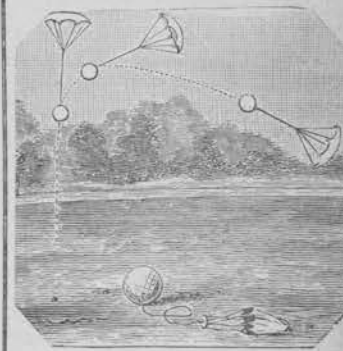
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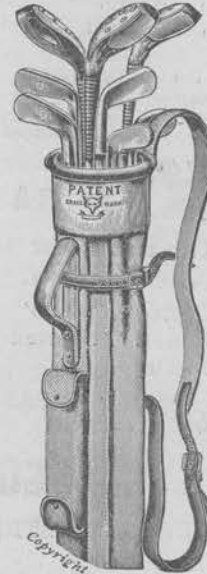


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