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JANUARY.

- Jan. 26.—Chislehurst : Monthly Medal.
 Sidecup : Monthly Medal.
 Huddersfield : Monthly Medal.
 Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.
 Dumfries and Galloway : Monthly Medal.
 Crookham : Monthly Medal.
 Marple : Club Medal and Captain's Cup.
 Warminster : Monthly Medal.
 Alfreton : Bronze Medal.
 Alfreton : Ladies ; Silver Spoon.
 Warwickshire : Monthly Competition for a Cup.
 Cinque Ports : Monthly Medal.
 Knutsford : Monthly Competition.
 Willesden : Monthly Medal.
 Neasden : Monthly Medal.
 Royal North Devon : Monthly Medal.
 Lytham and St. Anne's : Captain's Cup.
 Royal West Norfolk : Monthly Medal.
 Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Cup ; Captain's Prize ;
 Monthly Medal.
 Kettering v. Leicester.
 City of Newcastle : "Bogey" Competition.
 Eltham Ladies : Monthly Medal.
 Kemp Town : Monthly Medal.
 Kenilworth v. Coventry (at Kenilworth).
 Disley : Annual Silver Cup and Annual Meeting.
 Wanstead : Monthly "Bogey" Competition.
 Enfield : "Bogey" Competition.
 West Cornwall : Monthly Medal.
 Taplow : Monthly Medal.
 Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal.
 Formby : Monthly Sweepstakes.
- Jan. 28.—Pau : Captain's Prize.
- Jan. 29.—Moseley : Monthly Medal.
 Waveney Valley : Monthly Medal.
 Burnham (Somerset) : Competition Gold and Silver Medals.

- Jan. 31.—Woodbridge : Annual General Meeting.
 Royal Guernsey : Monthly Medal.
 Cambridge University : Barrow Medal.
 Bentley Green : Monthly Medal.
 Wellingborough : Monthly Medal.
 Royal Cromer : Monthly Medal.

FEBRUARY.

- Feb. 1.—Woodbridge :—President's Prize.
 Royal Cornwall : Monthly Medal.
 Ventnor : Mrs. Michell's Cup.
- Feb. 2.—Hythe : Monthly Medal.
 Panmure : Medal Day.
 Bullwood : Monthly Medal.
 Macclesfield : The President's Challenge Cup.
 Macclesfield : Club Monthly Handicap.
 Tooting Bec : Monthly Medal.
 London Scottish : Monthly Medal.
 Royal Liverpool : Winter Optional Subscription Prize.
 Birkdale : Medal Competition.
 Neasden : "Bogey" Competition.
 North-West Club, Londonderry : Monthly Medal.
 King's Norton : Monthly Challenge Cup.
 Woodford : Captain's Prize and Monthly Medal.
 Raynes Park : Monthly Medal.
 Manchester : Monthly Medal.
- Feb. 2, 9, 16, & 23.—City of Newcastle : "Bogey" Competition.
- Feb. 4.—Woodbridge : Monthly Medal.
 Hunstanton : Monthly Medal.
 Royal Norwich : Annual General Meeting.
- Feb. 5.—Royal Cornwall Ladies : Monthly Medal.
 Mid-Surrey Ladies : Monthly Medal.
 Woodbridge Ladies : President's Prize.
 Birkdale Ladies : Medal Competition.
- Feb. 5 & 15.—Whitley : "Bogey" Competition.
- Feb. 6.—Prince's Ladies (Mitcham) : "Bogey" Competition.
 Lyme Regis : Monthly Medal.
 King's Norton Ladies : Challenge Prize.
 Minehead : Monthly Medal.
- Feb. 7.—Royal Blackheath : Bombay Medal and Monthly Medal.
 Derbyshire : Ladies' Silver Medal.
- Feb. 7 & 9.—Leicester : Monthly Medal.
- Feb. 8.—Cambridge University v. Royal Blackheath.
- Feb. 9.—Cambridge University v. Great Yarmouth.
 Southend-on-Sea : Monthly Medal.
 Wilmslow : Fifth Winter Competition.
 Macclesfield : Club Prizes for Foursomes.
 Moseley : Captain's Prize ("Bogey" Handicap).
 Cumbrae : Monthly Medal.
 Mid-Surrey :—Monthly Medal (Junior).
 Crookham : "Bogey" Competition.
 Seaford : Monthly Medal.
 Ranelagh : Monthly Medal.
 West Herts : Monthly Medal.
 Royal Epping Forest : Bogey Competition.
 Saltburn : Monthly Medal.
 Derbyshire : Troppole Gold Medal and Monthly Medal.

A HOLIDAY IN BRITTANY.

There are several Golf links in France and more are in course of construction, but the patron saint of Golf in France is St. Briac of Brittany, and thither accordingly we went to spend our holiday and, if possible, improve our game. Our holiday is past and our game is much the same as it was, but that is not the fault of St. Briac.

Leaving Waterloo about 5 p.m., we reached Southampton—an hour late about—8 p.m., and St. Malo about 8 a.m. next morning. Here we had to go through the Customs. Our clubs were passed with a contemptuous shrug, but there was some difficulty over a box of a dozen balls. The *douanier* could apparently make nothing of them, even after he had scraped a bit of paint off one ball with his thumbnail, and our explanation of "*Boules de Golf, pour frapper, vous savez,*" not satisfying him, he went for a superior official, who apparently had some idea of what Golf was, but wanted to know why we wanted so many balls. He could understand our having one, or even two in case of one being lost, but why a dozen? We produced a niblick, and explained that it was the fate of the ball to be frequently struck with this instrument, and that no ball could stand it long. He agreed with us, and upon our assurance that we had no more balls he passed our baggage. From St. Malo ten minutes in the steam ferry brings you to Dinard, and thence the links are about five miles distant by road. The golfer can either put up in Dinard and drive out and in every day by cab or diligence, or stay at the Hotel de Paris. St. Lunaire, three-quarters of a mile from the links, or at the Hôtel des Panoramas, St. Briac, which is actually on the links.

The links are on a bold promontory between the bays of St. Briac and St. Jacut, and there is a beautiful view of blue sea, brown rock, and purple and green cliff on either side, which makes one envy the contemplative coastguard whose hut forms one of the hazards at the twelfth hole. The course is an eighteen-hole one, shaped like a capital T with an O at the base—six holes round the O and twelve holes round the T with the club-house conveniently situated at the junction of the T and the O. The links are private, but the club is hospitable, and temporary members are admitted for twenty francs a month; members of any recognised Golf club are admitted for three days free. The ground is mostly good sandy turf, and the hazards consist of roads, whins, bunkers, and, for the very erratic player, the sea shore. Speaking generally, the course is a good sporting one, about six strokes easier than St. Andrews. The club and course are open to ladies, and, as the links are seldom crowded, this is an attraction rather than a hindrance. The enthusiast can always get in three rounds a day, one before *déjeuner* and two after. Most of the players are English and American—there are large English and American colonies in Dinard—the French players are enthusiastic, but few and middle-aged. The youth of France, male and female, is too much taken up with "*la bicyclette*" to have time for anything else just now. But one or two of the caddies play a good game, and ere many years are past "*Perfidie Albion*" may have to renew the ancestral struggle in a new field: At present, however, the professional is an Englishman, Fremantle, who although his earlier days were devoted to cricket, is a strong player, with the regular St. Andrews swing, and an exceedingly patient and painstaking coach.

The caddies are, as caddies should be, boys of about fourteen or fifteen years of age. Perhaps because they know less of the game, they are less irritating to the nervous player than their English prototypes. Many of them speak a little English, and announce "*On ze green*" or "*In ze road*" in the appropriate tone of congratulation or condolence.

The club-house contains all the usual accommodation, and the drinks are good and cheap, which is fortunate, as St. Briac is a good deal warmer than England, although the air is always crisp and bracing—much more so than that of Dinard five miles off.

The attitude of the general French population, tourists, and bathers is rather interestedly tolerant than enthusiastic; but

they are extremely polite, sometimes inconveniently so, as the following occurrence shows. H. after vainly attracting attention by shouts of *Fore! Prenez garde! Allez, s'il vous plait*, drove over the head of a middle-aged Monsieur. Monsieur straightway turned, pursued the ball, picked it up notwithstanding H.'s frantic shouts, and threw it with all his might towards H. It was a poor throw, but, nothing daunted, Monsieur pursued it again, and again threw it towards the rapidly approaching and indignant H. The ball again fell short. "*Pardon, Monsieur,*" shouted the Frenchman; "*my arm is not so strong as your club.*" H.'s feelings were too much, or his French too little, but his opponent returned suitable thanks.

The golfer of course wants nothing but Golf, but it may interest his family to know that Golf is not the only attraction. There is also excellent bathing, boating, cricket, and tennis, with bands and casinos, as well as any number of "places of interest in the neighbourhood."

W. G.

"LIKE AS WE LIE."

Two Golfers once set forth to play,
Their names not here are stated;
And one exhibited a trait
Not to be imitated.

It happened A got on the green,
Rejoicing, with his second;
But bunkered badly B was seen,
Himself unseen he reckoned.

The useful niblick A spies,
And jets of sand in plenty;
At last upon the green B lies
(He'd reached it just in twenty).

With triumph B approaches A,
Whom *he* thinks none the wiser,
And with a voice resounding gay,
Calls out, "*Like as we lie, sir.*"

The face of A was good to see,
With eye to terror strike, sir,
He fixes that unblushing B,
And says, "*Lie as you like, sir!*"

W. MALING-WYNCH, JUN.

MR. BRAMWELL DAVIS, one of the newly created Queen's Counsel, is a golfer pretty well known among Southern clubs. At Tooting, in October last, he was one of the prize-winners at the autumn meeting. He was called to the bar at the Inner Temple twenty-two years ago, and began his professional career as reporter for *The Times* in the Rolls Court. He has been engaged in a large number of Company cases, this class of work being a speciality with him.

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GOLFERS AT THE SPORTS CLUB.

The Sports Club gave a "Golf Dinner" on Wednesday, evening the 16th, at their handsome premises in St. James's Square. A large number of the guests appeared in their scarlet Golf-coats, particularly those who were captains, or had been captains of clubs. Mr. N. L. Jackson, occupied the chair, and among those present and invited were Mr. Mure Fergusson, Mr. Laidlaw Purves, Mr. Ernley Blackwell, Major D. Kinloch, Col. Kennard, Mr. J. G. Gibson, Mr. E. Field, Mr. Norman Foster, Mr. J. L. Low, Mr. J. Hutchinson Driver (who was stated to have telegraphed to Ipswich for his coat to be sent for the dinner), Mr. F. S. Ireland, Mr. S. T. Fisher (captain of Tooting), Mr. F. E. Faithfull, Mr. A. J. Robertson, Mr. E. T. Sachs, Mr. F. W. Baker, Mr. Dunbar Duncan, Mr. R. Whyte, Lord Eldon, Mr. W. Morris, Mr. G. F. Bambridge, Mr. E. C. Bambridge, Mr. Fraser Baddeley, Mr. W. Rutherford, Mr. W. R. Anderson, Mr. J. L. Ridpath, Mr. J. C. Merryweather, Mr. C. C. Blogg, Mr. F. G. Tait, The Captains of the Great Yarmouth, Eltham, Mitcham, Guildford, Epsom, Ranelagh, Richmond, London Scottish, Oxford University, Cambridge University, and Royal Isle of Wight Golf Clubs; Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. H. Gower, Mr. C. O'Malley, Mr. Langham Carter, Mr. R. Wicks, Mr. R. K. Harvey, Mr. A. Wally, Mr. E. G. Finch, Mr. C. E. Evelyn, Mr. W. G. Clibborn, Mr. M. Dobson, and Mr. Sidney Clarke.

The chairman in proposing "Golf and Golfing Societies," referred to the loss which the club had sustained by the death of Sir John Astley, one of the best types of modern sportsmen. He congratulated the club in having Mr. H. McCalmont as the successor of Sir John Astley. Though it was twenty-five years ago when he first began to handle a Golf club he confessed that he had not been bitten by the game; he had merely flirted with it, and had not been badly smitten. It had been necessary for him, however, to keep strict guard over himself, because he had read of happy homes wrecked and of husbands lapsing from their domestic duties. (Laughter.) Lawn tennis, as a fashionable pastime, had given place to Golf. It was a game which needed eye, nerve, pluck, courage, and good health. Those qualities were indeed the necessities for every good athletic sport, and it was essential that sportsmen should treat this great game as one of the chief portions of their athletic existence. (Cheers.)

