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MAY.

- May 7-9.—Royal and Ancient, St. Andrews : Amateur Championship.
London Scottish : Spring Meeting.
May 8.—Whitley : Crawley Prize (final).
Machrehanish : Spring Meeting.
May 8-9.—Brighton and Hove : Spring Meeting.
May 9.—Minchinhampton : Monthly Medal.
Royal Epping Forest : Quarterly Medal and Scratch Medal, &c.
Birkdale : Club Medal.
Whitley : Wyndham Cup.
Guildford : Monthly Handicap.
Edinburgh University : Challenge Cup and Club Prizes (at Gullane).
Alnwick : H. Marsh Painting.
Wiltshire and District : Monthly Medal.
Rochdale : Captain's Monthly Prize.
Dublin : Lumsden Medal.
Tooting : Monthly Medal.
Brighton and Hove : Mr. H. Knipe's Prize.
Seaton Carew : Wilson Shield.
Rochdale : Captain's Prize.
Littlestone : Monthly Medal.
Lytham and St. Anne's : Macara Cup.
Royal Montreal : Sidey Medal.
Wimbledon Ladies' Golf Club : Preliminary Competition.
May 9-11.—Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells : Spring Meeting.
May 12.—Royal Epping Forest : Kentish Cup; Kentish Gold Medal.
Whitley : Joicey Cup.
Hayling Island Ladies' Club : Bath Challenge Star.
May 15.—Durham : Osborn Cup.
Harrison Club, Edinburgh : Medal.
Dalhousie Club, Carnoustie : Half-yearly Meeting, 8 o'clock.
May 16.—Dublin : Monthly Medal.
West Herts : Monthly Medal.
Birkdale : Mackenzie Cup.
Whitley : Spring Meeting.
Great Yarmouth : Whitsuntide Meeting.
Prestwick St. Nicholas : Bennie and M'Laren Prizes

- May 16.—Disley : First Summer Handicap.
Epsom : Monthly Medal.
Redhill and Reigate : Club Medal.
Felixstowe : Club Prize.
Formby : Spring Meeting.
Falkirk Tryst : Foursome Handicap Tournament.
Seaton Carew : Club Cup.
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Cup.
Dalhousie Club, Carnoustie : Spring Meeting.
Royal Montreal : Captain v. Ex-Captain.
Lea Hurst : Monthly Medal.
May 16-18.—St. George's, Sandwich : Whitsun Meeting.
Littlestone : Whitsuntide Meeting.
May 16-23.—Royal North Devon : Spring Meeting.
May 18.—Great Yarmouth : Whitsuntide Meeting.
Royal Isle of Wight : Whit-Monday Meeting; The Bembridge Sailing Club Prize; Club Prize.
West Lancashire : Whitsuntide Meeting.
Buxton and High Peak : Club Medal.
Seaford : Challenge Cup Competition.
Redhill and Reigate : Whit-Monday Competitions.
May 18-19.—Felixstowe : Whitsuntide Meeting.
May 18-20.—Harrison Club, Edinburgh : Cup and Prizes.
May 19.—St. George's (Sandwich) : Champion Challenge Cup (open to all amateurs).
Falkirk Tryst : Monthly Handicap.
May 20.—Southport : Ladies' Meeting.
Royal Epping Forest : Noakes Cup.
Royal Cromer : Whitsun Prize Meeting.
May 21.—Tyneside : Bi-Monthly Handicap Competition.
May 23.—Nottingham : Monthly Medal.
Edinburgh Watsonians : Club Prizes.
Lytham and St. Anne's : Macara Cup.
Wimbledon Ladies' Golf Club : Monthly Medal.
May 25.—Royal Montreal v. Quebec, at Quebec.
May 28.—Nottingham : Monthly Medal.
May 29.—Durham : Blagdon Cup.
Harrison Club, Edinburgh : Medal.
May 30.—Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Challenge Cup; Captain's Prize.
Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.
Seaford : Monthly Medal.
Birkdale : The Crowther Cup.
Luffness : Wemyss Challenge Medal.
Royal North Devon : Monthly Medal.
Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells : Monthly Medal.
Royal Eastbourne : Monthly Medal.
West Lancashire : Monthly Medal.
Dundee Advertiser : Leng Medal.
Buxton and High Peak : Monthly Medal and Mickoll's Cup.
Royal Montreal : Buchanan Cup.
May 31.—Troon : Spring Meeting.

JUNE.

- June 2.—Cornwall County Golf Club : Monthly Medal.
June 6.—London Scottish : Monthly Medal.
Minchinhampton : Monthly Medal.
Prestwick St. Nicholas : Bailie Wilson's Medal (to be played off).

- June 6.—Brighton and Hove : The Berens Gold Medal.
 Royal Liverpool : Monthly Medal ; Optional Subscription Prizes.
 Bournemouth : Monthly Medal.
 Bowdon : Monthly Competition.
 Tantallon : Summer Meeting.
 Edinburgh University : Challenge Cup and Club Prizes.
- June 9.—Royal Epping Forest : Kentish Cup.
- June 12.—Durham : Osborn Cup.
- June 13.—Southport : Summer Meeting.
 West Herts : Monthly Medal.
 Gullane : Competition for Club Prizes.
 Guildford : Monthly Handicap.
- June 17.—Royal Epping Forest : Kentish Gold Medal ; Noakes Cup.
- June 20.—Nottingham : Monthly Medal.
 Dublin : Monthly Medal.
 Disley : Second Summer Handicap.
 Lytham and St. Anne's : Macara Cup.
- June 25.—Nottingham : Monthly Medal.
- June 26.—Durham : Blagdon Cup.
- June 25-27.—Bowdon : Captain's Cup.
- June 27.—Royal Wimbledon : Monthly Medal.
 Royal Epping Forest : Gordon Challenge Cup ; Captain's Prize.
 Seaford : Monthly Medal.
 Luffness : Wemyss Challenge Medal.
 Brighton and Hove : The De Worms Challenge Cup.
 Ashdown Forest and Tunbridge Wells : Monthly Medal.
 Royal Eastbourne : Monthly Medal.
 Edinburgh University : Captain's, the Senatus, and other Prizes (at North Berwick).
 West Lancashire : Monthly Medal.
- June 30.—Luffness : Club Handicap Medal.

Club Notices.

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ST. ANDREWS Golf Club and Ball Makers' Handicap Medal and Prizes, 16TH MAY, 1891.

SEAFOED GOLF CLUB.—CHALLENGE CUP.—
 The first Competition will take place on Whit-Monday. The Competition will be decided by playing two rounds of the Links of 18 holes. The Competition is open to members of the Club only. A Cup will be presented to the winner. Entries must be made to the Hon. Sec. not later than three days before the Competition. Entry money, 2s. 6d., must be paid before starting. Play will commence at 10 a.m. J. FLETCHER FARNCOMBE, Hon. Sec.

ST. GEORGE'S GOLF CLUB, SANDWICH, KENT.
 The ST. GEORGE'S CHAMPION GRAND CHALLENGE CUP, open to all amateurs, for the best scratch aggregate score of two rounds, will be played for on Tuesday, May 19th, 1891. Entry 10s. 6d. The Club will give a Cup value 20 guineas as a memento to the winner. Intending competitors are requested to send their names and entry money to the Secretary on or before Friday, May 15th. W. RUTHERFORD, Hon. Sec., 3, Plowden Buildings, Temple, E.C.

ISLAY GOLF CLUB.—MATCH £100.—The Links will be opened by a Match for £100 and a Gold Medal, between WILLIE FERNIE, of Troon, and WILLIE CAMPBELL, of Bridge of Weir, on Friday, 22nd May. Rooms should be engaged beforehand at either of the two Hotels, McCuaig's "White Hart," or McLeod's "Islay" Hotel.—P. JEFFREY MACKIE, Hon. Treasurer, *pro tem.*

THE "TRUFLITE" GOLF BALL.

Messrs. Slazenger and Sons, Golf club and ball-makers, 56, Cannon Street, E.C., have for some time past been turning their attention to the manufacture of a really first-class Golf-ball, and the outcome of their efforts has resulted in the production of the "Truflite" ball. Experience of the ball shows that in the process of manufacture it has been treated differently from the ordinary method followed in the making of gutta-percha balls, but what that treatment is remains, of course, a trade secret. Suffice it to say, however, that whatever the treatment pursued, the ultimate outcome is a very fine hard ball, whose advantages have been rather under than over-estimated. It is claimed for the ball that it preserves its round smooth appearance longer than the generality of balls ; that it is truer in flight, better and firmer to putt with, not so easily deflected off the line of flight by the wind, and that it retains the paint longer. We have recently put the balls to a severe test, and certainly found that hacking with the cleek or iron had but little distorting effect on the ball ; that after a round in stormy wet weather, and played out of all kinds of bad lies, the ball bore but little evidence of having been played with. The paint was absolutely intact. But the points which chiefly impressed us in the behaviour of the ball was its flight against a head-wind, or through a cross-wind. Here, undoubtedly, the ball behaved splendidly, and from its apparent greater density, or from some other inherent cause which we cannot explain, the wind never deflected it a foot off the true line of flight, while the carry remained undiminished in power. In playing short approach shots, too, the ball did not leave the club with a sudden bound and jerk, as if angry with the player, but, so to speak, with that orderly and well-behaved demeanour which ought to characterise every really good Golf-ball. On the putting-green a player could not desire a better ally to win a hole or a long half for him. Probably, owing to its power of withstanding rough usage through the green, and hacking with the iron clubs, the ball always preserves its rotundity ; and thus, when, on the putting-green, a true putt is invariably obtained. The "Truflite" is not a lively ball on the putting-green, and may thus need a little more strength than habit with other balls assigns as the true measure of strength to reach the hole. This is an advantage greatly in its favour, however, because nothing is so disconcerting to accuracy of putting as a ball which leaves the club near the hole with a jerk or a spring.

We have reason to know that a large number of the leading golfers in the south use these balls with the best results, and that all those players of wide experience speak in terms of unrestricted praise of them. The encomium is deserved, and the name of "Truflite" embodies in one short, graphic, picturesquely- quaint word, the true representation of their qualities.

It is not generally known that the three Leven clubs—viz., the Innerleven, Thistle, and Lundin Links Golf Clubs—have just leased for a term of years from Mr. Gilmour of Montrave and Mr. Christie of Duns the well known golfing course extending from Leven to Largo; and in future no one but members of the clubs will be allowed to play on the links without paying 6d. per day, or 10s. for the season. The charge is made to prevent the green from being hacked up by so much indiscriminate playing. These links have been largely resorted to from Edinburgh on Saturdays since the Forth Bridge opened.

The Whitley Club intend to bring their spring season to a close this week, on account of the links being too crowded with visitors during the summer months to admit of the members playing the game in safety. The autumn season will begin in October, when a competition on the Calcutta cup principle will be started, the prizes being awarded as follows:—For the absolute winner (1); for players beaten in the first round (2); for players beaten in the third round (3). The club has proved very successful, and the membership already exceeds two hundred, although the organization has only been established a few months.



A good many golfers have written, asking where medals and Golf trophies can be obtained. In reply, we should like to call their attention to the advertisement of Messrs. Mappin & Webb, the well-known silversmiths, of Oxford Street and Poultry. We understand that they have resolved to make the designing and manufacture of Golf medals and trophies a special feature of their business, and, with this object in view, suggestions have been asked from golfers as to the most appropriate and artistic designs. Apart altogether, however, from medals and cups, they have a magnificent collection of articles appropriate for prizes, both for lady and gentlemen golfers, such as watches, spirit-flasks, silver cigar and cigarette cases, smokers' lamps, field-glasses, richly chased chatelaines, silver-mounted button hooks, Russia leather purses, and finely finished cabinet spirit stands. The selection is not only complete and varied, but of the finest workmanship and greatest beauty of design.

A correspondent writes:—"I was a guest at the Royal Academy banquet on Saturday night. Strolling through the rooms, and having a free and easy view of the great art works of the year, my eye was arrested by the familiar figure of Mr. Henry Lamb, clothed in scarlet golfing jacket, with bulger under his arm greeting me with a 'How d'ye do,' from the splendid canvas of Mr. John Pettie. Rich as the galleries are in portraits this year, Mr. Lamb's picture ranks as one of the best, and, no doubt, all golfers will pay the portrait special attention when they visit the Academy."

Play will be stopped at Tooting on Saturdays from the beginning of May until the end of October, at three o'clock; and the common-keeper has a discretionary power, in the event of the common being crowded, to stop play at two o'clock. The Wednesday regulation of last year will be revived, which stops play on Wednesdays between three and six o'clock from May to end of September. There will be no monthly medal competition during the months of July, August and September. But during May, June and October it may be played for on either the second Friday or Saturday.

The Wimbledon Ladies' Golf Club begin active operations on Saturday, May 9th, with a preliminary competition. A monthly medal will be competed for on May 23rd, and the first prize meeting will take place in June, probably on the 13th.

The question as to the caddy regulations at North Berwick was again alluded to at the first meeting of the newly-elected School Board, the members being as formerly, with one exception. Provost Brodie presided, having been appointed chairman. A letter was read from the chairman or the old Board, Rev. J. Davidson, B.D., then travelling in the south of Europe, reviewing the Board's past term of office. In the course of his review it was stated that further consideration of the matter of regulating the Golf caddies was urgently demanded, in the interests of the boys and of the ratepayers.

The suspension system carried out by the links authorities was considered to be so far very satisfactory. In reference to

this matter a communication had been read from Mr. M'Culloch, at the last meeting of the old Board early in April, to the effect that, whilst the recommendation of the Board would be submitted to the authorities at their next meeting, it might be reminded of the regulation providing for suspension of school-boys as caddies who may be reported as on the Golf links during school hours. If the Board chose to take advantage of this, it would be carried out with the strictness that invariably characterised the enforcement of the regulations of the lessees. A meeting of caddies is arranged to be held very soon.

We congratulate the Tyneside Golf Club upon the satisfactory state of their affairs. It was stated at their half-yearly general meeting held recently, that they had 154 members on the roll, and a balance of £110 at the bank. Dr. A. Wilson moved that the club give a prize valued at 2 guineas to the recently formed Ryton Working-men's club for competition among the members, and this was carried. It was also agreed to hold a summer competition, consisting of nine bi-monthly competitions, on the first and third Saturday of each month, to begin on May 7th, for a prize valued at 7 guineas. Mr. G. F. Charlton, the courteous hon. sec., is, we regret to learn, ill at present.

George Fernie has finished his work for the Hunstanton Golf Club, and has done it well. The course of nine holes lies over good golfing ground, and has been judiciously planned to make the most of natural advantages. All the holes are interesting, and most of them by no means easy. The record set by George Fernie before leaving was 80 for the double round, and the members of the club will have to work hard if they mean to lower it. A club-house has been built, and Walter Hines, from Yarmouth, engaged as green-keeper.

Scene—An English Golfing Hotel. Enter, a golfer, a Scottish divine; to mistress of hotel: "We don't want a big lunch sent to the Pavilion to-day; only some jam and bread and some mulk." Mistress: "We don't keep German bread here; we only get the village bread." Divine scratches his pow, and retreats to consider.

On Saturday last, amid a downpour of rain, the Naval Exhibition at Chelsea was opened by the Prince and Princess of Wales, who were accompanied by several members of the Royal Family. After the opening ceremony the Royal party made a tour of the exhibition, and appeared much delighted with all they saw. There are a great many exhibits, chiefly of a nautical character. There are also many interesting relics and curiosities which belonged to Lord Nelson, viz., his favourite chairs, his swords, watches, snuff-boxes, coats, hats, pieces of dinner and tea services which he used while at sea. The exhibition includes a splendid collection of oil paintings, chiefly depicting battles at sea. In the grounds there is a magnificent model of Nelson's ship, "Victory." The public are admitted to the cabin where Lord Nelson's death took place. There is a life-size group of figures in wax of Lord Nelson surrounded by several of his officers, who are supporting the dying hero. The scene is very realistic. A lake of real water makes a pretty feature in the grounds, where small boats and steam launches are manned by real Jack tars. A splendid model of the Eddystone Lighthouse occupies a prominent position. It is lighted at night, and this tower forms at night time a very prominent feature in the wilderness of bricks and mortar. Altogether the Naval Exhibition bids fair to equal, if not to surpass, the Military Exhibition in point of interest.

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In a friendly game with Sir G. Clerk over the North Berwick links, on Wednesday of last week, Sir Archibald Napier holed the hole across (eighth) in one. Sir Archibald played a tee shot with his driver against the breeze, and the ball took a curved line, dropped on the putting-green a few yards from the hole and rolled into it. The penalty attaching to the feat was duly recognised to the pleasure of the caddy.

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A good story is told in this connection of the Chief Secretary for Ireland, who, on one occasion, in a single with Tom Dunn, had the good fortune to hole Pointgarry out in 2. Dunn was allowing his distinguished opponent "a stroke a hole," and Mr. Balfour's caddy (a professional) claimed the penalty fee, on the ground that he had therefore won the hole in 1. "What!" said Mr. Balfour, with a well-feigned look of astonishment, "have I to pay you for looking at me doing this? I think I should get the money for doing the trick." The caddy was for the nonce completely nonplussed by this view of the matter, so unexpected and so forcibly expressed. Needless to say, however, the right hon. gentleman honourably paid the forfeit of his prowess at the close of the round.

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On Monday, the 4th inst., Mr. H. M. Bell, a member of the Great Yarmouth Club, succeeded in holing the second half of the course in 37—viz., 5 3 3 5 4 4 5 4 4=37. Unfortunately, several of the holes in the former part of the round were not holed out.

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A movement has been on foot for some time in Largs having for its object the formation of a Golf club for this fashionable and popular old summer resort. On Monday night, at a meeting of those favourable to the project, held in the Lesser St. Columba Hall, the Rev. Canon Low, of Largs Episcopal Church, presiding, the club, which is to be known as the Largs Golf Club, was formed. The office-bearers are as follows:—Captain, Mr. J. H. McCall of Holmwood; joint-secretaries, Major Eckford and Mr. John Murray, Union Bank; joint-treasurers, Mr. John R. Boyd and Mr. John Baldie, Royal Bank; and committee:—Rev. Canon Low, Dr. John Moyes, Mr. Charles Lodder of Thon-a-mara, Captain Robert Wood, Mr. John Morris, Mr. Peter Watson, Mr. John Orr, Mr. John Hill Malcolm, jun., and Mr. John Jack. Thirty members were enrolled at the meeting.

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TRIOLETS.

I.

Oh! bunkers of sand
And a bottle of beer:
On every hand
Are bunkers of sand,
I can't understand
Why my play is so queer:
Oh! bunkers of sand
And a bottle of beer.

II

There is always a but!
My drive was A 1,
But I got in a rut
(There is always a but),
And I fozzled the putt,
And the medal is gone;
There is always a but
When the other man's won.

G. E. M.

* * *

A very small boy with a very big cleek,
An indiarubber ball and abundance of cheek;
Who is always in the way and never off the green
At any link in summer can constantly be seen.

ALPHA.

NORTH BERWICK CADDIES—RULES AND REGULATIONS.

There was a large attendance of Golf caddies on the occasion of the first annual meeting of professionals and caddies on Wednesday evening of last week, when licenses were awarded them and they were addressed as to the position they occupy in relation to golfers, and the conduct expected of them. The interest in the meeting was perhaps enhanced by the fact that the School Board has been exercising itself for some time past as to the regulations, with a view to the welfare of the boys, and in the interest of the public. Captain R. G. Suttie, of Balgownie, presided, and Mr. D. McCulloch, hon. secretary to the lessees, was also present.

Captain Suttie said the meeting had been held that night for the distribution of licenses. The custom hitherto had been to allow the green-keeper to distribute the licenses; but it had now been thought advisable that it should be done in a more formal manner. One of the principal reasons for the change was that last year a few individuals had vehemently asserted that there was no such thing as a system of control on the green, and that the conduct of the caddies was exceedingly bad. Now, in his opinion, there was not the slightest foundation for any one of these statements. There existed a system of control. It was effective, and had worked well, and he considered the conduct of the caddies, taking them as a whole, was exceedingly good. (Applause.) Every one of them was aware that on the North Berwick green there was an authority that had absolute control not only in regard to the caddies, but also the golfers. Last year the number of licensed caddies amounted to 170, and it appeared to him that a system which enabled the authorities to successfully control 170 caddies was not one open to the objection of carelessness. (Applause.) After briefly referring to some of the rules as to licensing and registration, Capt. Suttie said the lessees were determined to co-operate with the School Board in every way in order to prevent boys carrying clubs on the green when they ought to be at school. Of course, it would not be expected that they would allow their servants to become the servants of the Board, but if the School Board officer reported to the green-keeper and gave sufficient evidence to show that a boy had contravened that rule, he would certainly be suspended. There was no intention of punishing them simply because they might have offended the School Board officer, but for offending one of the rules of the lessees, and they would be punished because of such offence. Any boy who behaved himself, however, might never know that a rule or regulation existed. The rules had been framed with a view that the playing of Golf and the carrying of golf-clubs might be as pleasant as possible for every one. (Applause.) With regard to the professionals, Captain Suttie explained that they occupied a different position from that of the ordinary caddies. They were allowed to carry for whom they chose. A professional was allowed to make his own charge, but when engaging to carry for a party, he must state his terms, otherwise he had no right to demand more than an ordinary caddy.

