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FEBRUARY.

- Feb. 14.—Cambridge University v. Royal Blackheath (at Cambridge).
Feb. 14 & 15.—Pau : St. Andrew's Cross.
Feb. 15.—Disley : Winter Silver Medal.
Saltburn : Captain's Prize.
Mid-Surrey : Monthly Medals (Senior and Junior).
East Finchley : Monthly Medal.
North West Club (Londonderry) Ladies : Monthly Medal.
King's Norton : Captain's Prize.
Robin Hood v. Moseley (at Moseley).
Lansdown : "Bogey" Competition and Monthly Medal.
Royal Worlington and Newmarket : Monthly Medal.
Rochester : Monthly Medal.
Finchley : Quarterly Competition for Challenge Cup.
Northwood : "Bogey" Competition.
Ravenscliffe : Monthly Medal.
North Manchester : Captain's Cup.
Fairhaven : President's Cup ; R. Walmsley Prize.
West Middlesex : Monthly Medal.
Romford : Monthly Medal.
Wimbledon Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Rochester Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Harrogate : Monthly Medal.
Tooting : "Bogey" Handicap.
Formby : Monthly Subscription Prize.
Warwickshire : Mr. Bouch's Prize.
Southwold : Monthly Bronze Medal.
Ealing : "Bogey" Competition.
Balham : Monthly Medal (Junior).
Kenilworth v. Barton-under-Needwood (at Kenilworth).
Cambridge University v. Great Yarmouth (at Cambridge).
Feb. 18.—Cumbrae : Club Prize and Sweepstakes.

- Feb. 19.—Pau : Macnab Challenge Cup and Badge.
Kenilworth : Carey Franklin Prize.
Feb. 20.—Pau : Professional Tournament.
Feb. 21.—Littlehampton : Captain's Cup.
Feb. 22.—Enfield : "Bogey" Competition (Kenilworth Cup).
Lytham and St. Anne's : Captain's Cup.
Birkdale : First Captain's.
Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Cup ; Captain's Prize
Monthly Medal.
Willesden : Short Handicap.
Woodford : Captain's (Final).
North Warwickshire v. Alcester.
Littlehampton : Medal and Sweepstake.
Kenilworth v. Barton-under-Needwood (at Barton).
Cleveland : Mr. March's Prize.
Feb. 24.—Prince's Ladies v. Thames Ditton and Esher Ladies (at Esher).
Feb. 25.—Enfield : Ladies' "Bogey" (Wyndcroft Prize).
Waveney Valley : Monthly Medal.
Burnham : Gold and Silver Medal.
Feb. 26.—Robin Hood v. Yardley (at Yardley).
Warminster : Monthly Handicap.
Kenilworth v. Atherstone (at Kenilworth).
Feb. 27.—Glamorganshire Ladies : Monthly Medal.
Royal Cromer : Monthly Medal.
Romford : Ladies' Competition.
Wellingborough : Monthly Medal.
Royal Guernsey : Monthly Medal.
Bentley Green : Monthly Medal.
Feb. 29.—Glamorganshire :—Monthly Medal.
Sidcup : Monthly Medal (First and Second Class).
Dumfries and Galloway : Monthly Competition.
Royal Ashdown Forest : Monthly Medal.
Cheadle : Monthly Medal.
Willesden : Long Handicap.
Morecambe and Heysham : Captain's Cup.
Royal West Norfolk : Monthly Medal.
Chislehurst : Monthly Medal.
Huddersfield : Monthly Medal.
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.
Romford : Captain's Prize.
Royal North Devon : Monthly Medal.
Royal Eastbourne : Monthly Medal.
Taplow : Monthly Medal.
Cinque Ports : Monthly Medal.
Neasden : Monthly Medal.
Alfreton : Bronze Medal.
Alfreton Ladies : Silver Spoon.
Moseley : Monthly Medal.
Hampstead : "Bogey" Competition.
Warwickshire : Monthly Competition.
West Drayton : Monthly Medal.
Kemp Town (Brighton) : Monthly Medal.
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal.

FERNIE ON THE "SCIENCE OF GOLF."

Willie Fernie, of Troon, one of the finest professional players, came to London last week on a short visit primarily with the object of teaching the theories connected with the attainment of a perfect swing. He paid us the compliment to call at GOLF and to explain in the course of a short interview what he had been doing in Scotland to initiate golfers in the home of the game itself into the true principles underlying a correct, full, easy swing of the club. It seems that nearly a thousand golfers of all stages of progress in the game, including even the Amateur Champion, have received instruction from him, or have consulted him with the object of redressing some slight, unexplained defects of their style of swinging the club. Like all players, good, bad, or indifferent, Fernie himself had periods of play when there was a distinct deterioration in the quality of his game. Occasionally he sliced his balls, and occasionally he pulled them, oftentimes he topped them, and frequently he was so uncertain that he could not be sure whether the ball was likely to go to cover point or square leg. This experience was a depressing one to a player of his calibre, who any day was likely to be challenged for a £100 match; and Fernie, with the true resourcefulness of a golfing genius, set himself with laborious minuteness to the task of analysing his own swing, and of trying to find out the cause of its radical defects. Being an expert in the use of Indian clubs, and what may be described as a really admirable ambidextrous golfer, he set himself to test first the swing with the left hand, and then with the right, until he succeeded in localising the flaws, and in curing them. By this means he was enabled to return more speedily than he otherwise would have done to his previous sound and high-class style of play. He has been working at his theories for years, but he has only been enabled to complete them in their present scope, and finish about three months ago. Since this time he has been giving instruction to golfers in Edinburgh and Glasgow during the past three months, and the applications for instruction in the North have been so numerous that Fernie was not able, owing to his other engagements, to fulfil all the demands made upon him.

The basis of Fernie's theory is that any golfer who wishes to play a sound game, and attain with speed scratch form, must set out by first of all mastering the rudimentary conditions attaching to the stance and the swing of the club. In this he is undoubtedly right, and it was a fact which was abundantly impressed upon the attention of our readers by "Coach" in the series of admirable articles published in these columns. Fernie places the pupil before him, and asks him to swing the club (a walking stick will do) in his ordinary playing style. His practised eye at once detects the fact that the club head is neither travelling in its correct position, nor in its true orbit. The head of the club is turned up or face down; the player does not turn on his toes, or he draws his body back from the ball. Fernie shows in one or two slow movements of the club how the head of the driver ought to describe the circle, and when the player sees how easy the defect is cured, he sallies forth to the tee and drives a ball with a swing quite a fourth fuller than his previous swing, more easily, and with less physical effort. The cure generally leads to a rearrangement of the hands and grip, as well as the stance, which it only needs a little patient practice to consolidate into the player's natural style. Fernie, in short, analyses every player's swing bit by bit, and imparts to each defect the required remedy.

We had the pleasure of witnessing three illustrations of cure thus effected. One was a player who had played for quite twenty-five years, and was near scratch form. Fernie commended the general excellence of his game in every department except the swing, which he asserted was defective. This he proved to be the case by the above analysis later on. In bringing back the club to the top of the swing, the hands were held in a wrong position, as shown by the position of the club head at the top of the stroke. Fernie showed how the club head ought to travel, and when the point was seized, and the remedy applied later on through the green and off the tee, the results were startling in their efficacy. A second player had a fine,

full swing which Fernie admitted he could not improve, but he pointed out that this player did not turn on his toes, thereby curtailing the length of his shots, and leading to frequent topping. This was true, and to this player Fernie recommended the practice of what is known as the second exercise of physical drill. Yet a third player with a fine swing appeared, but Fernie at once detected a defect, and though he had never seen the gentleman play, he said, "You slice your balls." This also was true, and here again the remedy was taught with completely satisfactory results.

Those are three illustrations which came within our personal observation, and there are hundreds to the same effect. Fernie, during the past week, has been busy with classes at Wimbledon, and the golfers of the Royal Wimbledon and the London Scottish Clubs are intensely interested in Fernie's theories and the efficacy of his cures. Fernie has been a leading player in the best professional Golf for twenty-five years; he has been Open Champion, and he knows his subject thoroughly. He imparts his instruction forcibly, and with an amusing, pungent, running fire of commentary and illustration. He prefers to teach in classes of ten or twenty players, and we recommend ladies or gentlemen golfers who wish to receive any of his valuable hints to communicate with him at the Dog and Fox Hotel, Wimbledon. His stay in the South closes at the end of February.

LEICESTERSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The fifth annual general meeting of the members of this club was held at the Leicestershire Club, Leicester, on February 4th, Mr. J. A. Corah, president, in the chair. There were also present, Messrs. A. Lorrimer, W. Whetstone, B. W. Russell, C. J. Billson, H. L. Goddard, C. J. Brand, E. A. Thompson, W. G. Reynolds, P. H. Lockhart, F. Ashwell, A. B. Wykes, C. A. Spencer, H. Reynolds, H. S. Elliott, A. T. Draper, Dr. Pope, Dr. Douglas, Dr. Pratt, and others.

On the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. A. B. Wykes, the report and balance-sheet were received and adopted.

The report showed that the roll of membership for the year 1893 was 84; for the year 1894, 129; for the year 1895 it has been 166, 37 more than in 1894, and 82 more than in 1893. Of these 166 members, 105 have been resident playing-members as against 79 in the previous year, 38 were ladies, and the remaining 23 were non-resident and non-playing members.

The year commenced with a deficiency of £114 on the revenue account, and £191 on the club-house account, making a total debt of £305. It ended with a deficiency of about £9 on the revenue account, and £134 on the club-house account, making a total debt of £143 only, a reduction of £162. This satisfactory result is due mainly to a considerable increase in the revenue, which has risen from £180 in 1893, and £220 in 1894, to about £360. The expenditure, on the other hand, was £37 less than in 1894, being about £255 as against £292 in the previous year. The links have been open for play during the whole of the past year, a good course having been kept well mown and rolled throughout the summer.

On the motion of Mr. C. J. Billson, seconded by Mr. W. Whetstone, a revised code of rules was passed in substitution for those hitherto in force; the number of resident playing members being limited to 125, the entrance-fee being fixed at £3 3s., the charges for visitors introduced by members being fixed at 5s. a week, or 2s. 6d. a day, and other alterations being made.

After the usual vote of thanks to the retiring officers of the club, the meeting proceeded to elect officers and council for the coming year, with the following results:—Patron, the Marquis of Granby; president, Mr. J. A. Corah; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. B. Everard and J. Goddard; captain, Mr. A. Lorrimer; hon. treasurer, Mr. C. J. Brand; hon. secretaries, Messrs. C. J. Billson and C. E. Hare; council, Messrs. F. Ashwell, A. T. Draper, H. L. Goddard, P. H. Lockhart, W. G. Reynolds, B. W. Russell, E. A. Thompson, W. Whetstone, and Dr. F. M. Pope, with the president, captain, treasurer, and secretaries (*ex officio*).

GOLFER'S ELBOW.—The following letter appeared in GOLF, September 13th, 1895:—"To the Editor of GOLF.—Sir, I suffered very much from this distressing complaint, and obtained no relief until I tried a preparation which I found advertised in your valuable columns. I refer to Walker's 'Semotine,' which in a little while quite cured me. I always keep a bottle of Semotine by me, and after a day's golfing invariably apply some of it to my limbs, which I am thus able to keep fit and supple. In the hope that this recommendation may be found useful to others, I am, Sir, &c., Twenty-five Years a Golfer. Rusack's Marine Hotel, St. Andrews, Fife, August 26th." In bottles, 1s. 1d., 2s. 6d., and 4s. 6d. Of all Chemists, Stores, &c. or will be sent post free for 3d. extra by the proprietors, Rowland Walker & Co., Limited, 468, High Road Chiswick. Wholesale, F. Newbery & Sons, London, E.C. Established 1746.

DEATH OF A WIMBLEDON GOLFER.

We record with regret the death of Mr. Arthur Adams, a player well known at Wimbledon and other Metropolitan greens. He was born in 1849, and died on the 4th inst. Educated at Forest School, Walthamstow, and at Berlin, he was in his youth a good football player, and a runner at a hundred yards. With his eldest brother, Mr. J. Franklin-Adams, he was a member of the Cruising Club, the qualification for which body was a thousand miles cruising. Mr. Adams early developed a great fondness for sport, and his services were often called into requisition as starter or judge. He began to play Golf in 1885 while staying with his brother in Scotland, and in subsequent years he did a great deal to popularise and spread the game. He was a member of the Wimbledon Ladies' Golf Club committee, his brother, Mr. Franklin-Adams, being secretary, when that influential ladies' club was founded. The Ladies' Golf Union, in its early stages, owed a great deal to the efforts and advocacy of Mr. Adams, and a great deal of the success attending the Union's last two meetings was due to his management and tact. One of the great proposals which he strenuously advocated in the meetings of the Union was one whereby all the best lady players should not be drawn in a bunch in the first half of the draw. The Ranelagh Club also found the services of Mr. Adams very valuable in connection with organisation and other golfing matters. Mr. Adams leaves a widow and three children, the youngest of whom is a Queen's Scholar at Westminster.

A PLEA FOR A BRITISH GOLF UNION.

Under this heading the *Spirit of the Times*, the leading organ on Sport in America, says:—"The game of Golf at one time was a branch of sport confined almost entirely to Scotland, but that condition of affairs no longer exists. The game to-day is almost universal. As long as it was confined to the narrow limits of Scotland there was no necessity for a Union. The parent body, the St. Andrews Golf Club, was fully capable of dealing with all questions. However, with a broader field, new complications have arisen, and there is a growing demand for a Union which shall have supervision of the game, and take such action as is deemed necessary for the furtherance and perpetuation of the Royal and Ancient Game. Not that any very radical changes are needed in the rules. The regulations in force at St. Andrews are in the main adopted by every Golf club that is organised, but some minor changes are required in order to cover new points which have arisen, owing to the game having been taken up in other fields. The editor of GOLF has been besieged with questions relative to the interpretation of the rules. He has, however, explained the mooted questions in accordance with the letter of the law, but this interpretation has not always proved satisfactory to those by whom the questions were propounded. The rules as they now stand are not always sufficiently lucid and comprehensive to the lay reader, though the expert, by careful study, may arrive at a correct interpretation.

