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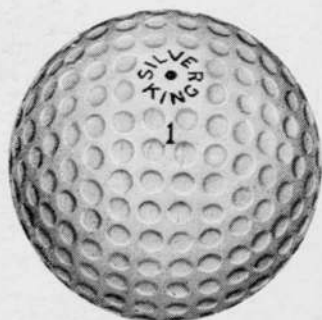
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### The Season's Greetings to All Our Subscribers.

And so, as Tiny Tim in Dickens immortal Christmas carol, so sweetly carols:—

The Editor and Staff of the "Canadian Golfer" are once again privileged to extend to the many subscribers of the Magazine in Canada, Great Britain and the United States and other countries, sincere wishes for a Joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year—sans bunkers, sans hazards—plus health and happiness aplenty. And so, as Tiny Tim in Dickens immortal Christmas carol, so sweetly carols:— "God Bless Us Every One"

### U. S. G. A. Authorizes a New Ball for 1932.

"balloon ball"

As generally predicted, the United States Golf Association has authorized a new ball to be put into play January 1st next, which "shall be not less than 1.68 inches in diameter and the weight not greater than 1.62 ounces, avoirdupois." In other words, the new ball will be the same size as the so-called "balloon ball" which created so much adverse criticism this season but the weight will be 1.62 ounces, instead of 1.58 ounces.

It was rumoured that the Royal and Ancient of St. Andrews was in accord with the U.S.G.A. in regard to authorizing this 1.68 and 1.62 ball but from a most authoritative source in the Old Country we hear that the R. & A. has no intention whatever, the coming season to make any change in the 1.62 ball which has been the official ball there for some years past. This will be especially good news to Canadian golfers as the 1.62 ball is a great favourite in this country and if the R. & A. had followed in the footsteps of the U.S.G.A. it would have meant that the Royal Canadian Golf Association would also have to fall into line and authorize the new ball now adopted by the U.S.G.A. As matters now stand, the 1.62 ball will again be the official ball in Great

Britain and Canada in 1932. This statement can be looked upon as authoritative.

It is a great pity that the U.S.G.A. did not hark back to the 1.62 ball, both in diameter and weight, as a different size ball in the States to that authorized in Great Britain, Canada and other countries, causes all kinds of irritating complications, in International matches particularly. However, the coming year the weight of all balls will be the same in all countries, and that is something to be thankful for.

The "Chicago Golfer" editorially thus refers to "the new ball":—

"The change to the 1931 model was not made until after several years of conferences with the other leading golf bodies of the world. When other nations refused to agree, the United States Golf Association decided to play a lone hand. The result was what the Englishman might call a "jolly mess." This is especially true of International matches in which the British players were compelled to play in this country with the U.S. standard ball. The Americans were also handicapped before the Britishers legalized steel shafted clubs and centre shafted clubs. As far as the experts are concerned, the official balls of any country seem to make little difference, but if the rank and file of our golfers find the 1932 sphere an improvement over the short-lived 1931 ball it may bring peace to the golfing world. Maybe it will, but we we still will have the forces of nature to contend against."

### Annual Reports of Golf Clubs Will be Awaited With Interest.

The end of this month will witness the first of the annual meetings of some of the larger clubs in Canada and the reports will be awaited with more than usual interest. It is understood, owing to the depression, that the financial statements, generally speaking, will be adversely affected compared with last year, to the tune of ten to twenty per cent. The season opened up under particularly favourable auspices but commencing in July a slight slump in revenues set in. There will, of course, be exceptions. Some of the smaller clubs will actually report gains in membership and revenues. Municipal and pay-as-you-play courses have also done extremely well. It is the larger city clubs that more or less felt the advent of "Old Man, Hard Times". It is generally understood that budgeting for 1932 will be along most conservative lines. Expenditures on seeds, machinery and other club and course necessities will be very carefully considered by incoming executives.

## The Maritimes Have a Record Season in 1931

GOLF in the Maritimes in 1931 witnessed the most successful season in the history of the three Provinces, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island all recording an increasing interest in the game. The clubs without hardly an exception reported increased membership and increased green fees from tourists who by the thousand the past summer and autumn visited the three Provinces "down by the Sounding Sea" which now boast some fifty clubs.

The principal championships during the 1931 season resulted as follows:—

Maritime Ladies' Championship, Mrs. Stanley E. Goodwin, Amherst, N.S. Runner-up, Miss Edith Bauld, Halifax, N.S., winner of the title six times.

Maritimes Amateur Championship, "Gint" Cain, Yarmouth, N.S. Runner-up, Percy Streeter. Gerald Meilke, who has won the championship seven times, including 1930, did not compete.

Maritimes Open Championship, Larry Thornton, Moncton, N.B. Runner-up, Jack Madash, Amherst, N.S. Syd Lingard was the 1930 champion.

New Brunswick Ladies' Championship, Miss Audrey McLeod, Saint John, N.B. Runner-up, Miss Colin Mackay, Saint John, N.B.

Nova Scotia Ladies' Championship, Miss Edith Bauld, Halifax.

Nova Scotia Men's Championship, Gerald Meilke, Halifax.

Miss Bauld and Gerald Meilke have between them won over a dozen Maritime championships. The latter had a score of 264 in the Nova Scotia Championship—a most remarkable performance.



(The Editor is always glad to answer questions about the Rules, and other golfing matters, but owing to so many of these requests coming in every month, he must ask in future that a stamped-address envelope be enclosed with all such communications, otherwise they will not be answered.)

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“Golfing”, London:—

“The Rules of Golf Committee announce that the rules are being redrafted. We hope that it will also be possible to arrange for their being translated into English.”

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“Golfdom”, Chicago, very well says:—

“Landscaping is important. The finest golf layout in the world may lack interest if the surroundings are unpleasant, while a mediocre course appeals a great deal to the majority when the backgrounds and vistas are well thought out.”

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The Prince of Wales has signified his interest in the encouragement of golf among young players by consenting to become the first president of the British Boys' Amateur Championship.

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The Editor of the “Canadian Golfer” and golfing friends throughout Canada will extend heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Gordon Ferrie, of Hamilton, a former Close Champion of Canada and Ontario Ladies' Champion on more than one occasion in the death of her son, John Scott Gibson, at the Toronto Hospital for Sick Children this month.

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Although Walter Hagen won the British Open four times, the United States twice, and the Canadian Open this year, he never was able to win a major tournament in which Bobby Jones competed. They played in thirteen major events together. Jones was a jinx for Hagen, all right.

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Recent survey of municipal playground activities made by the U.S. National Recreation Association reported 241,766 players in baseball teams competing in reported playground league games during 1931. A gross participation of 7,520,000 was recorded at the reporting municipal golf courses during the same period.

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Editorial Toronto Globe, “From Links to Rinks”:—

“The season of the year has arrived when the tired business man must be sought at the curling rink instead of on the golf course. He has come home for the winter, and is once more in the way about the house—on rare evenings when there is no curling. The driver has yielded to the broom, and the lingo of the ice has supplanted the vivid language of the links. Only the unconquerable “bur-r-r” retains its pride of place.

“Curlers in action present a wholesome sight. Throughout the game they are thrown into an intimate association which, in golf, comes only with the nineteenth hole. Of course, there are golfers who spend the winter dwelling reminiscently on former games and waiting for those of next summer; but most of them don the “tam” and take to ice.





"It is doubtful that any one knows whether curling or golf is the older, and nobody greatly cares. Suffice to say that both are of Scottish origin, and therefore imperishable. Each has its season. Just now it is curling. "Soop 'er up!"

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Recently Percy Alliss, the British professional, who made golfing history and so many friends at the Canadian Open Championship at Mississauga last summer, was entertained to dinner by the members of the swagger Wannsee Club, Berlin, Germany. On this occasion he was elected an honorary member of the club. Alliss is leaving the end of this month to again take up his residence in England. At the present time he is engaged in making a film in Berlin.

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Harry Williams, the phenomenal 16-year-old amateur champion of Australia, states:—

"The two players from whom I received most help were Tommy Armour and Walter Hagen. The former professional, now world champion, taught me how to hit from the inside out. The articles written by Armour completely revolutionized my ideas of the game. I now always hit from the inside out, and on the back swing always take the club back as low to the ground as possible. Where Walter Hagen helped my game was in putting. He taught me to putt from the front foot, and not from a spot half-way between the feet, as was my usual custom. Adopting Hagen's methods in this respect improved my scores tremendously."

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#### Golf News:—

"Bobby Jones has rejected an offer to go on the stage as a partner to Joe Kirkwood, the well-known 'trick' golfer. \$8,000 per week was the proposed salary for Jones and Kirkwood.

"Kirkwood, of course, has done considerable work on the stage in different parts of the world. He has tried several times to draw Walter Hagen behind the footlights, but Hagen, like Bobby Jones, has refused to go into vaudeville.

"Another misfortune has hit Kirkwood. A Glendale, Pennsylvania, bank, in which he had deposited his summer's exhibition savings, has failed, along with other banks in that vicinity. Kirkwood's children also had their life savings in the same bank."

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There passed away last month in Montreal, Mr. Wm. A. Wilson, ex-captain of the Royal Montreal Golf Club, a very well known, and prominent business man. He was vice-president of Williams and Wilson, a large machine house. He passed away suddenly in the 63rd year of his age. Well known for many years in Montreal, Mr. Wilson was born in Northern Ontario, and received his professional training at the University of Toronto from which he graduated in law with the degrees of B.A. and LL.B. He practised law for some time in London, Ont., and then came to Montreal to join a brother, F. C. Wilson, in the firm with which he was still connected at the time of his death. In addition to the Royal Montreal Golf Club he was a member also of the St. James Club, Royal Montreal Curling Club and the University Club. He attended St. George's Anglican Church. He is survived by his widow, his brother, F. C. Wilson, and a sister, Mrs. Harrison, London, Ont. The funeral to St. George's Church was attended by hundreds of sympathizing friends.

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Mr. Norman W. Tovell, a particularly popular Torontonion, passed away December 7th. Mr. Tovell was stricken by a heart attack after playing badminton in the Granite Club this month and was taken to his home in a serious condition. Mr. Tovell's interest in sport lay chiefly in bowling and golf, although in his youth he took an active part in all forms of athletics. He was a member of the National Club, the Ontario Club, a life member and director of the Scarboro' Golf Club, a life member of the Thornhill Golf Club, a member of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, the Granite Club, Hamilton Club, London Club and the Y.M.C.A. He was a charter subscriber of the "Canadian Golfer". Mr. Tovell, who was president of the stock broking firm





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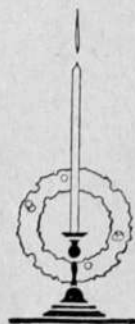
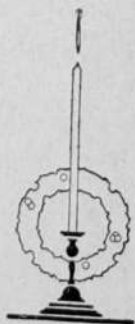


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It seem that in Miss Susie Tolhurst, Australia has really a woman golfer of note. She has again won in a most convincing manner the Ladies' Championship "way-down-under". Ivo Whitton, the Australian man's champion, and Miss Tolhurst, also won the mixed foursome championship. Experts claim that this young Australian player, who has a beautiful swing and style, is the equal of the best women golfers in Great Britain and the States. Next year, it is stated, she may possibly compete in the British Open Ladies' Championship. That would be a particularly good test of her ability as all the leading British and U.S. women players will participate in this event next May at Saunton in Devon.

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So, the cradle of golf is going to be "commercialized". At a recent meeting of the St. Andrews Town Council, the draft of a provisional order for the purpose of imposing gate money at golf championships and competitions at St. Andrews was agreed upon. A petition to the Secretary of State for Scotland asking for his approval of the order was submitted and signed on behalf of the town council. It was also agreed to intimate to the championship committee that St. Andrews is willing to hold the British Open Championship there in 1933 in similar conditions to those that have prevailed at other championships in recent years, namely, a spectators admission fee.

It seems rather too bad that the world's most famous links will no longer be free after so many years, to galleries desiring to witness the play in championships and other events. However, the expense of staging championships now-a-days, is very heavy and then, too, an admission fee helps to reduce the crowds which in their thousands in the past, have surged and milled over the historic St. Andrews links and seriously interfered with the players.

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## Young Canadian Professional Who is "Making Good—Plus" in the U.S.

**C**HARLIE "JACK" PERKINS, JR., son of Captain C. H. Perkins, formerly professional at the Brantford Golf and Country Club and the Vancouver Golf and Country Club, has been "going great guns" since he went with his father to Hartford, Conn., some 3 years ago. He was assistant pro to his dad at the Wampanoag Golf Club, Hartford, in 1929 and 1930, but this year was the professional at the Sunset Ridge Golf Club, Hartford. Since living in the States he has developed a remarkably fine game and has the following course records to his credit:—Wampanoag Golf Club, 65, par 72; Rockledge Golf Club, 69, par 71; Willimantic Golf Club, 67, par 71; Sunset Ridge Golf Club, 72, par 72 (the only time par was ever made on this course). He won the Wethersfield Golf Club Tournament with 146 (36 holes), the Farmington Tournament with a 66 (18 holes), and was third in the Wallingford Tournament, also with a 66 for 18 holes. Playing his first major tourney in the Professional Golf Championship of New England he started with a disastrous 81 which left him well at the bottom, but pulling himself together ran off the next 54 holes in four under par for a total of 296, giving him third place—a remarkable recovery. He is particularly proud of the fact that he is now a member of four professional golf associations, the American P.G.A., the British P.G.A., the Connecticut P.G.A., and the New England States P.G.A.

"Jack", who is only 20 years of age, has all the "hall-marks" of a coming international champion. Many former friends of this promising young pro in Brantford and Vancouver, especially, will be glad to know that he is developing a game which he learned in these two cities as a boy, and which even then stamped him as a player of very great possibilities indeed.

# Construction Starts on "World's Most Perfect Golf Course" at Augusta

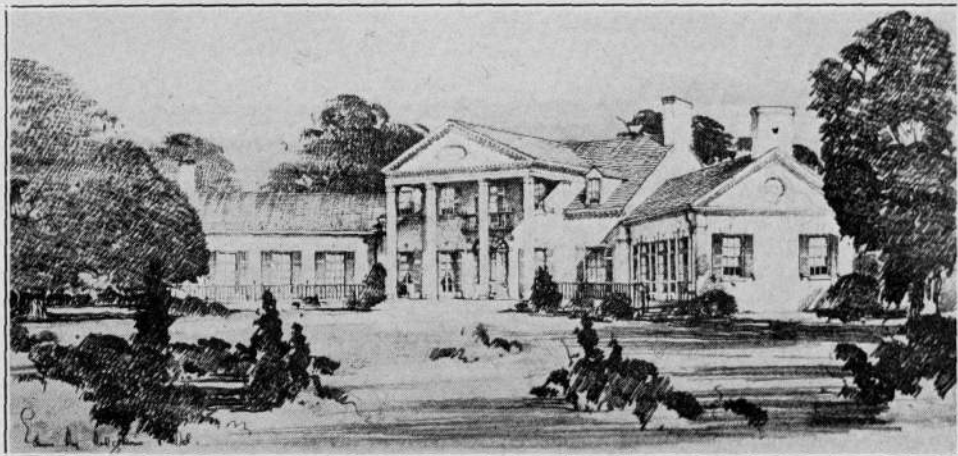
**Bobby Jones to Preside Over New Augusta-National Golf Club. 18-hole Course to be Completed in 1932 Calls for Play of Mental as Well as Physical Faculties.**

(By Hamilton M. Wright)

**A**UGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 1st.—At one time or another, every golfer—be he dub or deftest—has dreamed sweet dreams of the perfect course; has harboured and nurtured his own private and personal ideal upon the subject.

for many golfers and sportsmen—and now that it is to harbour his ideal, winter vacation headquarters of the retired and only quadruple champion.

Bob and the renowned Scotsman, Dr. Alister Mackenzie, foremost golf architect in the world (he has directed



Here is an architect's sketch of the Augusta National Golf Club House as it will appear when completed. It is not elaborate or pretentious, being designed for the comfort of golf players only. Jones will shortly be elected president of the new club which will be as exclusive and conservative as it will be famous. Its membership list will read like a page from "Who's Who" of the world. Willis Irvin, of Augusta, is the architect of the club house.

And Robert Tyre Jones, Jr., champion of champions, like the rest, has not been immune to such delicious vision. On the contrary, since his first juvenile golfing days on Atlanta's East Lake, he has suffered from an overheating ambition to have a hand in the creation of a golf course that would approximate his idea of perfection.

But, unlike most of the rest, Bob has managed to realize his ambition.

And his course, now in process of construction here, will be ready for play in December of 1932.

Bob selected the ideal spot for his "perfect course" in a garden setting of the south, at Augusta, winter haven

the building of some 400 courses) got together some time ago and laid plans for the course, which is fostered by the Augusta National Golf Club, a non-commercial organization, of which Bob is president.

It is to be a course, Bob says, which the expert may study and play with everything exacted from the best of his game, while the average player and the plain duffer—backbone and mainstay of golf—may find no carries impossible and no hazards in the way of any fairly decent shot within his capacity.

In short, it is to be a course equally pleasurable to the long handicap player as one of championship rank.



Bob believes in the rights of the average, and less-than-average, golfer; that they should be offered every encouragement, for therein lies an unending stimulus to improvement of the game.

A delightful feature of the course will be the 19th hole—which will be actual, and not situated in the conventional and congenial atmosphere of the locker room. It will be a short hole, just in front of the club house, and will be known as the “doubles or quits” hole. The only other similar hole is on the course of the Knollwood Country Club at White Plains.

No hole (from the “regular” tees) will measure as much as 500 yards—Bob isn't planning a “back-breaker”. The total yardage of the regular course will be 6,300; and from championship tees, 6,700.