The licenses were then distributed, an addition of some thirty new caddies, bringing the total membership to about two hundred. On the motion of Mr. McCulloch a very hearty vote of thanks was awarded to Captain Suttie by the boys, and on the proposal of Bob Miller a similar compliment was paid to Mr. McCulloch. Appended are the rules and regulations just issued to the caddies:—

1. Licensing and regulation of caddies.—All persons desirous of carrying clubs on the private links must have their names inscribed on the register of caddies, and obtain a license to carry from the lessees. Registration and acceptance of license will be held to be an undertaking by the licensee to comply with the rules issued or to be issued by the lessees, and any breach of the said rules will entail a forfeiture of the license for periods varying according to the nature of the offence.

2. Tariff.—A licensed caddy shall only be entitled to one shilling for a whole or any part of a round, and for this sum the caddy must in addition clean the clubs. A demand by a licensed caddy for more than one shilling for a whole or any part of a round is a breach of this rule.

3. Soliciting for hire.—Soliciting for hire, or otherwise importuning or annoying golfers, is strictly prohibited.

4. Obligation to carry when disengaged.—A licensed caddy, if not already engaged to carry, is bound to carry for any golfer requesting his services. A licensed caddy, having cause of complaint against a golfer, will obtain redress on bringing the complaint to the notice of Mr. M'Culloch, secretary to the lessees.

5. Conduct.—Gambling, intemperance, incivility, and use of improper language, is strictly forbidden at all times.

6. Teeing balls.—All caddies are to be particular in teeing the balls on that part of the green marked out for the purpose, with sand taken from the box.

7. Replacing turf.—Caddies are to be careful to replace any turf that may be removed by golfer's iron, and press it firmly with the feet.

8. Greenkeeper.—Caddies must obey the orders of the person appointed to take charge of the green.

9. School Board.—The holder, being a boy subject to the authority of the School Board, will have his license suspended on the compulsory officer reporting to the greenkeeper his being on the green or carrying clubs during school hours.

PAINT FOR GOLF BALLS.

Readers have doubtless noticed in our correspondence columns lately, that many inquiries have been made with reference to a good paint for Golf balls. Messrs. Donald Macpherson and Co., Knott Mill, Manchester, have sent us for trial a pot of their white "Foochow" Enamel, which, we believe, is largely in vogue among households throughout the country for decorative purposes.

The paint was tried on a large number of balls freshly made up. At first we thought that the paint was a trifle too thin, but after the first coating dried, and subsequent coatings were applied, the resultant appearance of the ball was a bright, white, glossy object, readily distinguishable on the course a long way off. Care, however, must be taken to follow the directions given by the makers, and to use a brush instead of the palm of the hand or an old glove. One of the chief advantages of the enamel is that it dries almost as soon as it is put on; so that players who want good repainted balls need not wait a week or a fortnight in order to allow the paint to dry before putting the balls into use.

Golfers do not need to be reminded of the importance of being the possessors of a ball, the paint of which does not chip. Nothing is so unsightly, or so irritating to the eye of the golfer, than to see a good ball losing its paint after half a-dozen blows with the club; and this is a complaint too often heard at present. The "Foochow" Enamel supplies the desideratum in this respect; and to golfers, both at home and abroad, this paint can be recommended not only as a security against badly painted balls, but as great saver of time, money, and trouble.

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GOLF RULES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—If Mr. Geo. Seton will carefully peruse the "Proposed New Rules" he will possibly see that the committee had some reason for having a penalty in Rule 21 of match play, and no penalty in Rule (e) of medal play; and that the alterations he proposes do not embrace all the differences of the two kinds of play. It might make an important difference in a medal competition if Rule 24 of match play were followed in medal play, and an irritable opponent might have some justification for some signs of temper if Rule (f) of medal play obtained in its entirety in match play.

Handicap Match Competitions.—As I believe that I am somewhat responsible for proposing the proportion of the medal handicap that is generally allowed to a player in a handicap match competition, and in compiling the first list of holes where strokes were to be taken, I am interested in Mr. Turner's letter on the subject, which appeared in your issue of the 1st inst., and look forward to his future letter with pleasure.

Meantime, I wish to say that the first table was compiled with reference to the length of the holes, and under the belief that it was more advantageous to the receiver of odds to receive them at the short holes of a round. This may be an erroneous impression, but I believe it is one very prevalent among golfers.

The only way I see to avoid the element of luck which Mr. Turner speaks of is that, in the case of a tie, one of the "divisions" of the course containing its proportion of handicap be played. This would, in the case of a one stroke handicap, necessitate the playing of the full round.

But the points (1) of the proportion of medal handicap to be allowed in match handicap, and (2) the proportion to be allowed to the same player on different greens seem to be of more importance than the determination of where the strokes must be taken.

1. The proportion first tried was an allowance of two-thirds of the difference of medal handicap, but after several years' trial this allowance seemed to be in favour of those giving odds. I then proposed that three-fourths should be given, and that where the fraction, if any, equalled a half, it should be used if the player entitled to it could do so. For example, if a player's handicap was four and a-half strokes, he should play as if he had five strokes, taking his strokes at the (vide Mr. Turner's table in your last issue) 2nd, 6th, 9th, 13th and 17th holes, instead of at the 3rd, 7th, 12th and 16th holes, and if any of the five holes named were negotiated in the same number of strokes by both players, the receiver of the half-stroke was entitled to use his fraction, and claim the hole.

This proposal was accepted, but not in its entirety, and clubs generally give the fraction, when it amounts to two-fourths, to the receiver of odds.

2. The proportion to be allowed to the same player on different greens is a point of great importance, and requires the most careful attention of the handicap committees. This is one reason calling for the establishment of a "Golfing Asso-

ciation." With a knowledge of the par of every green, the topography of every green, and the handicap of every player in the affiliated clubs, no gross error such as I have seen within this year should be made in handicapping players who have sent in, say, a dozen recorded scores. *Ceteris paribus*, the longer the course, the greater the handicap. To give a player on North Berwick a 70 course, the same handicap as he would receive on Wimbledon an 80 course, or on Blackheath a 120 course, from a scratch player, would seem absurd, and yet it is a fact that in this year 1891 I have seen players receiving and playing with 50 per cent. more handicap on an 84 course than they received on a 116 course. Scratch players on both greens had to give them 50 per cent. more handicap on the shorter green. That different kinds and difficulties of hazards must receive consideration is obvious to every one, but that a player should receive such different handicaps from the same scratch players must surely be the result of some mistake.

One thing I would desire to see, and that is a greater ambition in the young players of England to shake off their handicaps, and make it their aim to attain scratch if they can, and not to have an appetite for more handicap, as the only purpose for which that can be sought is to win pots and half-crowns.

I trust that you, Sir, will assist in the development of a golfing association which may at least help us to arrive at a more satisfactory condition of handicapping and ruling than we at present live under.

I am, Sir, &c.,

D. D.

May 2nd, 1891.

BUNKERED.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In playing a match the other day, my opponent got into a bunker and, before proceeding to play his ball, he poked about with his niblick in the bunker to test the nature of the ground. I objected to this, as a violation of the St. Andrews Rules, and on putting my objection before a distinguished golfer I was astonished to hear him say that it was quite in accordance with the St. Andrews Rules, and he had himself always done so when he chose. I have since heard that in a celebrated professional match, the objection was made against Sayers doing this by his opponent's caddie, and over-ruled by Provost Brodie, umpire. Now I hold that such action is certainly opposed to the *spirit* of the laws regarding bunkered balls, and is ugly form. Also that it is against the letter of Law IV. 12, St. Andrews Rules which says, "When a ball lies in a bunker, sand, or any other hazard, there shall be no impression made by the club whilst addressing the ball, nor sand nor other obstacle removed 'before striking at the ball.'" Can a man poke about a bunker, without in some way removing sand? What is your opinion on the matter?

I am, Sir, &c.,

April, 1891.

PHILO-PHAIR-PLAY.

[We agree with our correspondent. No player has a right even to ground his club in a bunker. By doing so he infringes the rule most unmistakably, and lays himself open to the full penalty being claimed. The proposed new rule on the point is even more explicit. It says that "when a ball lies in, or touches a hazard, the club shall not touch the ground."—Ed.]

QUANTUM MUTATUS AB ILLO.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Many of us who have given up Golf for about 20 years would like to begin again, but everything is so completely altered that we can only with great care and close observation trace a slight resemblance between the past and the present game. The new one we are almost frightened to start with. We used to play fairly good games just with a club and a cleek, and won many prizes with good scores, too.

A friend of ours who is one of the very latest golfers, and who only began a year ago, advises us to begin again. He speaks with such authority on the game, clearly showing us how little we know about it now. He has kindly put himself to the trouble of getting a few estimates for us, and has handed the lowest one, showing the probable cost of a year's golfing. The requirements are very simple. Driver, long spoon, mid spoon, short spoon, baffing spoon, putter, brassy, broad iron, light iron, Park's patent lofting iron, cleek, niblick, Ross's patent putting cleek, Morris's patent cleek, Carruther's patent cleek, iron and putting cleeks, patent driver with steel core, bulger, pendulum putter, mashie, greenheart handles, new patent grip, patent tees, ball cleaners, f-g-horn, marking cards, knickerbockers and gaiters, golfing shoes, waterproof macintosh, leggings, travelling box for clubs and club-case, box in club-house, half a gross of balls, subscriptions, lunch bag—(trams, dinners, travelling expenses not taken into account)—for the whole, say, about £32. This only exceeds the estimate of 1861 by about £30, or a difference so trifling as not to be worth mentioning. Our friend, however, has omitted one important item, viz.:—caddies. It would be of great importance to know the number required; or whether we would require, in addition, a waggon from the Transvaal and an appraiser's assistant to take an inventory now and again. We do not grumble at all. We like all the new patents, for we are not in it unless we have them. There is just one more patent needed—something which can play a ball round a corner. Then we shall go in for the lot.

I am, Sir, &c.,

R. J. B. T.

Edinburgh, April 30th, 1891.

GOLF IN THE WEST OF LONDON.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—Could you tell me whether there is any Golf club within easy reach of the West End of London where I could play Golf on Saturdays and Sundays? If there is a club in the neighbourhood of Wormwood Scrubbs or Willesden, it would suit me best.

If so, would you mind letting me know the name of the secretary, and the best way to get elected as a member.

I am, Sir, &c.,

L. A. C.

GOLF MATCHES ON PUBLIC GOLF COURSES.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—One of our local clubs came down to the starting point last Saturday afternoon to play a match with a stranger club. There were about thirty couples, and it took about two hours to get all the competitors away. During this time about as many more of the regular Saturday afternoon players came forward, and the cause of the block was freely discussed, not to the advantage of the competitors.

I would ask you, is it right that such matches should be played on public Golf courses, and more especially on the weekly half-holiday. We have three splendid public Golf courses in Forfarshire, viz.:—Monifieth, Carnoustie, and Montrose, and the regular frequenters are all more or less pestered with this kind of thing. If matches are to be played, let them be played on week-days; and, with regard to medal play, I would suggest to the Dalhousie, Pannure, and Royal Albert Clubs, the propriety of leading the way to such a change.

We can understand cricket, bowling, and tennis matches, but beyond club medal competitions, and these should be also restricted, foursomes, or tournaments, is there any sense or utility in inter-club Golf matches where one fellow plays against another, and dare not, or should not, converse, so that even the social element is wanting. In cricket, bowling and tennis, the pitch, green, or court, is level and alike to every player, but in Golf the stranger, unless he practises beforehand, is severely handicapped; for instance, is there a possibility of the golfing strength of the Monifieth artisans, who are all good players, being

shown at St. Andrews without previous practice, or *vice versa* of the St. Andrews men at Monifieth? Besides cricket parks, bowling greens, and tennis courts are private property, and the clubs may do as they like without question. I think the introduction of a crowd of strangers on the Saturday half-holiday should be treated as an impertinence.

I am, Sir, &c.,

A DUNDONIAN.

Dundee, April 30th, 1891.

MR. CLARK'S BOOK ON GOLF.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In his letter regarding the above book "T. T. A. A." omits to mention that the issue of large paper numbered copies was strictly limited to fifty. Only that number of people in the whole world can therefore possibly be the possessors of these special volumes, the value of which must, with the spread of Golf, increase greatly every year. I am myself the present owner of No. 9, which came from the library of the late Mr. J. Leveson Douglas Stewart, of Glenogil. The full description of the book is as follows:—

"Golf: A Royal and Ancient Game. A historical account of the game, also Acts of Parliament, poems, and all kinds of information relative to it; from the fifteenth century to the present time; large paper, containing extra matter and portraits of celebrated golfers, illustrated by Sir John Gilbert, Doyle, Birket Foster, James Drummond, David Allan, and others. 4to. Edinburgh: Printed by R. and R. Clark, 1875. Bound in green cloth extra; uncut, top edges gilt."

It should be mentioned that Clark's "Golf" is in no way didactic. Beyond giving the rules of the game it does not attempt to instruct the beginner. A good deal of the matter it contains—especially some of the poetry—is unmistakably commonplace. As a compilation from all sources it has, however, great interest, and many of the illustrations are admirable.

I am, Sir, &c.,

H. P.

Richmond, May 3rd, 1891.

GOLF AT SEAFORD.

To the Editor of GOLF.

SIR,—In the last edition of GOLF, under the head of Tee Shots, I notice that you compare our greens to those on the Newhaven course. Now, without the least disrespect to the latter, I must submit that the comparison is unjust, and were you to visit Newhaven you would, I am sure, be the first to acknowledge it.

That the holes were very badly placed when you were down I freely admit. I knew nothing about it till Saturday afternoon, and no one was more annoyed than myself. On Monday morning most of the holes were altered, and I think Dr. Leggatt's two scores of 91 and 90 prove that there was cause then for complaint, and Mr. C. E. Hamboro's score of 86 is, I think, even more conclusive evidence. As to the crossing, I quite admit the justice of your remarks, and it will be done away with soon.

My remark about putting cut on the ball was not quoted quite correctly, and it was made under a total misapprehension of the cause of complaint, as I had not been round the course.

Hoping you will again honour us with a visit,

I am, Sir, &c.,

J. FLETCHER FARNCOMBE,

Hon. Sec.

PERTH.—Mr. R. Mackay, architect, has just won the silver cup presented to the King James VI. Golf Club, Perth, for competition by Mr. William MacLeish, city clerk. Mr. Mackay, having previously gained the trophy, it now, by the rules of the competition, becomes his own property.



ALNMOUTH CLUB.

The spring meeting was opened successfully last Friday at Alnmouth. Previous to the commencement of the play, the half-yearly general business meeting was held in the club-house, presided over by Mr. T. Tate. The hon. secretary, Mr. J. de C. Paynter, read the minutes of the previous meeting, and they were confirmed. The principal business transacted was the appointment of a man to help the professional to keep the links in good order, and to have charge of the caddies' shelter. The prizes for competition were the Cadogan medal and the Browne cup. The winner of the medal is recognised as the club champion for the season. Mr. A. T. Thomson won the medal last year, and Mr. J. B. Radcliffe the Browne trophy. Twenty-one members entered for the competitions, and they were despatched by the secretary. On the cards being examined it was found that Mr. J. B. Radcliffe and Mr. H. E. Brown had tied for premier honours at 90 each. Details:—

	1st Rnd.	2nd Rnd.	Gross.		1st Rnd.	2nd Rnd.	Grs.
Mr. J. B. Radcliffe	42	48	90	Mr. J. L. Oliver	52	55	107
Mr. H. E. Brown	43	47	90	Mr. J. Robertson	51	57	108
Mr. R. T. Thomson	48	46	94	Mr. E. S. Osborn	56	53	109
Mr. J. de C. Paynter	46	49	95	Dr. J. Limont	53	57	110
Rev. H. Foster	47	48	95	Mr. R. Barker	55	55	110
Mr. T. Orde	49	47	96	Mr. R. M. Hansard	53	59	112
Mr. Jas. Tennant	47	49	96	Mr. T. A. Hutton	60	56	116
Mr. A. H. Marsh	48	48	96	Mr. A. Browne	62	60	122
Mr. C. A. Ridley	52	54	106				

The remainder of the competitors retired.

The spring meeting was continued on Saturday, and there was a large attendance of members, the principal event being the contest for a subscription cup, value £5, to be won outright on handicap terms. The Cadogan medal replayed tie was also set down for decision.

CADOGAN MEDAL.

(Replayed tie.)

	1st Rnd.	2nd Rnd.	Total.		1st Rnd.	2nd Rnd.	Total.
Mr. J. B. Radcliffe	45	43	88	Mr. W. E. Brown	50	51	101

SUBSCRIPTION CUP.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. J. B. Radcliffe	88	scr.	88	Mr. J. Milton	113	5	99
Mr. T. L. M. Orde	97	9	88	Mr. W. E. Brown	101	2	99
Mr. J. Tennant	94	5	89	Mr. J. Lowrie	106	7	99
Mr. E. S. Osborne	102	11	91	Mr. R. B. Robson	115	16	99
Mr. J. de C. Paynter	100	4	96	Mr. C. A. Ridley	102	scr.	102
Mr. E. J. Dent	113	16	97	Mr. T. Tate	109	7	102
				Mr. R. M. Hansard	114	9	105

Several competitors retired.

TIE FOR SUBSCRIPTION CUP.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. T. L. M. Orde	102	9	93	Mr. J. B. Radcliffe	96	scr.	96

The following scores were made in the third competition for the March prize over the Alnmouth course on the 25th ult. The donor of the prize proved successful, his net score being 87. Details:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. A. H. Marsh	105	18	87	Mr. R. Simpson	112	18	94
Mr. J. Hedley	99	10	89	Mr. J. Robertson	105	9	96
Mr. H. T. Hudson	102	12	90	Mr. J. de C. Paynter	101	4	97
Mr. A. Hutchinson	109	18	91	Mr. W. H. Warlow	117	18	101
Dr. J. Limont	108	15	93				

Three competitors retired.

The following are the scores in the third competition for the handicap cup, played on 25th April. These links are now in splendid order; the putting-greens are, if anything, rather too keen, and rain is much

wanted to make the herbage grow. Mungo Park, who has been the professional for fourteen years, has left, and is succeeded by George Rochester, a local man.

	1st. Round.	2nd. Round.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. R. H. Marsh ...	50	55	105	18	87
Mr. J. Hedley ...	50	49	99	10	89
Mr. H. T. Hudson ...	47	55	102	12	90
Mr. A. Hutchinson ...	51	58	109	18	91
Mr. J. Limont ...	58	50	108	15	93
Mr. R. Simpson ...	55	57	112	18	94
Mr. J. Robertson ...	52	53	105	9	96
Mr. J. de C. Paynter ...	50	51	101	4	97
Mr. W. H. Warlow ...	58	59	117	16	101
Mr. T. Tate ...	Retired.			7	
Mr. C. H. Stanton ...				12	
Mr. J. W. Pease ...				16	

ABERDEEN.

