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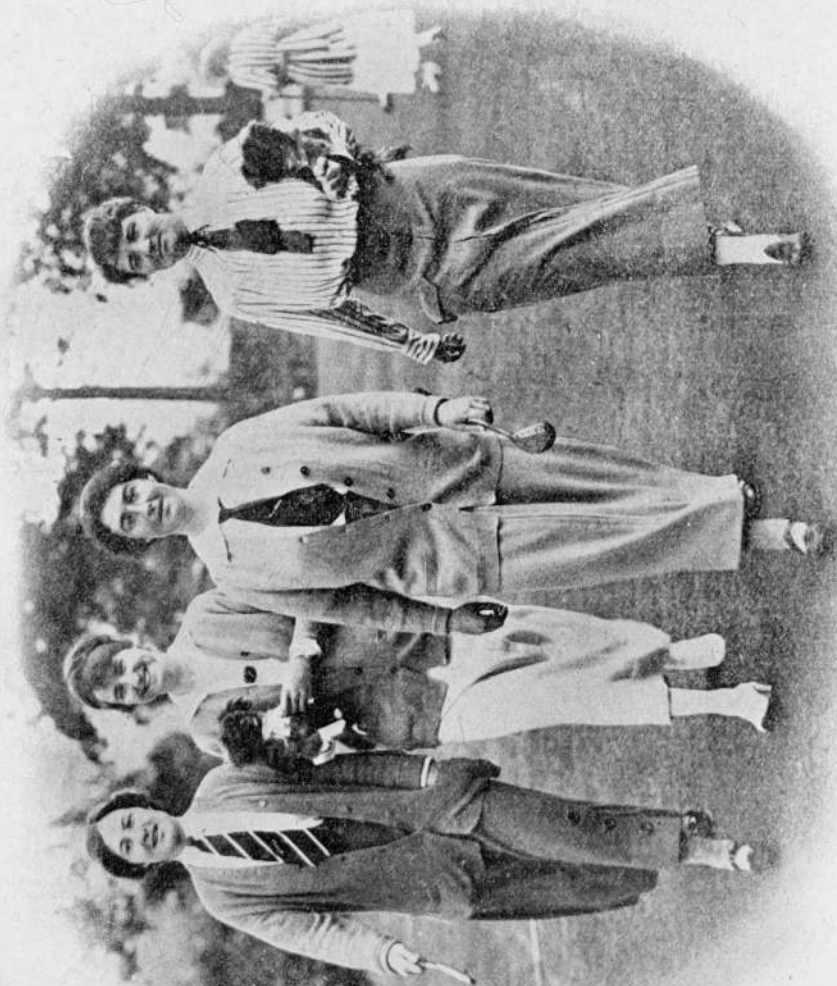


The match is ended, and our team
Who fought the fight on foreign field,
Have made a record that shall gleam
Forever on our country's shield.
They played the Hun and beat him straight
In spite of tricks and rules defied;
In spite of all his hymns of hate—
They smashed his power and broke his
pride.

And now the mighty match is o'er,
Our men all honor'd by the fray,
Return to their beloved shore
Once more to live, to work, to play.
Once more to roam the verdant links,
With life's best joys all theirs to share;
The best is all too small, methinks,
For those who conquered "over there."

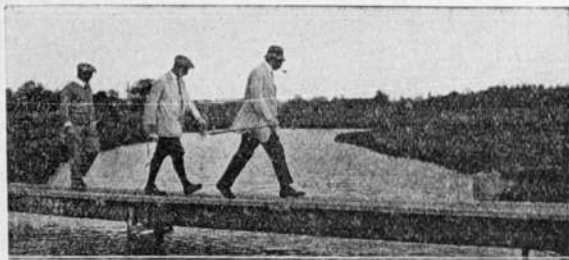
But e'er our festal song we close
Let's fill our cups, with reverent mind,
And drink a silent toast to those
Whose mortal forms are left behind.
Then raise your cups and drink again—
A joyous wish with heart sincere—
To those who live, who played the game,
"An Xmas Bright, a glad New Year."

—W. H. Webling.



The Misses Leitch—the Most Celebrated "Girl" Golfer Family in the World. On the left Miss Cecil Leitch, amateur champion, who will soon be a "golfer's" bride.

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"The Naughty Little, Sporty Little, Gay Golf Ball"

Some golfing gent with a love for the statistical, has recently been figuring, on the cost of golf balls to the players in the United States, and he arrives at the conclusion that the golfers there "come across" with \$10,000,000 per year for the "rubber-cores" which are being pelted more and more every season clean across the continent from coast to coast.

This looks like a large figure, but it is claimed that the game of golf in the States, is played now by over half a million devotees, and \$20 per player for balls would figure out about right, it is thought, or a couple of dozen each. Of course there are a large number of golfers who stick day in and day out, to "brunette beauties," sans life, sans resiliency, until they lose them to the relief of partner or opponent—plus much distress to themselves. This type possibly manages to wiggle along on a box of balls or less during a season, but on the other hand, the scratch player and the fair handicap man, is generally prodigal with his especial pet spheres, and uses up three or four dozen and upward, during the year quite easily.

This estimate of the money spent on golf balls in the country to the south of us, naturally brings up the question of a similar expenditure in Canada.

There are, for instance, some 5,000 members of golf clubs in Toronto. At \$20 per, this a la the U. S. figurer, would mean \$100,000 for "rubber cores" in that centre alone. Montreal and district, has, it is a fair estimate, 4,000 golfers:

ergo \$80,000. Winnipeg probably 2,500; total \$50,000. There are undoubtedly 50,000 and more adherents to-day of the Royal and Ancient scattered throughout the other parts of the Dominion, so if the Canadian golfer is as prodigal with balls as he or she of the United States is reported to be, a total of \$1,000,000 or more would represent the expenditure here in a season. There is enough Scotch canniness still left in the game in this country, however, to make for less extravagant ideas on the links and probably the golfers of Canada manage to struggle along with the outlay in the hundreds of thousand, instead of in the million or so.

"The ball's the thing," and the better the player, the better the treatment of the ball, but the better the condition of the ball, at all times demanded. A good, clean, spherical ball saves strokes per round. There can be no disputing that fact, and what are a few dollars more or less anyway, to the ardent golfer, if strokes can be saved and his card correspondingly improved?

The Queer Fascination About Golf

In trying to explain the fascination which golf had for him, a well-known player recently stated that it was because the game looked so easy and was in reality so hard, although nothing seems simpler than hitting a stationary ball with a club. It is a fact that the human body is curiously ill-adapted for any such task. Nature does not point that way, and proficiency in other games is no passport.

Before the object can be satisfactorily accomplished, there are a great many things to be mastered, such as how to stand, how to swing back, how to obtain the proper co-operation of body, arms and eye. The problem of despatching that innocent ball in the desired direction becomes suddenly terrifying. Men wrestle with it as with a refractory collar stud, and the most even tempers are ruffled by its perversities. Prodigies of resolution and will power in other spheres cannot remember to keep their heads down and their eyes on the ball when on the links.

Even when the novitiate is passed there are days of infinite tribulations when nothing will go right, abysmal lapses of form and loss of instinct, such as never afflict one in any other sport. Men of weak physique, with hardly an effort, send the ball flying 250 yards, while huge, burly fellows get nowhere.

But if the sorrows experienced are great, so also are its rewards. There is a feel and a glow about a clean hit drive or an approach that dribbles up to the hole that few strokes at polo, lawn tennis or billiards are able to evoke. In the course of a two-hour round a player has every variety of chance to cover himself with glory or disgrace. It depends altogether on his own skill, nerve and self-control. A golfer learns to suffer for his own shortcomings and profit by his own prowess.

It comforts the diffident, it inspires the self-reliant and the essential companionableness of the game saves it from egotism. Even on the black days there is consolation in being out in the open air, in the scenery and surroundings, in the absolute escape from mundane worries, in the jolly sporting spirit that blows over the links and in the consciousness that by to-morrow one's good shots will be remembered, one's bad shots forgotten, and hope again in the ascendant.

Happy Yule Tide Greetings at Last in Order

In company with many of the younger golf clubs throughout the Dominion, the "Canadian Golfer," is more or less of a "war baby," the magazine having stepped on the first "tee" and taken its preliminary "swing" in May, 1915, or nearly a year after the great conflagration had started its almost universal and well-nigh fatal sweep. So this is the first time that the Editor has been privileged to greet his many readers from coast to coast with the old time, but ever new wish of "A Merry Xmas and a Happy, Bright New Year."

Having been so long denied, the expression now comes with an added zest, with an added heartfelt meaning.

May the approaching Festal, with you and yours, be attended by something of the old time spirit of good cheer and rejoicing, and may the many who have been

so sorely bereft, as a result of the tragedies of the war, have the ineffable consolation which comes to those who bravely mourn, that the sacrifice of dear ones has not been in vain.

On this, the threshold of epoch-making times, fraught with such far-reaching results, it is well for all of us to still remember, that

*"God's in His heaven—
All's right with the world!"*



Altogether now golfers, for the first time in five years, "A Merry Xmas and a Happy, Glad New Year."

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In the Philadelphia district last month they had a "cussless" tournament. Needless to say, clergymen were the only entrants.

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Just a little "financial shot." In the Toronto "Ten Thousand Dollar Victory Loan Club" over sixty per cent. of the subscribers were golfers.

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Mr. William Southam, of Hamilton, and family, have given a scholarship at Upper Canada College in memory of the late gallant Major Gordon Southam, fine golfer and all round athlete.

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Gil. Anderson, an eastern professional and golf writer is about right when he says:

"The players of 45 years and over form the greater part of the devotees, and are the financial support of every golf club in this country."

Golf courses generally may be laid out for the edification and education of the long swatting thirty year-olders and under, but the Senior is called upon to "lay-out" the "long green." That's the part of the game in which he is expected to particularly shine, and he usually does.

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In the official "Canadian Food Bulletin," Ottawa, a very high tribute indeed is paid to Mr. Jno. P. Babcock, of the Provincial Fisheries Department, Victoria, for the very great service he has rendered the country generally in the increased production obtained from the British Columbia fisheries. Mr. Babcock is a keen follower of the game of golf in Victoria.

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Directors of the Western Golf Association last month, at their meeting in Chicago, decided to hold the regular golf championship tournaments next season. Tournaments were suspended last summer by the Western Association, while the United States Golf Association has not held national meets for two years on account of the war. The places for holding the amateur and open and junior meets will be decided at the annual meeting of the Association in Chicago on Jan. 18th.

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"The men with all the money they want play the game winter and summer, spring and fall, do not get the same enjoyment out of the game as those who play

it two or three times a week. Familiarity breeds theories, and new theories are good for nothing most of the time. No four-foot putt ever yet was holed while following the theory advanced at the nineteenth hole or communicated in confidence to the unhappy golfer sitting next to you on the club verandah."

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Reaching a total of \$303,775.52 at the latter part of October, officials of the Western Golf Association are more than pleased with the result of the Red Cross Campaign conducted under its auspices. Of this amount, clubs in the Chicago district contributed \$86,797.32, a remarkably fine showing. There are still a large number of returns to come in. Mr. "Chick" Evans took part in no less than 48 of the exhibitions. Jock Hutchison, of Glen View, tops the professionals with 23 exhibitions to his credit.

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An irascible golfer, while playing with a clergyman on a very warm day this summer, was considerably annoyed by flies, and at length got desperate, and vented his feelings in a burst of decidedly unparliamentary language. The clergyman remonstrated and pointed out the advantages of self-control. For instance, there is a fly now on my forehead. It does not trouble me. By the exercise of self-control I can play my shot without giving that fly a thought. You see it is now on the bridge of my nose, but—Oh H——! it's a wasp!"

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"Our Lady of the Snows" has been doing pretty well, thank you, this season. Winnipeg golfers were playing in their shirt sleeves on the golf courses there November 3rd and 4th, and in many parts of the Dominion, apart altogether from British Columbia, golfers have been whacking away at the "wee bit gutta" well onto the end of "grey November," which, generally speaking, has been anything but grey this year. Many Ontario golfers are still prophesying that they, like their B. C. "brithers," will be on the links on Xmas Day. Here's hoping.

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Now that peace is an assured fact, municipal authorities in several of the large Canadian centres who for the past four years have been promising seriously to consider the establishment of public links "after the war," have an excellent opportunity to "make good." In Toronto and Montreal especially there are hundreds of men and women anxious to take up the game if they can only be provided with the facilities at a reasonable cost. In 1919 the "Canadian Golfer" hopes to see an organized effort to bring about this desideratum of a public course in every large city.

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Dr. James W. Robertson, of Ottawa, who has given such notable service in agricultural and educational matters, is among the distinguished Canadians with the Prime Minister, Sir Robert Laird Borden in London, in connection with the Peace overtures. Dr. Robertson is representing the agricultural interests of the Dominion and will be away possibly for a year or more. He is a very well known golfer indeed, and a Governor of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association. He was entertained at Rideau Hall by the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire before his departure overseas.

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The Editor of the "Canadian Golfer" has again been commissioned by the Publicity Department of the C.P.R. to revise its interesting publication, "Golf in Canada," for 1919. The brochure will in all probability take on an entire new form next year, with an up-to-date list of the golf clubs of the Dominion and their officers as usual the chief feature. "Golf in Canada" is easily the best thing done for the game on this continent. No other railway approaches such a complete and comprehensive production, although all the leading railways in the States now feature golf in their publications.

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There are 2,002 golf courses in the United States. Of these, 1,618 are club courses, 297 are public or municipal links, and 87 are private courses. There are

some 150 links in course of construction. More than 400,000 acres of land, or 625 square miles are now devoted to the game. Certainly a wonderful array of figures, considering that it was only in 1888 that the first six hole course was laid out at Yonkers, N.Y., and for many years afterwards the game was accorded the most flickering support. The great advance has been recorded in the past ten years. In 1919 it is generally conceded there will be millions of dollars spent on the present courses in the States and the laying out of new links ad galore.

Mr. R. E. Howard in the London "Sportsman":

"It does the heart good to see the way in which men who have been wounded and gassed and suffered the other rigours of war enjoy their game of golf. I fancy that it will be a solace to thousands who, until four years ago, preferred more hustling recreations and whose sacrifices of physical completeness in the cause of civilization will render cricket, football and the like very difficult to play. Experience has shown in the case of Ernest Jones, the Chislehurst professional, for instance, that a man who has lost his right leg is not desperately handicapped on the links, nor is this surprising, seeing that the chief business of the right leg during the swing is to remain steady. Jones was doing scores round about 70 soon after his discharge from hospital. For shell shock and gas cases the fresh air, regulated exercise and mental rest which constitute the basic properties of golf's value as a recreation are obviously just the influences most desired."

One of the first things that should be brought about now that peace promises to hold sway throughout the world is the standardization of golf rules. A case in point: Mr. Walter A. Travis, ex-champion of the United States and Great Britain, has been professionalised by the United States Golf Association because he once in a while lays out a golf course. In Canada, where the Royal and Ancient rules obtain, he is still an amateur. But, as Mr. Travis points out in a letter to the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer," if he should enter for an amateur championship here he would be disqualified because he uses a Schenectady putter. These and many other anomalies of a vexatious character might well be straightened out by the powers that be in Great Britain and the United States in 1919.



GOLF AT THE COAST

Vancouver Golf and Country Club Has Most Successful Season—The Winners of the Various Championships and Events

(Special Correspondence "Canadian Golfer")

THE Vancouver Golf and Country Club is one of the most virile of the Pacific Coast clubs, and has just placed a most successful season to its credit. Owing to the war, the celebrated Punch Bowl trophy donated by the club, and which is emblematic of the championship of the Pacific Northwest, was not played for this season. The present holder of the Bowl is the Seattle Golf Club. A number of interesting events, however, were run off.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Gelletley were very much in evidence. Mr. Gelletley won the 36-hole club championship and tied for the city championship. Mrs. Gelletley was the runner-up for the Ladies' championship and also won the Caroline Brooks Trophy for the third time, the trophy becoming her property.

