

## Peter Pangel

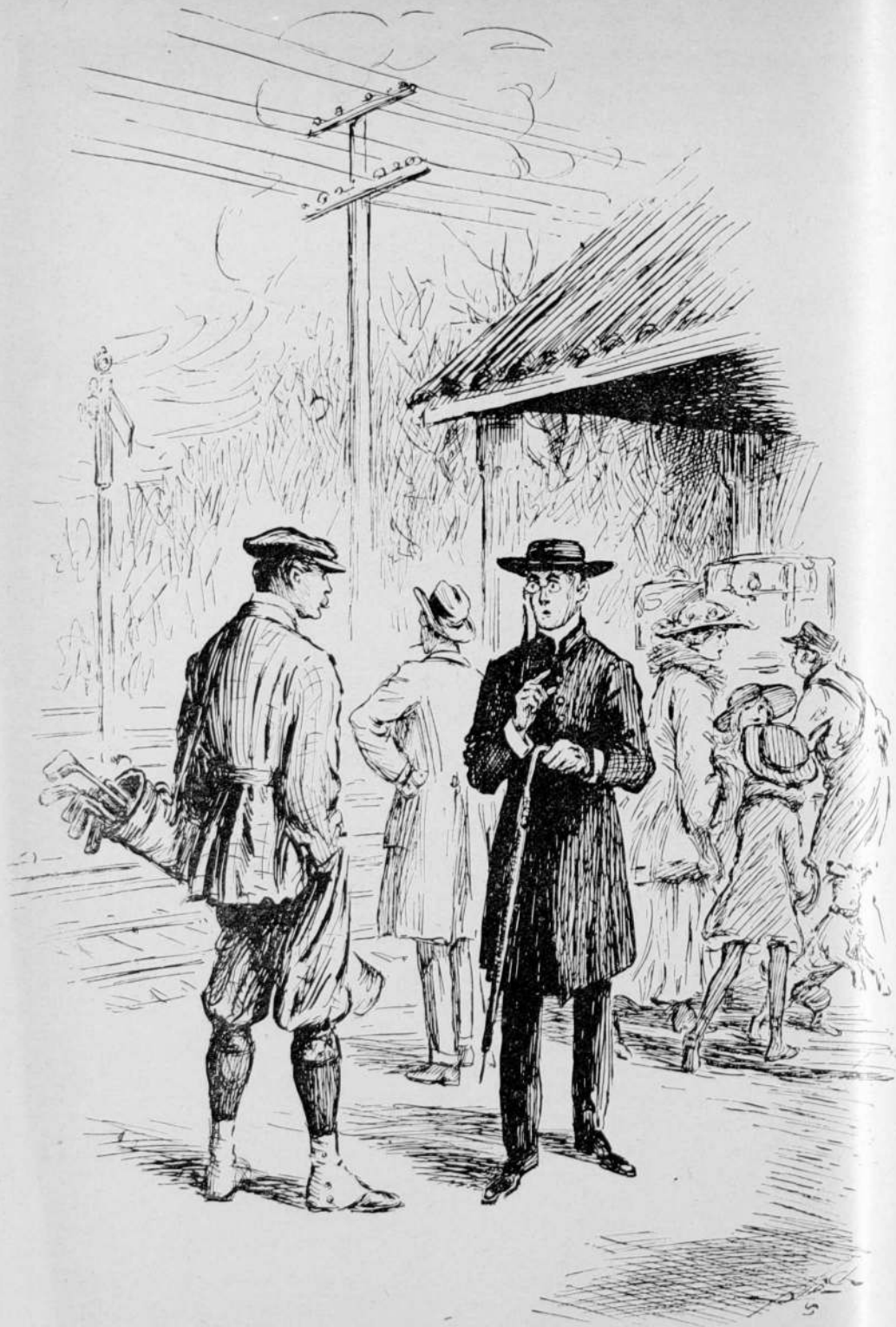
Peter Pangel's perfect putter,  
Put the golf world in a flutter,  
Pangel's patent peerless ball,  
O'er all others had the call.  
Clubs of all kinds he invented,  
Professionals were near demented  
Keeping up with Peter, busy  
Thinking things that made 'em dizzy.

Golfers in the land of heather,  
Panic stricken, met together,  
Called upon, in sheer dismay,  
Assistance from the U. S. A.  
Canada was also called,  
S. O. S., the wires were labelled.—  
"You'll be awfully obliging  
Pangel's patents, ostracizing."

Nothing daunted, Peter Pangel,  
Tho' his schemes were all a-jangle,  
Patiently prepared to plan,  
Something good for ev'ry man.  
Then it was this rainbow-seeker,  
Popped upon a grand repeater,  
Wonderful, a cinch to sell it—  
Peter Pangel's Highball pellet.

Peter's pills with prompt decision,  
Put a crimp in prohibition,  
They were always, handy, free,  
Helping out democracy.  
Great, indeed, for lunch or dinner,  
Lofty Saint, or lowly sinner.  
Now, our Peter, Sacred Soul, he  
Stands for all that's "Nineteenth hole-y."

—W. H. Webling.



The Rev.: "Yes, he's engaged, fortunately, to a girl, who takes him to church, every Sunday."

Well, I'm glad of it. He's one of those pesky slow players, and was always getting in front of me and littering up the Links."

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### Sir Wilfred an Exception to the Rule

The passing, amidst an Empire's sorrow, of the eloquent and beloved statesman, Sir Wilfred Laurier, recalls the rather remarkable circumstance, that, unlike most of his distinguished contemporaries, he was not fond of outdoor sports—in fact took no interest in them whatever, either as a participant or onlooker.

It is related in one of the Ottawa papers that he did not know a golf ball from a cricket ball. Certain it is that he told the "Canadian Golfer" during a memorable conversation in Ottawa some two or three years ago, that although he knew that golf and other games were "both interesting and healthful," he had "neither the time nor inclination for them."

Unlike so many of his compatriots in former days, he was not even enthusiastic about lacrosse. Sir Wilfred loved the beautiful, the aesthetic and artistic; was an omniverous devourer of the best in books, but not a game of any kind appealed to him, although in his younger days it is stated he was an expert skater.

Under the circumstances it is certainly cause for congratulation, that he should have enjoyed comparatively speaking such excellent health and should have attained to such longevity, even though he was not a disciple of the out-of-door-life, and all its accruing benefits both mental and physical.

**The Great Value  
of the  
"Rotary" System**

For some years now the "Canadian Golfer" has been a very strong advocate of what, perhaps for a better name, may be called the "Rotary System" in the election of golf club directors. In the old days it was usually the custom to keep on electing from year to year, the same board of directors. The result more often than not, was "dry rot" of the "rottiest" description. Then some of the more prominent and progressive clubs introduced the three year term. And this has worked out wondrously well.

Given say a Board of Directors of twelve. At the first meeting under the Rotary system, the four directors receiving the highest number of votes, are elected for three years; the next four highest, for two years and the last four for one year. Thereafter, four directors yearly, drop off the Board and four new men are elected to take their place for three year terms. After the lapse of a year, but not before, an ex-director can be nominated again.

An admirable system this, guaranteeing the proper infusion of new blood every year, but still leaving a majority of seasoned directors on the Board. Galt, which has a very progressive club, as befitting such a good Scotch city last month adopted this system which is now generally in vogue in Toronto, Montreal and other important centres where the game flourishes. Every club should get into line on the Rotary. It will put life into the most hopeless of golf clubs—if there are any such this wonderful season for the Royal and Ancient.

**The West and  
the Canadian  
Championships**

The West is definitely in the ring at last for the honour of holding the Canadian Championships there in the near future. At a meeting of the Manitoba Golf Association, which comprises all the leading clubs in Winnipeg and other golfing centres in the Province of broad acres, it was decided to ask The Royal Canadian Golf Association, the governing body of golf in Canada, to award the Championships to Winnipeg in 1920. There are three courses in that city which it is believed can be brought up to championship calibre by 1920—the St. Charles Country Club, the Winnipeg Golf Club at Birds Hill and Elmhurst. A championship course it may be noted, nowadays, must be 6,000 yards or more and must be well equipped as regards green and fairgreen and hazards and bunkers. In Great Britain out of the thousand of links dotted all over the country, only seven are recognised as championship courses, namely St. Andrews (6,487 yards), Prestwick (6,122 yards), Hoylake (6,480 yards), Sandwich (6,594 yards), Muirfield (6,448 yards), Deal (6,581 yards), North Devon (6,408 yards). The average length of these seven courses is 6,445 yards. In Canada the championships heretofore have been played only at The Royal Montreal, The Royal Ottawa, Toronto and Lambton. The average length of these four courses is a trifle over 6,000 yards, The Royal Montreal only having a length of 5,555 yards which however will probably be extended in the near future. The other three courses have the necessary yardage. If any of the three Winnipeg clubs mentioned can by 1920 supply a course of 6,000 yards or more, with reasonably good greens and fairgreens, by all means The Royal Canadian Golf Association, should award the Western City the amateur championship next year. It would be in the very best interest of the game in the Dominion, from every viewpoint. Leading Eastern golfers are very favorable to the idea of the Championship going West every two or three years and at this writing it looks as though the whole question is fairly up to the Westerners. If they can provide the course the R. C. G. A. undoubtedly will provide the Championship in the near future.

Whilst on the question of championships. The venue both for the Open and Ladies' has not yet been decided upon by The Royal Canadian Golf Association. Beaconsfield, Montreal, wants the Ladies' and has put in an application for it, whilst the professionals themselves, instead of going East as they should do, would prefer to have the event take place over the clinking course at Hamilton. Up until 1906 the Open was decided by a 36-hole competition; since then

the regulation 72 holes have been played which is the only acid test of a medal competition. Unlike the British and American Open, an amateur has never won the Canadian Open, although in 1906 Mr. T. B. Reith, the Beaconsfield crack, was the runner-up and in 1910 Mr. George S. Lyon, the amateur champion, also was in second place. Albert Murray, of Kanawaki, has the best score to his credit in the Open, when he won the event for the second time at The Royal Montreal course with a 295. The best card returned at Lambton, which is by all odds the hardest of the Canadian championship courses, was turned in by Daniel Kenny in 1910. His figures were 303 or a little better than 4¼ strokes per hole.

[NOTE.—Since the above article was on the press, the Ladies' Championship has been awarded to the Beaconsfield Club, Montreal.]

**Mr. Evans on  
the Question of  
Amateur vs.  
Professional**

Mr. Charles Evans, Jr., the U. S. Open and Amateur Champion, is out with a very thoughtful article on the "Relative Supremacy of the Pro. and Amateur in Golf." In 1913, 1915, 1916 the U. S. Open was won by an amateur, which gives a surprising appearance of amateur supremacy in American golf.

Mr. Evans, however, does not think that this apparent supremacy is real. He refers to the fact that during the past two years he himself has played much golf with the leading professionals in Red Cross exhibition matches, and this experience brought home to him as never before "the fine ability of the professional players; they have the shots, and I doubt if one of the amateur winners of the National Open has them to the same degree. The test of that statement, I think, is this: Whenever I was booked to play amateurs, no matter how good, I felt no strain; of course, I knew that if I was playing badly I should lose, but I also felt that if I was playing well, I had a good chance to win, and therefore was able to take things easily. On the other hand, when playing with the pros., I was always under a strain. I knew that I could never let up an instant, and that even when playing well, I was likely to be beaten. There was a finish and a variety to the professional game that gives me a great respect for it. Perhaps the following statement embodies my feeling in regard to professional and amateur golf: I had a better score on one occasion at Ravisloe, than either Vardon or Ray, but nine times out of ten these great players could beat me and probably any other amateur in America."

Mr. Evans gives as an explanation, why the U. S. amateurs three times the last four years have beaten the pros. is because the latter, owing to their numerous duties have not been given the time necessary for practise. Owing to the war, however, the past two years, the professionals have been largely engaged in exhibition golf, and the Open and Amateur Champion, therefore, thinks that the betting is all in favour of one of them winning the blue-ribbon event of golf on this continent this summer at Brae Burn.

**"FOR THESE KIND WORDS, GENTLEMEN, THANKS MANY"**

**M**R. B. L. ANDERSON, Hon. Secretary of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, under date of March 6th writes:

"I have pleasure in advising you that at a meeting of the Executive Committee of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, held yesterday the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

It is the unanimous opinion of the Executive Committee of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, that appreciation be expressed to Ralph H. Reville, as proprietor and editor of the "Canadian Golfer," for the excellent character of his publication, and the wider interest in golf which is being effected through this magazine, and great gratification is now felt in having adopted it as the official organ of The Royal Canadian Golf Association."

The "Canadian Golfer" only hopes in the years to come that it will always continue to warrant this much appreciated encomium and endorsement. That shall be the endeavour, both from an editorial and business standpoint, alway.



“Don't fill your head full of technique; you will play poor golf if you do.”

“For the person who is striving to recover his form, there is nothing like practising alone.”—*Vardon*.

It is officially announced that the Ladies' Open Championship of Great Britain will be held at Burnham and Barrow the week, commencing Monday, October the 6th.

The Bishop of London, who recently celebrated his sixty-first birthday, and is still going strong, has made it a rule to take one day a week off and give it to golf. His Lordship, by the way, who was a most popular visitor to Canada before the war, has a brother living in this country.

Club Secretaries in sending in their annual reports, many of them, still persist in referring to the “Greens Committee.” All wrong. It should be “Green Committee”—a Committee looking after the whole green, which comprises both green and fairgreen. Cut off that superfluous, irritating “s,”—please do.

Modification of the stymie rule in such a way that a ball within one foot of the cup may be lifted from a position which obviously interferes with a player's shot, is being advocated by the Massachusetts Golf Association. The Secretary of the organization was authorized by the delegates assembled at Boston to write the United States Golf Association urging the change.

Mr. John G. Anderson is strongly of the opinion that a big mistake is being made in the States in laying out courses of over 6,500 yards, with holes of 600 yards and upwards. He apparently is a disciple of Mr. H. S. Colt, the English expert, who seldom lays out a course with a hole longer than 500 yards. Mr. Anderson favours courses not more than 6,350 yards—and he is right.

Mr. H. H. Williams and Mr. Frank A. Rolph, both Governors of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, have been appointed members of the permanent Housing Commission of the City of Toronto. Mr. Williams states that the Commission will probably start by building 100 houses and end up with 300. The cost to the buyer will be in the neighborhood of \$3,000. The houses will be of a varied and most attractive type.

It will be a long time before any city in the world can equal the golfing advantages of Chicago which now numbers fifty-five private clubs in its neighborhood and seven municipal links. Nevertheless, such is the crowded condition of Chicago's municipal courses that the Forest Preserve Commissioners are planning to utilize some of the 15,000 acres acquired under the new forest preserve law in fashioning additional city links.

The reply to the speech from the Throne at the recent opening of the Dominion House was moved and seconded by Major D. L. Redman, of Calgary East, and

Captain R. J. Manion, of Fort William. Both are returned soldiers who covered themselves with glory on Flanders' fields. Both were congratulated on their splendid speeches in Parliament. Major Redman is the youngest man in the Commons, and is by way of becoming a first-class golfer. He is an enthusiastic member of the Calgary Golf and Country Club.

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Mr. H. B. Mackenzie, Assistant General Manager Bank of Montreal, Montreal:

"I congratulate you on the high standard you are maintaining in the "Canadian Golfer." Every number is interesting from cover to cover. In reference to Book of Rules, I think the appearance of these books is most timely. The Etiquette of Golf will no doubt occupy a prominent place in the book."

A timely suggestion. The Etiquette will be featured.

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Admiral Beatty, like all big men these days, has fallen under the fascination of golf and was to be seen lately, partnered by Lady Beatty, enjoying a round on one of the courses which abound on the coast of Fife. His style of play is characteristic, short, sharp and a little impatient, especially in putting, and one who watched it remarks that the gallant Admiral could not "give anything away" to his fair partner, who showed a singular aptitude and eagerness.

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Mr. Frank Presbrey, of New York, has notified the Hon. Secretary of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association that owing to the fact that so many of the leading U. S. Seniors are spending the month of March in the South, the complimentary dinner to Mr. Horace L. Hotchkiss, the Founder of the Seniors, announced for March 27th at Delmonico's, New York, has been postponed until April. Several of the Governors of the Canadian Seniors' Association have been invited and will take part in this notable affair.

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A leading Toronto club this season is seriously considering doing away with Green, House and other Committees, and appointing a manager, who will be directly responsible for the whole up-keep and successful running of club house and course. If the experiment is tried out—and there is every indication that it will be, the results undoubtedly will be watched with the keenest interest by golfers generally. The "Canadian Golfer" rather likes the idea of this, to say the least of it, rather startling innovation. It is well worthy a trial.

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The crying need of the hour on Canadian golf courses, from coast to coast, is the better observance of the rules of the game. The handsome little books of the "Rules of the Game of Golf," which are being issued this season by the business Department of the "Canadian Golfer," should be secured by every player. Already a number of the leading clubs have ordered in quantities, and intend to place a book in the hands of every one of their members. The slogan for this Peace Year of 1919 on the Links "Play the Game, but observe the Rules Religiously." Congested courses everywhere this season demand the strict observance of the Etiquette of Golf and the strict living up to the Rules, otherwise there will be confusion worst confounded.