A welcome change in the weather here came on Saturday, rain, which was badly needed for some weeks previously, falling heavily on that day up to four o'clock in the afternoon. The rest of the evening turned out gloriously fine, and the putting-greens over the two courses, which of late have been terribly parched and bare, revived wonderfully. The rain in the forenoon no doubt kept back a number of members of the Aberdeen Club from competing for their scratch medal and the Burgmann cup (handicap), competitions for which were set down for decision on that day over the Balgownie Links. When the cards handed in were compared, it was found that Mr. W. R. Reid, with a score of 90, less 5=85, had carried off both prizes. The following were the lowest scores:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. W. R. Reid ...	90	5	85	Dr. J. Macdonald...	100	7	93
Mr. R. D. Leslie ...	98	7	91				

The match between the Victoria and Bon-Accord Clubs, to which I referred in a former letter, duly came off here last week over the old course on the Aberdeen Links, and after a capitally-contested game, ended in a victory for the Victoria representatives by 13 holes. Twenty-five players started on each side, fifteen couples playing on Saturday, the last day of the match. The rain in the forenoon had made the greens somewhat heavy, but all the other conditions were favourable to good play. Eleven men on each side succeeded in winning, the aggregate for the Victoria representatives amounting to 56 holes, while the Bon-Accord men's figures were 43 holes. Three halves were registered, the matches between Messrs. M'Connachie and Stewart, and Mortimer and Ogilvie being especially fine ones. The first-named couple came in with scores of 86 each. One shot of Mr. Ogilvie's deserves to be specially mentioned. After driving off from the tee at the Well hole, his ball lay on grass just before reaching the road running round the Broad Hill. Taking his brassy, he cleared the bill with his second shot, and lay on the green at the Flagstaff hole, a feat we have never seen equalled by any professional. Mr. W. Smart, of the Bon-Accord, had the honour of going round in the lowest figures of the day, viz., 82, while Mr. John Russell, of the Victoria, who played in the forenoon, when the rain was at its worst, handed in a card with a score of 84. Full score by holes as follows:—

VICTORIA.		Holes.		BON-ACCORD.		Holes.	
Mr. A. M. M. Dunn...	...	0	...	Mr. W. Smart...	...	5	...
Mr. J. Russell...	...	9	...	Mr. G. Flett...	...	0	...
Mr. A. Cooper...	...	3	...	Mr. L. Anderson...	...	0	...
Mr. A. M'Connachie...	...	0	...	Mr. W. A. Stewart...	...	0	...
Mr. D. J. Innes...	...	0	...	Mr. A. Smart...	...	3	...
Mr. R. Anderson (2)...	...	0	...	Mr. J. W. Murray...	...	8	...
Mr. W. H. Reid...	...	3	...	Mr. J. Florence...	...	0	...
Mr. J. B. Banks...	...	5	...	Mr. J. Smith...	...	0	...
Mr. G. Mortimer...	...	0	...	Mr. J. Ogilvie...	...	0	...
Mr. R. Balmaiter...	...	5	...	Mr. A. Jaffray...	...	0	...
Mr. J. Forrest...	...	4	...	Mr. H. Glass...	...	0	...
Mr. R. W. Beedie...	...	3	...	Mr. G. Simpson...	...	0	...
Mr. J. Law...	...	0	...	Mr. J. Fraser...	...	3	...
Mr. M. H. Mackie...	...	0	...	Mr. J. Paterson...	...	7	...
Mr. J. Hazlewood...	...	0	...	Mr. J. Greig...	...	4	...
Mr. W. Bowman...	...	2	...	Mr. J. Moir...	...	0	...
Mr. J. Stewart...	...	0	...	Mr. R. Reid...	...	0	...
Mr. B. S. M'Lellan...	...	10	...	Mr. J. Twigg...	...	0	...
Mr. A. Mackay...	...	0	...	Mr. C. Ward...	...	2	...
Mr. A. Milne...	...	0	...	Mr. P. Webster...	...	2	...
Mr. G. Anderson (1)...	...	0	...	Mr. F. Watt...	...	4	...
Mr. T. Crichton...	...	2	...	Mr. J. M'Gregor...	...	0	...
Mr. J. Gow...	...	0	...	Mr. C. Smith...	...	1	...
Mr. J. Duncan...	...	10	...	Mr. W. Allan...	...	0	...
Mr. G. Hendry...	...	0	...	Mr. J. Michie...	...	4	...
		56				43	

ALDEBURGH GOLF CLUB.

The monthly silver medal was played for on Saturday, and was won by Mr. F. D. Bright with a net score of 91. Four couples started.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. F. D. Bright...	116	25	91	Mr. G. H. Garrett...	126	18	108
Mr. J. B. Pettit...	93	scr.	93	Mr. E. Garrett...	136	27	109
Mr. Claud Salmon...	103	6	97	Dr. Wrightson...	146	27	119

Mr. V. G. Garrett and Mr. G. Schultz made no return.

ASCOT LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The competition for Lady Berkeley and Mrs. Patton's prizes took place on Thursday, April 30th, with the following results:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
*Miss Ida Clement	88	scr.	88	Miss T. Barron	97	2	95
Miss C. Bruce	101	9	92	Miss Morris	106	10	96
Mrs. Saulez	96	3	93	Miss R. Maitland	115	17	98
Miss E. Barron	96	3	93	Miss E. Chapman	99	scr.	99

* Winner of both prizes.

One hundred or over: Baroness Berkeley, Hon. E. Milman, Miss Ingham, Miss Mason, and Miss R. Haig.

BOWDON GOLF CLUB.

On Saturday, May 2nd, the fourth monthly medal competition was played off on the links at Dunham, resulting in a tie between Messrs. W. S. Mainprice and S. Venour, both of whom received a handicap of 18, their gross score being 103.

Ultimately Mr. Venour came in first, thereby securing a win for the October medal and first prize in the sweepstake, Mr. Mainprice taking the second.

The greens were in excellent order, and thirteen couples in all started, some few forgetting, as usual, to hand in their returns! The best gross scores were those made by the two scratch players, Mr. T. Creswick Oliver and Mr. F. C. Morgan, the former doing the round in 89 strokes and the latter in 95.

Considering the strong north-west wind that was blowing the scores on the whole were good. Subjoined are the returns:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. S. Venour	103	18	85	Mr. F. C. Morgan	95	scr.	95
Mr. W. S. Mainprice	103	18	85	Mr. J. L. Barker	120	25	95
Mr. W. Rycroft	123	36	87	Mr. A. C. Ransome	104	8	96
Mr. E. F. Alford	105	18	87	Mr. H. Staffurth	115	18	97
Mr. T. C. Oliver	89	scr.	89	Mr. H. F. Ransome	105	8	97
Mr. J. Pattison	107	16	91	Rev. W. Lutener	112	14	98
Mr. T. S. Turnbull	116	25	91	Mr. F. V. Williams	117	18	99
Mr. C. H. Hodgson	106	14	92	Mr. Lindsell	134	28	106
Mr. S. W. Gillett	98	6	92	Mr. C. Hopkinson	145	25	120

No returns from the Rev. H. W. Crozier, Messrs. A. Muir, F. C. Merriman, A. Corah, and others.

On the Friday previous a very good foursome was arranged between Mr. T. Creswick Oliver and Miss de Moleyns on the one side, and the Rev. H. W. and Mrs. Crozier on the other. Both ladies are exceptionally good players, and though the first-named pair proved to be the stronger in the earlier part of the day, the latter in the afternoon showed excellent form.

EDINBURGH LICENSED VICTUALLERS' CLUB V. PERTH LICENSED VICTUALLERS.—A match between the members of the Edinburgh Licensed Victuallers' Club and a team of licensed victuallers in Perth took place on the North Inch, Perth, on May 1st. The weather was very favourable, and at the close it was found that Perth had won by 13 holes. The following are the scores:—

PERTH.		Holes.		EDINBURGH.		Holes.	
Mr. P. Stewart	...	11	...	Mr. J. Doig	...	0	...
Mr. J. Brown	...	0	...	Mr. D. Fisher	...	0	...
Mr. R. Hay Robertson	...	0	...	Mr. T. Keay	...	1	...
Mr. John Patterson	...	5	...	Mr. J. Strachan	...	0	...
Mr. R. Robertson	...	0	...	Mr. J. Grossert	...	1	...
Mr. George Honest	...	5	...	Mr. J. Ramsay	...	0	...
Mr. D. Duff	...	1	...	Mr. G. J. Morrison	...	0	...
Mr. John M'Intyre	...	0	...	Mr. J. Stephouse	...	7	...
Mr. D. Cunningham	...	9	...	Mr. J. Caskie	...	0	...
Mr. W. Hope	...	0	...	Mr. R. Veitch	...	10	...
Mr. J. Easden	...	0	...	Mr. A. M'Donald	...	5	...
Mr. W. Baker	...	6	...	Mr. James Miller	...	0	...
Total	...	37		Total	...	24	

AN INTERESTING MATCH.—Playing on the North Inch, Perth, recently with Mr. W. H. Hadow, Captain Livingstone went two rounds of the course in 50 and 57—total, 107. The details of the 50 round were—5 5 5 3 3 4 4 4 4 4. A challenge was then sent to the captain by the local champion, Bob Anderson, and the match came off on Monday, the 28th ult., with the result that the captain won by 9 holes, doing the two rounds in 113.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE GOLF CLUB.

The Berens monthly medal was played for on Saturday, May 2nd, and resulted in a win for Mr. S. S. Schultz with a net return of 89.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. S. S. Schultz ...	98	9	89	Mr. W. O. Baily ...	97	5	92
Mr. E. F. S. Tyle- cote ...	97	6	91	Mr. C. O. Walker ...	106	12	94
Rev. O. C. Vincent ...	109	18	91	Mr. L. Horner ...	105	10	95
Mr. W. C. Scott ...	113	22	91	Mr. S. Mitchell ...	123	24	99
				Mr. G. R. Burnett ...	124	25	99

Fifteen players were over 100, and made no return.

BUXTON AND HIGH PEAK GOLF CLUB.

The last Saturday in every month is the date upon which the monthly medal, and also the competition for the Mickolls cup is played for. In consequence of the excessive dry weather, the greens were very fast, and necessitated great care and precision in putting. The winning scores are as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. W. R. Bryden	104	16 88	Mr. W. L. Shipton	122	18 104
Mr. E. Micholls ...	103	14 89	Mr. C. F. Wardley	128	24 104
Mr. R. W. Cory	125	30 95	Mr. R. Crook ...	146	36 110
Mr. R. S. Jones ...	113	16 97			

BUXTON v. DISLEY.

The latter club, which has hitherto had an unbroken record, visited the Buxton Links on Saturday, and met with their first reverse. It is true they were not all acquainted with the course, which may in a measure account for their severe defeat:—

BUXTON.			DISLEY.		
Holes.			Holes.		
Col. Fernley ...	3		Mr. T. Norris ...	0	
Mr. W. E. Fairlie ...	7		Mr. W. Bell ...	0	
Mr. E. Micholls ...	0		Mr. R. Hulton ...	1	
Mr. G. C. Greenwell ...	1		Rev. J. Bourne ...	0	
Capt. Darwin, R.N. ...	3		Mr. Gilbert Lees ...	0	
Mr. W. R. Bryden ...	1		Mr. Dacre Tonge ...	0	
Major Munn ...	3		Mr. H. Garrett ...	0	
Mr. J. C. Kay ...	6		Mr. A. Hulton ...	0	
Mr. J. Strang ...	11		Mr. G. Hulton ...	0	
Mr. J. L. Strain ...	0		Mr. T. C. Midwood ...	0	
	35			1	

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB.

The officers elected for the October term at the meeting held by the Cambridge University Golf Club on April 27th were:—President, Mr. C. Pigg; captain, Mr. D. M. Brown; hon. sec., Mr. W. T. Linskill; assistant sec., Mr. J. L. Low; Treasurer, Mr. A. M. Joshua; committee, Mr. P. W. Everett (Trinity); I. Heron-Maxwell (Trinity); Mr. R. A. Nicholson (Trinity); Mr. A. M. Chance (Trinity); Mr. E. C. P. Boyd (Trinity); Mr. E. D. C. Strode (Jesus); Mr. A. J. L. Hill (Jesus).

CARNARVONSHIRE GOLF CLUB—CONWAY LINKS.

The first competition among the members of this club for three prizes given by the vice-president, Mr. Albert Wood, which has been held monthly during the winter, was completed on Tuesday, April 21st, when the following gentlemen were the winners:—Col. Marshall, Mr. Healy, and Captain Lempriere. The competitions were held on the first Tuesday in each month from October, 1890, to April, 1891, inclusive, the course being two rounds of the links, or eighteen holes in all, on each day, the two rounds to be played off without an interval between them; the competitor making the lowest aggregate gross score in any three days' play to take first prize; second lowest, second prize; third lowest, third prize; competitors to have the option of selecting any three such aggregate gross scores. Seven members competed, the above-named gentlemen being first, the following coming next in order:—The Rev. H. Rees, Mr. Mill, Mr. Fincham, and Mr. Wallace. The captain, Mr. Sidney Platt, intends giving a silver cup to be competed for by the members of the club, in the week June 22nd to 29th, under handicap and for holes. Members intending to compete for this cup must send in their names to the secretary not later than June 6th.

CLEVELAND CLUB.

The monthly competition took place at Coatham on the 1st and 2nd inst. in fine weather. The scores were as follows:—

Gross Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. H. Roberts ...	92	scr. 92	Mr. W. Young ...	113	10 103
Mr. D. Swanton ...	121	27 94	Mr. C. McKenzie ...	109	5 104
Mr. J. W. Kyle ...	115	20 95	Mr. J. Scott ...	118	12 106
Mr. D. Crawford ...	115	18 97	Mr. D. McKay ...	111	3 108
Mr. P. Raine ...	121	22 99	Mr. A. O. Cochrane ...	131	21 110
Mr. J. White ...	121	22 99	Mr. J. Wynn ...	137	18 119
Mr. C. E. Scott ...	109	8 101	Mr. J. Metcalf ...	135	18 127
Mr. A. Scott ...	129	27 102			

The remainder of the competitors retired.

CORNWALL COUNTY LADIES' CLUB.

The monthly medal handicap competition took place on Friday, April 24th, and was the first monthly competition of a series of six, which will be played through the summer months. The competition brought out a field of a dozen competitors. The weather was very fine, and the play, particularly on the part of the beginners, showed a decided improvement.

	1st Round.	2nd Round.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Miss B. Anderson ...	65	55	120	35	85
Miss M. Every ...	56	59	115	25	90
Miss K. Peter-Hoblyn ...	60	61	121	30	91
Mrs. Young-Jamieson ...	52	50	102	7	95
Miss E. Gilbert ...	60	63	123	25	98
Miss A. Alms ...	59	62	121	20	101
Mrs. Simpson ...	57	60	117	11	106
Mrs. Edyvean ...	55	60	115	4	111
Mrs. Fenton ...	73	68	141	30	111
Mrs. Francis ...	53	65	118	4	114
Mrs. Every ...	72	79	151	36	115
Miss Fenwick ...	69	62	131	16	115

DINARD LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

The following are the scores for a prize given by Lady Hastings, and played for on April 27th:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Miss M. Dansey ...	140	35 105	Miss Stephenson ...	125	scr. 125
Miss M. Leather ...	139	17 113	Miss Staveley ...	144	18 126
Miss B. Gordon ...	116	scr. 116	Miss Nation ...	150	8 142
Miss M. Gordon ...	132	16 116	Lady Duntze ...	175	45 130
Mrs. W. Stephenson ...	141	25 116	Miss O. Chetwynd ...	160	25 135
Miss Stack ...	139	18 121	Miss H. Marshall ...	159	12 147
Miss Forbes ...	132	8 124			

April 29th. Prize given by Mrs. Edye:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.				
Miss M. Gordon ...	126	18	108	Miss Stephenson ...	127	2	125
Miss Forbes ...	123	10	113	Miss Stack ...	154	21	133
Mrs. W. Stephen- son ...	140	25	115	Miss B. Gordon ...	135	scr.	135
Miss M. Dansey ...	145	23	122	Miss Kidstone ...	161	15	146

Lady Duntze, Miss M. Leather, and Miss Nation did not send in scores.

DUBLIN GOLF CLUB.

The semi-final and final heats of the competition for the captain's prize were played off on Saturday last, the 2nd inst., on the links at Dollymount. In the semi-final heat, the match between Dr. Traill, receiving 8 strokes, and Mr. Pigot was rather one-sided, the former winning by 4 up and 3 to play. Quite the contrary was the case in the match between Mr. J. Lumsden, senr., and Mr. J. H. S. Russell, the latter receiving 7 strokes from his opponent. The game all through was very even, Mr. Lumsden, eventually winning by 1 hole up. Dr. Traill and Mr. Lumsden were therefore left in for the final, but the former, not turning up, was scratched, Mr. Lumsden thus winning the prize. The greens are immensely improved already by last week's rain, but could stand a good deal more.

On Saturday next, the "Lumsden medal" will be played for, and intending competitors should send in their names to the hon. secretary.

DURHAM GOLF CLUB.

The fourth competition for the Blagdon cup was played on Friday, May 1st. Result:—

May 1st.	Reason.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. G. C. Roberts		117	25	92	Mr. G. P. Blagdon	120	10	110
Mr. F. W. Cluff ...		124	25	99	Mr. F. A. Ker ...	137	25	112
Mr. H. E. Ferens		125	24	101	Rev. A. Robertson	148	36	112
Mr. J. Hutchinson		121	12	109	Mr. J. Duncanson	121	6	115
Dr. Treadwell ...		111	1	110	Mr. W. Oldham ...	139	24	115

GEORGE GOLF CLUB, EDINBURGH.—The members of this club to the number of thirty-four competed on Saturday afternoon over Musselburgh Links for the club monthly medal (handicap) and presented prizes. Low scoring was difficult on account of the disagreeable nature of the weather, but, notwithstanding this, Mr. G. W. Millar returned the excellent score of 79 for the two rounds (40 and 39), which, with three strokes added, gained for him the medal and first prize. The other prize-winners were:—Mr. W. D. Johnston, 95, less 12=83; Mr. W. G. Munro, senr., 95, less 9=86; Mr. P. Seton, 94, less 5=89; Mr. D. Coutts, 90, scratch, 90; Mr. J. Sullivan, 99, less 6=93; Mr. W. G. Munro, junr., 93, scratch, 93, and Mr. R. Davidson, 98, less 5=93, tie; Mr. J. Rankin, 112, less 18=94; Mr. J. Munro, 104, less 9=95; and Mr. D. M. Jackson, 92, plus 3=95, tie.

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Eminent Golfers.

VI.—TOM DUNN.

Tom Dunn comes of a good golfing stock, his father and uncle both having been well-known Golf-club and ball makers, and first-class players to boot. Their match against Allan Robertson and Tom Morris in 1849 is, indeed, historical. Tom's early life was spent at Blackheath, where his father was custodian of the links to the Royal Blackheath Golf Club. In 1864, when his father left Blackheath, Tom accompanied him to Leith, where he remained until the spring of 1870, when he started business at North Berwick. In the autumn of that year, he accepted the appointment of professional to the London Scottish Golf Club at Wimbledon, and occupied that post for eleven years. In 1881, Tom re-entered upon the duties of custodian of the links at North Berwick, and held that position until the autumn of 1889, when he returned to London, and took up his present position as professional to the Tooting Bec Golf Club.

In the spring of 1871 Tom extended the links at Wimbledon from a seven-hole to an eighteen-hole course; and he has had a large share in planning the golfing greens which have sprung into existence since that time. Among these may be mentioned Felixstowe, Great Yarmouth, Hayling Island, Tooting Bec, Goswick, Dinard (France), Chorley Wood and Woodford; whilst the proposed links at Deal and Richmond have been planned for laying out under his direction. He has also laid out many private links, among others the Earl of Aberdeen's at Haddo House, the Marquis of Tweeddale's at Yester, Mr. Sassoon's at Walton-on-Thames, Mr. Debenham's at Cheshunt Park, the Hon. Elizabeth Willoughby's at Corby, Earl Ferrers' at Staunton Harold, Mr. Adeane's at Babraham, Viscount Cranbrook's at Hemsted Park, Mr. Henderson's, Buscot Park, Faringdon, Mr. Samuel Fisher's, Tooting Common. Of links already laid out, he has extended and effected various improvements upon those at North Berwick, Clapham Common, Hawick, and Biarritz, as well as Lord Leconfield's at Petworth.