"If a Golf Union were formed, these questions could be discussed, and many beneficial changes could be made.

"In a recent number of GOLF, Mr. Ernest Lehmann editorially presents his plea for a Union. He recognizes the fact that Englishmen as a class are opposed to radical changes, preferring to honour old traditions and customs. He proposes that the delegates of the Royal and Ancient, the Honourable Company, the Prestwick, Royal Liverpool, and St. George's Clubs, under whose auspices the Amateur Championships are held, should at their annual meetings be empowered to take the rules into their consideration, to revise them when necessary, and to examine any questions submitted to them by committees of other clubs, and disputes arising out of discussions on any of the rules brought up by cases arising from actual play.

"This plan seems feasible, and in this way a governing body could be secured with very little friction, and with a minimum of inconvenience. It would also represent the best elements in the Scottish and English golfing communities, and these delegates could in safety be entrusted with the task of preserving the best traditions of the game, and with adding whatever might be considered necessary to the rules. If this Union is formed, reciprocal relations should at once be arranged between it and the United States Golf Association."

WANTED, A GOLF UNION?

THE *Field*, of February 1st, had a very judicious and well-informed leading article on the need of a Golfing Association. It is well-informed, because it recognises the peculiar difficulty which besets the formation of such an association, much as it may be needed in the case of Golf; and it is judicious, because it refrains from the suggestion of any wild-cat scheme which might be alluring, but would be of more than doubtful value.

The difficulty under which Golf labours in this respect is due to the kind of tug of war which is kept up between England's desire for an Association, on the one hand, and Scotland's dislike to the proposal and jealousy of it, on the other. Both feelings are very natural. As the *Field* leader writer points out, there exists no body, having authority, to whom vexed questions of the rules may be submitted, and such vexed questions exist in numbers. It is quite true, no doubt, that for a game that presents the immense variety of incident and accident inseparable from Golf, a code that would cover all possible cases would be perhaps prohibitively voluminous; but if such a body, having authority, as the suggested Association were in existence, the answers given by that body, to the questions submitted, would go to form a code which in course of time might come to be practically all-inclusive. As it is, there is no such body, and no authoritative answer is ever given; the vexed question remains as vexatious as ever unto the end. At the same time, although an all-embracing code of rules might be impossibly bulky, there are certain points on which no legislation has been passed, and which a very few words would clear up. For instance, no one knows what is to be done in the case of a ball within six inches of another on the course being lifted, and a large divot being cut out by the first player. Should the opponent's ball be replaced in the hole cut out, or should the divot be first replaced, if it happen to be replaceable? No one knows. You may argue it, as you please, on grounds of equity: the law is silent on the point.

The other main business of the Association, according to the proposal of the writer in the *Field*, which he quotes from the excellent article of constitution of the American Golf Association, would be "to decide on what links the Amateur, Open, and Women's Championships shall be played." We may, for the present, leave on one side the question of the last-named Championship, merely recording the observation that in all probability the women will always prefer to settle it for themselves, as they have shown themselves, in fact, quite capable of doing in the past. But, taking the other part of the suggestion into consideration, we see at once to what jealousies and heart-burnings the institution of an Association in Great Britain would be likely to lead as soon as ever it set its hand to any such work. The settlement of the arena for the Open Championship has always been in Scottish hands—in the hands of the clubs who subscribed for the Championship cup. In the jealousy and mistrust which the Scottish golfers not unnaturally feel towards the Englishmen who would wish to tell them what they are to do about their own national game, it is most unlikely that they would readily pass over these arrangements into English hands; and their reluctance would be amply justified by the very solid reason that the cup is, in fact, their property. Moreover, they have given every evidence of a wish to act liberally in the matter of the Open Championship, by allowing it to be played at Sandwich, and, prospectively, in 1897, at Hoylake. The

arrangements for the Amateur Championship are conducted by a more generally representative body; and the very best of reasons against interference with either managing body is, that their management seems, on the whole, remarkably satisfactory. It may not be theoretically the best possible, but it works well; and that, after all, is everything. The writer in the *Field* observes that it is unfair that so immense an amount of work should be put on the executive of any club as is entailed by the playing of either Championship on that club's green; but, though this is true enough, it is no less true that, in every case, this extra work is most cheerfully undertaken. All clubs are desirous of having the Championship played on their greens; and certainly they would much prefer that their own executive had the trouble than that the competition should be conducted and arranged by any outside body.

But yet there unquestionably does exist in England a very wide-spread wish that some association could be formed, not so much for the management of these great meetings, which are already managed so well, but as a source of definite decision as to the rules and their interpretation. If such an Association could be formed, with the consensus, fairly unanimous, of all the leading clubs in Great Britain, there is little doubt that it would be a great blessing. But, if this consensus were not obtained, it is more than likely that it would be a big curse. And it seems very probable indeed that the leading Scottish clubs—especially the Royal and Ancient, which is the leader of leaders—would stand outside it. No doubt there are difficulties of detail—as to the election and meetings of the members of the Association—but they might, conceivably, be overcome. But if the golfing world were to be split up, by any injudicious and immature efforts in this direction, into two camps, the one following the ruling of St. Andrews, and the other that of the Association, it would be a misfortune, and would make our Golf less pleasant. So that the main question seems to be whether the time is yet ripe for such an innovation: whether the views of English golfers and of certain large-minded Scotsmen have so far infiltrated into the Royal and Ancient Club—shocking notion to the mind of the old golfing Tory!—that it would be content to take its part, the leading part, in a General Golfing Association. Before wise action could be taken in the direction of forming any such Association, the feeling of St. Andrews in the matter ought to be gauged, for most of the Scottish Clubs would probably feel bound by St. Andrews' action. It is almost certain that the feeling of the Royal and Ancient Club is changing—it is scarcely to be conceived that any member of the club to-day could get up in a general meeting, when the proposals of a sub-committee were being discussed on some points of rules which had been submitted for their revision, and gravely propose that "The sub-committee should be thanked for its trouble, and its report put into the fire." But there is a wide gulf between the frame of mind which that suggestion indicates, and the disposition which would look with favour on the formation of a Golfing Association; and there is a good deal of reason to doubt whether that gulf has yet been spanned.

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We have just had a private view at the studio of Messrs. Dickinson and Foster, New Bond Street, of the completed oil portrait of old Tom Morris. The figure of old Tom is life size, the whole canvas being seven feet high. In its handsome frame the picture is really a beautiful piece of portraiture, and the likeness of old Tom is a "speaking one." He stands in the familiar attitude that those who know him are accustomed to see him adopt in familiar conversation at the home hole at St. Andrews. The pipe is in his left hand, and he has just taken it out of his mouth preparatory to uttering some of his sententious sayings. In his right hand he holds a Golf ball, while in the background is to be seen the Royal and Ancient Club-house, with players preparing to tee off. On the right of the picture is a couple shown holing out. The bronzed face is depicted with marvellous accuracy, and the artist has succeeded beyond cavil in catching the genial expression of frank benevolence which is such a fine trait of the old golfer's character.

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We do not know the destination of the portrait as yet, but it is undoubtedly one to be secured by the Royal and Ancient as a pendant portrait to Mr. Whyte Melville for the club-house. That is its true destination, not only as a piece of fine golfing portraiture, but as a lasting memorial of one who has done so much during his long and honourable career to make St. Andrews and the game we all love and cherish famous in all corners of the globe. Among those who saw the portrait on Saturday were the Prince of Wales and Lord Colville of Culross, who accompanied His Royal Highness. The Prince was charmed with the portrait, and Lord Colville, who knows Old Tom intimately, was enthusiastic in his praises of it. In the meantime Messrs. Dickinson & Foster intend to publish small reproductions of the portrait for the benefit of golfers generally; and it is to be hoped that many applications will be sent in. There will be twenty-five *remarque* copies at £5 5s., others at £3 3s., £2 2s., and £1 1s. It ought to form a decoration in every Golf club.

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James Braid, who played so well against Taylor at West Drayton a short time ago, has been appointed professional to the Romford Golf Club. C. R. Smith, the foreman at the Army and Navy Stores, has got the situation as professional to the Hastings Club, and goes there in a fortnight. Braid will stay there till his time is up for Romford. Braid has been asked by the Crowborough Club to play a match with Rawlins, the American Champion, on March 7th.

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Mr. C. G. Broadwood, whilst playing a match over the Scarborough Links with Mr. Johnston, of Whitby, broke his own and all previous records, both professional and amateur, by going round in the following score:—Out, 8 4 3 4 4 3 4 4 6=40; In, 4 3 5 3 4 3 4 2 4=32; total, 72. The first hole is an easy 5, and the high figure was caused by the ball lying in an impossible place.

Messrs. G. W. Bacon & Co., 127, Strand, have brought out an ingenious and somewhat difficult game of Table Golf. It is enclosed in a small box, about the length of a stimie, and consists of a green strip of raised cardboard, fixed in the lower half of the box. This green piece represents the Golf course, and it is cut out into a series of sinuous folds, with the tee at one end and the hole at the other. The object is to get a small wooden ball, about the size of a marble, from the tee, up and down the narrow, sinuous folds representing the Golf course, until it is lodged in the hole. Every time the ball goes off the green strip on to the brown the ball counts as bunkered, and each attempt to reach the hole a stroke. It is a very interesting puzzle with which to while away the tedium of a spare hour.

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In Fernie's opinion Taylor's style of play, taken all through, varies less than any other professional's he has known. The secret of this unvarying uniformity and excellence he believes to result from the interlocked grip of both hands on the leather of the club. Taylor's grip is, so to say, the wield of the club by one massive hand instead of two separate hands. The disposition of the right hand to work against the left, or *vice versa*, causing slicing or pulling, is therefore eliminated in Taylor's play; and hence the Champion's consistent accuracy and high standard of form throughout his matches and competitions.

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"Inspiration of genius" is the terse description which Fernie gives of Taylor's style. The Troon professional acknowledges that Taylor's methods have afforded him interesting material for study and reflection, and that in the lessons which he is now giving with so much acceptance to Southern golfers, some useful hints have been derived from the Champion's general method of address, stance and swing. Fernie has played off the left leg like Mr. Laidlay, off the right like Taylor, after Jamie Anderson's model, and with the ball midway between the fork of the legs; but to-day he says that he prefers to play with the ball three or four inches to the right of the left heel.

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The annual general meeting of the Eltham Ladies' Golf Club was held at the club-house on February 5th, and was fairly well attended. The chair was taken by Mr. R. Hedderwick, captain of the Eltham Golf Club, who opened the meeting by expressing his pleasure that Mrs. Lord had consented to be re-elected president. He also said that he felt sure the members would be sorry to hear that Mrs. Brown was unable to continue her work as secretary. Mrs. Lord was then unanimously re-elected president, and Miss Richardson was elected to take Mrs. Brown's place as secretary. Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Tasker were elected to fill the two vacancies made on the committee by the retirement of Mrs. Hedderwick and Mrs. Johnston. At the close of the meeting votes of thanks were passed to Mrs. Lord and Mrs. Brown for their work in the past, also to Mr. Hedderwick, chairman, and to Mr. Collingwood, secretary of the Eltham Golf Club.

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It is sincerely to be hoped that that a rattling good contest between English and Scottish amateurs will be made a feature of the Championship meeting at Sandwich in May. It is the especial interest of Scotland to have such an international contest brought off. Two or three Englishmen have brought to England a large share of the glory of the Championship, and it is said in mitigation of the fact that they are exceptional players, but that if a dozen representatives from each side had to enter into an international contest, Scotland would come off with flying colours. The sooner this is tested the better. Anyway, the battle would be quite as interesting as the single-handed struggle for the blue riband.

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Of one thing, we may be sure, that most of the entrants for the Championship will be found in good form. The winter has

been so remarkably mild and open that it can scarcely be said we have had winter weather at all. Golf has therefore not been hindered, and with so much practice the old hands will be prepared for the fray, and many new Richmonds will be in the field.

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"The best of players has something to learn," is a maxim as true of Golf as of anything else—perhaps it is more applicable to Golf than anything else. The Amateur Champion seems to be a believer in the maxim, for report says that he has been taking instructions from Willie Fernie during the visit paid lately by the Troon professional to Edinburgh.

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Sir Thomas D. Gibson-Carmichael contributes to the *Edinburgh Evening Dispatch*, of January 31st, a drawing from a missal of 1504, which represents a game with club and ball, which he says is the game of *chole*, or perhaps Golf. A group of monks is in the drawing, one of whom, with a shocked expression, is running to inform the others of the approach of the player, and the ecclesiastics are seen screening the eyes of one of their number lest he should see the profane sight. Sir Thomas suggests that Sunday Golf may be no new question, but may have caused perplexity to church authorities in the early part of the sixteenth century. Several of the paper's correspondents point out that the players, from their position, are evidently engaged at shinty, not at Golf. Their position is exactly the same as that of the players in the drawing on the initial page of Mr. Andrew Lang's "Chapter on the History of Golf" in the Badminton Volume.

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The Duke of Beaufort, editor of the Badminton series, presided, on Thursday of last week, at a dinner of the Clifton Club, Bristol, and presented handsome gifts to Dr. W. G. Grace and Mrs. Grace from the Gloucester Cricket Club, who formed the local committee in connection with the national testimonial to the Champion cricketer, which, with the £1,400 obtained in the Western Counties, brought the aggregate close to £9,000. The Duke, in reply to the toast of his health, said that he had just had an application from the publisher for his consent to the translation of the whole series of the Badminton Library into Chinese. The Chinese, he said, were the last people on earth whom it would have been thought to interest. If in China, as in our country, the Golf volume proves the most popular of the volumes, we may expect great things from the Celestials.

