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May 10 & 11.—Royal Ashdown Forest : Spring Meeting.
May 11.—Rochester v. Richmond (at Richmond).
Sapperton Park : Monthly Medal.
Minchinhampton : Monthly Medal.
Leasowe : Monthly Medal.
St. George's (Sandwich) : Monthly Medal.
Ealing : "Bogey" Competition.
Arden : Married v. Single.
Glasgow : Monthly Medal.
Wanstead Park : Mixed Foursomes.
Rochdale : Captain's Prize.
Derbyshire : Trollope Gold Medal.
Bowdon v. Disley (Two Teams).
Hampstead : Monthly Medal and Challenge Cup.
Kenilworth : Kenilworth Cup.
Southport : Monthly Competition.
Seaford : Monthly Medal.
Crookham : "Bogey" Competition.
Mid-Surrey : Monthly Junior Medal.
Moseley : Captain's Prize.
Wilmslow : Second Summer Competition.
Leicester v. Kettering.
Southend-on-Sea : Monthly Medals.
Panmure : Monthly Medal.
West Herts : Monthly Medal.
Salisbury : Monthly Medal.
Carlisle and Silloth v. Dumfries.
Littlestone : Monthly Medal.
Finchley : Final Competition Quarterly Challenge Cup.
Royal Belfast : Spring Meeting.
Neasden : Spring Meeting.
Burnham (Somerset) : "Bogey" Competition.
Northwood v. Boxmoor (at Northwood), (eight a-side).
Balham : Monthly Medal.
St. Andrews (Yonkers, U.S.A.) First Handicap.
East Finchley : Hyslop-Wylie Medal.
Enfield : Monthly Handicap.

May 11 & 13.—Formby : Spring Meeting.
May 14.—Ashbourne : Turnbull Prize.
May 14 to 18.—Burnham (Somerset) : Spring Meeting.
May 14 to 18.—Carnarvonshire : Spring Meeting.
May 15.—Lyme Regis : Hargrave Challenge Cup.
West Middlesex : Committee Meeting.
Glamorganshire v. Weston.
Carnarvonshire : Exhibition Match (Mr. H. Hilton and A. Herd).
Ashbourne : Opening Medal and Sweepstake (open to all comers) ; Open Boothby Foursomes ; Club Prize (open) ; Beauford Prize (open).
Enfield : General Meeting of Lady Members.
May 15 to 17.—Irish Ladies' Golf Union ; Ladies' Championship (at Portrush).
May 15 & 18.—Dulwich and Sydenham Hill : Spring Meeting.
May 16.—Eltham v. Richmond (at Richmond).
Tyneside : Bi-Monthly Competition.
Littlehampton : Captain's Cup.
Woodbridge Ladies : Monthly Medal.
May 16 to 18.—London Scottish : Spring Meeting.
May 16 & 17.—Prince's Ladies : Spring Meeting.
May 17.—Littlehampton : Medal and Sweepstakes.
May 18.—Eltham : Monthly Medal ("Bogey").
Birkdale : Atkinson Prize.
Rochester Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Finchley v. East Finchley (at East Finchley).
West Middlesex : Monthly Medal.
Fleetwood : Monthly Medal.
Arden v. Kenilworth.
Glasgow : Tennant Cup.
Formby : Monthly Optional Subscription Prizes.
Wakefield : Monthly Medal.
Derbyshire v. Notts.
Wimbledon Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Bowdon v. Wilmslow (Two Teams).
Chester : Committee's Cup.
Disley : Summer Silver Medal.
Kenilworth : Albert Jones Prize (Final).
Harrowgate : Monthly Medal.
Mid-Surrey : First and Second Class Senior Medal.
East Finchley : Monthly Medal.
North-West Club (Londonderry) Ladies : Monthly Medal.
King's Norton : Captain's Prize.
Royal Epping Forest : Scratch and Quarterly Medals.
Northwood : "Bogey" Competition.
Willesden : Spring Meeting.
Muswell Hill : Gold Medal.
May 20 to 25.—Bowdon : Spring Meeting.
May 22.—West Cornwall v. Royal Cornwall.
Glamorganshire v. Minehead.
Minehead and West Somerset v. Glamorganshire (at Minehead).
May 22 & 24.—Ladies' Golf Union : Open Championship (at Portrush).
May 23.—West Cornwall Ladies : Seton Trophy.
Eltham v. Royal Epping Forest (at Chingford).
Minchinhampton : "Bogey" Competition.
May 24.—West Cornwall Ladies : Club Prize.
Enfield : Ladies' Handicap.

THE indulgence of Club Secretaries and other Correspondents is asked, owing to the impossibility of using all the competitions sent in this week. Though the paper has been enlarged to Twenty Pages, the space is not enough to overtake the material which has reached us.

ST. ANDREWS SPRING MEETING.

The most captious critic would have found but little to criticise had he watched the Golf played at head-quarters during the first week of May. Not only were there the attractions of the medal, as in ordinary course, but in view of the approaching Amateur Championship, Messrs. John Ball, jun., Hilton, and sundry others scarcely less well-known, began to arrive, their play being watched with keenest interest by spectators who, down to the veriest urchin trotting round, toy-cleek in hand, are probably the best critics discoverable, unless a possible exception be made in favour of a Musselburgh "gallery." As to weather, nothing could have been more enjoyable, the worst day of the six being the medal day, from a golfer's point of view, a very strong westerly wind having arisen, which made the play for the first nine holes exceedingly difficult, but this circumstance served only to enhance the merit of the winner's performance; a tie record, made under conditions infinitely more adverse than when Mr. Tait last autumn returned with the unprecedented score of 78. A glance at the scores of other players makes it abundantly clear that the day was one most thoroughly to test the skill of the very best, and when we find Mr. Laidlay in the position of a second "Eclipse" separated from his nearest neighbours by no less than seven strokes, nothing further need be said by way of eulogy. He has repeatedly ere now given proof of an enviable knack of doing the right thing at the right time, like his old coach, Bob Ferguson; for certainly this year, so far as Mr. Laidlay has been visible, he has been very far from conveying the impression that he would be likely to prove invincible. Not that luck did not befriend him either, in a way; for his outgoing half-round is in great measure a history of grand recoveries, missed drives, and anon, iron shots, those little running lofts at which he is so deadly, laid at the hole side; but having done the very difficult out-going half-round in 41, with a more favourable wind, he certainly played the most brilliant and accurate game for the last half, and it was by the purest ill-luck at the last hole, that an absolute record score was not made by him; for he drove too long a ball from the tee, which settled down in the only bad bit of road in the neighbourhood, in a wet, muddy puddle, from which he could only reach the foot of the green by a good shot, thus he was left with too much to do, and though his 77th stroke lipped the hole, it did not remain.

On Monday the most noteworthy matches were a single between Mr. Mure Ferguson and Mr. Leslie Balfour-Melville, won by the former by one hole on the first round, and by two the second. Not satisfied with this, he had a round over the new links with Auchterlonie, in whom he met more than his match: the ex-Champion came near beating Kirkaldy's 85, but ultimately was 87, a 7 at the eighteenth hole being rather unlucky for him. Mr. F. G. Tait and Mr. James Cunningham defeated Mr. Hutchings and Mr. Macfie by 3, a feature of this match being the extraordinary good putting of the winners.

Tuesday.—Andrew Kirkaldy, playing with Mr. Cunningham, was 42 out and 37 home, total 79. His putting, however, was very inferior; had it been even moderately good he must have come near making a record. Mr. Laidlay halved a round with Mr. Mure Ferguson (who was out in 37, home in 45, total 82), and won a second by a hole. Great interest was taken in a tussle between Mr. Tait and Wm. Auchterlonie. The professional managed to win the first round by 2 at the Burn, scores 85 and 87; but at the next time of asking, the tables were turned with a vengeance, and while Auchterlonie was again 85, Mr. Tait, playing his very finest game for eleven holes, won by 7. His score was 78; out, 6 4 5 5 6 4 5 2 3=40; home, 4 3 4 4 5 4 4 6 4=38; total 78. The last nine holes were played against a very strong southerly wind, an average of one under four for eleven holes under such circumstances was extraordinary play.

THE NEW CAPTAIN.—ALTERATION OF RULE 14.

Pleasure first, business afterwards, and next came the meeting, concerning which the most that need be recorded was the election of Mr. John Oswald, of Dunnikier, as captain for the ensuing year, and secondly, an alteration in Rule 14, which, as its best friends have admitted, is, or at least was, in an unsatisfactory state. That being so,

the committee rather hurriedly, and at the eleventh hour, and also in view of the approaching competitions, drafted an addition, with the object of having the question thoroughly discussed. In this they were not disappointed, various amendments were moved, which need not be specified, the one ultimately finding favour (after Mr. Alex. Stuart had withdrawn a motion that the Prestwick rule be adopted) being a motion by Mr. Ernley Blackwell, who proposed to leave out a sentence in the original draft by the committee, the effect being that there is now an addition to Rule 14, as follows:—"But if, in the backward or in the downward swing, any grass, bent, whin, or other growing substance, or the side of a bunker, or wall, paling, or other immovable obstacle be touched, no penalty shall be incurred."

THE MEDAL PLAY.

Wednesday.—Forty-nine couples entered for the medal, but amongst their names was not found that of Mr. Horace Hutchinson, who was unfortunately unable to fulfil his intention of being present. As already mentioned, the day was extremely difficult, the strength of the wind at one time being so great that only the best shot of the longest driver could cross the road from the first tee. Curiously enough, almost all the possible winners lay in a bunch together near the end. Mr. C. E. Gilroy and Mr. R. T. Boothby were the strongest players who started early, No. 10; but the latter, who has played well this year in practice, made an inauspicious start, and put two 7's on his card, which he further supplemented by a trio of the same at later stages of his round. Nor, in the aggregate, was his partner very much better, and scores of 94 and 95 did not beat the exceptionally good 90 which had been handed in by Mr. Wm. Gordon, a few couples in front of them. Couple No. 21 contained Dr. Bruce Goff, of long-driving renown, and a former medal winner. He handed in 88, which held premier place for long. Unfortunately for him, all the very strongest men were behind him, and the strongest of them all on that day was Mr. J. E. Laidlay, who was the first to beat Dr. Goff. Holing in 2 from his iron, from the east side of the burn, Mr. Laidlay started well with a 4; an admirably played approach at the third hole, which he secured in 3, gave him 12 for the first three holes; at the fourth his ball was accidentally kicked away from its position, and was left badly hanging, possibly it made no great difference in the end, as he holed out in 5; the next three holes were remarkable for mistakes followed by recoveries when near the hole; thus there were three misses in succession at the long hole; then a brassy shot landed him in rough grass to the right, whence he holed off an approach; his next tee shot was a wild one into rough country to the right, and he could do little more than regain the course, but again, after a cleek shot, he saved himself by a run up, and holed in 5; going to the High hole he topped his drive badly, played short with an iron, and for the third time recovered when near the green. At the short hole he was wide to the left in the rough, then very nearly holed a run up, but missed his third, a putt of a yard or so. Thus it appears that 5 drives out of 6 were either indifferent or badly missed, but having recovered by means of a brilliant short game, Mr. Laidlay, turning in 41, gave an excellent account of himself when the wind was at his back; one lucky hole he had, the thirteenth, a topped second shot narrowly shaved a bunker, then followed a mashy approach, and a putt of some twenty yards. The Long hole was brilliant, for a 4 was within an ace of being recorded, but the putt, one of five feet or so, was a very slippery one, and Mr. Laidlay cared not to risk it; a 3 at the next was the result of sterling Golf, playing for safety at the road, he drew his tee shot into soft country, but made a grand brassy shot, and an approach perfectly judged, both as to strength and direction, and as to his last drive, its only fault was that it was too long a ball, and was very unluckily punished, as we have said, in a wet and broken patch of the cross road: 37 home assured him an unassailable position, from which none but Mr. Tait, at his very best, might hope to dislodge him. That gentleman, however, although driving in his usual powerful manner, was far below his game on the putting green; at the second hole he missed a short approach; at the fourth he missed his second, a cleek shot, and was out of one bunker into another. In spite of a magnificent drive on to the Hole o' Cross green, he required four putts, and as at this stage he was 28, five worse than Mr. Laidlay, it was scarcely possible for him to overtake that gentleman, who, as we have seen, gave scarcely any opening whatever. Long before this, Mr. Leslie Balfour-Melville and Mr. Mure Ferguson had put themselves out of court with 92 and 94, both being entirely off their game. Of the remainder, Mr. Stuart and Mr. Macfie did the best, with 85 and 87. The former was out in 41, like Mr. Laidlay, but required 44 to return with him. Mr. Tait required a 3 for the last hole in order to tie for the Bombay medal, and his finish was sensational; he knew what was required, and did it by holing, a putt from near the stone steps, the length of which putt must have been about thirty yards. Some flippant person, with scanty knowledge, characterised it as an "awful fluke," but Mr. Tait explained satisfactorily that he saw the line and intended to do it. The tie was played off the same afternoon; and ended in a substantial victory for the young soldier. Mr. Stuart's

bad luck began at the fourth hole, where his ball rolled over, wherefore he had to count an extra stroke; thereafter he lost nearly a stroke a hole up to the turn, and was beaten eventually by 9; and thus ended the medal day.

Medal scores. Mr. J. E. Laidlay—silver cross:—
 Out 4 5 3 5 6 5 5 4 4=41 } 78.
 In 4 3 4 4 5 3 4 5 5=37

Mr. F. G. Tait:—
 Out 5 6 4 6 7 5 5 2 4=44 } 85.
 In 6 4 4 5 5 4 5 5 3=41

Mr. Alex. Stuart:—
 Out 5 4 5 5 6 5 4 3 4=41 } 85.
 In 4 4 6 5 5 5 4 6 5=44

Tie for Bombay Medal. Mr. F. G. Tait:—
 Out 5 6 4 5 6 5 5 3 3=42 } 83.
 In 4 4 5 4 5 5 4 5 5=41

Mr. Stuart:—
 Out 6 5 4 7 7 6 6 3 4=48 } 92.
 In 5 5 5 4 6 6 3 6 4=44

Mr. A. F. Macfie, 87; Dr. Bruce Goff, 88; Mr. E. R. H. Blackwell, 89; Mr. W. Gordon, 90; Mr. Charles Hutchings, 90; Mr. H. S. Colt, 90; Mr. Frank G. Tulloch, 90; Mr. D. J. Lamb, 91; Mr. J. A. Shaw, 92; Mr. W. M. Boase, 92; Mr. C. Chambers, 92; Mr. Leslie Balfour Melville, 92; Mr. J. H. Outhwaite, 92; Mr. James Cunningham, 93; Mr. John Low, 93; Mr. C. E. Gilroy, 94; Mr. J. H. Aitken, 94; Mr. C. P. Finlay, 94; Mr. W. T. Armour, 94; Mr. S. Mure Fergusson, 94; Mr. A. Kennedy Erskine, 94; Mr. R. T. Boothby, 95; Hon. Ivo Bligh, 95; Capt. J. Stott, 95; Rev. F. R. Evans, 95; Mr. Ernest Lehmann, 95; Mr. W. Fairbanks, 95; Capt. P. C. Livingston, 95; Mr. E. S. Balfour Melville, 96; Mr. F. Murray Honey, 96; Mr. C. K. Aitken, 97; Mr. A. Cowan, 97; Capt. G. M. Boothby, 98; Mr. David Anderson, 99; Mr. A. R. Paterson, 99; Mr. G. F. Melville, 99; Mr. R. Gilroy, 99.

SOME INTERESTING MATCHES.

On Thursday Mr. Hutchings beat Mr. Mure Fergusson by 2 and halved a second round, though the Hoylake man was dormy 3. Mr. Ernley Blackwell twice beat Mr. Eric Hambro, and Mr. J. B. Pease twice beat Mr. Colt.

Friday saw Mr. John Ball, jun., on the links; he played three rounds with Mr. Dick, winning them all, 87, 84, and about 82. The two last rounds he was 71 and 70, with two holes to play, but each time came to grief at the seventeenth hole. Andrew Kirkaldy beat Mr. Mure Fergusson twice, although in the first round the latter was 2 up and 5 to play. Mr. Hutchings, dormy 3, beat Captain W. H. Burn by one.

