

An Xmas Toast to Old Friends and Golfers All

There may be some at Xmastide,
Who bask beneath a sunlit sky,
And in the shade of sheltering palm,
Now watch the bird like boats wing by,
There may be those who still play golf
And follow thro' the southern way,
But all the sport that's left to me
Are just the dreams of yesterday.

And so before the blazing log,
I light my pipe, and draw a chair,
To sit in solitude and dwell
Upon the past, without a care,
For then with ease I quite forget
The many times my game was off,
And just remember with true pride
The once or twice I did play golf.

And there before my dreaming gaze
I see each well remembered face,
Of those good friends with whom I play
In many a distant golfing place.
There's Lambert, Dick and Cecil T.,
Sir Richard, Jim, and Johnny Walk,
John Howie, Sicards, Pere et fils,
And Parker Sloan of old New York.

And nearer home I note the form
Of friends with whom to play is joy.
Bob Laidlaw, Les., and R. C. O.,
Fitz Ellis, Hall, and good old Roy,
McBurney, too, of Sarnia,
John Porter, he of Simcoe town,
In London Zim., in Galt there's Blake,
That magistrate of high renown.

Then home itself, our good old club,
Which stands beside the River Grand,
Where Reville wields his graceful pen,
And Hardy's words respect command,
Where Iden charms with Champion golf,
And others, too, who smite the ball,
Besides the ones, alas! gone West,
Who sacrificed their life, their all.

So here's a toast to those old friends,
Whose memory I hold most dear,
Long may they live, and Heaven send
Them all a very glad New Year,
And in the days that are to be,
I hope, please God, we meet again.
So glasses high, good luck to you,
And all who play the Grand Old Game.

W. H. WEBLING.

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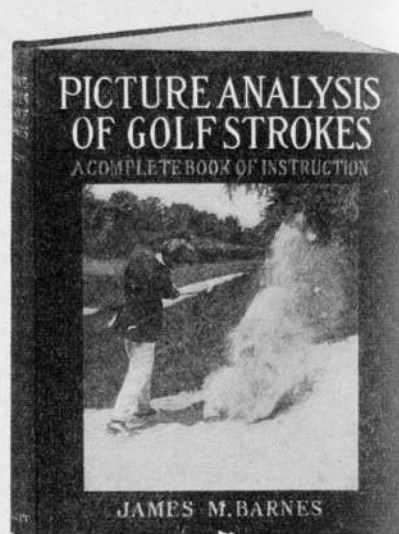
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Yule Tide Greetings and Golfing Good Wishes

The Editor, personally, in this issue, desires to convey to his many loyal friends and subscribers, from Coast to Coast in Canada and the United States, in Great Britain and even far away Australia, the heartiest good wishes for a happy Xmas and a bright and prosperous New Year. Granted that there is still a great spirit of unrest and regrettable discontent throughout the civilized world; granted that business clouds just now, mayhap, are lowering, there is, at least in the countries where golf holds sway, unbounded reasons for rejoicing this festal season. So a health to every golfer, a toast to The Royal Old Game, and may 1921 even exceed the record season just closed—in the standard of play, in the ever increasing number of clubs, and the ever increasing number of enthusiastic devotees. And here is a Ruskin thought to leave with each and every one, this closing of the old year, marked by many passing lights and shades, and on the threshold of a portentous new:

“Whoever you are, be noble;
Whatever you do, do well;
Whenever you speak, speak kindly;
Give joy, wherever you dwell.”

The New Standardized Golf Ball for Coming Season Enquiries are coming in to the "Canadian Golfer" from all parts of the country in reference to the new standardized golf ball: what weight it is to be and when it is to be officially adopted in Canada. As previously stated in these columns the maximum weight of the new ball is 1.62 oz., but it is not generally understood that this maximum weight is avoirdupois, not troy. In other words, 1.62 oz. avoirdupois is 29.53 pennyweight. The present 30 dwt. balls, therefore, are slightly overweight. Both The Royal and Ancient of St. Andrews and the United States Golf Association have proclaimed next May as the time for the new ball to be played in all championships and competitions. The heavy weight ball, with its extra run, will then no longer be permitted to be used. Heretofore all the leading players, both amateur and professional, almost without exception, have used these heavy balls, as they unquestionably can get 15 to 20 yards further flight with them. With the new ball with a maximum weight of 1.62 next season, drives will undoubtedly be shortened up. Some of the top notchers are complaining rather bitterly against this reduction in the weight of the ball, but standardization is undoubtedly in the best interest of the game. Baseball has its standard ball, and so has cricket and tennis and other sports. Manufacturers, too, are welcoming the change, as there was a continual striving and rivalry to produce a ball every season with a longer carry. Now all this is done away with.

Talking of golf balls. They are certainly a serious financial feature of the game. For instance, in the States the past season, it is conservatively computed that three hundred thousand dozen golf balls were sold of a value of \$3,500,000. Ottawa does not keep a record of golf balls imported (there are none manufactured in Canada), but it is safe to say that \$350,000 to \$400,000 would probably be expended here for the spheres during the year. At the present phenomenal growth of the game in the Dominion, it would almost seem a good business speculation for some of the big rubber or golf companies to start making balls in Canada. It will not be long before sales here will easily go over the half million dollar mark.

Next Year's U.S. Invasion of Great Britain Mr Harold H. Hilton, Editor of "Golf Illustrated," and the only Britisher ever to win the U. S. Amateur Championship, like Vardon and Ray, is of the opinion that the U. S. Amateur invasion of Great Britain in 1921 is very likely to be a most successful one. Thus Mr. Hilton, twice Open Champion and four times Amateur Champion:

"American golfers have apparently come to the conclusion that the time is now ripe for a descent on the British field and they are, to our way of thinking, quite wise in arriving at this decision. Never has American amateur golf been stronger than at the present moment, and it is quite possible that not for a period of some thirty years has the standard of amateur golf in this country been at such a low ebb. There are a number of amateurs in this country who are capable of playing the most brilliant of golf, and occasionally they do so, but one never knows whether they are going to play even mediocre golf. Their off days are very off days.

It is rumoured, and on good authority, too, that quite a fleet of good-class amateur golfers from over the water are coming across to take part in the Amateur Championship at Hoylake next spring. It is not merely a question of three or four of their crack-a-jacks, such as "Chick" Evans, Francis Ouimet and Bobby Jones, making the trip. This trio by themselves would provide a very serious menace, but it is said that these three leaders will, in all probability, be accompanied by ten or

a dozen American stars of a slightly less magnitude than the redoubtable "great three." In other words, they are not going to leave anything to chance for lack of complete representation. They certainly appear to have a great chance presented to them of lifting the Amateur Championship Trophy for the second time and one can readily forgive them for accepting this opportunity with typical American enthusiasm. They are out in search of conquest; they fully realize that now is the time to attain their objective, and they will leave no stone unturned to achieve their ambition. They are apparently in deadly earnest over this invasion in the coming season and we can only wish them a very happy time, if we cannot exactly wish them a successful one, for we are still jealous of our reputation as a race of golfers.

It is impossible to imagine that ten or twenty of the best amateur golfers in the States could all individually afford to pay their own expenses in connection with an extended tour in this country. In the present days, when 100 per cent. must be added to the cost of everything, it is difficult to see how even the most economical of the group could possibly manage to make the trip under, say, £300. We speak with some knowledge on this point, as we have twice visited America at times when expenses were infinitely less and except to a golfer who is sufficiently blessed in the matter of finance travelling across the water to play in golf championships is an expensive proceeding.

But these Americans are apparently not to be requested to pay their own expenses, as again rumour has it that a fund is to be raised to make possible this invasion, and it is to be raised by an appeal to the clubs in the States. If this is correct we do not consider that there will be any question as to the result of this appeal. It will surely be overwhelming, as the American race are at the moment quite a golf crazy race, and are naturally proud of the ability of their youngsters. In relation to this matter of paying the expenses of golfers who cross the Atlantic to take part in the Championship, we have heard more than one query in regard to the legality of the procedure, and although at various times it may not have been permissible for an American player to have the right to come over here as what may be termed a "franked" national emissary, it surely must be permissible in the present day or the subject of the national subscription would never have been mooted. Personally we cannot see anything against the principle of sending a team of American players to represent their country in the British Isles. Their visit, even if it ends in our temporary humiliation, cannot but be beneficial to the game and the individual himself can gain little but honour and glory."



"It is getting more and more impossible not to associate with people who play golf."

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Length is an asset when combined with accuracy; otherwise it is a heavy liability.—MISS CECIL LEITCH.

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"Championships are not the result of brilliant strokes so much as they are a result of a minimum of bad ones."

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Mr. J. H. McGregor, of McGregor & McIntyre, Ltd., Toronto:

"I am enclosing cheque for \$4 for my subscription for another year of the "Canadian Golfer," which I would not be without for many times the price."

"Golf Illustrated," London, that fine English magazine edited by Mr. H. H. Hilton, has found it necessary this month to increase its subscription rates 50 per cent.

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Mr. J. Francis Markes, Managing Director and Hon. Secretary of the well known Sandy Lodge Golf and Country Club, Sandy Lodge, Herts, England: "I may say, personally, that I read every copy of the "Canadian Golfer," as it comes with very great interest indeed."

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In connection with the successful campaign of the Brantford Golf and Country Club in raising \$75,000 in cash stock subscriptions, an especial meed of praise must be accorded Messrs. W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., Col. Harry Cockshutt, Mr. E. L. Cockshutt, and Mr. Lloyd Harris. Their very handsome subscriptions were the backbone of the campaign in its initiative, and left little doubt of its future unbounded success.

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Officials of the United States Golf Association, says the "Pacific Golf and Motor," are seriously considering the best terms in which to re-write the new rules of play which were put into effect September 1. Undoubtedly there will be reconstruction of certain clauses, and particularly will the limitations of the stymie be reduced, or at least made much more definite than they are now.

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Mr. Frank A. Rolph, Toronto, ex-President of The Royal Canadian Golf Association and ex-President of Lambton:

"Congratulations to the Brantford Club on having raised the necessary money to complete the 18 hole course. To have raised the necessary money without bonds or taking a mortgage is something to be proud of. Brantford certainly has some very fine citizens, and I am sure when the 18 hole course is completed it will be one of the best in Canada, and I hope to have the opportunity of playing on it often."

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A Xmas giving suggestion. When thinking of your golf friend or relative, nothing more acceptable than a golf bag, a good club or so, whilst a box of balls always brings joy to the heart of every player. Then, too, there is the yearly subscription to a golfing magazine of repute (not necessary to mention the name here), or a good golf book, such, for instance, as Barnes' "Picture Analysis of Golf Strokes." Oh, yes, your average golfer would sooner be remembered in this way ten times over than by some bauble, lost or forgotten a few days after its bestowal.

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Personally (says Abe Mitchell) I always commence a round by standing for the tee shots rather behind the ball, as I find that as we play round we alter the stance and bring the ball a trifle nearer to the right foot. If, however, we commence off the first tee by getting the ball too near to the right foot, then we find, quite soon in the round, that the position has been overdone and we are cramped. I cannot understand why it is that we creep in front of the ball as soon as we feel that we are really hitting well, but there are others who do it, so I am not alone in the matter.

The Royal Montreal and the Lambton Golf and Country, two of the leading clubs of the Dominion, will both hold their annual meetings this month and both, too, will show balance sheets the best in their history. It is a pity that every club in the Dominion does not follow the example of these most successful clubs and clean up the past season's business and prepare for another year in December or the month of January at the latest. It is a huge mistake to wait until the spring to hold the annual meeting of a golf club. Get into line and follow in the early footsteps of The Royal Montreal and Lambton.

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There is quite a large sized agitation being waged in the States for women golfers to discard the skirt and don the knickerbocker, and it is quite on the cards next season that a number of prominent women players will take the plunge. There is little doubt but that women are under a decided disadvantage, especially on windy days, in playing in skirts, and it has been rather facetiously remarked that even "Chick" Evans in skirts would have a hard time to beat Miss Alexa Stirling in knickers. So don't be surprised another season if the fair sex appear on the links sans skirts, but plus breeks. After all's said and done, "the play's the thing," and what boots even a non-attractive appearance on the course, if strokes can be saved!

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How to make golf clubs more clubable is a problem that frequently engages the thoughts of tournament committees. In many clubs the same foursomes start out every week-end. An ingenious scheme to break up the monotony of this process occurred to Mr. H. T. Gardiner, vice-captain of the Vancouver Golf and Country Club. He selected the best players in the club and matched them to play the best ball of three other members. It proved a salutary experience for both the cracks and the clubs. In most of the matches the three-ball combination proved too strong for the cracks and they were visited with condign humiliation. On the other hand, the dubs profited by their association with better players. The experiment was so successful that it was repeated the following week-end.

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In a recent issue of the "American Golfer," W. J. Bell, pro. of the Cedar Rapids Golf and Country Club, formerly of Galt and Scarboro, Toronto, has a very interesting article on putting. Bell, and rightly so, too, believes that confidence has a great deal to do with success on the putting green. "Never," he says, "under any conditions feel that you are to take two putts on any green. You only get one drive, one iron, one mashie, so why more than one putt? Feel that 'this one will go down' and then go about your work with the sole idea of sinking it. You will be, after diligent practice, certain of your stance, grip, address, and direction, hence you only have left to judge the line of play properly and hit your ball happy in knowing that when it comes to rest it will be at the bottom of the cup—a consummation devoutly to be wished."

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The "Canadian Golfer" has always thought that the professionals, as a class, do not receive as a general rule, from golf officials and members, that consideration to which the majority of them are entitled, as a result of their painstaking service and work. The past season, however,

from far distant points well deserved honours have been accorded four prominent members of the profession—the conferring of a membership upon J. H. Taylor in the exclusive Mid-Surrey Golf Club, Richmond, England; the presentation to James Braid of a cheque for \$1,500 by the members of the Walton Heath (Lloyd George's golf club), in celebration of his 50th birthday; and the election of his son to an honorary membership of the club; the election of Harry Vardon to an honorary membership in the South Herts Golf Club; and the presentation of a handsome silver tray to C. R. Murray of The Royal Montreal Golf Club. These recognitions were well deserved by the quartette of recipients. Other pros., too, are equally entitled to consideration and reward for faithful and conscientious service. Golf in Canada, as elsewhere, owes much, very much, to its hard working professionals.

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“The Maple Leaf,” that particularly interesting little monthly published by the Canadian Club of New York, in its November issue refers to the fact that on October 26th, Dr. Anthony Bassler, the Canadian Club Champion at St. Andrews, Yonkers, made a hole-in-one, and goes on to say: “This golf course is the oldest in America.” Our U. S. golfing cousins can perhaps be excused from making such an erroneous assertion, as a matter of fact, they often do in referring to St. Andrews, Yonkers, but surely the Editor of “The Maple Leaf” should be better informed. St. Andrews is the oldest golf club in the United States unquestionably, but it has to waive precedence by 15 years—no less, from The Royal Montreal, 14 years from the Quebec Golf Club, 12 years from the Toronto Golf Club, 11 years from the Brantford Golf Club, and several years from half a dozen or so other Canadian clubs. We are all willing to admit that the United States to-day is one of the chief golfing countries of the world, but we can't, and we won't, allow it the claim of possessing the oldest golf club on the continent. That is Canada's unquestioned prerogative.

“GOLDEN RULES OF GOLF”

The rules of golf and etiquette
Go far to make the game,
And he who wants to make his mark
Should study it the same
As he would study any task,
That's worthy of the name.

Replace the divots is a rule
That all who play should know,
By this one helps to keep in shape
The course, which suffers so
From those who lack a sporting sense
Of decency, you know.

Now, when behind a faster team
Is playing close to you,
And straight ahead the course is clear
Best bid them play right thro'.
Not only will it help their game,
But also help yours, too.

Remember this, don't talk or fuss,
When waiting round a tee,
For going so may oft distract
A player's mind you see,
And cause his usual careful drive
To end disastrously.

Or if perchance you lose a ball,
Don't seek for it too long,
Nor hesitate, bid those behind
All courteously play thro',
Then afterwards, don't play until
They're out of reach by you.

Thus by a close observance of
These golden rules you'll find,
A splendid sport and pleasure, too,
In this great game, designed
To make the joys of playing it
Beyond all joys combined.

—W. H. W.