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The C. P. R. Publicity Department is again this season getting out its brochure "Golf in Canada," which had such a big vogue last year. In the coming issue in addition to the latest and most authentic list of golf clubs in the Dominion, their offices and other general information, there will be featured a profusely illustrated story of the principal courses along the line. The links to be featured are: St. Andrews, N. B.; St. John, N.B., Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Hamilton, Fort William and Port Arthur; Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton, Banff, Invermere, Vancouver and Victoria. The list of golf clubs in this year's publication will show an addition of a score or more from coast to coast. The

Editor of the "Canadian Golfer" has again been entrusted with the editing of the work.

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For the past two or three years the United States Golf Association has adopted a standard scale of the parring of courses. This season the Royal Canadian Golf Association has also notified Canadian Clubs of a similar standardization. It is as follows: Holes up to 250 yards, par 3; from 251 yards to 445 yards, par 4; from 446 yards to 600 yards, par 5; from 601 yards and over, par 6. This makes it an easy matter to quickly arrive at the par of any course. Due allowance, it might be added, should be made for any peculiarity, in the configuration of the ground, or for unusual conditions, although the less this is bothered with the better. With this standardised parring, and the Calkins System of handicapping which is now in universal use throughout the Dominion, there should be no trouble whatever in arriving at the proper handicap of a player the coming season.

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The victory of Mrs. Dorothy Campbell-Hurd in the St. Valentine's Tournament at Pinehurst reminds one of the fact that the many times champion was for three years a resident of Hamilton. This was in 1910-1912. As Miss Dorothy Campbell, this wonderful Scottish golfer was known throughout the golfing world. She has medals and cups literally by the hundred. She is the only lady golfer who has won the British, American and Canadian championships. Since her marriage to a well-known Pittsburger, she has not been quite so much in the limelight, and has had no premier events to her credit. Canadians, however, who have played with her the past season or so at Pinehurst tell the "Canadian Golfer" that she is again playing right up to her best form of ten years ago, and freely predict that she is quite capable of putting the American championship once more to her credit this year. Here's hoping.

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The Fifteenth Annual Spring Tournament the first of the month at Pinehurst, brought out 316 entries, which is probably a world's record for an important event. In Great Britain at the Open Championship at Hoylake in 1913 there was a field of 269 and in the Amateur at Sandwich in 1914, the last time it was played for, 232 experts teed up. In the U. S. Open the record is 245. The United States Seniors' Golf Association, however, can give the youngsters all cards and spades, when it comes to turning out a big field. In September, 1917, at Apawamis, the "age defiers" at their annual tournament, mustered 376 entrants. The Royal Canadian Golf Association is talking in figures of 300 for the Canadian Amateur Championship the end of next June, whilst the Canadian Seniors' at Lambton in September, confidently expect that there will be an entrance of over 200. By way of comparison it may be noted that 25 to 30 years ago the Open Championship of Great Britain would bring out a field of 30 to 50 only. These figures demonstrate in no uncertain manner the growing popularity of the game, throughout the Anglo-Saxon world.

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At a delightful little luncheon, given last month at the National Club, Toronto, by Mr. Willson, President of Lambton to a number of the Governors of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, details of the Seniors' Tournament to be held at Lambton next September, were informally discussed. The Lambton Directors are determined that this annual gathering of the prominent older golfers from all parts of the Dominion shall lack nothing in regard to club house accommodation, the providing of an ideal course and a perfect setting generally. And when Lambton sets out to do a thing right, depend upon it, it is destined to be the last word in golfing entertainment. It is a pretty safe wager that 200 and more right worthy "seigneurs" will tee-up next autumn, and even the splendid house and course accommodation of Lambton will be taxed to the limit. The Lambtonians are spending some \$5,000 on their course this season in order to get it right up to



"concert pitch" for the Amateur Championships the latter part of June and the Senior Championships in September. And the course at that, last season, was easily one of the finest in the Dominion.

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When the U. S. Amateur Championship opens this season at the Oakmont Country Club, Pittsburgh, a number of Canadian entries are already assured. The Canadian Amateur Champion, Mr. George S. Lyon, will as usual be on hand to uphold the honor of Canadian golfdom. And he will have with him his son, Seymour, who last season was going great guns. Mr. Fritz Martin, of Hamilton, twice amateur champion of the Dominion, also is almost sure to be an entrant. Mr. B. L. Anderson, the Hon. Secretary of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, and several others are also seriously contemplating the trip. Mr. Lyon, of course, has for many years attended the premier amateur event of the Continent, and in 1906, as is well known, came nearly annexing the championship, only being beaten out in the finals after a gruelling contest, in one of the hottest days of the year by Mr. Eben M. Byers. On that occasion the "blue ribbon" event of American golf, came within an ace of crossing the border. Of recent years so many stars have appeared in the golfing firmament of the U. S., and golf over there is played by so many tens of thousands, that he would be a bold prophet who would predict that Mr. Lyon's notable feat can be duplicated or excelled by a Canadian for some years to come. Mr. Martin in 1907 took part in the U. S. Championship and qualified and went a round or so before being put out. He too made a very creditable showing indeed, against the American cracks.

## SUMMIT GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

**New Organization in Toronto Will Have an 18 Hole Course Ready  
for Play This Season**

THE eight golf clubs in Toronto, are with hardly an exception up to the limit in regard to membership and several are refusing to entertain any more applications. The time therefore has been thought very opportune to revive the Summit Golf and Country Club. This organization was started under most favorable auspices in 1914, an ideal property having been acquired some 16 miles from the centre of the city on Young Street at Stop 54 on the Metropolitan Railroad. A very fine 18-hole course of over 6,000 yards was laid out and much work done on the greens, including the installation of a watering system. And then came the war, and Summit prospects took a nasty tumble. Two or three weeks ago, an enthusiastic meeting of the old stockholders was held and the club has now been revived under the most encouraging conditions. The Hon. Mr. Craig, a retired Supreme Court Judge from the Yukon, now living in Toronto, was elected President and the following are the other members of the Board of Directors: D. W. Saunders, J. C. Moorehouse, H. W. Fleury, W. A. G. Hoskin and W. J. Elliott.

Some \$20,000 five years ago was spent on the property, and it will only require a moderate expenditure this season to put the course in shape for play.

It is the intention to provide a temporary club house, and as a large number of the old stockholders and many new members have expressed a determination to extend Summit their hearty support, it is confidently expected that the new club will be in full "swing" before the present season is far advanced.

The "Canadian Golfer" is confident that with the tremendous strides golf is making all over the Dominion that there is very much a place in the sun for Summit. There should be no question at all with such an ideal property and location why in the years to come it should not take its stand with the many other successful clubs in Toronto and district.

## SOON OR SYNE

The Canadian Championships Should be Held in the West. Interesting Letter from the President of the Norwood Golf Club, Winnipeg

**I**N reference to the Canadian championships being held in future alternately "East and West," Mr. R. C. S. Bruce, President of the Norwood Golf Club, Winnipeg (he was, by the way, the first Westerner to join the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association), writes the Editor:

"In reference to the Canadian Amateur Golf Championship being played in the West. This is a question that has been exercising considerable thought amongst many of us here, so much so that the matter was up for discussion last season at one of the meetings of the Manitoba Golf Association when it was ultimately decided to instruct the Secretary to write the Royal Canadian Golf Association, asking that Winnipeg be considered. This has been done, and thereby at least, a practical start made which we hope will ultimately lead to the desired end.

After a careful reading of Mr. R. C. H. Cassels' letter I am of the opinion that his suggestions are on the best lines and cover broadly all the points and conditions—conditions peculiar to Canadian golf. The golf centres being so far apart necessarily demand special arrangements. Personally, however, I am against all these sectional championships—"tin pot championships" I call them. I dare say there is much to be said for them, while there is much against them, particularly as their parochialism tends to give them an undue importance (locally), and thereby diminishes the value of the actual championship. I may say I find it a little difficult to come to definite conclusions, as my golfing outlook is rather prescribed, owing to my residence in Canada being entirely confined to Winnipeg during these last eight years. When one does not have the opportunity to rub up against outside thought and have one's view broadened and ideas sharpened up, besides lack of actual experience of conditions both east and west, one is somewhat handicapped.

Still, I think the time has arrived when a definite date should be fixed for the West, and in doing so, Winnipeg should have the first choice, if for no other reason that it is the greatest Western golf centre, so far as numbers are concerned. The game is flourishing here in the most extraordinary fashion, and everything points to a continuance and increase in the golf boom. The game here, however, needs no pampered encouragement—it is forging ahead splendidly; but what it needs is some official recognition to raise the status of local play, and also the opportunity to see good players such as the championship would naturally bring together. There is no question of the very great benefit to be derived from watching the crack players—the close observer with an analytical mind can improve his game immensely, much more so than from all the books on the subject.

There is another great advantage in having the championship held in Winnipeg and that is the improvements which would be demanded on the course or courses, which happened to be under consideration; in the meantime there is only one course, viz.: the Birds Hill Course of the Winnipeg Golf Club, Limited, that could be seriously considered, and it is at present far from a championship course. However, there is no likelihood of the game coming West before 1920, and by then considerable improvements will have been made there; also at the Elmhurst Links; and I hope at an early date on the Pine Ridge Course. The last named has, I consider, the greatest possibilities of all the Winnipeg courses. Then there is the St. Charles Course, which is also contemplating further changes. Once a date is fixed for Winnipeg the Clubs will be falling over each other to improve their courses, and this in itself will benefit both the game and the players.

I do not know any of the members of the governing body personally, but I am quite satisfied that whatever action they take, whether the championship comes to Winnipeg 'soon or syne,' they will be prompted by the best interests of the game."



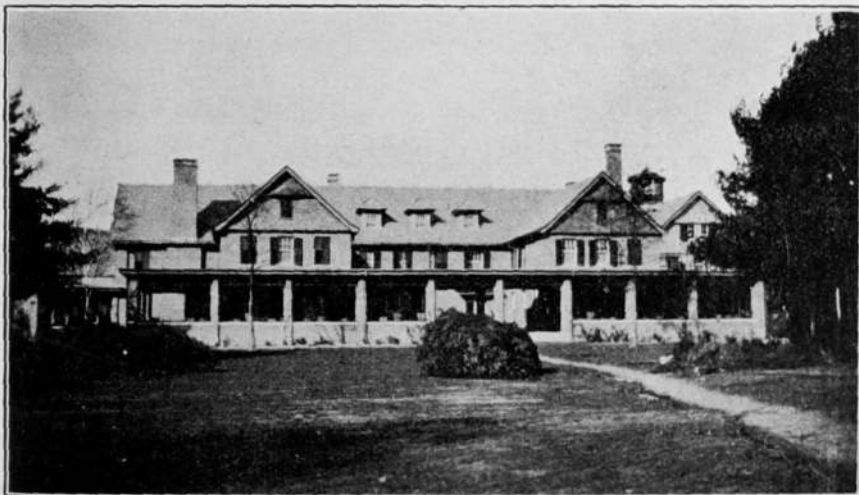
## ONTARIO'S PREMIER CLUB

**Toronto Golf Club has Splendid Annual Reports. Fine Overseas Record of its Members**

**T**HE annual meeting of the Toronto Golf Club was held on Saturday afternoon, February 15th, a large number of the members being present. The report of the Directors for the past year showed that the Club was in a very sound position financially, with a small surplus on Operating Account. At the present time, the membership is filled up and there are a large number of applicants on the waiting lists. Up to the end of the year 114 members of the Club had been engaged on active service in the war, seventeen of whom had lost their lives. About sixty members are still overseas, most of whom it is expected will return during the year.

Over \$3,500 had been contributed by the Club to Patriotic Funds during the past year.

To conform with the order of the Fuel Controller, the Club House was closed on the 15th December and is to remain closed till the 15th March.



**Attractive Club House of the Toronto Golf Club**

The following were elected officers for the coming year:

Sir Edmund Osler, Honorary President.

A. H. Campbell, President.

A. M. M. Kirkpatrick, Vice-President.

F. G. B. Allan, Honorary Secretary-Treasurer.

Directors—E. Douglas Armour, E. P. Beatty, H. J. Bethune, D. S. Cassels, G. G. Lemesurier, J. A. Macdonald, T. S. G. Pepler, Hon. Mr. Justice Rose and Sir Frederick Stupart.

Captain—R. C. H. Cassels.

Mr. Campbell has filled the presidential chair of the Toronto Club in the most invaluable manner for some three years now, and the members are fortunate in again having him at the head of affairs this Peace Year. He has the support of a particularly able and prominent board of Directors.

As befitting the premier Club of Ontario, Toronto's record of one hundred and fourteen members who were actively engaged in the war, is one of the finest in the Dominion. Seventeen of this total, it will be sadly noted, went to a sacrificial death for King and Country.

# WINNIPEG HUNT CLUB

## Golfing Members Form a Separate Organization and Elect Officers

THE Winnipeg Hunt-Golf Club has forged steadily to the front during the past two years, owing to the enthusiasm of its members and the zealous work of its officers. Recently the club was placed on a better foundation for the promoting of golf by the formation of a separate golf club, which will have its quota of officers separate from the Hunt club proper. In former times golf was only a secondary item at the Hunt club with the regular officers controlling its affairs and golf only having a secretary on the board of directors.

With golf being conducted by a complete list of officials and organized on a sound basis, it should flourish even more than it has already done. Plans are underway for improving the course, so as to make it one of the most attractive in the Winnipeg district.

Mr. F. A. Wilson was elected the first president of the Hunt-Golf Club, and he is a most energetic golfer. Mr. W. Sidney Ronald was the choice as secretary.

The complete list of officers follows:

President, F. A. Wilson.

Vice-President—G. F. R. Harris.

Sec.-Treas., W. Sidney Ronald.

Committee Chairmen—House and Property Committee, J. H. Parkhill; Green Committee, Hy. P. Cox; Match Committee, P. B. Raymond; Entertainment Committee, R. V. Slavin.

## A NOVEL SUGGESTION

WRITING from England, Corporal David Spittal, formerly professional at Scarboro, makes the novel suggestion that the virgin soil of the prairies might be the ideal thing for the top dressing of greens. He says:

Take the case of a man who goes out West and starts on a new farm. The first year the soil is turned over, good results and lots of growth are obtained, but, in most cases, the growth has gone to straw and not to wheat. What do you look for on the putting green? Lots of growth and quick results. The farmer out West seldom or never uses manure to raise his crops.

Supposing one or some of the leading golf clubs thought a little experiment might be worth the trying.

Where the farmer uses no manure—as in the West—the producing efforts must be in the soil itself. Now, if a Club shipped a carload of this soil and experimented on a spare part of the course and the required results were obtained, it would be a great help to the putting greens.

The following considerations occur to one:

Would the soil prove as fertile in the East as in the West? This could only be proved by testing.

If the experiment was successful, would the compost heap be done away with? This seems too good to be true!

Would it do away with the fertilizing ads. for putting greens? Yes, if what we are told about Western soil is true, this same soil would do for top dressing of greens in spring and fall.

Farmers in the West get very heavy straw the first year the soil is turned over on new ground. This is what we should look for on the greens—heavy grass. Most people know that bad greens are due to insufficient grass. Bare patches on greens are usually infested with weeds. The fault in new putting greens is often that the person who puts in the seed forgets that the grass has got to last a number of years.

I should like to see the Western soil tried out. If not for a whole green, try a few loads as top dressing for a green which may not be progressing satisfactorily.

If the above suggestions be considered good, I hope it may be a cheaper way of getting perfect greens, and also enable the cost of fertilizer to be cut out.

But would the cost justify itself? The cost of shipping the soil would be considerable, but, if a heavy and lasting growth could be obtained by these means we should not begrudge the outlay.

I offer these few remarks in the hope readers may be induced to send their opinion on the matter to the "Canadian Golfer."

# ROYAL CANADIAN GOLF ASSOCIATION

**Important Meeting this Month of Executive Committee. Beaconsfield Golf Club, Montreal, Awarded the Ladies' Championship in September. Hamilton the Probable Venue of the Open Championship in August. Proposal to Revive the International Amateur Match with the United States**

**A** VERY important Executive meeting of the Board of Directors of The Royal Canadian Golf Association was held in Toronto on March the 5th. Beaconsfield Golf Club, Montreal, was awarded the Ladies' Championship for 1919, to be held in September, the exact dates to be left to the Directorate of Beaconsfield.

In accordance with By-law No. 23, the President of the R. C. G. A. has appointed the Vice-President of the R. C. G. A., Mr. T. B. Reith, and the Secretary of Beaconsfield, Mr. James L. McCulloch, a committee to represent the R. C. G. A. Mr. Reith and Mr. McCulloch will nominate a third member to act with them.

The lady golfers are to be congratulated on the choice of Beaconsfield for the revival of their championship. Both club house and course are most delightful. The event, which has not been staged since 1913 will undoubtedly bring out a large number of entries. The Secretary of the Association has written Mr. McCulloch, "The Executive will be glad to give any assistance possible to make this meet a great success."

In accordance with By-law No. 22, the President has appointed the Committee for the Inter-provincial Match as follows:

Quebec—T. B. Reith, G. H. Turpin, P. D. Ross.

Ontario—George S. Lyon, R. C. H. Cassels, Fritz Martin.

"Who shall select the teams for their respective provinces, appointing also the Captain in each case."

The venue for the Open Championship was not decided upon, but it is understood that this will in all probability go to Hamilton and that the dates will be sometime in August.

The question of the revival of the International Match with the United States was thoroughly discussed and it was the unanimous opinion that it would be a great incentive to the game throughout the Dominion if a team of United States amateurs were invited to play the two days following the Open Championship at Hamilton. The following letter was forwarded to Mr. Whitney, the Hon. Secretary of the United States Golf Association, New York:

"Our Executive Committee, at its meeting yesterday, heartily approved of an International Match this year.