On Saturday a thirty-six hole match was played between Mr. John Ball, jun., and Mr. Hutchings against Mr. Laidlay and Mr. Mure Fergusson. Mr. Laidlay was by no means in the form he had displayed on Wednesday, though this may be partly accounted for by the loss of his play-club, which was under repair; but besides numerous mistakes in his long game, he missed a considerable number of fairly easy putts. A lead of 5 holes in the first round betokened a substantial success for the Hoylake men, who ultimately won by 8 up and 6 to play. Mr. Hutchings throughout the match did yeoman's service for his side, and indeed played the best of the quartette; he holed several extraordinary putts, one of which secured the long hole in 4, whereupon Andrew Kirkaldy remarked, *sotto voce*, "That man's playin' owre d—d weel"—a terse eulogy which evoked peals of laughter, and was much appreciated by "that man" himself. The winners were about a stroke or two above 80 each round; they had the eleventh both times in two, thanks to Mr. Hutchings' putting; the tenth hole in 3, the first round, and Mr. Laidlay, at the eighteenth, received a round of applause for holing an iron shot in 3, the others being dead at that number.

In a three-ball match Mr. J. B. Pease, who is playing a very strong game, beat Mr. F. G. Tait and Mr. R. T. Boothby.

On Monday the St. Andrews Links, in view of the Amateur Golf Championship, which opened on Tuesday morning, was crowded with players. Good golfing weather prevailed, and the green was in excellent condition. The match which attracted the most attention was a foursome between Mr. F. G. Tait and Mr. S. Mure Fergusson, of the Royal and Ancient, and Mr. Harold Hilton and Mr. Charles Hutchings, of the Royal Liverpool Golf Club. Two rounds were played. The fortunes of the day went in favour of the Englishmen, who were 4 up at the close of the first round, their score being 81 against 86. During the afternoon the Scotsmen almost held their own, but Messrs. Hilton and Hutchings ultimately won the match by 5 up and 3 to play. A good single took place between Mr. J. E. Laidlay, the medallist of the Royal and Ancient, and Mr. John Ball, Hoylake, the Amateur Champion. Again English Golf prevailed, Mr. Ball winning in the morning by 3 up and 1 to play, and in the afternoon by 4 up and 3 to play. The city is crowded with golfers.

WORLINGTON AND NEWMARKET GOLF CLUB.

J. H. TAYLOR (CHAMPION) v. J. WHITE.

The above players met at Worlington on the 4th to play a thirty-six hole match, or four rounds, for a handsome purse. The weather was all that could be desired, and the men looked very fit as they drove off the first tee about 11 o'clock, and, since White has been playing his best game lately, it was confidently hoped that a good match would ensue. The spectators were not disappointed, for not only was the play of a very high order, but the interest was kept up till the finish.

At the Railway the Champion made a perfect 3, and led by 1. Jack missed his chance of equalising matters at the sixth, where Taylor was bunkered, but won the Short Hole. At the eighth, Jack was caught by the Himalayas, and his case looked bad, but he made a raking third with his driver, carrying the new bunker on the left, and the ball ran nearly to the hole. Taylor sliced his second, had to play from the wood, and just managed to halve.

Starting all square in the second round the local man soon went to the front. At the fourth, Taylor drove into the ditch out of bounds, and had to return to the tee: Jack won the hole hands down, and stood 2 up. Driving for the Railway, the Scotchman got bunkered, and, although he nearly reached the green by an adroit shot, his lead was reduced to 1. The next hole made the match all square, Jack losing 1 in the ditch. The eighth also fell to Taylor, and at the interval he was 1 to the good. Approximate scores: Taylor, first round, 5 4 5 4 3 6 4 5 3=39. Second round, 6 4 5 6 4 6 3 5 3=42. White, first round, 6 4 4 4 4 6 3 5 3=39. Second round, 7 3 4 4 5 7 3 6 3=42.

It was announced by Captain Baird during the Luncheon that H.R.H. the Prince of Wales had kindly consented to be President of the Club, an intimation which was received with applause.

In the afternoon the select company was considerably enlarged, and the course looked gay, while the spectators took an interest in every shot. We observed the following ladies and gentlemen:—Mrs. Gardner, Mr. C. E. Salmon and Mrs. Salmon, Mr. H. J. Claughton and Mrs. Claughton, Mr. E. Hawkins and Mrs. Hawkins, Sir Maurice Fitzgerald, Revs. A. H. Pemberton, L. R. Tuttielt, J. D. Toolis, J. F. Lord, L. Gee, H. B. Marshall, Major Ord, Colonel Jocelyn, Captain Baird, Major Cave, Messrs. J. Lee Barber, Marcus Blake, T. C. Fitzherbert, A. Manning, J. B. Pettit, A. A. Rustin, Odden Read, J. Ryan, A. C. Sealy, C. Sparke, C. G. Salmon, J. A. Fielden, F. R. Upcher and Watson.

In the third round Jack squared his account at the second hole, Taylor failing to negotiate a stymie, which he gave himself. At the Railway the Champion laid a long approach dead, holed in 3, and once more led. Jack missed his opportunity of winning the sixth, and Taylor, pocketing the seventh and eighth, increased his lead to 3, with which balance they commenced the last round. Jack made a brilliant second at the third hole, but it was bunkered, and his fourth just lipped the hole. Taylor's lay four club-lengths from the disc, and he was half-stimied, but champion players can make champion shots, and his putt rolled in without a cannon; Taylor 4 up. Holing the next in 4, Jack reduced his lead to 3, and a steal at the Railway evoked a shout from the spectators; but Taylor had a longish putt to halve, and down he went like *certus Apollo*. At the sixth, Jack was on the green in 3, and all but gobbled the hole in 4, but 5 was good enough, and he was still in the hunt. Taylor 2 up. A half at the Short Hole made the Champion dormy, and steady play at the eighth gave him the match by 2 up and 1 to play. The final hole was halved in 3, Jack laying one dead out of the bunker. Approximate scores:—Taylor, third round: 5 5 4 3 5 3 5 5=40; fourth round: 5 5 4 5 4 6 3 5 3=40. White:—Third round: 5 4 5 4 5 5 4 6 5=43; fourth round: 5 5 5 4 4 5 3 5 3=39.

Mr. W. O. S. Pell officiated as umpire, to the satisfaction of all parties; nor was his office a sinecure, as he had frequently to measure for stymies, to decide who had to play, and on one occasion was appealed to on a question of the rules, which he quickly settled.

In driving, the players were about on a par, and on the putting-greens (which were in the most charming order) Jack was quite a match for his formidable opponent; but Taylor gained points, as he usually does, in approaching the holes. White drives a farther ball, and altogether plays a stronger, steadier game than he did last year, and, as we understand that he is going north in June to compete for the Open Championship, we think he ought to give a good account of himself.

The course is improving, as it is more played on; there are plenty of bunkers, the greens are like velvet, and altogether there remains little to be desired. There is also a ladies' course, separate from the other, for beginners, or those who do not care for the fatigue of the big round. The committee of management look forward to extending the links by-and-bye, but at present the new fields are not fit for Golf, and the number of players is not so great as to require a larger green.

H. M. B.

ROUND SOME IRISH GOLF GREENS.—I.

PORTRUSH, which is to be the scene of the Ladies' Championship this month, is about ten miles to the west of the Giant's Causeway, and we really think Nature must have had Golf in her mind's eye when she heaped up the sand dunes, and excavated traps just where bunkers ought to be, to catch the sand blowing in from the sea. Whatever may have been her ulterior motive in these operations, the accomplished result is one of the best Golf links it is possible to imagine. There is sufficient variety to please the most fastidious, and on every side are views attractive enough to cheer the heart of man, be he golfer or otherwise, or—being in Ireland—we might say, be he woman or otherwise, for the ladies' links is quite as superlative in its way as the longer course.

The view of cliffs and sea on both sides of the links is very fine. To the west, rocky headlands descend perpendicularly into the sea, over the foot of which the breakers dash, and dissolve into clouds of spray, drenching the jagged prominences

with the iron requires accuracy, as there is a cottage and wall on the far side of the green.

The next is a short hole, and a straight drive has nothing to fear, and the same may be said of No. 4, the only serious danger being a well which may possibly catch a topped stroke.

The fifth hole requires a very straight drive between two banks, and is capable of giving a good deal of trouble before it is finally attained. A burn with steep banks on each side, pretty well impossible to play out of, runs right across the course. A long drive may carry it, but the more cautious will play short, and then surmount the difficulty in the approach shot on to the green, which is large and of excellent turf.

No. 6 hole is without much incident, and allows us to collect our energies for the next, which is the longest hole on the course. From the tee to the green is 216 yards. The bank in the foreground is close to the tee, and this with a burn farther on are the only obstacles. The burn can be safely avoided by playing a little to the right, otherwise



LADIES' CLUB-HOUSE, PORTRUSH.

of rock, and making a splendid foreground to the shores of Counties Derry and Donegal in the far distance, with the entrance to Loch Foyle between them. On the other side the summit of the white rocks can be seen beyond the links, and the coast-line trending away for miles until Dunluce Castle appears, looking like a mere blot in the distance; and still further on the Giant's Causeway itself running far out into the sea, and even at so great a distance betraying its peculiar formation by the sharpness of its outlines and angles.

The ladies' club-house has been built about five years and is very complete, although the increase of members in the Club has lately necessitated its enlargement. It is close to the railway station, and to one of the large hotels. The first tee is immediately in front of the club-house, and a full iron shot will reach the green. There are no serious obstacles on the way, but beyond the green lies a dangerous sand-bunker in shape like a crater, but in a sufficiently elevated position to be safe, unless a too energetic stroke near the hole should house the ball in its untempting depths.

No. 2 is a blind hole, and woe be to the golfer who pulls or slices her drive! On the left retribution waits in the shape of sand and bad lies, and on the right a road between banks runs parallel to the course. Should the ball cross the road the penalty in match play is the loss of the hole; in medal play to tee another ball and lose two strokes. The approach shot

it is rather liable to catch a fair drive. It is a large green, and although a long hole, it is, comparatively speaking, an easy one.

We now leave the smooth and inviting stretches of short cropped turf for a rougher country. It is wise to go a bit to the right, for a really good drive—the kind of drive which every golfer feels certain she is going to make, as she stands on the tee—will be caught by an ugly ditch. If the stroke be played a little to the right the ditch trends away sufficiently to make the travelling safe, and a well-played approach shot will treat the ditch with the contempt it deserves, and land the player on the slightly undulating green.

A good iron shot will dispose of the distance to the ninth hole. A topped shot will be punished owing to the lie of the ground, but there are no really serious dangers.

No. 10 is a long hole. We are now in the middle of the hill country, and the links present a very different appearance from the smiling aspect of the first few holes. Hills covered with long bents, and pitted with little sandy patches, surround us on every side. Blindly we must play at the direction-posts and hope for luck and, strange to say, notwithstanding the forbidding aspect of the landscape, good lies seem plentiful for good players, but woe be to the other kind! There is a shelter by the tenth tee, often a welcome harbour of refuge, out in that wild stretch of inhospitable sand-hill. A

drive over a steep acclivity is the first step, and should the drive be missed the difficulties will be doubled by the ascent which is necessarily to be accomplished from close under the hill. Once we leave the hill behind, the going is good; a brassie shot is still required, and we slightly descend to reach the green, which at present is small and undulating, and altogether inferior to the large one close by which is to be the scene of play in a fortnight.

The eleventh hole requires a drive and a short approach over sandy, hilly ground into a pit-like hollow where the green is situated. Here again, there is a special green reserved for the May Championships, rather farther from the tee than the present one.

The tee for the twelfth hole is on a raised plateau, and the hole is within an iron shot, on the top of a steep little hill, at the foot of which is an unpleasant ditch-like bunker. If the incautious player should explore this ditch, life will be none too easy for her, for the ensuing few minutes. The ball must be lofted up an almost perpendicular hill-side, and even when accomplished so far the hole is not yet won, for should the stroke be played too hard the ball will descend into further difficulties on the other side of the green.

The next hole is a short one; some cart ruts and a ditch beyond the green are the principal dangers.

No. 14 is a longer hole. We now leave the hill country and

the *descensus averni* is not quite so easy as it has the credit of being, for the descent is very likely to be arbitrarily interrupted by some unexpected little sandy bunkers on the hanging of the hill, waiting to entrap anything but a clean shot. The green is closely surrounded by hills.

The eighteenth tee is down in a hollow. The drive must dispose of the hill immediately in front of the tee, and a short approach shot over some sand and a bank will bring us safely into the haven where we would be, namely, the last green.

The Northern Counties Hotel is connected with the links, in that visitors staying there can, on payment of half-a-crown play Golf, although it does not entitle them to the use of the clubhouse; on a further payment of 7s. 6d. they can become temporary members for a week. Ladies who hold a golf ticket from the Hotel, if introduced by a member of the ladies' branch and seconded by one of the committee, can become temporary members on payment of 1s. per week or 2s. 6d. per month. This includes the use of the ladies' club-house. It is not, however, a *sine qua non* that visitors should stay at the Northern Counties Hotel if they should happen to have a friend who is a member of the club, and some might prefer one of the various other establishments such as the "Osborne" or the "Golfers' Hotel," where the prices are not at London rates.

During the summer months Portrush becomes very full of visitors from all parts of the country and of various nationalities.



LOOKING TOWARDS THE CAUSEWAY FROM THE LINKS, PORTRUSH.

return to the civilisation of flat grass land, high roads, and, crowning item, the vision of the electric tram-car hastening back from its journey to the Giant's Causeway. The drive must carry a burn and a bank—we are not referring to the drive in the tram-car—and a short iron shot will still be wanted before we reach the green.

For the tee to the fifteenth hole, we have to cross the road. In fact at this point the links are rather intersected by roads, for another lies waiting to ensnare anything short of a long, full drive. Achieve this and difficulties are over for the nonce, and a not very interesting hole can be successfully attained.

A good drive and a long iron shot will make short work of the smooth though steeply undulating country on the way to the sixteenth hole, which lies in a good cuppy green on top of the rise, and we can proceed to No. 17, where we cannot complain of want of interest. A long drive and a full iron will be required. The start is over some faintly ridged and furrowed grass land, as though in some dim past ages before men's minds had risen to Golf, potatoes might have reigned in undisputed supremacy. Over some very hilly ground, with occasional sandy patches, the terror of the tyro, and up a steep hill we must betake ourselves, to the direction-post on the summit. The iron will be then called into requisition to speed the ball down a precipitous descent on to as pretty a green, from a golfer's point of view, as there is on the links. In this case however,

ties. The Causeway is of course the main attraction, and the sightseers fill all the hotels both at Portrush and at the Causeway itself. The electric tram-car already mentioned plies daily between the two places, and the journey occupies about an hour. This tramway was the first of its kind started in the United Kingdom. It was inaugurated by Mr. W. A. Traill, C.E., and has proved in every way successful. The event of the ladies' meeting in May will probably draw a number of people to Portrush, and it may be of interest to them to know that there are other attractions besides Golf in the neighbourhood.

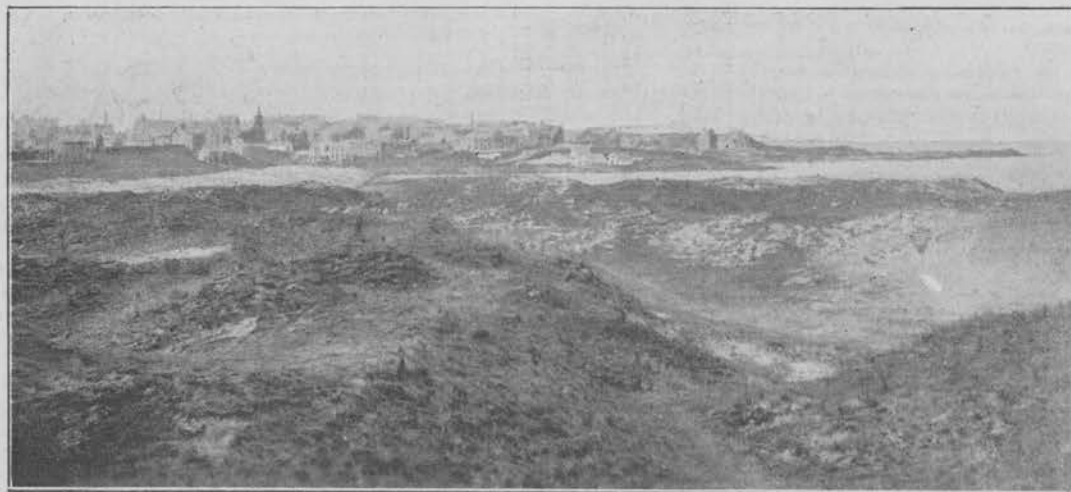
The town itself has nothing very special about it. It runs out into the sea on one side in a picturesque fashion; stretches of sandy beach, and groups of fishing boats will here and there prove a tempting bait to the sketcher in water-colours. Looking inland from the town or links, nothing in the least attractive meets the eye, and visitors will do well to devote their attentions to the sea-shore.