THE PRINCE GOES A GOLFING

Interesting Write-up of an Afternoon Spent at Coombe Hill by His Royal Highness—A New Golfing Aphorism,
"Tuck Your Tummy In"

(By R. E. Howard, "Golf Illustrated," London)

IT is an event when the Prince of Wales plays golf. Not that he is new to the game (it was one of his recreations at Oxford University), but his golfing career has been a career of many beginnings and interruptions, such, I suppose, as the Heir to the Throne has to suffer in connec-



The Prince of Wales, Sandy Herd, and the Duke of York, at Coombe Hill.

tion with any of his private amusements. He began it again on Saturday, November 6th, when he and the Duke of York visited the course of the Coombe Hill Club at Malden. The Prince played on a good many courses during his recent tour of the world, but this was his first game since his return, and so Sandy Herd was brought into the party to detect

and prescribe for any faults that the Prince might have developed in the long absence of professional tuition.

At the outset, Herd was busy. It has been duly recorded how on several occasions when the Prince was lifting his head in the up swing, and so thrusting out his body—how familiar is the fault!—Herd was constrained to deliver the colloquial counsel: "Tuck your stomach in!" I suppose that golf is about the only walk of life in which an instructor might justifiably tell the future Sovereign of the British Empire—and a slim young man at that—to tuck his stomach in. And yet in what more effective language could good advice be given? After all, you cannot very well lift your head if you tuck your stomach in, and it is generally agreed that if you keep your head down, you have a very fair chance of hitting the ball properly. The Prince quickly profited by the teaching, for, towards the end, he was playing like a short handicap man—this in all truth, for his figures show it. Let us therefore supplement the aphorisms of golf so that they read as follows:

1. Keep your eye on the ball.
2. Slow back.
3. Tuck your tummy in.
4. Follow through.

The Prince was moved to remark: "Sandy, if you keep on telling me to tuck my stomach in. I shall think I'm getting fat. I didn't know I had one." But by the time he had reached the 4th hole, he was looking well down over his left shoulder at the top of the swing instead of straining to get a glimpse of the ball from a head thrown back. Nothing more was wanted in that department. Alas! the man with a broad expanse of waistcoat might never be able to adopt the axiom, but the value of it cannot be questioned. But this was not the only detail in which Herd had to lay down the law. He had to tell the Prince to straighten his left arm and let it go through after the shots, and to hit his approach putts more smoothly, for, at the start, he was disposed to strike them so boldly that they would run five or six feet past the hole. In four holes the Prince absorbed all the tips so well that he really began to play. Herd says that he never had a pupil who grasped ideas more quickly. Let us see what happened.

The Prince and the Duke of York constituted themselves a side. They pitted their best ball against Captain Piers Walter Legh, the Prince's equerry, who, I understand, has a handicap of about 2, and he gave them a stroke a hole. From their acceptance of these terms, it may be inferred that they were under no delusion as to their golfing powers. Still, they beat him by 4 and 3, so perhaps they were better than they thought. At the start, the Duke of York had to bear the brunt of his side's battle, and he bore it right well. He had a fine drive to the first hole and another to the third. He did each of these holes in 5. Herd speaks in high praise of the Duke of York's swing—"a fine swing, compact and just full enough without any exaggeration or looseness about it. He ducks his right knee a bit, but he would soon learn to play very well indeed. He has it in him."

At the fourth hole, a hole of 453 yards, the Prince got going in earnest. He sliced his drive a little, and also his iron shot, but laid his mashie shot seven yards from the pin and only just missed the putt for a 4. The game was even at the fifth, but all three players had 4's at the

short sixth, and the brothers became one up with their stroke. At the seventh, the Prince hit one of his best drives—well over 200 yards down the middle. He pushed his iron shot hole high to the right of the green, but played an excellent pitch over the narrow ditch and bunker on to the green. Herd declares that it was a beautiful shot, even though it trickled just into the rough on the far side. However, the Prince chipped dead, obtained his 5, and so made the brotherhood two up.

The eighth was halved, but at the ninth—a hole of nearly 200 yards downhill—the Prince, taking his spoon for the tee shot, laid the ball five yards from the pin and holed the putt for a 2. At the tenth he played what Herd described to me as “The finest shot I’ve seen.” The Prince pushed his drive into the wood, and only just got out of it with his second shot. He was left with a hanging lie fully 200 yards from the pin, and he landed the ball on the green and holed in 5. Certainly you cannot imagine a better shot than one of 200 yards from a hanging lie that deposits the ball within holing distance. This finished the match, for, owing to the late hour of start, it had been arranged to play only thirteen holes, and the Prince by winning the sixth in 4, the seventh in 5, the ninth in 2, and the tenth in 5, had made his side 4 up with 3 to go.

The bye was played, and the Prince maintained his form. At the twelfth, a hole of 200 yards, against the wind, he again took his spoon for the tee shot, and laid the ball four yards from the pin. He was a few inches short with his putt for another 2. At the thirteenth (326 yards), he had a drive, a pitch, two putts, and the 4 prescribed by compilers of par. Altogether a very promising resumption of the game, with some shots in it that are sufficient to make the spoon fashionable as well as useful.

THANKS MANY AND SINCERE

The Editor wishes to seize this, the very first opportunity, to most heartily thank “Canadian Golfer” subscribers, both in Canada and the United States, for the gracious and generous manner in which they have accepted the increase in the price of the magazine from \$3.00 to \$4.00—an increase, which from a financial standpoint, owing to a 100 per cent. increase and more in the cost of paper and production, was rendered imperative. Hundreds of cheques at the new rate, many of them accompanied by altogether too appreciative letters, have been received the past two or three weeks by the Subscription Department, and up to date only one “discontinue,” and that surely must constitute a magazine record. Again, dear readers, thanks many and sincere.

THE WONDER WOMAN OF GOLF

Miss Cecil Leitch Proves too Much for a Crack Amateur Who Gives Her 3 Strokes

MISS CECIL LEITCH, the wonder-woman of golf, has again been very much in the spot-light. Recently Mr. Carl Bretherton, one of England's best amateurs, attempted to concede her three strokes over the Sandwell Park course, which is situated in the vicinity of Birmingham, and got properly trounced for his pains, 3 and 2. The Sandwell course is 6,200 yards, but Miss Leitch was running down fours on the long holes with remarkable consistency. It is a good thing for the supremacy of British women's golf that Great Britain has a player of Miss Cecil Leitch's calibre. Otherwise, there would be a very good chance for the United States and Canadian Lady Champion, Miss Alexa Stirling, annexing that championship too, the coming season, as it is quite on the cards that the charming little lady from Georgia will go overseas next year and compete in the big golfing events there. Miss Stirling is easily in a class by herself on this side of the Pond, but from all accounts she is still a stroke or so back of Miss Leitch. If they should meet on the links the coming season, and there is every indication that they will, it will be easily the most famous encounter in the history of feminine golf.

TROUBLE BREWING IN THE STATES

Radicals in the Western Golf Association Talk of Repudiating the Authority of the United States Golf Association

THE "Canadian Golfer" is exceedingly sorry to hear that the Western Golf Association, with headquarters at Chicago, has threatened at its annual meeting next month, to once again challenge the authority of the United States Golf Association as the governing body of golf in the States. The Western proposes to change its name to the "American Golf Association," and talks of appointing a committee of five to prepare a code of rules for U. S. players, uninfluenced by British tradition.

The Western Association, for some years now, has been more or less antagonistic to the parent Association with headquarters in New York. It has always been bitterly opposed to the stymie and other time-honoured traditions of the Royal and Ancient, but it was generally thought that as a result of the recent conference at St. Andrews and the many concessions made to the U. S. delegates by the representatives of the Royal and Ancient, that oil had been poured on the troubled waters and that a permanent peace had been recorded in the golfing world.

One thing is certain. The Western Association will not receive any support from the followers of the game in Canada. It is to be hoped, in the best interest of golf on this continent, that the radicals in the Western will not propagate the programme attributed to them, but will yet be persuaded to endorse the eminently fair compromise arranged between the U. S. G. A. and the Royal and Ancient of St. Andrews, both as regards the rules and standardization of the ball.

“HOLES-IN-ONE”

Forty-Five Golfers Throughout the Dominion Register the Well Nigh Impossible During the Season of 1920, and to Make “The Punishment Fit the Crime” Were Awarded a Year’s Subscription to the “Canadian Golfer”

AND here are a couple of “One-Shotters” registered before October 31st, when the “Canadian Golfer” competition closed, but not before reported.

While playing as a guest over the Shaughnessy Heights Golf Club course at Vancouver, Mr. H. T. Gardiner, the popular Vice-Captain of the Vancouver Golf and Country Club, made the third hole in one stroke. The hole in question is a longish mashie shot, being 120 yards from the



THE BULLDOG BREED.

Sportsman (whose opponent has just achieved the hole in one)—“This for a half!”
—“Punch”

tee to the edge of the green, with deep pits in front and at the back and bunkers on either side. Mr. Gardiner was playing at the time with Mr. J. A. Conkey, who is a member of both the Shaughnessy Heights and Vancouver Country Club.

Mrs. Geo. Henderson, of Oshawa, is, after all, not the only lady to be accorded the honour of making a Hole-in-One in Canada during 1920. Playing the short second hole over the Glendale Golf and Country Club course at Hamilton, Miss Alma McMahon found the cup from the tee. She was playing at the time with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McMahon. The Editor extends hearty congratulations to Miss Alma.

Total holes in Canada the season of 1920, forty-five. The complete list herewith in the order of registration with the “Canadian Golfer:”

Mr. R. Foulis, United Service Golf Club, Victoria, B.C. Mr. W. R. Clark, Kanawaki Golf Club, Montreal, (playing over the course of the Vancouver Golf and

Country Club, Vancouver, B.C.) Mr. McCadden, Shaughnessy Heights Golf Club, Vancouver, B.C. Mr. P. H. Bartlett, London Hunt Club. Mr. Geo. Harold, Regina, playing over the Brantford Golf and Country Club course. Mr. H. B. Morphy, Weston Golf Club, Toronto. "Bob" Smith, Nelson Golf Club, Nelson, B.C. Mr. Alex. K. Robertson, Colwood Golf Club, Victoria, B.C. (Mr. Robertson is a member of the Shaughnessy Heights Golf Club, Vancouver). Mr. Harcourt Powell, Grand Mere Golf Club, Quebec. Mr. A. V. Trimble (a member of the Weston Golf Club) the 18th hole at Lambton. Mr. J. Scott Chisholm, Brightwood Golf Club, Dartmouth, N.S. Mr. J. J. Swan, Collingwood Golf Club. Dr. W. C. Gilchrist, Orillia Golf Club. Mr. Joseph Wearing, Peterborough Golf and Country Club. Mr. C. L. Wisner, President of Lambton Golf and Country Club. Mr. B. H. L. Symmes, Mississauga. Mr. Albert Martineau, Laval-Sur-le-Lac, Montreal. Mrs. R. Henderson, Oshawa Golf Club. Mr. C. B. Beamish, Picton Golf Club, Ontario. Mr. Harold H. Richardson, Shaughnessy Heights Golf Club. Mr. Douglas S. Biggs, Amherst Golf Club, N.S. Mr. H. Greenhalgh, London Hunt. Mr. Charles Clinton, Glendale Golf and Country Club, Hamilton. Mr. W. C. King, Elgin Golf and Country Club, St. Thomas. Mr. W. F. Paterson, Brantford Golf and Country Club. Mr. Gerald Meikle, of Halifax, (Amateur Champion of Nova Scotia, the second hole at Riverside, St. John, N.B., whilst playing in the Championship.) Mr. John Baillie, The Royal Montreal, (the second time Mr. Baillie has performed the "stunt.") Mr. L. Hammill, Mississauga Golf and Country Club. Mr. F. Barnett, Norwood Golf Club, Winnipeg. Mr. H. C. Allen, Beaconsfield Golf Club, Montreal. Mr. J. F. Deeks, Vancouver Golf and Country Club. Mr. A. S. Taylor, (member of the Waterloo Golf and Country Club, Galt), playing over the Elgin House course in Muskoka. Major H. N. Niven, London Hunt. Mr. D. R. Forgan, (Chicago), 15th hole at St. Andrews, N.B. Dr. R. C. Joyce, Outremont, Montreal. Mr. S. C. Thompson, The Royal Ottawa. Mr. A. F. May, The Royal Ottawa. Mr. F. A. N. Powell, the President of the Lakeview Golf and Country Club, Toronto. Mr. D. J. Laurie, Peterborough Golf and Country Club. Mr. F. N. Beardmore, The Royal Montreal Golf Club. Mr. H. M. Hunt, Assiniboine Golf Club, Winnipeg. Mr. D. S. Bowlby, K.C., Grand River Golf and Country Club, Kitchener. Mr. H. S. Preece, (St. Thomas), the 15th hole at London Hunt. Mr. H. T. Gardiner, (Vancouver Golf and Country Club), the third hole at Shaughnessy Heights, Vancouver. Miss Alma McMahan, Glendale Golf and Country Club, Hamilton.

By Provinces these holes in one were made as follows: Ontario 25; British Columbia 8; Quebec 6; Nova Scotia 2; New Brunswick 2; Manitoba 2. The "stunt" was not reported from Prince Edward Island, Alberta or Saskatchewan.

It is only natural that Ontario should have the post of honour as regards the greatest total of one-shot holes, as that Province still retains its marked golfing supremacy as regards the number of clubs and players.

Three times was a Hole-in-One made over the courses of the London Hunt and Shaughnessy Heights Clubs, and twice at Lambton, The Royal Ottawa, Brantford, The Royal Montreal, Vancouver Golf and Country Club, Glendale, Hamilton and Peterborough. "Bob" Smith, of Nelson, B.C., was the only pro. to record the feat.

Forty-five Oné-Shotters! Forty-five Canadian golfers who accomplished the well nigh impossible! The Editor wishes them one and all a Merry Xmas and a prosperous New Year, and trusts that they will find, perhaps, some slight pleasure in perusing the columns of this "great family golfing journal" sent to them one year as a small token of their prowess.

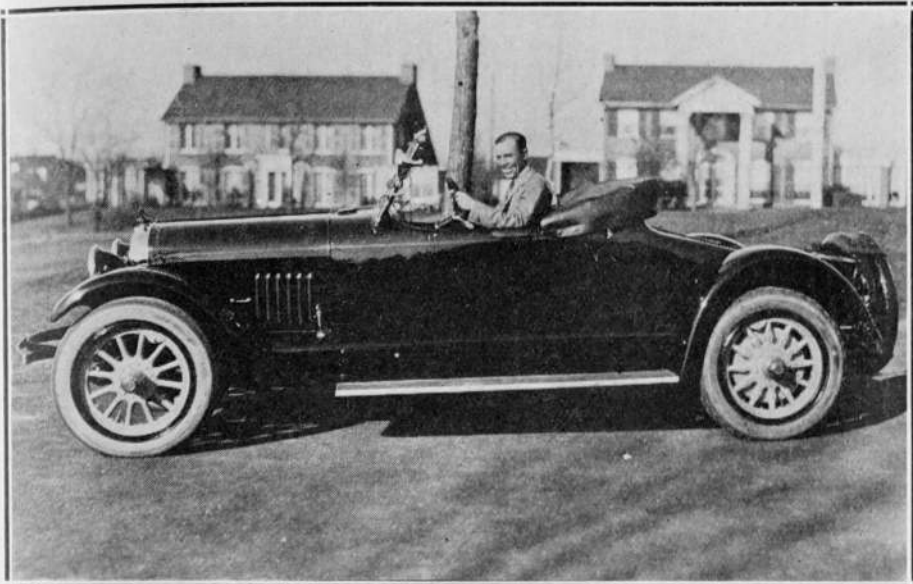
The total number of Holes-in-One recorded last year (1919) was 43.

I read it's very often done,
 A Johnnie shoots a hole in one.
 For which he gets a prize.
 But if I get a hole in two,
 I certainly feel good—don't you?
 It's such a sweet surprise.

"CHICK" EVANS PRESENTED WITH CAR

Edgewater Golf Club Gives U. S. Amateur Champion a Mercer Runabout

IN winning the United States National Amateur Championship, as well as the Western Amateur Golf Championship, Mr. Charles Evans, Jr., more popularly known as "Chick," both in the United States and Canada where he is deservedly so popular, conveyed such additional



Mr. Charles Evans, Jr., Amateur Champion of the United States, seated in the magnificent car presented to him by the members of the Edgewater Club, Chicago.

prestige on his club, the Edgewater Golf Club of Chicago, that the members showed their appreciation in a substantial manner.

Saturday, November 13th, the Champion was called to the club house and presented with a Mercer runabout, amid much cheering and the clicking of moving picture cameras.

Unlike many a golfer who has been forced to stagger through the season with the atrocious golf bag his wife picked out for him last Christmas. "Chick" was not loaded with any white elephant. The committee took no chances, and let him pick out just the present he wanted and his choice was a Mercer car.

