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JANUARY.

- Jan. 4.—Woodbridge: President's Prize.
Royal Cornwall: Monthly Medal.
- Jan. 4 & 5.—Royal West Norfolk: Christmas Meeting.
- Jan. 5.—Royal Liverpool: Winter Optional Subscription Prize.
London Scottish: Monthly Medal.
Tooting: Monthly Medal.
Leicester: Monthly Medal.
Macclesfield: Monthly Medal & President's Challenge Cup.
Bullwood: Monthly Medal.
Neasden: "Bogey" Competition.
Macclesfield: Monthly Handicap.
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.
Redhill and Reigate: Turner Monthly Medal.
Woodford v. Seaford (at Woodford).
Aldeburgh: Monthly Medal.
- Jan. 7.—Woodbridge: Monthly Medal.
Pau: Post Medal and Pendant; Brooke Cup and Badge.
- Jan. 8.—Hunstanton: Monthly Medal.
Royal Blackheath: Monthly Medal.
- Jan. 8 & 18.—Whitley: "Bogey" Competition.
- Jan. 9.—Fau: Anstruther Shield and Badge.
- Jan. 10.—Woodbridge: Ladies; President's Prize.
- Jan. 12.—Southend-on-Sea: Monthly Medals.
Seaford: Monthly Medal.
Crookham: "Bogey" Competition.
Hayling: Monthly Medal.
Mid-Surrey: Monthly Medal (Junior).
Cumbrae: Monthly Medal.
Southport: Monthly Competition (Final).
Moseley: "Bogey" Handicap.
Macclesfield: Mr. Hall's Prize.

- Jan. 12.—Wilmslow: Fourth Winter Competition.
Ranelagh: Monthly Medal.
Saltburn: Monthly Medal.
Enfield: Monthly Handicap.
- Jan. 15.—Cumbrae Ladies: Monthly Medal.
Canterbury: Monthly Medal.
- Jan. 17.—Woodbridge: Ladies; Monthly Medal.
- Jan. 19.—Harrogate: Monthly Medal.
Rochester: Monthly Medal.
Worlington and Newmarket: Monthly Medal.
Mid-Surrey: Monthly Medal (First and Second Class Senior).
Royal Wimbledon: Monthly Medal.
Rochester Ladies: Monthly Medal.
Macclesfield: Mr. Cameron's Bowl.
East Finchley: Monthly Medal.
North-West Club (Londonderry): Ladies; Monthly Medal.
King's Norton: "Bogey" Competition.
Royal Epping Forest: Quarterly Medals (First and Second Class).
Charnwood Forest v. Leicester.
- Jan. 22.—Cambridge University v. Royal Blackheath (at Blackheath, eight a-side).
- Jan. 23.—Morecambe and Heysham: Captain's Prize.
Cambridge University: Linskill Cup (scratch); St. Andrews Medal; and Prize Memento.
- 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.

"MARCH 5TH, 1894, 'HALCYON,' NEAR CROYDON.—SIR,—
It may interest Golfers to know where to get the best club for playing those most difficult, yet most paying, approach shots, either 'full' or 'half,' over which so many of us have experienced such bitter disappointment and annoyance after good play through the green. I speak from personal experience, having had my handicap considerably lowered since using one of Wilson's Mashie Cleeks, which may be obtained from Wilson, the Professional, at South Street, St. Andrews. I believe Rolland used one of these delightful clubs in his recent marvellous match against Tom Dunn at Furzedown, and could not say enough in its praise.—Yours truly, S. ELLIVAN."—London Agents: West-End Agents, J. WISDEN & Co., 21, Cranbourne Street, W.C. BENEFINK & Co., Cheapside, E.C.

GOLFERS v. THE PASSER-BY.

A PARAGRAPH which appeared in GOLF of December 7th, as to the Road question and Golfers at Luffness, brings out the ignorance which prevails among golfers, of the existence of a section of the "Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878," incorporated from the "Highways' Act 1 and 2, William IV.," which deals directly with the subject.

The writer of the paragraph in question is entirely mistaken in saying, "Golfers have rights upon public roads as well as other people." The section referred to (Schedule C, § 96), is in the following terms:—

"If any person shall play at football, fives, cricket, or any game or games upon such road (a turnpike road made or set apart for the use and accommodation of passengers), or on the side thereof, or in any exposed situation near thereto, to the annoyance of any passenger or passengers; every person offending in such a way shall for each and every such offence forfeit or pay a sum not exceeding fifty shillings, over and above the damage caused thereby."

It is fortunate for golfers who play on greens which are continually crossing public roads, or which run conterminously with them, that they are protected to a great extent by the words "to the annoyance of passengers," and also by the fact that the fine is limited and left to the discretion of the Sheriff or magistrate.

The knowledge of this section may now make a golfer hesitate before, having called "Fore!" and thereby discharged the whole duty of man towards the offending passenger who happens to be between the golfer and the hole, he takes a full shot at him.

The golfer, however, has a further terror hanging over his head. A passenger if "annoyed," may, without any other warrant or authority than the Act (§ 124) "*brevis manu*," seize and detain such person and take him without delay before the Sheriff or any neighbouring Justice of the Peace." (It is to be understood that the County Council, as representing the old Road Board, have nothing to do with instituting proceedings.) The legal crux of the question lies in the words, "to the annoyance of passengers." That is to say, what would be held to be annoyance to passengers sufficient to involve a conviction before the Sheriff, and to sustain such conviction if appealed against.

Such "annoyance" must be founded on *bonâ fide* allegation, and must be made without ulterior or malicious motive to injure the offender. Herein is to be found the safeguard of the links alluded to in the paragraph quoted from.

Nevertheless if *bonâ fide* passengers were to allege annoyance on account of the playing of Golf on or near the public road, it might go hard with the offending scapegoat.

No case has arisen directly in point under this section, but it has been laid down (Simon v. Reid, 4, Couper, 223) that the offence of firing a gun off must be proved to be done to the annoyance of passengers; that is to say, direct evidence of the persons annoyed must be led.

If direct annoyance, sufficient to satisfy the Sheriff or magistrate that there was good cause for indicting the accused, is held to have been proved, a conviction must follow. It is in the Court's discretion to define "annoyance," but golfers may rest assured that no malicious prosecution under this Act will be given effect to. If a very strict interpretation were to be put upon this section, Golf

on many greens would be seriously interfered with. But this is not likely to be assumed to be the purpose of the Legislature. What the Legislature aims at is the safety of the lieges on the public roads. If golfers look to it to exercise reasonable care when near a public road, and not to regard every passer-by as an interloper whose mere presence is an insult, the question will continue to lie, as it has done hitherto, dormant.

F. KINLOCH.

THE COUNTY SLIGO GOLF CLUB.

Though barely established three months, this club promises to be one of the most successful in Ireland; the membership including, as it already does, one hundred gentlemen and thirty ladies. It is only a few months back that "The Greenlands," at Rosse's Point, five miles from the town of Sligo, were pointed out to an influential resident as being eminently adapted to the Royal and Ancient Game. The air and scenery are magnificent, and the turf is all that can be desired, and the variety and nature of the hazards cannot fail to please the most critical of golfers. The suggestion has been speedily acted upon, and what was formerly an almost deserted common, now resounds with the click of the cleek and driver, and the warning cry of "Fore!"

There was a rumour of some trouble between the lords of the soil and the enterprising sportsman who leased "The Greenlands" for the purpose of establishing a Golf club, but that any serious difficulty is likely to arise can hardly be imagined, as no one could possibly be so blind to their own, and their tenant's interests, as to oppose the promotion of a sport which tends so largely to their mutual welfare. A Golf club at Rosse's Point means an influx of visitors to the village at all times of the year. These visitors require food, drink, attendance, and accommodation, and must be carried to and from Sligo, and all this means a circulation of money which must benefit all concerned. The future of the club seems well assured with such an enthusiastic body of members and so fine a green.

Thompson, a pupil of Ben Sayers, has been engaged as professional and greenkeeper, and under his efficient and careful coaching, it will be strange if some of the young Sligionians are not early claimants of Championship honours. The course at present consists of nine holes, this number being deemed sufficient until the club gets well under way, but there is ground enough available to admit of the course being extended *ad lib.*

The first green may be carried by a slashing drive over a sand pit and quarry, but in most cases two will be required to reach the green. The second is a drive and iron, but the drive must be a good one, as any mistake will mean the disappearance of the ball into the sand-holes and bents about sixty yards from the tee. The third is a sporting drive on to the green, across a gully, with a road and a bunker guarding the green. This hole requires straight and accurate driving.

The fourth, probably the most sporting hole on the course, requires a long drive from one side of a ravine, full of traps, on to a plateau on the other side, when the green may be reached with an accurate iron. The green here is surrounded with broken ground and bents, and requires very accurate judgment in the approach. The fifth, which is a terror to beginners, requires a good clean tee shot to carry broken ground and bents, and then two brassies to reach the green. This hole is uphill all the way. Six is par for this hole. The sixth is down the hill again with a stone wall to intercept the topped drive, and an artificial bunker guarding the green which should be reached with the second with the mashie. The seventh requires rather more than a drive and a brassy to reach the green, which is protected by an artificial bunker. The eighth is about the same length, and the ninth requires a drive, a brassy, and a cleek to reach the green. There is no crossing and the tees are all convenient. The lies throughout are splendid on the greens, which are nearly all natural, only require a little more play to make them second to none.

The members of this club may congratulate themselves on having a course which requires so little work to make it quite first class, and will require only a minimum amount of upkeep. The par score of the green is 4 4 3 4 6 4 5 5 5, and anyone getting round with this score may be quite satisfied with his round.

In the absence of a club-house at present, Mr. Ewing and his wife and two winsome daughters, attend to the wants of the weary golfer in a manner which leaves nothing to be desired. Mr. H. Campbell Perry, Sligo, is the hon. secretary, from whom any information may be had. Where success is so well assured it seems unnecessary, but still here is, "Success to the County Sligo Golf Club."

Our Ladies' Letter.

DEAR LADIES.—A very happy New Year to one and all. May you all have health, energy and opportunity to compete for the Championship, and since you cannot all win, may you all be as near winning as steady practice can make you.

A writer in the *Globe*, though justly contemptuous of Golfing "Machinery,"—an expression for which he deserves our thanks,—is a trifle hard on improvements and inventions generally. I have heard some renowned authorities speak in very favourable terms of Linka, an apparatus which registers the force and distance of every stroke. Whether this contrivance will teach a correct swing is another matter, but it certainly makes practice in a limited space safe and possible. A machine-made golfer, must be as strange a creature as the machine-made author of Mr. Barry-Pain's Christmas Story.

I have received a notice from A. Caiger & Co., of 13, George Street, Hanover Square, W., that between December 31st and January 31st all goods in their establishment will be sold at greatly reduced *demi-saison* prices, and that ladies will be quite surprised at the bargains thus offered, and especially so in the model garments, which are very greatly reduced. Some double-breasted coats, with skirts to match, would be well worth securing at the present prices. Of course, sales are now in progress everywhere. Peter Robinson, Woollands, John Barker & Co., Waterloo House, all offer tempting goods at tempting prices; and I must add the name of D. H. Evans & Co., of Oxford Street, to those houses worth visiting at this season. Not only will you there find costumes, dress materials, ribbons, shoes, and bonnets, but household linens, blankets, and many other necessary domestic articles at almost half their usual value; while lady-golfers who have small sons growing daily out of the garments provided for them, will be delighted with the boys' suits offered on exceptional terms, and in the nick of time before the school outfits have been replenished.

The golfing three-quarter cape invented by Boyd & Co., of 11, Bridge Street, Belfast, known as the Eiderdon, is really a boon in the windy weather. The high collar is a great protection, and the cloak falls back from the shoulders leaving the arms quite free for play. I have also seen an Eiderdon rug for travelling, and an Eiderdon dressing-robe, both marked 30s., which are most attractive. The material is light, warm, and pretty. Messrs. Boyd & Co. will furnish catalogues and full sets of patterns post free; and the patterns are well worth investigation.

I am glad to hear from many ladies that Peter Robinson's boots, which I recommended to them at the beginning of the season, have proved so thoroughly satisfactory. Had I not felt sure that this would be the case I should not have been so insistent in my praise. Ladies, who have sent an old boot or shoe as a pattern, have invariably received an excellently fitting pair of boots made quickly in return.

Very few lady-golfers are now without one of Osmond's Patent Golf Caddies, which, on links where caddies are scarce, has proved a most excellent substitute, saving the player much stooping and loss of breath. The caddie is not much heavier than the ordinary bag, and is certainly far more convenient.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

BEGINNER.—I believe that many players find Mr. Brougham's patent aluminium-headed drivers and brassies very good clubs. You can obtain them at the Army and Navy Stores, or at the depôt, 61A, South Audley Street. *Vide* GOLF advertisements.

"SUFFERER."—I believe you would do better to wear undergarments with long sleeves. Try some of the Jaeger bodices with sleeves to the wrists. Many golfers wear knitted mittens coming over the wrist. You will find that Peter Robinson's stockingette jersey bodices fit closely in the arms and prevent the cold creeping up as you describe. I quite appreciate your difficulty, but these bodices are quite the best I know. Now, again repeating my good wishes for 1895,

I remain your most sincere Friend,
LADY TATTLER.

TORQUAY LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The third medal competition of the season took place on Friday, 21st. inst. There were eight entries, names and scores as follows:—Miss E. Colhoun, 83, less 4=79; Miss Collett, 99, less 17=82; Miss Pemberton, 85, less 2=83; Miss Oldfield, 95, less 6=89; Miss Wollen, 96, less 5=91; Miss K. Oldfield, 112, less 13=99; Miss Boyd, 115, less 16=99. Miss Wise sent in no card.

