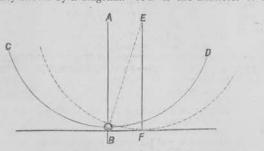


HINTS TO BEGINNERS .-- V.

PLAYING OFF THE RIGHT FOOT.

Some time towards the end of last year, several articles from my pen appeared in GOLF, in which I endeavoured to demonstrate the theory upon which the Golf stroke is made, so that beginners might commence practice with the theory well established in their minds. What I wrote was an answer to such a question as this : "Why may I not strike the ball as I like ; why must I strike it in the particular way you tell me and show me?" No doubt much has been accomplished for the beginner when he has been made to understand that the Golf stroke is not merely a knack which has to be acquired by imitation ; but that the knack is the carrying out of a fixed principle, which principle, when it has been established in his mind, should make the knack come to him the more easily.

I succeeded in the task I set myself beyond my expectations, and I was pleased to find that many beginners found my explanation of the Golf stroke of great advantage to them in getting the idea of it into their minds. I flattered myself that I had made Golf much easier for beginners, and my drawings and principles had paved the road by which tyros might very quickly travel to the playing of a steady game. Experientia docet. I had done no such thing, as those pupils who have come under my personal instruction can testify, if they will. And yet the principles I set forth were perfectly correct and true. No one of them accuses me of misleading them-in fact they all allow that had they kept to my principles their mistakes would not have occurred; but the result is the same: they are not able to carry out these principles. It is perfectly sickening, after a year's play, to find one's pupil unable to drive off a teed ball with any certainty-that five out of seven strokes are foozles, and foozles of exactly the same kind, more or less topped balls. If it is disappointing to the teacher how dispiriting must it be to the learner. No wonder so many say in despair, "I shall never play Golf." It is not that one expects too much of them. Golfers who begin in middle-life will never, do what they will, attain to the finer strokes at the game which those who learned in childhood perform with such ease, as picking a cupped ball out clean with a brassie, or lofting up dead on to the green with a well-laid back lofter. Even good players cannot now carry up to the green with a baffy-a stroke which in the forties and before was held to be one of the most paying strokes of the game. All have abandoned it for the easier approach with the cleek or lofter, because of its difficulty. But yet a foozle at the drive off should be the exception and not the rule; how can a man expect to go round the course decently unless he can make sure at least of his first drive from the tee? Many other troubles may and must come throughout the game, but the success of the tee drive should be fairly safe. This error becomes the more difficult to eradicate because it arises only from one cause. The foozle is occasioned, solely by the body losing the perpendicular position, following the direction of the club in the swing back ; thus the return of the club to the ball follows a different circle from that on which it was taken back. What I mean is more easily shown by a diagram. A B is the diameter of the



circle representing the upright position of the body. C D the circle made by the stroke of the club. The body, following the club, gets into the position E B. The centre of the circle is

changed from A to E. The club-head then follows the dotted circle line, meeting the ground at F, behind the ball, whence it begins to rise and necessarily tops the ball. The mistake does not always work itself out in the same way, it is true. Sometimes the ground is terribly baffed; but whatever happens, the result, in some form or other, is always the same. The striker invariably swings his stroke behind the ball exactly more or less as he more or less sways his body out of the perpendicular. It has often occurred to me that a radical cure would be a rope round the man's neck, tethered to the ground in front of him, which would not allow of his leaving the perpendicular position; but I fear he would get strangled before the cure was effected, so persistent are beginners to follow the swing back with their bodies. Joking apart, however, this is the beginner's most serious difficulty, and I have lately thought out a plan which will certainly help him much, and which I am writing this paper to give for his instruction.

The plan I intend to propose for trial suggested itself to me while considering how it comes about that the man cannot cure himself. Every one who has tried coaching men of middle-age, must have observed how clumsy their pupils are in getting the proper rise and fall of the feet in making the swing back and the return ; whenever the feet are properly managed, the body remains perpendicular and the stroke comes off in proper form. If I set my pupils to swing from foot to foot without the ball in front of them, there is no difficulty ; but directly we get at the ball again, the want of power to manage the feet recurs. To explain my remedy I must ask my readers to follow me into It has been said that most mechanical acts may be exdetail. plained by, and reduced to the principle of the lever. Certainly we may for the purpose I have in view so explain the Golf stroke. We will call the ball the weight, the feet the fulcrum, and the swing the power. It becomes evident that all our trouble lies in the fulcrum, by reason of the feet being eighteen inches or so apart. The balance has to be maintained by a give-and-take between the two feet. Were the feet in the same straight line behind the ball, all would be easy, for the feet would work on the same pivot, especially if they could be together, and touching. It would then be impossible to sway the body one way or the other. The body must remain perpendicular, or the man would fall over ; but, as this is only an imaginary position, which would be successful if it could be carried out, it is worth while to see how nearly we can get to this position, and, having done so, see if we cannot deduce a principle from it, and explain it. I must remind my readers that, in coaching, I have invariably taught my pupils to stand with their legs about eighteen inches apart, the feet, more or less, parallel to a line drawn through the ball, and to take the ball a few inches inside the left leg. That was the way I learned in boyhood, and that was, I believe, the rule of all golfers in the forties. Looking at this from the lever point of view, the actual fulcrum is some imaginary line between the two feet, as shown by the line A B, and this fulcrum,

B, is out of gear directly the balance of the feet, in rising and falling to make the stroke, is not exctly correct. Described in this way, the Golf stroke is difficult, as so very little will put it out. This is quite enough to account for the repeated foozles of beginners. Some more, and some less, do get over it in course of time, but it is a painful business



for all concerned, and it prevents many from taking the interest in the game which they otherwise would do. It is well worth while to see if we cannot get rid of this straddle of the

A GOLFING CORRESPONDENT informs us that he overheard the following conversation on the opening day of the St. Andrews Golf Championship :---''I am certain I should at the been fit to take part in the Competition if I had not use the emotine.' I must have caught a violent chill while practising, in addition to straining myself; every muscle in my body ached, and dreadful pains robbed me of sleep, but, thanks to 'Semotine,' I am in perfect condition again." Every Golfer and Club should keep a bottle on hand, it is an embrocation that acts like magic. Is. 14d. and 2s. 9d., of all Chemists and Stores; or will be sent post free for 3d. extra, by the Proprietors, Rowland Walker & Co., Limited, 468, High Road, Chiswick, England. Wholesale of F. Newbery & Sons, King Edward Street, London, E.C. legs—at least to a great extent—to such an extent as shall bring the fulcrum almost on to one leg. To get the fulcrum on a line through the ball would require the two feet to be together side by side, or one behind the other, thus— As this cannot be we must get to it as nearly as we



can. This can be done by placing the feet one on each side of the line, and the left foot well behind the right foot. Many of our long drivers actually carry out this principle when they take the ball off the right foot instead of the left. They think it lengthens the carry of the ball, but I am not at all concerned with this. I am not thinking of a longer or shorter ball. I approach this stand solely from the point of balance, and certainly the distance between the feet as regards the line through the ball may be reduced from 18 inches to 8 inches as measured by the dotted lines. If the difficulty

measured by the dotted lines. If the difficulty beginners experience comes from the cause I have stated, and my observation tends to conclude that it does, then this improved stand seems a very possible method to overcome it. The question is, "Is it a practical one?" I am an old man, and I have always used the old way; if therefore I can easily change to this form there can be no difficulty in a beginner falling into it who has never learned any other. I found no difficulty at all. To an old hand it is not difficult to pick up a ball from anywhere and anyhow. So I expected to do it all right, but I never expected I should be so satisfied with it as I was. It is decidedly, to my mind, more certain, and it is easier to keep the ball straight. I think also I have more power over the ball by it, so much so that I do not intend to go back to the left foot again. Neither is the reason of this change in the stand difficult to understand, or hard to explain. By placing the whole weight of the body on the right foot, and using the left foot as a means only of balancing the body, as I have placed it in my diagram, we avoid all the difficulty in maintaining the balance between the two legs, as also the keeping of the left shoulder to the front. The ball is only slightly in front of the right foot, thereby it becomes an impossibility for the body to be drawn back after the swing, as the club rises from the ball. As following the swing back with the body was the sole cause of the change of centre of the circle, so now, with the whole weight of the body on the right foot, it becomes impossible to baff behind the ball, or to top it. If care be taken, the ball can be seldom missed or not struck a full blow. Moreover, I am fully persuaded that the whole weight of the body is more easily sent through the ball. By this method a longer carry is to be expected The left shoulder being retired, and following the direction of the left foot, seems to me to cause the ball to get a safer and surer direction, which is much to be desired, enabling the player more certainly to keep within the course. I strongly counsel my beginners to try this departure from the old Golf stroke and action. In taking their position I venture to suggest to them to turn in the points of each toe towards the direction the ball is to take. I think this turning in of the toe helps the body to keep the upright position which is so essential to success. One is, by any changes to avoid a fault, apt to get out of Scylla into Charybdis. No doubt with an unskilful hand, such as a beginner taking the ball off the right foot, while it avoids baffing behind the ball to the greatest extent possible, still makes more easy another fault-striking over the ball altogether ; but this last-named fault is much more easily to be avoided than is the former. I have not laid down any rigid rule as to the exact position of the feet, more than that the whole weight of the body should be placed upon the right foot. The right foot should be brought as near as possible to the line through the ball drawn at right angles to the direction the ball is to take, and the left foot should be retired and kept as nearly at an equal distance on the left of the imagine , ne as is the right foot to the right of it. I have purposely not tried to establish a stereotyped stand, because men's shapes and figures vary to such a considerable degree that what is easy to one is awkward to another. Each must suit himself. All I require is that my principle be observed as a principle and developed according to the capacity of each individual. I have some confidence that beginners will find themselves playing a much stronger game off the right foot than off the left. Thus I leave my beginners to give my suggestions a trial. Whenever the next raw recruit comes to me to be drilled I shall start him driving off the right foot and keed him in happy ignorance that his forefathers drove off the left. Should these remarks meet the eye of advanced golters, I pray that they will not deride, even though they do not agree, but give me the credit of good intention to help beginners whom all true golfers must wish to encourage.

(To be continued.)

WELSH GOLFING UNION.

The annual meeting of delegates of the Welsh Golfing Union was held at Shrewsbury on the 6th inst. Rhyl was selected for the next Championship meeting, which is to be held during the last week in August. Lord Windsor, the president of the Union, has offered to present a challenge cup for the Golfing Championship of Wales. Those present were :---Major Best (in the chair) and Mr. Carr, Merionethshire; Mr. Wild and Mr. Stocks, Rhyl; Mr. Barlow and Mr. Tucker, Glamorganshire; Mr. Deedes, Aberdovey; Major R. M. Ruck, hon. secretary; Mr. S. M. Howell, hon. treasurer.

The statement of accounts was read and adopted. This statement showed the total receipts to be $\pounds 46$ 7s., and the expenditure $\pounds 42$ 10s., leaving a balance of $\pounds 3$ 16s.

It was explained that the Welsh Championship challenge cup (scratch) had yet to be purchased, and that the probable income next year would barely suffice for the expenditure. In order to meet this it was proposed by Mr. Carr, seconded by Mr. Stock, and carried unanimously, "That an entrance fee of 5s. be instituted for the Welsh Championship (scratch)."

It was also proposed by Mr. Barlow, seconded by Mr. Stock, and carried unanimously, "That a further subscription list be opened to defray the expenses of the Welsh Championship Cup, and that clubs who have not already given a donation be invited to do so." The total sum required will be about $\pounds 20$.

After considerable discussion the following modifications were adopted in the rules :--Proposed by Mr. Wild, seconded by Mr. Stock, and carried unanimously, "That both for the Team Championship and the Singles' Championship only *bond fide* duly qualified paying members of the Union Clubs be allowed to compete." The object of this rule is to exclude honorary members.

Proposed by Major Best, seconded by Mr. Stock, and carried unanimously, "That the qualification for the team competition be altered to two years instead of one year's membership of the Union Clubs previous to competing." This modification to come into force in 1897.

With regard to this proposal, the delegates thought that the underlying principle should be that only those members should play, who by birth, association or frequent residence in the neighbourhood of their club, are really identified with the club they represent. But they felt a good deal of difficulty in giving effect to this view, and thought it safer to proceed by degrees in the direction indicated.

Place of Championship Meeting for 1897 and time. Proposed by Major Ruck, seconded by Mr. Wild, and carried unanimously, "That the Championship Meeting for 1896 be held at Rhyl." Other places were suggested, but after a good deal of discussion the above was agreed to without dissent. Proposed by Major Ruck, seconded by Mr. Carr, and carried unanimously, "That the Championship Meeting be held during the last week in August, beginning preferably on Wednesday."

This may not be so convenient for some clubs as an earlier date, but it was pointed out that in the case of several clubs it was impossible to get good teams together at any other time, and the delegates felt that every club would wish to see the matches as well contested as possible. Proposed by Major Best, seconded by Mr. Wild, and carried unanimously, "That the present officers of the Union be re-elected."

A vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded the proceedings.

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ST. ANDREWS MEDAL SCORES.

HERE are some, but they are a very small minority, who hold that the St. Andrews course is no easier than it used to be, and that the smaller scores of today are simply the result of a higher quality of Golf, and of improvement in the implements used in the game. It is scarcely possible to find justification for such an extreme view. Doubtless there is improvement in clubs and balls, possibly, even probably, there is improvement in the manner of using them, possibly, too, the lies are less good than they used to be throughout the course, but the view of a man who contends that the green is no easier since the days when all the ground to the left, going out, of the Elysian fields, for instance, was all whins, and the whins came close up to the right-hand bunker going out to the Heathery hole the view of such a man is scarcely worthy of respectful consideration. Since those days the course has certainly, by reason of its widening, become easier-by reason of its widening, and also by reason of some other changes in its conditions. But that is going back a long way in history. During the last twelve or fourteen years, the course certainly has not widened to an useful extent, that is to say, granted that the Golf be tolerably accurate. The Heathery hole going out is the one instance, in the writer's knowledge, in which the widening of the course has made the course really easier to an accurate driver, and here it has only made it easier in the sense of giving a bigger margin for error. Of course it is always more or less a matter of degree, but there is a point beyond which widening of the green ceases to be of any practical use to the fairly straight driver when he is on his game. A correspondent to GOLF, from India, shooting from behind the hedge of anonymity, objected to the present writer's assertion in the Badminton Golf book, that the widening of the course was of little use to a fine player when in record-breaking form. "It is certain," he says (I quote from memory, and if I mis-quote apologise), "that Hugh Kirkaldy, when he made his record of 73, drove several balls off the course." I should have thought it very far from certain. I should rather have thought it certain that he did not. The same correspondent, arguing that Golf has not improved, but that the improvement in the scores is due to the improvement, and especially to the widening, of the course, adduces the case of Mr. Leslie Balfour-Melville winning the Amateur Championship this year, as an argument that Golf has not improved. He says that Mr. Balfour-Melville was in his best game when he was twentyfive. Again, this seems a very doubtful certainty. In the present writer's opinion (it is perhaps ungraceful to discuss these personalities, but the Indian correspondent compels the discussion) Mr. Balfour-Melville's game has considerably improved in the last twelve or fourteen years. This view is not offered as a certainty, but merely as an expression of opinion; but it is an opinion that is shared by a very large majority of the best judges of Golf with whom the writer is acquainted.