At the insistence of his friends and the moving picture men, he teed up at the first hole and drove the ball so far that he had to climb into his new Mercer and drive across the course to catch up with it. The cheers of the spectators drowned the agonized wailing of the members of the Green Committee, who were pacified only by the assurance that the season was over.

Much as he likes his new car, the U. S. Amateur Champion announced that hereafter he will not depart from the rules and motorize the course. The car presented to the Champion cost \$5,000.

STANDING OF THE LEADING PROS. IN U.S.

A Rumour That Douglas Edgar Will Return Home

AS a result of the past season in the States, the experts' opinion places the leading professional golfers as follows: 1, "Jock" Hutchinson, Chicago; 2, Walter Hagen, New York; 3, Jim Barnes, St. Louis; 4, J. Douglas Edgar, Atlanta; 5, Clarence Hackney, Atlantic City; 6, Harry Hampton, Richmond; 7, Willie MacFarlane, New York; 8, Leo Diegel, Chicago; 9, Jack Burke, St. Paul; 10, Bob McDonald, Chicago; 11, Freddy McLeod, Washington; 12, M. J. Brady, Detroit; 13, Eddie Loos, Chicago; 14, Laurie Ayton, Chicago; 15, T. McNamara, New York; 17, John Golden, New York; 18, J. J. O'Brien, Pittsburgh; 19, George McLean, New York; 20, Emmet French, Youngstown.

It will be noticed that the ranking of the Canadian Open Champion is fourth, which would seem about right. Of the first four, three are foreign born. As a matter of fact, the "home brews" the past season in the States made a very poor showing indeed. The majority of the leaders in the above list are Scotch or English. By the way, the rumour comes by way of England that Edgar is not altogether happy on this side and is seriously considering returning to England to live. It will be a great loss to high class golf here if he does return "home."

SARNIA GOLF SEASON

Mr. F. G. Hoblitzel, the Popular Captain, Is "Addressed" and "Bagged"

THE golf season of the Sarnia Club for 1920 was brought to a close in a very pleasant and fitting manner. The Games Committee of the club, composed of Mr. F. G. Hoblitzel, chairman, and Messrs. L. MacAdams and T. McNamara, arranged a dinner and dance at the club to which all members of the club, their wives and the members of the ladies' club were invited.

The event was held on Saturday evening, October 30th, dinner at six-thirty o'clock. The success of the affair was due in a great measure to the work of the ladies, namely: Mrs. W. H. Kenny, Mrs. Kiene and Mrs. F. G. Hoblitzel, assisted by Miss Margaret Milne, Miss Cook and others, who took entire charge of decorating the club house and planning the many details which go to make an event of this nature a success.

Following the dinner President Mr. T. H. Cook, was called upon to perform the duties of chairman and also of presenting the club trophies and other cup medals and prizes to the winners of the various competitions held during the season of 1920 both in the gentlemen's club and in the ladies' club.

Mr. Cook gave a brief outline of the activities of the club during the season and made the presentations in his own well known style. A very pleasant feature was an address and presentation to Mr. Hoblitzel of a travelling bag, made on behalf of the club by Mr. W. H. Kenny. Mr. Kenny spoke of the pride the club members felt in having a member who had carried the Sarnia colours in the International matches of the Continent, as well as in the Canadian Championship events, with such

credit to himself and to the club, and incidentally in a friendly game during September establishing a record of 65 for eighteen holes on our own course, which record will, no doubt, stand for many seasons to follow.

The evening was spent in dancing and cards, and was pronounced by all as the most successful social event in the history of the club.

Following is the list of events and the names of the winners:

Holley Le Gro Trophy, W. A. Watson, handicap 13; Detroiters' Cup, F. L. Riggan, handicap 13; Club Trophy, W. H. Kenny, handicap 25; Cook Medal, F. G. Hoblitzel, handicap 5; Hayes McKay Medal (Club Championship), F. G. Hoblitzel, scratch; Class "B" Championships (handicaps 15 to 22 included), G. B. Shiras, scratch; Class "C" Championship (handicaps 23 and over), J. M. Newton, scratch; McBurney Trophy, T. H. Cook, handicap 16; Consolation Trophy, Geo. Parsons, handicap 37; Thanksgiving Day Trophy, Geo. Parsons, medal play; Net Score Competition, F. G. Hoblitzel; Ringer Contest, J. M. Hunt.

DEMPSEY AND CARPENTIER PLAY GOLF

World's Greatest Boxers Feel the Thrill of the Universal Game

EVEN the "\$500,000 boxing beauties," Dempsey and Carpentier, are feeling the lure of golf, and recently met in "mortal combat" on the Shackamaxon course. This is how Grantland Rice in the "American Golfer" describes the combat:

"About three weeks ago some friend persuaded Jack Dempsey to take a shot at golf. Dempsey, being good-natured, agreed to have his afternoon spoiled. Golf to him was merely golf—the last word in sport. He battled with bunkers and traps all afternoon, slashed away at the ball with all his punching power—and the next morning was rounding up a collection of golf clubs to tackle the game in earnest. One round and he, too, was lost.

Carpentier had never played a golf game until Robert Edgren, the noted boxing expert and stake-holder for the coming match, lured the French wonder out for a joust with Dempsey over the Shackamaxon course.

When Carpentier started out one of the main features of his game was that, while a bit crude, he was not only able to hit the ball every time, but to whale it a long distance. He sliced and he hooked—but he hit the ball. At the start Dempsey, who had played several rounds, had this advantage and so got the jump.

Dempsey at the start was much better around the green. But it was noticeable that Carpentier, with his wonderful ability to concentrate and co-ordinate, began to get better and better. By the time he had played five holes and had begun to get the hang of the swing and the speed of the greens, he had the better of the argument. He was well down at the end of the fifth hole. But he won three of the last four holes, showing his ability to readjust his timing and obtain better control of both the long and the short game.

In fact, by the time the Frenchman had played four or five holes he looked as if he had been playing golf for several weeks. His swing had settled into a much smoother proposition. But the most remarkable part of Carpentier's improvement was around the green. At the start, with no idea how hard a putt should be hit, he was first far over the hole and then well short. But after playing a few holes he began to lay 30-foot approach putts within a foot or two of the cup. Not all of them—but a surprisingly large number.

This is merely an indication of Carpentier's wonderful powers of co-ordination. He has been famed for this in the ring. He is not only fast on his feet and fast with his hands. His brain also works with unusual rapidity, enabling him to take advantage of a brief opening where slower thinkers would be just the needed half-second too late.

Carpentier is better at long-range hitting than Dempsey is. Dempsey is an extremely accurate hitter from close range, and so his scheme for battle is to work in as closely as possible.

Beckett told a friend after his defeat that he thought Carpentier was six or seven feet away when the Frenchman knocked him out. Carpentier, seeing his opening from a distance, had stepped in and hit so quickly and so accurately that Beckett's slower vision had failed to catch the movement, and by the time the Frenchman's fist had landed the British champion was dreaming in the poppy fields.

The difference between two well-trained boxers such as the two champions and the average citizen taking up a game that requires the co-ordination of golf is quite marked.

Their success in the ring game depends upon their ability to make their nervous and muscular force respond instantly to the order of the brain. They may be wilder than cyclones in the way of general direction at the start, but they keep on hitting the ball and getting good distance and their control soon begins to improve. If you will observe their efforts at swinging, one of the first points available to the eye is the terrific determination of both men. And this is no small part of the art of hitting a ball. There was no ball-shyness or timidity or lack of confidence upon either side.

With two ring champions taking up the game and taking it up with relish, you have a general idea of the growth that is still waiting Scotia's pastime.

Society came first. Then the business man. After this the athlete who needed some outdoor recreation after his college days were over. Then the ball player and others making their living from sport caught the lure. Now we have the boxers snared by the appeal of a game which takes them seven and eight miles through open country and which has a strong appeal in the control of mind over muscle.

No wonder new golf courses are popping up every other week between California and Cape Cod. And the big growth of the game has only begun, for with 5,000,000 players (looking a few years ahead) there will be long waiting lists even with the new courses that are constantly being built."



A SCOTTISH TRAGEDY

Sympathetic Friend—What's the matter, Donald; aren't you playing to-day?
Donald (the gloomy one)—Did ye nae hear! I lost my ba' yesterday.

VARDON-RAY TOUR

Official List of Matches Played Show a Total of 96—No Fewer Than 70 Won, 22 Lost and 4 Halved—All These in Addition to the U. S. Championship at Toledo, Where They Finished First and Second

THROUGH the courtesy of Mr. Arthur D. Peterson, of New York, chief executive in this country of Carter's Tested Seeds Company, the "Canadian Golfer" is herewith enabled to present a complete list of the matches Vardon and Ray played during their 40,000 mile tour of North America; extending over a period of nearly four months, or from July 18th to Oct. 31st. Mr. Peterson was with the British experts from the date of their arrival until the Open Championship at Toledo, August 8th-13th. In the Middle West, following the Open, the arrangements of the tour were in charge of the Burke Golf Company of Newark, Ohio, represented by Mr. W. C. Sherwood, Mr. Peterson again taking up the champions from September 16th until they sailed for home, November 6th. Herewith the complete results of this epoch-making trip:

DATE.	CLUB.	OPPONENTS.	Holes.	Vardon & Ray.
July 18	Siwanoy C. C.	Sawyer & Anderson	18	3 & 1 Won
18	Siwanoy C. C.	Kerrigan & T. McNamara	18	2 & 1 Won
20	Shawnee C. C.	Ray finished second in Shawnee		
21	Shawnee C. C.	Tournament		
22	Fox Hills	Boyd & Fotheringham	36	10 & 8 Won
23	Woodway C. C.	Travers & Kirkby	36	5 & 4 Won
24	Greenwich	Edgar & Kerrigan	18	3 & 2 Lost
24	Greenwich	Barnes & Kerrigan	18	4 & 3 Won
25	Apawamis	First round, Lapham & Ray vs. Douglas & Vardon; second Vardon paired with Lapham		
26	Shennecossett	Hagen & Barnes	36	1 Up Won
28	Springfield	Toole & Reach	18	5 & 4 Won
29	Shuttle Meadow	Andrews & Elphick	18	1 Up Won
29	Shuttle Meadow	Hovey & Seeley	18	4 & 3 Won
30	Belmont Springs	Quimet & Guilford	36	4 & 2 Won
31	Scarsdale	Dowling & T. McNamara	36	6 & 5 Lost
Aug. 1	Hollywood	Hagen & Barnes	36	4 & 2 Lost
4	Yahnundahsis	L. Walker & Robeson	18	1 Up Won
4	Yahnundahsis	S. & T. Sherman	18	4 & 2 Won
5	Youngstown	French & Lagerblade	36	Halved
7	Detroit	Hagen & Ross	36	3 & 2 Won
8	Inverness	White & Lorms	18	2 & 1 Won
13	Inverness	Ray won U. S. Open Championship, Vardon second		
14	Shaker Heights	Ross & Alves	36	1 Up Won
15	Park, Buffalo	C. & H. Callaway	18	3 & 2 Won
15	Park, Buffalo	H. & L. Callaway	18	4 & 3 Won
16	Scarboro, Toronto	Murray & Cummings	36	7 & 5 Won
17	Mayfield, Cleveland	Augustus & Bole	18	5 & 4 Won
17	Mayfield, Cleveland	Way & Sargent	18	3 & 2 Won
18	Moundbuilders, Newark, O.	Way, Sargent & Sherwood	18	1 Up Won
19	Miami Valley, Dayton	Sherwood & Miller	18	1 Up Lost
20	Portage, Akron	Harris & Herron	18	4 & 3 Won
19	Dayton C. C.	Nicoll & Sargent	18	3 & 1 Won
21	Skokie Valley	Evans & Gaudin	36	6 & 5 Lost
22	Lake Shore, Chicago	Evans & Gardner	18	1 Up Won
22	Lake Shore, Chicago	Diegel & Loos	18	3 & 2 Lost
23	South Bend	Hagen & Evans	36	Halved
24	Glen View	Hutchinson & Ayton	36	7 & 5 Lost
25	White Bear, St. Paul	Burke & T. Vardon	36	3 & 2 Won
27	Pine Ridge, Winnipeg	Daniels & Penfold	18	5 & 4 Won
27	Elmhurst, Winnipeg	Fletcher & Thompson	18	3 & 1 Won
28	Winnipeg	Gillespie & Cuthbert	18	3 & 2 Won
30	Sioux City	Knepper & M. Shearman	36	5 & 4 Won
31	Minnekahta	Legg & Stevens	36	3 & 1 Won
Sept. 1	Omaha	Reynolds & Reid	18	1 Up Won
1	Omaha	Rediek & Peters	18	4 & 3 Lost
2	Mission Hills	(K. & C.) Watson & Clark	18	6 & 5 Won
2	Mission Hills	McClelland & Warn	18	1 Up Won
3	Wichita	Edgerton & Bagby	18	7 & 5 Won
3	Wichita	Heimple & J. Shearman	18	7 & 5 Won

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4-	Hillcrest, K.C.	Ford & Creavy	36	4 & 3 Won
5-	Sunset Hill	Hagen & Barnes	36	4 & 3 Won
7-	Birmingham & Roebuck	Hall & Edgar	36	Halved
8-	Capital City, Atlanta	Edgar & Beckett	36	5 & 4 Won
9-	Chattanooga	Edgar & McIntyre McKenzie	36	4 & 3 Won
10-	Knoxville	Local Amateur & Pro.	36	Won
11-	Knoxville	Walker & Livingston	36	3 & 1 Won
12-	Louisville	Marshall & Hayburn	36	6 & 5 Won
13-	Cincinnati	Briggs & Baumgartner	36	1 Up Won
14-	Scioto, Columbus	Brady & Sargent	36	3 & 2 Won
15-	Kokomo	Brady & Evans	36	Lost
17-	Somerset Hills	Whitehead & Kerrigan	18	2 Up Lost
18-	Morris County	Evans & Jones	36	10 & 9 Lost
19-	Englewood	Jones & Kirkby	18	3 & 2 Lost
19-	Englewood	Jones & C. Walker	18	3 & 2 Lost
20-	Cherry Valley	F. McNamara & Dowling	36	3 & 1 Won
22-	Huntington Valley	Armstrong & Hobens	36	4 & 3 Won
23-	Merion	Evans & Marston	36	1 Up Won
24-	Aronomink	Reynolds & Tewkesbury	36	3 & 1 Won
26-	Bethlehem, Pa.	Evans & Grace	36	3 & 1 Won
25-	Scranton C. C.	Brooks & Woolworth	18	Won
25-	Scranton C. C.	Partner & Woolworth	18	Won
28-	Brookline	Ouimet & Guilford	36	4 & 3 Won
29-	Wannamoisett	Tellier & Gordon	36	Won
Oct. 1-	Race Brook	Scott & Stein	18	4 & 3 Won
1-	Race Brook	Andrews & Henry	18	4 & 3 Won
2-	Upper Montclair	Travers & Reekie	36	3 & 2 Won
3-	Century C. C.	Dowling & Mackie	36	9 & 8 Won
5-	Garden City	Barnes & Hutchinson	36	6 & 5 Lost
6-	Essex County	Herron & Travers	36	2 & 1 Lost
7-	Knickerbocker	Kirkby & Lansing	36	3 & 1 Won
9-	Shackamaxon	Pat & Pete O'Hara	36	6 & 5 Lost
10-	Woodmere, L.I.	Sylvester & J. Pirie	36	4 & 3 Won
11-	Pottstown, Hill School	Hagen & Fraser	18	1 Up Lost
12-	Baltimore C. C.	W. & C. Cochran	36	1 Up Won
13-	Columbia C. C.	McLeod & Hutchinson	36	8 & 7 Won
14-	C. C. of Virginia	Harry Hampton & McLeod	36	1 Up Won
15-	Wilmington	Reid & McLeod	36	Halved
16-	Quaker Ridge	Hagen & Farrell	36	3 & 2 Won
17-	Fairview	Hagen & Barnes	36	2 & 1 Lost
18-	Rochester	Hagen & Barnes	36	3 & 2 Lost
19-	Bellevue	Hagen & Entwistle	36	10 & 9 Won
20-	Antlers	G. Tiffany & Lord	36	4 & 3 Won
22-	Mohawk	Herron & Travers	36	1 Up Lost
23-	Albany C. C.	Local Amateurs	18	Won
23-	Albany C. C.	Local Amateurs	18	Won
24-	Brooklawn	Sweetzer & Seeley	18	3 & 2 Won
24-	Brooklawn	Sparling & Cuici	18	3 & 2 Won
27-	Royal Montreal	C. B. Grier & Murray	36	3 & 2 Lost
30-	Nassau C. C.	Hagen & Maiden	36	3 & 2 Lost
31-	Tuxedo C. C.	Fotheringham & Golden	36	4 & 3 Won

It will be noticed from the above table that Douglas Edgar, the Canadian Open Champion, partnered with Tom Kerrigan, was the first to lower the colours of the Britishers, at Greenwich, July 24th. This was the best showing, however, he made against them, being defeated paired with Beckett, 5 and 4, at the Capital City Club, Atlanta, and with McKenzie, 4 and 3, at Chattanooga. At Birmingham, Edgar and Hall secured a half.