As showing the calibre of the Vancouver golf players it is interesting to note that in the city championship open to all golfers and clubs in Vancouver, three representatives of the Vancouver Club tied for low score. In the play-off Mr. R. Bone, the captain of the club (he it was who has the unique honour this season of making a hole twice in one), won out. He belongs to a prominent Scottish golfing family.

The following is a record of the club events for the year:

Good Friday—18-hole Bogey (Handicap)—1st, W. A. Wand, 7 up; 2nd, H. H. Richardson, 1 up. Mixed Foursomes (18 holes)—1st, Mr. and Mrs. R. Gelletley, 97—4—93. 2nd, Miss Shelley and H. E. Gow, 111—18—93.

Easter Monday—18-hole Eclectic (9 holes)—J. T. Milne, 37 net. Foursomes against Bogey (18 hole)—1st, J. T. Milne and H. Gow, 3 up.

May 24th—18-hole Medal—1st, J. B. Giffen, 96—23—73. Captain's and Vice-Captain's team Match—This was match play between two teams, 32 a side, and was won by the Captain's Team by 1 point, a win counting 1 point and a half $\frac{1}{2}$ a point. Club Championship—Final over 36 holes, R. Gelletley winning from Andrew Stewart. City Championship—36 holes, played at this club, open to all golfers and clubs in Vancouver—winner R. Bone. H. E. Gow, R. Gelletley, all of this Club, tied at 166 and then played 9 holes. Final result—R. Bone, 39; H. E. Gow 41, R. Gelletley 43.

Dominion Day—18-hole Medal—1st, H. E. Gow, 80—7—73. Mixed Foursomes, 18 holes—1st, Mrs. C. S. Battle and H. Sheldon. O. B. Allan Cup, 36 holes against Bobey (handicap)—Won by N. L. Tullis, 4 up. Captain's and Vice-Captain's Prizes—Captain's Prize, I. N. Bond, Vice-Captain's Prize, H. E. Gow.

Labor Day—C. S. Baker Cup, 18-hole Medal—Winner, T. J. Lewis, 86—14—72. Mixed Foursomes—Winners, Mrs. D. C. McGregor and Andrew Stewart.

Red Cross Day, October 14th—Men's Competition of the R. C. Golf Association—Won by C. S. Battle, who qualifies for the Special Medal; 2nd, Lieut. R. Lees. Ladies' 9-hole Medal—Won by Mrs. E. A. Mackenzie. Mixed Foursomes—Won by Mrs. Homer Adams and H. E. Gow.

LADIES' SECTION.

Ladies' Championship—Mrs. E. A. Mackenzie; runner up, Mrs. R. Gelletley.

Spring Tournament—Mrs. H. Rhodes; runner-up, Miss V. Henry-Anderson.

Caroline Brooks' Trophy—Mrs. R. Gelletley for third time, who keeps trophy.

Captain's Prize—Mrs. H. Rhodes.

Vice-Captain's Prize—Mrs. W. G. MacQuarrie.

The Vancouver Golf and Country Club has a very interesting 18-hole course of 6,200 yards, with splendid fairways and greens, fifteen miles from Vancouver, reached by an excellent paved road. Visitors to the coast should not fail to enjoy a round over this sporting golf course and meeting the capital body of golfers, both women and men, who comprise its large membership.



“A Deep
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of
the Game”

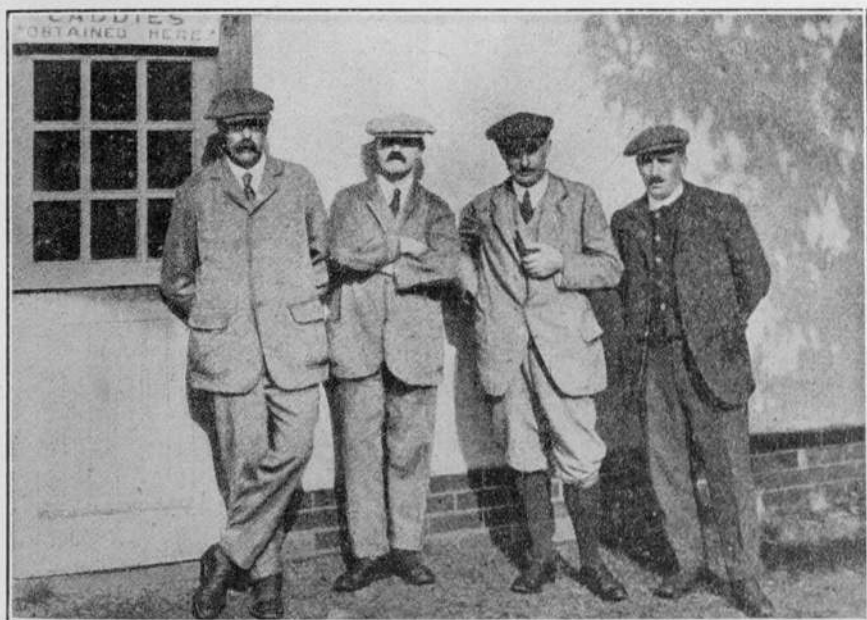
GREAT MATCH AT SUNNINGDALE

Vardon and Taylor Beat Braid and White—Over £2,000 Realised for the Funds of the Wounded Soldiers

(Special Correspondence "Canadian Golfer")

SUNNINGDALE, the well known English course in Berkshire, on September 28th, witnessed a very fine 36-hole match for patriotic purposes between Harry Vardon and J. H. Taylor versus James Braid and Jack White. The latter is pro. of Sunningdale, and holds the professional record of the course, 68. The two veteran open champions were too much for their opponents and won out by 2 up.

That the triumvirate, notwithstanding that they have played little exhibi-



"At the End of a Perfect Day"—Braid, Taylor Vardon and White at Sunningdale

tion golf this season, owing to war activities, are still playing in their old form is evidenced by the best ball scores which were as follows:

MORNING ROUND

Vardon and Taylor—

Out 5,5,3, 3,4,4, 4,3,3, = 34
In 5,4,4, 3,4,3, 5,5,4, = 37 = 71

AFTERNOON ROUND

Out 5,4,3, 3,5,5, 4,2,4, = 35
In 4,3,5, 3,5,3, 4,4,4, = 35 = 70

Grand total 36 holes 141, or 3 under fours.

MORNING ROUND

Braid and White—

Out 5,5,4, 2,4,4, 4,3,3, = 34
In 5,4,4, 3,4,4, 4,5,5, = 38 = 72

AFTERNOON ROUND

Out	5,5,3, 3,4,4, 4,3,3, =34
In	4,4,4, 3,5,3, 5,4,5, =37 =71

Grand total 143, or 1 under fours.

The best individual score was that of Vardon's in the afternoon, a wonderful 71, made up as follows:

Out	6,4,3, 3,5,5, 4,2,4, =36
In	4,3,5, 3,5,3, 4,4,4 =35 =71

Braid's best score was 74, Taylor's 74 and White's 76.

The day was all sunshine, as befitting the occasion, and a regular stream of golden guineas came in for the fund for wounded soldiers—all told over £2,000, which constitutes a record for a one-day tournament on any golf course in the Empire.

The large gallery which followed the experts contained many men in khaki from the Overseas Dominions, who particularly enjoyed the fine exhibition of golf put up by the champions.

IN SUNNY ALBERTA

Bowness Golf Club, Calgary, has a Record Season. Skating and Other Sports for the Winter

(Special Correspondence "Canadian Golfer")

THE BOWNESS GOLF CLUB, the "baby" of the Calgary clubs in age, this being its second season, has had a most successful spring, summer and autumn of golf.

Our 18-hole course of nearly 6,000 yards has been kept in first-class shape, and the members have shown the greatest interest in the various principal events which resulted as follows:

The Harling Cup competition, 18 holes medal play for ladies was won by Mrs. A. G. Cunningham with a net score of 81. The Stewart Cup for ladies has not yet been decided, on account of the "flu epidemic." Mrs. Charles Nickliss is one of the finalists, the other will be the winner of the match between Mrs. Alfred Harris and Mrs. A. G. Cunningham.

The Button Competition (ladies), closed on the 31st October, and was won the most times by Mrs. Charles Nickliss, the button, therefore, becoming her property.

Mr. P. D. Mellon was the fortunate winner of the button for gentlemen. The Holdsworth Cup (gentlemen), which was competed for on Medal play was won by J. S. Ballantine, with a net score of 82. R. C. Cheyne and D. L. Sloan were close seconds with each 84 net score.

The match play competition for the Men's Stewart Cup was won by J. S. Ballantine, who defeated Fred. Harling in the final. Mr. Harling was very much "off his game," otherwise a much harder battle would have been staged.

At time of writing (November 21st), we are still golfing, the weather being beautiful, but we are liable to get a cold spell soon; however when it comes we are ready for it. Our skating rink 80 x 160, is all in order for the ice and we anticipate a good season in winter sports. Our club house will be open during the winter, as we are fortunate in having gas for heating purposes, thereby not coming under the "fuel conservation."

A PROPHETIC CARTOON

(Published in The Westminster Gazette, London, on October 26 last.)

Camouflage—The Latest Phase



HIS LAST STAND!

This, possibly the best cartoon of the war, was published almost a month before William Hohenzollern made his masterly retreat into Holland.

THE CALGARY GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

(Special Correspondence "Canadian Golfer")

PERHAPS the most successful season in the history of the Calgary Golf and Country Club terminated Thanksgiving Day, when the enthusiastic members turned out in large numbers to help along the Red Cross drive of the Royal Canadian Golf Association.

The influenza scare or rainy weather were not lurking around this sunny clime and even the wind, usually prevalent at this season, decided to visit other parts. It was an ideal day.

About one hundred, or one-half of the members played throughout the day and although there was some congestion at times, this did not produce any lack of enthusiasm. The scene during the afternoon was particularly attractive. The variegated sweater-coat colors of fifty lady contestants made a particularly pretty scene.

After the golf dinner was served, and seventy-five stayed over, and many more returned to the Club for the dance, which was also very enjoyable.

Flower sales, raffles, entry fees, etc., for the day totalled around \$1,200, which is not bad for the wild and woolly.

The following is the result of the competitions for 1918 for the Country Club:

Official opening March 29-31. Team match 72 players, Captain's team vs. Vice-Captain's; won by Captain's team, 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ points to 15. Medal play, 18 holes—1, D. C. Betts; 2, H. K. Reid. Four-ball match against bogey (best ball)—G. N. Bull and Dr. Roach; equal winners, W. A. Ross and S. Kidd, one down.

May 31st—Four-ball match against par.: 1, F. F. Wilson and J. L. Bell; 2, T. B. Weatherbee and Dr. Roach.

July 27th—Lougheed Cup: 1, A. M. Berryman; 2, Thos. Allan.

August 26th—Veterans' Competition: 1, Mr. Justice Walsh; 2, G. L. Peet. Button Competition: 1, F. F. Wilson; 2, G. H. V. Burroughs.

Sept. 14th—Mixed Foursomes: 1, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Smith; 2, Mr. W. A. Ross and Miss J. Sparrow; Mr. C. W. Hague and Miss M. Coste.

Sept. 15th—Herald Cup—36-holes Medal: 1, F. F. Wilson, 147 net; 2, E. B. Allan, 149 net.

Sept. 18th—F. C. Lowes Cup—Ladies' Handicap: 1, Miss J. McLeod, 94 net.

Sept. 22nd—Sports and Pastimes Cup—36-holes Medal: 1, H. K. Richardson, 145 net; 2, W. A. Ross, 148 net.

Oct. 14th—Red Cross Day—A.M.: 18-holes Medal, 163 entries: 1, W. Ardern, 93—24 = 69. Winners four-ball game, G. H. V. Burroughs and G. R. H. Anderson, 150 net. Afternoon—Mixed Foursomes, 100 entries: 1, Mr. W. A. Ross and Mrs. Chadwick, 101—21 = 80; 2, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Betts, 103—20 = 83.

THE LADIES OF LAMBTON

THE ladies' section of the Lambton Golf and Country Club held its annual meeting at Sherbourne House Club, Toronto, Nov. 28th, when the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. George F. Deeks; Vice-President, Mrs. R. C. Donald; Honorary Secretary, Miss Olive Gordon Mills; House Committee, Mrs. G. Herbert Wood, Mrs. A. G. Northway, Mrs. G. B. Shaw, Mrs. R. J. Dilworth; Handicap Committee, Mrs. Fred Mallory, Mrs. W. H. Garvey, Mrs. Herbert Tilley.

The amount raised for patriotic purposes during the year was \$125.20, of which \$57 was collected personally by the retiring President, Mrs. S. R. Hart, for the University of Toronto Base Hospital Supply Association. The other \$68.20 was raised by entrance fees for various matches and competitions. It is going to be used for the purchase of a specially designed invalid chair for a returned soldier at Euclid Hall.

In holding their annual meeting so promptly the ladies of Lambton set an excellent example to other clubs in Canada, many of which drag along until March or April before closing up the previous year's activities.

INTER-OVERSEAS MATCH

Canadians at Sunningdale Vanquish Australians by a Margin of Nine Points

A VERY interesting match between teams composed of Canadian and Australian officers in England was played last month at Sunningdale, the well-known Berkshire course, of which the acting secretary is Mr. H. S. Colt, the golf architect of international reputation. The Canadians recorded quite a notable victory by 13½ points to 4½.

In the morning, playing eight a side

Lt. Walton	.....1¼	Capt. McGregor	.0
Lt. Kirkham	.....1	Capt. S. Scott	....0
Major Gill	.....¼	Capt. Austin	....1
Lt.-Col. Fell	.....¼	Lt. Vinning	.....1

Total 5 Total 4

FOURSOMES—3½

CANADA		AUSTRALIA	
Capt. S. Gordon	} 2	Lt. Felstead	...}
Sgt. Donaldson	} 2	Lt. Vinning	....} ½
Capt. Gray	....} 2	Lt.-Sur. Aronson}
Major Gill	.....} 2½	Lt. Higham	....} 0



The Winning Canadian Team Against Australia.

in singles, counting 1 point for a win in the match and a ¼ point for the bye, they won by 5 points to 4, and in the afternoon in four-ball foursomes, the Canadians overwhelmed their Australian opponents, winning by 8½ points to ½ point (counting 2 points for the match and ½ for the bye).

The following were the scores:

SINGLES—3¼

CANADA		AUSTRALIA	
Lt. Macan	.....1	Lt. Felstead	.....0
Capt. Gray	.....0	Lt. Fawcett	.....1
Capt. S. Gordon	....1	Lt. Higham	.....0
Sergt. Donaldson	¼	Lt.-Surg. Aronson	.1

Lt. Walton	....}	Capt. S. Scott	..}
Lt. Kirkham	....} 2	Capt. McGregor	..} 0
Lt. Macan	.....}	Capt. Austin	....} 0
Lt.-Col. Fell	....} 2	Lt. Fawcett	....} 0

Total 8½ Total ½

In the singles Lt. Macan managed to nose out a win by 1 hole over Lt. Felstead, who was the winner of the Australian Open Championship in 1909. Lt. Macan is a scratch player from British Columbia and had the Provincial championship there to his credit in 1912-13. His was especially a notable win.

Captain Gray, of Rosedale, Toronto, winner of the Overseas Championship recently at Sunningdale, had to admit defeat at the hands of Lt. Fawcett, a very fine golfer indeed, and the present holder of the Tasmanian championship. It was a close match—2 and 1.

Captain Sheriff Gordon won from Lt. Higham 2 up.

Sergt. Donaldson, winner of the Saskatchewan championship no less than four times, 1910, 1911, 1912 and 1913, was defeated by Lt.-Surgeon Arunson 4 and 3.

Lt. Walton had a run-away match with his man, Capt. McGregor, 9 and 7.

Lt. Kirkham defeated Capt. Scott 3 and 2.

Major Gill lost to his opponent 2 and 1, whilst Lt.-Col. Fell was vanquished by his Australian antagonist, Lt. Vin-

ning to the tune of 5 and 4.

It was in the doubles that the Canadians made a clean sweep.

Capt. Gordon and Sergt. Donaldson won out 5 and 4; Capt. Gray and Major Gill 7 and 6; Lt. Walton and Lt. Kirkham 2 up; Lt. Macan and Lt.-Col. Fell 2 up.