Nevertheless, the fact remains that the medal-winning scores to-day are nearly half a stroke a hole on the average lower than the medal-winning scores of a dozen or so years back, and there must be a reason for it, and if we are not to ascribe it either to the widening of the course or to improvement in the play—if these causes, which no doubt account for it in part, are quite insufficient to account for it altogether we must look to some other reason for the lower scores. The lies through the green are certainly no better—we can see no improvement in that direction—but on the other hand the condition of the putting-greens has improved greatly, and last, but very far from least, the ball runs through the green a great deal farther than it used to.

This last is, in the writer's opinion, the chief reason of the lower scores. Ever of old it has been the glory of St. Andrews that its holes were laid out at such perfect distance from hole to hole that it required two good shots or three good shots, as the case might be, to reach them. Either tee shot or second shot at all miss-hit, meant loss of a stroke in reaching the green. Now, since the feet of golfing myriads have stamped the turf into a brick-like consistency, the ball bounds and runs so blithely that the stout tee shot that formerly left one a full brassie shot up to the hole, gives one now but the easiest of iron shotsthe iron shot, of course, being favoured, no less than the drive, by the increased keenness of the ground. It is scarcely necessary to point out how far this virtual shortening of the course goes towards shortening the scores. A hole which becomes, from a hole which could be reached in a drive and a brassie shot, a hole which can be reached in a drive and an iron shot, becomes, from a hole for which 4 was an exceptional score, a hole for which anything over 4 is quite an indifferent score. And again, if the tee shot be mis-hit, it is now possible, by a fine second, to put oneself on the green in 2, whereas formerly each shot needed to be a fine one to put one on the green in this number. Out of a reverent consideration of this fact alone we may deduce ten good reasons to fill up the gap that stands between the late Mr. George Glennie's record medal score of 88, and the 78's which are the records of to-day. If other reasons be needed we may find them sufficiently in the improved condition of the putting-greens. A year ago there was not a green beyond the Hole o' Cross that was not abominable. Now, thanks to love and labour, and artesian wells, the Heathery hole and the end hole are excellent, the tenth hole and short hole greens vastly improved, and even that shelly high hole has become tolerable. Here be reasons, then, for the taking, if they be wanted-much more adequate reasons, moreover, than those which are delusively sought in the wider course. Such widening of the course as has occurred in the last dozen years at St. Andrews does indeed multiply the numbers of respectable scores, but has very little to do with the really red-hot ones. At the same time, though these reasons may suffice, there are other reasons, too, which may be found, if we extend the time limits of the comparison. Without doubt, the driving of to-day is longer; men hit harder. This may sound a gratuitously bold assertion; but proof, sufficiently positive for a rational man, exists to support it. Some of Hugh Philp's clubs survive. If you were to put these into the hand of a hard hitter of to-day, they would be shivered in a dozen strokes or so by sheer clean hitting of the ball. They are the clubs of a race of golfers with whom the "sure" was more important than the "far." They are narrow-course clubs, but they are not the clubs that were in use among the hardhitters of fourteen years ago. Even so far back as that they were already found to be inadequate by those who dared to apply their muscle to the ball.

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GOLF IN AMERICA.

THE FIRST LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP,

It was considered desirable, owing to the large number of lady Golf enthusiasts in the East, that a competition should be arranged, the result of which would decide the right to the title of Lady Amateur Champion. This question was discussed in Golf circles, and Messrs. R. D. Winthrop and W. H. Sands offered a silver cup as the first prize. A gold medal for the second and a silver medal for the third were presented by Messrs. H. O. Tallmadge and W. H. Sands. The competition was sanctioned by the United States Golf Association, and the details of the tournament were arranged by Mr. O. W. Bird, Chairman of the Golf Committee of the Meadow Brook Club. The entry was :--Mrs. W. B. Thomas, Mrs. R. C. Hooper, and Miss N. C. Sargent, from the Essex County Country Club, Manchester, Mass. ; Miss Bird and Mrs. Thomas Hitchcock, jun., from the Meadow Brook Club ; Mrs. Arthur Turnure, Mrs. Charles S. Brown, and Mrs. L. B. Barnes, from the Shinnecock Hills Golf Club ; Mrs. William Shippen, Miss A. Howland Ford, Miss L. F. Field, Miss Helen Shelton, and Mrs. W. F. Morgan, from the Morris County Golf Club ; Miss Anna Sands, Miss Harrison, and Mrs. Devereaux Emmett, from the Newport Golf Club.

Saturday, November 9th, the day set for the tournament, was far from an ideal day for golfing, as the links were wet, and a thick mist overhung the grounds, making it difficult to see any distance. All the players who had entered were present at the Meadow Brook links, Hempstead, L.I., N.Y., when play was commenced shortly after to o'clock, save Mrs. Thomas Hitchcock, jun., who had withdrawn, and Miss Field and Miss Shelton. These latter made their rounds in the afternoon. A notable assemblage of golfers was present and followed the players with keen interest. The course was two rounds of nine holes each. Mrs. Charles S. Brown, of the Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, was the winner with a score of 132, defeating Miss Sargent, of the Essex County Country Club, by 2 strokes. Mrs. Brown, who is a graceful driver, played a steady game and made some fine brassie strokes.

Mrs. Brown won the title of Amateur Champion and the silver trophy, Miss Sargent the gold medal, and Mrs. Thomas the silver medal, Mr. Theodore A. Havemeyer, president of the United States Golf Association, was referee, and many members of the various Golf clubs in this section acted as scorers for the ladies. The tournament was a most successful one, and great credit is due to those who managed it:--Mrs. Charles S. Brown, Shinnecock Hills Club, out, 69, in 63=132; Miss N. C. Sargent, Essex County Country Club, out 70, in 64=134; Mrs. W. B. Thomas, Essex County Country Club, out 75, in 66=141; Mrs. William Shippen, Morris County Golf Club, out 80, in 70 =150; Miss Anna Sands, Newport Golf Club, out 77, in 78=155; Miss A. Howland Ford, Morris County Golf Club, out 80, in 72=155; Miss Helen Shelton, Morris County Golf Club, out 75, in 80=155; Miss Helen Shelton, Morris County Golf Club, out 90, in 74=164; Miss May Bird, Meadow Brock Hunt Club, out 90, in 83=173; Miss Louise F. Field, Morris County Golf Club, out 90, in 74=164;

The St. Andrews Golf Club, Yonkers, U.S.A., was organised in 1888, and the first course over which the club played was a six-hole one; but this was not large enough, nor were the links sufficiently sporing to satisfy the members. Thirty acres north of the first course were secured, and the members played over this course until 1894, when the club leased the old Odell Farm, on the Sawmill Road, in the Fourth Ward of Yonkers, and a nine-hole course was laid out. The club has secured land, for a course of eighteen holes, near Mt. Hope, on the New York and Putnam Railroad, which will be, in its natural advantages, in scenery, hazards, accessibility, and general plan, the finest inland course in the country. The St. Andrews Improvement Company, with a capital of 150,000 dols., has been formed. The shares are valued at 50 dols. each, and already more than 20,000 dols. worth of stock has been subscribed for.

The seventh annual match for the John Reid Championship medal was played on the links of the St. Andrews Golf Club, near Vonkers, N.Y., Tuesday, November 5th. Eighteen players, the strongest golfers in the club, competed for the prize, and when the scores were handed in it was found that Mr. W. H. Sands was the winner, having completed the thirty-six holes in 180 strokes. The last eighteen holes were made in 85 strokes, which is a new amateur record for the course. The former record, 86, being his also :--Mr. W. H. Sands, out, 48; in, 47; out, 44; in, 41=180. Mr. L. B. Stoddart, out, 47; in, 50; out, 42; in, 47=186. Mr. James Park, out, 51; in, 51; out, 45; in, 44=191. Mr. A. L. Livermore, out, 45; in, 49; out, 46, in, 54=194'

A special handicap competition in which the handicap was limited to nine strokes, for a silver cup presented by Mr. L. B. Stoddart, took place on the links of the St. Andrews Golf Club near Yonkers, N.Y., Saturday, November 9th. Eighteen players took part in the competition. Mr. J. C. Ten Eyck was the winner, with a net score of 86:--Mr. J. C. Ten Eyck, 90 less 4=86; Mr. R. K. Cuthbert, 101, less 9=92; Mr. James Park, 93, less 1=92; Mr. A. L. Livermore, 95, less 3= 92; Mr. Horace Russell, 98, less 6=92; Mr. G. E. Armstrong, 96. less 3=93; Mr. H. G. Trevor, 102, less 9=93; Mr. Alexander Moffat, 104, less 9=95.

The greatest interest centred in the play for the club championship of the Brokline Club, Mass. The contest was begun on Friday, 'November 1st, and the final round was played on Saturday, November 9th. The play was close and exciting as a rule. Mr. M. J. Henry won the title of club champion, defeating Mr. J. G. Thorp hy 2 up and 1 to play. He received a gold medal as first prize. Mr. J. G. Thorp was awarded a silver medal as second honour, and Mr. F. I. Amory, a bronze medal as third.

On Thursday, October 31st, a team match between teams of six, representing the Shinnecock Hills Golf Club and the Philadelphia Country Club, was played on the links of the latter club at Bala, Pa. The match was an interesting one and resulted in a victory for the Philadelphia Country Club team by 4 holes :--

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The Scotsman says :- "The half-yearly volume of GOLF is quite as interesting as any of its predecessors. It contains, indeed, one contribution which makes it of special value. This is an elaborate analysis of the styles of Taylor and all the other leading professionals who took part in the open tournament in June last. It was made by Dr. Laidlaw Purves, to whose accurate observations golfers are indebted for a valuable and instructive paper. He carefully noted the styles of the players in driving, in iron play and in putting, and the results he sets down are somewhat unexpected, for they show, for example, that in putting, the majority of the professionals keep the ball nearer their left foot than their right, a fact which Mr. Horace Hutchinson says astonished him when he learned it on Dr. Purves' authority. In iron play, nearly all the professionals adopt a uniform style—that is to say, they play with the ball nearer the right foot than the fork—a habit that was very conspicuous in the recent match between Herd and Taylor at Kettering. This article is a fair example of the thoroughly up-to-date character of the record which the editor produces in this volume.

The Glasgew Herald says :-- "The tenth volume of GOLF has all the well-known features of previous numbers of this readable and comprehensive record of the 'Royal and Ancient Game.' The special reports of the Championship contests and professional matches are interesting and historically valuable, while many of the general articles are above the average in importance. With this volume within reach, a golfer should hardly ever find an odd hour hanging heavily on his hands."

The Aberdeen Free Press says :—" The issue of the tenth half-yearly volume of GOLF shows that the ancient Scottish game has extended, like a well-hit ball, far and sure. New clubs and new courses continue to form a long list. Not only are there reports in this volume from the Pyrenees, from Italy, and from Egypt, but we learn from its pages that Golf is an immensely favourite pastime at Singapore, and that it has been introduced at Port Orotava, Teneriffe. Meantime, it spreads everywhere at home, and the periodical which takes its name from the game performs a very useful function in discussing the numerous questions which arise on the green. So carefully has GOLF been edited that it is regarded by players as quite a reliable authority. A letter to the *Times* is the proverbial resource of the Englishman with a grievance, but an aggrieved or puzzled golfer writes to the editor of GOLF. The boastful player writes, too, and he is always amusing 1"

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HOW I WON THE MEDAL.

Truth to tell, Annie won it ! and I disclaim the smallest credit whatever in the transaction. All the honour belongs to Annie. It happened in this way :- It was the Saturday on which our monthly competition was played, and I had as my partner Bob McIntyre, the secretary of the Maudley Club, an old, experienced player, and winner of many trophies. He is also a member of our club, the Diddington, and

trophies. He is also a member of our club, the Diddington, and occasionally plays on our links. Of course, the intelligent reader is asking by this time, "Who is Annie ; and how does she come in?" I will enlighten him. Annie is our "domestic," and a very intelligent and capable young person she is. She is a most obliging slavey, and is always thirsting for know-ledge in matters pertaining to domestic comfort. Now, the family happened to be away at Ullswater, and I was left alone at home, and, very naturally, Annie thought it a splendid opportunity to try her culinary accomplishments upon me. She seems to have a *penchant* for what I call "made dishes," such as hotpot, beefsteak pie, and steak-nudding. It is a *menu* which requires a cast-iron digestion to survive. pudding. It is a menu which requires a cast-iron digestion to survive. Being but an ordinarily-constituted individual, and of regular and temperate habits, you may imagine what a strain these luxuries were on my gastronomic capacities. My digestive organs were scarcely equal to them. They rebelled ! I was somewhat in the condition of Dante, in his "Inferno":---

"New torments I behold Whichsoever way I move And whichsoever way I turn."

But Providence ordained it otherwise, and what I feared would be a curse turned out to be a blessing. It was the old story :---

"Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take ; The clouds ye so much dread Are big with mercies, and will break With blessings on your head.'

The monthly competition day arrived in due course. I and Bob met at the club-house and proceeded to work forthwith. A golfing poet said :-

> "Some men are made short, And others they grow tall ; But to play at Golf they must all of 'em Keep their optics on the ball."

I must confess I had the advantage (if any) of being a trifle taller than my friend. But he had the advantage of a dozen years' experience compared with my first year. He teed his ball and drove it sixty or seventy yards out of the course, slicing it terribly. I made a perfect drive; my friend dropped his brassie and quietly said, "Do you always her bloc thet 2" play like that ? '

It was a glorious drive. The fact was, it was Annie ! I had never even approximated to such a drive before. Let me explain. Just as I was describing the figure which is said to be three-fourths of a circle, the centre of which is the hands, and the radius the shaft of the club, a frightful spasm seized me, and I was compelled to let go. I could not help it. It was my gastronomic feelings which impelled the stroke. I question whether either Mr. Ball or Mr, Hilton or Mr. Anderson or Mr. Balfour-Melville or Mr. Tait or even Taylor or Rolland could have made a better drive towards our first hole. He beat me easily at the ap-proaches and the putting, but I halved the first nine and in the second round, my handicap was immensely in my favour. So I won the medal, as my card was the best sent in. But I attribute it solely to Annie's gastronomy. "Honi soit qui mal y pense." "Palmam qui meruit ferat.

Nobody was more astonished at the result than myself and my caddie, who went home rejoicing in the thought that an extra sixpence would swell her afternoon's earnings and increase her balance at the bank.

Didsbury.

I. N.

What is this Sabbatarian cry That's going through the land? I can't, however well I try, Its meaning understand. Oh it's but a little by-law, From sense and right cut off To allow me to hinder you From playing Sunday Golf.

CHORUS. Ves, it's but a little by-law, &c. Sunday dining, drinking, flirting, Vile scandalmongering too, With riding, driving, cycling, We all are free to do ; But I've got this little by-law At which all good men scoff, To allow me to hinder you From playing Sunday Golf.

CHORUS.

Yes, I've got this little by-law, &c.

If I a mirthless life do live, And pleasure cannot brook,

I needs must hate those things that give To man a pleasant look ; So l've got this little by-law,

And by the means thereof I am allowed to hinder you From playing Sunday Golf.

CHORUS.

Yes, I've got this little by-law, &c.

If I'm a Sabbatarian good, And love no Sunday game, I do not choose that others should By right enjoy the same. So I've got this little by-law, Men think so meanly of, To allow me to hinder you From playing Sunday Golf.

CHORUS.