Colonel Kennard (Field Marshal of the Royal Blackheath Club) responded. He said he was aware that he was indebted for the great honour of having his name coupled with the toast, not to his merit as a player, but because he was the *doyen* of English Golf club representatives. He had always looked upon it as a great privilege and pleasure to belong to the Royal Blackheath Club; and he considered it an especial honour when, last year, the club was good enough to do him the honour to elect him president. By that election he became the oldest member of the oldest Golf club in the world. (Cheers.) 1894 was memorable in the history of the Royal and Ancient Game for the banquet which was given to Blackheath golfers by the Lord Mayor; it was reserved for the Sports Club, in 1895, not to give a banquet to any particular club, but to hospitably entertain the representatives of many clubs. (Cheers.) The development of Golf in late years had been exceedingly great. He might say that the chief characteristic of the end of the nineteenth century was "a people struggling to play Golf." (Laughter.) They had arrived at this point—whether the English people, in their selection of a Prime Minister, ought not now to leave aside the winner of a Derby, and to turn for their selection to those statesmen who had won a first-class medal on a first-class Golf green. (Laughter and cheers.) They heard a great deal at present about the number of unemployed. He was told that the unemployed of the metropolis numbered fifty per cent. of the working classes of this great city. He thought that it should be reserved for practical statesmanship, if not for the Sports' Club, to create links at the East-End of London, or perhaps to take a whole county, like Essex, and turn it into a gigantic Golf links for the benefit of the unemployed. (Laughter.)

Mr. Laidlaw Purves, whose name was also coupled with the toast, said the chairman had spoken of the history of Golf, and had doubted whether Golf was older than the English language. He should like to remind him of a little history wherein it was stated that the ark itself was made of Gopher wood. (Laughter.) The Scottish golfer first came south in 1600, and brought in his train this great game, feeling, as he himself did, enthusiastic about it. The golfer of those early days, with the traditional modesty of his race, retired to Blackheath to play the game, and the Royal Blackheath Club had the honour of being the oldest club probably in the world. (Cheers.) It was more than likely that the Scottish

golfers of those far-off days retired to that place through a possible fear of the ridicule of some of the wealthy and luxurious sportsmen of England. (Laughter.) Yet those old golfers played the game, and kept its spirit alive there under conditions which he feared were not conducive to the game in its highest degree. The gravel pits and the roads had then, as now, to be reckoned with; but he was satisfied, notwithstanding all their early discouragements and drawbacks, those early golfers had brought with them a pastime which had proved to be a great boon to the country. (Cheers.) For 250 years golfers had played the game at Blackheath, neglected but not overthrown. In that time they had spread an interest in the game over the country. It passed to Westward Ho! next to Wimbledon and Hoylelake; and even then it was twenty years before English sportsmen began to take any interest in Golf. But when they did begin to evince an interest in the game the eagerness which they had shown in pursuit of it could not be equalled in the history of any other pastime. (Hear, hear.) It had become in fact *the* game, and he trusted it would long continue to hold its position. (Cheers.) He doubted, however, whether its rank as an English pastime had ever been so fully and finally fixed as it had been to-night by having the toast of "Golf and Golfing Societies" placed as the toast of the evening by a club of, he was told, over 3,000 English sportsmen associated together for the welfare of sport. For this courtesy and recognition he, as a golfer, begged to thank them. (Cheers.) Whatever they might think of their different sports in comparison with each other in one thing he was sure, they were all agreed—namely, that they all desired that their sports should be followed with all the qualities and virtues embraced in what had now become a term of compliment and respect, a "true sportsman." (Cheers.)

Mr. Mure Fergusson proposed "The Sports Club."

Mr. F. W. Baker responded, and said that the club had been honoured in entertaining such a company of golfers, referring particularly to the valuable services of Mr. Purves in furtherance of the game, and describing him as "the Columbus of Golf in the South." He trusted that the dinner that evening would only be a prelude to a series of the same character.

Mr. E. Field proposed the health of the chairman, which was briefly acknowledged, and the company thereafter separated.

The following gentlemen sang and recited during the evening:—Mr. Arthur Helmore (humorous recitations), Mr. Dudley Cawston (imitations, with piano accompaniment), Mr. McGrath ("Father O'Flynn," baritone, and "Bedouin Love Song"), Mr. Jackson (tenor songs), Mr. Percy A. Sheppard (comic songs and "The Whistling Coon"); Messrs. G. F. Bambridge and Raphael Roche at the piano.

ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Last week a Café Chantant, organised and managed by Mr. Arthur Allen, was carried out most successfully at the Royal Assembly Rooms, the object being to raise money with which to augment a fund for providing a new pavilion for the members of the Royal Leamington Spa Ladies' Golf Club, at their links on the Campion Hill. The large room was used for the purpose of the entertainment, and it was more than well-filled. Small tables, at which refreshments could be consumed while listening to the entertainment as it progressed, or conversing with friends, were scattered about the room, and there was, in addition, a regulation buffet. The ladies who undertook the control of the refreshment department were Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Wall, Mrs. Allen, and Mrs. Gatskell, who were assisted by other members of the club, whose scarlet jackets, together with the clubs used in the decorations—which were simple but appropriate—gave a distinctly golfing air to the assembly. The programme opened at three o'clock with a selection from "Dorothy," by an amateur band, who also, during the ensuing four hours, discoursed other musical items. The programme was an exceedingly diversified one, and consisted of a continuous string of musical sketches, songs, living pictures, &c., a change being made every ten minutes. Master Douglas Stephens gave an imitation of Albert Chevalier, "the Coster Poet," in "Our Court Ball," and "The Coster's Courtship"; Miss E. Hassal performed Pietro Mascagni's lovely intermezzo to "Cavalleria Rusticana" and Hollman's "Tarantella," as cello solos; Mr. H. Piercy Watson, Miss Hannay, and Mr. Watson Brown, rendered songs; Miss E. Whieldon contributed two violin solos, and Mr. Habbijam a couple of musical sketches. In addition, Mr. Allen created much amusement by his "Speaking Likenesses," and there was a series of living pictures—"The First Love Letter," after Marcus Stone's picture, in which Miss Line and Miss A. Allen took part; "My Friend Mr. White," by Messrs. A. Allen and Habbijam, and Miss Ruth Laugharne; "Un chant d'Amour," by the Misses Hinks and E. Riley, and Mr. Arthur Allen; and "A Hopeless Case," after G. C. Kilburne, by Miss Craddock and Mr. Allen.

EAST FINCHLEY GOLF CLUB.

This young metropolitan club held its annual dinner on Wednesday, the 16th inst. Except that evening dress (golfing jackets would have been better) was *de rigueur*, all the surroundings reflected the spirit and the belongings of the Royal and Ancient game. The dinner ticket exhibited the festive board surrounded by a company of humanised golfing implements, grotesquely limned, and all seriously bent upon the enjoyment of the pleasures of the table. Then the programme containing the menu and a list of toasts and songs, presented, by the way, in book form, was quite a masterpiece. The title, or introductory page, besides displaying a trophy of clubs and balls, had a capital drawing of a stalwart young golfer, attired in what may be regarded south of the Tweed as regulation golfing costume, and equipped with club-carrier swung from the shoulder. The menu ran thus:—"On the links,"—Driver Soup, Mashie Broth, Teed Sole, Wee Caddies, Remade Balls, The Golfers' Friends, The Like, The Odd, One More, Stymie Spuds, Brassie Potatoes, Dormy Sprouts, Bunker Pudding, Niblicks, Fozzled Jellies, A Hazard, Cheeses à la Green, Celery à la Cleek,—Glorification." The last page contained a neat drawing of a young lady-golfer, whose expression and position, with club held by both hands behind the shoulder, betokened a satisfactory termination of a round of the course. The drawings were the work of Mr. William E. Pimm. The oratory throughout bristled with humour and fun, and golfing similes were constantly and most aptly used to enforce a point or to drive home some bit of good-natured chaff. The toast list was of course largely of a domestic character. It included "The Royal and Ancient Game," "The Club," "Other Clubs," "The Officers and Committee," "The Chairman," "The Visitors," "The Press," and "Our Lady Members"; and it was interspersed with a liberal musical programme, rendered mostly by members of the club in excellent style.

The dinner was attended by nearly a hundred members. The president, Mr. Walter Hill, was in the chair, with Dr. Wylie, the captain, in the vice-chair, and Mr. Norman F. Harrison, Mr. James Elder (joint secretary), Mr. C. Hood, and Mr. W. L. Jones filling somewhat similar positions at the four other tables. When the club was formed, some fifteen months ago, we recorded the event, and gave a description of the course. We may, however, repeat that the course—one of nine holes, extending to forty acres—is on Manor Farm, in the fields between Fortis Green and Highgate Woods, within five minutes' walk of East Finchley Station, and fifteen minutes' walk of Highgate and Muswell Hill Stations on the Great Northern Railway, which company gives special travelling privileges to members. The ground is held from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners upon lease for seven years at a rental of £125. The membership at present numbers 150, including thirty ladies.

From the speeches there was to be gathered some further interesting information, especially to outsiders. It seems that, at any rate, one prominent member is distinguished for his "cart-wheel swing"; that the formation and development of the club was the result of Mr. Elder's Scottish perseverance; that at East Finchley, notwithstanding their idiosyncrasy in the matter of "swing," they have no artificial bunkers, and, therefore, play "real Golf," play over such erections being despised as "artificial Golf"; and that no club was ever blessed with a more spirited combination of officers and committee, the vice-presidents representing theology, medicine, law, and commerce, and "no doubt, possessing all the virtues, even though they are vice-presidents."

Mr. J. C. Currie, captain of the Chiswick Golf Club, in the course of his response to the toast of "Other Clubs," challenged an East Finchley team to a home-and-home handicap match, and the challenge was promptly "booked" by Dr. Wylie. From Mr. Jeffreys, of the Nottingham Club, who also replied to the same toast, the company learned, upon the point of the antiquity of the game, that Golf is the only living sport mentioned in Scripture, that mention consisting in the description of Jehu as "a furious driver." Were Mr. Jeffreys a Scotsman as well as a golfer, with Biblical lore ingrained in his disposition, as only Scotsmen have it—sometimes against their will—he would have quoted accurately, "The driving is like the driving of Jehu, the son of Nimshi; for he driveth furiously." However, his own phrase was near enough for practical purposes.

A most enjoyable gathering was brought to a termination with "Auld Lang Syne."

DERBYSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The second annual dinner of the members of the Derbyshire Golf Club, was held at the St. James's Hotel, Derby, on Tuesday night, the 15th. In the unavoidable absence of the Hon. W. M. Jervis, J.P., the chair was occupied by Sir Thomas Roe, who was supported by Mr. P. S. McCallum and Mr. R. Harvey, Mr. W. Morley, Mr. J. C. Warren (Notts Golf Club), Mr. E. A. Coutts (Notts. Golf Club), Mr.

George Sutherland, Mr. Vivian Sutherland, Dr. Laurie, Dr. Moon, Dr. Brown, Dr. Bryson, Rev. T. E. M. Hutchinson, Messrs. A. C. Laurie, P. Hawkridge, J. P. Young, E. W. Wells, James Briggs, W. Hollis Briggs, George Dusautoy, W. Bennett, S. Bennett, jun., H. M. Haywood, J. N. Nutt, W. Holloway, J. Sayers, John White, Arthur Bancroft, R. H. Brookey, R. B. Chambers, F. K. Booty, P. Newton, S. C. Thorne, L. A. Guilment, T. C. Jeffrey, J. T. Biddle, W. T. Morley, John Wells, H. J. Bell, C. R. Hewitt, B. D. Aspdin, Seth Somers (Halesowen), Summers Wilson, F. W. Elliott, W. R. H. Whiston, Geo. M. Coulson, W. Campion (hon. treasurer), and Walter Bancroft (hon. secretary).