One of the big matches of the tour was that against Ouimet and Guilford at Brookline. It was over this course, in 1913, that Ouimet defeated Vardon and Ray in the play-off for the U.S. Open. Unwonted interest centred in this encounter, but the amateurs went down to a rather decisive defeat. 4 and 2.

The series of matches with Walter Hagen and James Barnes was another outstanding feature of the trip. In all five matches were played with this celebrated pair, and Vardon and Ray lost 3 out of the 5. Hagen, however, when paired with John Farrell, at Quaker Ridge, lost to the Britishers, 3 and 2, and at Bellevue, with Entwistle, was properly trounced to the tune of 10 and 9—the most decisive victory recorded by the visitors.

Mr. Charles Evans, Jr., the U. S. Amateur Champion, has reason to look back with a good deal of commendable pride upon his encounter

with the many times professional champions. He first crossed clubs with them paired up with Gaudin at Skokie Valley, the U. S. players registering a 6 and 5 victory. Next day, however, at Lake Shore he and Mr. R. Gardner were defeated, 1 up. Then came a notable half at South Bend, where the U. S. Champion was partnered with the redoubtable Hagen. Paired with Brady at Kokomo, Evans again was on the winning side. Then came the smashing defeat of Vardon and Ray at Morris County, easily the most decisive of their tour, when the U. S. Champion, paired with Mr. "Bobbie" Jones, took them into camp, 10 and 9. Afterward, Evans, with Mr. Max Marston as his partner at Merion, had to acknowledge a 1 up defeat, and with Grace at Bethlehem, Pa., a 3 and 1 reverse. In the Evans-Marston match the amateurs were 4 up on the morning round. In the afternoon Vardon played most uncanny golf, notching a 33 the first nine holes—the best golf he played, probably, during the whole tour. It was this super-golf which enabled he and Ray to snatch, eventually, a 1 hole victory.

"Bobbie" Jones, the Atlanta boy wonder, in addition to participating in the crushing defeat of the Britishers paired with Evans, also participated with Mr. Oswald Kirkby in a victory over them at Englewood, 3 and 2. Paired with C. Walker over the same course in the afternoon, he and his partner also won out by the same margin. "Bobbie" was the only U. S. player who won every match in which he participated against the overseas cracks. No wonder, perhaps, that Vardon and Ray think he is in a class by himself, or will be in the years to come, when he gains more experience.

"Jock" Hutchinson, the Scot, generally ranked as the leading pro. on this continent in 1920, also had the better of the argument with the Britishers, winning 2 out of the 3 matches in which he was paired up against them.



A particularly fine snap-shot of slashing Ted Ray, the U. S. Open Champion, getting off a "screamer" from the tee.

In all, Vardon and Ray played 91 matches in the States and 5 in Canada, or a grand total of 96. Of these they won 70; lost 22, and halved 4—a record of which they have every reason to feel proud. They met the cream of the amateur and professional players of both countries, and over strange courses and under the handicap of spending the great majority of their nights on the train, won 75 per cent. of their games. In addition to these 96 matches they ended 1st and 2nd in the Open Championship at Toledo, whilst Ray also competed in the Shawnee Tournament, August 20th and 21, and finished in second place, although he had only landed in the States two days previously. Altogether a wonderful record of endurance and skill upon the part of these two world famous golfers, aged respectively 50 and 42 years.

Showing perhaps that even Vardon and Ray cannot play golf day in and day out and travel across a continent in doing so, without paying the penalty physically, it is rather interesting to note that of the first 48 matches they played they won 37, halved 3, and lost 8. The remaining 48 matches, of the total of 96, they won 33, lost 14, and halved 1.

It is computed that during the tour (including Toledo) some 200,000 enthusiasts, all told, were in the galleries which watched the play of the "Champions of Champions."

Mr. Peterson, in a letter to the Editor, states how immensely he enjoyed the tour, and adds: "Since you know the men you must also know that they have proven to be the best sort of companions during the memorable trip."

Great pals, and great golfers, are "Harry" and "Ted." The golfing world will not see their like again for many and many a year.

PUBLIC GOLF FOR TORONTO

Magnificent Property Secured on the Humber Near Where the
Toronto-Hamilton Highway Crosses

AT last Toronto is to have a public golf course, where the residents of the Queen City will have an opportunity of participating in all the health-giving and enjoyable features of the Royal and Ancient game at a nominal figure.

Only last week the deal was finally put through whereby Mr. Ralph Connable and a strong board of associates lease for a term of years, at a merely nominal rental, over 80 acres of ideal golfing land on the Humber Survey, near where the Toronto-Hamilton highway crosses the river. Already George Cumming, the well known golf architect, has laid out a most attractive 9 hole course, and the firm of Thompson, Cumming & Thompson will at once proceed to whip the plans into shape. Most of the property boasts literally "virgin" turf, and it is confidently expected that the links will be ready for play by May 24th. On the property are two or three houses and one of these lends itself readily to quite an attractive club house. The course, which is well wooded, has been laid out as follows by the architect: No. 1 hole, 280 yards; No. 2, 300 yards; No. 3, 105 yards; No. 4, 400 yards (a grand hole this); No. 5, 160 yards; No. 6, 400 yards; No. 7, 180 yards; No. 8, 300 yards; No. 9, 390 yards.

Associated with Mr. Connable are the following well known Toronto business men and golfers: Mr. George S. Lyon, Mr. Wm. H. Alderson,

of the Gutta Percha & Rubber Co., Ltd.; Mr. Robert J. Copeland, Copeland, Chatterson, Ltd.; Mr. John J. Gibbons, J. J. Gibbons, Ltd.; Mr. John M. Godfrey, Robinette, Godfrey, Phelan & Lawson; Mr. Norman Tovell, Brent, Tovell Co.; Dr. Forbes E. Godfrey; Mr. Stanley Thompson, Thompson, Cumming & Thompson, and Mr. David C. Haig, Ladies' Wear, Ltd.

Complete plans have not yet been formulated, but the idea is that the membership fee shall not exceed \$10 per annum, and that light refreshments shall be served at the club house at a nominal figure.

The situation of the new links is ideal. They are only a mile and three quarters from the Sunnyside Station, with an excellent street car connection from there on. Eventually the Toronto King Street cars will run right to the gate of the property.

Mr. Connable, who is General Manager for Canada of the F. W. Woolworth Co., Ltd., (a member of the Lambton Golf and Country Club and of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association), has for some months now been working indefatigably on this most laudable scheme and has gone so far as to promise to pay out of his own pocket any loss on the first year's operation of these public links, to be known as the Toronto Municipal Golf Links. But there won't be any loss. Rest assured of that.

The "Canadian Golfer" considers this launching of a public course in Toronto the most important golf undertaking of 1920, and accords Mr. Connable and his associates the golfing laurel of a memorable year. Their efforts are bound to be crowned with an unbounded success as hundreds of citizens of Toronto, old and young alike, unable to join the expensive private golf and country clubs, have been demanding eagerly for some years now the opportunity to play golf. And next year they will have that opportunity vouchsafed them under particularly favourable conditions.

OPENING TOURNAMENT AT PINEHURST

Mr. T. D. Armour and Douglas Edgar Feature in Pro-Amateur Event

THE big golfing season at Pinehurst was formally opened on November 20th to 22nd, when a pro-amateur tournament was staged.

The brilliant Scottish amateur, Mr. T. D. Armour, paired with Leo Diegel, of Lochmoor, came home winners with the fine score for the 72 holes of 136-139=275. In second place were Mr. Perry Adair, of Atlanta, Georgia, and the Canadian Open Champion, Douglas Edgar, with 141-136=277. The individual scoring of Diegel was very consistent, his rounds being 71-72-72-72=287. His prize was \$500 and Edgar \$300. The amateurs get plate to the same value. The scores of the leading teams:

Leo Diegel, Lochmoor, and Mr. T. D. Armour, Lothianburn, 136-139=275; Mr. Douglas Edgar and Mr. Perry Adair, Druid Hills, 141-136=277; Joe Seka, Cedar Brook, and Mr. Edward Clarey, Bala, 140-147=287; Emmett French and Mr. Chris Diebel, Youngstown, 150-138=288; Harry Hampton and Mr. A. L. Hawsie, Richmond, 143-148=291; Jack Dowling and Mr. C. H. Paul, Scarsdale, 149-144=293; Chris. Rowe and Mr. C. B. Fownes, Oakmount, 149-147=296; Gil

Nichols, unattached, and Mr. Guy Standfer, Portland, 147—149=296; Wilfred Reid and Mr. Horace Chickering, Wilmington, 148—149=297; Tom Harmon, Hudson River, and Mr. Nat Hurd, Pittsburg, 153—144=297; Teddy Gow and Mr. William Austin, Norwich, 148—149=297; Donald Ross, Pinehurst, and Mr. Donald Parson, Youngstown, 149—148=297.

Armour was able to lend valuable assistance to Diegel on each of the four rounds. Four times on the first round he got down a stroke under his partner, so that with Diegel's 71 they brought home a best ball of 67. In the second round Armour cut strokes from Diegel's card on three more holes. The third round also found Armour assisting on four holes, though his work on the final round was not as brilliant, when he bettered Diegel's score on but one hole of the round.

Immediately following this stellar event, Armour took part in the Autumn Golf Tournament, but was put out of the running in a sensational manner by a young unknown, Chris Deibel, of the Youngstown Country Club.

WINTER'S PROGRAMME

December 25-26—Annual Christmas Golf Tournament, at the Del Monte Golf Club.

December 28-January 1—Eighteenth Annual Midwinter Tournament at Pinehurst.

December 31-January 2—Annual New Year's Tournament, at the Del Monte Golf Club.

January 24-28—Annual Lake Worth Tournament at Palm Beach Golf Club.

January 25-29—Annual Tomoka Sweepstakes Tournament at the Ormond Beach Golf Club.

January 31-February 5—Seventeenth Annual St. Valentine's Tournament at Pinehurst.

February 7-11—Annual South Florida Amateur Championship at the Palm Beach Country Club.

February 8-11—Sixteenth Annual St. Valentine's Tournament for Women at Pinehurst.

February 14-18—Annual Women's Championship Tournament at the Palm Beach Golf Club.

February 14-19—Annual Ormond Beach Championship Tournament at the Ormond Beach Golf Club.

February 21—Seventeenth Annual Tin Whistle Anniversary Tournament at Pinehurst.

February 21-26—Fifth Annual Spring Tournament at St. Augustine Links.

February 28-March 2—Annual Women's Invitation Tournament at the Ormond Beach Golf Club.

March 7-11—Annual Palm Beach Championship at the Palm Beach Golf Club.

March 7-12—Seventeenth Annual Spring Tournament at Pinehurst.

March 14-19—Annual Championship of Volusia Tournament at Ormond Beach Golf Club.

March 21-26—Annual Winter Championship of Florida Tournament at the St. Augustine Links.

March 25-30—Nineteenth Annual North and South Amateur Championship for Women at Pinehurst.

April 1-2—Nineteenth Annual North and South Open Championship at Pinehurst.

April 4-9—Twenty-first Annual North and South Amateur Championship at Pinehurst.

April 12-16—Eleventh Annual Mid-April Tournament at Pinehurst.

GOLF "AWAY DOWN UNDER"

A Trio of Interesting Australian Golfing Photographs—Messrs. Whitton, Pearce and Apperly, the Representative Amateurs of the Antipodes—Interesting Comments on Leading Courses by Mr. T. H. Farley, of Toronto

THANKS to Mr. Patterson, of Melbourne, manager in Australia of the Massey-Harris Co., the "Canadian Golfer," in this issue, is privileged to publish the photographs of three of Australia's leading golf amateurs, and also a picture of the very artistic club house at Sandringham of The Royal Melbourne Golf Club—Sydney is the only



In Australia, as well as in Canada and the United States, it seems to be the proper caper for champion golfers to be photographed "all smiles." On the right, Mr. Ivo Whitton, former Open Champion of Australia, and Champion of Victoria, 1920. On the left, Mr. Bruce Pearce, one of the world's greatest golfing southpaws.

other golf club in Australia entitled to use the prefix "Royal," thus balancing up the two Royal Clubs in Canada, Montreal and Ottawa.

Mr. Whitton, who was a former Open and Amateur Champion of Australia (1914), recently won the Championship of Victoria. From all accounts he is perhaps the leading amateur in the Antipodes, although Messrs. Apperley and Bruce Pearce are too, very finished players. The latter is a "left hander" and probably shares with the ex-Amateur Can-

adian Champion, Mr. F. R. Martin, of Hamilton, the honour of being the world's leading amateur "South-paw." Pearce, in 1911, went over to Great Britain with his brother, Clyde, and made a most creditable showing in the British Open Amateur and Irish Championships. In the Amateur at Prestwick he lasted until the 6th round, when he was put out by the noted Scottish amateur, Gordon Lockhart (who this month comes to the States and enters the professional ranks), 4 and 3. He must be a fine golfer to go thus far in the British Amateur. He also, during that trip, won the Cruden Bay Amateur Tournament. He was born in Hobart, Tasmania, in 1892. His brother, Clyde, is also a celebrated player, winner of the Open Championship of Australia in 1908; the Amateur Championship also in 1908, and runner-up in 1909. Nineteen hundred and nine was a great year certainly for Bruce Pearce he having to his



The dignified home of The Royal Melbourne Golf Club at Sandringham. The course here is of Championship calibre.

credit that year the Amateur Championship of South Australia, the Tasmanian Championship and the Southern Tasmanian Championship. This year Pearce was a contender in the Open Championship, Australian Amateur and Victoria Championships and finished close up in all three events.

It was generally expected that Whitton would have won both the Open and Amateur Championships at Sydney this year, but unfortunately he was taken ill just before the Tournament started and was unable to play.

The following extract from a recent copy of the "Australasian," Melbourne, by the well known writer "Fore" of that most excellent paper, will give Canadian golfers some idea of the play Messrs. Whitton and Pearce are capable of "uncorking":

"On Thursday (Melbourne) the Metropolitan trophy scratch event and Metropolitan handicap was played concurrently over 36 holes, against Bogey. The weather was again bright and sunny, with a light northerly wind. The feature of the day's play was the brilliant display of Ivo Whitton, who rising to the occasion

of its being his last appearance on Victorian links for some time to come, gave a reminder of what he is capable of when in form, by winning the double event in dashing style. By the time these notes are in print Whitton will be permanently residing in Sydney, and no doubt he will look back with pleasure on his farewell performance, which must be bracketed with the best he has given us in his wonderful career as a golfer in this State. In the scratch event his rounds were 5 up and 6 up, total 11 up, carrying the handicap of +5, he was square and 2 up, total 2 up. In the morning he did not hole out at every hole, but for the afternoon round his stroke score was one of 73, as follows: Out—4, 3, 4, 5, 4, 3, 4, 4, 4=35; home—4, 5, 3, 2, 5, 3, 5, 5, 6=38. His driving was far and sure making his iron play easy, whilst his putting, as usual, was accurate and deadly. Whilst admiring Whitton's display, one must not overlook that of the sturdy ex-Tasmanian, Bruce Pearce, whose bad fortune it was to meet Victoria's champion in one of his most willing moods. With cards of 4 up and 3 up, total 7 up, in the scratch event, and playing off the +4 mark, with cards of 1 up and square, total 1 up in the handicap, he secured second place in each event. A peculiar feature in Pearce's play was that he was not at his best going out, both morning and afternoon, and excelled himself in the return journey on both occasions. His cards read: Morning, out—5, 2, 5, 4, 5, 4, 5, 5, 5=40; home—5, 4, 4, 2, 4, 2, 5, 5, 3=34=74. Afternoon, out, 5, 3, 4, 4, 4, 6, 3, 5, 4, 6=40; home—4, 3, 4, 2, 4, 3, 6, 5, 4=35=75."

Pretty good golf that. Make no mistake about it.