Unfortunately for the Australians, Capt. Bruce-Pearce, who did so well in the British Amateur Championship at Prestwick in 1911, going to the 6th round, where he was beaten by Mr. Gordon Lockhart 4 and 3, was unable to play through illness. His absence undoubtedly meant the loss of 2 or 3 points to the Australians. Even with his help, however, the Canadians would undoubtedly have scored a victory over the doughty wielders of wood and iron from Kangaroo-land.

NOTABLE SENIORS

Men Prominent in All Walks of Life Continue to Join Recently Formed Association

AMONG the notable men of Canada (some forty) recently elected to The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association are Sir John Hendrie, K.C.M.G., C.V.O., Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario; Sir Lomer Gouin, K.C.M.G., Premier of Quebec; and the Hon. Mr. Turgeon, C.V.O., C.M.G., of Quebec.

It will be of interest to Seniors generally to hear that Sir George Garneau, of Quebec, Chairman of The National Battlefields Commission, writes that he has the promise, from both Sir Lomer Gouin and the Hon. Mr. Turgeon, that they will make an especial effort to be present at the Second Annual Tournament of the Seniors next September at Lambton, Toronto. The presence of two such distinguished French-Canadian golfers will certainly add greatly to the interest of the event.

The Seniors' Association now comprises over 250 of the most prominent men of the Dominion. It is perhaps to-day the most representative organization in Canada, golfing or otherwise. As previously noted in these columns, owing to the limit of 250 having been reached, no applications for membership under 55 years of age can now be considered. The Membership Committee cannot possibly under the by-laws entertain any such requests, many of which are being received.

Toast to the Golfers of Canada

A toast let's pass,
With clinking glass,
And drink to one another;
Good health to you,
May fortune true
Be yours, my golfing brother.

And in the days
When sunny rays
Shall dance among the heather,
Let's hope that we
On earth may be
To tramp the links together.

—Huskie.

NOTE FROM GREAT BRITAIN

Interesting Tidings of the Game from "Over There"—British Lady Champion a Bride-to-be

PLAYING over Rochester Links with Mr. Charles Lake and Mr. S. Atkins, Sapper Robinson—amateur champion of Lancashire—did the seventh hole—a distance of 400 yards—in two, which is a record.

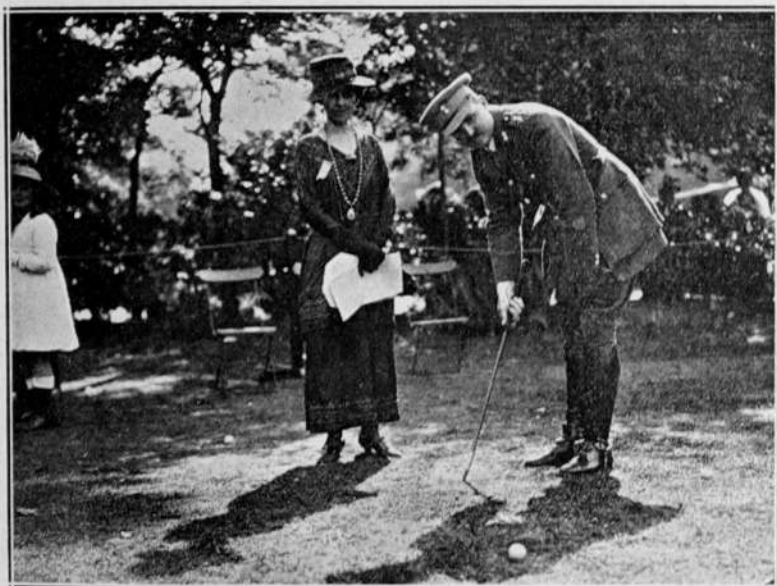
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North Berwick recently has had a record attendance of visitors and the golf links have been crowded. Mr. Balfour was among those seen frequently on the course.

Cross was particularly popular in both military and civil circles.

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Exhibition matches, in which Ray and Vardon took part, in aid of the Prisoners of War Fund, and for which over £100 was raised, were held at St. Anne's-on-Sea. Vardon beat Ray by 1 up in the morning, and in the afternoon a match between professionals and two amateurs of the club—T. H. Staley and F. Critchley—who were conceded 4, finished all square.



A Hero of the War—Col. Brown, V.C., putting on the grounds at St. James' Palace

The photograph on this page depicts Col. Brown, V.C., trying his hand at putting at a fete held in St. James' Palace in aid of the Nation's Fund for Nurses. Putting matches the past season, have been very popular at nearly all the garden parties and outdoor events held for patriotic purposes. The sport has found favour especially with invalided soldiers, who find putting admirably suited to their physical disabilities. The Colonel is a very well known officer in the Metropolitan District, and his winning of the coveted

Coventry Golf Course put up to auction with other land on the Baginton Estate, was purchased for £3,950 by Mr. Harry Smith, captain of the club, with a view to its permanent continuance.

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A bottle of whisky was sold for £33 at a war prisoners' benefit connected with Shipley Golf Club.

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The row of tin huts so noticeable to visitors at Stoke Poges Golf Course, is the headquarters of the feminine farm

gang organised by the Women's Legion to help Mr. Lane Jackson, the secretary, out of a grave difficulty in gathering in the crops on the club farm. The girls have done their part splendidly, and in doing it have been as happy as the proverbial sandboys.

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The London home of Sir Douglas and Lady Haig is at Coombe, close to Richmond Park, and standing above Kingston. The garden leads on to the golf links, which may have influenced this choice, for the celebrated Field Marshal is keen on golf as a relaxation, and plays a first-rate game.

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Killed by lightning while playing golf was the sad fate of Mr. Beresford at Bath recently. The lightning struck him just after he had received the congratulations of a friend on the fact of his son winning the Military Cross. His caddie, a returned soldier, was also struck and rendered unconscious, but he later recovered.

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At the open amateur meeting of the Rhos-on-Sea Golf Club, Colwyn Bay, Mr. G. F. Clarke, of Newton-le-Wilwows, won the Fifty Guinea Challenge Cup and Replica with the excellent net scores of 77 and 76 for the 36 holes. The bogey of the course is 78. Mr. Clarke also won the prize for the best gross score as well as the first sweepstakes. His return was 153 for the two rounds and the next best was 160.

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Among the well known English golfers awarded the Military Cross just before the termination of the war was Capt. A. E. Smirke, Lancashire Fusiliers. He was one of the semi-finalists in the amateur championship in 1906, the others being Mr. H. S. Colt, the well known golf architect and the late Mr. C. C. Lingen. Lt.-Col. Green, of the Royal Scots Battalion, who has been awarded the Belgian Croix de Guerre, won the Army Golf Championship a few years ago. The Earl of Cavan, K.P., K.C.B., M.V.O., promoted to General, is a keen golfer.

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In a very successful Overseas Officers' Golf Match, which took place, by

the courtesy of the Committee of the Sandy Lodge Golf Club, on that famous course, seventeen officers competed for a small trophy presented by Sir Frederick Young (Australia), and it was won by Lieut. J. F. McLaughlin with 83 net. Amongst the competitors was Lieut. Malik, the famous Indian player who will be remembered as having played in the International University match before the war. Sergeant Donaldson, for four years open amateur champion for Saskatchewan, also competed and came in with 92 net. The other scores were: Lieut. B. S. Walton (Canada), 91, less 6, equals 85; Capt. W. Crampton, U.S.A., 97, less 10, equals 87. The winner was presented with his prize by Mr. Markes, the genial secretary of the Sandy Lodge Club, who, in doing so, expressed his delight and pleasure at having so many officers visiting the links.

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By no one will the end of the war be greeted with more enthusiasm than the "army" of British golfers, both military and civilian. The season of 1919 promises to be a record one on all the courses. Already there is talk of reviving the championships, although so many of the best players have hardly had a club in their hands the past four years, and in deference to them the powers-that-be may decide not to stage any of the big events until 1920. For instance, if there should be an American invasion in 1919 and the championships were held it is generally conceded that Messrs. "Chick" Evans, Jerome Travers, Francis Ouimet, or even Bobby Jones, who have all practically kept up their game all through the last weary four war worn years, would have an excellent chance of carrying off the principal honours. Championships or no championships, 1919 however, will witness a revival of the Royal and Ancient unparalleled in the history of the grand old game.

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A writer in the "Golf Monthly," Edinburgh, Scotland, bears tribute to the vogue and value of golf for the soldier and sailor. He says:

"I occasionally play on a golf course near one of our great naval bases, and adjacent to a city where there are many hospitals for the

stricken, and it is a pleasure to look across the links on a sunny afternoon and take note how most of the players are either officers from great ships which lie not far off, or khaki-clad figures facilitating their convalescence. I played the other day with two soldiers recovering from shell shock, and they each told me that they had found nothing more helpful to their recovery of health than golf. I asked them if they did not prefer fishing, which appealed to me as a relaxation specially suitable for shell-shock cases, but they had tried this and found it too quiet and lonely. In golf they had the distraction of competition, there was solitude without loneliness, and while there was exercise and a certain amount of excitement in the play they had also the pleasure of their opponent's companionship if they desired to speak."

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The announcement has been made that that peerless lady golfer, Miss Cecil Leitch, British Lady Champion, is engaged to be married to Second-Lieutenant H. L. B. Willock-Pollen, of the Coldstreams, who is also a member of a well known golfing family. It is stated that this is the first time that a

golfer, either man or woman, has become engaged, and will be married during the period that he or she has actually been the holder of a first-class championship. Miss Cecil, who has also three famous golfing sisters, is generally conceded to be the greatest of all women golfers. Here are a few of her records. Won Ladies' Championship of France, 1912, 1914. British Championship 1914; Semi-finalist 1908 and 1912; won the English Ladies' Championship 1914. In 1909 and 1911 won the Stroke Competition, preceding the championship. Won Gold Vase Tournament 1912, 1913 and 1914. In a 72 holes match over Walton Heath and Sunningdale, with a half handicap, beat Mr. H. H. Hilton by 2 and 1. Holds ladies' record for sixteen different courses. Recently the charming bride-to-be, who will be 28 years of age next fall, has been devoting all her time to munition work.

A RECORD SEASON

"Shirt Sleeve" Golf in November. The Care of Golf Clubs.

IT is a number of years since the golfers of Canada have enjoyed such a long season as that of 1918. Many players started their first round in April, and were still playing the game well onto the end of November. In Winnipeg, on November 3rd and 4th golfers were seen on the links in their shirt sleeves. In Ontario, on quite a large number of the courses, the regular greens were still being used in the middle of November. A golf season of a good eight months for "our Lady of the Snows," is certainly a record. Some enthusiasts are still predicting they will be playing a round on Christmas Day. Here's hoping they may. The "winter of our discontent," made doubly disagreeable by the coal shortage can't be too brief for the average golfer, who even now has not yet decided to put away his bag of clubs.

When the clubs are finally and reluctantly retired from active service, see to it that they are not kept in too

hot or too cold a place. Don't by any chance leave them in an unheated and damp locker-room, at the club house, or the chances are that they will lose much of their "life" and virtue. An attic with a temperature of from 40 to 50 is the best place to store the trusty woods and irons. If the clubs are properly cared for and not kept in either too damp or too dry a place do not oil them, as it is apt to cause cracks in the wood. If, however, the clubs have been allowed to get dry, a touch of oil will render them less brittle; but care must be taken that oil is not too liberally applied, and that it should not be allowed to come into contact with the face, the sole or other unvarnished parts of the head. A very slight touch is sufficient, and after application the club should be well rubbed up and polished with a dry cloth. If the coating of varnish has worn off it should be renewed as a protection against wet getting into the wood.

FOUR ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGERS

Appointed to the Bank of Montreal. Three are Prominent in Golfing Circles

AS a result of the large expansion of business in the past few years, reflected in the annual statement just published, the directors of the Bank of Montreal have decided to enlarge its executive staff by the appointment of four assistant General Managers in place of one, as formerly.

The appointments to the four offices are Messrs. Francis J. Cockburn, H. B. Mackenzie, G. C. Cassels and D. R. Clarke. Each of the new assistant General Managers will continue in charge of territory now under his supervision. Thus Mr. Cockburn's duties will be in connection with the Quebec, Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland branches, of which he has been superintendent. Mr. Mackenzie, General Manager of the Bank of British North America, when it was recently absorbed by the Bank of Montreal, will supervise the branches of his old bank, now part of the Bank of Montreal system. Mr. Cassels will continue at the head of the London office. Mr. Clark's duties will be connected with the Ontario branches, of which he has been superintendent for some months past. With the exception of Mr. Cassels at London, England, the headquarters of the different assistant general managers will be in Montreal.

Golfers will be interested in hearing that three of these four prominent bankers are golfers. As readers of the "Canadian Golfer" well know, Mr. Mackenzie is president of the very important Kanawaki Club of Montreal and a governor of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association.

Mr. Clarke has only taken up golf of recent years, but he is a keen player and a prodigiously long driver, and gives much promise of future excellence on the links.

Mr. Cassels, the London Manager and now assistant General Manager, is a finished golfer, a member of Sunningdale, one of the best known English clubs, and of Swinley Forest, close by. His handicap is round about 5 and he could cut this down close to scratch had he more time for practice.

Swinley Forest, by the way, is a very exclusive club started by Lord Derby to take care of the overflow from Sunningdale. Lord Derby has a place "Coworth," near Sunningdale Village. The course was laid out by Harry Colt, the well known golf architect, and, in his opinion, is superior to Sunningdale. It is cut out of Swinley Forest, one of the historic forests of England. At one time Swinley Forest was part of Windsor Forest, and the two were some hundred and fifty miles in circumference. The membership of Swinley is strictly limited to two hundred and fifty, and entrance can be secured only by invitation. It is one of the most peaceful courses with one of the most charming clubhouses in England.

It will interest readers of the "Canadian Golfer" to know that Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, General Manager of the Bank of Montreal, and himself a keen golfer, together with Mr. Frederick Webber Ashe, now of the Union Bank, Toronto, had the very great honour of driving the first balls at the opening of the Swinley Forest links. Sir Frederick, who at that time was Manager of the Bank of Montreal in London, was an original member of the club. Mr. Ashe joined subsequently.



THANKSGIVING DAY DRIVE

Over \$30,000 Raised for the Red Cross as a result of The Royal Canadian Golf Association's Day on the Links—London Hunt and Country Club wins President's Cup and First Prize Silk Banner; Picton, Ont., Second Silk Banner, and Victoria, B.C., Third Silk Banner.

WITH some half a dozen clubs still to hear from on Dec. 5th, Mr. B. L. Anderson, Toronto, the Hon. Secretary of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, was enabled to report the magnificent sum of \$30,095 as a result of the big Thanksgiving Day "Drive" on the golf courses of Canada. From Coast to Coast golfers splendidly responded to the call of the R.C.G.A.



The "Honour Flag" of the R. C. G. A., won by London, Picton and Victoria

and rolled up a total of \$5,000 to \$10,000 more than the most sanguine had hoped for.

'Tis a record of which the golfers of the Dominion have every reason to feel proud, and a record of which the officials of the governing body of golf in Canada are entitled to the heartiest congratulations.

As a result of its noteworthy contribution of over \$5,000 the members of The London Hunt & Country Club, London, Ont., win the Silver Cup, presented by the President of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, Mr. Frank A. Rolph for the club returning the largest contribution.

The London Hunt also wins the first prize silk banner for the club reporting the largest returns for membership—the London contribution figuring out at \$36 per member, a remarkable showing.

The second prize silk banner goes to Picton, Ont., which club was fortunate in having for its Thanksgiving Day event the amateur champion, Mr. George S. Lyon and his son, Seymour, who gave an exhibition game there. Picton's contribution figured out at \$22 per member—a capital performance.

Victoria, B.C., secured the third silk banner with a contribution of \$2,684, or an average of \$17 per member—another noteworthy offering.

The Toronto Golf Club had the second largest subscription, \$3,062, but this magnificent total, owing to the club's large membership, did not entitle it to one of the banners.

The golfers of London, Picton and Victoria are one and all to be heartily congratulated on winning the banners, which can be placed in the club house with pardonable pride.