YE MONKS OF YE BRAIDS.

The third annual dinner of the Brotherhood took place in the Imperial Hotel, Edinburgh, on December 18th, when the members, accompanied by a large circle of their friends, spent a most enjoyable evening.

The report of the council and financial statement show that the season just ended has been a most successful one in every respect. During 1894 five competitions were held. The silver medal, which is played for half-yearly, in April and September, was secured on both occasions by Mr. Josiah Livingston, jun. Matches were taken part in with the following clubs, viz.:—The Rosslynlee, West Lothian, Braids, and Blackford. The Brotherhood emerged victorious from their contests with the two first mentioned clubs, but they sustained defeats from the representatives of the last-named clubs.

At the dinner the chair was occupied by the retiring Abbot, Mr. John Rose, while Mr. Frank Nicol, the retiring Scribe, officiated as croupier. The loyal toasts having been duly honoured, Mr. J. Currie Liddle, Bo'ness, in the absence of Mr. Russell, captain of the West Lothian Club, proposed the toast of "Ye Monks of ye Braids." In the course of a neat and eloquent speech, Mr. Liddle assured the meeting of the gratification it afforded to kindred clubs to observe the prominent position which the Brotherhood had attained in the golfing world, and this result appeared to him the more commendable, considering the comparatively short term of its career. He referred to the pleasure the West Lothian Club derived from the match played with Ye Monks of Ye Braids during the past season; and he trusted that a similar fixture would be arranged for the coming year. He could confidently promise that the Linlithgow ladies—whose fair presence, by-the-by, had proved a distinct attraction to the Brotherhood—would be only too delighted to repeat the hospitality which they extended so ungrudgingly on a former occasion.

The Chairman, in reply, expressed his gratitude for such cordial expressions for the future welfare of the Brotherhood, and he could assure their brother-golfers that these kindly feelings were warmly reciprocated by the members of his club.

Brother John Paterson proposed "Ye Royale and Ancyent Gamyce of Goff," and Brother J. E. Sansome responded; while the other toasts were, "Ye Offyce-Bearers," proposed by Brother G. R. Turner, and replied to by Brother A. C. Drummond; "Ye Pryze-Wynners," by Brother J. Jamieson, and responded to by Brother G. Reid; "Ye Systerhoode," by Brother A. King, and replied to by ex-Abbot A. W. Sansome; "Ye Gaestes," by the Croupier, and responded to by Captain Sanderson, Blackford Club.

An excellent programme of vocal and instrumental music served to complete a thoroughly pleasant evening.

The menu card, as is the wont of the Brotherhood, was got up in quite a unique manner, being illustrative of the humours of Golf, which were hit off in a particularly happy fashion. It was composed jointly by Brothers A. W. Sansome and F. Page, and sketched most artistically by Mr. Archibald Hogg.

INTERESTING FOURSOME.—A match, which created a good deal of interest, was begun over St. Andrews Links on Christmas Day, Capt. Sellars and Andrew Kirkaldy playing Sheriff Melville and Ben Sayers. The match, as arranged, is to be played over St. Andrews and North Berwick Links—thirty-six holes on each green. The first stage was entered on at St. Andrews. Play in the first half was very even, and at the turn all was square. Homeward, the same equal play was witnessed, neither side gaining any advantage, the round ending all even. In the second round the Captain and Kirkaldy had the best of the game going out, but the Sheriff and Sayers pulled themselves together, and only lost by 2 holes out of the thirty-six. On Saturday the second portion of the match took place over the North Berwick links. As anticipated, the closing half at North Berwick on Saturday was stiffly contested. Captain Sellars and Kirkaldy ultimately won on the day's play by a hole, and accordingly the match of seventy-two holes also resulted in their favour by 3.

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Reviews.

CLUBS:—A LIST OF CLUBS FREQUENTED BY THE ENGLISH IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD. By E. C. Austen Leigh, M.A. Spottiswoode and Co. Price 1s.

The first issue of this book took place two years ago. It was a thin and rather meagre list of clubs, in which those connected with Golf stood in the proportion of Falstaff's bread to his sack. This year, however, the compiler has made amends for his earlier oversight, and the list for 1895 is made up of about three-fourths Golf clubs, the remainder being other clubs of a social, artistic, or athletic character. The work as a whole, however, appears to have been somewhat carelessly edited. For example, while we have mention of an Oxford University Golf Club, the compiler appears to be ignorant of the existence of a similar institution at Cambridge, though the Inter-University Golf match is quite as important in its way, as the cricket match. There is no mention of the Golf clubs at the following places, and this, too, in a list which is supposed to be exhaustive.—Burnham (Bucks), Buxton, Chester, Clacton, Deal, Dulwich, Hampstead, Leicester, Newcastle, Newmarket, Northampton, Oban, Southend, Whitley, Ventnor, and Yarmouth. Of errors in editing it may be enough to point out that there is no Gullane Golf Club at Drem; that there is no Edinburgh club called "Ye Monks and ye Braids;" that the West of Scotland watering-place is known as "Innellan;" that the principal club at Leven is not mentioned—the Innerleven Club; that the West Norfolk and Lynn Club (if there is such an organisation) cannot be found at Lyme Regis, which is in Dorset; that the *Prestwich* Liberal club is far removed from *Prestwick* Golf; that there is no "Arden" Club at Stevenston, though there is an Ardeer Club; that Tighnabraich is not ordinarily spelt "Tighnabruach," that "Skelmorlin" would not be recognised, in Scotland at least, as an adequate equivalent for "Skelmorlie"; and that "Berkhampstead" is not the current rendering for Berkhamsted. The book is also deficient in its information about Golf Clubs in America, on the Continent, and in our British Colonies. If the compiler wishes to keep his information up to date—and to be of any use at all the book must be exact as well as complete—we recommend him to become a closer student of our pages than he hitherto appears to have been.

SINCE the preliminary notice in our last issue as to the establishment of the Ealing Golf Club, we have received from the secretary, Mr. A. T. W. McCaul, 21, St. Helen's Place, E.C., a circular giving full particulars of the new club. A qualified professional will be engaged, and a suitable club-house taken as soon as an adequate number have given in their names. In the meantime, arrangements have been made for the club having the exclusive use of rooms at the "Fox and Goose," immediately adjoining the old club-house of the former Ealing Club, which has recently passed into new hands, and where lunch, tea, &c., of good quality can now be obtained at a fixed tariff. The new club is fortunate in having secured an eighteen-hole course at Twyford Abbey that was constantly played over up to January last, when it was relinquished by the present West Middlesex Club, owing to the failure of the negotiations as to their tenure of the links. A number of experienced caddies will be at once available, and the lads will be organised in a thoroughly efficient manner.

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The committee of management of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club have arranged that the Amateur and Open Championships, both of which important events are to be held at St. Andrews in 1895, shall take place as follows:—Amateur Championship, Tuesday, May 7th; Open Championship (for amateurs and professionals), Tuesday and Wednesday, June 12th and 13th. The present holders are (Amateur) Mr. John Ball, jun., of the Royal Liverpool Club, and (Open) J. H. Taylor, of Winchester.

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Quite a feature of the last celebration of Christmas was the number of golfing gifts sent through the post. Christmas cards with golfing pictures seemed to be in evidence everywhere, another sign of the universal popularity of the game. It would be endless to detail the specimens that came under our notice, but we may give two samples. From a kind maiden aunt came a miniature Golf bag and set of clubs, affixed to a card with the following:—

Though *iron* fate keeps us apart,
It cannot *drive* away
Nor *bunker* any kindly thought
That *links* our hearts to-day.

My season's wish I'll briefly *put*:
May luck your *caddie* be,
And *stick* to you, and that I know
Will suit you to a *tee*!

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Then from a sweet wee Scotch lass of ten summers, who inherits a love for the game from her daddie, we have a picture of two Highlanders teeing up for a big match, Tonald watching Tougald swipe off, and on the card are the lines:—

A game old fellow may Christmas prove!
And, driving care from thee,
May his merry hours be links of love
That suit you to a tee!

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Among the many kindly greetings which the editor has received from golfers at home and abroad, he desires to make special acknowledgment of the unique card sent by the Singapore Golf Club, "with the best wishes and compliments" of the club. The card is a reduced photograph of the club pavilion, with an imposing group of members, ladies, children, and native servants in front. Though so large a group is compressed in a space of three inches, the likenesses of both ladies and gentlemen are clear, sharp, and well defined. The costumes of the ladies are bright and summer-like, and there is an appearance of sun and warmth pervading the atmosphere which stands out in singular contrast with our foggy humidity. In the top left-hand corner is a golfer in flannels, with sleeves rolled up, addressing a ball on the tee; lower down is a portion of the globe bearing date 1895, and below that again the card conveying the season's compliments, the whole being surrounded by an artistic arrangement of tropical flower and fern

We heartily appreciate the kindly thoughtfulness of the expatriated golfer so far from home. In return we send to them and other kindly souls "the braid world ower" hearty good wishes for the New Year. May their teed balls, both in Golf and in the more serious game of life, never be fozzled, and, if fozzled, never bunkered!

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The new Luffness Club has made a good start with over three-score names to ballot for admission as soon as the first hundred life-membership list was closed. For these the entrance money is three guineas and the annual subscription one guinea. For later entrants beyond two hundred the charges will no doubt be raised, as the rent of the green advances according to the membership. The rules of the club have been printed. They are in the usual form, except, perhaps, in the permission given to members to admit visitors to the use of the club-house and green for the space of two days, each visitor paying 2s. 6d. per day. If approved by the committee the permission to visitors may be extended, the charge being 10s. per week, but not to go beyond four weeks, the member to be answerable for the charges. This is rather a good idea, as it allows a member who may be residing in the district in summer to give his friends a privilege and make up good matches for the holiday. Mr. Sydney Mitchell, architect, has prepared plans for the club-house, proposed to be built, which are now on exhibition to the members. A coach is to meet the 9:22 train from Edinburgh at Drem, and return from the green in time for the 4:30 p.m. train at that station.

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The North Berwick lease does not yet appear to be signed and settled, although the preparation for the ground to be included in the extended course has been going on for some time. In the lease there are so many restrictions against the ordinary amount of freedom allowed on Golf courses that it may be said to be the most stringent on record, which is saying much, after some which have been recently drafted in the same neighbourhood. Mr. Edward Blyth drew attention to a great many of these restrictions at the meeting of the New Club, held last week. As he is thoroughly acquainted with the game, and a lover of North Berwick, he may be depended on to see things made reasonable now that he has been placed on the committee. Golf's popularity is the landlord's opportunity, and landlords, like other people, should look after their own interests, but with a handsome rent of £350 a year for land, much of which is, apart from Golf, of no value, a landlord or landlady ought to be liberal to a degree with golfers. Some of them seem to forget that places like North Berwick may now per force of law acquire suitable ground for such recreation as Golf, and that on reasonable terms.

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Mr. John McCulloch has been elected secretary to the North Berwick green committee. The appointment is a good one. Mr. McCulloch is a crack player, and can handle the pen as well as the club. He is captain of the United Insurance Club in Edinburgh, and popular with all his fellows, combining the *suaviter* and the *fortiter* in such a way as to make an excellent secretary. He has also the benefit of his father's counsel, who, for a long time, has acted as secretary to the Old North Berwick Club, and also to the New Club.

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"Cleek," in a long letter to the *Times* of December 26th, draws attention to the persistent refusal of the London and North-Western Railway authorities to grant cheap return fares and suitable trains to golfers. Many greens within thirty miles of the metropolis, he argues, would become popular, and bring a great amount of grist to the Company's mill if the fares were not so high. He gives a list of places now lost to the railway by this neglect: Harrow, Stanmore, Watford, Rickmansworth, St. Albans, Boxmoor, Berkhamsted, Tring, Aylesbury, Leighton, and Bletchley. If "Cleek's" statements are correct, the London and North-Western directors are certainly standing in their own light, and refusing to accept the light which other companies give them as to the advantages to their

revenue to be derived from the encouragement of Golf. Now is the time to agitate for reform before another season opens.

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Mr. Hilton estimates that the sum now spent annually on Golf balls in the United Kingdom amounts to about £250,000.

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The Old Golf Hotel, Gullane, in which the East Lothian Golf Club continues to hold its quarterly meetings, is being considerably enlarged by Mr. Smith the proprietor, and with a new season it is expected to be fully ready for the ever-increasing flow of visitors to this popular village.

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A curious question has cropped up in connection with the newly formed Meyrick Park Golf Club at Bournemouth. A proposal was made that the club should rent a room in the Corporation pavilion for the exclusive use of members, and the Corporation Committee having the management of the links recommended in favour of the proposal; but when the proposal came before the Town Council a few days ago, Alderman J. H. Moore moved its reference "back to the committee," his principal objection to the particular club having the exclusive use of a room being that the club had "blackballed several respectable tradesmen," including a member of the Town Council! After some rather lively discussion, the recommendation was referred back as proposed, on the ground, however, that the pavilion was built by the money of the ratepayers, and must be kept open to everybody. A good deal of comment has been made in the town on the question of "blackballing," and the captain of the club has written to the public Press pointing out that a Golf Club is not what is generally known as an "athletic club," which may include anything from a cricket club to a skittle or quoit club, but is essentially a social institution. The bogey of "exclusiveness," he argues, does not apply in the case, inasmuch as the town links at Bournemouth are open to all who care to play, and the club had acted in accordance with the best precedents in introducing the ballot at an early stage of its existence.