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Before leaving Archerfield for the season, Mr. John Penn, M.P., as usual, presented the local club with a solid silver cup of neat design, for competition under handicap. There was a good muster of members, and on comparing cards it was found that Mr. A. Bernard, butler to Mr. Penn, was the winner of the coveted trophy with a net score of 91. Mr. Bernard took to the game late, but plays very steadily and with all the enthusiasm of youth, though he has crossed the three-score-and-ten border some time ago. The victory was very popular. Mr. Penn afterwards entertained the players to luncheon at Archerfield House.

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Archerfield has again been taken for the summer months by Mr. James Law, whose tenancy of the charming mansion and grounds is always an assurance that there will be many happy gatherings on the links there during the summer. Mr. G. H. Law has been having a golfing holiday at Biarritz, which is just now crowded with players.

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The St. Andrews Boat Club Fancy Dress Ball, one of the most fashionable social functions in Edinburgh, and all the

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more interesting as it only comes off in a three-years' rotation, was successfully held last week. Some well-known golfers were conspicuous among the gay and picturesque assemblage. Mr. J. H. Aitken, a former holder of the Calcutta cup, appeared as "David Garrick"; Mr. Asher, secretary of the Honourable Company, was a "Spanish Muleteer"; Mr. B. Hall-Blyth did full justice to "A Courtier in time of George I.," with rich brown velvet coat, laced with gold, gold satin waistcoat and breeches, jabot, and wig. Mr. A. E. Henderson, the young St. Andrews star, appeared in "French Riding-dress of Eighteenth Century"; Mr. R. H. Johnston was a simple "Courtier"; and the Champion, Mr. Leslie Balfour-Melville, chose for the nonce the rôle of "Bashi-Bazouk."

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Gentlemen golfers who would like to get hold of nice mansions, with shootings attached and facilities for Golf in the neighbourhood, may just now turn their attention to East Lothian, where at present several of the kind are available. To begin with, there is Luffness House, in the very centre of the famous Golf district, which the proprietor, Mr. Hope, is letting for some time, as he has gone to Algiers. Then there is Gilmerton, one of the residences of Sir Alex. Kinloch, who resides in summer at Kilduff. This has been tenanted by Mr. W. Mure, who has taken Broxmouth Park. It is within nice driving distance of North Berwick, Muirfield, &c. St. Germain's, formerly the residence of another golfer, Colonel Anderson, is also in the market. It is within easy driving distance of Luffness and Gullane.

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Secretaries of Golf clubs who wish to have the world informed of their existence should remember to send their information to the two annuals now being published—the *Golfing Annual*, of which 1896 will be the ninth year of publication, edited by Mr. Scott Duncan, and published at the *Field* office, a volume that no club should be without; and there is the *Golfer's Guide*, edited by Mr. W. Dalrymple, one of our esteemed contributors, and published in Edinburgh by Messrs. White & Co., which is in its third year, and covers some interesting historical ground on each occasion of publication, besides giving lists of clubs, &c. Information for these annuals should be sent now.

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One of the most interesting new entries in the present year's lists will be the Glamorganshire Golf Club, formed in a way in 1890, but not in much favour till 1892, when it began to attract attention in the neighbourhood. The club has now 150 members, including 20 ladies. The course is one of nine holes, and is as yet rather heavy, the soil being clayey, but it is being gradually improved, chiefly through draining, which has been done at considerable expense. A very nice pavilion has recently been erected for the use of members. The entrance fee is £5 5s., and the annual subscription £2 2s. The members are mostly members from the Cardiff Docks, who live in Penarth and about Cardiff. The ground is about fifteen minutes' walk from Penarth station, but the Taff Vale Railway Company are putting up a siding for landing players, as trains to Cadoxton pass the course. Much of the success of the club has been due to the hon. secretary, Mr. C. B. Stoddart, 38, Mount Square, Cardiff. A new greenkeeper has recently been appointed, under whom the green is expected to go on improving.

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Civilisation has seen the stone, the bronze, and the iron ages, and now we appear to be entering upon the paper age. In addition to the many purposes for which paper has hitherto been employed, as, for instance, railway carriage wheels, paper is now being used for building. An American has perfected a paper-pulp substitute for building stone, which casts into perfect slabs. It is light, hard, a non-conductor of sound and heat, and

THE FAR AND SURE GOLF BALLS are splendidly seasoned, and are 9s. 6d. per doz. for twelve dozen. Wisden's re-made Balls at 8s. are the best that can be obtained, 21, Cranbourne Street, London, W.C.

non-porous. In Norway there are two mills turning out roofing tiles of paper. In Golf club making paper has also made its appearance. Bob Simpson, of Carnoustie, has been turning out very neat, serviceable clubs made of compressed paper. The head is good as to pattern, hard in substance, and stands all kinds of rough play in the hands of beginners exceedingly well. It is a good club for winter play, as it is less liable to be affected by the wet than the ordinary beech head.

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"Timothy" recalls the fact that the late President of the Royal Academy chose for one of his most famous pictures, "Greek Girls Playing at Ball," and thus reminded golfers that the Corfu girls set the ball a-rolling which has now got into the Golf stream. As regards the vacant chair in the academy, it is not to be *facile Prinsep's*, but Sir John Millais'.

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Among pictures sold in Dowell's, Edinburgh, on Saturday, was one of "Aberdeen Links," by Mr. Garden G. Smith.

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We have lately examined some very fine Golf and cycling costume cloths manufactured by Messrs. Barker and Moody at their cloth mills in Leeds. The material is soft and woolly, in all kinds of handsome and variegated check patterns suitable for spring and summer wear. The textures and patterns are not only admirably adapted for ladies who either golf or cycle, but also for those who wish a good, comfortable outdoor dress for spring.

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The annual general meeting of the Streatham Golf Club was held at the Streatham Chess Club on Tuesday, the 11th. The accounts to December 31st, 1895, were passed. Permission from the London County Council has been obtained to extend the time of play during March and October until noon. The greens are now in very good order. Mr. S. T. Fisher is the captain, and Mr. S. N. Challoner, 100, Thrale Road, Streatham Park, S.W., hon. secretary and treasurer. The subscription is 5s. per annum.

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The Cleveland Golf Club, at its annual meeting held on January 9th, elected as the committee for the current year:—President, Mr. T. D. Ridley; vice-presidents, Hon. G. E. Lascelles, Messrs. James Rutherford, A. J. Dorman, C. D. Mackenzie, J. Lambert, Hugh Bell, J. Bowman, and Dr. Lennard; captain, Mr. A. O. Cochrane; hon. secretary, Mr. Jas. W. Kyle; hon. treasurer, Mr. J. M. Meek; members of committee, Messrs. T. C. Davison, T. W. Ridley, R. F. Helm, H. Smurthwaite, A. Mackinlay, and D. Mackay. The total number of members on the roll is 172, viz.: 155 gentlemen (of whom two are honorary and six suspended), and seventeen ladies, being an increase of thirteen gentlemen and two ladies. The revenue from visitors has been £27 15s., being an increase of £7 over the previous year. The debt on the club-house has been extinguished, and there is a balance to the credit of the club of £28, notwithstanding the outlay on the links and the engagement of a groundman, in addition to Taylor.

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The links at Frinton-on-sea, favourably reported upon by Tom Dunn, have now been laid out, and in about a fortnight or three weeks will be practically complete. They are being played on now, and will make really good-class links. It is proposed to have a club competition at Easter and to offer two cups, one handicap for the better players, and another for the duffers, say from 18 to 25 strokes.

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Mr. Cheape's claim for compensation for loss of his pre-emption in connection with the transfer of the St. Andrews' Links to the City of St. Andrews is to be decided by arbitration in Edinburgh, about the middle of March. Mr. Cheape claims £11,500, and the town, although contending that his claim is

only of nominal value, have offered, without prejudice, five hundred guineas. The very best counsel are being engaged in the case.

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The Kilrymont Golf Company, St. Andrews, has issued a new Golf Score Book, containing the rules of the game, with hints as to play. It has also illustrations, showing the correct position for driving, the swing, and the position for iron play. The hints, which are excellent, are brief and pointed, and will not only be highly valuable to a beginner, but will be a useful reminder to more experienced players.

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St. Andrews and the "golging fever" are very happily pictured in the following extract from Mr. R. F. Murray's "Scarlet Gown":—

THE CITY OF GOLF.

Would you like to see a city given over
Soul and body, to a tyrannising game?
If you would, there's little need to be a rover,
For St. Andrews is the abject city's name.

Rich and poor are smitten with the fever,
Their business and religion is to play;
And a man is scarcely deemed a true believer
Unless he goes at least a round a day.

The city boasts an old and learned College,
Where you'd think the leading industry was Greek;
Even there the favoured instrument of knowledge
Is a driver, and a putter, and a cleek.

In the morning, when the feeble light grows stronger,
You may see them going out in shoals;
And, when night forbids them playing any longer,
They tell you how they did the different holes.

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Willie Fernie, during his stay in the South, has been sampling some of the metropolitan greens. He has played at Tooting and Mitcham. Over the last-mentioned green he was partnered with Peter Fernie, from the London Scottish, and the match was halved. On Saturday, at Wimbledon, Willie Fernie and Peter Fernie (no relation) had a match. The Troon professional got round in the fine score of 80—42 out and 38 home, taking 7 to the racecourse hole, which is ordinarily a 4. Peter Fernie was round in 84, and lost the match by 3 and 2 to play. The scores were:—W. Fernie: Out, 5 5 3 4 2 6 7 5 5=42; in, 3 3 4 6 4 5 4 4 5=38; total, 80. P. Fernie: Out, 6 5 4 5 4 6 4 4 6=44; in, 3 4 4 6 4 4 4 5 6=40; total, 84.

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"Clubs for 1896" is the fourth annual volume containing a list of 2,000 clubs frequented by the English in all parts of the world. It contains over 600 Golf clubs, and the work, which is edited by Mr. E. C. Austen Leigh, M.A., is published at one shilling by Spottiswoode & Co., New Street Square, E.C. We have examined the lists and find them full as well as correct. It should be noted, however, that the Edinburgh Burgess Golfing Society, on page 41 is not now a Musselburgh club, but an Edinburgh one, the society having removed eighteen months ago to their private green at Barnton on the outskirts of Edinburgh. The Burgess Golf Club mentioned on page 20 seems to refer to the same society.

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The Marquis of Huntly, president of the Peterborough Gordon Golf Club, played round the Orton course with the local professional on the afternoon of Thursday, the 6th inst.

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A match was played at Willesden on Saturday, February 8th, between Mr. Franklin Ross and J. Braid, who had recently played a halved match with Taylor at West Drayton. A great deal of interest was evinced in the event, which resulted in a win for Mr. Ross by 4 up and 2 to play.



GOLF AT GUERNSEY.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—It may, perhaps, interest some of your readers who are thinking of a winter resort to know where they can golf on a good green.

I believe Mr. Horace Hutchinson, on a visit here some years ago, described the links of Guernsey as perfect, but they were devoid of good players. After all, a Golfer wants pleasant players even more than first class ones, especially if he be not in robust health, and I am certain no other Golf club can receive their visitors in a kinder manner than they do here. The hotels here are good and cheap. The wagonette belonging to the club leaves the town church at 10 a.m., and takes you out to the links by 10.40 a.m.; it also meets the electric trams at 12.30 and 1.30 p.m., about a mile and a-half's drive, so that those who only wish an afternoon round are also suited. The wagonette then leaves the club-house at 4.30 p.m., and brings all right back to the town church, whence most of us wend our way to the Grange Club, where they also receive visitors on most economic and friendly terms, where billiards, pool, or whist is the order of the day till 7 p.m., when they separate for dinner, to return again or not, whichever suits them, till 12 midnight, when the club is closed. There are a good sprinkling of lady golfers, some of whom are quite above the average. They rather scorn the wagonette, and ride out on bicycles when the roads are in a dry state. As far as I can gather the temperature here is generally about 7 degrees higher than the South of England, and snow never lies any time on the links. Should I by this letter induce any golfers to come here for the winter, I feel quite certain they will try and return next year. I may mention Tom Morris was over here two years ago, and suggested several improvements on the course, which have been considered, and the greens are now in most excellent order, and the club in a flourishing condition. Rumours are about of building a large club-house, increasing entrance-fees, &c.

I am, Sir, &c,

HEALTH.

GOLF IN THE WEST.

To the Editor of Golf.

SIR,—Notwithstanding the attractions of the South Wilts Golf Club course, which was laid out by Taylor in 1894, off the Salisbury racecourse; a new club, to be called the Wyndham Park Golf Club, and designed as a nursery for the senior club, is in course of formation, under the presidency of Major Vincent, a retired military officer.

The course, which will consist of nine holes, is situated on Bishopsdown, whence a fine view of Old Sarum can be obtained, and looking in another direction the eye wanders over the pleasantly situated villas in Wyndham Park, and to the noble spire of Salisbury Cathedral.

The course has been already favourably reported on by a

member of the South Wilts Golf Club—a keen golfer and a prominent hockey player.

It is proposed to open the club shortly, when the first ball will be struck by the popular president of the club, from the first tee, which is placed on the top of the powder magazine.

I am Sir, &c.,

New Sarum, February 10th.

STYMIE.

LENGTH OF DRIVES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Can you inform me what is considered a long drive, and an average drive, on a green where the balls travel well? The professionals to whom I have put this question differ a good deal. Can you also tell me the average length of a drive by:—

1, J. H. Taylor; 2, Mr. F. G. Tait; 3, James Braid?

The latter in his last match with Taylor, according to newspaper accounts, frequently outdrove Taylor by twenty or thirty yards. He drives, I believe, a longer ball than anyone else.

I am, Sir, &c.,

CANTAB.