The Rev. T. E. M. Hutchinson proposed "The Royal and Ancient Game of Golf." In the course of his remarks he said that a man who would essay such a task should be well up in golfing law, a man bristling with facts and amusing incidents, who could relate startling wonders, such wonders as only occurred on the links, and who could excite the pride of the habitual loafer on the links, as well as startle into wonder the outside public. He was not in that happy position, and could relate only one story, of which he himself was the hero. It happened on their links, and he was just in the act of driving off, when, as luck would have it, two workmen came and planted themselves straight in front of him. Despite his repeated cries of "Fore!" they refused to budge an inch, and as his temper bordered on the irritable (their secretary would tell them that that was so) he drove off right into them. They would hardly believe it, but his ball landed right in the pocket of one of those two men. (Laughter.) The point of the story, however, only served to show the meanness of golfers, for his opponent insisted on his playing the ball from out of the man's pocket. (Laughter.) The growing popularity of the game, as evinced by the opening of new links all over the country was a very gratifying circumstance, and the multitudes who flocked to the links and took pleasure in the game, showed that it was fast becoming one of, if not the national pastime. It was a healthy, sociable, manly game, and when they took into consideration that it was the only game that could be played all the year round, he was sure they would agree with him that it was one of the best games ever devised by the wit of man. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. J. P. Young responded, and observed that there could not be any doubt about the antiquity of Golf as a game. In Shakespeare he found Golf was one of those few subjects upon which an appropriate quotation could not be found, but he would refer them to a line in "Henry VIII." which ran thus, "I missed the meteor, and hit the woman, who said "Clubs." (Laughter.) Well, he took it that the meteor must refer to the ball, and if the woman who was hit only said "Clubs," he thought the man who did it was extremely lucky. (Renewed laughter.) He thought himself that the day was not far distant when every town in England would possess links. It was very nearly so now, and the game was spreading everywhere to a pleasurable extent. It was a game requiring nerve, judgment, endurance, and patience, and those were qualities they wanted in everyday life, so that he took it that to be a good Golf player one must possess all these qualities, and must, therefore, be a good man all round. (Applause.)

Mr. J. C. Warren (Notts. Golf Club) then submitted "The Derbyshire Golf Club," and, in doing so, paid a high tribute to the Derby Club on the rapidity with which they had achieved eminence in the golfing world. The progress of the club in a comparatively short time, he said, had been wonderful, and he had to congratulate them most heartily upon it.

The Chairman responded, briefly thanking those present for the manner in which they had accepted the toast, and for the kindness with which they had received him.

Mr. P. S. McCallum proposed the healths of their hon. treasurer (Mr. W. Campion) and their hon. secretary (Mr. W. Bancroft.)

Messrs. Campion and Bancroft suitably replied, bringing the toast-list to a close.

During the course of the evening an admirable musical programme was gone through and heartily enjoyed. Mr. L. A. Guilment, with his violoncello played a solo in the most artistic manner, and a trio for the 'cello, violin, and piano, in which Mr. Guilment, Mr. G. M. Coulson, and Mr. Nutt took part, was a most acceptable item. Songs were agreeably rendered by Mr. G. M. Coulson, Mr. Somers, and others, Mr. Coulson singing a capital topical Golf song, written for the occasion by Dr. Laurie, and sung to the tune of Grossmith's famous "Society Nigger." The chorus was highly appreciated. "Auld Lang Syne" at midnight brought the proceedings to a close.

Last year's balance-sheet shows that the club is in a very satisfactory financial position. The dinner was preceded by the annual general meeting of members, when the retiring president (Hon. W. M. Jervis), retiring committeemen, retiring hon. treasurer (Mr. W. Campion), and Mr. W. Bancroft (hon. secretary), were unanimously re-elected—votes of thanks being heartily accorded to Mr. Campion and Mr. Bancroft.

It is expected that there will be a membership of 200 before the year is out.

A GOLFERS' ASSOCIATION.

WE should like to call the attention of all golfers who have the highest interests of the game at heart, to one or two circumstances which have arisen in its development since the question of a Golfers' Association was last ventilated in these columns. Four years ago the desirability of establishing such an Association was broached in GOLF, and the suggested project gave rise to a good deal of interesting correspondence. The general outcome of the debate was this: English golfers, as a rule, were in favour of the scheme, but as the preponderance of opinion was in the direction of desiring the initiative to be taken by St. Andrews, a disposition was shown not to take any action which would have the effect of breaking the great army of golfers into two camps—that of the North with no Association, but with the traditions of St. Andrews behind them, and that of the South with an Association established to govern the game and to provide a code of well-drafted rules. Since that time the question has been frequently discussed, and we have more than once made urgent appeals to the Royal and Ancient to move in the matter by looking the golfing situation all over the world fairly and squarely in the face. As everybody knows, nothing has been done to bring about a general federation of Golf clubs; and according to all the indications at present prevailing, there seems to be no intention—one might almost go further and say, no desire—on the part of St. Andrews and of our leading English clubs even to discuss the feasibility of the scheme.

In the meantime, however, the current of vitality has been running strong throughout the golfing world. First of all, some energetic, influential golfers have attacked the problem of a universal Association for the game in detail. They have begun by founding County Associations for golfing purposes. Hampshire led the way; then we had a Yorkshire Union of Golf Clubs, a Norfolk County Union, a Golf Union for the whole of Ireland, and to-day we chronicle the birth of a Welsh Golfing Union, and, most important of all, the foundation of a National Golf Association for America. This is a considerable achievement to have been realised in four years. It shows not only the marvellous popularity of the game, but, above all, it indicates how unerringly the leaders of these new golfing communities have diagnosed the weak spot in the government of Golf. They have seen that Golf, unlike most other sports, is an unwieldy, incohesive congeries of clubs, without any central controlling guidance, with no voice in the making of the rules, or in the arrangement and fixing of the Amateur and Open Championships. Everything in the government of Golf is haphazard and capricious. The rules have been altered and remodelled, not to suit the average convenience of the greatest number, but to suit the playing exigencies of one green, as in the case, for example, of the "lost-ball-lost-hole" rule, which is not the traditional St. Andrews rule, and is not found in the codes of a century ago. The Americans to-day are beginning where we ought to have begun many years ago. They adopted the game but yesterday, but they have adopted it with an ardour tempered by a due sense of the practical necessities entailed in its just government and regulation. English golfers have also seen the necessity of doing something in the same direction, and no doubt, in due course, we shall see a proposal made by them for the creation of an Association as a fitting finish to the work begun in instituting county Associations. But what of Scotland, the home of the

game? What is it doing to justify its claim to be the leader in the golfing movement? Nothing at all. There is not even a County Association in the whole of Scotland, and Scottish golfers appear to be content to rub along as hitherto in a hand-to-mouth fashion, grateful and willing to accept any fundamental alterations in rules or in the allocation of Championship fixtures which St. Andrews, Prestwick, and Muirfield deem expedient.

No golfer can say that this is a satisfactory position of affairs. What we want in Golf is a federation of all the Golf clubs of the world on the lines which have been so productive of good in the case of curling under the management of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club. Are there no members of the Royal and Ancient public-spirited enough to bring the question forward at the meeting at St. Andrews during the Amateur and Open Championships? It is not to be supposed that the citadel will be captured by a rude *coup de main*; but, at any rate, discussion of the question on a formal resolution would be a great gain. Again, if the St. George's, Royal Blackheath, and the Royal Wimbledon Clubs, would unite in sending a formal request to the Royal and Ancient that some such step was desirable, it might have the effect of stimulating our leading club to action. The Royal and Ancient have everything to gain and nothing to lose in power and influence by taking the lead in the movement. It is expected of them, and it is what all golfers desire; but if it is proved eventually that St. Andrews will have nothing to do with a Golfers' Association, then we sincerely hope that the leading English clubs will have courage enough to combine among themselves to place the Government of the game on a more satisfactory and more representative basis than it occupies at present.

WELSH GOLFING UNION.

The first meeting of delegates of the Welsh Golfing Union took place at Shrewsbury on January 11th. Nearly all the Welsh Golf Clubs were represented either by delegates or by letters expressing their views. Major Ruck, the acting chairman, read the correspondence which had taken place, and announced that all the replies which had been received to a circular suggesting the formation of a Golfing Union for Wales, were favourable to the principle, and they had now met to consider the rules and regulations of the Union, and to appoint officers. As a preliminary step, Mr. C. E. J. Owen, of the Merionethshire Club, moved, and Mr. Barlow, of the Glamorganshire and Porthcawl Clubs, seconded the motion, "That a Welsh Golfing Union be formed." This was carried unanimously. The rules and regulations were then considered, much information having been given by Mr. Combe, the hon. secretary of the Irish Golfing Union. The following results of the deliberations of the delegates are of general interest. A Welsh Championship meeting will be held each year, at which two challenge cups will be competed for. The first cup will be for the (club championship) best team of six players representing one of the Union clubs, the competition consisting of a series of ties, for which purpose the whole of the Union clubs will be classed in three districts, North, South, and Mid Wales, and the ties will be played for in districts until the semi-final stage be reached, the semi-final and the final ties being played during the annual Championship meeting. The second cup will be for the (Welsh Championship) best player in a scratch competition limited to members of the Union clubs who are qualified by certain conditions of birth or residence in Wales. There will be no open championship as in the case of Ireland, but it is probable that an open cup will be given by the club, on whose links the Championship meeting is held. It was afterwards decided that the first Championship meeting will be held at Aberdovey during Whit week. On the motion of Major Best, of the Merionethshire Club, seconded by Mr. Stock, of the Carnarvonshire Club, it was unanimously agreed that Lord Windsor be asked to be the first president of the Union, Major Ruck to be the hon. secretary, and Mr. J. M. Howell, Aberdovey, to be hon. treasurer. A vote of thanks to the chairman, moved by Col. Mainwaring, of Rhyl, who has been of much assistance in forming the Union, concluded the proceedings.



MR. BALL AND TAYLOR AGAINST THE WORLD.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have read with great interest the letter of your correspondent, "An Honorary member of the Royal and Ancient," and I cordially agree with him that a match such as he suggests would be of no common importance, and would attract a great following.

On one minor point, however, I hold a different view, and that is with regard to the selected greens. Perfectly right and proper that two Scotch greens and two English ones should be chosen; perfectly right and just, also, that Mr. J. Ball should have the opportunity of playing in such a match on his own green and in the presence of his warmly-interested friends.

Why, then, should not the Champion be treated in similar fashion? Taylor was born and bred within a short mile of the Westward Ho! Links, learned all his Golf there, and has many relations, and many more friends, in and about the neighbourhood. They are, one and all, keenly interested in all he does, for he is a general favourite, and they would dearly like the opportunity (an opportunity which very few of them have ever had) of seeing him play in a big match.

There is an artisans' club here to which, I think, Taylor still belongs, which contains a number of his oldest friends, all pretty fair players, all keenly interested in the game, but who cannot afford to travel far to see a Golf match.

That the members of the Royal North Devon Golf Club are as justly proud of Taylor's performances, and are equally anxious to see him play, goes without saying.

On behalf, then, of these working men, and as an old Westward Ho! golfer, I would suggest to "Honorary Member" that he should simply substitute Westward Ho! for Sandwich, and then I think his arrangement would be perfect.

I am, Sir, &c.,
ARCHD. BOYD.

Union Club, Westward Ho! Bideford.

SUNDAY GOLF.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Nothing could have been more impartial than your "Tee Shots" of January 11th on the Sunday question at Seaford. But might I suggest for further consideration the point whether "local feeling" is far wrong, as alleged, in "misconception of results," in view of what they have proved elsewhere?

At Sandwich, the cradle of Sunday play, caddies were at first not allowed; but this rule was soon suspended, and now no difference exists between Sundays and any other day of the week—not only in point of Golf, but billiards, cards, &c.—and to club servants, cab-drivers, omnibus and railway men, Sunday is one of the hardest days of the week.

In other clubs, the effect of Sunday play, when once introduced, has been much the same, and further, led to demands

for late dinners, necessitating the retention on duty of the entire house staff until all hours of the night.

With regard to Seaford course being "private property," it is no more fenced in, enclosed, or hidden, than Wimbledon, and has not even the advantage of Sandwich in being well away, and out of sight of the town. If the innovation is brought in at Seaford, it goes without saying that the entire aspect and character of the place will be revolutionised on Sundays, and many families, who use it regularly as a seaside resort, will cease to go there.

As you say, Mr. Editor, Sunday play, *per se*, is a matter for each individual's conscience; but so long as it leads to forging a chain of labour round so many, who have no option in the matter, there are still left some golfers, who, if from no higher grounds than those of common humanity, will continue to oppose

London, January 14th.

SUNDAY PLAY.