Whilst on the question of Australian golf, Mr. H. T. Fairley, of Toronto, the popular captain for several years of the Scarboro Golf and Country Club, and a very sound player indeed, was this year on quite a lengthy visit to his old home in the Land of the Golden Fleece. He has very kindly contributed for readers of the "Canadian Golfer" the most interesting notes herewith on golf in that far away Dominion:

"The Royal Melbourne course at Sandringham, the photograph of which you are publishing in your magazine, is of championship distance and calibre, and is beautifully situated, and being a sea-side course the turf is ideal, with sufficient sand and fern off the fairways to make the rough a good place to keep out of. The general layout is more like Hamilton links than any other Canadian course I have seen, but the greens are more elevated, not so large, and considerably more bunkered than Hamilton.

The club house is commodious, but not so pretentious as some of ours. I heard when there last summer, that the Royal Melbourne contemplated moving and rebuilding the club house, and making some changes in the layout of their course.

At Sandringham in 1913 I saw Ivo Whitton playing in the Australian Championship finals, and I see in a recent "Australasian" he has retained his title of Victoria Champion, beating Bruce Pearce, the left hander who put 'Chick' Evans out of the English Championship.

The Metropolitan is another of the excellent Melbourne courses. Last April I had the pleasure of playing a round there with Mr. Peters and the Club Pros. Findlay and Jupp. The links were in good shape, and some of the holes are very interesting.

Riversdale is a sporting course and has for its 'pro.' J. H. Kirkwood, a remarkably fine player who has cleaned up all the open events in Australia this year. Kirk-



A fine finish to a drive. Mr. E.L. Apperley, one of Australia's best golfers. He won the Australian Amateur Championship this year.

wood is only about 20 years of age, and Australians think, that even now, he could more than hold his own with the world's best.

Victoria is another good course, and there are several others in the Melbourne district including Elsternwick, Yarra Yarra, and Kew, all of which are well patronized with playing members all the year round.

Flinders, outside of Melbourne a little way, has a beautifully situated course along the headlands overlooking the ocean. The view from all parts of the links is superb, but 'Oh! How she can Blow.' I shall always look back with pleasure to the ten days I had at Flinders.

I have only mentioned the Melbourne courses, but in the other cities, and up country, there are many very fine links and clubs, the Kensington at Sydney, where the Australian Championship, won by E. L. Apperly, was played this year, being especially good, equally so to anything we have on this side.

In New Zealand golf is equally popular, which is not surprising, the Scotch being everywhere in evidence. I only had an opportunity of playing over the two Wellington courses, Mirimar and Heretaunga, and they are first rate.

There are many fine golfers in the Antipodes—personally, I should say, ranking with the very best players we have here in Canada, and there as here, the Royal and Ancient is an immensely and increasingly popular sport."

REVIVAL OF SUNDAY GAMES

Conservative England Is Seriously Discussing the Question of Health-Giving Sports on the "Seventh Day"

A RETURN to the Sunday games that made England "merrie" was advocated at the Church Congress at Southend-on-Sea, England, last month.

The Bishop of Sheffield spoke on the Christian ethics of amusement. "There has been," he said, "a great change with regard to the theatre, dancing, cards, billiards and the cinema." He believed the drama to be one of the highest forms of recreation. No self-respecting person would frequent some dances, he said, but still there was more ugliness than wickedness in some of the fantastic dances so popular after the war. He believed, however, that these were gradually disappearing, except among the inherently vulgar. The Christian who was a kill-joy was a caricature of Christianity, he said.

Canon Pierce, Vicar and Rural Dean of Brighton, said he saw nothing incongruous in men, women and children going straight from church to the recreation ground or proceeding from a round of golf to even-song. The church had no quarrel with Sunday games; but was it not possible to ask the nation seriously whether they wanted Sunday to disappear in an orgy of lorries and motor-coaches. The scenes on Sunday on the roads from London to certain south coast holiday resorts were sometimes deplorable, he said.

The Rev. Dr. Percy Dearmer, speaking on Sunday amusements, said: "Every man should have at least one day and a half for rest out of the seven. Rest involves the cessation from a man's accustomed labor. But it does not mean merely an animal inactivity. Rest is not only repose but also recreation."

He urged outdoor games including cricket, which he described as the laziest game on earth. They should be organized by the church, he said, and churchmen must oppose Sunday theatres, not because theatres were wrong, but because they employed a large amount of labor. They must oppose the Parisian Sunday, but not tennis or golf, and perhaps in Utopia there would be a chapel near the last hole, he said.



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"CANADIAN GOLFER" BOOK REVIEWS

Two Particularly Virile Canadian Works Which Will Make Ideal Xmas Remembrances

MR. JOHN MURRAY GIBBON, author of those two delightful works, "Drums Afar" and "Hearts and Faces," has given still further evidence of his diverting imagination and facile pen in the publication of another novel entitled "The Conquering Hero," (S. B. Gundy, Publisher, Toronto). In the opening chapter the reader is introduced to a rollicking camp party in the forests of Eastern Canada, the men having emancipated themselves from petticoat rule of every sort and description. Into this haleyon scene of "roughing it" without regard to the social conventions there suddenly steps a glorious vision in the person of a Polish Princess, who has become a movie star, and numbers in her entourage a business manager and press agent. She takes a particular fancy to Donald MacDonald, farmer, guide and sergeant in the late war, and in later complications almost unwittingly severs Donald and his little Scotch sweetheart, the daughter of a typical British Colonel, who has come to the Dominion to ranch. The various characters are splendidly delineated, the dialogues are crisp and vivacious, while there are many notable descriptions of Rocky Mountain scenery, together with the vivid portrayal of a moose hunt, a forest fire and kindred incidents. Mr. Gibbon possesses the happy faculty of enchaining the interest of the reader upon the first page and holding it until the last. Altogether this is a volume well worth while and accords in full measure with the two previous successes of this talented author.

"Dennison Grant" (The Musson Book Co., Ltd., Toronto), is an absorbingly realistic story by Robert Stead, author of "The Cow Punchers" and "The Homesteaders." It is redolent of the romance of the Canadian West, and, perhaps, is the best thing yet done by Mr. Stead, who the past few years, has installed himself a warm favourite with the Anglo-Saxon reading public. The author knows the foothills of the Rockies and the ranches of Alberta as do few Westerners, and he has made them a setting for an absorbingly interesting love story in which Zen, the spoiled daughter of a ranchman, and Dennison Grant, an Easterner and a particularly well limned character, are the dominating figures. The story eventually moves from West to East, but not for a moment is the reader's interest allowed to lag. Altogether a most interesting book, in the broadest sense of the term, is "Dennison Grant."

THE FOLLOW THROUGH

(By Tom Smith, formerly pro. of The Royal Montreal and Brantford Golf Clubs).

WE are hearing that two of the most distinguished English Champion celebrities are repudiating the follow through. The question then will be asked, is the follow through at all important in the drive? It does seem a decision so rendered by them must necessarily carry some weight. It is perhaps a rather complex problem to decide, and there may be a considerable diversity of opinion on this subject

among authorities now going on. However, I will venture to express my views, gathered chiefly from observation, and the conclusion reached bearing confirmation as to its being a great factor, not only in giving direction to the ball's flight, but also in obtaining distance.

The speed in which the club is travelling is at its greatest velocity at the point of impaction with the ball, which does not permit one to see the connection made, but one can safely conjecture that the club-head and ball are speeding through at equal rapidity to a certain point, and are not separated from each other until that point is reached where the club loses it. I assume that the direction of the ball's flight is dependent upon the course the club-head is following. If it continues along through following the parallel line with your stance, assuming it is a square one, the results should be satisfactory. Whereas a slight deviation either way from off the parallel line is sufficient to give another direction to its flight. There is no player that I ever saw whose club stops when hitting the ball; that would be a physical impossibility unless it became impeded by cutting deep into the turf.

Then what is the true significance of the follow through that has been propounded into the minds of golfers from almost the beginning of the game's origin? It simply means that the club's propulsion must not be checked, so consequently the club does follow the ball to at least a foot forward or more and then loses it, as the continuity of the swing describes its graceful finish in conjunction with the body's momentum and the turning on the ball of the right toe. This, at least, has always been considered orthodox and now some heterodoxical theorists are disclaiming the follow through as superfluous. Why not then give us an intelligible, scientific explanation in substantiation of their new discovery, which would be of incalculable assistance towards the evolution of the game.

It has always been evident to me that the majority of good players, both amateur and professional, have cultivated a good follow through, especially in driving. What is more beautiful than a perfect, symmetrical swing?

TWO NOTABLE APPRECIATIONS

**From the Eight Times Amateur Champion,
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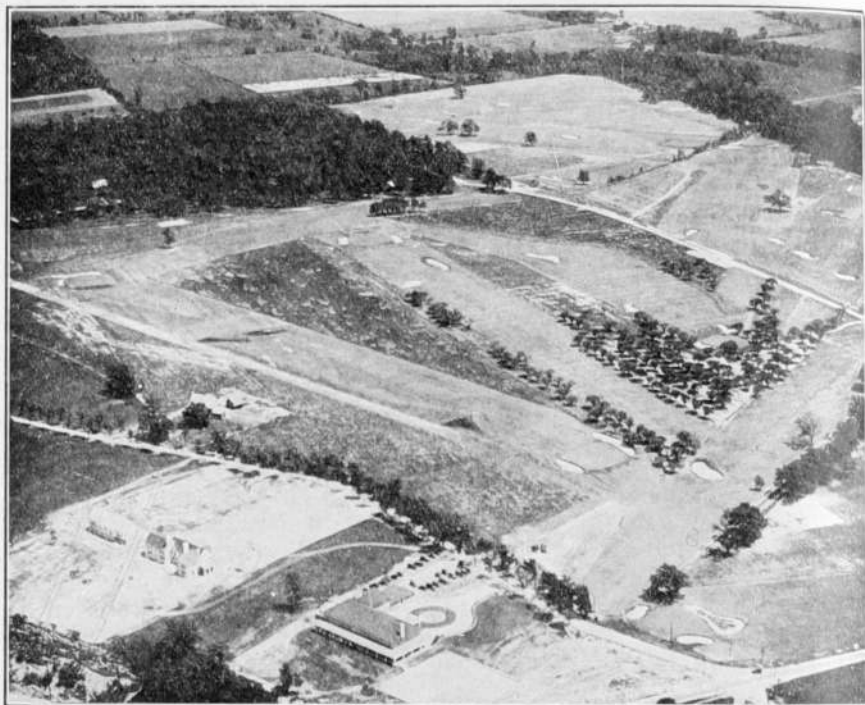
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NEWS FROM GREAT BRITAIN

Interesting Jottings from the Courses of England,
Scotland, Ireland and Wales

THE tie for the Devon County Championship between Mr. C. G. Chard and Mr. K. D. Fradgley was played off over the Churston course by strokes over thirty-six holes. It will be remembered that at the Championship meeting a short while ago over the same course that Mr. Chard lowered the record for the course, which stood to the credit of E. Ray with 70, by one stroke, but in the replay he was not in such brilliant form, and the Championship went to Mr. Fradgley, who had a score of 150 for thirty-six holes, and defeated Mr. Chard by seven strokes, the latter's score being 157.

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In connection with Earl Haig's appeal to sportsmen on behalf of the Officers' Association, the Field Marshal says: "As captain of a golf club, (St. Andrews), I ask committees to organize a tournament, or a series of tournaments, the entrance fees for which may be given to my appeal." An international tournament is now being arranged on behalf of the fund.

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That Mr. John Ball, eight times Amateur Champion, although 57 years of age, can still play excellent golf, was manifested the other day when at the Autumn meeting of The Royal Liverpool Club at Hoylake in the play-off for the Kennard Gold Medal he won with an 80. It is just 32 years ago since Mr. Ball won his first Amateur Championship and 30 years since he won the Open Championship, the first amateur to accomplish this feat.

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Play of a remarkable high standard was seen during a best ball match in which Abe Mitchell and A. G. Havers, the Lancashire player, opposed Duncan and Braid at Blundellsands. The English pair had a best ball of 63 for the eighteen holes, as against 67 by Duncan and Braid. Mitchell and his partner, who won the match, led off with four 3's, whilst the ninth and fifteenth were accomplished in 2. Havers was in remarkable form, holing out with his mashie from 50 yards at one hole, whilst he got a 3 at another hole measuring 507 yards. The bogey for the Blundellsands course is 77, so that it will easily be seen how well all four men played.

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Miss C. Leitch, the lady champion, has often shown that she stands alone among her own sex, and she is undoubtedly entitled to be looked on as a real wonder. Perhaps one of the best things she has ever ac-



Mr. John Ball, the world's greatest Amateur golfer, from his latest photo. Mr. Ball, who is 57 years of age, recently won the Kennard gold medal at Hoylake.

complished was, when winning a competition of the Lady Golfers' Club at Barnehurst (Kent) recently, she returned the remarkable score of 75, two strokes better than the previous record, and this under conditions far from favourable. It may interest some of your readers to know particulars of her card, which read as follows:

Out 4,6,5, 4,3,4, 5,5,4=40 In 3,3,5, 4,5,3, 6,3,3=35=75

There are many scratch players among men who would feel proud of such a score, the merit of which may further be judged from the fact that the nearest opponent to Miss Leitch totalled 81.

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Very great things may develop through the decision of the leading British professional golfers to found a co-operative association. The idea is to combine for the purpose of acquiring a factory where all appliances of the game can be manufactured. Apart from this fine business proposition, it is proposed to secure a course at which it will be possible to charge a gate. Suitable competitions and possibly the Open Championship would be decided there, at least that is the idea, and the project indicates a desire on the part of the professional players to take a much closer personal interest in their affairs. As they provide the attraction, they certainly have a right to the spoils, and big developments are likely to be seen on the lines referred to. There is some objection to playing big matches on the same course, though all would be on an equal footing, and taking the players to different courses provides a wider scope for their ability, though naturally pains will be taken to construct a suitable "test" course.

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The autumn medal of St. Andrews derived this year a very widespread interest from the fact that the new captain of the Royal and Ancient Club who had to play himself into his office in the historic manner was Lord Haig. We have heard that of all the honours that have been conferred upon him none has given Lord Haig more genuine pleasure than this one, and further, that, despite his pleasure, he looked forward to the ceremonial driving of his ball from the first tee with lively apprehension. Very good golfers have been known on this alarming occasion to have hit the ball a very short distance. Moreover, the most outspoken of St. Andrews' professionals, some of whose observations are golfing classics, was reported last year to have said to the great soldier, "It is a good thing for England that you're a better general than you are a golfer." Lord Haig may then have had some grounds for his fears, but he nevertheless quitted himself like a man. The mob of caddies, waiting to struggle for the traditional reward, paid him no great compliment by waiting for the ball short of the road. One intrepid caddie appears to have arrested the ball's flight by attempting to catch it in mid-air. This he failed to do, and it was another boy who secured the ball and the sovereign; but, at any rate, save for this human "rub of the green," the new captain would have carried the road.

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"I do not know," says Mr. R. E. Howard, "whether it is an indication of the Royal interest in golf; but it is at best the fact that those famous State horses, the Royal Creams—having been disbanded—have been distributed largely among golf clubs. I saw two the other day on the Ranelagh course, and another one on the Sandy Lodge course. Natur-

ally, it was desired that they should not figure in a circus or any form of entertainment, and so they were presented to institutions where their comfort and usefulness could be assured. They are wise as well as handsome animals. The Sandy Lodge one has discovered a clever trick of stepping over the chains which attach him to the mower which he pulls. And when his feet have been disentangled from one side, he promptly walks across and steps over the other side."

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Oxford University began their "away" engagements for the term right well with a victory, this month, over Stoke Poges at Slough. They did the same a year ago; in fact, they were plainly very strong until they came to meet Cambridge in the inter-Varsity match, and then they went down with a sorry crash. The best feature of the present side seems to be the uniformity of its playing ability. No doubt C. J. H. Tolley, the Amateur Champion, and R. H. Wethered are the outstanding players, but they have excellent backing in D. G. Cockran, A. L. Aked, G. P. Pakenham-Walsh and A. H. Vivian. A most picturesque member of the team this season is H. S. Malik, the Hindoo golfer, who plays an excellent game.

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The feature of Women's Golf this month has been the finals in the County Championship, eventually won by the ladies of Middlesex, who defeated Cheshire 6-1; Gloucestershire 7-0; Staffordshire 6-1. The winning team was composed of Mrs. McNair, Miss E. Leitch, Miss J. Stocker, Mrs. Hetherington, Mrs. Cruise, Mrs. Durlacher and Mrs. Dudley Charles. Cheshire had a particularly strong team, headed by Mrs. Dobell (Miss Gladys Ravenscroft), and Mrs. Matchett (formerly Miss Muriel Dodd, Canadian Lady Champion). They were runners-up in the competition.