Tom's various duties in connection with the clubs to which he has been attached have precluded him from taking part to any great extent in the principal professional competitions; but it may be noted that at Wimbledon, in the spring of 1879, and at Hoylake, in the spring of 1883, he secured first honours. He has, however, figured more prominently in matches, of which we record a few of the most important. In one of his first, played at Wimbledon in 1871, against the late Bob Kirk, professional to the Blackheath Golf Club, and then in the front rank of players, he only lost by a hole after an exciting finish; but two years later, over the same green, the tables were turned, Tom winning this time by a hole. Tom was more successful against

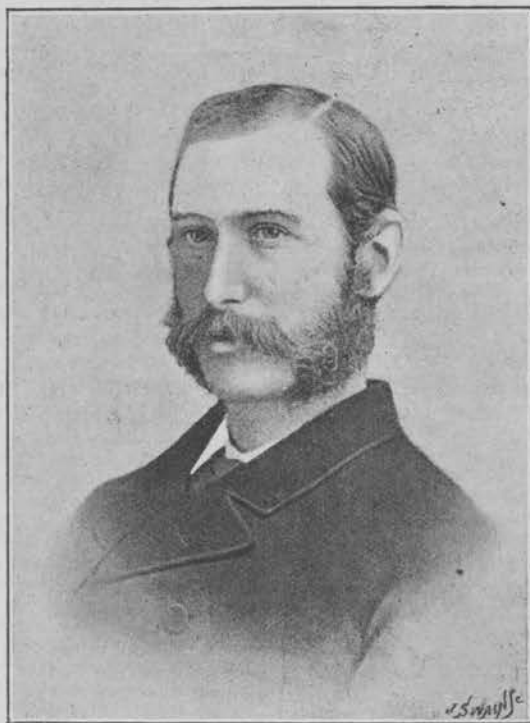
T. Manzie, Kirk's successor, whom he defeated on both greens (Blackheath and Wimbledon) in a home and home match. In the autumn of 1872, in an important foursome played at Hoylake, Tom Dunn and Bob Kirk were defeated by old Tom and young Tom Morris. As the result of a challenge by the late Davie Strath, young Tom Morris's formidable rival, a match was played at North Berwick in the autumn of 1877, in which Tom came off victorious by two holes; but in the return match, which took place shortly afterwards, Strath beat Tom by the same number of holes. Later in the same year a match of two rounds was played at Wimbledon between Tom Dunn and old Tom Morris, and resulted in favour of the former by three holes. At the spring meeting of the London Scottish Golf Club, in 1879, a match was made (Wimbledon *v.* Westward Ho!) in which Mr. Henry Lamb and Tom Dunn, representing Wimbledon, were defeated by Mr. Arthur Molesworth and Johnnie Allan by two holes. In the autumn of 1882, at North Berwick, Tom and B. Sayers played Bob Ferguson and Willie Campbell,

the match ending all square. In the spring of 1885, at Aberdeen, Tom Dunn beat Tom Morris in a match of two rounds; and the next day these two, playing against Annand and Mearns, the local professionals, proved victorious by three holes. In the autumn of 1886, at North Berwick, Mr. J. E. Laidley and Tom opposed Mr. Horace Hutchinson and old Tom Morris; this match ended in a draw. A single with Bob Ferguson also resulted in a drawn game.

In the exercise of his calling Tom has had much experience in teaching the game; amongst the best known of his pupils being H.R.H. the Princess Frederica, and the Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, Chief Secretary for Ireland. Mr. Gladstone's knowledge of Golf was acquired from Tom, who, when the right hon. gentleman was a guest at Haddo House, during his political campaign of 1886, was specially summoned by the Earl of Aberdeen, to expound and give an

exhibition of the game. His style of play is easy and graceful, recalling by its finish some of the sweeping, easy movements of old Willie Park. In addition to being a player and teacher of a very high standard, Dunn possesses literary proclivities which frequently find exercise in our columns. He has a happy knack of writing tuneful, humorous Scottish verse referring to Golf and golfers, and which hits off with kindly, gentle satire, some of the pronounced phases of golfing human nature as unfolded to the critical eye of the skilled player and teacher. His upbringing and education have certainly been very far ahead of those of the ordinary club-maker, or professional, and it is gratifying to know that in this respect also Tom's sons, John and Gourlay, promise to become worthy representatives of an old and honoured golfing family.

BRUNSWICK GOLF CLUB.—This club held its monthly medal competition at Musselburgh, on Saturday. Winner, Mr. D. Barlas, with a net score of 82.



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DURHAM v. KELSO.

An inter-club match was played between members of the above clubs at Alnmouth on the 29th ult. The match was the best of two rounds (18 holes), and, as the following scores will show, resulted in an easy win for the Wearsiders. Details:—

DURHAM.		KELSO.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. R. T. Thomson	... 2	Mr. T. D. C. Smith	... 0
Mr. J. B. Radcliffe	... 8	Dr. Rutherford	... 0
Dr. O. F. N. Treadwell	... 0	Mr. W. M. Maxton	... 2
Mr. J. Duncanson	... 6	Rev. W. M. Warlow	... 0
Mr. E. G. Robson	... 4	Mr. A. P. Stevenson	... 0
Mr. J. Hutchinson	... 7	Mr. A. Stevenson	... 0
Mr. A. H. Marsh	... 8	Mr. J. Forsyth	... 0
	35		2

The Kelso term were minus their best man, Mr. W. Rutherford.

EASTBOURNE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

On Tuesday, the 28th ult., a match was played on the ladies' links against the Royal Eastbourne Golf Club, the gentlemen giving a stroke a hole, the result being a victory for the ladies' club by twenty-one holes. Scores:—

EASTBOURNE LADIES G.C.		ROYAL EASTBOURNE G.C.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Miss A. L. T. Drake	... 0	Col. Shaw	... 0
Miss K. Lawrence	... 2	Mr. Elmsley	... 0
Miss Buchanan	... 4	Mr. Ingleby	... 0
Miss Tyrwhitt-Drake	... 0	Capt. Campbell	... 0
Miss Starkie-Bence	... 7	Mr. Mellor	... 0
Mrs. Von E. Scott	... 2	Capt. Harrison	... 0
Mrs. Richardson	... 2	Mr. Rivett-Carnac	... 0
Miss J. Mills	... 0	Mr. Salusbury-Hughes	... 3
Miss Dowker	... 7	Mr. Lawrence	... 0
	24		3

FORFARSHIRE.

A heavy rainfall at the end of last week greatly benefitted the greens, which during the long period of drought had become lumpy and rough. In the early part of Saturday the rain was so heavy that it looked as if golfing would be entirely out of the question; but it cleared up for some hours in the afternoon, permitting competitions to be carried on, though the lowering skies had the effect of limiting the attendance of spectators at the final rounds of the championship match at Monifieth.

The first competition this season for the gold and silver medals of the Montrose Ladies' Golf Club took place last week. The weather was delightful and the greens were in excellent condition. The following couples started—Miss Renny-Tailour and Mrs. Boothby, Mrs. Stone and Mrs. Muir, Miss Burness and Miss Emily Burness, Mrs. R. H. Millar and Miss Cecil Lyall, Mrs. Watson and Mrs. Lyell, Miss Rose Millar and Miss Woodward, Miss Adamson and Miss Walker, Miss A. Watson and Miss Mabel Smith, Miss J. Woodward and Miss L. Millar, Miss Millar, Mrs. J. B. Paton and Miss Cruikshank. On the cards being handed in, it was seen that the gold medal had been won by Mrs. Watson, with 107 strokes, and the silver medal by Mrs. R. H. Millar, with 108 strokes. Other low scores were:—Mrs. Boothby, 111; Miss Walker, 112; Miss Adamson and Miss J. Woodward, 114; and Miss A. Watson, 115.

In the second round for the Foote-Millar Handicap cup, one of the competitions of the Montrose Royal Albert Club, Dr. Stone last week played Mr. W. Smith, of Benholm Castle, and halved the match.

The competition for the Challenge cup presented to the Monifieth Club by Mrs. Thomas Gilroy, has been exciting a tremendous amount of interest in the district. The later stages of the contest produced some very exciting matches, and resulted in a few sensational surprises. The fourth heat was played on the evening of Wednesday, the 29th ult., when Mr. David Robertson beat Mr. Irvine Drimmie, sen., by 7 holes. Mr. George Wright, the cup holder, was opposed by Mr. D. Dempster, and the match was keenly contested, both men showing splendid form. When half of the round had been played Dempster was two holes down, and the first four holes in the home coming were halved. Wright then lost the "East Camp" hole, his opponent holing out in 3. After another half, Wright resumed his former position by winning the "Tom Morris" hole. Dempster responded by taking the "North Gate," but his opponent played the last hole grandly, getting in with 3 strokes, and thus won the heat by two holes. Another interesting game was that between Mr. W. Young and Mr. David Dargie, players of deserved repute. The start did not promise great things, Dargie losing hole after hole, but, recovering himself, the last named player won the "Roses" hole at 4. After this he played with greater confidence, and the driving of both men was superb. At the "Rashies" Dargie holed out in 2, and for the remaining 11 holes

he maintained the honour of playing first from the tee. Excitement ran high as with one hole to play the scores were equal. Young got down in 4, and Dargie putting badly, took two strokes more, and was thus retired from the competition. It was anticipated that Mr. David Anderson would not have much difficulty in disposing of Mr. J. C. Burns, against whom he had been drawn to play. The unexpected happened in this case, however, and the heat was stubbornly contested all through, the round resulting in a tie. Starting again in semi-darkness, Mr. Anderson had the hard luck to drive his ball behind the fence on the north side of the green, and this settled his fate in the competition.

When play commenced in the semi-final heat on Saturday afternoon rain was falling, but the weather soon brightened up, and the surviving two couples were followed by a considerable concourse of spectators. The holder of the cup, Mr. G. Wright, was pitted against Mr. J. C. Burns, and the game turned out another surprise, completely upsetting the calculations of the knowing ones. That Mr. Burns' victory over Mr. Anderson was not achieved by a mere fluke, was shown by his improved form in this heat. Taking the first two holes, he kept his advantage in spite of all the efforts put forth by his opponent, though Wright was not, it must be admitted, playing his usual game. Burns eventually won the match by three holes, his score was 84 against 88 in the round with Mr. Anderson. Wright's score was 88, being 8 strokes more than in his play on the previous Wednesday. The other match in the semi-final was between Mr. W. Young and Mr. David Robertson. This was, strangely enough, the third occasion on which these players have been opposed to each other in the competition for the Challenge Cup. On former occasions Young had obtained the mastery, and this year the state of things was not destined to be reversed. Play, to commence with, was pretty equal, but Robertson had hard luck, while Young treated the spectators to a brilliant exhibition of iron play. Coming home he fairly ran away from his antagonist, and qualified for the last round with a majority of 8 holes, the scores were—Young, 81; Robertson, 92.

At half-past five o'clock a large number of people had assembled to follow the players in the final round. Notwithstanding the unexpected appearance made by Burns, the general belief was that Mr. Young would win, as all through the ties the ex-champion had shown grand form. On Saturday evening, however, he had an uphill game to play, for though he got square at different times, he never got a hole up unless for a short period at the start. Mr. Young secured the "Burn" hole at 5 against 6 for his opponent, but the latter made matters square by taking the second hole at 4 against 5. Mr. Young won the "Gates" hole at 4, but at "Jamie Lindsay" Mr. Burns made matters level, holing out in 4 against Mr. Young's 5, and Mr. Burns won the "Roses" hole, but Mr. Young squared the match by taking the "Paling" hole after a well played 4, Mr. Burns requiring 6 to get down. The next three holes were halved. At the turn the match was thus square in holes, while the scores were—Mr. Young, 40; Mr. Burns, 41. The tenth hole was halved at 5, but Mr. Burns got down at the "Wilderness" at 4 against 5. The "Cross" hole was halved at 4. Mr. Young again brought the match level by winning the "Long" hole at 6, Mr. Burns requiring one more. The latter won the "East Camp" at 4, Mr. Young failing in his putting, and the "West Camp" was halved in a brilliantly played 3. At "Tom Morris" Mr. Burns increased his lead, holing out in 4 against 5, and being dorny. The last two holes were halved, and Mr. Burns thus secured the cup and the championship of the club for the year. He had never before succeeded in winning a trophy. Throughout the five heats in which he played he showed himself not only an able player but possessed of a perfect nerve. This, it may be added, is the ninth year the cup has been played for, the following being a list of the winners:—Mr. Alex. Simpson—three consecutive years, Mr. W. Smith, Carnoustie, Mr. Jas. Young, Mr. John R. Fairweather, Mr. William Young, Mr. George Wright, and Mr. James C. Burns.

The monthly competition of the Carnoustie and Taymouth Golf Club was held on Saturday afternoon, when, although the weather was of a showery character, there was a large turn-out of members. Besides the usual sweepstakes, the Ferrier medal (handicap) was competed for. The trophy was tied for by Mr. Tom Japp, 93, and Mr. Robert Myles, 94, each 2 below their registered number. On the tie being played off the medal was won by Mr. Myles, with a score of 90, being 6 below his average. The sweepstakes were gained as follows:—1 and 2, tied for by Mr. Tom Japp, 93, and Mr. Robert Myles, 94, each 2 below; 3, James Kydd, 92, 1 below; and 4 and 5, tied for by Mr. George Smart, 103, and Mr. Andrew Ramsay, 106, each 1 below.

The third monthly medal competition of the Monifieth Juvenile Golf Club took place on Saturday last. On the cards being handed in it was found that Mr. G. Fairweather had won the medal with the very creditable score of 78 for 14 holes. The prize for the second lowest score was won by Mr. W. Drimmie, with 80, while the consolation prize was secured by Mr. E. Brown.

The members of the Edzell Golf Club held a competition for their monthly medal on Saturday last. Six couples went the round, and on the cards being examined, it was found that the trophy had again been won by Mr. David Nairn, with a score of 78 for the fifteen holes.

FORRES.

In the first competition for the Dalvey claret jug, played over the Forres course on Wednesday, April 29th, Mr. John Sutherland, Anderson's Institution, secured the trophy, which he retains for six months. The Stuart gold medal was also won for the third time by Mr. Sutherland, and in terms of the rules it now becomes his own property.

GLASGOW CLUB.

The competitions for the monthly medals took place on Saturday in very wet weather, which adversely affected the turn-out. Mr. D. Bone went round in 74. Results:—

First Division.—Mr. G. Gillespie, 80, scratch=80; Mr. R. Philp, 84, less 2=82; Mr. J. Mack, 85, less 3=82; Mr. J. Storrar, 85, less 3=82.

Second Division.—Mr. J. Tullis, 82, less 7=75; Mr. A. W. Todd, 83, less 7=76; Mr. G. Younger, 88, less 9=79; Mr. D. Menzies, 89, less 10=79.

Third Division.—Mr. W. Duncan, 92, less 13=79; Mr. W. Strachan, 97, less 18=79; Mr. W. M. Paton, 95, less 14=81.

Mr. Bone has already won the medal in the first division.

GUILDFORD GOLF CLUB.

Thursday, April 30th. The first day of the spring meeting threatened to be wet, but the wind kept up, and no rain fell during play, so that the course was very hard and dry and the greens keen, and the homeward journey was difficult on account of the strong-head wind. Mr. Harvey and several other players unfortunately disqualified themselves by playing off the wrong tee for the 17th hole, and this altered the destination of some of the prizes. Scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
*Mr. H. L. Forbes 99 15 84	Mr. A. Davidson ... 104 12 92
Mr. H. A. Harvey 99 14 85	Mr. C. H. Parry ... 112 20 92
†Mr. W. D. Marshall 101 16 85	Mr. A. Peebles ... 105 12 93
‡Mr. A. Pattullo ... 108 23 85	Mr. J. A. Ross ... 96 2 94
§Mr. H. H. Playford 92 6 86	Mr. G. H. Trollope 113 18 95
Mr. C. E. Nesham 89 2 87	Mr. H. W. J. Hill 121 26 95
Mr. H. Davenport... 94 7 87	Mr. C. Mappin ... 109 13 96
Colonel Jelf Sharp... 100 12 88	Mr. L. Howell ... 111 15 96
Mr. C. H. Sapte ... 106 18 88	Mr. A. S. Poole ... 109 12 97
Mr. B. Howell ... 95 5 90	Mr. C. J. Scott ... 117 20 97
Mr. G. E. Tabor ... 104 14 90	Mr. H. T. Cattley... 119 20 99
Mr. A. A. Cammell 96 5 91	Mr. T. Du Buisson 117 18 99
Mr. D. Davidson ... 94 3 91	Mr. T. Bett ... 112 12 100
Mr. D. L. Poole ... 100 9 91	Capt. F. Stephens... 119 19 100

* Winner of spring silver medal.

† Winner of second handicap prize, and first optional sweepstakes.

‡ Winner of third handicap prize and second optional sweepstakes.

§ Winner of handicap prize for handicap over 18.

No returns from Messrs. J. Kenrick, W. Carr, A. Denman, W. P. Trench, and R. Case, Capt. the Hon. A. R. Hewitt, the Rev. H. C. Gaye, and Colonel W. Bannatyne.

Saturday, May 2nd.—The second day of the spring meeting was windy in the morning and very wet at times, but the afternoon was finer and much easier for scoring, and Mr. Cazalet perhaps owes his very easy win for the handicap prize to his late start, but his performance was a very good one, nevertheless. The rain made the greens play nicely, a great contrast to the opening day, when they were very keen. Mr. A. A. Cammell played a very good round for the Duncan (scratch) medal, and was points ahead of any other player. Mr. C. Sapte won Mr. C. E. Nesham's prize for the best aggregate made by a player not otherwise winning a prize.

The final round in the match tournament for the Pontifex challenge shield between Mr. H. H. Playford and Mr. B. Howell produced, as was expected, an interesting and close match. Mr. Playford started off with a lead of two holes, and maintained it till near the end, and Mr. Howell only succeeded in getting level at the 17th hole. Driving to the last hole Mr. Playford made a really magnificent drive, and had the mortification to find his ball lying badly some 200 yards from the tee. Being unable to get his ball well away, Mr. Howell took advantage of the situation and secured the hole and the match, and became the holder for the year of the very handsome shield presented to the club by Major W. Pontifex, one of the founders of the club.

At the spring general meeting of the club, Mr. Jarvis Kenrick was elected captain for the coming year, and was also re-elected honorary secretary. Major Pontifex and Mr. C. E. Nesham, the retiring members of the committee were re-elected, and the balance-sheet, which showed a balance of over £400, was taken as read. Owing to the

large number of members now using the course it was decided not to allow any visitors on any competition days, including the monthly medal—which is competed for on the second Saturday of every month. It was stated that the club-house would probably be opened by the end of the month, and that the limit of members had been reached, and that several candidates were waiting for election.

Scores, May 2nd: The Duncan (scratch) challenge medal.—Mr. A. A. Cammell, 88; Mr. J. Kenrick, 92; Mr. C. H. Cazalet, 94; Mr. G. W. Ricketts, 94; Mr. A. Denman, 94; Mr. C. E. Nesham, 96; Mr. H. Davenport, 98; Mr. B. Howell, 98.

HANDICAP PRIZES.

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
* Mr. C. H. Cazalet 94 15 79	Mr. B. Howell ... 98 5 93
† Mr. G. W. Ricketts 94 12 82	Mr. W. P. Trench... 108 15 93
‡ Mr. A. A. Cammell 88 5 83	Mr. C. E. Nesham 96 2 94
Mr. W. D. Marshall 99 15 85	Mr. A. Pattullo ... 112 18 94
Mr. C. H. Sapte ... 102 18 84	Col. Jelf Sharp ... 108 12 96
Mr. J. Kenrick ... 92 5 87	Mr. L. Howell ... 111 15 96
Mr. H. L. Forbes ... 101 13 88	Mr. F. W. Hollams 110 14 96
Mr. W. F. Richmond 106 18 88	Mr. D. L. Poole ... 106 9 97
Mr. A. Denman ... 94 5 89	Mr. J. A. Ross ... 100 2 98
Mr. A. S. Poole ... 103 12 91	Mr. T. Bett ... 113 12 101
Mr. H. Davenport... 98 7 91	Mr. C. D. Heatley 121 20 101
§ Mr. H. T. Cattley 111 20 91	Rev. H. C. Gaye ... 109 6 103
Mr. W. M. Corrie... 112 20 92	Mr. A. A. Common 122 18 104
Mr. T. Du Buisson... 110 18 92	

* Winner of first handicap prize and first optional sweepstakes.

† Winner of second handicap prize and second optional sweepstakes.

‡ Winner of Duncan (scratch) medal and third handicap prize.

§ Winner of handicap prize with over 18 handicap.

Aggregate prize, given by Mr. C. E. Nesham:—Mr. W. D. Marshall, 168; Mr. H. L. Forbes, 170; Mr. C. H. Sapte, 172 (winner of aggregate prize); Mr. A. A. Cammell, 174; Mr. H. Davenport, 178.

No returns from Messrs. R. Case, A. C. Collier, G. E. Tabor, H. H. Playford, W. Carr, M. A. Orgill, F. Broome, C. Mappin, T. Gemmell, H. W. Street, A. Peebles, C. C. Cave, J. C. Taylor, C. J. Scott, M. Cammell, Col. W. Bannatyne, Major W. Pontifex, and Capt. the Hon. A. R. Hewitt.

INNERLEVEN GOLF CLUB.