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The inhabitants of and visitors to Bournemouth have taken very kindly to the new links opened last month in the Meyrick Park, and Tom Dunn, the custodian, has had a busy time in giving instruction to the many ladies and gentlemen in the Evergreen Valley who are desirous of acquiring proficiency in the game. There are signs, too, in the shop windows, that the varied requirements of golfers are not being overlooked by the tradesmen. On Monday, December 24th, between sixty and seventy couples played over the links; on Christmas Day about half that number were out on the greens, and on Boxing Day about sixty couples again played over the longer course, followed by many hundreds of spectators; in fact, other Bank Holiday attractions seemed to suffer, and many persons spent the whole day on the links. There are now three clubs in Bournemouth, one for ladies, and a fourth is hinted at. The Town Council have decided to provide a time-table and a telegraph board, similar to those in use at North Berwick and St. Andrews, for the greater convenience of the players.

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In these days, when gloom and depression reign supreme in literature, it is comforting to read the breezy optimism of Mr. Andrew Lang. Listen, fellow-golfers: "We should never grow old; it is only a bad, lazy habit, bred of town life. While there are links, while there is Lord's, while there are salmon in the streams, there is no sort of use in growing old, and the better part of youth is always present." And it is true. An old man with a club in his hand is no longer old.

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A putting-green is not a billiard-table. Though the former should be as smooth as the latter, it should not be as level. This fact seems to be unrecognised sometimes when a new course is laid out. Much of the variety of the game is lost when a putt has not to be studied, and when a player naturally goes straight for the hole.

Great want of variety is also frequently shown in the construction of bunkers on "made" courses. They should be of all sorts and sizes, from something like the biggest sea-serpent ever seen in the "silly season" to the handsome mud-pies of our childhood. Too often we see nothing but a kind of shelter-trench, as if Tommy Atkins had been round with pickaxe and shovel. There is no poetry in such a bunker.

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Golfisms are freely used in political speeches now, and we take it as a healthy sign. Next session we may expect to hear an hon. member complain that he cannot catch the Speaker's eye, as he is stimed by another hon. member's hat. Special rules, however, will have to be drafted to prevent the use of such expressions as "like as you lie." Mr. Labouchere will, as usual, "play the odd."

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When the sad news from far Samoa (now alas, confirmed), told us that Robert Louis Stevenson was no more, many must have felt that they were left to mourn the loss of a personal friend. Although prevented by the delicate state of his health from participating in the game we all love so well, we feel that his was a nature to which it would have specially appealed. For on the breezy links would he have found the objects of his study and affection—nature and human nature.

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Those who have read his works need no tribute to his memory from us. He will live in their hearts by reason of the pluck with which he played the uphill game of life, by his sympathy with his fellow-creatures, and by the strength and delicacy with which he has portrayed characters which surely will not die. He was a true Scot, and a brave and gentle man.

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The Mid-Surrey Golf Club, having recently lost the services of their popular and efficient hon. secretary, Mr. E. J. Eimes, have just appointed Mr. J. Montgomerie as paid secretary, at a salary of £195. There were more than four hundred applicants for the post, and the selection of the fittest was a matter of considerable difficulty. The handsome new club-house will be opened next week, and the new eighteen and nine hole greens are giving great satisfaction. The entrance-fee to the club is now ten guineas, and the subscription five.

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The Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, M.P., in speaking at Haddington on Friday last, returned the compliment paid to his golfing proclivities by the Prime Minister some time ago.

"If I may be permitted," he said, "and perhaps I shall be permitted in this county and this country, to indulge myself in a golfing metaphor, I should say that Lord Rosebery had driven his first ball from the tee into a bunker—(laughter)—and that he has ever since been occupied in trying to get it out. (Laughter and cheers.) And when the sand and dust incident to such successive efforts settle, we perceive that every effort he makes leaves his ball in a more helpless position than he found it. He tried his hand in Edinburgh, then in Bradford, then in Glasgow, then in Devonshire; but his ball remains unmoved. (Laughter.) He has now, in golfing phraseology, played "four more"—(laughter)—and I do not see in these energetic but unsuccessful efforts any sure promise of final victory."

Here is a good subject for a political Golf cartoon.

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A rather notable shot was played by Mr. T. A. Fison at Sandwich on Christmas Day. He holed the first hole in 2. The tee shot landed a foot from the distance flag, and then a long brassie shot just cleared the bunker, the ball running into the hole, from which the flag had been previously removed. There was no wind. The length of the hole is 365 yards.

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We are asked to state that the orders booked for the delivery of the Henley Golf Ball in February have far exceeded the output of balls ready for that month, and that orders received by the Henley Company now, will be delivered in March.

A meeting of the St. Mungo Golf Club (Glasgow), was held on Thursday, Dec. 27th, at which it was decided to complete the arrangements for going on with the course situated on the shore between the New Gables Railway Station and Barassie. On the previous day Willie Fernie, of Troon, and J. Allan, of the Prestwick St. Nicholas, went over the course and reported most favourably as to its capabilities for an eighteen-hole green. There are plenty of natural hazards sprinkled all over the course, and they can be worked into the round in such a way as to make the carries and approaches easy or difficult.

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The "New Woman" is beginning to make a precocious appearance in Golf. A bright, vivacious eleven-year-old daughter of a well-known Scottish golfer won a second prize not long ago at a short game competition held by the Prestwick St. Nicolas Ladies' Golf Club. It so happened that a little later her father won a similar prize in a similar short game competition held at Ardeer. Next morning, when a father's just pride prompted him to show the prize to his little daughter, the little lady, unimpressed and unabashed, tossed her head disdainfully and retorted, "Oh, these things are getting *too* common!"

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The course at Clacton-on-Sea is in very good condition at present. The greens have been well attended to, and the approaches to the holes have been rolled. New teeing grounds have been made, and the course improved generally where practicable. The membership is now about eighty, but the desire is to increase it to 150, when the entrance fee will be raised.

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From the East, and the West, and the South the mails are bringing reports of the spirited way in which St. Andrew's Day was celebrated by the warm-hearted Scotsmen in all the civilised corners of the outer world. In the West Indies—Jamaica particularly—there was much feasting and high-falutin, while in South Africa and the Australasian Colonies there was no lack of honour for the memory of Scotia's patron saint. In the East, as usual, there was an extraordinary display of enthusiasm, the Scotch denizens of Calcutta, Singapore, and Hong Kong greatly distinguishing themselves. What the Melbourne Cup Day is to the Australian, St. Andrew's Day is to the Scotsman in the Far East, and wild stories are told of the revels which mark the end of each November in that part of the world. In one of the cities mentioned, not long ago, a wag is said to have painted a dog over with blue and yellow spots, and turned him loose in the streets in the early days of December. Not a Scotsman in the town saw the animal—at least none referred to it.

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Aluminium is a metal which has lately appeared somewhat prominently in the form of driver heads. Whatever may be the economic value of aluminium in the future, it is not likely to run short. Dr. Henry Wurtz says that 8 or perhaps 10 per cent. of the shell of the earth consists of it, and it neither flows off in water nor is absorbed by plants. Bauxite is now the favourite ore, containing from 28 to 31½ per cent., but it will in time be supplanted by clays. The metal was first placed in the hands of man by the chemist Wöhler, in 1828, who was more successful than Versted and Sir Humphrey Davy. In the Paris Exhibition of 1855 it was labelled "silver from clay." Deville had succeeded in producing enough of it to illustrate its properties. In 1867 large ingots appeared. The pure metal can be drawn into fine wire, forged, stamped, pressed and "spun," or beaten as thin as gold. Pure aluminium is too soft for ordinary purposes, and like pure iron, it is little else than a curiosity, but in the form of alloys the metal has a wide field before it. If it served no other purpose, the metallurgist would acknowledge its unique value in the annihilation of blowholes in castings of iron. It softens and toughens iron, and makes brass and bronze as strong as good steel. In veneering it is excellent, on account of its resistance to corrosion, pliability, colour, and softness. It retains its polish where silver tarnishes, and it is far better fitted for culinary and table

purposes than that metal, at about one-nineteenth its cost. There is little doubt that its qualities will cause it to be more and more employed directly, although the bulk of the output is at present used as an alloy. There ought to be a good field for its use in cleek and iron heads.

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We have received an artistically executed series of fancy ball dress designs, in colour, from "The Johannis Company (Limited)," among them being that of the "King Johannis" dress which took the prize at Covent Garden. These fancy costume designs are being distributed as a Christmas and New Year souvenir among the widely-extended customers of the Company. Like Johannis Water itself, which golfers know is an "honest water that ne'er set men i' the mire," the designs are of superlative excellence. Those who wish these costume designs are recommended to write for a set to the office of the Company, 25, Regent Street, S.W.

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A meeting was held at the Castle Hotel, Bath, on December 15th, to form a club to play over a course laid out by Tom Dunn upon lands the property of Mr. Henry Waldemar Lawrence, of the Inner Temple, London, adjoining the racecourse, Lansdown. Thirty names of ladies and gentlemen were enrolled to commence with. The usual officers and a committee were elected for the management of the club, which promises to be a very successful one. There are nine holes at present being played, but the course can be extended to eighteen holes when it is felt to be desirable.

TO AN IMAGINARY WHIN ON MITCHAM COMMON.

Thou ghastly whin! Thou gruesome whin
(How many a ball lies lost therein.)
One cannot envy thee thy fame,
Since thou existest but in name.

There, many an hour I've passed away,
Oft lost a heart that once was gay.

Within that tomb of many balls,
A grasping de'il lives on the hauls
Of Silvertowns, perchance Ar's,
Which I've just purchased from the Dunns.

Yet balls will e'er be lost therein
Till thou'rt destroyed, thou ghastly whin.

ROBIN H. LEGGE.

ST. ANDREWS.—The monthly competition of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club took place on December 26th. The weather was all that could be desired for play. Twenty-five members entered, but all that number did not start. The following was the result:—Mr. F. G. Tait, 79, plus 4=83; Mr. W. R. Sharp, 88, less 3=85; Mr. A. F. Macfie, 88, plus 1=89.

IRVINE.—A sweepstake competition was held over the Eglinton Park Links (Bogside) on December 26th. There was a large turn-out of members, and the game was greatly enjoyed, although the greens by the recent rain were very soft. The following were the prize-winners: Mr. G. Steel, 87, less 7=80; Mr. T. W. Tannock, 97, less 16=81; Mr. T. R. Stuart Georgeville, 96, less 12=84.

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CAN GOLF BE PLAYED AT PARIS?

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—As I intend next spring to make Paris my headquarters, I should be glad to know if any of your readers can inform me whether Golf can be played there.

In an article which appeared in your paper of December 2nd, 1892, there is a description of some private links about twenty-five miles from Paris, and the article ends up with the following sentence:—"Already there is talk of obtaining ground close to the capital, and of forming a club."

Possibly some of your readers may know whether such a club has really been formed, and, if so, be able to give some particulars respecting it.

The two years which have elapsed since the above article was written, and the ever-increasing spread of Golf, lead me to hope that the gay city may no longer be without the saving virtue of a Golf course.

I am Sir, &c.,
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THE PROPOSED MEDICAL GOLF CLUB.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have noticed with some surprise an advertisement in your paper by "Medicus," proposing the formation of a medical Golf Club. I take exception altogether to the principle which is implied in that advertisement. It is, that the Royal and Ancient Game is one for "the classes," and not for "the masses," that a Golf Club should be broken up into sections, each section representing a particular and marked stratum of what commonly passes for "society." If medical men, whose interests and needs are bound up with those of the people more nearly than almost any other professional class, are to hold themselves apart in a game whose sociableness is one of its main charms, then why not lawyers, artists, stockbrokers, dentists, the nobility and gentry, the makers of soap and tallow, and the other hewers of wood and drawers of water in our general commercial life? I take "Medicus" to be a young medical golfer, full of a wrong-headed enthusiasm and new-fangled ideas about the game and its objects, but unfamiliar with its history and its traditions.

He ought, however, to be told, even at this late hour, that Golf has been the game of king and commoner, that, in Scotland, at all events, all classes of the community have mingled together in its pursuit, and that hitherto no attempt has been made to give currency by implication to the vicious principle that either doctors or clergymen, or any other class, cannot fitly associate with the humbler drones of the golfing beehive. A Golf Club is, and ought to remain, in its membership a microcosm of all the varied interests of our daily life, not an isolated and fractional section of it.

I am, Sir, &c.,
ELLANGOWAN.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

A. B. W.—No; we do not think the score ought to be received. It was highly irregular.



ABERDEEN.

VICTORIA CLUB.—The usual Christmas Day competition by the members of this club took place on Tuesday, December 25th, over the course on the links. The weather was, on the whole, very favourable for play, the only drawback being that the greens were somewhat stiff, and uncertain for putting. There was a large turn-out of competitors, no less than forty couples starting. The prizes (which were all presented by members) were of a seasonable character, and numbered fourteen in all, seven going to first-class players and seven to second-class players. Ties were decided by the lowest handicaps. On comparing the cards at the close, the following were found to be the prize-winners:—

First class players.—1st, a pipe (presented by Mr. William Beveridge); Mr. G. S. Esson, 88, less 12=76; 2nd, a magnum of whisky (presented by Mr. Robert Grant), Mr. W. S. Hall, 89 less 13=76; 3rd, six Golf balls (presented by Mr. Andrew Simpson), Mr. G. Anderson (2), 86, less 7=79; 4th (a prize presented by Mr. J. A. R. Donald), Mr. A. Mitchell (scratch) 80; 5th, a cheese (presented by Mr. W. Will), Mr. J. B. Banks, 83, less 3=80; 6th, a box of cigars (presented by Mr. G. Stephen), Mr. N. Shaw, 88, less 8=80; 7th, a quarter-gallon of whisky (presented by Mr. William Mackenzie), Mr. D. Jessiman, 86, less 5=81.