[An average drive is 170 to 180 yards. A long drive we should take to be 200 yards or over. Taylor's average shot we should say, without actual measurement, is about 180 yards. Mr. Tait is a very long driver, and his average shots are 190 to 200 yards. He has the reputation of having driven the longest tee shot on record, namely, 341 yards, 0 feet, 9 inches, on January 11th, 1893, at St. Andrews (see article in GOLF, Vol. V., p. 313). Braid is also a very long driver, and probably ranks above Mr. Tait. He is as long a driver as Rolland, who, at times, can carry 200 yards, and we have seen him drive several times 225 and 240 yards. But for the average player 170 to 180 yards is a good drive.—ED.]

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

F. R. A.—(1.) The exact length is 6,323 yards, or a little over $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles. (2.) We know of no longer course. Sandwich is 6,012 yards; Hoylake, about 6,000 yards; Troon, 3 miles, 1 furlong, 156 yards; Carnoustie, $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles; Littlestone, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles; Montrose, $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles; and Muirfield, where the Open Championship is to be played, about 3 miles.

IN DOUBT.—No; the competitor is disqualified. A definition of the rule would apply exactly to the circumstances you have mentioned, and it has been designed to meet the very case you put.

P. A. B.—Yes, the final *s* is sounded. It is a Scottish word, always used in the plural, and is equivalent to the English "downs." It means patches or divisions of sandy flat ground on the sea-shore, covered with bent grass, and land lying about the windings of a river and the seashore, though not all the open and inland country. Though the expression, "a links" is, nowadays, frequently used, it is incorrect, as well as unscholarlike and ungrammatical.

THE "YELLOW ASTER" GOLF BALL.

Mr. Robert Ramsbottom, the Sportsman's Depot, Market Street, Manchester, ever ingenious and enterprising, has just brought out a new ball under the above name. The name chosen is a happy one, for it indicates in a word the character of the ball. It is a finely-moulded, hard ball, painted a light yellow colour instead of white. In taking this departure we think that Mr. Ramsbottom is right, for there is no practical reason why a bright yellow ball like a daisy should not be as distinctly visible to the player and his caddie against the green of the links as a white ball. We have tested the point by playing with both balls, and find that the "Yellow Aster" is even better than the white, for the eye of the player is not so readily distracted to other white objects lying about the green when he knows that he is searching for a yellow object. Young Tom Morris used to play with balls that had been kept a long time seasoning, causing the white paint to become yellow. Davie Strath used to banter his opponent on the fact that he had to play a man who used "oranges." Well, here is the orange pure and simple, and we certainly think it a notable improvement, even if it be a small one.



ABERDEEN.

VICTORIA GOLF CLUB.—The members of this club held a sweepstake competition last week over the extended course. Twenty-one couples entered, and the weather being favourable for good Golf, some very good scores were handed in. The following were found to be the winners:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. G. Crookshanks	90	12	78	Mr. J. H. Shepherd	88	6	82
*Mr. G. Souter	90	10	80	Mr. L. Anderson	83	scr.	83
*Mr. R. Dunn	90	10	80	Mr. T. B. Reith	84	scr.	84
Mr. I. B. Banks	83	1	82				

* Tie.

LADIES' GOLF IN ABERDEEN.

Englishmen, it is said, invariably begin a conversation by discussing the weather, and I don't think I can commence my little gossip from the far North with a better topic. Since the early days of January, then, the weather has been quite springlike, with, as a rule, azure skies and balmy air. "Too good to last," say the pessimists, with ominous shakes of the head, "and besides, if it does last," these wisecracks add, "you know the proverb, 'If the grass grow in Janiveer, it'll grow the worse for't a' the year.'" Be that as it may, the open weather has been a pleasant variety, after last winter's awful experiences of seemingly endless snowstorms, intense frosts, and the horrors of burst pipes. We are hoping, now that we are well into February, that the favourable climatic conditions may continue, and that for this year, as on some former occasions, the shortest month may fail to perform its proverbial duty of "filling the dykes with black or white." As may be supposed, under these circumstances, play is being vigorously prosecuted on the ladies' course at Balgownie. From early morn till the light fails, these devoted lady golfers play on with true Aberdonian perseverance and untiring energy.

If Golf at Balgownie lacks the aristocratic distinction of St. Andrews and other fashionable resorts where the great ones of the earth do congregate to pursue "ye Royal and Ancient Game" (Aberdeen being exclusively a middle-class town), its votaries here possess, in a high degree, perseverance, enterprise, and energy, good, sterling middle-class qualities, eminently characteristic of the canny Scot. A marked feature of Ladies' Golf in the neighbourhood of the Granite City is the complete absence of the wit and humour which from time immemorial have enlivened the literature of Golf. Truly, so seriously do the good lady-golfers of Aberdeen take their favourite amusement, that they might almost play on "the Sabbath-day" without too deeply offending the susceptibilities of even that Sabbatarian city.

The monthly scratch and handicap prizes were played for last week over the Balgownie course. There was a very large turn-out of competitors. The scratch prize was won by Miss G. Crane, with a score of 75, and the handicap prize by Miss Miller, with a net score of 69.

ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal Wednesday, February 5th. Scores:—Rev. L. W. Lloyd (captain), 111, less 20=91; Mr. G. Bullen, 133, less 35=98; Mr. T. Brown, 140, less 29=111; Rev. H. Mammatt, 150, less 29=121. The other players made no returns. The course was sticky and the lies bad.

BARHAM DOWNS GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition of the above club was held on Thursday, January 30th. Play for the gentlemen's medal resulted in a tie between Col. H. W. Parker and Mr. F. W. Morris, which, on being played off was won by Col. Parker. Results as under:—Gentlemen:—Col. H. W. Parker, 86, less 3=83; Mr. F. W. Morris, 93, less 10=83; Mr. J. W. Jeffery, 95, less 9=86; Rev. G. H. Gray, 107, less 16=91. No returns from Capt. Austin, Gen. Williams, Mr. E. T. Ward, Mr. S. W. Follett, Mr. E. Morris, Rev. G. Hyde Smith, and Mr. H. D. Hirsch.

Ladies.—Miss D. Evans, 113, less 18=95; Miss Jeffery, 118, less 20=98; Mrs. Parker, 116, less 10=106. No returns from Mrs. Ward, Miss D. Jeffery, Miss P. Jeffery, Mrs. Follett, Miss Ramsay, and Miss E. P. Ramsay.

BENTLEY GREEN GOLF CLUB.

The following is the result of the January handicap competition, which took place on the 30th ult. Mr. Caldwell returned a net 86, but was disqualified for playing by mistake from a wrong teeing-ground:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Capt. C. S. Keith (O.S.D.)	100	14	86
Col. A. Campbell	99	13	86
Mr. E. J. Dampier	108	16	92
Mr. C. H. Morton	93	scr.	93
Mr. E. H. E. Morgan	101	8	93
Mr. M. S. Adye (The King's Regiment)	107	10	97
Lieut.-Col. F. S. Openshaw (A.P.D.)	111	10	101
Lieut.-Col. J. E. Harden	117	16	101
Major G. R. B. Patten (A.P.D.)	120	16	104
Capt. C. E. Greenway (The King's Regiment)	124	18	106
Col. W. Merriman	120	12	108

Mr. R. J. Marsden (R.A.), no return; Mr. R. W. Caldwell, disqualified.

BLACKHEATH LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The Blackheath Ladies held their annual general meeting on Thursday, January 30th, Mr. Robert Whyte, an Associate, in the chair. The hon. secretary submitted her report, proving the club to be in a very satisfactory state. The club is quite full, having reached its limit of one hundred members, with several waiting for vacancies. The hon. treasurer's accounts showed a balance of £3 14s. 8d. The following officers of the club were re-elected for the year:—Mrs. Laird, as captain; Mrs. W. Claude Johnson, as hon. treasurer; and Miss A. Bidwell, as hon. secretary. Monthly medal, February 5th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Miss Pease	86	15	71	Miss Mocatta	90	10	80
Miss Knapping	83	11	72	Miss M. Richardson	86	5	81
Miss P. Webb	86	14	72	Mrs. Needham	93	10	83
Mrs. Osmond	90	18	72	Miss Sillar	93	10	83
Mrs. Newton	87	14	73	Miss M. Sillar	98	15	83
Mrs. Triscott	88	15	73	Mrs. Charles	101	18	83
Miss J. Wray	80	5	75	Miss A. Bidwell	90	6	84
Miss Loveless	86	11	75	Miss A. Richardson	92	4	84
Miss Freaun	92	17	75	Miss Dunn	101	16	85
Mrs. Gibson	88	12	76	Mrs. F. Tate	110	24	86
Mrs. Laird	78	1	77	Miss St. Quintin	111	24	87
Mrs. Whyte	85	8	77	Mrs. Penrose	90	2	88
Mrs. Browning	89	12	77	Miss L. Chrestien	109	21	88
Miss Richardson	97	19	78	Miss Fossett	106	14	92
Mrs. Mackern	79	scr.	79	Mrs. Evans	108	16	92
Miss Sheringham	88	9	79	Miss Bidwell	118	24	94
Mrs. F. S. Ireland	88	8	80				

* Winner of medal.

Forty-three ladies competed for the medal, and some very good scores were returned.

A prize offered by Miss Sheringham for the best medal round under handicap, was played for on Friday, February 7th, and won by Mrs. Triscott. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mrs. Triscott	84	14	70	Miss E. E. Mocatta	90	10	80
Miss M. Richardson	78	5	73	Miss Freaun	97	17	80
Miss A. Richardson	81	8	73	Miss L. Chrestien	101	21	80
Miss J. Wray	79	5	74	Miss Fossett	95	14	81
Miss Knapping	83	9	74	Miss Dunn	97	16	81
Mrs. Newton	88	13	75	Mrs. Evans	97	16	81
Mrs. Edwards	85	9	76	Miss Pease	93	11	82
Miss Richardson	95	18	77	Miss A. Bidwell	89	6	83
Miss A. Izard	95	18	77	Miss Fraser	94	11	83
Mrs. F. S. Ireland	86	8	78	Miss M. Sillar	98	15	83
Mrs. McArthur	86	8	78	Mrs. Penrose	89	2	87
Miss Sillar	88	10	78	Mrs. Whyte	96	8	88
Miss Loveless	89	11	78	Mrs. Gibson	100	12	88
Mrs. Laird	80	1	79	Mrs. Charles	106	18	88
Mrs. Mackern	80	scr.	80				

BRADFORD GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition of this club was played at Baildon Moor, on Saturday, February 8th, in gusty and showery weather, which was not conducive to good scoring. Results:—First class—Mr. G. A. Sutherland, 92, less 14=78; Mr. S. Lassen, 98, less 15=83; Mr. Arnold, Priestman, 93, less 9=84; Mr. T. M. Holmes, 88, less 3

=85; Mr. G. H. Blackburn, 95, less 9=86; Mr. W. Moore, 102, less 14=88; Mr. L. Creswell, 103, less 15=88; Mr. E. R. Wethey, 95, less 4=91; Mr. H. Brook, 107, less 14=93; Mr. J. E. Mason, 108, less 14=94; Mr. C. W. Wade, 117, less 12=105. Second class—Mr. R. P. G. Williamson, 103, less 20=83; Mr. R. Lassen, 102, less 16=86; Mr. H. O. Wade, 104, less 18=86; Mr. H. L. Jones, 113, less 26=87; Mr. C. W. Allen, 109, less 18=91; Mr. J. A. Leeming, 113, less 22=91; Mr. J. W. Young, 113, 20=93; Mr. A. Leach, 121, less 28=93; Mr. A. T. Priestman, 120, less 17=103.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

Barrow medal. Each player takes two-thirds of his ordinary handicap, and plays against a fixed score, which to-day was 82:—Mr. F. W. Beckford, Trinity (1), square; Mr. R. R. Conway, St. Catherine's (16), square; Mr. A. R. Heathcote, Trinity (3), square; Mr. J. A. Scott, Jesus (1), square; Mr. F. H. Newnes, Clare (3), 1 down; Mr. J. G. McCall, Christ's (3), 2 down; Mr. P. S. Nicol, Trinity Hall (13), 2 down; Mr. C. Ross, Trinity (11), 2 down; Mr. F. B. Smith, Pembroke (6), 2 down; Mr. J. B. Hotham, Trinity (5), 3 down; Mr. A. C. Lawrence, Trinity Hall (1), 3 down; Mr. H. H. Ogilvie, Clare (11), 3 down; Mr. C. Pigg, Peterhouse (1), 3 down; Mr. G. F. S. Ratty, Pembroke (11), 3 down; Mr. R. B. Scott, Trinity (13), 3 down; Hon. O. R. Vivian, Trinity (4), 3 down; Mr. J. Barnicot, Pembroke (10), 4 down; Mr. G. L. Barstow, Emmanuel (5), 4 down; Mr. E. H. C. Craig, Clare (5), 4 down; Mr. J. P. Thompson, Trinity (14), 4 down; Mr. R. M. C. Munro, Clare (11), 5 down; Mr. H. Pigg, Emmanuel (8), 6 down. Over twenty players made no return. The green was in excellent condition.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY v. NORTH BEDS.

Twelve a side, played on Wednesday, February 5th, at Sandy:—

NORTH BEDS.		Holes.	CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.		Holes.
Mr. L. C. R. Thring	...	0	Mr. B. Darwin	...	10
Mr. J. H. Metcalfe	...	0	Mr. K. M. Marshall	...	4
Mr. W. J. Godby	...	0	Mr. J. A. Scott	...	1
Mr. C. E. S. Innes	...	1	Mr. F. W. Beckford	...	0
Col. Broughton	...	0	Mr. H. W. de Zoete	...	3
Mr. A. E. Holt	...	0	Mr. A. C. Lawrence	...	0
Mr. C. H. Osborn	...	0	Mr. B. C. Thompson	...	5
Mr. W. M. Warlow	...	0	Mr. P. W. Leithart	...	12
Mr. R. M. Christie	...	0	Mr. N. R. Crum Ewing	...	10
Mr. J. C. Multy	...	0	Mr. B. Hillyard	...	7
Mr. A. F. Apthorp	...	0	Mr. H. H. Marriott	...	8
Mr. C. Burnett	...	0	Mr. D. S. Murray	...	9
		1			69

Cambridge University 68 holes up.