They are very handsome, indeed. They are of red silk, mounted on brass rods with gold cord and tassels, and bear the inscription in silver lettering:

*Presented by
The Royal Canadian Golf Association
to
This Club for the Largest Returns
Red (X) Cross and Patriotic Day
1918*

To be envied is the Club that boasts one of these banners—fit emblem of zeal, energy and generosity.

The clubs that have yet to report will probably increase the total possibly another \$500 or so.

Mr. Rolph, President of the R. C. G. A., writing from Washington, where he is at present in connection with his duties as Chairman of the Canadian War Mission, to the "Canadian Golfer," in reference to the winning clubs says:

"The returns of these three clubs are splendid. My own silver cup to the Club making the best returns, I am glad to note, has been won by the London Hunt and Country Club, with the handsome average contribution of \$36 per member—a most excellent showing."

Mr. Rolph also pays a well deserved tribute to the Toronto Club, the second largest contributor, and the other clubs generally, all of whom responded so liberally to his appeal and the appeal of his directors.

From letters received by the "Canadian Golfer" it is the unanimous wish apparently of all clubs, that in future the R. C. G. A. make this Patriotic Day an annual affair, with the 24th of May as the most appropriate date for the event. If it had not been for adverse weather conditions on many of the links, on Thanksgiving Day, and the influenza in most localities at "the top of its swing," the fund would have easily been increased another \$5,000 or more. The 24th of May marks the opening of the golf season throughout the Dominion and is undoubtedly the most appropriate date for the event.

In addition to the winners of the R. C. G. A. handicap cup reported in the October issue, the following additional results have been sent in to the "Canadian Golfer":

Victoria Golf Club—Mr. A. Coles—86—18=68.

The Calgary Golf and Country Club—Mr. J. W. Ardern—93—24=69.

Winnipeg Hunt Club—Mr. G. B. Saunders—net 73.

Canoe Club, Winnipeg—Mr. L. G. Armstrong—net 72.

Brandon Golf Club—Mr. Glen Gibson—net 73.

Picton Golf Club—Mr. S. B. Gearing.

Quebec Golf Club—Mr. H. F. Mills—net 76.

St. Catharines Golf Club—Dr. Buchanan.

Brightwood Golf Club, Dartmouth, N. S.—Dr. McLellan—net 70.

Lingan Golf Club, Sydney, N.S.—Mr. E. F. W. Causton—net 76.

Jericho Golf Club, Vancouver, B.C.—Mr. R. Gelletley from scratch with a 65.

Calgary Municipal Golf Club—Mr. G. C. MacMurray.

Of all the scores so far reported, that of Mr. Gelletley's, of Jericho, Vancouver, is easily the best, viz., a 65 from scratch. The Jericho course is a 9-hole one of 2,617 yards, not a very formidable length, but even so, a 65 (two rounds), is very fine golf on the easiest courses.

How London Accomplished Its Record Contribution

A prominent member of the London Hunt and Country Club writing the "Canadian Golfer" in answer to the query "How Did You Do It?" says:

I was very glad to receive your letter of the 7th inst., and can assure you we appreciate very much indeed your hearty words of approval of our Thanksgiving effort held in aid of the Red Cross. The result was indeed very gratifying, and yet one that should be expected when the occasion was so appealing. What better inducement could you have than a Patriotic effort for the Red Cross on the Thanksgiving Day when every sign pointed to an early end of the War? Our members came forward and supported our Committee in spirit as well as cash. The details of our contribution were as follows:

Ladies' Golfing Fees	\$ 60.00
Ladies' Bridge Tournament	138.00
Dance Receipts	51.00
Tennis Receipts	50.00
Men's Golfing Fees	100.00
Members' Contributions	4,660.00
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	\$5,059.00

I enclose our programme, on the back of which you will see those in charge of our Committee arrangements. The effort of the ladies under the organization of Mrs. Allen McLean was particularly appreciated, as their interest rapidly spread throughout the whole membership. The Subscription Committee also did particularly good work, and if you wish the names of the personnel they are as follows: A. M. Smart, George T. Brown, E. S. Little, Major Gordon Ingram, A. MacPherson, W. E. Green, G. F. Pearson, H. F. Skey (chairman).

Besides the general committee mentioned in the above letter the following other committees looked after this record Thanksgiving Day event: Tennis, Mr. J. G. Boucher; House, Mr. E. S. Little; Dance, Mr. Thos. Baker; Golf, Dr. A. Scott. Ladies' Committee—Mrs. A. M. McLean, General Secretary; Tennis, Miss Leonard, Miss E. White; Bridge, Mrs. Geo. C. Gunn, Mrs. F. A. Reid, Mrs. J. Fritz Beck; Golf, Mrs. A. M. McLean, Mrs. B. C. Sterling; Refreshments, Mrs. F. A. McCormick, Mrs. Thos. Baker, Mrs. Donald McLean; Dance, Mrs. Chas. R. Hunt, Miss Struthers, Miss Helen Reid.

To the General Chairman of the whole campaign, Mr. H. F. Skey, an especial meed of praise must be extended. His work was simply invaluable.

Biggest Day in the History of British Columbia

(Special Correspondence "Canadian Golfer")

The Red Cross Tournament held at the Oak Bay Links of the Victoria, British Columbia, Golf Club, under the auspices of the R. C. G. Association, on October 11th, 12th and 14th, was the biggest thing in golf pulled off in British Columbia since the war. In point of entries and attendance at the game it exceeded the two meetings held on the Oak Bay Links by the North West Golf Association. The tournament netted \$2,684.80, and developed in the awarding of second and third prizes a most novel and surprising feature.

Prizes for the game were offered both by the R. C. G. A. and the Victoria Club. The latter offered fifteen Life Memberships in the Canadian Red Cross Society for special prizes. They were all donated to the club by individual mem-

bers. The awarding of these club prizes was made in a novel manner. As usual first prize went to the best scorers. The conditions governing the awarding of the second and third prizes were unknown even to the Committee until the matches were concluded. The Committee placed in a number of blank envelopes a slip setting forth the condition of award. Each slip contained a different set of conditions. At the conclusion of the contest one of the envelopes was drawn and opened and the conditions on the slip read and the prizes assigned in accordance therewith. For instance, in the mixed double the second prize went to the team making the greatest score at any one of the last nine holes. Three teams were found to have tied for this prize, and under the provisions of the awarding were obliged to play off the tie and pay \$1 each for that privilege. Some of the provisions in the undrawn envelopes provided that the second prize should go to the teams making the greatest score for the first nine holes, another that the team making the greatest score at the last holes, and so forth. The second prizes in all events were awarded in this manner with the result that all the teams knowing that the conditions were uncertain returned their cards, much to the joy of the Handicap Committee of the Club.

Play began on Friday, October 11th, with the first round of the Ladies' Calcutta Foursome, Two Ball Handicap Elimination Contest, with twenty-eight teams entered. As in all Calcutta matches one-fourth of the players' handicap was given in holes up. At the time of writing this match is still in progress.

On Saturday, October 12th, the first rounds were played in the Men's Calcutta Foursome Two Ball Handicap Elimination. Fifty-two teams entered. The second round of this match was played on the following day and the finals have not yet been played.

On Monday, October 14th, Canada's Thanksgiving Day, play began at 8:45 a.m. with the R.C.G.A. Men's eighteen-hole Handicap Medal Play. This was open to all the golfers in Victoria. One hundred and sixty-eight players were entered and ninety started. Under the rule the starter sent a team from the first tee as soon as the preceding players had left the first green. From 8:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. one team after another began play. The entries in this event exceeded those of the men's singles held here in the two meetings of the N.W.G.A. The day was an ideal one for play. An overhanging fog dulled the sun all day, but there was no wind and it was warm enough for good golf. There were two prizes in this Contest. (1) A Life Membership in the Canadian Red Cross Society to the player returning the best net score; (2) The R.C.G.A. Cup offered to the Member of the Victoria Golf Club returning the best net score. The first prize was won by Mr. F. Thomas, a Member of the Colwood Golf Club of Victoria, who returned a 75-8=67 net. The second prize was won by Mr. A. Coles, of the Victoria Club, with a score of 86-18=68 net.

Following the Men's Singles a match for Mixed Double Handicap Medal Play was begun. Twenty-eight teams started. The first prize, Two Life Memberships in the Canadian Red Cross Society for the best net score, was won by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rithet. The second prize, two Life Memberships in the Red Cross, resulted in three ties.

In addition to the games there was an all-day putting contest for both ladies and gentlemen, and driving contest for men for both distance and the best average for three balls.

There was a "language fund" for all members heard using unparliamentary language on the links during the day, and an automobile gate fund. No charge was made for entering the grounds in an automobile, but on the machines leaving the grounds the driver found the gate closed and a smiling Committee who were willing to open the gate for fifty cents each. Lunch and tea were served by the ladies of the club, and the gross proceeds were added to the fund. The gross proceeds of the games and entertainments gave a total of \$1,684.80, to which was added \$1,000, donated by the general committee from the club's

funds, giving a grand total of \$2,684.80. So far as advised this was a greater sum than that received by any other club in Western Canada.

There is a general wish in the Victoria Club that the R.C.G.A. will institute a similar Red Cross Tournament on all the links of Canada on the 24th of next May, and that they will hold a similar tournament on that day in each following year. Red Cross funds will always be needed and golfers should as a body devote one day of each year to increasing the funds of this most deserving of all associations.

The following is the official financial record at the R. C. G. A. Headquarters up to and including December 6th:

The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association	\$ 500.00	Murray Bay Golf Club, Murray Bay, Que.	20.00
Assiniboine Golf Club, Assiniboine, Alta.	68.00	Norfolk Golf and Country Club, Simcoe, Ont.	72.00
Banff Golf Club, Banff, Alta.	49.05	Oxford Golf & Country Club, Woodstock, Ont.	100.00
Barrie Golf Club, Barrie, Ont.	125.15	Oshawa Golf Club, Oshawa, Ont.	81.75
Beaconsfield Golf Club, Montreal ...	250.00	Peterboro Golf Club, Peterboro ...	125.00
Brandon Golf Club, Brandon, Man. ...	50.00	Picton Golf Club, Picton, Ont.	400.00
Brantford Golf Club, Brantford, Ont. ...	160.67	Quebec Golf Club, Quebec, Que. ...	404.00
Brightwood Golf & C. C., Dartmouth, N. S.	305.45	Rivermead Golf Club, Ottawa	200.00
Calgary Golf and Country Club, Calgary	1,245.45	Riverside Golf Club, St. John, N.B. ...	410.00
Calgary Municipal Golf Club, Calgary, Alta.	87.70	Royal Ottawa Golf Club, Ottawa, Ont. ...	171.85
Calgary (St. Andrews), Calgary, Alta.	95.50	Rosedale Golf Club, Bedford Park ...	1,000.00
Couchiching Country Club, Orillia, Ont.	144.00	Scarboro Golf Club, Toronto	1,500.00
Essex County Golf and Country Club, Sandwich	700.00	St. Catharines Golf Club, St. Catharines	95.00
Grand River Country Club, Kitchener, Ont.	43.75	Shaughnessy Heights, Vancouver, B.C.	420.78
Halifax Golf Club, Halifax, N. S. ...	250.00	Sarnia Golf Club, Sarnia, Ont.	409.84
Hamilton Golf & Country Club, Hamilton, Ont.	1,855.85	St. Charles Country Club, Winnipeg, Man.	132.00
Jericho, Country Club, Vancouver ...	150.00	Royal Montreal Golf Club, Montreal. ...	599.00
Kanawaki Golf Club, Montreal ...	150.30	The Norwood Golf Club, Winnipeg, Man.	150.00
Lakeview Golf & Country Club, Port Credit	1,000.00	Winnipeg Golf Club, Ltd., Winnipeg, Man.	276.25
Lambton Golf & Country Club, Lambton Mills	2,630.00	Winnipeg Hunt Club, Winnipeg, Man.	160.00
Lingan Country Club, Sydney, N.S. ...	225.00	The Winnipeg Canoe Club, Winnipeg ...	50.00
London Hunt & Country Club, London, Ont.	5,059.00	Toronto Hunt Club, Toronto	261.50
Medicine Hat Golf & Country Club, Medicine Hat, Alta.	51.25	Toronto Golf Club, Toronto	3,062.68
Mississauga Golf Club, Port Credit, Ont.	1,700.00	Victoria Golf Club, Victoria, B.C. ...	2,684.80
		Waterloo Golf & Country Club, Galt, Ont.	413.00
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			\$30,095.89



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TORONTO HUNT'S NEW COURSE

Plans Show Particularly Interesting and Well Laid-out Greens and Fairgreens

REFERENCE was made in the November issue to the many improvements at the expenditure of some \$10,000, which are being made to the 9-hole course at The Toronto Hunt Club.

Since then the "Canadian Golfer" has been privileged to inspect the full set of most excellent plans got out by Willie Park, of New York, and they are certainly well worthy of a more detailed description.

No. 1 hole is a sporting 335 yarder, with a well-designed bunker to the right, 170 yards from the tee, and a new green of ample proportions, admirably placed.

No. 2, 310 yards, is a decided "dog's leg," with a trap to the left at 175 yards and another one at 250 yards, guarding the pitch-up to the green, which slopes two feet from the back to the centre.

No. 3 is a 215 yard straight-away hole, with a cleverly placed bunker to the left of the green.

No. 4, 375 yards, is a corking fine two-shotter, with a new green, perfectly trapped to the left, right and at the back.

No. 5 is also a newly designed hole 400 yards in length, well bunkered to the left and at the back of the green.

No. 6 is the long hole of the course, 445 yards, with a trap to the right at 150 yards and another one to the left at the 190 yard mark. A number of trees on the fairway will be removed, and the edges sloped around the green, and other improvements made.

No. 7 is a snappy short hole of 140 yards. A new tee on a lower level will be built here and the old green will be extended 15 yards.

No. 8 is another fine long two-shot hole of 405 yards, with traps to the right at 145 yards, and left 175 yards. The green in front will be levelled and returfed, whilst to the left is a well-designed bunker.

The Fairway on the home hole, 330 yards, will be widened on the left 12 yards by moving trees. The green here will be greatly improved. It will slope from the back 3 feet and be well guarded to the left by traps.

This gives a splendidly balanced course of approximately 3,000 yards. A liberal expenditure has been made this autumn on seeding green and fairgreen, and next season the golfing members of the Hunt will be enjoying a 9-hole course of excellent length and unexcelled in Canada in regard to turf and ideal golfing conditions generally.

Norman Bell, the Club's professional, has been supervising the work laid out by Willie Park, and is hopeful that all changes and improvements will have been made by the beginning of August next year. The special committee appointed by the Directors in connection with these most desirable changes consists of Senator Frederic Nicholls, Judge Frank H. Phippen and Mr. Albert E. Dymont.

During the season just closed there has been much added golfing interest and enthusiasm amongst the members of the Hunt, and large entry lists for all matches and events have been recorded.

The results of the following events should be added to the season's list previously published in these columns.

Oct. 19th—Red Cross Mixed Foursomes (60 entries); Mr. J. E. Ganong and Mrs. John Lyle (net 74), first; Mr. Lyle and Mrs. Ganong (net 76), second; Mr. Suydam and Mrs. Barnard (net 78), third.

Throughout October there was played off in three flights of 16 each, an entry list of 48 for the October Match Play Handicap, these flights being grouped according to handicaps, and in each there were several tie matches and great interest was shown by all entrants, winners being as follows:

First Flight—Winner, A. E. Dymont; runner-up, A. W. Barnard.

Second Flight—Winner, C. H. Carpenter; runner-up, A. O. Beardmore.

Third Flight—Winner, E. H. Bickford; runner-up, H. H. O'Flynn.

THE LATE HONOURABLE H. W. RICHARDSON

An Appreciation by Mr. A. B. Cunningham, an Old Kingston Friend
and Fellow-golfer

ALTHOUGH he had been playing the game for only three years, the late Senator Richardson was the father of the new Cataraqui Golf and Country Club at Kingston.