The Augusta-National has been launched under such auspices as will doubtless constitute it the leading golf club in this hemisphere, in the opinion of Dr. Mackenzie, as well as Bob and his co-sponsors.

A group of men, prominent in golf and sports circles, are associated with Jones in the new club. In addition to Jones, the organization committee includes Grantland Rice, noted golf authority and writer; Alfred Bourne, winter resident of Augusta, noted sportsman and crack amateur golfer; Clifford Roberts, well-known New York financier; William C. Watt, one of the leading figures in the American drug industry, and a number of other equally enthusiastic golfers.

“The club is to be truly national in character,” Bob announced, “and I am sure we shall have in Augusta representative group of members from all over the world. English and Canadian sportsmen have been invited to join.

“Its membership will be governed entirely by invitation, and fees will be exceptionally lower than the average, since profit in a financial sense does not enter into the plans of the club.

“The Augusta-National is a purely private undertaking, and has been

underwritten by the group of men who are associated with me in its organization.

“While I have retired from active competition, golf always will remain my hobby. And my ambition has always been to help build something that may be recognized as one of the greatest courses of the world.

“Augusta was selected because of its excellent winter climate and the fact I consider this particular tract of land unsurpassed topographically for the sort of course we are building.”

Every hole is to correspond as closely as the natural topography permits with some specially favoured hole on some world-famous golf course Bob has played.

Doubtless there will be a Redan one-shotter on the course—correcting a dozen Redans in America which are not authentic, and are mere abortions of the original. And, most likely, too, there will be a hole known as the Alps; and possibly a simple looking copy of the deadly eighteenth hole at the Old Course of St. Andrews. There is the easiest looking par 4 hole on any championship course, and the most dangerous in the world.

All who have inspected the tract, and listened to the plans of Bob and Dr. Mackenzie, agree that it is an ideal spot for such a golf course as they are building. There is land that is rolling; woodland glens and hollows. The natural beauty of the 365-acre tract has been enhanced by over 75 years of architectural landscaping.

Magnificent pines, cedars and magnolias, which would require two-thirds of a century to grow if the place were duplicated, flourish on the land, known hereabouts as the Berekmans Place. It is approached by an avenue of fragrant magnolias, more than 100 years old.

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ships go regularly to his creations at Troon, and Prestwick, and the Royal St. George's course at Sandwich, and at Moortown. Dr. Mackenzie is the designer of the famed Jockey Club course at Buenos Aires, and of courses in Australia and New Zealand.

The Augusta-National is to be a golf club and nothing more.

"This is not to be a country club,"

Jones said. "It is to be a golf club, and we hope to make it an ideal one. Evidence of this fact is seen in specifications for the club house, which has been designed solely for the convenience and comfort of golfers, with no facilities for social functions.

"No women will be admitted to membership, but will play at the invitation of members."

## Eastern Townships Golf Association

**A** VERY interesting golf association is that of the Eastern Townships, which is doing much for the game amongst its member clubs which comprise Sherbrooke Country Club, Dufferin Heights, Waterville Golf Club, Windsor Golf Club, Knowlton Golf Club, Granby Golf Club, Hermitage Golf Club, Lennoxville Golf Club, Danville Golf Club, Cowansville Golf Club, Thetford Golf Club, Drummondville Golf Club, St. Francis Golf Club.

Mr. B. N. Holtham, of Sherbrooke, hon. secretary of the association, writes the Editor:—

"This Eastern Townships Golf Association of which you ask me particulars, and which incidentally I had the pleasure of bringing into existence, was organized on the 27th of August, 1926, and has continued to operate, I believe, efficiently ever since that date. We have since that time established an annual E.T. tournament at which, limiting

as we do the number of entries from each club, we will still have a field of seventy to eighty golfers. The play comprises seventy-two hole medal event with which is comprised a team event played by one or more teams of each club of four players per team. We also run a junior event each year limited to boys, members of Eastern Townships clubs, who have not reached their eighteen birthday, and this event, last year, held at the Granby course had produced forty-five young golfers.

We have also held some ladies' tournaments, but, after one or two experience along these lines, I preferred to let the gentle sex along their own affairs.

The tournament this season was won by a Sherbrooke player, Don. McCrea. We try to pass the tournament around from club to club, although Sherbrooke, being the only eighteen-hole course in the Eastern Townships, is the logical place for it, but this is the first time that a player since 1924, the year the tournament was started, has won the event on his own course."

The officers of this very interesting and virile organization are:—

D. J. Salls, hon. president; J. P. L. Stewart, president; W. O. Lewis, vice-president; O. C. Smith, Thetford; Porter Hunt, Dufferin; W. S. Gall, Drummondville; L. A. Giroux, Cowansville; B. N. Holtham, secretary-treasurer, 70 Wellington Street North, Sherbrooke, Quebec.

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(Special Correspondence "Canadian Golfer")

**T**HE British Industries Fair, or "B.I.F." as it is becoming known in every language, is the display of the manufactures of Great Britain and of the produce of the British Dominions and Colonies which is held for the period of a fortnight every February.

Although it was started as recently as in 1915, this Fair is already the largest national trade exhibition in the world. It differs from the big continental fairs in being national not international. Everything shown is British. Only the actual manufacturers of an article or the sole agents for it are allowed to exhibit it, so that there is no duplication of exhibits and the buyer is thus able to place orders for an article with confidence knowing that from no other source could he obtain the same article on more advantageous terms.

The exhibitors in the British Industries Fair run into thousands and the exhibits cover almost the whole range of British manufacture, but great care is taken to group the various displays suitably so that every buyer may see the goods in which he is interested with the least possible inconvenience. The arrangement roughly is that the "light" industries exhibit in London and the "heavy" industries in Birmingham, two hours' journey from London and in the heart of the huge and growing industrial area of the Midlands.

At Olympia, the biggest permanent exhibition buildings in London, there will be seen next February such goods as cutlery, silver plate, jewellery, pottery and glassware, furniture, stationery, leather and fancy goods, toys and sports goods, scientific instruments, musical instruments and wireless apparatus, chemicals, perfumes and soaps and foodstuffs. Each class of exhibits is conveniently grouped and to each is attached an officer of the Department of Overseas Trade who is at the service of the buyer.

Five minutes' journey by special motor coach from Olympia, will be the new textile section at the White City. This had its beginning in the very successful cotton section last February and now it is to embrace all the other textile industries.

At Castle Bromwich, on the outskirts of Birmingham, and within easy reach by rail and road from the centre of the town, are the exhibits of the metal, hardware, electrical, constructional and engineering industries, housed in permanent exhibition buildings which cover 13 acres of land. New sections at Birmingham next year are to include cycles and motorcycles, in the manufacture of which Britain claims easy supremacy, and quarry and roadmaking plant.

For buyers from countries abroad there are special reception rooms at the entrances to the Fair, a staff of interpreters and a club at Olympia for their exclusive use.

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January 1, six weeks before the Fair opens, so that the intending visitor may have it sent to him and peruse it before actually coming to the Fair.

An analysis of the overseas buyers' cards for the London sections of the last Fair showed that 75 countries were represented as compared with 70 in 1930. Out of 26 European countries, 21 sent more buyers than in the previous year, three out of the remaining five sending the same number as before. The Fair's ability to flourish in years of trade depression has been one of its marked characteristics. Exceptionally low prices may be expected to be an attraction next year and the organizers look forward with confidence to the usual increased attendance.

**The New Course of the Canadian General Electric Co. Ltd.**

**T**HE new course to be known as the Kawartha Golf and Country Club, which the Canadian General Electric Company Ltd. is sponsoring in Peterborough, for the use, more or less, of its employees, is going to be, when finished, one of the finest and best balanced in Ontario. The course is to be a full 18-hole championship one with scientifically trapped greens and fairways and it is expected that nine holes will be in play by the middle of next season. The full 18 holes and club house, it is expected, will not be completed for two or three years as it is the intention of the company to "hasten slowly" and provide the members with a lay-out which will be a credit alike to the company and community. The club will be an open club not restricted to C. G. E. employees and will be operated by directors, who need not belong to the company. It will be operated like any other club, except that the company will own the property. The Canadian General



Electric is to be heartily congratulated on the commendable step it is taking. Other big concerns in Canada could to advantage follow the example of the Peterborough firm. In both Great Britain and the States many outstanding companies provide golfing facilities for their employees and friends, eventually at very little expense to themselves.

The Kawartha course is being built from plans of Stanley Thompson Co. Ltd., the well known Toronto golf architects. It is situated only one and a half miles from the City of Peterborough on the King's Highway No. 28, so it is particularly easy of access. The manager in charge is Mr. R. Mac Morran and he is taking a very keen interest in the undertaking.

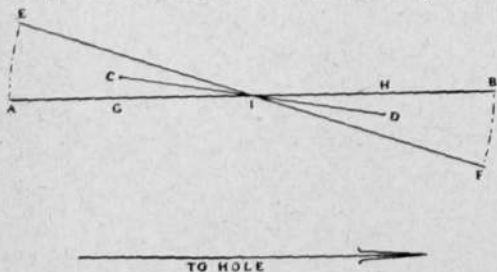
## The Right Hip Shift

### An Old Argument Settled.

(By P. A. Vaile, Author of "Modern Golf", "The Soul of Golf", "The New Golf", etc.)

**T**HERE must be absolutely no lateral movement of the hips away from the hole, or as it is termed, swaying. This unsettles the centre, or base, of one's swing in a class of strokes, wherein one should confidently strive for as much accuracy as in putting.

The accompanying diagram shows clearly the rotary movement of the hips and shoulders that takes place.



A E and B F shows the right and left shoulder rotation respectively, and G C and H D the right and left hip rotation respectively, in the short strokes.

The diagram is of great importance because exactly the same movement takes place in all strokes up to and including the drive. It is merely a matter of degree, the shoulders always rotating more than the hips, and the centre I remains practically constant until after impact.

These movements should be carefully studied for they are of basic importance in the short game and indeed, in all strokes, including the drive, for they take place around the

common centre I of all golf strokes and properly executed, do away with the ruinous practice of shifting the weight from the left to the right foot in the upward swing, that has been so extensively promulgated since George Duncan, some years ago, advocated it as the correct method of playing the golf stroke.

Bobby Jones became converted to Duncan's idea and for years consistently announced his belief in it as the basic fundamental of the drive.

He has now, fortunately, positively and completely abandoned the theory and in a recent article wrote: "Let me begin by saying that, although I have in the past inclined toward a different view, it is now my definite opinion that there need be no shifting of weight from left foot to right during the back stroke. I have examined numbers of photographs of the very best players and I have been able to find no case in which such a shifting was perceptible."

Jones is now in complete agreement with my contention that the right hip never goes farther away from the hole than at the moment of addressing the ball. The fact is that, on account of the rotary movement of the hips, the right hip during the upswing actually goes nearer to the hole as shown by the diagram.

I proved this in London in 1913, by my demonstration on the famous duplex scales at the West End School of Golf, Piccadilly, where I success-



fully refuted the teaching of the famous "triumvirate", Braid, Taylor and Vardon, who were advocating the theory of the weight on the right leg at the top of the swing.

It is impossible to exaggerate the importance of this in golf generally and especially in the short game, for it means limiting body movement to the minimum and getting it correctly instead of exaggerating it and moreover doing it incorrectly. It is unnecessary to dilate on the advantage of this to those who are trying to master the golf stroke.

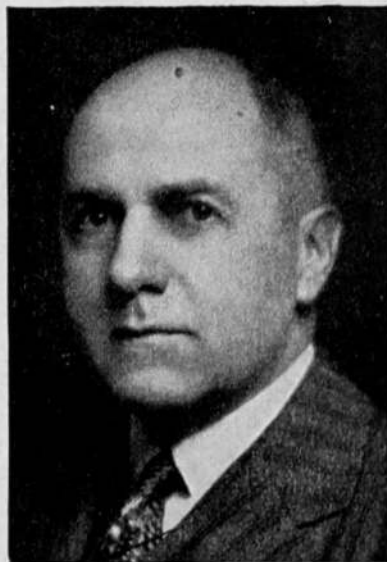
It is interesting to note, in Bob MacDonald's recently published book, "Golf at a Glance", that he is especially emphatic in stating repeatedly that there must be no lateral hip shift away from the hole.

We may, in the circumstances, take it that what I have, practically alone, insisted on as correct golf for over twenty years is now accepted as sound doctrine. I put it so emphatically, for this means a blessed relief to a great army of hip-swayers who were ruining or had ruined their game.

## Mr. H. C. Slemin Elected President of the Office Specialty Mfg. Co. Ltd.

AT a meeting of the Directors of the Office Specialty Co. Ltd. this month in Toronto, Mr. Harry C. Slemin was elected president of this outstanding company. Mr. Slemin, who was formerly managing director of the company, outside of business activities takes a very keen interest in two hobbies—golf and photography. More than once the "Canadian Golfer" has been privileged to publish golfing photos from his camera. He is looked upon as one of the best amateur photographers in the Dominion.

Mr. Slemin, who is a Torontonian by birth, was for 10 years sales and advertising manager of the Stromberg-Carlson Telephone Mfg. Co., Rochester, N.Y. In 1916 he returned to Toronto to take over the managership of the Office Specialty Mfg. Co. Ltd., and is largely responsible for the outstanding success which this firm has enjoyed. The company, under his able management, has made very great progress indeed. Many lines this year have been increased, new fields entered and nearly all the Branch Stores have been enlarged, from Vancouver to Halifax. Mr. Slemin is a great believer in Canada and the future of Canada. The word "depression" is taboo in his vocabulary and the pronounced success of his company is a tribute alike to his optimism and acumen.



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## New British House of Commons Has Many Good Golfers

(By J. H. Taylor, Five Times Open Champion)

IT was the late Lord Balfour, a deep philosopher and gracious gentleman, who once told the world that "even golf should not be taken wholly seriously." This utterance, coming from one who in his early political life did more to popularize the game than anyone else, I had been inclined to resent. I have yet to meet a golfing native of Scotland—and a Scot who is not a golfer is one of the wonders of the world—who does not give to the game his most serious attention.

Despite my displeasure at the saying of "A. J. B.," I am inclined to think that it contains a modicum of truth, and that nowadays we are prone to take the game too seriously.

We set out when playing an ordinary game with a light heart, caring little as to the result so long as we get our fun, but the canker of care is there just the same, and remains hidden for the time. It is when faced with a match we are desperately keen to win that we become anxious and the frayed edges of nerves takes possession of us. Then the real golfer, the intrepid fighter, comes out in his true colours and proves that golf is really a serious business if he desires to come out on top.

I have seen a feeling of contempt for the player who bounces on to the first tee and exchanges some vapid witticisms with his opponent, as if to show that he is already beaten. I look upon this as mere bravado and nothing but a cloak to hide his misgivings. I like the man who appears with teeth set.

Let me turn to a lighter subject. Leading off with a saying of Lord Balfour's, I intended this article to refer to the constitution of the new House of Commons from a purely golfing point of view.

I hazard the prediction that the new "House" is the strongest in players that ever assembled, and will be able to put into the field a team that will hold its own with most clubs. Plus players are represented by Mr. A. R. Nall-Cain, an old Oxford captain, and Col. Moore-Brabazon; these, allied to such players as Major Entwistle, Sir A. Steel-Maitland, Col. Sir Lambert Ward, Sir John Simon, Mr. George Lambert, and others will go to make a team hard to beat.

The Prime Minister, as befits a Scotsman, is no mean player, and it is to be hoped that he will be called upon to lead on the golf course as he does in the House. Mr. MacDonald has for some years promised me a game. I shall use my best endeavours in the near future to see that he redeems his promise.

An old friend, a member of the Dulwich and Sydenham Hill G.C., tells me that Mr. J. H. Thomas plays a particularly pawky game, which leads one to believe that "Jimmy"

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would be a very doughty opponent. It will be remembered that Mr. Lloyd George immortalized himself some years ago by holing in one at Nice, and it will also be remembered that his attempt to initiate M. Briand into the mysteries of golf brought outward complications. I foresee that the House of Commons golf team will be a hard nut to crack, and should easily account for, among others, the golfing members of the Press Gallery when they meet. As a very humble Pressman I hope I shall not be accounted a traitor for predicting this.

## Our Hole-in-One Club

Total of 271 Golfers in Canada Recorded the 100,000 to 1 Stunt, or an Increase of Thirty-nine Over 1930. Every Province Represented for the First Time.

AND here are the last of the "one-shotters" to report for the season of 1931, which closed on October 31st. No further awards will be made this year.

Cobourg, Ontario, ends up with a flourish, two one-shot performances being reported from that charming course. Congratulations to Miss Muriel Hayden on making the 128-yard 2nd hole in one. Then Archie Bloor, the popular professional of the club, playing with Mr. H. M. Ryan and Mr. A. J. Kemlo, of Port Hope, and B. Herecock, his young assistant pro, also chose this hole for the stunt. The second time round he also got a "birdie" two at the

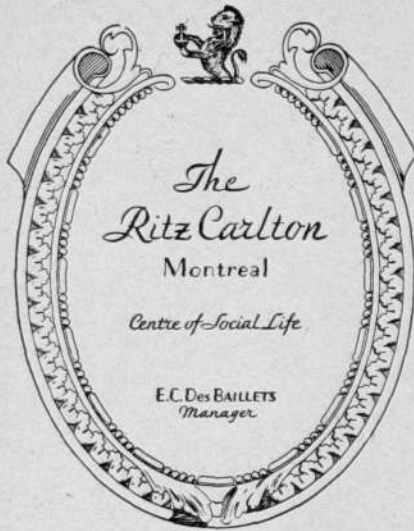
same hole. To do a hole twice in one day in a total of three strokes is really a remarkable performance.