Yes, I've got this little by-law, &c.

If I play Golf each lawful day, We've others, duty-bound, Who, through the week, can't get away, To play a cheery round. Oh ! its then I love this by-law,

For, by the aid thereof, I am allowed to hinder you

From playing Sunday Golf.

CHORUS.

Yes, it's then I love this by-law, &c.

Though angel powers come down from heaven, Against me to declaim ;

I still would use the power I'm given To stop your little game ; For I love this little by-law,

Which doth all tolerance doff,

To allow me to hinder you From playing Sunday Golf.

CHORUS.

Ves, I love this little by-law, &c.

Religion, in thy hallowed name They play some wondrous pranks, When decent men are put to shame By faddists, fools, and cranks.

This unjust little by-law Should ne'er have been heard of That allows you to hinder me

From playing Sunday Golf.

CHORUS.

Yes, this unjust little by-law.

Let meet repentance quickly find All those who love such laws,

When each has banished from his mind Their Pharisaic cause

Then no more this little by-law

Its bigotry cast off,

Will allow you to hinder me From playing Sunday Golf.

CHORUS.

Yes, no more this little by-law, &c.

R. R.

SUNDAY GOLF AT BARNTON. New Words to an Old Song.



Mr. L. A. Guilmant, who has for some time been an energetic member of the Committee of the Derbyshire Golf Club, has been unanimously appointed to succeed Mr. Walter Bancroft as honorary secretary, on the retirement of the latter at the end of the present year.

When playing on the links of the Derbyshire Golf Club on Saturday, November 23rd, Mr. George Coulson holed the fourth hole in I. Mr. Coulson, allowing for the high wind, drove somewhat to the right, and the ball, dropping on the green, rolled into the hole. This hole, although only about 130 yards in length, is one where many an otherwise good round has been spoilt. The direct line from the tee to the green is between a tree and small pond on the one side, and a tall hedge on the other, the space between being filled up with wire-covered hurdles. With a good tee shot the hole is often done in 3, and occasionally in 2, but a drive either pulled, sliced, or topped, is severely punished.

Colonel Younger, of Langshawbush, the captain, and committee of Moffat Golf Club, waited recently on Moffat Commissioners regarding the position of Golf in Moffat. The deputation represented the desirableness of having a good Golf course at Moffat, but intimated that the club will no longer admit visitors to the course unless something is contributed towards its extension and maintenance. Provost Knight, in thanking the deputation, stated that, while the Commissioners sympathised with any movement towards popularising Golf, they could not contribute, as a corporation, to a private club.

Anything done must be for a public course under the control

of the Commissioners.

At Eastbourne on Saturday, November 23rd, playing with Mr. Staines, a member of the club, Tom Chisholm, the club professional, equalled his own record, going round in 74, made up as follows: —Out, 3 5 4 5 5 4 4 4 5 = 39; in, 3 4 4 3 3 5 4 5 4 = 35. Chisholm's driving was long and straight, and his iron shots were perfect. His score of 35 for the last nine holes, against a strong wind, was perfect Golf.

The Portobello Golf Club held a smoking concert in the Royal Hotel, on Wednesday evening, the 20th inst. Provost Brand, the captain of the club, occupied the chair. He was supported by ex-Councillor Smart and Councillor Stuart, Messrs. R. D. Glover, Husband (secretary of the Royal Musselburgh Club), A. N. Smith and Williamson. There was a very large attendance. In his address the chairman said that the club was in a very prosperous condition, the membership was about

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100, and their playing abilities were steadily improving. The Provost then presented the following trophies :- The club gold medal (scratch), Mr. T. T. Gray ; the Gray medal (scratch), Mr. H. B. Ferrier ; the Wood cup (handicap), Mr. D. Hunter ; the Brand cup (handicap), Mr. B. G. Henderson ; the Craig medal (handicap), Mr. J. Gibsone ; the Christian medal (handicap), Mr. G. B. D. Smart ; the Melville cup (aggregate score) M. J. Gibsone. A musical programme was then gone through.

A team of the London Scottish play a team of the Richmond Golf Club, at Sudbrook Park, on Saturday.

The International Sleeping Car and European Express Trains Company, 14, Cockspur Street, S.W., announce the organisation of a new weekly service *de luxe* from London, *viâ* Ostend and Vienna to Trieste for Alexandria. The train will be composed exclusively of sleeping and dining cars, and through baggage vans, and will run through from Ostend to Trieste without change. At that port it will connect with one of the large and well-appointed steamers of the Austrian-Lloyd Company. The service will leave London every Sunday at 10.0 a.m., Trieste every Tuesday, and will arrive at Alexandria every Saturday at 4.0 p.m. On the return journey the steamer will leave Alexandria every Saturday at 9.0 a.m. The train *de luxe* will leave Trieste every Wednesday on arrival of the steamer, and will arrive in Ostend and London every Friday. The first departure from London will be on Sunday, December 1st., and from Alexandria on Saturday, November 30th.

The Christmas number of the English Illustrated Magazine is sumptuously got up and well illustrated throughout its interesting pages. The articles are all varied and interesting, particularly its fiction. Writers of established repute like Mr. W. E. Norris, Sarah Grand, Grant Allen, George Gissing, and Miss K. Tynan, contribute strong sections of the number, and Mr. William Simpson, the special war artist, brother of our golfer Sir Walter Simpson, writes in pleasing anecdotal vein of his personal Crimean experiences "In the trenches before Sebastopol." The whole number is light and attractive holiday reading either for the railway journey or the fireside in the long winter evenings.

The Country House is one of the new magazines which have recently appeared. Its design is to combine readable, instructive articles in lighter vein with information, and a special section is devoted to a review of the sport of the month, in which Golf is not forgotten. Among the contributors to the November number are Grant Allen, Luke Sharp, Sir E. R. Edgcumbe, G. Alexander, and "Plantagenet" on "Foxhunting in the Shires"; while a biographical sketch of the career, both in sport and politics, is given of Mr. Henry Chaplin, one of our best known types of the country gentleman.

Messrs. Tweedie, Grieve & Co., Church Hill, Morningside Road, Edinburgh, have become the sole agents for Edinburgh for the sale of Peter Paxton's Golf clubs and balls. Paxton's clubs have for many years been known in the South for their neatness, finish, and general excellence of material; and the sample stock of clubs he has just sent off to Edinburgh, for the benefit of Scottish golfers, will be difficult to surpass in these respects. Paxton has also shown great enterprise in the way of new ball machinery; and his "Distant" ball, as well as that made from the "Agrippa" mould, are as good as can be played with.

Golf at Neasden is the subject of a short illustrated article in *The Sketch* of November 20th. The Neasden Links, says the writer, are in the fortunate position of being the nearest to London [he is wrong in saying so], and the club is made up of "well-known littérateurs, artists, barristers, and such like" Lady Ribblesdale, among the lady players of Neasden, who "run their male opponents very close," stands pre-eminent, her play having "excited the highest admiration." The ladies, however, are not allowed to play on Saturday or on Sunday (though they may watch the game), the reason being not an ungallant one, but [tell it not at Barnton] "simply because there is such a rush of town-escaped men to the links on these two days that the ladies could not enjoy the game even if the rules permitted." "In full swing," the title of one of the illustrations, makes one doubtful of the writer's knowledge of the proper phraseology of the game, though the picture itself is good.

The North Berwick course is being improved in one or two places, especially at the approach to the "Perfection" hole, where a nasty valley and some troublesome peaks were supposed to present unfair difficulties. By levelling down and levelling up, the committee hope to make this hole more deserving of the name. The narrow neck at the second hole going out is to be widened by banking up some of the ground which the sea has encroached upon in recent years. This will be a great improvement, as a good drive was often unfairly punished by the narrowness of the course at this part.

The members of the Burgess Golf Club seem hazy about their position. Why all this wrangling about a by-law, which has been framed against some who wish a game on Sundays? Is it not written in their "Seal of Cause" that no by-law can be made without the consent of the Edinburgh Town Council? In that case, the by-law, about which so much has been heard, is illegal, and no member can be affected by the same until the Town Council have approved it, which, we should suppose, they are not likely to do.

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Messrs. P. Vaughton and Sons, Gothic Works, Birmingham, seem to make the manufacture of articles suitable for Golf prizes a speciality, and secretaries of clubs who are looking out for suitable prizes for the coming season ought to write the firm for their illustrated catalogue, which has just been issued. In the catalogue will be found designs of medals, seals, pendants, cups, &c., with prices attached, of such infinite variety that the most fastidious taste may be satisfied. The firm also make caddie badges a feature of their catalogue, and supply these at a cheap rate to clubs. One of their prettiest illustrations is that of the Presentation Key (the original of which was presented to H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught), which is recommended for the opening of Golf pavilions, club-houses, &c.

For the great International curling match between England and Scotland, which is this year to be played at Lochmaben in Dumfrieshire, there are this year eighty-nine rinks entered from England to play against the same number chosen by ballot out of the more numerous entries from Scotland. In the grand match of the Royal Caledonian Club, played annually at Caresbreck, the entries from the South are, for the first time in the history of the match, larger than the entries from the North. The Midlothian province is spending £50 for a cup to go to the club winning the Provincial match.

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At a meeting of the Archerfield Golf Club, held last week to compete for a handsome silver quaich, presented by Dr. Craig Maclagan, the coveted prize fell to Mr. A. Davidson Smith, C.A., whose score was 91, less 6=85. The day was stormy and not favourable for good scoring.

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At a Popular Concert held in Dirleton, last Friday, the Rev. Mr. Proudfoot, who writes so well on Golf in our columns, proved that he could sing quite as well as he could write the praises of the game, bringing down the house on the occasion with "Gouffin"," a song which we believe is running its eighth

edition, and "takes" wherever it is sung in a capable manner. The hero of the song, whose devotion, like that of many another to the game, causes his partner great loss and grief, is represented in the refrain as

> "Gouffin' a' the day, Daein' nae wark ava, Rinnin' aboot wi' a bag o' sticks. After a wee bit ba'."

At the Northampton dinner, Dr. Allison, of Kettering, sang the song in grand style.

The Earl of Wemyss, who is strongly opposed to the excessive use of irons in the present system of playing Golf, has invented a club which combines the virtue of the old baffy with the brassy. By means of this club the player can make an excellent "approach" to the hole without injuring the turf. Lord Wemyss calls his invention the "Unionist," because it does not *wear the green*. The club is manufactured by Messrs. Anderson and Sons, Princes Street, Edinburgh.

At the last general meeting of the Edinburgh University Golf Club, the following were appointed office-bearers for the year :--Dr. Wallace, captain ; Mr. R. J. Bryce, vice-captain ; Mr. A. H. Dickson, treasurer ; and Mr. H. T. Holland, 1, Roseneath Place, secretary. The committee are Dr. F. W. Haultain, Dr. R. H. Blaikie, and Messrs. C. C. Watson, H. de M. Alexander, G. L. Chiene, and J. S. Fraser. Meetings are to be held at Musselburgh, Gullane, St. Andrews, and North Berwick ; viz., Musselburgh, March 7th ; St. Andrews, May 2nd ; Gullane, May 30th ; and North Berwick, June 27th. Names for the cleek competition have to be entered by January 31st, 1896.

It is proposed to construct a light railway, with a three-foot gauge, from the South-Western Railway Terminus at Bideford to Westward Ho ! the favourite North Devon watering-place, which possesses very popular Golf links. The new line will cost about \pounds 20,000.

A very sporting nine-hole course has been laid out at Upper Clapton by Gourlay Dunn, of Mitcham. The turf throughout the course is good, and the hazards are numerous. In time, the committee propose taking in some more ground and making the course into eighteen holes. The club has enrolled over 100 members, and intends renting a large house about 100 yards foom the home hole, which will make a first-class club-house. All particulars may be had from Dr. Buck, 23, The Common, Upper Clapton, N.E. The course is private.

We have received a copy of a well-executed photo-lithograph drawing of "Colonel Bogey," by Mr. F. H. Marigold, who was a well known player in the Cambridge University team of 1894. The figure is a gruesome one. It represents "Bogey" at the top of his swing, hitting a ball off the tee. The head of the figure is a fleshless skull, crowned with a Tam o' Shanter, darting a broad stream of uncanny light from his orbless eyes full on the ball, which is also represented to be a death's head in miniature. Hovering near is the weird figure of a bat, or an owl. The jauntily garbed golfing figure, smoking his pipe with easy nonchalance, is well conceived, and the correct pose of its St. Andrews swing shows that the artist knows a great deal of the technique of the game. It is a capital picture to frame, either for the library or the club-house. The price is 2s. each copy, and copies may be obtained from Mr. T. Redin, 16, Trinity Street, Cambridge.

MUSSELBURGH. — M'Laren's Café and Restaurant adjoins the Links. Luncheons, dinners and teas. Golf-club boxes, 7s. 6d. per annum. Rooms for meetings. Telephone, No. 4.

A correspondent, who has just returned from South Africa, writes :- "I spent a forenoon recently in visiting the Capetown Golf course, which is situated at Rondebosch, on the railway which runs through Wynberg and other residential suburbs, on to Simon's Town. I had noticed in a local paper that the record of the Johannesberg course had been reduced to 96, and that the proud possessor of that score was coming down to Capetown to show the people how Golf should be played. Naturally, I expected to find a course compact of long carries and cruel hazards, and putting-greens where no ball ever could he dead, except at the bottom of the hole. At Rondebosch the station-master directed me : 'You'll find the field at the top of the road.' As the disrespect to the game was clearly unintentional, it was not worth while correcting the man. The course is less than a mile from the station, and a belt of lofty fir-trees along one side gives it quite the appearance of a Scotch inland green-till you begin to examine the playing surface. A moment's inspection shows one why anything about 100 is a good score. There is nothing of the nature of turf to be found, except on the greens, which are particularly rough and uneven. Elsewhere the ground is made up of vegetation more unlike grass than one ever thought a Golf course could be—a sort of moss, riddled with sand-scrapes and decorated with purple and yellow flowers. A driving mashie is the only club with which one might hope to make headway. The course is about $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles round (nine holes); so, obviously, length has nothing to do with its difficulty. The climate renders the making of good putting-greens a thankless task, so the tee shot is the only really satisfactory part of the game. One could wish no better proof of the hold which Golf has upon humanity than the fact that Capetown people have played the game for ten years under the conditions above described."

Persecution for Sunday Golf seems to die hard in America as well as in this country. The arrest of some of the members of the Meadow Brook Golf Club for playing Golf on Sunday, is still fresh in the minds of golfers; but the failure of the authorities to prosecute them led golfers to believe that they would not be further interfered with. But the arrest of William Davidge and Francis Saunders, of New Brighton, Staten Island, for playing Golf on Sunday on the links of the Richmond County Country Club, would indicate that there is a desire on the part of some persons to prevent gentlemen from indulging in this harmless amusement on Sunday. The gentlemen in question were held for trial by Justice Van Vechten. They are determined to fight the case on the ground that the police have no more right to invade a club than to invade a private house. The result will be awaited with interest by all Golf Clubs in America.

The advisability of forming an Inter-collegiate Golf Union for America is being discussed, in view of the increasing popularity of Golf at the various colleges. There is a Yale College Golf Club, and a number of students from Harvard play regularly on the links of the Country Club at Brookline, Mass. If such an association were formed, doubtless Intercollegiate Golf tournaments would appear regularly in the calendar of sports. The game is a healthy and attractive one, and there is no reason why it should not become popular among college men. The Intercollegiate Golf Association, if formed, will work in unison with the United States Golf Association in promoting the best interests of the sport.