GOLF ROUND CAMBRIDGE.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have several times written in GOLF about the marvellous spread of the Scottish national game in and around Cambridge, and the Fens in general, since the University links were opened in 1875, and the game is increasing with huge leaps and bounds. Cambridge alone will, in a few weeks, possess three courses. There is, of course, the University links at Coldham Common (eighteen holes), with its large club house, and Scots professionals. Messrs. Gray and Son, are opening (as you announced in "Tee Shots" last week), a course at the backs of the Colleges, extending to the village of Grandchester, and every shop window has got an announcement of its existence, and I am told a Scots professional has been engaged.

The third course is to commence at the University Rifle Butts, and run in the direction of Coton Village. This last is, I fancy, a nine-hole round. In addition to three links in Cambridge, there are a large number of public, and private links within easy reach: Worlington (near Newmarket), with its splendid sandy turf and commodious club house; Royston links, on the Heath, has an eighteen-hole round, a club-house, and bracing air; Biggleswade (or rather Sandy), has a good green. Then there are links at St. Neots, Huntingdon, Stevenage, and Baldock.

There are private, or semi-private, links at Chesterford, West Wrating, Croxton, Paxton, Littlebury, Brinkley, Babraham, Girton and dozens of other places. Every day I hear of new greens being laid out in the Fens. I must repeat Dominic Sampson's words, "Prodigious!"

I am, Sir, &c.,
W. T. LINSKILL.

Cambridge University Golf Club.

DISQUALIFICATION IN MEDAL PLAY.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I feel sure that you will, with your invariable courtesy, answer the following queries, as to what is, and what is not, "Disqualification" in medal play (Rule 12); also, what power the Green Committee have, to reduce "Disqualification" to a minor penalty of, one, two or more strokes, under Rule 13.

I ask this, as I notice, that, in answers to various correspondents in 1894, you express an opinion. (1) that "in the circumstances," two strokes may be considered sufficient penalty for removing a branch out of a hazard (November 23rd, 1894), as (2) Disqualification is a "severe penalty for a thoughtless breach of the rule." But you add that "the committee cannot be too strict in enforcing the penalties &c." (3) And on November 9th, in answer to Mr. J. R. Duncan, you give a similar ruling.

Now, in playing for a medal on January 5th, H. S. (a zealous golfer, and a strong advocate for the strictness of the game), in taking back his club to play a ball out of a sand bunker, felt that he had touched *something*. His opponent who was watching the stroke, did not see any sand move, and could not see anything that was likely to be touched—by the club; but H. S. insisted that he was disqualified. By your ruling above, it would seem that a penalty of one stroke would be sufficient in this case.

But I would ask you, generally; what are "Disqualifications" under the strictest rules of Golf? I cannot find any full statement, as to this, under the New Rules—as Mr. Horace Hutchinson's excellent chapter in the Badminton Book is based on the old Rule No. 5. "When the penalty (in match play) is the loss of the hole, the penalty in medal play shall be the loss of a stroke."

"The New Special Rules for medal play," Rules 5, 6, 7, 8 clearly define a different penalty from that incurred in *match play*. And Rule 14 says that "Rules not at variance shall apply to medal play." It appears then that Disqualification, must be the penalty for a breach of:—

- Rule 4. Pushing or spooning a ball.
- " 6. Medal foursomes, playing out of turn.
- " 12. Breaking or bending anything growing.
- " 14. Touching ground, or anything in a hazard.
- " 16. Pressing down irregularities of ground.
- " 19. Not dropping ball from head, and not standing erect.
- " 23. An opponent moving a player's ball.
- " 27. Playing with the ball of a "party not engaged in the match."
- " 33. Placing mark on green, &c.
- " 34. Touching putting line with club, hand, or foot.
- " 37. Asking advice.

In view of the penalties expressly stated in Rules 5, 6, 7, 8 of medal play, it has always seemed hard to me, that Disqualification must ensue on a breach of the rules I quote above, viz., 4, 6, 12, 14, 16, 19, 23, 27, 33, 34, 37; and I feel sure that a clear statement by you as to 1, Disqualification; 2, the power of the Green Committee, to inflict a minor penalty, will be of value to many golfers, and to some Green Committees.

I am, Sir, &c.

C. S. M.

[To sum up the ethics of disqualification generally, one may say that a breach of the rules, entailing loss of the hole in match play, carries with it the equivalent penalty of disqualification in medal play. That is the strictest and broadest view to take of the whole question. But inasmuch as there are degrees of murder in the eye of the law, not all carrying with them the penalty of capital punishment, so there are degrees of penalties to fit golfing crimes committed in the course of medal competitions, and applied by the Green Committee in mitigation of disqualification after a review of the whole circumstances of a particular case, where there may be a dispute of an extenuating circumstance. Sometimes a competitor in a medal round may be guilty of a foul shot out of a bunker, or of laying the putter along the line of putt to the hole; but his partner, through ignorance of the rules, may fail to claim the penalty in the interest of the competitors as a whole. This player may be in the position of winner of the competition. But the transgressor has been observed by another competitor, going to a different hole, and the offender has not only been challenged, but the circumstance has been reported to the committee. The committee hear both sides of the question, and then properly decide to disqualify the winner, or to impose one or two strokes, which, for all practical purposes, amounts to the same thing. All breaches of medal play, however, are not so flagrant as the illustrative instance we have cited above; and our correspondent, who has evidently been a keen student of the many difficult points which have cropped up in our columns on "Questions on the Rules," must himself have seen cases stated where, through hard luck, or some unavoidable circumstance in the course of play, a competitor has not wilfully violated the rules, but has rather been the unhappy victim of an accident. In such a case, the Green Committee are right in tempering justice with mercy by not imposing the full penalty or disqualification, but rather, as Mr. Hutchinson says, in making the penalty fit the crime, and in allowing a player the benefit of the doubt in a fair and liberal spirit. In expressing this view, it must not be supposed that we are in favour of treating looseness of play with leniency or consideration; on the contrary, we advocate strongly the rigorous penalties of the rules, especially in these days, when the game is so popular, and when so many golfers will not take the trouble to master the elements of the rules. If they will not begin by studying the rules, they must be taught by penalties. If the game were played

in the genuinely honourable spirit of "H. S.," there would be less carping over penalties, while it would be more enjoyable for partners and opponents all round. "H. S." acted in the truest spirit and tradition of the game. To answer our correspondent's questions specifically, according to the rules he has cited, we answer that the penalties in medal play are:—(4) Disqualification; (6) not applicable; (12) disqualification; (14) loss of stroke; (16) disqualification; (19) ask for a redrop without penalty; (23) rub of the green, no penalty; (27) no penalty; (33 and 34) disqualification; (37) disqualification.—ED.]

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TOURNAMENT AT LUFFNESS.

On Monday, January 14th, a competition took place over Luffness new course for a set of clubs, presented by Mr. H. W. Hope, of Luffness. This competition was limited to amateurs who are natives of or resident in East Lothian. Mr. Hope also offered several prizes open to the county professionals, of whom four were present. The weather was rather trying, rain falling during the early part of the day, accompanied by a stiff wind. Considering the season, the green was in wonderfully good order, and will certainly, when brought into the pink of condition, be the finest course in the county. A considerable quantity of casual water had to be encountered, and the frost not being out of the ground made the surface hard and bumpy. The arrangements were carried through by Mr. James Reid, secretary of the Luffness New Club; and Mr. Hope, of Luffness, was present on the green, and witnessed the start. The ballot despatched the professionals in the following order:—Bernard Sayers, North Berwick, and Davie Grant, North Berwick; George Sayers, North Berwick, and George Shepherd, Luffness new course. The amateurs were despatched as under:—Mr. D. J. Ritchie, Gullane, and Mr. H. Cunningham, Gullane; Mr. J. S. Milne, North Berwick, and Mr. James Litster, North Berwick; Mr. E. D. Bird, Aberlady, and Mr. A. Gillam, Gullane; Mr. A. Litster, Gullane, and Mr. A. G. Gow, Gullane; Mr. T. Eeles, Aberlady, and Mr. D. Ritchie, Gullane; Mr. J. Brotherston, Gullane, and Mr. D. M. Jackson, North Berwick; Mr. J. G. Croal, Haddington, and Mr. J. W. Wilson, Aberlady; Mr. A. J. Laurie, Monkkrigg, and Mr. G. H. Cookson, Luffness; Mr. J. Pincott, Aberlady, and Mr. J. Reid' Edinburgh; Mr. A. Fraser, Aberlady, and Mr. C. S. Wallace, Luffness. In the professional section, the brothers Sayers tied for the first prize with actuals of 80—remarkably fine performances. Davie Grant was third, with 86. The details of the cards were:—Bernard Sayers, 5 4 2 5 3 5 4 4 5=37; 4 5 5 4 5 5 6 4 5=43; total, 80. George Sayers, 5 4 4 6 3 4 4 4 5=39; 4 5 5 4 4 5 4 6=41; total, 80. Davie Grant, 5 4 4 5 2 5 4 4 5=38; 4 5 5 6 6 5 5 7=48; total, 86. The set of clubs offered to amateurs were made by Tom Morris, St. Andrews, who had expected to be present, but was unavoidably detained. The winner proved to be Mr. D. M. Jackson, North Berwick, who completed the round in 88, made up as under:—5 4 5 4 7 3 4 4=41; 4 6 6 4 5 6 5 5 6=47; total, 88. The next best cards were:—Mr. D. Ritchie, 94; Mr. A. Litster, 95; Mr. J. Litster, 97; Mr. J. Brotherston, 99; Mr. J. G. Croal, 103; Mr. A. Wallace, 104; Mr. H. Cunningham, 105; Mr. A. G. Gow, 105; Mr. J. W. Wilson, 105; Mr. D. J. Ritchie, 108. The clubs were presented by Mr. Reid, in the absence of Mr. Hope, and thereafter hearty cheers were given for the Lord of the Manor. It is interesting to note that the scores made by the brothers Sayers form the record for the course, outside private match play.

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(First Winner of Cup).MRS. J. F. W. HODGES
(Captain).

This club which, from the ladies' section of the County Down Golf Club, blossomed into separate and independent existence last summer, has had, so far, a most successful season. Several competitions have taken place over the long course, for, while the ladies have a course of their own, they prefer, after having attained to a proficiency which enables them to carry the hazards, to play on the long course, which, by arrangement, they are enabled to do on certain days of the week. The most important competition during the season was the struggle for the possession of a magnificent sterling silver cup, weighing over ninety ounces, which was presented to the Ladies' Club by some members of the County Down Club and other friends. This cup has to be won three times before becoming the property of the winner, and, as previously reported in the columns of GOLF, is at present in the custody of Miss Graham, of Lisburn, who won it after an interesting struggle, Miss MacLaine being the runner-up. Great practice prevails at present among the ladies at Newcastle, and, no doubt, when the Ladies' Championships (Open and

Irish) take place this year at Portrush, some of them will render a good account of themselves.

Our illustration (which is from a photograph by Micklethwaite) shows six of the leading members of the club grouped round one of the windows of the ladies' club-house, which is very picturesquely situated on the shore at Newcastle, and is close to the eighteenth hole. Mrs. J. F. W. Hodges, the captain of the club, during the season, gave a very handsome prize for competition, as also did Mrs. F. Haliday and some other ladies. The selection of Mrs. Hodges by the ladies as their first captain was a very happy one, inasmuch as it showed that literary and scholastic attainments, amongst ladies, are not incompatible with proficiency in the Royal and Ancient Game. Mrs. Hodges is a Graduate in Arts of the Royal University (Ireland), and at the same time an earnest and enthusiastic golfer. The mystic letters "B.A." affixed to a lady's name do not always indicate that the proverbial propensities of the *bas bleu* exist to the exclusion of a genuine love of sport.

W. J. MACGEAGH.

NATIONAL GOLF ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA.

We here with present an official communication from Mr. H. O. Tallmadge in reference to the National Golf Association, which was recently organised in New York :—

On Saturday, December 22nd, at the Calumet Club, at a dinner given by Mr. H. O. Tallmadge, secretary of St. Andrew's Golf Club, the question of forming a National Golf Association was discussed, and representatives of five of the leading clubs of America being present, an association was formed. The following clubs were represented :— St. Andrew's Golf Club, of Yonkers, by Messrs. John Reid and H. O. Tallmadge; the Newport Club, by Mr. Theodore A. Havemeyer; the Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, of Southampton, L.I., by General Thomas H. Barber and Mr. S. L. Parrish; the Country Club, of Brookline, Mass., by Mr. Laurence Curtis and Mr. P. S. Sears; the Chicago Club, by Mr. C. B. Macdonald and Mr. Charles Ryerson.