It is a remarkable coast in many ways, extending along the northern counties of Ireland, splendid in outline and interesting in detail. The White Rocks are worth a visit, with their numerous caverns, and are within easy distance of the town.

Dunluce Castle is only about three miles from Portrush, and its fame has travelled so far and wide that it seems almost unnecessary to proclaim it here. It was the scene of many a feud in olden times, and of acts of treachery too. A banshee

still lives in the ruins, who with mournful wail foretells disaster to the reigning family. In old times it must have had its work cut out, but nowadays when all the world is at peace, the office of banshee has become almost a sinecure—one of Mark Twain's sinecures, nothing to do, and no salary. But no description of this fine old place can give a true idea of the grandeur of its position or of its aspect of calm security from assault, standing right out into the sea defying not only its would-be besiegers, but the very waves themselves.

countries than this; of how a Scottish giant challenged all the world in personal combat, making a prudent reservation in the person of the great Fin MacCoul, the Irish champion, whom he said he *would* fight were it not for the wetting he would get in wading across the sea. Fin very kindly removed this obstacle by making the Causeway upon which the giant could walk over dry shod; this he did, and got much worsted in the combat which ensued. This at least is the version of the legend on the Irish side of the water; perhaps according to Scotch lore the



PORTRUSH FROM THE LINKS.

The Giant's Causeway and its peculiarity of formation are well known, at all events by hearsay, but we would exhort those golfers who have never visited it to take advantage of its proximity to Portrush, and devote a day to seeing this natural phenomenon. It is the source of much legendary lore, and we suppose the tale of its origin has travelled to ears in other

fight may have gone differently. Here and there along the coast within a few miles of the Causeway, it is curious to note a sort of attempt at the same formation, as though Nature had begun it again and then thought better of it; or it may have been Fin MacCoul.

ROSE CHAMPION DE CRESPIGNY.

SOUTHWOLD GOLF CLUB.

On April 13th there were eleven entries for the quarterly medal, which was won by Mr. R. E. Yerburch with 101.

Challenge cup, April 15th:—First round.—Mr. W. P. Pechey (6) beat Mr. E. Pipe (18), 1 up; Mr. G. Brooke Alder (18) beat Mr. C. J. Waller (12) by 2; Mr. R. E. Yerburch (12) beat Mr. J. B. Gooding (8) by 4 and 2 to play; Mr. "A. N. Other" (7) beat Mr. S. W. Woollett (scratch); Mr. H. T. Selby (12) beat Mr. D. R. Gooding (18) by 2 and 1; Mr. A. R. Grubbe (13) beat Mr. J. Crimmen (18), by 4 up.

Second round.—Mr. G. Brooke Alder beat Mr. W. P. Pechey, 2 up; Mr. "A. N. Other" beat Mr. R. E. Yerburch, 4 and 3 to play; Mr. H. T. Selby beat Mr. A. R. Grubbe, 3 and 2; Mr. W. Whytock (plus 2) beat Mr. A. C. Davidson (12), 3 and 2.

Third round.—Mr. H. T. Selby beat Mr. "A. N. Other," 1 up; Mr. W. Whytock beat Mr. Brooke Alder.

Final.—Mr. W. Whytock beat Mr. H. T. Selby by 1 up.

Match handicap competition on April 16th. First prize offered by Mr. R. Milbank.—Mr. R. E. V. Yerburch (35), 4 down; Mr. R. E. Yerburch (12), 5 down; Mr. C. J. Waller (12), 7 down; Mr. S. W. Woollett (13), 8 down; Mr. J. B. Gooding (8), 8 down; Mr. E. C. Davidson (12), 8 down. Messrs. S. W. Allan, W. P. Rechey, D. R. Gooding, J. S. Heath, H. Hickling, J. Crimmen, W. P. Smith, G. H. Rope, F. A. Kent, E. Pipe, and Rev. E. L. Hickling, were more than 8 down or made no return.

Match handicap, April 17th. Prizes offered by Mr. J. B. Gooding.—Mr. R. E. Yerburch (12), 6 down; Mr. D. R. Gooding (18), 6 down; Mr. C. J. Waller (12), 7 down; Mr. S. W. Woollett (13), 7 down; Mr. J. Crimmen (40), 7 down; Mr. R. E. V. Yerburch (35), 8 down; Mr. E. Pipe (35), 9 down. Tie played off April 18th.—Mr. R. E. Yerburch, 4 down; Mr. D. R. Gooding, 6 down.

ST. ANDREWS.

On April 27th, D. Anderson, jun., playing in a competition of the employes of Messrs. D. Anderson and Son, club-makers, did the round in 76, being the lowest score made in any club competition. The figures were:—Out, 5 5 5 4 5 4 3 3 5=39; in, 4 5 3 5 5 4 3 4 4=37; total, 76. The record of the green is 73, made by Hugh Kirkaldy, while 78 was previously the record in a club competition.

A foursome, which has been looked forward to with some interest, was begun on the links on April 22nd, the players being Mr. B. Millar and Bob Dow, Montrose, on the one side, and Mr. R. Boase and Tom Morris on the other. The conditions are that thirty-six holes be played at St. Andrews and thirty-six over Montrose—Mr. Millar and Bob receiving three holes start on each round of eighteen holes. Playing the first round, Dow was not up to his usual form, and Mr. Millar and he finished 5 holes down. Matters with them did not improve in playing the second round, and Mr. Boase and Tom won the match by 8 and 6 to play. The return will be played over the Montrose Links.

DONCASTER GOLF CLUB.

On Monday, April 15th, the Easter competition took the form of a handicap by strokes over the eighteen holes. The weather was very enjoyable, but high winds and keen greens were against low scoring. The results were as follows:—Mr. J. B. Matthews, 108, less 23=85; Mr. H. Cockill, 122, less 30=92; Mr. J. W. Young, 108, less 16=92; Mr. G. Wilkie, 108, less 14=94; Mr. F. Matthewman, 121, less 25=96; Mr. A. Wickham, 118, less 17=101; Mr. P. Chrimes, 122, less 16=106; Mr. J. H. Clark, 123, less 17=106. On playing off, the tie for second place in the sweepstakes Mr. Young won with a net score of 86, against Mr. Cockill's 91.

GOLF IN ITALY.

A Golf course has been established on the watershed of the hills above Sorrento, in Southern Italy. These hills are crowned by a plateau of a mile and a half in length, of varying width, a portion of which has been used for the purpose. It is covered by a stout, short grass, and is sufficiently undulating and irregular in outline to admit of much variety in the course, which at present comprises nine holes. Measures are being taken to bring the putting greens into order, and in a short time the links will offer one more to the many attractions presented to visitors by the most beautiful watering-place in the south of Italy. The links were recently laid out by Mr. J. B. Fuller, of the Bengal Civil Service, with the aid of Dr. Dunbar-Brunton, resident physician, and by other lovers of the game visiting Sorrento.

The following details will give some indication of the character of the links. No. 1.—195 yards; bank to be crossed with drive, hole guarded by bunkers. No. 2.—260 yards, broken ground. No. 3.—365 yards; no special difficulties. No. 4.—330 yards; hole beyond a steep gully, which must be carefully crossed. No. 5.—220 yards; hole near a stone wall, and guarded by rough hedge and garden. No. 6.—325 yards; hole on summit of knoll. No. 7.—160 yards; tee on edge of a scarp, ground intervening rough and bad. A fair drive is required to land the ball well over. No. 8.—270 yards; ground of the same nature as last, but more broken with rocks and stones. No. 9.—190 yards, downhill along edge of a declivity; hole guarded by bunkers and rough ground.

For golfers visiting the Peninsula for a few days or weeks, and who do not care for the somewhat steep ascent from Sorrento, which means a tiring walk or a ride on a donkey, the village of Saint Agata offers a pleasant residence. It is within a short and easy walk of the links, and provides a number of well-furnished rooms as well as a small hotel. This village is reached from Sorrento by a carriage-road in one hour, or from Massa, which also has a new hotel, in one half-hour, the road passing through this latter place. Hitherto, in consequence of the view which it affords of the Bay of Naples and the Gulf of Salerno, this place has been popularly known as St. Agata of the two Gulfs, or "dei due Golfi" as the Italians have it. The name is thus inscribed on a gateway on the main street. Henceforth, it is to be known (to adopt the Italian spelling) as "St. Agata of the three Golfs." Beautiful as are the two "golfs" which lie on either side of this charming ridge, many will prefer the third and new "Golf" which is now to be found on its summit.

Clubs and balls are to be had at the Hotel Tramontano, Sorrento, supplied by the maker, Wm. Park, jun., of Musselburgh and Edinburgh.

GOLF IN THE PYRENEES.

The Argeles Golf Club held their second tournament of the season on April 26th, and the weather being favourable, some grand scores were made in the different competitions. Proceedings commenced at 10.30 for a ten-franc sweepstake open handicap, medal play, won and divided by Col. Anderson, receiving (9) and Mr. A. S. Tabor (8), with a net score of 86.

At 2 p.m. the links were given up to the ladies, who played for a prize, given by Mr. K. MacFarlane, under "Bogey," at 100 for eighteen holes, won by Miss K. Anderson, who receiving 9, was 1 up. Mrs. Tabor, Mrs. S. Platt, and Miss Anderson, tied for second honours, 4 down.

At 3 p.m., the gentlemen started a "Bogey" competition handicap ("Bogey" 84) for a prize, presented by Mr. K. MacFarlane, won by Mr. R. Boreel, scratch, with a score of 80, 3 up. Lord Kilmaine and Mr. Claude Ponsonby tied for second place, 3 down. The winner was in very fine form, his score of 80 being a record for the season.

A ten-franc handicap against "Bogey," for nine holes, wound up the day. Won by Mr. C. Ponsonby, 2 up, receiving 2.

April 26th.—Ten-franc sweepstake, medal play. Mr. A. S. Tabor, 94, less 8=86; Col. Anderson, 95, less 9=86. Pau professionals—Dominie, 86, plus 3=89; Baptiste, 84, plus 6=90. Messrs. S. Platt, K. MacFarlane, Shand Hervey, G. Harrison, A. Ross, C. Ponsonby, Dr. Sheppard, and Prince de Rohan, made no returns.

2 p.m.—Ladies' prize ("Bogey"), handicap, presented by Mr. K. MacFarlane.—Miss K. Anderson, 1 up; Mrs. S. Platt, 4 down; Mrs. A. S. Tabor, 4 down; Miss Anderson, 4 down. Mrs. R. Boreel, Mrs. H. Stewart, and Miss Marshall, made no returns.

3 p.m.—Gentlemen's prize ("Bogey"), presented by Mr. K. MacFarlane.—Mr. R. J. Boreel, scratch, 3 up; Lord Kilmaine (14), 3 down; Mr. Claude Ponsonby (3), 3 down; Mr. H. Ross (9), 6 down; Mr. S. Platt (9), 5 down; Mr. A. S. Tabor (6), 5 down; Prince de Rohan (15), 10 down; Hon. Jack Browne (23), 12 down; Mr. G. Harrison (6), 5 down; Mr. Shand Hervey (12), 7 down; Dr. Sheppard (14), 7 down.

5 p.m.—Ten-franc sweepstake ("Bogey"), nine holes. Won by Mr. C. Ponsonby, 2 up.

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

On April 27th, the second Amateur County Golf Championship of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight was decided. The meeting was held over the beautiful links at Bembridge, by the courteous invitation of the Royal Isle of Wight Golf Club. The competition is under the direction of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight County Golf Association, and thanks to the kind assistance of Mr. Davenport Knight, the hon. secretary, the arrangements were carried out to the satisfaction of all concerned. The links were in splendid order, and the weather, though showery, left but little to be desired, as a reference to the scores made over such difficult links will show. Though many fine players entered, the result was early a match between Mr. J. H. Duncan (Hayling) and Mr. E. H. Buckland (Winchester), who were drawn together—a piece of luck for the spectators. Before lunch, Mr. Duncan was clean off his game, but, favoured by wonderful fortune, at times, he finished only 6 strokes worse than Mr. Buckland, who, never making a mistake, finished with the fine score of 84 (only one more than the record of the green).

After luncheon, however, Mr. Duncan recovered his true game, and one recognised once more the golfer who held last year's Champion, Mr. F. G. Tait, so close over the Winchester course. He came away with a game against which it was impossible to compete, and though Mr. Buckland struggled bravely, he wiped off stroke after stroke of his disadvantage, and finished with a lead of 4 strokes on the thirty-six holes, completing the last eighteen holes in 79. This is 4 strokes less than the amateur record of the green, previously held by Mr. T. S. Henry and Mr. Mudie.

Of the other competitors, mention must be made of Mr. MacAllan, of Southampton, a St. Andrews boy, still at school at Rugby, who will be heard of again in the Hampshire and other competitions. One of his rounds of nine holes was a 42.

Of the elder division, Mr. Fisher's game was marked by its usual steadiness, as four rounds, ranging from 47 to 50 only, will testify.

The meeting has hitherto been confined to its avowed object, the Amateur Championship of the County; and, now that this is well-established, it is proposed to extend the scope of the meeting by adding a (limited) handicap competition, and possibly playing the Championship by match instead of medal play. This will necessitate a two days' meeting, which would afford an excellent opportunity for a social gathering, at which golfers from all parts of the county might meet each year:—

	1st	2nd	Total.		1st	2nd	Total.
	Round.	Round.			Round.	Round.	
Mr. J. H. Duncan.	90	79	169	Mr. H. MacAllan.	91	97	188
Mr. E. H. Buckland	84	89	173	Mr. W. F. Fisher.	94	99	193
Maj J. H. Lamont	92	93	185				

The rest over 200, or no return.

A NEW ALUMINIUM CLUB.—Following on the lines adopted by Mr. Brougham and Mr. Ramsbottom, in the construction of their aluminium clubs, Messrs. Braddell and Son, Golf-club makers, 21, Castle Place, Belfast, have brought out another club of the same form, which is equally serviceable either at the tee or for play through the green. The head is of aluminium, with a chamber into which is fitted a T-piece of hard wood. On the top of this is fitted a hard leather face for striking the ball, and this face is flush with the metal as in an ordinary wooden head. The shaft goes through the short socket of the head to the sole, as in Messrs. Anderson's clubs, and it is fitted with a cork grip. Messrs. Braddell and Son are to be complimented on the beautiful finish of the club, which we understand is throughout of Irish manufacture. The club we have tried is a deep-faced bulger of about an inch and a-quarter; and a better or more suitable club we have not played with either off the tee or through the green, for lowness of flight of the ball, or for length of carry. The deep face is a great improvement on some of the earlier types of the same club we have tried, and the hard leather face appears not only to grip the ball more satisfactorily, but to impart a better and a longer flight. Mr. Thos. Gilroy, one of our best known and most capable players, writes of the club, "It is the most satisfactory club I have had in my hands for many years," and with the judgment of that experienced player we heartily concur.

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In a sketch of the career of Prince Charles Stuart, by Mr. Andrew Lang, in *Scribner*, for April, it is stated that "He introduced Golf into Italy, where his links were in the grounds of the Villa Borghese." In another column will be found a notice of the first regular Golf links in that country.