Vancouver once more. The 4th hole, 135 yards, at the Marine Drive Golf Club was made in one by Mr. H. R. Plommer. And the 3rd hole, 124 yards, at the Shaughnessy Heights Golf Club by Mr. A. L. Hughes.

Then Truro, N.S. Mr. A. R. Coffin "got his" at the famous old "Crow's Nest" 7th hole, 79 yards. This feat will never be duplicated as the 7th is being done away with on the re-vamping of the Truro course this season.

Appropriately a "ladye fayre" ends up the long list for 1931. Playing with Mrs.





J. A. Birmingham and Miss M. Brownlow, Mrs. A. T. McKean found "the cup from the tee" at the 11th hole, 100 yards, of the Point Grey Golf and Country Club.

And here are some details in connection with this competition for 1931, which should be of interest. The total number of "holes-in-one" registered at the office of the "Canadian Golfer" and the cards verified by the player and secretary of the club where the feat was performed, reached the very remarkable total of 271 from May to October inclusive on the courses of Canada. No recognition was made of one-shots made in the United States by Canadian or American players. Our "Hole-in-One" Club recognizes only performances made on the links in the Dominion and many "one-shots" every season reported to us from across the Border have to be reluctantly passed over, and not recorded or given recognition.

This total of 271 easily constitutes a record. Last year the "one-shot" artists

numbered 226, so there is an increase of 45 this season. Sixteen years ago when the "Canadian Golfer" first instituted this "hole-in-one" competition now copied in both Great Britain and the United States, there were only sixteen candidates for the "Hall of Fame". The law of average holds in golf as in everything else, so this increase the past season of over two hundred and fifty members in our Hole-in-One Club compared with 1915 demonstrates in no uncertain manner the remarkable increase in the number of golfers in the Dominion, the past decade and a half.

The "one-shotters" in 1931 ranged in age from 15 years to 70, and two of them earned added fame by bagging "oneers" twice during the season. The most remarkable feature perhaps was the number of ladies who "turned the trick". Last year eight women golfers "registered hole-in-one". This year no fewer than twenty-four demonstrating how the ladies are improving in the use of the mashie, as it is generally on the short holes that ones are recorded, especially by the fair sex.

By Provinces this is how the stunt was registered:—Alberta 23, British Columbia 70, Manitoba 17, New Brunswick 8, Nova Scotia 5, Ontario 111, Quebec 29, Prince Edward Island 1, Saskatchewan 7—total 271. It will be noticed that Ontario one-shotters easily led the field, with British Columbia a very good second. Prince Edward Island for the first time figured in the lists with a lone representative. The Islanders have at least got started. Several prizes by various firms in addition to a year's subscription to this "great family golfing magazine" rewarded the prowess of the fortunate 100,000 to 1 performers.

To all our "one-shotters" the Editor is privileged at this time to extend sincerest Christmas greetings. You have made a name in golfing annals this year. In 1932 may your life be sans hazards, sans bunkers, with health and happiness plenty—and please, please, don't repeat "the stunt" next year, but rest on your well deserved laurels.

## Greenkeepers' Sixth Annual Convention

**P**RACTICALLY all arrangements are completed for the sixth annual Greenkeepers' Golf Show, Conference and Convention, to be held at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, January 19-22, 1932. All indications point to a record-breaking attendance. The various committees in charge of promoting and conducting so large an enterprise in the interest of golf maintenance report satisfactory progress.

Fred A. Burkhardt, chairman of the Golf Show committee, states that he expects to have every booth occupied by manufacturers of golf machinery, etc., in the beautiful exhibition room on the mezzanine floor of the Hotel Pennsylvania.

Canada will be represented at this outstanding convention. Several greenkeepers from Toronto and other larger centres will attend. Mr. Wm. J. Sansom, of the Toronto Golf Club, has the honour of being the second vice-president of the Association, which numbers its members by the hundred throughout the States and Canada, and is to-day probably the most important factor in the upkeep of golf courses. The Association has virtually revolutionized the art of greenkeeping, and it really is an art.



# The Passing of Mr. J. Percy Taylor

Prominent Stockbroker and Former Amateur Golf Champion of Canada Will be Greatly Mourned in Montreal, Toronto, and Other Cities.

HERE passed away last month in Montreal, Mr. J. Percy Taylor, in his day one of the outstanding golfers and all-round athletes of Canada. Twenty-seven years ago, Mr. Taylor won the Amateur Championship of Canada, defeating in the final no less a celebrity than Mr. George S. Lyon, who the previous year, for the second time had won the championship. This marked him as a golfer of exceptional promise. In his own club, the Royal Montreal, he established a record unequalled in the annals of club golf in Canada. For ten years in succession he won the Denistown Gold Medal, emblematic of the club championship of the Royal Montreal. He won the medal for the first time in 1898 and repeated the next nine years. In 1898, 1899 and 1901 he also won the Drummond Trophy and in 1901 he was the final winner of the Wilson Cup. A quarter of a century or more ago, Mr. Taylor was the outstanding golfer of the Dominion. Before he took up golf, thirty-four years ago, he having joined the Royal Montreal Club in 1897, he was champion single paddler of Canada and had an unbroken record of successes on Lake St. Louis, Montreal.

He was one of the oldest stock brokers on the Montreal Stock Exchange and as a slight tribute to his memory the Exchange closed on the day of his funeral (November 18th) from 10.45 until noon, thus allowing all the members to attend the obsequies, which were held at Wray's Chapel on Mountain Street, the service being conducted by the Rev. Canon Lewis, of Lachine. There was a very large attendance of sympathizing friends including many prominent in financial and golfing circles in Montreal and vicinity.

Mr. Taylor, who was in his 61st year, was the son of Major John Taylor. He was born in Montreal, and had been a member of the Stock Exchange for the past 28 years. Surviving are his wife, the former Eliza-

beth Bell Hagar, of Montreal; two sons, John and Donald, and three daughters, Mrs. Kenneth Mappin, Montreal; Mrs. David Roy McNicoll, British Columbia, and Mrs. W. D. Benson, Montreal.



An all-round amateur athlete, the late Mr. J. Percy Taylor, of Montreal, former Golf Champion and Champion Single Paddler of Canada.

Mr. George S. Lyon writes the Editor:—

"I was very sorry to read in the daily papers the other day of the death of Percy Taylor, of the Royal Montreal Golf Club. I knew him very well and had a great respect not only for the man himself but for the good sport he was. I had many enjoyable games of golf with him and in 1904 he won the Canadian Amateur Championship at his own club course. I had the honour of being defeated by him in the final that year. He was a prominent member of the Royal Montreal and one of its best players. He won the championship of his club for several years successively and was always a prominent player at tournaments. Please allow me to express through your magazine my sincere sympathy to his bereaved wife and family."

Mr. Taylor was possessed of a most charming personality and his passing

will be mourned throughout Canada. To the bereaved widow and family much sympathy will go out from friends not only in Montreal but in Toronto and other centres, in which expression the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer", a very old friend indeed, wishes to be personally associated. A great golfer and all-

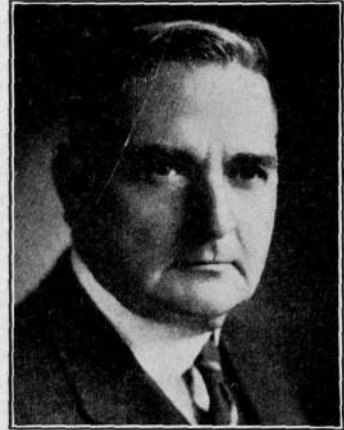
round sportsman has "played the last game of all" but his memory will be long cherished not only by the bereaved family but especially in Stock Exchange, golfing and other circles in Montreal, the city of his birth and the scene of his numerous and outstanding activities.

## Presentation to Mr. N. F. Gundy, Toronto

**P**AYING a surprise visit to his home at Oriole Road, Toronto, a delegation representing 50 of his closest friends in all parts of the Dominion, presented to Mr. N. Frederick Gundy, president and managing director of the McGlashan Clarke Company, of Niagara Falls, makers of steel and silverware, a large silver tray engraved with the autographs of the 50 intimates.

Led by R. G. Proctor, of the Benedict, Proctor Co., of Trenton, and convener of the delegation, those making the unexpected call also presented to Mr. Gundy their felicitations upon his reaching his 70th birthday. The committee and the names engraved on the tray were representative of Mr. Gundy's wide circle of friends from Halifax to Vancouver.

Following the presentation, which was made by Vernon Dennis, of the executive staff of the T. Eaton Company, the 30-odd men in the gathering enjoyed a supper and social evening made possible through the efforts of Mrs. Gundy, who had been advised privately of the intended visitation. Mr. Gundy is a well known member of the Lambton Golf and Country Club and many old golfing friends were included in the delegation which made the notable presentation.



An outstanding Canadian manufacturer, Mr. N. F. Gundy, of Toronto, who, Nov. 27th, celebrated his 70th birthday.

## Beautiful Mary Queen of Scots

Gets the Blame for Starting Golf Amongst "the Female of the Species".

(By George Trevor, "Sports" Writer)

**H**OW the House of Stuart imported the Scottish game of golf into England was related by the writer recently in an article reviewing Royal Athletes. Lack of space prevented mention of Mary, Queen of Scots—the first girl golfer in all history.

Elizabeth's victim, an enterprising historian tells us, was "playing golf in the fields beside Seton" a few days before Darnley's murder. Mary,

Queen of Scots, thus antedates Lady Margaret Scott, first woman golf champion of Britain, by nearly three hundred years. Husbands who clutch at any excuse to wiggle out of playing golf with their wives can blame it all on hapless Mary Stuart. But for her Eveless Edens among golf clubs might be the rule to-day instead of the exception. Darnley was the first golf widower—at least of the common law variety.

Mary, Queen of Scots, blazed the trail for the Joyce Wethereds and Glenna Colletts of to-day. The post-war generation of women, accustomed to playing games in the great outdoors, has made golf a major hobby.

Tennis, a sport once favoured by those ladies who sought exercise more strenuous than knitting, dancing and rocking-chair gossip, is daily losing disciples to golf. Mere man may resent this feminine invasion of a game he considered peculiarly his own, but he is powerless to resist. No longer is his golf club a sure sanctuary. Once outside the locker room he's apt to barge into friend wife bearing brassies. Even his pride isn't proof against mortifying shocks.

In the Wethered home, outside London, the female of the species is certainly more deadly than the male with driver and putter.

When it comes to long iron play, slender Roger Wethered needs no lessons from anybody, but he lacks the string-like straightness from tee to green which enables his gifted sister to underscore him consistently at eighteen holes.

Joyce Wethered, of course, is a law unto herself—the only woman golfer with a masculine delicacy of touch on short range approaches, a masculine deftness on the greens, and an almost masculine power of swing. She alone among women golfers can meet the topnotch male amateurs on fairly even terms without benefit of six bisques or half a stroke a hole. No need to reiterate here the paradoxical fact that the average feminine golfer is relatively better in the long game, where strength is supposedly at a premium, than at the subtle nuances of putting, chipping and pitching, which stress velvety touch, keenness of eye and muscular restraint. Man is the gentler sex when it comes to these finicky, gossamer-like maneuvers.

Last spring Miss Wethered pulled her brilliant but erratic brother through to victory in a foursome at Westward Ho! against two top flight amateurs—J. A. Stout and Beaumont

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Pease. Admitting that she isn't typical of her sex on the links, the fact remains that women's golf has made vast strides since Lady Margaret Scott dominated her sisters of the late Victorian era.

As far back as 1875 a "ladies green"—euphemism for putting course—existed at St. Andrews. One somewhat churlish commentator, a man naturally, referred to this feminine brand of golf contemptuously as "akin to such driveling games as croquet and lawn billiards." The latter diversion is apparently as extinct as the dodo.

Lady golfers of the '80s had encumbrances of dress to contend with as well as masculine prejudice to overcome. They wore long skirts which trailed elegantly on the grass, toques bristling with feathers and capes which bound the shoulders.

Ten years later, when Gibson girls were the vogue, my lady appeared on the links in a sailor hat, a high, stiff collar, a leg-o'-mutton sleeved waist and a voluminous skirt with leather binding. Goodness knows how many petticoats were concealed beneath that overstuffed exterior, for "them were the days when a lady was a lady" and gentlemen with strictly honourable intentions had to take their chances of drawing a perfect 26 in the marriage lottery.

Somehow the Victorian female contrived to hit a ball she couldn't be sure of seeing. An impudent breeze, as like as not, would wrap the folds of her tent-like skirt around the shaft of her driver, momentarily cutting off her view of the ball. Such horrid dilemmas were partially alleviated by a device known colloquially as "Miss Higgins."

This ingenious contraption was nothing less than a band of elastic webbing which fair competitors slipped over their knees when about to putt or when addressing a full shot in a stiff wind. Thus trait-jacketed,

your grandmama certainly enjoyed that "trussed-up feeling" which Harry Vardon, in his book on golf, recommends as "a helpful adjunct to the critical phase of the swing."

"Miss Higgins" preceded the bun, the jabot, the shirtwaist, the baret and the muslin petticoat into that mysterious limbo which swallows up the feminine accoutrements of yesterday. There are doubtless times when wearers of the modern short skirt yearn for an up-to-date adaptation of the primly prudish "Miss Higgins." It is easier for a girl to keep her eye on the ball when she is sure that her masculine audience is doing likewise.

Joyce Wethered, however, is convinced that the marked improvement in women's golf is due to the introduction of the rubber core ball rather than the limply loose garments (three will suffice) which allow a less restricted generation complete freedom of swing.

"I suspect," writes Miss Wethered, "that our swings have become flabbier as our clothes have grown fewer and looser. From all accounts the ladies dealt very gracefully with the gutty ball, when Lady Margaret Scott was the exponent of a long flowing swing and beautifully clean hitting.

"For grace of style and freedom of method the old St. Andrews swing defied the supposed obstacles of straw hats, inflated sleeves and restricted waists. Our swings to-day have lost in fullness and elegance while gaining in accuracy.

"A more resilient ball, not freer clothing, is the reason behind woman's emancipation on the links. The rubber sphere meant more to the ladies than to the men. It aided distance—a vital consideration for a sex inferior in strength. It responded more agreeably to a topped or half hit shot—thus flattering a cardinal feminine failing."

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## Interesting Golf News from Prince Edward Island

**T**HE annual meeting of the Belvedere Golf Club, Prince Edward Island, took place in the Oddfellows' Recreation Hall. There was a very large attendance of members, which showed the interest that is being taken now in golf, particularly among the younger folks. The different reports of the year were presented and enthusiastically received. Votes of thanks were extended to the retiring executives, and the outlook for next year is very bright. There are a number of improvements being made in the links and some of the greens will be much improved.

The retiring president, Mr. Ed. Nicholson, occupied the chair.

The new executives for 1932 are as follows:—President, A. V. Saunders; vice-president, D. B. Stewart; secretary, H. W. Weeks; treasurer, W. F. Parker; directors, Dr. Beer, Ben Conrad, J. P. Hillion, L. D. Murray.

The Charlottetown Golf Club, Charlottetown, P.E.I., closed a most successful season with a presentation of prizes at the club house which was crowded to the doors. The popular president, Mr. Edward Nicholson, presented the prizes and at the close Mr. W. K. Rogers made very complimentary remarks dealing with the executive and the very efficient manner they and the games committee handled the season's work. Many changes are being made in the links, some new greens are being laid, and when completed this golf course will be one of the nicest in Canada.

The following were the prize winners of the principal events:—

Men's Championship won by Mr. A. V. Saunders, who also won a mixed foursome on July 1st.

Men's Championship, runner-up, Mr. Charles McKinnon, who also won a mixed foursome on June 3rd.

Ladies' Championship, runner-up, Mr. Charles McKinnon, who also won 2 club match on August 27th, Tombstone match on August 3rd, 2 ball foursome on August 1st, 2 ball foursome on July 4th.



Ladies' Championship, runner-up, Mrs. E. W. McKinnon, who also won ladies' singles on May 30th, sealed hole on June 8th, sealed hole on July 6th, mixed foursome, June 3rd, hand picked match (18 hole), June.

Men's Championship Consolation won by E. M. Bagnall, who also won mixed foursome match play.

Men's Championship Consolation, runner-up, Mr. H. S. McLeod.

Ladies' Championship Consolation won by Miss Nora Longworth.

Ladies' Championship Consolation, runner-up, Miss Ethel Bagnall, who also won 2 ball foursome on June 6th.

The annual meeting of the ladies' branch of the Charlottetown Golf Club, Prince Edward Island, was held in the G.W.V.A. rooms. Owing to the absence of the president, Mrs. W. H. Pethick, the chair was taken by the vice-president, Mrs. W. A. McLaren. All the reports showed that the past year had been a most successful one.

Following are the officers and committees elected for the season of 1932:—

President, Mrs. A. B. Cosh; vice-president, Mrs. N. H. DeBlois; secretary-treasurer, Miss Helen A. Grant (re-elected); house committee, Mrs. C. E. McNutt, Mrs. J. R. Paton, Mrs. H. L. Palmer and Mrs. H. R. Stewart; match committee, Mrs. T. W. L. Prowse, Mrs. J. P. Lautz, Mrs. Benj. Rogers, Sr., and Mrs. C. G. Gregory; handicap committee (C.L.G.U.), Miss Edith M. Rogers and Mrs. E. D. McKinnon; local handicap committee, Mrs. H. E. Henderson and Mrs. Benj. Rogers, Sr.

Mr. H. W. Weeks, the secretary of this very successful club writes the Editor:—

"May say our new course is coming along splendidly and is highly praised by visitors. 1931 green fees were 35 per cent. above 1930. Our membership is now 325. Not bad for a small town, is it?"

(It certainly is not.—Editor "Canadian Golfer".)