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Mr. A. Wilhem, a young German who has just left Haddington for Paris, was entertained to supper by his friends before leaving the town. Mr. Wilhelm's chief object in coming to Haddington was to acquire English, but in quite a brief period he has not only done this, but acquired quite an excellent knowledge of the game of Golf. In the recent hole-and-hole competition he reached the final stage, and it was only after the keenest struggle that he surrendered to a young local player. In reply to the toast of his health, Mr. Wilhem said : he would practise the game of Golf whenever opportunity presented ; so we are sure to hear more of him as a player in other countries.

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We hear that, owing to the continued neglect of the Earlsferry and Elie Golf Links, especially of the new part of the course, some important matches have had to be postponed. It is hoped however, to see this state of things remedied shortly, but it is very hard on residents and their friends who look forward to the autumn's golf after the summer crowds have departed, to have been disappointed.

We have received from Angus Teen and Co., clubmakers, 18, Eastcombe Terrace, Blackheath, a specimen bulger driverhead, which is described as an "unbreakable wood-grain head." The club-head is of the ordinary bulger shape, but running through the centre of the neck and head is an unbreakable strip which appears like leather. The head is faced with fibre, which has been shown to possess greater driving power than wood. The whole club presents a very neat and workmanlike appearance, and as these new clubs have been thoroughly tested, a guarantee is given for twelve months. The clubs are only 1s. more than the usual drivers and brassies.

Mr. St. Clair Cunningham, secretary of the East Lothian Golf Club, on leaving the farm of Adniston, to take up another farm near Dunbar was presented by the workmen and tradesmen connected with the farm with a handsome marble clock, and Mrs. Cunningham at the same time received a gold bracelet. The farm of Adniston has been in the hands of the Cunningham family for three generations back, and this proof of good feeling between employers and employed is very gratifying.

TOM MORRIS TESTIMONIAL.—We have received the following additional subscriptions to this fund :— \pounds_{10} "from a few members of the Port Elizabeth (South Africa) Golf Club," and \pounds_{1} is, from Mr. Alex. Davidson, Wimbledon.

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With reference to aluminium sole-plates for club-heads mentioned in last week's issue, Messrs. A. Teen and Co. inform us that they used such soles on their "Claude Johnson" clubs two years ago, and they believe them to be quite as good as brass.

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The North British Company applies to Parliament next session for liberty "to extend the respective periods limited by the Aberlady, Gullane, and North Berwick Railway Act, 1893, for the compulsory purchase of lands, and the completion of works, by that Act authorised." Does this indicate any hope that the railway is to go on? The delay has been very disappointing to many who expected to see it a reality before now.

CARNARVONSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The tournament challenge bowl (handicap), kindly presented to the club by Mr. John Platt, was played for at Conway on the 14th, 15th, and 18th inst. The weather during the first two days was hardly suitable for good scoring.

First Round,—Mr. F. E. Woodhead (scratch) and Col. E. Clayton (25), byes; Mr. G. H. Healey (12) beat Mr. E. A. Young (5); Capt. J. Carden and Mr. J. E. Fincham, scratched; Mr. A. Evill (17) beat Mr. J. D. Millar (9); Col. T. H. Marshall (16) beat Mr. C. C. Marshall (20); Rev. F. Willoughby Jones (4) beat Mr. H. G. Stock (3); Rev. H. W. Bretherton (16) beat Canon Rees (19).

Second Round. --Mr. F. E. Woodhead beat Col. E. Clayton; Mr. G. H. Healey, walked over; Mr. A. Evill beat Col. T. H. Marshall; Rev. F. Willoughby Jones beat Rev. H. W. Bretherton.

Third Round.—Mr. G. H. Healey beat Mr. F. E. Woodhead ; Rev-F. Willoughby Jones beat Mr. A. Evill.

Final.-Mr. G. H. Healey beat Rev. F. Willoughby Jones.



QUESTIONS ON THE RULES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I beg to thank your correspondents who answered my queries in GOLF of November 8th. I regret, however, that I cannot accept all the answers as correct.

Question 1.—With Mr. Ronald Ross I agree that the moving of a teed ball not yet in play does not entail a penalty, and congratulate "Auld Tom" and "Auld Willie" on having such an umpire and his adviser in the match spoken of. But what if B has already struck at the ball and missed it entirely? If A, then, in addressing the ball moves it, who plays next. "A Forty Years Scotch Golfer" answers the question cor-

"A Forty Years Scotch Golfer" answers the question correctly, both by custom and law, if he would add the words "at" between "struck" and "it," and "at the ball" at the end of his answer. An answer from him to the query above made would be appreciated

To "A Young Golfer" I would say that if he studies the rules with as much energy as he seems to have put into his last paragraph, I assure him that he will very soon answer Ouestion I differently from what he has done.

Question 2.—Mr. Ronald Ross says that the ball is restored to its original position with the loss of a stroke. This certainly surprises me, as an answer from an old and experienced golfer, as I have never in such a case seen the ball replaced.

The playing of A, after having moved the ball while addressing it and then replacing, is also new to me. By this Ronald Ross would, in playing a foursome, hold, that if A, in addressing his ball on the course, moves it, the ball is restored at the expense of B's stroke (alas ! poor B), and A goes on again, playing, I infer, the third stroke from the time he took up his position to address the ball when he unintentionally moved it.

"A Forty Years Scotch Golfer," in answering Question 2 says that A, by his mistake, "loses a shot." I would prefer to say that A, by moving the ball, counts a shot, as the ball may be as advantageously placed thereby as if he had struck it intentionally. If B now plays, what of Rule XXXIX. of the St. Andrew's code?

A "Young Golfer" might have hesitated in giving the answer he has if he had read Rules VI., XXV., and XXXIX. of the same code.

Question 3.—If A, in addressing his ball, accidentally moves it so that it rolls into the hole, Ronald Ross would again replace it, again cause B to lose his stroke, and A would again address it.

I fear I must disagree with Ronald Ross, and it is doubtful if he would pass a very elementary examination on the Rules. It would be advisable for him to study Nos XXV, and XXXIX. of the St. Andrews Rules before again playing in a foursome.

The answer of "A Forty Years Scotch Golfer" to this question has affected me much. As I asked how much is counted against A and B for A's moving the ball unintentionally, and if the ball under such circumstances should be replaced, it has been a conundrum to me how he intends me to take his two statements as answers, or how he proves the statements. Possibly there may have been some method of counting in early days which was in accord with this statement. I congratulate "Young Golfer" on his answer to Question 3, but would refer him to the above answers received from old and experienced golfers, which will show him the answer is not quite so simple and obvious to all golfers. He seems doubtful if more than one stroke should be counted if the ball had, in this case, been struck by something other than a "club or putter," say a cleek, niblick, or foot. I fear common sense will not assist him here.

There is evidently a general haziness among golfers as to these penalty-strokes, and it seems that the older the golfer the greater the haze. The sooner we have qualifying examinations on the rules of the game the better, but before such the rules would require to be revised, so that they are not capable of several interpretations, or seemingly at variance with the custom of old and experienced players. May I dare to say that some such rules as the following would assist in shortening the rules and clearing away the doubts as to what should be considered penalty-strokes, to which Rule XXXIX. is applicable :— "Any movement of the ball by the player, intentionally or otherwise, or any movement of the club which is intended to strike the ball is a stroke." By such a rule it would be at once understood that these are not penalty-strokes under the meaning of Rule XXXIX., and that Rules XI., XXI., and XXVII., refer to the true penalty-strokes.

Apropos of this Rule XXVII, what is to be done with the opponent's ball which has been played by mistake, if the mistake has not been condoned by (1) or (2)? It is replaced, or played by its owner from the place to which it has been struck.

Is the time not yet ripe for a circular to the secretaries of all the Metropolitan County Clubs, or to all the English Clubs, asking them to consult their clubs as to the advisability of forming a Golf Union, which would appoint delegates to free us from the dreadful confusion as to interpretations of rules under which old golfers and young golfers, experienced golfers and novices, are at present suffering.

I am, Sir, &c.,

ASSOCIATION.

To the Editor of Golf.

SIR,-I have to apologise to you for the careless and slipshod manner in which I answered questions No. 2 and 3 of "Association." With reference to question No. 2, what was in my mind was this : A and B are partners in a match. A "Association." drives either from the tee or through the green, and the ball goes into a hazard (say water); a stroke penalty is incurred in lifting the ball, said stroke counting for B; A still continues to play. In the question put by "Association," A in moving the ball makes the penalty stroke count as his. Therefore B. plays next. Question No. 3 bears the same ruling as No. 2, but needs some explanation. There is a well defined and firmly established rule for regulating play on the putting green, namely, that the ball must be played or putted, not pushed, dragged, drawn, or sidled into the hole. The club that is used for putting with must be brought back from, and then forward to the ball, to deliver the stroke. I will give the reasons for this. Should your ball lie in long grass on the verge of the putting-green, the chances are that you take the ground heavily behind the ball and fail to move it, or, it may be, send it only a few feet ; or, in playing too strong and getting the ball clean, you send it a long way past the hole. But if one was allowed to gaff his ball, that is, insert the head of the iron beneath the ball and pitch it on to the green, as a fisher-man lands his fish, the doing of this would be a thing of consummate ease ; but it would not be Golf, simply because the ball was not played. Then, again, should your ball lie in a cup, say, a foot from the hole : Weak play will cause the edge of the cup to stay the progress of the ball, and too strong play will cause it to overleap the hole; but by sidling your club into the ball and giving it a slight push, the ball will roll evenly and may be holed with certainty. But this would not be Golf. Or the thing may be more clearly shown in this way. Should your ball lie close to a wall, or large stone, opposite to the hole, it would be a simple matter to place your cleek behind the ball, and push it to the hole. To play this ball fairly, you would have to strike it to the left or right of you, and, therefore, away from the line of the hole, thus entailing the loss of a stroke. But to put this ball of controversy into a nutshell: Suppose the ball moved undesignedly by A had not gone into the hole, but lay on the edge of it, what then? The ball would be replaced whence it was moved, and a penalty stroke imposed. How does the mere circumstance of the ball having gone into the hole alter this rule? Therefore, in the unpremeditated movement of the ball, the same rule that holds good on the course applies also to the putting green ; it is only in the distance from the hole that any difficulty lies. In either case, the ball must be struck or played, or attempted to be so, in order to constitute a fair stroke.

> I am Sir, &c., RONALD ROSS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I am much obliged for your reply to my question on the rules in last week's issue.

Allow me briefly to state the position of the discussion. On November 15th "A. D." asked who plays, A or B., after A has moved the ball in attempting to remove a leaf, and you answered that A does, as he had incurred a penalty. On November 22nd I asked who plays, A or B, after A has moved the ball while addressing it on the course, and your reply is that B does, because A has played a stroke, thus narrowing the question down to the difference between a ball moved by the club, and a ball moved in any other way. Now, unfortunately, custom and "obvious distinctions" play no part in intepreting the Rules as issued by the Royal and Ancient in 1891, and I ask you what you find in Rule XXV., or in any other, which enables you to thus decide so oppositely in the two cases, remembering that you are asked in these cases to decide strictly according to the letter of the rules?

That custom is with you in the answer to my own question, I agree; but I cannot find that it is so in the answer to "A. D.," whose case is of very rare occurrence. On referring to the rules in existence prior to 1891, you will find No. XXVIII. puts the two cases in exactly the same category. It says :-- "If the player, whilst addressing himself to the ball, on any occasion, except at the tee, touch it so as to cause it to move; or if his hand, foot, or club touch a bent, stick, or anything which causes the ball to move; or if the player's caddie move the ball, he loses a stroke." At that time such a term as a "penalty stroke" was absolutely non-existent in the rules for match play, indeed, the word "penalty" only occurred four times, viz., in Rules XV., XXX, XXXI., and XLIII., the two former referring to a dropped ball, and the two latter to the loss of the hole under certain conditions.

I am, Sir, &c,

N. F.

I am, Sir, &c.,

A. D.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—I find there is much loose argument going on about the St. Andrews Rules dealing with the question put in my letters appearing in your two last numbers, namely, as to whether, in foursomes, a player, moving the ball accidentally, loses his turn to play. I therefore annex the rules and should be glad if you would publish them with this letter. I also annex the Wimbledon Rules on the same subject.

With all respect to you, I regret I am unable to agree with your reply to "N.F.," that there is a distinction between moving the ball accidentally with the club and moving it with something else. I have found no such distinction in any set of rules I have ever met with, or at any time in actual play.

November 25th,

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Rule IV.—The ball must be fairly struck at, and not pushed, scraped, or spooned, under penalty of the loss of the hole. Any movement of the club which is intended to strike the ball is a stroke.

Rule XXV.—If the player when not making a stroke, or his partner, or either of their caddies touch their side's ball, except at the tee, so as to move it, or by touching anything cause it to move, the penalty is one stroke.

Rule XXXIX.—A penalty stroke shall not be counted the stroke of a player, and shall not affect the rotation of play.

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Rule III.—The ball must be fairly struck, and not "pushed," "scraped," or "spooned," and any movement of the club, made with the intention of striking at the ball, must be considered a stroke.

Rule XXII.—If, after it has been played from the tee, the player, by accident, touch his ball with his foot, or any part of his body, or displace it with his club, he loses a stroke.

displace it with his club, he loses a stroke. The same language—⁴⁴ he loses a stroke.²⁰—is used throughout the Wimbledon Rules in describing other penalty strokes, such as for lifting from casual water and dropping, for ball striking self or clubs, &c.

To

PATENT CLUBS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—There really seems to be no end to the already long list of "patent" clubs, and I am sure golfers must have had enough of them by this time.

However, still they come ! And the "very latest" appears to be the celebrated "Master" iron.

May I suggest that it is the golfer who ought to be the *master* of his clubs, and not *vice versá*; and, also, that as we now have a "master" iron, someone "brings out" a "Mrs." Putting-cleek, or a "Miss" Niblick. Why not? Surely they would be as good as "Master" iron.

I am, Sir, &c.,

"MR. BAFFY."

GOLF AT CAMBRIDGE.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,-In order to correct an erroneous impression which might be produced by the article in your last week's issue, entitled "the Granta Golf Links," which states that "Cambridge has been singularly situated in regard to a good Golf ground," I think it necessary to state that the University Golf course at Coldham, has been in no way impaired, but rather improved, by the encroachment of the railway on the common, as it has placed more ground at our disposal. Our club is not limited to members of the University, and has been in existence for the past twenty years, and we have a membership of nearly 500. It is not our intention to challenge a comparison with Messrs. Gray's small course (that is quite unnecessary), but it will be only too patent to the eye of the true golfer, who visits both courses, which approaches most nearly the ideal of an inland Golf links. Our links are only some five minutes' walk from the car terminus, and are not more than a mile and a half from the centre of the town ; so Cambridge is not, after all, so badly situated in regard to a good Golf course as your article would make out. I do not write as one pre-judiced by my connection with the University Golf Club; but, as a Scotch Golfer and a St. Andrews man, I do not hesitate to recommend the links of the University Golf Club as being worthy of the attention of the Cambridge golfer. Asking you to insert this in your next issue,

I am, Sir, etc.,

W. T. LINSKILL, Hon. Secretary.

University Golf Club, Cambridge, November 23rd.