The May number of the *English Illustrated Magazine* contains twenty crisp articles and short stories, fourteen of them with illustrations. One of the briefest, yet fullest in its compression of facts, is Mr. Grant Allen's vivid description of the "Desperate Struggle for Life" among plants on the moorlands. Lord Robert Gower, as a sculptor, author, and dilettante, is the subject of a most interesting sketch, with illustrations of his home and Shakespeare statue at Stratford-on-Avon. Dr. Parker is allowed to pose in a new capacity, as an engineer and architect, who would idealise the rebuilding of London during the next fifty or a hundred years, effecting great improvements, and employing both labour and capital in the process. All the portraits are very good.

The Goring and Streatley Golf Club has recently been reconstructed. It is now in a flourishing condition. The links have been greatly improved, and it is anticipated that many people in the surrounding districts will join, and that the club will have a very satisfactory season. A monthly medal has been subscribed for. Visitors desirous of playing over the links may do so, subject to the discretion of the committee, and on application to the hon. secretary, Mr. W. Horwood, Glebe Cottage, Goring.

A correspondent sends us an extract from a letter by Mr. Tom Peter, a well-known Fife Golfer of the old days, now resident in the colonies. Mr. Peter says: "A Golf Club has been established at Victoria, British Columbia, and fairly taken root. The links are about three miles out of town, at a suburb called Oak Bay, and the electric tram goes within a mile of them, so one gets easily to them at a charge of five cents, (2½d.). I went out not long ago to see them, and was agreeably surprised. The course has nine holes and good turf at this season, but there is still a want of bunkers. However, the public road is crossed twice, which is bunker enough for many. One sees some peculiar styles. One chap in putting with an iron had one hand on the leather, and the other down on the socket, giving him a very droll shape. I saw two really good players, a young fellow, O—, who is from Edinburgh, and

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came here a year ago. He has played on St. Andrews and Leven, and has the true golfing style. He was playing with a gentleman I knew, a Mr. I—, who came here some years ago from California and brought a letter of introduction to me from Mr. B—. He is a son of the late Dr. I—, of P—. He is a player. My relative C— is also a really good player, and learned, of course, before he left home. As you may suppose, my enthusiasm was aroused, and I seized hold of a tool and took a drive; and the ball, like the arrow, took flight 'I knew not where.' But, sir, you may rely it went: and (to show that the old lion is not dead, but merely sleepeth) from a distance of what shall I say?—I wish to be very exact—100½ yards from a hole, I holed the ba' in two strokes!—fact!—and then, sir, after showing how the game should be played, I retired upon my laurels—retired into the "pavilion," as the Golf-house is called here, and had tea and bun given me by one of the lady players; so I fared well. I met a young chap playing by himself a Mr. A—, from Newport, who is learning the game, and to whom I gave some hints—a very nice fellow. Clubs and balls from the old country have been imported. The clubs are mostly of Forgers' make—some by Tom Morris, and another man, Ayres, I think. In shape the wooden clubs differ a good deal from what I was accustomed to—shorter in the face and dumpier—but they seem good tools. The cleeks and irons are very like what they were; the balls, ditto. It was refreshing and vivifying to get a sniff of the fine old game; but—eh, man—my condition for it is sorely changed, notwithstanding the specimen of what I shall call (without egotism, I hope) my prowess. My powers were soon exhausted, and I can only say my flesh is weak, though the spirit is willing."

We would congratulate the Green Committee of North Berwick, on the very complete arrangements made by them for the opening of the extended course, of which we lately gave a full account. The opening takes place on Monday, June 3rd, when a gold medal (scratch) is open for competition among the members of the subscribing clubs, two rounds of the green (thirty-six holes) to decide the winner. Some fine play ought to be witnessed, as several of the foremost players of the day, including Mr. J. E. Laidlay, are members of these clubs. On Wednesday, June 5th, about £70 of spoil falls to be divided among the professionals, who ought to show a good muster, as the Open Championship is there impending. The Tantallon Summer meeting follows on Thursday, June 6th; so the East Lothian golfers should have in one week what Old Tom would call "a regular bellyful o' the game."

The Edinburgh Insurance and Banking Golf Clubs who have laid out the new course at Duddingston, have very wisely elected Mr. Turnbull Smith as their first captain. This gentleman is a devoted player, and shows his approval of the game, from an Insurance point of view, by annually issuing a Golf scene as the centre of the Calendar of the "Life Association of Scotland," of which he is manager. One of the best was that issued last year, with well-drawn figures of the leading amateurs and professionals of the day gathered round the match at Sandwich, Taylor v. Rolland, June 15th, 1894. The weather for the opening of the course was not as good as might have been wished, but Mr. and Mrs. Turnbull Smith (who gracefully struck off the first ball from the tee), did everything in their power to make the ceremony successful.

"When the dark'ning days of the year have flown,
And the grass is green after winter's rain;
When the fields are brown, and the seed is sown,
And the song-bird carols with joyous strain;
When the violet smiles in the country lane,
And the primrose sweet, and the cowslip tall,
Betoken that spring has resumed her reign,
Then, hey! for the whirr of the flying ball!"

Very nice, indeed, but will the singer of this "Ballade of Golfing" in a popular Northern paper, explain what he means by the "whirr of the flying ball." We fail to see the onomatopœia—if that is what is intended—and would humbly suggest

to the player to replace a whirring ball by one that is not cracked, before he plays his next shot. The subject, however, is difficult, and the license of the poet is proverbial. As Professor Tait has determined the velocity of the flying ball, might we suggest to some equally great authority to give a verdict on the question of sound for the benefit of players whether poetical or prosy.

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Mr. A. J. Balfour was recently the guest of Lord Elcho at Stanway, in Gloucestershire, and had some Golf on the links at Cleeve Hill. No doubt, confusing some long putt with the hon. gentleman himself, a rumour lately reached the House of Commons that he was dead. After the message, Mr. Balfour came into the House looking his best! In the fourth ties of the Parliamentary Handicap he succumbed by 1 hole, owing to a stymie, to Mr. J. Symons Jeune, to whom he allowed 5 strokes.

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The golfers in the Manchester and Liverpool district, mainly through the indefatigable efforts of Mr. T. S. Turnbull, have now succeeded in obtaining tickets at reduced rates from the various Railway Companies. The facilities are not perhaps so great as those granted in other localities, but the golfers ought to be thankful for what the companies have seen fit to grant, and in time the companies will doubt less see it to be in their own interests to give still further concessions.

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Lord Moncrieff, the eminent Scottish Judge, who died the other day at the age of eighty-three, used to be very fond of a quiet foursome on the links with friends, like himself, "learned in the law." He visited North Berwick for many seasons, and his son-in-law, Mr. J. B. Balfour, the Lord Advocate, continues the family connection with the Brighton of the North, having built a mansion there, where several members of his household have attained the reputation of being excellent players.

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A deputation, representing several Edinburgh clubs, has been appointed to remonstrate with the Musselburgh Town Council against the proposed increase of charges for playing over the green.

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The Scottish Amateur Athletic Association is having some trouble over the question of the status of "makers' amateurs," who are virtually professionals, and objected to as such by the Association, which goes in for amateurism pure and simple, and will have no hybrid class. A disruption is threatened, but the Association, it is hoped, will stick to its guns.

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The dispute at Peterhead seems to be settled, the Laird of Pitfour having withdrawn his prohibition against Golf on St. Fergus Links. The ploughed-up green has been mended and put into condition for play. Whether the process has improved the green report saith not. "Ploughing the sand" is a harmless occupation at Golf, for the bunker by the aid of wind or wave soon removes the wrinkles, but ploughing the putting-green is surely a more serious matter.

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Mr. W. T. Armour, winner of the Roxburghe medal for five years in succession, has been elected captain of the Dunbar Club. This club is waking up to the possibilities of the place as a golfing resort. Lately the green has been much improved, Mr. Fyshe, the late captain, having superintended operations. The committee are now considering the advisability of acquiring Broxmouth Deer Park for the purpose of enlarging the present course which is very much hampered at the point where the burn runs into the sea. A new Golf-house is also in contemplation, the Roxburgh Hotel Company having acquired the old one, and the golfers are beginning to do justice to the ladies by thinking of a ladies' Golf course.

Mrs. Fleck, lately the well-known hostess of the Royal Hotel North Berwick, is said to have in view the construction of a fine new hotel at Dunbar—another sign of progress at the breezy burgh of Black Agnes.

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A correspondent at Singapore writes under date April 5th:—"You have doubtless heard of the Singapore Golf Club before, but we have another Golf Club here called 'the Sepoy Lines Golf Club,' which is a new and very flourishing club. Golf, out here, is an immensely favourite pastime. One reason for this is because it is the most convenient way of taking exercise. In this club, ladies are allowed to play any day, provided they belong to the household of a member. The first green, at the back of the General Hospital, is called the Cholera green because the cholera quarters used to be close by. The second is the Mortuary green. The third hole is on the lunatic asylum grounds, and the fourth is played over a Chinese burial ground. The fifth is in front of the General Hospital and is called the Small-pox green, the Small-pox Hospital being to the right of it. The sixth green is the Gaol green, the gaol being just opposite. The seventh is the Gallows green, being a convenient standpoint for those who like to view such sights, for executions are public in Singapore. The eighth green is the Gunpowder Magazine green. The ninth is the only one without a name, but is in sight of the General Hospital Mortuary and Lunatic Asylum. Can that little lot of holes be beaten I wonder? Labour is cheap out here, so we get our caddie for six cents a round, which is equal to nearly three halfpence."

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Singapore and Hong-Kong, which both have strong Golf Clubs, are arranging shortly to have a trial of strength and skill at the game.

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The Annual General Meeting of the Northwood (Middlesex) club was held on April 24th, at the Eyre Arms, St. John's Wood, Mr. W. Right Nooth presiding. The committee's report disclosed a highly satisfactory state of affairs, the accounts showing a credit balance of £100 1s. 3d. The date of the financial year was altered from March 25th to January 1st, and it was decided to make no charge for green fees in respect of hon. secretaries of other Golf Clubs. The office bearers and committee of management for the ensuing year are as follows:—President, The Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, M.P.; vice-presidents, Messrs. H. Horsman Coles and W. Right Nooth; captain, Dr. H. Dane; hon. secretary, Mr. Herbert Chipp; hon. treasurer, Mr. C. C. Forster Dickson; committee of management, Messrs. E. H. Coles, J. Law, E. W. F. Stiven, and F. J. Walker.

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A Summer Pastimes' Exhibition will be held in the great galleries of the Royal Agricultural Hall on June 29th to July 6th. There will be a section devoted to Golf clubs and balls. Mr. Arthur Barron is the general manager, and Mr. Ernest H. Lewe the secretary. The offices are at 222, Strand, W.C.

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On April 17th, Tom Vardon, the Ilkley professional, playing with Mr. Hollis, broke the record of the links with a score of 71, made up as follows:—Out, 5 5 4 4 5 3 2 4 5=37; In, 4 4 3 5 4 3 4 3 4=34.

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The Burghley Park Golf Club had their annual dinner at the George Hotel, Stamford, on May 2nd, when between twenty

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and thirty golfers spent a pleasant social evening together. In the enforced absence of Lord Burghley, the Rev. R. C. Faithfull was called to the chair, while Mr. H. B. Waite, the captain of the club, acted as vice-chairman. The hon. secretary, Mr. Edmonds, reported a large majority of wins for the young club, adding that they were 165 holes to the good over the season! About one-half of the company were singers and piano-players, and music and song went merrily on till midnight.

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The annual general meeting of the County Down Golf Club was held, on April 27th, under the presidency of Mr. Henry Gregg. There was a large attendance of members. Major Robert H. Wallace was unanimously elected a vice-president, in the room of his late much-respected father, Mr. W. N. Wallace, D.L. Mr. George Combe was by acclamation elected captain for 1895. Messrs. P. T. Trousdale, R. H. Wallace, and W. J. MacGeagh were chosen to fill vacancies on the council. The treasurer's statement showed a credit balance of £30, after wiping out last year's deficit.

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Peter Fernie, of Wimbledon, and Paxton, of Tooting, will play a match, for a small stake, over the Wimbledon course on Tuesday.

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At the recently held annual general meeting of the Lahinch (County Clare) Golf Club, the report presented by Mr. R. Plummer, hon. secretary, showed a most satisfactory state of matters, financially and otherwise. Monthly competitions for the coming season were decided upon, and also an autumn meeting in September, at which, amongst other prizes, will be one for the Amateur Championship of the South of Ireland. The following resolution was unanimously passed:—"That owing to the great interest the Right Hon. A. J. Balfour has taken in the West of Ireland, his name be put down as an honorary member of the club." A copy of the resolution was forwarded to Mr. Balfour, who has kindly consented to have his name put down accordingly.

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It will be seen from our advertisement columns that the Golf tournament at North Berwick has been fixed for June 5th, and the Musselburgh tournament for June 7th, the Open Championship being at St. Andrews on June 12th and 13th.

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Owing to the death of Mrs. Hutchinson's father, Mr. Horace Hutchinson has been obliged to cancel all his Spring golfing engagements.

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Z— writes:—"Those who witnessed the match between Taylor and White at Worlington numbered about one hundred and fifty. Such a match on an equally good green in Scotland would have had ten times the following. Why is this? Is it because Golf is not yet the game of the million in England?"

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In the competition for the gold cross on the first day of the Warwickshire Spring Meeting, there were sixty entries. Mr. W. Bouch came in winner, for the second year in succession, with a fine score of 84, which is the record for the links in a stroke competition, and equal to his own and Mr. F. M. G. Abell's previous rounds. Mr. Bouch's score was made up as follows:—Out, 4 4 4 5 6 4 8 4 4 = 43; in, 5 4 4 5 6 5 4 4 4 = 41, total, 84.

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THE CLERICAL GOLFER.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have read the interesting article in your last issue entitled "Scottish Clerical Golfers." The writer refers to what he kindly terms a "somewhat famous" Golf picture, for the purpose of pointing out a figure therein, which after graphically describing, he very correctly terms a "poor object." He then makes a grand "drive" (at the artist), but unfortunately the ball does not go straight, and lands in a "bunker." The "poor object" never was intended as a "symbol of the clerical attitude towards the game," and was not evolved for that special picture. To those familiar with the "Cope Cartoons" he will be recognised as a time-honoured friend who is "always in the way," turning up on all occasions and among "all sorts and conditions of men." He came into being years ago as a "symbol" of the sanctimonious, narrow-minded individual, anti-tobacco, anti-every kind of relaxation or amusement. I ought to know something of his character and history, as I have sent him on his travels from his first journey till now. He does not improve much, but remains as bigoted and stupid as ever, and I admit he is a "poor object." I would gladly clothe him in other than clerical attire, but in that case he would be unrecognisable and his "occupation gone."

I am, Sir, &c.,

"THE MISGUIDED ARTIST."

COUNTY GOLF.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I have read Mr. Bamford's letter on County Golf with great interest, as it bears out almost word for word what was proposed at our County Council Meeting, held in Leeds some few weeks ago.

With regard to qualification, it is imperatively necessary that the rule should be the same as is required for County cricket, otherwise it will not be County against County, but a mixture of Counties *versus* Counties; and the county that was able to get the best scratch team together would in all probability clear the board.

Then comes another matter—the choosing of the best players to represent the county. This will, of course, be a difficult matter, and will require much thought. Our Council has left this to be arranged by a committee of five, and I must say I think they have no easy task before them.

The number of players should certainly be eight, and not more than twelve a-side; but I do not quite agree with Mr. Bamford when he says, in case of a tie that the winner of the largest number of holes should be awarded the match. If I may be allowed to say so, I should propose that, in the event of a tie, the two captains (who, I presume, will be supposed to be the best players of the team) should play another round of not

less than nine holes, or eighteen, as might be agreed upon before starting, and the winner of this round to score as a win for his county. I do not suppose this would occur often; anyhow, if it did it would cause some excitement over the final.