The business meeting of this club was held on Friday forenoon, May 1st, Mr. G. Todd Chiene, captain, in the chair. Over fifty members were present. The retiring captain proposed Mr. W. L. Boase as captain of the club, and this was unanimously agreed to. Mr. James H. Smith and Mr. Alexander Inglis were unanimously reappointed secretary and treasurer respectively. Mr. Boase then took the chair. Dr. Crole and Mr. W. B. Creeke were appointed members of committee in room of Messrs. P. Grosset and R. Prentice. Twelve new members were proposed and admitted, and the club agreed to raise the entrance-fees to three guineas, and the annual subscription to £1, to apply to new members only. The club also agreed to sell the old club-house to Mr. Patrick for £190.

After the business twenty-eight couples started to play for the Wemyss cup—the Jackson tankard, and the sweepstake prizes were also decided by the same competition. The couples started in the following order, viz.:—Messrs. W. H. Salmon and Robert Russell, Messrs. J. H. Smith and R. R. Prentice, Dr. Palm and Mr. H. S. Robson, Messrs. G. Russell and W. Norman Boase, Messrs. W. H. Dalrymple and W. Shepherd, Mr. S. W. Johnston and Rev. J. Ritchie, Dr. A. F. Crole and Mr. W. Henderson, Messrs. C. R. Creeke and John Adamson, Messrs. R. A. Smith and John Wallace, Messrs. A. H. Vassie and G. R. Fortune, Mr. A. Anderson and Rev. C. Durward, Rev. A. Mackenzie and Mr. Robert Smith, Rev. J. F. Cameron and Mr. Robert Archibald, Rev. Dr. Gray and Mr. Sheriff Lees, Dr. J. B. Buist and Mr. W. Gibson, Messrs. R. W. B. Creeke and John M'Gibson, Mr. W. L. Boase and Dr. D. Wallace, Messrs. Andrew Dewar and T. C. Riddell, Messrs. John C. Watson and Phillip Grosset, Messrs. W. Lang Todd and George Todd Chiene, Messrs. T. C. Balfour and Robert M'Gowan, Messrs. P. W. Brewster and J. H. Carswell, Messrs. John Balfour and H. W. Hutchison, Messrs. David Crole, jun., and James Forgan, Mr. J. G. Ballingall and Rev. Robert Alexander, Messrs. R. W. Wallace and John Cowan, Messrs. Alexander Wallace and G. L. Crole, Messrs. James Kirkwood and Charles Anderson, Mr. A. Hogg (bye). On comparing cards at the close of the round, Mr. J. C. Watson was found to be the lowest with 91, and secured the Wemyss cup. Details:—Out, 6 4 5 5 4 5 5=43; in, 5 6 5 5 5 7 4 6=48; total 91. Mr. J. H. Carswell followed with 93, made up as follows:—Out, 5 4 3 5 4 6 4 7 5=43; in, 5 5 5 5 5 6 7 5 7=50; total, 93. The next best scores were: Mr. Charles Anderson, 94; Mr. P. W. Brewster, 95; Mr. George R. Fortune, 96; Mr. W. Henderson, 96; Mr. R. A. Smith, 98; Mr. J. H. Smith, 98. The sweepstakes were gained as follows:—Mr. J. C. Watson, 91, less

2=89; Mr. H. W. Hutchison, 103, less 12=91; Mr. S. W. Johnston, 100, less 8=92; Mr. George R. Fortune, 96, less 4=92; Mr. J. H. Carswell, 93 (scratch); Mr. W. N. Boase, 102, less 9=93; Mr. J. G. Ballingall, 105, less 12=93; Messrs. S. W. Johnston and G. R. Fortune tied for third and fourth prizes, and Messrs. J. H. Carswell, W. N. Boase, and J. G. Ballingall for fifth, sixth, and seventh prizes. In the morning several slight showers fell, and many an anxious eye was raised heavenward as the day advanced. Rain was falling when play commenced, and continued for some time, but latterly it fared up, and most of the players went the round in fair weather. The last two or three couples, however, got a thorough drenching before finishing, a heavy shower coming away just before four o'clock. The scores it will be observed, are all, comparatively speaking, high, a feature difficult to account for, as the players were unanimous in praising the condition of the greens. There was not even much wind to contend against, which makes the high scores all the more unaccountable.

LANARK.

The May meeting of the Lanark Golf Club was opened on Friday, the 1st inst., with the competition for the Hutchinson cross (scratch), and Forrest cup and gold ball (handicaps). The greens were rather bare of grass, and heavy showers made the putting somewhat uncertain. After two rounds of the green cards were handed in, and it was found that Mr. Vassie had gained the scratch prize (the Hutchinson cross) with 131 for the 28 holes. His score also entitled him to the Forrest cup (first handicap prize) with 121 net. Messrs. John Marr Davidson and Mr. Wm. Horn tied for the gold ball with 123 net, Rev. W. Smith came next with 125, Mr. Haddow with 126, and Mr. Wm. Davidson with 127.

The play was continued on Saturday, the 2nd inst., by a competition under handicap for a case of gold sleeve-links, &c., with the club monogram in enamel, presented by Hon. Mrs. A. Y. Bingham. At twelve o'clock the prospects of a good golfing day were very poor, as a sleety rain was then falling; later on, however, the day improved, and some very good Golf was seen. The putting-greens had during the night got all they wanted in the way of moisture to keep the balls straight, and were in splendid order; but, probably on account of the unpromising appearance of the weather, only twenty players took part in the competition. Cards were handed in after two rounds, and it was found that Messrs. Vassie and Wm. Renwick had tied, with net scores of 117 for 28 holes. Mr. Thos. Watson, jun., came next with 120 net, Rev. W. Smith with 122 net, and Messrs. John Vassie, jun., and Wm. Horn with 123 net. On playing a round to decide the ownership of the prize, Mr. William Renwick came in the winner by 4 strokes, after deducting handicaps. The tie made on Friday for the gold ball by Messrs. J. M. Davidson and Horn was played off, and resulted in the victory of Mr. Horn, by three strokes on the 28 holes, his net score being 123 against 126 by Mr. Davidson.

LEITH CALEDONIAN GOLF CLUB.

The last ties of a single hole competition, which has extended over fully three months, have just been completed, the winners being, 1st, Mr. A. S. Cairns (1 hole); 2nd, Mr. D. S. Duncan (4 holes); 3rd, Mr. James Pursell (11 holes); 4th, Mr. John J. Brown (scratch). The handicaps were based on two rounds of Musselburgh, although, by a mutual agreement, any other green could be chosen with the same handicap conditions applying. Several very close and interesting matches took place, and altogether the competition has been a great success.

The members of this club journeyed to Gullane by four-in-hand coach on Monday, 20th April (spring holiday) to compete for their gold and silver medals, and four presented prizes, besides a gold charm to the winner of the scratch medal. Fourteen couples started, and, on comparing cards, it was found that Mr. E. J. Henderson had secured the first place with a score of 82, made up thus:—Out, 4 4 3 6 6 4 4 5 5=41; home, 4 5 4 4 4 4 6 5 5=41.

The silver medal fell to Mr. Charles A. Garvie with 84:—Out, 5 6 3 5 5 4 7 5 5=45; home, 5 4 4 4 4 5 5 4=39.

The greens were exceedingly keen, and this, along with the crowded state of the links, militated somewhat against low scoring. Result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
*Mr. R. J. Henderson 82 scr. 82	Mr. William Gibson 98 10 88
†Mr. Chas. A. Garvie 84 scr. 84	Mr. Thos. A. Helm 99 10 89
Mr. John Henderson 85 +2 87	

* Gold medal and charm. † Silver medal and first handicap prize.

The weather was all that could be desired. Several interesting foursomes were played during the afternoon.

EDINBURGH THISTLE CLUB.—The annual match with teams representing captain and vice-captain of this club was played in foursomes at the Braid Hills on Saturday. The game resulted in favour of the vice-captain by 12 holes, he having gained his majority in the last four-some. Scores:—Captain, 7; vice-captain, 19. A presentation of balls was also competed for. The winners in each match received two balls and the losers one.

LONDON SCOTTISH GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medals were played for on Saturday, the 2nd inst., at Wimbledon. The greens are now in very good order, and the recent rain has proved very beneficial to them. Dr. Comerford and Mr. Mackay tied for the monthly medal, and Mr. Otter Barry won the second-class medal. Subjoined are the scores returned:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.	Gross. Hcp. Net.
*Dr. J. T. Comerford 99 14 85	Mr. W. Walker ... 108 18 90
*Mr. Alex. Mackay. 100 15 85	Mr. A. E. Walker... 93 2 91
Mr. A. Anderson ... 88 scr. 88	Mr. K. B. Brown... 94 2 92
Mr. W. F. Beauford 100 12 88	Mr. J. A. Greig ... 97 5 92
Mr. James Turner... 106 18 88	Major Lindsay ... 104 7 97
Mr. G. H. Warner. 107 18 89	Mr. R. M. Otter
Mr. N. Lubbock ... 100 10 90	Barry ... 122 25 97

* Tie.

LYTHAM AND ST. ANNE'S GOLF CLUB.

The increasing popularity of Golf could not be more strongly exemplified than in the great success which has attended the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club. Established only five years ago at the suggestion of Mr. Talbot Fair at a preliminary meeting consisting of some eight or ten gentlemen, resident in the neighbourhood, and in a district where Golf was before quite unknown, the club has rapidly risen to a membership of close upon three hundred and thirty gentlemen (the entrance-fee being five guineas) with a supplementary list of one hundred and fifty lady subscribers. There is, we hear, now a rumour that it will shortly be proposed to limit the number of gentlemen members to four hundred, and to raise the entrance-fee to ten guineas. There are now four gold medals connected with the club, played for at the spring and autumn meetings, and many other valuable prizes are offered by members. At the present time a prize, value ten guineas, has been offered by Mr. C. W. Macara, to be played for under handicap in six competitions on May 9th, 23rd, June 20th, July 25th, August 22nd, and September 19th, and to be played off under special handicap at the autumn meeting. Mr. John E. Pearson also offers a prize value ten guineas for a tournament by match, play to take place in June, July, August, and September; and a mixed Foursome Tournament for prizes presented by Mr. T. H. Miller will take place during the present and following months. In this there are twenty-six couples entered, and the first and second ties are to be played off by May 22nd; third ties, June 12th; fourth ties, June 26th; and final tie, July 10th. The links of the club are most conveniently situated within two minutes of the railway station at St. Anne's, and within the past two or three weeks a special fast train has been put on by the railway company from Manchester to St. Anne's and back in the evening every Saturday, for the convenience of the many members residing in Manchester and the vicinity.

LADIES' GOLF COMPETITION.—The long wished for rain came at last on a day rather inconvenient for the lady subscribers connected with the Lytham and St. Anne's Golf Club, as Wednesday last was the day some time ago fixed for the competition for the ladies' spring challenge plate (a handsome silver salver), with gold memento. During the previous night rain began to fall, and on Wednesday morning continued to come down freely. Towards noon there was a short cessation, and shortly after one o'clock the first players commenced their round, and, notwithstanding the unfavourable look-out, were followed by others, until seventeen ladies had entered for the competition. The prize was for the best gross score, twice round the links, and Mrs. Ernest Catterall, St. Anne's, who was the winner of the challenge plate last year was again successful, and, which is very remarkable, with precisely the same score as last year, 94. The full returns were as follows:—Mrs. Ernest Catterall, 94; Miss E. Terry, 101; Miss E. Lythgoe, 103; Mrs. Brown, 105; Mrs. Eason, 107; Miss M. Mugliston, 108; Miss M. Lythgoe, 109; Mrs. F. W. Catterall, 113; Mrs. Miller, 115; Miss Fair Haigh, 153. No returns from Miss Mugliston, Mrs. Wm. Rawcliffe, Miss H. M. Fair, Miss Edith Fair, Mrs. Hermon, Miss Thompson, and Miss M. Cottrill. Besides the challenge plate prize, a handsome Golf bag was presented by Mr. Lowe, the professional of the Lytham and St. Anne's Club, for the best net score, and this was won by Miss E. Terry with 101, less 12=89. Mr. Lowe also gave half-a-dozen Golf balls for the most holes in the fewest strokes, won by Miss May Mugliston, with four holes in four each, and also six Golf balls for the largest number of strokes to one hole, won by Miss Fair (Haigh) with 12.

BRUNTSFIELD ALLIED GOLF CLUB.—The members of this club held their annual competition over the Braids on Saturday for gold medal (scratch) and handicap prizes; also Crichton trophy (handicap). Heavy rain fell most of the time. On handing in the cards, Mr. William Niven was again at the top of the poll for gold medal, with a scratch score of 79. The handicap resulted as follows:—1 and 2, Mr. William Niven, 79, plus 2=81, and Mr. J. Addison, 87 less 6=81, tie; 3, Mr. A. Stevens, 86, less 4=82; 4, Mr. T. Hogg, 84; scratch; 5 and 6, Mr. J. McLeod, 91, less 5=86; Mr. J. K. Andrews, 93, less 8=85.

LUFFNESS GOLF CLUB.

For some inexplicable reason there was a very disappointing turn-out of competitors on Saturday, the 25th ult., to do battle for the Hope challenge cup, competed for by holes on level terms, a gold pendant going to the winner, a smaller one to the "runner-up," and a dozen balls to the third man. To facilitate the completion of the contest in one day, the round was curtailed to one of eleven holes, players turning at the high bunker. Of the recognised club cracks only Messrs. F. D. V. Hagart, A. Murray, and Charles Stevenson were included in the field of twenty-two, and from this trio it was thought the ultimate winner would result, but the two first named fell in the second round in each case after an undecided, while Mr. H. B. Carlyon, who all through played in surprising form, easily accounted for Mr. Stevenson in the third round. In the semi-final, it was only at the second time of asking that Mr. Carlyon ousted Mr. Irvine Williamson, but he made short work of Mr. T. D. Thomson, of Dirleton, in the final bout, albeit the latter played up pluckily and well. Details:—

First Round.—Mr. A. Mackenzie beat Mr. J. Todrick by 6 holes; Mr. H. Aitken beat Mr. J. Lees by 4 holes; Mr. J. A. Lugton beat Mr. A. Gillam by a hole, after a tie; Mr. T. D. Thomson beat Mr. J. G. Croal by 3 holes; Mr. A. Murray beat Mr. J. Stenhouse by 5 holes; Mr. I. Williamson beat Mr. J. S. Watson by 2 holes; Mr. T. Black beat Mr. J. Richardson by 1 hole; Mr. C. Stevenson beat Mr. W. O. Palmer by 4 holes; Mr. H. B. Carlyon beat Mr. R. B. McGowan by 6 holes; Mr. F. V. Hagart beat Mr. D. Ritchie by 1 hole; Mr. J. A. Robertson beat Mr. W. M. Croal, Edinburgh, by 2 holes.

Second Round.—Mr. H. Aitken beat Mr. A. Mackenzie by 3 holes; Mr. T. D. Thomson beat Mr. J. A. Lugton by 3 holes; Mr. I. Williamson beat Mr. A. Murray by 1 hole, after a tie; Mr. C. Stevenson beat Mr. T. Black by 2 holes; Mr. H. B. Carlyon beat Mr. F. V. Hagart by 1 hole, after a tie; Mr. J. A. Robertson, a bye.

Third Round.—Mr. T. D. Thomson beat Mr. H. Aitken by 4 holes; Mr. H. B. Carlyon beat Mr. C. Stevenson by 4 holes; Mr. I. Williamson beat Mr. J. A. Robertson by 1 hole.

Fourth Round.—Mr. H. B. Carlyon beat Mr. I. Williamson by 1 hole, after a tie; Mr. T. D. Thomson, a bye.

Final.—Mr. H. B. Carlyon beat Mr. T. D. Thomson by 4 up and 3 to play.

In the afternoon a full round of eighteen holes was played to decide the destination for the month of the Wemyss gold medal (handicap), and resulted as follows:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. F. D. V. Hagart	84 scr. 84	Mr. D. Ritchie	91 scr. 91
Mr. A. Murray	85 scr. 85	Mr. A. Mackenzie	96 4 92
Mr. W. Palmer	102 15 87	Mr. A. Gillam	97 8 99
Mr. J. Hannan	97 8 89		

MORAY CLUB.

A match between the Moray and Buckie Clubs was played over the Lossiemouth course on Wednesday afternoon, the 29th ult. The weather was on the whole favourable. Twelve players started on each side, and the result of a well-contested game showed that the Buckie men won by 13 holes. Full score as follows:—

BUCKIE.		MORAY.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. W. F. Johnston	6	Mr. J. Rodger	0
Mr. J. Simpson	0	Mr. F. Davie	2
Mr. J. Johnston	7	Mr. W. Macdonald	0
Mr. W. Clark	0	Dr. Millar	0
Mr. J. Keir	1	Mr. W. Christie	0
Mr. J. M'Naughton	0	Mr. J. M'Isaac	10
Mr. C. Davidson	6	Mr. J. S. Urquhart	0
Dr. Duguid	4	Mr. J. Falconer	0
Mr. R. Y. Mackay	0	Mr. J. Adams	0
Mr. J. Green	0	Mr. J. Munro	7
Mr. G. C. Clark	0	Mr. F. W. Gibb	0
Mr. G. Hendry	8	Capt. Swan	0
	32		19

Majority for Buckie, 13 holes.

On the same occasion the members of the Moray Club killed two birds with one stone, playing the ninth competition for the Mayer china set with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Mr. A. Macdonald	103 25 78	Mr. J. Munro	99 8 91
Mr. J. M'Isaac	90 4 86	Mr. W. J. B. Macdonald	92 scr. 92
Mr. J. S. Yeadon	96 9 87	Mr. R. Y. Mackay	103 9 94
Dr. Millar	91 3 88	Mr. W. Christie	98 3 95
Mr. F. Davie	91 scr. 91	Mr. J. S. Urquhart	98 3 95
Mr. J. C. Ruxton	97 6 91		

Two matches were on the programme of this club on Saturday—the monthly competition for the captain's prize and the tenth competition

for the Meyer china. Notwithstanding the threatening character of the weather there was a large turn-out of members, and some keen play was witnessed on good greens. Mr. F. Davie was first for the captain's prize with an actual score of 86, the competition being scratch. He was followed by Messrs. Macdonald, Christie, and M'Isaac with scores of 89 each. In the latter competition the following scores were handed in:—Capt. Swan, 104, less 20=84; Mr. J. M'Isaac, 89, less 4=85; Mr. F. Davie, scratch, 86; Mr. W. Christie, 89, less 3=86; Mr. J. M'Intosh, 113, less 25=88; Mr. J. W. B. Macdonald, scratch, 89; Mr. J. Munro, 99, less 8=91; Mr. J. Falconer, 99, less 8=91; Mr. J. A. Jeans, 126, less 25=101; Mr. R. Gordon, 122, less 20=102.

NORTH BERWICK.

Golfing was of a comparatively quiet description at North Berwick during the past week, the weather being frequently unfavourable to the enjoyment of the popular pastime. On Saturday the links presented an unusually deserted appearance, heavy showers of rain falling in the forenoon and afternoon. Amongst friendly matches last week were the following:—On Thursday, Sir A. Napier and Mr. Bob Miller engaged in a foursome, Sir G. Clerk and Mr. Davie Grant. At Pointgarry the couples stood all even and one to play, the former winning just by a putt at the home hole. On Friday Mr. Ben Sayers and Mr. G. Douglas (professionals) had a friendly round, Douglas receiving a third. In the out half Sayers showed an exceptionally fine game, and completed the ten holes in the very low figure of 37. Douglas turned with 41 to his credit. In the home half Sayers continued to play very finely, and seemed not unlikely to have even a record figure; but at Perfection he got into bunker difficulties, and his score was in consequence almost "spoiled." As it was, however, he finished the round in the very good total of 73. Mr. Douglas played the home portion in fine style, completing this part in 32, and thus tying with Ben at 73 for the round. With the aid of his odds of a third he won the match from Ben by one at the home hole. Mr. John Forrest, with Mr. Moncrieff as partner, engaged Mr. J. R. Whitecross and Mr. Maxwell in a couple of rounds. The first ended in favour of Mr. Whitecross and his partner, whilst their opponents were successful in the second.