## Great Britain and Overseas

Interesting Happenings on the Courses of England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales and the British Overseas Dominions

**M**AJOR HUTCHISON, who will shortly marry Miss Joyce Wethered, served with the Royal Scots during the war and was captured in the battle of Festubert. He is interested in the construction of golf courses. The Major, who, by the way, was regarded as one of the best Etonian athletes of his day, starring in cricket, football and on the track, and who is too a noted golfer, has this to say of his future wife: "Miss Wethered is a wonderful player. She certainly can beat me at golf, and most other men as well. She is also a very fine fisherwoman and tennis player, and has now taken up ice-skating. She has made great progress in a short time."

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A. Perry, the young professional of Leatherhead, last month won the Surrey Open Championship with the very fine rounds of 68 and 72 for a total of 140. This is his first important win. With two 71's A. J. Lacy was in second place. Faulkner, the 1930 champion, was third with 144.

Sir Ernest Holderness and W. L. Hope were the leading amateurs, each carding 149.

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An interesting personality in Hardit Malik, the Indian, will be seen often in open competition next year. After an absence of over eight years in India he has returned to England and holds a four years' Indian appointment in London. Malik, who represented Oxford against Cambridge in 1914 and 1921, plays in a turban and, representing Sandy Lodge, he played for the Herts amateurs against professionals a few days ago. Malik played in the British Amateur Championship at Hoylake in 1921, but was beaten in the second round.

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For the tenth time in eleven years, the Royal Air Force Golf Championship was this year won by Squadron-Leader C. H. Hayward.

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Mr. T. C. Fry, who died while playing the 16th hole on the West Middlesex course at Hanwell, England, was



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an uncle of Mr. C. B. Fry, the cricketer. Mr. T. C. Fry, who was 80, and a well-built athletic man, was one of the oldest members of the club.

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Tom Stewart, a famous old golfer and club maker, passed away at St. Andrews, Scotland, last month. He was seventy years of age and only re-

tired from the active participation in his large and lucrative club manufacturing business a short time ago. "Stewart irons" are known the world over. Thousands of golfers in Canada, have always insisted in having one or more of his clubs in their bags. They stood for all that was best in irons. He was a very good player

indeed and was quite one of the outstanding figures of Auld St. Andrews, where he had lived all his life. His shop in the old town was visited every year by golfers from all parts of the world.

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After studying the "line" with great care and deliberation, the Prince of Wales holed a putt of four yards, and so finished all square with Col. J. K. Bunbury in the match between the Household Brigade and The Jokers, at Byfleet. In the foursomes the Prince partnered by Major E. M. Fryer, was beaten by 5 and 4 by Col. Bunbury and G. S. Blaker. The Jokers won the match by 7 to 4, with one game halved.

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At Port Elizabeth, S. F. Brews retained the South African Open Championship with an aggregate of 302 for the four rounds. The brothers "Jock" and "Sid" Brews, who hail from Blackheath, have now each held the title four times.

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The winners of Eve Autumn Foursomes at Ranelagh were Miss Nan Baird, of Prestwick St. Nicholas, the girl champion of two years ago, and Miss Marjorie White, of Roehampton. Playing off 8, they scored a runaway victory by 8 and 7 in the final against Mrs. R. E. A. Bott (Porters Park) and Mrs. Peter Gold (Worplesdon), who had a joint handicap of 11.

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Next year's Oxford v. Cambridge match will be played on March 22nd and 23rd, on the course of the Royal Lytham and St. Annes Club. This will be the first occasion on which the match has been played in Lancashire.

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W. A. Murray, the British "Walker" Cup player, had a remarkable round of 66 while competing in the monthly medal competition of the West Hill Club, at Brookwood. Murray's score beat both amateur and professional records for the course, the latter of which was jointly held by E. R. Whitcombe, T. Cotton, A. G. Havers, and

A. J. Lacey, who all went round in 67 strokes during the "News of the World" Southern Section qualifying tournament this year. Murray established an amateur record of 69 for the course five years ago, and this score was only equalled last month by W. L. Hope during a meeting of the Guildford and District Alliance. Murray's record-breaking figures were:—

Out .....	454	344	433—34
In .....	442	343	444—32—66

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Premier Ramsay MacDonald and his daughter, Miss Ishbel, have recently been playing golf over the Spey Bay Course. In a foursome against Sir Alexander Grant, of Logie Forres, and Wing-Commander Louis Greig, Prime Minister and Miss MacDonald won out by a narrow margin.

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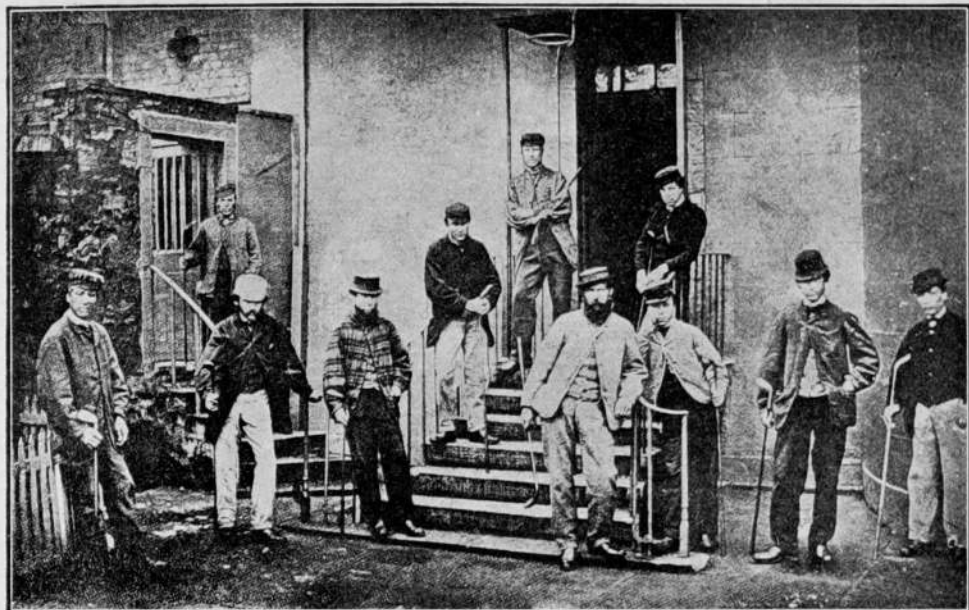
Mr. Frank Hough, the newly-elected captain of the Chertsey Club, played himself into office this month by driving a ball from the first tee in the Royal and Ancient style. Hough teed up a golden ball, which he hit a distance of about 75 yards, the ball being recovered by Hough's own caddie, who received a sovereign as reward.

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Oxford and Cambridge teams have been quite successful in their trial matches against several strong clubs. Oxford gained a splendid win over Addington by 10 to 6 this month, whilst Cambridge defeated "The League" by 15 points to 10. "The League" team included several International players—Hartley De Forest, De Montmorency and Oppenheimer. The latter, a former Oxford captain, made a hole-in-one on the short seventh (162 yards) during his match with J. W. P. Blenkin, but this did not prevent him from being defeated by 2 and 1. Both Universities have very strong sides this season. The Varsity match takes place next March over the Royal Lytham and St. Annes Club's course.



## "There Were Giants in Those Days"



Front Row, reading from left to right—James Dunn, Alex. Greig, W. Strath, Tom Morris, Bob Kirk, W. Dow, Jamie Anderson. Top row, at left—George Morrison; on steps—David Park, Willie Dunn and Tom Morris, Jr.

THE above group of great golfers of the old days will be of interest both to the old and young followers of the game in Canada. These old-timers did much to lay the foundation of the game which has now spread its tentacles throughout the Anglo-Saxon sporting world. In the above group will be noticed "Auld Tam" Morris, who won the Open Championship belt in 1861, 1862, 1864 and 1867, to be followed by his son, "Young Tam", who captured it three times in a row, 1868, 1869, 1870—a feat duplicated by Jamie Anderson, the last figure on the right, in 1877, 1878 and 1879. None of the above "giants of the green" of years lang syne are to-day in the land of the living. Sartorially, these "old timers", it will be noticed, were not exactly "Beau Brummels" as are so many of the professionals of to-day, but "they got there just the same."

## Mental Balance Great Factor

State of One's Mind Has Much to do With Getting Golf Ball Into the Cup.

(By D. Scott Chisholm, "Country Club Magazine")

WALTER HAGEN is one of the most congenial chaps in his profession when it comes to a free and easy talk with gentlemen of the press. It matters not what the subject may be, so long as he is conversant with it, he will give freely and most obligingly of his expressions in a manner that makes the interviewer feel perfectly at home. I honestly believe Walter is the most obliging of all the high-powered boys when it comes to interviews, not only because he believes

it is good and sound publicity but because he has an innate desire to lend whatever assistance he can to the lads of the press, as far as it is within his power. Hagen is a peach of a sportsman and an unusually intelligent fellow to talk to.

I had quite a chat with him on the all important matter of putting in his Hollywood bungalow on Kings Drive just before he went to England in 1929 to win the British Open Championship in an ultra sensational fashion.



Said he: "When I take my stance to putt my first thought is that of comfort. My feet and my hands must feel perfectly at ease because I know that want of comfort in my stance will tend to tighten up my grip on the club and that the moment I do that, I'm gone. The effort to get the ball in the hole will be stabby. You know, of course, my stance in putting. I lean well forward with my weight on the left foot and with the ball about opposite my left heel. I have tried the fifty-fifty stance—that of standing up with the weight half and half on each foot and with the body almost erect and the ball an equal distance from each instep but it didn't work so well for me.

"My next thought is one of smoothness—the smoothness of my stroke. I know it must not be a hitting effort or one of jerkiness of the wrists. My mind must be made up just what I am to do. The line to the hole, the texture of the turf, the strength necessary to be up or a little past and any allowance for undulations in the putting surface are all worked out before I make the stroke and when all this is finished and locked in my mind, I know all that is left is to stroke the ball with the necessary smoothness and I won't be far off.

"Mental balance is a great factor. One must have no worries on one's mind when putting and it is fatal to have the least thought in your mind that you are doing any guess-work. Before you do putt, be

absolutely satisfied you are doing the right thing and going in correct places. Let your last thought be the back of the cup and you won't go very far away from it. I've seen fellows drop eight and ten footers with one hand for the good and simple reason they had no strain to tighten their hands and wrists and no mental worry to affect relaxation. You've done it yourself many a time, haven't you? Well, that's the mental and physical condition you ought to assume every time you step up to make a putt that means something in a serious competition or a five spot in a friendly game.

"If you find you are missing short putts with any degree of regularity you will locate the trouble in your hands—too much hands and not enough fingers. Too much tightening. Ease up and you'll find the solution for sinking the wee ones, granting you have not forgotten comfort of stance and correct mind attitude. Don't crash your body into any kind of putts and especially those wee ones of three and five feet. That is fatal, indeed. When you keep your eye on the ball, don't forget that your mind controls the eye, therefore your mind must ever be on the alert. The fact that I putt with much of my weight on my left foot doesn't mean that I urge this method. It is the most comfortable to me and if it is more comfortable for you to do likewise, just stick to it and keep on praying for the five and ten footers to sink in the old cup."

## The Humour of the Links

### The Funny Side of the Game as Told in Poetry and Prose.

Colonel (just returned from golfing holiday): Do you think my game has improved since I went away?

Caddie: Well, sir, you seem to drop the ball over your shoulder better than you used to.

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"How many have you played, old man?"

"Five."

"But what about those shots I saw you taking in the bunker back there?"

"Oh! you mean when I was killing the snake."

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Irish professional (to pupil): "You must always bear in mind, sorr, that when you are looking on the ball it's only two-thirds of it that you can see. The other third is out of sight, and that is the part you must keep your eye on."

Boy: How would you advise me to get a start in the world?

Big Business Man: Get a job as caddie at a good club and learn the language.

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#### We All Know Him

My caddie is something between a hindrance and a help.

What's wrong with him?

Well! he seems to know everything about golf and nothing at all about caddying.

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#### It May Have Been of Ivory

The eighteenth tee of a certain golf course not far from Glasgow (says the Bulletin) lies right behind a marsh, which is responsible for many lost balls. Watching from the club house the club master could see the local minister searching diligently. When

the minister finally reached the clubhouse the club master remarked sympathetically—"Ye were a lang time getting your ba'." "Ball, did you say?" replied the cleric. "Why, man, that was my tee I was looking for."

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Mary had a little ball,  
It's hide was white as snow,  
Till Mary took her mashie out  
And used it like a hoe.

the semi-final of the Western Amateur Championship of 1920, at Memphis, Tennessee.

"At one hole Bobby went wide to the left and I wide to the left off the tee. Bobby was away. My vision of his shot was crossed by the gallery and over their heads I tried to watch the flight of his ball. Failing in this, I, following the usual custom, watched his caddie, who was a gigantic col-



The evolution of the golf ball—Mr. George S. Lyon as conceived by the celebrated cartoonist, Mr. Ernest Le Messurier.

Complaints of your luck will not help you a bit,  
If you swing at the pillule and duff it,  
Or find a bad lie in the depths of a pit  
And jab with your niblick and fluff it.  
If you slice a long brassie far into the hay,  
There's not the least use in repining.  
You get the deserts of the shots that you play  
And you cannot improve them by whining.

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**Tactics**

One of Mr. Chick Evans' best stories is of the first match in which he and Mr. Bobby Jones were ever opposed to one another. It was in

oured youth, an ex-pugilist. I was surprised to see the darky walking towards the green; and he kept walking and walking, I watching him closely to determine the sort of shot I should play. The negro walked until he reached the edge of the green, where he stationed himself as a caddie does when his player has reached a spot on that favoured bit of greensward.

"I naturally supposed that Bobby's ball was on the green, and that my only hope was to reach the green also. The shot was almost impossible, but I tried, hit a tree, and bounded back, and Bobby's ex-pugilist stood immovable. It was still more imperative then that I should reach the green. I tried again, hit the tree again, and kicked into a terrible place in the

ditch. When I found my ball, I also found Bobby's only a few feet away. I lost the hole, 6 to 7—a triumph for the crafty ex-pugilist."

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#### To My Caddie

When I see you swing my driver  
With a grace I can't achieve,  
When I find you holing short putts  
With an ease I ne'er conceive,  
When I watch you lay the chip-shots  
Only inches from the pin,  
I declare that you're 'a better  
Man than I am, Gunga Din.'

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Novice: "How many have I taken, boy? Is it 15 or 16?"

Disgusted caddie: "I dinna ken. It's no caddie ye need—it's a billiards-marker."

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#### The Golfer

He is seldom home to supper; if he does come, he is late;  
The kitchen floor needs painting but the kitchen floor must wait.  
The screens are in the attic and the storm door should come off,  
But father's only rooming here, now that he's playing golf.  
He's ceased to dig the garden and he's packed his tools away;  
He says he'll hire a man to plant the flowers we want some day.  
At those who toil for exercise he started in to scoff.  
The stylish way to get it, father says is playing golf.  
He used to call men foolish when they raved about the links,  
But since he's been converted, it's a splendid game he thinks,  
He is out there every Sunday and each afternoon he's off;  
Ma's a widow and we're orphans since he started playing golf.

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#### The Foxy Old Caddie

The old caddie was explaining that for cleaning iron clubs there was nothing so good as a drop of whisky. "But how do you use it?" he was asked.

"Well, I drink the whisky. Then I breathe on the heads of the clubs."

#### A Well-Balanced Pair

"Jones: "I'd sooner play golf than eat."

Smith: "But what does your wife say?"

Jones: "Oh, that's all right. She'd sooner play bridge than cook."

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#### Good to be Cross-Eyed

A cross-eyed man in running up  
No trouble finds at all—  
He keeps an eye upon the cup,  
The other on the ball.

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#### An Old 'Un but Good

A golfer determined to break himself of launching into strong language when things went badly with him. A friend suggested that in order to check the habit, he should pick up a stone and pocket it every time he let slip a bad word.

Returning to the club house after the next game, he met his friend who remarked, "Well, Jack, I see you're reforming. Your pockets are not very heavy."

"No," said the golfer gloomily, "but wait till you see the wheelbarrow the caddie's got."

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#### The Same Sort

Self-conscious Beginner (after a particularly atrocious fizzle): Is it my play you are laughing at, caddie?

The Caddie: No, sir! I was laughing at that chap going to the sixth.

Self-conscious Beginner: And what do you see that's funny about him.

The Caddie: He's got just the same sort of swing as you, sir!

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#### Shakespeare on the Links

The city golfer plays his first round on an undulating seaside links:

"Uneven is the course; I like it not."

—Romeo and Juliet, iv. 1.

The city golfer wins the bye, after being heavily beaten in his match:

"This comfort comes too late,  
'Tis like a pardon after execution."

—Henry VIII, iv. 2.



**De Profundis**

Three husbands the widow had laid away,  
 And one day she said, said she,  
 "I'll have a monument rising high,  
 To mark the spot where my dearies lie,  
 'Neath the shade of the willow tree."  
 So chiselled deep in the granite stone  
 A hand pointed to the sky,  
 "Three up" the legend read, nothing more,  
 But it was noticed by Hubby four,  
 And he turned away with a sigh.  
 He murmured—"I feel that I won't be long  
 In this weary vale of woe,  
 So let them chisel just one line more,  
 For by Great Bogey! I think the score  
 Is "three up and one to go."  
 A. W. Tillinghast.

Enthusiast: "I am driving 40 yards farther with my new steel-shafted club."

Cynic: "You must be driving twice as far as you ever did."

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**The Prize Winner**

Macpherson slices in the gorse,  
 But finds it "sitting up,"  
 And promptly puts his next, of course,  
 A club length from the cup.

He holes out for a "birdie" 3  
 Unconscious that the ball  
 He found so unexpectedly  
 Is not his own at all.