RECLAIMING LAND FROM SEA-WORM CASTS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Allow me to support the letter of Mr. Carrick in your last issue as to the reclaiming of land from the sea, that is, from the mouth of the River Esk, or estuary, north of the gasworks to the bay at Levenhall below Mrs. Forman's garden, required by your correspondent "J. A." I advise him to apply to the Scotch gardener (I forget his name) at Holcombe Hall, Norfolk, who has had great experience on this subject of re-clamation by planting trees as a barrier against the encroaching sea.

To remove and prevent worms on putting-greens, allow me to suggest Walker's S. P. Charcoal, to be obtained from Mr. Walker, Market Square, Manchester (vide GOLF, Vol. III., page 252), which charcoal ought to be scattered through a sieve over the greens, and brushed off with a broom. Sea-sand is also a good fertiliser, but application by your correspondent " J. F." to Tom Morris would soon solve his difficulty.

> I am Sir, &c., I. R. R.

London, November 25th.

WORM CASTS.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,-Your correspondent should try a weak solution of slaked lime. Get a tub, place a quantity of lime in it, pour water on it to fill the tub, then stir until a good deal of the lime is held in solution. Allow the mixture to settle for a day; pour a quantity of the lime-water where the worms are on the putting-greens. This brings the worms up in hundreds, and the line, if not too strong, does not injure the grass. A solu-tion of mustard is equally effective, but the line is cheaper.

I am, Sir, &c., A.

HOW "NOT" TO PLAY GOLF.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,-The enclosed account of the "Way to Play Golf" (which I have copied from a Book of Games, by a Captain Crawley, and dated from the Megatherium Club, Christmastide, 1869), is really so amusing, and so clearly demonstrates the rapid growth of the game, that I thought you might care to publish it. I must say, that the oftener I read it myself, the more it amuses me, and perhaps there may be others who might care to read it.

I am, Sir, &c., J. O.

"Golf is much played in Scotland and the Northern parts of England. It is a very excellent game, having been probably introduced by the Romans. As at present played, any number of persons may engage in the game. Each player has a straight-handled ash bat, the lower part of which is slightly curved. The object of the game is to drive a small hand-ball into certain holes in the ground, and he who soonest accomplishes this wins the game. The following is the method of playing :- Two, four, or any other number of players. form themselves into sides, and then fix the Golf lengths, which often extend over three or four miles, especially in the winter time, when the game is played on the ice. At various intervals Golf holes are formed, into which the ball must be struck, each party, as in football, endeavour-ing to drive the ball in an opposite direction. One or more balls may be used, but each player has his own ball. You may see Golf played on Blackheath occasionally by the young Scots who form the associa-tion known as the London Golf Club. Some years since I was present at a Golf match on the Heath, and a very exciting sight it was, I assure you."

SEAFIELD GOLF CLUB.-The Competition for the club medal and prizes took place over Leith Links on Friday and Saturday. It re-sulted as follows :--Medal and first prize, Mr. J. Wilson, 96, less 14= 82; second, Mr. R. Robinson, 82, plus 1=83; third, Mr. A. Wilson, 82; second, Mr. R. Robinson, 52; plus 1-53; third, Mr. M. Wilson, 83; plus 1-84; fourth, Mr. D. Blair, 88, less 3=85; fifth, Mr. A. Prestwick, 95; less 8=87: sixth and seventh, Mr. I. Fairgrieve, sen., 97, less 9=88, and Mr. W. Morris, 104, less 16=88; eighth, Mr. M. Golder, 102, less 12=90; Mr. R. Gibson, 98, less 8=90; and Mr. W. Morris, 99, less 9=90.

BALLADE OF MEDAL DAYS.

- Carols of skylarks overhead, Wash of waves on the beach below, Faint perfumes by wild flowers shed,
- And that golfer and caddie know. Purpling heather, where to and fro The brown bees hum a honeyed phrase ;

Glory of golden gorse aglow, These are the joys of medal days.

Sprightly dance of flags, white and red, To the pipe of the winds that blow,

When scented summer hours have fled ; March of clouds rising row on row,

The purl of the burn's overflow, Suns that set in a purple haze,

Length'ning shadows which fall and go; These are the joys of medal days.

A sixty yards approach "laid dead," And then carried off by a crow !

"Foozled drive" and a "hazard" dread, Fearful "double figures" which show

Sojournings in a sandy woe ; Hours when our pet club disobeys,

Long waits caused by Duffer and Co ! These are the joys of medal days.

Envoi.

Golfers all, amateur and pro., Ye who go where the white ball strays, Lend ear to my ballade, for lo ! These are the joys of medal days.

Y. Y. M.

DEFINITION OF AN AMATEUR.

An important meeting of delegates from the Amateur Athletic Association, the Amateur Swimming Association, and the National Cyclists' Union was held in London on Saturday, November 16th, and for-mulated the following rule touching the definition of an amateur :-"An amateur is one who has never competed for a money prize or monetary consideration, or for any declared wager or staked bet; who has never engaged in, assisted in, or taught any athletic exercise as a means of pecuniary gain : and who has never taken part in any com-petition or public exhibition with any one who is not an amateur." The definition of a professional was also drawn up, and under it a man ceases to be an amateur by accepting or offering to others renumeration, compensation, or expenses to any other amateur athlete, cyclist, or swimmer. A long list of exceptions followed, whereby cyclists, swimmers, and athletes do not become professionals by competing against members of the Northern Rugby Union against professionals at cricket, football, baseball, Golf &c., provided no prizes other than medals or certificates connected with challenge cup competitions be given, and also permitting army and navy officers to compete in their own sports without ceasing to be amateurs. It is also sought to reserve the right to the governing bodies to grant permission for the payment of expenses when they consider that the circumstances warrant such action ; but any amateur cyclist, swimmer, or athlete demanding such expenses ceases to be an amateur. All these proposals will have to be submitted to the Associations interested.

MORECAMBE AND HEYSHAM GOLF CLUB.

The sixth competition for a prize presented to this club by the ex-Mayor of Lancaster, Mr. R. Preston, was played on Wednesday, 20th Mayor of Lancaster, Mr. K. Freston, was played on Wednesday, 20th inst., on the links at Heysham. The day was wet and boisterous, and in consequence the scores were high. Subjoined are the scores :--Mr. B. H. Cookson, 102, less 18=84; Mr. Frank Storey, 104, less 18=86; Mr. W. Stewart, 85, plus 2=87; Mr. W. A. Wade, 107, less 20=87; Capt. Le Feuvre, 94, less 6=88. No returns from Rev. Dean Billington, Messrs. John Leeming and R. Preston.



ATHERSTONE GOLF CLUB.

Match played at Atherstone on Tuesday, November 19th. Scores :-

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| | 4.4.4.) | | 0 | Mr. S. H. Evershed | *** | | 58 | |
| Mr. C. A. Bourne | See. | | 0 | Mr. H. G. Nadin | 44.4 | | 8 | |
| Rev. C. J. Stephen | 544 | 19442 | 0 | Mr. G. E. Lowe | *** | | 3 | |
| Mr. A. W. Phillips | | 1.11 | 4 | Mr. W. S. Eadie | 111 | | 0 | |
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BALHAM GOLF CLUB.

The annual competition for the handsome challenge cup, presented by Dr. Thompson Hague, was concluded on Saturday, when Mr. G. Larkins defeated Mr. H. Tyler in the final round, and holds the muchcoveted prize for the ensuing year. The captain's silver cup will be competed for this week, under handicap and other conditions, and promises to be a very interesting contest.

Hague challenge cup.—First round :—Mr. P. J. Dawson, a bye; Mr. T. G. Taylor beat Mr. D. Sinclair by 4 up and 2 to play; Rev. F. W. Pearse beat Mr. A. Cole by 8 up and 7 to play; Mr. G. Larkins beat Dr. T. Hague by 5 up and 4 to play; Rev. B. Snell beat Mr. G. R. Julian by 9 up and 8 to play; Mr. F. J. Grahame walked over, Mr. L. Thurnauer scratched; Mr. A. E. Rowarth beat Mr. H. Rathbone, jun., by 8 up and 7 to play; Mr. S. Chick walked over, Mr. H. Stephens scratched; Mr. F. J. Randall beat Mr. A. J. France by 5 up and 4 to play; Dr. W. G. Thorpe beat Mr. G. R. Smith by 2 up; Mr. H. C. Pearse beat Mr. P. G. Rathbone by 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. S. Starkweather beat Mr. J. N. Thomson by 1 up; Mr. H. Tyler beat Mr. H. C. Duncan by 7 up and 6 to play; Mr. C. W. Clarke beat Mr. A. E. Goodson by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. F. M. Trevor, a bye.

Second Round.—Mr. T. G. Taylor beat Mr. P. J. Dawson by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. G. Larkins beat Rev. F. W. Pearse by 6 up and 4 to play; Rev. B. Snell walked over; Mr. F. J. Grahame absent; Mr. S. Chick beat Mr. A. E. Rowarth by 9 up and 7 to play; Mr. F. J. Randall beat Dr. W. G. Thorpe by 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. S. Stark weather beat Mr. H. C. Pearse by 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. S. Stark beat Mr. C. W. Clarke by 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. F. M. Trevor beat Mr. W. A. Parton by 3 up and 2 to play.

Third Round.—Mr. G. Larkins beat Mr. T. G. Taylor by 3 up and 2 to play; Rev. B. Snell beat Mr. S. Chick by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. S. Starkweather beat Mr. F. J. Randall by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. H. Tyler beat Mr. F. M. Trevor by 3 up and 2 to play.

Fourth Round.—Mr. G. Larkins beat Rev. B. Snell by 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. H. Tyler beat Mr. S. Starkweather by 3 up and 2 to play.

Final Round.-Mr Larkins beat Mr. Tyler by 7 up and 6 to play.

BLACKHEATH LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Mixed foursomes against "Bogey" were played at Blackheath, on Thursday, November 21st, for prizes kindly given by Mr. Laird. The prizes were three in number, first and second prize for ladies, and first prize for gentlemen. The results were as follows :— Mr. E. Farnall (first prize) and Miss Farnall (first prize) (31), 1 up; Mr. Pinkerton and Miss Fraser (second prize) (25), 3 down; Mr. R. Whyte and Mrs. Penrose (11), 4 down; Mr. H. Glasier and Mrs. Edwards (20), 4 down; Mr. Triscott and Mrs. Triscott (25), 4 down;

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Mr. C. Johnson and Mrs. R. Whyte (27), 4 down; Mr. Evans and Mrs. Evans (27), 4 down; Col. Needham and Mrs. Needham (32), 4.down; Col. Staples and Miss Sillar (32), 4 down; Mr. G. Spurling and Mrs. G. Spurling (33), 4 down; Mr. P. Newton and Mrs. P. Newton (35), 4 down; Mr. M. Beaumont and Mrs. Mackern (20), 5 down; Rev F. La Lievre and Miss Swinton (22), 5 down; Mr. H. Burton and Miss Sheringham (23), 5 down; Mr. F S. Ireland and Mrs. F. S. Ireland (11), 6 down; Mr. Smyth and Miss M. Smyth (9), 6 down; Mr. H. Soames and Miss Loveless (28), 6 down; Mr. E. W. Sampson and Miss Pease (31), 6 down; Mr. Charles and Mis. Charles (34), 6 down; Mr. Michelli and Mrs. Michelli (44), 6 down; Major Penrose and Miss Knapping (27), 7 down; Col. Harman and Miss L. Chrestien (35), 7 down; Major Sill and Miss M. Sillar (36), 7 down; Mr. W. Glasier and Miss Fossett (39), 7 down; Mr. M. Richardson and Miss Mocatta (24), 8 down; Mr. R. S. Sheffield and Miss Kendall (43), 8 down; Mr. C. D. Baker and Miss Robson (34), 10 down; Mr. Winch and Mrs. C. Johnson (34), 11 down; Mr. Crickmer and Miss A. Izard (36), 11 down; Mr. F. Tate and Mrs. F. Tate (40), 11 down.

A match was played at Blackheath against the Ashdown Forest Ladies', on Friday, November 22nd, resulting in a win to Blackheath by 8 holes.

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| Miss Wray | 14445 | | 0 | Miss Knight | | | | 4 |
| Mrs. F. S. Ireland | | | 5 | | | | *** | 0 |
| Mrs. McArthur | | | 7 | Miss E. Reade | an - | 4.4.9 | 1.55 | 0 |
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In the afternoon foursomes were played, when Ashdown Forest won by 11 holes.

| BLACKHEATH. | ASHDOWN FOREST. | | | |
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| Mrs. Mackern and Mrs. Pen- rose 2 Mrs. Laid and Miss Wray o Mrs. Ireland and Mrs. McAr- thur o Mrs. R. Whyte and Mrs. Ed- wards o | Miss Curteis and Miss Phillips o Miss Birch and Miss Knight 7 Miss Andrews and Miss E. Reade 3 Miss Parsons and Mrs. Russell 3 | | | |
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BEXHILL GOLF CLUB.

Medal competition, November 20th :--

| | Gr | oss. | Hcp | . Net. | G | 055, | Hcp. | Net. |
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| Mr. W. Beasley | (| 90 | 15 | 75 | Mr. J. H. Escolme | 93 | 10 | 83 |
| Dr. Garrard | 11. S | 85 | 7 | 78 | Mr. R. W. Smith | 102 | 15 | 87 |
| Dr. Makalna | 6 |)2 | 12 | 80 | Mr. D. H. Benwell | 105 | 18 | 87 |
| Mr. W. G. M. | ac- | | | | Mr. A. E. Mac- | | | |
| Gregor | 8 | 38 | 7 | 81 | Donnell | 100 | 9 | 91 |
| Dr. Murdoch | (| 36 | 14 | 82 | Mr. W. C. Beeching | 115 | 20 | 95 |
| Eighteen played | | | | | | | | |

Ladies' medal, November 21st :- Miss F. Ritson (scratch), 103; Miss H. A. Fraser, 118, less 15=103; Mrs. Wood-Bethell, 133, less 22=111; Miss Scrivens, 132, less 18=114; Miss E. Fraser, 124, less 5=119. Eight played.

BOURNEMOUTH GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, November 21st .--

| | Gross. | Hcp. | Gross, Hcp. Net. | | | | |
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| Dr. J. G. Harsant Mr. W. H. Harrison Dr. Oakes Capt. Wyld Mr. H. E. Acklom Rev. G. S. Rogers | 76 80 90 84 78 89 87 | 10 14 23 14 4 15 12 | 66 67 70 74 74 75 | Mr.D. H. W. Robson- Burrows Mr. A.H. Sanderson Mr. H. E. MacMahon Mr. A. Pontifex Mr. Lowthian Bell. Mr. E. P. Belbin | 95 105 87 95 | 25 | 77 78 80 81 87 90 |

Dr. Oakes won two-thirds of sweepstakes, and Capt. Wyld onethird. Twelve others made no return.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE LADIES v. WIMBLEDON LADIES.