I am directed to extend to you an invitation for a team of ten players to visit us this season, either at Hamilton or Toronto.

It is suggested that you come to Canada this year as the Seniors' International Match goes to the United States. Next year, the Seniors will be here and we shall be glad to send a team to visit you. In this way, alternate years would be observed.

It is probable that our 'Open Championship' will be held at Hamilton early in August—a 72 hole match. We could arrange the International Match say the two days following that match, so that any of your players, if they wished, could come a couple of days earlier and compete in our "open."

We shall be very glad to have you consult your Executive and shall be delighted if you can accept our invitation.

Yours very truly,

B. L. ANDERSON,  
Hon. Secretary, R. C. G. A.

Three International Matches have previously been played with the States. In 1898 at Toronto U. S. won by 20 holes; in 1899 at Morris County, N. Y., U. S. won by 93 holes; 1900, Quebec, U. S. won by 5 holes.

There have been no International Matches now for nineteen years. This Peace year seems to be an especially appropriate time for their revival.

In connection with the proposed changes in the By-laws of the R. C. G. A. arranging for the qualification of players by districts for the championships in the future, the Hon. Secretary was instructed to send out the following letter to every club in Canada, whether members of the Association or not:

"The Royal Canadian Golf Association is anxious to conduct the Amateur Championship in such a way that every golfer in Canada may have an opportunity to compete.

It has been suggested that holding the championship by districts will accomplish this. The Executive Committee are of an open mind on the subject and now desire an expression of opinion from every golf club in Canada.

The idea suggested is that there be four districts—Maritime Provinces, Ontario and Quebec, Manitoba and Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, and that the final championship be held at clubs having links suitable for such meet situated not further east than the City of Montreal, and not further west than the City of Winnipeg.

The details are fully set forth in the enclosed proposed Constitution and By-laws. Will you please read these over carefully and write us as soon as possible, answering in a general way the following questions:

1. Are you in favor of the adoption of the proposed change?
2. If the proposed change is adopted:
  - (a) If you are not already a member of the Association, will you become a member?
  - (b) If you are already a member of the Association, will you continue your membership.
  - (c) Will you give the Association your loyal support and assist as far as possible in making the championship meetings a success?
3. If you can suggest any improvements to the proposed Constitution and By-laws, please do so.

Permit us to say that now is the time to express your opinion on this subject. As already stated, the Committee are entirely of an open mind and desires the opinion of every Club in Canada, in order that the question may be fully considered and dealt with at the annual meeting, to be held in June."

The "Canadian Golfer cannot too strongly urge the directors of every club in the Dominion to give the proposed Constitution and By-laws the most earnest consideration and convey their decision to the R. C. G. A. just as soon as possible.

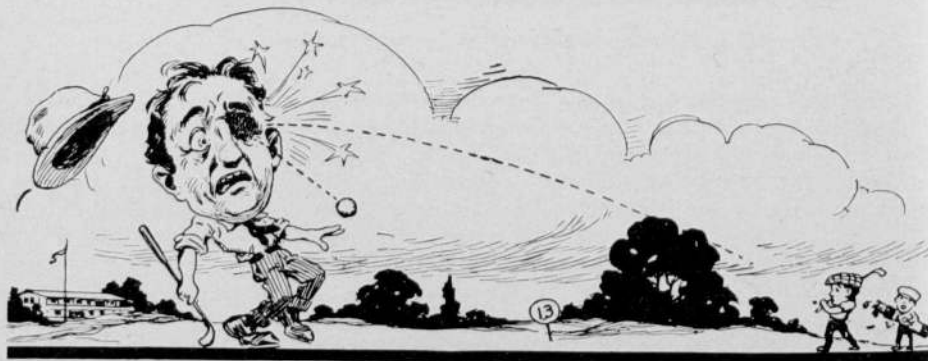
These changes, if brought about mark an epoch in the game in Canada. They should not be lightly dealt with, as they are of vital interest to the welfare of the Royal and Ancient now and in the far-stretching years to come.

## FREEMASONRY OF GOLF

(*Edinburgh Dispatch*)

**I**S it too much to suggest that whatever shape the collective wisdom of the Peace Conference gives to the League, it will have in the years to come—long, long years of peace, it is hoped—an invaluable ally in the Royal and Ancient game? Golf will do much to cement the international structure which is before us.

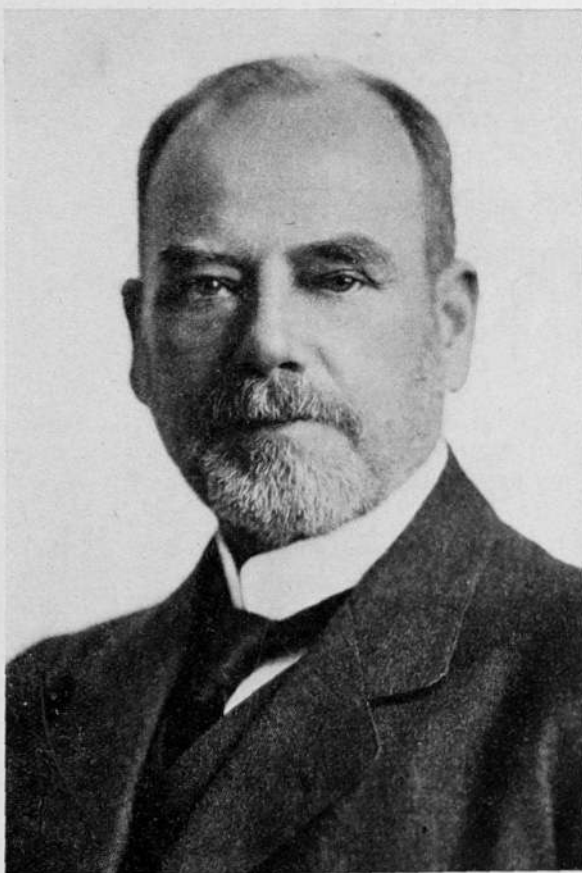
Even before the war the game was doing a tremendous amount of good in giving countries a common basis of friendly rivalry, contact and continuous interest. The free masonry of golf had become a great force all over the world.



## A RECORD YEAR

Is Placed to the Credit of The Royal Ottawa. Splendid Financial and Other Reports Presented. Mr. D. M. Finnie Elected President

**T**HE Annual General Meeting of the members of The Royal Ottawa Golf Club was held on the 8th February at the Clubhouse, the report presented by the retiring President, Col. J. D. Courtenay, M. D., being the most satisfactory placed before the members for some years. Although some hundred or so members are still overseas with the Canadian Expeditionary Forces the links



Mr. D. M. Finnie, President of the Royal Ottawa Golf Club

were well patronized throughout the year; the only inter-club competitions held during the year were the home-and-home matches with the Rivermead Golf Club, in aid of the Red Cross Fund, which brought out a large attendance of members and aroused much interest. These events were followed by most enjoyable dinners participated in by the players. Club competitions were held almost weekly during the playing season, at which entrance fees were charged, about \$1,200.00 being collected in this way for the different war relief funds.

Considerable improvements to the Club buildings and grounds were undertaken during the year, including the ploughing up and re-seeding of the 15th and 16th fairways and the building of new tees and bunkers, besides the bringing

of the course as a whole to a higher state of perfection than previously attempted; the entire work being taken care of from the club revenue.

The Executive elected for the ensuing year is as follows:

President—Mr. D. M. Finnie.

Vice-President—Mr. Warren Y. Soper.

Committee—Messrs. J. F. Orde, K. C., P. J. Baskerville, G. Gordon Gale, O. H. Sharpe, J. E. Macpherson.

The following are interesting extracts from the report of the retiring President Lt.-Col. Courtenay and his Board of Directors:

The total revenue of the Club for the year 1918 was \$39,830.37, as compared with a revenue of \$33,397.62 for 1917. This large increase is accounted for mainly by the increase in the joining fees of \$1,500.00; increased receipts from privileged casual members of \$2,700.00; special assessment of \$1,962.00, and a slight increase in the profits from the cafe and rental of rooms. The result of this increase has been that the revenue has exceeded the expenses, after all amounts for depreciation have been deducted, by \$1,223.62.

At the commencement of the year 1918, there was a net deficit in liquid Assets of \$3,082.60, and at the end of the year 1918, we show a surplus of \$5,219.20. This is shown in Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Owing to the excellent condition of the revenue, although the expenses for the men and horses and the servants at the Club House have been increased, your Committee has been able to undertake much needed improvements.

The cottage which was in a most disgraceful condition owing to lack of repairs, was enlarged and renovated at a cost of \$2,409.67. A second motor mower of a better type was purchased at a cost of \$1,850.00. Work was undertaken on the grounds of the Club by preparing and cultivating the 15th and 16th fairways and building tees and bunkers at a cost of \$1,110.00.

Owing to the highly satisfactory condition of our finances, your Committee does not consider that a special assessment will be necessary during the year 1919.

Your Committee would again call the attention of the members to the valuable asset they have in the gardening, which is undertaken by the Club. Altogether \$817.00 was realized from the sale of potatoes, as well as supplying the Club with vegetables for the past season. The revenue was expended in the purchase of a potato-digger, seeds, etc., and is not included in the Annual Statement. Net profits of \$98.00 from the sale of potatoes were credited to the Dining-room account.

We have to chronicle with regret the passing away of the following esteemed members of the Club: Charles Magee, W. H. A. Fraser, James Manuel, Sir Collingwood Schrieber, E. F. Fauquier, R. J. Devlin, Morley Donaldson, James D. Fraser, Judge McTavish.

The Royal Ottawa, which is in the front rank of the golf clubs of the Dominion, has always been fortunate in the calibre of the men who have filled its Presidential chair, and during its notable career of 28 years, perhaps has never had a more capable occupant of its chief position than Mr. D. M. Finnie, who is General Manager of the Bank of Ottawa, and who is known in financial circles throughout the Dominion. Mr. Finnie hails from the "land o' gowf." He started his career with the Union Bank of Scotland and coming to this country was for some years with the old Bank of British North America, "the mother" of so many eminent bankers. He was stationed in Toronto, Hamilton and other leading centres, and then joining the Bank of Ottawa quickly rose to the chief position in that well-known institution. He has the game of golf very much at heart, and the members of The Royal Ottawa are to be congratulated on securing his invaluable services, and that of such a representative Board of Directors this particularly important year of golf, reconstruction and advancement.



# IMPRESSIONS OF MONTE CARLO

Most Wonderful Golf Course in the World

(From a Correspondent)

THE weather in Monte Carlo is more wonderful than ever, and the resources of the Riviera golf clubs are being heavily tried. All the 200 clubs on loan at Mont Agel are out most days, and there are always between thirty and fifty picnics and lunches in the clubhouse. The American Y.M.C.A. have wisely sent down an expert director of sports—Mr. Edward L. Warner, a golf champion from Detroit—to organize on the Riviera. He thus describes *inter alia* the Monte Carlo golf in his circular on the boards of the various American clubs and casinos, etc.:

"It is probably the most wonderful course in the world. The scenery, with the sea on one side, and the snow-capped Alps on the other, is beyond description. You will find this the most interesting course you have ever played over."

Captain Richard N. Williams, who is the lawn tennis champion of America and a former doubles partner of the secretary, brought up his bride the other day. The Y.M.C.A. are attempting to regulate the charges of the chauffeurs, which are often extortionate. Three officers were charged 150 francs for a motor-car from Nice to the Mont Agel course, where the car was dismissed. The total cost, allowing for petrol, oil and all wear and tear would be about 40 francs, allowing for

the return journey, on which another fare was probably secured. There are very many similar cases every day. The return cost by funiculaire from Monte Carlo to La Turbie and club motor car to the golf course is 3fr. 65c for all in uniform!

General Pershing is reported to have said after his visit here that every American serving in France should be given leave on the Riviera. The cigarette case which he and his staff gave as a golf prize will be competed for on Thursday, February 20.

On January 21 there were four major-generals playing, besides brigadiers, etc. Major-General Harbord, of the American Army, is often just now with Major-General Langfitt and Brigadier-General Dawes. Many leading doctors are astonished at the curative effects of the air here on all throat troubles, and military convalescents owe much to the air and jolly exercise. Among recent visitors and competitors, often with large parties, at the Mont Agel course have been:

The Agra Khan, General Pershing, Comte de Perigny, Comte and Comtesse



The Club House of the Mont-Agel Course. From Here is Spread Out a Wonderful Panorama of Mountain and Sea



"Au Golf de Mont-Agel." Driving off from the First Tee to No. 1 Hole—345 Yards

Jacques de Sieyes, Sir George and Lady Colthurst, Comte de Limburg Stirum, Major Langton, M. Kerkhove, Prince and Princess of Montenegro, Lady Watts, M. Bazin, Prefect du Var, Miss Victoria Campbell, Mrs. Hume, Sir Mieczslas and Lady de Routkowski, Mrs. Galbraith Horn, Sir William and Lady Milton, Mrs. Bennett Morrison, Miss Maud Butler, Vicomtesse des Garets, Miss Townshend, Comtesse Cahen d'Anvers, Mr. Holland, Mr. Stephen R. Philpot, Miss Bruce, Mrs. Weir, Mrs. Cuthbertson, Miss Tower, Mrs. Ormsby, M. Jouannet, Mrs. and Miss Franklin Singer, Mme. de St. Senock, Mr. Talbot Taylor (captain Nice Golf Club), Major Generals Fowler, Lumley, Diggles, Harbord, Langfitt, Brigadier-Generals Kramhoff, Weir, Seecomba, Robertson, Dawes; Colonels Brazier, Creagh, Pollard, Scott, Knowles, Butler, Lister, Hartley, Fawcett, Woodcock, Bowditch, Boyd, Quekmeyer, Campbell Stuart, Harrison, Playfair, Stern, Fullerton.

## THE PAR OF GOLF COURSES

(By R. Stanley Weir, K.C.)

I HAVE read with interest Wm. Kinnear's article in the "*Canadian Golfer*" for December last, and with much, that he has written so well, must cordially agree. But I confess myself unable to see how the par of any hole can be reckoned by anything else than a certain number of strokes. How, for example, can we put the par of any hole at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  strokes? One may, indeed, play a half-stroke more or less imperfectly, but it must count *one*. If every stroke from drive to finish putt counts *one* in the computation of par or bogey or any match whatever, how can we ever say, under any circumstances, that the par is  $3\frac{1}{2}$  or  $4\frac{1}{2}$  or any other such number? Unless I am, myself, thick-headed on the subject I think there is some confusion of ideas here.

Again, it must be remembered, even if we compute par on other strokes by whole numbers, as I fear we must, that par on a day of windy weather is by no means the same as on a windless day. If, therefore, a player's handicap is based upon, say, three scores, all played in Euroclydon weather, and his scores are compared with the par of placid June days the resultant handicap would be unjust. There should, therefore, be a Par for normal weather and a Par for milder weather. I remember one day last season when the third hole at Kanawaki, which usually calls for a half-mashie, resisted mightily a full iron! Probably the proper par of that short hole was not altered by the stiff wind, but the proper par of the longer holes was decidedly altered. This shows, I think, that other considerations than mere length must be reckoned with in fixing par. Sapient committees might do this: Appoint certain days for obtaining scores for handicap purposes and fix the par for each day according to the wind conditions. Even then it will be seen that comparisons between the handicap of Brown, of Winnipeg, and the handicap of Jones, of Montreal, offer no certainty as to the relative merits of Brown and Jones. But is that a very serious matter, anyway?

Writing on the same subject Mr. R. C. S. Bruce, President of Norwood, Winnipeg, says:

That was a very interesting and well thought out article of Kinnear's on par. I thought of writing you fully on the subject, but did not, as I have no use for par nor par  $\frac{1}{2}$ s in scoring. I cannot see where the value of a hole comes in on a *distance* basis *only*. To me the *physical* obstacles are what count principally."



# GOLF GREENS AND GREEN KEEPING

Extracts from Leading Authorities Which Green Committees Should Carefully "Mark, Learn and Inwardly Digest"

A VALUED Toronto reader of the magazine writes that he has this winter been making a careful study of authorities—Mr. Horace G. Hutchison and others—on golf greens and green keeping, and the following he considers the "gist" of the offerings, which he considers should be carefully studied by Chairmen and members of Green Committees in Canada:

"All greens should be top dressed at least once a year with a good artificial manure or prepared compost, the best season of application being between September and October, or March and April. It is also most important to roll the grass with a light roller and to keep it closely cut, using a good machine, which must be kept in good running order.

It is most important that a ground devoted to grasses should be sown with a mixture of grass seeds that is particularly suited to its geological structure. Consequently I strongly advise those in authority to call an expert to examine the soil, the grasses natural to the district, etc., before buying the seed, so that a prescription of grasses can be procured which is specially prepared to suit the soil, situation and the purpose for which it is required. No doubt it will surprise many people to know that there are scores of different varieties of grasses, and that each variety or group thrives best when planted in a favorable situation in soil suited to its constituent and habits.

All go-ahead clubs should have a *turf nursery*, which is made and used as follows: Prepare two plots of ground, sow them down, and keep them in exactly the same way as greens are kept. They will make two pieces of excellent turf which will be found very useful during the autumn or spring for repairing bare or weak places in the greens. When one plot is cleared, level it up and sow it again, and use the second plot. In this way a continual supply is available at very little cost during all the season.