The Bass Rock Club engaged in competition for the monthly handicap trophy over the North Berwick links on Saturday. The play was noteworthy owing to the fact that Mr. J. D. Rattray, one of the younger members, scored his third success out of five competitions. A very fair number of players drove from the tee. The best figures were:—Mr. J. D. Rattray, 80, less 6=74; Mr. James Mitchell, 80, less 2=78; Mr. J. B. MacLachlan, 92, less 14=78; Mr. J. Henderson, 82, less 2, 80; Mr. W. Merriles, 94, less 14=80; Mr. T. Johnstone, 94, less 14, 80; and Mr. A. Hogg, 90, less 5=85. In playing off the ties postponed from the special-prize competition of the previous week, Mr. J. B. MacLachlan was first with the exceptionally low net figure of 69—83, less 14. This is an unusually low score for a player with a handicap of fourteen, and against it Mr. Forrest's splendid actual of 76 had to take second place in the allowance prize list. Mr. J. Mitchell followed with 82, less 2=80, and Mr. G. Nelson with 93, less 7=86. The last two awards fell to be divided between Mr. J. Henderson and Mr. G. Tait.

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

An approach shot competition, for a 1s. sweepstakes, took place on Friday, April 17th, with the following result:—

First round.—Miss Ashton beat Miss A. Dawkins; Miss Chambers, Miss Mackenzie, Miss Middleton, Miss Radcliffe, Miss Hunt, Miss Ward, Miss W. Gibsone, byes.

Second round.—Miss Ashton beat Miss Chambers; Miss Middleton beat Miss Mackenzie; Miss Radcliffe beat Miss Hunt; Miss Ward beat Miss W. Gibsone.

Third round.—Miss Ashton beat Miss Middleton, Miss Radcliffe beat Miss Ward.

Final round.—Miss Ashton beat Miss Radcliffe.

On Tuesday, April 21st, the club played for a red leather work case, kindly presented by Mrs. Middleton. Fourteen players entered for the event, the result being as follows:—

	1st Round.	2nd Round.	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Miss Hunt	41	40	81	scr.	81
Miss E. Howe	51	49	100	16	84
Miss Dawkins	42	42	84	scr.	84
Miss Chambers	50	47	97	12	85
Miss A. Dawkins	42	44	86	scr.	86
Miss Ashton	50	51	101	9	92
Miss Darlington	49	46	95	2	93
Miss Whieldon	48	53	101	8	93
Miss Grantham	58	48	106	12	94
Miss Edlmann	47	53	100	5	95
Miss H. Darlington	51	60	111	8	103
Miss Radcliffe	59	53	112	3	109

Miss L. Darlington and Miss G. Whieldon made no return.

NOTTINGHAM GOLF CLUB.

The following are the scores for the monthly competition:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. J. Hall ...	102	27	75	Mr. S. Groves ...	107	12	95
Mr. A. T. Ashwell ...	105	27	78	Mr. J. Johnstone ...	104	9	95
Mr. F. W. Dobson ...	103	18	85	Mr. F. T. Green ...	113	18	95
Mr. S. Davidson ...	96	9	87	Mr. R. Tullie ...	105	9	96
Mr. P. A. Nash ...	116	27	89	Mr. D. A. Crawford ...	99	3	96
Mr. C. F. Dobson ...	99	9	90	Mr. J. C. Warren ...	98	scr.	98
Mr. W. H. Hutton ...	118	27	91	Mr. P. W. Allen ...	116	18	98
Mr. F. Bannister ...	113	21	92	Mr. J. Henderson ...	113	15	98
Mr. J. McMeeking ...	96	3	93	Mr. R. D. Oswald ...	101	scr.	101
Mr. C. S. Wardle ...	102	9	93	Mr. Groves Hine ...	140	27	113
Mr. W. R. Hamilton ...	121	27	94	Mr. A. Barron ...	144	27	117
Mr. Wm. Ross ...	121	27	94				

PAU LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

Miss Hodson's prize, a Russia leather writing case, was played for on the 20th ult. Miss K. Anderson won the tie.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Miss K. Anderson...	73	14	59	Hon. Mrs. Bingham	77	6	71
Miss McDonnell	72	13	59	Miss Y. Newall	78	6	72
Miss C. Halkett	79	17	62	Mrs. Walker	93	20	73
Miss Anderson	82	17	65	Hon. El. St. Aubyn	84	10	74
Miss Bewick	81	15	66	Miss Swan	94	20	74
Miss N. Ross...	73	6	67	Miss M. Newall	68	+6	74
Miss Berners	80	13	67	Miss Surtees	97	20	77
Mlle. de Longuevil	79	12	67	Miss Cunningham	90	12	78
Mrs. Maud	81	13	68	Mrs. A. Troyte	90	11	79
Mrs. F. Newall	87	17	70	Miss Ross	96	11	85
Miss Pemberton	87	17	70	Miss F. Barham	105	20	85
Mrs. Jones	88	17	71	Miss Burton	112	20	92

Also played, Hon. Ev. St. Aubyn.

On Thursday, the 23rd, the Misses Newall's putting prizes, two antique silver boxes, were played for, open to ladies and gentlemen. Twenty-four ladies and twelve gentlemen entered. After a keen contest, both prizes were won by the gentlemen—Mr. Platt and the Hon. A. Y. Bingham. Mrs. Newall, Miss Pemberton, and Mlle. de Longueuil tied for the second, but the last-named lost the tie.

On Friday, the 24th ult., the gentlemen of the Pau Golf Club competed over the ladies' course for prizes presented by the ladies—a travelling clock and silver match-box. Mr. Horner won the first, Mr. Platt the second.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. Horner ...	66	7	59	Mr. Maud ...	70	2	68
Mr. Platt ...	68	7	61	Sir J. Nugent ...	85	16	69
Mr. V. Brooke ...	65	4	61	Dr. Bagnell ...	89	18	71
Mr. Mellor ...	62	scr.	62	Mr. A. Troyt ...	80	8	72
Mr. H. G. Ross ...	70	7	63	Mr. S. Cock ...	84	16	74
Col. Buscarlet ...	71	7	64	Mr. Dalziel ...	87	10	77
Mr. Harenc ...	71	7	64	Mr. Thorn ...	99	18	81
Col. Anderson ...	68	3	65				

There were many other entries for which no returns were sent in. The weather was most unpropitious, as it poured with rain the whole afternoon.

The final match of this season, for a prize presented by Lord St. Levers, was played on Saturday, the 25th ult.—a putting prize open to ladies. There were a large number of entries, and the prize was won by Miss Craigie Halkett, one of our steadiest players. Our champion, Miss Newall, ran her very close, coming in second.

PRESTWICK ST. NICHOLAS CLUB.

On Saturday the members of this club played for the Wilson medal under unfavourable conditions as to the weather. The competition was a handicap one, but the medal was won by Mr. Jas. Gibson at scratch. The following were the results:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. Jas. Gibson ...	82	0 82	Mr. M. Smith ...	105	18 87
Mr. Jas. Howat ...	91	8 83	Mr. A. Moon ...	88	scr. 88
Mr. John Gray ...	92	8 84	Capt. Meikle ...	99	10 89
Mr. H. M. Giles ...	99	12 87			

RANFURLY CASTLE CLUB.

The competition for the monthly gold medal was held on the links, Bridge of Weir, on Saturday, weather unfavourable. The results were:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
*Mr. R. Fleming ...	108	30	78	Mr. E. A. Walker	93	9	84
*Mr. J. M. Campbell	103	25	78	Mr. J. Fleming ...	105	20	85
Mr. T. Carruthers, jun.	97	17	80	Dr. Sandeman ...	99	12	87
			* Tie.				

*Tie.

REDHILL AND REIGATE GOLF CLUB.

The May competition for the Turner medal took place at the Earlswood links on the 2nd inst., the winner proving to be Mr. F. P. Browne, a local member; Mr. Haldane, of Reigate, being second.

The weather was unfavourable to those who played in the morning, a high wind and frequent showers of rain rendering low scoring difficult.

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net				
Mr. F. P. Browne...	95	16	79	Mr. A. E. L. Slazenger ...	107	18	89
Mr. R. B. Haldane ...	98	16	82	Mr. W. O. S. Pell...	93	3	90
Mr. H. B. Fox ...	102	17	85	Mr. S. C. Watney... 116	25	91	
Mr. G. H. Emmet ...	106	20	86	Mr. F. S. Ireland...	95	4	91
Mr. A. Schacht ...	90	3	87	Mr. Graham Stokes	109	18	91
Mr. F. C. Milford...	104	16	88	Mr. Greensill Allen	104	11	93

Over 100, or no returns:—Messrs. W. H. Pelly, A. J. Eames, C. J. Trevarthen, Jasper H. Nicholls, C. Hall, W. R. Kersey, R. Treloar A. Newington, (visitor), G. Meredith, A. C. Adam, Captain Gully (visitor), W. Amsden, E. Amsden, W. Sharp, C. E. Stevens, H. K. Rogers, W. B. Avery.

ROYAL ASCOT GOLF CLUB.

The competition for the club cup and silver putter took place on Saturday with the following result:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.			Gross. Hcp. Net.		
Mr. C. Haig ...	111	24 87	Mr. C. C. Hamilton	95	3 92
Mr. W. Ramsay			Mr. H. H. Longman	107	15 9
L'Amey ...	98	11 87	Mr. H. Eden	104	11 93
Mr. H. C. Clarke	106	16 90	Capt. Lyon	96	3 93
Mr. F. A. Govett	101	10 91	Mr. L. H. Govett	111	15 96

No returns. Col. C. J. Eden, Capt. O. Ball, Mr. A. C. Bartholomew, Mr. C. C. Bayley, Mr. C. C. Clarke, Sir T. R. Dyer, Lieut.-Col. G. A. Lewes, Mr. M. Morris, Mr. G. Pigot, Mr. E. Ponsonby, Rev. J. Stewart, Rev. H. Wilson.

ROYAL CROMER GOLF CLUB.

GOOD SCORING.—Willie Aveston, the young professional at Cromer, playing with Dr. Heasman on the 28th April, brought in the excellent score of 73 for the round of eighteen holes, his best previous performance being 76, which was the record. The figures were as under:—

First round ...	3	3	5	3	5	5	5	4	4	37
Second round ...	4	4	4	3	5	4	5	4	3	30

On Saturday morning, the 25th April, Aveston took the home hole with one stroke, Mr. Harold Wil-on being his partner. It has on different occasions been done in two strokes, but never before in one.

ROYAL LIVERPOOL GOLF CLUB.

In fine bright weather, with a fresh north-westerly breeze, the usual monthly medal, and optional subscription prizes, all under handicap, were played for. Fifty-three couples competed, and the result was a tie between Messrs. T. W. Crowther and John "Ferran" for the medal, and a win in for the first optional subscription prize, with their respective net scores of 87; Mr. John Stewart securing a win in for the second optional subscription prize, with his net score of 88. Messrs. T. W. Crowther and John "Ferran" divided the first and second sweepstake, Mr. John Stewart taking the third. The result of the play was as follows:—

Gross.			Hcp.	Net.	Gross.			Hcp.	Net.
Mr. T. W. Crowther	90	3	87	Mr. J. G. Rodger...	115	18	97		
Mr. John "Ferran"	98	11	87	Mr. G. R. Wilson...	115	18	97		
Mr. John Stewart ...	108	30	88	Mr. J. Moore ...	118	21	97		
Mr. J. B. Hunter ...	101	12	89	Mr. E. A. Beezley...	122	25	97		
Mr. A. Lawson ...	104	15	89	Mr. James Cullen...	104	5	99		
Mr. C. B. Taylor ...	107	18	89	Mr. Edwd. Whinray	104	5	99		
Mr. C. Hutchings ...	89	+1	90	Mr. Wm. Thomson...	110	11	99		
Mr. J. Hornby ...	100	10	90	Dr. A. Hamilton ...	114	15	99		
Mr. A. H. Higgins	95	4	91	Mr. H. Keef ...	117	18	99		
Mr. W. Dod ...	105	14	91	Mr. Theo. Turpin...	119	20	99		
Mr. R. W. Brown ...	96	4	92	Mr. C. J. Crowther...	119	20	99		
Mr. J. B. Fortune...	98	6	92	Mr. W. S. Patterson	119	20	99		
Mr. C. Darbyshire...	103	10	93	Mr. A. Huntington	120	20	100		
Mr. H. W. Hind ...	105	12	93	Mr. H. Case ...	122	20	102		
Mr. J. H. Knight...	111	18	93	Mr. J. H. Wild ...	111	9	102		
Mr. A. C. Jones ...	112	18	94	Mr. P. J. Pringle ...	110	6	104		
Mr. R. H. Blain ...	114	20	94	Mr. J. F. Ellison ...	136	30	106		
Mr. H. Holden ...	104	9	95	Mr. J. Hume ...	130	22	108		
Mr. G. B. Cadell ...	106	11	95	Mr. J. E. Pearson...	123	12	111		
Mr. A. G. Steel ...	108	13	95	Mr. N. Nugent ...	125				
Mr. H. M. Blythe...	112	17	95	Mr. A. Dod ...	128				
Mr. J. A. Smith ...	112	16	96	Mr. W. H. Legge...	135				
Mr. H. S. Bower ...	114	18	96	Mr. C. Grayson ...	140				
Mr. C. J. G. Duranty	114	18	96	Mr. G. A. Solly ...	143				
Mr. J. H. Silberbach	115	19	96	Mr. Thos. Sproat ...	145				
Mr. Chas. Holt ...	108	11	97						

Fifty-four competitors made no return.

ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA.

This match was played over the Kenilworth Links on Wednesday, April 22nd, and resulted in a win for the visitors by 17 holes.

LEAMINGTON.		KENILWORTH.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. J. H. Mitchell	2	Mr. W. Hillman	0
Mr. T. Kinmond	0	Mr. E. K. Bourne	3
Mr. J. Kinmond	9	Mr. W. T. Pears	0
Mr. J. C. Kinmond	1	Mr. H. Smith-Turberville	0
Mr. C. Humphries	0	Mr. C. J. Middleton	0
Mr. A. G. Hatton	8	Mr. Carter	0
	20		3

The return match was played over the Leamington Links on Tuesday, the 27th of April, and was won by the home club by 10 holes.

LEAMINGTON.		KENILWORTH.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Mr. J. H. Mitchell	1	Mr. T. Latham	0
Mr. N. W. Brown	3	Mr. W. Hillman	0
Mr. T. Kinmond	0	Mr. E. K. Bourne	0
Mr. J. Kinmond	0	Mr. C. G. Middleton	0
Mr. J. C. Kinmond	3	Mr. H. Smith-Turberville	0
Mr. A. G. Hatton	3	Mr. V. Jephson	0
	10		0

SEAFORD GOLF CLUB.

The monthly medal was played for on April 25th. It was won by Mr. F. G. Horne, 107, less 18=89. On April 27th, Mr. C. E. Ham-borough went round the links in 86. Subjoined is the score:—

Out	4	4	4	5	6	5	5	3	5	41
In	5	5	5	6	3	5	6	5	5	45

SEATON CAREW GOLF CLUB.

Seaton Carew has probably never seen such fine golfing as has taken place during the last week, in weather that suited the most fanciful. The putting-greens were as smooth as billiard tables. Nothing more could be desired by the professionals who have been lately on a visit here, and high were the encomiums which they passed on the quality of the natural advantages of the ground. Of course, the resident professional was matched in the first game against White, a duncour being subscribed for the players among the gentlemen present. White, at present at York and lately of North Berwick, is a young player and has a very bright future before him. His style is neat and graceful, and his driving long and sure, but the better-known of the visitors was Kirkcaldy, who is well-known in the golfing world. The following are the scores:—

KAY V. WHITE.	
First round.	Kay ... 6 6 3 4 5 4 5 5 3 5 5 4 4 6=65.
	White ... 5 6 5 6 5 4 4 5 4 4 5 5 5 5=68.
Second round.	Kay ... 5 7 4 3 6 5 4 4 4 6 6 3 5 4=66.
	White ... 6 7 5 4 8 4 4 5 4 5 4 5 5 5=71.

KAY V. KIRKCALDY.	
First round.	Kay ... 6 7 3 4 4 5 3 3 3 4 4 3 4 5=58.
	Kirkcaldy ... 7 6 4 5 4 6 3 3 3 5 5 4 4 5=66.
Second round.	Kay ... 6 6 4 5 6 4 4 4 4 4 4 5 4 4 5=65.
	Kirkcaldy ... 6 7 4 4 5 5 2 4 3 4 4 3 5 5=61.

From the above scores it will be seen that Kay has very creditably kept up the reputation of the Seaton Carew Club against the two visitors.

SCOTSCRAIG GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of the Scotsraig Golf Club was held on Saturday, when, notwithstanding the unfavourable weather, there was a good turn-out of the members. The Scotsraig silver medal, which is played by strokes (scratch), was gained by Mr. A. S. Thomson with a score of 86. The Newport medal and Wizard medal were also competed for by strokes (handicap). The former was won by Mr. W. Davidson with 99, less 18=81, and for the latter the following three gentlemen tied:—Mr. A. S. Black, 94, less 12=82; Mr. G. D. White, 102, less 20=82; Mr. J. Inch, 100, less 18=82. The next best scores were as follows:—Mr. A. S. Thomson, 86, less 2=84; Dr. J. Orr, 93, less 8, 85; Mr. J. G. Dickson, 100, less 14=86; Mr. C. Riddell, 110, less 24=86; Mr. D. McGregor, 92, less 12=80; Mr. J. Simpson, 92, less 4=88; Mr. W. C. Dickson, 103, less 14=89; Mr. W. Smith, 101, less 12=89; Lieutenant Maitland Dougall (scratch), 91; Mr. W. Hogg, 95, less 4=91; Mr. G. B. Black, 101, less 10=91; Mr. A. Robertson, 107, less 16=91. Owing to the wet scoring was above the average.

HARRISON CLUB, EDINBURGH.—The fortnightly gold medal was won on May 1st by Mr. J. Allan with a score of 43, less 2=41, for ten holes; second, Mr. D. Menzies (scratch), 42.

SHIPTON "CLEEKS" v. STOWELL CLUBS.

These clubs played a match on Tuesday, the 14th ult., at Shipton Court, and after a very exciting game, the Clubs won by one hole. The course was eleven holes.

SHIPTON "CLEEKS."		STOWELL CLUBS.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Capt. H. Langton	0	Earl of Eldon	0
Mr. G. H. Norris	0	Lord Encombe	3
Major W. Wynter	0	Mr. H. E. Rose	3
Capt. R. A. Scott	6	Hon. E. Scott	0
Mr. C. Samuda	0	Mr. G. Goodeve	1
Capt. W. Johnston	0	Mr. E. L. T. Lucas	1
Rev. G. Barter	3	*Hon. O. Scott	0
*Miss M. Markham	0	*Hon. M. Scott	1
*Mr. C. Samuda, jun.	0	*Hon. D. Scott	3
Mrs. Samuda	0	Lady L. Scott	1
Miss Barter	3	Lady M. Scott	0
Total	12	Total	13

A return match was played at Stowell Park on Friday, the 17th ult., when the clubs, playing on their own ground, won by seventy-eight holes. The hazards proved to be too hard after the Shipton links. Course, eighteen holes.

SHIPTON "CLEEKS."		STOWELL CLUBS.	
	Holes.		Holes.
Capt. Langton	0	Earl of Eldon	3
Capt. W. Johnston	0	Mr. H. E. Rose	8
Capt. R. A. Scott	0	Lord Encombe	7
Mr. R. Selby Bigg	0	Hon. E. Scott	1
Mr. C. Samuda	6	Mr. G. Goodeve	0
Rev. J. Barter	0	Mr. E. L. T. Lucas	5
Major W. Wynter	7	Rev. J. T. Branston	0
*Mr. L. Johnson	0	*Hon. O. Scott	12
*Mr. C. Samuda, jun.	0	*Hon. D. Scott	16
*Miss M. Markham	0	*Hon. M. Scott	12
Mrs. Samuda	0	Lady L. Scott	14
Miss J. Markham	0	Lady M. Scott	13
Total	13	Total	91

* Thus marked are under 15 years old.

STIRLING GOLF CLUB.

A competition for a set of clubs and balls, presented by the retiring captain, Mr. Graham Paton, and sweepstakes took place over the King's Park course on Wednesday, the 30th ult. The weather and conditions were favourable, and there was a large turn-out of members. Captain Blackburn and Mr. J. M. Morrison, jun., tied for the first prize, which was won by the former in playing off. The scoring generally was remarkably good, Mr. Morrison's actual of 83 being the lowest score hitherto made in a club competition. The following were the best scores:—

Gross. Hcp. Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.	
Captain Blackburn	91 10 81	Mr. A. C. Buchanan	101 14 87
Mr. J. M. Morrison, jun.	83 2 81	Mr. J. H. Todd	88 +2 90
Mr. John Archibald	92 10 82	Dr. Mackintosh	106 14 92
Mr. Harold Paton	92 8 84	Colonel Bell	111 18 93
Mr. J. J. Annan	85 scr. 85	Mr. T. Steel	111 18 93
Mr. P. Drummond	101 14 87	Mr. W. Cowan Finlay	106 12 94

ST. ANDREWS.