The Association was formed by the above five clubs and such others as may hereafter be invited to join the Association. The officers elected were as follows :—Mr. Theodore A. Havemeyer, of the Newport Club, president; Mr. Laurence Curtis, of the Country Club, Brookline, Mass., and Mr. C. B. Macdonald, of the Chicago Club, vice-presidents; Mr. H. O. Tallmadge, of the St. Andrew's Golf Club, secretary; and Mr. S. L. Parrish, of the Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, treasurer. The above officers were constituted an Executive Committee. A committee consisting of Messrs. C. B. Macdonald, John Reid, and T. H. Barber was appointed for the purpose of drawing up a Constitution and By-laws to govern the Association.

The Executive Committee was authorised to invite other clubs to join the Association, subject to the Constitution and By-laws as hereafter adopted by the clubs represented at the meeting. A resolution covering a declaration of the objects of the Association provided among other things that it was to promote the game of Golf in America, to establish uniformity in the rules of the game, and to establish also a final authority in all matters of controversy connected with the game, as well as to decide upon what links the Open and Amateur Championships shall be played from year to year. It was decided to hold the Amateur Championship for 1895 on the links of the Newport Club, the exact date to be fixed by the Executive Committee.

To a newspaper representative, Mr. H. O. Tallmadge, the secretary of the new Association, stated :—“It is the purpose, of course, to extend membership in the Association to every American club. It has not as yet been decided whether or not the National Association will take in the Canadian clubs of Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa and Quebec. In the business proceedings on Saturday, the most important action was the adoption of the resolution declaring that the object of the Association was to promote Golf in America; to establish uniformity in the rules of the game, and to establish a final authority in all matters of controversy, as well as to decide upon what links the Open and Amateur Championships shall be played. The Championship tournaments will not be held on any one set of links in two successive years. It has been decided to hold the Amateur Championship for 1895 at Newport, but the exact date has not been set. In the following year the tournament will probably be held on the links at Yonkers.

The following is a list of American Golf clubs which will probably form the Association :—The Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, Southampton, L.I.; the Rockaway Golf Club; the Myopia Golf Club, Wareham Depot, Mass.; the Country Club Golf Association, of Boston; the Essex County Golf Club, Manchester, Mass.; the Newport Golf Club; the Morris County Golf Club, of New Jersey; the Tuxedo Golf Club; the Washington Golf Club, District of Columbia; the Chicago Golf Club; the Richmond County Golf Club, Staten Island; the Country Club, of Westchester; the Warren's Farm Golf Club, Massachusetts; the Staatsburgh Golf Club, New York; the Kittenhouse Golf Club, and clubs from the Marion, Germantown, Belmont and Philadelphia cricket clubs of Philadelphia; the Otsego Golf Club, Otsego, N.Y.; the Golf Club of Montclair; the Orange Golf Club; the Unquowa Golf Club, of Fairfield, Mass.; clubs in Hollywood, N.J.; New Windsor, N.Y.; Lakewood, N.J.; Hohokus, N.J.; Pride's Crossing, Boston, and Lenox; the Evanston Golf Club, Chicago; the Bar Harbour Golf Club, and the University Golf Club of Philadelphia.

While the purpose of the new association is to further the interests of the sport, and to exercise a guardianship over the same, there are many advantages and conveniences that will naturally result from its formation. The dignity to which the sport has risen will add additional honour to the distinction of being a crack Golf player, and thus a healthy rivalry will be created.

CANTERBURY GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition, January 15th :—Rev. G. H. Gray, 104, less 18=86; Capt. J. G. Fair, 120, less 25=95; Capt. R. A. Heneage, 109, less 10=99; Rev. T. Field, 111, less 11=100. Others over 100 net, or no returns.



In September we called attention to an agitation that had arisen among the residents and commoners at Mitcham against the Golf Club playing over that well known picturesque common. The question of “Golf or no Golf” at Mitcham was practically the test question for elections to the local Parish Council last month, and a few stormy public meetings were held, at which the Golf Club were roundly denounced for monopolising (so it was said) the whole of the common, to the exclusion of the public. A desire was manifested by a small section of the residents to override the rights, legally acquired, of the Golf Club, and to hound the wearers of the red jackets from the place. They would not recognise the public-spirited action of the Golf Club in buying up certain manorial rights, at the cost of several thousands of pounds; in handing over all those rights to the Conservators free of cost, except the right to play Golf, and in agreeing that the Conservators, at the end of twenty-one years, should be able to stop Golf playing on the common by returning to the club the price paid for the manors. The objectors also failed to remember that the club was originally invited to come to Mitcham by the Conservators, after consulting the inhabitants at a public meeting, and that the trade and residents of the district benefited to the extent of £4,000 a year by the expenditure of the club and the players in labour, provisions, and caddies. Above all, they were so short-sighted as not to see that the making of the Golf course out of a tangled mass of whin and unsightly gravel-pits had beautified the common, and had really rendered it a source of attraction as a public recreation ground.

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In addition to this, attempts were made to bolster up the agitation against the golfers by flimsy allegations of danger from the balls, a number of persons presenting themselves to say that they had either been struck or “nearly” struck by a flying ball. A committee of the Conservators examined into these allegations, and though advertisements had been issued inviting the attendance of persons struck or injured by Golf balls, “no one attended before the committee to give information as to being struck or injured by a ball.” The committee added, after considering some letters of complaint, that “there is no evidence of any interference with the rights of the public by the Golf players, or of any incivility.”

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Thus the golfers at Mitcham have scored all along the line. The elections at the parish council proved that popular sympathy was on the side of the Golf club, for out of fifteen names on the circular of the “Anti-Golf Committee,” only six were elected, and three of those were elected not because their names appeared on the circular, but on account of reasons quite apart from the Golf controversy. It is now to be hoped that the local fussy busybodies will allow the golfers to play their game in peace, and that they will recognise in the existence of the Golf club a potent influence in the eventual prosperity of the district. Mr. Hippisley Cox, who has borne the brunt of the fight for the Golf club, is entitled to great praise for the courage and tact with which he has conducted the controversy, now so triumphantly closed.

Many things have been laid to the charge of Golf, but never before has it been made responsible for the extinction of a battalion of Volunteers. It seems, however, that the Volunteer regiment which is recruited from the Inns of Court, and which is known as the "Devil's Own," is on the point of being disbanded because nearly all its members have withdrawn. This misfortune is attributed to the all-potent attraction of Golf. The young and unbrieffed barrister prefers spending his afternoon at a game of Golf rather than in acquiring the discipline and training of a soldier. The result is not perhaps creditable to the patriotism of the lawyers, but it says something for their good sense.

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It will interest many of our readers to learn that the question of Sunday Golf on the Seaford Links has been definitely settled. The club having been polled, 100 declared in favour of Sunday play and 80 against it, 12 voting papers being disallowed.

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Last week Tom Dunn visited the estate of Mr. F. Schoolbred at Goring, Oxon, and planned out a nine-hole course.

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The Old Manchester Golf Club was honoured on Saturday last by a visit of the Right Honourable A. J. Balfour, M.P., accompanied by Colonel Mawson. It had been arranged that the Right Honourable gentleman should play a foursome in the forenoon with Messrs. H. A. Dods, R. H. Prestwich, and A. N. Cumming, but the game could not take place on account of the exceedingly bad weather and state of the links. Mr. Balfour was shown the old medals and old Minute book of the club, and evinced great interest in them. On the proposal of Mr. H. A. Dods, seconded by Mr. M. S. Bles, the Right Honourable gentleman was unanimously elected an honorary member of the club. Mr. Balfour expressed his great pleasure in accepting the membership of the Old Club, and his intention to play on the links when in Manchester again. A match between this club and the Manchester Golf Club should have been played in the afternoon, but had to be abandoned for the same reason as above stated.

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We regret very much to hear of the death of Mr. Lachlan M'Cuaig, Islay, whose name is well known in connection with the Golf course there, for which he did so much. Till some time ago, when laid down by severe illness, Mr. M'Cuaig was one of the most robust of men. He took a lively interest in all that concerned Port Ellen and Islay generally, and his mind was richly stored with the folk-lore and traditions of this interesting district. Golfers who generally stayed at the White Hart Hotel found in Mr. M'Cuaig a genial kindly host, whose desire was to make them all comfortable. The formation of the glorious course at Islay was in part due to him, and from the first he took a keen interest in its improvement, doing all he could, along with Mr. Reid, factor on the estate, to make Machrie a delightful resort for golfers. The place will not be the same without the genial presence of Mr. M'Cuaig, with whose relatives, in their sorrow, every one who knew Mr. M'Cuaig's great worth will deeply sympathise.

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The Friesland game, Klotschiessen, which we noticed last week, has, it appears, been played for a long time at the village of Wemyss, on the coast of Fife, where it goes by the name of "Yettlings." It used to be played by the villagers on Handsel Monday, but now the game comes off each New Year's Day. In former days the match, like a curling bonspiel, was usually for "beef and greens." The game can be traced for at least a hundred years back, and doubtless it was brought to the Fife coast by Friesland sailors, as many suppose Golf was brought to Scotland at an earlier era from Holland.

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A federation of the Golf Clubs of Edinburgh printing establishments has been formed, and a trophy competition instituted.

Golfers will soon, we understand, have an opportunity of testing Mr. Macfie's wonderful invention for teaching how to swing, as it is to be exhibited in Mr. Anderson's shop in Princes Street, Edinburgh. Mr. Macfie has been at much trouble to bring the machine to perfection.

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Curling, like Golf, obliterates class distinctions. On the ice, as on the links, proficiency is the only claim to honour. The skip opposing Lord Balfour, of Burleigh, at the grand match was once his lordship's coachman. At another rink a rugged old Highlander might be seen slapping the young Viscount Strathallan on the back, and then drinking his health with the remark, "You're a bonnie curler, lad! Lang may ye follow in the fitsteps o' yer faither afore ye!"

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The frost spell was suddenly broken on the 13th of the month, but curlers were pleased with having a fortnight's fine play. The only important event not brought off was the match between England and Scotland. The loch chosen cannot be suitable, and some better place must be got. The Midlothian cup was won by the Merchiston Club, the Dumfriesshire (Waterlow) cup by the Sanquhar Club, and the East Lothian (Wemyss) cup by the Whittinghame Club, which is mainly composed of players belonging to Mr. A. J. Balfour's Estate. The Carsbreck cup fell to the Bathgate Club, which has always been famous for the play of its Gordon rink—said to be invincible. Many of the bonspiels were for coals and meal for the poor of the parishes—a custom at curling which golfers might sometimes do well to imitate.

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Mr. David Scott Duncan who has so successfully edited the *Golfing Annual* for some years past is busy preparing the volume for 1895. The volume is now looked upon as a necessity among golfers, containing as it does very full and correct information about clubs and greens. Secretaries who wish their clubs noticed in the volume should send information at once to Mr. Duncan, whose address is 7, Lockharton Terrace, Edinburgh. Mr. W. Dalrymple, Leven, Fife, is also understood to be preparing a new edition of "The Golfer's Guide" to include England. With such able "guides, philosophers and friends," golfers should see the year 1895 through without many fozzles.

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In the *New Zealand Farmer*, a writer describes what are called "Californian Jacks," which are used in the Wa-iti district—breakwaters to prevent the rapid stream making off with the land. The jacks are cheap and effective, and at certain places on our coasts where the sea encroaches on the links, or where the links might desire to encroach on the sea, these structures would be worth a trial. They have been adopted at many places in New Zealand.

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Aberlady, which also boasts of its salubrity as a watering-place and golfers' resort, is just now up in arms against its neighbour Gullane over the proposal to run the sewage of Gullane down to the sea at Aberlady Bay. Aberlady tells Gullane, in the polite old Scots' tongue, "to keep her ain fishguts for her ain sea-mews." Gullane has a fine kettle of fish to fry just now. Several of the inhabitants at the Assessment Appeal Court at Haddington complained bitterly of having to pay taxes at the rate of 2s. 6d. per pound for water, when the wells of the village had been closed by order and no water supply had been introduced. The way in which the villagers are being played with by the authorities is scandalous. If water is not introduced immediately, Fever, as an inhabitant remarks, will be the only visitor to the place next season.

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The scores made by the brothers Sayers at the Handsel Monday Competition, viz., 80 each, were remarkably good considering the weather. Hitherto it has not been supposed

that George could get alongside his famous brother Ben, but he is evidently making up his mind to add further distinction to the family name.