They have played golf at Kingston since the eighties, and it was probably for this reason that the course did not improve. What was good enough for a few players twenty-five years ago continued to be good enough for those who continued in the game. As a result, membership remained very limited, and there was nothing to induce new members to join.

When Senator Richardson took up the game he at once made up his mind that the old course was not good enough. Under his able leadership Kingston has acquired a very fine golf course. Next spring there will be fourteen holes ready for play, and a year later the full eighteen hole course will be completed. But by the death of Senator Richardson the Club has sustained an irreparable loss. His enthusiasm knew no bounds, and there is no doubt that it was his intention to make the Kingston Club one of the foremost clubs in Canada. We hope that the members will bear this in mind, and that the late Senator's ambition will, in a few years, be achieved.

The late Senator Richardson, in addition to being one of Canada's busiest and most successful captains of industry, was also one of the keenest sportsmen in Canada. Very few men of his age could have followed him all day in the woods. Hunting and fishing formed his favorite recreation, and he had secured many remarkable trophies.

He was one of the earliest bicyclists in Canada, besides being active in nearly every other branch of athletics. For twenty years he was instrumental in keeping hockey to the forefront in Kingston, for without his energy and assistance,



The late Senator Richardson, of Kingston, President of the
Cataraqui Golf and Country Club

the old skating rink could not have been kept going. It was only after a great deal of coaxing he was induced to take up golf, but it did not take him long to succumb to the lure of the game, and for the past three years he played the Royal and Ancient sport continuously. He was on the Kingston course two days before he died, and would have been there the day before his death had it not been that we was even fonder of hunting than of golf.

He spent the afternoon of Saturday, October 26th shooting ducks, and rowed himself some ten or twelve miles. Saturday evening he spent playing billiards at his home. He retired about eleven o'clock. In the morning he was found dead in bed, and had passed away without even a tremor.

He is survived by his wife, three daughters and three sons. The eldest son is in the Royal Air Force, the second in the Navy and the third is a cadet at the Royal Military College, Kingston.

The papers of the day have borne tribute to the late Senator's public life. He had a firm belief in Canada's destiny, and was prepared to spend the balance of his life in the public service. The City of Kingston never had a better or more unselfish friend, but it is as a tribute to this clean, hard hitting sportsman that this article is written.

WILL GIVE UP YACHTING FOR GOLF

CAPTAIN EYTON L. WILLIAMS, who was among the distinguished "Oneers" this season, writes thus entertainingly to the "Canadian Golfer" from the Sanitarium, Balfour, B.C.:

I am coming on well here and rapidly improving in health. Our M. O. advises me not to take any chances on an Ontario winter this year, so I expect to go to California in January, and will show up in Toronto with the daisies in the spring.

We have a new secretary now, Lieut. C. E. S. Neill, Capt. Gray having been discharged as cured and gone back to civil life.

The golf here is still fine, weather good and as the snow never comes here until after December 15th, another good month's playing is expected. The mountains surrounding this valley are covered with snow now, but they act as a buffer and it never gets cold in here, I mean like the Ontario cold, but lots of snow, six or eight feet, I hear. This golfing game "sure does get one," and there is a good reason why. I never thought I was going to "fall for it," but I have. I've had a share in a Toronto club for years and have never used it, as for the last ten years or so I've been sailing, but after my golf experience here I'm ready to sell my share in the yacht any time.

After this club got started we invited some people from Nelson, B.C., (our County Town), to play, and now they have bought a property and will start in the spring there with nine holes. The moving spirit there is Mr. Wragge, Barrister.

"CANADIAN GOLFER" IN THE WEST

OWING to the remarkable development of golf in the West, the "Canadian Golfer" in future will devote considerable more space to chronicling the happenings of the links in the western centres—especially during the coming season.

Mr. William Gunn has been appointed representative in Winnipeg, and will look after subscriptions in that territory. He will also be pleased to receive and forward golf news and items of interest. His address is 456 Young Street, Winnipeg.

Mr. William Kinnear, of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, is also an authorized agent.

The Winnipeg News Co. has the handling of the magazine for the bookstores in Manitoba.

In Calgary, Alta., the "Canadian Golfer" is on sale at the National News Stand, and the Alexander Cigar and News Stand.

The subscription price of the "Canadian Golfer," unlike the majority of magazines and newspapers, will not be advanced, at any rate not for the next few months. It is \$3 per year in advance, postage prepaid to any part of the Dominion.

EAST vs. WEST

THE letter from Mr. T. Wall, of Montreal, in the November issue, in reference to a match the coming season between representative teams of the golfers of the East and West, preferably in Winnipeg, has been very favourably received by a number of prominent Ontario golfers.

Mr. George S. Lyon, the amateur champion, in a chat with the "Canadian Golfer" the other day, displayed much interest in the proposal to take a team of Ontario and Quebec players out West in 1919. He has, in company with other golfers here, many

engagements ahead of him the coming year, including the championships in July, the Seniors' Golfers' Tournament at Lambton and International match at Apawamis, Rye, N.Y., probably in September, but does not see insuperable difficulties in the way of such a visit, which would undoubtedly do a great deal for golf in the West and East alike.

It is to be very much hoped in the interest of the game that such a fixture can be arranged. It would provoke unexampled interest throughout golfing circles from coast to coast.

QUESTION OF THE PAR OF COURSES

William Kinnear, Professional, Saskatoon Golf Club, Presents a New Scheme Which Has Much to Recommend it

WHEN handicappers are handicapped by a system of handicapping that does not exactly suit the situation, some change should be worked into the scheme of things whereby it would be possible to eliminate faults in the system to a minimum.

The base that handicappers in golf work from, is either par or bogey, and various systems are used in arriving at players' handicaps.

The movement that is taking place among clubs and associations throughout the country is for a system of handicapping to govern players' handicaps so that they will be equitable on a strange links while playing under home club handicaps.

To handicap from bogey, if a fair basis could be established from which to work would, I consider, be the fairest method of handicapping because everything in the nature of difficulties, also length, are taken into consideration when the bogey of a hole is set, no value being put on the hole, only a certain amount of strokes being allotted for the hole, and we say it's an easy 4, but it's very seldom done in 3, so it's bogey 4. Because if it's an easy 4 we must still use 4 strokes, but if we

could use a half stroke we would call it $3\frac{1}{2}$ bogey. So bogey uses strokes just as we do ourselves in playing a round.

Par on the other hand, is reckoned by distance, irrespective of hazards or poor playing conditions, uphill or downhill, or on the level, the par is the same for certain distances.

If experts could be sent out by associations to set bogey for links under their jurisdiction a great part of the problem would be solved, for, until holes on links are standardized (and that never can happen in golf), par always will remain an inexact computation in golf.

We speak of par in terms of value, but how does it work out in golf? We say that a certain hole is an easy bogey 4, but it would be out of the question to call it a 3 bogey, the hole being 310 yards with only a cross bunker to carry from the tee, say 120 yards away, and plain sailing to the hole. Of course, a 310 yard hole can be as hard a 4 as a 400 yard hole is, at times.

But what of the par on the 310 yard hole with only the easy carry from the tee, as compared to the 425 yard hole with a key bunker near to the hole calling for a shot, placed, not only for distance, but position? Let us leave

out of the question the bunkers on the hole, that is a bogey point to be considered, and take the actual distance to be traversed. The par player on a 310 yard hole is practically playing an approach putt on his second shot, and with the command that he has over his club at such a short distance from the hole, it's 2 to 1 he makes the putt, and has a three, if the green is as we would like all greens to be.

Now if it is 2 to 1 against Mr. Par making a 3, and he will never take more than 4, it shows that his average would be $3\frac{1}{2}$; that would be the value of the hole in strokes, on a 310 yard hole.

On a 425 yard hole a par player is getting on the green (not all the while), in two strokes, but some distance from the hole having an approach putt, and its 100 to 1 against, not the player making the putt, but making the hole in 3, giving an average on the hole of 4. Value of this 425 yard hole is therefore 4.

So between a hole 225 yards and a hole 425 yards there is a difference in par of one.

There is also a difference of one in par between a 225 yards hole and a hole of 310 yards, when the actual difference in value is only a half, which does not show in the present method of fixing par, and certainly par should show values.

What is wanted is some method that will eliminate the difference between a hard par hole and an easy par hole, and as near as possible, showing proper values.

One may say we could discriminate right down the line, showing values down to $1/100$, but that would be going too far. For instance, a 226 yards hole would be par 3 as at present. We would not care to call it par $3\frac{1}{100}$ if we fix the $3\frac{1}{2}$ limit at 325 yards.

There will always be the difficulty at the line of demarcation, but we can lessen the difficulty which is so flaring in the present method by introducing halves.

I shall give you a concrete illustration of the unfairness of the par values as the present method shows, by comparing the cards of two clubs, one in the East and one in the West.

Take the card of the Country Club of Montreal, length 6,047 yards, par 72, a good par, and the card of the Swift Current Golf Club, length 5,028 with a correct par of 70.

Here the St. Lambert player has to play 1,019 yards with two strokes allowance. I ask at this point: Would not the par player at Swift Current be getting a handicap from the player who was playing par at St. Lambert?

Without further comparing the two cards I shall put before you the distances for par which I think would be equable, following which the two cards will be set out in detail with the new par added.

Up to 225 yards, par 3; from 226 yards to 325 yards par $3\frac{1}{2}$; from 326 yards to 425 yards par 4; from 426 yards to 475 yards par $4\frac{1}{2}$; from 476 yards to 525 yards par 5; from 526 yards to 625 yards par $5\frac{1}{2}$.

Starting with par 3 at 225 yards, I base it on the data got by a golfing scribe in the States, who enquired from what he thought were the best 100 players in the United States the average length drive of each, and the average of the total was 225 yards.

Ouimet confessed to an average of 225 yards, so among all the stars Ouimet is only an average driver and gets 225 yards.

The bogey at Swift Current looks ridiculous but that is beside the point, and although I cite the card of this Swift Current Club, we have only to stay in Ontario to find cards with par or bogey as unfair to the players who may derive their handicaps from par and bogey figures on a course such as the card of the Swift Current Club shows.

There is no doubt that the figures I have set forth will make par harder in almost every case, exceptions being on such courses as Lambton, St. Lambert and other courses that have holes which are according to authorities of good golfing length. Players who are acquainted with a number of courses should figure out the par on the different courses by the new method and draw comparisons.

One other change which would be welcomed, is the method of putting a

man plus, as is the custom in the Old Country, it would make handicapping no more complex, but would put the supergolfer in a class by himself, as all par players should be, even if for sentimental reasons only. For instance, if we base our handicaps from par we have not half a dozen men in the country on the scratch mark. No more than one dozen with a handicap between the mark and—5, with a hundred to two hundred on a mark of 6 or 7, which mark I would make scratch. It would be the means of bringing the club handicaps down to a near scratch basis at any rate.

Herewith cards of the Country Club, Montreal, and the Swift Current Golf Club, Saskatchewan:

COUNTRY CLUB OF MONTREAL

Hole	Yards	Par	Bogey	New Par
1	542	5	6	5½
2	325	4	5	3½
3	328	4	5	4
4	208	3	4	3
5	430	5	5	4½
6	142	3	3	3
7	310	4	4	3½
8	115	3	3	3
9	550	5	6	5½
Out	2,950	36	41	35½
10	555	5	6	5½
11	170	3	4	3
12	428	5	5	4½

13	300	4	4	3½
14	191	3	4	3
15	367	4	5	4
16	360	4	5	4
17	190	3	4	3
18	536	5	6	5½
In	3,097	36	43	36
Out		36	41	35½
Total		72	84	71½

SWIFT CURRENT GOLF CLUB

Hole	Yards	Par	Bogey	New Par
1	283	4	5	3½
2	263	4	4	3½
3	139	3	4	3
4	176	3	4	3
5	318	4	5	3½
6	261	4	5	3½
7	502	5	6	5
8	292	4	5	3½
9	280	4	5	3½
Out	2,514	35	43	32
In	2,514	35	43	32
Total	5,028	70	86	64

[This article of the Saskatoon expert is a very carefully thought out and interesting one. The "Canadian Golfer" would like to have a discussion from well known followers of the game in various parts of the Dominion.—Editor.]

BIG U. S. GOLF COMPANY

Intends to Exploit the Growing Canadian Market

MR. CHARLES L. MILLAR, of Mappin Building, Victoria St., Montreal, has just been appointed sole agent for Canada of the Burke Golf Company, of Newark, Ohio, one of the biggest concerns on the continent.

Mr. Millar, who was for many years connected with the leading golf firms in Scotland writes the "Canadian Golfer":

"I was down at the factory at Newark for two weeks arranging for the sole Canadian agency through the factory, and I thought I knew the golf trade from A to Z, but I can assure you that I got an education there, as I never saw clubs made in such a thorough and satisfactory manner, and their hickory department was an 'eye-opener' to me. They have over a million shafts now all ready seasoned for sending out, and all their hickory is wind dried in the open for two and a half years before being sent out, and the manner

in which they keep, store and season same was a perfect revelation to me; also their forging and head turning departments are equipped in a manner far beyond anything I ever saw before; they also make everything in their own factory and guarantee delivery of all orders sent them within fourteen days from receipt, which is a very great thing these days.

I would also mention that Mr. William Burke, the president of the company, is the American hickory expert, recognized all over the States as such."

Mr. Millar intends to carry a full stock of the famous Burke golf clubs, bags, etc., in Montreal, and is shortly leaving for a trip through to the Coast with a full line of samples. The "Canadian Golfer" has had very pleasant business relations with Mr. Millar for the past three years and cannot speak too highly of him. The Burke products should have a big vogue in the Dominion the coming record season.

GOLF IN THE UNITED STATES

By the Runner-up.

ALTHOUGH little has been said to outsiders by members of the Seniors' association about others utilizing their trade mark, the feeling has been growing among the oldsters who founded that famous fixture that the title is being borrowed too indiscriminately to render silence golden much longer. No serious objection has ever been taken to the use of the label by the Philadelphia veterans for their district affair, nor to the same thing by Mr. George Wright, of Boston, although that is a personal event. But when it comes to a score of clubs the country over swooping down upon the senior's title for annual neighborhood competitions, the disposition is unanimous to request a halt. The Apawamis seniors do not fear competition. On the contrary they say, "the more the merrier." There is only one fly in their ointment—the multiplication of such home contests bound to eventually largely increase the number of Apawamis candidates. There is no question whatever that the age limit at Rye will have to be slightly raised soon, although the proposal was once rejected. A two-year jump to the 57th milestone is favored by many, although it would probably be accomplished only a year at a time.

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Queries are being received from many clubs as to the details of the annual senior affair, established a few weeks ago by the Plainfield (N. J.) Country Club, which despite war, attracted 32 home contestants, ranging in age from 50 (too low a limit in most opinions), to 78 years. It was followed by a dinner and merrymaking. Much the same thing was brought about in camouflaged form by the Forest Park Club, Brooklyn, through its so-called "special one hundred" tourney, this fall. It was open only to those who had not bettered 100 strokes during the season and with handicaps of 25 strokes or more. Although there was slight stigma attached to such an affair for near-incurables, it brought out a larger

field than expected and one man was so interested he insisted upon contributing two prizes.

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What the executives of the Senior association would like is to have clubs at their approaching annual meetings provide that all home affairs between elders be given a name that does not trench upon the original fixture and also see that too low a limit be not placed on such inter-club affairs, thereby starting off the oldsters too early upon the toboggan, making them positively ferocious, to get a whack at the Apawamis prizes, long before they reach 55 years.

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Sooner or later the death of Morton Plant is certain to have an important bearing on two widely-known courses, Belleair and Shenacosssett. He spent a surprising amount on both links, more indeed than almost any other hotel proprietor that can be named. Although a yachtsman, he was not a golfer in the ordinary sense of the word, although he occasionally put in a short round, principally for exercise. Golf, rather, was one of his fads. Inevitably, through his hotels, he derived some revenue from the game but probably not half of what he put out thereon, if the cost of the prizes for professionals is included. Possibly his estate will continue the Connecticut open championship, but it is doubtful. Eventually the Nutmeg state association will shoulder the fixture, but for the next few years its exchequer will hardly be able to stand the gaff.