Second class players.—1st, a walking-stick (presented by Mr. J. H. Shepherd), Mr. A. S. R. Bruce, 98, less 12=86; 2nd, a magnum of whisky (presented by Mr. J. A. Adamson), Mr. R. M. Hacket, 103, less 14=89; 3rd, six Golf balls (presented by Mr. Andrew Simpson), Mr. G. W. Clyne, 107, less 15=92; 4th (a prize presented by Mr. G. Souter), Mr. G. Gray, 104, less 11=93; 5th, a leg of mutton (presented by Mr. James Law), Mr. J. Anderson, 103, less 9=94; 6th, a box of cigars (presented by Mr. G. Brewster), Mr. J. B. Riddell, 113, 18=95; 7th, a quarter-gallon of whisky (presented by Mr. W. Paterson), Mr. D. S. Abbey, 101, less 2=99.

Among the remaining cards the following had the lowest scores, viz.—Messrs. D. B. Leslie, 82; A. M. M. Dunn, 83; A. Cooper and J. Innes, 85; J. Russell, 86; W. H. Reid, 88; C. Robertson, 89; K. Anderson, 90; T. Crighton, 91; J. A. Ross, 92; T. Donald, J. H. Shepherd, J. Rennie, H. O. Gardiner, W. R. Stalker, J. Sexton, and R. Dunn, 93; T. MacLennan, G. Hendry, and D. Gunn, 94; G. Souter, J. Watson, D. J. Innes, and G. G. Cameron, sen., 95; J. H. Jamieson, W. Duncan, and W. M'Hattie, 96; G. G. Cameron, jun., 97; W. Merrylees and A. U. Merrylees, 98; and G. Anderson (1), D. Walker, A. D. Leiper, and J. Grant, 99.

ASHDOWN FOREST v. SEAFORD.

Played at Seaford, December 22nd:—

ASHDOWN.		SEAFORD.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. H. M. Braybrooke	...	Capt. Nugent	...
Mr. H. A. Curteis	...	Mr. A. S. Johnston	...
Mr. A. Lubbock	...	Mr. J. E. Shaw	...
Mr. H. J. Fisher	...	Mr. H. Thomson	...
Rev. A. I. Scott	...	Mr. Duncan Furner	...
Mr. L. Andrews	...	Mr. F. G. Bampfyld	...
Mr. J. O. Scott	...	Mr. H. E. Currey	...
	14		20

Win for Seaford by 6 holes.

Monthly medal winners' competition.—Mr. A. J. Jack won the above, beating Mr. H. Thomson by 1 stroke.

BEVERLEY AND EAST RIDING GOLF CLUB.

Two handicap matches of eighteen holes were played on December 26th, by the members of this club for the monthly badges. The senior badge was a tie between Messrs. C. N. Jackson and A. B. Reckitt

with a net score of 93. The junior badge was won by Mr. A. Hobson with a net score of 80. Senior badge:—Mr. C. N. Jackson, 108, less 15=93; Mr. A. B. Reckitt, 107, less 14=93; Major Ward, 116, less 16=100; Mr. G. Ford, 112, less 11=101, and Mr. G. A. Robinson, 115, less 14=101, tied.

Junior badge:—Mr. A. Hobson, 110, less 30=80; Mr. J. L. Clarke, 115, less 25=90; Mr. W. Crosskill, 117, less 25=92; Mr. J. H. Hobson, 116, less 20=96; Captain Griffin, R.A. 118, less 20=98; Mr. C. W. Dunkley, 128, less 20=108; Mr. W. Stephenson, 133, less 20=113.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Quarterly competition for silver bowl (handicap):—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Miss Bertha Hobson	108	24	84	Mrs. W.G. Nicholson	107	15	92
Miss Chapman	...	105	18	87	Mrs. Sanderson	...	93
Mrs. Gordon Dill	...	100	12	88	Mrs. Barry	...	104
Miss A. Dowie	...	117	28	89	Miss Sullivan	...	122
Miss Blane	...	109	18	91			

Twenty-four players started.

Miss Chapman was an easy first in a driving competition which took place the same day, the distance covered by her being 148 yards. Mrs. Sanderson and Miss Sanders came next with 128 yards each, and Miss Bell next with 124 yards. A foursome competition (handicap) for prizes presented by Mrs. Milburne, brought together twelve couples, and the best results were as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mrs. Barry and Miss Creagh Osborne	...	109	20½	88½
Mrs. Baker and Miss Sanders	...	106	16	90
Miss Sullivan and Miss D'Albiac	...	116	25	91
Mrs. Sanderson and Miss Hobson	...	104	10½	93½
Mrs. Gordon Dill and Miss Bell	...	112	14	98
Mrs. Gorman and Miss Blane	...	121	21	100

BURNHAM (BUCKS) GOLF CLUB.

A very successful meeting was held on Bank Holiday, when silver medals were competed for by ladies and gentlemen respectively. From the high position of the ground and gravel subsoil (it adjoins Burnham Beeches), the course was in much better condition than might have been anticipated after the recent weather. It is now one of the best courses near London, and certainly has no superior in beauty of situation, and when the improvements now being effected are completed, its attractiveness will be greatly increased.

Gentlemen.—Mr. R. Dawson, 86, less 9=77; Mr. G. Darby, 99, less 15=84; Mr. J. E. Bowen, 98, less 12=86; Mr. R. E. B. Wilmot, 95, less 7=88; Mr. Meadows Taylor, 118, less 25=93; Mr. H. Downes, 109, less 15=94; Rev. T. H. Matthews, 106, less 12=94; Mr. H. Baldwin, 106, less 9=97; Mr. R. H. Barrett, 125, less 25=100. Eight others were either over 100 net, or returned no score.

Ladies.—Mrs. Anderson, 71, less 15=56; Miss Stearns, 76, less 15=61; Mrs. F. Haggard, 81, less 5=76.

BURNHAM (SOMERSET) GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition, December 26th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.					
*Mr. G. D. Barne	...	95	18	77	Rev. Canon Kennard	106	18	88
Mr. J. H. Railton	...	98	18	80	†Col. E. Armstrong	114	26	88
Mr. R. F. Duckworth	...	102	18	84	Mr. T. W. Colthurst	90	scr.	90
Mr. H. G. Wheeler	...	102	17	85	Mr. T. C. Hooman	106	16	90
Mr. W. S. Akerman	...	104	18	86	Rev. T. Crump	...	101	6

* Gold medal.

† Silver medal

Several other players were over 100 net, or made no returns.

CANNES GOLF CLUB.

The competition for prizes presented by Mr. M. Gougoltz, took place on December 26th in glorious weather, with the following results:—Gentlemen.—Mr. E. Hewitson, 88, less 24=64; Mr. G. Hillyard, 84, less 4=80; Mr. J. Barlow-Webb, 100, less 20=80; Mr. J. Robinson, 110, less 30=80; Mr. F. Gerard, 116, less 35=81; Col. Mackenzie Fraser, 94, less 9=83; Mr. F. Pitt-Taylor, 95, less 12=83; Col. Woodward, 97, less 12=85; Capt. Phillip Green, 101, less 15=86; Capt. Stratford, 98, less 12=86; Mr. F. Walker, 101, less 10=91; Mr. Maas, 125, less 30=95; The Hon. Capt. Duncombe, 136, less 28=106.

Ladies.—Miss Shelton, 61, less 11=50; Mrs. Tennant, 47, plus 4=51; Mrs. Mackenzie Fraser, 58, less 6=52; The Countess de Torby, 59, less 7=52; Miss Whigham, 48, plus 6=54; Mrs. Barlow Webb, 62, less 8=54; Mrs. Shelton, 63, less 7=56; Miss Schenley, 68, less 12=56; Mrs. Fred. Walker, 74, less 12=62. Several other players made no returns.

CHESTER GOLF CLUB.

On Thursday, December 20th, Mrs. Rowley kindly offered a handsome silver-mounted hairbrush, to be played for by the lady members. Although the day was bright, there was a strong wind blowing which accounted for the high scoring. Miss May Rowley (the winner) thoroughly deserved her success, having been second in many competitions lately. The handicap was limited to 18 strokes. The following were the cards handed in:—Miss May Rowley, 92, less 3=89; Miss Grace Cogswell, 93, less 1=92; Mrs. Ould, 97, less 3=94; Miss Shand, 117, less 18=99; Mrs. John Frost, 118, less 18=100; Miss A. Rowley, 118, less 15=103. Nine ladies made no returns.

CHISWICK GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition. Senior medal:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. D. Scott ...	103	18	85	Mr. A. D. Tait ...	109	16	93
Mr. G. R. Mewburn	97	11	86	Mr. W. J. Price ...	110	18	92
Mr. R. F. Finnis ...	91	4	87	Mr. S. C. Bignold...	110	13	97
Mr. E. H. Laurie ...	102	14	88	Mr. J. Hook ...	115	18	97
Mr. C. Braby ...	105	16	89	Mr. C. D. Snowden	111	14	97
Mr. C. G. Poole ...	104	15	89	Mr. W. Gilbert ...	116	18	98
Mr. H. C. Yockney	110	18	92				

Junior medal:—Mr. A. F. Vigers, 105, less 22=83; Mr. L. Finnis, 109, less 20=89; Mr. W. Pepys, 120, less 25=95; Mr. F. B. Fuller, 123, less 25=98.

Strong wind was against low scoring. Several players made no returns, or were over 100 net.

CLACTON-ON-SEA GOLF CLUB.

The seventh quarterly meeting of this club was held on December 26th and 27th, when the events were keenly contested. The weather was fine, but cold, and the course heavy, though free from casual water.

Wednesday, December 26th, was a "Bogey" competition for the quarterly medal and two prizes, the "Colonel's" score being 86. This resulted in Mr. Dimbleby (7) being first, with 4 down; Mr. H. A. Worts (25), 6 down, second; Lieut.-Col. Openshaw (18), 9 down; Capt. E. Frayling (27), 10 down; Mr. Standen (35), 10 down; Mr. J. Owen-Perry (16), 12 down. Other cards not put in.

Thursday, December 27th.—The half-yearly challenge bowl was competed for by score play, and the winning card handed in was that of Mr. D. C. Leck, 125, less 25=100 (winner of the half-crown sweepstakes); Mr. Standen and Mr. H. A. Worts tying for second place with 132, less 30=102, and 122, less 20=102. Other scores were Mr. V. Cobden-Samuel, 133, less 28=105; Dr. Murray, 125, less 19=106; Mr. J. Owen-Perry, 122, less 16=106; Mr. L. E. Cobden-Samuel, 147, less 33=114; Lieut.-Col. Openshaw, 133, less 18=115; and Mr. J. J. Button, 125 net. No returns from Capt. Frayling, Mr. Dimbleby, and Mr. W. Cobden-Samuel.

The ladies' Christmas quarterly meeting took place on Wednesday, December 26th, when Miss Mackenzie won the driver given by the club with 89, less 32=57. Mrs. Worts being second with 92, less 25=67; Miss R. Eagle, 97, less 18=79.

The Ashford monthly cup was played for on Saturday, December 29th, in a high gale, which swept across the links from the north-west and upset all good play. Only four cards were handed in, some of the players not going on to the finish. The best completed round was that of Mr. R. S. Standen, 136, less 30=106; Mr. Vere Cobden-Samuel, Mr. L. Cobden-Samuel, and Mr. W. Cobden-Samuel also finished with 114, 119, and 133 net respectively.

COPTHORNE GOLF CLUB.

A mixed foursomes competition was played on December 22nd, for prizes presented by Mr. Graham Burnand. A strong gale of wind made good scoring very difficult. Result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss M. L. Banks and Rev. E. G. Drummond	98 20 78
Miss L. H. Nix and Mr. H. A. Hallett	94 13 81
Miss E. S. Reade and Mr. S. Russell...	102 18 84
Miss F. M. Banks and Mr. M. Drummond	104 17 87
Mrs. Russell and Mr. C. L. Reade	95 7 88
Miss Reade and Mr. C. W. Nix	96 7 89
Miss M. C. Nix and Rev. G. W. Banks	111 21 90
Mrs. Gordon and Mr. J. F. Gordon	113 20 93
Mrs. Burnand and Mr. C. W. Elkington	131 36 95
Mrs. Elkington and Mr. H. E. Nix	128 27 101

Winners of the usual monthly medal competitions played on December 13th, against "Bogey":—Mr. C. L. Reade (5), 1 up; Ladies' medal, Miss F. M. Banks (30), 4 down. Miss L. H. Nix won the brooch on December 6th with 92, less 8=84.

Mixed foursomes, played December 27th:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Miss F. M. Banks and Mr. M. Drummond ...	91	17	74
Miss E. S. Reade and Mr. S. Russell ...	93	18	75
Mrs. Russell and Mr. C. L. Reade ...	84	7	77
Miss Reade and Mr. C. W. Nix ...	88	7	81
Miss M. C. Nix and Rev. G. W. Banks ...	108	21	87
Miss Meyrick and Mr. A. Meyrick ...	114	27	87
Miss L. H. Nix and Mr. H. A. Hallett ...	103	13	90
Miss M. L. Banks and Master K. Symons	118	25	93
Miss Ravenshaw and Rev. C. R. Blaker ...	137	30	107

CLAPHAM COMMON GOLF CLUB.