'Tis optimism such as this  
 Wins many a silver prize;  
 Where golfing ignorance is bliss,  
 'Twere folly to be wise.

**Historic Niagara-on-the-Lake**

**One of the Oldest Clubs in America Has Just Closed a Particularly Successful Season.**

ON August 22nd, 1896, or over 35 years ago, the Toronto Mail had a most interesting write-up of the golfers and golf club of the Niagara-on-the-Lake Golf Club. This club is one of the oldest in Canada and has had a long and distinguished career. The Editor of the "Canadian Golfer" was a visitor to this charming and historical course the past season and was delighted with the fairways and greens which were in splendid condition. The links are alike popular with the townspeople and the large number of visitors who every year make their headquarters at Niagara-on-the-Lake, which is one of the most delightful resorts in Ontario. The president is General Nelles and the hon. secretary Mr. Burns, one of the oldest golfers in the Province. The very capable professional is Sid Hunt. The club has just concluded a most successful season.

As before noted in the "Canadian Golfer" the first Inter-Provincial match, Quebec vs. Ontario, was

played over the Niagara-on-the-Lake links October 8th, 1883, or nearly fifty years ago. Ontario won by 35 points to 5, as follows:—

Ontario	
E. R. Bethune, Toronto, captain .....	0
A. P. Scott, Toronto .....	6
T. M. Scott, Toronto .....	4
A. W. Smith, Brantford .....	8
E. G. Dickson, Niagara .....	3
J. G. Dickson, Niagara .....	3
Charles Hunter, Toronto .....	4
W. L. Creighton, Brantford .....	5
J. E. Lees, Brantford .....	2
	35
Quebec	
J. Stevenson, Montreal, captain .....	5
Captain Sheppard, Quebec .....	0
J. A. Sheppard, Quebec .....	0
J. A. Drummond, Montreal .....	0
H. S. Smith, Quebec .....	0
J. Taylor, Montreal .....	0
D. D. Sidey, Montreal .....	0
J. G. Sidey, Montreal .....	0
C. C. Foster, Montreal .....	0
E. Braidwood, Montreal .....	0
	5

At that time there were only five golf clubs in the whole of Canada,

namely, Montreal, Quebec, Toronto, Niagara-on-the-Lake and Brantford. To-day there are nearly 600 clubs.

Mr. A. W. Smith, who played for Brantford in 1883, was in his time unquestionably the best amateur player in America. He learned his game at Auld St. Andrews. He won the

Championship of Ontario in 1889 with a score of 68. In 1895 he played in the Open Championship of the United States at Newport and tied for third place with James Foulles, a well known Scottish professional, with a score of 176. Mr. Smith died in 1901.

## "A Book is a Friend That Never Deceives Us"

Some Seasonal Suggestions for Christmas Book Giving.

"**R**ETROSPECTS of a Newspaper Person" (Oxford University Press, Toronto, \$2.00). A most delightful collection of experiences in Canada and other parts of the world by Mr. P. D. Ross, of Ottawa, one of our oldest and best equipped journalists. "Retrospects" are now in their second edition and deserve to go on to a third. Quite one of the best and most interesting books of the year.

"Jimmie Dale and the Blue Envelope Murder" (Copp Clark Co. Ltd., Toronto). This is Frank L. Packard at his best—and no one excels him when it comes to the piling up and unravelling of mysteries. It is a treat to have "Jimmie Dale" with us once again, he of the trigger-quick action and runner-down of murderers, thugs, bootleggers and denizens generally of the New York underworld. Mr. Packard has perhaps a larger reading clientele than any other Canadian author. This last "Jimmie Dale book" is quite one of the best of the quite long series which have made its author famous.

Golf Made Easier (Parker, Stone and Baird Co., Los Angeles, selling agents for Canada, "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario). The ordinary book on golf really makes "golf harder". Mr. Herndon in "Golf Made Easier" really does make the game easier, and "that is greatly to his credit." You can make no mistake in adding this book to your golfing library or sending it as a Christmas

or New Years gift to a golfing friend.

"The Lone Wolf's Son" (Lippincott & Copp Clark Co. Ltd., \$2.25). This is a Vance book in the true Vance vein with a most alluring plot featuring the Habsburg emeralds. Nothing more absorbing than a good "jewel mystery" and here is one of "the first water". Hard to put this book down when first started. The majority of readers won't.

"Murders and Mysteries", a Canadian series by W. Stewart Wallace (The Macmillans in Canada, \$3.00). Here is a particularly interesting book covering nearly a score of celebrated murders and murder mysteries committed in Canada during the last half century. Mr. Wallace, who is a graduate of both Toronto and Oxford (Baliol College), is a well known Canadian historian and has brought to bear on these murder mysteries a well trained mind. Especially absorbing perhaps will be found a very lucid account of the Birchall murder, which in the early nineties created world-wide interest. It was in this celebrated case that B. B. Osler, for the Crown, gained for himself the reputation of Canada's greatest criminal lawyer. This reviewer as a young reporter was present on more than one day at this famous trial in Woodstock and can personally testify to Mr. Wallace's skillful handling of the incidents and details in connection with the case which was reported in detail not only in Canadian papers but by the "London Times", "New

York Herald" and other nationally known newspapers. It is to be hoped that Mr. Wallace will later on give us other famous murders. There is for instance, the Quirk mystery of some twenty or more years ago and many other Canadian crimes that call for his discriminating and interesting chronicling.

"The Umbrella Murder" by Carolyn Wells (Copp Clark Co. Ltd., Toronto, \$2.25). It has been truly said that "All the world loves a thriller" and here is one that has all the hall-marks. Sensation is piled upon sensation and Fleming Stone, the famous detective, is called upon eventually to unravel two murders instead of one. The interest of the reader is kept up from

the first to the final chapter. "The Umbrella Murder" is a gripping mystery and will add to the popularity of Carolyn Wells.

"Two Black Sheep" (Cosmopolitan Book Corporation, Copp Clark Co. Ltd., Toronto, \$2.00). Harry Leon Wilson two years ago had "one of the best sellers" in "Lone Tree" and it is just a question whether "Two Black Sheep" by the same author is not going to follow in its footsteps. Wilson has a "touch and technique" altogether delightful. His latest book will add to the host of his many admirers. It looks as though "Two Black Sheep" is destined to "go over" and "go over big".

## The Definition of an Amateur Golfer

THE "Canadian Golfer" is frequently in request of information as to the ruling regarding the standing of an amateur golfer. Herewith for the information of our correspondents, the status of an amateur as laid down by the Royal and Ancient and confirmed by the Royal Canadian Golf Association in the last revision of its By-laws, Section 11:—

"An amateur golfer is one, who after attaining the age of eighteen years has not:—

- (a) Carried clubs for hire.
- and who after attaining the age of sixteen years, has not:—
- (b) Received any consideration either directly or indirectly, for playing or for teaching the game, or for playing in a match or tournament.
- (c) Because of his skill as a golfer, received after 31st December, 1922, a salary or remuneration, either directly or indirectly, from any firm dealing in goods relating to the playing of the game.
- (d) Played for a money prize in any competition.

Note:—The acceptance without payment of golf balls, clubs or golf merchandise, will render a player ineligible to compete in the Amateur Championship."

## The Controlled Iron Shot

(By Miss Joyce Wethered, Greatest Woman Golfer, in "Fairway and Hazard", London)

WITH iron play especially it is necessary to play with a purpose, to make up one's mind exactly what is to be done and the kind of shot best calculated to effect its object. The problem is more difficult than that of wooden-club play where direction is practically the only thing to think of, except the desire to get as far in that direction as possible.

The controlled iron shot, which we are considering, is played at a definite mark. The question of exact distance has to be calculated and the shot ruled on a line instead of, as in a drive, down a comparatively wide pathway. Also, maximum strength is rarely required; and as greater exactness is necessary, the freedom of the swing employed with wooden clubs must be curtailed.

There is actually no reason whatever why precisely the same swing used with a wooden club may not be used with an iron club also in approaching; only, if it is, the result will be that you will get somewhere near, but not near



enough to your object of aim to be entirely satisfactory. The method must be tightened up to ensure absolute accuracy. The ball has to be made to travel along a definite line and to pull up quickly. There may be plenty of other iron shots in the bag, but this is the normal shot from which one rarely departs in playing with the rubber-cored ball. In fact, one plays it wherever possible in order to maintain one consistent method throughout and avoid the losses which generally accompany any unnecessary striving after variety or novelty.

The main difference which distinguishes iron play from wooden-club practice is that the hands and knees come into greater prominence. These are the real guiding forces. A wooden-club shot is essentially a clean hit in a certain direction; the iron shot is a shot that must grip the ball more closely. The club head must, as it were, cling to the ball as long as it can, and the hands and knees are the chief factors in the stroke which make this possible.

The stance may be a little open, if preferred. Stand in whatever position makes you feel the line to the hole most naturally, so that the ball shall be hit down that line. You must take great pains how you sole your club. If a perfectly straight shot is required, see that your blade is at right angles to the hole. Where a pull or a slice is wanted, then it may be necessary to lay off the blade. But for the moment we are confining ourselves to the simple direct shot.

I believe strongly in the shut face, that is, in making no definite turning movement of the wrists going back. Let the club face go back square to the ball and let it turn only gradually and naturally until at the top of the swing the toe of the club faces the hole. The point to watch is that the wrists do not turn in such a way that the toe of the club is pointing behind you to the left of the hole. See that the left wrist is well under the right at the top of the swing. I am not recommending an exaggerated shut face at the top of the swing, only that there must be very little rolling of the wrists in the first half of the back-swing.

The club head must follow straight through after the ball is struck, without either letting the toe turn in, or the hands drag the club-head across the ball, or the heel go through before the toe of the club. If these errors are guarded against the shot will be a straight one; the ball will be truly hit and remain under control when it pitches.

The chief things on which to concentrate are the path of the club-head, the cutting of a straight divot, and the true angle of the blade at the moment of striking. The method covers the whole range of iron clubs from a driving iron to a mashie niblick. It may not be as simple as it sounds; but it must be remembered that to acquire the best methods needs time and practice, although force of habit makes them the easiest in the long run.

The part that balance plays in the iron shot is similar to that advocated for wooden-club play only considerably modified. I do not believe in having the feet too far apart: a sway must be avoided at all costs. But I do believe in shifting the weight from one foot to the other—no shot can be made effective without weight transference. In order, then, to reduce the movement, feel that the weight is shifted by the knees and not by the hips, as with wooden clubs. The feeling of movement must be lower: the knees are going to lead the pivot. In the back swing let the weight be on the right foot (as if you were standing on it from the knee only), but take care that the upper part of the body does not change its central position. As the stroke is being made let the weight change to the left foot. Let the right knee come into the shot with the feeling that it is directing it. This is only possible if the weight is

taken firmly on to the left foot, which leaves the right knee free to swing forward.

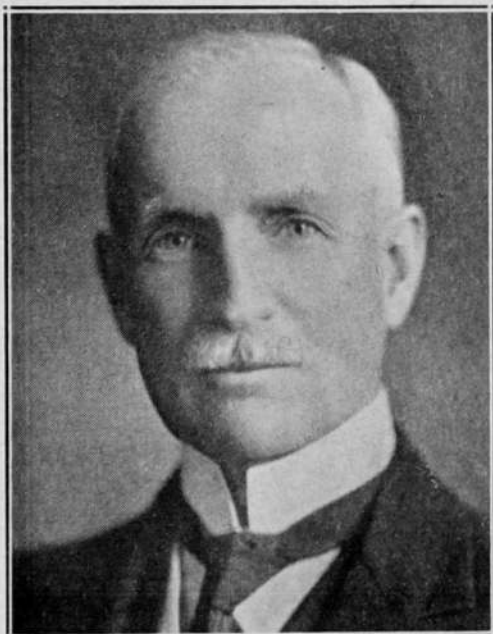
Do not let this knee movement lead to ducking, which is a deadly sin. On the other hand, remember that all will be well if the shoulders are kept at the correct level as well as central, and if the transference of weight is carried out with decision.

## Granite Curling Club, Toronto, Honours Mr. Thomas Rennie

**M**R. THOMAS RENNIE, president of the Wm. Rennie Seed Co. Ltd., Toronto, was this month elected to the presidency of the Granite Curling Club, one of the highest honours in "Curldom" in Canada. Mr. Rennie is looked upon as "the Dean of Canadian skips". He has "skipped" more rinks to victory than any other man in Canada. Every trophy of note in the annals of "The Roarin' Game" in Ontario has been annexed by Mr. Rennie and his rinks many of them such as the Ontario Silver Tankard, several times.

Although his first love was curling, of recent years he has made quite a name for himself in golfing circles both with the Rosedale Golf Club and the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association and has many trophies to his credit as a result of his prowess with "niblick and driver". Only last year with

the fine score of 41-39-80 he won the best gross cup, 18 holes, all classes, in the Canadian Seniors' Golf Tournament at the Toronto Club, and also the Men's Championship at the Muskoka Lakes Golf and Country Club for the best 36 holes, 75-79-154. That shows the calibre of his golf.



A. high honour—Mr. Thomas Rennie, of Toronto, who has been elected president of the Granite Curling Club.

## "Wiffy" Cox Wins First Big Winter Tournament

**M**AINTEINING a steady although not spectacular pace, Wiffy Cox, of Brooklyn, defeated George Von Elm, Los Angeles, "business man" golfer, 6 and 5 last week to win the 36-hole final of the \$7,500 national match play open championship at San Francisco.

Cox, who won the last North and South Open title and was a member of the United States Ryder Cup team, started out the last day with a 5-up lead on the second half of the match, postponed because of rain.

His lead was never threatened. At the end of the first nine, the twenty-seventh of the match, Von Elm had won back a hole to cut his opponent's lead to 4 up. Cox made

it 5 up again at the twenty-ninth, and clinched the match on the thirty-first, with a par 5 to Von Elm's 6.

Both Von Elm and Cox had difficulty with the slow green, and the golf was of practically even calibre. On the nineteenth hole, Von Elm missed a four-foot putt for a half, after Cox had left the door open by failing to drop one of the same length.

Cox carried the 6-up lead until the twenty-first, which Von Elm won with a par 4. The twenty-second also went to the Los Angeles player, with a par 3. Cox's par 4 on the twenty-fourth made the count 5 up in his favor again but Von Elm reduced the lead when he sank a 60-foot chip shot for a birdie 3 on the twenty-seventh.

Von Elm was out in 39, four over par, to Cox's 40.

As a result of his victory, Cox received \$1,540, while Von Elm received for \$1,027. Leo Diegel, of Agua Caliente, Mex., 1930 winner of the tournament, and Billy Burke, of Greenwich, Conn., national Open champion, each received \$308 as third round losers.

Cox took part in the Canadian Open at Mississauga last July, but the best he could do was 8th place with a score of 291. He was the only player in the large field who used the American "balloon-ball" during the Championship.

## U.S. Professionals' Annual Meeting

Association in Fine Shape, Financially and Otherwise.

(By Herb Graffis, Editor of "Golfdom", Chicago)

"SELLING the pro to the player" was the theme song of the Professional Golfers' Association annual meeting held at Hotel Statler, Boston, Nov. 16-18. Forty delegates from various sections of the pro federation chimed in the chorus led by the husky tones of President Charley Hall's voice, and he said there's maturity in the notes uttered by the solid sage of Birmingham.

Routine reports showed the association in the best shape of its history. More members and an obese bank-roll revealed that the group insurance, the ball refunds and other developments which a central operating force has put at the command of the various sections, all have had an effect in bringing the boys under the banner.

Starting the fireworks was the report of the tournament bureau headed by Bob Harlow. Much to yip gladly about was found in this report as the tournament activities had put 11 new events on the calendar during the past season and slated enough play during the coming winter season to closey approximate last winter's record high money mark. This with golf play and playing equipment business around 15% is correctly regarded as considerable achievement. Financing the tournament bureau provided a problem for the master minds, as

the original basis on which Harlow was told to operate was jerked from under after the complaints registered on the west coast.

Gene Sarazen, appearing for the tournament players, came up with the financing idea of having leading exhibition players stage five shows, one at Los Angeles, one at San Antonio, one at Atlanta and the other two prior to the National Open and P.G.A. Championships. The players would contribute their services. Matches would be held under the auspices of the local Junior League, this being the society young women's organization. The Junior Leaguers would take 25 per cent. for their charity coffers; the tournament bureau would get the rest. The tournament players want a man to stay with the show and one ahead, per the legitimate theatrical practice, but on the dough now available, "no can do."

All the pros realize the value of keeping the tournament spotlight burning bright, for they're conscious of how the public got reconiled to paying pros some real money after Harlow had ballyhooed and argued the talents of his original duo of Hagen and Kirkwood into opulent lumps of legal tender. But how to raise the money necessary for today's emergency requirements of exhibition



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golf is something that had the boys fairly well baffled at the Boston meeting.

Sarazen presented another interesting idea from the tournament players when he suggested the appointment of a secret committee of three players to report to headquarters any cases of conduct unbecoming a gentleman and professional so the association could discipline offenders by fine or by withholding their names as contestants for which the association would stand responsible. In making this recommendation Sarazen voiced the hope of club officials who have vigorously protested and threatened cancellation of future tournaments because of the conduct of some tournament players who have bellyached loud and ludicrously about conditions at courses where the whiners were unable to score.

Incidentally, the expiring act of the merchandising committee for 1931, represented by Biggs, Jacobus

and Harbert, was to propose an agreement with the manufacturers whereby the granting of dealers' prices to golf goods buyers who were not legitimately entitled to dealers' prices was to be discontinued. It is hoped that this step will help to curtail the "buy it wholesale" evil.