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The unanimity with which country clubs cut out raising garden sass on their odd spots of ground, this season, despite the tremendous propaganda launched the year before, was one of this season's most significant developments. The plan of asking members to turn in by squads and help improve the turf and course was better maintained, but it is doubtful if that scheme would have held another year had the

war lasted. For instance, a group of members of the Marine and Field Club, Brooklyn, in turning over rocks, digging trenches, etc., got a lively touch of poison ivy, late in the fall, and one of them, a doctor, who ought to have known better, if anybody should, was laid up for eleven days. His hands so swelled he could not grasp a club or pencil, so his time was well-nigh lost.

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Unquestionably, the ending of the war, this fall, has saved many clubs from bankruptcy, or a staggering load of special assessments that would have curbed improvements and trimmed activities for years. With a few exceptions, clubs went along blithely until the 18 to 45 draft, which was sapping the life-blood of most of the smaller organizations.

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Fortunately there is a year ahead in which to take the first really long breaths since the first half of 1914. As the fighters come trooping back from camps and overseas, they will be keener for outdoor sport than ever before, but a large percentage cannot afford membership in ordinary clubs. The only answer to the question will be "Municipal links." Such figures as are obtainable in these confused days, show that approximately 35 American cities now maintain about fifty public courses, Chicago having five and New York four. The tendency in that direction is well typified by San Francisco, which started with six holes, increased to ten, and last August attained the dignity of a full 18-hole stretch. In spite of the war, about 600 cards a month have been taken out there, with a weekly playing average of 1,000, and that over ten holes. It seems likely the patronage will soon be on a par with Seattle, which has less population but, boasted 52,000 starters at the first tee, last year. Skipping to the east for comparison, at Long Range, Rochester, notwithstanding war, opened a second public course of nine holes last summer, while Bridgeport—America's Essen—reports its links as congested at ordinary hours on every day of pleasant weather.

The greatest drawback, next year, will be the sky-high price of balls and clubs, which must be materially reduced to induce novices to play much, especially balls, which are so easy to lose.

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With the dawn of peace, some organizations generously disposed toward humanity must begin all over again. For instance, the Women's eastern association emptied its tin box into the lap of the Red Cross. Everything indicates that all the old time women's contests will be resumed next year and a few new ones established beside. One of the latter will be a Metropolitan championship for girls, voted last January, but postponed at the last minute because of the pressure of events.

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One of the larger Detroit automobile concerns, partly engaged in munitions, the past year, acquired an 18-hole course for its help, and another season will provide a club house.

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One winter club in the north which for twenty years had retained a professional widely considered an efficient, particularly of late, has reappointed him for another term. But, as the breakfast food men say, "there's a reason." He receives no salary, gaining his entire income from the proceeds of club-making and selling.

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Writing to the "Sportsman," of London, from the German prison camps of Ruhleben, just before the war ended, a well-known baseball player said: "Golf is the most popular of all games, because you can play it all day. There were 500 members in the club. Not a single blade of grass could be found on the place, but that did not matter. There were nets where you could practice driving and greens—we kept up the old idea of calling them greens—where you could practice putting. I have always been fond of golf and so spent day after day from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. on the 'links.' I never used to grow tired of the sport."

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Gen. E. M. Weaver, who lately re-

tired as chief of Coast Artillery, and whose absence from the Senior's handicap, last September, was widely felt, for 25 years followed a line that should have enabled him to drop balls with startling exactness. While at Fort Monroe, as Captain, he developed mortar battery practice to such perfection

he was able to drop shells one after another in Hampton Roads within a charted space of ten feet square at three miles distance. The utility of howitzer or mortar warfare in the European war, has demonstrated how far-seeing were the mortar experts a few years ago.

INDOOR GOLF COURSE

Interesting Experiment will be tried at the Granite Rink, Toronto

MR. JOHN RENNIE, of Toronto, known the Dominion over as an expert bowler and curler, has, like his distinguished brother, Major-General Rennie, and that other noted bowler and curler, Mr. Thomas Rennie, recently taken up most enthusiastically the game of golf.

Mr. Rennie doesn't like the idea of giving up the sport altogether during the long winter months, so he has been the prime mover in starting an indoor golf course in the big rink at the Granite Club, Toronto, which will be opened up this month. Three "courses," 50 feet in length and 12 feet wide have been installed in the gallery of the rink at the west end. A sheet of duck has been placed at the end of each of these courses and the player will be given three shots at this with a driver or brassie, a cleek or

midiron, and a mashie or niblick. Bunkers have been arranged on the sides of each of the three courses, and getting into the bunker will cost three strokes. If the "duck" is fairly hit, one stroke only will be recorded. If the ball goes to the side of the sheet two strokes will be registered.

In conversation with the "Canadian Golfer," the other day in Toronto, Mr. Rennie was very enthusiastic about this innovation, which he maintains, and rightly so too, will keep the golfer at the "top of his swing," during the winter months and will especially inculcate the doctrine of "straight" driving. The experiment will be watched with much interest by golfers throughout the country. It opens up big possibilities, especially amongst the curling fraternity and patrons of rinks.

NO WINTER AT SUMMERVILLE, S. C.

SUMMERVILLE, S.C., is a quaint old town, with truly southern characteristics. It is situated on a strip of land about fifteen miles long and five miles wide west of Charleston, S.C. It has been pronounced one of the most healthy spots in the United States, owing to the fact that snow and ice are almost unknown there, and the whole tract is either covered with or surrounded by a heavy growth of long-leaf ferns. The climate from December to March is ideal. Pine trees grow everywhere, in the front and back yards and even in the middle of the main streets. Under the law they cannot be injured in any way.

The leading winter resort hotel of

Summerville, very popular with golfers of Canada and visitors generally, is the Pine Forest Inn, situated in a great grove of pine trees, and is regarded as one of the most restful and health giving spots in the sunny south.

There is a change in the management of the Inn this year, although the new Manager, Mr. Willard A. Senna, is by no means a stranger to the guests of the hotel, having been manager there for about seven winters previous to 1910. He is perfectly familiar with every detail of the managing of the Inn, and will be very glad to welcome the old guests again this year, as well as to help make the visit of any new guests most enjoyable.

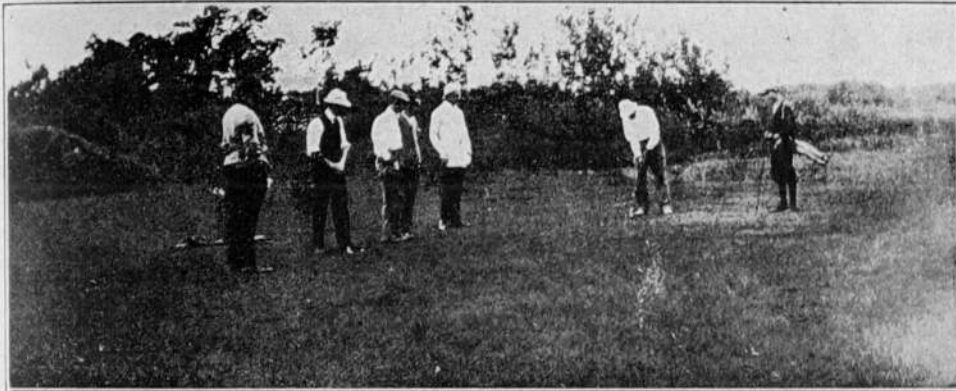
GOLF IN THE WEST

**How the Enthusiasm for the Royal and Ancient is Increasing in Winnipeg—
Assiniboine Golf Club, Only Started Two Seasons Ago, Has More Than
Doubled Its Membership and is Already Planning
18-hole Course**

DURING its inception from the time (1916) a few golf enthusiasts met together on the prairie

that the 250 mark will be reached during 1919.

Much of the credit of the club's heal-



A View of the Assiniboine Golf Course, President Lawson Putting.



A Charming Group of Assiniboine Lady Players

outside Winnipeg, the Assiniboine Golf Club has grown in two short years to be a factor to be reckoned with in golfing circles in the Winnipeg District.

The club was regularly organized as such in 1917 and enjoyed a membership of some 60. In 1918 this had grown to 160 and it is a safe prophecy

thy growth is due to its principal founder and present President, Mr. J. D. Lawson, who has worked unceasingly to safeguard its interests. Mr. Lawson's figure and characteristic swing is familiar to every Assiniboiner, and his absence (if such a thing ever really occurred) from the links on any even-

ing was sure to provoke comment on the part of the members.

The course is situated in St. James, a suburb of Winnipeg and being only some four miles from the heart of the city is easily and quickly reached by street car. At present it constitutes a well balanced nine hole course of 3,045 yards. The original course was materially altered and improved in August, 1918, when Mr. A. A. McCoubrey, convener of the Green's committee took charge and some uninteresting holes were cut out and replaced by some sporty two-shot and a very interesting blind one-shot hole.

The officers for the past season, which

a very interesting course will undoubtedly be secured.

The list of prize-winners for the past season is as follows:

Club Championship—R. Y. Wilcock; runner-up, J. K. Livingstone.

Monthly Medal—J. Masson; runner-up, R. Y. Wilcock.

Birks Trophy—R. Y. Wilcock; runner-up, J. K. Livingstone; semi-finalists, T. Swann and A. A. McCoubrey.

Fisher Cup—J. Rankine; runner-up, J. Gordon.

Carter Cup—J. Fleming; runner-up, W. Sadler.

President's Trophy—A. C. Scott; runner-up, C. Kreger.



Mr. R. Y. Wilcock, Winner of the Club Championship, 1918



Mrs. Charles Kreger, Winner of the Ladies' Championship Playing from the 13th Tee

has been a very successful one, are as follows:

President, J. D. Lawson; Vice-President, T. Swann; Secretary, M. W. Deed; Treasurer, W. Isles; Convener of Sport and Green Committee, A. A. McCoubrey; Convener of House Committee, E. W. Seyffert; with Messrs. W. E. Watson, L. T. Sargent and J. Fleming as the remaining members of the Board of Governors.

Arrangements have been made by the Board to secure additional land in the vicinity of the present course and tentative plans have been drawn up for a new 18-hole course. It is the intention of the club to start work on the new course early in the spring and as it is situated in charmingly treed country,

Bell Shield—D. Olson; runner-up, J. Gordon.

“Goat” Competition—J. Fleming; runner-up, A. A. McCoubrey.

Bogey Competition—L. T. Sargent.

Richardson Trophy—Mrs. Chas. Kreger; 2nd, Mrs. J. Fleming; 3rd, Mrs. J. D. Lawson.

Two Ball Foursome—W. Sadler and W. McClement; 2nd, D. Olson and J. Fleming.

Mixed Foursome—Mrs. Parker and A. A. McCoubrey; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kreger.

Mixed Foursome—Mrs. Bell and W. McClement; Mrs. Lawson and M. W. Deed.

CHAMPIONSHIPS IN 1919

MR. FRANK A. ROLPH, President of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, is still in Washington, D.C., fulfilling the important duties there of chairman of the Canadian War Mission. He will return to Toronto for the Xmas holidays, however, and whilst there a meeting of the directors of the R.C.G.A. will be held, when the question of championships for 1919 and other important matters, nearly a dozen or so, will be discussed.

That the R.C.G.A. will decide on the resumption of the championships does not admit of a doubt. Mr. Rolph himself writes the "Canadian Golfer" from Washington:

"In regard to the championship meets for next season, I am strongly in favor of these being held, and have no doubt that the rest of the executive will feel likewise. I sincerely trust that many of our members will be home from overseas by the time they are held, and we should have a right royal time."

Lieut.-Col. P. J. Myler, of Hamilton, Vice-President of the R.C.G.A., also tells the "Canadian Golfer" that he is whole-heartedly in favour of the championships being revived next year.

Mr. T. B. Reith, Vice-President, Montreal, writes the Editor to the same effect.

The amateur champion, Mr. George S. Lyon, a director of the R.C.G.A., voices the same sentiments, as also do several of the other directors. In fact, there is not a dissentient voice.

Golfers of Canada may therefore take it for granted that the amateur championship will be held in 1919 at Lambton (which should have held the meeting in 1915), and that the dates, following the custom of recent years, will be so arranged as to include Dominion Day, July the first.

At one time the championships were always held in the autumn, but experience has proven that the end of June and the first week in July is the ideal time for the staging of the premier golfing events of the year in Canada. The weather then is generally ideal, the courses are at their best and the majority of golfers find it more convenient then to spend a week or so on the links. The amateur champion-

ship has not been played for since 1914, when The Royal Ottawa had the honour of entertaining the entrants.

The open championship has also been in abeyance since 1914, when it was played for over the Toronto course. Until 1911 the amateur and open championships were always played for over the same course, but in 1912 it was decided to play the open in the East when the amateur was in the West, and vice versa. If this rule holds good again in 1919, then the open will not take place at Lambton, but in Montreal.

The Ladies' Championship has never been held at the same time or place as the amateur. It was last played for in 1913 at Montreal over the Royal Montreal course.

In 1914 it was arranged to play it at Lambton on September 28th, 29th, 30th, Oct. 1st and 2nd, but war having broken out in the meantime, the event was cancelled. Lambton is therefore really entitled also the coming year to the Ladies' Championship, as well as the men's amateur event. However, this and other questions will be satisfactorily settled by the R.C.G.A. directors at their meeting this month.

The only championship courses so far recognised have been The Royal Ottawa, The Royal Montreal, Toronto and Lambton. The amateur, however, was once played for in Quebec in 1896. In 1912 Rosedale, Toronto, had the open championship and also the Ladies' championship. Hamilton and other courses are now certainly eligible for the events, or will be in the course of another season or so.

Lambton, with its splendid links and superb club accommodation will certainly be an ideal place for the big after-the-war re-union of golfers in the championship of 1919, and a record field of entries can be counted upon, after a lapse of four years of championship golf. It is to be sincerely hoped especially, that the big field of western golfers which have sprung up since 1914 will make it a point to be strongly represented at Lambton next July.

FAMOUS PLAYER AND GOLF ARCHITECT

Has Accepted the Position of Professional for Mount Bruno Golf Club

GOLFERS of Canada will hear with a great deal of interest that Willie Park, the celebrated golf architect and player is coming next season to Canada, having accepted the position of professional at the Mount Bruno Country Club, the very prominent new club near Montreal, which will be formally opened the coming year.

Willie Park has had a wonderful career on the links. He was born in Musselburgh in 1864 and when 23 years of age won the open championship (1887) repeating the performance in 1889. In 1898 he was runner-up. He defeated J. H. Taylor over Musselburgh and Sudbrooke Park in 1897 in a match for £100. He also defeated W. Fernie

over Musselburgh and Troon in 1898 and Ben Sayers over Musselburgh and North Berwick in 1889 for the same stakes. He played for Scotland v. England in 1903-04-05-07-10. He formed one of the three judges at the International Golf Exhibition in 1910. He is particularly well known as a golf architect, having several courses of note to his credit in Great Britain.

In 1916 he came out to the United States, making his headquarters in New York. Since coming to this country he has been kept very busy laying out new courses in the States and Canada.

Montreal is to be congratulated on having such a notable all-round golfer and celebrated golf architect take up his residence there.

TALL GOLFER HAS "EDGE" ON SMALLER

HEIGHT and strength are undoubtedly advantages to the man who aims to be a golfer removed from the dub class, but this does not necessarily mean that exceptional physical development helps in playing the game. In fact, the measure of strength which is represented by abnormally developed muscles is inclined to be more of a hindrance than a help. A certain wiriness in the wrists is essential, but it is not in any way necessary that they should be abnormally strong. Flexibility is the power needed and exceeding strength is not always conducive to flexibility.

In the playing of all shots in which force has to be applied, height is an undoubted advantage. It enables the golfer to stand well over the ball and at the same time get all the power required into the stroke without the aid of the acrobatic contortions which the small man often has recourse to when he considers it necessary to apply a little more strength than is customary.

The tall man finds the task of playing out of rough places much more simple than does his shorter brother. In playing such a stroke it is necessary that the club should be brought down vertically upon the ball, and the man below average height when employing an exceptionally vertical swing loses power.