Grass will not thrive on a loose surface. After the grass has been cut for the first time, the whole surface must be carefully rolled with a light roller. This should be repeated after each cutting until the turf is strong enough to bear a heavier implement. Do not roll always in the same direction; roll from north to south one day and from east to west the next, and so on. . . . . A wooden roller made up of 5 one-foot segments will be found a useful tool for land that requires frequent rolling, such as putting greens, tennis courts, etc. The best metal rollers are made with two cylinders, to facilitate turning.

Always cut turf thin; one inch to one and a half inches is quite thick enough. I know

that there is quite a difference of opinion about this, but from personal experience I feel convinced that the thinner the turf the better, provided that the crowns of the grass plants are not touched. Such turves start to grow quickly.

Before closing the section dealing with the maintenance of greens mention should be made of the staff of men employed in this work. They should be thoroughly organized and *the course divided into sections*. The men should then be kept to their own particular sections. This creates a certain amount of rivalry and a "keenness" which might otherwise be absent. On large courses, where there are the necessary number of men, an odd man or two is decidedly useful for work out of the ordinary routine.

On the question of *worms* I will be as brief as possible. On inland greens after they have been in play a few years the greenkeeper will find that where at first he had only a few worms they have multiplied to such an extent that they have become an absolute nuisance and he must now think of some means of getting rid of the pests. . . . . If play is to be a pleasure it is necessary to get rid of the worms on the putting greens. What I have found answer the purpose best is Walker's SP Charcoal, which can be applied any time between September and April, but the earlier in the autumn the better. Another very good preparation is Carter's Worm Destroyer," which must be applied in wet weather, when the worms are near the surface, to get the best results.

On the question of *applying water* to the putting greens there seems to be some difference of opinion. Different soils, different aspects of the same soil, and different gradients require different treatment in this respect as in others. The intelligence of the greenkeeper has to be constantly alert. But if water is to be applied at all, there is a consensus of opinion about the right way of applying it—through a sprinkler, so that it shall be water in an aerated condition (as it is called), though I expect that is only another and less simple way of saying, in small drops), as like rain as can be produced artificially. And the night is the best time for its application. On this there is no division of opinion, neither is it disputed that to water in bright sunshine is fatal and foolish."

A hen sat on a putting green;  
Then ambled slowly by me;  
And when I tried to make my putt-  
I found she'd laid a stymie.

—Yale Record

## MANUFACTURER AND FINANCIER

Mr. George E. Drummond, of Montreal, Dies Suddenly in London

**M**R. GEORGE E. DRUMMOND, a director of the new Mount Bruno Golf and Country Club, Montreal, died suddenly at Claridge's Hotel, London, February 17th, from pneumonia. In company with Mr. E. L. Pease, Managing Director of the Royal Bank, and President of St. Bruno, Mr. Drummond was on a business trip to Great Britain. He was one of the best known men in Montreal and in the Dominion. Able, energetic and thorough in everything he undertook, he was a self-made man who, in building up an important business for himself and his associates at the same time rendered valuable services to the public in the development of the natural resources of Canada. From a small beginning in the iron business he branched out boldly until he became one of the greatest industrial magnates of the Dominion, and a director of many banks and prominent financial institutions.

Mr. Drummond was interested in everything that tended towards the

advancement of Montreal or of the Dominion. He and his brother, the late Thomas J. Drummond, were at one time the greatest iron importers in Canada. Later they became among the greatest manufacturers. They were pioneers, and their work will live after them.

Another brother, who was associated with them in some of their mining enterprises in New Ontario, was the late Dr. William Henry Drummond, a prominent medical man in Montreal in his day, who also won fame as the author of "The Habitant," and other poetical works which have done so much to popularize French-Canadian life among English-speaking people.

The passing of Mr. Drummond, who was a most ardent imperialist, is a distinct loss not only to Montreal, but the Dominion at large. Mrs. Harold Pease and Mrs. Henry Birks, of Montreal, are daughters of the deceased, while the sons are Gerald I. Drummond and Paul C. Drummond.

## DEMISE OF POPULAR HAMILTON GOLFER

**M**R. HARRY L. FROST, one of the best-known and most popular of Hamilton's manufacturers, died March 7th at New York. He contracted influenza while in New York several days before, and pneumonia developed. He was born in Danville, Ohio, in 1874, and was therefore in his forty-fifth year. Though as President of the Frost Steel and Wire Company he occupied a prominent place as a manufacturer, it was as a leader of patriotic and philanthropic movements that he was best known. To him more than any other one man is Hamilton indebted for the building of the Royal Connaught Hotel. He was Vice-President of the Hamilton Hotel Company, an ex-President of the Hamilton Board of Trade, Chairman of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Deaconess Home, a member of the Advisory Board of the Children's Aid Society,

an ex-member of the Board of Education, and a member of the Rotary Club. He was also prominent in Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. work. His wife and one son, Russell, who is overseas, and two daughters, the Misses Ruth and Margaret, survive. The announcement of his death causes sorrow in all circles. In recent years there has been scarcely a movement for the improvement of Hamilton in which he did not take a prominent part. He not only was a liberal subscriber of money to all such movements, but gave just as unsparingly of his time and effort.

Of recent years he had taken up enthusiastically with the game of golf. He was a member of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, and was very popular with the players generally. He will be very much missed on the An-caster links.

# HAMILTON'S ANNUAL

**Club with the Superb Course at Ancaster Has a Largely Increased Revenue—Lt.-Col. Paul Myler Re-elected President**

**T**HE annual meeting of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club took place February 14th, with a capital attendance of members, who displayed much interest and satisfaction in the proceedings.

The annual reports were of a most encouraging character. The total revenue reached the very substantial figure of \$31,607, which is \$6,000 in excess of the previous year, and the best the club has had in its history of 22 years. Member-



**Lt.-Col. Paul J. Myler, President of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, and one of the Vice-Presidents of the Royal Canadian Golf Association**

ship fees totalled \$13,572, whilst green fees were responsible for no less than \$1,273.00. The splendid total of \$3,234 was raised during the year for patriotic purposes, which is a showing that compares most favorably with the leading clubs of the Dominion. Substantial amounts were paid out during the year on house furnishing account, and additions to club house and professional's shop. This year the dining room and locker rooms are being greatly enlarged and improved. The Club membership is now 541. Prospects for 1919 are even more encouraging than 1918.

An important departure was the increasing of the Club Directorate from seven to ten. Directors were elected as follows: Thos. C. Haslett, K.C., George Hope, D'Arcy Martin, K.C., Lt.-Col. J. R. Moodie, J. J. Morrison, Lt.-Col. Paul J. Myler, W. E. Phin, C. S. Scott, W. D. Wilson and P. M. Yeates.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Lt.-Col. Paul Myler was re-elected President, and Mr. J. J. Morrison Hon. Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. A. A. Adams was re-elected Captain and Mr. R. H. Arkell Vice-Captain.

Mr. Morrison, who is a Governor in The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, has held office in the Club for 22 years continuously, filling all the chairs in the gift of the members—a record unique in the annals of golf in the Dominion. The re-election of Mr. Adams as Captain and the election of Mr. Arkell as his Vice are very popular selections with all classes of players.

Col. Myler, President for a second term, is one of Hamilton's most prominent business and financial figures. He is the head of the big Westinghouse interests in Canada, besides holding directorates in banks and other large institutions. Born and educated in Pittsburgh, he came to Canada in 1896 and immediately closely identified himself with the life and interests of this country. Golf has found in him a particularly loyal adherent and the outstanding success of the Hamilton Club owes much, very much, to him of late years. He is a Vice-President of The Royal Canadian Golf Association and a member of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association. In the "Who's Who" of golf in Canada, Col. Myler occupies and deservedly so, a very prominent place indeed.

The results of the season's competitions were: Club Championship (Myler Cup)—Winner, F. R. Martin; runner-up, Capt. Broughton. Ramsay Cup—Winner, F. R. Martin; runner-up, Dr. H. H. Pirie. Crerar Cup—Winners, A. H. Gibson and E. Strasburger; runners-up, F. F. Dalley and W. Galashan. 120th Batt. Cup—1st, E. F. Lazier; 2nd, A. A. Adams; 3rd, Dr. H. H. Pirie. 96 Competition—1st, Dr. Bertram; 2nd, Stuart H. Lees; 3rd, E. F. James. R.C.G.A. Thanksgiving Day Medal—Capt. Broughton.

## MUNICIPAL GOLF FOR WINNIPEG

### City Authorities There Have Decided to Proceed with the Completion of the Public Course

**A**T a recent meeting of the Winnipeg Public Parks Board it was decided to proceed this season with the completion of the 18-hole Municipal Course at Kildonan Park. This will be welcome news to many followers of the game in the principal city of the West, who are unable to afford the fees of the private clubs.

A water system will this year be inaugurated and water piped to every green and other work done so as to permit of play this autumn if possible.

The municipal authorities in Winnipeg are to be heartily congratulated on this progressive policy of providing golf for the masses.

This brings the total of public golf courses in the West up to five, viz.: Edmonton, Calgary, Saskatoon, Lethbridge and now Winnipeg.

And still Toronto, Montreal and other important centres in the East, to the lasting discredit of their Park Boards and municipal officials generally, are not making the slightest effort to meet the insistent demand of hundreds of their people for Municipal Golf Links. When may we look for an awakening of the City Hall sleepers in Ontario and Quebec? They seem to be possessed of a Rip Van Winkle brand of somnolency.

# HOW MR. GEORGE LYON

## Just Missed Winning the U. S. Amateur Championship

**M**R. WILLIAM EVERETT HICKS, the well known golf editor of "The Brooklyn Eagle," the first paper on this continent to engage a golfing editor, thus delightfully reminiscences in a recent Sunday issue:

The suggestion in the letter published in Friday's Eagle from Secretary B. L. Anderson, of the Royal Canadian Golf Association that George S. Lyon, Sr., of Toronto, is likely to be a competitor in the national amateur championship at Oakmont next season is very agreeable news to those who recall the striking role Lyon played in the 1906 championship at Englewood, when he was beaten in the final by E. M. Byers, of Pittsburgh, only in a home-green finish, after having had the American 4 down at the thirteenth in the morning round. Should Lyon enter for the championship this year, his play will be followed with interest as he has been eight times champion of Canada.

The brackets at Englewood in 1906 were well balanced, perhaps a shade easier in the Lyon half. In the second round Lyon ran up against H. Chandler Egan, of Chicago, the national champion of 1904 and 1905. It took twenty holes to do it, but Lyon put him out. In the first round Lyon had defeated E. Mortimer Barnes, of Englewood by 3 and 1.

After Lyon put out Egan, who then dominated the amateur golf world as Travers was to do soon after, the Yankee golfers began to sit up and take notice and to ask what manner of man this was who swooped down from the Dominion like the wolf on the fold.

### EGAN'S FATAL OVERRUN

The play of the twentieth hole that ended in the elimination of Egan was interesting. Both shots cleared the brook and stone bridge and it looked as if the match might go to the third extra, but Egan's long iron overran the green which is close to a fence.

Between the ball and the fence was a tangle of thick grass. Lyon was "on" with his second. Egan, noted for his recoveries from trouble, had to live up to his reputation or lose the title of championship he then wore.

In addition to the grass there was a slope up from Egan's ball and he had hardly room to get between the fence and the ball to play the shot. Only a real wizard with a magician's touch could have done anything with that shot. The Chicago player, often hailed as a "rough" wizard, was not equal to the terrible handicap and the hole and match went to the sturdy Canadian, easily old enough to be the loser's father.

From then on Lyon was closely watched. His style did not have the elegance and quality of Egan's, but there was a get-there quality that did not fail to make an impression. The third round found a good-sized gallery following his match with Gil Tiffany, the frequent Hudson River golf champion. Lyon had all he could do to capture that, getting a verdict only on the home hole by 1 up.

### BYERS BUSY IN HIS BRACKET

All this time Byers had been struggling through his bracket. He first defeated Dwight Partridge, of Bedford by 2 and 1, eliminating John G. Anderson, then hailing from Woodland, Mass., by 3 and 2, and in the third round disposed of William T. West, of Philadelphia by 5 and 4.

This brought the two in to the semi-finals, with Lyon having an easy competitor in Ellis Knowles, of Bedford, while Byers faced the redoubtable Walter J. Travis, who had defeated Travers the day before. Lyon won over Knowles 5 and 4, while Byers, who never played better before or since, took the measure of Travis by 4 and 3.

Expectation was on tiptoe the next day, when Byers and Lyon started off on their double circuit for the American title. So close was the struggle

that the match went to the thirty-sixth green. It seemed as if Lyon was going to make a runaway match of it. He was 3 up at the turn in the morning and became 4 up at the thirteenth. Despair settled down upon all the spectators except those who knew that Eb Byers is never so happy as when a match runs against him, and that he plays his best when he has an uphill fight to make.

#### BYERS COMES TO LIFE

Just when the gallery were wondering whether the American would ever do anything, Byers took the fourteenth, halved the fifteenth and sixteenth and captured the seventeenth and eighteenth, to finish the first round only 1 down. One of the sensational features of the morning round was Lyon's holding with the midiron from 45 feet off the green on the seventh hole.

The Canadian held his single hole lead until the fourth afternoon hole, where Byers squared, 4-5. Lyon came right back with wins on the fifth and seventh, to become 2 up, but Byers brought the contest to evens again at the turn by taking the eighth and ninth.

It seemed as if he could not get into the lead, but this happy state for the patriots in the gallery was reached on the eleventh (twenty-ninth) hole, when Byers was 4 to his rival's 5. But Lyon, to whom "cracking" is unknown, squared on the twelfth, 4-5. Then halves followed to the fifteenth, where Byers, with a 4 to 5, took the lead and held it to the end. The American halved the sixteenth and seventeenth, to stand 1 up on the home tee. This

was a pretty small margin for a win there, for the sturdy Canadian meant an extra hole match and a possible triumph for the visitor.

#### PLAY OF THE DECIDING HOLE

The home hole then as now was an iron shot. There was no trap in front of the raised green as there is to-day, nor was there a side trap under the bank as now. The writer of this saw the play of that hole.

Byers' perfect tee iron found the green. Lyon's shot also seemed to be good for the par 3 when it started, for it appeared to be straight on the flag. However, it was a bit too strong and overran the green. The Canadian's return shot up the bank left him a long putt for the 3 even to halve for the loss of the match. He failed to get his 3, while Byers, with two putts, obtained the par and took the match and title by 2 up. The medal scores were: Byers, 79-78=157; Lyon 79-82=161.

So greatly were the gallery impressed by the sportsmanship of Lyon that at the presentation of medals after the match he was called on for a speech and was heartily cheered. He took part in the last championship at Meriton in 1916, but fell out in the play-off of the tie for last place. He is one of the most picturesque figures ever seen at an American championship.

[In connection with Mr. Lyon, for the first time, not qualifying in the 1916 U. S. championship, it might be stated that he was suffering at the time from his annual touch of hay-fever, which is particularly a nasty handicap to good golf.—*Editor "Canadian Golfer."*]

## TWO BROTHERS KILLED, ENLISTED HIMSELF

**P**TE. A. N. ANDERSON, 2nd C. M.R., writes from France, January 23rd, says:

"As I expect to be in Toronto, Canada, by the end of March. I am writing you in regards to a position as professional in Canada.

I am 32 years of age, married, with 4 children; was born in Elie, Fifeshire, Scotland.

I have had the following experience: As assistant professional to my father at Elie

Golf Club, Scotland; 3 years assistant professional to D. Honeyman, professional Forest Hill Golf Club, Newark, N.J., U.S.A. Laid out and was professional at Glenburnie Golf Club, Glenburnie on Lake George, N.Y. Was also professional at the Bayside Golf Club, but enlisted on hearing that my two brothers had been killed in France.

Desiring to reside in Canada, would be grateful for any assistance you can give me towards securing a position."



## NOTES FROM PINEHURST

**Mr. F. W. Kennedy, of Toronto, Makes a Fine Score. Mrs. Dorothy Campbell-Hurd wins St. Valentine's Tournament. Fine Showing of St. Catharines Golfers in Spring Tournament**

**A** RECORD field of 65 players took part in the 15th anniversary flag contest of the Tin Whistlers on Friday, February 21st.

H. C. Fownes won in Class "A" with an 88. Mr. John Weller, of St. Catharines being in sixth place with a 92. In the Silver Foils handicap, Mrs. E. P. Muntz, of St. Catharines, was among the leaders, taking 5th place.

The Pinehurst "Outlook" has this to say of the former Secretary of the Mississauga Golf and Country Club:

"Mr. F. W. Kennedy, of Toronto, went over the Number Three course in 36—38—74 on Sunday, equalling the season's record for the course, made by Parker Whittemore a few days ago. Kennedy missed three short putts, coming in."

On the 11th hole on the No. 3 course the other day, Dr. Bush made a two. The eleventh is a 400 yarder.

In a professional four-ball match, played on the championship course, Emmet French, of New York, and Teddy Gow, of Pinehurst, defeated Cyril Walker, of Golden Valley, and George McLean, of Great Neck, by 35—37—72. Walker and McLean were 73.

Mrs. Dorothy Campbell-Hurd, who won the qualifying round of the St. Valentine's Tournament, carried off the final honours by defeating Mrs. John D. Chapman, of Greenwich, by 6 up and 4 to go.