With regard to the grouping of counties, Mr. Bamford's idea is an excellent one, and could not be improved upon. Mr. Bamford proposes that those men playing in the team for their county should have their cap presented to them. Now, as one never sees a "Club cap" used on any well-known green, would it not be better for his proposition to read thus: Any one playing for his county shall be presented with his county's buttons, and have the right to wear them on the coat of the Club from which he enters. This would put the Union to the small expense of having a button designed for them—say, for Yorkshire, the good old white rose.

I am sure that Mr. Bamford deserves the thanks of all golfers who are interested in County Golf for having brought the matter forward.

On behalf of our Union, I can say that no county is more keen on the "grand game" than Yorkshire, and I hope that something of county matches may be heard shortly. Apologising for the length of my letter,

I am, Sir, &c.,

C. G. BROADWOOD.

President, Yorkshire Golf Union.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

FAR AND NOT SURE.—Probably you would do better to play at present with a straight-faced club, because a bulger needs more accuracy in the stroke. You are either standing too near your ball, or falling forward upon it when making the stroke. Try and rectify your stance. Never mind about scoring until you learn to hit the ball properly with all your clubs.

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4641. Improvements in, or additions to, Golf-club carriers or dumb caddies.—C. W. Thomas, 24, Temple Row, Birmingham.

6415. Improvements in Golf-ball carriers.—G. Edwards and T. Hutchins, 94a, Little Hampton Street, Liverpool.

7572. Improvements in Golf-club head.—D. Stevens, 70, Wellington Street, Glasgow.

7573. Unbreakable Golf-club head.—D. G. Robertson, 13, Murieson Crescent, Edinburgh.

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ABERDEEN.

The spring meeting of the Aberdeen Club took place on Saturday, April 27th, over Balgownie Links, near Aberdeen. The weather in the early part of the day was not of the most favourable description, a drizzling rain falling. In the afternoon, however, it cleared up beautifully, and the rest of the day was fine. Archie Simpson, the green superintendent, had the greens in excellent order. A large number of trophies were competed for, the blue ribbon of the meeting being Prince Leopold's cup, as the first scratch prize; the Johnston cup, as a second scratch prize; and the silver cross (handicap prize). For all the above, one round of the links, or eighteen holes, had to be played. In addition, Colonel Boyes gave a handicap cup for the player completing the last nine holes at the lowest figures. There was a large turnout of competitors, more especially in the afternoon, no less than forty-one couples starting, and some very fine scores were handed in. On comparing the cards at the close, it was found that Prince Leopold's cup was won by Mr. L. S. Anderson with the fine score of 81; Mr. J. Burnet Craigie, with an 85, carrying off the Johnston cup. The cross also fell to Mr. Stuart Anderson with 81, plus 3=84; and Colonel Boyes's cup was tied for by Mr. W. S. O. Waring with 46, less 9=37; and Dr. J. P. Watt, 42, less 5=37. The following are a few of the lowest cards handed in:—Mr. L. S. Anderson, 81; Mr. J. B. Craigie, 85; Mr. T. Todd, 88; Mr. J. M. Ferguson, 88; Mr. J. M. Duncan, 90; Mr. W. D. Davidson, 90; Captain H. V. Brooke, 91; Mr. M. M. Duncan, 92; Mr. A. Chalmers, 93; Dr. C. Angus, 93; Mr. A. J. W. Storie, 94; Mr. A. Martineau, 95; Dr. James Moir, 95; Dr. J. P. Watt, 95; Mr. W. G. Foggo, 99. The sweepstakes prizes for players with a handicap of 10 and over resulted:—Mr. W. S. O. Waring, 104, less 18=86; Mr. W. S. Foggo, 99, less 12=87. An open optional handicap sweepstakes was won by Mr. L. S. Anderson with 81, plus 3=84; Mr. J. Burnet Craigie being second with 85 (scratch).

ASHDOWN FOREST AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Tuesday, April 16th, ladies' and gentlemen's foursomes (medal play), sweepstake:—

	Gross	Hcp.	Net.
Miss Arbuthnot and Mr. Cobbold	81	16	65
Miss S. Green and Mr. Danby	89	12½	76½
Mrs. Hessenberg and Mr. C. Bigwood	86	9	77
Miss J. Curteis and Mr. Shaw	86	8	78
Miss Collins and Mr. Malden	96	16½	81½
Miss E. Reade and Mr. C. S. Reade	88	6	82
Mrs. C. Green and Mr. F. Lee	87	4	83
Miss M. Parsons and Mr. R. Parsons	97	13	84
Miss Nix and Mr. C. Nix	94	8½	85½
Miss Birch and Mr. Grieve	90	4½	85½
Mrs. Jennings and Mr. Jennings	104	18½	85½
Miss Johnson and Mr. F. Lucas	97	4½	87½
Miss E. B. Curteis and Mr. C. E. Curteis	88	½	87½
Mrs. Russell and Mr. Hallett	103	14	89
Mrs. Stewart and Mr. Bigwood	96	5	91
Miss Reade and Mr. Drummond	99	7	92
Mrs. Whitfield and Mr. H. Curteis	99	7	92
Miss Lee and Mr. C. Green	110	16½	93½
Miss Marchant and Mr. Laughton	102	7	95

Spring meeting, April 18th, 19th, and 20th.—For the silver challenge cup, with memento. Members are allowed to play two rounds on the first and last mornings of the meeting. Handicaps limited to 18. Miss E. B. Curteis and Miss S. Green tied; Miss E. B. Curteis scratched, but she won a box of balls, given by Miss Andrews for the best net aggregate, and tied with Miss Birch for a case of scissors, given by Mrs. Green for the best last nine holes, for which she also scratched. Cup scores:—

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	Rounds—		Hcp.	Net.
	1st.	2nd.	Gross.	
Miss E. B. Curteis	38	37	75	+7 82
Miss S. Green	56	44	100	18 89
Mrs. Gordon Dill	45	50	95	11 84
Mrs. Stewart	43	43	86	1 85
Miss E. Reade	49	46	95	10 85
Miss A. Scott	48	55	103	18 85
Miss Birch	46	41	87	1 86
Miss J. Curteis	49	50	99	12 87
Mrs. Hessenberg	53	52	105	18 87
Miss Marchant	54	49	103	14 89
Mrs. G. Moor	54	49	103	14 89
Miss Urmson	not handicapped	90
Miss Phillips	45	45	90	scr. 90
Miss Moor	50	54	104	14 90
Miss Collins	54	52	106	16 90
Mrs. C. Green	46	48	94	3 91
Miss Harris	49	54	103	12 91
Miss M. Parsons	56	53	109	14 95
Miss Arbuthnot	61	52	113	18 95
Mrs. Whitfield	59	51	110	11 99
Mrs. Astbury	58	59	117	18 99

Best net aggregate of two cup rounds :—

	1st and 2nd round Ttl.			1st and 2nd round Ttl.			
Miss E. B. Curteis	84	82	166	Miss C. Green	92	91	183
Miss A. Scott	85	85	170	Miss Malden	87	96	183
Miss S. Green	82	90	172	Miss E. Reade	101	85	186
Miss Birch	91	86	177	Mrs. G. Moor	89	99	188
Mrs. Hessenberg	89	89	178	Miss M. Parsons	05	96	191
Mrs. G. Dill	98	84	182	Miss B. Martin	101	96	197
Mrs. Stewart	98	85	183				

Approach and putting prize given by Miss Birch, a framed picture called "Curiosity"; consolation prize, six balls given by Mr. Green. Three balls allowed.

Mrs. G. Dill and Miss Parsons tied at 9 strokes; Mrs. Astbury and Miss Urmson at 10; Miss E. Curteis and Miss Birch at 11; Mrs. Green and Miss A. Scott at 13; Miss J. Curteis, Mrs. Stewart and Miss Collins at 13; Miss E. Reade at 14; Miss G. Morgan, Mrs. Russell at 15. Several others took more strokes.

On Friday morning, April 19th, the quarterly silver scratch dishes were played for, as well as two prizes; one given by Mr. Russell, a silver golf ball inkstand, with crossed Golf clubs, for handicaps 16 and under; and the other given by Mrs. Russell, silver-mounted midget frames, for handicaps over 16. Scores for dishes :—

	1st and 2nd round Ttl.			1st and 2nd round Ttl.			
Miss E. B. Curteis	40	38	78	Miss B. Martin	51	47	98
Miss Birch	40	44	84	Mrs. Whitfield	56	49	105
Mrs. Stewart	45	44	89	Miss Malden	50	57	107
Miss S. Green	41	48	89	Mrs. Nesfield	53	54	107
Miss J. Curteis	45	48	93	Miss A. Scott	53	55	108
Mrs. C. Green	46	49	95	Miss Collins	59	49	108
Miss G. Morgan	48	48	96	Mrs. Astbury	57	52	109
Miss E. Reade	43	54	97				

Others over 110.

Miss J. Curteis won Mr. Russell's prize, 93, less 12=81; and Miss S. Green won Mrs. Russell's, 89, less 18=71.

Miss Andrews gave a pair of cabinet photograph frames for candidates for election and those not handicapped to play in competitions, which were won by Mrs. Baker.

On each afternoon of the meeting a handicap tournament was played, for which there were twenty-six entries. First prize, a silver score card-holder, given by Mr. Percy Fox; second, a silver button-hook, given by Mrs. Nesfield. In the first round Miss Reade, Mrs. Green, and Miss Lee walked over; Miss Malden (11) beat Miss Collins by 3 up and 1 to play; Mrs. G. Dill (plus 2) beat Mrs. Hessenberg by 5 up and 3 to play; Miss Parsons (2) beat Mrs. S. Whitfield by 1 up; Miss Green (14) beat Miss Phillips by 5 up and 4 to play; Miss Moor (3) beat Miss E. Reade by 1 up; Miss J. Curteis (5) beat Miss B. Martin by 4 up and 3 to play; Miss Birch (5) beat Miss E. B. Curteis by 2 up and 1 to play.

Second Round.—Miss Skipwith (14) beat Miss Harris by 2 up and 1 to play; Miss Arbuthnot walked over; Mrs. Stewart (plus 13) beat Mrs. G. Moor by 5 up and 4 to play; Mrs. Green (plus 5) beat Miss Reade by 9 up and 8 to play; Miss Malden (14) beat Mrs. G. Dill by 4 up and 2 to play; Miss M. Parsons (plus 5) beat Miss Lee by 8 up and 6 to play; Miss S. Green (3) beat Miss Moor by 1 up; Miss Birch (plus 8) beat Miss J. Curteis by 7 up and 5 to play.

Third Round.—Miss Arbuthnot (plus 4) beat Miss Skipwith by 4 up and 2 to play; Mrs. C. Green (1) beat Mrs. Stewart by 1 up; Miss Malden (12) beat Miss M. Parsons by 4 up and 2 to play; Miss S. Green (13) beat Miss Birch by 5 up and 4 to play.

Fourth round.—Miss Arbuthnot (17) beat Mrs. C. Green by 4 up and 3 to play; Miss Malden (9) beat Miss S. Green.

Finals.—Miss Malden (4) beat Miss Arbuthnot by 7 up and 5 to play.

Mrs. Malden kindly gave a box of balls to be played for by those put out in the first round after they had been drawn again; Miss E. B. Curteis won this, as Miss Collins scratched in the final round.

Mrs. F. Lucas gave a case of scissors for the best six answers to questions on the rules of Golf, which was won by Mrs. C. Green with 15½ points out of a possible 24; twenty-two competitors. Miss Lee, 14; Mrs. Whitfield, 13; Miss M. Riddle, 13; Miss Marchant, 12½; Miss C. Johnson, 12½; Miss Moor, 12½; Miss Phillips, 12½. The remainder 11 and under.

The weather was fine, except part of the first day, and the whole meeting a great success.

On Saturday afternoon, when the tournament was finished, there was a match, ladies' foursomes, medal play. Sweepstake :—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Miss B. Martin and Miss J. Curteis	97	9	88
Miss E. Reade and Miss G. Morgan	105	13½	91½
Mrs. G. Moor and Miss Birch	102	9½	92½
Mrs. Urmson and Mrs. C. Green	99	4½	94½
Miss Moor and Mrs. G. Dill	107	12½	94½
Mrs. Hessenberg and Miss Urmson	104	7	97
Mrs. Russell and Miss Andrews	108	9½	98½
Miss M. Parsons and Mrs. Stewart	109	7½	101½
Miss Lee and Mrs. Astbury	123	21½	101½
Miss Reade and Mrs. Peckham	126	20	106

Miss Collins and Miss A. Scott no return.

FOLKESTONE LADIES v. LITTLESTONE LADIES.

Played at Folkestone, Monday, April 22nd, in very fine weather. The absence of Miss Starkie-Bence through illness from the home team, and that of Miss Phillips (through a mistake as to trains from London) from the visitors' team, lessened to a certain extent the interest in the match, and reduced the competitors from six to five a-side :—

FOLKESTONE		Holes.	LITTLESTONE.		Holes.
Miss D. Jeffery	0	0	Miss Phillips (absent)	0	0
Miss Edwards	0	0	Miss Stringer	1	1
Miss B. Wood	0	0	Miss Tyrwhitt-Drake	3	3
Mrs. Stanley-Stubbs	5	5	Miss Rowlandson	0	0
Miss Augusta Eccles	1	1	Miss H. Stringer	0	0
Miss Wood	7	7	Mrs. Lawrel	0	0
	13	13		4	4

FELIXSTOWE GOLF CLUB.

The Easter meeting was held on April 13th, 15th, and 16th, and was favoured with fine weather; but on each day a strong easterly wind was blowing. On Saturday there were about sixty competitors for the Felixstowe gold medal, Mr. G. Spurling winning with a fine score of 92, less 13=79. On Monday, the Edinburgh gold medal and the Patron's challenge cup were played for; the medal was won by Mr. P. J. Pringle with a score of 88, and this player also tied for the cup with Mr. P. Colley, the scores being, 88, less 5=83, and 96, less 13=83. The tie was played off on Tuesday, when Mr. P. J. Pringle won with 95, less 3=92. The first monthly heat of the Syndicate prize was won by a promising young player, Mr. L. Nelson, with an excellent score of 92, less 9=83. The final competition of the Syndicate's monthly challenge cup was won by Mr. E. Flint. The scratch aggregate prize for the three days' play was won by Mr. S. Mure Ferguson, 87, plus 91, plus 88=266. The handicap aggregate prize was won by Mr. Gilbert Spurling, 79, plus 87, plus 87=253. On Saturday evening the annual dinner was held at the Bath Hotel, Mr. J. Hutchinson Driver, the captain of the club, presiding.

Saturday, April 13th, Felixstowe gold medal :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. G. Spurling	92	13	79	Mr. H. P. Cumming	98	6	92
Mr. J. H. Nelson	95	10	85	Mr. D. J. Dunlop	103	11	92
Hon. H. Finch-Hatton	93	6	87	Mr. J. M. Henderson	96	3	93
Mr. A. Mackay	98	11	87	Mr. T. C. Fox	101	8	93
Mr. R. Gaskell	100	13	87	Hon. S. Finch-Hatton	95	1	94
Mr. P. Strickland	95	7	88	Mr. R. H. Pringle	99	5	94
Rev. Mr. Washington	100	12	88	Mr. J. Harper	104	10	94
Mr. F. E. Faithfull	92	3	89	Mr. S. Mure Ferguson	87	+8	95
Mr. W. K. Graham	96	7	89	Mr. A. Pollock	100	5	95
Mr. R. B. Reid	100	10	90	Mr. J. H. Driver	102	7	95
Mr. A. F. Waters	95	5	90	Mr. G. Thompson	107	12	95
Mr. A. M. Joshua	95	4	91	Mr. A. Davidson	106	10	96
Mr. C. E. Grieg	99	8	91	Mr. C. T. Fox	110	13	97
* Mr. E. Flint	101	10	91	Mr. W. H. Franks	113	16	97
Mr. W. Westhead	96	4	92	Mr. C. H. Trimmer	114	16	98
Mr. D. Davidson	96	4	92				
Mr. R. Thomson	97	5	92				

* Winner of the final, Syndicate's monthly challenge cup.