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In view of a recent foursome in Scotland, in which a distinguished professional with an amateur as his partner and patron, won the match, the question may be asked, "What does an amateur consider fair payment to a first class professional in such a match, and should the professional have a share in the stakes won?"

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"Timothy" writes to say that, from all the notices of the fickleness of the French Republicans, the new French President may be *Faure*, but he is not *sure*.

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David Herd, who has been associated with John Morris at Hoylake for some years as head assistant, has secured the appointment of resident professional in connection with the Bradford St. Andrews Club.

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The second heat in the Billiard Tournament at the Golfers' Club, resulted as follows:—Mr. H. F. Waller (r. 70) beat Mr. J. Porteus (r. 10), by 16; Major C. B. Waller (r. 45) beat Mr. W. Glover (r. 80), by 5; Mr. Arch. Borwick (s.) beat Mr. G. C. Snelling (r. 75), by 64; Mr. H. N. Morrison (o. 70) beat Mr. W. A. Kolckmann (r. 85), by 5; Mr. A. H. Chamberlain (o. 70) beat Mr. W. Webster (r. 35), by 89; Mr. H. Burr (r. 100) beat Mr. C. A. Malone (r. 95), by 48; Mr. F. J. Leslie (o. 10) beat Dr. W. W. Chamberlain (o. 25), by 31; Mr. J. Gourand (r. 100) beat Mr. J. E. Tunnicliffe (r. 110), by 25. Handicaps arranged by George Palmer (marker).

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"Why are the thumb and fore-fingers cut off?" This was the question asked by many visitors to the Grafton Gallery on Saturday, as they stood in front of the picturesque full-length picture of Mr. Wm. St Clair, at the exhibition of the old Scottish masters, which has been got together by a committee of which Lord Granby, the president of the Tooting Bec Club, is an active member. The picture is one of curious interest to golfers, though it now belongs to the Royal Company of Archers. Its technical identity puzzled many critics, for it had no name attached, and the name of Sir George Chalmers, to whom Mr. Clark ascribes it, did not suggest itself. The remark already quoted directs attention to a point in the picture which shows how a custom will perpetuate itself through generations. The cutting away of the two fingers of the glove to give a nicer touch is a fashion still in vogue on Scottish greens, though it is rarely seen in the South. Mr. St. Clair was captain of the Company of Gentlemen Golfers when they played on Leith Links in 1771, and the fine picture now on view was disposed of at the sale of the club's effects in 1831. He was a fine golfer and a fine archer, and died in 1778 at the age of 78. Mr. St. Clair stands to drive a feather ball, No. 32, from the tee, with a long, flat, thin-headed club, which the modern "bulger" would not recognise as a fellow. He is dressed in a blue Scots bonnet, red coat and vest, and knee-breeches, with large buckles on his shoes. The position is awkward in the extreme; but that must be due to the painter and not to the player, for Mr. St. Clair looks far too shrewd a person to court a certain "slice."

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Some particulars are to hand of the fatal Golf accident on the Braids at Edinburgh, briefly referred to in this column last week:—Robert M'Gregor, a lithographic writer, eighteen years of age, who resided with his widowed mother at 206, Morrison Street, Edinburgh, met his death on the Braid Hills through a blow from a Golf ball. Between three and four o'clock M'Gregor, along with a brother and another young man, went to the hill, where they were joined in play by an elderly gentleman, a stranger to all of them, whose suggestion of a foursome had been readily accepted. In going to one of the holes, M'Gregor and his young friend had played, and were about

thirty or forty yards in advance of the other couple, when the elderly gentleman drove. The couple in front saw the ball coming and "ducked" to avoid it, but it would seem that it rebounded sharply off the frozen ground, and struck M'Gregor on the right temple. He complained of pain at the time, but was able to continue playing, and as a matter of fact the game was played out to the end. After leaving the course, M'Gregor called on a friend in Balcarres Street, where he had tea. Before tea he had his head bathed with cold water, and after tea, the pain continuing, hot water was tried. On the hot water being applied, the pain instantly became intense, and violent vomiting set in. He was taken home with all haste, and medical aid was sought, but even before the doctor arrived he had become unconscious. Despite all that could be done for him, he never rallied, and died shortly after midnight. The name of the elderly gentleman who drove the ball is unknown.

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The spell of hard weather which golfers, both south and north of the Border, experienced a week ago, has extended to the sunnier climes of Nice and Pau. The golfers at Pau were practically snowed out, causing the medal day to be postponed; and instead of taking to curling, like the Scottish golfer, they found a compensating amusement in tobogganning. It would be interesting to hear the French view of curling; and some of our sojourners in that charming resort ought to introduce the game. Its movement and exciting interest would suit the French temperament amazingly—certainly far better than the staid, serious mood beloved of the golfer. With reference to the rarity of snow at Pau it is said that snow fell on one occasion during the visit of Alexander Dumas, *père*. The famous novelist called the attention of the fine old hotel-keeper, who was arrayed in his customary costume of white linen, as if to protest against the change in the elements, to this fact—"It is quite true that it snows here," replied M. Gardères, "but touch this snow and you will find it to be warm!"

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At a general meeting of the Pau Golf Club, held at the English Club on Saturday, the 12th inst., Mr. Sidney Platt was elected captain of the club for the season, *vice* Lord St. Levan resigned.

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There was over an inch of snow on the ground at Littlestone on Saturday, the 12th, in addition to which the wind was strong and bitterly cold. The consequence was that only five or six played round for the monthly medal, and of these none succeeded in returning under 100 net. The medal, therefore, was not won.

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We are informed that the applications for membership of the new Ealing Golf Club have far exceeded expectations. This is in a great measure due, no doubt, to the fact that the club has not, like most new clubs, to make its course, but is entering into possession of one of the oldest links in Middlesex, which has the advantage of being within one and a-quarter miles of Ealing and Sudbury stations, the latter of which can be reached in twenty-four minutes from Broad Street, and the former in twelve minutes from Paddington.

CUMBRAE.—The postponed monthly competition for the gold medal, presented by Bailie Cunningham, took place on the links of this club at Millport on Saturday afternoon, January 19th. The weather was all that could be desired for golfing. The ground was slightly frosted, and the greens were to the hard side. A keen competition ended in favour of Mr. H. Taylor with a score of 105, less 12 = 93.

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ABERDEEN.

ABERDEEN CLUB.—The members of this club competed on Saturday over Balgowrie Links for the monthly scratch medal and Storie cup (handicap). The greens were in excellent condition, but the weather turned out rainy in the afternoon. There was a large turn-out of players, and on comparing the cards at the close it was found that the scratch medal had been won by Mr. W. F. Orr, with a score of 82, and the Storie handicap cup tied for by Mr. W. F. Orr, scratch, 82, and Messrs. M. M. Duncan, 85, less 3=82, and M. H. Mackie, 89, less 7=82. The following are a few of the remaining scores:—Mr. J. B. Craigie, 85, less 2=83; Mr. T. Todd, 86, less 3=83; Mr. James Moir, 95, less 6=89.

BEXHILL GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition, played January 16th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. S. Colt ...	85 +2 87	Rev. F. W. Pawson	115 18 97
Mr. W. G. Macgregor ...	97 8 89	Mr. J. B. Escolme	118 20 98
Dr. McDougall ...	111 18 93	Dr. Murdoch	119 20 99
Mr. J. H. Escolme	106 12 94	Rev. H. N. Fowler	117 12 105

Several gentlemen did not return cards.

BIRKDALE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The ladies' "Bogey" competitions, which took place on the links of the Birkdale Golf Club, for the past three months, have resulted thus:—Miss L. Cheetham, 3 down (first prize); Mrs. Chalmers and Miss Morris, each 6 down, divide the second prize; Miss Burton, 7 down; Miss M. G. Cheetham, 8 down; Miss Burton, 8 down; Miss F. M. Coney, 9 down; Miss L. Cheetham, 9 down; Mrs. Wright, 10 down; Miss F. Coney, 11 down; Mrs. Wright, 14 down; Miss Coney, 14 down.

CLAPHAM COMMON GOLF CLUB.

The ladies' monthly medal was played for over the twelve-hole course on Tuesday, January 8th. Detailed scores:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
*Mrs. Woodhead ...	72 4 68	Miss A. H. Bradbury ...	91 14 77
*Miss Russell ...	92 24 68	Miss Drake ...	97 14 83
Miss Bradbury ...	91 22 69	Mrs. Rowarth ...	107 24 83
Miss M. Bradbury ...	77 4 73		

* On playing off the tie, Miss Russell won the medal.

COUNTY DOWN GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the monthly medal of the above club took place on Saturday, the 19th inst., at Newcastle. The greens were rather heavy owing to the sudden thaw, and rather more than a "Scotch mist" prevailed during the entire day, which made the general conditions of play rather difficult. On examining the cards returned it was found that Mr. Stewart Kelly, with 81 net, was the winner. The following returned cards, viz:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. S. C. Kelly ...	91 10 81	Mr. Geo. Combe ...	100 4 96
Mr. W. J. MacGeagh	99 14 85	Mr. J. F. W. Hodges	108 12 96
Mr. W. H. Smiles ...	103 12 91	Mr. F. L. Heyn ...	124 26 98
Mr. C. Brownlow ...	108 16 92		

Several others were over 100 net or made no return.

CHESTERFORD PARK GOLF CLUB.

Medal day, January 19th.—Eighth competition for the Charterhouse challenge cup:—Mrs. Waterhouse, 122, less 10=112; Miss F. Burgess, 144, less 30=114; Mrs. Williams, 157, less 30=127; Mrs.

Barnes, 169, less 36=133; Mrs. Bellingham, 163, less 27=136; Miss Robinson, 173, less 36=137; Mrs. Bartlett, 172, less 27=145.

Ninth competition for the Ashford cup:—Mr. Waterhouse, 102, less 3=99; Mr. H. P. Cunliffe, 134, less 18=116; Mr. M. Taylor, 153, less 36=117. No return from Mr. C. H. Taylor.

DISLEY GOLF CLUB.

The third winter handicap was held on Saturday, January 19th, when, owing to the unfavourable weather and to the snow which was still lying on parts of the course, there was only a small number of competitors, and the scoring was higher than usual. The following were the best returns:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. Bellhouse ...	96 4 92	Mr. H. Hawkins ...	121 25 96
Mr. H. D. Tonge ...	101 6 95	Mr. E. G. Hutton ...	98 1 97
Mr. P. Read ...	110 14 96	Mr. G. Hicks ...	110 12 98
Mr. G. F. Schofield ...	111 15 96	Mr. J. H. Smith ...	113 15 98

Eleven others were over 100 net, or made no returns. Mr. C. Bellhouse puts in a win for the winter medal, and Mr. H. Hawkins for the prize presented by Mr. G. F. Schofield for members with handicaps over 15. The winners of the second-class competitions during the last six months of 1894 played off on the same day for a prize presented by the secretary, which resulted in a win for Mr. R. E. Branthwaite.

ELTHAM GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, January 19th, "Bogey" play. Scores:—Mr. W. H. Richardson, 2 down (winner); Rev. J. N. Rowsell, 3 down; Mr. T. Brooksmith, 5 down; Mr. T. A. Raynes, 5 down; Mr. G. Spurling, 5 down; Mr. A. B. Hutchings, 5 down; Mr. A. S. Wills, 6 down; Mr. L. P. Kekewich (6); Mr. R. E. Peake, 7 down; Mr. R. Winch, 9 down; Mr. F. Bird, 9 down; Mr. G. W. Smyth, 9 down; Mr. R. Whyte, 10 down; Mr. A. Tapp 10, down; Mr. Ivor Richards, 10 down; Mr. J. G. Anderson, 11 down; Mr. H. C. Burton, 12 down; Mr. W. G. Mitchell, 13 down. About thirty players made no returns. Winner's score very good, getting only 1 stroke from "Bogey," and weather bad.

FORFARSHIRE.