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| Miss Scott | | | 0 | Mrs. Willock . | | | 9 |
| Miss M. Heathcote | +++ : | +++ | 0 | Miss Pascoe . | | | 6 |
| Mrs. Burry | | | 0 | Mrs. Cameron. | | | 4 |
| Mrs. Gordon Dill | | | 0 | Mrs. King . | | | 0 |
| Miss Sanders | | | 3 | Miss Henderson | n | | 0 |
| Miss Hobson | | | Ö | Mrs. Lawrell . | | | 3 |

Foursomes :--

| BRIG | HTON | AND . | HOVE | LADH | es. | WIMBLEDON LADIES. | |
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CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

The above club held its opening day on Saturday November 2nd, when over a hundred gentlemen sat down to lunch, and afterwards two matches were played. Considering the early season, the green was found in fairly good order, and, if the putting greens were soft, the approaching ground was certainly improved. The following are the best scores handed in. For the open match :--

| G | ross. Hcj | p. Net. | 1 | Gross. | Hcp. | Net. |
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| Mr. J. Adamson | 44 scr. | 44 | | | | |
| Mr. N. Mitchell- | | | Dickson | | 3 | 49 |
| Innes | 46 scr. | 46 | Mr. E. Watson | 54 | 5 | 49 |
| Mr. Norman Mc- | | | Mr. T. Drimmie | 51 | I | 50 |
| Leod | 48 2 | 46 | Dr. Wm. Forsyth | 53 | 3 | 50 |
| Mr. Norman Mc- Leod Mr. R. D. Murray | 47 scr. | 47 | Dr. D. M. Moir | 53 | 3 | 50 |
| Mr. D. Pym | 48 1 | 47 | Mr. J. Stiven | 51 | scr. | 51 51 51 52 |
| Mr. G. S. Hannah | | | Mr. I. H. Oatts | 54 | 3 | 51 |
| Mr. E. A. Wild | 50 3 | 47 | Mr. C. A. Smith Mr. H. Callaway | 56 | 5 | 51 |
| Col. J. E. Sande- | | | Mr. H. Callaway | 54 | 2 | 52 |
| man | | | Mr. G. L. Sidey | 52 | scr. | 52 |
| Mr. F. H. E. Lamb | 48 scr. | 48 | Mr. A. I. Dent | | | 52 |
| Mr. D. S. Murray | 50 2 | 48 | Mr. W. Orrell | | 3 | 52 |
| Mr. I. Taylor | 51 3 | 48 | Mr. W. Booth | 58 | 2 3 4 | 54 |
| Mr. J. Taylor Mr. W. T. Reid | 51 2 | 48 | Lieut, S. Lethbrid | TP 57 | ser | 57 |
| and the state of the | 3- 3 | 40 | Rev. D. Reid | 59 | | 57 |
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For the Duffers' cup :---

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| Mr. P. W. Johnson Mr. A. W. J. Turner Lieut, G.R.C. Stuart Mr. Geo, Cheetham Mr. A. G. Turnbull Mr. W. J. M. McCaw Mr. H. Baldwin Major Collette Mr. C. P. Lomax Mr. A. R. Mackintosh | 54 3 55 2 58 5 56 2 57 3 60 6 57 2 | Mr. S. Finney Dr. R. Macleod Mr. C. W. Tosh Mr. D. B. Horn Mr. A. Macdor Mr. J. Mann Mr. F. E. H. Po | 64 58 59 60 iald 60 60 wer 63 | 6 scr. scr. scr. scr. scr. 3 | 57 58 59 60 60 60 60 | |

CANNES GOLF CLUB.

Play began on these links on Tuesday, November 19th. Owing to the early rains in the autumn, the course is in good order. The president of the club, H.I.H. the Grand Duke Michael of Russia, as usual, taking great interest in all that concerns the welfare of the club, presided at the luncheon, amongst others being H.I.H. the Grand Duchess of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, the Countess of Torby, Baron and Baronne de Maltzan, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Stubbs, Miss Sudlow, Mr. and Mrs. Tennent, Mrs. Whigham, Mr. Pitt-Taylor, Capt. Dick, Mr. Girard, Count Voss, Mr. Hake, Mr. and Mrs. Capron, Mr. Hewetson, and Col. Woodward. The committee have secured the services of Bernard Nicholls, of Folkestone, as professional.

NOVEMBER 29, 1895.

COUNTY DOWN GOLF CLUB.

The Competition for the November medal took place at Newcastle on November 16th. The weather was most unpropitious, rain falling heavily all the morning. Scores :---

| Gro | . G | Gross. Hcp. 1 | | | | |
|------------------------|------|---------------|-------------------|-----|----|----|
| Major H. R. Feilden 10 | 8 26 | 82 | Mr. A. R. Brush | 108 | 18 | 90 |
| Mr. T. Dickson 8 | 5 2 | 83 | Mr. L. F. Heyn | 112 | 19 | 93 |
| Mr. F. Hoey 9 | 7 12 | 85 | Mr. George Combe | 94 | +1 | 95 |
| Mr. A. H. R. Carr 11. | 4 26 | 88 | Mr. D. J. Lindsay | 114 | 16 | 98 |
| Colonel Cutbill 10 | I II | 90 | | | | |

EXMOUTH GOLF CLUB.

A handsome silver cup was given by the captain of this club, last November, to be played for once a month during the year by all full members of the club; the winners to compete for its absolute possession by a tournament of holes. Owing to duplicate wins, unavoidable absence, and other causes, the number of competitors was reduced to seven, and on Friday, the 15th inst., in a heavy south-westerly gale, and a perfect tempest of rain, six of them played the first round of the finals, with the following result :--Mr. J. Dawson (18) beat Mr. C. C. Prine-Coffin, scratch, at the nineteenth hole; Major H. B. Weatherall (18) beat Mr. E. C. D. Jones (4) by 3 up and 2 to play; Capt. Mackenzie-Grieve (1) beat Mr. A. F. Morton (12) by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. W. J. Willis (24) a bye.

On the 16th, with the wind rather stronger, but minus the rain, Mr. J. Dawson beat Mr. W. J. Willis by 2 up and 1 to play. Capt. Mackenzie-Grieve was unfortunately compelled to scratch, owing to indisposition, to Major Weatherall.

On the 18th and 19th, Major Weatherall played Mr. J. Dawson thirty-six holes (eighteen on each day), and beat him by 2 up and 1 to play, and this ended the series of matches which, though the weather seriously interfered with good play, yet showed that the handicapper had not made much mistake in the odds they awarded.

FORFARSHIRE.

The members of the Broughty Ladies' Golf Club brought their season to a very fitting close by an "At Home" in the Gymnasium on Friday night, November 22nd. Ex-Bailie Machan occupied the chair, and beside him on the platform were ex-Bailie Christie, ex-Bailie Hood, and Miss Hood; Commissioner Fyffe; Mr. Robert Steven and Mrs. Steven, and Mrs. Robert Scott. The hall was well filled by the members and their friends. After tea, a musical programme was proceeded with. Songs were rendered by Mr. Nicoll, Mr. Robert Morrison, jun., ex-Bailie Christie, Miss Nettie Webster, Miss Minnie Fyffe, and Mr. R. F. Webster. An orchestra also played selections at intervals. Piano performances were given by Mr. J. Thow and Misses Dobson and Geddes, and a solo on the violin by Miss Mary Bowman. Recitations were also given by Misses Nellie Bowman and Nellie Bell. The chairman said that the present meeting augured well for the future success of the club. The Hon. Mr. Ramsay, when spoken to on the subject, at once gave orders to get the lease of the links to the ladies drawn up, and, although the document had not been completed, they might rest assured that they already possessed the proprietary right. In order to get the greens and the cuorse generally put in proper order, the chairman suggested the getting up of a small bazaar or sale of work, and, if they did that, he had no doubt they would soon get sufficient funds. Were a few improvements carried out, Barnhill Links would be second to none in Scotland as a ladies' course. There were forty members of the club ; but next year, with the admission of gentlemen, the membership would no doubt rapidly increase. Mrs. Hood then presented the prizes, six in number, played for during the recent tournament, to the winners, namely:—I (scratch), Miss Nellie Bell ; 2, Miss Sophia Low ; 3, Miss Nellie Christie. First average and medal—I, Miss Fyffe ; 2, Miss Alice Dobson ; 3, Miss

KING'S NORTON V. BLACKWELL.

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| | | | loles. | | | Ho | les. |
| Mr. J. J. Tomson | | | 4 | Rev. A. E. Swift | | 49.4 | 0 |
| Mr. A. D. Charles | | 1464 | 0 | Mr. H. Clark | 115 | | 1 |
| Mr. S. R. Baker | | | 3 | | 10 | 1944 | 0 |
| Mr. A. K. Baillie | | | | Mr. T. J. Addenbroo | | | |
| Mr. F. Holliday | 19,9,91 | 1444 | 0 | Mr. S. Clarke | *** | | 1 |
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KENILWORTH GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition for the Ladies' Club prize for the year 1895-96, commenced on Thursday, November 14th (medal play under handicap), with the following results :-Mrs. W. H. Mitchell, 99, less 8=91; Mrs. Hornby, 127, less 35=92; Miss Humphreys, 112, less rg=93; Miss G. M. Jepson, 101, less 6=95. No returns from Mrs. O'Leary, Miss Howe, Miss Stead, Miss Sidebottom, and Miss L. Sidebottom.

LEEK V. BASFORD.

BASFORD.

Played at Basford, November 16th :--

LEEK.

| | Hole | 25. | | Ho | les. |
|-----------------------|------|------------------------|------|------|------|
| Mr. G. H. Healing | | 5 Mr. P. W. Williams | | | 0 |
| Mr. G. C. Wardle | 544 | 4 Mr. A. English | | | 0 |
| Mr. J. Wooley | | | 1222 | 112 | 0 |
| Mr. W. R. Underhill | | 7 Mr. J. W. Rendall | 110 | | 0 |
| Mr. J. Armstrong | | 4 Mr. J. T. Ginbons | | 400. | 0 |
| Mr. W. A. L. Hammersl | еу 1 | 3 Mr. C. E. Walker | | *** | 0 |
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LEEK v. ASHBOURNE.

Played at Leek, November 20th :--

| LEEK. | | | ASHBOURNE. | | | | | |
|---|---|-------------|--|--------------------|----|--------|--|--|
| | H | oles. | | | He | oles. | | |
| Mr. J. E. Evershed Mr. J. H. Healtng Mr. G. C. Wardle Mr. W. R. Underhill Mr. J. Armstrong Mr. W. A. L. Hammersley | | 0 4 3 9 2 5 | Mr. T. H. Bamford Mr. H. F. Gibson Mr. A. Macbean Mr. H. Holmes Mr. T. Cook Mr. R. Wilson | ···· ··· ··· | | 000000 | | |
| | | 16 | | | | 0 | | |

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

The second competition for the captain's cup took place on the links of the Lytham and St. Annes's Golf Club at St. Anne's on Saturday. It was a bitterly cold day with a most searching wind from north-east, blowing very heavily in the forenoon especially, and being very materially against good scoring. Consequently the cards sent in were much above the average of the play at St. Anne's, only two of the gross scores being under 100. The net returns under 110 were :---

| Gro | oss. Hcp. 1 | Gross. Hcp. Net. | | | | |
|---------------------|-------------|------------------|---|---------------|--|--|
| Mr. T. C. Midwood | 99 11 | 88 | Mr. W. Newbigging 104 | 4 100 | | |
| Mr. G. A. Kay 10 | 06 17 | 89 | Mr. J. Mellor 106 | 6 100 | | |
| Mr.N. Macbeth, jun. | 96 5 | 91 | Mr. J. A. Brown 102 | scr. 102 | | |
| Rev. C. Billington | 98 3 | 95 | Mr. C. G. D. Hoare 108 | 6 102 | | |
| Mr. F. E. Rowe 1 | 04 8 | 96 | Mr. C. G. D. Hoare 108 Mr. J. J. Brickhill 106 | 3 103 | | |
| Mr. E. M. Whipp I | 10 13 | 97 | Col. Munn 115 | II 104 | | |
| Mr. T. H. Rushton I | 00 2 | 98 | Mr. J. H. Hulton II2 | 6 106 | | |
| Mr. T. Baxter I | 12 14 | 98 | | | | |

Mr. T. C. Midwood, Manchester, therefore took the second win for the cup, and received the silver memento. The best gross scores were :--Mr. N. Macbeth, jun., 96; Rev. C. Billington, 98; Mr. T. C. Midwood, 99; Mr. T. H. Rushton, too. For Saturday next--St. Andrew's Day competition---Mr. C. W. Macara, of St. Anne's, one of the honorary vice-presidents of the club, offers a handsome handicap prize to be played for; and a dinner has been arranged to take place in the evening. On Saturday last the prize, presented by Mr. H. Tate, jun., in celebration of the opening of the new links of the club, was placed in the club-room. It is a massive and elaborately worked silver cup (reign George IV.), and was very much admired. It is given for the best aggregate of six net scores made by one player over the new links between October 1st and December 31st. The optional sweepstakes on Saturday were won--First, by Mr. T. C. M.dwood; second, by Mr. G. A. Kay; and third, by Mr. F. E. Rowe.

MORETON LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, November 13th. Twenty-three competitors :--

| Gross, Hcp. Net, | | | | | | | Gross, Hcp. Net | | | | |
|------------------|-------|-------|------|----|---|---|-----------------|----|----|--|--|
| Mrs. Jäger | | 104 | 23 | 81 | Mrs. Moyley | | 108 | 18 | 90 | | |
| Miss Molyneux | | | | | Miss K. Castle | | 116 | 26 | 90 | | |
| Miss M. Ball | | 91 | 5 | 86 | Miss M. Laird | | 116 | 20 | 96 | | |
| Mrs. Wright | | 112 | 26 | 86 | Miss Nellie Smyth | 1 | 108 | 11 | 97 | | |
| Miss Dod | *** | 89 | scr. | 89 | Miss Jackson | | IIS | 16 | 99 | | |
| Miss Spence | | 102 | 12 | | Miss B. J. Laird | | | | | | |
| Eleven made | no re | eturn | | | and the second | | | | | | |

NORTHAMPON V. COVENTRY.

This match was played on the Northampton Links on Saturday, November 23rd, and resulted in a win for the visitors by 4 holes. A strong gale of wind was blowing throughout the match :---

| COVENTI | EY. | NORTHAMPTON. | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|------|--------------|--------|--------------------|------|-------|------|--|--|
| | | H | loles. | | | Ho | les. | | |
| Mr. Hugh Rotherha | m | | 0 | Mr. N. Dawson | | | 2 | | |
| Mr. H. W. Bainbrid | ge | - | 8 | Rev. H. H. Stewart | | | 0 | | |
| Mr. H. Smith | | 334 | 0 | Mr. B. B. Muscott | 444 | | 3 | | |
| Mr. W. Hillman | *** | 184 | 0 | | | | 0 | | |
| Mr. K. Rotherham | | - 553 | 0 | Mr. A. C. Simmons | | 74.64 | 1 | | |
| Mr. A. P. Pridmore | 22.2 | | 6 | | 244 | | 0 | | |
| Mr. J. Powers | 222 | | 0 | | 1444 | 42 | 0 | | |
| Mr. W. W. Wyley | - | | 0 | Mr. J. Haviland | 244 | 522 | 4 | | |
| | | | | | | | - | | |
| | | | 14 | | | | 10 | | |

NOTTS v. LEICESTER.