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The members of the Walton Health Golf Club presented James Braid, their professional, with a cheque for £300, to celebrate his 50th birthday. Lord Riddel, in making the presentation, said that the check was a token of the affection and respect with which Braid was regarded at Walton Heath. He was not only a great golfer, but a great gentleman. As a further compliment to Braid, the directors decided to elect



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his son, H. Braid, an honorary member of the club. In returning thanks Braid referred to his pleasant relations with the members of the club, and said that he was deeply touched by the election of his son, as it was a unique thing for an artisan golfer to be elected an honorary member of a club such as Walton Heath. Braid was born in Fifeshire in 1870. He has won the Open Championship five times—1901, 1905, 1906, 1908 and 1910.

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Col. A. C. Johnston, who won the handicap silver medal at the autumn meeting of the St. George's Hill Club, with a good score of 74, is the Hampshire cricketer. During the war he was badly wounded in the right leg and has to play golf with a "platform shoe" on the right foot.

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And here is an interesting incident which occurred in an Aberdeen news agent's shop the other day: A sportsman who spends a good deal of his leisure time "chasin' a wee gutty ba'" on the links, as Sir Harry Lauder would say, had just dropped into the news agent's for some papers. In the shop was a burly working man, deeply engrossed in a golfing periodical. "Do you play golf?" enquired the sportsman, with the camaraderie born of the links. "Na," was the quiet response of the workman, "I dinna play mysel', but my laddie plays a bittie," and putting down the sixpence for the periodical he left the shop. The bookseller then explained that the workman was George Duncan's father.

It is announced that Miss Molly Griffiths, who was runner-up to Miss Cecil Leitch in the British Championship last spring, is to make a tour of Australia and India with her father. She is expected to be away about eight months.

Vardon and Ray are home from their record-making tour in the States and Canada, the richer, it is generally reported here, £3,000 apiece, as a result. They both must have made well onto £5,000 each as a result of their golfing activities in 1920.

NEWS FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA

Mr. Colin R. Mackenzie Is Resigning from the Secretaryship of the Victoria Golf Club—Ex-Premier of Saskatchewan Makes a "Hole-in-One"—Golf in Vancouver—Mr. Mountifield Wins City Championship and Lord Shaughnessy Cup, and Mr. R. Symes the B. C. Championship

HEREWITH two particularly interesting letters received by the Editor this week from British Columbia. Mr. Colin R. Mackenzie, Secretary Victoria Golf Club, (Oak Bay):

"Things have been quiet here since the beginning of October on account of the bad weather, but there have been a great number of visitors playing here this year from all parts of the world. The green fees for this year already exceed last year's total with three more months to go. (Note: The green fees at Oak Bay exceed by several thousand dollars those of any other club in Canada.—The Editor).

General Sir Arthur Currie, who has been elected a life member of this club, played over the course several times during his visit to his home town this summer.

The Hon. Walter Scott, (ex-Premier of Saskatchewan), did the 15th hole here in one this summer. The hole is 185 yards long, over rocks and scrub all the way, and so it was a great achievement, and one to be justly proud of, for although the fact of the ball entering the hole was a "fluke" it must have been a most accurately played shot.

I expect this will be my last letter to you as I am leaving here shortly, so I will wish you good bye and good luck. I have made a great number of friends since I have been here and I would like to take this opportunity, through the medium of your magazine, of thanking them one and all for their kindness and consideration shown to me whilst they were playing at the Oak Bay Links, and I trust that I may renew the acquaintance with some, at any rate, of them at some future date.

Wishing both you and your most interesting magazine a long and prosperous life."

From Mr. E. M. C. McLorg, Captain of the Shaughnessy Golf Club, Vancouver, B. C.:

"With reference to our competitions during the last year, I may say that the three principal competitions were the British Columbia Championship, which was played over the links of the Shaughnessy Heights Golf Club during the Easter holidays; the City Championship, which was played over the same links on the 5th of June, and the Open Club Championship, the final of which has just been played. The B. C. Championship was won by Mr. Reginald Symes, from M. H. T. Gardiner, who was the runner-up. Mr. Symes is a member of the Shaughnessy Heights Golf Club, while Mr. Gardiner is the Vice-Captain of the Vancouver Golf and Country Club. The City Championship was won by Mr. A. E. Mountifield with a score of 156 for the 36 holes. Mr. A. Wand was second with 157. Mr. Mountifield came to Vancouver from Edmonton, where he had distinguished himself in Albert golfing circles. He is a very young player, only 21 years of age. He is a member of the Shaughnessy Heights Golf Club, and Mr. Wand was a member of both the Vancouver Golf and Country Club and the Shaughnessy Heights Golf Club, but has recently left Vancouver to reside in Seattle. The Club Championship, for the Cup presented by Lord Shaughnessy, was played off only a few days ago—November 28th, and was won by Mr. Mountifield (who accounted for me in the semi-finals) he defeating Mr. Symes

(who defeated Mr. R. K. Walkem, the other player in the semi-finals), by 6 and 4 in a 36 hole competition.

Our course is in excellent condition, and we are proceeding to put in a number of bunkers suggested by Mr. A. V. Macan, whose name is doubtless known to you, and who recently gave us the benefit of his advice upon our course construction. We are fortunate, too, in having "Davie" Black, late of Ottawa, as our professional."

ST. ANDREW'S N.B.

Beautiful Seaside Course Will Be the Scene of the Next Tournament of The Canadian Seniors

THERE were two invitations in for the Tournament of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association next September, and the Board of Governors, consisting of 24 prominent golfers from Coast to Coast, have this week decided to hold the event at St. Andrews, N.B., where there is one of the finest seaside courses (18 holes) on the continent.

The C.P.R. is giving special railway rates from Toronto, and will place the magnificent Algonquin Hotel at the disposal of the Association the second week in September. The governors came to the conclusion to hold the meeting next year at St. Andrews largely out of compliment to the Maritime members of the Association, who loyally supported the previous Tournaments held at Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto. The trip will undoubtedly be eagerly anticipated by the Seniors, who now total 300. The International match, for the Duke of Devonshire Cup, will take place next year at Apawamis, Rye, N.Y., where the U. S. Seniors always hold their championship, and will be played immediately after the tournament at St. Andrews, there being very good connection from there to New York.

The dates of the Tournament will probably be the 7th, 8th and 9th of September, Labor Day in 1921 being on September 5th. The Seniors always hold their tournament immediately following Labor Day.

ENGLISH WOMAN GOLFER

Makes Hole-in-One at Pinehurst Against a Gale of Wind

DESPATCH from Pinehurst, December 8th:

"It has fallen to the lot of an English woman, now on a short visit to this country, to achieve the first hole ever made in one at Pinehurst by a woman player. Mrs. Frederick P. S. Harris, of London and the Stanmore Country Club, playing a four ball match this afternoon, stepped into her appointed niche in the hall of fame at the end of her drive for the eleventh hole.

The hole is a relatively short one—the distance is only 153 yards—but Mrs. Harris had to play in the face of a gale, and used a driver for the shot. The ball carried to about twenty yards short of the green in a direct line with the flag, and finally rolled into the cup. A search of golf statistics available at the Pinehurst Country Club not only shows that no other hole in one has been made here by a woman player, but also fails to reveal any record of a similar feminine achievement on any other course in the United States.

Mrs. Harris and her daughter, Mrs. Alan Scott Balfour, who was a member of to-day's foursome, are well known in golfing and political circles in England."

It may or may not be true that no woman golfer in the States has made a Hole-in-One this season, but in Canada there were two authenticated cases of the feat being recorded as witness Pages 555-6 of this issue.

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Interesting Happenings in Canada, Great Britain and the United States

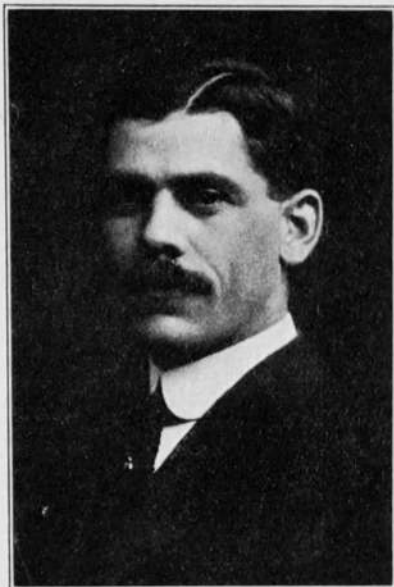
MR. THOMAS FINDLEY, who for some years has held the dual office of President and General Manager of the Massey-Harris Co., following the death of Sir Melvin Jones, has resigned from the latter position. In his place the board has appointed Mr. Thomas Bradshaw former Finance Commissioner for Toronto, and at one time partner in the firm of A. E. Ames and Co. Mr. Bradshaw will be assisted by Mr. C. L. Wisner as Assistant General Manager in charge of sales, and Mr. George Valentine as Assistant General Manager in charge of manufacturing. Mr. Findley, whose health has been much improved of late, will continue to act as the company's chief executive. Mr. Wisner is a particularly well known Toronto golfer—President of the Lambton Golf and Country Club. He took up the game some years ago when with the Massey-Harris Co. in England. Mr. Wisner was among the forty odd Canadian golfers who made a Hole-in-One the season just closed.

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Alfred W. Campbell, formerly pro. of the Oak Hill Country Club of Rochester, N.Y., now of the Niagara Falls Country Club, Niagara Falls, N.Y., writes most enthusiastically of that club and its members. He has had a most successful season. A large number of Canadian golfers every year visit this beautiful club house and course on the heights of Lewiston.

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The annual Punchbowl Trophy Tournament, the most important interclub event in the Northwest, was played at the Waverly Country Club under untoward circumstances, for when it was not raining a terrific wind was blowing. Five teams of eight players each were entered from the Waverly Country Club, the Portland Golf Club, the Seattle Golf Club, the Tacoma Golf and Country Club and the Rainier Golf Club, Seattle's new organization. For the first time in years neither the Vancouver nor the Victoria clubs was represented. The terms of the competition are thirty-six holes, match play against bogey, which at Waverley is 83. Waverley repeated the victory of last year, their eight men finishing 40 down to bogey; Seattle 73 down; Portland 100 down; Tacoma 145 down, and Rainier 149 down. It was rather a depressing performance and would also have been humiliating if it had not been for the desperately bad weather.



Mr. C. L. Wisner, President Lambton Golf and Country Club, recently appointed Assistant General Manager, Massey-Harris Co., Ltd.



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The Summit Golf Club, Toronto, which opened the past season, promises to be one of the finest courses in the country. Players remark on the charm of wooded slopes and green valley fairways, banked on either side by cedar and birch. Particular attention has been paid to green construction. The well known firm of Thompson, Cumming & Thompson having had charge of the work. The Summit Club course in a very few years will rank for championship honours. The directors deserve a great deal of credit for piloting the club through the war years to its present solid position, and it is very gratifying to see the recent bond issue being taken up so promptly by interested members.

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The West is losing one of its best professional golfers, "Bobbie" Mair, the Open Champion of Alberta, having accepted a position with the prominent Memphis Golf Club, at Memphis, Tennessee. Mair was with the Bowness Golf Club, Calgary, and was very popular in that city of many golfers. His departure for the States is a distinct loss to Western golf. In the Open Championship at Calgary, it will be remembered, Mair tied with the Amateur Champion, Mr. J. Munro Hunter, but won by 3 strokes in the 18 hole play-off. He is from St. Andrews, Scotland.

Mr. Geo. M. Jacobs, of The Robson Leather Co., Ltd., Oshawa, in sending a cheque for \$4, covering current year's subscription: "It is always a pleasure to remit for such good value as your magazine."

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Douglas Edgar says he knows by the way his hands feel what sort of a game he is going to put up. If they feel "thin" then he knows he is in for a good round.

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Mr. T. D. Armour, last week, sailed from New York for Scotland after spending five strenuous months playing the game on the principal courses of the United States, not forgetting his lone pilgrimage to this country at Rivermead, Ottawa, for the Canadian Open. He at times played most brilliant golf, but hardly came up to expectations this side of the Atlantic. There is not the slightest question that he has a fine lot of golf shots in his bag. He was the only Britisher who made any kind of a showing in the U. S. Amateur at Toledo, surviving until the third round, where he succumbed to the runner-up, Mr. Francis Ouimet, 5 and 4. It is stated that Armour intends to make another pilgrimage over here next year.

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His Honour Judge Hardy, a governor of The Canadian Seniors and Vice-President of the Brantford Golf and Country Club, was the principal speaker at the big St. Andrews' Banquet in Buffalo last month.

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The will of Mr. Wilmot D. Matthews, who died in Toronto, May 24, 1919, leaving an estate of \$4,032,569, was probated at New York last month. To each of the four children the will leaves a legacy of \$25,000 and one-fourth of the residue. The beneficiaries are Wilmot Love Matthews, Arnold Colton and Ina B. Matthews, all of Toronto, and Ethel A. Ross, of Montreal. Mr. Matthews was a member of one or two prominent Toronto Golf Clubs and of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association.

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A despatch from California says: "From present indications there will be a great number of travellers from the East, the Northwest, Canada and other sections, coming to California this winter. The Del Monte and Peeble Beach events will be open to these visiting golfers, and California players are looking forward with interest to getting into competition with them."



Mr. T. D. Armour, French Amateur Champion, who sailed this week from New York for Scotland after a five months' golfing pilgrimage in this country.

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Mr. J. L. Weller, runner-up this year in The Canadian Seniors' Championship, is leaving in a few days to spend the winter golfing at Pinehurst.

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Mr. Herbert Fowler, the English golf architect, was a visitor at Del Monte, California, the latter part of November. He inspected the work of alterations and improvements that have been going on at the Del Monte and Pebble Beach courses since September. Mr. Fowler was very pleased at the way both courses were shaping up, and made the prediction that they would be in tip-top standard shape for the California championships next September.

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The Ladies' Championship of the Mississauga Golf Club the past season was won by Miss Ada Mackenzie, ex-Lady Champion of Canada.

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President-elect Harding, it is stated, is the best golfer who has yet graced the White House. He gets a very long ball off the tee and is a particularly fine putter. He only took up the game three years ago, but is very enthusiastic about it, and is determined to attain proficiency. He is a member of the well known Chevy Chase Club. President Wilson preferred to play at the Washington Country Club in Virginia.

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The well known firm of Robert Forgan & Son, The Links, St. Andrews, Scotland, whose goods are so well known on this continent, had a record business last year in both the United States and Canada. Prospects, too, for 1921, are of the brightest. They sent 7,000 clubs to Chicago and district alone last season.

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From Mr. H. H. Williams, one of Toronto's leading business men: "Both Mrs. Williams and I enjoy your very interesting magazine immensely and wish you continued success."

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Ray uses both a putting cleek and an aluminum putter, but it is his contention that the type of putter has very little to do with it. "When I'm putting well," he said recently, "I could do almost as well using a driver on the greens for my putting."

The outstanding figures in the big \$33,000,000 deal in connection with the Toronto Electric interests this month were Sir Adam Beck and Sir William Mackenzie. Sir Adam is a member of the London Hunt and Golf and Country Club. Sir William dearly loves a game of golf and that other "Royal pastime, Bridge." He has a private golf course at his country home at Kirkfield, and is a member of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association.

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Major Cronyn, M.P., London, Governor of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, has recently returned from a trip to Great Britain.

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Mr. John Hadden, the crack player of the Toronto Golf Club, returned last month from a holiday spent in Scotland, where he learned his golf. He played several of the well known courses whilst in the Old Country.

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Ouimet and Evans, in Amateur Championship matches in the United States, have the following record: Ouimet beat Evans at Detroit in 1915 1 up; Ouimet beat Evans at Oakmount in 1919 1 up; Evans, this year, at Roslyn defeated Ouimet 7 and 6. Total 85 holes played, Evans leading by a margin of 5 holes.

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The annual meeting of the ladies of the Mississauga Golf Club heard reports by the various officers of the season's activities. Prizes were presented to Miss Ada Mackenzie, winner of the club championship; Miss I. Gregg, first prize 18 hole ringer; 2, Mrs. J. C. Moorhouse and Miss K. Capreol, tie; 9 hole trophy, Mrs. H. A. Gunn; 9 hole ringer, Mrs. H. A. Gunn.

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The officers for 1921 are: President, Mrs. W. Macmillan; Vice-President, Mrs. H. A. Gunn; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. A. F. Sprott; Assistant Secretary, Miss Mary Wardlaw; Hon. Captain, Miss Ada Mackenzie; Vice-Captain, Mrs. Hammil. The regular captain will be elected in the spring.