It was not to be expected that the golf ball would escape attention at the meeting. Jay Patterson, emissary of the sunkist sons, introduced a resolution asking that the U.S.G.A. please, pour le amour de Allah, leave the size and weight of the golf ball alone for five years so the golf market and play would have a chance to get on an even keel. One of the other laddies suggested that the U.S.G.A. issue official balls to each contestant in championships under its jurisdiction to put an end to the suspicion among the untutored that the big shots get selected balls that give them an edge.

Some interesting speculation was



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rife when Bob Jones was made an honorary vice-president of the organization. Some of the boys considered the gate the P.G.A. championship might draw with the retired monarch of the meadows trading shots with top sergeants of the regular troops. With the 1931 P.G.A. championship outdrawing all other golf events as a result of the efforts of Messrs. Schulze, of Wannamoisset, and Harlow and Shea, of the P.G.A., the pro event seems tagged as the money top of the golf years until another ace amateur comes along. Chances are that the P.G.A. Championship in 1932 will be held much earlier in the year to give the champion a chance to cash in. The West Coast advanced the suggestion that the National Open and P.G.A. Championships be held within two weeks of each other so the West Coast big time troupers wouldn't be compelled to spend most of their golden childhoods in the

arms of mother Pullman. The dope seems to run that the Open date will be advanced by the U.S.G.A. as the last two Opens have been "suffered" in weather hotter than a Spanish honeymoon.

Now another era is on the pros, Sargent said. The pro has to identify his duties and so discharge them that he will be recognized as vital to club welfare. For that purpose Sargent recommended a publicity fund not to exceed \$5,000 a year and employment of a publicity man to keep pro propaganda hot. Answering inquiries as to whether or not the five grand would be acceptable in the association's budget, doughty Mr. Mackie, celebrated as the Cerebus of the P. G.A. exchequer, advised the boys not to worry as there would be no money spent that the pros didn't have.

The Sargent suggestion elicited sprightly comment. Young Jacobus, who is no yearling, at that, in the master pro class, told how he started his career by borrowing money to advertise to his members. "You've got to spend some money to make some money in any business," George stated. Others told of enterprises they had found effective in making themselves useful to their clubs.

Much of a confidential nature on manufacturer relations was said at the meetings but the pros have no apologies to make for the executive character of these sessions as they were frankly concerned with the delicate and defiant problem of reducing cost of good golf to the player and at the same time keeping the business attractive to first class manufacturers and professionals as dealers in dependable pro merchandise.

Business Administrator Gates, at the end of his first year, found reason for gratification in the status of the association after his efforts had borne fruit and in the expression made by the executive committee relative to the progress made by the organization during the administrator's regime.

## Nominations for the R. C. G. A.

**Strong Board of Prominent Executives Recommended for Office in 1932. Mr. W. H. Plant, Toronto, Unanimous Choice for the Presidency.**

**T**HE Nominating Committee of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, composed of Messrs. Alfred Collyer (chairman), Montreal; C. E. Harvey, Winnipeg; C. A. Bogert, Toronto; H. Milton Martin, Edmonton; E. A. Macnutt, Montreal; W. W. Walker, Montreal, and Major W. D. Wilson, Hamilton, has unanimously reported the following officers and committee for election for 1932:—

President, W. H. Plant, Toronto, Ont.; vice-presidents (to be elected by the new executive committee); secretary-treasurer (to be appointed by the new executive committee); executive committee, British Columbia, Kenneth A. McLennan; Alberta, H. Milton Martin; Saskatchewan, N. C. Byers; Manitoba, C. W. Jackson; Ontario, Gordon T. Cassels, G. L. Robinson, L. M. Wood; Quebec, G. H. Forster, Ad-elard Raymond, N. M. Scott; Maritime Provinces, Hugh Mackay.

The above nominations have been sent out to all member clubs. In this connection the attention of all such clubs is called to sec. 1, Article VIII, of the Constitution of the R.C.G.A., which is as follows:—

“All candidates nominated must be members of clubs, members of this Association. The nominations shall be reported by the Nominating Committee to the secretary of the Association not later than the 15th of November in each year and notice of such nominations shall be mailed by the secretary to clubs, members of the Association not later than November 20th in each year and shall be accompanied by a nomination blank for the purpose of other nominations by member clubs.” Sec. 2—“Representatives from each Province may be nominated by any two clubs, members of the Association in such Province. All nominees must be members of clubs, members of the Association. Such nominations must be in the hands of the secretary of the Association not later than the 20th of December in each year.”

From the above it will be noticed that member clubs have until December 20th to send in any nominations for the executive to the secretary of the Association, Mr. B. L. Anderson, 357 Bay St., Toronto. Last year two such nominations were received, but

the nominees were not elected. The selection of the Nominating Committee is generally final and deservedly so too, as it is always very carefully thought out by the committee com-



Mr. Alfred Collyer, of Montreal, who is retiring from the presidency of the R.C.G.A., after two years' splendid service.

prising leading golfers both in the East and West.

Mr. Alfred Collyer, of Montreal, the particularly capable president of the Association for the past two years, is not seeking re-election. He will, however, ex-officio be a member of the executive in 1932.

The vice-presidents elected last year were Messrs. Plant and Milton Martin. Mr. Plant now goes up to the presidency. The only change in the executive committee nominated is Mr. G. L. Robinson, of Toronto, to represent Ontario in place of Mr. Plant. It is a very strong board and it is



hard to see how it could be improved upon. According to the Constitution the annual meeting of the Association "shall be held between the first and twenty-first days of February in each year at such time and place as may be fixed by the executive committee or by the president acting therefor."

Mr. B. L. Anderson, the secretary of the R.C.G.A., writes the Editor encouragingly about the past year's activities. He says:—

"The Association has maintained its usual policy of economy in the matter of expenses and has thereby been able to carry on the various activities of the Association in the interests of golf as a whole without a loss. In fact, I think the whole

year's operation will show a small increase in surplus, which is held in reserve."

Mr. W. H. Plant, one of the present vice-presidents, unanimously nominated for the presidency, is the general auditor of the C.P.R. Express Company in Toronto, and is an outstanding executive. He was largely responsible for the framing of the present set of by-laws and constitution of the Association, adopted three years ago, which are quite models in their way. He will be an exceedingly popular president for 1932. In 1926-27 he was the very capable president of the Ontario Golf Association and did a great deal to make that Association the great success it is to-day.

## Canadian Municipal Golf Clubs

**Brantford and London Both Show a Successful Season in 1931 With Very Gratifying Financial Statements.**

"THE Arrowdale", Brantford, is the first of the municipal golf courses in Canada to report the result of the past season's activities. That public courses generally were doing extremely well notwithstanding the bogey of "Old Man Hard Times" has been forecasted in the "Canadian Golfer", and the Brantford Municipal Course bears out this prediction. During the past season this 9-hole course had a revenue of \$7,768.00, with operating expenses of \$5,869.00, or a profit of nearly \$2,000.00. This was an increase in profits of \$437.00 over the showing of 1930. The balance earned this year will be used towards the payment of new lands acquired by the Parks Board for the betterment of the present course. It is expected that the other and larger public golf courses in Canada will have a similar satisfactory story to relate the next few weeks.

At the meeting of the Brantford Parks Board at which these satisfactory figures were submitted, on motion of Mayor Beckett, Mr. A. T. Whitaker, City Editor of the "Expositor" was unanimously elected a life member of the Golf Committee of the Brantford Parks Board, a distinction never before given. Mr. Whitaker, who has for nine years been a Parks Commissioner, has taken a very keen interest in the Arrowdale Golf Club and much of its outstanding success is due to his loyal support at all times. The honour accorded him is well earned and well deserved.

### London, Too, Does Well

Mr. E. V. Buchanan, the able general manager of the Public Utilities Commission, London, Ontario, who, like Mr. Whitaker, is an ardent believer of "golf for the masses", writes the Editor in reference to the Thames Valley Golf Club, which is London's municipal course:—

"In spite of the addition of the Fairmount Golf Course (a new pay-as-you-play club) we have done practically as well the season just closed at the Thames Valley as in former years; although there was a considerable dropping off in the green fees from tourists in July and August. However, the total revenue was \$18,000.00, our total operating expenses \$8,500.00, leaving a balance on operating account of \$9,500.00. We have, however, spent during the year on the purchase of land and clearing, construction of fairways and greens for the new nine holes, the sum of \$15,500.00, which leaves us \$6,000.00 "in the hole".

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We are not worrying about this, however, as the course is entirely paid for, including club house and bridge, and with the new nine holes completed, another year should see us entirely out of debt again. I have been connected with many municipality projects, including Hydro, but the best paying one I know is municipal golf."

**Hamilton Civic Club Scores Too**

As usual the Chedoke Civic Golf Club, Hamilton, had a splendid year. Mr. George Martin, president, gives the "Canadian Golfer" the following interesting figures for the club's operation the season just closed:—

Receipts—Membership fees, 727 members, \$10,905.00; buttons, \$182.50; lockers, \$793.00; guest dues, \$4,320.00; luncheon counter profit, \$281.29; interest on bank balance, \$196.28; total \$16,672.07. Payments—Course maintenance, \$6,867.61; house maintenance, \$691.81; office and administration, \$1,235.40; improvements and equipment, \$267.10. Operating surplus for season, \$7,610.15.

Cash working capital account—By balance on hand January 1st, 1931, \$4,609.34; to capital expenditure from fund, \$926.91; by cash surplus for 1931 season, \$7,610.15; to transfer to Board of Parks Management, \$6,500.00; to balance on hand end of 1931 season, \$4,792.58.

**Semi-Annual Meeting of the Manitoba  
Golf Association**

**I**F a recommendation made at the semi-annual meeting held in the Carleton Club, Winnipeg, is approved by the executive council, a new system of handicapping will be adopted by the Manitoba Golf Association.

This question was brought up by C. W. Jackson, recently appointed on the rules committee of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, was the high

light of the session which was presided over by Robert Jacob. A large number of delegates were in attendance, including several from outside points.

Under the new system outlined by Mr. Jackson, each course would be rated by a special committee and a par set on which a handicap would be based. This system is now in vogue throughout the British Isles and United States.

All present were heartily in accord with the idea and there is no question that it will be sanctioned and adopted.

It was largely a get-together meeting and very little business was done, the members mostly discussing prospects for the coming season and reviewing the one just concluded.

The report of the executive council of the past season's activities showed golf to have made wonderful strides not only in the city but throughout the Province.

Three additional competitions were staged and all proved successful. The Manitoba Open was revived and attracted a large entry, Eric Bannister winning the handsome trophy donated by The Tribune Publishing Company. The organization of a seniors' tournament also proved a big event while for the first time the association conducted the Provincial district competition formerly sponsored by the Free Press.

The Manitoba amateur and Manitoba junior tournaments attracted record breaking entries, and both were popular events on the 1931 fixture card.

Representatives from the Selkirk, Stony Mountain, Portage la Prairie and Killarney Clubs were in attendance and spoke briefly. Various local club delegates also took part in the discussions.

The financial statement was just as good as in 1930 and showed 27 clubs affiliated with the association, nine of which are new members.

Both President Jacobs and Secretary Charles N. Harris were highly commended for their untiring efforts on behalf of the association.

## Essex County Golf and Country Club

Leading Windsor Club Has a Good Year. Walter Hagen's Fine Tribute to Canadian Golfers.

(Special Correspondence "Canadian Golfer")

**W**E had our annual meeting on Friday last, Dec. 11th, and put "paid" to another season.

Our board of directors as now constituted is as follows:—

President, Col. W. L. McGregor; vice-president, Mr. N. McLarty; Mr. W. R. Campbell, Major E. C. Kenning, Mr. W. R. Bartlet, Mr. A. D. Green, Mr. C. S. King, Mr. W. M. Grant, Mr. F. Joyce, with Mr. Campbell chairman of the greens and Major Kenning of the house committees. This is an exceptionally strong board.

Col. McGregor was president during one of the war years but his

tenure of office was interrupted by his services overseas. Mr. Frank Joyce, our president last year, has been and is likely to be away from us so much for business reasons that he did not feel justified in taking on for his second year of office.

All things considered the year has not been as bad as might have been expected and there was quite a feeling of optimism at the general meeting in regard to next year.

Mr. Campbell, president of the Ford Motor Company, at the presentation of prizes mentioned the progress made by the younger element of the membership. In this respect



Mr. Jack Prince—son of Colonel Alan Prince—who but recently graduated from the junior membership, was runner-up in the club championship.

Mrs. L. A. McHugh (formerly Miss Catherine McKay) showed a welcome return to form and carried off the major honours in the ladies' section, including the championship.

For the second year in succession Mr. A. W. Wallace holds the men's championship, this brings his total to four out of the past eight years.

In the course of an apt little speech of thanks at the presentation Mr. Wallace mentioned that his first score over our old course was 126, his best this year over our new and much more difficult course was 69—so all things are still possible.

One other nice thing that Mr. Wallace emphasized was his affection for the club and its members and their sportsmanship in playing "the game of games", on this side of the river.

He added that Walter Hagen—with whom Mr. Wallace often plays in Detroit—was asked by Grantland Rice which championship among the many that he has won gave him the greater thrill in the winning, and that Hagen answered without hesitation, "The Canadian Open". Asked for his reasons he replied, "Canadians have great respect for the game of golf, its fundamentals and its ethics. They know the game well, they play it as it was meant to be played and they understand the rules.

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## Manitoba Branch, C. L. G. U. Has a Record Year

**T**HE popular president, Mrs. Iman Salberg, presided over the annual meeting and dinner of that very progressive organization the Manitoba Branch of the Canadian Ladies' Golf Union, held this month at the Fort Garry Hotel, Winnipeg. In reviewing the year's activities Mrs. Salberg told of the increased entries in the various events, and of an invitation which is to be sent to the Midwest U.S. Golf Union for its members to visit Winnipeg. On a recent visit in the East, Mr. Salberg met representatives from the Southern organization, and June was suggested as an ideal time for their visit. It

was suggested that representatives of Western clubs be included in the invitation, and a team be selected to meet the Minneapolis or Chicago players.

Mrs. James Alves, secretary-treasurer, gave a splendid report of the work done in organizing competitions and she welcomed a new club to the C.L.G.U.—The Pine Ridge Golf Club, ladies' section, which was organized recently.

A satisfactory financial statement was given, and a balance of \$144.99 was shown in the general account, with a substantial sum in savings.

Mrs. W. J. Faulkner, handicap manager, told of a gratifying cut in handicaps during the past year, and urged the affiliated clubs to retain their handicap managers for more than one season, as knowledge and experience is gained after a thorough acquaintance with the C.L.G.U. system.

Mrs. B. Pellenz, chairman of the pars committee, reported four courses parred—Pine Ridge, St. Charles, Canoe Club and Assiniboine.

After discussion regarding the city and district competition, it was decided by the meeting that the competition be held for three days on three different courses.

Mrs. Bruce Hill presented the report of the nominating committee, and the officers elected for the year were:—Honorary president, Mrs. Douglas Laird; president, Mrs. Iman Salberg; vice-president, Mrs. B. P. Pellenz; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. James Alves; handicap manager, Mrs. W. J. Faulkner.

Mrs. E. C. Harte, honour guest of the evening, presented the season's prizes, which were won by Mrs. R. K. Beairsto, Mrs. B. P. Pellenz, Mrs. J. L. Petersen, Mrs. Sydney Morris, Mrs. Elmer Swenson, Mrs. Fred Anderson, Mrs. R. M. Simpson, Mrs. Boyd MacTavish, Mrs. J. H. Forster, Mrs. F. G. Collie, Mrs. Beverly Grant, Mrs. J. A. Jack, Mrs. Charles Attwood, Mrs. H. Lewis, Mrs. F. Archibald, Mrs. John Beveridge, Mrs. George Heffelfinger, Mrs. Gordon Konantz, Misses Lois McLaren, Margaret Fletcher, Maude Axford, Elizabeth Baird, Jean Ross, and Barbara Ross.

The inter-club championship trophy was won by St. Charles; Bronze division, St. Charles Country Club; Silver division, low nett, Niakwa Golf and Country Club; Bronze division, low nett, Elmhurst Club.

There was a very large attendance of members.

Miniature tees with tiny golfers and their diminutive caddies awaiting their turn to drive, and a green where the last critical putt was absorbing the interest of the little group, decorated the tables at the dinner.

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## "Wake Up" Canadian Civic Fathers!

**I**N recognition of her winning the English Championship, Miss Wanda Morgan was presented with an illuminated address by the Whitstable Town Council.

Page Canadian municipalities. It is rather odd that although corporations in this country acclaim the winners of all kinds of sports, that it is not on record that a golfer has ever been honoured by a municipality as a result of winning a championship. For instance, the three times Amateur Champion of Canada, Mr. Ross Somerville, has never had his prowess acclaimed by the City Council of London, Ontario, although he has put that place "on the golfing map" in no uncertain manner the past few years. It is about time Canadian municipalities recognized that outstanding golfing achievements are worthy of civic recognition the same as in other sports.

## “Play”

One of the Many Delightful Reminiscences in Mr. P. D. Ross' Book, Which is Now in its Second Printing.

“Men are but children of a larger growth”.—Dryden, All for Love.

VIRGINIA, Hot Springs, is a hamlet lying in a lovely valley of the Appalachian Mountains in West Virginia, a night's run from Washington. “The Greenbrier”, a famous hotel, is practically the whole thing, with, of course, two first class golf courses.

In the spring of 1913, on the last green of one of these golf courses I missed a short putt, which gave the match to my partner. He headed for the club house, while I lingered behind trying the putt over again. Dusk was coming on; nobody was around except an old gentleman, who had watched the finish. He strolled over and remarked, “I could show you just how you missed that putt.” He took my putter, and played a putt himself. He missed.

“Why,” he said, “there must be a little slope in the ground.”