Again, the tall individual with his length of arm can afford to utilize a comparatively short club and still impart all the force he wishes to. The shorter man must use a club of at least average length, and more often than not in order to obtain sufficient length he has recourse to a club long beyond the normal, which is always more difficult to control than a short one.

There are compensations for the short man, such as the fact that he is better able to focus the ball on account of his eyes being nearer the object with which he is dealing; and, moreover, a man of small physique is invariably better balanced physically than his bigger brother.





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CURLING AND SKI-ING

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Ski-ing, too, more particularly in the Montreal district, is becoming every



winter an increasingly popular sport and many predict for it a greater vogue than any other winter game. At the St. Margaret's Golf Club in Terrebonne County, some 50 miles from Montreal, the devotees of ski-ing have the jolliest kind of weekend parties, and long tramps are held over the golf links and the neighboring mountains beyond. 'Tis a glorious sport, and younger golfers especially would do well to take it up.

SARNIA'S SUCCESSFUL LADY GOLFERS

THE annual presentation of prizes of the Sarnia Ladies' Golf Club was held Saturday afternoon, November 16th, the prizes being presented by Mrs. Kiene, the president of the Ladies' Club.

The prizes were won by the following ladies:

Putting and Approaching, June 7—(Donated by Mrs. F. W. Kittermaster)—won by Mrs. A. N. Hayes.

Qualifying Round for the Pardee Cup—Donated by Miss Pardee—Won by Miss G. Symington.

Tombstone Golf, July 16th—(Donated by Mrs. W. A. Watson)—Won by Miss F. Flintoft.

Blind Bogey, July 26th—(Donated by Miss H. Taylor)—Won by Mrs. A. N. Hayes.

Driving Contest, August 14th—(Donated by Mrs. R. B. McBurney)—Won by Mrs. W. A. Watson.

High Pitched Mashie Shot, August 14th—

(Donated by Miss K. Murphy)—Won by Mrs. A. N. Hayes.

Putting Contest, August 20th—(Donated by Miss M. Milne)—Won by Mrs. A. N. Hayes.

Putting and Approaching, Oct. 23rd—(Donated by Mrs. D. F. MacWatt)—Won by Miss M. Milne.

Pardee Cup—(18 holes)—(Presented by F. F. Pardee)—Won by Miss G. Symington.

Runner-up Prize—(Donated by S. L. McKay)—Won by Mrs. N. McWhinney.

Hayes Cup—(12 holes)—(Presented by Mrs. A. N. Hayes)—Won by Mrs. W. A. Watson.

Runner-up Prize—(Donated by the Golf Club)—Won by Mrs. A. N. Hayes.

Kiene Cup—Presented by Mrs. E. P. Kiene)—(Handicap Medal Round)—Won by Miss R. MacKenzie.

Lowest Score for Nine Holes in a Medal Round—(Name to go on Shield)—Won by Mrs. A. N. Hayes.

Ringer Board—(Prize donated by Miss R. Mackenzie)—A Class—Tied by Mrs. W. A. Watson and Miss G. Symington.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA NOTES

BRITISH COLUMBIA is very much in evidence these days as regards golf. At Nelson this winter arrangements are being made to start a golf club there.

At Grand Forks they have a very interesting little course of 2,200 yards not previously reported to the "Canadian Golfer." The honorary president of the club is the Hon. Martin Burrell, Secretary of State. Mr. D. J. Campbell is the president, and Mr. D. C. Manly the secretary-treasurer. Out of seven members of the club who enlisted, two have paid the supreme price.

At Vernon, B.C., another unreported club has quite a unique organization.

Mr. E. F. Lloyd writes the "Canadian Golfer":

"We are in rather a curious position for a golf club. We are not a club nor do we have any claim on our course. The course, 2,197 yards, was laid out by an expert from Chi-

cago, and made some six or seven years ago on about 100 acres of uncultivated land immediately south of the city limits. In a year or two, the original promoters having left, the course was nearly abandoned, but about ten players agreed to subscribe a small sum annually to fence the sand greens and do any other necessary work. This year we have spent approximately \$60.00 in getting fresh sand and fencing, but the course is open to any player. We have about twelve men and six or seven women who play. Any visitor would be welcomed by the players. The ground is unfortunately hard and rough, nor is there any fairway, but the growth all over is very light. The ground is broken up a good deal with gulches and there is lots of variety in the holes. The record of our course is 36, made November 23rd of this year by Mr. John McClounie.

[The enthusiasts at Vernon are certainly to be congratulated in keeping the golf flag flying during the past war years. May they have their energy rewarded by a regular organised club in the years to come. That record of 36 for the course is certainly a good 'un.

GRACEFUL GIFT FROM U. S. CHAMPION

MR. CHARLES EVANS, JR., the U.S. open and amateur champion, it will be remembered, as a result of his visit to Winnipeg early this season, gave a duplicate set of his clubs to the golfers of that city, and a substantial sum for the Red Cross was raised as a result of the sale of tickets amongst golfers in a big drawing for these highly prized clubs.

Mr. Evans has very kindly consented to duplicate this generous gift to The Royal Canadian Golf Association and these clubs of the champion will in all probability be offered in connection with the R.C.G.A. "Big Drive" in 1919, which, following the great suc-

cess of the Thanksgiving Day on the links this season, is already an assured fact.

Mr. Evans, in his letter most generously states:

"I shall be pleased to give a duplicate set of my own clubs, or special ones, or even clubs out of my own bag. Please let me know the kind you think the Canadian golfers would like best, and I will try to do something for the Red Cross and the Canadians. Canadian golfers have a very warm place in my heart."

To which can be very truthfully added: Every Canadian golfer has a warm spot in his heart for Mr. "Chick" Evans and one of his clubs or a duplicate would be more highly prized than any other trophy imaginable.



THE GOLFERS' ROLL OF HONOUR

The Passing of Lieutenant Neil Hanna and Captain Douglas Weir

TWO very prominent golfing families in Canada since the signing of the armistice have been called upon to mourn the loss of gallant young sons. Capt. Douglas Weir, son of Mr. R. Stanley Weir, K.C., formerly Recorder of Montreal, died at Edinburgh on November the 12th, and Lieutenant Neil Hanna, in Italy, on November the 20th. The latter was the only son of the Honourable W. J. Hanna, K.C., for several years Provincial Secretary in the Ontario Government and formerly Dominion Food Controller.

Lieutenant Hanna joined the Canadian Artillery at the very outset of the war. Shortly thereafter he took his Commission as Lieutenant in the Imperial Artillery. At the first battle of the Somme he was seriously injured. Notwithstanding strong medical remonstrance that he was not fitted for active service again, he pluckily persisted in going back, and when he found he could not continue artillery work he joined the Flying Forces, and it was while a Lieutenant in the Flying Corps that he was killed in Italy last month.

He was described by all his chums as a particularly bright, clean, wholesome specimen of the very best type of young Canadian; cheery, courageous,

self-denying, and thoughtful for the comfort of others. He was very much loved.

A friend describing him said that he was reminded of the wonderful meed of praise which he himself always thought he would rather have carved on his tombstone than any other epitaph—the praise bestowed on a gallant young Canadian amateur by an ex-champion of England in the old days of London Prize Ring Rules. He, speaking of the young Canadian, said, "He wur a fine lad, as good a bit of stoof as I ever saw pull a shirt off!"

The Hon. W. J. Hanna, who is a prominent member of the Toronto & Sarnia Golf Clubs, Mrs. Hanna and the two sisters of the brilliant young officer are very much in the hearts and thoughts of friends throughout the Dominion these days.

Lieut. Hanna was only 23 years of age and when war broke out was

taking an arts course at the University of Toronto preparatory to the practice of law, in which his undoubted abilities predicated a future of very great promise, indeed. His passing is a distinct loss to the Province in which he was indubitably destined to take a prominent place.



The Late Lieutenant Neil Hanna

Captain Douglas Weir.

Golfing friends throughout the Dominion and the United States will sincerely sympathise with Mr. R. Stanley Weir, K.C., formerly Re-

recorder of Montreal, one of the best known and most brilliant golf writers on the continent, in the death of his son, Captain Douglas Weir, who suc-

cumbed from an attack of influenza in Edinburgh the day after the signing of the armistice.

Captain Weir was one of the first of the gallant young Canadians to go overseas, enlisting in the C.E.F. early in 1915. He quickly won a commission, and latterly had made a great name for himself both in France and Great Britain, in connection with his invaluable

work as one of the heads of the Forestry Division.

A splendid, clean-cut young Canadian has paid the price and he will be sorely missed, not only in the loving family circle but by many, many friends in Montreal, and district, where he had spent his life of so much promise, and where he was universally respected and admired.

PINEHURST NOTES

DONALD ROSS, the golfing architect, and Mrs. Ross, have again taken up their residence for the winter at Pinehurst, N.C.

Mr. Franklin H. Gates won the qualifying round of the opening tournament of the season the latter part of November. His medal was: 44-41=85.

The runner-up was Mr. J. M. Scott, 43-43=86. Third, Mr. J. H. Clapp, 43-44=87; and Mr. J. H. Dilworth, 43-44=87. There were 49 entries.

The next tournament will be the mid-winter event, December 28, 30, 31, January 1 and 2.

The big ball on Thanksgiving night

was a record one. There was a large attendance of men in uniform well known golfers and many distinguished visitors. The Carolina and other hotels have already a large list of guests.

Mr. J. Ernest Smith was the winner with a net 79 of the first Tin Whistle competition.

The Carolina Championship played on November 11 was won by Philip Shoots. It was not his "shooting" from the tee that won the cup for Philip, but his putting, which was nothing short of uncanny. He holed out time and again 20 yards and more from the pin.

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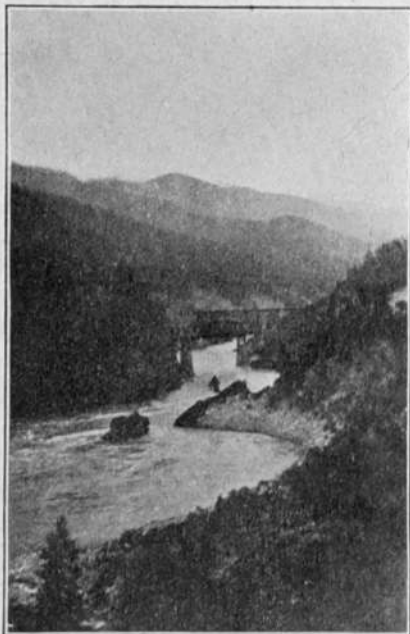
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INTERNATIONAL SENIORS' MATCH

A Team of Fifteen Players instead of Ten

AFTER the first International match by the Seniors at Montreal last September, the captains of the two teams agreed that in future the event should be limited to ten players on each side.

Since then, however, from the social standpoint of the game, it was thought perhaps, this was a mistake, and that a larger representation should be arranged for. The captains of the teams, Mr. Frank Presbrey, of New York, and Mr. George S. Lyon, of Toronto, were both agreeable to an increase and the matter was taken up with the U. S. Association by Mr. Presbrey, who, under date of December 5th, writes the

Hon. Secretary of the Canadian Seniors' Association:

"Our Association has decided to limit the team to fifteen members, and we shall pass the necessary by-laws to our constitution at the winter dinner of the Association, which will be held early in January."

So much interest was taken in the first International match that there will not be the slightest difficulty in getting 15 members to play in future encounters instead of ten. It will be remembered that the 1919 International match will be played at Apawamis, Rye, N.Y., and there will undoubtedly be keen rivalry upon the part of Canadian Seniors to qualify for the notable event.

VARDON POSSIBLY COMING

HARRY VARDON, in writing the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer," a few months ago, stated that it was the ambition of his life to again make a trip to the United States and Canada, and that after the war he would certainly do so.

The following despatch December 8th, from Chicago, would rather go to bear out the champion's wish expressed to this magazine:

"Harry Vardon, James Braid, Edward Ray and J. H. Taylor, English golf experts, who have won many championships and are

known to golfers on this side of the Atlantic, plan to visit America next season. This information is contained in a letter to Alex. Duncan, local professional, from his brother, George, in London, which was made public to-day.

The English professionals expect to engage in matches with American players and may enter the national and western championships."

Vardon and his confreres will certainly receive a royal reception in Canada in 1919 if they decide to come, and the "Canadian Golfer" is decidedly of the opinion that they will make the trip.

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IN AND ROUND THE CLUB HOUSE

Interesting Happenings in Canada, Great Britain
and United States

LAMBTON, Toronto, closed its club house on December 15th, to be re-opened again the first week in April. The annual meeting of the club will be held this month.

Mr. Fred. W. Kennedy, Secretary of the Mississauga Golf and Country Club, Toronto, after a most successful six-year tenure of office has resigned from the secretaryship of the club, the resignation this month being reluctantly accepted by the Board of Directors. Mr. Kennedy is not only an ideal man for a golf club, from a secretarial and managership standpoint, but he is also a golfer of a very high order indeed. He has had, it is understood, one or two good offers to go to the States, but there is a chance that his valuable golfing services will yet be retained in Canada.

Mrs. T. M. Hutchison, of The Royal Montreal Golf Club, who won the President's prize at the Ladies' Tournament at Dixie this autumn, is one of the best known players in the Montreal district. She is very enthusiastic about the game. Mrs. Hutchison won the chief prize in the Tournament with an excellent 86. Her husband is also a keen golfer. He has been a staunch member of The Royal Montreal ever since 1896, and spends most of his time outside of business hours, during the season on the links at Dixie.

Cadet Harry Hartop, from the R.A.F. camp at Beamsville, owing to engine

troubles, endeavored to make a landing on the St. Catharines golf links, but his machine struck the top of some trees and the aviator was seriously injured in the smash-up which followed, having both legs smashed above the knees and sustaining terrible cuts to his head. He had a miraculous escape from instant death.

Canadian Golfers who are contemplating this season going to Florida, the land of sunshine and golf, can make no mistake in choosing Daytona, "the prettiest winter resort in the world." When in Daytona make "The Ridgewood" your headquarters. It is the finest and best appointed hotel in Daytona and the "Canadian Golfer" can personally recommend it in the highest terms. Mr. E. P. Woodbury is the popular manager.



Mrs. Hutchison, of The Royal Montreal, winner of the President's Prize

Two years ago most people in close touch with golfing affairs thought that half the clubs in the country would have to close down. Yet the fact is that the number that have gone under certainly has not reached one hundred. In the London district the only clubs of note which have become defunct are West Drayton and Parglangley. What has happened in this area is representative of the state of affairs throughout the country. A wonderful element of vitality has asserted itself in crises. A resumption of activity on the links, which was marked in 1917, developed

considerably during the past summer, when plenty of courses were crowded to a degree of discomfort and prosperity which had not been touched since the peace era. If circumstances permit, golf will leap into vigour as quickly as any popular recreation of the old days.

The Paris Golf Club gave a most successful dance in the Town Hall on December the 3rd. There was a very large attendance and the sum of \$100 was realised by the ladies for patriotic purposes.

There will be a meeting of the Parks Board, Winnipeg, this month to consider the question of completing the splendid Municipal course in that city, which has been held up as a result of the financial situation consequent upon the war. There are hundreds of golfers and would-be golfers in Winnipeg anxiously anticipating the completion of the links.

Victoria, B.C., is the latest recipient of the silver spoon presented by the Sussex Godsmiths and Silversmiths Co. to any ladies' club which raised over £8 as the result of the Lady George Nevill "Queen's Work for Women" Fund Golf Medal Competitions. Miss F. Green, the Assistant Hon. Sec., writes they are delighted with the spoon, which the members consider so neat and pretty.

Arthur Ham, professional of the North Shore Golf Club, Skegney, Lincolnshire, England, writes the "Canadian Golfer," asking for information about Tom Gallop, whom he followed at Skegness. Gallop was the professional at the Victoria Golf Club, British Columbia, and enlisting in the Flying Corps unfortunately died last spring whilst in training in Toronto. He was a fine young chap and an excellent golfer. His next of kin is his mother, residing at the Isle of Wight. Ham, by the way, who is a plus 5 man at Skegney, is anxious to come out to Canada. He would prefer a position in British Columbia.