CANNES GOLF CLUB.

The prizes kindly given by Madame Capron were competed for on February 4th, in splendid weather, with the following results:—Gentlemen.—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.					
Mr. F. A. Godett	94	4	90	Mr. G. Shaples	122	30	92
Mr. A. Somes	97	7	90	Capt. Philip Green	110	16	94
Mr. G. B. Dugdale	112	22	90	Col. Woodward	113	18	95
Mr. G. Robinson	122	32	90	Mr. A. H. Crosfield	99	1	98
Col. Cragg	119	27	92	Mr. O. Hake	124	16	108

Ladies:—Mrs. Cradock (scratch), 49; Mrs. Tennent, 46, plus 6=52; Mrs. Fred. Walker, 78, less 20=58; Mrs. Nicolson, 61, less 2=59; Miss Hodgson, 75, less 14=61; Miss G. Willoughby, 82, less 12=70.

February 8th.—Prizes kindly presented by the town of Cannes were played for in glorious weather. Town of Cannes medailles d'honneur. "Bogey" competition. Men:—Mr. J. B. Dugdale, all even; Mr. F. A. Govett, 1 down; Lord Rutherford Clark, 2 down; Mr. W. H. Green, 4 down; Mr. Travers, 7 down; Mr. J. Sharples, 7 down; Mr. E. Hewitson, 7 down; Mr. A. H. Crosfield, 9 down; Mr. F. Girard, 9 down; Mr. Gray, 10 down; Mr. H. Barlow Webb, 11 down; Mr. Fredk. Walker, 13 down; Mr. J. Congreve, 16 down.

Ladies:—Mrs. F. Walker, 3 down; Mrs. Tennent, 5 down; Mrs. Stubbs, 7 down; Miss Sudlow, 8 down; Mrs. Nicholson, 10 down; Miss G. Willoughby, 11 down.

CARLISLE AND SILLOTH GOLF CLUB.

The annual meeting was held in the County Hotel on Friday evening, when about forty members were present. Mr. J. R. Creighton, vice-president, occupied the chair. The hon. secretary (Dr. Macdonald) submitted his annual report, which stated that the past season, the first of the amalgamated Carlisle and Silloth Clubs, had been one of activity and progress, and had far surpassed in point of membership

and financial returns the moſt computations that were formed at the opening of the ſeaſon. At the beginning of the ſeaſon there were ſeventy members on the roll; at the preſent time the club had 194 members, divided as follows: 110 ordinary members (full), forty-one lady members; twenty-three artiſan members, ten country member, and ten juveniles. At an extraordinary general meeting held in the County Hotel, Carlisle, on November 1st, 1895, there was a general expreſſion of feeling that a professional be engaged for the club, and the ſervices of Hugh Kirkaldy were ſecured. At this meeting it was further agreed to ſpend a ſum of money not exceeding £100 on the improvement of the Silloth Links. Mr. Ruell, of Scotby, was entrusted with the undertaking, and a ſtaff of five men under his direction and with the ſuperviſion of the professional had been engaged on the work for a period of eight or nine weeks. Their duties were completed, and the actual ſum expended had been £88 19s. 3d. The improvement effected on the courſe was a matter of ſurpriſe and gratification to members who had viſited the links, and the committee had the aſſurance of the professional that next ſeaſon Silloth, as a golfing reſort, would be difficult to beat. The financial ſtalement ſubmitted by the hon. treaſurer (Mr. Henry Scott) ſhewed that, although this had been a year of exceptional expenditure, there was a ſmall balance in favour of the club. The office-bearers for the enſuing year were elected as follows:—Patron, the Marquis of Tweeddale; preſident, Mr. L. C. Salkeld; vice-preſidents, Sir Richard Muſgrave, the Right Hon. W. C. Gully, Mr. J. R. Creighton, and Mr. F. W. Chance; captain, Mr. James R. Graham; ſub-captain, Mr. Gibbins; hon. treaſurer, Mr. H. Scott; hon. ſecretary, Dr. Madonald; committee, Meſſrs. R. W. Cowen, D. L. Thorpe, A. N. Bowman, J. Holliday, W. P. Story, F. Jones, Dixon, J. Niſh Thom, and the Rev. G. E. Gilbanks.

CARNARVONSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for over the new eighteen-hole courſe on February 4th. Although the ſand has been very troubleſome owing to the ſevere gales, the majority of the greens are in excellent order. Some of the new holes are very ſporting. There is no doubt in a very few months the courſe will be a very fine one.—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Rev. F. Willoughby		Mr. W. Wycliff Bar-	
Jones ... 86	4 82	low ... 93	4 89
Mr. E. Woodhead	95 11 84	Mr. E. W. D. Walthall	107 16 91
Mr. G. H. Healy ... 96	11 85	Rev. H. W. Brether-	
Mr. F. E. Woodhead	86 scr. 86	ton ... 108	16 92
Mr. E. A. Young ... 93	5 88	Col. C. E. Dixon ... 116	17 99

Messrs. W. B. Turner, J. Duncan Millar and Capt. J. Carden made no return.

CHESTERFORD PARK GOLF CLUB.

Eighth competition for the Charterhouse challenge cup:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss Burrell ... 105	6 99	Miss Nockolds ... 123	13 110
Miss F. Burgess ... 126	23 103	Mrs. Bellingham ... 138	25 113
Mrs. Waterhouse ... 111	6 105	Miss M. Smith ... 142	27 115
Mrs. Barthropp ... 119	10 109		

Several others no return.

Medal day, Saturday, February 8th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. G. Waterhouse	102 6 96	Mr. W. Waterhouse	100 2 98
*Mr. H. P. Cunliffe	117 21 96	Mr. S. W. Elgerley	109 8 101
Rev. E. E. Edgerley	115 18 97	Mr. R. T. Fosbery	135 16 119

* Tie to be played off.

Several others made no return.

DERBYSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal handicap competition, played February 8th. First division:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Rev. J. Mursell ... 101	15 86	Mr. L. A. Guilmant	102 7 95
Mr. J. Wells ... 98	9 89	Mr. A. H. Perez ... 109	12 97
Dr. L. H. Bryson ... 101	10 91	Dr. Macphail ... 108	8 100
Mr. P. Hawkrigge ... 110	18 92	Mr. R. A. Cary ... 116	15 101
Mr. A. H. Snape ... 111	18 93	Mr. S. Wilson ... 111	8 103

* Wins medal.

No returns from ſeven competitors.

DINARD GOLF CLUB.

The following competitions have lately taken place:—On January 21st Captain Needham, R.N., gave a prize (match play) for which there were fourteen entries, and very keenly contended throughout. Mr. A. A. Camell and Mr. H. Cuthbert tied for the final, which, on being played off, was won by Mr. H. Cuthbert, 3 up and 2 to play.

On January 30th Mrs. Cuthbert gave a prize for mixed foursomes, which was won by Miss G. Edye and Colonel Villiers Forbes, 107, less 6=101. Ten couples entered.

The monthly medal was played for on February 1st, with following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. R. Forbes ... 96	11 85	Mr. H. Stevenson ... 102	12 90
Sir G. Duntze, Bart. 97	9 88	Mr. D. Cryder ... 110	20 90
Mr. A. H. Harrison	100 11 89	Mr. J. E. Cooke ... 114	23 91
Sir F. Blackwood, Bt.	114 25 89		

Eleven entered. The ſpring meeting of this club will commence on April 4th next.

DONCASTER GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, played on February 1st:—Mr. Wickham, 98, less 15=83; Mr. Clark, 105, less 15=90; Mr. Wilkie, 106, less 14=92; Mr. Matthews, 114, less 21=93. Others above 100, or no returns.

FOLKESTONE GOLF CLUB.

The ſpringlike weather brought out a good number of players for the monthly competition. Sir J. Bevan Edwards, M.P., ſcored yet another ſucceſs by carrying off the medal on February 5th, with a net ſcore of 82, his opponents numbering twenty-three. The following returns were made:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Sir J. B. Edwards, M.P. ... 90	8 82	Maj. Carter ... 99	5 94
Dr. T. Eastes ... 98	13 85	Col. Blake ... 104	10 94
Mr. H. D. Hirst ... 91	4 87	Gen. Williams ... 114	23 94
Mr. H. G. Walker ... 94	7 87	Mr. J. W. Jeffery ... 101	5 91
Mr. N. E. Poke ... 106	18 88	Maj. Burton ... 104	8 96
Capt. Gardiner, R.N.	106 18 88	Col. Pison ... 116	20 96
Col. Parker ... 91	2 89	Col. Jee ... 109	12 97
		Mr. E. T. Ward ... 114	16 98

Thirteen ladies competed for the Edwards prize on Thursday, February 6th, Miss Ibbetson ſucceeded in winning the trophy, to be held for the enſuing three months. The following were the returns:—Miss Ibbetson, 105, less 24=81; Mrs. E. T. Ward, 112, less 25=87; Miss L. Wood, 111, less 22=89; Miss Jeffery, 111, less 22=89.

FORFARSHIRE.

PANMURE CLUB SPRING MEETING.—On Saturday the ſpring meeting took place on Monifieth Links of the Panmure Club, when the Bland cup was competed for. The courſe was not all that could be deſired, but ſome good ſcores were regiſtered. Amongſt the earlier entrants to arrive, Mr. Carmichael was the only one who had a reſpectable return, viz., 84. Mr. R. B. Sharp began by regiſtering a 4 at the burn, while Mr. Lamb, with whom he was partnered, getting into difficulties, ſcored a 6. Fours were chronicled for the ſecond hole, but at the next Mr. Lamb ſquarred. Mr. Sharp on the next three holes only got one point in advance of his partner, and at the turn was led by two ſtrokes. Mr. Sharp, however, again aſſumed the lead, and kept it till well on to the finiſh, when his partner ſecured ſeveral excellent ſtrokes, and at the home hole equalled Mr. Sharp's total, the totals both ways being 82 each. The tie was at once payed off. Mr. Sharp ſecured the lead at the firſt hole, but at the third they were equal, and at the turn the ſcores were 42 each. In coming home, Mr. Lamb, who was diſadvantaged to the extent of a point on the ſecond hole, ſcored a 7 at "Tom Morris," and thus threw away his chance of winning the cup. Mr. Sharp was declared winner with 81 to Mr. Lamb's 87. The other returns of note were:—Mr. J. Jones, 94; Mr. W. N. Machan, 90; Dr. Raw, 91; Mr. E. Carmichael, 84; Mr. S. Thomson, 89; Mr. T. E. Suttie, 87; Mr. P. D. Mitchell, 93.

Playing over the Carnoustie courſe on Saturday afternoon, in a friendly game with Mr. Charles Simpson, Mr. Thomas Jameson came in with the ſplendid ſcore of 76. It was made up as follows:—Out, 3 3 5 4 4 5 5 4 5=38; in, 4 4 4 4 4 5 4 4 5=38.

GORDON GOLF CLUB (PETERBOROUGH).

Monthly handicap, Thursday, January 30th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Rev. W. P. Rigg ... 102	15 87	Mr. F. Bower ... 114	22 92
Mr. A. Simpkins ... 100	13 87	Rev. T. Ward ... 101	7 94
Mr. W. H. Sharpe	103 14 89	Mr. M. V. English	118 22 96

Mr. Rigg and Mr. Simpkins played out the final on the following day, when the former won, his net ſcore being 85.

NAIRN.—The Pullar medal was competed for at Nairn on Saturday. A good number of players entered, and the medal was won by Mr. J. J. Annan, with a ſcore of 78 + 3=81. The other ſcores were:—Mr. Malcolm Murray, 87, less 3=84; Mr. L. Macrae, 96, less 10=86; Mr. M. Mellors, 95, less 10=85; Lord Walter Gordon Lennox, 100, less 12=88; Rev. A. Bisset, 101, less 10=91.

HEADINGLEY GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition on Saturday resulted as under:—

Gross.Hcp.Net.			Gross.Hcp.Net.				
Mr. C. H. Berton ...	105	22	83	Mr. C. Kirkby ...	114	20	94
Mr. W. C. Mayo ...	95	10	85	Mr. J. M. S. Lister ...	107	12	95
Mr. T. Riach ...	107	22	85	Mr. J. P. Eddison ...	111	15	96
Mr. T. T. Bower ...	116	30	86	Mr. J. D. Cormack ...	102	5	97
Mr. E. H. Tely ...	107	18	89	Mr. A. Barran ...	123	25	98
Mr. J. Ingleby ...	116	22	94	Mr. G. Walker ...	121	21	100

Thirty-four cards were taken out. A strong wind interfered with the play.

HYÈRES GOLF CLUB.

Weekly handicap, February 1st:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. G. E. Bromage ...	100	20	80	Count Tredicini de			
Mr. J. Dawson ...	94	12	82	Saint Tredicini ...	124	35	89
Mr. Mark E. Collet ...	88	4	84	Mr. M. Seol ...	127	35	92
Mr. W. Jackson ...	98	13	85	Colonel Barne ...	116	15	101
Mr. C. H. Port ...	100	13	87	Mr. G. R. Corbett ...	119	15	104
Mr. J. R. Corbett ...	104	15	89				

No returns from Messrs. Slazenger, Boyd, and Arthur.

KENILWORTH GOLF CLUB.

On Thursday, February 7th, the ladies competed for the monthly silver bowl, kindly presented by Mr. and Mrs. O'Leary, which has to be won three times before it becomes the absolute property of the winner. Medal play under handicap. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Miss E. A. Whieldon ...	93	7	86	Miss Darlington ...	99	5	94
Miss M. Humphreys ...	106	19	87	Miss Jepson ...	116	20	96
Miss G. M. Jepson ...	96	6	90	Mrs. Kemp Bourne ...	135	38	97

No returns from Miss L. Sidebottom, Miss C. Allen, and Mrs. W. H. Mitchell.