The challenge handicap cup was played for over the eighteen-hole course on Thursday, December 27th. Detailed scores:—Mr. C. E. Last, 99, less 14=85; Mr. S. Wallis Adams, 93, less 4=89; Mr. W. S. De Mattos, 93, plus 3=96; Mr. E. L. Arnold, 107, less 10=97; Mr. J. J. Hayes, 101, less 8=93; Mr. A. E. Rowarth, 125, less 20=105. Several others made no returns.

CONINGTON CASTLE v. HUNTINGDON.

Played on the private course at Conington Castle, on December 24th:—

CONINGTON.		HUNTINGDON.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. J. Norman Heathcote ...	0	Capt. H. Kinloch ...	0
Mr. C. G. Heathcote ...	3	Mr. A. C. Sweeting ...	0
Mr. J. M. Heathcote ...	1	Mr. P. Purves ...	0
Mr. A. R. Heathcote ...	4	Mr. P. Payne ...	0
	8		0
Mr. J. Norman Heathcote and Mr. J. M. Heathcote ...	1	Capt. H. Kinloch and Mr. P. Purves ...	0
Mr. C. G. Heathcote and Mr. A. R. Heathcote ...	0	Mr. A. C. Sweeting and Mr. P. Payne ...	4
	1		4

At Huntingdon, on December 26th:—

CONINGTON.		HUNTINGDON.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. J. Norman Heathcote ...	0	Capt. H. Kinloch ...	1
Mr. C. G. Heathcote ...	3	Mr. A. C. Sweeting ...	0
Mr. J. M. Heathcote ...	0	Mr. J. P. Maule ...	2
Mr. A. R. Heathcote ...	4	Mr. P. Payne ...	0
	7		3
Mr. J. Norman Heathcote and Mr. C. G. Heathcote ...	0	Capt. H. Kinloch and Mr. A. C. Sweeting ...	0
Mr. J. M. Heathcote and Mr. A. R. Heathcote ...	0	Mr. J. P. Maule and Mr. P. Payne ...	6
	0		6

COUNTY DOWN GOLF CLUB.

Foursome competition.—The usual St. Stephen's Day competition took place December 26th, at Newcastle. The weather, which had been threatening rain, happily kept up, and throughout the day, from a golfer's point of view, was perfect. As will be seen from the following, the winners turned up in Messrs. E. Young and A. S. Matier, who, after a close match, defeated Messrs. J. MacCormac and J. S. Reade:—

First round.—Messrs. E. Young and A. S. Matier (6) beat Messrs. H. Gregg and D. Adams (4), 1 up after tie; Messrs. G. M. Shaw and L. Campbell (4) beat Messrs. F. Cuming and W. A. Taylor (6), 2 up; Messrs. J. Woodside and J. B. Black (3) beat Messrs. H. C. Weir and C. Hopkinson (5), 4 up and 2 to play; Messrs. W. J. Martin and W. Gregg (7), bye; Messrs. T. Dickson and S. C. N. Lowry (6), absent; Messrs. H. J. Johnston and H. V. Coates (5) beat Messrs. T. S. Ferguson and G. Todd (6), 1 up; Messrs. G. Combe and P. T. Trousdale (5) beat Messrs. H. P. Hill and F. B. Newett (7), 1 up; Messrs. J. S. Reade and J. MacCormac (5) beat Messrs. W. H. Smiles and C. Brownlow (5), 1 up after tie; Messrs. G. S. Clarke and Rev. D. S. Hadden (7) beat Messrs. H. E. Reade and F. L. Heyn (6), 1 up.

Second round.—Messrs. Young and Matier beat Messrs. Shaw and Campbell, 2 up; Messrs. Woodside and Black beat Messrs. Martin and Gregg, 3 up and 2 to play; Messrs. Johnston and Coates beat Messrs. Combe and Trousdale, 4 up and 2 to play; Messrs. MacCormac and Reade beat Messrs. Clarke and Hadden, 1 up.

Semi-final.—Messrs. Young and Matier beat Messrs. Woodside and

Black, 2 up and 1 to play; Messrs. MacCormac and Reade beat Messrs. Johnston and Coates, 3 up and 2 to play.

Final.—Messrs. Young and Matier beat Messrs. MacCormac and Reade, 2 up and 1 to play.

DERBYSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The first of the monthly competitions for the handsome gold medal presented by the Hon. Charles W. Trollope, took place on Saturday, December 22nd. The wind was blowing a hurricane, and low scoring was entirely out of the question, many of the players tearing up their cards. Scores:—Mr. T. C. Jeffrey, 95, less 3=92; Mr. G. M. Coulson, 109, less 14=95; Rev. J. Mursell, 111, less 15=96; Mr. L. A. Guilman, 113, less 15=98; Mr. J. N. Nutt, 112, less 9=103; Mr. J. Wells, 119, less 15=104; Mr. R. Harvey, 129, less 20=109; Dr. Moon, 128, less 16=112; Mr. H. Secretary, 129, less 15=114; Mr. H. M. Gray, 132, less 15=117.

ELTHAM LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

A competition was held on Boxing Day for sweepstakes, for which thirteen members entered, but only six sent in returns under 100 net. Miss May Fraser won the first sweepstake with a net score of 89. Mrs. Stokes received the second, being only 1 stroke behind:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Miss May Fraser	103	14	89	Mrs. Massey	106	14	92
Mrs. Stokes	96	6	90	Miss Farnall	103	10	93
Mrs. Richardson	99	8	91	Mrs. Mackern	93	4	97

Mrs. Stokes also won the medal on December 29th. She played well, and beat "Bogey" by 1 hole:—Mrs. Stokes (5), 1 up; Miss Farnall (8), 4 down; Mrs. Fraser (11), 7 down; Miss E. Richardson (14), 8 down; Mrs. Needham (11), 9 down; Miss V. Fraser (15), 10 down; Mrs. Mackern, plus 3, 11 down; Mrs. Massey (11), 12 down; Mrs. Ireland (8), 14 down.

ENFIELD GOLF CLUB.

Winter meeting, Boxing Day December 26th. Mixed foursomes, nine holes, long course:—Mrs. Ernest Hunter and Mr. G. Beazley, 65, less 10=55 (1st prize); Mrs. T. R. Hill and Mr. A. Bass, 73, less 12=61 (2nd prize); Mrs. and Mr. H. Bourne, 67, less 5=62; Mrs. and Mr. A. W. Hutt, 76, less 5=65; Mrs. and Mr. F. Porter, 70, less 5=65; Mrs. Beazley and Mr. Cather, 82, less 12=70; Mrs. Ogden and Mr. Pyman, scratch 70; Mrs. Cather and Mr. Beazley, 87, less 14=73. All other returns over 75 net.

Competition for the lowest net score eighteen holes under handicap:—Mr. H. R. Clarke, 110, less 18=92 (prize); Mr. A. W. Hutt, 111, less 18=93; Mr. G. A. Beazley, 112, less 18=94; Mr. A. Bass, 111, less 15=96; Mr. R. G. Cather, 113, less 15=98; Mr. J. Maitland, 128, less 30=98; Mr. E. Hunter, 128, less 26=102. Six players returned cards over 105 net; Ten players made no return.

Special prize for the best net score for players receiving the limit (36) was won by Mr. H. Livermore.

FINCHLEY GOLF CLUB.

"Bogey" competition, 26th December.—Mr. A. A. Hannay, 1 down; Mr. A. F. Drew, 2 down; Mr. J. W. James, 3 down; Mr. J. Hax, 4 down; Mr. A. Macgregor, 9 down; Mr. G. P. Cox, 10 down; Mr. F. Bryan, 11 down, and others. Ground very wet and greens sticky.

FORFARSHIRE.

During the past month or two the members of the *Dundee Advertiser* Club have been engaged in a tournament for the three medals belonging to the club, and prizes. The concluding round of the competition took place on Saturday, December 22nd, and the medals were won as follows:—First class (Leng medal and first prize), Mr. John Macrae; 2nd, Mr. Allan Bell. Second class (Honeyman medal and first prize), Mr. W. C. Honeyman; 2nd, Mr. James U. Wallace. Third class (Club medal and first prize), Mr. David Clark; 2nd, Mr. John Clark. Over forty members took part in the tournament, which was played under match rules—odds in holes being given instead of strokes.

The Broughty Golf Club has just acquired a magnificent trophy in the form of a silver challenge shield, which is to be competed for annually by its members. It is in the shape of a circular targe, within the outer circle being the outline of a heraldic shield, having in the centre, towards which the plate is gradually raised, a beautifully engraved representation of Broughty Castle, showing the pier and harbour, and surrounded by a floral wreath. Immediately beneath this is an ornamental panel bearing the words, "Broughty Golf Club Shield." In the upper corners are two circular enamelled plaques representing golfers, wearing the orthodox scarlet jackets, in the act of playing the iron and putting. The trophy has been produced from drawings prepared by Mr. William Kyle Smith, art master, one of the members of the club. The plate, which is of sterling silver, measures twenty-one by eighteen inches in diameter, and has been subscribed for by the members of the club.

GLASGOW GOLF CLUB.

The annual meeting of the Glasgow Golf Club was held in the Religious Institution Rooms, Glasgow, on Thursday night, Mr. J. R. Motion, captain, in the chair. The report showed that the membership was at present 664, which was 16 less than last year, although 37 new members had been enrolled during the past year. The income of the club for the year amounted to £983 18s. 8d., and the balance in favour of the club is £106 12s. 11d. The report was adopted. A special report was then submitted with regard to a new course at Blackhill, and it was remitted to the general committee to make arrangements with the tenants in the meantime, and with the Town Council, who own the land, to lease it. This course is about a quarter of an hour from the Alexandra Park station, and ten minutes from the present club-house. Mr. J. R. Motion was re-elected captain.

The Glasgow Golf Club have just concluded arrangements for the securing of a private local course in place of the Alexandra Park Links, which have for months past been much overcrowded. The new course is at the Blackhill Farm, to the north-east of Alexandra Park, and is capably adapted for Golf. The turf is good, and the greens will require little more than rolling. The course is very extensive, and indeed room could be made for thirty-six holes. The only drawback is that it is fully six minutes' walk from the present club-house. Blackhill Farm was purchased by the Corporation some years ago with the view to the formation of a cemetery, but the proposal has not been carried out. The setting out of the greens will be started at once.

HUDDERSFIELD GOLF CLUB.

Two special competitions had been organised for the Christmas holidays—foursomes for the gentlemen and a hole competition for the ladies. An entrance fee of two shillings each went towards providing handsome prizes for the former, and the hon. secretary presented a small gold medal for the latter. Partners were drawn for by lot, a first-class player being drawn with a second-class, and the couple were allowed half of their combined handicaps. Two rounds of the course had to be played. Of the twenty-eight couples down to start only the following made complete returns:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Messrs. R. Holliday and Percy Shaw	201	34	167
Messrs. A. L. Woodhead and R. V. Middleton	199	24	175
Messrs. W. Sugden and J. Barnicot	205	30	175
Messrs. H. Crosland and T. E. Hirst	200	24	176
Messrs. G. H. Edgecumbe and A. Nimmo	211	33	178
Messrs. L. Middlemost and E. Osborne	216	37	179
Messrs. J. W. Miller and E. N. Langham	208	24	184
Messrs. G. S. Brook and A. C. Sharpe	215	28	187
Messrs. J. S. Ainley and A. Dyson	224	34	190
Messrs. E. A. Learoyd and J. Shaw Gaunt	213	19	194

Only nine ladies entered for the tournament, and, as one of these scratched, the competition was completed in three rounds. The following were the results of the rounds, Miss Fisher proving an easy ultimate winner:—

First round.—Miss Muriel Shaw (6), beat Miss W. Shaw (14); Miss Fisher (18) beat Mrs. R. Holliday (20); Miss C. H. Middlemost (14) beat Miss Maud Sykes (4), and Miss E. G. Walker (4) beat Miss K. Shaw (24).

Second round.—Miss Fisher beat Miss M. Shaw, and Miss Middlemost beat Miss Walker.

Final round.—Miss Fisher beat Miss Middlemost by 5 up and 3 to play.

The ladies' monthly medal was played for on the Wednesday also. There was not a large field, and of the seven who contested the following six returned their cards, Miss Fisher again proving the winner:—Miss L. Fisher, 102, less 18=84; Miss M. Shaw, 92, less 6=86; Miss E. G. Walker, 95, less 4=91; Miss M. Sykes, 97, less 4=93; Mrs. Holliday, 113, less 20=93; Miss W. Shaw, 112, less 14=98.

Monthly medal.—Notwithstanding the cold, blustering wind, and that there was so much snow on the course as to necessitate the using of red balls, no fewer than thirty-one players took out cards to wage fight with "Colonel Bogey." Of necessity the scoring was high, and it was freely prophesied that 10 down in either class would win. This proved good enough in the first class, but in the second an improving player, whose handicap has not been touched for some time, managed to get within 6 of the "Colonel." The following were the returns:—Mr. R. Nelson (8), 10 down; Mr. J. W. Exley (2), 12 down; Mr. J. S. Ainley (8), 12 down; Mr. A. L. Woodhead (scratch), 13 down; Mr. T. B. Keighley (6), 14 down; Mr. R. Holliday (5), 14 down; Mr. E. N. Langham (9), 14 down; Mr. A. E. Nield (9), down.