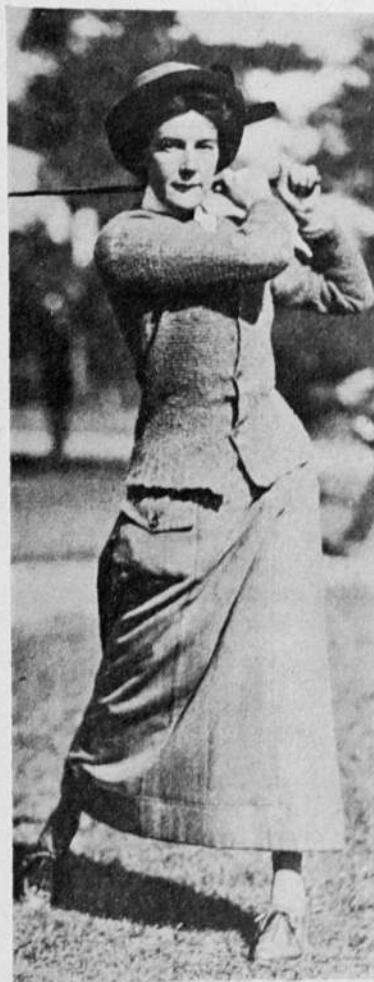
The semi-finals found Mrs. Hurd drawn against Miss Chandler, who had been playing very fine golf, and Mrs. Chapman against Mrs. F. T. Keating.

They were, however, disappointing from the gallery's point of view. Mrs. Hurd played a good round, finishing in 45—44—89, but Miss Chandler was away off her game, took a 98 to go around and lost by 6 down at the 14th.

The other semi-final match between Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. F. T. Keating of the Agawam Hunt, was also a one-sided affair, Mrs. Chapman taking the

first four holes and holding her advantage, finally winning by 5 and 4.

It was reserved for the second con-



**Mrs. Dorothy Campbell-Hurd,  
A Champion of Champions**

solution division to produce the sensation of the day and tournament. Mrs. G. A. Magoon of Oakmont, and Miss Winnifred V. Cullen of Canoe Brook, failed to come to a decision at the 18th. Also at the 19th, 20th and 21st, and having come that far they went right on and halved the 22nd and

23rd. Mrs. Magoon finally won what is possibly the longest match ever played at Pinehurst, at the 24th hole!

Of course, everybody, including Mrs. Chapman, knew that Mrs. Hurd would defeat Mrs. Chapman in the final contest. It is therefore all the more to the credit of the ultimate loser that she played the game of her life all through the first half, going out in 46 and holding Mrs. Hurd down to a 2 hole lead at the turn. Coming in, Mrs. Chapman did not do so well and the

in the finals on March 8th, the Pittsburgh expert proving too much for the Washington representative, winning out by 5 and 4.

Armstrong's play was so convincing that his friends expect him to do something worth while in the national amateur championship to be held next summer at his home club at Pittsburg.

Ontario was represented in the tournament by five players: J. L. Weller, of St. Catharines, J. K. Ingersoll, K.C., St. Catharines, E. W. Birkett and T.



**A Typical Pinehurst Golf Course Scene  
Playing Golf at Pinehurst**

hand-shaking ceremony was staged at the 14th hole. Mrs. Hurd played her best round of the tournament in this final match, finishing in 43-43=86.

The second division trophy went to Mrs. F. H. Mahan, of St. Davids, and Miss Elsie Morgan, of Englewood won the trophy in the third eight.

The Spring Tournament the first week in March brought out a record field of 316 entrants. Dwight L. Armstrong, of Oakmont, Pittsburgh, and Edward Styles, of the Washington Golf Club, tied for the best medal with 154, and strange to relate, eventually met

H. Birkett, of the Rivermead Club, Ottawa, and John McCracken, of the Royal Ottawa. The St. Catharine golfers in their respective flights made a fine showing, coming through to the finals. In the finals in the second eight C. M. Howard, of Halifax, was beaten by George Parry, of Old York Road, 3 and 2.

The best score by any Canadian in the Tournament was that made by Mr. C. B. Grier, a well known player from the Royal Montreal, who in the first 18 holes of the qualifying round notched an 88.

## NOTES FROM THE WEST

### Winnipeg Hunt Has Now a Golf Organization of Its Own. Winnipeg Golf Club will Spend Many Thousands on Improvements

MR. "JOCK" CAMPBELL, popular member of the Elmhurst Golf Club, Winnipeg, sailed for England the end of February on the Royal George. Mr. Campbell is the secretary of the Traders' Trust Company, and has been connected with that firm since its formation in 1916. He is going overseas to visit his father at the latter's home in Edinburgh, and expects to be away about two months. Before leaving Winnipeg, however, he assured his friends that the first day of the golfing season would find him back here.

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They are telling this story about Mr. R. C. S. Bruce, President of Norwood. He had been enjoying a little winter golf at his favourite course and had been getting on very well until his drive from the third had landed him into a deep bunker. He disappeared down the hole in pursuit of the ball, and his caddie, though he could not see him, plainly heard him strike eight times. Finally R. C. S. landed on the green and holed out in two more.

"How many strokes does that make for this hole, sir?" queried the caddie.

"Seven," came the unabashed reply.

"But I heard you take eight in the bunker, sir," said the caddie.

There was dead silence for a moment, then came the answer.

"That may be, but you know there's a most infernal echo down there!"

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"A westerner" writes to the Winnipeg "Free Press" calling in question the letter of Mr. T. R. Billett, President of the St. Charles Country Club in the February issue of the "Canadian Golfer," that the western courses for some time to come would not be Canadian championship form. "Westerner" claims "we have here, one or two courses which compare very favorably with those of the east, and very little work or improvement would be

necessary to make them rank as first-class courses. \* \* \* I am sure, that when we are fortunate enough to get the championship, the west will be able to give a good account of itself as to courses and players."

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Norwood has lost one of its leading lights in Mr. T. S. English, who has just gone to Vancouver to take over the management of one of the leading Trust Companies. Mr. English was amongst the well known and best golfers in Winnipeg; he played from a handicap of 3 (from bogey), was in the Norwood team which won the Winnipeg and District championships in 1917, and last year was runner-up to Mr. F. F. Tribe in the Norwood Golf Club championship. He is an old and experienced golfer who has won prizes in his native Ireland, South Africa and St. Vincent, besides Winnipeg, so we may look for his name amongst the winners on the Pacific coast. Mr. English was on the council of the Norwood Club.

The Norwood Club will also lose (temporarily), another of their council in the person of Mr. E. J. Townshend, of the Dominion Bank, who acted as convener of the House Committee with so much success last year. Mr. Townshend has got run down and has been granted three months' leave of absence, which he intends spending at the coast, recruiting his health with the assistance of the sea breezes and some golf. Mrs. Townshend, who was secretary of the Norwood Ladies' Golf Club, accompanies him.

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Development along the most ambitious lines is assured for the Winnipeg Golf Club this season, as a result of the hearty endorsement given the proposals of the committee by the largely attended meeting at the Fort Garry Hotel, Monday, March the 3rd. The plans call for an expenditure of over \$13,000 on alterations to the club house at Bird's Hill and improvements to the course. To meet the expense to be in-

curred, there will be debentures issued to the amount of \$13,500.

In approving the plans prepared by the committee, which also called for the organization of a debenture selling committee, the meeting gave the executive every encouragement to proceed, and with the tentative start already made, the whole matter is well under way.

The officers for 1919 of this most progressive club are: President, Mr. T. K. Middlemas; Vice-President, Mr. J. B.

Coyne, K.C.; Hon. Sec.-Treas., Mr. George D. McVicar; Chairman Green Committee Mr. J. W. Kelly. Directors, officers and Messrs Dr. R. R. Swan, W. McCurdy, F. Sparling, D. B. Milligan, J. F. Anderson and J. McDiarmid.

With the improvements in club house and course which will be made this year, the Winnipeg Club should be in a position to take care of the Canadian championship in the near future.

## HIGH PRAISE FOR CALGARY

**W**HAT is the most golfish town on this continent? According to Bobbie Mair, the Salem professional who has just returned from Western Canada, the City of Calgary has every town backed off the map.

Interviewed by Jack Hoag, of the Chicago Evening Post, Mair says Calgary is the greatest golfing town that he ever struck. With a population of about 70,000 persons, there are four golf courses, one of which is a municipal links, and it seems as if everybody plays.

Mair spoke very highly of the St. Andrew's Golf Club course, which is the work of Robert White, who formerly played as an amateur at St. Andrew's, Scotland. This is not the Robert White who is president of the Professional Golfers' Association of America, but a florist of Calgary.

The scenic effects at Calgary are wonderful and the ground seems to rise in great waves from the smooth green fairways to the snow-capped Rocky Mountains in the distance.

### In Memoriam.

#### CAPT. DOUGLAS WEIR Canadian Forestry Corps

Died on duty at Edinburgh, November 12th, 1919  
Buried there in Comely Bank Cemetery.

#### BY COMELY BANK

By Comely Bank they laid him down  
And all the green world turned to brown.  
With dirge of drum and banner'd breast  
They bore him to the silent West  
Hard by old Edinburgh town.

Dear Scottish skies, but not his own!  
Make, then, of maple leaves a crown  
To mark where that dear head doth rest  
By Comely Bank.

Write, too, how Life with many a frown  
Doth madly strike at king or clown.  
Kinder is death. As up they pressed  
Death said, my son, too chill yon crest.  
Sleep, sleep in meek, unvexed renown  
By Comely Bank.

# NOTES FROM GREAT BRITAIN

## Interesting Items of the Royal and Ancient from Overseas

**T**HERE will be a British professional Victory Golf Tournament at 72 holes, with prizes amounting to \$1,000 at St. Anne's-on-the-sea, June 21-22, but there will be no open championship this year. This was definitely announced on February 18th.

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Mr. H. Fisher Smith, of the Royal Cinques Golf Club, Deal, where the 1919 event was to have been held, says: "The six clubs controlling the open championship have unanimously decided that there be no open championship in 1919." This decision has been come to largely owing to the war-damaged and neglected links.

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The Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers has resolved not to hold its spring meeting this year, but the autumn meeting may take place, subject to the course at Muirfield being in order. It is highly improbable that the course could be brought to a fit state by the summer or early autumn, and the amateur championship, which is due to take place at Muirfield, is considered almost certain of postponement until 1920.

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The Premier, Mr. Lloyd George, has recently been playing over the championship course at Sandwich. He makes it a point whenever possible, to spare time from his many duties for a round of the links.

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The death occurred on February

18th of Tom Ball, one of the best known English pros. He would have been 37 years of age next June. He was runner-up in the open championship in 1908 and 1909, seventh in 1907, and 9th in 1910; won the Belgian championship in 1913 and 1914, and many other events of note. Perhaps his most notable victory was

registered in 1909 when he annexed the "News of the World" championship, worth £240. He went through a representative field like a master and met Sandy Herd in the final. This was played in a howling gale, but in spite of this Ball put up a great game, driving, pitching and putting in a remarkable manner. He was generally admitted to be the finest putter amongst the British pros. J. H. Taylor, in writing about Ball, says: "Of lively and genial disposition, a good friend and father, the greatest sympathy

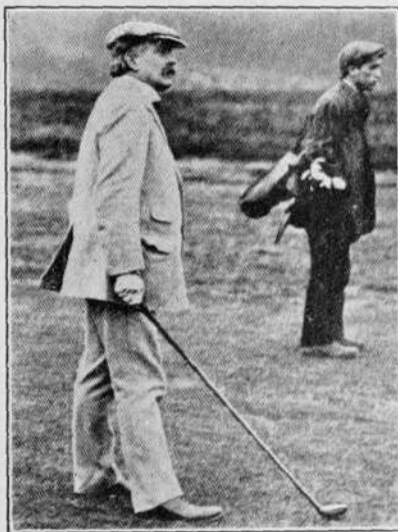
will be felt for his wife and children." He was professional at Raynes Park Golf Club, Surrey.

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It has been decided to give four days instead of three to the Active Service Tournament which is being promoted by the Sandy Lodge Golf Club, and the event will take place from Tuesday to Friday, April 8th to 11th, inclusive.

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Douglas Edgar, the young professional to Northumberland Club, who won the French Open Championship in 1914, has accepted an attractive appointment in the States. A player of



The latest golfing picture of the British Premier, who is seen calmly waiting for a slow party ahead of him on the famous Sandwich Links

such power and promise will leave a blank in the rank of British golfers, says "Golfing," London.

Lieut. Robert Maxwell, the great Scottish amateur, was appointed some time ago to Sir Douglas Haig's Staff, so that may keep him in the Army.

The engagement is announced of Jean, daughter of Mr. John L. Low, to Major H. O. Curtis. Mr. Low, almost the leading personality in golf, is chairman of the Rules of Golf Committee, founder of the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society, and captained the first golf team to visit America in 1903.

Mrs. Miller, who has been 25 years treasurer of the Ladies' Golf Union,



George Duncan, J. H. Taylor, J. Braid and Harry Vardon discussing the Proposed American trip

has resigned her position, much to the regret of everyone.

Lord Northcliffe, after his strenuous war time activities, has decided to take a long holiday. Accompanied by his trusty golf bag, he has hied him to Monte Carlo.

With the removal of the more drastic restrictions concerning joy-riding, has come an increased boom in golfing, says the "London Daily Mail" "The other

Sunday I played a foursome at St. George's Hill, the famous club which is Weybridge way. Platoons of cars were dressed by the right outside, and the links positively reeked of Harris tweed—and very nice, too."

Work is being proceeded with in connection with a new eighteen-hole links for Malone Golf Club, which, when completed, will be one of the finest inland courses in Ireland. The plans were prepared by Dr. Mackenzie. The links will be double dooped with, in the main, artificial hazards.

Contrary to many rumors, Miss Cecil Leitch, the lady champion, is in radiant health. Her sisters, however, Mrs. Turnbull and Miss May, have been quite seriously ill with the influenza.

Lieut. Willock-Pollen, whose engagement to Miss Cecil was recently announced, has been invalided in France and transferred to an hospital at home, suffering from influenza. He is now enjoying leave to complete his convalescence.

There is no possibility of Vardon, Braid, Taylor or Duncan making a tour of America this season. Probably all four will be seen on the courses of the States and Canada in 1920.

Brig.-General Grogan, V.C., D.S.O., M.C., has had a great welcome home from the golfers of St. Andrew's.

Abe Mitchell, the world's longest swatter, is back in England from France. Many experts pick him to win the Open Championship in the very near future.

Throughout the United Kingdom, comes reports of a wonderful revival in the game. Not only are all the old links being put in commission, but many new courses are being laid out in England, Scotland and Ireland. Golf in 1919 promises even to surpass its wonderful pre-wartime popularity.



## VARDON AGAIN SAYS "1920"

**H**ARRY VARDON, under date of Totteridge, London, February 22nd, writes: "Please find cheque for twelve shillings to renew my subscription to the 'Canadian Golfer'—always a very interesting and instructive magazine, so well got up. All being well hope to see lots of old friends in America in 1920."

The U. S. golf magazines just received for March still persist in stating that the Champion will be out here this season. It will be noticed that in the above letter he still refers to 1920 as the date of his next visit. There is no chance whatever of the British experts being here in 1919.

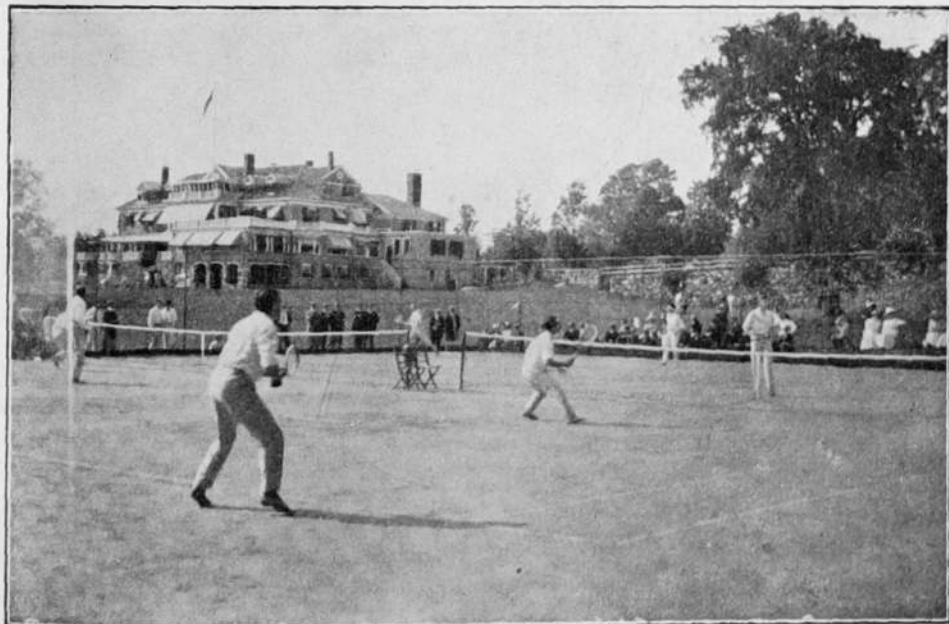
## GEORGETOWN GETS INTO GAME

### Halton Golf and Country Club Formed and Course Laid Out

**G**EORGETOWN is the latest town to get into the golf game. The Halton Golf and Country Club has been formed there and last month George Cumming, the Toronto golf architect went down to Georgetown and laid out a course of 3,200 yards. By the same token, laying out a golf course in Ontario in February is a record which is likely to stand for many years.