KENILWORTH v. COVENTRY.

KENILWORTH.		COVENTRY.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Mr. F. M. G. Abell ...	1	Mr. H. W. Eainbridge ...	0
Mr. E. Kemp Boutne ...	0	Mr. H. Rotherham ...	5
Mr. Vincent Jepson ...	0	Mr. W. Hillman ...	10
Mr. A. Duchesne ...	0	Mr. G. W. Hume ...	1
Mr. H. Walker ...	1	Mr. A. P. Pridmore ...	0
Mr. A. C. S. Glover ...	0	Mr. K. Rotherham ...	3
Mr. H. Suthery ...	1	Mr. G. G. Brodie ...	0
Mr. T. Kinmond ...	2	Mr. J. Powers ...	0
Mr. H. O'Leary ...	4	Mr. E. F. Coddington ...	0
Mr. G. Carey Franklin ...	4	Mr. E. W. Blackburn ...	0
	13		19

KETTERING v. NORTHAMPTON.

The return match, played on the Kettering links on Thursday, February 6th, with score as follows:—

KETTERING.		NORTHAMPTON.	
Holes.	Holes.	Holes.	Holes.
Mr. A. C. Simmons ...	0	Mr. B. B. Muscott ...	2
Mr. C. Saunders ...	0	Rev. H. H. Stewart ...	4
Mr. P. B. Wallis ...	4	Mr. J. Haviland ...	0
Mr. F. Mobbs ...	7	A. J. F. Foster ...	0
Mr. J. C. Stanbury ...	5	Mr. E. L. Bull ...	0
Mr. T. G. Fraser ...	6	Mr. A. E. Tebbutt ...	0
Mr. A. H. Bryan ...	2	Mr. C. N. Stewart ...	0
Mr. J. P. Roughton ...	4	Mr. A. E. Phipps ...	0
Mr. E. P. Toller ...	2	Mr. R. G. Scriven ...	0
Col. Brindley ...	8	Mr. F. Hill ...	0
	38		6

LITTLESTONE GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, February 8th. Played for in very fine weather:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Mr. A. S. Johnston ...	83	scr.	83	Mr. W. L. Croll ...	103	10	93
Mr. S. F. Still ...	101	16	85	Mr. R. H. Hedderwick ...	98	4	94
Rev. G. Samson ...	97	7	90	Mr. H. B. Sedgwick ...	109	15	94
Mr. W. Trower ...	99	8	91	Mr. H. J. Barry ...	109	14	95
Mr. F. H. Lee ...	101	10	91	Mr. H. A. Curteis ...	98	2	96
Mr. J. T. Welldon ...	104	12	92				

* Winner.

Ten others no return,

LITTLESTONE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, February 8th. Played for in splendid weather:— Miss Stringer, 86, less 2=84; Miss E. Rowlandson, 107, less 18=89; Miss South, 109, less 12=97, winner. Miss S. arkie-Bence, Miss Cobb, Miss E. Cobb, Miss Hilda Stringer, and Miss Mary Stringer no returns.

LEICESTERSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medals, played for February 6th and 8th. Short handicap:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. F. Ashwell ...	99	10	89	Mr. O. J. Taylor ...	112	16	96
Mr. E. W. Besle ...	104	13	91	Mr. J. A. Corah ...	112	15	97
Mr. H. S. Elliott ...	104	13	91	Mr. C. Pigg ...	116	18	98
Mr. A. Lorrimer ...	99	6	93	Mr. F. M. Pope ...	109	10	99
Mr. M. Lorrimer ...	110	14	96				

Others over 100 net.

Long handicaps:—Mr. W. N. Toller, 117, less 22=95; Mr. W. S. N. Toller, 119, less 22=97; Mr. C. J. Billson, 118, less 20=98. Others over 100 net.

LYME REGIS GOLF CLUB.

The February medal was played for on the 5th, six ladies and eight gentlemen competing. Ladies:—Mrs. Sweet Escott, Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Sharpe, Misses Barlow, Bruce, Maling Wynch; gentlemen:—Colonel Schalch, Major Townley, Messrs. Blathwayt, Eliot, Schalch, Willis, Maling Wynch, and the Rev. R. H. Hill. Of these Miss C. Barlow won for the ladies, and Mr. Willis, with a score of 85 net, for the gentlemen. The sweepstakes on the 6th were won by Mr. T. B. Blathwayt. The January ladies' medal was won by Mrs. Eliot.

MANCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

The fifth competition for the captain's cup took place on Saturday, February 1st, at Whalley Range, in fine weather. Out of forty-two who entered for the competition only seventeen returned scores under the century net. The following were the scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. W. Schofield ...	101	18	83	Mr. T. C. Dean ...	102	10	92
Mr. W. Lund ...	93	9	84	Mr. E. Gittins ...	110	18	92
Mr. S. B. Graves ...	90	3	87	Mr. W. W. Lyall ...	114	22	92
Mr. H. H. Brayshaw ...	90	3	87	Mr. R. Milner ...	116	22	94
Mr. G. Haig ...	93	6	87	Mr. H. Smith ...	108	13	95
Mr. E. O. Schneider ...	104	16	88	Mr. F. Jones ...	109	13	96
Mr. A. S. Warman ...	104	15	89	Mr. T. A. Brewis ...	111	13	98
Mr. R. L. Taylor ...	99	8	91	Mr. A. McNicol ...	120	22	98
Mr. A. Harden ...	104	13	91				

MARPLE GOLF CLUB.

From February 3rd, the lady members competed five days for a handsome prize given by Mrs. Tattersall. The four best scores were:—Miss Bradshaw-Isherwood's excellent one, 117, less 5=112, winner of the prize; Miss Eskrigge, 127, less 5=122; Mrs. Hamilton, 142, less 15=127; Miss Johnson, 155, less 25=130.

MID-SURREY LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competitions (senior and junior) were played on Tuesday, February 4th. The links were in splendid condition, and the day being fine, everything was in favour of good scoring; that this was taken full advantage of the following returns will show, scratch being 90. Senior division:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Miss C. Morgan ...	90	4	86	Miss J. H. Lawson ...	108	11	97
*Miss R. Sparrow ...	97	11	86	Miss M. J. Bowyer ...	108	10	98
Mrs. M. Reynolds ...	102	14	88	Miss E. R. Morgan ...	114	15	99
Miss M. Freeling ...	92	3	89	Miss F. Ravenshaw ...	109	7	102
Mrs. Dalbiac ...	107	18	89	Miss B. Waldron ...	125	16	109
Miss E. A. Bowyer ...	103	15	93	Miss A. Roberts ...	115	4	111
Mrs. Craven ...	105	9	96				

* Tie for senior medal.

Junior division:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Miss Pennell ...	102	27	75	Mrs. J. Woodd ...	119	21	98
Mrs. Coote ...	109	22	87	Miss Berryman ...	128	25	103
Miss S. E. Burke ...	121	30	91	Miss K. Paddy ...	136	30	106
Mrs. Marson ...	115	22	93	Miss F. H. Emmett ...	129	22	107
Mrs. Trimmer ...	120	25	95				

* Wins junior medal.

On the tie for senior medal being played off, Miss R. Sparrow won with 91, less 11=80; Miss Morgan returning 92, less 4=88.

MINCHINHAMPTON GOLF CLUB.

February medal day.—The monthly medal day, in connection with the above club, was held on Saturday, February 1st. The following are the scores. Gentlemen:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Mr. R. H. Turner	95	14	82	Mr. J. Rawlins	107	17	90
†Mr. J. Bryan	104	18	86	Rev. G. M. Scott	118	24	94
Mr. C. R. Barton	109	22	87				

* Senior medal. † Junior medal.

The following made no returns or their scores exceeded 100:—Messrs. E. B. Haygarth, Wm. Davies, G. T. Sotheron-Estcourt, R. L. Grist, and Frank Sibree.

Ladies:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
*Miss Irene Smith	92	15	77	†Miss May Morton	104	17	87
Miss Woollright	91	10	81	Mrs. Storry	98	6	92
Mrs. E. Chamberlain	97	13	84	Miss Clara Playne	118	24	94
Miss Lilian Smith	99	14	85	Mrs. Davies	101	6	95

* Senior medal. † Junior medal.

The following made no return or their scores exceeded 100:—Miss F. Ramsay, Miss J. Playne, Miss A. Turner, and Mrs. Bryan.

MINEHEAD AND WEST SOMERSET GOLF CLUB.

The annual tournament competition for the silver medal among winners of the monthly medal for 1895 resulted as follows:—First round.—Mr. J. P. Herringham beat Mr. J. Utten Todd by 2 up; Mr. H. Owen Brown beat Mr. R. J. Utten Todd by 6 up and 5 to play; Mr. G. Hayward beat Mr. J. Bond by 3 up; Major Ayshford Wise beat Dr. Hayes by 2 up.

Second round.—Mr. J. P. Herringham beat Mr. H. Owen Brown by 5 up; Major Wise beat Mr. G. Hayward by 4 up and 2 to play.

Final round.—Mr. J. P. Herringham beat Major Wise by 8 up and 6 to play.

MUSWELL HILL GOLF CLUB.

Captain's prize, played for on Saturday, February 8th:—Mr. F. H. Swinstead, 92, less 9=83; Mr. W. Lush, 93, less 8=85; Mr. G. H. Swinstead, 99, less 3=87; Mr. H. Collett, 97, less 9=88; Mr. T. W. White, 103, less 14=89.

NORTHAMPTON v. WELLINGBOROUGH.

Played at Northampton, Thursday, January 30th:—

NORTHAMPTON.			WELLINGBOROUGH.		
Holes.			Holes.		
Mr. B. Muscott	10		Mr. A. E. Villar	0	
Mr. E. R. Bull	3		Mr. C. Nicholson	0	
Mr. A. J. F. Forster	5		Mr. H. Dullely	0	
Mr. R. G. Scriven	8		Mr. P. E. Dullely	0	
Mr. A. E. Phipps	1		Mr. H. H. Robinson	0	
Mr. C. N. Stewart	6		Mr. H. W. Miller	0	
Mr. F. Hill	0		Mr. Laycock	0	
	33			0	

NORTHWOOD GOLF CLUB.

The annual general meeting was held on Friday, the 31st ult., at the Eyre Arms, St. John's Wood. One of the vice-presidents, Mr. H. H. Coles, was voted to the chair, and there was a good attendance of members. The report and balance-sheet, which showed the club to be in a prosperous condition, were adopted. The Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, M.P., was re-elected president; the vice-presidents, Messrs. H. H. Coles and W. W. North, also securing re-election. Other re-elections were Dr. H. Dane as captain, and Messrs. Herbert Chipp and C. C. Forster Dickson as hon. secretary and hon. treasurer. The following gentlemen were elected to seats on the committee:—Messrs. F. J. Walker, L. W. Webster, and E. W. F. Stiven (re-elected); C. Plummer and J. R. Scully (new members).

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Captain's medal. February 3rd and 4th:—

1st Rnd.			2nd Rnd.			Gross.			1st Rnd.			2nd Rnd.			Gross.		
Mr. E. A. Whielon	42	39	81	Miss A. Gray	77	48	95										
Miss Middleton	42	44	86	Miss Crane	49	47	96										
Miss Dawkins	44	43	87	Miss Humphreys	48	52	100										
Miss Margaret A. Gray	43	47	90	Mrs. Hornby	51	50	101										
Mrs. Turner	46	48	94	Miss Chambers	48	54	102										
Miss Mabel A. Gray	45	50	95	Mrs. Reade	55	54	109										
				Mrs. Macdonald	73	60	133										

Miss E. Howe made no return.

NOTTS GOLF CLUB.

The first monthly "Bogey" competition took place at Bulwell on Thursday, February 6th, when a goodly number of players entered. Nineteen cards were handed in, and several competitors made no returns. Mr. W. P. Snook, receiving a handicap of 7, was the winner, losing the match to "Bogey" by one hole only, and he was closely followed by Mr. A. T. Ashwell and Mr. J. McMeeking, who were both 2 down. Scores:—Mr. W. P. Snook, 1 down; Mr. A. T. Ashwell, 2 down; Mr. J. McMeeking, 2 down; Mr. J. Bowes, 4 down; Mr. T. G. Mellors, 4 down; Mr. C. P. Dixon, 5 down; Mr. A. H. Pearson, 5 down; Mr. H. D. Snook, 5 down; Mr. A. Nelson, 7 down; Mr. P. W. Allen, 7 down; Mr. Harwood, 7 down; Rev. J. F. K. Brandford, 7 down; Mr. J. C. Warren, 8 down; Mr. J. Johnstone, 8 down; Mr. E. Forrester, 8 down; Mr. C. B. Edwards, 9 down; Mr. H. H. Brown, 11 down; Mr. A. McFarlane, 15 down.

NOTTS v. BULWELL ARTISANS.