Second class.—Mr. J. Barnicot (18), 6 down; Mr. A. Todd (17), 12 down; Mr. R. V. Middlemost (18), 13 down; Mr. P. B. Shaw (18), 13 down; Mr. L. Middlemost (11), 15 down.

KEMP TOWN GOLF CLUB.

The Loder cup.—This cup, presented to the club by Mr. G. W. E. Loder, M.P., for the three best gross scores returned during the year 1894 in the monthly medal competition, has been won by Mr. Duncan Furner with the following, 87, 89, 90=266; Capt. J. B. O'Reilly being second with 100, 106, 109=315.

LITTLESTONE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On Christmas Day the challenge clubs were competed for against "Bogey." Appended are the results:—Miss Dolly E. Rowlandson (16), 3 up; Miss M. E. Phillips (8), even; Miss Rowlandson (22), even; Miss Mary Stringer (26), 3 down; Miss Stringer (6), 5 down; Miss Winny Rowlandson (15), 6 down. Six others no returns.

December 26th.—Competition for a fan kindly presented by Miss D. Stringer. Two medal rounds under handicap:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Miss Phillips ...	83	8	75	Miss Ethel Cobb ...	98 14 84
Miss Winny Rowlandson ...	95	15	80	Miss Starkie-Bence ...	96 8 88
Miss Dolly E. Rowlandson ...	96	13	83	Miss Rowlandson ...	110 22 88
				Miss Mary Stringer ...	118 26 92
				Miss Stringer ...	104 6 98

Two others made no returns.

December 26th.—Mixed foursome competition against "Bogey":—Miss Rowlandson and Mr. A. J. Stanley (25), 3 up; Miss Stringer and Mr. Johnson (10), 1 up; Miss D. Rowlandson and Mr. J. Hedderwick (15), 1 up; Miss W. Rowlandson and Mr. J. Fleming (20), all even; Miss E. Cobb and Mr. R. Lawson (14), 1 down; Miss M. Cobb and Mr. C. Stanley (23), 3 down; Miss Starkie-Bence and Mr. C. Wintle (14), 5 down; Miss Mayo (visitor) and Mr. Faithfull Begg (19), 6 down; Miss Hilda Stringer and Mr. Lyall (20), 6 down; Miss Mary Stringer and Mr. A. Gibbings (24), 6 down. Two others made no returns.

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

THE CHRISTMAS COMPETITION.

In weather that was quite a libel upon Christmas over ninety members of the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club went out at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea on Wednesday last (Boxing Day) for the usual Christmas competition, special prizes having been presented by the captain (Mr. J. H. Hulton), Mr. J. Bradbury, Mr. J. Buckley, Mr. A. Bowman, Mr. T. H. Miller, Mr. J. Mugliston, Mr. P. Musgrave, Mr. T. H. Rushton, Mr. T. S. Turnbull, Mr. F. W. Walker, and Mr. W. H. Wortington. The rain fell persistently all the morning, but the air was mild, and thrushes could be heard as in summer time. The Manchester special train brought a large contingent of members from that district. There was a decided novelty introduced into the competition on Wednesday, the course of eighteen holes being played backwards, an arrangement which met with varied opinions. The following were the scores up to 100 net:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. A. E. Fair, Lytham ...	104	17	87
Mr. G. F. Smith, Bolton ...	90	+2	92
Mr. T. S. Turnbull, Manchester ...	96	3	93
Mr. E. Harrison, St. Anne's ...	107	13	94
Dr. F. Booth, St. Anne's ...	110	15	95
Mr. W. E. Fairlie, Heaton Mersey ...	92	+4	90
Mr. H. M. Brown, St. Anne's ...	106	9	97
Mr. J. M. Rea, Lytham ...	100	2	98
Mr. N. Macbeth, jun., St. Anne's ...	107	9	98
Mr. E. E. G. Terry, St. Anne's ...	116	18	98
Mr. G. C. Liebert, Manchester ...	102	3	99
Mr. F. T. Wright, Atherton ...	104	4	100
Mr. J. Mellor, St. Anne's ...	105	5	100
Mr. E. Hulton, jun., Manchester ...	113	13	100
Major Munn, St. Anne's ...	113	13	100
Mr. R. T. Gillibrand, St. Anne's ...	114	14	100

The first ten prizes were taken as above. The best gross scores were made by Mr. G. F. Smith, 90; Mr. W. E. Fairlie, 92; Mr. T. S. Turnbull, 96; Mr. J. M. Rea, 100. The first optional sweepstake was won by Mr. A. E. Fair; the second by Mr. G. F. Smith; and the third by Mr. T. S. Turnbull. The captain distributed the prizes at the close of the day in the club-room.

LADIES' CHRISTMAS COMPETITION.

The lady subscribers of the Lytham and St. Anne's Club also had a special competition on their own links at St. Anne's on the same day, and over twenty ladies braved the unfavourable weather to play for prizes presented for the occasion by Miss Langley, Mr. T. H. Miller, Mr. J. Mellor, and Mr. J. Talbot Fair. The ten leading scores were as follow:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mrs. Ernest Catterall, St. Anne's ...	88	+5	93
Mrs. E. Harrison, St. Anne's ...	117	22	95

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net
Mrs. Miller, Singleton Park ...	106	10	96
Miss Mugliston, Lytham ...	97	+1	98
Mrs. Brown, St. Anne's ...	99	scr.	99
Miss Terry, St. Anne's ...	106	5	101
Mrs. Verity, Lytham ...	128	25	103
Miss M. Lythgoe, St. Anne's ...	101	+3	104
Miss C. Salt, Lytham ...	120	16	104
Miss Thompson, St. Anne's ...	107	2	105

The first four prizes were taken as above.

THE CAPTAIN'S CUP.

The forty-six members who took out cards for the third monthly competition for the captain's cup, on the links of the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, on Saturday, had such an experience of weather as has never before, in all these years, fallen to the lot of any competitors at St. Anne's, there being a very heavy gale from north-west blowing, with excessively severe and frequent squalls, accompanied by driving hail, sleet, and snow, rendering all attempts at good play quite useless. All the scores were consequently very high, not one return being under 100 net. It was unusually late—half-past ten before the first couple could get out. The net scores under 125 were:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net
Mr. A. N. Brown, St. Anne's ...	116	9	107
Mr. B. Thompson, St. Anne's ...	115	7	108
Mr. N. Macbeth, jun., St. Anne's ...	120	9	111
Mr. A. B. Scholfield, Lisey ...	114	1	113
Mr. T. Buckley, St. Anne's ...	120	7	113
Mr. E. Redfern, St. Anne's ...	126	12	114
Mr. F. H. Stewart, Manchester ...	116	scr.	116
Mr. S. F. Butcher, Bury ...	122	6	116
Mr. F. H. Smith, Bolton ...	123	5	118
Mr. J. A. F. Eltoft, St. Anne's ...	128	7	121
Mr. T. Baxter, St. Anne's ...	137	15	122
Mr. S. A. Hermon, St. Anne's ...	125	2	123
Mr. P. Musgrave, Bolton ...	128	5	123

The best gross scores were:—Mr. A. B. Scholfield, 114; Mr. B. Thompson, 115; Mr. F. H. Stewart, 116; Mr. H. N. Brown, 116.

The previous winners of the cup competitions were:—Mr. H. Bowman, St. Anne's and Mr. F. E. Rowe Kossal.

The optional sweepstakes on Saturday, were won:—The first, by Mr. A. B. Scholfield; second and third, divided by Mr. F. H. Stewart and Mr. S. F. Butcher.

THE CADDIES' ENTERTAINMENT.

Mr. J. H. Hulton, captain of the club, very considerably invited all the caddies to a Christmas party and entertainment on Friday evening last, and towards five o'clock some 125 of them—boys and girls— assembled in the National School, St. Anne's, kindly lent for the purpose by the vicar, the Rev. W. G. Terry. The professional to the club, George Lowe, and his assistants, W. Lewis, the caddie master, and the workmen employed on the links, were also invited, so that the party numbered altogether about 140. Mrs. Fletcher, Clifton Square, Lytham, provided a most excellent tea, comprising everything supposed to be most tempting to the youthful palate. The following lady subscribers to the Golf Club presided at the trays: Mrs. T. H. Miller, Mrs. J. M. Rea, Miss H. M. Fair, Miss E. C. Fair, Miss Hulton, Miss Terry, Miss Maud Terry, and they were assisted by the following members of the club in looking after the young guests: Mr. J. H. Hulton, Mr. J. Talbot Fair, Mr. A. E. Fair, Mr. T. Farrer-Baynes, Mr. T. H. Miller, Mr. W. G. P. Miller, Mr. T. Miller, jun., Mr. J. M. Rea, and Rev. W. G. Terry. After tea, Mr. Le Mare, of Manchester, who had been engaged by the council of the club, gave a clever entertainment of conjuring tricks and a very good lantern exhibition, consisting of beautiful hand-painted slides and humorous and interesting sketches. The captain addressed a few very appropriate words to his juvenile audience, who gave hearty cheers for the Rev. W. G. Terry, the captain, Mr. J. Talbot Fair, and the council, and for Lewis, the caddie master, and the evening was thoroughly well enjoyed by all present.

MACCLESFIELD GOLF CLUB.

The fourth competition for Mr. Cameron's prize was played on Wednesday, Bank Holiday, with the following result:—Mr. M. H. Hall, 88, less 8=80; Mr. F. Tylecote, 99, less 11=88; Mr. G. C. Greenwell, 93, less 4=89; Mr. J. M. Leake, 104, less 11=93; Mr. S. Adshad, 121, less 28=93; Mr. W. Mair, 121, less 26=95; Mr. A. G. Gray, 108, less 12=96. Three cards not returned.

ST. ANDREWS LADIES' CLUB.—A sweepstake tournament among the members of this club took place last week over the Ladies' Green. The match was played in foursomes, Miss Morgan and Mr. W. Gordon winning in the final over Miss A. Bett and Mr. F. Stirling by 9 and 7 to play.

MANCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

The members of this club met on Wednesday, December 26th, to compete for the usual Christmas club prizes. Thirty-two cards were taken out, and twenty-seven were returned, five players coming in with gross scores under 90. Scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. R. Brown ...	91	13	78	Mr. H. Smith ...	100	15	85
Mr. A. C. Knight ...	83	4	79	Captain Hobbs ...	102	17	85
Mr. S. B. Graves ...	85	5	80	Mr. T. C. Midwood ...	98	12	86
Mr. R. Maclure ...	93	12	81	Mr. J. Macdonald ...	98	12	86
Mr. W. Bell ...	87	4	83	Mr. A. Harden ...	103	16	87
Mr. L. D. Stewart ...	89	6	83	Mr. G. Macdonald ...	98	9	89
Mr. G. Haig ...	91	8	83	Mr. W. H. Norris ...	104	15	89
Mr. A. Darbyshire ...	91	8	83	Mr. F. Jones ...	105	15	90
Mr. R. L. Taylor ...	95	12	83	Mr. R. Holmes ...	104	13	91
Mr. W. C. Adamson ...	90	6	84	Mr. J. Heron ...	111	18	93
Mr. P. Morton ...	97	13	84	Mr. J. A. Brewis ...	109	15	94
Mr. J. Macalister ...	89	4	85				

NEASDEN GOLF CLUB.

Boxing Day medal round for dressing-case presented by Mr. Mortimer Woolf. Scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. R. Taubman ...	96	18	78	Mr. T. L. Gilmour ...	107	19	88
Mr. T. H. Lewis ...	102	22	80	Mr. W. N. Fasset ...	117	25	92
Mr. J. A. Limebeer ...	106	25	81	Mr. W. J. Grierson ...	115	21	94
Mr. L. A. Lawrence ...	101	20	81	Mr. H. Scott ...	122	25	97
Mr. H. Chetwynd ...	101	20	81				

The rest over 100, or made no return.

NORTH-WEST GOLF CLUB (LONDONDERRY).

A competition by strokes under handicap, open to members of all recognised Golf clubs, was held on Wednesday, December 26th, on the Lisfannon Links. There was a large turn-out of members and visitors, and a most enjoyable day's play. The scoring was scarcely up to the average, and a good many of the competitors did not return their cards. The first prize, value £3, was secured by Mr. C. R. Tillie; the second, value £2, by Mr. J. Gillies; and the third, value £1, by Rev. E. Lombard. The following cards under 100 net were handed in :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. C. R. Tillie ...	98	18	80	Mr. H. Bruce ...	113	24	89
Mr. J. Gillies ...	100	18	82	Mr. J. Gordon ...	105	15	90
Rev. E. Lombard ...	100	15	85	Mr. A. M'C. Stewart ...	113	22	91
Mr. R. Norman ...	106	20	86	Prof. MacMaster ...	108	15	93
Major Batt ...	107	20	87	Mr. H. Williams ...	114	18	96
Mr. A. M. Dobbyn ...	109	22	87	Mr. C. M'Cay ...	124	27	97
Prof. Leebody ...	109	22	87	Dr. Fullerton ...	126	27	99

NOTTS GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition took place on Thursday and Saturday, December 20th and 22nd. The gale which blew on the latter day must have made play nearly impossible, and easily accounts for the high scores returned. Result :—

Thursday, handicaps of 16 and under :

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. C. E. Barnes ...	104	15	89	Mr. C. S. Wardle ...	109	11	98
Rev. A. C. Beckton ...	100	10	90	Mr. H. Secretary ...	109	7	102
Mr. J. Johnstone ...	101	9	92	Mr. J. C. Warren ...	114	4	110
Mr. J. Bowes ...	105	10	95	Mr. J. Doleman ...	132	8	124

Handicaps over 16 :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. W. P. Snook ...	103	21	82	Mr. H. Russell ...	125	27	99
Mr. R. F. Carey ...	107	21	86	Rev. L. Gwynne ...	118	18	100
Mr. J. McCulloch ...	107	18	89	Mr. A. Harwood ...	123	21	102
Mr. C. P. Dixon ...	113	21	92				

Saturday, handicaps of 16 and under :—Mr. C. F. Dobson, 131, less 16=115; Mr. C. R. Hemingway, 123, less 5=118. Handicaps over 16 :—Mr. B. Akkers, 130, less 21=109; Rev. A. Noott, 153, less 27=126.