Cumming tells the "Canadian Golfer" that the property is a very fine one indeed. There are three magnificent ponds on it and fishing, besides golf, will be among the attractions offered members of the Club.

Mr. J. A. Willoughby is the moving spirit in the undertaking and he is receiving enthusiastic support from the leading residents of Halton County.



The magnificent home of the Brae Burn Country Club at West Newton, near Boston, where the U. S. Open Championships will be held June 9th, 10th and 11th. Several Canadian Professionals intend entering for the event, if duties here will permit

# LAKEVIEW'S ANNUAL

**Toronto Club has a Record Year in all Departments. Special Week-end Tournaments to be held this Season.**

**T**HE annual meeting of the Lakeview Golf and Country Club, Limited, was held in the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, on Friday, the 7th of February.

In the absence of the President, Mr. F. A. N. Powell, the Vice-President, Mr. J. T. Clark, presented the annual report and balance sheet, and the result of the operations of the year's working showed that the Club was in a very strong financial position and the year just closed was the most successful in the history of the Club.

During the year new members were



**Mr. F. A. U. Powell Re-Elected President of Lakeview Golf and Country Club**

admitted to the Club to the number of one hundred and twenty-nine, which was looked upon by many as a record to be proud of.

As showing the marked progress of Lakeview during the past year, the total revenue was \$28,000.00 in 1918, compared with \$21,000.00 in 1917. The House Account revenue was \$12,044.25 in 1918, compared with \$8,256.25 in 1917. The assets of the Club are placed at \$112,582.77. The surplus of revenue for the year exceeded \$2,000.00.

Numerous patriotic functions were held during the season, among which

the Red Cross fete organized by the Tournament Committee, which netted the splendid sum of \$1,000.00.

To provide additional attraction for members, especially those who are unable to get away from business through the week, the Directors have undertaken to arrange a number of special tournaments during week-ends which will commence in the early part of the coming season.

The Club garden, thanks to the work of the many of the members, produced a plentiful supply of vegetables for the Club during the past season, and a quantity of hay and oats was grown, notwithstanding the shortage of labor.

During the latter part of last season two new greens, No. 5 and No. 18, have been completed, and will be in play this coming season. The plans submitted a year ago for the bunkering of the upper part of the course will be submitted to the directors again this year and the work will commence just as soon as conditions will permit.

The following officers were elected:

Honorary President—Mr. James J. Walsh.

President—Mr. Frederick A. N. Powell.

Vice-President—Mr. J. T. Clark.

Hon. Secretary—Mr. W. T. J. Lee.

Directors—Mr. N. G. MacLeod, Mr. E. G. Thedford, Mr. C. E. Lanskill, Mr. Gideon Miller.

Auditor—Mr. J. Neilson Lang, C.A.

Captain—Mr. R. A. Mackie.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the retiring Directors for their valuable services during the past year:

After the conclusion of the annual meeting, a Director's meeting was held, at which the following Committees were appointed:

Green—Messrs. MacLeod, Ewart, Lang and Mackie.

House—Messrs. Miller, Lee and Thedford.

Musical—Messrs. Plant, Wookey, Plant and Henry.



# GOLF IN AUGUSTA

Popular Georgia Resort Has a Record Season—Many Canadians in Attendance—Mr. J. H. McGregor, Toronto, Wins Second Flight

(Special Correspondence "Canadian Golfer," by Mr. Herbert Pike)

**P**ERHAPS not in the annals of golf has such a gathering of golf stars been recorded, as that of thirty of the most notable professional golfers of the United States on the 14th and 15th of February, under the auspices of the Country Club of Augusta, on their ideal hill course among the pines some two miles from the city; more interesting from the fact of it being the first open tourney since the entrance of the U. S. in the war.

The presence of James Barnes, of Sunset Hill, St. Louis, Wilfred Reed, of Wilmington, Eddy Loos of Fox Hills, Staten Island; Mike Brady, Oakley, Boston; and the one time open champion, George Sargeant, Interlaken, Minneaoplis; also George Fotheringham, Boston, of South African fame, and a score or two of other lights, insured close contests, and an interested and large gallery.

First day's play of thirty-six holes resulted as follows, for the big four:

Brady, 73—81=154. 1st prize, \$125.00.

Fotheringham, 77—79=156. 2nd prize, \$50.00.

Kerrington, 80—79=159. 3rd prize, \$37.50. Sargeant 159, tie.

Second Day—Amateur-professional four ball condition, no two *Vocational* exponents should play together.

Thirty-two pairs teed off for cups and cash in best four ball match; amateurs allowed their club handicap. Scores of winners:

J. A. Mudd, Jr., 1st prize; Eddie Loos, 1st money, \$125.00, 73—71=143.

M. Logan, 2nd prize; Mike Brady, 2nd money, \$50.00, 72—76=148.

I. W. Read, 3rd prize; George Sargeant, 3rd money, \$30.00, 72—77=149.

Lt. Ogden, 4th prize; Alex. Cunningham 4th money, \$15.00, 75—75=150.

Porter Fleming, 4th prize; James Barnes, 4th money, \$15.00, 80—70=150.

That bugbear of negotiating sand greens, high winds, prevailing during the two days prevented any records being broken, which condition, coming after six weeks of perfect golfing weather, evoked a general expression of regret from the gallery and all interested.

This resort in which the well known and comfortable Bon Air Hotel looks well after the material needs of its many patrons, second to none in the South, is having a most successful season, both from the golfer's standpoint and that of those seeking the social life of its cottage colony; tea rooms, drives, and walks through the pines; in short, everything that goes to make life happy to the most exacting, without the enervating condition one is liable to absorb from the air further to the south.

Some of the prominent Canadians registered in here and making more or less extensive stays are:

J. H. Gundy, Toronto; S. L. Gundy, Toronto; Wm. Copeland Smiley, Montreal; W. Gardner, Montreal; E. N. Bartlett, Windsor, F. H. Anson, Montreal; E. M. Wilson, Montreal; Wm. J. Crossen, Cobourg; C. M. Mowatt, Toronto, D. D. Ayer, Montreal, H. H. Ayer, Montreal; Mrs. R. V. Mackay, Toronto; A. F. Rodgers, Toronto; L. M. Stone, Toronto; H. H. Suydam, Toronto; J. H. McGregor, Toronto; A. F. Rogers, Toronto; H. P. Pike, Brantford; J. B. Waddell, Montreal; Sir Mortimer Davis, Montreal; W. S. Hodgins, Montreal; W. D. McGregor, Windsor; J. W. B. Carter, Toronto; F. W. Stone, Toronto; C. J. Mowatt, Toronto, J. Lindsay, Toronto; W. S. Greening, Toronto, J. T. McCall, Montreal; T. C. Davidson, Montreal; B. B. Stevenson, Montreal; W. B. Woods, Toronto; F. A. Fisher, Montreal; C. R. Wilson, Montreal; John McGill, Montreal; Hon. W. J. Hanna, Toronto; Dr. Cummings Toronto, C. D. Stillman, Toronto.

Mr. J. H. McGregor, of Toronto, one

of the well known Canadian Seniors, has been playing fine golf whilst here. He won the Second Flight in the Bon Air Cup.

The Hon. M. Rowell and Mrs. Rowell, of Ottawa, were also spending a few days here before the opening of the House at Ottawa.

## WESTON'S SUCCESSFUL YEAR

### Youngest of the Toronto Clubs will Improve Club House

**W**ESTON, the youngest of the Toronto clubs, held its annual meeting the other day, and like its older and bigger contemporaries, reported advancement and progress all along the line. Weston has met with signal success in its efforts to provide golf at a nominal cost. It was freely predicted that this could not be done in a centre like Toronto, but Weston has demonstrated to the contrary. It has now a really first-class 18-hole course, well kept up and an attractive little club house, in which the coming season hot water showers and other improvements will be installed. The fees are quite within the range of the pocket book of the ordinary man or woman, and there is much enthusiasm and esprit de corps among the members. Weston is to be congratulated most heartily on the missionary work it has done for golf in Canada. It has conclusively proved that a man does not require an income in many thousands to enjoy golf, and good golf in a large city. Incidentally the amateur champion, Mr. George S. Lyon, was made an honorary life member of the club. The "genial champ." has now about an even dozen of these coveted honors to hang on his trusty golf bag.

Officers for 1919 were elected as follows:

President, L. R. Young.

Vice-President, M. A. Stewart.  
 Captain, H. B. Morphy.  
 Vice-Captain, Leo. A. Blenkarn.  
 Directors, John Lindsay, L. R. Young, John Love, H. J. Church.  
 Auditors, Messrs. R. E. Young & Co.

Green Committee, H. B. Morphy, Chairman; Leo. A. Blenkarn, M. A. Stewart and John Lindsay.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Honorary Secretary-Treasurer John Love for the energetic and efficient manner in which he discharged the duties of his office. It was decided to appoint a permanent Secretary-Treasurer for the coming season owing to the increasing work of the post. St. A. P. Tyrwhitt was elected by the Directors.

Leo. A. Blenkarn, who ably attended to the duties of press representative, was accorded a vote of thanks. The applications for membership point to another successful season. The annual fees for lady members have been increased from \$10 to \$15.

The prize-winners last season were as follows: Directors' Shield, John Reekie; McFadden Cup, W. A. Howlett; Strickland Cup, John Reekie; Fall Cup, J. L. Chambers and H. H. Holland; President's Medal, John Reekie; Glasgow Cup, Miss Defoe and John Reekie.

## A LETTER FROM VANCOUVER

**"B**OB SMITH writes from Braeside, Dundavave, West Vancouver:

"I have been reading your golfing notes in our paper here and would be very much obliged to you if you will give me a little information. Before going overseas I was golf instructor to A. G. Spalding & Bros., San Francisco, and while overseas I acted as golf instructor to the Canadian officers at Seaford, England. Judging by the enthusiasm all my pupils displayed, it would not surprise me to

hear that they were all opening courses of their own. I had quite a few boys from Toronto whom I played with and gave lessons to: Capt. Cameron, Major Patterson, Capt. Sebert. I am a good golf architect, having laid out and improved a great many courses, and would be very much obliged to you if you could give me the names of any clubs requiring a pro., or the names of prospective new clubs in Canada.

This seems a tall order, but judging by your notes you seem to know the golfing life of Canada pretty well."

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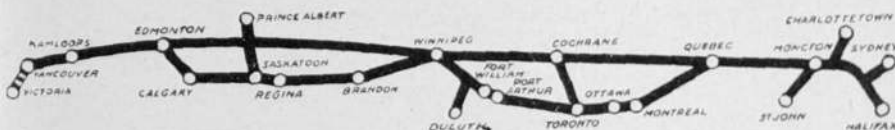
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# IN AND ROUND THE CLUB HOUSE

Interesting Happenings in Canada, Great Britain  
and United States

**T**HE interior of the club house at The Royal Ottawa is being re-decorated and otherwise improved for the coming season, which promises to be a record one at the Capital.

March the 3rd the Granite Club, Toronto, invited a team from the Rosedale Golf Club to their very popular indoor courses, resulting in a victory for the visitors by two points. The watches were keenly contested and most of the wins were by very small margins.

Prof. Hooke, for Rosedale, made a record score for this course, going out in 30 and returning with a 36, or 66 for 18 holes. George Cumming, of Toronto Golf Club, held the record previously with a 68 in his game with Mr. Geo. Lyon. The result of the match was as follows:

ROSEDALE		GRANITE	
Prof. Hooke	..... 1	F. Kennedy	..... 0
Dr. Beatty	..... 1	C. W. Defoe	..... 0
John Martin	..... 1	Capt. Blackburn	... 0
Alex. Gooderham	.. 0	A. M. Huestis	.... 1
Frank Roden	..... 0	F. C. Clarke	..... 1
W. Gray	..... 1	R. B. Buchanan	... 0
S. B. Gundy	..... 0	John Rennie	..... 1
Thos. Roden	.....½	Tom Rennie	.....½
R. H. Greene	..... 1	H. Creighton	..... 0
Total	.....5½	Total	.....3½

Rosedale, 2 up.

“Ralph, (the name of the gardener), bring me a drink of water. I have accidentally shot myself.”

These were the last words coherently uttered by Mr. Charles C. Cummings, Manager of the Lumsden Building, at

the northeast corner of Young and Adelaide streets, Toronto, who died in Wellesley Hospital, Saturday, February 15th, four hours after being admitted there. Mr. Cummings, whose palatial home and grounds bordered the Scarborough Golf Course, was an enthusiastic golfer and his tragic end is very much regretted throughout the Province. He leaves a wife and son and daughter.

## Insists on Golf as Part of Training of New York Americans.

(Special Despatch to Toronto Globe)

NEW YORK, March 10.—An hour on the links will be part of the Kilties' training routine while in the South, according to Miller Huggins, who intends to use to the limit all of the facilities for conditioning in Jacksonville.

Huggins is a firm believer in golf as an aid in developing a batsman and intends to have all his men, and especially the weak batsmen, undergo a course in golfing during their stay in the Florida city. Capt. Huston, Vice-President of the Highlanders, also is a golfing devotee, and he intends to spend much of his time while in Jacksonville on the links.

Mr. E. L. Kingsley, Canadian Manager of the North British Rubber Co., Edinburgh, manufacturers of the “Chick” and other well known balls, and Mrs. Kingsley recently left on a visit to Great Britain.

Mr. R. C. S. Bruce, the President of the Norwood Golf Club, Winnipeg, last month, had the misfortune, whilst skating on the river, of being the

victim of a nasty spill, which resulted in a couple of broken ribs. He has been confined to the house as a result of the accident, which it is hoped, will not interfere with his golf the coming season.

Mr. John E. Hall, the former well known cricketer, now a member of Mississauga, writes that he has played golf every week of this winter—which is some record.

Mr. Fred. C. Armitage, Secretary of Lakeview, Toronto:

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Mr. William Burke, Newark, Ohio:

"I think the 'Canadian Golfer' is a splendid publication and cannot help but do a wonderful lot of good for the Canadian golfing contingent."

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Harry Gunn has been appointed to the position of professional of the Canoe Club, Winnipeg—the latest golf club in that city of golf clubs. He is a very sound player, indeed. He learned his game on the famous Braid Hills course, Edinburgh, where he has had scores of 74, 75 and 77 to his credit. He formerly held the 9-hole course record of Norwood—a 35. He is a brother of William Gunn, who returns to the Brantford Club again this season.

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Says a recent issue of "The Palm Beach Post" of a well known Mississauga golfer:

"Mr. W. Berkenshaw, of Toronto, who has been playing daily since his arrival, made a splendid showing on the links Saturday, when he did the first nine holes in 37. Playing with him were Lovell J. Mickels, of Montreal, and Mr. Watkins, of Toronto, with whom he plays frequently. This is some of the best golf seen here this season and if Mr. Berkenshaw keeps up this pace, Palm Beach golfers will have to look after their laurels."

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Lakeview, Toronto, has already added thirty names to its membership list this season.

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Mr. G. R. Hargraft, ex-president of Rosedale, had the pleasure of welcoming home last week his two soldier sons who have been gallantly doing their "bit over there."

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Mr. Grinnell Willis, of Morristown, has donated \$20,000 to complete the famous Pine Valley course near Philadelphia—pronounced by many experts the finest course on the continent of America.

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Louis Tellier has been appointed professional at the Brae Burn Country

Club, a position which was offered Harry Vardon this season at his own figure.

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Mr. Charles M. Schwab, the man of many millions, is now an enthusiastic golfer. He has recently been playing on the links at White Sulphur Springs.

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Mr. T. G. McConkey, General Superintendent of the Canada Life, Toronto, ex-president of Scarborough Golf and Country Club, will spend several months in England this year.

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Mr. W. E. Rundle, General Manager of the National Trust Co., a well known Toronto golfer, has returned from spending some six months in the South. He returns greatly improved in health, many friends will be glad to hear.

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Stewart Maiden, the Scotch professional, at Atlanta, Georgia, who was largely responsible for making Miss Alexa Stirling and "Bobby" Jones, champion golfers, has at last been lured away from Atlanta, where he was looked upon almost as a fixture. He goes to the St. Louis Country Club this season.

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Mrs. Peggy Cameron has just played a wonderful round of 74 when competing for the "Sassy Jane" trophy on the links at Griffith Park, Cal. With a handicap of 14, she registered a net score of 60, which was much too fast for the rest of the field. The Griffith Park measures 5,424 yards, and Mrs. Cameron's score was as follows:

Out—3,5,4, 4,5,5, 5,4,4—39.  
In—4,3,4, 4,3, 4, 5,4,4—35.

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A venerable golfer passed away in Los Angeles last month in the person of John C. Watson, 87 years old. He was born in Fifeshire, Scotland, and learned the game at St. Andrews. He came to California twenty years ago and at once interested himself in the game, which was then in its infancy on the Pacific Coast. One of his sons, William Watson is the dean of the Southern California professionals, and has laid out several of the links there.

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Jim Barnes, Western Open Champion in 1917, has been engaged by the

Sunset Hill Country Club, of St. Louis, where the Western Amateur Championship will be held in June.

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Lt. Erle Loundes, M.C., a member of Mississauga, returned home last week from France. He is a young golfer of much promise.

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Corporal Spittal writes that he expects to be returning to Canada this season and will be available for professional duties possibly at some summer resort if all the regular billets are taken up.