Monday, April 15th.—Edinburgh gold medal (scratch), and patron's challenge cup (under handicap):—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. P. J. Pringle ...	88 5 83	Mr. L. W. Nelson	104 9 95
Mr. P. Colley ...	96 13 83	Mr. J. H. Nelson ...	105 10 95
Mr. F. E. Faithfull ...	91 3 88	Mr. C. Trimmer ...	111 16 95
Mr. W. H. Franks ...	104 16 88	Hon. S. Finch-Hat-	
Mr. A. F. Waters ...	94 5 89	ton ...	97 1 96
Mr. C. E. Grieg ...	98 8 90	Mr. H. P. Cumming	102 6 96
Mr. A. W. Ramsey	103 13 90	Mr. K. M. Macdo-	
Mr. F. H. Durlacher	105 15 90	nald ...	105 9 96
Mr. D. Davidson ...	95 4 91	Mr. A. Pearce ...	118 22 96
Mr. J. Abercromby	91 scr. 91	Mr. W. Westhead ...	101 4 97
Mr. G. Spurling ...	100 9 91	Mr. A. Davidson ...	107 10 97
Mr. G. H. Joshua ...	99 7 92	Mr. D. J. Dunlop ...	108 11 97
Mr. A. M. Joshua ...	97 4 93	Mr. R. Gaskell ...	110 13 97
Hon. H. Finch-Hat-		Cap. W. St. G. Ord	106 8 98
ton ...	99 6 93	Mr. T. C. Fox ...	106 8 98
Mr. J. Harper ...	103 10 93	Mr. P. Strickland ...	106 7 99
Mr. J. M. Hender-		Mr. S. Mure Fer-	
son ...	97 3 94	gusson ...	91 +8 99
Mr. R. Reid ...	105 11 94	Mr. G. Thompson ...	111 12 99
Mr. W. K. Graham	102 7 95	Rev. Mr. Washington	111 12 99
Mr. H. Frisby ...	103 8 95	Mr. J. Ellison ...	115 16 99

Tuesday, April 16th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. L. W. Nelson	92 9 83	Mr. P. Fringle ...	95 3 92
Mr. C. Colbeck ...	101 16 85	Hon. H. Finch Hat-	
Mr. W. Brockley ...	98 10 88	ton ...	98 6 92
Mr. J. M. Hender-		Mr. C. E. Greig ...	100 8 92
son ...	91 3 88	Mr. W. Westhead ...	98 4 94
Mr. A. F. Waters ...	94 5 89	Mr. A. Pollock ...	99 5 94
Mr. R. Thomson ...	94 5 89	Rev. Mr. Washington	106 12 94
Mr. E. Flint ...	99 10 89	Mr. J. Nelson ...	105 10 95
Mr. C. Trimmer ...	105 16 89	Mr. S. Mure Fergus-	
Mr. A. M. Joshua ...	94 4 90	son ...	88 +8 96
Mr. E. F. Lankester	102 12 90	Mr. P. Colley ...	108 16 98
Mr. J. Abercromby	91 scr. 91	Rev. J. Ellison ...	114 16 98
Mr. J. H. Driver ...	98 7 91	Mr. G. H. Joshua ...	106 7 99
Mr. W. K. Graham	98 7 91	Capt. W. St. G. Ord	107 8 99
Mr. G. Spurling ...	100 9 91	Mr. R. Reid ...	110 11 99

HAGLEY v. SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE.

Won by Hagley by 14 holes:—

HAGLEY.		SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE.	
Holes.		Holes.	
Mr. H. H. Turner ...	6	Mr. M. Wilkie ...	0
Rev. H. Bourne ...	1	Mr. N. Fowke ...	0
Mr. W. H. Grazebrook	0	Dr. Biggam ...	0
Mr. G. Macpherson ...	3	Mr. H. A. Irvine ...	0
Mr. H. E. Evers ...	0	Mr. R. Smith ...	0
Mr. H. T. Williams ...	2	Mr. R. H. Bailey ...	0
Mr. R. H. King ...	3	Mr. W. Lovatt ...	0
Mr. H. J. Stobart ...	0	Mr. V. Hickman ...	4
Mr. H. N. Collis ...	2	Mr. T. S. Lewis ...	0
Mr. H. T. F. King ...	1	Mr. C. Elwell ...	0
	18		4

HUNSTANTON GOLF CLUB.

The Easter meeting of this club took place on Monday and Tuesday, April 15th and 16th, in cloudy and somewhat windy weather. The course was in good order, and the turf through the green is rapidly becoming sound. The new club-house, owing to the recent gale, was not quite in readiness for the meeting, as the committee had hoped, but the club were able to make use of the principal rooms for luncheon and tea, and were unanimous in praise of the design and in appreciation of the increased comfort that the club will gain by its erection. The events decided were:—Monday, April 15th, President's cup and memento (handicap limited to 12) and optional sweepstakes.

Gross Hcp. Net.		Gross Hcp. Net.	
Mr. N. Dawson ...	95 10 85	Mr. G. Garrick ...	110 12 98
Mr. G. L. Venables	101 12 89	Mr. E. Dawbarn ...	114 12 102
Mr. P. C. A. Barker	96 6 90	Dr. C. R. Whitty ...	118 12 106
Rev. W. H. Deane	102 12 90	Dr. B. G. Sumpter	119 12 107
Mr. C. F. A. Greg-		Mr. R. M. Nettleship	121 12 109
son ...	102 10 92	Mr. F. Hill ...	125 12 113
Rev. H. D. Barrett	103 9 94	Mr. P. H. English	130 12 118
Mr. E. R. Bull ...	106 11 95	Mr. P. T. Chatter-	
Mr. W. W. West ...	110 12 98	ton ...	130 12 118

The President's cup and memento were won by Mr. N. Dawson, together with the second share of the optional sweepstakes. The first share in the sweepstakes was won by Mr. Venables.

In the afternoon a match, eight a-side, was played against the Northampton Golf Club. The visitors were victorious by 9 holes.

Tuesday, April 16th.—Club cup and memento, and optional sweepstakes:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. P. C. A. Barker	94 6 88	Dr. C. R. Whitty ...	115 22 93
Capt. H. A. Digby.	96 8 88	Mr. C. A. F. Gregson	105 10 95
Mr. W. W. West ...	104 16 88	Mr. C. E. Thompson	113 14 99
Mr. H. E. Phipps .	108 19 89	Mr. R. Dawbarn ...	121 22 99
Rev. W. H. Dean .	102 12 90		

On playing off the triple tie, the scores were:—Mr. West, 102, less 16=86; Mr. Barker, 98, less 6=92; Capt. Digby, 102, less 8=94.

The Club cup was won by Mr. West; the sweepstakes were divided between Capt. Digby and Mr. West, by mutual agreement.

KETTERING GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal competition, Saturday, April 20th. The following handed in their cards:—Mr. R. Abbott, 102, less 12=90; Mr. F. Mobbs, 101, 10=91; Mr. W. Meadows, 106, less 10=96; Mr. C. Saunders, 106, less 7=99; Mr. A. H. Bryan, 115, less 12=103; Mr. C. W. Stringer, 120, less 14=106; Mr. H. A. Cooper, 119, less 12=107; Mr. R. B. Wallis, 121, less 10=111. In the second division Mr. B. B. Baker was first with a gross score of 108, less 18=90, with six other competitors.

LITTLESTONE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The members of the above club held their Easter meeting on Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday, April 13th, 15th, and 16th, beginning with a competition against "Bogey" for a prize kindly presented by Miss Stringer, Miss Starkie-Bence proving the winner. Appended are scores:—Miss Starkie-Bence (6), 2 down; Mrs. H. C. Willock (8), 5 down; Miss D. Rowlandson (12), 6 down; Miss Maude Cobb (14), 6 down; Mrs. MacCombie (21), 6 down; Miss M. V. Stringer (20), 7 down; Mrs. Pritchard (16), 8 down; Miss Hilda Stringer (10), 8 down; Miss M. Brown (14), 8 down; Miss W. Rowlandson (15), 8 down; Miss C. Brown (18), 9 down; Miss S. Pritchard (12), 11 down; Mrs. R. H. Hedderwick (16), 11 down; Miss Prior (28), 11 down; Mrs. Macnair (36), 11 down. Several others no returns.

On Saturday the monthly medal was competed for, with a sweepstake for the two best scores, Miss Mary Stringer and Miss W. Rowlandson taking first and second places. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss Mary Stringer	103 20 83	Miss D. Rowlandson	105 12 93
Miss W. Rowlandson	101 15 86	Mrs. Pritchard ...	109 16 93
Miss Starkie-Bence	91 4 87	Mrs. Macnair ...	130 36 94
Miss Stennett-Prit-		Miss Maude Cobb ...	110 14 96
chard ...	99 12 87	Miss A. Brown ...	116 18 98
Mrs. D. C. Willock	98 8 90	Miss H. Stringer ...	109 10 99

Five others no returns.

On Monday, April 15, a prize kindly presented by Mrs. Stewart was played for, for the best scratch aggregate of Saturday's medal and Monday morning's play. The result was as follows:—

1st day.		2nd day.		Titl.		1st day.		2nd day.		Titl.	
Miss Starkie-Bence	91	92	183	Mrs. Pritchard	...	103	109	212			
Mrs. H. C. Willock	97	98	195	Miss H. Stringer	...	105	109	214			
Miss S. Pritchard...	99	101	200	Miss Ethel Cobb	...	122	105	227			
Miss W. Rowlandson	101	103	204	Mrs. Wollersen	...	108	137	245			
Miss Mary Stringer	103	103	206	Mrs. George	...	109	149	258			

Mrs. Wollersen kindly presented a prize for the best nine consecutive holes (scratch) out of the eighteen, Miss Starkie-Bence being the winner, but resigning in favour of Mrs. H. C. Willock. Scores:—Miss Starkie-Bence 41, Mrs. H. C. Willock 42, Miss S. Pritchard 44, Miss D. Stringer 46, Mrs. Wollersen 46, Miss Mary Stringer 46, Mrs. Pritchard 48, Miss W. Rowlandson 51, Miss E. Cobb 51, Mrs. George 60.

On Monday afternoon there was a mixed foursome competition against "Bogey," both a scratch and a handicap prize being offered, the former by Miss Starkie-Bence, the latter by Mr. Rawson. The scratch prize was won by Mr. Gibbings and Mrs. Pritchard. Scores:—Mrs. Pritchard and Mr. A. Gibbings, 4 down; Miss Starkie-Bence and Mr. C. Wintle, 6 down; Mrs. Willock and Mr. H. C. Willock, 6 down; Miss C. South and Mr. R. Lawson, 6 down; Miss D. Stringer and Mr. F. L. Rawson, 7 down; Mrs. Wollersen and Mr. A. J. Stanley, 8 down; Mrs. Hedderwick and Mr. R. H. Hedderwick, 10 down; Miss E. Rowlandson and Mr. F. F. Beggs, 10 down; Miss W. Rowlandson and Mr. J. Fleming, 10 down; Miss Pritchard and Mr. D. E. Johnson, 11 down; Miss E. Cobb and Mr. V. E. G. Abney, 11 down; Mrs. Sim and Mr. J. D. S. Sim, 12 down; Miss South and Rev. G. D. Samson, 12 down; Mrs. Macnair and Mr. MacLagan, 13 down; Miss A. Cobb and Mr. A. F. Pearson, 16 down. Three others no returns.

The handicap prize was won by Mrs. Wollersen and Mr. A. J.

Stanley. Scores:—Mrs. Wollersen and Mr. A. J. Stanley (7), 1 down; Mrs. Pritchard and Mr. Gibbins (9), 1 down; Miss C. South and Mr. R. Lawson (6), 2 down; Miss D. Stringer and Mr. F. L. Rawson (5), 3 down; Mrs. Hedderwick and Mr. R. H. Hedderwick (7), 3 down; Mrs. George and Mr. R. G. Mannhame (10), 3 down; Mrs. Willock and Mr. H. C. Willock (4), 4 down; Mrs. Sim and Mr. J. D. S. Sim (18), 5 down; Miss E. Rowlandson and Mr. F. F. Begg (9), 5 down; Miss Starkie-Bence and Mr. C. Wintle (3), 6 down; Mrs. Macnair and Mr. W. E. MacLagan (15), 7 down; Miss W. Rowlandson and Mr. J. Fleming (8), 7 down; Miss Pritchard and Mr. D. E. Johnson (6), 7 down; Miss A. Cobb and Mr. A. F. Pearson (21), 8 down; Miss E. Cobb and Mr. L. E. G. Abney (7), 8 down; Miss South and Rev. G. D. Samson (6), 9 down. Two other couples no returns.

On Tuesday, April 16th, a prize kindly presented by Mrs. H. C. Willock, was competed for against "Bogey" under handicap. Score:—Mrs. R. H. Hedderwick (16), 1 down; Mrs. H. C. Willock (8), 4 down; Miss Cissy South (16), 4 down; Miss Stringer (6), 5 down; Miss Stennett Pritchard (12), 7 down; Mrs. Wollersen (16), 7 down; Miss Mary Stringer (18), 7 down. Six others no returns.

On Wednesday and Friday, April 17th and 19th, a prize was kindly presented by Mrs. Pritchard for a tournament, Mrs. Willock proving victorious.

April 20th. Competition against "Bogey," open to members and visitors, for a prize kindly presented by Miss A. A. T. Drake. Score:—Miss Cissy South (16), 4 up; Miss Stringer (6), all even; Miss Maude Cobb (14), all even; Miss W. Rowlandson (15), 4 down; Mrs. Pakenham Vainell (16), 4 down; Mrs. Sim (36), 4 down; Mrs. Powell (10), 7 down; Mrs. MacCombie (21), 7 down; Miss D. M. Stringer (18), 8 down; Mrs. Scott, Royal Eastbourne (16), 9 down; Miss Harris (12), 9 down. Thirteen others no returns.

MACHRIHANISH GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of this club was held on Friday, April 26th, the competition being for the gold medal (scratch), and several (handicap) prizes, prominent among these being a silver cigar case, the gift of Mr. D. M. Maxtone, the new captain of the club. There was a good turn-out of players, twenty-two couples competing. At the close of the round Mr. D. C. Greenlees was found to be winner of the medal with a score of 83. In handicap order the following are some of the best scores:—Mr. Charles Hyatt, 85, less 5=80; Mr. Alexander Rae, 91, less 5=86; Mr. William S. Colville, 99, less 12=87; Mr. Jas. P. Brown, 98, less 10=88; Mr. R. Y. Cunningham, 113, less 25=88; Mr. William Greenlees, 96, less 6=90; Mr. Jas. Lyon, 90, plus 2=92; Mr. John R. Rae (scratch), 91.

MACHRIHANISH LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The sixth annual spring meeting of this club took place at Machrihanish on Saturday, April 20th. There were twenty-four entries. A strong wind from the east prevailed, and in consequence, the scores were somewhat higher than usual. Some very handsome prizes were presented at the end of the game to the successful competitors in following order. Lowest scratch score, Miss MacNeal, 81.

Handicap scores:—Miss Mackelvie, 83, less 4=79; Miss MacNeal (scratch), 81; Miss Syme (scratch), 83; Mrs. Dan. Mactaggart, 92, less 6=86; Miss M. S. Ferguson, 86, plus 1=87; Miss Nellie Brown, 92, less 2=90; Miss Kate Greenlees, 93, less 2=91; Mrs. W. J. Pearson, 94, less 3=91; Miss Lyon, 90, plus 1=91; Miss Daisy Weir, consolation prize.

Saturday, being also the day for the final monthly competition for the beautiful gold and pearl bangle, presented by Mr. Stuart Hall, London, to be won by the player who made the four lowest scores of the year, Miss M. S. Ferguson, carried off the much-coveted prize with the following—77 77 82 82.

MARPLE v. DERBYSHIRE.

Match played on the Marple Links on Saturday, April 20th. Marple won by 11 holes:—

MARPLE.		DERBYSHIRE.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. G. Sherwin (captain)	6	Mr. L. A. Guilmant (captain)	0
Mr. R. D. Collison	0	Mr. G. Dusantoz	2
Mr. A. Simon	5	Dr. Bryson	0
Mr. H. J. Hampson	10	Mr. G. M. Coulson	0
Mr. F. Barlow	0	Dr. Moon	1
Mr. W. Livesey	0	Mr. H. Burton	2
Mr. C. F. Johnson	0	Mr. J. Sayers	7
Mr. D. G. Holmes	5	Mr. W. T. Morley	0
Mr. A. M. Cresswell	0	Mr. H. Seeley	3
	26		15

MANCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

The Macalister scratch match medal competition took place on Saturday, April 20th, at Whalley Range, in perfect golfing weather.