Advantage was taken of Christmas Day, being a general holiday, to hold the final competition between the winners of the monthly medals from July to December. Two rounds of eighteen holes had to be played. In the first division there were eight players, and in the second six. The winner in the former was Mr. E. C. Barnes, of Chesterfield, who played a steady game. Mr. T. G. Mellors and Mr. G. A. Smith tied for the first place in the second division. Though the weather was excellent, and the course at Bulwell Forest in capital order, the scores were extremely high. The best single round was a meritorious 94 by Mr. Bromley. The following are the particulars :—

First Division.—Mr. E. C. Barnes, 203, less 26=177; Mr. A. N.

Bromley, 205, less 16=189; Mr. J. Hall, 199, less 6=193; Mr. A. T. Ashwell, 203, less 8=195; Mr. J. C. Warren, 208, less 8=200; Mr. C. B. Edwards, 239, less 28=211. Messrs. E. A. Coutts and C. S. Wardle retired.

Second Division.—Mr. T. G. Mellors, 223, less 36=187; Mr. G. A. Smith, 235, less 48=187; Mr. P. W. Snook, 230, less 36=194; Mr. W. R. Lybery, 235, less 40=195; Mr. A. Baker, 237, less 42=195; Mr. R. F. Carey, 234, less 38=196.

OLD MANCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

The following is the result of the competition on December 26th (Atherton silver medal and three handicap prizes) :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. M. S. Bles ...	99	9	90	Mr. Ed. Broadhurst,			
Mr. H. A. Dods ...	87	+4	91	jun. ...	112	6	106
Mr. C. R. Schofield ...	104	7	97	Dr. J. W. Grange ...	117	10	107
Mr. J. B. Southern ...	104	6	98	Rev. W. Young ...	123	15	108
Rev. T. N. Carter ...	108	4	104	Mr. Jas. Bryant ...	119	10	109
Mr. R. H. Prestwich ...	104	scr.	104	Mr. Ed. Miller ...	122	9	113
Mr. R. S. Bod-				Mr. W. Platt Higgins	126	10	116
dington ...	110	4	106				

Seven other players did not return their cards.

The medal, first prize, and sweepstakes were won by Mr. M. S. Bles; second prize and sweepstakes by Mr. H. A. Dods; third prize and sweepstakes, by Mr. C. R. Schofield.

Monthly medal, on the 29th ult. :—Rev. T. N. Carter, 98, less 4=94; Mr. J. B. Southern, 100, less 6=94; Mr. H. A. Dods, 92, plus 4=96; Mr. J. S. Dods, 109, less 12=97. Seven other players with scores over 100 net.

OXFORD v. CAMBRIDGE.

This match is to be played for the second time over Sandwich Links, eight a-side, on March 20th. From 1878 until 1893 the game was played over Wimbledon Common, and many excellent matches have been witnessed there. It is a far cry to Sandwich, and, consequently, a very small number of old 'Varsity men can journey thither to see the match. The following is the result of former matches :—

1878 ...	...	Oxford, at Wimbledon, by 24 holes.
1879 ...	...	Cambridge " " 10 "
1880 ...	...	Oxford " " 8 "
1881 ...	...	(No match).
1882 ...	...	Cambridge " " 1 "
1883 ...	...	Oxford " " 2 "
1884 ...	...	Oxford " " 2 "
1885 ...	...	Oxford " " 38 "
1886 ...	...	Oxford " " 37 "
1887 ...	...	Cambridge " " 12 "
1888 ...	...	Cambridge " " 8 "
1889 ...	...	Oxford " " 9 "
1890 ...	...	Cambridge " " 1 "
1891 ...	...	Cambridge " " 11 "
1892 ...	...	Cambridge " " 12 "
1893 ...	...	Cambridge " " 32 "
1894 ...	...	Oxford, at Sandwich, by 13 "

PORHCRAWL GOLF CLUB.

An open competition was held on the links at Porthcawl on Saturday, December 29th, in very boisterous weather, in consequence of which very poor scores were returned. Three prizes were offered for competition, and won by Mr. J. Hunter (1st), and Dr. Prichard (2nd). Messrs. Common, Mason, and Dr. Williams having tied for the 3rd. A prize given for the best gross score was also won by Mr. J. Hunter.

ROCHESTER LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

A medal round was played on Boxing Day, for a prize kindly given by Mrs. Arkcoll. The following are the three best returns :—Miss Lizzie Winch (scratch), 95; Miss Pound, 105, less 9=96; Miss Jay, 103, less 6=97.

ROMFORD GOLF CLUB.

"Bogey" competition, played December 26th. Aggregate of two rounds for two prizes given by the club :—Mr. J. J. Read, 13 down; Mr. A. W. Ramsey, 15 down; Mr. G. Pearson, 18 down; Mr. C. C. Knowles, 23 down; Mr. W. Scott, 24 down; Mr. D. Womersley, 26 down; Mr. G. G. Watson, 26 down; Mr. F. W. Spackman, 27 down.

Fourth round of monthly medal competition played December 27th :—Mrs. D. Hill, 94, less 20=74; Mrs. D. Womersley, 97, less 18=79; Miss A. M. Hill, 104, less 18=86; Miss Green, 112, less 20=92.

Fourth round of monthly medal competition played December 29th :—Mr. W. Scott, 109, less 16=93; Mr. F. Fenner, 113, less 16=97; Mr. J. J. Read, 105, less 6=99. Others over 100, or made no return. The weather being very boisterous, made low scoring impossible.

ROYAL BLACKHEATH GOLF CLUB.

Foursome competition for two silver cups, presented by Capt. W. Morris, to be played for under full handicap. Result:—

First Heat.—Messrs. G. H. Frean (30) and E. W. Sampson (19) beat Messrs. W. R. M. Glasier (31) and W. Nimmo (25) by 7 up and 5 to play; Messrs. F. S. Ireland (plus 3) and C. B. Lindsay (17), z. Messrs. R. S. Sheffield (28) and G. P. Cawthorne (38), walk over for Messrs. Ireland and Lindsay; Mr. R. Winch (16) and Col. R. F. Staples (26) beat Messrs. C. M. Baker (22) and G. Spurling (14) by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. C. Young (6) and Major Penrose (21) beat Messrs. C. Lethbridge (18) and D. Christopherson (23) by 3 up and 1 to play; Messrs. W. J. Dyer (18) and W. G. Kentish (28) beat Messrs. W. H. M. Christie (25) and Claude Johnson (25) by 2 up; Messrs. R. White (2) and M. H. Richardson (14) beat Messrs. G. C. Snelling (25) and G. O. Jacob (21) by 5 up and 4 to play; Dr. Burton (15) and Mr. F. Gilbert (28) beat Rev. J. H. Ellis (14) and Capt. Morris (14) by 4 up and 2 to play; Messrs. J. G. Gibson (scratch), and H. Gillon beat Messrs. W. G. Barnes (35) and W. A. Adam (21) by 8 up and 7 to play.

Second Heat.—Messrs. Ireland and Lindsay beat Messrs. Frean and Sampson by 2 up; Messrs. Winch and Staples beat Messrs. Young and Penrose by 2 up and 1 to play; Messrs. Whyte and Richardson beat Messrs. Dyer and Kentish by 9 up and 8 to play; Messrs. Gibson and Gillon beat Messrs. Burton and Gilbert by 4 up and 2 to play.

Third Heat.—Messrs. Winch and Staples beat Messrs. Ireland and Lindsay by 2 up and 1 to play; Messrs. Gibson and Gillon beat Messrs. Whyte and Richardson by 1 up.

Final.—Messrs. Winch and Staples beat Messrs. Gibson and Gillon by 2 up and 1 to play.

Photographic medal and Calcutta cup.—The tie between Mr. F. S. Ireland and Mr. W. O. S. Pell for the photographic medal was played off on December 7th, and won by Mr. F. S. Ireland with the scratch score of 115.

The ties for the Calcutta cup (Mr. W. O. S. Pell, Col. Staples, and Mr. G. Spurling) were played off on December 8th, with the following result:—Col. Staples, 134, less 21=113; Mr. G. Spurling, 128, less 14=114; Mr. W. O. S. Pell (scratch), 117.

ROYAL CROMER GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal presented by the above club was played for on Thursday, December 27th. There was a very strong wind, and as a consequence the scores ran high. Mr. P. M. Lucas was the winner, with 91, plus 2=93, and having previously won the medal during the year (in March) retains it. Of the scores handed in that of Dr. McClure stood second, 119, less 20=99. The optional sweepstake was shared by Mr. N. Forbes Eden and Mr. R. N. Fenner, who took first and second respectively.

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the Gordon cup, captain's prize, and monthly medal, played on Saturday, December 29th, resulted as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. J. W. James ... 101	9 92	Mr. J. Cleghorn ... 119	16 103
Mr. Sydney Kemp . 99	6 93	Mr. Ernest Flint ... 115	10 105
Mr. Alfred Kemp ... 104	9 95	Mr. J. W. Greig ... 113	7 106
Mr. C. E. Greig ... 103	7 96	Mr. T. H. Wakefield 124	18 106
Mr. W. G. MacGregor ... 110	12 98	Mr. G. Whitley ... 120	11 109
Mr. S. R. Bastard ... 102	1 101	Mr. E. S. Theobald 129	20 109
Mr. A. W. Good ... 112	11 101	Mr. G. T. B. Cobbett 131	18 113
Mr. F. H. Swinstead 112	10 102	Mr. W. Challice ... 138	18 120

A "Bogey" competition was played on Wednesday, December 26th, with the following result:—Mr. A. H. Cooke, 5 down; Mr. Alfred Kemp, 6 down; Mr. Arthur Boney, 6 down; Mr. J. W. Greig, 7 down; Mr. J. Cleghorn, 7 down; Mr. E. A. Tewson, 8 down; Mr. J. D. Milledge, jun., 8 down; Mr. G. Whitley, 8 down; Mr. N. H. Wykes, 9 down; Mr. G. T. B. Cobbett, 9 down; Mr. C. E. Greig, 10 down; Mr. L. S. McKenzie, 10 down; Mr. A. W. Good, 10 down; Mr. F. Whitley, 10 down; Mr. F. F. MacKenzie, 10 down; Mr. A. Greenlees, jun., 10 down; Mr. J. S. Badkin, 11 down; Dr. J. J. D. Cruickshank, 11 down; Mr. A. E. L. Slazenger, 11 down; Mr. W. S. Mason, 11 down; Mr. T. Fisher Caldwell, 12 down; Mr. J. E. Brown, 12 down; Mr. J. D. Geddes, 12 down; Mr. T. T. Cowell, 13 down; Mr. E. Walbourn, 13 down; Mr. A. Wallace Barr, 13 down; Mr. R. J. Pinney, 13 down; Mr. E. G. Sawyer, 13 down; Mr. E. J. Naldrett, 13 down; Mr. J. Godwin, 14 down; Mr. H. P. Lowen, 14 down; Mr. R. H. King, 14 down; Mr. W. H. Martin, 15 down; Mr. W. Challice, 15 down; Mr. W. Nicholls, 15 down; Mr. Walter Stair, 16 down; Mr. J. H. Radmall, 17 down; Mr. S. G. Maxwell, 18 down.

ROYAL GUERNSEY GOLF CLUB.

Monthly gold badge, December 21st:—

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Col. S. Field ... 90	8 82	Gen. J. Cloeté ... 113	20 93
Gen. N. Stevens on . 97	11 86	Rev. F. Le Lièvre... 102	8 94
Capt. L. Amedroz... 102	16 86	Capt. O. Taylor ... 107	12 95
Mr. G. Christie ... 105	16 89	Mr. F. H. Maclean 108	12 96
Major C. E. Wright 115	25 90	Mr. F. C. Horton ... 150	not hcp.
Mr. A. W. Stone ... 103	12 91		

No return from Mr. T. S. Dobrée. Weather misty, rain, wind S.W. fresh.

ROYAL NORTH DEVON GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on Saturday, December 29th in a strong north-westerly gale of wind. There were forty-two starters, but as a rule scores were very high. The medal was won by Mr. F. P. Le Marchand, with 102, less 4=98, an excellent performance considering the weather. Next scores were—Mr. B. Elwes, 108, less 6=102, and Rev. J. M. Eustace, 113, less 10=103.

ROYAL WIMBLEDON GOLF CLUB.