He tried again; missed again. “I don't like your putter much,” he remarked, handing it back to me with dignity.

I received it with suitable gravity.

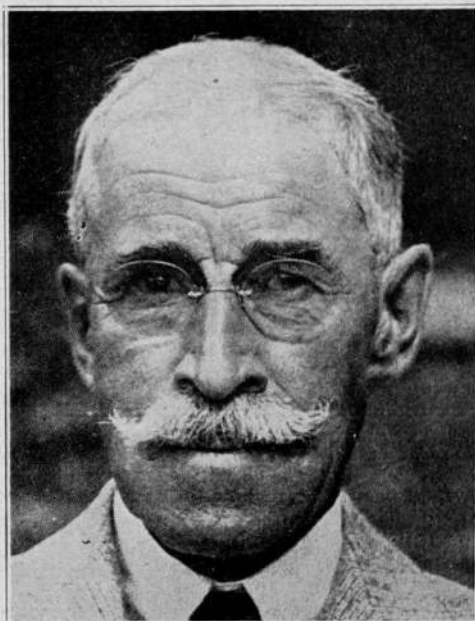
We walked off toward the club house. On the way he asked me if I would mind playing a round with an old man like himself. So we arranged to meet next day.

At 10 o'clock next morning, the appointed time, the old chap was at the first tee with quite a little crowd of people standing around, evidently interested in him. We started off. The little crowd followed. Along about the second or third hole they got pretty close up. My opponent looked back and remarked in an amiable way: “I wish people wouldn't follow one so. For that reason, I prefer to play on my own links.”

Thirty or forty thousand dollars a year can be easily spent keeping up a golf course. “You have a private course, sir?” I remarked.

“Yes,” said my companion, “yes, I have a good course at Lakewood, New Jersey. Still, I don't like it as well as a little course I have on the Hudson.”

“Ah—you have two courses?”



Mr. P. D. Ross, president of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, author of “Retrospects of a Newspaper Person”, now in its second edition.

“Yes, indeed three. I have a course at Cleveland, Ohio.”

“I beg your pardon,” I observed, “but may I ask your name?”

“Why, certainly—sorry I did not mention it. Rockefeller—John D. Rockefeller.”

During subsequent talk, Mr. Rockefeller, who was then 72 years of age, told me that he had taken up golf seven years before on the advice of his doctor; and he was inclined to think that doing so might have saved his life, as he “had been a martyr to dyspepsia.”

“But apart from that,” he proceeded, “it is a wonderful game. I



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Mr. John D. Rockefeller, who figures in Mr. P. D. Ross' "Reminiscences".

never miss a day with golf if I can help it. In only play 14 holes, but I play every morning in the year if I can manage. Florida in the winter, Augusta and Hot Springs later, up north in summer."

One day he remarked casually: "If my doctor told me now to give this thing up, I think I'd change my doctor."

That, as I have said, was in 1913, when John D. Rockefeller was 72 years of age. As I write he is 90 years of age, still playing golf.

This giant of the financial world, now so far past the allotted age of

humankind, an old man long, long ago, has yet enjoyed for numerous years a lovely thing in life, clean play every day in the open air, keen interest, good companionship, pleasure, health.

Having drunk deep of all that life can offer of power and struggle, he nears eternity with a fortaste of heaven.

Is there a moral?

## Nearly Six Hundred Clubs in Canada

Growth of the Game in the Dominion is "Steady and Sure". Ontario Still in the Lead.

FROM records carefully compiled by the "Canadian Golfer" up to the end of October last there were 591 golf clubs in operation in Canada. This is an increase of 19 over 1930. Not a bad showing considering the depression existing throughout the country, which has been so keenly felt not only

in business but in sporting circles too. As a matter of fact, golf is about the only thing that really has "stood up". By Provinces these clubs are divided as follows:—

Alberta 56, British Columbia 49, Manitoba 71, New Brunswick 13, Nova Scotia 20, Ontario 194, Prince Edward Island 3, Quebec 73, Saskatchewan 112. These figures more or less bear out the contention of prominent Western golf executives that there are to-day almost as many golf clubs and golfers West of Fort William as East of Fort William.

Ontario still retains its commanding lead, with Saskatchewan in second place. It must be remembered however that in "the Province of Broad Acres" many of the clubs are quite small affairs, whilst the majority of Ontario clubs are now in "the eighteen-hole-course column".

Toronto with 32 clubs and two new quite outstanding 18-hole courses to be opened up next season is the golfiest city in Canada, although Winnipeg with 20 clubs has more golfers per caput than any other city in the Dominion. Montreal, the cradle of the game in Canada, boasts 21 clubs. The ranking of other cities 3 clubs or more is as follows:—

Vancouver 9, Ottawa 8, Calgary 6, Victoria 6, Hamilton 6, Windsor 5, Edmonton 5, Regina 4, Sarnia 4 (with a \$600,000 golf and country club to be built by Detroit interests next year), London 4, Brantford 3, Peterborough 3, Halifax 3, Three Rivers 3, Sault St. Marie 3, Medicine Hat 3. Cities with two clubs are Brandon, Man., Moncton, N.B., St. John, N.B., Belleville, Ont., Fort William, Ont., Guelph, Ont., Kitchener, Ont., Owen Sound, Ont., Port Arthur, Ont., St. Thomas, Ont., Stratford, Ont., Quebec City, Moose Jaw, Sask., Saskatoon, Sask., Swift Current, Sask.

Golfing prospects for 1932 are quite bright although there will be no "boom". Several new courses will be put into play and generally there will be a steady advance in the number of clubs and in the number of players. Golf to-day in Canada is on a particularly solid foundation.

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## Cedar Brook, Toronto, Has Successful Year

THE first of the important Toronto clubs to have its annual meeting is Cedar Brook and the members had the pleasure of hearing heartening reports. A very satisfactory operating profit for the year was reported of \$8,775.00. Certainly highly satisfactory. Total fees received during the year were \$36,841, which was a reduction compared with 1930 of about 15 per cent. Under the circumstances a very creditable showing as the year closing was a most trying one in sporting as well as in business circles. The total assets of Cedar Brook now amount to the handsome sum of \$151,753. The substantial sum of \$13,092 was spent on course maintenance and wages and \$7,454.00 on club house and locker rooms.

The officers of the club for the forthcoming year are as follows:—

Hon. president, Mr. A. E. King; president, Mr. R. W. Parker; hon. treasurer, Mr. W. F. Day; chairman of green committee, Mr. F. A. Duffort; chairman of house committee, Mr. A. A. Kirby; chairman of membership committee, Mr. W. J. McDermid; captain, Mr. A. Hinton; vice-president, Mr. Joseph Sedgwick.

## Where Golf is Played at \$1.00 per Month

Orono In Ontario, Has a Nice Little Course Where Its Citizens Enjoy the Royal and Ancient at a Few Dollars Per Year.

**O**RONO, a charming little town not so far from Toronto, has been quite in the limelight lately in the Toronto papers, because there is no unemployment there, and its citizens live a contented life sans high taxes and everything else that tends to make life peaceful and happy.

Orono has a community hall and also boasts a 2,500-yard golf course, where its citizens enjoy the Royal and Ancient game at the very minimum of expense. The membership is some fifty and the officers are: President, Wm. Armstrong; vice-president, O. A. Gamsby; secretary, Jno. Armstrong; treasurer, A. A. Drummond; captain, Albert West; lady captain, Marjorie Armstrong, and directors besides the officers, G. M. Linton, and O. W. Ralph. It only costs \$1.00 per month to play over the course. Think of that in these days of the high cost of golf!

In the picture herewith are shown the oldest and youngest golfers of this quite remarkable little Ontario town. On the right is Mr. Orme Gamsby, "the oldest young man" in Northumberland County. Mr. Gamsby celebrated his sixty-eighth birthday on Nov. 17, the day the above photo was taken. On the left is Junior West, who will not be 3 years of age until next February. Mr. Gamsby is



And here is a very unique and interesting photo — sixty-eight-year-old Mr. Orme Gamsby, all-round sportsman, and his two-year-old "chum", Junior West.

a most ardent sportsman, being intensely interested in all forms of amateur athletics. Due to his efforts, Orono has been kept on the sports map, the enthusiasm which he has engendered in his home town having been very contagious. Were there more places like Orono in Canada.

## Turf for Golf Courses and Sports Use

**T**HE following extracts from a brochure, recently issued by the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, by the government experts, Messrs. R. I. Hamilton, Fred Dunwick and S. E. Clarke, will be found especially valuable to greenkeepers and all interested in golf courses the coming season of 1932:—

**Drainage**—No grass can be expected to produce satisfactory results on water-logged soil and where drainage is necessary it must be provided. For raised greens, particularly where the soil is sandy and where seepage is not present from higher ground, artificial subsoil or underdrains may not be necessary, but when such drainage is necessary tile drains are the most satisfactory to use. Lack of surface drainage is one of the main reasons for much of the winter loss of grass in Canada and all greens must be laid out and built to provide a free outlet for surface water from the green as a whole and from all parts of it. No matter how satisfactory subsoil drainage is there are times when it



cannot function and at such times water on the surface of the green can be expected to cause damage to the grass.

Seeding should be done broadcast and all possible precautions taken to prevent the seed being left in rows or waves. A division of the seed to be sown into two parts and two separate seedings, the second to cross the first at right angles, made over the area to be sown will give even stands, than where only one seeding is made. Broadcasting by hand can be done by careful and experienced men but machine seeding is preferable.

Creeping Bent—Creeping bent exists in many different strains, can be found growing wild in many sections of Canada and is also found in patches on many established greens where it has been introduced in seed of other grasses. All creeping bent does not produce equally good turf so that if it is decided to use creeping bent a strain should be obtained which has, based on actual tests, proven satisfactory. The Washington and Metropolitan strains, received through the courtesy of the United States Golf Association are undoubtedly the best strains of creeping bent now available and sufficient of these strains can be obtained free of charge for nursery planting. In the test plots at Ottawa the Washington and Metropolitan bents produced the best sod of any creeping bents tested and superior turf to that produced from seeding of any other kind of grass. Seed of Washington or Metropolitan creeping bent is not available commercially so that greens put down to either of these strains must be started from vegetative cuttings. Material for vegetative plantings can be purchased commercially but the cheapest, most satisfactory and most logical source of supply is from nurseries established and maintained by the club desiring to produce creeping bent grass greens.

Resurfacing of Established Greens with Creeping Bent—Where the playing surface on an established green is unsatisfactory vegetative planting of creeping bent can be made without removing the old sod. For such a resurfacing the planting is done the same as for a new green except that the stolons are laid in a mat on the old sod which must previously have been cut very close or scalped. Where the old surface is generally weedy it is advisable to remove the old sod or if weeds only occur in patches such sections should be removed and the surface brought up to the level of the rest of the green with soil well packed in. A heavy watering of the green is advisable before laying the stolons, which are laid, covered and treated the same as for a new green.

Creeping bent can be introduced into established greens by using plugs of creeping bent sod wherever the cup is moved, by doing any necessary patching with bent sod and by introducing stolons into the green in rows. In this method the green is lined out for rows six inches to a foot apart, the sod opened with a spade and the stolons laid in a row along these openings. A rolling and top dressing will then close up the cuts in the green which can be continued in play. Bent put in in this way will of course show up in rows, but these rows will spread and gradually disappear as the creeping bent spreads and crowds out the other grasses.

Snow Mould—The most serious disease affecting greens in Canada is snow mould, a grey mouldy growth which may cover the grass when the snow goes off leaving a grey slimy mass of dead or badly injured grass. For the prevention of snow mould an application of corrosive sublimate at a rate of 2 to 3 ounces per 1,000 sq. ft. has proven satisfactory.

Worms—Corrosive sublimate or lead arsenate are recognized as satisfactory for controlling earthworms in greens. The corrosive sublimate at a rate of 1 ounce per 100 sq. ft. can be applied mixed with compost or applied in solution to the greens. Its effect is very rapid but with us has not been lasting. It should be applied whenever worms are troublesome. Lead arsenate applied and watered in at 5 pounds per 1,000 sq. ft. has given more lasting results than corrosive sublimate. Applied with compost, well worked into the grass and then watered in this material after several applications at monthly intervals poisoned the ground so that worms could not live in it.

Ants—No satisfactory method is known for keeping greens free of ants. They can be controlled to a good extent with carbon bisulphide. This is a liquid which when not confined turns into a heavy gas and a small quantity placed in each ant hill will break up that colony. A wet sack about a foot square placed over the hill after it has been treated will hold the gas in the soil and intensify the effect of the treatment.

## In and Round the Club House

Interesting Happenings on the Courses of England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales and the Overseas Dominions.

Owing to a change in the Scarlett Road, which runs along the course the Lambton Golf Club, Toronto, has been enabled to even further im-

prove its famous fourth hole. The back of the green is being built up and more traps built. The 11th hole is also being greatly improved. The



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5th tee will be put back some 20 yards which will make it into a par 5 hole, which will help to balance the par of the course better—35 out and 36 in. Lambton with these improvements will provide a magnificent test of golf for the 1932 Canadian Amateur Championship.

R. Neilson, the professional at the Sarnia Golf Club, has left for Valdosta, Georgia, where he has a club for the winter. He reports a very good season just closed at Sarnia.

Horton Smith, who came out of Joplin, Mo., to blaze a shining trail across the professional tournament circuit, has signed up for a stay-at-home season at Oak Park Country

Club, Chicago. He is the new professional there, succeeding Ray Croslin. Although Smith has registered as from Cragston-on-Hudson, he has been one of the most persistent travellers among the pros. He will take up his new duties next spring and, according to club officials, will devote most of his time next season to giving instruction.

Says the Golf Monthly, Edinburgh: "George Murray, greenkeeper to the Tain Golf Club, has received an appointment in Canada. Murray is a good golfer, and he is scratch at Tain. For over two years in succession he won the Jackson, Duff and Rose Cups."

Mr. H. H. Williams, Toronto, a Governor of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, and Mrs. Williams left this month to spend the winter at their beautiful home at Lake Wales, Florida.

The qualities of a suitable turf for golf fairways and putting surfaces provided the subject of discussion at a recent meeting of the Empire Club of Toronto, where the New Zealand Trade Commissioner, seeking an outlet for the products of his Dominion, urged the Canadian golfer to insist on Chewings fescue for fairway and green. The Trade Commissioner attended the meeting to solicit business for his country and included the popular seed among the commodities which Canada might import in larger quantities.

The annual meeting of the United States Golf Association will be held on Saturday, January 9, 1932, at the Hotel Biltmore, New York City, at 11 a.m. Each member club has the right to be represented by one voting delegate, duly authorized, and his appointment must be certified by his club secretary. Or a member club may issue a proxy duly certified by the secretary to any such voting delegate who, however, shall not vote more than five proxies. Green section—As the green section committee has held a number of sectional meet-

ings during the past year, there will be no formal meeting of the committee at the time of the annual meeting of the association. However, the green section committee will have an exhibit at the Biltmore Hotel in the room reserved for the annual meeting and from 9.30 a.m., Dr. John Monteith, Mr. E. F. Kellerman and Mr. Kenneth Welton will be in attendance. These gentlemen will be glad to answer any questions and discuss any problems submitted by green section committee chairmen, greenkeepers and delegates, all of whom are invited to inspect the green section committee exhibit.

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Archie Bloor, professional of the Cobourg Golf Club, writes the Editor:—

“Our course this season has been in wonderful shape. We have had one of our best seasons. Quite a number of our local people are taking more interest in the game. We have had more members this season and our green fees were quite above the average. This fall we have made a few very good changes in the course, making our tees bigger and putting in several more traps round the greens. From a personal standpoint particularly pleased with the improved play of many of our lady players. No fewer than seventeen reduced their handicaps this season. Our inter-club matches have been very successful, we only losing two matches.”

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The annual meeting of the ladies' section of the Mississauga Golf and Country Club was held at the Granite Club, Toronto. Mrs. W. B. Reid presided, and gratifying reports were given by the secretary, treasurer and conveners. The officers elected were: President, Mrs. W. B. Reid; vice-president, Mrs. B. H. L. Symmes; secretary, Mrs. J. N. McKinley; treasurer, Mrs. J. C. Armer; captain, Miss Marjorie Bickle; vice-captain, Mrs. Jack Simser; 19-hole ringer secretary, Mrs. Lyman Root; 9-hole ringer secretary, Miss B. A. Ross. The convener of the house committee is Mrs. L. Gourlay. Tea was served after the meeting, with Mrs. Harry McGee and Mrs. N. Mills presiding, assisted by Mrs. William O'Connor, Mrs. William McMillan, Mrs. William Argue, Mrs. F. O. Mitchell and Mrs. Jack Wickett.



This beautiful example of the silversmith's art is the "Bogert Cup" presented this year for the first time by Mr. C. A. Bogert, Toronto, a former president of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, for competition in the Seniors' annual tournament for the best nett score all classes, 36 holes. It was won by Mr. D. McLennan, of the Royal Montreal Golf Club, who secures a miniature of the trophy. His score was the very excellent one of 147. The well known Toronto firm of Ryrie-Birks designed the cup which for graceful lines, possibly has no peer amongst Canadian golfing trophies. It is sterling silver 21½ inches high with a 9" square base.

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J. R. Williams, formerly professional at Moncton, N.B., but who is now



holding down a prominent berth in New Haven, Conn., is spending Xmas with relatives in his native Harlech, North Wales. He is a very fine player indeed and is looking forward to some games in Wales during the holidays.

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Despatch from Victoria, B.C.:—

Victoria's outstanding winter attraction, the Empress Mid-winter Golf Tournament, inaugurated three years ago, is attracting interest all over Canada, H. F. Matthews, General Manager of Western Hotels, Canadian Pacific Railway, whose Empress Hotel here sponsors the event, declared.