On Saturday, January 19th, at Monifieth, the members of the Dundee Advertiser Club competed for a number of prizes presented by Mr. W. C. Leng. There was a good entry in each of the three classes, and the prizes were won as follows:—First class—First average and first sweepstake, Mr. John Inglis; second average and second sweepstake, Mr. Jacob Clark; 3 and third sweepstake, Mr. Allan Bell; 4 and fourth sweepstake, Mr. W. M. Cromb; 5 and 6, Mr. John D. Brown and Mr. Thomas Knox (tie); 7, Messrs. Alexander Buchan, Robert Donn, and Alexander Davidson (tie). Second class—First average, Mr. James Buik; first sweepstake and second average, Mr. John Clark; 3 and second sweepstake, Mr. John Wynd; 4 and third sweepstake, Mr. George Marshall; 5, Mr. Robert R. R. Clark; 6, Mr. William Scott; 7, Mr. George Proctor and Mr. John Livingston (tie). Third class—First average and first sweepstake, Mr. George Glass; second average and second sweepstake, Mr. David Clark; 3, Mr. Alexander Low; 4, Mr. Joseph Graham; 5, Mr. Archibald M'Farlane; 6, Mr. Finlay Currie; 7, Mr. W. D. Kennedy. Scores under the century were returned by Mr. John Inglis, 91; Mr. John D. Brown, 93; Mr. Allan Bell, 95; Mr. Thomas Knox, 96; Mr. W. M. Cromb, 96; Mr. John Macrae, 97; Mr. Jacob Clark, 97; Mr. Alexander Buchan, 97.

GLAMORGANSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

A match between the above club and the Porthcawl Golf Club was played on the links of the former on the 19th inst., and resulted in a win for Glamorganshire by 15 holes. On account of the heavy rain the links were very soft. Scores:—

GLAMORGANSHIRE.		Holes.	PORTHEAWL.		Holes.
Mr. J. Hunter ...	...	6	Mr. H. Forrester ...	...	0
Mr. C. B. Stoddart ...	...	6	Mr. E. U. David ...	...	0
Mr. W. H. M. Tucker ...	...	6	Rev. D. Davies ...	...	0
Mr. T. M. Barlow ...	...	0	Mr. F. Richardson ...	...	0
Mr. L. O. A. Hankey ...	...	0	Dr. Paterson ...	...	6
Mr. Herbert Flint	6	Dr. E. Williams	0
Mr. A. B. Sumner	1	Mr. J. F. F. Common	0
Mr. A. M. Ingledew	0	Mr. R. Herbert	4
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HEATON MOOR GOLF CLUB.

The tenth monthly competition was played on Saturday, January 19th, for the Glover and Laidlaw gold medals. Rain fell heavily all afternoon, and only ten members turned out. Mr. Spilsbury returned the best gross and net score, but having previously held the Glover

medal, the same, together with the Laidlaw medal, were taken by Mr. Stelfox. Mr. Spilsbury won the first sweepstake, and Mr. Stirling the second:—Mr. J. Spilsbury, 96, less 8=88; Mr. H. E. Stelfox, 110, less 20=90; Mr. J. Stirling, 104, less 8=96; Mr. S. J. Thomson, 106, less 8=98. The following members returned no score, or were over 100:—Messrs. A. T. Miniatti, S. Marsden, W. H. Smartt, Wm. Sockett, W. Dewse, W. J. Hunt.

HYÈRES GOLF CLUB.

Weekly handicap, January 19th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Rev. H. Bellasis ...	98 16 82	Capt. Slazenger ...	112 18 94
Mr. F. J. Patton ..	85 scr. 85	Mr. Peel ...	111 16 95
Mr. R. Fogg ...	103 16 87	Prince de Rohan ...	116 18 98
Mr. H. Ferguson... ..	106 18 88	Mr. Roberts ...	107 10 97
Mr. M. Collet ...	99 10 89		

LITTLESTONE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, January 12th:—Miss Stringer, 108, less 6=102; Miss Dolley E. Rowlandson, 118, less 13=105. As the ground was covered with snow and a strong wind was blowing, there were only two returns, as above, and all scores were over 100 net. Four others no returns.

MACCLESFIELD GOLF CLUB.

The fifth competition for Mr. Cameron's prize was played on Saturday, January 19th, with the following result:—Dr. Cooke, 100, less 15=85; Mr. W. Maw, 115, less 26=89; Mr. G. C. Greenwell, 96, less 4=92; Rev. D. Wilmot, 120, less 28=92; Mr. F. Tylecote, 106, less 11=95; Mr. A. G. Gray, 108, less 12=96; Mr. W. H. L. Cameron, 121, less 20=101.

MINEHEAD AND WEST SOMERSET GOLF CLUB.

The tournament among the winners of the monthly medals during 1894, for a memento, resulted as follows:—

First round.—Mr. C. W. Battersby (9) beat Mr. R. J. Utten Todd (25) by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. J. P. Herringham (14) beat Mr. J. Utten Todd (14) by 5 up and 4 to play; Mr. O. T. Sadler (6) beat Mr. G. Hayward (15) by 4 up and 3 to play.

Second round.—Mr. O. T. Sadler beat Mr. J. P. Herringham by 5 up and 3 to play.

Final.—Mr. O. T. Sadler beat Mr. C. W. Battersby by 3 up and 1 to play.

Mr. W. H. Fowler (plus 1) was unable to play. The memento, therefore, was won by Mr. O. T. Sadler.

NOTTS GOLF CLUB.

The annual meeting of members of this club was held on the evening of Monday, January 14th. The captain of the club (Mr. J. C. Warren) presided, and there was a good attendance of members. Mr. E. A. Coutts (hon. secretary) read a very satisfactory report from the committee. The club now numbers 168 members, as against 136 at the beginning of 1894. During the year the course has been extended to eighteen holes and the pavilion enlarged. These additions involved a considerable outlay, and necessitated an overdraft at the bank of nearly £400. To reduce this debt a sum of £127 6s. 6d. was collected from members by the energy of Mr. W. F. M. Webb. The total income for 1894 amounted to £372 2s. 2d. Fourteen matches have been played, of which eleven were won and three lost; and 491 holes scored against 101. After the discussion and adoption of the report,

Mr. John Doleman, the veteran of the club, in a characteristic speech, proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring captain, declaring that during an experience of Golf and golfers extending over half-a-century, he had never met a truer and more enthusiastic golfer than Mr. Warren, nor a captain more worthy of being honoured and respected for his devotion to the club and game.

Mr. J. Johnstone, an old member, seconded the vote of thanks, and bore eloquent testimony to Mr. Warren's uniform kindness and consideration, his untiring energy and self-denying zeal for the welfare of the Notts Club, his firmness in dealing with transgressors of the rules, his splendid example of honest and sportsmanlike play, and his loyalty to all the best traditions of the Royal and Ancient Game.

Mr. C. R. Hemingway also paid graceful tribute to the worth of the retiring captain.

Mr. Warren expressed his thanks, and a most encouraging and successful meeting was brought to a close.

The following officers were elected for 1895:—Captain, Mr. J. Hall; vice-captain, Mr. J. Johnstone; hon. secretaries, Mr. E. A. Coutts and Mr. T. G. Mellors; hon. treasurer, Mr. J. Hall; committee, Messrs. A. T. Ashwell, J. Bowes, A. N. Bromley, R. F. Carey, J. Doleman, J. Harris, C. R. Hemingway, J. McMeeking, R. D. Oswald, and J. C. Warren.

PAU GOLF CLUB.

The season's handicap opened on Wednesday last in the most perfect weather, which quite repaid the short delay occasioned by the snow of the previous week. Members were well to the fore, and some capital play took place. The Arthur Post medal was won by Mr. R. J. Boreel:—Mr. R. J. Boreel, 87; Mr. H. Tollemache, M.P., 88; Mr. H. des Vœux, 90; Mr. C. Anstruther, 93; Mr. J. Mellor, 94; Capt. Banbury, 94; Mr. C. Cuthbertson, 97; Mr. K. MacFarlane, 98; Mr. C. Black, 99; Mr. Scarisbrick, 104; Mr. G. Harrison, 106; Mr. Shand-Harvey, 117.

Open (five-franc) sweepstakes.—Winner, Mr. Guy Mellor:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. Grey Ross ...	96 12 84	Mr. C. Scarisbrick ...	107 18 89
Mr. G. Mellor ...	110 26 84	Mr. Shand-Harvey ...	102 13 89
Mr. H. Tollemache, M.P. ...	94 9 85	Capt. Banbury ...	98 9 89
Mr. J. Mellor ...	90 5 85	Mr. C. Cuthbertson ...	99 10 89
Mr. H. des Vœux... ..	90 5 85	Mr. C. Black ...	98 4 94
Mr. H. des Vœux... ..	90 5 85	Mr. C. Morgan ...	124 27 97
Hon. E. North ...	108 22 86	Major Levett ...	121 20 101
Mr. B. C. Morris ...	118 30 88	Mr. E. Livingstone ...	115 14 101

Brooke cup handicap limited to 18 holes.—Won by Mr. H. Tollemache, M.P.:—Mr. H. Tollemache, M.P., 182, less 18=164; Mr. H. Ross, 196, less 24=172; Mr. H. des Vœux, 180, less 10=170; Mr. C. Scarisbrick, 211, less 36=175; Capt. Banbury, 193, less 18=175; Mr. J. Mellor, 184, less 10=174; Mr. C. Cuthbertson, 196, less 20=176; Mr. E. Livingstone, 216, less 28=188; Mr. C. Black, 197, less 8=189; Mr. Shand-Harvey, 219, less 26=193.

PYECOMBE GOLF CLUB.

The new club-house at Pyecombe was opened on Saturday last, and both sections competed for their challenge prizes. The house affords ample accommodation for its members, and is well warmed by large stoves placed in the general-room and in the dressing-room. Mr. Walter Campion (captain) and Mr. A. J. Bridge presented respectively a silver tankard, scratch prize; and a large silver bowl, challenge-handicap. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. F. H. Campion ...	85 3 82	Mr. W. Keen ...	95 8 87
†Mr. H. C. Willock ...	90 6 84	Mr. H. B. W. Gardner ...	108 20 88
Col. G. N. R. Rogers ...	115 30 85	Mr. W. Gardiner ...	112 20 92
Mr. C. B. Cumberlege ...	111 25 86	Mr. C. W. Campion ...	105 12 93
Mr. H. F. de Paravicini ...	91 4 87		

* Winner of scratch prize. † Winner of handicap prize.

Over 100 net, or no returns: Rev. E. B. Little, Rev. T. B. Field, Mr. A. J. Bridge, Mr. W. H. Campion, Rev. R. Helme, Mr. Charles Wilson, Col German, &c.

The Ladies played for a beautiful antique challenge dish, presented by the Lady Louise Loder, scratch to 18; and for a challenge silver toilet box, given by Mrs. W. G. Nicholson, handicap scratch to 30, no lady being able to take both prizes:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mrs. W. G. Nicholson ...	108 15 83	Mrs. M. Stewart ...	100 2 98
†Miss B. Martin ...	99 6 93	Mrs. Sanderson ...	99 scr. 99
Miss Andrews ...	99 2 97	Miss Campion ...	137 30 107

* Winner of dish. † Winner of box.

No returns from Mrs. Gordon Dill; Miss M. Macnamara; Miss E. Loftus Tottenham; Miss Shand, and others.

ROYAL NORWICH GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competitions, postponed from January 10th, owing to snow, were played for on Thursday, January 17th, in blustering and inclement weather. Much of the snow had disappeared, but in the sheltered parts of the course, deep, unmelted drifts remained. There was a fair turn-out of members. The scoring all round was high. Principal results as under. Silver medal:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. T. Ireland ...	108 8 100	Mr. C. H. A. Lock ...	113 10 103
Mr. H. Cozens-Hardy ...	110 10 100	Mr. B. F. K. O'Malley ...	124 18 106
Mr. W. Pinder ...	117 17 100	Mr. H. Watson ...	127 20 107
Mr. E. Everitt ...	120 18 102		

Bronze medal, for long handicaps over 20:—Mr. E. Nuthall, 134, less 28=106; Mr. J. A. Harmer, 136, less 28=108.

ROYAL ARTILLERY (WOOLWICH) GOLF CLUB.

Members turned out on January 19th for the monthly "Bogey" competition. The course was in good order, but rain fell part of the afternoon. The best cards are given below. "Bogey" is 80 :—Capt. Crampton (7) 3 up; Lieut. F. G. Morris (scratch) 2 up; Lieut. Strange (9) 1 up; Capt. Bunbury (11) even; Major Coker (5) 2 down; Capt. Heffernan (20) 3 down; Major Curteis (7) 4 down; Lieut.-Col. Belgrave (18) 4 down; Major Richards (9) 5 down; Col. Bainbridge (18) 5 down; Major Brett (16) 5 down.