Monthly handicap challenge medal, December 29th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. D. Forde ... 99	10 89	Mr. W. D. Scott	
Mr. H. B. Forde ... 105	16 89	Moncrieff ... 109	11 98
Mr. C. M. Smith . 95	4 91	Mr. F. S. Creswell 110	12 98
Mr. J. B. MacFarlan 100	9 91	Mr. H. P. Cumming 105	6 99
Mr. J. L. Ridpath... 100	9 91	Mr. P. Strickland... 106	7 99
Mr. W. L. Purves... 92	scr. 92	Mr. C. W. Harrison 109	10 99
Mr. E. Sidgwick ... 99	7 92	Mr. S. G. Carlyll ... 113	14 99
Mr. H. C. Archer... 108	16 92	Mr. N. R. Foster ... 99	+2 101
Mr. A. Robinson ... 108	16 92	Mr. J. E. Peat ... 108	7 101
Mr. W. D. David-son ... 98	4 94	Mr. C. E. Stapylton 113	12 101
Mr. R. F. Denniston 99	5 94	Mr. C. Campbell ... 105	3 102
Mr. J. Murray ... 105	10 95	Mr. H. E. Johnson 109	6 103
Mr. H. W. Bradford 110	15 95	Mr. H. C. Willock 109	6 103
Mr. C. A. W. Came-ron ... 101	4 97	Mr. G. L. St. Quin-tin ... 110	7 103
Mr. A. Davidson ... 107	10 97	Mr. A. Pollock ... 108	4 104
Mr. E. S. Spencer . 115	18 97	Major J. Alexander 123	18 105
Mr. D. Davidson ... 100	2 98	Mr. G. Nicol ... 110	4 106
Mr. A. Denman ... 100	2 98	Mr. H. W. Horne... 136	8 128

No returns from thirty-three players.

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

Mrs. Walker of Staincliffe, having kindly presented a prize of the value of £3 3s., and Mr. P. A. Raps a second prize, a medal or stroke competition, under handicap, took place for these prizes on the Seaton Snook on Boxing Day. The weather was beautifully fine. Twenty-three members took part in the competition, and on examining the cards it was found that Mr. G. Newby was the winner of Mrs. Walker's prize and first optional sweepstakes with the steady score of 91, less 7=84, and the hon. secretary, Mr. C. J. Bunting, was the winner of Mr. P. A. Rap's prize and second optional sweepstakes, being 1 stroke behind Mr. Newby with a like handicap, and Mr. Strover was third:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. G. Newby ... 91	7 84	Mr. A. Trechmann 112	21 91
Mr. C. J. Bunting... 92	7 85	Mr. M. Gray ... 106	14 92
Mr. S. Strover ... 100	14 86	Mr. G. Pyman ... 99	5 94
Mr. S. H. Trech-mann ... 101	12 89	Mr. C. Seaton ... 101	7 94
Rev. F. W. Savory . 106	16 90	Capt. H. Doughty... 113	18 95
Mr. S. McPherson . 108	18 90	Mr. H. Simpson ... 108	10 98
Mr. R. Balfour ... 93	2 91	Mr. A. B. Crosby ... 108	9 99

The rest made no returns.

In the afternoon a second optional sweepstakes was played for, and was won by Mr. T. Danby with a score of 97, less 15=82; Mr. C. Seaton and Mr. C. J. Bunting tying for second place with like scores of 93, less 7=86:—Mr. T. Danby, 97, less 15=82; Mr. C. Seaton, 93, less 7=86; Mr. C. J. Bunting, 93, less 7=86; Mr. G. Pyman, 95, less 5=90; Mr. S. Strover, 104, less 14=90; Mr. R. Balfour, 93, less 2=91. Six other competitors made no returns.

SOUTHPORT GOLF CLUB.

The Christmas meeting of this club was held on the links at Church-town, when the club prize was competed for. There was a good muster of members, but a gentle drizzle marred the enjoyment of the players for an hour or two, while, in consequence of recent rains, the greens played dead. Scores ruled high, and a number of players made no returns. Mr. R. Bazley won the club prize and the first sweep-

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stake, with a net score of 83, Mr. A. J. Entwisle taking the second sweep, and Mr. W. G. Clinning the third, with net scores of 84 and 89 respectively. Scores:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.				
Mr. R. Bazley ...	94	11	83	Mr. C. Fernihough ...	104	10	94
Mr. A. J. Entwisle ...	93	9	84	Mr. R. A. Nicholson ...	108	12	96
Mr. W. G. Clinning ...	103	14	89	Mr. H. Sidebottom ...	99	2	97
Mr. W. E. Buckley ...	101	10	91	Mr. R. Deane ...	112	13	99
Mr. T. Aitken ...	105	12	93	Mr. D. C. Anderson ...	122	18	104
Mr. H. T. Scowcroft ...	111	18	93	Mr. J. M. Dixon ...	136	25	111
Mr. W. T. Rowley ...	99	5	94				

An adjourned meeting of the members was held on Saturday, December 22nd, the captain, Mr. W. E. Buckley, presiding. The subscription was raised to 30s. per annum, and the membership was limited to 250, practically closing the lists. It was decided to admit fifty ladies as subscribers, with the privilege of playing over the links on three days a week.

TONBRIDGE GOLF CLUB.

On December 26th, ladies' scratch doubles (twelve holes) were played for sweepstakes on the Ladies' Links, with the following result:—Mrs. Barchard and Miss Le Fleming, 88, less 19=69; Miss M. L. Hall and Miss A. Le Fleming, 97, less 18=79; Mrs. G. Furley and Miss Armstrong, 102, less 21=81. Others over 100, or no returns.

TYNESIDE GOLF CLUB.

The bi-monthly competition for the Winter handicap prize took place on Thursday, December 20th, at Ryton-on-Tyne with the following result, viz.:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. A. W. White...	101	18	83	Mr. G. Welch ...	98	8	90
Mr. J. Hiddleston...	93	9	84	Professor Howden...	98	8	90
Mr. H. Thomas ...	94	9	85	Mr. C. Atkinson ...	110	16	94
Mr. J. B. Radcliffe...	86	scr.	86	Mr. T. R. Davidson ...	120	25	95
Mr. M. Dodd ...	93	7	86	Mr. T. L. Temperley ...	111	15	96
Mr. W. E. Stephenson ...	94	8	86	Mr. J. T. Robb ...	111	14	97
Mr. R. Steel ...	100	12	88	Mr. W. Douglass ...	111	14	97
Dr. J. Limont ...	93	4	89	Mr. H. Simms ...	115	18	97
				Mr. H. E. Edwards ...	115	18	97

The rest were over 100 net or made no returns.

WAKEFIELD GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal.—Played on Saturday, December 15th, under unfavourable conditions. Scoring ruled high. Results:—Mr. F. Woodcock, 111, less 27=84; Rev. S. C. Walley, 106, less 20=86; Mr. P. N. Lee, 101, less 9=92; Dr. J. Murray, 100, less 8=92; Mr. J. L. Lee, 117, less 20=97; Mr. H. M. Briggs, 116, less 18=98; Mr. H. R. Smith, 111, less 12=99.

Burn cup.—The final was played between Mr. C. F. Badeley and Dr. J. Murray, and the latter, who received one hole start, won by 2 and 1.

Ladies' medal.—Seven entered in this competition which was played on Wednesday, December 19th, and the winner was Miss K. Percy Tew with 124, less 36=88. The best gross scorer was Mrs. Hurst with 114.

Ladies' competition.—A competition among the lady members by match play for two valuable prizes—(1) a gold bracelet, presented by Mr. David Lyell of Edinburgh, and (2) a silver card-case, the gift of Mr. Martin Stewart of Chester—has resulted in Mrs. Hurst obtaining possession of the former and Miss N. Haigh the latter. Ten competed.

WILLESDEN GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medals were played for on December 22nd in a heavy gale, which made correct play utterly impossible. The course, which is always very sporting, was wet and heavy, and, as a further detriment to good scores, the usual greens were closed, temporary ones being provided.

Most of the players who cared to face these combined difficulties soon found their cards in a condition to be torn up. Those who struggled through had to congratulate Mr. F. Chase (a well-known athlete and a young player at Golf) as the winner of the long handicap

medal with a score of 118, less 26=92, the reading of his card being much better than the actual net score states.

The short handicap medal was won by the vice-captain, Mr. J. R. Townsend.

WILDERNESSE (SEVENOAKS) v. TONBRIDGE.

On the 22nd ult., at Sevenoaks:—

WILDERNESSE.			TONBRIDGE.		
	Holes.			Holes.	
Mr. C. Butler ...	4	...	Mr. E. K. Le Fleming ...	0	...
Col. Underwood ...	8	...	Mr. L. B. Burns ...	0	...
Mr. A. Allfrey ...	0	...	Mr. J. Le Fleming ...	4	...
Mr. MacNicol ...	10	...	Mr. S. Kennington ...	0	...
Mr. E. H. Scott ...	6	...	Mr. C. W. Carles ...	0	...
Capt. F. Barry ...	1	...	Rev. A. Lucas ...	0	...
Mr. A. Kenneth ...	8	...	Rev. H. H. Wilford ...	0	...
Mr. H. Spain ...	3	...	Mr. H. R. Stokoe ...	0	...
	40			4	

WOODBIDGE GOLF CLUB.

The final for the monthly medal took place on Monday, December 24th, with the following result:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. A. Morley ...	92	13	79	Major Howey ...	104	12	92
Mr. F. J. W. Wood ...	90	8	82	Capt. Soppitt ...	103	10	93
Mr. H. A. Barthorp ...	111	25	86	Dr. Edwardes-Ker...	107	14	93
Sir R. Musgrave ...	105	18	87	Major Larken ...	113	20	93
Major R. King ...	97	9	88	Admiral Theobald...	111	16	95

The final for Mrs. Hick's prize for ladies took place on Thursday, December 27th, with the following result:—Miss J. Hewetson, 61, less 4=57; Miss Carthew, 75, less 17=58; Miss Soppitt, 75, less 16=59; Miss B. Grimwood, 77, less 16=61; Miss E. Carthew, 88, less 20=68.

WOODFORD GOLF CLUB.

Christmas handicap, December 26th. Course very wet, and greens sticky:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. C. J. Fox ...	88	7	81	Mr. W. P. Pechey ...	93	4	89
Mr. D. L. Howard ...	106	24	82	Mr. C. J. Glanfield ...	106	15	91
Mr. A. H. Tozer ...	100	16	84	Mr. F. T. Leeming ...	112	20	92
Mr. H. Dickson ...	99	14	85	Mr. W. Kemsley ...	98	5	93
Mr. E. A. Tewson ...	89	3	86	Mr. F. P. Telfer ...	108	14	94
Mr. R. H. Glanfield ...	97	10	87	Mr. G. R. Glanfield ...	117	23	94
Mr. W. Pearce ...	101	14	87	Mr. B. B. Hunt ...	111	14	97
Mr. E. J. Morris ...	98	10	88	Mr. A. Scrutton ...	115	18	97
Mr. J. C. Mead ...	106	18	88	Mr. H. E. Kaye ...	107	9	98

WORLINGTON AND NEWMARKET v. NORWICH.

A match between these clubs, twelve players a-side, took place over the Worlington Links on Thursday, December 13th, resulting in favour of the Norwich Club by 5 holes. Scores:—

NORWICH.			WORLINGTON.		
	Holes.			Holes.	
Mr. J. J. Deuchar ...	0	...	Mr. W. T. Linskill ...	3	...
Mr. J. A. Ireland ...	0	...	Capt. Ord ...	4	...
Rev. H. Arnold ...	0	...	Mr. C. G. Salmon ...	2	...
Mr. G. H. Emmett ...	4	...	Mr. C. J. E. Sparke ...	0	...
Mr. C. H. A. Lock ...	6	...	Major Ord ...	0	...
Mr. R. Jewson ...	0	...	Mr. C. E. Salmon ...	1	...
Mr. E. B. Pearce ...	2	...	Rev. L. R. Tuttielt ...	0	...
Mr. H. Cozens Hardy ...	5	...	Mr. J. Ryan ...	0	...
Mr. Poole-Gabbett ...	2	...	Mr. M. Blake ...	0	...
Mr. F. Jewson ...	0	...	Mr. R. S. Greenhill ...	7	...
Mr. E. T. Boardman ...	4	...	Mr. A. S. Manning ...	0	...
Mr. J. H. Gwillum ...	0	...	Mr. O. E. Griffiths ...	1	...
	23			18	

WORLINGTON AND NEWMARKET GOLF CLUB.

December 15th, monthly medal.—Mr. Marcus Blake, 104, less 17=87; Major Ord, 103, less 12=91; Major Cave, 113, less 22=91; Mr. Claud Salmon, 100, less 6=94; Mr. C. E. Salmon, 108, less 13=95; Mr. A. S. Manning, 122, less 22=100; Mr. E. Hawkins, 122, less 22=100. Other competitors' scores were over 100, or they did not return their cards.

MORTONHALL GOLF CLUB (EDINBURGH).—The hole tournament of this club, which is played under handicap, has now been completed. The tournament has been in progress since the beginning of the season, and as the entries numbered close on one hundred, it was necessary that seven rounds should be played before the last stage was reached. The final contest lay between Mr. Andrew Ker, the treasurer of the club, and Mr. Robert Aitken, both of whom had received throughout the tournament considerable odds from the scratch players of the club. As against each other Mr. Aitken had to concede to his opponent two holes in the eighteen. When, however, actual conclusions came to be tried between them, it was found that Mr. Ker needed nothing of this advantage, the game ending in his favour several holes from home. The treasurer's is a popular victory, and carries with it the handsome goblet and cups presented to the successful competitor by Mr. Henry Forester, Mortonhall House. Additional prizes, presented by the club, were gained as follows:—2, Mr. Robert Aitken (7); 3, Mr. W. C. Sturrock (1); 4, Mr. John Taylor (scratch).

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