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The Ladies' Golf Club of Paris gave a very delightful progressive euchre last week. Twenty-nine tables were arranged and the games were thoroughly enjoyed. The prize winners for points were: Miss Eva Lilley and Mrs. S. J. Graham, Mr. Wm. Finlayson and Mr. John Smoke, and for lone hands Mr. Geo. Inksater.

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Messrs. W. E. Greene, R. S. Grindley and A. White of the London Hunt Club left last week for Pinehurst for two or three weeks golf.

"Jack" Pritchard, the newly appointed pro. at Mississauga, started in at his duties there this month. He was formerly assistant to Freeman at Lambton.

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The U. S. National Open, set for June 9, 10 and 11 at Brae Burn, will be followed by the 72-hole amateur competition for the Herbert Jacques Memorial Cup at the Country Club. This insures all the leading amateurs who play in the open staying over for the other event. Francis Ouimet looks for one of the greatest amateur fields of the entire year at this tournament.

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Lt. Francis Ouimet has been appointed by the Massachusetts Golf Association Captain of the State team. There is, by the way, a very good chance that the ex-open and amateur U. S. champion in company with Mr. Sullivan, may be induced to play over a number of Ontario courses this season. That would be a great drawing card.

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Mr. Harold Wilson, of Lambton, has left for three or four weeks golf in the South.

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 Willie Park, the celebrated golf architect and ex-open champion, will arrive in Montreal from New York April 1st to take up his new duties at the Mount Bruno Golf Club. He writes the "Canadian Golfer" that he is very enthusiastic about the outlook for golf in both the United States and Canada during the coming year.

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 There is a new story going round about the famous Schmidt golfing twins. These two are so much alike that it is almost impossible to tell them apart. Two friends of the twins were playing one day and one of them remarked:

"By Jove, I can't tell 'em apart, can you?"

"Sure," said the other.

"Well, which is that one over there playing the tenth hole?"

"That's easy. That's Heinie."

"How can you tell," was the puzzled rejoinder.

"Why Karl is on his vacation," was the reply.

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Walter C. Hagen, professional, of the Palma Cella Club, Florida, won the national midwinter open golf tournament March 8th on the Palma Cella links, in competition with twenty-four other professional players. Hagen made 312 for the 72 holes, a margin of five strokes over his nearest rival, James M. Barnes, of Sunset Hill, St. Louis. Joek Hutchinson, of Glenview, Chicago, was third with a score of 321. Hagen was formerly professional at Rochester, N. Y., and is a "home brew." He won the American Open Championship in 1914. Barnes and Hutchinson both learned their game in the Old Country. The trio are generally looked upon as the leading exponents of the game in the States and there is great rivalry between them.

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Paul Gardner, Onwentsia, won the annual championship of the Coronada, Cal., Country Club, defeating Percival Thompson of Coronado by 3 up 2. Just

thirteen years ago J. P. Gardner, Paul's father, won the event on the same course.

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Lambton expects to have a couple of International experts go over the course this season, and make suggestions in reference to bunkering done, and to be done.

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Mr. Alston Carlyle has been appointed Manager of the Hamilton Club and took up his new duties this month. Mr. Carlyle for the past two or three seasons has been Secretary at the Scarborough Golf Club, Toronto. He has every qualification to make a success of the new position at Hamilton.

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The Lambton Club, of Toronto, is hoping to complete certain improvements, contemplated before the war, in time for the Canadian Amateur Championship. Always a good course, it will, when these improvements are finished, rank among the very best, not only in the Dominion, but in the United States as well.—"*Golf Illustrated*," *New York*.

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The Brantford Golf and Country Club will be without the support the coming season of two of its best match players. The Rev. Dr. Henderson is going to St. Thomas, and Mr. J. P. Schofield has left for Flint, Mich., where he has secured a particularly lucrative musical position. Dr. Henderson will be a great help to the Elgin Golf and Country Club, St. Thomas. Another member, Mr. Lamereaux is leaving for Montreal.

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The Riverside Country Club, Saskatoon, a comparatively speaking new club, is re-organizing this season with much improved prospects. The officers are: President, Mr. R. R. Morgan; Vice-President, Mr. W. A. Coulthard; Secretary, Mr. A. D. Duncan; Captain and Chairman of Green Committee, Mr. E. S. Martin. Directors, officers and Messrs. J. E. Cairns, W. A. Porteous, R. R. Randall, G. H. Yule, C. L. Sherry and T. Reynolds. The course is situated 6 miles from the city. Fourteen holes will be in play this year.

Mr. W. S. Brewster, K.C., a director of the Brantford Golf and Country Club, has left on a business trip to Cuba.

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Among Toronto golfers at Summer-ville, S. C., are Messrs Atwell Fleming, W. A. Kemp, J. W. Corcoran and R. Copeland.

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Mr. E. L. Pease, Managing Director of The Royal Bank, and President of The Mount Bruno Country Club, is at present in England on business. He will return to Canada in April. The formal opening of Mount Bruno's magnificent new course it is expected will take place in June. This will be one of the golfing events of 1919.

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Donald Ross, the well known golf expert, who always spends the winter at Pinehurst, is coming to Toronto the first week in May to go over the Rosedale course with a view of making several changes. The directors and members of Rosedale are determined to make their course, already a good 'un, into one of the finest in Canada, and will spare no expense to attain this objective.

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Many Canadian friends, golfing and otherwise, of Capt. Evans, will be interested to hear that the gallant sailor has added to his titles of C. B. and D. S.O. that of the Order of the Tower and Sword from Portugal.

Captain Evans, it will be remembered, was in command of H. M. destroyer *Broke*, which earned undying fame in one of the Channel raids, and was second in command to the late Capt. Scott in the Antarctic.

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The attendance at the amateur championship tournament of the Western Golf Association to be held on the golf course of the Sunset Hill Country Club at St. Louis, in June next, will find the eighty odd mounds and bunkers, recently constructed by Alfred Tyson, greenkeeper and well known expert in golf construction, quite unique and new in this line of work. They will also find that the last nine holes of the course, which were completed by Tyson, are models in golf construction.



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pionship will be played at Spokane,  
Washington, instead of at the Shaugh-  
nessy Heights Golf Club, Vancouver,  
as originally intended.

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Mississauga, Toronto, this season, is  
embarking on a systematic plan to im-  
prove its course. Mississauga has one  
of the most beautiful links on the con-  
tinent. All it requires to put it in the  
championship class is the improvement  
of the green and fairgreen.

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It is generally believed in England  
that Mr. John Ball, eight times amateur  
and once open champion will not com-  
pete any more in the classic events in  
Great Britain. Even before the war  
he was seriously thinking of dropping  
out of such competitions.

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One of the best professional four-ball  
matches played in the South this sea-  
son was staged on the picturesque links  
of the Southern Pines Country Club  
last month. Emmet French, of New  
York, was paired with George Fother-  
ingham, against Cyril Walker, of Gol-  
den Valley, and George McLean, of  
Great Neck, and the match was all even  
at the 16th hole. The 17th, 18th and  
19th were halved and French won the  
victory for his team with a fine 3 at  
the second extra hole. Walker's 34-  
40=74, was the best individual medal  
score, and included two great birdies  
in succession on the way out, a 3 on the  
7th and a 2 on the 235 yard 8th hole.

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Orders are already coming in, in a  
most satisfactory manner for the Book  
of Rules, which is being issued by the  
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ian Golfer." One prominent Montreal  
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Lieut. Robert A. Gardner, former U. S. Amateur Champion, has resumed his former position with the Peabody Coal Company, of Chicago. His regiment finished training and was ready to go into action two days before the armistice was signed. He is planning to compete in the national amateur championship at Oakmont, and may play in a few other tournaments if business will permit.

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One of the finest 18-hole golf courses in the Metropolitan district and one of the most accessible—a next door neighbor to the famous Oakland golf

preserve—has been leased by Robert D. Blackman, proprietor of the Hotel Belleclaire, Broadway at 77th Street, New York, who assumed control March 1st and immediately proceeded to convert it into a private course.

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The Philadelphia Press in referring to the report that Miss Alexa Stirling, the U. S. National Woman Golf Champion, is going to take up violin playing as a career, says that she "may desert golf for the fiddle." One would think from this, says Mr. W. Everett Hieks, that Miss Stirling has been a woman professional after the manner of Mrs. Dunn-Webb, now in California. Just why one cannot pursue the study of music without giving up golf, except to save one's hands, is not quite clear. Miss Stirling has gone in for golf as an avocation, not as a vocation, and any suggestion that she has been "following" golf would do an injustice to a very sweet and charming amateur, who has never had the least intention of taking up golf as a profession. If the strain on the hand and

fingers in golfing interferes with her violin playing, it may be she will be constrained to see little of the links, just as Paderewski is limited to billiards for fear of stiffening his fingers in rowing, golfing, etc., even the pull on the reins when riding horseback tending to impair the suppleness of the pianist's fingers.

Mr. Thos. G. Leonard, a prominent director of the Quebec Golf Club, writes that prospects for the coming season there are of the brightest. The club has a playing membership of over 100 men and about 50 ladies. "Golfers in Quebec" says Mr. Leonard, "are very keen and are anxiously awaiting the opening of the 1919 season."

Quebec, the second oldest golf club on the continent, has appointed Frank E. Lock professional for the coming season, and he will report for duty at the ancient capital April 1st. Lock only two or three months ago returned from serving some four years in France. He was professional at the Brantford Club when war broke out and was one of the first Canadian pros. to don khaki. He saw much service at the Front and escaped unscathed until he was slightly wounded last August. He learned his game at Westward Ho; is a very long driver and has many good shots in his bag. Quebec has secured a first-class man in every respect.

It is to be regretted, perhaps, that the naming of golf and country clubs does not fall within the jurisdiction of the golf associations, for they might be able to put a damper on club organizers who find a fiendish delight in selecting a name unpronounceable except to the initiated. One of these jaw breaking combinations is to be found at Calesburgh, the noted Illinois college town. The club cognomen, is Scangetaha. At Utica, there is the Yahnudahsis Club. One of the latest of these etyocological horrors, is Tredyffrin, near Paoli, Pa. If it keeps on the roster of American golf clubs will suggest a list of Welsh and Indian places. In Canada, golf clubs have rather side-stepped

Indian appellations. The only three are, Mississauga, Toronto; Kanawaki, Montreal; and Couchiching, Orillia, all of which are fairly decent and pronounceable cognomens.

Sir Thomas Tait, Montreal, returned last week from an extensive trip to California and British Columbia. He enjoyed many games of golf on the excellent courses to be found in these places whilst away.

Mr. Charles Evans, Jr., has been so busy selling bonds of late, that he has not had a club in his hands for over three months. He is inclined to think it is stated by intimate friends, that he will not defend his open title at Brae Burn next June.

Under date of March 12th, Capt. Howard F. Whitney, Hon. Secretary of the United States Golf Association informs the "Canadian Golfer":

"The dates chosen by the Executive Committee for the Amateur Championship to be held at the Oakmont Country Club, Oakmont, Alleghany County, Pa. (near Pittsburgh), are August 18th to 23rd.

After consultation with the Women's Committee of the United States Golf Association, it has been decided to hold the Women's National Golf Championship at the Shawnee Country Club, Shawnee on-Delaware, Pa., during the week of September 29th to October 4th."

The annual meeting of the ladies of the Paris Golf Club was held on February 14th, when the following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. Richard Thomson.  
Vice-President—Mrs. Paul Wickson.  
Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Wickson.  
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Margaret Widder.

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Match Committee—Mrs. Adeney, Jones, Miss Dorothy Thomson.

Tea Committee—Miss Blake, Mrs. O. R. Whitby, Mrs. Crooks and Mrs. F. D. Widder.

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A message has been received by relatives that Mr. J. A. Macfadden, of 27 Chicora Avenue, Toronto, who went to California a few weeks ago in the hope of improving his health has had a relapse and is now in the hospital at Pasadena. Mr. Macfadden is a well-known business man, being general agent for the New York Life Insurance Company for Canada. As a golfer and curler he is known throughout the Dominion. Many friends will join the "Canadian Golfer" in the heartfelt wish that this fine all-round sportsman will have a speedy recovery.

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Karl Keffer, Open Champion of Canada, on his way back to this country from serving in France, was taken down in London with a very serious attack of pneumonia, and was in a very critical condition for some time. Canadian golfing friends will be glad to hear that from last accounts, Keffer, who it will be remembered was called upon to suffer the great loss of his wife from the same disease a few months ago, is now on the mend. He was to have re-

sumed his professional duties at The Royal Ottawa the beginning of next month, but it will probably be some time yet before he can take up active work on the links. It will be the general wish that at any rate by August, he will be in his usual good form to defend his championship title at the Open Tournament which is being revived after five years, and which will probably have entries from all over Canada and the United States.

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George Daniel, for the past five years pro. at Mississauga, has felt the "lure of the West," and is leaving this month to take over the professional duties of the progressive Assiniboine Club, Winnipeg. Daniel is a golfer of the very best Scottish type. He is a worthy pupil of Willie Fernie, of Troan, who won the Open Championship away back in 1883. Daniel has a perfect style, drives an exceptionally long ball and uses his irons in a masterly manner. He has only played in two exhibition matches in Canada. Partnered with W. M. Freeman he defeated Mr. George

S. Lyon and George Cumming (the only time they were ever taken into camp), and with Mr. W. J. Thompson defeated Mr. G. S. Lyon and Mr. Seymour Lyon. He should do much for Assiniboine and golf in the West. It is only hoped that his duties in Winnipeg will allow him to compete in the Open Championship next August.

The Toronto District Amateur and Professional Championships will be revived this year. Mississauga will be the scene of the matches.

The Royal Ottawa is another Canadian Golf Club with a glorious war record. One hundred and twenty of its members enlisted and fourteen made the supreme sacrifice.

Mr. F. W. Kennedy, the well known amateur golfer and secretary for some six years of the Mississauga Golf Club, will after all not take over the Secretarial duties at Scarborough, Toronto, this season. He has become associated with the well known firm of A. G. Spalding and Bros., and will, during the coming season travel a great deal in the States for this representative firm—a class of work which he has long been desirous of taking up. He will leave for Pinehurst during the course of the next week or so.

Mr. E. M. Hurn, who has for several years been actively connected with the staff of The Royal Ottawa Golf Club, the last four years as Secretary and Manager, resigned a few weeks ago and is returning to England to engage in business there. He was a most capable official, and will be very much missed in Secretarial golfing circles in Canada. The Directors of The Royal Ottawa, have appointed as Honorary Secretary-Treasurer, Major R. B. Viets, an old member of the club, who went to the front, was wounded and is now back again, serving in a legal capacity in the Finance Department. The internal management of the club has been placed in the hands of Miss Jean Lindsay, a well known resident of Ottawa, who for some years past has managed the Highland Inn at Algonquin Park for the Grand Trunk Rail-

way, and who is well known to many prominent travellers both in Canada and the States.

H. S. Foley has again taken over the professional duties of the Halifax Golf Club for the coming season. He is a first-class player and coach.

Mr. W. E. Hicks, the famous golf editor of the Brooklyn "Eagle," the first newspaper on this continent to appoint an expert to conduct its golfing columns: "You certainly publish an interesting magazine."

Interesting reports of the successful annual meetings of Scarborough, Toronto, Kanawaki, Montreal; Essex Golf and Country Club, and other well known clubs will appear in the April issue of the "Canadian Golfer."

It is quite on the cards that Mr. Charles Evans, Jr., U. S. Open and Amateur Champion, will pay a visit to British Columbia and the West this year. It would be a splendid thing for golf there if such a tour can be arranged.

A remarkable golf match was pulled off this month at the Country Club, Augusta, Georgia, when to decide a tie Mr. Harry Garrett and Mr. R. C. Mitchell played 72 holes, Mr. Garrett winning out 2 and 1. Seventy-two hole matches in one day have rarely been recorded.

The Waterloo County. Golf and Country Club, Galt, has changed the method of the election of its directors so that of the twelve directors four will retire each year, to be replaced by new directors. Those chosen are: L. E. Weaver, J. G. Turnbull, A. N. W. Clark and A. S. Wilkinson for one year; W. Vair, A. M. Edwards, G. D. Forbes and W. W. Wilkinson, for two years; C. K. Jansen, J. N. MacKendrick, C. R. H. Warnock and R. O. McCulloch for three years. For 1919, A. M. Edwards is President, George D. Forbes and J. G. Turnbull Vice-Presidents, and A. S. Wilkinson Secretary-Treasurer.

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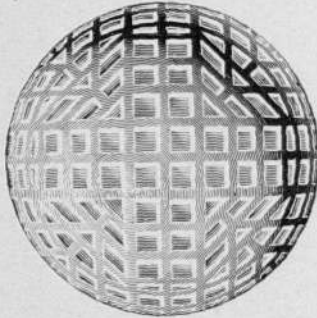
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George Cumming and W. M. Freeman closed their indoor golf school at the Princess Theatre, Toronto, the 15th of this month. It was a great success in every particular. A very large number of new players were initiated into the mysteries of stance and swing.

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At the annual meeting of the lady associate members of the Elgin Golf and Country Club, St. Thomas, Mrs. S. O. Perry was elected President for the year; Mrs. W. K. Cameron, Vice-President; Mrs. R. M. Anderson, Second Vice-President; Mrs. J. M. McIntyre, Captain; Miss B. Isardi, Assistant Captain, and Mrs. Jasper Robertson, Secretary-Treasurer. The ladies plan for a season of renewed activity this year.