In anticipation of the May meeting of the Royal and Ancient and the amateur Golf championship, both of which are held this week at St. Andrews, the metropolis of Golf is now full of the followers of the game, and from the draw given below of the championship the field beats the record. If the present weather holds the meeting will be most enjoyable, and the green is in splendid order. Since our last report the following matches have been played:—Mr. Everard beat Mr. Macfie one round by a single hole and halved another. Captain Burn and Mr. Laidlay had two rounds. In the first Mr. Laidlay obtained the victory by 5 and 4 to play, but the tables were turned in the second, Captain Burn winning by 6. Dr. Bruce Goff had round about with Mr. Hull. Captain Burn and Mr. D. Ayton beat Mr. Whitelaw and Mr. Don Wauchope by 1 in the forenoon, but lost in the afternoon. Mr. Twist defeated Mr. Rotherham by 1 hole. Mr. Ballingall receiving a third, lost the match to Mr. D. Leitch by 5 and 4 to play. Mr. Jas. Cheape, receiving a third, won by 2 and 1 to play in a match with Captain Burn. Captain Burn beat Dr. Bruce Goff by 5 and 4 to play. Mr. James Cunningham lost at the burn in a single with Mr. Everard. Mr. Don Wauchope beat Mr. Whitelaw by 1 hole. Mr. Guy Grindlay halved the first round, and won the second in a match with Mr. A. Tait. Mr. J. C. Gilroy beat Mr. D. Lamb by 2 in the forenoon, and by 6 in the afternoon. Dr. J. Goff and Mr. Kennedy

Erskine beat Mr. Don Wauchope and Mr. Whitelaw by 4 at the dyke. Mr. A. Paterson lost by 2 and 1 to play in a single with Captain Burn. Messrs. Mure, Ferguson, and E. Scratton halved a round. Dr. Bruce Goff and Mr. Macfie beat Mr. J. E. Laidlaw and Captain Burn by 3 in the forenoon, and by 2 in the afternoon. Mr. Everard easily defeated Mr. H. Lamb. Mr. D. I. Lamb beat Mr. J. W. Todd by 2. Mr. Chas. Deane halved a round with Mr. Kerr, but won a second by 1.

The following is the draw in the Amateur Golf Championship tournament, beginning Thursday, May 7th. Coupls start in the order in which their names stand in the list. Play to begin at 10 a.m., and 2 p.m. The byes do not play in the first round. Mr. G. Grindlay, Royal and Ancient (bye); Mr. D. I. Lamb, Royal and Ancient (bye); Mr. R. H. Johnston, Royal and Ancient (bye); Mr. A. D. Blyth, St. George's (bye); Mr. F. A. Fairlie, Prestwick (bye); Mr. H. H. Hilton, Royal Liverpool (bye); Mr. J. Fairclough, West Lancashire (bye); Mr. A. Morison, Troon (bye); Mr. D. Leitch, St. Andrews (bye); Mr. J. W. Tod, Honourable Company (bye); Mr. W. Ballingall, Dalhousie (bye); Mr. C. E. S. Chambers, Honourable Company (bye); Mr. W. H. Burn, Royal and Ancient (bye); Mr. W. Fleming, Ardeer (bye); Mr. R. Craig, junr., Honourable Company, and Mr. A. Wallace, Tantallon; Mr. H. A. Lamb, Royal Wimbledon, and Mr. T. Carmichael, St. Andrews University; Mr. D. W. M. Hodge, St. Andrews University, and Mr. G. G. Robertson, Royal and Ancient; Mr. W. Gibson Blossom, Honourable Company, and Mr. R. T. Boothby, junr., Royal and Ancient; Mr. G. G. Smith, Royal Musselburgh, and Mr. D. Anderson, Panmure; Mr. T. Gilroy, County Portrush, and Mr. A. G. Tait, Edinburgh University; Mr. W. Doleman, Glasgow, and Mr. C. Hutchings, Royal Liverpool; Mr. W. M. Dougall, Royal and Ancient, and Mr. W. F. Orr, Glasgow; Mr. D. A. Stevenson, Honourable Company, and Mr. R. B. Sharp, Royal and Ancient; Mr. J. Kirk, Glasgow, and Mr. John Ball, junr., Royal Liverpool; Mr. C. E. Gilroy, Royal and Ancient, and Mr. F. C. Crawford, Royal Blackheath; Mr. J. Forrest, Tantallon, and Mr. J. Cunningham, junr., Royal and Ancient; Mr. H. A. Farrar, Royal Liverpool, and Mr. W. B. Taylor, Carlton; Mr. A. F. Macfie, Royal and Ancient, and Mr. B. E. Goff, Royal and Ancient; Mr. T. G. Buchan, Edinburgh Viewforth, and Mr. J. Sutherland, Dornoch; Mr. A. H. Molesworth, Royal Wimbledon, and Mr. H. S. C. Everard, Royal and Ancient; Mr. J. E. Laidlaw, Honourable Company, and Mr. S. M. Ferguson, Royal and Ancient; Mr. A. R. Paterson, Prestwick, and Mr. W. S. Wilson, Prestwick.

THE HONOURABLE COMPANY OF EDINBURGH GOLFERS.

OPENING OF NEW GREEN.

The number of excellent Golf greens in East Lothian was added to on Saturday, the 2nd inst., by the formal opening for play of Muirfield Links, the new course of the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers, near Gullane. This is an event of very considerable importance in the golfing world, for it may be said to mark an epoch in the history of the Royal and Ancient Game. At no former time was Golf so popular as it is at present, as witness the number of new courses which within the last year have been laid out; and it is this very popularity that has driven the Honourable Company to pastures new. Musselburgh has in these recent years been fairly overrun; the opening of the Braids course a couple of years ago has been the means of bringing a young generation of golfers to the front whose number is legion; and to enjoy the game at its best in these days it is necessary to go further afield than it once was. This is what the Honourable Company has been compelled to do. It has now secured a home of its own, more abiding and more agreeable than either of its earlier head-quarters. So far as Musselburgh is concerned this change of quarters is only matter for regret, for the Honourable Company has done more for Musselburgh than Musselburgh ever did for it. But even the "honest town" has a crumb of consolation left. In the meantime, at any rate, the Company will retain its connection with the time-honoured links, and its material contribution towards the upkeep of the green will be continued. Musselburgh has to thank its near proximity to Edinburgh for this. To the older generation of members a journey to Muirfield will be somewhat of an undertaking, and with them possibly Musselburgh will in the future be as much countenanced as it has been in the past. The members belonging to the younger school, again, will have a happy hunting ground at Muirfield, which, in addition to advantages of situation and surroundings, possesses all the characteristics of a first-rate green.

In point of weather, a more unfavourable day than Saturday for a function of the kind could scarcely have been had. Given a fine day nothing would have been more enjoyable than this gathering at Muirfield; but with a steady fall of rain for the greater part of the day, and a cold north-easterly wind the spirits of even the keenest golfer in the company were somewhat damped. The disagreeable nature of the morning, however, did not deter a large representation of the members and of their guests turning out to the opening of the green. For the convenience of the company a special train left Edinburgh at half-past ten

o'clock, and conveyances were in waiting at Drem—the station nearest to the green—to convey the party to Muirfield, a distance of about four miles. The four-in-hand coaches and large brakes brought into requisition for the occasion made such an imposing, if not gay, cavalcade as to attract the attention of the villagers and workpeople about the farm steadings on the route, who seemed to regard with mixed feelings this latest encroachment upon their territory. Those whose first acquaintance this was with Muirfield Links saw it at great disadvantage on Saturday. The outlook on the arrival of the company, about half-past eleven o'clock, was at best bleak. Rain was falling heavily at the time, and the shelter which the club-house—only in course of erection—afforded was limited. It was no time for delay, and there was none. The starting-point is within a stone throw of the club-house, and there the company gathered to witness the formal opening of the green by the captain striking off the first ball. It happened, however, that the captain, Colonel Hastings Anderson, of Bourhouse, could not be present to perform this important function, and in his absence it fell to Sir Alexander Kinloch, one of the ex-captains of the club, to do so. Old Tom Morris, of St. Andrews, who in the later months of last year went over the ground and laid out the course, was present, and, appropriately enough, he "teed" the ball. Sir Alexander got well under it, and as the ball left the tee—a nice drive—the company raised a hearty cheer. The green being now open for play, members lost no time in taking advantage of it. Sir Alexander did not go off for a round immediately after driving the first ball. He and others who were not playing at the time took the opportunity of making themselves better acquainted with the links in a walk round with Mr. B. Hall Blyth, who was playing his own ball against Mr. A. Stewart and Mr. F. V. Hagart—this being the first of a large number of private matches played before lunch. It must have been an agreeable surprise to many to find the course already in such good playing order. The links are of course a little rough in places, but the greens, which will have benefited greatly by the rainfall of Saturday, are in remarkably good trim. In fact, play is required to complete the work which the Honourable Company has overtaken with an unstinted hand.

In the early afternoon a company of about a hundred and thirty gentlemen, members and guests, lunched in a large marquee erected on the ground. The chair was occupied by the captain, Colonel Hastings Anderson. On his right was Mr. Hamilton Ogilvy, who along with Mrs. Hamilton Ogilvy had reached the ground shortly after noon. Among those at lunch were:—Sir Alexander Kinloch, Bart; Mr. James Syme, of Millbank, Mr. B. Hall Blyth, Mr. Alexander Stuart, Mr. William Hope, members of committee; Mr. Alexander Makgill and Mr. D. D. Whigham, ex-captains; Provost Brodie, North Berwick; Provost Keir, Musselburgh; the Rev. John Keir, Dirlerton; and Mr. T. D. Thomson, Craigville. The joint hon. secretary (Mr. D. R. Kemp), under whose supervision the arrangements were admirably carried out, intimated that apologies had been received from the Marquis of Tweeddale, the Earl of Wemyss, the Earl of Haddington, the Earl of Stair, the Captain and Council of the Royal and Ancient Club of St. Andrews, the Lord Provost and Town Clerk of Edinburgh, Mr. James McLaren, North British Railway Company, and others. After the toast of "The Queen" had been given from the chair, Sir Alexander Kinloch proposed the health of Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Ogilvy, the proprietors of the links. In doing so, Sir Alexander commented on the unfavourable character of the weather, expressing the hope, however, that despite the rain most of them had gone a round of the green, and had convinced themselves that Muirfield course would in time become one of the finest in Scotland. There, he said, they should escape from the gammin with the cleek, from the nursemaid with the perambulator, and from the bailie who would shut up and open roads without regard to the enjoyment of the game. (Laughter and applause.) He asked the company to drink the health of Mr. Hamilton Ogilvy, not only because he was the laird of Muirfield Links, but as the only honorary member, he believed, of the Honourable Company. (Applause.) He hoped, while at that time they drank Mr. Hamilton Ogilvy's health as laird of the links, now that the Honourable Company had brought Golf to his very door, at some future day the members would be asked to drink his health as one of the medal-winners of the club. (Applause.) The toast was very cordially pledged by the company. Mr. Hamilton Ogilvy afterwards thanked the company, and asked them to drink the health of the body of gentlemen who had come to Muirfield that day for the first time, and whose arrival had been looked forward to with lively anticipations. Upon their arrival the neighbourhood had many selfish reasons to congratulate itself, but he did not wish to mingle selfish considerations with their welcome that day. He wished to welcome the Honourable Company as friends and neighbours. (Applause.) That the neighbourhood would welcome them he was sure, and he also felt sure that none would give the Honourable Company a more hearty welcome than Mrs. Hamilton Ogilvy and himself. (Applause.) He trusted they would find the green all they could wish, and that the only drawback it had would be overcome so that they in the neighbourhood might find themselves nearer to the outside world. He proposed "The Honourable Company of

Edinburgh Golfers and the Muirfield Green." (Applause.) There were no other toasts, and the company had the less inclination to tarry indoors, because there was now a blink of sunshine, and the rain had cleared off for the time. Play was therefore resumed without further ceremony. Unfortunately, only a temporary respite was enjoyed in the matter of weather; but the afternoon matches were commenced, at all events, under auspices which admitted of the company forming some idea of the charming surroundings of the links. In the evening the bulk of the company returned to Edinburgh by a special train, leaving Drem at half-past five o'clock.

TOOTING BEC GOLF CLUB.

The following are the scores in a handicap match competition which has been in progress during the past three months at Tooting. On the whole the handicapping has been good, and has been productive of a few good and interesting matches. By consistently good and vigorous play Mr. Nesham has been able to plough his way through all the competitors, and wins the first prize. Mr. J. Bell takes the second, and the next two runners-up divide a prize between them.

First Round.—Mr. F. Taylor beat Captain Coleman by 6 up and 5 to play; Dr. Donald beat Mr. H. Davenport 3 up and 2 to play; Major Lindsay beat Mr. Mason 7 up and 5 to play; Dr. Leggett beat Sir H. Maxwell, M.P., by 9 up and 8 to play; Mr. E. H. Stevenson beat Lieut.-Col. Howard by 4 up and 2 to play; Mr. Howard Marsh beat Mr. W. C. Grant by 7 up and 6 to play; Mr. A. F. Waters beat Mr. Mackintosh by 3 up and 1 to play; Mr. F. W. Fison beat Lord Granby, M.P., by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. W. H. Du Buisson beat Mr. J. H. Greenfield by 7 up and 5 to play; Mr. F. G. Thorne beat Mr. H. Jackson by 7 up and 6 to play; Mr. C. H. Compton beat Mr. Wild by 8 up and 7 to play; Captain Dudley Ward beat Mr. Stewart Bain by 5 up and 4 to play; Major Morris beat Mr. T. W. Legh, M.P., by a hole; Mr. Jeans beat Mr. Wansbrough by 6 up and 4 to play; Mr. Melville beat Mr. Ravenhill by 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. J. Gould Smith beat Mr. Wells by 9 up and 8 to play.

Second Round.—Mr. E. A. Walker beat Mr. Morrish by 9 up and 8 to play; Mr. J. B. Wood beat Mr. J. S. Robb by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. J. P. Croal beat Mr. Williams by 2 up and 1 to play; the Rev. J. H. Ellis beat Mr. Verran by a hole; Dr. Donald beat Major Lindsay by 2 up and 1 to play; Dr. Leggett beat Mr. D. F. Russell by 8 up and 7 to play; Mr. J. Bell beat Mr. E. H. Stevenson by 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. A. F. Waters beat Mr. A. J. Robertson by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. S. Fisher beat Mr. Fison by 5 up and 4 to play; Captain Dudley Ward beat Mr. C. H. Compton by 5 up and 3 to play; Major Morris beat Mr. Jeans by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. Melville beat Mr. Gould Smith by 4 up and 3 to play.

Third Round.—Mr. F. Taylor beat Mr. E. A. Walker by 3 up and 2 to play; Mr. C. E. Nesham beat Mr. J. B. Wood by a hole; the Rev. J. H. Ellis beat Mr. J. P. Croal by 2 up and 1 to play; Dr. Leggett beat Dr. Donald by 5 up and 3 to play; Mr. J. Bell beat Mr. Howard Marsh by a hole; Mr. A. F. Waters beat Mr. S. Fisher by 9 up and 7 to play; Mr. F. G. Thorne beat Captain Dudley Ward by 4 up and 3 to play; Major Morris beat Mr. Melville by 4 up and 2 to play.

Fourth Round.—Dr. Leggett beat the Rev. J. H. Ellis by 4 up and 3 to play; Mr. C. E. Nesham beat Mr. F. Taylor by 9 up and 8 to play; Mr. J. Bell beat Mr. A. F. Waters by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. F. G. Thorne beat Major Morris by 2 holes.

Fifth Round.—Mr. C. E. Nesham beat Dr. Leggett by 2 up and 1 to play; Mr. J. Bell beat Mr. F. G. Thorne by 5 up and 3 to play.

Final.—Mr. C. E. Nesham beat Mr. J. Bell by 3 up and 2 to play.

The annual dinner of the club was held on Wednesday evening, the 29th ult., at the Savoy Hotel. There was a gathering of about 90 members and friends. In the earlier part of the proceedings Mr. Guy Pym, the retiring captain, occupied the chair, being supported by the Marquis of Granby, M.P., the captain for the ensuing year. Among those present were Sir H. Maxwell, M.P., Mr. J. L. Bristowe, M.P. (the President of the club), Mr. J. G. Baird, M.P., Colonel the Hon. Gathorne Hardy, Mr. Armar Corry, Mr. Fison, Mr. R. Lyell, Mr. A. B. Lambert, Mr. J. Smart, Captain Coleman, Mr. A. Sinclair (of the Royal Liverpool Golf Club), Mr. F. W. Wilson (ex-captain of the Felixstowe Golf Club), Mr. W. Carr (captain of the Brighton and Hove Golf Club), the Hon. Lionel Ashley, Mr. Macrae, Q.C., Captain Dudley Ward, Sir J. Heron Maxwell, Mr. Herbert Jackson, Mr. Tamplin, Mr. J. P. Croal, Mr. J. Duthie Matthew, Mr. A. Beveridge, Mr. N. Dawson, Mr. J. Russell, Dr. Priestly, Dr. Sang, Mr. C. E. Nesham, Mr. Arthur Denman, Mr. G. E. Tabor, Mr. E. Heaver, Mr. N. H. Warner, Mr. W. Phillips, Mr. W. Jenkinson, Mr. T. R. Pace, Mr. Wansbrough, Mr. Lidiard, Mr. Bromage, Dr. Ackroyd, Mr. Verran, Mr. Williams, Dr. Donald (the hon. secretary), Mr. F. Taylor (the hon. treasurer), Mr. John Proctor, Mr. Nicholl, Mr. Groome, Mr. Druce, Mr. John Thomson, Mr. Morrish, Mr. J. Wild, Mr. E. H. Stevenson, and Mr. A. D. Hutchinson.

M. Ritz had provided an excellent dinner. For the benefit of metropolitan golfers who may wish to dine genially together as a body, we

subjoin the menu as an indication of what they may expect at the Savoy on very reasonable terms:—"Hors d'œuvre, bisque d'ecrevisse, consommé Judic, truite-saumonnée, sauce mousseline, whitebait; filet de bœuf à la portugaise, pommes croquettes, terrine de canard aux petits pois, rocher de foie-gras à la Rossini; volaille à la polonaise, salade de chicorée et céleri, asperges, sauce hollandaise; ananas à la Victoria, parfait moka, petits fours, savoury laitance on toast, fruits."

Mr. Guy Pym (the retiring captain, picturesquely attired in a golfer's scarlet dress coat with white vest) proposed the health of Lord Granby, the new captain. He said that the game of Golf was, in his opinion, second only to one game which Englishmen played—real tennis. Golf had spread in every direction all over the world, and no man who had taken to Golf with any degree of sincerity and enthusiasm ever relinquished it. Their new captain afforded an example of the truth of this observation.

Lord Granby was then initiated into the chair amid cheers. In proposing the health of Mr. Bristowe, the president, he expressed the feelings of gratitude which the members felt towards the hon. member for the interest he had taken in the welfare of the club.

Mr. Bristowe, M.P., in reply, said he had always taken a great interest in the club, though, unhappily for him, he could not boast of being much of a golfer. He was, however, very fond of the game, and utilised some portions of his leisure in doing his best to understand its intricacies and to play it with satisfaction to himself and others.

Mr. Nicholl sang "Annie Laurie," with great beauty of feeling.

Lord Granby proposed the health of the late captain, whom he spoke of as one of the best of sportsmen, a splendid fellow, and a keen golfer. He had known Mr. Pym for many years, and if he wished advice in any matter pertaining to sport he should avail himself of the aid of Mr. Pym with the greatest alacrity and pleasure; their late captain had done much to further the fortunes of the club. He assured the local authorities, in case there should be any doubt on the point, that there was absolutely no danger to the public from the way in which Golf was played at Tooting, that no accident had ever occurred, that the members had ever shown themselves wishful to yield to the exigencies of the public in so far as sharing the common with all other forms of sport enjoyed there. It should be borne in mind by those animated, perhaps, by a feeling of latent hostility to golfers, that wherever a Golf club had been started the locality had improved in amenity and from the amount of money brought to enrich it. Golf, indeed, was the best game he knew of, with, perhaps, the solitary exception of cricket, for which he always expressed a fondness. Golf, however, was a schoolmaster to the temper; it evoked some of the best qualities in our nature, and its pursuit exemplified in a great measure four rules which should be observed throughout life. The first was (1) when necessary, and as far as lay in their power, hit hard (laughter); (2) if possible, get a good lie; (3) keep cool; (4) keep straight—and especially so at Tooting. (Laughter.)