On Saturday afternoon, November 23rd, a match took place between the above clubs at Bulwell, and resulted as follows : -

| Nott | S. | | LEICESTER. | | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|------------|-------------------|--------|-----|------|
| | | H | loles. | | | Ho | les. |
| Mr. J. Hall | | | 8 | Mr. A. Lorrimer | | | 0 |
| Mr. C. R. Hemingw | vay | 144 | 10 | Mr. E. W. Beale | *** | | 0 |
| Mr. H. M. Robinson | | | 7 | Mr. F. Ashwell | | | 0 |
| Mr. J. Bowes | | | 10 | Mr. H. L. Goddard | | | |
| Mr. W. P. Snook | | | IO | Mr. B. W. Russell | | | 0 |
| Mr. J. McMeeking | *** | | I | Rev. H. Hampson | See. | | 0 |
| Mr. E. A. Coutts | | | 6 | Mr. J. A. Corah | 144413 | 100 | 0 |
| Mr. J. Johnstone | | | 0 | Mr. C. Pegg | | | 0 |
| Mr. F. T. Green | 222 | | 2 | Mr. C. E. Hare | 3441 | | 0 |
| Mr. J. Bright | 224 | | 10 | Mr. S. Anderson | 444 | | 0 |
| | | | | | | | - |
| | | | 64 | | | | 0 |

OXFORD UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

Wednesday, November 20th, "Bogey" competition for Kirkaldy medal, handicap limited to 18, and $\frac{3}{4}$ allowed :--Mr. W. R. Anstruther (9), 1 up; Mr. J. H. Richardson (6), square; Mr. G. B. Grundy (4), 1 down; Rev. P. A. Henderson (9), 1 down; Mr. G. B. Ellis (scratch), 2 down; Mr. O. T. P. Nelson (4), 2 down; Mr. G. E. C. Maconchy (5), 2 down; Mr. E. T. P. Magor (10), 2 down; Mr. C. J. Jones (11), 2 down; Mr. R. H. Mitchell (scratch), 3 down; Mr. W. J. Braithwaite (5), 3 down; Mr. F. Wylie (7), 3 down; Mr. W. H. Heneage (7), 4 down; Mr. P. A. Lushington (3), 5 down; Mr. M. Waterlow (5), 5 down; Mr. W. A. Henderson (1), 7 down; Mr. T. Ranken (5), 7 down; Mr. H. W. Kaye (5), 7 down; Mr. R. W. Mitchell (5), 7 down; Mr. F. J. Hope (2), 8 down; Mr. H. B. Leete (12), 9 down; Mr. A. D. Radford (6), 10 down. Twenty-eight entries.

Weekly handicap, Friday, November 22nd. First class :-

| G | ross. Hcp. | Net. | (| Fross. | Hcp. | Ne |
|---|--------------|----------|---------------------------|---------|------|----------------|
| Mr. C. R. Jelf Mr. T. Ranken Mr. C. W. Heneage Mr. R. H. Mitchell Mr. A. B. Sanders Mr. R. W. Mitchell | 77 6 86 9 | 71 77 | son Mr. H. G. B. Ellis | | | 78 79 83 |
| Mr. R. W. Mitchell Second class : | 85 7 | 78 | waite | 91 | 7 | 84 |
| | ss. Hcp. I | Net. | Gi | ross. I | Hcp. | Net. |
| Mr D D Salber | a6 aa | my I | M. C. F. V. Auston | 144.00 | | 0. |

| Mr. P. R. Selby Mr. W. S. Gossett Mr. E. T. P. Magor | 91 | 16 | 75 | Mr. H. B. Leete . | 98 | 16 | 82 |
|--|----|----|----|-------------------|----|----|----|
| Thirty three entries | | | | | | t. | ~3 |

i mity-three entries, no returns from the rest

OXFORD UNIVERSITY v. ROYAL ASCOT.

Played at Ascot on Saturday, November 16th, in a terrific wind, which made good Golf impossible.

| | OXFORD. | | ROYAL ASCOT. | | |
|---|----------------------------|--------|-----------------------|-------|-----|
| | | Holes. | | Hol | les |
| | Mr. R. H. Mitchell | . I | Major D. A. Kinloch | | 0 |
| | Mr. R. W. Wright-Henderson | | Mr. R. A. H. Mitchell | | |
| | | | Mr. C. M. Smith | | 3 |
| | Mr. H. G. B. Ellis | | Mr. J. F. E. Bowing | 6.45 | Ĩ |
| | Mr. W. A. Henderson | | Capt. Cooper Key | | 0 |
| | Mr. G. B. Grundy | . 3 | Mr. S. H. Eden | 14.00 | 0 |
| | | | Mr. H. Sawyer | 1.44 | 0 |
| 1 | Mr. F. J. Hope | 0 | Mr. H. H. Longman | 12222 | 3 |
| 1 | | | | | - |
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OXFORD UNIVERSITY v. CROOKHAM.

Played at Crookham on Saturday, November 23rd. The day was fine, but a very strong north wind interfered with the game. The first two pairs had a good close match. Mr. Cook proved a bit too strong for Mr. Henderson, who was off his game. Mr. Hope and Mr. R. W. Mitchell both played good, steady games. Below is the score :--

OXFORD UNIVERSITY. CROOKHAM.

| Hol | les. | Hol | es. |
|---|--|-----|-------------|
| Mr. R. H. Mitchell Mr. H. G. B. Ellis Mr. R. W. Wright Henderson Mr. W. A. Henderson Mr. P. A. Lushington Mr. F. J. Hope | 0 Mr. E. H. Buckland 3 Mr. A. H. Evans 0 Mr. A. B. Cook 1 Mr. E. J. Maguire 0 Mr. R. S. Wilson 3 Mr. A. H. Worrall | | 1 0 6 0 3 0 |
| Mr. R. W. Mitchell | 6 Mr. W. H. Belcher | | 0 |

PETERBOROUGH GORDON v. HARRINGWORTH.

Mr. M. English's Team v. Rev. F. S. Edmonds' Team.—At Harringworth on Thursday, November 21st :—Peterborough, 26 holes ; Harringworth, 4 holes.

PRINCE'S LADIES' GOLF CLUB (MITCHAM).

The autumn meeting of the Prince's Ladies' Golf Club, held on November 18th and 19th, went off most brilliantly, and was favoured by the best possible golfing weather.

Monday, November 18th.—The open scratch competition attracted a large number of visitors, there being seventy entries, but the start was so successfully arranged that all the competitors got off and round without any waiting or crowding on the tees. Miss Kenyon Stow, with a brilliant score of 73, the record of the green, carried off the first prize, a silver and crystal writing set and paper-weight. Miss Mildred Rostron ran second with 79, winning a lovely silver inkstand; and Miss Hassard Short third, with 81, received two dozen Golf balls and a work-bag.

Miss Kenyon Stow, 73; Miss Mildred Rostron, 79; Miss G. Hassard Short, 81; Miss Stringer, 83; Mrs. Worssum, 84; Miss Phillips, 84; Miss Langley, 85; Mrs. Harry Willock, 86; Miss Issette Pearson, 88; Mrs. Mackern, 89; Miss Marion Langley, 90; Miss Knight, 90; Mrs. Harry Stewart, 90; Mrs. Cameron, 91; Miss Henderson, 91; Miss Bowyer, 91; Miss Birch, 91; Miss Ravenshaw, 91; Mrs. Penrose, 91; Mrs. A. King, 93; Miss Shirrefi, 94; Miss Maud Rutter, 95; Miss A. Pascoe, 95; Miss Tee, 96; Mrs. Hutt, 98; Miss Hatfeild, 100; Miss Pyke, 100; Mrs. Powell, 101; Miss Halford (captain), 102; Miss Lily Fied, 102; Miss Martineau, 106; Mrs. Edwards, 108.

The driving competition, in which forty-one ladies took part, was won by Mrs. Worssam with the fine carries of 127 and 115 yards, the prize being a charming silver bowl presented by Miss Hatfeild. A beautiful silver sugar basin, offered by Miss M. E. Phillips, fell to Miss Knight with a score of 41; and the putting prize to Mrs. Mackern, after a tie with Miss Rutter.

Driving competition.—Mrs. Worssam, 127 yards, 115 yards: Miss Shirreff, 120, 115; Miss Lena Thomson, 122, 110; Miss Henderson, 115, 110; Miss Knight, 112, 111; Mrs. Laird, 112, 108; Miss Kenyon Stow, 115, 101; Miss Penrose, 108, 105; Miss G. Hassard Short, 103, 101.

Tuesday, November 19th, was devoted to club competitions, forty members entering. Miss A. Pascoe, with 80, won the annual scratch medal; Mrs. Woodhead won both the first handicap and aggregate prize with the long handicap of 24. The Hon. Mrs. David Bevan, a very improving player, ran second with 98, less 24=74; Miss Martineau won the dozen balls competed for by handicaps of 24 only; and the consolation prize, a lovely silver-mounted umbrella, kindly presented by Mrs. Stafford Thompson for the best scratch score which had not already taken a prize, is still in abeyance, being tied for by Mrs. Harry Willock and Miss Rutter. The approach prize, a lovely enamel and diamond brooch, presented by Mrs. George Dawkins, was won by Miss Halford after two ties with Miss Langley. Mrs. Stafford Thompson distributed the prizes. Some excellent groups of the players were taken by Miss Audrey Campbell.

| Gr | oss. Hep | Net. | Gross, Hcp. Net | |
|-----------------------|--------------|------|-----------------------------|----|
| Mrs. Woodhead 9 | | | Miss J. Trollope 110 21 89 | |
| Hon, Mrs. David | | | Miss Mary Sharpe 105 16 89 | 1 |
| Bevan 9 | | | Mrs. Pakenham Law- | |
| Miss Maud Rutter & | 36 10 | 76 | rell 99 9 90 | 1 |
| Miss Martineau Ic | 0 24 | 76 | Miss Mabel Marget- | |
| Miss Pascoe 8 | So ser. | So | son 110 18 92 | |
| Miss Eleanor Camp- | | | Miss Pyke 110 18 92 | |
| bell 10 | | 80 | Mrs. Hannaford 110 18 92 | |
| Mrs. Harry Willock & | | 83 | Mrs. Hessenberg 109 16 93 | |
| Mrs. Cameron 9 | 1 7 | 84 | Miss Aston 106 13 93 | |
| Mrs. Powell c | 4 10 | 84 | Mrs. Harry Stewart 102 9 93 | |
| Miss Langley 8 | 88 3 87 1 | 85 | Miss Hatfeild 108 14 94 | |
| MissMildred Rostron 8 | 37 1 | 86 | Mrs. Bird 117 18 99 | ł. |
| Mrs. L. Nicholson II | 1 24 | 87 | Miss Stephen 128 24 104 | |
| MissG.HassardShort 9 | 3 4 | 89 | | |

Aggregate prize :- Miss Woodhead, 142; Miss Martineau, 158; Miss M. Rostron, 160.

RANELAGH GOLF CLUB.

The gold medal to be competed for by the winners of the monthly medals of the last season, resulted in a tie between three out of the four players. This tie was again played off on Svturday last, resulting in a second tie between Sir William Russell and Mr. Roger Leigh; at the third attempt the latter won with a score of 100, less 16=84.

A putting competition, held on the same day, for a prize kindly presented by Mr. Asheton Craven, resulted as follows: --Mr. L. Craven, 25; Mr. E. Lehmann, 27; Mr. A. Craven, 27; Dr. Carter, 28; Mr. Woodbine Parish, 28; Mr. H. R. Troup, 28; Mr. W. P. Wincott, 28; Rev. T. J. Filmer Bennett, 28; Mr. R. Bramwell Davis, 28; Mr. H. White, 29; Mr. L. G. Abney, 29; Mr. C. E. Foyer, 29; Rev. C. Bradshaw, 31.

ROYAL ARTILLERY (WOOLWICH) GOLF CLUB.

The half-yearly competition for the Barron cigarette box took place on November 16th. The course was on the soft side after the rain, but in fair order. Unfortunately it blew half a gale, and the scoring was generally high. Scores :--

| Gross. Hcp. Net. Gro | | | | | | Net. |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| *Capt. Minchin 88 †Capt. Crampton 88 ‡Capt. Phipps Hornby 96 \$Capt. Mansell 106* Lieut. Thwaites 99 LieutCol. Blaksley 107 Major Curteis 98 Capt. Lachlan 100 | 10 8 15 22 14 20 9 | 78 80 81 84 85 87 89 | Lieut. Van Strau- benzee | 1C0 96 99 113 114 | 10 4 7 20 20 18 | 90 92 93 94 96 |

* Wins the Barron cigarette box. † First sweepstake.

[†] Second sweepstake. § Third sweepstake.

Second medal competition, November 20th. A fair number turned out to play. There was a cross wind, and the green was in fair order. The handicaps had been raised all round, and the scoring was fairly even. Scores:—

| | G | Gross, Hcp. N | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-----|---------------|----|----|------------------------------------|-----|----|----------|
| | | | | | Major Curteis SurgCapt. Donald- | 97 | 12 | 85 |
| †Capt. Lachlan †Capt. Hornby | 022 | 94 | 14 | 80 | son | | | 86 87 |
| Major Coker | | 90 | 7 | 83 | SurgCapt. Allen | 110 | 22 | 88 |
| Capt. Rich Lieut. Overton | ++ | 99 108 | 15 | 84 | Capt. Mansell | 113 | 22 | 91 |

* Divided first and second sweepstakes.

† Divided third sweepstakes.

No returns from several others.

Second "Bogey" competition, November 23rd :--Capt. Minchin (7), 2 down; Capt. Crampton (7), 4 down; Capt. Rich (11), 5 down; Major Hall (15), 5 down; Lieut. Thwaites (12), 6 down; Major Curteis (9), 7 down; Capt. Mansell (16), 7 down. Several made no returns. This competition was played on a very cold day, with a strong north-east gale blowing. The course was very slow after rain.

ROVAL ASCOT GOLF CLUB.

Autumn meeting, November 22nd and 23rd :-

| G | Firs ross. 1 | t Day Hep. 1 | | | ond l Hcp | | Total. | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----|-----|--------------|-----|--------|--|
| *Mr. S. H. Wollaston | 87 | 10 | 77 | 100 | 10 | 90 | 167 | |
| *Col. Lewes | 96 | 16 | 80 | 109 | 16 | 93 | 173 | |
| Mr. H. Sawyer | 88 | 7 | 81 | IOI | 7 | 94 | 175 | |
| Mr. H. H. Longman | 93 | II | 82 | 107 | II | 96 | 178 | |
| Mr. S. H. Eden | 93 | 10 | 83 | 103 | 10 | 93 | 176 | |
| Mr. A. C. Bartholomew | 99 | II | 88 | 105 | 11 | 94 | 182 | |
| Mr. J. F. E. Bowring | 89 | 2 | 87 | 99 | 2 | 97 | 184 | |
| †Mr. R. A. H. Mitchell | 90 | I | 89 | 96 | I | 95 | 184 | |
| †Mr. F. J. Patton | 94 | 2 | 92 | 92 | 2 | 90 | 182 | |
| Mr. L. B. Keyser | 102 | 9 | 93 | 93 | 9 | 84 | 177 | |
| †Major Kinloch | 93 | +1 | 94 | 93 | +1 | 94 | 188 | |
| Mr. P. J. De Paravicini | IIO | 18 | 92 | 114 | 18 | 96 | 188 | |
| Mr. Guy Eden | 105 | 10 | 95 | 103 | 10 | 93 | 188 | |
| Mr. H. Blackett | 100 | 5 | 95 | 96 | 5 | 91 | 186 | |
| Mr. F. L. Govett, | 106 | II | 95 | 109 | II | 98 | 193 | |
| Mr. J. H. Hollings | 113 | 14 | 99 | 115 | 14 | 101 | 200 | |
| Rev. J. Stewart | 114 | 11 | 103 | 117 | II | теб | 209 | |
| Mr. J. M. Heathcote | 106 | 18 | 88 | | - | - | | |
| Mr. N. Nares | 106 | 16 | 90 | - | - | - | - | |
| Mr. H. Eden | 106 | II | 95 | - | | - | - | |
| Mr. J. I. Ward | 107 | 12 | 95 | - | | - | - | |
| Mr. J. M. Monkland | 105 | 10 | 95 | - | - | - | - | |
| | | | | | | | | |

* Winners of either Mr. H. F. de Paravicini's prize, for best handicap round either day, or club prize, $\pounds \xi$, for the best aggregate round under handicap.