A match took place at Bulwell on Saturday, February 8th, between the above clubs, with the following result:—

NOTTS.		Holes.		BULWELL ARTISANS.		Holes.	
Mr. J. Hall	4	Mr. J. Leatherland	0	Mr. E. Leatherland	0	Mr. S. Smith	2
Mr. C. R. Hemingway	0	Mr. S. Smith	0	Mr. G. L. Wright	0	Mr. S. Austin	0
Mr. A. T. Ashwell	5	Mr. S. Anthony	0	Mr. E. Williamson	0	Mr. E. Elliott	0
Mr. A. N. Bromley	3	Mr. E. Williamson	0	Mr. E. Elliott	0	Mr. W. Button	0
Mr. J. C. Warren	6	Mr. E. Elliott	0	Mr. T. Parker	1	Mr. T. Maund	5
Mr. H. M. Robinson	5	Mr. W. Button	0	Mr. T. Parker	1	Mr. T. Maund	5
Mr. J. Johnstone	3	Mr. T. Parker	1	Mr. T. Maund	5		
Mr. F. J. March	0	Mr. T. Maund	5				
Mr. J. McMeeking	9						
Mr. F. T. Green	0						
Mr. E. A. Coutts	0						
	35						8

OXFORD UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

Weekly handicap, Friday, February 7th. First class:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. J. H. Richardson	81	8	73	Mr. H. G. B. Ellis	80	scr.	80
Mr. E. C. H. Wolff	84	9	75	Mr. P. A. Lushington	84	4	80
Mr. J. A. Smith	87	12	75	Mr. A. B. Sanders	86	5	81
Mr. C. R. Jelf	86	8	78	Mr. G. B. Grundy	86	4	82
Mr. T. Ranken	84	5	79	Mr. E. T. P. Magor	91	9	82
Mr. R. N. De Montmorency	85	6	79	Mr. W. J. Braithwaite	93	7	86
				Mr. C. W. Heneage	96	9	87

Second class:—Mr. A. H. Leathart, 86, less 15=71; Mr. W. S. Gosset, 92, less 15=77; Mr. B. Scott, 98, less 20=78; Mr. S. L. Watkinson, 95, less 14=81; Mr. G. E. N. Austin, 97, less 15=82; Mr. A. Hassall, 108, less 24=84. Thirty-seven entries.

PORTMARNOCK (DUBLIN) GOLF CLUB.

The February monthly competition was held on Saturday, February 8th, on the links on Portmarnock Point. Notwithstanding the gloomy outlook in the morning a large number journeyed out, and were rewarded with a lovely afternoon, albeit a rather strong south-westerly wind was blowing. Although considerable rain had fallen during the night and up to eleven o'clock in the forenoon the course, however, was in good condition and perfectly dry, the rain having no effect whatever on the sandy soil. There was a large entry, nearly forty taking part in the competition, and the play shown, having regard to the high wind, was very creditable. Twice round the nine-hole course at Portmarnock is at least half a dozen strokes more difficult than any other links in County Dublin; but this will probably be the last competition held on the nine-hole course, as it is expected that the eighteen-hole course and the new pavillion will both be completed by the end of the month. The winner turned up in Mr. W. E. Rogers, who returned a net score 77, 8 under the par of the green, while Mr. W. H. Boyd and Mr. M. G. Foley were second and third respectively. The following were the best returns made:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Mr. W. E. Rogers	107	30	77	Mr. C. E. Bowker	107	18	89
Mr. W. H. Boyd	99	18	81	Mr. W. R. Richardson	110	18	92
Mr. M. G. Foley	113	30	83	son	110	18	92
Mr. W. C. Pickeman	92	6	86	Mr. Walter Keating, jun.	107	15	92
Mr. Walter Hume	104	18	86	Mr. R. D. Livingstone	105	12	93
Mr. Walter Keating, sen.	101	15	86	Mr. H. C. Roper	123	30	93
Mr. W. H. Roper	105	18	87	Mr. R. M'Quater	124	30	94
Mr. J. E. Scott	109	21	88	Mr. J. E. Larchet	129	30	99
Mr. W. F. Todd	118	30	88				
Mr. T. W. Martin	101	12	89				

With about twenty others, whose net returns were over 100.

PORTHCAWL GOLF CLUB.

The first-class monthly medal was won by Mr. H. Flower, whose score was 95, less 14=81. The second class by Mr. S. H. Byass, 109, less 25=84.

On February 8th the Severn Brigade shield was won by Dr. Tenison Collins with a gross score of 194, and net 166 for thirty-six holes. Mr. Harold Flower was second with gross 197, net 169.

The Wimborne cup for second class was won by Dr. Tatham Thompson with a gross of 217, and net 175 for thirty-six holes. Mr. W. S. Vivian and Mr. E. Breffit tied for second place with 176 net.

PRINCE'S LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The "Bogey" competition, played at Mitcham on Wednesday, February 5th, was won by Miss A. Pascoe (scratch) with 1 down. She thus secured the two dozen balls and half the sweepstakes. The second half was tied for by Miss M. E. Phillips (scratch); Miss Mary Sharpe (16); and Miss Rostron (24); and eventually fell to Miss Phillips with 5 down. Her first return, though 1 down to "Bogey," was a wonderfully good medal round, 74, the club record of the green. There were twenty-nine entries. After the eighteen-hole round, there was excellent play shown in the approach and putting competition at nine successive holes, the winner being Mrs. Pakenham Lawrell with 28, including two 2's. Miss Pyke secured the last hole in 1, over a formidable bunker. The distances varied from 30 to 70 yards.

"Bogey" competition.—Miss A. Pascoe (scratch), 1 down; Miss Phillips (scratch), 2 down; Miss M. Sharpe (16), 2 down; Miss Rostron (24), 2 down; Hon. Mrs. W. Rowley (14), 3 down; Miss Pyke (18), 3 down; Miss Eleanor Campbell (22), 4 down; Miss Langley (1), 6 down; Mrs. Pakenham Lawrell (9), 6 down; Miss Rutter (9), 7 down; Miss F. Haines (10), 7 down; Mrs. Hannaford (18), 8 down.

Approach and putting competition.—Mrs. Pakenham Lawrell, 28; Hon. Mrs. W. Rowley, 30; Mrs. Harry Willock, 30; Miss Pyke, 31; Mrs. Harry Stewart, 31; Miss Rutter, 31; Miss Eleanor Campbell, 32; Miss Hatfield, 33; Mrs. Rickards, 33.

REDHILL AND REIGATE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition was held on the 1st inst., when the new captain commenced his year of office by winning both the scratch and handicap medals. The scores returned were:—Mr. G. H. Emmet (10), all even; Mr. C. W. Link (10), 2 down; Mr. S. G. Peerless (12), 2 down; Mr. G. Cosens (10), 3 down; Rev. J. H. Bland (12), 4 down; Dr. H. J. Cooper (20), 4 down; Mr. F. Alpe (18), 7 down; Mr. F. P. Browne (10), 8 down; Mr. T. P. Shepherd (17), 8 down.

At the annual meeting, held subsequently in the club-house, a very satisfactory report was presented, showing a membership of 201, and a balance in favour of the club of £75 odd.

The new committee will be as follows:—President, Sir Trevor Lawrence, Bart.; captain, Mr. G. H. Emmet; hon. secretaries, Messrs. C. J. Trevarthen and J. Charlton Tucker; hon. treasurer, Mr. H. D. Tucker (*ex officio*); and Messrs. H. S. Stone, L. Horner, F. P. Browne, F. Scrutton, C. L. Reade, P. Marr Johnson, and Rev. R. I. Woodhouse.

A new rule was passed, making it incumbent on members to report any reduction in their handicaps that may be made at any other club they may belong to, previous to taking part in handicap competitions; and also two other small alterations.

The business concluded with hearty votes of thanks to the out-going officers and committee for their services.

RHYL GOLF CLUB.

The ladies' monthly competition took place on Monday, the 3rd inst., with the following result:—Miss E. Kennedy, scratch, 91; Miss Haynes, 111, less 12=99; Miss M. Pennant, 99, plus 1=100; Mrs. Miller, 144, less 38=106; Miss Mainwaring, 121, less 10=111; Mrs. Congreve, 144, less 20=124.

ROBIN HOOD v. STREETLY.

Played at Hall Green, on February 5th:—

ROBIN HOOD.		STREETLY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. H. Lowe ...	1	Mr. H. W. Bainbridge ...	0
Mr. E. Fordred ...	3	Mr. L. Clarke ..	0
Mr. A. G. Tonks ...	3	Mr. W. P. Wilson-Browne ...	0
Mr. E. W. Mason ...	5	Mr. G. Fowler ...	0
Mr. F. A. Lindner ...	0	Mr. A. L. Lloyd ...	7
Mr. E. Chatterley ...	1	Mr. H. H. Yates ...	0
Mr. F. B. Stableford ...	0	Mr. J. F. Jordan ...	2
	13		9

ROBIN HOOD v. IPSLEY.

Played at Ipsley on January 29th:—

ROBIN HOOD.		IPSELEY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. H. Lowe ...	4	Mr. E. A. Williams ...	0
Mr. E. Fordred ..	0	Dr. Jebb Scott... ..	2
Mr. A. Scott-Nelson ...	0	Mr. H. Clark	1
Mr. J. Furneaux-Jordan ...	0	Rev. A. E. Swift	2
	4		5

ROYAL ARTILLERY, WOOLWICH, GOLF CLUB.

Fifth medal competition, February 8th. Play was not easy, as there was a high wind, and the greens very keen indeed. Lieut. Tyler scored another win with a good 77:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Lieut. Tyler ...	97 20 77	Surg.-Capt. Allen ...	110 22 88
†Capt. Knox Gore	88 5 83	Surg.-Capt. Donald-	
†Major Coker ...	89 6 83	son ...	103 12 91
†Col. Bainbridge ...	103 20 83	Lt.-Col. Belgrave... ..	105 12 93
Lieut. Tulloch ...	97 10 87	Capt. Rich	105 12 93

* First sweep.

† Divide second and third sweep.

No returns from the rest.

ROYAL BLACKHEATH GOLF CLUB.

Bombay and monthly medals, played February 4th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
*Mr. J. S. Sawyer ...	117 9 108	Mr. R. Whyte ...	129 3 126
Mr. G. O. Jacob ...	129 16 113	Mr. W. F. S. Le	
Col. Kennard ..	126 12 114	Lièvre	131 5 126
Mr. J. G. Gibson ...	118 2 116	Mr. G. Spurling ...	137 11 126
Mr. H. Gillon ...	119 3 116	Mr. W. A. Adam ...	148 21 127
†Mr. F. S. Ireland ...	115 +5 120	Mr. A. Sales	152 25 127
Mr. M. Richardson.	132 12 120	Mr. W. G. Barnes... ..	163 35 127
Mr. D. Christopher-		Surg.-Col. Staples .	142 14 128
son ...	145 25 120	Mr. F. Graves ...	158 29 129
Mr. C. B. Lindsay .	138 17 121	Mr. C. M. Baker ...	154 24 130
Mr. G. W. Smyth... ..	140 19 121	Mr. G. C. Snelling .	156 25 131
Mr. R. Winch ...	136 14 122	Mr. T. A. Raynes .	146 14 132
Mr. E. F. S. Tylecote	129 6 123	Major Penrose ...	155 21 134
Mr. W. R. M. Glasier	154 31 123	Mr. W. J. Dyer ...	151 16 135
Mr. E. W. Sampson	140 16 124	Mr. S. Castle	153 16 137
Mr. W. G. Kentish.	152 28 124	Mr. E. Pinkerton ...	147 9 138
Mr. G. Draper ...	145 20 125	Mr. A. M. White ...	168 30 138
Mr. W. Murray ...	146 21 125	Mr. C. Lethbridge .	157 18 139

* Winner of monthly medal. † Winner of Bombay medal (scratch).

Forty-two members competed; eight made no return. Mr. F. S. Ireland makes a record by his last win, having won all the scratch medals during the last twelve months.

ROYAL CORNWALL GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal. Played February 7th. Green in good order. Wind strong from south-east.

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. W. Wilkinson	101 12 89	Mr. Young-Jamieson	112 14 98
Major H. Y. Hext	107 16 91	Mr. Melville Sandys	111 12 99
Mr. B. F. Edyvean	97 4 93	Mr. E. L. Poulett	160 35 125
Mr. Matthews ...	115 19 96	Captain Jones-Parry	130 5 125
Mr. C. Hext ...	108 10 98		

Mr. Bannerman, Captain Johnston, and Brigade Surgeon Elliott made no return.

Played February 4th:—Miss Magor, 116, less 34=82; Mrs. Bannerman, 97, less 5=92; Mrs. C. Hext, 103, scratch, 103; Mrs. Every made no return.

ROYAL EPPING FOREST GOLF CLUB.

"Colonel Bogey" (single). Played February 8th. Result:—Mr. G. Hillyard Swinstead, 1 up; Mr. B. G. Fabian, 3 down; Mr. J. D. Geddes, 3 down; Mr. H. Collet, 4 down; Mr. L. S. McKenzie, 4 down; Mr. N. H. Wykes, 5 down; Mr. Sidney Kemp, 6 down; Mr. W. E. Hall, 6 down; Mr. A. B. Smith, 6 down; Mr. S. R. Bastard, 7 down; Mr. Ernest Flint, 7 down; Mr. F. F. McKenzie, 7 down; Mr. Sydney Clarke, 7 down; Mr. W. F. Field, 7 down; Mr. W. P. Pechey, 8 down; Mr. F. H. Swinstead, 8 down; Mr. R. S. Cox, 8 down; Mr. E. A. Tewson, 8 down; Mr. A. W. Good, 8 down; Mr. J. Latham, jun., 8 down; Mr. J. Cleghorn, 8 down; Mr. J. Badli., 8 down; Mr. A. E. L. Slazenger, 9 down; Mr. Alfred Kemp, 10 down; Mr. J. O. Milledge, jun., 10 down; Mr. A. Boney, 10 down; Mr. J. Cleghorn, 10 down. The other cards handed in were more than 10 down to "Bogey."

ROYAL LEAMINGTON GOLF CLUB.

Wallis-Wilson cup. February 1st :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
* Rev. H. Victor	...	Mr. J. Kinmond	102 15 87
Macdonald	94 15 79	Mr. W. E. Anderson	103 15 88
† Mr. W. G. Ethridge	93 13 80	Rev. A. Edgell	104 14 90
Rev. E. Bidwell	97 14 83	Mr. E. Hill	127 20 107
Mr. F. W. Keighley	102 15 87		

* Won the cup and first sweepstake. † Won second sweepstake.
No returns from others.

ROYAL NORWICH GOLF CLUB.