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Urging Canadian manufacturers to "get busy" in cultivating the export trade of Great Britain and its Dominions, Mr. A. N. Lawrence, Foreign Sales Agent for the Ford Motor Co., last month told members of the Chamber of Commerce, Windsor, that during his trip of 62,000 miles around the world, he had not seen one Canadian salesman. Americans are monopolizing the export trade of the British Dominions, he said. This pronouncement by Mr. Lawrence (who is an enthusiastic member of the Essex Golf and Country Club), should certainly be food for thought for Canadian manufacturers and producers alike.

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O. Brault, one of the leading French-Canadian pros., who has been at Truro, N.S., the past season, next year will take over the professional duties at the Riverdale Golf Club, Moncton—a New Brunswick Club which is forging rapidly to the front with a fine new course and a most enthusiastic and rapidly increasing membership. Brault has had a particularly busy season at Truro, where he was very popular, the directors recently presenting him with a bonus as a reward for his conscientious work. He intends, this month, at Truro, to open up a Winter Golf School and already is assured of most satisfactory patronage. In the last game of the season at Truro, November 16th, playing with the ex-Amateur Champion of the Maritime Provinces,

Mr. B. S. MacFarlane, Brault made a new record for the course—a splendidly put together 74. Inspired by such an example, Mr. MacFarlane also decided to play almost par golf and notched a 76 which is the amateur record for Truro. Good work!

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Irascible Golfer: "Confound it! What is that infernal oil-engine or something that begins thumping whenever I am putting?" Caddie: "I think it must be t'other gentleman's 'eart, sir."—PUNCH.

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Rumour has it that Mr. T. D. Armour, who played off in the triple tie for the Canadian Open at Rivermead, Ottawa, this summer, and who spent some five months in the States playing in the leading tournaments, whilst over here met a handsome and rich young Cuban widow and will shortly lead her to the altar. A very fine golfer is "Tom" Armour; in fact, many Old Country experts consider that he is to-day Great Britain's leading amateur. The trouble is that the young Scot doesn't take his golf seriously enough. Unlike the leading U. S. amateurs, he does not go into training before or during the big tournaments. Climatic conditions in this country, at any rate, do not allow for anything but a rigorous course of training to carry through successfully in a tournament. Armour will yet do something better from a golfing standpoint than win a French Amateur Championship or tie for a Canadian Open.

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Mr. T. Kirkman, of the United Forge and Machine Company, Detroit, Mich.: "Allow me to express my keen appreciation of your magazine, which I look forward to perusing each month with great pleasure."

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Mr. J. Munro Hunter, of Edmonton, Amateur Champion of Alberta and runner-up in the Open:

"I would like to tell you how very much we golfers in this Province have appreciated what you have done for Western golf. It is undoubtedly due in a very large measure to your articles in the "Canadian Golfer" that it seems to be admitted now that we have some really fine players out here."

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The Brooklyn "Eagle" reproduced the other day the remarkable photograph from the "Canadian Golfer," "A Study in Contrasts," depicting Mr. Harry Black, of Calgary, 5 ft. 3 inches, and the Alberta Champion, Mr. J. Munro Hunter, 6 ft. 5½ inches. The "Eagle" quotes liberally from Mr. Spencer's description of the match in this magazine between the "Golfing David and Goliath," prefacing it with the following capital story: "Black, if he has ever been in New York City, must have felt like that ordinary sized mortal of the 13th Coast Artillery, of Brooklyn, before the war when the regiment had as a lieutenant, a young man who stood 6 feet 7 inches tall. After his first drill under this officer the recruit was asked what he thought of the lieutenant. "Gee!" he replied, "every time I go by him I think I am passing the Woolworth Building."

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At the annual meeting of Ontario Chamber of Commerce delegates at Belleville, last month, Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., in a most eloquent speech, upon behalf of the Toronto Board of Trade, moved a resolution that the Chambers were in favour of the retention of the Privy Council as the final court of appeal for the Dominion. Mr. Cockshutt argued and rightly so, too, that there were four great ties which bind Canada to the Motherland,—the King, the Flag, the Governor-General and the right of the people of Canada to appeal to the Privy Council. The resolution carried unanimously. Mr. Cockshutt, it will be of interest to golfers to know, is the Hon. President of the Brantford Golf and Country Club, and a member of The Royal Ottawa Golf Club. He is one of the House of Commons' most enthusiastic supporters of the Royal and Ancient game and a member of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association.

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Mr. L. Goldman, President and Managing Director of the North American Life Assurance Co., in sending in cheque for \$4 for current year's subscription: "I quite sympathize with you in your increased rate for your excellent journal. It is certainly worth the money, and I, for one, should not have complained had you increased the annual charge to \$5.00"

Thanks to the wonderful weather so far this winter in Ontario, the work on the lengthening and improving the Rosedale Golf Course has been going merrily on, and as a result the directors now expect to be able to have the virtually new links in full play early next season. The extensive improvements to the Club House are also just about completed. Rosedale members in 1921 will enjoy a championship course and the facilities of an unexcelled Club House.

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Golf, both last month and this month, has been enjoyed by hundreds of players throughout Ontario. The season has been an exceptionally open one, for that matter, throughout the Dominion, and East and West the enthusiast has been enjoying his favourite pastime almost daily during December.

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The Winnipeg Canoe Club, last month, started to issue an interesting little paper called "The Commodore" for circulation amongst its members. Incidentally golf news is quite one of the features, several extracts appearing from the "Canadian Golfer."

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Harry Marbrook, of the Winnipeg Canoe Club (Golf Club Section), has been engaged as pro. at the Y.M.C.A. winter golf school in Winnipeg, and also Hugh Fletcher, the classy pro. of Elmhurst. Winnipeg is the golfiest city on the Continent, and the indications are that both these well known pros. will be kept busy at the Y.M.C.A. all winter long.

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A matter of concern to the officials of many English golf clubs is the indiscriminate tipping of caddies by members. An attempt by the Combe Hill Club, Kingston Hill (Surrey) to deal with the problem led to a strike of caddies. The management had issued a notice stating that the caddies' fees would be raised from 2s to 2s 6d a round and requesting members to refrain from giving tips. When the members arrived they found the caddies united in a determination not to agree to this arrangement. The caddies proclaimed that they wanted the old terms restored: 2s a round and any tips that members cared to give. Field Marshal Earl Haig, Lord Rawlinson and the Duke of Leeds were among those who reached the course while the strike was in progress. They went out to play carrying their own clubs. After two hours the officials

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acceded to the caddies' demand for a restoration of the old arrangement, so that tipping became permissible again. In Canada the tipping of caddies is against the rules on all courses, although it is an open secret that it is often indulged in. It is a pernicious habit, but apparently in England it is too deep rooted an institution to be hastily abolished. It should be.

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Mr. Vere Brown, of Winnipeg, Amateur Champion of Canada in 1899, for many years Superintendent of the Bank of Commerce in the West, having moved to New York, a vacancy occurred in the Rules of Golf Committee for Canada. This has been filled by the appointment of Mr. C. P. Wilson, K.C., of Winnipeg, Vice-President of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, a golfer of note and a close student of the rules. He will be an able successor to Mr. Brown, who took a very keen interest in the work of the Committee. It is really astonishing, during the course of a season, how many knotty problems from all parts of the Dominion are submitted to the Rules of Golf Committee for their decision. There are 22 definitions; 36 general rules and 16 special rules for stroke competitions and they nearly all, at times, lend themselves to very interesting and technical interpretation. Mr. Wilson, both from a golfing and legal standpoint, will be invaluable on the Rules Committee which consists of five well known golfers representing both East and West.

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The final important tournament of the season as far as the North is concerned, was staged at Lakewood, N.J., last month. In this competition, by dropping a 20-foot side-hill putt on the 16th hole for a halving 4 after he had put his drive into a trap and got out short, W. M. Reekie, of Upper Montclair, the New Jersey Amateur Champion, the former Canadian player, held his lead on Gardiner C. White, the Nassau Champion, and halved the next hole to win by 2 and 1. This match was the sixth time White had been in a final this year, the other times being the Metropolitan Amateur Championship, and the Sleepy Hollow, National, Piping Rock and Lido Tournaments. Of these he won only at Piping Rock. Twice also he was runner-up for the medal. Last month was the rubber match with Reekie, each having defeated the other once this year. Canadian followers of the game will remember that White was one of the quartette of U. S. stars (the others being "Chick" Evans, Oswald Kirkby and New Sawyer) who played exhibition games in Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa, Montreal and St. Andrews, N.B., two years ago.

Lakeview, Toronto, has now 13 of its magnificent new greens completed and they will be opened up June 1st, next. The remaining 5 greens will be open for play, it is expected, August 1st. An up-to-date watering system is also being installed. A brilliant future is assured for Lakeview.

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George Cumming, Toronto; W. M. Freeman, Lambton, and K. Marsh, London, are joining forces this winter, and will open a combined school for winter golf in Toronto, January 1st. Splendid quarters have been secured at St. James' Parish house. This is a rare combination of professional talent, and hundreds of beginners will eagerly seize the opportunity to "break into" the game under such skillful coaching.

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Nicol Thompson, the Hamilton professional and golf architect, accompanied by Mrs. Thompson, left this month for a five months' trip to the South. Thompson will combine

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The following are the results of the principal competitions at
Weston, Toronto, the past season:

Duffer's Cup, Dr. F. R. Scott; Glasgow Cup, J. E. Maclean and
Mrs. N. Young; Director's Shield, G. P. Shaw; Strickland Cup, H. B.
Morphy; Spring Handicap, W. P. Slyne; Director's Trophy, H. B. Kip-
pen; Two-ball Foursome, A. C. White and Dr. Woolatt.

The work on the new course is progressing. Mr. G. F. Clark, of
New York City, has been employed as course construction superintend-
ent, and most of the ploughing has been done. The new club house is
under way and the club hopes to be in its handsome new quarters in the
spring.

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That golf has made the greater strides in popularity and growth in
recent years than practically all other sports on the Pacific coast, has
been claimed on numerous occasions. Evidence of the increased interest
in the Royal and Ancient pastime has been given through the medium
of the record number of entries that have been entered for the tourna-
ments during the past season. It is only necessary to cite that in this
year's California Amateur Tournament at Del Monte and Pebble Beach,
269 amateurs entered their names. The greatest previous number was
180. The City Championship at San Francisco brought out something
like 360 players, which eclipsed by a great number the previous record.



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In Southern California there has been a like interest displayed in the sport on the links. More evidence of the increased golf play is given by estimates by Sports Manager, Fred. A. Purner, in the games that were played at Del Monte Tournament during the past season. Purner figures that at least 10,000 more matches were played on the Del Monte and Pebble Beach courses than in the corresponding twelve months of 1919, and the prospects are that 1921 will be a far greater year than 1920.

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Some time ago a little caddie, connected with a certain golf club, had the misfortune to be run over by a street car, thereby suffering the loss of a leg. Being a popular kid, the members promptly took up a collection, and on his recovery presented him with a very fine artificial limb. Furthermore, his parents sued the Street Car Company and secured fifteen hundred dollars damages.

In talking the matter over afterwards with one of the lad's little friends, a member discovered to his surprise, that this youth rather envied his chum's experience.

"Surely," observed the member, "you would not wish to be in your friend's place?"

"Aw, I dunno, he ain't done so badly," replied the youth sourly, "you can do a lot with fifteen hundred dollars."

"But think," persisted the member, "he is handicapped for life, and will not be able to run around, golf, or swim like you other boys."

"Well, he got fifteen hundred dollars, didn't he?" repeated the youth in a somewhat aggrieved tone, "and he wouldn't have got that if it hadn't been for my father!"

"What had your father to do with it?" queried the astonished member, "was he the lawyer?"

"Naw, he was the Motorman!"

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Indoor golf promises to be one of the favourite pastimes in Winnipeg during the winter months. Following the announcement from the Y.M.C.A. that arrangements had been made to cater to the golfing community during the off-season, comes another that Ernest Penfold, the



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More "WHY NOT" Records

Roy Donald, Royal Norwich Golf Club, and Tom King, Jr., of Royal West Norfolk Golf Club, Brancaster, secured the two places in the Eastern Section Qualifying Competition, News of the World Tournament. Both played with a "WHY NOT."

J. W. Moffat, Professional, Ulverston Golf Club, broke the record for the Course on July 19, with a score of 67. He played with a "WHY NOT."

Five days previously A. E. Hallam, Professional, Charlton-cum-Hardy Golf Club, broke the record for the course also with a score of 67. He played with a "WHY NOT."

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popular young professional of the Winnipeg Golf Club, had installed an up-to-date club, fitted with all the requirements of the indoor game, in the commodious basement at the Fort Garry Courts. Everything has been done to ensure the comfort of the players taking advantage of the opportunity to keep their swing working, and for the novice to acquire the rudiments of the game. Penfold has installed no less than 5 courts and also a putting "green."

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That sterling professional golfer, Frank Adams, is leaving the St. Charles Country Club, where he has held forth for the past three seasons. In the last Canadian Open Championship, at Rivermead, Ottawa, Adams was in 7th place with a total of 305, made up of the particularly consistent rounds of 77, 75, 75, 76. In the Canadian Professionals' Tournament, at The Royal Ottawa, he was 8th on the list with a 77—73=150. He won the Open Invitation Golf Tournament of the West at Winnipeg, this autumn, with 231 for the three rounds, 77, 78, 76=231. His average round in these three championships was 76—particularly steady work.

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There's a new form of golf gambling in Great Britain these days. Having wearied of everything else on a rainy day, two golfers engaged in what they called "Treasury Note Golf." Each produced in turn a

Treasury Note, and then the numbers were compared. Suppose A's was 721546 and B's 336454. The numerals would be taken in turn and regarded as the scores accomplished by the respective sides at six holes. Thus, the numbers given above would make the players square at the end of the six holes. If this kind of game becomes very popular, it would be useful to have a reserve of notes containing a preponderance of one's and two's in their numbers.

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Advance copies of the annual report of The Royal Montreal Golf Club, received by the members this month, show that the past year has been the most satisfactory twelve months in the history of the premier golfing organization of the continent. The Club is in a remarkably fine financial position.

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Referring to a recent performance of John Galsworthy's play entitled "The Pigeon," presented by the Community Players of Montreal, special reference was made in the "Star" newspaper to the noteworthy performance of Mr. Cecil T. Gordon in the character of the artist "Welwyn." Mr. Gordon, who for many years has been a leading light in Montreal dramatic circles, is an ex-Director of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, a popular member of the Royal Montreal Golf Club, and the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association.

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Mr. C. G. Ellis, a director of the Barber Ellis Co., Ltd., has recently returned from a mighty interesting trip to South America, in which he combined business with pleasure. He reports a very good golf course at Porto Rico, which is owned and managed by the Hotel Vanderbilt for the convenience of its guests; also a small club at Trinidad, but so far little interest in the game has been evinced by the natives.

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The Oxford Golf and Country Club directors are seriously contemplating the enlargement and improvement of the course at Woodstock next year. A number of the prominent residents of the neighboring town of Ingersoll have recently taken up the game most enthusiastically and are a great addition to the playing and financial strength of the Oxford Club.

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A despatch from England, this month, makes the positive statement that Duncan and Mitchell have already made all their plans to visit the United States and Canada next year. Also that Miss Cecil Leitch, the "wonder woman" of golf, will also make the trip, and a team representative of Oxford and Cambridge.

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A special despatch from Vancouver:

A strong appeal has been sent out by Sir Douglas Haig to all Canadian sporting organizations to assist in raising funds for the "Officers' Association" and a special appeal has been received by the local golf clubs. The British commander points out that there are 33,000 disabled officers, 10,000 officers' widows, 8,000 officers' orphans, 15,000 children of disabled officers who are to-day paying the penalty for the war, and it is with a view to helping these that Sir Douglas has appealed to sportsmen.

At a meeting of the Vancouver Golf and Country Club Robert Bone, Captain, and H. T. Gardner, Vice-Captain, were appointed to arrange a tournament with other clubs in the city to raise funds for this cause.

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The magnificent new York County Athletic Club to be erected at a cost of over \$2,000,000 at the corner of Bay and Temperance Streets, Toronto, now seems a certainty. The Chairman of the Executive Committee of this ambitious undertaking is Mr. S. B. Gundy, ex-President of the Rosedale Golf Club.