The ground was in excellent condition throughout, and special pains had been taken to make the greens worthy the occasion. Mr. William Bell returned the lowest score of 80, Mr. A. C. Knight coming in second with 82. Mr. Bell was, therefore, declared the winner, and holds the medal for a year, and receives from the club a gold memento. His score was as follows:—Out, 4 3 6 4 5 4 4 5 4=39; home, 3 4 4 6 4 4 5 6 5=41; total, 80.

MID-SURREY GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal winners, silver cup competition, which resulted in a tie between Mr. F. E. Gripper and Mr. J. S. Worthington, on Saturday, April 20th, was played off on Monday, April 22nd, Mr. Worthington being the winner with 88, less 5=83, against Mr. F. E. Gripper's, 108, less 17=91.

This club's medal winners, silver cup competition and usual monthly medals, were played for on Saturday, April 20th. The scores returned applying to both competitions. The following returns were made.

Senior (handicap 1 to 12):—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. J. Clapp	91	11	80	Mr. J. Orrell	101 10 91
†Mr. J. S. Worthington	89	5	84	Mr. A. J. Eames	98 6 92
Mr. W. T. Hughes	97	11	86	Mr. L. W. Evans	100 8 92
†Mr. A. Anderson	87	scr.	87	Mr. T. Glover	99 6 93
Mr. A. L. Jockel	90	2	88	Mr. H. R. Morrison	104 11 93
Mr. R. P. Newham	98	8	90	Mr. W. W. A'Deane	103 9 94
Mr. H. F. Highton	102	12	90	Mr. H. Knight	102 6 96
Mr. A. F. Waters	94	3	91	Mr. C. S. Cole	108 12 96
				Mr. C. A. Gosnell	105 8 97

* Wins senior medal, and two-thirds sweepstakes.

† Tied for silver cup competition, and divides one third sweepstakes.

‡ Wins club prize for best gross score.

Junior, (handicap over 12):

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. F. E. Gripper	101	17	84	Mr. R. E. Mills	115 22 93
Mr. L. F. Cotton	105	20	85	Mr. E. W. Davis	117 24 93
Mr. A. W. Tillie	107	18	89	Mr. A. G. O'Farrell	115 21 94
Mr. H. P. W. Gwatkin	113	24	89	Mr. E. Britten-Holmes	112 17 95
Mr. E. C. Davidson	104	14	90	Mr. A. Puzey	111 14 97
Mr. E. G. Whitehead	104	14	90	Mr. F. Hamilton	118 21 97
Mr. G. E. Steward	105	14	91	Mr. P. N. Perrin	116 17 99
Mr. G. A. Bell	108	16	92	Mr. W. Davidson	123 24 99

* Wins junior medal.

ROYAL ISLE OF WIGHT GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of this club commenced on Saturday, April 13th, with a "Bogey" competition for a club prize, which was won by Mr. C. Pigg in halving the match with "Bogey."

On Easter Monday the scratch prize (Eaton memorial gold shield) was won by Major Lamont with a score of 89. The prize, presented by the captain, Prince Henry of Battenberg, K.G., being won by Major W. H. G. Gordon with a net score of 81. In the afternoon the annual general meeting took place in the club-rooms, when, among other matters of business, the officers for the ensuing year were elected, viz:—Capt. Twynam to the captaincy; Lieut.-Col. Clayton, J.P., and Mr. Davenport Knight being respectively re-elected hon. treasurer and hon. secretary; two of the three members of the council retiring under the rules being re-elected, viz, Lieut.-Col. Howard Brooke and Mr. M. Tabuteau, Major J. F. C. Hamilton taking the place of Capt. Corse-Scott, retired. In the evening the members of the club dined together at the Spithead Hotel, when fifty-five sat down to dinner, Lieut.-Col. Howard-Brooke presided during dinner, and after the health of the Queen had been drunk, the new-elected captain was installed in the chair, and expressed his high estimation of the honour his fellow-members had conferred upon him in electing him to that post for the ensuing year, and he trusted that at the end of his year of office he would not be found "two holes down." The hon. secretary then read the list of winners and their scores. Among those present were:—Capt. and Mrs. Twynam, Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. Howard-Brooke, Sir Henry Pottinger, Bart., Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. Macdonald Moreton, Lieut.-Col. Clayton, J.P., Mr. Gaspard Le Marchant, Major and Mrs. Hamilton, Capt. du Boulay, Rev. J. N. and Mrs. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Tabuteau, Mr. and Mrs. Davenport Knight, Mr. and Miss Fisher, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Robertson, Mr. Forrester-Brown, Mr. Porteous, Mr. Alex. Crawford, Col. Alexander, Mr. Bradby, Mr. Gerald O. Fitzgerald, Major W. H. Gordon, Mr. Dudley Watkins, Mr. F. Gibson, Sir Heron-Maxwell, Bart., Mr. and Mrs. S. Hope Morley, and Miss Russell, Rev. E. H. and Mrs. Francis, &c., &c.

On Tuesday, April 16th, a club prize was played for, under handicap, when Mr. A. Crawford and Mr. Davenport Knight tied with a net score of 84. The final of the monthly medal was also played on this

day for a club prize, being won by Mr. Davenport Knight with the following score, 102, less 18=84. During the whole of the meeting the weather was brilliant, and in the opinion of the older members of the club, it was more largely attended than on any previous occasion. Subjoined are the scores:—

Spring competition, April 15th:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.		
Major W. H. Gordon	105	24 81	Mr. J. Hardcastle...	110	14 96
Major Lamont	89	scr. 89	Mr. C. Pigg	100	4 96
Mr. P. J. Henery	94	3 91	Mr. C. Prideaux-		
Mr. H. Parker	93	2 91	Brune	97	scr. 97
Mr. W. F. Fisher	96	5 91	Mr. L. R. Glass	104	6 98
Capt. R. Alexander	105	13 92	Lord Granville Gor-		
Mr. Davenport			don	105	7 98
Knight	110	18 92	Mr. F. Gibson	102	3 99
Capt. Becher	107	12 95	Mr. W. H. Dudley		
Mr. M. Huish	109	14 95	Ward	111	11 100

The following made no return:—Mr. H. Bradley, Mr. A. F. Brown, Major W. F. Brown, Sir Henry Pottinger, Bart., Mr. Alex. Crawford, Mr. R. Durnford, Mr. E. C. Eddis, Mr. Reginald Trex, Major L. Gordon, Mr. F. Hollebhone, Lieut.-Col. Howard-Brooke, Major Knox, Major Le Marchant, Mr. L. T. Le Marchant, Capt. Lindley, Mr. H. Michell, Mr. C. F. Parsons, Mr. W. Porteous, Dr. W. Reid, Mr. R. N. J. Robertson, Rev. C. Shilson, Capt. St. John, Mr. M. Tabuteau, and Mr. F. Tarver-Williams.

Spring competition, April 16th:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.		
Mr. A. Crawford	84	scr. 84	Mr. W. F. Fisher	96	5 91
Mr. Davenport			Mr. Tabuteau	103	9 94
Knight	102	18 84	Mr. W. Dudley		
Capt. Becher	97	12 85	Ward	107	11 96
Mr. H. Parker	92	2 90	Capt. A. Alexander	111	13 98
Mr. C. Pigg	94	4 90	Rev. C. Shilson	108	8 100

The remainder were either over 100 or made no returns.

ROYAL LIVERPOOL GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of the above club was begun on Tuesday, April 23rd, by the second class competition. It was a beautiful day, but in spite of this there were no very good returns. Only thirteen couples started, and all the returns are given below:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. C. H. Thomson	103	17 86	Mr. B. H. Hilton	120	22 98
† Mr. W. Lowndes	108	17 91	Mr. W. C. Hutton	115	15 100
† Mr. W. S. Henderson	110	18 92	Mr. R. W. Menner	118	18 100
† Professor Gotch	112	20 92	Mr. J. W. Glover	121	17 104
Mr. A. Stuart	111	18 93	Mr. N. Darbyshire	122	18 104
Mr. J. F. Ellison	121	25 96	Mr. J. S. Silberbach	124	19 105
Mr. C. S. Parker	118	20 98	Mr. S. O. Nicholson	146	25 121

* Wins first club handicap prize.

† Wins second club handicap prize and first sweepstake.

‡ Divide second and third sweepstake.

Wednesday was very fine, but a strong south-west wind blew across the course, making play very hard, which made Mr. C. E. Dick's return a very great performance. Fifty-three couples started, but only half these made any return, and none of them could beat the return made by Mr. J. May Somerville. This was a most popular win, and everyone wished this success may secure Mr. Somerville the aggregate. The greens were only in poor condition, owing to the severe and long frost.

The club medal with gold memento was won by Mr. C. E. Dick with the following score:—Out, 4 4 4 5 4 4 5 4 6=40; home, 3 7 4 4 5 5 4 5 4=41, total 81.

The Dun silver cross, with silver memento, was won by Mr. H. H. Hilton with the following score:—Out, 6 5 4 5 5 3 5 4 5=42; home, 5 6 4 4 5 4 4 5 4=41, total 83.

After these the following were the best:—Mr. J. Ball, jun., 84; Mr. J. Graham, jun., 88; Mr. H. A. Farrar, 88; Mr. C. Hutchings, 88.

First class handicap. First day:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. J. May Somerville	98	14 84	Mr. E. Shirley Jones	101	11 90
† Mr. C. E. Dick	81	+5 86	Mr. R. W. Brown	91	scr. 91
† Mr. J. Royston	100	14 86	Mr. H. H. Hilton	83	+9 92
† Mr. J. A. Smith	100	14 86	Mr. J. Graham, jun.	88	+4 92
Mr. J. Graham, jun.	85	8 87	Mr. T. W. Crowther	91	+1 92
Mr. H. A. Farrar	88	+1 89	Mr. J. H. Knight	95	3 92
Mr. A. B. Cook	93	3 90	Mr. H. W. Hind	99	7 92
Mr. W. L. Glover	92	2 90	Mr. W. Y. Crowe	103	11 92
Mr. W. Dod	94	4 90	Mr. H. S. Bower	109	14 92
Mr. J. Fairclough	94	4 90	Mr. E. J. B. Farrar	90	+3 93
Mr. H. W. Leader	95	5 90	Mr. G. R. Cox, jun.	95	2 93
			Mr. R. Haigh	105	12 93

* Wins first sweep, and scores win for Spring challenge vase.

† Divide second and third sweep.

Gross. Hcp. Net.

Mr. J. C. Clarke	107	14 93	Mr. J. Moore	110	14 96
Mr. R. S. Hilton	90	+4 94	Mr. H. Eccles	101	4 97
Mr. H. Wrigley	100	6 94	Mr. J. K. Howden	107	10 97
Mr. A. Holt	99	5 94	Mr. H. J. Ryalls	107	10 97
Mr. W. Potter	97	2 95	Mr. G. E. Godwin	106	8 98
Dr. Davidson	97	2 95	Mr. C. T. Dixon	107	9 98
Mr. "J. Kirk"	98	3 95	Mr. H. H. Springmann	107	9 98
Mr. J. Cullen	99	4 95	Mr. H. St. C. Byrne	112	14 98
Mr. A. H. Crosfield	102	7 95	Mr. R. Govell	101	2 99
Mr. H. B. Steel	105	10 95	Mr. G. Hamilton	103	4 99
Mr. W. S. Higgin	108	13 95	Mr. St. C. Byrne	112	13 99
Mr. E. Spencer	96	scr. 96	Mr. J. Dun	110	10 100
Mr. J. B. Hinshaw	99	3 96	Mr. C. J. Crowther	107	6 101
Mr. H. Janion	106	10 96	Mr. W. C. Aspinall	113	12 101
Mr. G. Wild	109	13 96	Mr. W. Thomson	111	9 102

Thursday, the 25th April, was the second day of the second-class. There was a steady and continuous rain all day which reduced the number of players, but increased the number of strokes. The following are the results returned by those who braved the storm; only twenty-six started. Second class:—Mr. J. W. Glover (wins first club handicap prize), 106, less 17=89; Mr. W. S. Henderson (first sweepstake and ties with Mr. Silberbach for second club handicap prize), 108, less 18=90; Mr. J. H. Silberbach, 109, less 19=90; Mr. G. Jager (wins second sweepstake), 109, less 18=91; Mr. W. L. Milligan, 109, less 18=91; Mr. A. Stuart, 110, less 18=92; Mr. C. S. Parker, (wins third sweepstake), 112, less 20=92; Mr. P. Wild, 112, less 18=94; Professor Gotch, 119, less 20=99; Professor Strong, 122, less 20=102; Mr. A. St. C. Byrne, 120, less 15=105.

Friday, the 26th April, the last day of the meeting on which the first class played, was a good golfing day during the morning, but there were some heavy showers during the afternoon. Nearly a hundred members started to play for the following prizes:—His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught's star, with gold memento for the best scratch score of the day, was tied for in the morning by Mr. H. H. Hilton and Mr. H. A. Farrar with the following scores:—Mr. H. H. Hilton.—Out, 5 5 4 4 6 3 4 4 5=40; In, 5 7 4 3 5 6 4 4 4=42; total 82. Mr. H. A. Farrar.—Out, 6 5 4 4 5 3 4 4 7=42; In, 5 6 4 3 4 5 4 5 4=40; total 82. The tie was played off the same afternoon when Mr. Hilton won by 5 strokes, Mr. Farrar therefore takes the Lord Stanley of Alderley's gold medal with silver memento, for the best second scratch score of the day. Mr. Farrar's score of 82, plus 1=83, won for him the first sweepstake, and secured him a win for the Hind cup, and with his score of the two days, viz., 89, plus 83=172, he takes the Gibson Sinclair cup for the best aggregate of the two days.

First class, second day:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross Hcp. Net.		
*Mr. H. A. Farrar	82	+1 83	Dr. Hamilton	106	14 92
† Mr. J. Williamson	91	5 86	Mr. H. Keef	106	14 92
† Mr. G. E. Godwin	94	8 86	Mr. E. Spencer	93	scr. 92
† Mr. T. Holroyd	100	14 86	Mr. R. J. Kerr	95	2 93
† Mr. G. Stone	100	14 86	Mr. H. P. Crowther	95	2 93
Mr. J. Smith	99	12 87	Mr. J. Fairclough	97	4 93
Mr. H. W. Hind	95	7 88	Mr. H. S. Bower	107	14 93
Mr. A. Wall	97	9 88	Mr. J. Ball, jun.	85	+9 94
Mr. C. J. Hutchings	98	10 88	Mr. T. W. Crowther	93	+1 94
Mr. J. Moore	102	14 88	Mr. J. H. Wild	102	8 94
Mr. W. C. Glover	91	2 89	Mr. S. G. Sinclair	108	14 94
Mr. A. B. Cook	92	3 89	Mr. C. E. Dick	88	+7 95
Mr. H. A. Dods	95	6 89	Mr. G. D. Wilson	106	11 95
Mr. H. J. Ryalls	99	10 89	Mr. G. H. Potter	107	12 95
Mr. G. Wild	102	13 89	Mr. W. W. Sand-		
Mr. C. T. Dixon	99	9 90	brook	109	14 95
Mr. W. Hodge Wil-			Mr. J. E. Pearson	97	1 96
son	101	11 90	Mr. G. R. Cox	98	2 96
Mr. W. C. Aspinall	102	12 90	Mr. E. J. B. Farrar	94	+3 97
Mr. H. H. Hilton	82	+9 91	Mr. S. M. Crosfield	102	5 97
Mr. W. Potter	93	2 91	Mr. A. Dod	107	10 97
Mr. A. Turpin	93	2 91	Mr. St. C. Byrne	110	13 97
"Mr. J. Kirk"	94	3 91	Mr. H. R. Robert-		
Rev. R. Hull	96	5 91	son	111	14 97
Mr. J. R. Wells	96	5 91	Mr. W. Dod	102	4 98
Mr. J. Graham, sen.	99	8 91	Rev. Mr. Siddall	112	14 98
Mr. H. B. Steel	101	10 91	Mr. T. B. Blackburn	112	14 98
Mr. H. St. C. Byrne	105	14 91	Mr. C. J. Crowther	105	6 99
Mr. T. Nesbit	105	14 91	Mr. C. Holt	112	13 99
Mr. R. S. Hilton	88	+4 92	Mr. E. Shirley		
Mr. H. Wrigley	98	6 92	Jones	111	11 100
Mr. J. May Somerville	103	11 92	Mr. E. H. Higgins	118	10 108
			Mr. G. V. Wall	124	14 110

* Wins first sweepstake.