The Ladies' monthly medal was competed for over the ladies' links on February 5th. Miss Pratt proved the winner, returning the excellent score of 68 net for two rounds of the nine-hole course. The following cards were returned :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Miss Pratt	70 2 68	Miss M. Cozens-Hardy	88 5 83
Miss Reeve	79 6 73	Mrs. D. Walker	97 13 84
Miss E. F. Pratt	80 6 74	Miss A. P. Barwell	88 1 87
Miss M. W. Mottram	82 5 77	Miss V. M. Barwell	96 7 89
Mrs. Hals	94 15 79	Miss H. Steward	109 15 94
Miss C. Cubitt	92 12 80		
Miss Deuchar	96 14 82		

Mrs. H. C. Bolingbroke no return.

ROYAL WINCHESTER GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, February 6th :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. R. Hyde Clark	91 15 76	Rev. G. M. A. Hewett	96 6 90
General Hope	94 12 82	Colonel Bunbury	116 24 92
Mr. E. H. Buckland	81 +2 83	Mr. W. S. Hunt	116 23 93
Captain Wyld	99 16 83	Captain Russell	100 6 94
Mr. C. R. Seymour	102 17 85	Rev. G. Richardson	117 18 99
General Twenlow	99 14 85		
Rev. J. T. Bramston	101 15 86		

Nine players made no returns.

SALTBURN GOLF CLUB.

The club medal competition was played on Saturday. The wind blew almost a gale and spoilt most of the returns. Mr. W. G. Anson, jun., handed in the winning card. Messrs. J. F. Whitwell and F. O. Connell Jones played off their tie for the January competition, victory resting with the first-named.

SEAFORD GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition came off on the 8th inst. in perfect golfing weather, and with links in beautiful order. Sixteen played, but only eight returned scores. Messrs. C. W. Link and E. Amsden tied at 84 net, and on playing off same afternoon Mr. Link won. Scores :—Mr. C. W. Link, 96, less 12=84; Mr. E. Amsden, 102, less 18=84; Mr. W. M. Cundell, 107, less 12=88; Mr. G. Acton Davis, 117, less 20=97; Mr. H. F. Dibben, 124, less 20=104.

SOUTH BEDS GOLF CLUB.

The monthly score competition, in connection with the J. W. Green trophy, was played on Saturday, February 1st. The following are the scores :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
* Mr. G. Barford	107 21 86	Mr. R. N. Christie	109 9 100
Mr. T. G. Hobbs	121 33 88	Mr. Harold Blundell	113 13 100
Mr. E. Barford	117 27 90	Mr. F. L. Neve	158 54 104
* Mr. H. Cumberland	107 15 92	Mr. H. N. Davis	159 54 105
Mr. E. W. Greatorex	106 13 93	Mr. E. Gilder	126 21 105
Mr. C. H. Osborne	100 6 94	Mr. G. Fyson	124 18 106
Mr. A. Higgins	125 27 98	Mr. T. Ottaway	149 42 107
Mr. J. C. Kershaw	108 9 99	Mr. A. J. Giles	154 42 112
Mr. W. Randall	114 15 99		

* Entered for final stages.

SEAFIELD GOLF CLUB.—The competition for the scratch and monthly medals and prizes took place on Leith Links on Friday and Saturday, and resulted as follows :—Scratch medal, Mr. R. Robinson, 84; monthly medal, Mr. J. Munro, 93, less 18=75; Mr. A. Clark, 88, less 12=76; Mr. H. M. Wallace, 89, less 7=82; Mr. J. Grant, 89, less 6=83; Mr. H. Neilson, 88, less 4=84; Mr. R. Robinson, 84, plus 1=85; and Mr. J. S. Fraser, 89, less 4=85, tie.

SOUTH BEDS v. DUNSTABLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

A match of six a-side was played on Saturday over the Warden Hill course, the result being a win for the home team by six holes. Scores :—

SOUTH BEDS.		DUNSTABLE G. S.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. F. Simpson	0	Mr. L. C. R. Thring	2
Mr. R. N. Christie	3	Mr. S. Bassett	0
Mr. H. Blundell	0	Mr. J. H. Netcalfe	6
Mr. E. W. Greatorex	1	Mr. W. F. Brown	0
Mr. H. Cumberland	6	Mr. J. Healing	0
Mr. W. Randall	4	Mr. J. Sanger	0
	14		8

SOUTHDOWN AND BRIGHTON LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Miss Dickinson, Woodside, Burgess Hill, has taken over the duties of hon. treasurer, and Miss Crunden, Oak Hall, Burgess Hill, those of hon. secretary, in place of Major Campbell, who has found it necessary, owing to indifferent health, to resign his official connection with the club.

SOUTHPORT GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal competition on the links at Churchtown on Saturday attracted a goodly number of players. The weather in the morning was showery, but the afternoon was generally fine, and the greens were in capital order. In the first division Mr. R. C. Ivy recorded a win with 91, less 6=85, and in the second division Mr. H. Scowcroft headed the list with 98, less 17=81; the same player took the first sweepstake, the second and third being divided between Mr. Ivy and the Rev. T. Lee-Jones. Scores.—First division :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. R. C. Ivy	91 6 85	Mr. G. F. Pearson	98 6 92
Mr. S. A. Ashington	96 7 89	Mr. H. Thomson	103 10 93
Mr. J. Morison	98 8 90	Mr. F. H. Smith	99 2 97
Mr. T. Aitken	103 12 91	Mr. W. M. Wylde	106 8 98
Mr. T. W. H. Campbell	97 6 91	Mr. W. T. Kowley	104 5 99
Mr. C. J. Mulleneux	101 10 91	Mr. H. B. Barlow	116 14 102
		Mr. J. C. Heald	121 15 106

No returns from Messrs. G. F. Smith, E. Leese, W. E. Mason, W. G. Clinning, F. D. Irvin, J. E. Pearson, W. Thomson, H. Shelmerdine, C. Legh, and G. Fernihough.

Second division—Mr. H. Scowcroft, 98, less 17=81; Rev. T. Lee-Jones, 105, less 20=85; Mr. C. C. Clarke, 114, less 25=89; Mr. H. Brighouse, 119, less 25=94; Mr. C. Smith, 117, less 20=97; Mr. T. O. Clinning, 118, less 18=100. No returns from Messrs. H. Kidson, W. Pierpoint, P. Davies, and W. Rawstorne.

SOUTHWOLD GOLF CLUB.

The annual general meeting was held at the club-house on January 25th. The accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1895, were presented and passed. Mr. J. B. Gooding was re-elected, and the Rev. E. L. Hickling and Mr. S. W. Woollett were elected on the committee. Mr. W. Whytock was re-elected captain, Mr. A. R. Grubbe hon. treasurer, and Mr. D. R. Gooding hon. secretary.

Monthly medal, February 1st :—Mr. W. Whytock, 85, plus 2=87; Mr. C. J. Waller, 100, less 10=90; Mr. B. Whitmore, 105, less 14=91; Mr. R. G. H. Belcher, 119, less 27=92. Messrs. S. W. Woollett, W. H. Gill, J. B. Gooding, and D. R. Gooding, no returns.

STANMORE GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, February 1st, the monthly medal competitions took place with the following results :—President's medal for handicaps of 15 and under :—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. V. Dawson	100 15 85	Mr. F. Whitelaw	103 12 91
Mr. A. G. Jeffreys	100 15 85	Mr. S. T. Klein	105 13 92
Mr. F. Tiernay	102 14 88	Mr. C. C. Stone	108 15 93
Mr. W. N. Roe	101 12 89	Mr. J. A. Begbie	96 scr. 96
Mr. B. Franklin		Mr. F. K. Horley	104 6 98
Smith	104 14 90		

Mr. Grinling's medal for handicaps over 15.—Mr. J. Price, 116, less 24=92; Mr. W. Rushton, 110, less 16=94; Mr. H. M. Wincars, 115, less 18=97; Mr. E. F. Andrews, 117, less 18=99; Mr. A. H. Smith, 123, less 16=107.

ELECTRIC GOLF CLUB.—The monthly medal competition of the Electric was played over the Braids. Mr. W. Wood was the winner with a net score of 83.

ST. ANDREWS.

Mr. F. G. Tait is at present in St. Andrews, and on Saturday he had an interesting tussle with Willie Auchterlonie. In the first round Mr. Tait played a particularly strong game, and at the turn he stood 2 holes ahead. Homeward he continued to improve his position, and concluded the first round with 5 to his credit. The second round saw the professional at his best, and in the first seven holes he reduced Mr. Tait's lead to 2. From this point, however, Auchterlonie was not able to improve, and the match finished with Mr. Tait 2 up and 1 to play. Major Kinloch played Mr. Leslie Balfour-Melville two rounds. The Major won the first round by 2, but lost the second by 1.

TIMPERLEY GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competition for the ladies' medal took place on Friday last, and resulted as follows. First class:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mrs. Dippie	70	17 53	Miss A. James	66	9 57
Miss Cressy	61	7 54	Mrs. Saatweber	73	15 58
Miss Ogden	65	10 55	Miss James...	69	9 60
Miss M. Taylor	68	13 55			

Second class:—Miss Taylor, 90, less 3=87.

TYNESIDE GOLF CLUB.

Eighth and last competition for the prize presented by Mr. W. S. Burrell. Played on Thursday, February 6th, 1896. Result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. F. E. Thew	90	6 84	Mr. W. E. Stephen-		
Mr. R. Y. Batey	96	11 85	son	95	6 89
Mr. F. T. Ridley	86	scr. 86	Mr. G. F. Charlton	95	5 90
Mr. J. K. Guthrie...	100	14 86	Mr. J. Hidd eston...	98	8 90
Mr. C. A. Ridley	87	scr. 87	Mr. T. A. Hutton	104	9 95
Mr. J. S. Brown	94	7 87	Mr. A. E. Carr	110	13 97

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

The final between the eight winners will be played on Thursday, February 20th. Their names and handicaps are as follows:—Dr. J. Limont (3), Mr. F. E. Thew (5), Mr. H. H. Blair (4), Mr. J. E. Meikle (16), Mr. W. H. Risson (9), Mr. Geo. Welch (7), Mr. A. E. Carr (13), and Mr. R. Y. Batey (10).

WEST HERTS GOLF CLUB.

The usual monthly medals handicaps were played over the club course on Saturday last. Handicaps of 12 and under:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. Howard Williams	85	8 77	Dr. J. Herbert Walker	96	11 85
Mr. F. W. Watts	89	8 81	Major George Rum-		
Mr. Stanley Clifford	91	9 82	sey	103	12 91
Mr. Denton Scholes	96	12 84	Mr. B. Schofield	105	11 94

Handicaps over 12:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. E. W. Bristowe	100	16 84	Mr. E. A. Horne	107	16 91
Mr. W. R. Carter	107	16 91	Mr. J. E. Huggins	115	21 94
Mr. P. B. Coombe	107	16 91	Captain M. Murphy	111	17 94

WILMSLOW GOLF CLUB.

The fifth winter competition took place on Saturday, February 8th. There was a tie for the Boddington cup, but, as Mr. C. S. Hoare had won it previously this season, he retired in favour of Mr. A. Darbyshire, who took the cup, and qualified to play in the final competition for the memento. Mr. J. S. Gemmell won the Haworth cup, and qualified to play in the final competition for the memento. He also took the first sweepstakes, the second and third being divided between Messrs. W. H. Welsh, J. B. Parkinson, and A. Crewdson. The following were the scores under 100 net, the ty-eight cards being taken out. Boddington cup:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. A. Darbyshire	94	6 88	Mr. J. J. Brickhill	95	1 94
Mr. C. S. H are	86	+2 88	Mr. T. A. Brad'ey	97	1 96
Mr. J. D. Milne	97	8 89	Mr. J. Kent Ford	104	8 96
Mr. G. Bickham	93	3 90			

Haworth cup:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. J. S. Gemmell	100	15 85	Mr. W. Wood	105	13 92
Mr. W. H. Welsh	99	13 86	Mr. H. Lancashire	114	20 94
Mr. J. B. Parkinson	99	13 86	Mr. A. L. Payne	105	11 94
Mr. A. Crewdson	101	15 86	Mr. J. Beaumont	107	12 95
Mr. R. A. Tatton	100	13 87	Mr. P. O. W. Browne	114	15 99

WEST WRATTING PARK (CAMBS.) GOLF CLUB.

Monthly medal, February 6th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. C. M. King	88	18 70	Mr. C. R. Cadell	96	16 80
Mr. F. S. Nisbet	85	12 73	Mr. W. R. Griev...	101	20 81
Mr. D. Ranson	88	14 74	Mr. W. L. B. Hayter	102	16 86
Mr. G. M. T. Smyth	84	6 78	Mr. C. Milford	131	32 99
Mr. H. Lumden	86	8 78	Mr. E. G. Eliot	127	28 99

WORCESTERSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, February 5th. With lovely weather, a short course, and the ground in good order, it was surprising that the returns sent in were on the whole not much better. The monthly cup and senior medal were tied for by Messrs. Healing and Woodward. Mr. Topping won the "Bogey" prize, being all even. For the Junior medal there were no returns. Scores as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. S. C. Healing	84	4 80	Capt. H. A. Armitage	88	2 86
Rev. M. Woodward	92	12 80	Mr. W. Paterson	87	scr. 87
Mr. C. Topping	81	+1 82	Mr. F. A. Horn	89	1 88
Mr. G. D. Carr			Mr. J. W. Jeakes	96	7 89
(visitor)	92	7 85	Mr. G. A. Jones	96	2 94
Mr. P. H. L'Estrange	95	10 85			

CUMBRAE GOLF CLUB.—The competition for the monthly medals took place on Saturday afternoon. The course, owing to the previous night's rain, was somewhat soft, and footing was thereby treacherous. The best scores were as under:—Mr. John Houston, 100, less 1=99; Mr. James Wallace, 117, less 16=101.

EDINBURGH GOLF CLUB.—The monthly competition for the medal was held on the Braids, when a few members turned out. The wind was high, which accounts for the high scoring. The following is the result:—1, Mr. Somerville, 104, less 12=92; 2, Mr. Turnbull, 117, less 20=97; 3, Mr. W. H. Miller, 109, less 11=98.

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