**Beaumaris and Its Fine Course**

MR. ROBERT WARDROP, President of The People's National Bank, Pittsburgh, under recent date, writes the editor in reference to the links at Beaumaris, Muskoka, in which he and a number of prominent Pittsburgers have for some years now taken a very keen interest.

"The golf course at Beaumaris has been very much improved since you were here two years ago; a new hole has been made in the big field, and this being the case, we will really now have 19 holes, ie., the original course of 9 holes, and then the 10 new ones. Those who desire to play 9 holes, play the original course, but those desiring to play 18 holes use the first 8 holes of the old course, and the 10 new ones. In playing the 18 holes, the last hole is at the foot of the hill, near the club house, which makes it very convenient.

During the past two years we have had quite an increased interest from Canadians; they are realizing how fine the course at Beaumaris is. Mr. Thomas Baker, of London, was placed on the Board of Governors, and also on the Green Committee. This was done to let our Canadian friends know that they are entirely welcome, and that we want them to come and enjoy the course."

## WINNIPEG AND THE CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

**T**HE following interesting letter is from the President of the Winnipeg Golf Club:

"I have for a long time felt that the West should be more actively represented on the Canadian Golf Association and in the championship tournaments, and have frequently urged upon the Council of the Manitoba Golf Association the necessity for some definite action. The matter has been discussed here many times and recently it was decided to make formal application to the Canadian Association to have Winnipeg placed upon the list of championship 'venues.' I fully realize the serious difficulties which arise from the fact that long distances have to be travelled to bring together golfers from all over the Dominion, and it may be that some such scheme as that suggested by Mr. Cassels would have the best results. At the same time I cannot but think that, having in mind that the Canadian Championship Tournament has up to the present time been played only over Eastern courses, the best recognition which the Association could give to the West and to Western golfers, would be to decide definitely upon holding a Canadian Championship Tournament in the West and allow the result of the experiment to guide future action. For the present I cannot see that any process of elimination by District Tournaments would be of much advantage. We already have such District Tournaments in the form of Provincial Championships.

Some question has been raised as to whether

in Winnipeg and the West there are any courses fit for championship play, and I was more than surprised to read in your February issue a letter from the new President of St. Charles Country Club in which he ventures the statement that: "We have nothing yet that we could ask men to come and play over."

I notice this statement was severely criticised in a letter from a prominent golfer to the "Manitoba Free Press."

Certainly I cannot agree with the view expressed by Mr. Billett, but on the contrary the large majority of golfers here feel that we have every reason to be proud of more than one of the golf courses in our district, and never hesitate to ask visiting golfers from either East or West to "come and play over" them.

During 1918 we were favoured by a visit from Mr. "Chick" Evans and Mr. Warren Wood, and I feel sure that golfers here would welcome a visit this year from our Canadian Champion, Mr. George S. Lyon and some others from the East, if it could be arranged.

Now that the war is over the Directors of the several clubs in the city feel more freedom in planning for course improvements, and the programme of the Executive Committee of each of the Clubs includes provision for extensive improvements to the course and grounds during the present year.

I hope 1920 will see the Championship Tournament played here, and I feel sure the Eastern golfers will have, not only an enthusiastic welcome, but good golf and keen competition."



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## A CAUSERIE AT KANAWAKI

*By Robert Stanley Weir, K.C., Montreal*

SATURDAY, the second of November last, was rather a disappointing day at Kanawaki. There had been quite a good crowd of players by the 1.30 N. Y. Central, but just as the train pulled in, the rain, pitiless and copious, began to fall, with clear intentions of making an afternoon of it, and there was nothing for the enthusiasts but bridge or talk. A few dauntless ones, it is true, braving the elements, disappeared in the mist with umbrellas and bags, but their return several hours afterwards awoke general pity. They were given such hot internal remedies as the limited resources of an Indian Reserve commanded, provided also with hot showers and were then carefully put to bed, where they soon reduced themselves to slumber with their own customary music. The wiser and drier heads devoted themselves to bridge or poker or talk. I shall not attempt to report the occasional prattle of the card men—the talk between Big Shaw, Robinson, Baylis and others interested me more. At one time Albert Murray, the professional, was sent for to illustrate a point. What follows is a fair, though much abbreviated account of what was said.

"I see, said Big Shaw, "that there has been some writing about Hilton's Secret and they seem to think they have rediscovered the mystery of golf.

"What is Hilton's Secret?" queried Baylis.

"Well, I'm blessed if I understand it," returned Big Shaw. "It seems to me to be utter nonsense. He claims that there is, or ought to be, some sort of sliding of the handle in the fingers of the right hand at the top of the swing, and failing that, you are no golfer. Now I plump for Harry Vardon, who tells us to grip hard with finger and thumb all the way through."

"Hilton has done a bit of writing in his time, and I must say has never struck me as being the least bit of a romancer," remarked Robinson, our scratch man and general oracle. "I don't know any man whose word I

would prefer to his on any question of theory. I have always been grateful to him for exposing that nonsense about top-spin. He certainly did it well."

"What was that?" asked Baylis.

"Well, there used to be a lot of silly talk about top-spin and that sort of thing, but Hilton says that under-spin is always a feature of the flight of golf balls, and that top-spin is an impossibility in the game. In every stroke, he says, with the exception of a putt, an under-spin is imparted to the ball, and it is simply a question of degree of spin."

"Is there not top-spin in a good drive?" asked Big Shaw.

"Not until the ball begins to roll along the ground. Professor Tait, father of Freddie Tait, who was killed in the Boer War, proved that conclusively long ago."

"Well, but what does Hilton mean about this sliding at the top of the swing?" queried Putnam, who now intervened.

"He means," said Robinson, "that the grip is an ever-changing grasp of the club; that the moment you draw back you begin to open the palms; that at the top of the swing you allow the right fingers to "give" or "yield" a little bit, and that if you fail in this your swing lacks pith and vim; and I am quite sure he is perfectly right."

"Then you don't agree with the great Harry Vardon or J. H. Taylor or Jimmy Braid?" remarked Putnam.

"I don't agree with Vardon's way of putting the matter in his book English, although I think he is quite right in advocating a finger and thumb grip, but I am strongly though humbly of the opinion that Vardon errs in not drawing attention to the necessity of a little "give" for the handle in the fingers at the top. And let me tell you this John Henry's photograph shows this little give most unmistakably. The handle slides from the the first joint to the second of the right forefinger quite distinctly. If it doesn't, you are lifting the club, not swinging it, and

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quite miss the whole Art of Golf. Hilton is quite right," he concluded.

"I wonder how Albert swings?" said Baylis. "Let's have him in."

Albert was sent for—Albert, who drives to perfection and can do anything in golf except putt. A space was cleared. A few preliminary swings, with their delightful, magical swish, were heard rather than seen. Then he was bid hold his driver at the top, and lo, an identical reproduction of Taylor's give, with opened palms and the club held against the second joint!

"Yes, sir," said Albert, "I believe in a little give at the top. Not too much, sir; but nothing stiff, sir. We all do it sir. You remember how Braid suddenly became a long driver, sir? He was holding his club too tight at the top. Somehow he relaxed one day and outdrove everybody. He never knew how it came about. But I know, sir. At least that is my theory, sir."

"What style of grip do you prefer, Albert?" asked Baylis.

"Vardon grip, sir. But the grip changes all through the swing, sir. Most players forget that sir. Must get back to the shop now, if you don't mind. Good day, sir."

"Well you certainly seem to have Albert with you," said Big Shaw, "and I remember Davie Black, who was pro. at Outremont and is now at Rivermead, Ottawa. But he used to allow the club handle to slide all the way down into the right hand web when driving. What do you make of that?"

"It's the same principle illustrated to the maximum," said Robinson. "Alex. Herd, Alec Smith, Horace G. Hutchinson, John Ball and probably the majority of leading players, if not those who happen to be at the very top in Britain, perpetrate that slide. I was surprised to see by genuine photographs that Jerome D. Travers and Francis Ouimet do the same. I don't know about Chick Evans. I am much more interested, accordingly, about grips at the top of the swing than grips at the address; they are by far more instructive. Hilton's Secret is simply the old saw about "right hand loose." You can either go the whole hog by

letting the handle slide into the right hand web or adopt the minimum method by sliding from the first to the second joint. This is not only the secret of long driving, but the secret of proper wrist action and crisp, effective golf. It is quite as important, too, with irons as with woods. And I will let you into another little tip. Those who grip with the little fingers like Aleck Herd, Jerome D. Travers and Francis Ouimet, perpetrate the maximum slide; while those who grip with the big fingers like Braid and Vardon, practice the minimum slide. But slide there must be, and there you have the secret of the swing, practically impossible for the eye to detect, but all-important."

"I have noticed," said Putnam, "that some fellows when waggling allow the club to move back freely between the right finger and thumb. Is that correct or should we keep pinching the club tight with finger and thumb?"

"Allow me to say, my dear Putnam," said our Oracle, "that your observation shows considerable acuteness."

"Here, here! Bravo!" said Big Shaw.

"You make quite a new point never before noted in the literature of the game," continued Robinson, "but I have no doubt that the free movement during the waggle, as you describe it, is exactly what should take place at the top of the swing."

And then the talk turned on the war. And though not much was said, there was many a glance at the eight photographs, on the mantel shelf above the blazing logs, of Kanawaki members who had made the supreme sacrifice at bloody Ypres and Langemark and Neuve Chapelle in those terrible early days. Let us record their names here: Guy Drummond and Gerald Lees, who fell in the first ghastly gas attacks at Ypres; Allan Shaw and Donald Cameron, gallant and stalwart lads both, who lie in unknown graves—these and the heroic Blackader, Dale, Murdoch Laing and Roy Hastings.—"*Golf Illustrated*, New York.

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## FINDING A JOB FOR SANDY

**S**ANDY saved my life in France, and I thought the least I could do was to try to get him a job. He wants to "boss niggers" in the Far East. So, unfortunately do many other cadets.

"Man," he said before the Christmas holiday, "I was never in London in my life. What would I say to people about myself?" His grey eyes of dismay were irresistible.

So, as soon as I came to London, I went down Mincing Lane way, chose a friendly-looking office with interests in the Straits Settlements, coaxed my way past tired typists into an important inner room, set forth Sandy's sterling worth to an oh! so weary business man, and pleaded for an opening for him.

"I don't want to be rough on you young soldiers," the Business Man interrupted me, "but I can't do impossible things. Every day I get a dozen letters from youngsters who want to go to the East."

It looked blue for Sandy, but I did my best. I spoke of our three years in the trenches, said what a leader of men he was, told of our lone patrols together.

Then I produced his photograph. He has a faithful and fearless look that wins your heart.

"Seems strong enough," the Business Man conceded. "So many soldiers come to me with bad stomachs or shell-shock. Now tell me: Is he a gentleman?"

"He'll never disgrace you," I said.

"Not an English public school boy, then?"

"No."

The tired eyes drooped heavily. I saw Sandy's vision of the golden Straits fading away into a shepherd's job on the misty hills of Angus.

"He's a great sportsman," I ventured as a forlorn hope, "a crack sprinter, a swimmer, plays in our first fifteen, boxes well, and he's quite professional at golf."

Ah, the magic of the word! The mention of golf sensibly changed the atmosphere. Those tired eyes brightened, "You should just see his approach shots," I went on. "His driving is strong, but it's his iron shots that score. At Carnoustie this autumn——"

"Well," said the Business Man, twenty minutes later, "just tell your friend to write in at once and mark the envelope 'Golf,' underlined three times."

Something tells me Sandy's hopes will pan out perfectly.—"Cadet" in the "Daily Mail."

# THE MYSTERIOUS MR. MISKELL

*J. Gordon Lang.*

“NEWFIELD, meet Mr. Miskell,” and the hard working secretary flitted fussily on his way. With due formality I shook hands with the man with whom I was drawn to play in the competition for the Pineview Cup. He was an anaemic little man, whose age might range anywhere from forty-five to sixty-five. He acknowledged the introduction with a thin-lipped smile, while small, keen eyes appraised me furtively behind heavy rimmed glasses.

“Glad to have a game with you, sir,” I said with forced politeness, for between ourselves, I was not exactly crazy over the idea.

“Thanks,” drawled Miskell, in a weary sort of voice, “Fraid I won’t be able to do much; been under the weather lately. Besides, it’s altogether too hot for golf—find it very hard on me.”

I usually view with suspicion a man who begins a match by pleading ill health, but a second glance seemed to verify the truth of this man’s condition. I felt rather sorry, and determined to let him down easy.

With fifteen minutes to wait before we were scheduled to play, Mr. Miskell excused himself and retired to the club house, while I sat on the veranda and lit a cigarette.

“Why don’t you pick a man your own size?” exclaimed an unctuous voice on my left. It was a chap named Portlush, a red faced blighter, a low brow with a rough neck. I played auction against him the night before, to my financial undoing. I admit his game was good enough—almost too good for ordinary purposes, but his manners reeked of the pool room.

“Say,” he continued, “You would make two of him; it’s taking a mean advantage, that’s what I call it.”

“If size meant anything in golf,” I rejoined, “One might imagine you a wonder.”

“Maybe you’re right. But from what I saw of your play against Riley the other day, reckon the little man will

tan your hide and nail it to his barn door, at that.”

Portlush evidently found my manner irritating, for he again came back with the remark that if I wanted to recover a bit of my bridge losses, now was the time, the place and the man. I looked into the sneering eyes of the impossible Portlush and found myself getting rather hot under the collar, yet I hesitated.

“Scared? Called your bluff, eh?”

“Not exactly,” I replied as calmly as possible. “I am not much of a gambler—however—”

“Well, get a hustle on. What’s it to be? A level hundred? I’m just backing a hunch, you know. Sporting, eh what?”

“Possibly, but it looks foolish to me. Still, since you insist, you may book that bet.”

“Mr. Newfield! Mr. Miskell! shouted the starter.

“There’s your call. Watch out the little skeet don’t sting you too hard,” jeered Portlush as I moved to the tee.

My opponent started the game with a stiff, jerky little drive that rolled about a hundred and fifty yards. I followed with fair effect and away we went.

At the turn I was two up, without any particular effort on my part; in fact, I felt I had the measure of my man and could let out a link and settle the game any time I wanted to. The score for the first nine was 41 and 45—not much, but remember, the Pineview course is a fairly difficult proposition and one has to play a mighty straight game. The second nine includes some fairly long holes, and it was there I expected to get in my dirty work, if necessary, for I must say this for Mr. Miskell, whatever he might lack in distance he fully made up in steadiness. Besides which, he had a nifty little pitch-up approach, together with a knack of sinking some particularly difficult looking putts. It might be luck, but it counted, just the same. As a companion for a pleasant after-

noon's sport, he was about as cheerful as the Crown Prince with chilblains. Seldom he spoke, and when he did, it was merely in monosyllables; yet one could hardly fail to feel that he was playing under physical difficulty and putting up a pretty good battle, at that.

I still held my lead when we came to the "fifteenth," which is the first of the long holes. Mr. Miskell, strange to say, won it with a fair five, my chances being promptly eliminated by slicing into the rough. We split the "sixteenth," with a respectable four, while the "seventeenth" went to my opponent, whose approach dropped like the proverbial poached egg and lay dead for a five, thus squaring the match. My ball, by the same token, failed to hold the green and landed in the trap guarding the rear.

"By the living God that made you," Jerry Newfield," I muttered, "you're going to get licked, unless you buck like the deuce." The thought of Portlush gloating over my golf and that \$100 was tragic. It was beyond the limit! I must win!

I glanced suspiciously at my wilting opponent as he slowly bent to tee up for the final drive. If ever a man looked like falling in a faint or worse, Miskell was that man, yet I began to think I had drawn it a trifle too fine. I should have been more careful. All I could do now was to hope for the best and do my darndest.

With monotonous regularity, my opponent once more placed his ball 150 yards straight down the middle. I got a peach, well over the 200 mark. It was comparatively easy for me to get the green on my second; it would take Miskell three. As I expected, he was forty yards short on his second. I elected to use my good old spoon, and though I say it myself as shouldn't, succeeded in shooting a blimmer well on the green, a possible three and a sure four.

With some complacency, I awaited my opponent's play. His approach just failed to make the green. I heaved a sigh of relief. It was practically all over but the shouting.

Mr. Miskell dragged himself wearily to the ball and carefully scanned the

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lay of the land; taking his usual weird stance, he shot for the flag. I watched the ball with repressed emotion. It pitched a little short of the hole, but rolled slowly on till it reached its final goal, hesitated one breathless moment on the brink, and then dropped gently in.

It was not surprising that a bally shot like that would get my goat; it was calculated to get a whole flock of giddy goats. Anyway, I was short on my first putt, over on my second, missed my third and finally holed out on the fourth attempt. Can you beat it!

"It certainly was fearfully tough luck," I sympathized, after listening to Newfield's sad story. "You let your sentiment interfere with your golf, what?"

"Yes I did," agreed Jerry with a wry smile on his round, good-natured face, "and you'll be jolly well sure of it when I tell you that later in the day I actually saw Miskell and Portlush, whom I discovered was his business partner, mine promoters or something in Chicago, playing another round after lunch in a foursome, and to cap it, with

my own eyes, mark you, I saw that insignificant little shrimp put away a dinner at night that would have had me shouting Kamerad at the fourth course."

"But I got even with those birds, believe me," chuckled Jerry, as he refilled his pipe.

"I suppose that is what our friend Kipling would describe as another story."

"You've said it, but not to-night," said Jerry. "Give it you in time for the next number of your merry magazine. So long, old thing."

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