Mr. Pym, in reply, said that he was passionately fond of Golf, and if a sincere affection for the game could make him a good golfer he would have been undoubtedly long ere this a scratch player. (Laughter.) But to attain to the rank of scratch player was very difficult; and now he was disposed to say after very many years' trial that Golf was the most disappointing and irritating game that had ever been invented. (Laughter.) A player always reached a certain standard, but it was so difficult to get beyond that standard, though imagination was ever painting happy moments when one's play reached the ideal and could not be bettered. He took a sincere interest in the game, notwithstanding all its drawbacks, and he predicted a great and successful future for it.

Mr. John Proctor, gave with inimitable humour, "Rags of Anecdotes," a series of Scottish stories full of laughable incident.

Mr. H. Jackson (an ex-captain of the club, also picturesquely attired in the golfer's scarlet dress-coat), proposed "The Prize Winners," to which Mr. G. E. Tabor replied. Mr. Groome afterwards sang "Mary of Argyll."

Sir H. Maxwell, M.P., proposed "Golfing Societies," remarking that the game of Golf had on one occasion been defined as "a disease peculiar to Scotchmen, which broke out all over sporrans." (Laughter.) Since that time the schoolmaster had been abroad, and he thought that nothing had tended more to the real union of hearts between Englishmen and Scotchmen than the spread of the national Scottish game south of the Tweed. (Cheers.) It had its drawbacks, however, as, for example, when one pulled a teed ball very wide of the course and found it placidly resting at the bottom of a deep ditch. The player resolutely called for his niblick, and in a frame of mind distressed by sore missing he at that painful juncture somehow remembered the phrase of Livy—*Minime canthurius sis in fossa*, which the "crib" translated, how veraciously he could not say, "Don't be an ass in a ditch." (Laughter.) Such was the game of Golf.

Mr. F. W. Wilson replied, and said that he had found the game of Golf to be a kind of friendly society, because it brought one into contact with a large number of good fellows. Blackheath, Wimbledon, Hoylake, and Westward Ho! were the only clubs in the country when

he began Golf, and Felixstowe was added to the number, making the fifth green. Now, however, clubs were springing up everywhere weekly.

Dr. Sang then sang "He Knew It," and Mr. Nicholl "Kathleen Mavourneen."

Mr. F. W. Fison proposed the "Committee and Officers of the Club," for which Dr. Donald, Mr. Matthew, and Dr. Ackroyd, returned thanks. Sir J. Heron Maxwell returned thanks for "The Visitors."

WARWICKSHIRE GOLF CLUB.

On Friday, the 24th ult., the members engaged in a foursome tournament by strokes for a club prize, with the customary sweepstake attached. Owing to the prolonged drought, the ground had become hard, giving the balls a great run through the green, but the weather continued to be magnificent. Eighteen players entered for the tournament:

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net
Mr. A. F. H. Dyson and Mr. F. D. Perry ...	116	25	91
Mr. F. C. H. Blair and Mr. C. G. Graham...	100	8	91½
Mr. J. Gibb and Mr. R. W. Lindsay ...	120	23½	96½
Mr. T. H. Ashton and Mr. J. W. Trail ...	106	9	97
Hon. R. Lyttelton and Hon. and Rev. R. Moncreiff ...	103	4½	98½
Mr. A. Moore and Rev. E. H. Oldham ...	114	13½	100½
Major Molyneux and Mr. E. J. Vavasour ...	127	25½	101½
Mr. M. T. Brown and Rev. A. E. K. Bedford	122	18½	103½
Mr. P. A. Leaf and Capt. Shaw ...	125	16	109

The monthly competition for the club cup was held on Saturday, 25th ult., with the following result:

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Capt. Cowan ...	97	15	82	Mr. C. G. Le'roy ...	101	8	93
Rev. A. E. Bedford ...	105	20	85	Mr. R. H. Smith ...	124	30	94
Mr. T. H. Ashton ...	91	4	87	Mr. F. D. Perry ...	115	20	95
Mr. A. F. H. Dyson ...	118	30	88	Rev. E. H. Oldham ...	103	7	96
Mr. C. G. Graham ...	99	11	88	Mr. W. L. Bicknell ...	107	10	97
Mr. E. J. Vavasour ...	118	30	88	Mr. S. J. Wheble ...	127	27	100
Judge Chalmers ...	111	20	91	Mr. W. M. Smythe ...	120	18	102
Mr. G. H. Norris ...	103	12	91	Mr. R. W. Lindsay ...	122	17	105
Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncreiff ...	95	3	92				

No returns from Mr. F. C. Hunter Blair, Mr. H. Everard, and Mr. G. Harrison.

The second of the three competitions for the silver cigarette box, presented by Mr. Montgomery Pattison, and limited to handicaps under 19, was held over the links on Saturday, 25th ult., the conditions being that the best handicap and scratch scorer of each competition both go in as winners, leaving six in for the final in May. Last month Mr. Latham scored a double victory in returning both the lowest net and gross score; and history repeated itself again on Saturday in the return of Mr. Hunter Blair, who won with 95. The following was the full score:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. F. C. H. Blair	95	7	88	Mr. T. Latham	101	5	96
Mr. F. A. Bainbridge	102	13	89	Mr. T. H. Ashton	101	4	97
Mr. C. G. Graham	100	11	89	Rev. A. E. R. Bedford	116	18	98
Capt. Shaw	108	18	90	Hon. R. H. Lyttelton	104	6	98
Mr. W. Ricketts	109	18	91	Mr. F. D. Perry	121	18	103
Mr. G. H. Norris	105	12	93				
Mr. G. F. Twist	103	8	95				

There were no returns from several players.

WARWICKSHIRE V. COVENTRY.—The third annual match between the two clubs was played on Monday, April 20th (twelve a-side), both clubs having fairly strong representative teams. Some of the matches were sufficiently close, but the result was a decisive victory for the visitors by the majority of 18 holes. Score:—

WARWICKSHIRE.	Holes.	COVENTRY.	Holes.
Mr. W. Bouch ...	0	Mr. E. F. Chance ...	6
Mr. T. Latham ...	0	Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncreiff ...	1
Hon. R. H. Lyttelton ...	0	Mr. T. H. Ashton ...	6
Mr. F. C. H. Blair ...	0	Mr. W. Hillman ...	0
Mr. N. W. Brown ...	1	Mr. G. F. Twist ...	0
Rev. E. H. Oldham ...	0	Mr. H. W. Bainbridge ...	2
Mr. R. Elmsley ...	0	Mr. H. Rotherham ...	2
Rev. G. W. Barnard ...	0	Rev. F. R. Evans ...	3
Mr. C. G. Graham ...	0	Mr. Harold Smith ...	5
Mr. F. A. Bainbridge ...	0	Mr. Frank Smith ...	1
Mr. W. E. Chance ...	8	Rev. W. C. K. Bedford ...	0
Hon. G. H. Norris ...	0	Mr. K. Rotherham ...	1
	9		27

Majority for Coventry, 18 holes.

The annual competition for the club challenge cup, value 15 guineas, with the Hunter Blair silver challenge niblick for the best scratch score, attracted a field of twenty-three on Wednesday, the 29th ult., when nearly all the best players in the club put in an appearance, the captain of the club (Mr. W. Pell) coming down from Blackheath to defend his title to the niblick. Perfect golfing weather again prevailed, and the course was much improved by the alteration of the ninth hole, which is now over the open ditch by the racecourse, and promises to be productive of much incident. The winner of the cup proved to be Mr. Wellesley Ricketts, who played a very steady game for so young a golfer; Mr. Oldham being well up with 87. The niblick fell to the lot of the Hon. and Rev. R. C. Moncreiff, whose gross score of 93 is the lowest but one yet achieved over the present course.

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mr. W. Ricketts ...	102	17	85	Mr. R. Elmsley ...	103	9	94
Rev. E. H. Oldham ...	95	9	86	Mr. T. H. Ashton ...	99	4	95
Mr. H. Smith ...	98	11	87	Mr. F. C. H. Blair ...	101	6	95
Mr. F. Smith ...	100	11	89	Mr. S. C. Smith ...	125	30	95
Mr. C. G. Graham ...	101	11	90	Mr. W. O. S. Pell ...	99	2	97
Rev. R. C. Moncreiff ...	93	3	90	Mr. J. W. Traill ...	111	14	97
Mr. G. F. Twist ...	98	8	90	Mr. S. J. Wheble ...	126	27	99
Hon. R. Lyttelton ...	98	6	92	Mr. P. A. Leaf ...	118	14	104
Mr. M. T. Brown ...	110	17	93				

No returns from Mr. N. W. Brown, Mr. T. Latham, Mr. E. W. Nelson, Capt. Shaw, Mr. Graeme Harrison, and Mr. E. G. J. Vavasour.

The annual dinner was held at the Clarendon Hotel, Leamington, on Wednesday evening, the 29th ult., and was attended by a large number of members and their friends. The chair was occupied by Mr. W. O. S. Pell, captain of the club for the year, the vice-chair being taken by the hon. secretary, Mr. Hunter Blair. The chairman proposed, "Prosperity to the Warwickshire Golf Club," and alluded to the great progress that the club had made both in numbers and popularity since its formation in 1886. The hon. secretary, in replying, stated that the total muster of the club in 1886 was twelve members, which had gradually risen to 187 at the present time. He concluded by asking the members present to drink to the health of the president of the club, Col. Boothby, who was practically the originator of the game in Warwickshire. The toast was drunk with full Highland honours.

The prize presented by Mr. Pell for handicaps over 18 was competed for over the links on Thursday, the 23rd ult. The prize takes the form of a silver-mounted spirit stand of antique design. Scores:—

POLL PRIZE.					
	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross. Hcp. Net.
Mr. A. F. H. Dyson	122	30	92	Mr. S. C. Smith	126 25 101
Mr. R. H. Smith	122	30	92	Mr. E. J. Vavasour	133 30 103
Mr. J. Gibb	123	30	93	Major Molyneux	125 21 104
Judge Chalmers	114	20	94	Mr. S. J. Wheble	133 27 106
Mr. E. W. Nelson	118	24	94	Mr. E. B. Callander	144 30 114
Mr. A. Moore	114	20	94		

Mr. Dyson and Mr. H. Smith therefore divided the sweepstake, and played off the tie for the ultimate possession of the prize on Saturday, when the former was successful with 118, less 30=88.

Torrents of rain fell on Saturday morning at Warwick, but the afternoon proved fine, and there were 31 competitors for the Alcock challenge cup. There were three equal scores for the first place, viz.:—Mr. H. Ashton, 94, less 4=90; Mr. C. G. Graham, 101, less 11=90; Mr. T. Latham, 95, less 5=90. The next best scores were:—Rev. E. H. Oldham, 98, less 7=91; Mr. R. Harrington Smith, 120, less 28=92; Mr. E. L. Lucas and Rev. O. Mordaunt, 113, less 20=93; Mr. E. J. Vavasour, 119, less 26=93; Mr. M. T. Brown, 111, less 17=94.

WEST LANCASHIRE GOLF CLUB.

The spring meeting of the above club took place over the links at Hall Road, on Saturday, the 25th ult. The morning broke dull and windless, but towards the afternoon a moderately strong breeze blew from the north-west, which rather added to the difficulties of those competitors who played later in the day. The links were never in better order, the putting-greens were true and keen, and, owing to the lateness of the season, there was not too much grass over the course. Fifty-four couples started from the tee, and the results showed a close competition for the handicap prizes, but a rather easy win for the principal prize, the club gold medal and accompanying memento for best scratch score. This was won by Mr. Chas. Hutchings, with the good score of 82, this being chiefly remarkable for the fine outgoing of 39; the loss of a ball, and consequently two strokes, rather marred the home-coming. The score was made up as follows: Out, 4 3 4 4 5 5 4 5=39; home, 5 4 4 5 4 5 7 4=43. The next best scores were Mr. H. H. Hilton, 86; Messrs. J. W. Fowler and G. F. Smith, 87; Mr. C. E. Dick and Dr. A. Stookes, 88; and Mr. G. R. Cox, jun., 89. The first handicap prize and sweepstakes were won by Dr. A. Stookes; the second and third prizes and sweepstakes were tied for by Messrs. G. F. Smith and

W. Fletcher; whilst the captain, Mr. G. R. Cox, jun., put in a win for the McLaren cup, with the fine aggregate of 168 (83 at the last autumn meeting and 85 on Saturday). Appended are the scores under 100:—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.		Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Dr. A. Stookes ...	88	7	81	Mr. T. H. Luzmore	102	12	90
Mr. G. F. Smith ...	87	4	83	Mr. G. Grieve ...	105	15	90
Mr. W. Fletcher ...	91	8	83	Mr. R. Goold ...	98	7	91
Mr. N. W. Brookes ...	96	12	84	Mr. C. McLaren ...	100	9	91
Mr. F. T. Wright ...	96	12	84	Mr. W. H. Allan ...	101	10	91
Mr. F. H. Bingham	104	20	84	Mr. W. Potter ...	93	1	92
Mr. F. W. Taylor ...	104	20	84	Mr. W. Roughton ...	100	8	92
Mr. C. E. Dick ...	88	3	85	Mr. J. W. Williamson	101	9	92
Mr. G. K. Cox, jun.	89	4	85	Mr. G. H. O. Salt ...	110	18	92
Mr. R. J. Kerr ...	91	6	85	Mr. W. R. Gardner	112	20	92
Mr. H. Owen ...	100	15	85	Mr. H. H. Hilton ...	86	+7	93
Mr. C. Hutchings ...	82	+4	86	Mr. T. B. Grimsdale	97	4	93
Mr. W. Turnbull ...	92	6	86	Mr. H. Gregg ...	103	10	93
Mr. A. Stoddart ...	98	12	86	Mr. J. K. Crooks ...	106	13	93
Mr. R. K. Fernie ...	104	18	86	Mr. R. E. Overton ...	111	18	93
Mr. J. W. Fowler ...	87	scr.	87	Mr. E. Dean ...	116	23	93
Mr. J. Cullen ...	91	4	86	Mr. C. C. Deane ...	98	4	94
Mr. W. S. Taylor ...	92	5	87	Mr. J. Silverbach ...	112	18	94
Mr. L. P. Gibbons	103	16	87	Mr. H. A. Bowring	117	22	95
Mr. C. Sandeman, jun.	105	18	87	Mr. H. C. Reynolds	120	25	95
Mr. J. Shepherd ...	95	7	88	Mr. J. E. Pearson ...	110	14	96
Mr. W. Bowker ...	108	20	88	Mr. A. Chisholm ...	104	7	97
Rev. C. de B. Winslow	108	20	88	Mr. T. M. Reade ...	114	17	97
Mr. H. J. Chisholm	90	1	89	Mr. W. Rowland ...	110	12	98
Mr. F. E. M. Dixon ...	94	4	89	Mr. J. Halsall ...	116	18	98
Mr. G. Newsom ...	93	5	89	Capt. Matthews ...	116	18	98
Mr. C. V. C. Dawbarn	102	12	90	H. Durandu, jun.	110	11	99

In the evening the members, under the chairmanship of the new captain, Mr. G. R. Cox, jun., dined at the club-house.

WEST CORNWALL GOLF CLUB.

The ladies' challenge trophy, a silver Golf club, presented by Mr. George Seaton, was played for over the ladies' medal round, on Tuesday, April 28th. The weather was perfect, and the course and greens such as would astonish the mind of an inland golfer. The ladies' round is a mile and three-quarters in distance, consisting of twelve holes with, as will be gathered from the scores, hazards of many descriptions, and two long holes of over three hundred yards. The scores were as follows, Miss C. W. Downing securing the trophy until next April, by which time, no doubt, some of the ladies will score but little over 100:—Miss C. W. Downing, 123; Mrs. W. E. T. Bolitho, 129; Mrs. F. H. Harvey, 132; Miss C. Wake, 138; Mrs. R. F. Tyacke, 145; Miss Downing, 156; Miss M. Baufield, 160; Miss Carter, 160; Miss Baufield, 166.

It will be noted that the West Cornwall Club does not confine ladies to what is practically a putting game, but gives ample scope for the development of driving power.

WHITLEY CLUB.

The Joicey cup was played for on the 28th ult., over the Whitley course, in excellent weather. This was the eleventh contest for this trophy, and the scores previous to the day's play stood as follows:—Mr. J. Hansell, 4 wins; Mr. R. T. Thomson, 4 wins; Mr. J. B. Radcliffe, 2 wins; absolute possession of the cup being obtained by a majority of wins in a series of twelve contests. Mr. J. Hansell won with a net score of 86. Details:—Mr. J. Hansell, 99, less 13=86; Mr. J. B. Radcliffe, 86, plus 4=90; Mr. R. T. Thomson, 91, plus 7=98.

PERTH HAMMERMEN'S INCORPORATION CLUB.—The competition for the medal presented to this club by Mr. James Stewart, dentist, has now been completed, Mr. G. R. Douglas, painter, Deacon of the Incorporation, being the winner. The scores were as follows:—Mr. G. R. Douglas, 85, less 20=65; Mr. John Stewart, ex-Deacon, 68, scratch; Mr. James Stewart, Boxmaster, 74, less 5=69; Mr. G. P. K. Young, 80, less 20=60. Mr. George C. Roy, 87, less 18=69; Mr. D. Keay, Clerk, 99, less 24=75.

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KING JAMES VI. CLUB.—About three years ago Mr. W. MacLeish, City Clerk, presented a handsome silver jug to the above club to be played for annually, and to become the property of the first player who won it twice. The club committee, with a view of retaining it as a trophy for some time, arranged that it should be played for by holes under handicap. The first year it fell to Mr. R. Mackay, and next year it came into the possession of Mr. R. Dunsmore, the present captain. This year considerable interest was manifested in the competition, as the entry of 43 players showed, and this was increased by the fact that the previous winners were in good form. Mr. Dunsmore, however, fell in the first round, but Mr. Mackay, by good play, managed to beat successively Messrs. Dow, Halley, Greig, Patterson, W. Garvie, and Rector Chambers, who was looked upon by many as a probable winner. The win is a very popular one, as Mr. Mackay is not only one of the foremost players, but has upheld the honour of his club on many foreign greens.

"SCOTSMAN" CLUB.—On Saturday the members of the *Scotsman* Club made a trip to Leven. Eight prizes were presented for competition. The weather in the forenoon was very forbidding, a steady downpour of rain threatening to mar the day's enjoyment. Fortunately it cleared up in time for a start being made, and, excepting a few showers, was very favourable for play. The green, owing to the continued drought, quickly absorbed the morning's heavy rain, and the putting-greens were all that could be desired. On the completion of the round the following were the lowest scorers:—Mr. Andrew Aitken, with a net score of 96, was first; Mr. T. B. MacLachlan, with 97, second; Mr. A. Geoghegan and Mr. J. Frater, with 99, tied for third and fourth; Mr. H. Arnott, with 101, fifth; Mr. R. Stewart, with 102, tied with Mr. T. H. Newlands for sixth and seventh; and Mr. Alexander Aitken, with 103 came in for the eighth prize. In playing off for third and fourth places, Mr. J. Frater beat Mr. A. Geoghegan. Mr. R. Stewart, who went out in 43, had hard lines at the home hole. Getting into the bunkers in front of the burn, he destroyed a fair score by taking 14 to hole out.

THE BRAIDS.—Last week a match which had been looked forward to with considerable interest by some of the members of the Morningside Club, came off on Saturday last, the 2nd inst. The match was a foursome, consisting of Mr. Sturrock and Mr. Rankine, to Mr. Stobie and Mr. Tait, and resulted in the defeat of the former by 5 holes. There was some very exciting play during the game as every hole, with the exception of one won by either side, was done in three strokes. The scores were:

Tait and Stobie ... 3 4 3 4 5 3 4 4 3 5 3 4 4 3 4 7 4 4=71

Sturrock and Rankine 4 4 4 4 5 4 4 4 4 5 4 4 4 4 4 6 4 4=76

ORKNEY CLUB.—The competition among the members of the above club for Sheriff Thoms' star took place on Saturday, the course being three rounds, or 21 holes. The scores were:—Mr. John M'Ewen, 102; Sheriff Armour, 107; Mr. A. Buchanan, 110; Dr. Be'l, 115; Dr. Russell, 120; Mr. A. Gold, 125; Mr. A. Thomson, 125; Dr. Sinclair, 131; Mr. M. L. Howman, 133; and Mr. Wm. J. Heddle, 135.

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