An error was made last month in stating that Mr. J. Monroe Hunter had

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made the record score (73), for the Norwood Golf Club, Winnipeg. It was the Winnipeg Golf Club where Mr. Hunter registered his capital performance.

A despatch from Paris says:

"President Wilson's known fondness for golf raises a problem for his French hosts, which will be very difficult to solve. Preparations are being made to procure links for his use within reach of the capital, for it is realized here that the President considers his favorite sport indispensable for his intellectual activity. Golf is not widely played among the French, and the problem of providing suitable partners from among French statesmen appears at the moment to be insurmountable. So far the only man in sight is Foreign Secretary Balfour, who will come over with Premier Lloyd George, but it is hoped there will be other golfers in the British delegation, which it has been announced will comprise about three hundred men."

Mr. E. Byron Hostetter, of New York, who spends his summers at Niagara-on-the-Lake, in ordering a year's subscription to his son in Lockport, N.Y., says: The "Canadian Golfer" is a magazine that should be on every gentleman's table."

Harold Wells, one of Nicol Thompson's assistants, was at Niagara Falls, N.Y., this autumn, looking after the tuition duties there. This new course was laid out by Thompson and is rapidly rounding into one of the best in New York state. Nine holes were open for play this season, and the full 18 will be fit next year. The magnificent new club house has been completed and in 1919 Niagara Falls, N.Y., will be one of the most popular objectives of golfers from both sides of the border. Make no mistake about it.

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Sir Lomer Gouin, versatile Premier of Quebec—he is generally slated as the logical successor to Sir Wilfred Laurier, is very much interested in golf and is often seen on the course of the historical Quebec Golf Club. Sir Lomer is among the distinguished men who recently have joined the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association.

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Hon. F. H. Phippen, K.C., who has been general counsel for the Canadian Northern Railway Company since 1909, has resigned. Mr. Phippen is a prominent member of the Toronto Golf and Hunt Clubs. He is succeeded by his former associate, Mr. G. Ruel, who is also a golfer.

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One of the prominent Toronto golf clubs is seriously considering re-vamping its 18-hole course the coming season and bringing it up to championship calibre. The project will be brought up at the annual meeting and prospects are that the Directors will be authorized to go ahead with the scheme, which will involve the expenditure of several thousands of dollars.

Golfers of the Dominion will sincerely sympathize with Mr. Jerome D. Travers, who recently was called upon to mourn the loss of his wife, formerly Miss Tiffany, of New York, from influenza. The U. S. ex-amateur and open champion had only been married two years or so. Although not so well known to Canadians as Mr. "Chick" Evans, the present U. S. open and amateur champion, Mr. Travers has not been an unfamiliar figure on the courses of the Dominion. Some five years ago



Sir Lomer Gouin, Premier of Quebec

he was a visitor to Toronto, where he played with Alex. Smith as a partner against Mr. G. S. Lyon and George Cumming, being defeated 2 and 1, and only last August, in company with Mr. J. G. Anderson, played in an exhibition Red Cross match at the Royal Montreal Golf Club, when he and his partner defeated the ex-amateur Canadian champion, Mr. G. H. Turpin and Mr. James Hill, captain of the Royal Montreal, after an intensely interesting game by 1 up, Mr. Travers, who won the U. S. amateur in 1907, 1908, 1912 and 1913, and the open in 1915, is easily one of the best exponents of the

Royal and Ancient ever produced on this continent, and has to be reckoned with still in any championships. It is very generally hoped his sad bereavement will not mean his absence from the links the coming season, which promises to be the most brilliant on record, both in the States and Canada.

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The President's prize, donated by Mr. W. R. Baker, at The Royal Montreal Golf Club this season was won by Mr. A. F. Baillie, whose victory was a

very popular one. The handsome cup presented to the club by Sir Charles Gunning was won by Mr. E. A. Macnutt, one of the club's best players. This cup will become the property of the player winning the competition three times. A very handsome sterling silver plate, with a view of the club house engraved in its centre, was given to the club by Mr. Harold Kennedy, to become the property of the first winner, who was Mr. R. E. MacDougall.

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Mr. B. L. Anderson, Hon. Secretary of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, was in Midland recently, and in company with Mr. James Playfair, who has taken such an active and prominent part in the launching of the project, went over the new 9-hole golf course, situated equa-distant between Midland and Penetang. Mr. Anderson, in a chat with the "Canadian Golfer," could not speak too highly of these new links. The "lay-out" and "general balance," he stated, were a revelation to him, and he places the new course as easily the best designed 9-hole golfing property in Ontario. He was immensely taken with both the long and short holes, everyone of which has "character" quite above the ordinary. A very pretty club house nestles amid the pine trees on an eminence, with a magnificent view of lake and shore. Nicol Thompson, of Hamilton, is responsible for this sporting course, whilst the "landscape gardening" end of it has been looked after by Mr. Fry, a well known English expert. Midland will have a big opening early next season, with several prominent amateur and professional golfers as the stellar attraction. Mr. Playfair and his associates are to be heartily congratulated on the splendid work they have accomplished for the sport-loving people of both Midland and Penetang. The new links should make both places popular summer retreats.

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Mr. H. C. Belton, Sarnia, writes:

"It was my good fortune to be one of the mighty nimrods along with the Hon. Secretary of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, on the recent hunting trip mentioned in your November issue. You might find out from the "Hon. Sec." whether it is easier to hit a deer or a golf ball. We practised our

"swing," with an axe, and it took some "follow through" to split our birch fire wood."

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Ken Marsh, one of George Cumming's capable proteges, has been engaged as professional for the London Hunt and Country Club the coming season. He is a good all round player and instructor, and should make exceedingly "good" at London, where the new 18-hole course, one of the best in Ontario, the coming season promises to be in splendid shape.

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After a recent exhibition match at the Garden City Golf Club, in which he defeated his old rival, Mr. Findlay S. Douglas, Mr. Walter R. Travis allowed the putter with which he won the British Championship (1904) to be sold by auction for the War Service campaign. It was bought for \$1,700 by Mr. L. H. Lapham, who presented it to the Garden City Golf Club.

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Letters have been sent out this month to the shareholders of the Summit Golf and Country Club, Toronto, in reference to the action to be taken the coming year in regard to the retention and developing of this property. The Summit Club was incorporated a year or so before the war broke out, a property of some 300 acres being acquired fifteen miles from the city. The location is ideal and several thousands of dollars were expended in laying out an 18-hole course, which experts say will be unequalled in the Toronto district. Then came the war, and all operations at Summit were discontinued. If vigorously taken hold of the coming season, it is generally thought that the property can be saved for the shareholders, and a successful club launched.

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A military correspondent draws a parallel between golf and the war game thus: Battles, like golf matches, are lost, not won. If one watches carefully a match between two skilled golfers, one will generally observe that it is not the greater proficiency of the victor that brings him out on top, but a mistake on the part of his opponent. That is exactly what the enemy did at the Marne—he blundered. When, on July 15th, he started to pinch off the Rheims salient, he ought to have known that the

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Allies' reserves, or a large part of them, would certainly be disposed "convenient" to the two threatened points most important to them—Abbeville and Paris. And Marshal Foch, like a good golfer, had the nerve to seize the advantage and to hang on to it to the end.

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Mr. Cabot Morse and Mr. George Kelly, two of the Boston District amateurs, have had quite a match this season. At last accounts they had played 825 holes, in total, and were on even terms.

Lieutenant Tom Stevenson, Royal Scots, killed in action, was gold medalist of the Bruntsfield Golfing Society, Edinburgh, and in July, 1914, he created the amateur record at Cruden Bay tournament.

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The death is announced in London of Mr. Duffield, one of the most prominent and philanthropic residents of the Forest City. Mr. H. F. Skey, captain of the golf section of the London Hunt and Country Club, writes: "He was a member of the club and was occasionally seen on the links with the Hon. Mr. Hyman, but was not a regular player. He was, however, most generous always in subscribing to every interest of the club and one of its best and most loyal supporters. He was a splendid citizen and a supporter of every good sport."

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A quiet wedding took place on Thursday, November 28th, at high noon, in High Park Presbyterian Church, Toronto, when Miss Leonette Martell was married to Mr. Frederick C. Armitage, Rev. Dr. Turnbull conducting the ceremony. The bride, who was given away by Mr. Ed. E. Walker, looked very charming in a suit of taupe velour de laine and hat of silver lace and seal. The bride was attended by Miss Laura E. Snell, who looked attractive in a suit of blue tricotine and black hat, and Mr. Robert A. Mackie acted as best man. The wedding music was played by Mr. Fred Plant. After the ceremony the wedding party returned to the home of Mrs. E. E. Walker, where a buffet luncheon was served. Mr. and Mrs. Armitage left for a motor trip through

the Eastern States. Mr. Armitage has been for some few years now the secretary of the Lakeview Golf and Country Club, Toronto, and the members showed their appreciation of the splendid service he has rendered them and golf generally by presenting him with a very handsome cabinet of Community silver. Mrs. Armitage is also very well known in golfing circles. Golfers throughout the Toronto District and Ontario will extend to them most cordial wishes for a happy married life, in which sentiment the "Canadian Golfer" most heartily joins.

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On December the fourth quite a number of the Toronto Golf Club members were enjoying a round of the links.

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Mr. Snetsinger, of Lowndes & Co., Toronto, a member of the Mississauga Golf Club, who had a serious attack of influenza, golfing friends will be glad to hear, is again out and about.

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The sporting 9-hole course at Camp Borden witnessed one of the last matches of the season, when George Cumming and W. M. Freeman, the well known Toronto pros. late in November visited the Camp and had a most interesting game with Corpl. Roberts, the English pro., and Cadet Grant, winning out by 5 and 3. The latter is a Philadelphian and was winner of the Murray Bay championship a season or so ago. He is a very good player, indeed.

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Official notification has reached Sir Frederick Stupart, Superintendent and Director of the Magnetic Observatory at Toronto, a Director of the Toronto Golf Club, of the conferring of the decoration of the Distinguished Flying Cross upon his son, Lieut. Alan Victor Stupart, who was wounded last August. Lieut. Stupart reached France as a pilot in the R.F.C. in August, 1917. In the last week in October, 1917, he was shot down, but just managed to reach the British lines. He was sent to England to rest and was placed on home defence. He reached France again on February 23rd, 1918, and was actively engaged over the lines until

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seriously wounded. The wording of the official notification of Lieut. Stupart's award is as follows: "Lieut. A. V. Stupart—A courageous and resolute officer, who displayed great gallantry on a recent patrol when he was attacked by seven hostile aircraft; with skill and courage he drove these off and continued his patrol. Later on he was again attacked by a large formation; in this engagement both he and his observer were wounded, but they continued the combat until they eventually drove off the enemy. Having brought back his machine, Lieut. Stupart fainted from loss of blood." Lieut. Stupart is now convalescing in hospital and is well on the road to recovery.

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The annual meeting of the Royal Montreal Golf Club will be held this month. The premier club of the continent has had a most successful season from every standpoint.

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George Cumming, of the Toronto Club, and W. M. Freeman, of the Lambton Golf Club, the first of the year are opening up an indoor golf school in the Princess Theatre building, Toronto. This will be a great boon to the golfers of the Queen City and neighboring towns, especially perhaps beginners, and players wishing to improve their game during the long and tiresome winter months, as the Toronto experts have an unequalled record as instructors.

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Mr. Brand Whitlock, the U. S. Minister to Belgium, has been given the freedom of the City of Brussels in recognition of his heroic work during the war. Mr. Whitlock is an enthusiastic golfer, a member of the Inverness Club, Toledo, Ohio. He, it was, it will be remembered, during the darkest days of the war, referred to the fact that Waterloo was won on the playing fields of Eton, and urged his fellow countrymen to keep up their golf and outdoor sports.

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During the war the U.S. Seniors' Association discontinued its annual winter dinner in New York. It will be revived, however, again next January.

The event is always eagerly anticipated. In Canada, owing to the Seniors being scattered from coast to coast, such a dinner would not be possible, although Toronto with nearly 100 Seniors and Montreal with some 75, might very well have district reunions.

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Almost any kind of odds, says the "American Golfer," would be obtainable that no player could beat the best ball of Mr. Charles Evans, Jr., Jock Hutchison, and Bob MacDonald, 6 up, and yet that feat was accomplished last month by Walter Hagen, professional at the Oakland Hills Club of Detroit. He was paired with Mr. Evans, against the Scotch professionals at the new Bob O'Link Club, Chicago, in a match for the benefit of the Overseas Tobacco Fund. Hagen never had seen the course before and although there was a breeze that amounted at times to a half gale, he breezed around the course in 67, setting a new score. This was a remarkable performance, and resulted in a win for his side, 6 and 5, the heaviest defeat the Scotchmen have incurred in any match they played this season.

It was a single-handed victory, as Mr. Evans did not get in on a single hole. Hagen was the big smoke of the four, a real perfecto.

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Golf to be played on the roof top will be a fad for visitors to Pasadena, California, this winter. A course is to be laid out on the top of the row of one-story buildings of the Maryland shops and the adjoining palm roof of the Maryland Hotel, according to scale and will include nine holes. John D. Dunn, of Philadelphia, famous golfing expert who is to be golfing instructor at the Huntingdon, Maryland and Green Hotels this winter, will construct the roof-top course.

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Major-General W. A. Logie, appointed a judge of the Supreme Court of Ontario, has been succeeded as bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada by his fellow-Hamiltonian, S. F. Washington, K.C., Crown Attorney, who is a particularly keen follower of the Royal and Ancient, a member for many years of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club.

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The marriage took place in Ottawa last month of Miss Hazel Olive Payne, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lambert Payne, of Ottawa, to Major W. W. R. Creighton, of the headquarters staff, formerly of the 60th Battalion, and son of the late Mr. Walter Lindsay Creighton, who, at the time of his demise was manager of the Bank of Montreal in Quebec. Major Creighton saw much active service in France, where he was severely wounded. He is a member of the Royal Ottawa Golf Club. His father was one of the pioneer golfers of Canada, and played for Ontario at Niagara-on-the-Lake in the second inter-provincial golf match against Quebec, Oct. 8th, 1883, or 35 years ago. On that occasion he defeated Mr. C. C. Foster, of Montreal 5 holes to 0. Hearty congratulations from golfers generally will be extended to Major Creighton and his fair young bride.

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It would seem that there are no lim-

its to the freak competitions in golf, but the height thus far was reached at the Exmoor Salvation Army Relief Tournament last month. After all, the main object of the affair was attained, something like \$5,000 being turned over to the fund, but here is how it was brought off. To begin with, there were ninety entrants, and they auctioned off the chances of each player winning. The first freak event was a mixed foursomes in which the contestants played backward—that is, from green to tee. One tee had a bath tub for a cup. They had to hole out and then take the ball out of the water. Another had a two-inch pipe for a hole, while still another had a teacup. On the ninth tee was a kitchen range, and the ball had to be played into the ashpan. A wire rat trap awaited the holing out at another tee green. At a short water hole a raft had been moored near shore, planks being placed on the top, with mats to drive from, while at one place a drive had to be made from the top of a scaffold.

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In the course of a very delightful letter to the Editor renewing his subscription to the "Canadian Golfer", Mr. Geo. J. Webster, a former well-known Torontonion now General Manager of the important Charcoal Iron Co. of America with headquarters at Marquette, Mich., writes:

"I have been for the last year a very interested reader of your magazine and every month I look forward to it as a little bit of home, to read about the doings of the old familiar golfers, and in addition to keep in touch with the new ones. . . . I spent a couple of weeks at my old club, Mississauga, this fall and it was a great pleasure to meet the old boys. I hope next year to be able to make a little trip and look up all my old friends. I had the honour last year of making the eighth hole on our course, 149 yards in one, but being outside of your limits cannot do any more than report it."

Here's hoping that in his promised trip to Ontario next season that Mr. Webster, who states that the older he gets the more he loves golf and who has hosts of golfing friends throughout Ontario, will duplicate that "hole-in-one" feat in this country and win a well-deserved subscription to this great family golfing journal of which he speaks so kindly.

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