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This winter golf school stunt is spreading from Coast to Coast. That very wide-awake professional, William Kinnear, of Saskatoon, is opening a school in that city this month. Kinnear has had a particularly busy season of it in 1920, including the superintending and laying out of three courses. He is especially enthusiastic about Moose Jaw, which he altered almost completely, and the Riverside links at Saskatoon.

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At The Royal Montreal Golf Club the following were the principal trophy winners the past season:

President's Prize, Mr. A. B. Evans; Captain's Prize, Mr. W. Maurice Hodgson; Burnett Cup, Mr. Allan Rogers; Gunning Cup (Spring match), Mr. R. E. MacDougall, (Autumn match), Mr. G. B. Gerrard; Best Net, Mr. A. B. Wood; Best Gross, Mr. J. W. Yuile; Dennistoun Scratch Medal, Mr. C. B. Grier; Sidney Medal, Mr. A. B. Wood; Par Competition, Mr. W. H. C. Mussen; McKim Memorial, Mr. Hugh Mac-

kay; Four-ball Medal Handicap, Mr. Jas. Hill and Mr. W. H. C. Mussen; Ringer Competition, Class "A", Mr. Alex. Wilson; Class "B", Mr. G. P. G. Dunlop; Class "C", Mr. J. C. Kemp.

The following are the results of the principal competitions at the Riverside Golf and Country Club, St. John, N.B., during the season of 1920:

Gentlemen's Competitions—Championship, A. S. Peters; Thorne Cup, A. S. Peters; Weldon Cup, F. A. Foster. Ladies' Competitions—Championship, Miss Mabel Thomson; Riley Cup, Mrs. N. R. Des Brisay; Thomas Trophy, Miss Bessie Dawson; McLeod Cup, Mrs. N. R. Des Brisay; Handicap Cup, Mrs. N. R. Des Brisay; Ringer Score, Miss Bessie Dawson. Closing Day Matches—Mixed Foursomes, 1st, Miss Catherine McAvity and L. W. Peters; 2nd, Miss Bessie Dawson and W. H. Lugstin.

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Extracts from a recent letter from Mr. S. P. Jerman, Toledo, Ohio, Chairman of the Committee of the 1920 U. S. Open Championship held at the Inverness Club, Toledo:

"I read the article in your last issue about the Brantford Golf Club with great interest. I greatly admire the photo of your new club house. . . . It was a genuine delight for me to meet Vardon and Ray at Inverness and to do everything in my power for them. We hope to have the International team match at Inverness next year for the Walter L. Ross (our club president) Cup. It would occur just before or just after the National Open in the East. We hope for Ray, Duncan, Mitchell and one or more others, and if Harry Vardon would come again our delight would be great. Both he and Ray won golden opinions here."

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Mr. A. S. Patterson, manager for the Massey-Harris Co., Melbourne, Australia:

"The 'Canadian Golfer' is coming through regularly and is very much appreciated. I pass it along to one of the clubs here after I have finished reading it."

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Herewith the results of the season's competitions at the Toronto Golf Club:

Club Championship won by W. G. More. Osler Trophy won by George S. Lyon. Cockshutt Trophy won by J. W. Burgess. Masten Trophy (parent and child) won by Mr. Justice Masten and Miss Masten. McCarthy Trophy (Mixed foursome) won by Miss S. Pepler and G. Seymour Lyon. Men's foursome won by George S. Lyon and G. Seymour Lyon. Monthly handicaps: April won by W. G. More; May won by C. T. Clark; June (tie), J. W. Burgess, A. J. Hills and J. B. Robinson; September 4, (tie), W. G. More, P. C. Baxter and J. B. Laidlaw; September 18 won by G. B. Strathy; October 9 won by T. S. G. Pepler; October 30 won by R. C. H. Cassels.

In addition to the above the Club played four Inter-Club matches, as follows:

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The return match with Hamilton, at Hamilton, which was fixed for October 2nd, was called off by the Hamilton Club owing to bad weather.

The annual match with the Lambton Club, which was fixed for June 26th, was postponed because of the opening of the Royal Canadian Golf Association Tournament in Montreal on June 28th, and it was found impossible to arrange to play this match on any subsequent date.

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Glendale, Hamilton, has just discovered a magnificent supply of water upon its property. As a result all the greens will be piped next year at an expenditure of some \$15,000.

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The South Herats Golf Club at Totteridge, London, has decided to make Harry Vardon an honorary member—a recognition well earned and well deserved.

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Not only did Mr. Cyril H. J. Tolley, the British Amateur Champion, who is the present captain of the Oxford University golf team, win both the scratch and handicap awards at the competition of the Oxford University Club on the Frilford Heath course, near Oxford, last month, but

he lowered the competition record for the course. The amateur record of 76 had been made many years ago by Captain Adair, but Mr. Tolley, playing some magnificent golf on the fine natural courses, lowered this record by returning a card of 74. With this score he was the winner of the Scratch Challenge Cup, and even with the addition of two strokes, for he plays from plus two at Oxford, his score easily won for him the handicap award of the St. Andrew's Cross with 76 net.

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George Duncan is to devote the long winter nights to writing an important book on golf which will be published in the spring. He will have a well known amateur as co-author.

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Word has been received from England that the 1921 Amateur Championship will be played the week beginning May 23rd. The venue is The Royal Liverpool Club, Hoylake. The Open Championship, which will be at St. Andrews, will probably be three weeks later.

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Mr. J. J. Stewart, Hon. Secretary-Treasurer of the Glendale Golf Club, Hamilton, is also Worshipful Master of Barton Lodge, one of the oldest Masonic lodges on the continent. On Wednesday evening, December 8th, over one hundred Masonic members of Glendale conducted a most interesting initiatory degree function at Barton. There are, in all, some 175 of the Masonic fraternity amongst the Glendale membership—certainly a most interesting record.

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Mr. J. Munro Hunter, of Edmonton, the Amateur Champion of Alberta, and undoubtedly one of the finest players in Canada, following the example of his compatriot, the celebrated Scottish golfer, Gordon Lockhart, is seriously contemplating the coming season entering the professional ranks. He would be a particularly valuable "find" for some leading club in the States, although the "Canadian Golfer" would very much dislike to see him leave Canada, where he is such an outstanding figure in golfing circles, especially in the West.

THE LAWS OF THE GAME OF BRIDGE

Whist Club of New York Issues Revised Code of Rules

THE Whist Club of New York has just issued its revised code of laws and they are now in force. Copies can be had from the Secretary, 13 West 36th Street, New York.

The new code has been completely rewritten, and very properly begins where all codes should begin, with the cards, the players, and the deal, instead of as in the old code, with the score of the rubber. In addition to the laws themselves, there is a very complete index, which takes up almost as much space as the laws. This enables anyone to find the exact point in dispute and the number of the laws that cover it without any difficulty.

There are a few minor changes that are not important, but which should be familiar to those who are prone to argument about details. For instance, in the old code, when cutting for entry into a table, the player who exposed more than one card took the higher; but in cutting for partners and deal he had to cut again. Under the new laws, no matter for what purpose the cut is made, if more than one card is exposed, the player must cut again.

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Another detail, never before mentioned in the laws, is the seating of the players. Under the old rules the lowest cut had the choice of seats and cards, and his partner sat opposite him. Nothing was said about the opponents. Now it is specified that the player cutting the third lowest card has the choice of the two remaining seats.

Another matter which has at last been officially settled will probably lead to some confusion until the law becomes generally known. This is the technical meaning of winning the rubber, which will be of interest chiefly to those who have a little something on the side. According to the dictionary, the winners of the rubber, in any game, are those who first win two games, independently of what the games may be worth.

The Whist Club has now decided that the partners who shall be considered as having won the rubber are those who win the most points when the scores are balanced. As nothing is said about such a possibility as a tie in points, it is assumed that all bets on the rubber are a standoff, in spite of the fact that one side has won two games out of three.

There are three laws to which the committee wish to call special attention, and which they say should be strictly enforced. The first of these is now law No. 26d, which imposes a penalty of 25 points in the honour column for looking at any card until the deal is completed. Under the old rules it was 25 points for each card lifted and looked at, but no one ever enforced the rule, and probably not one player in a million knew it existed, although there is a case on record in which a player lifted his entire hand of thirteen cards before the last of the fifty-two had been dealt, and was penalized 325 points.

Another law to which attention is directed is No. 53, with regard to the declarer's naming or touching a card in the dummy. Unless he states before touching any of dummy's cards that he is arranging them, he must play the card touched or named, and if he touches two cards he must play one of them.

The third law that the committee wish to see more generally enforced is the penalty of 25 points in the honour column for looking at any trick that has once been turned down and quitted. Some players have a habit of turning up the last trick and looking at it while not thinking about it at all, while others are continually refreshing their memories by taking another look at the cards that fell, after the trick is turned. If this rule is insisted on, it will probably cost some players several hundred points in every rubber before they learn it.

The change which will probably prove of the greatest interest is in the revoke penalty. This is now reduced from three tricks to two, and from 100 points to 50. Only the declarer can take the tricks, and only for the first revoke. After the first he takes 50 points for each revoke. If he revokes his opponents take 50 points for each error. This change is to meet the general opinion that the penalty has been out of all proportion to the offense, as no one revokes on purpose.



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To play or not to play, that is the question;
 Whether it is better round the links to go;
 And by persistent practice strive to circumvent
 The pitfalls which beset adult beginners,
 Or to dispose of the whole set of clubs
 And tardy wisdom gain from failures past.
 The mirage of "true form" still lures us on
 And still recedeth, and the chances are
 Hoping 'gainst hope, assiduously we toil
 Though Reason's voice cries halt with trumpet tone.
 To play; perchance to fozzle; there's the rub,
 For in a fozzle what a world of anguish lies;
 For who would bear the awful helplessness,
 The certainty of something wrong, not knowing what,
 The caddie's maddening smile, when he might make
 Life pleasanter by giving up the game.
 Infirmities of age, eye, temper, keep us duffers still
 Unequal to the task of bringing down our score,
 And fond aspiring aims with this regard
 Their currents turn awry, and lose the name of Golf.
 But, "soft you now!" another golfer comes, and I'll away
 Unto the links, and for the present—play.

D. C. CAMPBELL.

Ottawa, December, 1920.

VARDON AND RAY ON TOUR

New Impressions of American Golf

(By R. E. Howard, "Golf Illustrated," London)

VARDON and Ray came home on Monday, so that at length all our crusaders of 1920 are reclaimed. The professionals say the same as the amateurs, Mr. C. J. H. Tolley, Lord Charles Hope, and Mr. R. H. Wethered, who tried to win the United States Championship at Roslyn, Long Island, in September—that in the near future we are going to have the devil's own job to hold our own with our first cousins, especially in amateur golf. Nor is this matter for surprise. America probably has at least double the number of players that we possess. Nowadays, the average quality of her courses is quite as good as ours, and her only handicap is that she owns very few seaside links of the kind on which our championships are played. Consequently there must be a certain something lacking in the education of the American golfer—at any rate in his education for the task of trying to win the honours of the game here. He is not schooled in a world of turbulent winds that compel a man to discover the Philosopher's Stone of golfing science. But he is two to our one, so that the United States has double our chance of unearthing a genius who can defy any conditions and any individual.

It may be that a player of such wondrous endowment has been brought to light already in the person of Mr. "Bobbie" Jones. Vardon and Ray are enthusiastic about him, and it requires a youth of uncommon parts to secure whole-hearted praise from those seasoned professionals and severe pedagogues. They say that he hits the ball as a golfer should hit it—terrifically hard, and yet with an ease that gives him complete control over it. They have not a fault to find with him in anything that he does on the links, and I know from many conversations with those earnest students of cause and effect that it needs something in the nature of a heaven-sent individual to achieve this favour. At any rate, it is no more than we expected.

We know not the exact age of Mr. Robert Jones—"Master" Bobbie, as we were calling him a year or two ago. It seems only the other day that the news came through of his success, at 14, in the championship of Georgia, where everything is peaches. He is said to be 18 now. Some Americans declare that he is more, and Ray tells me that he looks more, although he is on the small side. We will not ask him to produce his birth certificate. Whatever his years, he is certainly very young, and as Vardon says: "In two years' time I can't think who will be near him in the States. He hits all his shots in just the same way as the first-class British professionals. I haven't seen anybody thump the ball harder, and, at the same time, keep it better under control." At one period, the American papers were wont to tell us that Bobbie Jones was too temperamental a youth, or, at any rate, that he had a fancy for throwing his clubs after the ball when he made a bad shot.

We can forgive him for that. It is a lot to ask a boy to engage in so solemn a study as golf, and to taste the sweets of its ecstasies without becoming petulant at its trials. They are more than the impetuous brain of boyhood can stand. Perhaps that is why there is an old-fashioned prejudice in this country against encouraging the young hopeful of the

household to take golf really seriously as a walk of life in which he can gain fame. But Vardon and Ray agree that if little Bobbie Jones—as I gather that he stands no more than about 5 ft. 7 in.—is excitable at times, he maintains command of himself most of the while in a manner that a veteran might envy. He finished only four strokes behind Ray when the latter won the United States Open Championship at Toledo, Ohio. Could this boy be expected to do better?

Ray was not at all sure about the wisdom of making himself answerable for the safety of the United States Championship Cup, and its return next year—for he does not propose to go out to defend it twelve months hence—and he was going to leave it behind until he happened to meet in New York a member of the club to which he is professional—Oxhey in Herts. That member would not hear of Ray omitting to bring the cup to London, and so it travelled on its long journey—packed neatly in a box bound with brown paper and string, and a source of everlasting responsibility to Ray, who carried it off the ship, carried it through the Customs, carried it into the hotel in Liverpool, and, in truth, carried it with such devotion that he must have begun to feel sorry that he had ever won it. Like our own Open Championship Cup, it is a modest-looking trophy, of little intrinsic value; but in sentiment it is irreplaceable.

Vardon and Ray agree that the enthusiasm for golf in the United States is tremendous. All classes of the community are keenly interested in it. This point appealed to me when mingling with the American athletes who took part in the Olympic games at Antwerp. They all talked golf; even had they bought here a form of "table golf," which they had not seen at home, although, at first blush, Antwerp might seem to be one of the last cities on earth in which to go to buy golfing novelties. At some of the matches which Vardon and Ray played in the States—as, for instance, that at Belmont, Chicago, there were as many as 7,000 spectators. What that number means on a golf course the championship follower here realizes full well. When they appeared at Montreal, rain fell all day in such a drenching downpour that they were hopeful that the club would cancel the match. Most of the greens were nearly under water. But the club had new holes cut on the higher parts of the greens, and, even in these depressing conditions, more than 1,000 people followed the play from beginning to end of the 36 holes. It is evident that there is a zeal for golf in America, which even we have not yet attained.

A new touch is given to the aspect of championship and international rivalry by Ray's reference to the vigorous way in which the American cracks prepare for the game—"train for it" was the exact expression he used when I talked with him and Vardon after they landed at Liverpool from the White Star liner *The Celtic*. There is no mere lounging into tea at the end of the day; they strip and—one gathers from Ray, undergo something like the treatment for muscular and bodily perfection which is considered essential to boxers, runners and the like. It is wonderful to think of our comfortable, easy-going old game of golf provoking this physical preparation. And it is an indication of the seriousness of American competition. It is to be doubted that, other things being equal, the man who undergoes a complete physical preparation for a golf championship is more likely to win than he who dispenses with so irksome a formality? I think I have heard George Duncan say

that the champions of the future will have to train like the champions at other sports, and his appearance of fitness suggests that he has long since put his theory into practice. To think that one of these days the loss of the Amateur Championship Final may be attributed to the pernicious effects of pastry taken not wisely but too well after lunch!

CANADIAN AMATEUR IN AUGUST?

A DESPATCH from Winnipeg, December 8th:
 "Tentative dates for the 1921 Canadian Amateur Golf Championship, which will be held in one of the local courses, have been suggested as the week commencing August 22. Various committees, to insure the success and facilitate the handling of the big event, have been struck off, these to co-operate with the incoming executive of the Manitoba Golf Association."

The Canadian Amateur has always previously been held the first week in July. At first blush this change of the date to August would not seem to be altogether advisable.

"OH, LADY! LADY!"

Lady, lady you are lovely,
 You are pretty, you are sweet,
 From your tam-o-shantered head, dear,
 To your dainty brogued feet.

And I like the quiet tartan
 Of your neatly tailored skirt,
 And the sash around your waist, dear,
 Is positively pert.

And everything I've said, dear,
 Is absolutely true,
 But you're holding up the course, my love,
 And will not let me through!

Can't you lose a ball or something?
 Won't you let me get ahead?
 Oh well, D—n your quiet tartan
 And your tam-o-shantered head!

O. B. JONES.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 1920.

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