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

At the quarterly meeting which took place on Saturday, January 19th, the quarterly challenge medal and gold memento were won by Mr. W. E. Hall, 92, less 7=85; and the silver medal was tied for by Mr. N. Womersley and Mr. E. J. Naldrett with 92. The following are the best scores handed in :—

Class 1, handicaps of 12 and under—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. E. Hall ...	92 7 85	Mr. S. Kemp ...	99 6 93
Mr. Wm. Walker ...	96 10 86	Mr. A. Kemp ...	102 9 93
Mr. A. A. Hannay...	94 7 87	Mr. A. Boney ...	104 11 93
Mr. S. R. Bastard...	89 1 88	Mr. C. E. Greig ...	101 7 94
Dr. J. D. Cruickshank	101 12 89	Mr. F. Whitley ...	106 12 94
Mr. J. W. Greig ...	97 7 90	Mr. G. Hillyard-	
Mr. G. K. Mewburn	101 10 91	Swinstead ...	99 4 95
Mr. J. O. Milledge,		Mr. J. W. M. Guy...	105 10 95
jun. ...	102 11 91	Mr. H. E. Fisher ...	105 9 96
Capt. R. L. Cowper-		Mr. Jas. Latham, jun.	107 10 97
Coles ...	92 scr. 92	Mr. W. G. MacGregor	109 12 97
Mr. F. H. Swinstead	102 10 92	Mr. J. W. James ..	107 9 98
Mr. A. E. L. Slazenger	104 12 92		

Class 2, handicaps over 12 :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. N. N. Womersley	106 14 92	Dr. Chas. Aveling...	120 18 102
Mr. E. J. Naldrett...	110 18 92	Mr. W. Gowland ...	125 18 107
Mr. R. Oxenham ...	113 16 97	Mr. G. T. E. Cobbett	125 18 107
Rev. E. A. Stuart...	111 13 98	Mr. R. H. King ...	130 16 114
Mr. A. B. Smith ...	117 18 99	Mr. H. P. Lowen ...	132 16 116
Mr. J. B. Shaw ...	115 14 101		

SAPPERTON PARK GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, January 19th :—Mr. J. C. Mallam, 107, less 25=82 (winner of medal); Mr. J. Rawlins, 105, less 18=87 (winner of sweepstakes); Mr. C. E. O. Sewell, 107, less 20=87; Mr. E. B. Haygarth, 105, less 16=89; Mr. E. W. Bubb, 115, less 20=95; Mr. R. J. Mullings, 114, less 20=94. No returns from six other players.

SEAFORD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, January 12th :—Mr. W. Lamb, 98, less 15=83; Mr. W. M. Cundell, 102, less 14=88; Mr. E. Christophers, 115, less 18=97; Mr. A. W. Murray, 111, less 14=97; Mr. A. J. Jack, 112, less 15=97; Mr. W. E. Whitehorn, 113, less 14=99; Mr. H. D. Hull, 112, less 12=100; Mr. W. H. C. Payne, 124, less 22=102; Mr. R. W. Hogg, 119, less 16=103.

ST. NEOTS v. BEDFORD.

On the St. Neots Links on Saturday, January 19th. St. Neots won by six holes. Score :—

ST. NEOTS.		BEDFORD.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Capt. Kinloch ...	5	Mr. C. Innes ...	0
Mr. A. C. MacNish ...	5	Mr. H. E. Tredcroft ...	0
Mr. J. A. Ennals ...	0	Col. Broughton ...	2
Mr. A. B. Brackenbury	0	Mr. Fletcher ...	5
Mr. P. C. Tomson ...	0	Mr. S. Fuller ...	0
Mr. A. K. Bower ...	3	Mr. Harvey ...	0
	13		7

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

Messrs. S. F. Wilson and O. K. Trechmann were again good enough to present the club with prizes for competition on New Year's Day, but owing to the snowstorm that prevailed at that time, the competition was postponed until last week. The weather, however, was most wretched, a gale blowing from the east with continuous rain, whilst the ground was in a hard frozen condition, and most of the putting-greens partly under water. Notwithstanding these adverse conditions, Mr. J. Robson played a remarkably strong game, going round in a gross score of 88, which, less 4 handicap, made him net 84, and thus the winner of Mr. Wilson's prize. Mr. F. H. Pyman was second, playing a steady round of 96 which, with a handicap of 11, left him 3

strokes behind the winning score, and the winner of Mr. Trechmann's prize. Eleven competitors took out cards, of which four made no returns. The following are the scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. Robson ...	88 4 84	Mr. T. Danby ...	105 13 92
Mr. F. H. Pyman...	96 11 85	Mr. G. Newby ...	100 6 94
Mr. A. B. Crosby ...	95 9 86	Mr. E. W. Walker	106 12 94
Mr. M. H. Hersley	108 22 86		

TONBRIDGE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal and sweepstakes were played for on Saturday, January 19th, resulting in Mr. H. R. Stokoe, 88 less 14=74, winning the medal and first sweepstake; Mr. A. T. Penny, 92, less 15=77, the second sweepstake; and Mr. J. Le Fleming, 85, less 5=80, the silver challenge cleek, presented by the hon. secretary for the best scratch score.

On the same date, the ladies' monthly challenge medal and sweepstakes (postponed from January 12th) were also played for on the ladies' links (twelve holes), and resulted in Miss Armstrong, 82, less 16=66, tying with Miss M. M. Beeching, 90, less 24=66; Miss A. Le Fleming, 92, less 16=76, winning the sweepstakes.

TORQUAY LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The fourth medal competition of the season took place on Friday, January 18th. There were nine entries. Names and scores as follow :—Miss G. V. Guise, 84, less 5=79; Miss Pemberton, 88, less 2=86; Miss Wollen, 96, less 5=91; Miss Oldfield, 98, less 6=92; Miss Livingston, 103, less 11=92; Miss K. Oldfield, 110, less 13=97. Miss Knox-Gore, Miss E. Colhoun, and Miss Hunt sent in no cards.

WEST MIDDLESEX GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medals, January 19th. Silver medal :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. H. R. Payne ...	86 12 74	Mr. S. Chick ...	92 6 86
Mr. F. Carver ...	83 8 75	Mr. W. Bartlett ...	104 16 88
Mr. H. Ludlow ...	88 11 77	Mr. G. Rumsey ...	97 8 89
Mr. R. W. Regge...	95 16 79	Mr. P. Barlow ...	95 5 90
Mr. R. H. Wood-		Mr. A. J. Davies ...	105 15 90
house ...	88 8 80	Mr. E. Bradley Hunt	104 12 92
Mr. W. L. Man-		Mr. J. R. P. Phillips	104 12 92
sergh ...	96 15 81	Mr. T. G. Hewitt...	106 14 92
Mr. W. C. Prance...	96 12 84	Mr. C. Plummer ...	94 scr. 94

No returns from eight other players.

Bronze medal.—Mr. C. Gibbon, 98, less 17=81; Mr. S. Cowell, 108, less 24=84; Rev. C. B. Fry, 107, less 17=90; Mr. J. L. May, 112, less 22=90; Mr. H. Francis, 108, less 17=91; Mr. J. Turner, 115, less 24=91; Mr. J. Hardie, 112, less 17=95; Mr. W. G. Greig, 112, less 17=95; Mr. E. Woodger, 120, less 24=96. No returns from eleven other players.

WILMSLOW GOLF CLUB.

The fourth winter competition took place on Saturday, January 19th, when play was made very difficult by the quantity of water on the links. Mr. C. Hervey won the Boddington cup and memento and the second sweepstakes, Mr. F. Godlee won the Haworth cup and memento and the first sweepstakes, and the third sweepstakes went to Mr. R. A. Bradley. The following members, out of twenty-three competitors, returned cards under 100 net :—

Boddington cup—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. C. Hervey ...	94 10 84	Mr. J. A. Tweedale.	98 3 95
Mr. R. A. Bradley...	91 3 88	Mr. P. Swanwick ...	106 9 97
Mr. C. S. Hoare ...	93 +1 94	Mr. J. Beaumont ...	108 10 98
Mr. J. H. Milne ...	100 6 94		

Haworth cup—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. Godlee ...	93 12 81	Mr. H. Lathbury ...	111 17 94
Mr. K. C. Bellhouse	101 11 90	Mr. W. H. Welsh ...	107 11 96
Mr. J. J. Brickhill...	104 11 93	Mr. F. Haworth ...	111 12 99

WHITLEY GOLF CLUB.

On January 18th the seventh competition for the Donkin cup was played on the Whitley Links, under the "Bogey" rules. A cold westerly wind prevailed, but the field was good, ten and a half couples competing. Scoring ran high, which was accounted for by the heavy nature of the green after the recent snowstorms, and the cold atmospheric conditions. The "Colonel" proved invincible, no one lowering his colours. Mr. Fred. T. Ridley (plus 1) topped the list, being 1 hole down to his invisible opponent, Mr. A. Hedley (less 3) coming next with 3 down, whilst Mr. J. W. Carr (less 4) was 4 down, which gave him tertiary honours. Scores :—Mr. F. T. Ridley (plus 1), 1 down; Mr. A. Hedley (3), 3 down; Mr. J. W. Carr (7), 4 down;

Mr. T. H. Leathart (11), 5 down; Mr. M. P. Ismay (5), 6 down; Mr. W. B. Shaw (10), 6 down; Mr. R. Howard (2), 7 down; Mr. G. F. Charlton (5), 7 down; Mr. P. W. Leathart (scratch), 8 down; Mr. J. Hiddlestone (7), 8 down; Mr. W. Ashforth (12), 8 down; Mr. T. Green (12), 8 down; Mr. F. Burn (11), 9 down; Mr. H. B. Herbert (10), 10 down; Mr. B. Brumell (11), 10 down; Mr. Geo. Bell (18), 13 down. Retired:—Messrs. R. A. Charles (scratch), J. S. Brown (3), J. Milton (3), T. A. Hutton (8), J. G. Leathart (4).

WIMBLEDON LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medals, January 19th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Miss Pascoe ...	81	9	72	Miss A. L. Tyrwhitt	
†Miss K. Mac-				Drake ...	95 10 85
Farlan ...	97	24	73	Mrs. N. R. Foster ...	100 15 85
Miss G. Tee ...	88	11	77	Miss Frith ...	105 20 85
Miss Henderson ...	97	18	79	Miss Ida Kenyon	
Miss Issette Pearson	80	scr.	80	Stow ...	103 17 86
Miss A. B. Harrison	104	24	80	Miss A. M. Kenyon	
Miss Lena Thomson	85	4	81	Stow ...	91 4 87
Mrs. Dowson ...	99	18	81	Miss Edith Scott ...	105 18 87
Mrs. Alexander King	94	12	82	Miss H. M. Frere ...	99 10 89
Mrs. Cameron ...	89	6	83	Miss Carver ...	112 22 90
Mrs. Whitehead ...	104	21	83	Mrs. G. Banbury ...	113 22 91
Miss N. Martyn ...	97	13	84	Miss Ethel Carver ...	116 24 92

* Winner of medal and brooch.

† Winner of medal for handicaps over 16.

Eighteen players made no returns.

WOODBIDGE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The first competition for the monthly medal was played on Thursday, January 17th, with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Miss K. Hewetson	67	15	52	Miss M. Lowther ...	79 20 59
Mrs. Howey ...	77	20	57	Miss K. Carthew ...	73 10 63
Miss Soppitt ...	75	16	59	Mrs. Hicks ...	96 20 76
Miss Carthew ...	76	17	59	Miss Barthorp ...	98 20 78

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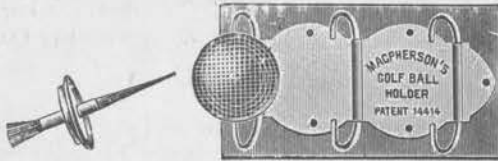
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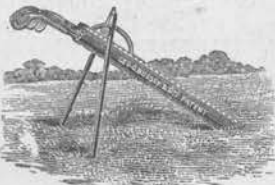
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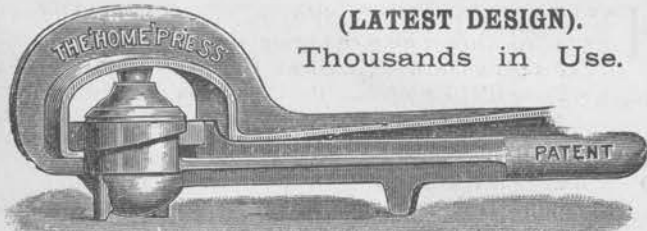
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