Recently returned from a trip to Montreal and Toronto, Mr. Matthews said the Empress tournament was attracting attention, a number of leading Eastern amateurs contemplating a Western jaunt in February to try and lift the E. W. Beatty Championship Trophy. The tournament will be held at Colwood, rated among the finest golf courses on the Continent, Feb. 22-27.

Hitherto entrants in the preceding three Empress tournaments have been drawn mainly from the Pacific Coast, including Washington and Oregon, and from the Canadian Prairies. This year, however, Mr. Matthews believes, the Vancouver Island classic will draw a large field of Easterners. Possibly a couple of teams from Ontario and Quebec.

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Mr. Arthur B. Purvis, president and managing director of Canadian Industries, Limited, stated that there was no truth to the report emanating from New York that the du Pont Company had purchased control of the Dunlop Tire & Rubber Goods Co., Limited of Canada. The fact is that the common stock of that company is held somewhat less than two-thirds by the Dunlop Rubber Company, of London, England, and somewhat over one-third by Canadian Industries, Limited. Nor is there any suggestion or intention of such a purchase. Mr. Purvis also called attention to the fact that the same report was quite incorrect in stating that the du Pont Company entirely owned the stock of Canadian Industries, Limited. The great majority of the preferred stock of Canadian Industries, Limited, is held in Canada and the majority of the common stock—the only other issue outstanding—is held in the British Empire by Canadian and English stockholders. It is true that the

du Pont Company holds stock in Canadian Industries, Limited, through the medium of a Canadian company, Associated Securities of Canada, mentioned in the report in question, but this du Pont holding is a minority one.

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In recognition of her winning the English Native Championship, Miss Wanda Morgan was presented with an illuminated address by the Whitstable Town Council.

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Mr. J. Ross Stewart, secretary of the Aetna Insurance Company, Hartford, Conn., was among many prominent Americans who the past season toured the Maritimes. Mr. Stewart played over several well known golf courses in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, ending up his itinerary at St. Andrews-by-the-Sea, N.B. He writes the "Canadian Golfer" that he was particularly pleased with this well known C.P.R. resort and considered the golf courses there worthy of famous "Auld St. Andrews" herself—and that is "some praise".

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Mr. R. O. McCulloch, Galt, president of the Mutual Life of Canada, has been elected to the directorate of the Imperial Bank of Canada. Mr. McCulloch, who is one of the prominent financial executives of the Dominion, in his younger days was a very prominent cricketer. Of more recent years he has been a keen advocate and follower of golf. He and his family have done much to make the Galt Golf Club one of the outstanding clubs of Ontario.

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Mrs. F. H. Phippen, the popular president of the women's golf section of the Toronto Hunt Club, was hostess of a very enjoyable luncheon for the golfers and other guests at the club at the closing field day. At tea time Mrs. Phippen, Mrs. A. B. Barker, Mrs. E. C. Ashton and Mrs. William Finlayson officiated. Before the prizes were presented, Mrs. A. P. Burritt presented a corsage of Talisman



roses to Mrs. Phippen, who was cheered by the members, and "She's a Jolly Good Fellow" was sung in her honour. The winners of the season's prizes were:—

Club championship, presented by Mrs. Arthurs Miles, won by Mrs. J. J. Ashworth; runner-up, presented by Mrs. E. B. Ryckman, won by Mrs. H. Patterson; 9-hole championship, given by Mrs. F. A. Reid, won by Miss Fowlds; runner-up, Miss Cosby; Cowan Plate, presented by Mrs. F. W. Cowan, won by Mrs. Patterson; second cup, presented by Mrs. Phippen, won by Miss L. Fowlds; 19-hole ringer, not decided; 9-hole ringer, also presented by Mrs. Phippen, won by Miss C. Cosby; second 9-hole ringer, presented by Miss Cosby, won by Mrs. Heber Phillips; bronze division, ringer, Miss Lily Maule; the Anna Barnard Cup, presented by Mr. A. W. Barnard, won by Miss Lily Maule; medal round, 18-hole, nett score, presented by Mrs. Cameron, won by Mrs. Reid; 9-hole nett, presented by Mrs. J. B. McLeod, won by Miss E. Livingstone; driving, 18-hole, presented by Mrs. A. H. C. Proctor, won by Mrs. More; 9-hole, presented by Mrs. Arnold Ivey, won by Mrs. Playfair. Approaching and putting, 18-hole bronze, presented by Mrs. W. Hastie, won by Mrs. Shirley Denison; 9-hole, presented by Mrs. Jennings, won by Miss L. Fowlds; silver division, presented by Mrs. Duncan, won by Mrs. Crockett.

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Fire last month badly damaged the Spring Hill Golf and Yacht Club House, owned and managed by H. Grant Duff, Amherstburg, Ont. The loss is heavy. The cause of the fire is a mystery. The war veterans held a very successful reunion banquet at the club the night previous, and everything apparently was all right when the proceedings were concluded.

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Charlie Murray, professional at the Royal Montreal Golf Club, is again at the Gulf Stream Club, Delray Beach, Florida, for the winter season.

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Pine Ridge golf members were able to review a most successful season at the annual meeting held in the Manitoba Club, Winnipeg, this month. E. H. Macklin was re-elected president for the sixth term. The complete directorate is: Hon. president, E. W. Neelands; president, E. H. Macklin; vice-president, J. R. Mur-

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Municipal welfare department of Dayton, Ohio, is constructing a golf course in the Miami View district to be devoted to the exclusive use of coloured citizens. Labourers, from the unemployed workers of the city, are paid in grocery orders.

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The difference in weight between the 1931 ball and the one to become official on April 15, 1932, in the United States, is only 7/100ths oz. A convenient way to demonstrate what this difference amounts to has been worked out by Wilson-Western. "Get a couple of cigarettes in your hand and heft 'em," so says a piece of Wilson publicity. "That'll be about the maximum difference in weight be-



tween the 1931 ball and the heavier ball you'll smack down the fairway next season."

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Despatch from Sarnia, Ont., Dec. 10th:—

"Sale of the 'Finery', a wooded tract of lake front land on Lake Huron in Bosanquet Township, 40 miles northeast of this city for approximately half a million dollars, was announced here to-day a local realtor. The purchasers are a Detroit group and it is intended to develop the property as a resort. Plans embrace construction of a golf course, club house and yacht harbour. Riding and winter sports also form part of the tentative programme. The improvements contemplated will cost in the neighbourhood of \$600,000."

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George Ashdown, a 22-year-old professional, won a £50 a-side freak golf match on the Esher course last month, his opponent being an amateur with a handicap of 18. The unusual "teeing ground" was Miss Ena Shaw, a London probationer, who adjusted a wooden tee to her head by means of an elastic band. Ashdown won by 7 and 5, and thus made 13 freak drives off the nurse's head.

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As a novel feature of a stag evening the Grants Pass (Ore.) C.C. recently tested after dark the skill of those present at approaching, putting, driving and playing explosion shots. A light was placed in the cup. In the approaching contest players shot from 100 feet.

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Mr. Thomas Coulling was re-elected president of the Alerest Golf Club, Winnipeg, at the annual meeting at the Carlton Club. There was a splendid turnout of members and the meeting was most enthusiastic. Reports of the different committees showed the past season to have been the most successful which the club has ever had.

Howard Dexter, in making his report as chairman of the green committee, paid tribute to the St. Charles Country Club in making available the services of their course superintendent, Mr. Creed, under whose able guidance two new greens were built

and from whom much valuable advice was received.

The following directors were elected for the coming year: Thomas Coulling, president; W. J. Lindal, vice-president; H. P. Dexter, J. W. Wheatcraft, S. MacKay, J. R. Aikman, C. F. Ronnan, G. Thomas and J. M. Blair.

Immediately following the business meeting, dinner was served and prizes presented to the winners of the various events held during the past season. A musical programme followed, H. McBride, W. Bruce and W. J. Cunningham contributing songs. Jack Duthie, who was visiting from Toronto, was warmly welcomed by his old club mates. Mr. Duthie expressed his desire of giving a cup for annual competition, which generous offer will no doubt be accepted by the board.

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The Prince of Wales has consented to become president of the Royal North Devon Club for 1932. It is expected that he will play a good deal on the Northam Burrows during the coming year.

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Excepting Royal Blackheath, the oldest golf club in existence, and the Old Manchester Club, which was inaugurated in 1818, Westward Ho! claims to be the oldest club in England, and it owed its success during the struggling years of its inception to the members of the Royal Blackheath Club. Westward Ho! has produced some great golfers, notably John Henry Taylor, Josh Taylor, and Jack Rowe, who learned the rudiments of the game on the historic links. It is one of 57 clubs that have been accorded the right to the use of the designation "Royal". Of these the Royal and Ancient Club, St. Andrews, is the senior. The Royal Montreal Golf is the only club in Canada entitled to the prefix "Royal".

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Agua Caliente has revised division of the \$15,000 that will be cut up next January 12, 13, 14 and 15, when





the "Open" will be played. First money will be \$5,000, second prize \$2,500, third \$1,500, and fourth \$900. From the latter figure the prize awards will range down to \$350 for tenth place. Beyond this place in the field a number of awards of \$200, \$100, and \$50 each will go to make up the total. There will be a total of twenty-five prizes.

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Dr. R. Yeo was named president of the Rising Sun Golf Club, Winnipeg, at the annual banquet and presentation of prizes held in the Thistle Curling Club rooms. S. J. Patterson was again chosen secretary. Songs and speeches made the evening an enjoyable one. Messrs. Devlin and Patterson were honoured by suitable presentations from the club for valu-

able services rendered during the season.

The prize winners for the season were as follows:—

First competition—Saunders and Moysey.

Second competition—Gallant and Burwash.

Singles—Group A, Wm. Muirhead. Group B, Dr. R. Yeo.

E. R. Shaw Cup for club championship was won by Dr. R. Yeo and the low gross score was also carried off by Dr. R. Yeo.

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Many friends of Harry Black, professional of the Birchdale Golf and Country Club, Riverbend, Que., will be sorry to hear that his eldest boy has been in the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, for some months as a

## Forthcoming Winter and Other Fixtures

Dec. 22-25—Christmas week tournament at Belmont Manor, Bermuda.

December 24—10th Annual Father and Son Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

December 26-28—Glendale, Cal.

December 26, 28, 29, 30, 31—29th Annual Midwinter Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

January 2—Santa Monica Open.

January 9-11—Los Angeles \$10,000 Open.

January 12-15—Agua Caliente Open Tournament, \$15,000, Agua Caliente, Mexico.

January 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30—28th Annual St. Valentine's Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

February 8, 9, 10, 11—27th Annual St. Valentine's Tournament for Women, Pinehurst, N.C.

Feb. 9—Spey Royal annual trophy tournament at Belmont Manor, Bermuda.

February 13, 15, 16, 17—12th Annual Seniors' Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

Feb. 16-20—Belmont Manor Ladies' championship tournament, Bermuda.

Feb. 16-20—Riddell's Bay Golf and Country Club championship (open), Bermuda.

Feb. 22—Augusta Seniors' Championship, open to players of 55 years of age and over. Forest Hills Golf Course, Augusta, Ga.

February 22-27—Empress Midwinter Tournament, Victoria, B.C.

February 26, 27, 29, March 1, 2, 3—28th Annual Spring Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

March 1-5—Belmont Manor men's championship tournament (open), Bermuda.

March 8-12—International men's tournament at Belmont Manor (open to club pairs).

March 8-12—Annual Bermuda Amateur Championship at Riddell's Bay, Bermuda.

March 11-12—Forest Hills Women's Invitation Tournament, Forest Hills, Augusta, Ga.

March 14—Augusta Women's Invitation Tournament, held at Augusta C.C.

March 15—Hiram Walker-Gooderham & Wortz championship at Belmont Manor, Bermuda.

March 15-19—Annual Bermuda Ladies' Championship at Riddell's Bay, Bermuda.

March 17—Augusta Country Club Championship, held at Augusta C.C.

March 24-25—30th Annual United North and South Open Championship, Pinehurst, N.C.

March 28, 29, 30, 31, April 1—30th Annual United North and South Amateur Championship for Women, Pinehurst, N.C.

April 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9—32nd Annual United North and South Amateur Championship, Pinehurst, N.C.

April 18, 19, 20, 21, 22—22nd Annual Mid-April Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

May 23, 1932—British Amateur Championship, at Muirfield.

May 24-25, 1932—Ladies' International Matches, at Saunton, England.

May 26-27, 1932—Ladies' Open Championship Qualifying Rounds, at Saunton, England.

May 30-June 2, 1932—Ladies' Open Championship, at Saunton, England.

June 6, 1932—British Open Championship, at Sandwich.

result of injuries received whilst playing football. He has had to undergo five operations but the doctors hold out hope for his ultimate recovery.

Ivo Whitton, the Victorian amateur, scored his fifth victory in the Australian Open Championship, which he first won in 1912. His aggregate for the seventy-two holes was 301.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dick, Cobourg, Ontario, have left to spend the winter as usual at Daytona Beach, Florida. Mr. Dick had the honour of giving Mr. George S. Lyon his first game of golf many years ago, on the old Rosedale Golf Course, Toronto. Mr. Dick and his family are all very keen golfers.

## Classified Advertisements

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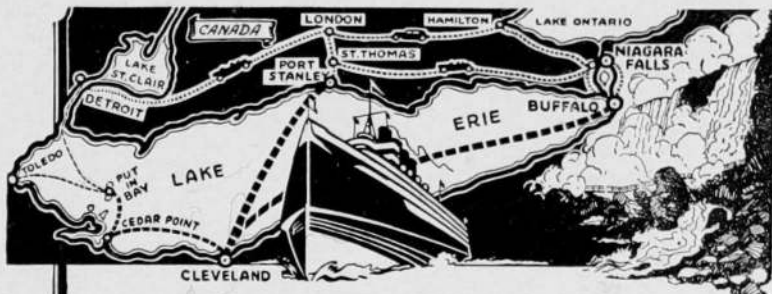
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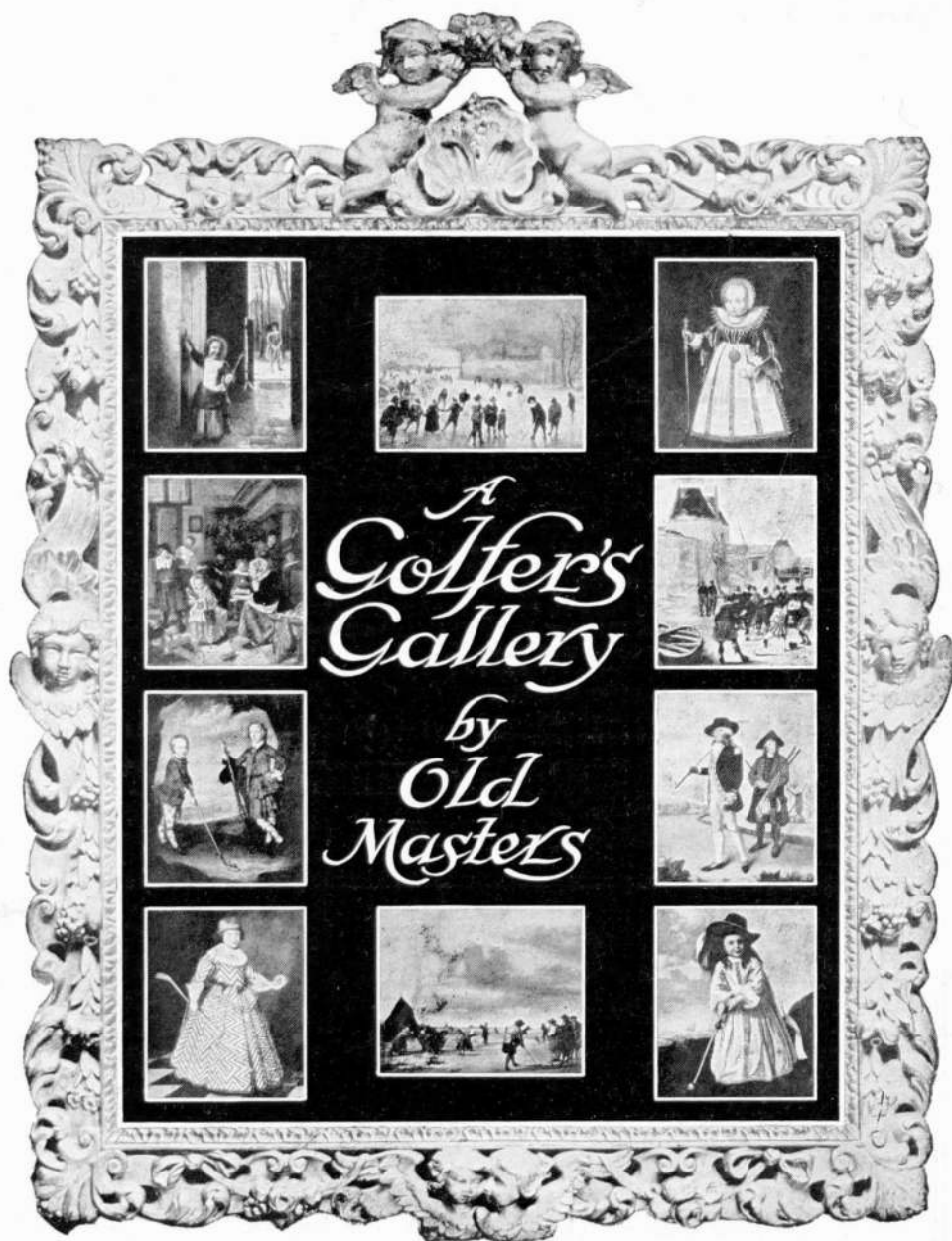
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