† Tie for first Club prize.

‡ Divide second and third sweepstake.

The Gibson Sinclair cup.—Mr. H. A. Farrar, 89, plus 83=172; Mr. J. M. Somerville, 84, plus 92=176; Mr. J. Graham, 87, plus 91=178; Mr. W. C. Glover, 90, plus 89=179. All the others were over 180 for the two days.

The annual dinner was held on the last day of the meeting, at the Royal Hotel, Mr. John Dun kindly took the chair as the retiring captain, Mr. Horace G. Hutchinson, was unable to come north owing to a family bereavement. The captain for the year 1895, Mr. H. R. Robertson, was installed amidst the hearty congratulations of those present. There were some thirty-five gentlemen present, the club guests including the Mayors of Birkenhead and Warrington, and the captains of the Leasowe and Wallasey Golf Clubs.

ROYAL WIMBLEDON GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of the Royal Wimbledon Golf Club took place on April 25th and 27th, a week later than usual, owing to Easter. Unfortunately the weather, while everything that was good for crops and vegetation, was everything that was bad for a Golf meeting. Rain in torrents, on a hard, dry course, soon formed casual hazards, and, with a strong wind on the Thursday, low scores were not to be expected. The foremost man of the meeting was Col. Farie, who, with 7 handicap, became entitled to the Bombay cup, but, having also tied for the scratch medal with Mr. F. E. Faithfull, he had to include playing off the tie with the other events on Saturday. In this he was successful, and, with 82 gross, easily secured both scratch medals of the meeting. Mr. Faithfull being second on Thursday, thereby secured the Bombay cup, as the prizes for scratch and handicap scores cannot go to the same player at any competition. The subjoined lists give particulars of the other prizes, of which Col. Farie also got the chief share.

On Saturday afternoon a prize was given by Mr. W. P. Crake, for iron approach play, the reckoning being for the best two shots out of three, to a flag about seventy yards distant. In this Mr. G. Harkness proved himself the best man. The silver iron, a foursome competition, was also concluded on Saturday, when Messrs. Strickland and Faithfull, after severe trials, got home safely.

The usual dinner in the evening, at the club-house, was presided over by the captain, Sir Alexander Moncrieff, and most of the prize-winners were present to receive their rewards, a duty too often neglected.

The Bombay challenge cup, April 25th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Col. G. Farie ...	87 7 80	Mr. J. A. Burrell ...	104 10 94
Mr. F. E. Faithfull ...	87 3 84	Mr. T. G. Harkness ...	104 10 94
Mr. R. H. Pringle ...	91 6 85	Mr. G. P. Leach ...	106 12 94
Mr. H. H. Batten ...	99 14 85	Mr. E. Field ...	99 4 95
Mr. F. Baden Powell ...	103 18 85	Mr. R. Thomson ...	99 4 95
Hon. Ivo Bligh ...	89 2 87	Mr. H. T. Wright ...	99 4 95
Mr. E. Webb ...	101 13 88	Maj. J. Alexander ...	113 18 95
Mr. G. Humphreys ...	103 15 88	Mr. E. S. Spencer ...	113 18 95
Mr. W. D. Bovill ...	93 4 89	Mr. N. R. Foster ...	94 +2 96
Mr. J. Wallace ...	95 6 89	Mr. M. Friend ...	100 4 96
Mr. W. D. Scott Moncrieff ...	100 11 89	Mr. D. Strahan Smith ...	100 4 96
Mr. C. A. W. Cameron ...	94 4 90	Mr. W. R. Portal ...	112 16 96
Mr. J. M. Henderson ...	94 4 90	Mr. J. A. C. Tanner ...	112 16 96
Mr. R. Knight ...	106 16 90	Mr. H. E. Johnson ...	103 6 97
Mr. H. F. Lawford ...	96 5 91	Mr. R. H. Caird ...	106 9 97
Mr. J. Taylor ...	101 10 91	Mr. D. Davidson ...	100 2 98
Mr. Colin Campbell ...	95 3 92	Mr. R. T. Thomson ...	100 2 98
Mr. H. C. Willock ...	98 6 92	Mr. E. A. Walker ...	102 4 98
Mr. J. H. Driver ...	101 9 92	Mr. R. B. Hay ...	106 8 98
Mr. J. W. Duthy ...	110 18 92	Mr. E. Micholls ...	110 12 98
Mr. G. E. Jones ...	110 18 92	Mr. F. J. Walker ...	104 5 99
Mr. C. Robertson ...	110 18 92	Mr. W. P. Crake ...	109 10 99
Mr. J. H. Nelson ...	102 9 93	Mr. C. Macdona ...	115 16 99
Mr. M. Tabuteau ...	102 9 93	Mr. A. Denman ...	102 2 100
Mr. A. Davidson ...	103 10 93	Mr. G. F. Muir ...	112 12 100
Mr. A. H. Molesworth ...	93 +1 94	Mr. A. L. Tweedie ...	113 10 103
Mr. A. J. Stanley ...	100 6 94	Mr. J. J. Cater ...	123 18 105
Mr. H. W. Horne ...	102 8 94	Mr. W. Johnston ...	118 11 107
		Mr. S. A. Boulton ...	119 10 109
		Mr. D. F. Park ...	125 16 109

No returns from twenty-nine players.

The club gold medal, April 25th (scratch):—Mr. F. E. Faithfull, 87 (winner); Col. G. Farie, 87; Hon. Ivo Bligh, 89; Mr. R. H. Pringle, 91; Mr. W. D. Bovill, 93; Mr. A. H. Molesworth, 93; Mr. C. A. W. Cameron, 94; Mr. N. R. Foster, 94; Mr. J. M. Henderson, 94; Mr. C. Campbell, 95; Mr. J. Wallace, 95; Mr. H. F. Lawford, 96; Mr. H. C. Willock, 98; Mr. H. H. Batten, 99; Mr. E. Field, 99; Mr. R. Thomson, 99.

Monthly handicap challenge medal, April 27th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Col. G. Farie ...	82 4 78	Mr. J. G. C. Sykes ...	96 6 90
Mr. G. L. St. Quintin ...	87 7 80	Maj. J. Alexander ...	108 18 90
Mr. A. J. Stanley ...	87 6 81	Mr. E. Micholls ...	103 12 91
Mr. H. C. Willock ...	87 6 81	Mr. N. R. Foster ...	90 +2 92
Mr. H. F. Lawford ...	87 5 82	Mr. J. M. Henderson ...	96 4 92
Mr. W. Muir ...	95 12 83	Mr. R. Thomson ...	96 4 92
Mr. R. Knight ...	99 16 83	Mr. J. Franklin Adams ...	102 10 92
Mr. C. A. W. Cameron ...	88 4 84	Mr. G. P. Leach ...	104 12 92
Mr. C. E. Routh ...	92 8 84	Mr. E. Webb ...	105 13 92
Mr. G. E. Jones ...	102 18 84	Mr. W. R. Portal ...	108 16 92
Mr. A. Denman ...	87 2 85	Mr. H. W. Horne ...	101 8 93
Mr. E. A. Walker ...	89 4 85	Mr. W. P. Crake ...	103 10 93
Mr. F. E. Faithfull ...	89 3 86	Mr. H. B. Forde ...	109 16 93
Mr. W. D. Scott Moncrieff ...	97 11 86	Mr. C. Campbell ...	97 3 94
Mr. R. H. Pringle ...	93 6 87	Mr. G. Humphreys ...	109 15 94
Mr. J. L. Ridpath ...	96 9 87	Mr. C. F. Grundtvig ...	112 18 94
Mr. A. H. Molesworth ...	87 +1 88	Mr. D. Strahan Smith ...	99 4 95
Mr. W. D. Bovill ...	92 4 88	Mr. A. Davidson ...	105 10 95
Mr. H. E. Johnson ...	94 6 88	Mr. G. Harkness ...	105 10 95
Mr. J. Taylor ...	98 10 88	Mr. C. W. Harrison ...	105 10 95
Hon. Ivo Bligh ...	91 2 89	Sir H. Pottinger ...	107 12 95
Mr. M. Tabuteau ...	98 9 89	Mr. J. W. Duthy ...	113 18 95
Mr. A. L. Tweedie ...	99 10 89	Mr. S. F. Still ...	110 14 96
Mr. F. S. Creswell ...	101 12 89	Mr. H. T. Wright ...	101 4 97
Mr. J. R. Dunlop Hill ...	101 12 89	Mr. W. C. Anderson ...	111 14 97
Mr. F. Baden Powell ...	104 15 89	Mr. A. Adams ...	103 3 100
Mr. J. MacFarlan ...	107 18 89	Mr. C. Macdona ...	130 16 114
Mr. H. J. Walker ...	95 5 90	Mr. G. L. Smith ...	91 not hep.

No returns from thirty-five players.

The Kennard gold medal (scratch):—Col. G. Farie, 82, winner.

The Ridpath challenge bowl (handicap prize limited to 9 strokes):—Mr. G. L. St. Quintin, 87, less 7=80, winner.

The Club beakers (handicap prize limited to 18 strokes):—Col. G. Farie, 82, less 4=78, winner.

Scratch aggregate prize (for best aggregate of two days' play):—Col. G. Farie, 87 and 82=169, winner.

Handicap aggregate prize (for best aggregate of the two days' play):—Mr. F. E. Faithfull, 84 and 86=170, winner.

The Henry Lamb memorial medal (scratch, for the best four scores of the autumn and spring meetings):—Mr. N. R. Foster, winner.

Iron approach competition (for the best two out of three approaches, measured from the flag):—1st, Mr. G. Harkness, 20 feet 6 inches, winner; 2nd, Mr. W. Johnston, 22 feet 9 inches.

TOOTING BEC GOLF CLUB.

A prize, presented by the captain, Mr. Samuel T. Fisher, was played for on Saturday, April 27th. Conditions:—Two rounds of eighteen holes under handicap limited to 18.

	1st Rnd. Hcp.	2nd Rnd. Hcp.	Total.
*Mr. R. Stewart Bain ...	103 14	92 14	167
Mr. T. R. Pinkerton ...	80 +3	80 +3	172
Mr. F. W. W. Kingdon ...	102 12	101 12	179
Mr. W. C. Marshall ...	105 14	102 14	179
Mr. F. Walton Leaf ...	104 16	110 16	182
Mr. O. E. Coles ...	102 8	97 8	183
Mr. J. Bell ...	102 14	110 14	184
Mr. A. J. Robertson ...	93 2	96 2	185
Mr. A. Mackay ...	104 10	101 10	185
Mr. W. C. Warner ...	112 16	105 16	185
Mr. J. Verran ...	100 10	106 10	186
Mr. John Wood ...	108 11	101 11	187
Mr. C. H. Dorman ...	107 16	113 16	188
Mr. A. Denman ...	98 scr.	91 scr.	189
Mr. N. Dawson ...	103 10	106 10	189
Mr. G. B. Voules ...	107 14	111 14	190
Mr. O. G. Langley ...	106 13	111 13	191
Mr. D. M. Mason ...	115 16	108 16	191
Mr. E. C. Bambridge ...	112 12	109 12	197
Mr. J. P. Croal ...	103 5	105 5	198
Mr. N. C. Bailey ...	110 12	115 12	201
Dr. G. Sims Woodhead ...	122 14	109 14	203
Dr. Seymour Taylor ...	110 14	121 14	203
Mr. J. Moore ...	105 10	119 10	204
Mr. E. Micholls ...	118 12	110 12	204
Dr. D. Donald ...	120 15	121 15	211

* Disqualified for leaving course to take shelter from rain.

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DISLEY GOLF CLUB.

A COMPETITION will be held on Wednesday, June 19th, open to all Professionals (thirty-six holes, medal play).

Prizes will be given as follows:—First, £20, and nine others amounting to £40. Entries to be sent in to R. W. HUTTON, Hon. Secretary, Edgemoor, Disley, before June 10th.

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ST. GEORGE'S GOLF CLUB.

THE ST. GEORGE'S CHAMPION GRAND CHALLENGE CUP, open to all Amateur Golfers, for the best scratch aggregate score of two rounds, will be played for at Sandwich, on Tuesday, June 4th, 1895. Entry, 10s. 6d.

The Club will give a Cup, value Twenty Guineas, as a memento to the winner.

Intending competitors are requested to send their names and entry money, to the Hon. Secretary,

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Mr. H. H. Hilton (Formby) has kindly consented to play an Exhibition Match with A. Herd (Huddersfield), on the new (nine holes) course.

FRIDAY, MAY 17th.

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PETERBOROUGH *v.* HARRINGWORTH.—Played at Peterborough, 27th April. Won by Peterborough by 41 holes to 2.

BEDFORD GOLF CLUB.—Monthly medal, April 13th.—Mr. G. Clark, 95, less 18=77; Rev. H. V. Macdona, 93, less 14=79; Gen. E. Layard, 103, less 22=81; Col. J. H. Shaw, 103, less 22=81.

CLEVELAND GOLF CLUB.—Qualifying competition for the Ridley trophy, April 26th and 27th. Won by Mr. E. Walker, jun, 9 up.

MANCHESTER GOLF CLUB. Mr. R. L. Taylor's prize. Each player fixing his own handicap. April 27.—Winner, Rev. H. H. Brayshaw, 90, less 7=83.

BURNHAM (SOM.) *v.* GLAMORGANSHIRE.—Played at Burnham, April 26th in very rough weather. Burnham won by 57 holes=60 to 3.

NEEDLES AND FRESHWATER CLUB.—Monthly sweepstake, April 24th :—Capt. Cuming, 112, less 20=92; Dr. Hands, 108, less 15=93; Capt. Hobblyn, 120, less 24=96; Mr. H. S. Urwick, 115, less 16=99. "Running" sweepstake :—Lieut. Pritchard, 100, less 22=78; Mr. A. H. Gower, 111, 20=91; Capt. Inglis, 106, less 15=91; Mr. H. S. Urwick, 115, less 16=99.

LIKLEY GOLF CLUB.—Monthly medal. Played April 27th. North-east wind and wet greens :—Mr. W. H. Scott, who won the 1894 medal, outright in March, put in his second win towards the 1895 medal with 91, less 14=77.

DIDSBURY GOLF CLUB.—Spring meeting, April 27th. Fair weather, but ground heavy, and light dull. Mr. W. Cownie came in first, both under scratch and handicap, with a score of 89, less 12=77, and became the winner of the Houldsworth medal, and the Beith silver cleek. The hon. secretary, Mr. G. A. Brown, was second, with the score of 91, less 10=81, and took the prizes presented by the Club for the second in each class. Mr. Cownie and Mr. Brown also took the first and second sweepstakes respectively. Mr. R. G. Adamson's prize, which was competed for under special handicap by the winners of the six monthly medal competitions, was won by Mr. H. E. Lees with a score of 96, less 2=94. The cleek driving competition was won by Mr. C. Hopkinson with 158 yards, Professor T. H. Core being second with 156 yards.

DOUGLAS *v.* CASTLETOWN GOLF CLUB.—Played at Port-e-Chee, April 25. The home team won by 2 holes—16 to 14.

ELTHAM LADIES' GOLF CLUB.—Monthly medal ("Bogey"). Played, April 27th, in very wet weather :—Mrs. McArthur (winner) (9), 1 down; Mrs. Needham (11), 3 down; Mrs. L. Stokes (4), 5 down; Miss M. A. Richardson (5), 5 down.

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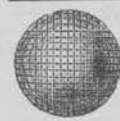
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