† Tied for scratch aggregate prize, challenge cup, presented by Mr. F. J. Patton.

Others over 100 or no returns.

ROYAL BLACKHEATH V. CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

A well contested match took place at Blackheath on Tuesday, November 19th, between the above clubs, as the following result will show :-

| ROYAL | BLACKH | EATH. | | | CAMBRIDGE UNIV | ERSITY | | |
|-------------|------------|--------|-----|-----|--------------------|---------|----|-----|
| | | | Hol | es. | | | Ho | les |
| Mr. F. S. I | reland (ca | ptain) | | 8 | Mr. B. Darwin | | | 0 |
| Mr. A. Cra | wford | *** | | 0 | Mr. F. A. Scott | | | 2 |
| Mr. W. O. | | | | 2 | Mr. W. K. Marshall | (captai | n) | 0 |
| Mr. J. G. (| libson | | | | | | | 0 |
| Mr. W. H. | Richardso | n | | | Mr. B. C. Thompson | | | 0 |
| Mr. R. Wh | yte | | | | Mr. H. De Zoete | | | 6 |
| Mr. H. Gill | on | | | 0 | Mr. P. W. Leathart | | | 4 |
| Mr. W. E. | | | | 0 | Mr. H. H. Marriott | | | 0 |
| | | | | - | | | | |
| | | | | 15 | | | | 12 |

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

November 23rd, Gordon cup, captain's prize, and monthly medal :-

| G | ross. | Hcp. | Net. | Gro | oss. I | tcp. | Net. |
|-------------------|-------|------|------|----------------------|--------|------|------|
| Mr. E. Hands | | | | Mr. C. J. Fox | | 6 | 93 |
| Mr. C. E. Greig | 96 | 7 | 89 | Mr. J. W. James 1 | 103 | 9 | 94 |
| Mr. G. R. Mewburn | 96 | 7 | 89 | Mr. H. Parker 1 | 103 | 9 | 94 |
| Mr. John Cleghorn | ICI | 12 | 89 | Mr. J. Latham 1 | 104 | 10 | 94 |
| | | | | Mr. Geo. Whitley 1 | 103 | 8 | 95 |
| | | II | 90 | Mr. F. H. Swin- | | | |
| Mr. R. Oxenham | | 14 | 90 | stead 1 | 103 | 8 | 95 |
| Mr. S. R. Bastard | 93 | 2 | 91 | Mr. J. O. Milledge, | | | |
| Dr. J. D. Cruick- | | | | jun 1 | 104 | 9 | 95 |
| shank | 98 | 7 | 91 | Mr. G. Thompson 1 | 107 | 11 | 96 |
| | | | | Mr. A. W. Good 1 | | | 97 |
| | | | | Mr. S. Ridgers 1 | | | |
| Mr. W. H. Davis | 110 | 18 | 92 | Mr. E. Sawyer 1 | 114 | 14 | 100 |
| Mr. W. P. Pechey | 97 | 4 | | Mr. W. H. Martin . 1 | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

Other returns were over 100 net.

ROYAL WIMBLEDON GOLF CLUB.

The tie for the gold medal, played for annually by the Royal Wim-bledon and London Scottish Golf Clubs, was decided on Saturday, November 23rd, with the following results :-Mr. N. R. Foster, R.W., 80, plus 2=82; Mr. T. R. Pinkerton, L.S., 87, plus 3=90; Mr. C. A. W. Cameron, R.W., 94, less 4=90; Mr. F. J. Walker, R.W., 99, less 5=94.

SCARBOROUGH V. BEVERLEY.

Played at Ganton, on Saturday, November 23rd :-

| BEVERL | EY. | | | SCARBOROU | GH. | | |
|--------------------|-----|----|-------|---------------------|-------|-----|-------|
| | | H | oles. | | | H | oles |
| Mr. E. Hodgson | | | 0 | Mr. C. G. Broadwood | 5c | | 14 |
| Dr. J. J. Fraser | | | 0 | Rev. A. W. Swayne | | | 9 |
| Mr. A. W. McIlwain | ne | | 0 | Mr. W. H. Wood-T | aylor | | - C |
| Mr. C. N. Jackson | | | 0 | Mr. Bower | | | 10 |
| Mr. B. Harrison | | | I | Capt. F. E. Freeth | | | 0 |
| Mr. C. E. Saynor | *** | | 0 | Mr. L. P. Edwards | | | 3 |
| Dr. M. D. Macleod | | | 0 | Mr. H. Leslie | Sec | | 5 |
| | | | | | | | - |
| | | | I | | | | 42 |
| BEVERL | EV. | | | SCARBOROU | GH. | | |
| | | Ho | les. | D CHARDON O C | 1.0 | H | oles. |
| Miss B. Thompson | | | 7 | Miss H. Mackie | 1444 | | 0 |
| Miss Boulton | - | | 0 | Mrs. Wood-Taylor | 2.22 | *** | 2 |
| Miss Stephenson | 244 | | 2 | Miss Anderson | | 444 | 0 |
| Miss E. Gilliat | 222 | | 2 | Miss Young | *** | | 0 |
| | | | | | | | - |
| | | | 11 | The second second | | | 2 |

SOUTH BEDS V. ST. NEOTS.

A match was played on the Warden Hill course, on November 16th,

| South B | EDS. | | | ST. NEOTS | | | |
|---------------------|------|-----|-----|---------------------|-------|------|------|
| | | Hol | es. | | | Ho | les. |
| Mr. C. H. Osborne | | | | Mr. P. C. Tomson | | | 9 |
| Mr. J. C. Kershaw | | | 0 | Mr. A. B. Brackenbu | ry | | |
| Mr. F. Simpson | | | 0 | Mr. J. A. Ennals | | | 38 |
| Mr. R. N. Christie | | | | Rev. N. Royds | 199 | | 0 |
| Mr. E. W. Greatorex | | | | Mr. F. N. Butler | | *** | |
| Mr. W. Randall | | | | | | | 0 |
| Mr. Harold Blundell | | | | Mr. Wellwood McNi | | 1000 | 0 |
| Mr. Gilbert Barford | *** | | 2 | Mr. S. G. Wilkinson | (144) | | 0 |
| | | | - | | | | - |
| | | | 20 | | | | 20 |

STANMORE V. WEST HERTS.

Played over the West Herts Golf Club Course at Bushey, on Saturday, November 16th, the home club winning by 8 holes :-

| DIANA | FORE. | | | WEST HERT | S. | | |
|---------------------|--------|-------|------|----------------------|----|------|------|
| | | Ho | les. | | | He | les. |
| Mr. J. A. Begbie | | | 0 | Mr. F. W. W. Grahs | un | | 6 |
| Mr. Garden G. Smit | | | 9 | Mr. B. M. Barton | | | |
| Mr. D. D. Robertso | n | | 0 | Rev. J. A. Bevan | | | 3 |
| Mr. Ernest Smith | | | 0 | Mr. O. W. F. Hill | | | |
| Dr. E. W. F. Stiver | | | 0 | Mr. Arthur Butcher | | | |
| Mr. F. W. Robertso | n | | | Mr. Geoffrey Lubboo | | | 0 |
| Mr. F. K. Horley | (4)(4) | | | Mr. J. L. Clark | | | 3 |
| Mr. C. P. Wilson | | | | Mr. H. H. Tankard | | | |
| | | *** | 0 | Mr. W. J. Ketley | | | 0 |
| Mr. J. W. Greig | | | | Mr. Stanley Clifford | | 1202 | 7 |
| Mr. G. H. C. Lee | | | | Mr. F. J. Burr | | | 0 |
| Mr. George Thomso | n | 19.66 | 0 | Mr. Howard Willian | as | *** | 3 |
| | | | | | | | - |
| | | | 17 | | | | 25 |

TAPLOW GOLF CLUB.

November 21st.—Godwin "Bogey" competition :—Mr. W. P. The competition for a prize, of the value of £5 5s., given by Mr. Pechey, 1 up; Mr. Alfred Kemp, even; Mr. Sydney Kemp, 1 down; Alfred E. Davis, has just been brought to a close, the winner being

The competition for the captain's prize will commence at the beginning of December, entries closing on the 30th inst. The club is being handed over to members at the end of the present year, and it is proposed to admit fifty additional members at a subscription of three guineas without entrance fee.

TIVERTON GOLF CLUB.

The November medal handicap was held on Wednesday, November 13th. There were nine entries, and eight cards were returned, showing results as under:-Mr. A. L. Francis, 87, less 11=76; Mr. E. P. Rooper, 93, less 16=77; Mr. R. S. Owen, 87, less 9=78; Mr. H. Cumming, 110, less 30=80; Col. Todd, 109, less 27=82; Mr. S. H. Fisher, 94, less 9=85; Mr. M. L. Banks, 96, less 9=87; Mr. G. H. Norman, 117, less 27=90.

TORQUAY LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The second medal competition of the season took place on Friday, November 22nd. There were ten entries. Names and scores as follows,

| We are the second | Gross, Hcp. | | | Net. | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|-----|----|------|-----------------|-----|-----|----|-----|
| Miss G. V. Guise | | 81 | 13 | 68 | Miss Wise | | 99 | 20 | 79 |
| Miss Colhoun | - | IOI | 29 | 72 | Miss Pemberton | | 92 | 12 | 80 |
| Miss Wollen | | 89 | 15 | 74 | Miss Livingston | | 106 | 20 | 86 |
| | | | | | Miss G. Rose | | 115 | 28 | 87 |
| Miss E. Colhoun | | | | | | See | 132 | 25 | 107 |

The "Bogey" competition during the month resulted in a tie between Miss G, V. Guise and Miss Oldfield.

TYNESIDE GOLF CLUB.

Third competition for the prize presented by Mr. W. S. Burrell, was plaved for on Thursday, November 21st. Result :---

| (| Gross. Hcp. Net. | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|------------------|----|-----------------------|----|------|--|--|--|
| Mr. W. H. Ritson | 93 13 | 80 | Mr. R. Steel 100 | 11 | 89 | | | |
| Mr. H. H. Blair | 90 5 | 85 | Mr. R. Y. Batey 101 | II | 90 | | | |
| Dr. J. Limont | | | Mr. J. K. Guthrie 104 | | | | | |
| Mr. J. Hiddleston | 95 8 | 87 | Mr. J. S. Brown 99 | 7 | 92 | | | |
| Mr. C. A. Ridley | 88 scr. | 88 | Mr. G. W. Welch 100 | 7 | 93 | | | |
| Mr. G. F. Charlton | 94 5 | 89 | Mr. A. M. Dunn 104 | 9 | 95 | | | |
| Mr. F. F. Thew | 07 8 | 80 | | | 1.00 | | | |

The rest were over 100 net, or made no returns.

WELLINGBOROUGH v. NORTHAMPTON.

Match played on the Wellingborough Links on Thursday, November 21st, resulting in a win for the visitors by 11 holes :--

| NORTHAM | PTON. | | | WELLINGBORO | UGH | | |
|--------------------|-------|------|--------|--------------------|-----|-----|------|
| | | H | loles. | | | Ho | les. |
| Mr. B. B. Muscott | 2444 | 2444 | I | Mr. H. Dulley | | | 0 |
| Mr. W. C. Henderse | on | | | Rev. R. W. Wynter | | 242 | 0 |
| Mr. A. E. Tebbutt | | 1444 | 4 | Mr. P. E. Dulley | 222 | *** | 0 |
| Mr. E. R. Bull | 444 | 1421 | 0 | Mr. C. Nicholson | 241 | | 2 |
| Mr. A. E. Phipps | | | 10 | Mr. A. Mills | | | 0 |
| Mr. F. Hill | | | 0 | Mr. A. E. Villar | | | 7 |
| Mr. C. Phipps | | *** | | Mr. W. W. Robinson | A | | 5 |
| Mr. H. Marshall | | | | Mr. D. D. Chisholm | | | ō |
| Mr. C. Scriven | | | 2 | Mr. H. W. Miller | | | 0 |
| | | | - | | | | - |
| | | | 25 | | | | 14 |

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

At the annual general meeting held at the Wheat Sheaf Hotel, Warwick, on November 2nd, Mr. C. G. Graham and Mr. R. Harrington Smith were elected to the vacant places on the committee. Mr. W. Bouch was on the same day elected to the captaincy of the club for the coming year. The annual report, which was read by the hon. secretary, showed that the present number of members on the books was 227, which, with twelve candidates awaiting election, would amount to 239, the largest on record. During the year twenty-six competitions had been held on the links, for eleven challenge prizes, and sixteen presentation prizes. Three club matches had also been played, and six foreign matches; namely, two each with the Worcestershire, Oxford University, and Coventry Golf Clubs. It was announced that Mr. Bouch, the new captain, had very kindly presented to the club a handsome prize, to be played for next spring as a tournament by holes under handicup, and to be retained by the winner.

WILLESDEN GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medals were played for on November 16th and 23rd, in boisterous weather. Mr. J. Rawlings and Mr. C. J. Simpson tied for the short handicap medal with scores of 99, less 11=88, and 96, less 8 =88, respectively, the former winning on playing off. The long handicap medal fell to Mr. Frank Chase with a score of 99, less 16=83. Returns :—

| and the state of the second | Gross | . Hcp | .Net. | G | ross. I | Hcp. | Net. |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------------------|---------|------|------|
| Mr. F. Chase | 99 | 16 | 83 | Mr. J. Hardie | 111 | 20 | 91 |
| Mr. J. Winkfield | 104 | 20 | 84 | Mr. D. J. Davis | 102 | 10 | 92 |
| Mr. J. Rawlings | 99 | 11 | 88 | Mr. A. H. Briggs | II4 | 20 | 94 |
| Mr. C. J. Simpson | 96 | 8 | 88 | Mr. J. K. Hume | 110 | 15 | 95 |
| Mr. Bantock Pier- | | | | Mr. J. T. Heath | 116 | 20 | 96 |
| point | 100 | II | 89 | Mr. G. F. Handley | 118 | 20 | 98 |
| Mr. Franklin Ross | 83 | +7 | 00 | Mr. H. Bell | IIA | 14 | 100 |

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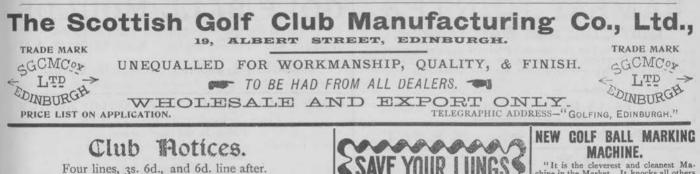
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